

Myth Beyond 1091

Chapter 1091 The Battle

The following day, Yun Lintian and the others strolled around the Boundless City. With the abundance of profound energy and treasures, the city was developed exceptionally well, not inferior to the Azure Ancient City in the slightest. It was no wonder people preferred to come here instead of staying in a heaven-like Blue Oasis village. This place was simply a higher heaven.

"My father told me before that we cannot underestimate the Eastern Continent's forces. Now I understand why." Ren Mingzhu said emotionally as she looked at several monarchs and saints on the street. Instead of staying with her father and relatives in the village, she followed Lei Zhenxiang here.

Although the forces inside the Boundless Desert had nothing to do with the Blazing Sun Palace or other factions on the Eastern Continent, they were still counted as one of the eastern forces.

"This place is even better than most places on the Central Continent. No one wants to leave it after experiencing the environment here." Lei Zhenxiang said while nodding in agreement. Even though he was the palace master, he didn't know much about this place. The environment here gave him a huge surprise, and he felt it was the right decision to come here.

On the side, Han Bingling felt the environment here was good, but it was still inferior to the Land of Beyond Heaven.

While they were walking and talking, everyone suddenly heard a loud cheer coming from the distance ahead. When they looked over, they could see a huge arena crowded with people.

"Oh? Has the competition started already? Let's take a look at it." Han Bingling was surprised and quickly walked toward the arena.

At this moment, two men were engaged in a fierce battle in the arena. From their auras, they were at the middle level of the Monarch Profound Realm. It was no wonder the crowd was excited. After all, where could they see a battle between monarchs often?

"You better give up, Gu Xiao!" The sturdy man wielding a long spear shouted loudly while thrusting his spear forward.

The man with a long sword in his hand, who was called Gu Xiao, snorted coldly. "You better shut up."

As his voice fell, sword energy radiated from him as if it was desired to slay heaven and earth. At the same time, he stabbed his sword forward, creating tidal waves of the sword might, forming into a churning sword energy river that rushed up to the incoming long spear.

Boom!

The tyrannical attacks from both sides slammed on each other, producing terrifying blasts of destructive light to flash through the sky as chaotic currents swirled all over the places.

The protective barriers around the arena shook violently as if they could break at any moment.

Gu Xiao saw the opponent lose his balance. He quickly lifted his other hand and pointed down. In that instant, his sword energy was channeled around his finger, producing an ear-piercing sword hum before beaming toward the man.

Puff!

The man tried his best to block the incoming sword beam with his spear, but it was too late. Before he could do anything further, a giant hole could be seen in his shoulder. With a puffing sound, blood splashed out like a fountain.

His expression was ashen as an intense terror emerged in his heart. "I..."

Gu Xiao didn't give the man a chance to surrender. He executed his movement technique and arrived before the man, swiftly cutting his head off.

The man's head flew into the sky with his eyes widened in disbelief. To his death, he couldn't believe that Gu Xiao was actually daring to kill him.

"How dare you, Gu Xiao!?" An angry roar resounded from the stand, attracting everyone.

Everyone in Yun Lintian's group looked over and saw a white-haired old man shrouded with killing intent. With a glance, Yun Lintian could see this person was the early level of the Divine Ascending Tribulation Realm expert.

Furthermore, there were another ten people on the stand. Each one of them possessed the Divine Ascending Tribulation Realm's strength. Even though Yun Lintian had met a lot of Divine Ascending Tribulation Realm powerhouses before, this should be the first time he saw them gather together this many.

Gu Xiao sheathed his sword and turned to look at the old man fearlessly. "Senior, you should know I didn't violate any rules here. You cannot blame me for it... If you want to blame, just blame your disciple for being weak."

As he said, he glanced at a middle-aged man who served as a judge and asked. "Why don't you announce the result?"

The middle-aged man nodded and said. "Gu Xiao of the Desert Wanderer Group wins."

The white-haired old man was furious and turned to look at a charming woman in red several meters away from him. "Are you sure you want to do this, Hong Mei?"

The woman in red, Hong Mei, laughed and said. "Have you gone senile already, Duan Jiangou? Your disciple has repeatedly provoked Xiao'er under your instigation, and now he's dead. You actually asked me this?"

The old man, Duan Jiangou, released unconcealed killing intent and aura while staring at Hong Mei as if he wanted to eat her alive.

The terrifying pressure immediately enveloped the entire area, causing the onlookers to turn pale.

"Calm down, Brother Duan." At this moment, another old man sitting in the middle seat said with a smile. At the same time, he released his aura briefly to resolve the pressure created by Duan Jiangou.

This scene immediately surprised Yun Lintian and the others. Obviously, this old man was far stronger than Duan Jiangou.

"Everything is according to the rules. Gu Xiao has done nothing wrong here. If you really want to cause trouble, you go outside first. Don't make trouble to the people here." The old man said further with a faint smile.

Duan Jiangou clearly didn't want to go against the old man. He cupped his fists and said. "I'm sorry, City Lord Yuan. This old man let my anger win."

The old man, Yuan Duyi, laughed and said. "Understandable. I would, too."

He turned to the judge and said. "Please continue."

The judge nodded and proceeded to call up the next contestants.

Chapter 1092 Madam Leisure

"Hmm?" Suddenly, Yuan Duyi glanced toward Yun Lintian's group in surprise. He was attracted by their unusual aura. Compared to other monarchs, these people were clearly on a different level.

Hong Mei, who had just finished sneering at Duan Jiangou, noticed Yuan Duyi's gaze and followed it. She looked at Yun Lintian's group and said in surprise. "Are they contestants? They are quite powerful."

Her words immediately attracted everyone's attention.

Yun Lintian was taken aback when he noticed this. Why did he become the center of attention all of a sudden?

"They are representatives of our Nether Flame Group this time." A middle-aged man with a black flame tattoo on his face said calmly.

He was the leader of the Nether Flame Group, Huo Ye.

"Oh? You actually use your precious quotas to recruit them? Tell me, where did you find them from?" Hong Mei said with great interest.

Huo Ye didn't reply to her question but said. "You should tell your people to stay away from them if they don't want to die pointlessly."

A strange light flashed through Hong Mei's eyes upon hearing this. Huo Ye was a serious man who had never joked about what he said. Looked like he was extremely confident in Yun Lintian's group.

"Interesting..." A woman who wrapped herself with blue clothes from head to toe murmured softly. Her pair of magnificent eyes fixated on Yun Lintian. More precisely, she was staring at Linlin and Qingqing.

She was the mysterious leader of the Leisure Oasis Group. No one knew her true name and appearance, as people often called her Madam Leisure.

When she looked at Yun Lintian further, she could perceive the aura of her tokens inside him. Obviously, He Weimin must give them the tokens. Why did they suddenly represent the Nether Flame Group?

"Little Lan, call He Weimin for me." Madam Leisure said to a female maid beside her. The latter quickly took her transmission jade out and inquired about Yun Lintian's matter.

