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"Be careful. He's the peak Saint Profound Beast." Yun Lintian sent a message to Qin Yiran through sound transmission. At the same time, he was ready to activate the killing formation.

Qin Yiran's expression turned heavy. The strength of the Heaven Profound Beast and the Saint Profound Beast was a world apart. With her current strength, she was totally powerless against it.

"Hey, hey. Why are you so nervous? I haven't done anything yet." Abyssal Devourer spread his arms in a relaxed manner. His face was full of a friendly smile, as though he didn't treat Yun Lintian and Qin Yiran as his enemy.

"Are you the ruler of this place?" Yun Lintian asked while secretly scanning the vicinity in case there were others beside Abyssal Devourer nearby.

"Am I?" Abyssal Devourer chuckled playfully. He obviously noticed Yun Lintian's movement. "You don't have to peek around. There's no one except me here."

"I'll create a chance for you to escape. The surveillance formation in the outer area should be working fine. You can look for help from the academy." Yun Lintian sent another sound transmission to Qin Yiran.

"We can't. Once the spatial formation has been activated, it won't work again until the next month. Even if we successfully escaped from here, it's still useless. They couldn't come to rescue us." Qin Yiran explained.

"Oi! What are you two chitchatting about? Why don't you tell me too?" Abyssal Devourer clicked his tongue in dissatisfaction.

Yun Lintian's gaze never left Abyssal Devourer for all this time. He didn't react to Abyssal Devourer but asked Qin Yiran. "Are you ready? I'll activate the formation."

Qin Yiran said nothing, but the fighting spirit in her eyes was evident.

"Judging from your strength, you should be a high-level member of the Poison Valley, am I correct?" Yun Lintian asked while preparing to activate the formation's eyes.

"Oh? You know about us?" Abyssal Devourer was surprised slightly. He hadn't left this Fallen Dragon Forest for a thousand years. Hence, he didn't know much about the outside situation.

"Of course. Let me tell you how famous your Poison Valley is." Yun Lintian said with a mocking smile. "In these past years, your Poison Valley has done nothing but hide like a coward. Whenever they see us, they would either run away with their tails between their legs or kill themselves like a fool... I must say, why don't they just change the name to Fraidy-Cat Valley instead?"

A frown appeared on Abyssal Devourer's face. Obviously, he knew Yun Lintian tried to provoke him, but he believed there was some truth within his words... Has my Poison Valley fallen to this extent?

Seeing Abyssal Devourer distracted, Yun Lintian didn't hesitate to stomp his foot on the formation's eyes to activate it. Instantaneously, everything in this area was illuminated with white light, forming into a vast dome and covering Abyssal Devourer in the sky.

At the same time, countless profound lights appeared in the dome and transformed into a sword shape. With Yun Lintian's command, all of them promptly shot at Abyssal Devourer in a split second.

Abyssal Devourer's eyes narrowed as he looked at the incoming sword lights. The formation's power was exceeded his estimation. Without a doubt, any early level of Saint Profound Realm would fall under this formation's attack.

Abyssal Devourer quickly opened his mouth. The previous human's mouth suddenly transformed into a hideous giant beast's mouth with several sharp teeth. In the next moment, all the incoming sword lights were sucked into his mouth, wholly disappeared just like that.

Yun Lintian was stunned for a moment and swiftly reacted by sending another round of attack to Abyssal Devourer. "Second step!"

This time, the sword lights were even denser and sharper than before. They were also infused with the fire and lightning attributes. The destructive power had increased more than twice from the first step.

Once again, Abyssal Devourer exerted his strength, increasing the suction power, and entirely swallowed all the sword lights with no problem.

Qin Yiran did not stand idle. During this short period, she had gathered all of her power into a large Spiritual Sword Intent in front of her. If Yang Chen was here, he would be extremely shocked to see this scene. Qin Yiran's talent in the way of the sword wasn't inferior to him at all. She was well deserved to be the number one genius in this generation.

"I'll create a chance for you!" Yun Lintian activated the third step while gathering his profound energy on White Dragon Spear. In his opinion, there should be a limit on Abyssal Devourer's devour ability. He wanted to see whether Abyssal Devourer could devour his attack.

Yun Lintian unleashed his profound energy to the maximum. The sparks of fire and lightning suddenly appeared around his body and his spear. He took a deep breath, and his eyes overflowed with murderous intent.

Five Elements Spear Art, Lightning Blaze Dragon!

Yun Lintian mustered all of his strength into White Dragon Spear and threw it at Abyssal Devourer. The spear instantly turned into a giant fire and lightning dragon, accompanied by a ferocious dragon's cry, rushing straight at Abyssal Devourer's head while ignoring the powerful suction force.

"Not good." A sense of danger emerged within Abyssal Devourer's heart when he saw the fire and lightning dragon coming toward him. As the sword lights from the third step surrounded him, he was forced to retain his devouring power. Otherwise, he would definitely become a sieve in the next moment.

Abyssal Devourer turned his palm, and a small black ball appeared on it. The black ball went out of his palm with a flick and shot at the incoming fire and lightning dragon.

Boom!

The collision between the purest Abyssal Energy and Yun Lintian's fire and lightning dragon instantly turned all the surrounding trees and boulders into nothingness.

Yun Lintian had to conjure profound defense around himself and Qin Yiran to avoid being swept away by the impact. At this moment, he shouted. "Now!"

Qin Yiran quickly sent her Spiritual Sword Intent almost at the same time as Yun Lintian's shouting. The large sword shape flashed across the space in a split second and went straight to Abyssal Devourer's head!

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Before Qin Yiran's Spiritual Sword Intent could reach his head, a powerful aura suddenly erupted from Abyssal Devourer's body and simply swept it away, causing it to miss the target.

"Hmph!" Abyssal Devourer snorted coldly after devouring all the third step's sword lights. The previous playfulness on his face had disappeared and replaced with an incomparably cold expression. Yun Lintian and Qin Yiran gave him a huge surprise with their abnormal battle prowesses. Even though he hadn't underestimated them, they could still go beyond his estimation.

Qin Yiran's expression changed drastically. She had poured everything into this attack, but Abyssal Devourer could easily solve it. How was she going to fight further?

Yun Lintian used his profound energy to bring White Dragon Spear back. He stared at Abyssal Devourer coldly while his mind spun rapidly. This Abyssal Devourer was far stronger than he had imagined.

"You two are very good. To force me to this extent, you fully deserve to be my food." Abyssal Devourer licked his lips, staring at Yun Lintian and Qin Yiran as though they were heaven delicacies. Once he devoured both of them, he believed he might be able to break through into the Monarch Profound Realm.

