

## Myth Beyond 791

### Chapter 791 Clueless

"Hmm?" Yun Lintian seemed to notice something. He turned around to look in the previous Rainbow Cloud Lotus position with a frown between his brows.

"A space fluctuation?" Nantian Lingyan suddenly said. She had also perceived something.

Yun Lintian stopped his track and said. "Let's go back to take a look."

Following that, everyone quickly rushed toward the previous position and found a man's body floating in the pond beside the lotus. There was a small hole in his heart's position. Obviously, it was the cause of his death.

"What happened here?" Nantian Lingyan looked at the petrified group of people and asked coldly.

A man who seemed to be the group leader returned to his sense and hurriedly explained. "W-we have no idea, Divine Phoenix Fairy. Earlier, Qiao Feng was trying to get the lotus, but a spatial crack appeared out of nowhere and shot a black light at him."

"Spatial crack?... It's definitely not something the Ruler Profound Realm practitioner is capable of. How could it appear here?" Tong Mi'er said in doubt.

Typically, only the Monarch would have enough strength to cause a spatial crack, and with the island's restrictions, there shouldn't be a single monarch here... What exactly happened here?

Yun Lintian shook his head. "It's not true. There are many practitioners who are proficient in the spatial element out there. They could manipulate the space with no problem. Also, it might not necessarily be a man-made work. Don't forget that the restriction we experience now comes from a high-level formation. Who knows? There may be other formations we don't know here."

As he spoke, Yun Lintian opened his Eyes of Heaven and scanned the vicinity. What surprised him was that he found nothing in this place. Not a single trace of Abyssal Energy could be seen here... What the hell was that black light?

"Maybe our sisters and brothers have encountered this?" Xue Qianqian expressed her doubt.

Tong Mi'er and the others remained silent, as they couldn't think of anything at the moment.

Yun Lintian thought for a moment and said. "Let me try."

Without waiting for everyone to react, Yun Lintian had already appeared above the Rainbow Cloud Lotus and reached out to grab it.

However, he could smoothly take the lotus away under everyone's vigilant gaze.

Yun Lintian flew back to the shore and briefly scanned the surroundings again to make sure. The result was the same. Nothing could be seen.

"Perhaps it triggered once and gone?" Nantian Lingyan said uncertainly.

"Or it chose a weak target?" Tong Mi'er added.

Yun Lintian didn't think so. Since his Eyes of Heaven couldn't find a single trace left behind, he was pretty sure it was a work of someone instead of a formation. Otherwise, he would at least see some energy flows around here.

However, Yun Lintian didn't intend to say this, as he wasn't sure whether this person was still around.

Yun Lintian turned to the man in the distance and threw the Rainbow Cloud Lotus to him. "Take it."

The man subconsciously caught the lotus and did not know what to say. "This..."

Yun Lintian channeled his profound energy to lift the dead body floating in the pond up and pushed him toward the man. "Men die in pursuit of wealth, birds die in pursuit of food.[1] If this is your way of thinking, you can continue your journey."

After finishing his sentence, Yun Lintian turned around and went toward the island's center without greeting anyone.

Nantian Lingyan, Xue Qianqian, and the others didn't say anything and quickly followed Yun Lintian behind.

Meanwhile, Tong Mi'er hesitated briefly and said to the group of men. "I suggest that all of you leave this island." Afterward, she turned around and followed Yun Lintian.

"Brother Su... I think we should...." Watching Yun Lintian's group leave, a young man behind the group leader said nervously.

The group leader, Brother Su, glanced at his comrade's lifeless body in his arm and said decisively. "Leave. We will leave now." What a joke! What was more important than life?

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"Spare me...Ugh!" On the other side of the island, a haggard, middle-aged man crawled along the ground, looking at several men with red skull emblems on their clothes in terror. Before he could plead for his life, a stout man nearby swung a huge machete down at the middle-aged man's neck, ultimately beheading him.

"No, Uncle Kang!" In the distance, a young woman was tightly locked in a place with two men on both sides. Her eyes were filled with despair as she looked at her uncle dying.

The two were wandering practitioners who came here to try their luck. Apparently, their luck wasn't good. After landing on the island for a few minutes, they directly encountered a group of Red Skull pirates. They had exhausted every means to fight back, but it was futile in the end.

"Hehehe! Don't be sad, girl. Big brother will accompany you from now on." The man with a long scar on his face beside her laughed lewdly while stroking the woman's face.

The young woman gritted her teeth, enduring the humiliation while crying in despair. She could already foresee what would happen to her next. Unfortunately, these beasts wholly sealed her profound strength before she could commit suicide.

"Hold back the thing between your leg. This is not the time to do this." The machete man frowned and scolded his comrades.

The scarred face man clicked his tongue in dissatisfaction, but he knew the machete man was right. He pulled the woman up and snarled. "Walk! I will deal with you later."

The woman was pushed forward. She had no choice but to follow these beasts into the forest. Her eyes kept looking around, trying to find a way to escape from this predicament.

"Don't think about it. I won't mind cutting your legs right now." The scarred face man snorted coldly as he could see through the woman's mind.

The woman bit her lips and forced herself to calm down. If she lost her legs, her chance of surviving would become zero.

Leading in the front, the machete man suddenly halted his track, and the rest followed his action. He scanned the surroundings vigilantly as his intuition told him something was not right.

"Jiejieje! Not bad for trash like you." A burst of cold and bizarre laughter suddenly rang out, causing everyone to raise their guard.

Chapter 792 Yin Xichen

"Who are you? Why don't you show yourself?" The machete man shouted and tightened the grasp on his machete. The opponent could hide from his Spiritual Sense. It was clear this person was extremely powerful.

"Here you go." As the voice fell, a black figure gradually appeared a few meters away ahead of the machete man. This person was dressed in black from head to toe, making it difficult to see his features.

The scarred man and the other twelve people grabbed their weapons, staring at the black figure vigilantly. When the black figure appeared, everyone immediately recalled the piece of information about the mysterious black figure... Perhaps this was the one?

"Let me introduce myself first. My name is Yin Xichen. I am here to harvest some sacrifices." The black figure, Yin Xichen, said with a playful smile. The gaze he looked at the Red Skull pirates was as if he was looking at a group of ants.

"Do you know who we are?" The machete man asked sternly while secretly sending a signal to his comrades.

"I don't know. A group of ants, I guess?" Yin Xichen curled his lips. He glanced at the young woman and said. "Oh? What a nice girl. It seems this trip is not in vain. Although your level hasn't met those girls' standard, it's better than nothing."

"Now!" The machete man's aura suddenly exploded, and all the pirates behind him instantly reappeared around Yin Xichen while launching their best offensive strikes on the latter.

Standing under massive pressure from all directions, Yin Xichen shook his head in disappointment. "That's it?"

With a leisurely posture, Yin Xichen raised his right hand up and made a grasping gesture. The surrounding space trembled, and a few spatial cracks instantly appeared behind the Red Skull pirates.

RIIP!!