"I see." Madam Leisure said calmly when she heard the report from Little Lan.

She couldn't help glancing at Huo Ye. "You're really good, Brother Huo."

Huo Ye smiled faintly. He could guess that Madam Leisure must have discovered it already. "This cannot be helped. If you want to blame, you should blame your subordinate for being incompetent. He should have reported you first."

Madam Leisure sighed and said. "Indeed."

The conversation between them attracted everyone's attention. Looked like there was something about Yun Lintian's group.

Meanwhile, Yun Lintian stared at Madam Leisure for a long time. For some reason, this woman gave him a familiar feeling, as if he had seen her before.

"Do you want to take her down?" Han Bingling unknowingly appeared beside Yun Lintian and whispered softly.

The hot air from her made Yun Lintian return to his sense. He laughed and said. "You are thinking too much. I feel that I seem to have seen her somewhere before."

Han Bingling's brows raised slightly. She turned to look at Madam Leisure in doubt. At the same time, it happened the latter had also looked over. Their gazes met and stayed as it was for a while before they retracted them.

"Big Brother Yun. That beautiful sister is similar to me." Suddenly, Qingqing spoke up while looking at Madam Leisure with big eyes.

At this moment, Madam Leisure shifted her gaze onto Qingqing, and her eyes seemed to glow with a magical light.

"Similar to you? You mean she's a spirit body?" Yun Lintian asked in surprise.

"Hmph!" Qingqing snorted coldly and no longer paid attention to Madam Leisure. She hugged Yun Lintian's neck and said softly. "Can we go back? Qingqing wants to sleep now."

Yun Lintian frowned slightly. He didn't understand why Qingqing suddenly wanted to sleep. And why was she angry all of a sudden?

"Lauya, what's going on?" He couldn't help asking.

"This woman is undoubtedly a spirit body of an artifact. Earlier, she used her power to pry into Qingqing and Linlin, but it was blocked by Qingqing." Lauya explained.

Yun Lintian was shocked because he didn't feel anything at all. What the hell was going on here?

"Her mental power is too strong, and her technique is very secretive. Your current power is not enough to detect it." Hongyue was the one who spoke first. "She has also discovered my Spiritual Sense. Heh. Look like we met an interesting fellow this time."

Yun Lintian was shocked again. Until now, no one had ever detected Hongyue's Spiritual Sense. Not even Jue Kong, Long Shen, or Qing Xiaoting, who were regarded as the pinnacle existences of this world... This woman could actually do it?

While Yun Lintian was stunned by the turn of the event, Madam Leisure's face turned pale, and two streaks of blood flowed out of her eyes. This scene immediately frightened Little Lan.

"Master, what's wrong with you?" Little Lan was shocked.

"Nothing." Madam Leisure closed her eyes and said softly. "Let's go back."

"Yes." Little Lan said and hurriedly led her master away.

Their departure caused confusion to Hong Mei and the others on the stand. They didn't understand why Madam Leisure left all of a sudden.

On the side, Huo Ye glanced at the departure of Madam Leisure and turned to Yun Lintian's group. His gaze was deepened as if he had discovered something extraordinary.

Naturally, Madam Leisure's condition earlier didn't escape his perception. She clearly suffered an internal injury, and all she did was look at Yun Lintian's group.

This young man is even more exaggerated than the rumors. Thought Huo Ye. It was definitely the best decision to recruit Yun Lintian.

Yun Lintian recovered from the shock and said to everyone. "Let's go back."

Without waiting for the others to reply, he hugged Qingqing tightly and walked away under everyone's confused gaze.

"Are you alright, Master? Do you want anything?" Little Lan escorted her master to the bedroom and asked worriedly.

Madam Leisure waved her hand and said softly. "You can leave first. I need some rest."

Little Lan reluctantly said. "Alright, Master. You must tell me if you want something."

Madam Leisure patted her maid's head dotingly and said. "Thank you."

After arranging the bed, Little Lan turned around and left with a worried expression.

Silence blanketed the room, and Madam Leisure slowly took off her clothes and veil, revealing her stunning features. Her beauty was no less than Han Bingling or Yun Qianxue in the slightest.

"I didn't expect to meet them here...." She muttered to herself.

Chapter 1093 The Central Ruins (1)

When Yun Lintian returned to his room, he put Qingqin, who was already falling asleep, on the bed and covered her with the quilt before walking to the living room, where everyone was waiting for him.

"What happened?" Lei Feifei couldn't help asking.

Yun Lintian took a sip of water and asked. "Do you know about a spirit body?"

"Spirit body? You mean a body that manifested from an artifact's spirit?" Lei Zhenxiang said with a frown. "I have read about it but never seen it with my own eyes."

"Correct." Yun Lintian looked at Lei Zhenxiang and said further. "I won't hide anything from you. Qingqing is a spirit body of my artifact."

Except for Han Bingling and the others who already knew about this, everyone was shocked to hear it.

"Then what happened to her?" Lei Zhenxiang recovered from the shock and asked curiously.

"She used too much of her power earlier to protect us." Yun Lintian said. "The woman covering from head to toe is likely to be a spirit body, too. She used her power to pry into our bodies, and Qingqing blocked it."

"She's a spirit body?" Han Bingling was surprised. She didn't feel anything except for a powerful aura from Madam Leisure.

Yun Lintian nodded. "It shouldn't be a mistake. Qingqing told me herself."

"This place is full of crouching tigers and hidden dragons." Ren Mingzhu sighed in awe. Even though she had a father who stood at the peak of the Divine Ascending Tribulation Realm, it didn't prevent her from getting amazed by the powerhouses here.

Lei Zhenxiang frowned deeply. "If she's a spirit body, then who is her master?"

As soon as he said this, everyone immediately fell into silence. What did it mean? Madam Leisure was extremely powerful already. What about her master, the owner of the artifact?

"Could it be the Boundless Desert Emperor?" Lei Feifei suddenly said. "Except for him, there shouldn't be any person who is qualified enough to own such a powerful artifact."

Qing Wuji and the others nodded in agreement. Even though they had no idea how powerful the Boundless Desert Emperor truly was, it was highly possible to be him.

"This person is too mysterious. I can't find a single clue about him since we came to this place." Gong Yanhong said. "Except for his name, we literally know nothing."

Everyone glanced at each other and fell into silence once more.

Yun Lintian thought for a long time and said. "Forget it. We will eventually know later. Let's prepare for the upcoming venture."

The competition would end in two days, and it would be time to set off toward the Central Ruins afterward.

As for Madam Leisure, Yun Lintian didn't believe she would dare to come over again after getting blocked by Qingqing once.

As much as everyone wanted to discuss this further, there was no clue to continue. They simply returned to their respective rooms and waited for the time.

Inside the bedroom, Yun Lintian lay on the bed with Han Bingling in his arms while staring at the ceiling in a daze.

"Are you thinking of the Boundless Desert Emperor?" Han Bingling drew a circle on his chest boringly while asking.