"What to do?" Qin Yiran asked Yun Lintian. There was a trace of agitation in her voice. Even someone with a strong mentality like her became nervous facing Abyssal Devourer's might.

"You better run. I'll stall his time." Yun Lintian replied calmly. He told her to run because he didn't want to show his trump card in front of her. If he genuinely released all of his power, he should be able to fight Abyssal Devourer head-on.

Qin Yiran surprisingly calmed down hearing this. Her eyes once again turned resolute. "No. Let's kill him together."

Yun Lintian said nothing further and activated the fourth step of the formation. Since Qin Yiran refused to go away, Yun Lintian could only gamble with this move, Imperishable Flame.

The familiar scene repeated another time. Countless sword lights appeared in the dome and shot straight at Abyssal Devourer at lightning speed. However, if one looked closely, one could see a faint crimson flame within these sword lights.

Abyssal Devourer simply sent several Abyssal Energy balls to repel the incoming sword lights instead of devouring them as he did before. "What a boring move. Can you change to something else?"

As his voice fell, Abyssal Devourer felt something wrong. A sense of crisis gradually filled his heart. He hurriedly used his Spiritual Sense to check the surrounding situation and discovered several strange crimson flames within the sword lights. Furthermore, these flames had actually swallowed his Abyssal Energy ball... What the hell was that?

Yun Lintian's face was pale instantly. In order to catch Abyssal Devourer off guard, he had deliberately used his Spiritual Sense to conceal Imperishable Flame. This move had exhausted more than eighty percent of his power directly.

Abyssal Devourer perceived an extremely dangerous from these crimson flames. He didn't dare to crash directly but continued to throw out Abyssal Energy balls. Unfortunately, his action was nothing but merely wasting his energy.

Swoosh!

While Abyssal Devourer was busy avoiding the scarlet flames, Qin Yiran shot several sword intents at him. Though they could not harm him, Abyssal Devourer had to spend his energy further to repel them.

"Annoying!" Abyssal Devourer cursed and gathered a concentrated Abyssal Energy ball in his right hand before throwing it at Qin Yiran.

Watching the Abyssal Energy ball travel across the distance to her, Qin Yiran's body went stiff as she had no energy left to dodge it.

Yun Lintian swiftly controlled one of the sword lights with Imperishable Flame to intercept the Abyssal Energy ball and successfully negated it. At the same time, he commanded the remaining sword lights to attack Abyssal Devourer in all directions.

As much as he wanted to avoid, Abyssal Devourer couldn't break out of the formation zone and also didn't dare to devour the scarlet flames.

"Congratulations, you've successfully angered me." Abyssal Devourer's face turned hideous. Every joint and muscle on his body started to twitch strangely.

A pair of devil wings gradually grew out from his back as well as two sharp horns appeared on his head. His mouth had also turned into a scary big one with a long blood-red tongue poked out. Soon, his entire body completely changed into a strange creature similar to a gargoyle with all black.

"Die!"

His pair of blood-red eyes staring at Yun Lintian with terrible killing intent. He opened his mouth wide and began to devour everything in the area.

Yun Lintian's expression turned heavy. He didn't hesitate to activate the fifth step of the formation and injected more profound energy into Imperishable Flame. He chose to gamble with this move as he didn't believe Abyssal Devourer could deal with his Imperishable Flame.

"Arghh!"

It was as Yun Lintian expected. Abyssal Devourer suddenly screamed in pain a moment later as his body and mouth caught fire. The fire ruthlessly burned him and slowly took his vitality away bit by bit — no matter Abyssal Devourer tried to stop it, it was futile in the end.

Seeing this scene, Yun Lintian didn't relax his guard in the slightest. He quickly took out a handful of the best-grade Profound Stones from his interspatial ring and stabbed them into the formation's eyes.

With a bang, Yun Lintian activated the sixth and seventh steps of the formation at once. He was determined to thoroughly kill Abyssal Devourer with this move!

On the side, Qin Yiran had mustered every ounce of her profound energy and sent her last sword intent toward the enemy with all her might.

Puff! Puff! Puff!

The power of Imperishable Flame had been far too horrific. It had shaved off all the protections on Abyssal Devourer's body, allowing Qin Yiran's and the formation's sword lights to pierce into him.

"Arghhhhh!!" Instantly, the entire space was filled with an incomparably painful scream, and Abyssal Devourer could be seen struggling under the overwhelming attacks. Black blood continued to spurt out from every wound on his body. His current appearance was miserable beyond words.

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Yun Lintian and Qin Yiran watched Abyssal Devourer get bombarded by the sword lights while praying this round of attack was enough to finish him.

The miserable scream continued to reverberate for a while until Abyssal Devourer had stopped twitching entirely. Blood kept gushing out from all the wounds on his body. Even he wasn't dead, he would remain half-dead at the least.

"D-did he dies?" Qin Yiran asked weakly. She was at her limit now. If Abyssal Devourer did not die, it would be her to end up losing life instead.

At this moment, a sense of crisis rose within Yun Lintian's heart. His intuition told him something dangerous was about to happen.

Without hesitation, Yun Lintian shattered a wind talisman and grabbed Qin Yiran before retreating from the scene as fast as he could.

A moment later, after Yun Lintian left, several mini black balls suddenly appeared in the air, filling the entire area and accompanied with a terrifying suction force several times stronger than before. Instantly, everything within six kilometers was forcibly sucked into these black balls; not even a single trace of dust was left behind.

Yun Lintian and Qin Yiran, who had fled several kilometers away, looked back at the scene in horror. Especially Qin Yiran. Her face was pale as this was the first time in her life that death was close at hand. She turned to look at Yun Lintian with gratitude. If it wasn't because of him, she would become nothingness by now.

Yun Lintian's current complexion was no different from her. Though he could enter the Land of Beyond Heaven to avoid it, he still had a lingering fear in his heart. All thanks to his intuition once again.

In the sky, the wound on Abyssal Devourer's body started to heal at a visible rate. It was unbelievably fast; in a span of one minute, he had completely recovered from the horrible injuries. It was as if he hadn't been injured before.

His eyes slowly opened, followed by terrifyingly gloomy lights burst out from his body. He glanced in the direction Yun Lintian had escaped with a sneer. "Yun Lintian... Good. Very good!"

As he was about to chase after Yun Lintian, he suddenly received a voice from Master Seer ordering him to return. Abyssal Devourer's face turned gloomy. He stared in Yun Lintian's direction as he spoke coldly. "I'll let you live for a while." Following that, his figure disappeared from the place.

Yun Lintian had seen everything earlier. His face was instantly pale beyond words when he saw Abyssal Devourer fully recover. Fortunately, he didn't seem to chase after him. Although he is well aware it was a matter of time before Abyssal Devourer would come after him again, Yun Lintian couldn't help but feel relieved.

