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Chapter 3441 Changes

Long Chen used the movement art he had learned from the Lightning Falcon race. Lightning then wrapped around his body, and he transformed into a Lightning Falcon that sped through the air. Seeing space constantly twisting while experiencing this carefree speed, Long Chen was moved. It was like he had returned to his childhood and Long Tianxiao was helping him ride a horse through the plains.

Long Chen raised his head and roared. As a result, thunder rumbled and he accelerated to the point that even the world around him grew blurry from how fast he was going.

This feeling of speed made him feel like all his vexations were being thrown far into the distance, as if all his worries were no longer a concern.

After leaving the Integral Heaven Star-Field, he was no longer worried about revealing that he knew the secret arts of the Lightning Falcon race. So, he flew at top speed.

In just over two hours, it was no longer a barren wilderness around him. He gradually saw some greenery, and the sparse spiritual qi in the air also increased in density.

At this point, he slowed down a bit. It was no longer a flat land. If he accidentally crashed into a mountain at this speed, he might end up injuring himself.

He quickly saw signs of civilization. This place was still mostly wilderness at this point. The spiritual qi was thin, and there weren't many people around. When he swept out his divine sense, he found that the people here seemed to be hunters.

Due to the sparse spiritual qi here, there weren't any ferocious beasts around. There were simply some wild beasts that they could hunt to live off of. Perhaps this sparse spiritual qi was precisely what allowed them to survive here.

Long Chen then paused and saw a small village not too far from him. A few dozen children were running around there, brandishing some sticks and shouting. A man in a crude beast hide was also holding a small club and sternly rebuking anyone whose movements were incorrect.

The children all looked to be around six or seven years old. When the man struck them with his club, they clenched their teeth and cried, but they didn't make a sound.

There was also a group of women cleaning up some prey and some strong people tidying up weapons. Those were just normal metal weapons, but they were very careful with them. Those weapons were clearly as important as their lives.

Upon seeing this village, a slight ripple appeared in Long Chen's heart. He thought of a pure and innocent maiden with a slightly dark complexion and large eyes, a maiden that always had a smile on her face.

A necklace of different colored stones then appeared in his hand. It was a very crude and simple necklace that was held together with hemp strings. The stones were also not perfectly circular. It wasn't all that good to look at.

However, Long Chen had always been looking after it properly. This was something from Xiao Hua, an incomparably pure girl from a small village in the Phoenix Cry Empire's wilderness, who thought of him as a gift from the heavens.

Long Chen thought of the Martial Heaven Continent and his old friends. He didn't know how they were. Were those that had ascended doing well? Were those that hadn't ascended accustomed to their new world?

Long Chen sighed. He put away the necklace and continued on his way.

The spiritual qi in the air grew denser as he flew. He gradually started to see tracks from powerful beasts and some cultivators.

Long Chen then saw some small squads fighting a huge bear. That was probably their prey, but it seemed that they had provoked something that they shouldn't provoke. Just as the seven of them were about to be killed, Long Chen slapped that bear to death.

Having escaped death, those people were all grateful to Long Chen. He asked them some questions and learned that they came from a small town. As for what prefecture they were in, they really didn't know. It seemed that this place was truly remote.

Long Chen asked them where their town was, and it really was small. The strongest person in this city was only at the Divine Flame realm. This was most likely the result of the sparse spiritual qi limiting their room for growth.

Long Chen asked that expert and learned that this place belonged to the Qingyang Prefecture.

The Qingyang Prefecture wasn't even able to enter the ranks of the hundred domains and thousand prefectures, because this prefecture had been in ruins ever since an ancient battle. It was only in the last few million years that it once more became suitable for cultivation. This place could not be compared to those other prefectures inside the Heavenly Swell Domain.

The so-called hundred domains and thousand prefectures referred to the intact domains and prefecture cities that survived that ancient battle.

In the immortal world, prefectures made up domains, domains made up star-fields, and star-fields made up heavens. It was said that the entire immortal world had nine heavens but ten lands. That saying was a bit contradictory, but people kept repeating it.