"To this point, I'm not sure what kind of stance he would take. If he wants to attack me, he should have done it long ago. Why bother to wait until now?" Yun Lintian said. He was helpless on this matter since he had no clue to analyze further. All he could do was wait to enter the Central Ruins and figure it out himself.

Han Bingling smiled charmingly and snuggled closer to his chest. "In fact, you don't have to think about it. There are too many possibilities. It's impossible for us to figure it out. Like you said before, we will eventually know it later."

Yun Lintian didn't say anything. Although he said that, he couldn't stop thinking about it. It was his habit, after all.

Seeing that Yun Lintian was distracting again, Han Bingling curled her lips and gradually sat on top of him, revealing her peerless naked body.

Yun Lintian's gaze was immediately attracted by the beautiful picture in front of him, and a certain part of him was awakened.

"Let's not think about it, okay?" Han Bingling said softly while adjusting her position. Her voice was extremely seductive, causing Yun Lintian's blood to boil.

Without thinking further, Yun Lintian immediately turned over and pushed her to the bottom. Soon, the room was filled with heavenly melodies, upsetting Linlin, who was staying in the side room again.

Three days later. An increasing number of profound practitioners were starting to depart toward the Central Ruins. Although many of them couldn't enter the ruins, it didn't prevent them from looking at it. After all, this was a rare opportunity.

The Central Ruins were at the center of the Boundless Desert. The place was normally controlled by the Boundless Desert Emperor's forces and Yuan Duyi. Without their permission, whoever dared to approach this place would be killed directly.

"So this is the Central Ruins." Standing on the sea of sand and looking at the dense sandstorms in the distance, Lei Feifei said with a frown.

Judging by the look of it, she didn't know how everyone was going to pass through such a powerful sandstorm.

Yun Lintian stared at the sandstorms in the distance and tried to perceive The Earth, but he couldn't feel it in the end. This made him doubt further. What was happening to The Earth?

At this moment, more than twenty people were standing not far away from Yun Lintian. These people exuded the peak of the Monarch Profound Realm's aura. Their faces were cold as they looked at everyone who came today.

These people were no other than the guards who were protecting this place under the Boundless Desert Emperor's order.

Yuan Duyi walked forward and said to the stout man, who seemed to be the leader of the group, and said. "Everyone is here. Shall we start?"

The stout man swept his gaze over all the ten participants and paused on Yun Lintian's group before saying. "Let's start."

Chapter 1094 The Central Ruins (2)

Yun Lintian's group consisted of Han Bingling, Yun Qianxue, Mu Qiuxue, Lin Xinyao, Yun Chenyu, Lei Zhenxiang, Lei Feifei, Qin Wuji, and Ren Mingzhu. As for Master Bai, Qingqing, Linlin, and Mumu, they were not counted in the quota.

Meanwhile, Gong Yanhong and the other Black Wings group's elders stayed behind, waiting for everyone in the city.

Yun Lintian briefly glanced at the ten men and women who won the quota. He could only recognize Gu Xiao, the one he saw in the battle yesterday. As for the rest, all of them were at the middle and high level of the Monarch Profound Realm.

Gu Xiao seemed to notice Yun Lintian's gaze. He turned to look at him and nodded slightly. Before coming here, Hong Mei had strictly told him to get along with Yun Lintian's group well. Although he had no idea why his master attached great importance to a saint like Yun Lintian, he didn't dare to neglect her order.

Yun Lintian smiled and returned with a nod before looking at the guard leader in the distance.

At this moment, the guard leader walked to the wall of the sandstorm and raised his hand gently. A bright yellow light suddenly flashed, and a miraculous scene happened in front of everyone.

The thick wall of the sandstorm was suddenly separate, revealing a clear path without any obstruction.

Yuan Duyi turned around and beckoned Gu Xiao and the others. "Go. The path will be open again one month later."

Gu Xiao didn't say anything and quickly walked into the ruins without hesitation, followed by the other nine.

Yun Lintian looked at the path ahead briefly and said to everyone. "Let's go. Yu'er, come closer to me."

Yun Chenyu obediently held Yun Lintian's hand, and everyone immediately followed Gu Xiao and the others into the ruins.

As they disappeared from everyone's line of sight, the guard leader raised his hand again, and the wall of sandstorm immediately returned to its original state. Those onlookers who came for the first time immediately realized that it was impossible to sneak in. Unless they didn't want to live anymore.

Inside the Central Ruins, it was constantly embroiled in violent sandstorms, and this was only at the edge of the ruins.

Yun Lintian's group stood on the place and channeled their profound energy to block the sandstorms while scanning the place curiously.

"I'm afraid that even a monarch will find it difficult to stay here." Lei Feifei said. She was at the peak of the Monarch Profound Realm, yet she felt this place was full of threats.

"Indeed." Lei Zhenxiang said. "However, the energy in this place is really abundant. It's several times higher than the outside."

When he said this, he couldn't help drawing profound energy into his body.

"Look on your right." Master Bai suddenly said. His voice immediately attracted everyone's attention.

When they looked at the location he told them, a half-meter-tall cactus could be seen. With a glance, everyone could see it wasn't an ordinary cactus. It was actually a high-rank magical plant.

"I have never seen this kind of a magical plant before." Qin Wuji frowned slightly. He couldn't recognize this cactus.

Suddenly, Linlin stood on Yun Lintian's shoulder and stared at the sand beneath the cactus. "There's something beneath it."

Just as everyone was looking at the cactus, the ground suddenly shook, and a gigantic earthworm-like creature jumped out with its mouth wide open toward everyone.

From its aura, it was definitely a Monarch Profound Beast!

"Leave it to me." Lei Zhenxiang was the first to react. He dashed forward and stuck out his palm, which was covered with lightning sparks.

Boom!

The palm hit the earthworm's head violently, and Lei Zhenxiang felt like he was hitting a steel plate.

The earthworm didn't budge an inch. It roared angrily and opened its mouth, trying to swallow Lei Zhenxiang.

Ren Mingzhu's expression changed when she saw this. Her figure flashed and reappeared beside the earthworm. With a loud battle cry, she swept her leg, which had transformed into a giant whale's tail, at it.

Boom!

This time, the earthworm was sent flying like a cannonball and landed heavily on the ground. Lei Zhenxiang and Ren Mingzhu seemed to have a tacit understanding. Both of them immediately launched the following attacks on the earthworm simultaneously.

However, before their attacks could land, the earthworm swiftly buried its head in the ground and disappeared into the sea of sand, making Lei Zhenxiang and Ren Mingzhu stare at the empty space helplessly.

"It runs away," Linlin said softly.

The earthworm was smart enough and knew it wasn't their opponent. It immediately fled without hesitation.

Lei Zhenxiang returned to the group with an embarrassing smile. "Sorry. I let it go." He then turned to Ren Mingzhu. "Thank you for helping me."

Ren Mingzhu brushed her long hair slightly and said. "Its body is really tough. It's like I kicked a tortoise shell."