Plop!

Yun Lintian let go of all the tensions and fell onto the ground, along with Qin Yiran on his shoulder. The two of them simply laid on the ground tiredly without a word. Only a panting sound could be heard.

"Thank you." Qin Yiran suddenly said.

Yun Lintian was too tired to reply. He only gave a light hum in return and closed his eyes, replenishing his strength.

In the wooden hut, Yun Lingwei became anxious after losing sight of Yun Lintian. She kept asking Han Bingling what was going on, but Han Bingling had no idea as well.

"Bring me to the entrance. I want to see the formation." Yun Lingwei said anxiously. Meanwhile, Linlin had jumped onto the table, growling worriedly.

Han Bingling tried to calm her down. "Relax. Nothing will happen to him. You should know him more than me." She paused for a second and continued. "As for the formation. I know you are expertise in the formation profound art, but this formation cannot handle with ordinary means. Once it was activated, you would have to wait for a month to open it again."

Yun Lingwei frowned and said unwillingly. "Just bring me there. I have my own way."

At this time, Lin Xinyao, who was silent for all this time, suddenly said. "Please calm down first, Senior Yun. If Senior goes there at this moment, Yun Lintian might lose his qualification. Seniors shouldn't forget, the Peng clan has always looked for an opportunity to deal with him... As my Master said, Senior should understand his ability more than us. Yun Lintian would definitely be safe."

Just as Yun Lingwei was about to say something. The scene in the curtain of light on the wall suddenly shook violently, attracting everyone's attention.

"What is going on?" Yun Lingwei asked worriedly.

A frown appeared on Han Bingling. She seemed to have something in her mind. Since the appearance of Abyssal Devourer, she had always been restless, and she had contacted Principal Tian for this matter. However, Principal Tian didn't take any action until now, which made her feel strange.

Meanwhile, Mumu stared at the curtain of light attentively. Among everyone here, she was the one who had a clear understanding of Fallen Dragon Forest. This earthquake wasn't a good sign at all. It must be one of the 'Fallen' who took action. As for who was the target, it wasn't difficult to guess. It must be Yun Lintian because he was the only capable enough to contend with them.

"Big Sister Mumu, do you know what happens to Big Brother Yun?" Linlin sent a sound transmission to Mumu. During this period, she had learned a lot from Mumu about her existence and Yun Lintian. She had now regarded Mumu as her big sister.

"Nothing will happen to him. Don't forget, he has the Gate of Beyond Heaven with him. The spatial suppressing formation over there has no effect on it. If he wants to escape, no one can stop him." Mumu gave Linlin assurance.

Linlin relaxed a little after hearing this. She glanced at Han Bingling and asked Mumu. "Why don't we tell her about the 'existence' in that place."

"She already knows about it, but the decision is not in her hand... Don't look at her being the Palace Master of Frozen Moon Palace. She could do anything as she wanted. In fact, her power is limited." Mumu responded. Chapter 274: Notify All Forces

"Lintian?" Yun Lingwei exclaimed when she saw Yun Lintian and Qin Yiran appear in the curtain of light.

Everyone looked over and saw Yun Lintian lying on the ground, panting as if he had just escaped from a catastrophe.

A moment later, they saw Yun Lintian writing something on the floor. After carefully reading it, everyone's expression immediately turned solemn.

"Saint Profound Beast?" Yun Lingwei turned to Han Bingling and asked angrily. "Don't you say there are at best Ruler Profound Beasts there? Now what?"

Han Bingling didn't have time to argue with Yun Lingwei. She thought hard and decided to visit Principal Tian personally. "You wait here first. I'll go visit Principal Tian." Afterward, her figure vanished from the wooden hut.

Yun Lingwei snorted coldly and turned to look at the curtain of light silently.

"Master, something happened. This Yun Lintian just told us there's a space filling with countless Heaven Profound Beasts with more than one Saint Profound Beast behind them." In the bamboo hut, Jiang Yingyue saw the message from Yun Lintian and turned to tell Lin Zixuan on the side.

Surprisingly, Lin Zixuan looked calm. It was as though she was well aware of this. After a short silence, she said. "Calling your junior sisters back. We are going to face a disastrous situation soon."

Jiang Yingyue didn't ask what the actual situation was. She accepted the task readily and contacted her junior sisters.

"Oh? How come he's still alive after facing one of the Fallen?" Peng Han said with surprise. At the same time, he was dissatisfied with the outcome. It seemed he had underestimated Yun Lintian once again.

Peng Zheng stared at Yun Lintian while frowning. He naturally knew the existence of the Fallen. Each one of them was far stronger than a top talented human Saint. He, too, didn't understand how Yun Lintian managed to survive after facing one of them.

Peng Han tapped on the table, pondering before deciding to contact his father, Peng Haoye. "Father, we have a situation here.... Yes. I understand."

Puff!

Qin Yuyan cut off a wild wolf's head in front of her and turned to Chu Mi. "Have you finished?"

Chu Mi put the transmission jade away and nodded her head. "My brother should arrive here soon."

Rumble!

All of a sudden, the entire forest shook violently, causing Qin Yuyan and Chu Mi to instinctively conjure profound defense around them.

"What happened?" Chu Mi stabilized herself and asked nervously.

Qin Yuyan furrowed her brows. "I don't know." She then beckoned Chu Mi. "Let's go. We will take a look over there."

"Ah? It's not good, right?" Chu Mi was startled. In her opinion, there was no reason to go over there at all.

"It's fine. We will leave right away if there's something unexpected happen." Qin Yuyan responded. She understood Chu Mi's worries, but she really wanted to know what was happening over there.

"Alright!" Chu Mi nodded and followed Qin Yuyan toward the source of the explosion.

"Little Mi!" Suddenly, Chu Heng appeared behind the tree shade in the distance and immediately shouted when he saw Chu Mi.

"Brother!" Chu Mi yelled excitedly and rushed toward her brother, followed by Qin Yuyan.

The two siblings kept checking on each other situation for a while, and Chu Hen turned to Qin Yuyan. "I thank Sister Qin for taking care of Little Mi."

Qin Yuyan waved her hand and said. "I am going to see the situation over there. Are you going with me?"

Chu Hen, of course, experienced the earthquake earlier as well. He thought briefly and said. "Let's go together."

Qin Yuyan nodded and set off.

The three of them traveled along the forest path for an hour until they arrived near the vast empty land that seemed to be shaved off cleanly by the earlier explosion.

"Who could turn this place into this?" Chu Heng muttered with a frown. Judging from the look of it, the culprit must possess the strength beyond Heaven Profound Realm.

Qin Yuyan carefully observed the scene while searching for the relevant information. Suddenly, she thought of something and said. "It must be the Ruler of this place who caused this."