Several black lights shot out from the cracks and mercilessly shredded everyone around Yin Xichen into countless pieces. Blood splashed everywhere, including internal organs.

The machete man was petrified on the spot. He had forgotten entirely to launch his attack. As the group leader, he was aware of his comrades' strength. Even though a Saint would have a hard time dealing with them at once. Yet, this Yin Xichen could simply eradicate them with a single move.

"M-monster!" The machete man uttered in horror, and the next moment, his head exploded into pieces, leaving a headless body behind.

The young woman trembled in fright. Her face was colorless. She had never seen such a brutal scene before in her entire life.

Yin Xichen clicked his tongue. "Tsk! So weak?" He turned to look at the young woman and slowly walked toward her. Each step of him seemed to leak death's smell, causing the woman to shiver nonstop.

A moment later, Yin Xichen had arrived before the woman. He gently lifted her chin and said softly. "Am I that scary?"

Seeing the woman's pale face, Yin Xichen chuckled and said. "Don't be afraid. You won't feel any pain."

As his voice fell, the woman's pupils enlarged in shock as she clearly perceived her vitality was leaking out of her body. Her young face gradually turned older bit by bit. Wrinkles appeared, and her hair became white. In a blink of an eye, she had become a bag of bone without a single trace of life force left.

Yin Xichen licked his lips and lit up a black fire to burn the woman's lifeless body into ashes. "The taste is not bad. Thank you for the meal."

He turned around and looked in the island's center direction with a grin underneath his black veil. "There are many quality sacrifices here. Jiejie. I love it."

As his voice fell, a spatial crack appeared behind him, and he was sucked into it, disappearing from the place.

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"There is a divine cave around two hundred meters ahead. We had investigated it many times but couldn't find anything particularly. Do you want to take a look at it, Senior Brother Yun?" Xue Qianqian suddenly brought this up while everyone kept running toward the island's center.

"Divine cave? Since no one could find anything, who came up with the name?" Yun Lintian asked in puzzlement.

"It was our senior sister. She was the first to discover this cave and found a piece of Divine Stone. We believe this place used to be a divine being's abode. However, nothing could be seen again afterward." Tong Mi'er answered.

An idea flashed across Yun Lintian's mind. Perhaps it was another "divine being abode" like he saw in the Water Cave back then?

"Let's take a look at it. We have to pass it, anyway." Yun Lintian made a decision and let Xue Qianqian lead the way to the so-called divine cave.

While traveling, they didn't forget to harvest some rare plants along the way. Yun Lintian only took one stalk of them since he could multiply it in the Land of Beyond Heaven later and gave the rest to everyone.

A while later, everyone had arrived in front of a relatively hidden cave with some mosses and grasses covering the entrance.

The first thing Yun Lintian did was to scan the vicinity with his Eyes of Heaven. The result was pretty much the same as before. He didn't find anything unusual here, which meant there was no formation or a single living being here.

"It seems no one has come here for a long time." Xue Qianqian looked at the cave entrance. She could see that this place hadn't been touched for years.

"Let me go." Yun Lintian took a step forward and lit a small fireball before throwing it onto the mosses and grasses. The cave entrance was cleared the next moment, revealing a wide passage behind it.

Yun Lintian didn't say anything further and walked into the cave with everyone following behind.

The moment Yun Lintian stepped into the cave, his intuition told him there was something wrong with this place. However, his Eyes of Heaven still couldn't find anything here, which confused him greatly.

"Big Brother Yun, I perceive a trace of a profound beast here... No, it should be a divine-rank profound beast. But I believe it has already gone." Linlin sniffed around as she sent a sound transmission to Yun Lintian.

"A divine-rank profound beast?" Yun Lintian was taken aback... What the hell was this island?

Chapter 793 Heaven Devourer Beast

"Where is it? Big brother didn't see anything here." Yun Lintian looked around the cave in doubt.

"It's a smell." Linlin wrinkled her nose slightly. "Big Brother Yun can walk further."

"Alright." Yun Lintian didn't hesitate to keep walking through the passage and soon arrived at a seventy-square-meter area.

A small fountain could be seen at the top right corner, and there was nothing else in this hall.

Nantian Lingyan and the others scanned every corner of the hall with their Spiritual Sense but couldn't find anything in the end. It seemed this trip was simply a waste of time.



Just as they were about to say something to Yun Lintian, they suddenly saw Yun Lintian walk toward the small fountain and squat down in front of it.

"Is it here?" Yun Lintian asked.

Linlin jumped down from Yun Lintian's shoulder, sniffed around the fountain for a while, and said. "There's something beneath this. This fountain somehow has the ability to isolate our Spiritual Sense. I wouldn't have noticed it if it wasn't because of the smell."

"Alright. Step back first." Yun Lintian said, and Linlin quickly jumped onto his shoulder.

Yun Lintian took a step backward, and the White Dragon Spear appeared in his hand. He pointed the spear at the ground beneath the fountain and exerted his profound energy before thrusting forward.

Bang!

The fountain immediately shattered, and a large hole could be seen underneath it. After Yun Lintian pried the dirt away, an extensive hollow immediately came into his vision. At the same time, a strong smell flew out, causing everyone to subconsciously block their nose.

Yun Lintian quickly opened Eyes of Heaven, and he was surprised by the scene he saw. Divine energy streamed out from the hollow. Its intensity was roughly the same as those Divine Stones he found in the Water Cave.

"This... divine energy?" Nantian Lingyan was momentarily stunned.

As the Divine Phoenix Palace disciple, she was well aware of the divine energy's importance. Just a tiny portion of it could easily allow one's strength to increase by leaps and bounds!

"Don't hastily absorb it. We have to determine its source first. What's more. You may accidentally make a breakthrough and get expelled by the restrictions here." Yun Lintian warned despite knowing there shouldn't be any danger by absorbing the divine energy.

Hearing this, Nantian Lingyan and the others quickly held themselves back.

Yun Lintian used his spear to open the hollow entrance, and soon a piece of gigantic golden bone with complicated runes appeared in everyone's sight.

"Heaven Devourer Beast. Interesting. People who are capable enough to raise it could be counted in two hands." Hongyue's voice suddenly resounded in Yun Lintian's mind.

"Heaven Devourer Beast?" Yun Lintian rummaged through the information in his head, but he couldn't find a piece related to the Heaven Devourer Beast.

"Heaven Devourer Beast is an extremely ancient race. According to the record, its origin could be traced back to the Primordial Era. As its name suggests, it is capable of devouring everything. Even heaven is no exception." Hongyue gave a brief introduction.

"Judging from this piece of bone, it should be very young before it died," Hongyue said further. There was a trace of sorrow in her voice, but Yun Lintian didn't notice it.

"What should I do with it, then?" Yun Lintian asked.

"Take it away. Its bone could be used to make a weapon or even a profound ark." Hongyue said softly.

Yun Lintian turned to look at everyone and said. "I will take this away. Do you have any objection?"

Xue Qianqian was the first to wave her hand. "Senior Brother Yun is the one who discovered it. It belongs to you in the first place. How could we dare to have an objection?"