After learning this, Long Chen gave that expert a longevity extending pill, one that could give him an extra thousand years of life. That expert was overjoyed and repeatedly thanked him.

This town was too poor to even construct a transportation formation, so Long Chen could only set off on his own.

When he reached the prefecture city, it finally appeared a bit more like the cultivation world. He asked for their best transportation formation.

This place wasn't the Heavenly Swell Domain. From here, he was transported to another prefecture city. He then went through seven prefecture cities before reaching the core prefecture city of this domain.

When he came to their greatest transportation formation, he found that there was no one overseeing it.

He was standing in front of the transportation formation and about to ask for someone's help when someone spotted Long Chen and jumped in shock.

"Aren't you Long Chen? The dual champion of the Heavenly Swell Domain's Nine Prefecture Convention?"

Long Chen hadn't expected someone to recognize him. He said, "Yes, that's me. Brother, do you know if this transportation formation can be used?"

This person was in the Four Peak realm. However, his spiritual fluctuations were already growing sluggish. He looked to be in his thirties, but his actual age was definitely not young.

But in the immortal world, it was a person's realm and power that was respected. Sometimes calling someone brother was raising them up, acting like you didn't know their age or power.

"Of course you can use it. However, this transportation formation is rarely used. In order to save resources, it isn't activated at all times. If you wait just a bit, I will inform the city lord to activate the transportation formation. He needs to personally come to unlock it." That person was overwhelmed with favor at being called brother by Long Chen. He immediately ran off to alert the city lord.

As a result, he didn't just bring back the city lord; countless experts also came to take a look. The news of the arrival of the dual champion of the Nine Prefecture Convention was quite big here.

The city lord was an Earth tier Immortal King, and he was most likely the apex expert of this region. In the end, shallow waters couldn't produce big fish. There was no way that this place could compare to the Heavenly Swell Domain.

"Dean Long Chen, your reputation precedes you. I won't say any superfluous words, do you wish to return to the Heavenly Swell Domain?" asked the city lord.

"Yes, I'll trouble you to help me out." Long Chen cupped his fists.

"Dare I ask what the current situation is like there?"

"What situation?" asked Long Chen.

"Do you not know? The Heavenly Swell Domain, the Vile Dragon Domain, and other domains are being attacked. Devils have invaded from another world, and the devil sea has also erupted. Those fiend devils are climbing onto the land in multiple domains. Is our information wrong?" asked the city lord, feeling baffled. Upon hearing this, Long Chen's expression instantly changed.

Chapter 3442 Devils Invade

The devil sea erupted at the same time as the devil race invaded the immortal world. It couldn't be a coincidence.

If it wasn't a coincidence, someone must be controlling things behind the scenes. Long Chen instantly thought of how the Integral Heaven Star-Field had originally belonged to the human race but was then invaded by devils, only for them to retreat for no reason after taking over, resulting in the entire star-field falling into the hands of the Sacred Pill Hall.

If his guess was correct, Lord Brahma definitely had a way to control those devils. He was the source of this calamity, and he was the one using the devils against the High Firmament Academy.

"When did you receive this information?" asked Long Chen.

"Three days ago," answered the city lord.

Three days? That wasn't too long. Long Chen said, "City lord, please help me activate the transportation formation. I must go right now."

The city lord awkwardly said, "This transportation formation isn't kept active at all times. In order to reactivate it, we need close to a hundred immortal king crystals. Right now, I only have..."

Long Chen instantly understood. If the transportation formation was kept active at all times, then sending a single Divine Lord across domains would only cost around ten immortal king crystals.

However, actually turning on the formation so that it could be used required close to a hundred immortal king crystals. That kind of wealth was no small sum to this city lord, and he hadn't reached such a level of generosity that he could give Long Chen that much.

"That's fine. Is this enough?" Long Chen directly gave the city lord one hundred and twenty immortal king crystals.