Chu Heng was about to say something, he suddenly noticed a movement at the edge of the forest opposite him. He quickly drew his sword out and looked over vigilantly.

Qin Yuyan and Chu Mi had also noticed this. Both of them immediately took a battle stance.

In the distance, three figures emerged behind the edge of the forest and walked into the empty land. The three of them immediately noticed Qin Yuyan's group. With a surprise, one of them exclaimed. "Yuyan?"

"Qingyi?" Qin Yuyan was surprised when she saw the three newcomers were no other than Bai Qingyi, Yang Chen, and Tian Jiuyi.

"It's really you." Bai Qingyi hurriedly ran over to Qin Yuyan, followed by Yang Chen and Tian Jiuyi.

"I thought you've been eaten by a profound beast already." Qin Yuyan smiled faintly. She then turned to look at Tian Jiuyi curiously, as she could perceive this person's strength wasn't inferior to hers at all.

Bai Qingyi curled his lips and introduced. "This is Brother Tian. Without him, I would have been eaten by the profound beast as you wish by now."

Tian Jiuyi clasped his hands and greeted politely. "Greetings, Miss Qin. My name is Tian Jiuyi. I've long heard about your name. It is, as people said, Miss Qin is truly extraordinary."

"Surname Tian? Are you..." A trace of surprise appeared in Qin Yuyan's eyes when she heard Tian Jiuyi's name.

Tian Jiuyi didn't hide anything. He nodded his head slightly with a smile. "Yes. Principal Tian is my greatgrandfather."

Chu Heng, Chu Mi, and Yang Chen were surprised by the revelation. Although they didn't know much about the academy, they couldn't be ignorant about Principal Tian. They didn't expect to meet Principal Tian's great-grandson here.

"I don't seem to see you on the knowledge test." Yang Chen asked in confusion. After waking up with the help from Tian Jiuyi, Yang Chen simply had no time to talk with his savior as he focused on recovering. It was at this moment he had spare time to think and remembered he had never seen Tian Jiuyi's name on the knowledge test before.

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Tian Jiuyi smiled as he explained. "That because I didn't take the test. My purpose isn't to enter the academy but to come here under my great-grandfather's instruction."

"Forgive me for being rude. May I know what's the instruction?" Qin Yuyan asked.

Tian Jiuyi didn't answer right away. He looked around briefly and said. "Let's get out of here first. I'll tell everyone later."

Everyone glanced at each other and agreed with Tian Jiuyi. They immediately set off afterward. Coincidently, the direction they chose was the same as Yun Lintian's one. A half an hour later, they had indeed met Yun Lintian and Qin Yiran, that were currently replenishing their strength.

"Brother Yun!" Chu Mi was excited and trotted toward Yun Lintian.

Yun Lintian had long discovered them through his Spiritual Sense. He turned to look at Chu Mi and gave the nod with a smile before closing his eyes, continuing to recover.

However, before Yun Lintian closed his eyes, his gaze briefly swept on the unfamiliar face, Tian Jiuyi, and discovered the latter possessed an extraordinary bearing. He tried to recall this person's identity but couldn't think of anyone. This person probably hadn't taken the knowledge test... Who is he?

Qin Yuyan quickly came to Qin Yiran's side and inquired about the situation. After knowing the ins and outs of the incident, Qin Yuyan's face became unsightly. She didn't expect this place would be this dangerous. Why would the academy send them here then? Were they trying to kill everyone?

Tian Jiuyi's eyes never left Yun Lintian since arriving here. Similar to Yun Lintian, he had also perceived the other party's exceptional demeanor. Coupled with the fact Yun Lintian had fought with the Saint Profound Beast and escaped alive. To say he was the strongest person among this year's participants wasn't wrong.

Tian Jiuyi also noticed Yun Lintian was replenishing his strength. Thus, he didn't plan to talk and find a boulder to sit down, calmly waiting for him.

"How could the academy do this?" Chu Mi was angry after listening to Qin Yiran's experience. She had the same question as Qin Yuyan, why would the academy send everyone here knowing it was dangerous.

Bai Qingyi raised his head to look at the sky. More precisely, at the people who were watching them through the surveillance formation, as though he wanted to ask them for an explanation.

Meanwhile, Yang Chen glanced at Tian Jiuyi and said. "You should know something, right, Young Master Tian?"

Tian Jiuyi smiled faintly and nodded. "I indeed know something. But I'll talk when he's ready." He pointed at Yun Lintian.

"No need. Let's talk." Yun Lintian's eyes snapped open, getting up from the ground. When he heard Yang Chen called Tian Jiuyi as Young Master Tian, he could roughly guess his identity.

Tian Jiuyi stood up and clasped his hands, greeting politely. "Greetings, this brother. My name is Tian Jiuyi."

Yun Lintian responded. "My name is Yun Lintian. May I know, are you a descendant of Principal Tian?"

Tian Jiuyi nodded. "He's my great-grandfather." He then looked at everyone and said. "I know right now everyone probably has a question. Why did the academy insist on sending everyone here to face this terrifying danger? I can explain this. But before that, let me do something first."

Following that, Tian Jiuyi raised his head to look at the sky. He swiftly performed a complicated handseal, and the invisible barrier in the sky immediately quivered.

Yun Lintian opened Eyes of Heaven and stared at the sky. He quickly noticed a part of the surveillance formation had been forcibly shut down. In short, people on the outside could not observe this area further.

Shifting his gaze on the Tian Jiuyi, Yun Lintian had vaguely guessed something. Since this formation was personally set up by Tian Jiuyi's ancestor, Lord Sky Throne, it was understandable that he left some means of controlling this formation behind for his descendant.

Tian Jiuyi made sure the surveillance formation in this place had been completely disabled and turned to everyone. "I've closed the formation on this area. People on the outside cannot observe us anymore." He paused for a moment and continued. "First of all, let me clarify one thing first."

"The academy didn't mean to send everyone to death... Normally, the Saint Profound Beast is restricted by the formation, and it cannot travel to the outer area of the forest. So, the participants are pretty much safe, unless they have ventured deep into the center area."

Hearing this, Yang Chen interrupted. "You are trying to say that we are unlucky this time?"

Tian Jiuyi nodded admittedly. "Indeed. If they could interfere with the surveillance formation, as Brother Yun said. I am pretty sure they have already found a way to break the restriction. However, from what I checked on the formation earlier, I believe they hadn't fully grasped the control yet. That means we still have a chance."

Yun Lintian's brain worked quickly. "If I guessed correctly, someone from the Tian clan would enter this place every time it opened, right? And all of you have carried some sort of a mission related to this."