"Sister Xue is right. Senior Brother Yun can take it away at ease." Tong Mi'er echoed.

Yun Lintian nodded and stored the bone away. "Everyone can find a place to sit down and absorb the divine energy. However, you must pay attention to your foundation. Do not be greedy and try to

suppress the realm as much as possible. Otherwise, I cannot guarantee that you wouldn't be expelled from the island."

"Yes." Xue Qianqian and the others were delighted and quickly found a place to sit down.

"What about you, Senior Brother Yun?" Nantian Lingyan didn't practice like everyone as she was a half step away from breaking through to the Saint Profound Realm.

"I will study the bone for a while. I'll leave the guard duty to you." Yun Lintian said and walked out of the cave before finding a relatively remote place to set up a concealing formation.

While Yun Lintian was studying the bone, somewhere on the island's east side, Situ Chaofeng and his fellow brothers were heartily collecting precious plants.

"Senior Brother Feng, don't you think it's a bit strange?" A young man named Ding Hui asked.

Situ Chaofeng glanced at the unusually abundant precious plants and flowers and said. "Indeed. I remembered the last time we came here, we couldn't even get more than twenty stalks."

Ding Hui nodded in agreement. "That's right. Also, you can look at the ages of these plants. The youngest one is more than fifty years old, and the oldest one is already two hundred years old. They shouldn't be able to survive until now, right?"

The Heaven Vault Island had been visited several times in a year. According to commonsense, it was impossible for those visitors to leave these old plants behind. Not to mention this place was only a perimeter area.

Situ Chaofeng's brows knitted together. He had also thought about it but couldn't find any proper reason to explain this... Unless these plants had just appeared recently, but how could it be possible?

"Forget it. We have already found the Burning Heart Flower. Our mission could be considered half complete. Next, we should reunite with Yun Lintian." Situ Chaofeng shook his head.

Ding Hui frowned slightly. "Senior Brother Feng, I don't understand why we should follow Yun Lintian? He's obviously our enemy."

Situ Chaofeng replied calmly. "Although he's our enemy, there's no reason to not follow him. Didn't you see his strength before? I admit he's probably the strongest person in the younger generation I have ever seen. Since he's that powerful, we should make use of him by letting him become our bodyguard."

Ding Hui's eyes lit up as he said. "Senior Brother Feng is wise!"

Chapter 794 Hit And Run

"Oh? Look at what we got here." All of a sudden, a male voice rang out from a distance, causing Situ Chaofeng and the others to look in that direction.

Soon, they saw a group of ten people walking toward them arrogantly. These people didn't seem to think of Situ Chaofeng's group highly.

"Red Skull pirates?" Situ Chaofeng frowned slightly and quickly sent a sound transmission to his fellow brothers, telling them to come to his side.

Leading in the front was a middle-aged man with a red skull tattoo on his cheek. His entire body exuded a strong and savage aura, giving off a beast vibe instead of humans. His name was Liang Gouzhi.

Liang Gouzhi stopped his track and crossed his arms before his chest, looking at Situ Chaofeng's group with a grin. "I didn't expect to catch a big fish as soon as I landed. Although I prefer those Divine Phoenix Palace girls more, I wouldn't mind taking care of you lot."

Situ Chaofeng's eyes narrowed slightly. From Liang Gouzhi's words, he found out the Red Skull pirate group seemed to specifically target them from the beginning. Looked like there was something more behind this.

Situ Chaofeng said indifferently. "With just you? Aren't you too arrogant?"

"You must be Situ Chaofeng? I heard that you're the most talented disciple in your generation. Come. Let me experience the so-called heavenly genius." Liang Gouzhi grinned and wiggled his finger, taunting Situ Chaofeng.

Facing Liang Gouzhi's provocation, Situ Chaofeng wasn't angry in the slightest. He communicated with his fellow brothers and let one of them contact Yun Lintian as soon as the battle broke out.

"I don't know where the source of your confidence comes from. Since that's the case, I will show you my power." As Situ Chaofeng's voice fell, he suddenly lifted his right foot and stomped on the ground, creating several earth fissures to rush toward Liang Gouzhi's group.

"That's it?" Liang Gouzhi curled his lips in disdain. A giant blade silently appeared in his hand, and he quickly swung it down on the ground.

Boom!

The fissures were immediately stopped by Liang Gouzhi's attack. However, just as Liang Gouzhi was about to make another trash talk, he suddenly felt something was not right. Before he could react, the ground around his group unexpectedly sank and transformed into a huge crater.

It was not stopped at that. A few giant earthy hands simultaneously plunged out of the ground and swiftly slapped down on Liang Gouzhi's group, completely covering the crater.

"Go!" Situ Chaofeng uttered and didn't hesitate to take his brothers away without looking back.

From his judgment, it was uncertain whether he could defeat Liang Gouzhi. The best choice he could make at the moment was to run and reunite with Yun Lintian's group as soon as possible.

BOOM!

In the crater, Liang Gouzhi was furious and slammed his blade upward. A chain of profound energy crazily exploded out, destroying all the earthy hands pressing down on top of his head in one go.

Liang Gouzhi jumped out of the crater with his comrades just to discover that Situ Chaofeng's group was no longer there.

"Damn it! These bastards are even more shameless than us!" Liang Gouzhi roared furiously. Situ Chaofeng's approach was completely unexpected. Who would have thought a dignified genius of the prominent sect actually ran away after making a sneak attack?

"Are we going to follow them, Brother Liang?" On the side, a chubby man patted the dirt out of his body and asked unwillingly.

"Chase your sister! Their speed isn't low. We would simply waste our energy catching up with them. Furthermore, we have no idea whether they would set up an ambush ahead. Don't forget that even though these four sects look hostile on the surface, when it comes to a common enemy, they wouldn't hesitate to join forces together. At that time, you wouldn't know how you die." Liang Gouzhi slapped the chubby man's head and scolded him. Perhaps he used the chubby man as a target to vent his anger.

If Situ Chaofeng was here, he would surprise by how smart Liang Gouzhi was. He also didn't lose his rationale even though he was so angry.

The chubby man rubbed his head aggrievedly and asked. "What should we do then?"

"Go around. We will find some small fish and shrimp to satiate our appetite first. As for those four sects' people, leave it to our Captain." Liang Gouzhi let out a cold snort and walked away angrily. His comrades hurriedly followed behind, fearing they would become Liang Gouzhi's target like the chubby man.

Several kilometers away from the scene, Situ Chaofeng heaved a sigh of relief when he saw that Liang Gouzhi didn't follow him.

He turned to look at Ding Hui and asked. "Have you contacted him?"

"Yes, Senior Brother Feng. His position is not far from us. It would take around half an hour to reach there." Ding Hui replied.

Situ Chaofeng was surprised to hear this. He asked in doubt. "They didn't move?"

Ding Hui shook his head. "I don't know, but it seems to be the case. Maybe they are taking a rest or collecting some plants currently."

Situ Chaofeng didn't believe Yun Lintian and the others would take a rest or collect precious plants. There must be another reason.