"Well, the earth-attributed profound beast is like this. Most of them have an impressive defense." Lei Feifei said.

In fact, she was also shocked by the sturdiness of the earthworm. After getting kicked by Ren Mingzhu, who was a Blue Moon whale, it was actually fine. This was definitely the toughest profound beast she had ever seen.

"Look like we should stay together." Qin Wuji said solemnly. He was certain there were many profound beasts like this earthworm waiting for them as they ventured deeper. It would be an unwise choice to separate.

Everyone turned to look at Yun Lintian. After getting along for a period of time, Lei Feifei and the others had long treated him as a leader.

Yun Lintian, who was scanning the surrounding with the Eyes of Heaven, nodded and said. "Elder Qin is right. We shouldn't separate."

As he finished his sentence, the Heaven Piercing Sword on his neck suddenly expanded and shot out, fiercely stabbing the ground a hundred meters away.

Accompanying by a bestial roar, a huge bearded dragon slowly got out of its camouflage, struggling for a while and lost its life.

This scene immediately shocked everyone.

Yun Lintian waved his hand, and the sword immediately flew back to him. If he didn't check with the Eyes of Heaven, he wouldn't have noticed this bearded dragon who blended with the environment perfectly.

Chapter 1095 Natural Formation

Qin Wuji arrived before the corpse of the bearded dragon and dug out its profound beast core. Holding the bright yellow profound beast core, he was shocked to find that it was an early level of the Monarch Profound Beast's core.

If Yun Lintian didn't find out, they would definitely get ambushed by it, and the consequence would be unimaginable.

Qin Wuji dragged the corpse back and handed the profound beast core to Yun Lintian. "Thank you for saving us."

Yun Lintian took it and handed it to Linlin. "Why are you being polite, Elder Qin?"

Qin Wuji smiled and said nothing further. He was thoroughly convinced by this young man. Who would believe it if he told them this young man was only at the Origin Profound Realm a year ago? Now, he could kill a monarch profound beast at ease.

Yun Lintian scanned the surroundings again and found nothing. He then said. "Let's move forward slowly."

Everyone had no objection and immediately set off.

The farther they moved, the richer the earth elemental energy became. Yun Lintian casually drew the energy into his body while moving, and he could feel that he was about to break through as long as he continued for a few hours.

With this notation, he fully believed that The Earth was here. The only problem was he couldn't feel it at all.

After walking for an hour, Yun Qianxue suddenly frowned and said. "Strange. It's like we are moving in a circle."

It wasn't Yun Qianxue alone that discovered this, Mu Qiuxue and Han Bingling felt the same way. Although the scenery in this place was pretty much the same, they could still recognize the area they had walked past. Obviously, they had been here before.

Yun Lintian stopped his track and scanned the surroundings carefully with the Eyes of Heaven. However, he couldn't find anything strange except abundant earth energy.

While everyone was at a loss, Master Bai, who possessed rich experiences, suddenly said. "Have all of you noticed the sand under your feet while traveling?"

Lei Zhenxiang, Lei Feifei, Qin Wuji, and Ren Mingzhu looked at him strangely. They always thought this white owl was Yun Lintian's companion pet, but why would he show such an expert demeanor?

Under everyone's gaze, Master Bai grinned proudly. "All you try to move forward again."

Yun Lintian didn't think too much and took a step forward while looking at the ground carefully, followed by everyone.

A moment later, everyone seemed to notice something was wrong. They didn't know whether it was an illusion, as the sand seemed to move along with them. This made them feel like they were walking in the same place over and over again.

"Do you feel the same?" Lei Feifei asked Qin Wuji uncertainly.

Qin Wuji nodded firmly. "Undoubtedly, the ground is moving with us."

Lei Zhenxiang frowned and turned to Master Bai, waiting for the latter's explanation.

Master Bai stuck his chest out slightly, showing a proud demeanor as he spoke. "This should be a natural formation."

"A natural formation?" Lei Zhenxiang nodded slightly. He, of course, knew what it was. "Then we are in trouble. The only way to break the natural formation is to destroy its energy source. How are we going to find it?"

Master Bai lowered his hand to look at Yun Lintian and said. "You can see the energy flow. Am I correct?"

Although Master Bai didn't know much about the Beyond Heaven King, he could guess one or two things about his abilities. He had seen Yun Lintian use a strange eye technique a few times and came to the conclusion that he could see the energy flow.

Lei Zhenxiang and the others were surprised to hear this.

Yun Lintian frowned slightly and asked. "I can see the flow, but it flows in a circle."

"Are we at the center of the circle?" Master Bai asked further.

Yun Lintian raised his head slightly and replied. "Almost."

"No wonder." Master Bai chuckled. "We are standing at the center of the formation right now. It would be a joke if we weren't affected by it."

Master Bai flapped his wings and flew into the air. He looked left and right for a while and said. "Boy Yun. Call your sword out and stab on the ground below me."

Yun Lintian summoned the Heaven Piercing Sword out and did as Master Bai said.

Master Bai landed on the hilt of the sword; before he could say anything, he was blown away by the sword's aura. He spun a few rounds before smashing on the ground miserably.

"F*ck!" Master Bai cursed aloud while getting up from the ground. He glared at the sword viciously. "Do you want your master to get out of this trap or not?"

Buzz—

The sword let out a loud hum as if it was retorting Master Bai. Besides Yun Lintian and Qing Xiaoting, it didn't want anyone to touch it. Especially this stinky white owl.

Master Bai snorted coldly and turned to Yun Lintian. "Boy Yun. You tell it to be obedient, and I will help you break this formation."

Yun Lintian smiled faintly and patted the sword gently. "It's fine. I will wipe you with alcohol later."

"Do I look like a plaque?" Master Bai was speechless.

The sword hummed softly as if it reluctantly agreed with Yun Lintian's request.

"Go ahead." Yun Lintian said.

Master Bai rose from the ground and landed on the hilt cautiously. This time, the sword didn't do anything to him. He was relieved and asked Yun Lintian. "Give me the bearded dragon's blood."

Yun Lintian took the bearded dragon's corpse out, and Master Bai quickly drew its blood out. Soon, the droplets of blood transformed into complicated runes and stuck to the ground one after another.

"Watch carefully. This is a demonic formation called Heaven Swallowing." Master Bai acted like a teacher teaching students. As he flapped his wings slightly, a burst of white light flashed, and the runes immediately shone brightly.

All of a sudden, a violent surge of power rushed into the Heaven Piercing Sword before spreading deep into the ground.

BOOM!

The ground shook violently. All the sandstorms immediately scattered away.

Under the Eyes of Heaven, Yun Lintian could see the earth energy that originally flowed in a circle suddenly bent and became a single line of energy current, flowing in one direction...

Chapter 1096 Mysterious Disappearance (1)

The ground continued to shake, and several profound beasts emerged out of the sand, fleeing in all directions as they perceived danger.