Tian Jiuyi smiled brightly. "As expected from a powerful person like you, Brother Yun. What you said is correct. Every descendant of my clan has to learn how to control the formation here and is given a mission to make sure the terrifying existence that hiding in this place could not go out."

"Terrifying existence? What is it?" Qin Yiran asked. Judging from Tian Jiuyi's words, he didn't seem to refer to Abyssal Devourer at all. That meant there was someone far stronger than that in this place.

Tian Jiuyi did not reply to Qin Yiran's question but asked the question. "Have you ever wondered why this place is called Fallen Dragon Forest?" He didn't wait for the answer as he continued, "My ancestor, Lord Sky Throne, had discovered this place three thousand years ago, but at that time, this place hadn't been called Fallen Dragon Forest yet. It had been changed to Fallen Dragon Forest after he had imprisoned something in this place... And yes, that thing is called Fallen Dragon... A genuine dragon."

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Everyone, except for Yun Lintian, had a shocked expression on their faces upon hearing Tian Jiuyi's words. They always believed a dragon was something that existed in the legend only. Who would have thought that legendary existence was actually imprisoned here?

Yun Lintian recalled Han Bingling's words before coming here. She had told him this place had existed more than five thousand years, and she never mentioned anything about a dragon here. Why didn't she tell him? Did she really not know about it, or were there other reasons?

Yun Lintian frowned and asked. "Wait a minute. Does this Fallen Dragon have something to do with the war between Abyssal Profound Beast and humans four thousand years ago? It should be one of those beasts that escaped, right?" Since Abyssal Devourer was a part of Poison Valley, how could this Fallen Dragon, who seemed to be the big boss here wasn't one?

Tian Jiuyi looked at Yun Lintian deeply. "It seems Brother Yun knows a lot about the incident in the past... That's right. This Fallen Dragon is one of them that slipped through the net back then."

"Why did Lord Sky Throne imprison it instead of killing it? It doesn't make sense at all." Chu Heng asked in confusion. Though he didn't know about the incident back then, he could grasp the general idea from the conversation between Yun Lintian and Tian Jiuyi.

Tian Jiuyi took a deep breath and said. "My Ancestor couldn't kill it." Seeing everyone had a disbelief expression on their face, Tian Jiuyi continued. "You don't understand how terrifying the peak Monarch Profound Beast is. Not to mention, it possesses powerful Abyssal Poison that prevents us, humans, from

getting near it. What's more, it has a heaven-defying regenerate ability. No matter how my Ancestor tried to kill it, it would recover in a short time. This rendered him helpless and could only set up a formation to imprison it here."

Yun Lintian recalled Abyssal Devourer's unbelievable regenerate ability he had witnessed hours ago, and his expression turned solemn... How could he suppose to fight with it?

"Did Lord Sky Throne try to ask for help from other palaces?" Qin Yuyan asked.

Tian Jiuyi shook his head. "I also asked this question to my great-grandfather, but he never answered me. I don't understand why."

"Why don't you tell us how to prevent it from breaking out?" Yun Lintian asked directly. The enemy that even Lord Sky Throne couldn't kill, Yun Lintian didn't think he had the ability to achieve it, even with all the plot armors he had.

Tian Jiuyi exhaled and said solemnly. "The first method is to strengthen the formation. During this period, I have strengthened many formation nodes along the way. Still, there are a lot of them left."

Bai Qingyi suddenly recalled Tian Jiuyi's actions during these days. He was always curious about what did Tian Jiuyi try to do as he moved around from place to place and did something he didn't understand. It turned out Tian Jiuyi attempted to strengthen the formation.

Yun Lintian nodded and asked further. "What is the second method?"

"The second method is to activate the killing formation around the center area. My Ancestor had set up a powerful killing formation just in case. However, this method is too risky. Once we launched it and failed to kill them, we would have nothing to deal with them further, and the outer formation might be affected because of it." Tian Jiuyi answered.

"Just these two methods?" Yun Lintian furrowed his brows. Why did he feel this Lord Sky Throne was so unreliable? He freaking left only two ways to deal with a super-powerful enemy? What the heck? Did he think he could imprison this whatever dragon here forever with the formation?

Tian Jiuyi's silence answered everything. In fact, he didn't understand it as well. He remembered that his great-grandfather once told him that sometimes, things could not be prevented. Did he refer to this?

Yun Lintian let out a long sigh and said. "Tell me about the formation diagram. I'll help you." He added. "I am a Saint Formation Master."

Except for Qin Yiran, who had experienced Yun Lintian's scary formation profound art before, Tian Jiuyi and others looked at Yun Lintian in astonishment. Seventeen years old Saint Formation Master? Who would believe that?

"It's true. Otherwise, how do you think we have escaped from the Saint Profound Beast?" Qin Yiran saw the doubts on everyone's face. She stepped forward to vouch for Yun Lintian.

Tian Jiuyi became hesitant. It wasn't because he didn't believe Yun Lintian, but the formation diagram of this place was a secret of his clan. He could not tell the outsider about it.

"Why are you hesitating? Do you want the enemy to break out of this place and slaughter everyone on the continent?" Yun Lintian said with a deep frown.

That's right. What's more important than people's lives? Thinking of this, Tian Jiuyi became determined. He took out an ancient parchment from his sleeve and placed it on the ground. "This is the formation diagram."

Yun Lintian said nothing further and began to study it.

On the tallest mountain within the academy, a white-hair old man with a plain white robe sat nearby a small stream, fishing calmly. There were zero movements on his body. It was as though he had entirely blended with the environment.

The old man had no distinguishing features except for the absolutely serene aura that exuded from his body. With this alone, one could see he possess unfathomed power.

Swoosh!

All of a sudden, Han Bingling's figure appeared not far away from the old man. She didn't say a word and silently watched the old man.

Both of them remained silent until several minutes later, the old man opened his mouth. "Jiuyi is taking action. You shouldn't worry about it."

Han Bingling took a deep breath and asked. "How long do we have to leave them like this, Senior?"

The old man pulled the bamboo fishing rod in his hand up, and there was a small fish at the end of the string. He looked at the small fish with a smile and waved his hand, letting the small fish go.

"It won't be too long." The old man responded calmly.

Chapter 277: The Envoy

In the dark space, Master Seer was standing calmly on a stone platform. Standing before him were Yin Fei and Peng Xiaowang, who were brought here by Soul Eater.

"Greetings, Master Seer. This junior's name is Yin Fei. I have been entrusted as the envoy by my master, Yin Long." Yin Fei politely introduced himself. His hands were a bit shaking as he lowered his head, did not dare to look at Master Seer.

As for Peng Xiaowang, he stood trembling there with a face full of fear. There was a soft layer of white mist covered around his body, protecting him from the surrounding Abyssal Energy. If he was exposed to Abyssal Energy for a second, his life would be gone for good.