"Let's go." Situ Chaofeng didn't think about it further and urged everyone to move.

Just as they were about to move, a playful voice suddenly resounded, and a black figure slowly appeared ahead of them. This person was no other than Yin Xichen.

"Jiejie. Since when did the Great Earth Sect's disciples start running away from the opponent? Where's your usually stupid pride?"

Situ Chaofeng's body tensed up when he saw Yin Xichen. This person could actually appear here without him noticing. Furthermore, he did it so silently without any profound energy fluctuation. What kind of movement technique was that?

"You..." Ding Hui recalled the piece of information about the mysterious man. When he saw Yin Xichen, he immediately believed this person and the mysterious man were the same person.

Yin Xichen glanced at Ding Hui and snickered. "I didn't know before that I have become famous among all of you now. Should I be happy about it?"

At this moment, Situ Chaofeng realized that the man in front of him was indeed the culprit behind the disappearance of his fellow brothers and sisters!

Chapter 795 Underestimate

"Quickly contact Yun Lintian." Situ Chaofeng sent a sound transmission to Ding Hui, and the latter quickly injected profound energy into the transmission jade.

Ripp!

"Arghh!" Ding Hui suddenly screamed painfully as his arm was cut off by a flash of black light.

Yin Xichen chuckled. "Don't try to be sneaky in front of me, understand?"

Situ Chaofeng's expression froze. A sense of horror immediately emerged in his heart. He couldn't even notice how Yin Xichen made his move. If Yin Xichen had wanted to kill him earlier, he wouldn't have had a chance to survive.

Yin Xichen glanced at Situ Chaofeng and said playfully. "Actually, I don't want to target all of you first. After all, your sect is full of stupid men. Unfortunately, compared to other groups, you are the weakest here."

Situ Chaofeng tried to calm down and asked coldly. "Where did you take my junior brothers to?"

Although he knew in his heart the chance that his fellow junior brothers could still be alive was slim, Situ Chaofeng had no choice but to ask it out in order to give everyone some time to prepare for the battle.

Yin Xichen could see through Situ Chaofeng's thoughts, but he didn't care about it. In his eyes, these people were no different from turtles in a jar. It was impossible for them to escape his palm.

"You mean those idiots?" Yin Xichen curled his lips disdainfully. "Of course, I had already sent them to the underworld. Tsk, tsk, tsk. You don't know stupid they were when they tried to use their status of the Great Earth Sect to threaten me. Haha. Did they truly think I would be afraid of you lot? In my eyes, your so-called great four sects are nothing but a mere group of ants."



Situ Chaofeng took a deep breath, and a giant hammer silently appeared in his hand. His cold gaze fixated on Yin Xichen and said calmly. "Very good. I thought that you wouldn't show yourself up. This saves us time."

While speaking this, Situ Chaofeng sent a sound transmission to his junior brothers. "Junior brothers. I will try my best to restrain him. All of you immediately rush out separately and find Yun Lintian, understand?"

Ding Hui was enduring the pain of losing his arm. He was stunned when he heard this. "Senior Brother Feng..."

"No more talking. Listen to me, this man is not someone we can fight with. This is the best way for us instead of losing our lives here." Situ Chaofeng said in an unquestionable tone.

Ding Hui and the other eight brothers looked at Situ Chaofeng's broad back with heavy hearts. As much as they didn't want to leave him behind, it was as Situ Chaofeng said, they better find a chance to leave here and go to Yun Lintian. At least, there was a slim chance to avenge him in the near future.

"Have you finished your last word?" Yin Xichen grinned evilly. Even though he didn't truly know what they were discussing, he could guess more or less about it... Running from me? Heh, dreaming.

Situ Chaofeng's hand clenched on the hammer's handle tightly. His eyes were firm and filled with determination. He took a deep breath and roared. "Now!"

Boom!

A terrifying aura burst out of Situ Chaofeng's body, causing the ground to tremble violently. At the same time, Ding Hui and the others didn't hesitate to activate their movement technique and rushed out in all directions.

Yin Xichen curled his lips and waved his hand leisurely. Several spatial cracks quickly emerged around the vicinity and shot black lights toward Ding Hui and the others.

"Do you think I would let you harm my junior brothers!?" Situ Chaofeng roared and slammed the hammer on the ground.

Instantly, the surrounding ground shook and protruded out, forming into a colossus mountain range to block the black lights.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

The mountain completely blocked the black lights, allowing Ding Hui and the others to easily escape.

"Senior Brother Feng, you must hold on!" Ding Hui shouted with red eyes. He urged his profound energy to the limit and rushed toward Yun Lintian's direction with everything he had.

The other disciples were the same. They didn't hold back their profound energy in the slightest. After leaving the scene, they made a turn and bolted in Yun Lintian's direction.

Yin Xichen's expression changed for the first time but calmed down the next second. He stared at Situ Chaofeng and said sternly. "Hah. I didn't expect you to have this card. This stupid mountain can actually block my spatial disruption... However, you must have spent all of your energy on this move. Are you ready to die now?"

A trace of blood flowed out of the corner of Situ Chaofeng's mouth. A smile appeared on his face as he retracted the hammer from the ground. "This is the result of underestimating your opponent."

"Keh! Do you truly think they can escape from me? How na?ve." Yin Xichen waved his hand. This time he exerted more strength to lock on Ding Hui and the others.

Before he could make a move, he suddenly saw a few mountains protruding out of the ground, forming into a giant dome on top of his head. At the same time, Yin Xichen discovered that he couldn't invoke any spatial rift, making him look at Situ Chaofeng coldly.

"You... Very good! I will let you know what the true hell is before you die." Yin Xichen had to admit that he had utterly underestimated Situ Chaofeng's strength. Who would have thought his domain possessed the ability to block his power?

"Cough!" Situ Chaofeng coughed up fresh blood, but the smile on his face didn't fade in the slightest. His black hair gradually turned white, and his appearance began to age. Evidently, he had burned a large portion of his lifeforce in order to increase his domain's power.

"Is that so?... Unfortunately, I don't think you will have that chance... Collapse!" Situ Chaofeng roared while slamming his hammer on the ground with all his might.

Rumble—

The surrounding mountain instantly burst and collapsed, overwhelmingly burying Situ Chaofeng and Yin Xichen!

Yin Xichen's eyes turned cold. At the critical moment, he clasped his hand together, and the surrounding space fluctuated violently, creating a spatial tunnel before him.

Boom!

The mountain completely collapsed, causing a terrifying earthquake to spread out several kilometers away.

Chapter 796 Luring Tiger Away

Rumble—

The violent earthquake immediately startled Yun Lintian, who was studying the runes on the Heaven Devourer Beast's bone. He quickly looked in the east direction and saw huge mountains collapsing at the end of his line of sight.

He stood up and put away the table, chair, and concealing formation.

Swoosh!

Nantian Lingyan appeared beside Yun Lintian and looked into the distance with a frown between her brows. "That should be Situ Chaofeng's domain. His group had contacted me earlier to say they had met a group of Red Skull pirates. I don't think those pirates could force him to use the domain. There must be something wrong."