"It's enough. There are also leftovers..." The city lord relaxed when he saw Long Chen take out the money. He had no intention of taking advantage of Long Chen, but he really was unable to lose that much money.

"The leftover change is the fee for using your transportation formations. Rules are rules. My High Firmament Academy can't let you work for nothing. Please hurry," said Long Chen. He didn't even care about this small sum. He only wanted to get back as fast as possible.

As expected, money was the solution to all problems. The immortal king crystals were then embedded into notches in the formation, and it was fully activated in just an incense stick's worth of time.

After that, Long Chen stepped in and space twisted around him. After some time, his body felt heavy, and his foot landed on solid ground.

There was a familiar scent in the air yet also foreign. That foreign scent was full of brutality and slaughter.

This was definitely the Heavenly Swell Domain. Now, Long Chen took out a map and checked where he was. Orienting himself, he rushed toward the closest prefecture city.

When he arrived, he found that they were on a strict lockdown. The grand formation had been activated, and countless armored experts were on guard, waiting for enemies to attack.

"Dean Long Chen?!"

When Long Chen arrived, those experts cried out in shock. They hastily let him in.

"Many thanks. I wish to borrow your transportation formation to get back to the High Firmament Academy," said Long Chen to their leader.

"Dean Long Chen, didn't you run? Why are you going back?" asked the leader.

"I ran?" Long Chen's heart shook. It seemed that the problem was worse than he had expected.

After asking some questions, he learned that the spatial channel that the devils had opened was near the High Firmament Academy. Hence, the academy was completely isolated and besieged by countless devils. The surrounding laws were also shattered, leaving their transportation formations ineffective.

As for the prefecture cities around the High Firmament Academy, they were on a tight lockdown. Fortunately, up until now, those devils seemed to only have their sights on the High Firmament Academy. Only a small portion spread throughout the surroundings.

This prefecture city was very far from the Martial Heaven Prefecture. Thus, right now, they were under no pressure. Their experts had even gone to support other prefecture cities. However, the Martial Heaven Prefecture's space was in chaos, so they were unable to go there directly. They had no idea what was going on there.

In this situation, countless rumors were running wild. They all said that the High Firmament Academy was about to fall. Seeing Long Chen appear here, they thought that he had run.

"Remember, the High Firmament Academy has not toppled in trillions of years. This kind of tiny wave is nothing. Second, although the disciples of the High Firmament Academy might not get along normally, when crisis descends, all their hearts are united. No one will retreat or abandon the others to flee. Third, the people spreading rumors and trying to bring everyone down are trash. Stay away from them."

After saying that, Long Chen stepped into the transportation formation. He rushed toward the Yaohua Prefecture, which was closest to the Martial Heaven Prefecture.

Once he was here, he heard the sound of battle. Even his appearance didn't draw anyone's notice.

He then hastily rushed to the city gates. A huge swarm of devils was attacking the city's formation.

Those devils were several meters tall, with long hands and feet, looking a bit like hairless apes. Their heads were larger though, and they had fangs that were like sawteeth. Moreover, bone-like claws grew

out of their hands and feet, and they were covered in scales. In addition to their sinister appearances, their auras were full of brutality and bloodthirstiness.

Long Chen saw millions of experts fighting those devils, blocking them from getting close to the prefecture city.

This grand formation was the final lifeline of the prefecture city, a last resort that couldn't be used until all else failed. If the formation was broken as well, then the millions and millions of commoners inside the city would be killed.

Countless women and children were quivering inside their rooms. The roars of the devils could be heard through the formation. To them, it felt as if the very heavens were collapsing.

Hence, the millions of experts outside the city were fighting with all their power. Even cultivators only in the Divine Flame realm were participating.

The battlefield spread as far as the eye could see. The ground was littered with corpses, and black blood infected the land. It was unknown how many corpses of the human race were buried under the carcasses of the devils.

The furthest group was composed of over ten Immortal Kings fighting a single terrifying devil. The other devils had black scales, but this devil's scales were fiery-red.