He didn't know what was going on and where this place was. The only thing he knew right now was the old man in front of him was extremely powerful. Even when he faced his grandfather, Peng Haoye, he

didn't feel a strong oppression aura like this... With just a glance from this old man, Peng Xiaowang felt his soul had been flown away from his body.

Master Seer had no reaction and continued to stare at Yin Fei, telling him to state his intention on coming here.

Yin Fei was not stupid. He quickly took out a jade slip and handed it to Master Seer. "Please take a look at this. This is the information of the outside world situation during these hundred years."

Master Seer swept his gaze on the jade slip, and it involuntarily flew into his hand. He unhurriedly read the content inside the jade slip and then turned to look at Yin Fei a while later. "How did Frozen Moon Palace know about our operation?"

Yin Fei replied while his head stayed low, "We have no idea about this. It was as if someone on our side leaked it to them. Counting on how swift Frozen Moon Palace's action was, there was no way they would learn by themselves."

Master Seer was silent. No one knew what he was thinking right now.

Swoosh!

Suddenly, Abyssal Devourer appeared on the stone platform and immediately bowed. "Master Seer."

Master Seer squinted his eyes looked at Abyssal Devourer's current miserable appearance. He asked. "What happened?"

Abyssal Devourer lowered his head in shame and replied honestly. "I have underestimated him and let this fly slip away. I am willing to be punished."

Master Seer was full of curiosity about this person who could force Abyssal Devourer to open his trump card. All the people who entered this place shouldn't be more than Origin Profound Realm, right? How could such an inferior ant contend against the genuine Saint Profound Beast?

"Tell me everything in detail." Master Seer said expressionlessly.

Abyssal Devourer heaved a sigh of relief. It seemed Master Seer didn't intend to punish him. He then narrated everything that happened outside.

"It's him?" Peng Xiaowang suddenly blurted out when he heard Yun Lintian's name. He then hurriedly covered his mouth after seeing everyone looking at him.

"You know this Yun Lintian?" Master Seer asked.

Resisting the fear in his heart, Peng Xiaowang nodded his head and said timidly. "H-he is the enemy of this junior's clan. His strength is abnormally high. When he first came to the divine city, he had fought against Lin Wuwei, who was at the peak of Saint and forced him to a dead end. A-also, he has a good relationship with Han Bingling, the Frozen Moon Palace Master."

"I have also fought him once. His soul power is ridiculously powerful. I'm not his opponent." Yin Fei added.

"The tenth-level Origin Profound human who can fight with a saint? Even the Azure Palace Master back then wasn't this strong... I wonder what his secret is." Master Seer said calmly. He was now interested in this Yun Lintian. If it was possible, he would like to capture him and see the secret he had.

Noticing Master Seer seemed to be interested in this person, Soul Eater volunteered himself. "Do you want me to capture him, Master Seer?"

Master Seer shook his head slightly. "Now is not the time. We have something more important to do." He turned to look at Yin Fei and asked. "What else did you bring to me?"

Yin Fei hurriedly handed a wooden box to Master Seer. "My master said this is what Master Seer needs the most."

Master Seer opened the wooden box and saw an abyssal profound beast core with a terrifying aura constantly emanating from it. A rare excitement appeared on his face as he exclaimed. "The peak Monarch profound core! With this, my lord can recover faster."

Yin Fei saw Master Seer was pleased with the gift. He let out a sigh of relief and smiled. Before coming here, Soul Eater had told him Master Seer was dissatisfied with him. Look like his life would be more secure now.

Master Seer put the wooden box away and turned to Soul Eater. "Where's Crimson Reaper now? Tell her to hurry up."

"Yes, Master Seer." Soul Eater bowed his head and immediately contacted Crimson Reaper, who was responsible for gathering blood sacrifice.

"I don't need you here now. You go check the outside and see what those ants are doing right now. Don't lose your face this time." Master Seer said to Abyssal Devourer before turning around, leaving the stone platform.

Abyssal Devourer bowed his head. "Yes, Master Seer." Following that, his figure disappeared from the place.

Seeing there was no one in this place, Peng Xiaowang turned to Yin Fei and asked fearfully. "B-brother Yin, what should we do now?"

Yin Fei shrugged his shoulders, indicating he had no idea as well.

"C... can you bring me out of here? This place is too uncomfortable." Peng Xiaowang looked at the black mist around him and swallowed nervously. He couldn't wait to leave this ghost place.

Yin Fei curled his lips and thought it was an excellent chance to teach Peng Xiaowang a lesson. He deliberately dragged his voice. "Well... I don't think Master Seer would allow us to leave this place... Don't worry. You will be safe here."

F*ck! Safe your head! Peng Xiaowang roared in his heart.

Chapter 278: Space Collapse Function

"What a good formation." Yun Lintian couldn't help but admire Lord Sky Throne's clever formation setup method.

After thoroughly studying the formation diagram, he believed Lord Sky Throne must be an expert in the spatial element. The spatial suppressing formation he had set up here wasn't simple. It had another ability called Space Collapse. Once it was triggered, the entire space of Fallen Dragon Forest would crumble, and everything in this place would disappear by the spatial turbulence.

However, it came with a huge risk as it could not guarantee what extent its effect range would extend to. It might cover the whole divine city or half of the Northern Continent. No one knew. That was the reason Lord Sky Throne did not dare to use it to kill Fallen Dragon rashly.

Fortunately, Yun Lintian possessed vast formation knowledge as he studied Myriad Formation Scripture for years. Though he could not set up this kind of powerful formation yet, tweaking some points was not a problem. He might be able to reduce its scope and make sure the formation's effect range would be limited in this place.

"Here, drink some water, Brother Yun." Chu Mi came to Yun Lintian's side. She briefly glanced at the formation diagram with curiosity and handed Yun Lintian a glass of water with a sweet smile.

Yun Lintian happened to be thirsty. He retracted his gaze from the parchment and retrieved the glass of water from Chu Mi before drinking it in one go.

"Hah... Thank you." He returned the glass to Chu Mi and said politely.

Chu Mi smiled and said. "You shouldn't force yourself too much, Brother Yun. I think we still have time. It's better to take some rest." Yun Lintian waved his hand. "No need. I have already figured it out."

Chu Mi's eyes widened in amazement. "Y-you have already understood it? That's amazing!"

"Have you?" Tian Jiuyi, who sat nearby, asked in disbelief. One had to know. It took him five years to completely understand this formation diagram. Yun Lintian had only used two hours. How could it be possible?

Yun Lintian nodded with a confident smile. "If we played it right, we might have a chance to get rid of the so-called Fallen Dragon."