Yun Lintian's brows raised in surprise. Although he didn't have a good impression of the Great Earth Sect, it didn't mean he would stand still without doing anything.

"You stay here and notify everyone. I'll go take a look." As Yun Lintian finished his sentence, his figure blurred slightly and disappeared from the spot. He rushed toward the battle scene at full speed.

Nantian Lingyan quickly turned around and went to notify everyone.

Swish!

After traveling for a few minutes, Yun Lintian suddenly caught a glimpse of a familiar figure in the distance. He remembered this person was a disciple of the Great Earth Sect.

The man, Ding Hui, who rushed toward Yun Lintian nonstop, abruptly halted his step as he seemed to feel like he was being watched by someone. When he glanced upward, his eyes lit up, and he hurriedly shouted. "Senior Brother Yun! I'm Ding Hui of the Great Earth Sect. Please help Senior Brother Feng!"

After confirming Ding Hui's identity, Yun Lintian jumped into the front of the latter and asked. "What's going on? Is it the Red Skull pirate group?"

"No! It's the man in black! His strength is so terrifying. We are not his opponent at all. Senior Brother Feng is buying time for us to escape. Please save him!" Ding Hui's eyes were red as he spoke in one go.

"The man in black?" A strange light flashed through Yun Lintian's eyes as he repeated. "Lead the way!"

"Yes!" Ding Hui was delighted upon hearing this. He had completely forgotten the pain of losing his hand and hurriedly led Yun Lintian to Situ Chaofeng's position.

"Tell me the way. You are too slow." Yun Lintian saw that Ding Hui's speed was too slow. He grabbed the latter's arm and said.

"Around twenty kilometers in that way!" Ding Hui hurriedly pointed at the distance ahead.

Yun Lintian didn't say anything further. He quickly activated Shadow Step and brought Ding Hui in the direction he pointed at.

Swoosh!

Two minutes later, Yun Lintian arrived at the battle scene that was now filled with debris everywhere.

"No! Senior Brother Feng!" Ding Hui roared in despair.

Yun Lintian opened Eyes of Heaven to scan the scene and quickly located a body under the debris. He pushed Ding Hui to the side and channeled his profound energy to drive all the debris away.

Soon, a body of an old man appeared in Yun Lintian and Ding Hui's sights. Was this really Situ Chaofeng?

"S-senior Brother Feng!!" Ding Hui shouted in sorrow. He was familiar with Situ Chaofeng's aura. Without a doubt, this person was Situ Chaofeng.

Yun Lintian glanced at Situ Chaofeng briefly and understood his situation. Situ Chaofeng must burn every ounce of his lifeforce in order to deal with the opponent. His action was decisive enough, but it seemed he failed to bring the enemy down in the end since there was no other person here.

"Senior Brother Feng!" One after another, Situ Chaofeng's junior brothers returned to the battle scene and rushed to Situ Chaofeng's side. Tears streamed down their cheeks upon seeing their respectable senior brother's miserable appearance. They couldn't help blaming themselves for being useless.

Yun Lintian let them cry for a while without disturbing them. Situ Yuanzhi and Situ Wuyou might be bad persons, but Situ Chaofeng was entirely different. His action of buying time for his junior brothers was praise-worthy.

A while later, Yun Lintian opened his mouth. "Alright, all of you should have cried enough. Now tell me about that person."

Ding Hui sniffed and wiped the tears away. The sorrow in his eyes was replaced by a deep hatred. He couldn't wait to tear Yin Xichen apart.

Ding Hui took a deep breath and began to explain. "This person has the ability to control the spatial element. We had no idea how did he appear before us. It was like he appeared out of thin air, just like that. And his technique... I don't quite understand, but whenever he waved his hand, some spatial cracks were created and shot deadly black lights at us."

"Spatial attributed practitioner?" Yun Lintian repeated the words to himself. In the next instant, his face changed drastically as he cursed. "Shit! We've been fooled!"

Ding Hui and the other eight were confused by Yun Lintian's sudden change.

Yun Lintian shouted. "Take his body away and follow me now!" Afterward, he turned around and rushed back to the cave.

Everyone was startled for a moment and hurriedly carried Situ Chaofeng's body, following Yun Lintian behind.

"Nantian Lingyan, do you hear me!?" Yun Lintian held the transmission jade and shouted anxiously. However, there was no response from the other side after waiting for a while. Yun Lintian was certain

something must happen to Nantian Lingyan's group at the moment. If he guessed correctly, they should have faced that man in black right now.

Unfortunately, Yun Lintian's guess was correct. Currently, Nantian Lingyan and the others were standing in front of the cave, staring at a black figure before them. This person was naturally Yin Xichen.

"You are the one that took our sisters away?" Xue Qianqian asked coldly.

Yin Xichen laughed while shaking his head. "All of you are really the same. You can't think of a better question?... Of course, it was me."

At this moment, Nantian Lingyan's transmission jade tied on her waist lit up. She glanced at it and was about to grab it. Instantly, a sense of danger emerged in her heart. Her instinct kicked in as she released a phoenix flame barrier around everyone.

Boom!

Deadly black light that appeared out of thin air directly collided with the phoenix flame barrier, producing a loud explosion.

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After the explosion faded, Nantian Lingyan and the others stood in the original place without moving an inch. The way they looked at Yin Xichen changed completely. Unlike Situ Chaofeng, they could see everything clearly. Yin Xichen could actually control the spatial element!

"Ho! As expected from the Divine Phoenix Palace disciple. Your reaction is really good... However, I don't recommend you to pick that transmission jade up. My next attack won't necessarily be weak like earlier, you know?" A trace of surprise appeared on Yin Xichen's face when he saw this scene.

Nantian Lingyan's face turned solemn. She didn't expect Yin Xichen to be proficient in the spatial element, which was extremely rare in the Azure World. This kind of opponent was the most difficult to deal with, and she didn't have experience fighting such an opponent.

At this moment, Tong Mi'er stepped forward and said coldly. "I shall avenge my junior sisters today. Come!"

As Tong Mi'er shouted, several trees nearby began to sway sideways, producing a rustle. In that instant, countless tree leaves quickly flew out, forming a leaf storm to cover Yin Xichen.

"Plum Mountain Sect's profound art is indeed fascinating. However, merely a beautiful visual is nothing. It has to possess power, too." Yin Xichen said leisurely as he waved his hand, creating several spatial cracks around him.

All the leaves were instantly sucked into the spatial cracks, thoroughly disappearing as though nothing had happened before, which stunned Tong Mi'er and the Plum Mountain Sect disciples.

"I don't believe you can handle all of us alone." A blue jade fan appeared in Xue Qianqian's hand. She fanned it gently, and the surrounding temperature dropped sharply as a bone-freezing wind blew at Yin Xichen.

Yin Xichen's eyes narrowed slightly. Xue Qianqian was worthy of being the number one in the Snowdrift Pavilion's younger generation. Her attack might look simple, but the destructive power wasn't something to take head-on... Unfortunately, her opponent was Yin Xichen.