A moment later, Master Bai trembled as he exhausted his profound energy. He glanced at the bearded dragon's corpse and opened his mouth. Immediately, the corpse flew into his mouth, that was widened in an exaggerated shape and disappeared completely.

A warm current flushed to every corner of Master Bai's body, and his profound strength constantly increased. From the peak of the Spirit Profound Realm to the Origin Profound Realm, and finally stopped at the peak of the Heaven Profound Realm.

This scene stunned Lei Zhenxiang and the others. They were even more curious about Master Bai's origin.

After replenishing his energy, Master Bai continued to exert his power until a breaking sound echoed throughout the entire space.

Master Bai stopped and glanced around briefly. When he saw the sandstorms were gradually subsiding, he nodded and said. "Done."

Immediately, Yun Lintian scanned the place through the Eyes of Heaven and saw the energy flow in one direction permanently, unlike the original one.

Master Bai flew over and landed on Yun Lintian's head. "You owe me one, boy."

Boom!

As he finished his sentence, the Heaven Piercing Sword burst out of its aura and blasted Master Bai away.

"F*ck!" Master Bai was so furious, but he couldn't deal with the sword with his current strength. He could only suppress his anger and went to Yun Qianxue's side.

However, before he could land on her shoulder, his wings immediately froze with layers of ice, making him fall to the ground.

"You!" Master Bai wanted to cry. Why would everyone hate him after helping them?

Han Bingling and the others held back the urge to laugh when they saw Master Bai's miserable appearance.

In the end, Master Bai sat on Qin Wuji's shoulder and looked at the sword in Yun Lintian's hand resentfully.

Yun Lintian looked at Master Bai and said. "Thank you."

He turned to look at the path ahead. "Let's go."

Everyone nodded and moved forward.

While Yun Lintian's group resumed their journey, the mysterious man who stayed deep in ruins watched everything play out while murmuring to himself. "That owl is not ordinary. Could it come from the Divine Realm?"

He went silent for a moment and said, with a trace of joy in his voice. "Very good. I didn't expect my luck to be this good...."

BOOM!

Somewhere in the ruins, an intense battle broke out between two practitioners. One side was Gu Xiao which Yun Lintian had seen before, and his opponent was a young man with profound strength at the ninth level of Monarch Profound Realm.

In this situation, Gu Xiao was disadvantaged as his profound strength was inferior. Coupled with the fact that he had just killed an early-level Monarch Profound Beast with difficulty, he was completely suppressed by his opponent.

"I know ii. You have been following me for all this time, Wan Jiansheng." Gu Xiao wiped the trace of bloodstain out of the corner of his mouth and stared at the young man, Wan Jiansheng, coldly.

"So what if you know? Aren't you still falling into my hand in the end?" Wan Jiansheng smiled disdainfully.

Gu Xiao's expression turned grim. He glanced around briefly, trying to find a retreating route.

However, his action was within Wan Jiansheng's eyes. Before Gu Xiao could move, Wan Jiansheng had already stomped his foot on the ground. With a loud bang, a huge barrier immediately appeared around them, preventing Gu Xiao from escaping.

Gu Xiao was shocked inwardly. He looked at Wan Jiansheng and said coldly. "Your master surely spares no effort just to catch me."

"It can't be helped. Who let you kill my junior brother?" Wan Jiansheng chuckled. "As for catching you... Have you misunderstood something?"

As his voice fell, Wan Jiansheng's figure flashed and arrived behind Gu Xiao. A long sword in his hand gleamed with mighty light, cutting through the space and slashing toward Gu Xiao's back.

Gu Xiao urged his profound energy to the limit and executed his movement technique, trying his best to avoid the attack. With his current strength, it would be unwise to crash head-on.

Puff!

Gu Xiao successfully retreated into the distance, but his speed was too slow. He couldn't avoid the slash completely.

A long wound appeared on his back as his blood gushed out. His face turned pale as he knelt on one knee on the ground.

Wan Jiansheng was surprised slightly. He shook the blood out of his sword and said coldly. "Not bad. You can actually avoid my attack in such a state. No wonder that bitch Hong Mei values you very much."

Gu Xiao's eyes flashed with boundless killing intent. It was fine to insult him, but insulting his master was unacceptable. However, he didn't rush to make a move. His mind spun rapidly, thinking of how to get out of this current predicament.

"Let's see what you are hiding." Wan Jiansheng's eyes narrowed slightly when he saw Gu Xiao manage to hold back his anger. Obviously, he had a trump card in his sleeve. Perhaps it was something his master gave him.

Thinking of this, he didn't rush to Gu Xiao rashly like before. He raised his sword and swung it down, creating a horizontal sword beam toward Gu Xiao.

The sword beam carried a powerful might, spreading the sea of sand on its path in half with an ear-piercing cry reverberating throughout the space.

Gu Xiao's expression was ashen. He thought Wan Jiansheng would come to him again, and this time, he could use his trump card to deal with him. Unexpectedly, this bastard was clever enough.

Seeing the sword beam was about to arrive, Gu Xiao gritted his teeth and made a decision. Immediately, a small red feather appeared in his hand, and he quickly injected the last trace of his profound energy into it.

With a bang, the red feather abruptly transformed into a fiery bird and swallowed the incoming sword beam and the surrounding barrier while rushing toward Wan Jiansheng.

"Hmph!" Wan Jiansheng snorted coldly. He guessed it right. Gu Xiao was holding back his life-saving card for all this time.

Without thinking further, he hurriedly retreated and threw a palm-sized yellow plate at the incoming firebird.

In that instant, the yellow plate spun midair, and a thick profound shield appeared around it...

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Boom!

A huge yellow profound shield appeared midair and entirely blocked the firebird. A violent explosion lasted for a full minute before the shield and the firebird disappeared altogether.

When everything calmed down, Wan Jiansheng discovered that Gu Xiao had already disappeared from his sight. He hurriedly spread his Spiritual Sense out, but he couldn't catch a single trace of him.

"Damn it!" Wan Jiansheng was furious. He couldn't believe that he had let Gu Xiao slip away.

Just as he calmed down, the surrounding sandstorms suddenly grew stronger, making him look around in confusion.

"What is... Argh!" Wan Jiansheng suddenly caught a glimpse of a massive shadow within the sandstorms. Before he could finish his sentence, his entire body was covered with a huge shadow and disappeared from the place.

A few tens of kilometers away from the scene, Gu Xiao gritted his teeth and continued to run for his life. He turned to look back from time to time and heaved a sigh of relief as he didn't see Wan Jiansheng's figure.

Thud!

He was finally exhausted completely and fell to the ground, panting heavily. He didn't forget to stuff a recovery pill into his mouth and closed his eyes, silently recovering his energy.

"Not bad. Looks like there are a lot of good seedlings in this batch." An aged voice suddenly resounded in Gu Xiao's mind, causing him to jolt awake and get up from the ground.

"Who are you?" Gu Xiao gripped the sword in his hand tightly and looked around vigilantly.

"Who am I?... Well, everyone often called me Boundless Desert Emperor." The aged voice resounded again.