Tian Jiuyi and Chu Mi had an astonished expression, and the former hurriedly asked. "Are you talking about the Space Collapse function? No, you can't use that. It's too risky!"

Yun Lintian smiled mysteriously. "As I said, I've understood everything about this formation. I can control its area of effect."

Tian Jiuyi's mouth opened and closed several times, but there was no word coming out. On the surface, he didn't believe Yun Lintian could do something that even his Ancestor, Lord Sky Throne, could not do, but his intuition somehow told him Yun Lintian might be able to achieve it... If it was the case, the greatest threat within Northern Continent would be eliminated. It was worth trying.

On the side, Chu Mi's eyes were full of stars. In her mind, there was nothing he could not do.

"What are you guys talking about?" Bai Qingyi approached Yun Lintian and asked curiously.

Yun Lintian turned to him and said. "Call everyone here. I have something to tell them."

In a minute, everyone quickly gathered around Yun Lintian and waited for him to explain.

Yun Lintian used a wooden stick he picked up nearby and drew a big circle on the ground. He then made another small circle in the four directions, north, east, west, and south.

"These four points are the crucial points of the formation. We need to divide people into two groups. Each group will take responsibility for two nearby points. I will lead one group, and Brother Tian will lead another group." Yun Lintian started to tell his plan.

"What do we have to do?" Qin Yuyan asked.

Yun Lintian continued. "Later, I'll make a formation stone and let Brother Tian put it on the formation. As for others, you all have to guard him and me when we are fixing the formation." He raised his head to look at everyone and said. "So we will divide the team according to our strength. To make it balance, Yang Chen, Bai Qingyi, and Chu Heng would go with Brother Tian, while the rest come with me."

Except for Tian Jiuyi, whose Yun Lintian believed he was stronger than anybody here, and Yun Lintian, Yang Chen, and Qin Yiran's strength were second to them, followed by Qin Yuyan, Bai Qingyi, Chu Heng, and Chu Mi. Therefore, letting Yang Chen, Bai Qingyi, and Chu Heng go with Tian Jiuyi, and Qin Yiran, Qin Yuyan, and Chu Mi go with Yun Lintian should be the best decision.

Everyone glanced at each other and nodded their heads, expressing they had no objection.

Before Yun Lintian could make a conclusion, Chu Mi suddenly raised her hand and said nervously. "Mhm... Brother Yun, can I go with my brother? I... I don't want to separate with him."

Yun Lintian was taken aback and then nodded his head slowly. "No problem." Chu Mi was the weakest here. Whichever team she went to, it wouldn't change anything much. Thus, Yun Lintian had no problem with her request.

"Thank you, Brother Yun!" Chu Mi smiled sweetly and trotted to Chu Heng's side. The latter gave an apologetic smile to everyone and looked at his sister with a helpless expression, but he felt at ease inwardly. At least, when something happened, he would be able to protect his sister.

"Remember, our enemy is likely to be the Saint Profound Beast. We certainly cannot fight them headon, but we can use the formation to aid us. You have to listen to me and Brother Tian when we get there. Understood?" Yun Lintian said with a serious expression. "Understood!" Everyone said solemnly in unison.

"Alright. We will go with this. All of you should take this time to prepare yourself. I'll prepare the formation stones first." Yun Lintian turned to Tian Jiuyi and said. "Brother Tian, please come with me."

Tian Jiuyi nodded and followed Yun Lintian to a large boulder in the distance.

Chapter 279: Bloody Scene

"This is the first time I have seen such a wonderful way to inscribe the runes." Tian Jiuyi's face flushed with admiration when he witnessed Yun Lintian's innovative inscription skills.

As a descendant of Lord Sky Throne, he was forced to learn all kinds of formation profound arts since he was young. He was confident and believed no one among his peers could be his opponent when it came to this.

However, after seeing Yun Lintian's action, Tian Jiuyi had to admit he was far inferior to him. And even his great-grandfather, Principal Tian, might not necessarily have this level of talent when he was young.

Yun Lintian wiped the sweat out of his forehead as he said. "This is nothing, Brother Tian. I am just lucky enough to have a good teacher." Of course, the teacher he mentioned was no other than Yun Lingwei and Myriad Formation Scripture.

He carefully checked all the formation stones and then gave half of it to Tian Jiuyi before giving him some relevant instructions.

After Tian Jiuyi thoroughly understood how to use these formation stones, he took a deep breath and said. "Don't worry, Brother Yun. I can guarantee there wouldn't be any mistake."

Yun Lintian nodded and sent a sound transmission to Tian Jiuyi. "If it's possible. Don't let anyone see when you are setting up the formation."

Tian Jiuyi's eyes narrowed, and he nodded his head slightly. It wasn't because Yun Lintian didn't trust everyone here, but he wanted to reduce the risk as much as possible. After all, this matter was possibly related to the life and death of all lives in the Northern Continent.

Yun Lintian took a sip of water and asked. "By the way, Brother Tian. Did Principal Tian know about the Peng clan's conspiracy?"

Tian Jiuyi went silent for a while and slowly nodded. "He knows... However, I don't know what that old man is thinking."

Yun Lintian's brows raised slightly. Although he didn't know Principal Tian personally, he could guess more or less why he didn't make any move on the Peng clan until now.

A clan with thousands of years' foundation like the Peng clan wasn't something Principal Tian could handle alone. He must make sure that the Peng clan had to be destroyed in one fell swoop when he took action. Otherwise, they could make a comeback at any time.

Yun Lintian sighed. "It's not easy at all."

Tian Jiuyi seemed to understand Yun Lintian's thoughts. He hesitated briefly and finally said. "Actually..." Before he could speak further, Yun Lintian interrupted him.

"Don't say anything for now." Yun Lintian said and glanced around, trying to tell Tian Jiuyi there were too many eyes and ears around here.

Tian Jiuyi said nothing further and collected all the formation stones into his pocket.

"Right, can you control the surveillance formation to see the situation in this place? I don't know how many people they have besides that Abyssal Devourer. Perhaps they are coming out right now." Yun Lintian suddenly thought of something. Since Tian Jiuyi might possibly control the surveillance formation, why didn't they use it themselves?

Tian Jiuyi didn't say anything and made a few hand seals. A moment later, a blue light curtain appeared in front of him, and there was a live situation somewhere in the forest displayed on it.

When Tian Jiuyi and Yun Lintian clearly saw the situation displayed on the light curtain, their expressions immediately changed. The scene was clearly somewhere on the east side of the forest, but it did not resemble the forest at all. It was more like hell on earth — blood scattered everywhere along with several corpses and internal organs lying on the ground, as though they had been slaughtered by a ferocious beast...

"Ah!" Chu Mi, who glanced over and saw the scene on the light curtain, exclaimed frightfully. Her face was pale, and her legs went soft as she fell to the ground.