"Not bad, but still weak." Yin Xichen grinned, and a huge spatial crack appeared above his head, followed by a terrifying suction force that wholly swallowed Xue Qianqian's winter storm.

Yin Xichen shrugged his shoulders casually. "Do you believe now that I can handle all of you by myself?"

Xue Qianqian gritted her teeth in anger upon seeing this scene. With two exchanges, she could see that Yin Xichen was simply invincible at this point. She didn't think anyone here could be his opponent. Not even Nantian Lingyan... Perhaps only Yun Lintian could do something in this situation.



"Everyone, at once!" Xue Qianqian shouted and was about to make a move. However, she was stopped by Nantian Lingyan first.

Nantian Lingyan raised her hand to stop Xue Qianqian and said calmly. "There's no point of crashing with him head-on. The signal earlier should come from Senior Brother Yun. I guess he has already figured out what happened and rushed back right now. All we need to do is to stall this man."

Xue Qianqian immediately realized it should be the case. She calmed down and stared at Yin Xichen coldly while constructing a profound barrier around everyone.

A frown appeared between Yin Xichen's brows. He could almost achieve what he wanted. As long as any of them separate from the group, he would be able to take care of them one by one.

He glanced at Nantian Lingyan and said with a smile. "No wonder you can be a leader of a younger generation. You're pretty smart." A terrifying black light gradually gathered in his hand as he said further. "However, if you think you can play a turtle here, I have to say, you're too naive... Die!"

Crackle—

All of a sudden, several spatial rifts surrounded Nantian Lingyan's group, and disgusting black tentacles quickly shot out, slamming on Xue Qianqian's ice barrier heavily.

"Everyone step back!" Nantian Lingyan said solemnly, and a Phoenix symbol between her forehead lit up. Her aura rose sharply, and the surrounding area was immediately shrouded with phoenix flames.

Scree—

A virtual fiery phoenix appeared in the sky, letting out a resonant cry and transforming everything within a twenty-kilometer radius into a terrifying blazing purgatory.

"Phoenix Domain!" Tong Mi'er and Xue Qianqian exclaimed in shock.

The Phoenix Domain was the legendary domain that only a practitioner with the Divine Phoenix bloodline could activate. However, not every Divine Phoenix bloodline inheritor was capable of using it.

Throughout the history of the Divine Phoenix Palace, no more than fifty people could activate it at will, and all of them were either Supreme Elders or Palace Masters themselves... Nantian Lingyan could actually activate it, which meant she was destined to be the next Supreme Elder in the near future!

Boom!!

A huge expanse of fire as red as blood crazily filled the domain, instantly transforming into a sea of fire. In that instant, it seemed as though a burning sun had appeared and violently exploded.

Yin Xichen's expression changed drastically. This situation was completely unexpected. According to the information he got, no one from the Divine Phoenix Palace disciples in this group could use the Phoenix Domain. How come it appeared here!?

Without thinking further, Yin Xichen hurriedly clasped his hands together and created a spatial tunnel behind him. Undoubtedly, he was going to run. However, he soon discovered the spatial tunnel was full of disturbance and extremely unstable. Even though he was proficient in the spatial element, it could not guarantee that he would be fine if he jumped into it.

"Shit!" Yin Xichen couldn't help cursing aloud. In one day, he had miscalculated twice in a row. He was too reckless this time. He should try to get others first before taking care of these women.

While Yin Xichen hesitated, Nantian Lingyan bit her lips, forcefully suppressing the urge to spit out blood. Her face was pale. Evidently, she had over-drafted her power to activate the Phoenix Domain.

"Die!" Nantian Lingyan gritted her teeth and uttered coldly.

In the next second, it was as if a volcano had erupted. The sea of fire was immensely compressed, completely surrounding Yin Xichen and could burn him into ashes in the next moment.

"Damn it!" Yin Xichen gritted his teeth and decisively jumped into the spatial tunnel right at the moment before the sea of fire could engulf him entirely...

## Chapter 798 Undercurrent

"Cough! Cough!" Nantian Lingyan coughed up several mouthfuls of blood, and her body swayed backward.

"Sister Lingyan!" Xue Qianqian and Tong Mi'er hurriedly stepped forward and supported Nantian Lingyan, preventing her from falling to the ground.

Nantian Lingyan opened her mouth and said with difficulty. "Hurry up. Contact Senior Brother Yun."

"Let me." Tong Mi'er said and quickly picked up the transmission jade on Nantian Lingyan's waist.

"Senior Brother Yun, we have a situation here." Tong Mi'er said.

"I'm almost there. All of you quickly set up a formation." A moment later, Yun Lintian's voice resounded from the other side.

"Yes." Tong Mi'er put the transmission jade away and instructed her fellow sisters to set up a protective formation.

Meanwhile, Nantian Lingyan sat on the ground and stuffed a healing pill into her mouth. Because she forcefully opened the Phoenix Domain, her foundation was risky getting damaged. She had to refrain from using any profound energy in the coming days.

While everyone was retaining their vigilance, a spatial rift appeared somewhere above the sea outside of the island, and Yin Xichen's figure shot out of it before the rift closed itself.

The current Yin Xichen was soaked in blood. Several cut wounds could be seen all over his body underneath the torn black robe. The veil on his face fell out, revealing his face that was covered with hideous scars. His eyes were bloody red as he stared in Nantian Lingyan's direction.

"I'll return this pain to you soon...." Yin Xichen said coldly. His voice was hoarse from tiredness after spending everything to survive the tunnel's spatial distortion.

He took a few deep breaths to suppress the anger in his heart and contacted someone through a communication technique.

"Master, I've failed to capture the Divine Phoenix Palace disciples. I am willing to accept the punishment." Yin Xichen said respectfully.

A moment later, an aged voice resounded in his mind. "You are injured?"

"Yes, Master. This lowly slave is ashamed. I was forced to escape by the Phoenix Domain." Yin Xichen replied truthfully.

"Phoenix Domain?... Interesting. You don't have to feel ashamed about it. The Phoenix Domain is not something the current you can handle." The aged voice resounded. "What about the others?"

"I managed to kill the Great Earth Sect's younger generation leader. Unfortunately, he had decisively burnt all of his lifeforces before I could turn him into a sacrifice." Yin Xichen lowered his head further in guilt.

The opposite party went silent for a moment and said. "You've done a good job. Since you're injured, I will send someone to assist you... How about Yin Su?"

A trace of shock appeared in the depth of Yin Xichen's eyes upon hearing this name. He hurriedly said. "Master..."

"I know what you want to say. Although Yin Su is not easy to get along with, his strength is recognizable, and he is the only one available now. You can just give him targets and let him do the job." The aged voice resounded.

Yin Xichen knew that he couldn't say anything now. He responded. "Understood, Master."

After a while, Yin Xichen glanced at the island in the distance and muttered. "I'm afraid we cannot get any sacrifice with that perverted guy."

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Swoosh!

All of a sudden, Yun Lintian appeared outside of the newly erected protective formation and glanced at Nantian Lingyan with a frown between his brows.