"Boundless Desert Emperor?" Gu Xiao was shocked. He hurriedly bowed his head. "Junior Gu Xiao pays respect to His Majesty Boundless Desert Emperor."

"There's no need to be polite." The Boundless Desert Emperor said. "Do you want to come to my place?"

Gu Xiao's expression froze for a moment and turned into joy. He quickly replied. "I am willing."

"Good." The Boundless Desert Emperor said.

Instantly, Gu Xiao saw a vast shadow coming from the sky. Before he could react, he had already found himself standing on a giant platform with several earth pillars around it.

At the center, a human head-sized earth orb was floating on top of an earthly altar. A mysterious man was covering himself from head to toe could be seen beside it. Without a doubt, this person was the Boundless Desert Emperor!

When Gu Xiao was about to greet him, his pupils suddenly shrank as he caught a glimpse of a familiar figure in the corner of his sight. He looked over, and his entire body froze. "Wan Jiansheng... Ji Yi...?"

The scene in front of him shocked him greatly. Wan Jiansheng was tied to the pillar with a mysterious power. And it wasn't only him. Gu Xiao saw a few familiar figures on each pillar. These people were obviously those ten people who came with him this round.

"This..." Gu Xiao was lost for a word.

"Surprise?" The Boundless Desert Emperor said calmly. "Don't worry. You will join them later."

Gu Xiao returned to his sense and quickly took out another red feather.

However, before he could activate it, he discovered that he couldn't move an inch. It was as if he was firmly grasped by a visible hand.

"That Little Girl Hong surely values you a lot. She even gave you two precious phoenix feathers. I'm starting to get curious now. Are you her lover?" The Boundless Desert Emperor chuckled, and the red feather in Gu Xiao's hand flew over, landing on his palm.

Gu Xiao's lips moved slightly, but he couldn't say a word, as if something was blocking his throat.

"Stay here in peace." The Boundless Desert Emperor seemed bored when he saw this. He waved his hand, sending Gu Xiao onto the top of a vacant pillar, joining Wan Jiansheng and the others.

He then turned to look at the orb beside him and murmured to himself. "All the side characters are here. It's time to bring the main characters over."

Yun Lintian's group traveled for a day and night. Along the way, they killed many Monarch Profound Beasts, and Yun Lintian didn't forget to show his cooking skill.

Master Bai, Linlin, and Mumu benefited a lot from this. Especially Master Bai. He continued to absorb flesh and blood from those beasts, and his strength had already reached the peak of the Saint Profound Realm. This speed made Lei Zhenxiang and the others numb.

"Kehaha! It's really a wise decision to come with you." Master Bai laughed heartily while nibbling roasted meat. Because of the abnormally high quality of the profound beasts here, his strength recovered at an extreme speed that he didn't expect before. He was in a good mood now.

Yun Lintian rolled his eyes and cut pieces of meat for Linlin and Qingqing.

"This place is definitely one of the best lands in the world." Lei Feifei said while elegantly sipping tea. "We have gained a lot in just one day. I'm afraid that even the Heaven Vault Island on the south might not be comparable to this."

On the way, they found a lot of heaven and earth treasures. The amount of them could easily support Lei Feifei's Black Wings Group for a few years with no problem.

"However, I find it strange." Lei Zhenxiang suddenly said. "I don't know why, but I feel like something is wrong here. It's just my feeling."

Mu Qiuxue, who rarely spoke, had also opened her mouth this time. "We have been traveling for a while but didn't see anyone here."

In fact, she suspected this from the moment they had entered this place. Although they came later, it shouldn't reach the point where they couldn't keep up with Gu Xiao and the other nine people. Where did they go?

Yun Lintian had thought about this as well. At first, he thought everyone fell into the natural formation, which separated his and Gu Xiao's group. However, after walking for a day, he couldn't find any trace of the others. This was truly strange.

Boom!

All of a sudden, the surrounding sandstorms went berserk. They grew violent without a sign and broke the formation Yun Lintian set up directly.

Before everyone could react, they were instantly engulfed by the sandstorms...

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"Linlin? Qingqing?" Yun Lintian released his profound energy to protect himself from the sandstorms. However, the sandstorms were too intense, so his profound defense could not handle it.

He had to close his eyes while blocking the sand with his hands. At the same time, he called for Linlin and Qingqing, asking them to help, but he suddenly discovered they had already disappeared from his shoulders.

"Hongyue!" Yun Lintian shouted in his mind, but he didn't dare to open the Gate of Beyond Heaven rashly, as he was afraid he was being monitored currently.

Boom!

Hongyue's aura burst out from within Yun Lintian's body, and the surrounding sandstorms immediately scattered, disappearing in the next moment.

Yun Lintian quickly opened his eyes and found himself alone in the desert. Everyone was nowhere to be seen now.

"What's going on?" Yun Lintian said to himself in confusion. How could people disappear like that?

"They have been taken away. Looks like your guess is correct. Someone can control this place at will." Hongyue's voice resounded.

"Boundless Desert Emperor." Yun Lintian calmed down completely. He quickly scanned the place with the Eyes of Heaven. He saw the energy flow toward the path ahead in a unification manner.

Without thinking further, he quickly rushed forward with all his might.

Roar—

As Yun Lintian traveled for a few kilometers, several Monarch Profound Beasts suddenly appeared and surrounded him. It was as if they were ordered by someone.

Yun Lintian's eyes turned cold. The Heaven Piercing Sword appeared in his hand, and his figure flashed.

Clang!

The space was filled with sword hums, and the air seemed to turn into shard blades. With a flash of golden light, a few of the surrounding profound beasts were cut in half directly. Among them, there were three of the peak Monarch Profound Beasts.

If Lei Zhenxiang and the others were here, they would immediately realize that Yun Lintian had always concealed his strength for all this time.

Because the situation was urgent, Yun Lintian held nothing back and unleashed all of his strength.

The profound beasts that originally swarmed toward Yun Lintian were immediately halted upon seeing their comrades fall. This gave Yun Lintian a chance to eradicate them.

Rumble—

Yun Lintian's entire body was instantly shrouded with purple lightning sparks. He swung his sword horizontally, sending several lightning arcs toward the enemies.

Boom!

One after another. The profound beasts' bodies were shattered directly.

Yun Lintian swept his gaze over the remaining profound beasts in the distance, causing them to shiver before fleeing in fright.

Yun Lintian retracted his sword and waved his hand slightly, storing all the profound beast's remains before moving forward.

The scene was falling into the Boundless Desert Emperor, who was observing Yun Lintian all this time. "As expected. He's really something."

He retracted his gaze and turned to look at Yun Qianxue and the others, who were tied on the pillars similar to Gu Xiao. Their faces were pale as they stared at him coldly.

The Boundless Desert Emperor chuckled when he saw this. "I have to admit, all of you are very talented. Unfortunately, your life is no longer yours the moment you stepped into the ruins."

"You are the Boundless Desert Emperor?" Lei Zhenxiang asked calmly.