Her voice immediately attracted others' attention, causing them to look over. Their expressions were no different from Chu Mi when they saw them.

"W...who did this?" Bai Qingyi spoke difficultly. He was frightened to the core and angry at the same time when he recognized a few of her people among the corpses.

Qin Yiran and Qin Yuyan's complexions were unsightly as they had also discovered their people among the lifeless bodies on the ground. Although their remains were torn apart beyond recognition, Qin Yuyan could still see some parts of their clothes. They were clearly Qin clan's uniforms.

"Who is that?" Yang Chen suddenly caught a glimpse of a crimson figure at the edge of the light curtain.

Everyone turned to look, and Tian Jiuyi quickly controlled the surveillance formation. When they got to see the figure clearly, they went silent altogether.

This figure was a female who had an entire body painted crimson color. This crimson color was obviously coming from the blood. At this moment, she played with an unfortunate young man by cutting his fleshes layer upon layer. If the surveillance formation could transmit the sound, they would definitely hear a misery scream from the young man.

The crimson woman seemed to get bored in the next moment and finally ended the young man's misery by beheading him cruelly. Blood immediately gushed out from his neck like a fountain. What made

everyone chill was this woman was actually enjoyed bathing in blood and even drank some of it... What kind of this terrible creature?

Yun Lintian's eyebrows creased together. His face was solemn as if he had met a great enemy. Without a doubt, this woman was the same as Abyssal Devourer. She was one of the Saint Profound Beasts in this place.

While the crimson woman enjoyed the bloody rain, she seemed to receive a message and abruptly stopped her action. A moment later, her expression became respectful, and she hurriedly waved her hand.

What happened next was beyond everyone's comprehension. The scattered bloodstain all over the place suddenly gathered and formed into a large blood sphere floating in front of the crimson woman....

Chapter 280: Suspicions

With another wave of her hand, the giant blood sphere in front of the crimson woman flew into her palm and vanished entirely.

As everyone thought she would leave the scene right away, the crimson woman seemed to notice someone was watching her. She raised her head, revealing her scary blood face as she looked directly at the surveillance formation. There was nothing in her eyes but crimson-colored blood. Her gaze made everyone's soul tremble, coupled with a horrifying smile on the corner of her lips. Everyone was instantly petrified on the spot until she disappeared a moment later.

"What..." Chu Heng uttered while his whole body was shaking uncontrollably. He wanted to say something, but he couldn't finish the sentence as he was scared to the extreme.

Everyone in this place had seen many bloody scenes before, but none of them could be as spine-tingling as this one.

They were silent for ten full minutes before Yun Lintian broke the silence. "As everyone sees, this is just one of our enemies. Imagine what would happen if this beast got out of this place? Who knows how

many people would end up like them?" He took a deep breath and said with a serious expression. "What we are going to do next could define the future of countless innocent lives. If we succeed, not only could we save your family, friend, and everyone in Northern Continent life, but we could take revenge for them too." He pointed at the drying corpses displayed on the light curtain.

His gaze swept over everyone's face and asked. "Everyone knows the risk. Are you still willing to do it?"

Everyone immediately regained their sense upon hearing this. Tian Jiuyi was the first to speak. "What's there to be asked, Brother Yun?" Among the people here, his mental fortitude was second to Yun Lintian. He had recovered from the shock extremely quick.

Qin Yuyan followed. "What are we waiting for? Let's go!" Her current complexion was incomparably cold. She couldn't wait to kill all the profound beasts in this place.

"It's not like we have other choices." Qin Yiran said. Her words were valid. Even though they didn't do anything, there was no guarantee their life would be safe until the end of the test.

Yang Chen and the rest had also expressed their willingness.

Yun Lintian looked at everyone and said. "Very well. Before we leave, I have to remind all of you of one thing. Our mission is to protect Brother Tian and me when we are setting up the formation. Do not leave us no matter what happens, understood?"

Everyone glanced at each other and nodded their head. Although they didn't truly understand what Yun Lintian was trying to say, they were willing to listen to him.

Only Tian Jiuyi seemed to understand the meaning behind Yun Lintian's words. His gaze swept over everyone with a thoughtful expression.

Afterward, Yun Lintian started to explain the general direction of the operation. It was simple. Yun Lintian's group would be responsible for the north and the east side, while Tian Jiuyi's group would take care of the south and the west side. While Yun Lintian and Tian Jiuyi set up the formation, they would activate the protection formation at the respective node, and the rest would be responsible for strengthening the protection formation.

Lastly, when everything was done, they would regroup at the northwest position before taking the final action — activating the Space Collapse function on the last day of the test.

After ensuring everyone understood the whole plan, Yun Lintian and Tian Jiuyi immediately led their groups away. Tian Jiuyi would go to the south area first, while Yun Lintian headed to the east side.

Along the way, no one spoke a word. Their expressions remained solemn and checked the surroundings vigilantly.

"Do you feel it a bit strange?" On Yun Lintian's side, Qin Yiran suddenly raised a question. She always felt something was amiss during this period.

Yun Lintian turned to look at her while walking. He didn't seem to be surprised at all when hearing the out-of-nowhere question. "Oh? What do you feel?"

Qin Yiran furrowed her brows as she explained her doubts. "According to the current information we had, we knew that there are many Saint Profound Beasts among the enemies. Why were none of them coming for us for such a long time now? Especially that Abyssal Devourer. He should chase after us by now."

When Qin Yiran said this, Qin Yuyan seemed to realize the problem. Indeed, why would the enemy go after the others but not them?

There was not the slightest change in Yun Lintian's expression. He had this question since the time Abyssal Devourer chose to give up on chasing him and Qin Yiran. At first, he thought Abyssal Devourer was being cautious. However, after looking at that crimson woman, it didn't seem to be the case. It was obviously had something behind this.

Qin Yiran looked at Yun Lintian, waiting for his clarification. Since Yun Lintian saved her life back then, Qin Yiran had no single trace of doubt on his judgment. Yun Lintian could anticipate the danger in a split second; his intuition and assessment had to be the best among the best. However, Yun Lintian did not express his opinion on this matter and kept pondering. Seeing this, Qin Yiran and Qin Yuyan did not urge him and continued silently moving along the path.

It took them five hours before arriving at the east side of the forest. Their journey was surprisingly smooth sailing. They did not encounter any profound beast... as well as humans. Instead of being relieved, the expressions of the three were getting worse. They were, of course, discovering the abnormality, but they simply could not point it out.

Yun Lintian still remained silent. Throughout the journey, he had occasionally opened Eyes of Heaven to check for the movement. It could not be said there was no danger or any suspicious activity because it was clearly out of place everywhere...