"Senior Brother Yun!" Xue Qianqian and Tong Mi'er hurriedly greeted him and opened the formation to let him come in.

Yun Lintian walked into the formation and asked. "What happened?"

Xue Qianqian quickly explained. "We've encountered a man in black. He's likely to be the one we are looking for. He possesses a terrifying spatial technique. If it wasn't because of Sister Lingyan using the Phoenix Domain, I'm afraid we would have been long gone by now."

"So it's him...." Yun Lintian frowned deeply. He was wondering how this person knew his movement. As soon as he left, he chose to come here directly, as if he knew him well.

Thinking of this, Yun Lintian couldn't help sweeping his gaze over everyone presented. Although he didn't know there was a traitor in this group, he didn't completely deny the possibility.

"Did Senior Brother Yun meet him before?" Tong Mi'er asked after hearing Yun Lintian's words.

Yun Lintian shook his head. "Situ Chaofeng was killed by a man with a spatial technique. It should be the same person."

"What? Situ Chaofeng got killed?" Xue Qianqian exclaimed in surprise.

In her opinion, aside from Yun Lintian and Nantian Lingyan, Situ Chaofeng was the strongest person among them. Even Wen Yunshan had to be cautious when facing him. Even though Yin Xichen was strong, Situ Chaofeng should have had a high chance of surviving if he wanted to run.

Yun Lintian sighed softly. "He sacrificed himself to let his junior brothers escape. Although I don't like Situ Yuanzhi and Situ Wuyou, Situ Chaofeng's action is admirable. It is my mistake for letting them travel separately."

Xue Qianqian and Tong Mi'er glanced at each other in shock and went silent afterward. They indeed didn't have a good impression of the Great Earth Sect disciples, but Situ Chaofeng's heroic deeds completely changed their previous view of him. Such a person was genuinely worthy of being the leader of the younger generation.

Swoosh!

At this moment, Ding Hui and the other eight Great Earth Sect disciples arrived at the scene with Situ Chaofeng's body in their arms.

Everyone glanced over, looking at Situ Chaofeng's lifeless body in sorrow.

"Come in." Yun Lintian said calmly.

Ding Hui and the others slowly walked into the formation and found a clean place to put Situ Chaofeng's body down.

"You can take care of them." Yun Lintian said to Xue Qianqian and Tong Mi'er before walking toward Nantian Lingyan.

"How is your injury?" Yun Lintian asked.

Nantian Lingyan opened her eyes. Her pale face didn't recover in the slightest, as she said. "I'm better now."

"Let me." Yun Lintian rolled his sleeve up and grabbed Nantian Lingyan's wrist. A moment later, his brows creased together as he said. "Your foundation is unstable. If you leave it like this further, your future would be limited."

Nantian Lingyan was obviously aware of this point, but what could she do? However, she didn't regret it. At least everyone here was safe and sound. It could be said her only regret was that she couldn't take Yin Xichen down.

Chapter 799 Astonishing Healing Ability

"Let me help." Without waiting for Nantian Lingyan to say anything, Yun Lintian immediately injected a portion of the wood energy into every corner of her body.

In that instant, Nantian Lingyan could perceive her internal injury had recovered at an unbelievable speed that could be described as a miracle. Her eyes widened open as she looked at Yun Lintian in astonishment.

She remembered that Yun Lintian possessed two elements, Fire and Water, but now, he actually showed the wood element... What kind of monster is he?

With the help of the Tree of Life, it didn't take too long before Nantian Lingyan's injury fully recovered. She now felt as though nothing had happened to her before. All the damages that were done to her foundation had disappeared completely. Moreover, she even felt that her profound vein had become stronger.

Yun Lintian retracted his hand and said. "You will still need to take a rest, at least for a day."

"Thank you." Nantian Lingyan said sincerely. Without Yun Lintian's help, she would undoubtedly be disqualified for the elder position once she returned to the palace.

Yun Lintian turned to look at Ding Hui, who was cleaning up Situ Chaofeng's body and said. "Have you brought your missing hand along?"

Ding Hui tilted his head to look at Yun Lintian in puzzlement. He shook his head. "No."

"I have it here." A young man beside Ding Hui suddenly said and took Ding Hui's missing hand out from his storage ring.

"You..." Ding Hui was speechless. He wanted to scold the young man, but he remained silent in the end.

"Good. Give it to me." Yun Lintian walked forward and opened his hand.

The young man didn't know about Yun Lintian's thoughts, but he still handed the hand over.

Yun Lintian grabbed Ding Hui's missing hand and turned to look at him. "Raise your arm."

Although Ding Hui was puzzled, he still complied with Yun Lintian's request. He raised his handicapped arm toward Yun Lintian.

In the next moment, Yun Lintian connected the missing arm back to the wound on Ding Hui's wrist, followed by a gentle green light that caused everyone nearby to feel relaxed.

"This..." Ding Hui's eyes widened in shock because he could feel the sensation of his hand being connected back. He tried to move his fingers slightly, and there was no problem. His hand had returned entirely to its original state before getting cut!



This movement caused everyone to be stunned on the spot. According to common knowledge, any practitioner below the Saint Profound Realm could not regenerate the organs and limbs alone. Even connecting it back would require a miracle... How could Yun Lintian do that?

"Senior Brother Yun's medical profound art has reached this extent?" Xue Qianqian said in astonishment.

Meanwhile, Tong Mi'er stared at the gentle green light emitted on Yun Lintian and said. "He can use the wood element... And it's extremely pure. This is definitely the purest one I have ever seen in my entire life. Even our Sect Master doesn't have this."

"Wood element?... He is not a dual elements practitioner, but triple!?" Xue Qianqian exclaimed in shock.

A triple elements practitioner naturally wasn't rare to her, but the one that possessed the purest elemental energy of the three of them wasn't something she had seen or known before. She believed Yun Lintian was the first and probably the last in the Azure World's history.

Standing behind, Nantian Lingyan looked at the scene thoughtfully. She remembered that before coming here, Nantian Jiyou had strictly instructed her to listen to Yun Lintian no matter what. At first, she was uncomfortable. After all, she was a dignified Divine Phoenix Palace disciple and the leader of the younger generation on top of that.

However, she now thoroughly understood why Nantian Jiyou attached so much importance to Yun Lintian to the point of lowering her stance in order to make friends with him... No wonder he could be Young Miss's Junior Brother. This person is simply a monster like her.

"You're fine now." Yun Lintian retracted his hands and said calmly. This was the first time he had tried this. The result could be described as perfect. In the future, as long as organs weren't completely smashed into meat paste, he could reconnect them with no problem.

"My King, this healing power is nothing. When the Tree of Life returns to its peak, there will be a surprise for you." Lauya's voice suddenly rang out in Yun Lintian's mind.

"Surprise? What surprise?" Yun Lintian couldn't help asking.

Lauya curled her lips. "That's for you to find out, My King."

Yun Lintian clicked his tongue in dissatisfaction... Why do these people like to keep things suspended so much?