The Boundless Desert Emperor glanced at Lei Zhenxiang and said. "I am... Honestly, I didn't expect to see the Divine Thunder Palace Master here. This round of sacrifice is really abundant."

"Sacrifice?" Han Bingling's face turned cold.

The Boundless Desert Emperor nodded slightly. "What do you think I am doing then?"

Lei Zhenxiang's mind turned fast. "So, you open the so-called ruins to lure people in and make them a sacrificial lamb?"

"Bingo." The Boundless Desert Emperor said playfully. "Birds die in pursuit of food, and humans die in pursuit of wealth. Years after years. There will be stupid people like you coming here to seek wealth, but they end up falling into my hand. Of course, I deliberately let some of that worthless trash go to create an illusion this place is not dangerous as they thought."

Lei Zhenxiang and the others immediately understood everything. The reason for having the number limit was to filter the weak out, leaving the strong behind to enter this place.

"Why do you want to do this?" Lei Zhenxiang asked. "With your strength, you can create a strong faction by yourself."

The Boundless Desert Emperor sneered. "Becoming a master of a powerful faction and posing your inferior strength everywhere? Do you think I'm stupid like you lots?"

He turned to look at the earth orb and said. "However, I understand why you are saying this. After all, your vision has been limited by your ancestor... I have seen a lot of things beyond this weak and lowly mortal world. This place is no longer worth my presence."

Lei Zhenxiang frowned and looked at the earth orb thoughtfully. Although he didn't know what it was, the Divine Thunder Spark inside him had become restless because of it. It was as if it had seen its nemesis.

"Heh. All of you will never understand it." The Boundless Desert Emperor waved his hand, and Lei Zhenxiang and the others couldn't speak as if something was blocking their throat.

Han Bingling and Yun Qianxue glanced at each other with worries in their eyes. This Boundless Desert Emperor's strength was obviously abnormally high. They believed he was far stronger than Yin Bei.

Although they knew Yun Lintian was strong, they couldn't help but worry.

At this moment, Yun Lintian rushed all the way in the direction of the energy flow. Several profound beasts tried to ambush him along the way, but they were killed instead.

Nevertheless, they constantly came for him without giving him a rest. Obviously, they wanted to make him spend more energy.

"Big Brother Yun!" Suddenly, Yun Lintian heard a familiar voice coming from the distance ahead. A green figure quickly rushed toward him and jumped into his arm. She was no other than Qingqing.

"Are you alright, Qingqing?" Yun Lintian asked and checked on Qingqing concernedly.

"I'm fine." Qingqing tilted her head cutely. "But I'm hungry now."

Yun Lintian smiled and took the roasted meat out. "Have you seen the others?"

Qingqing shook her head. "No."

Yun Lintian frowned deeply upon hearing this... Since Qingqing was here, the others might have also been scattered to other places nearby.

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Yun Lintian carried Qingqing in his arms and continued to move forward. With Qingqing here, his burden was reduced by several degrees. All the incoming profound beasts were casually killed by a wave of her hand.

"Yun Boy?" Suddenly, Yun Lintian saw Master Bai flying toward him with an excited expression as if he saw an oasis.

Master Bai quickly landed on Yun Lintian's shoulder and said. "Thankfully, I met you here. Otherwise, I don't know how tired I would be."

With Master Bai's current strength, the profound beasts here were no longer a threat to him. It was just that the number was too large. He would have to spend a lot of effort to kill them all.

"Have you seen the others?" Yun Lintian asked.

"No." Master Bai shook his head. "There was something tricky in the previous sandstorm. It was working like a teleporting formation."

"Fortunately, I am strong enough to resist it. As for the others, I am afraid they have been teleported somewhere already."

Yun Lintian frowned deeply. The worries in his heart grew further. Clearly, there was a conspiracy behind this. He didn't know what the Boundless Desert Emperor's purpose was in doing this.

"Hmm?" At this moment, Yun Lintian caught a glimpse of Linlin in the distance. She was now battling with some monarch profound beasts.

Without hesitation, Yun Lintian's figure flashed and arrived above her. With the sword in his hand, he swung it down and instantly killed all the opponents.

"Big Brother Yun." Linlin reverted to her miniature form and jumped onto his shoulder, rubbing her head against his cheek.

"Are you alright?" Yun Lintian asked concernedly.

"I'm good," Linlin replied softly.

Yun Lintian was relieved after confirming there was no injury to her.

"Boy, the center of this place shouldn't be far away from here." Master Bai suddenly said as he looked at the path ahead. "I can feel the intense earth energy over there."

Yun Lintian saw the concentrated earth energy in the path ahead through the Eyes of Heaven. Obviously, it was entirely different from what he had seen before.

Yun Lintian calmed down and stuffed a handful of recovery pills into his mouth. No matter what was waiting for him there, he had to prepare for the worst.

After adjusting his condition, he took a deep breath and continued to move forward. This time, he didn't rush but moved with caution.

Soon, several earth pillars came into Yun Lintian's line of sight. What caused his expression to change was the people on the pillars. Without a doubt, they were Yun Qianxue and the others.

Yun Lintian's face turned cold as he rushed toward the platform. His eyes fixated on the mysterious man standing near the altar with the earth orb floating above it.

With a glance, Yun Lintian immediately recognized it. This should be The Earth he was looking for.

The Boundless Desert Emperor looked at Yun Lintian and smiled. "Look like you have indeed recognized it. Haha. I can be sure now that you are the right person."

Yun Lintian retracted his gaze from the orb and returned to the Boundless Desert Emperor. "What's your intention?"

"Why are you asking such a stupid question?" The Boundless Desert Emperor laughed slightly. He spread his arms and said. "Isn't it obvious? I know that you can absorb this earth orb. Just hand your profound vein over, and I will spare your life."

Yun Lintian's pupils shrank slightly upon hearing this. Could it be this man knew about the Beyond Heaven Profound Vein?

"Impossible. It should be his guess." Hongyue's voice resounded in his mind. She seemed to see through his thought. "He probably guesses that it has something to do with your profound vein after seeing you display various attributed powers."

Seeing Yun Lintian frowning, the Boundless Desert Emperor said further. "I know you have a lot of doubts, but I can answer you later. I don't like to waste my time. I will give you ten seconds to think about it. After that, I will kill your friends one by one."

Yun Qianxue and the others looked at Yun Lintian worriedly. Especially Yun Qianxue and Han Bingling. They didn't care about their life. All they wanted was to see him safe and sound.

Yun Lintian's eyes turned cold. He communicated with Master Bai, Qingqing, and Linlin. "I'll retrain him. Can you bring every down?"

"Boy, since he has been observing you all this time, he certainly has a way of dealing with you. It shouldn't be a simple matter if you want to save everyone. My suggestion is that you should ask Princess Hongyue to take action." Master Bai said.

Yun Lintian frowned. "Can you help me, Hongyue? Just protect them. I will take care of him by myself."