Yun Lintian's dissatisfied action made Ding Hui take aback for a moment. He thought Yun Lintian wasn't satisfied with the result and hurriedly said. "Thank you, Senior Brother Yun. I'm one hundred percent recovered now. There's no flaw at all."

Yun Lintian retracted his attention from Lauya and looked at Ding Hui. "Oh, that's good."

Ding Hui was even more puzzled upon hearing this.

Yun Lintian glanced at Situ Chaofeng and waved his hand, creating an ice coffin beneath the latter's body. "Store him away. You can take him back to the sect later."

"Thank you, Senior Brother Yun." Ding Hui and the other eight disciples said in unison.

Yun Lintian waved his hand and looked at everyone. "I don't know where that person is going. We better stay together from now on. Also, contact Wen Yunshan and tell him about this. It will be the best if he joins us."

"Understood." Xue Qianqian said and took the transmission jade out, contacting Wen Yunshan.

Yun Lintian turned to look at the other four Divine Phoenix Palace disciples and said. "You four take turn to carry her. She cannot use her profound energy for the time being."

"Leave Senior Sister Lingyan to us." The four said and helped carry Nantian Lingyan up.

Yun Lintian glanced in the island's center direction and said. "Let's move."

## Chapter 800 A Traitor?

"I understand. We will meet at the island's center." Wen Yunshan said to the transmission jade in his hand with knitted brows.

"Brother Shan?" A young man who stood behind Wen Yunshan asked curiously. His name was Hu An, Wen Yunshan's closest junior brother.

Wen Yunshan put the transmission jade away and glanced at the vicinity for a moment before saying. "Situ Chaofeng is dead. He was killed by the mysterious man in black. This person possesses a spatial technique. We have to be careful."

"What? Situ Chaofeng?" Hu An was shocked. He naturally knew how powerful Situ Chaofeng was. This was completely unexpected.

"I found a problem. Xue Qianqian said that this person appeared before them after Brother Yun left to find Situ Chaofeng..." Wen Yunshan frowned deeply.

"Brother Shan means that how did this person know about Senior Brother Yun's movement, right?" Hu An was smart. He immediately discovered the crux upon hearing this.

"Yeah. Don't you think it's too coincident?" Wen Yunshan responded.

"Could it be... There's a traitor among them?" Hu An touched his chin and pondered.

"It's possible, but I can't think of anyone." Similar to Yun Lintian, Wen Yunshan didn't think there was a traitor among Yun Lintian's group, but he didn't deny the possibility.

Hu An's brows creased together while trying to recall everyone's information in that group. A moment later, he shook his head. "It's difficult. As far as I know, everyone that joined this campaign has a clean background. They are unlikely to interact with other forces without their sects knowing."

Wen Yunshan thought for a moment and asked. "Did you overlook the crucial point in this matter?"

"Crucial point..." Hu An frowned deeply. The next moment, his eyes lit up, and he clapped his hands together excitedly. "That's right! How did that person know Senior Brother Yun's strength?"

Wen Yunshan nodded heavily. "Except for those who went to the banquet, I don't think anyone knows about him."

Hu An thought for a moment and said. "No, Brother Shan. There's another possibility." He paused for a moment and continued. "Didn't Senior Brother Yun say he has a grudge against the Poison Valley? Although we didn't know the man in black's identity yet, I don't think there is any force in this world that dares to go against the Divine Phoenix Palace and us openly like this except them."

"You're saying that it could be their work?" Wen Yunshan looked at Hu An in surprise.

"Yes." Hu An nodded firmly. "Since Senior Brother Yun and the Poison Valley have formed a grudge, it is impossible for the Poison Valley to not know his talent. Perhaps Senior Brother Yun was spotted by their spies before coming here."

"But this cannot explain how they know his position." Wen Yunshan shook his head.

"Brother Shan, have I denied that there's no traitor among them?" Hu An asked with confidence.

Wen Yunshan was stunned for a moment and said solemnly. "I didn't expect the Poison Valley has extended its tentacle to this extent. We have to notify our Sect Master when we return."

"Eternal Sword Sect? Hahaha!" A burst of wild laughter suddenly echoed from a far distance, bringing Wen Yunshan and the others' minds back from their thoughts.

When Wen Yunshan turned around to look in the voice's direction, his eyes narrowed immediately. "Red Skull pirates?"

Leading in the front was a middle-aged man with one eye blinded. A long scar could be seen across his blind eye, making him look scary. His name was Liao Delun, the captain of the ship that came here.

Liao Delun grinned, revealing his yellow teeth, and said. "Wen Yunshan? I've heard your name before, but you didn't seem as powerful as people said."

Wen Yunshan scanned the group of twenty in front of him briefly and fixated his gaze on Liao Delun. "That's good. I was looking for you earlier."

Wen Yunshan slowly unsheathed the sword on his back as he spoke and pointed forward at Liao Delun. "Come!"

When Wen Yunshan's voice fell, Hu An and the other eight Eternal Sword Sect disciples immediately drew their swords out. Each one of them exuded a sharp aura that was seemingly able to cut everything in front of them.

"Heh! A bunch of sword idiots. Go and kill them. Leave that guy for me. I want to punch his handsome face by myself." Liao Delun motioned with his chin, and his nineteen subordinates immediately stepped forward, releasing frightening auras that were not inferior to Wen Yunshan's group.

Liao Delun put on golden knuckles and pumped his fists together, producing a deafening exploding sound. He grinned at Wen Yunshan and said. "Come, let me punch your face a little."

"Go ahead, Brother Shan. Leave the rest to us." Hu An said confidently and rushed out with the others.

Wen Yunshan glanced at Hu An briefly and returned to Liao Delun. "Go."

A bright ray of light flashed as his voice fell, and a pale white beam instantly appeared in front of Liao Delun.

"Heh!" Liao Delun laughed coldly and quickly sent a punch out. Golden light burst out almost at the same time as the pale white sword beam. Although it was half an instant slower than the sword beam, the burst of its power didn't lose to the sword beam at all.

Boom!!

Amidst a loud explosion, Liao Delun took a step forward, and his figure instantly reappeared beside Wen Yunshan. He didn't hesitate to swing his fist at the latter's head in the next split second.

"Die!" Liao Delun let out a sinister roar as he punched forward. His fist carried a terrifying might that caused the surrounding space to tremble.

Perceiving the pressure coming, Wen Yunshan's eyes turned sharp. Almost immediately, a blinding explosion occurred. It was as though countless stars were manifesting around Wen Yunshan and transforming into sword beams, shooting toward Liao Delun.

Liao Delun's expression changed slightly but he didn't retract his fist. Instead, he exerted more strength, and a golden flame instantly burst out from his entire body.

Boom!

,m A loud boom sounded. Wen Yunshan's figure was sent flying into the distance.

Within a thirty-meter radius around Liao Delun were bright golden flames that exploded outward, interrupting the sword beams. Any sword beams that came into contact with the flame were immediately destroyed and turned into specks of fleeing light.

However, these specks of light formed into more sword beams almost instantaneously and continued to shoot toward Liao Delun.