"Give up so easily?" Hongyue sneered. "I have already helped you once. Don't be greedy."

Yun Lintian's face darkened, but he had no way to refute it. After all, he kept saying he would rely on his strength, but he actually asked her to help him.

He took a deep breath and said. "You're right. This is my battle."

Master Bai frowned deeply. "Boy, I can tell you that his strength has already exceeded this world's ceiling. You're not his opponent."

"It doesn't matter. You will never know if you don't try." Yun Lintian said calmly, and the White Dragon Spear and the Heaven Piercing Sword appeared in his hands.

"Have you decided?" The Boundless Desert Emperor asked casually. He didn't seem to take Yun Lintian's battle stance seriously.

Golden flames shone brightly on Yun Lintian's eyes, and his aura burst out, sweeping all the surrounding sand away.

"Linlin, Qingqing, please protect them." Yun Lintian said, and his figure disappeared from the place.

Linlin immediately transformed into her true form and conjured lightning barriers around Yun Qianxue and the others.

Meanwhile, Qingqing waved her hand, creating windstorms to surround Yun Qianxue and the others, preventing the Boundless Desert Emperor from taking action against them.

On the other hand, Master Bai didn't do anything. He stared at the Boundless Desert Emperor calmly, waiting to see how Yun Lintian would deal with him.

The Boundless Desert Emperor's eyes narrowed slightly. A sneer emerged on his lips. "Overestimating yourself."

Boom!

Chapter 1100 Despair (1)

The ground shook, and several earth pillars protruded out of it, aiming at Yun Lintian.

Yun Lintian constantly executed the Shadow Step to avoid them and arrived before the Boundless Desert Emperor.

"Hah!" His aura burst forth as he swung the sword down with a sharp crimson flame trailing behind.

A dreadful yellow light flashed through the Boundless Desert Emperor's eyes. Before Yun Lintian's slash could reach his head, a thick earth shield abruptly appeared in between, completely blocking the incoming attack.

At the same time, an earthly spike shot out of the ground beneath Yun Lintian. It was sharp and deadly, going straight to his belly.

Seeing this, Yun Lintian didn't hesitate to thrust the White Dragon Spear forward, producing a virtual fire dragon.

BOOM!

Everything happened simultaneously, creating a massive explosion of power, sweeping away all the tiles and sand nearby.

Before the dust that filled the air could settle, Yun Lintian's figure emerged behind the Boundless Desert Emperor like a ghost. His entire body was burning with the phoenix flame that instantly melted the ground.

The Heaven Piercing Sword in his head let out an ear-piercing cry, releasing its terrifying sword intent. The crimson and golden brilliance from the flame and the sword intertwined, transforming into a terrifying blade arc to sweep toward the Boundless Desert Emperor's head.

The Boundless Desert Emperor let out a cold chuckle. He didn't even bother to turn around as he reached his hand, which was covered with thick sand, toward the incoming attack.

BOOOOOM—

As a massive explosion shook the heavens, the space surrounding them distorted dreadfully. Amidst the exploding golden flames, the Boundless Desert Emperor's hand tightly gripped the Heaven Piercing Sword. His dreadful eyes, which looked like the eyes of a vicious ghost, stared at Yun Lintian coldly.

"Despite having the Divine Phoenix bloodline, you can only do this much. Honestly, I'm a bit disappointed." He said calmly.

Yun Lintian tried to retract the sword but discovered it could not be moved an inch. His instinct kicked in as he quickly stabbed the spear toward the enemy's belly.

Bang!

The Boundless Desert Emperor simply used two fingers to catch the spear's tip, and Yun Lintian was rendered powerless directly.

"Nice struggle."

As the Boundless Desert Emperor's voice fell, his eyes shone with a dreadful yellow light, and twenty percent of his profound strength suddenly erupted from his body.

BOOM!

It was as if a heavenly hammer had suddenly risen up to the fullest and smashed against Yun Lintian's chest. A mouthful of fresh blood wildly sprayed from Yun Lintian's mouth as the White Dragon Spear and the Heaven Piercing Sword instantly flew from his hands.

His entire body flew away like a leaf being blown by the wind as he landed heavily in the distance.

"Lintian!"

"Master!"

"Brother Yun!"

Yun Qianxue and the others let out cries of alarm at the same time. They struggled hard to get rid of the bound, but even with the help of Qingqing and Linlin, their action was destined to fail.

"Cough!... cough cough..." Yun Lintian's entire body shook, and he lay sprawled on the ground. His chest was sunk inside as several ribs broke from the attack. He coughed out more than ten mouthfuls of fresh blood, and every time he coughed, a shocking and ghastly lump of blood would fly out from his mouth.

The pain reminded him of the difference in power between them. It was a gap that was a hundred times bigger than the gap between him and Yin Bei. It was so big that there were basically no methods he could use to close the gap. Even if he used the Crown, he wasn't sure he could do anything to the enemy.

"Lintian! Hurry up and leave! No need to care about us." Han Bingling shouted in a voice that trembled with every word she spoke.

Yun Lintian extended his hands, and the Heaven Piercing Sword and the White Dragon Spear flew back into his grasp. He stood up by using the spear as a crutch. His face was ghastly pale, and his entire body swayed.

His aura was also in complete and utter chaos. Only his eyes were still so icy and determined. One could not see any fear or intention to flee within them.

"Come on. Show me what you got." The Boundless Desert Emperor crossed his arms before his chest and said in a relaxed voice. He simply disregarded Linlin and Qingqing.

"HAAH!" Yun Lintian took a deep breath and let out a great roar. His eyes gradually turned into beast-like ones, and his entire body was covered with white fur similar to Linlin's.

The already-extinguished crimson flames on his body once more flared to life. The brilliant sea of flames of the Vermilion Bird flame and the Phoenix flame burst out, spreading across the sky. In the depth of the sky, the cries of Phoenix and Vermilion Bird filled the air, accompanied by a vast thunder roar filled with heavenly might.

The flames and energy waves that were so intense gave the Boundless Desert Emperor a surprise. This was the first time he saw someone possess three divine beast bloodlines at the same time.

An exciting smile appeared on his face underneath the veil. "Marvelous! Truly marvelous! As expected from a heaven-defying existence like you!"

He stared at Yun Lintian and scoffed disdainfully. "To think that you're actually still thinking of struggling. Do you actually believe that just by burning divine blood, you will be able to fight me? Heh! How naïve!"

Rumble—

As his voice fell, all the nearby sand abruptly roiled up, creating huge sand waves to block the sky before rolling down upon Yun Lintian, aiming to bury him.

Yun Lintian's eyes flashed with divine light. The Thunder, The Moon, The Sun, and The Storm in his body were brightly lit.

A peerlessly dreadful terror and pressure slowly descended from somewhere, causing the Boundless Desert Emperor to frown deeply. This was the most terrifying aura he had ever sensed in his entire life... It was as if a devil god that had been slumbering for countless years was slowly opening one of its devilish eyes and staring at him...