Its Blood Qi was truly like a sea and its Devil qi overflowed. With every strike of its claws, the void was torn apart. A single Heaven tier Immortal King going all-out to receive this attack was still left coughing up blood.

That devil had reached the half-step World King level, so only that Heaven tier Immortal King was barely able to receive its attacks. The others could only work with him to buy him some time between attacks.

However, that half-step World King devil was too terrifying. The elder received three blows before being wounded, which caused everyone to despair.

Other than this one elder, no one else was capable of stopping this devil. But this elder was so old that he was already past his prime. There was no way he could beat the devil.

BOOM!

The other Immortal Kings, including two Earth tier Immortal Kings, joined forces to stop the devil's next attack. As a result, all of them were like blades of grass in the wind, blown far into the distance and coughing up blood. Their auras fell.

"You damn devil!"

That Heaven tier Immortal King saw that there was no beating this devil. With a furious roar, he summoned all his power, condensing it into one final attack. He knew that this blow was useless, but he would rather die trying than retreat.

The elder's sword fell. Following that, a shocking scene occurred. A ray of divine light fell, and that unstoppable fiend suddenly quivered. After that, a crack spread from the top of its head all the way to its abdomen.

"What...?" The elder stared in disbelief.

Chapter 3443 A Strong Return

The devil's corpse split in two. For a moment, everyone was simply stunned.

They looked behind the elder as a black-robed figure with a huge sword sheath had appeared there. He was holding a blood-red saber.

"You are... Dean Long Chen?"

Long Chen's name had long since spread as the youngest-ever dean of the High Firmament Academy. Hence, cheers rang out from the countless experts of the Yaohua Prefecture.

Just then, a furious roar rang out, and more devils in the distance flooded over them from all directions. There were three devils with red scales leading a new army to this place.

"Not good! Dean Long Chen, follow us back into the city! We'll use the formation to stop them!" said the elder.

"Everyone, please retreat into the city. This junior will embarrass himself here," said Long Chen.

Long Chen then raised his left hand and a flame lotus appeared. After that, flames were summoned from every corner of the world, and the lotus instantly grew to an enormous size. A terrifying pressure crashed down, twisting heaven and earth.

The elder was pleasantly surprised. Not wasting any more time on courteous words, he directly ordered the experts fighting to crush their jade talismans. They were all transported into the city.

Just then, the three devil generals charged over and Long Chen shouted, "World Extermination Flame Lotus!"

The flame lotus fell, exploding amongst the army of devils. As a result, a giant mushroom cloud soared into the air. At the same time, a ripple spread on the ground.

It was a wave of fire that washed across the entire devil army. Now, only the three leaders remained on the ground. Their whole bodies were black and they were on their last breaths.

It was a thunderous and domineering move that made the experts watching feel fired up.

"Senior's sword isn't sharp enough. I hope that this sword can help you."

Long Chen's voice was ringing out from the distance. After that, a cold light flew through the air, piercing through the three devil generals' heads and killing them before flying toward that elder's hand.

It was a sheathed sword. That meant Long Chen had killed those devils with just the sheath. It had to be known that those devils had almost no weaknesses because their only vital part was their heads. Furthermore, their skulls were shockingly tough, and even King items couldn't break through them. That was why so many of them were unable to stop a single half-step World King devil that had almost no divine abilities.

The elder then pulled out a few inches of the sword. The sharpness that suddenly came piercing out made his soul shiver.

"What a treasure!"

Countless startled cries rang out. That sword's runes hadn't even been activated, but it was already leaking such a sharp air. It was definitely a top tier sword.

"Dean Long Chen actually gave us this sword." The elder was extremely moved. With this weapon, they shouldn't need to fear similar red-scaled devils.

Suddenly, the elder shouted, "Dean Long Chen, after this tribulation, I, Zhao Yixiang, will personally return this to you!"

"This treasure blade needs a good master. Senior was willing to sacrifice his life for the people, so only a divine weapon of this caliber can match your character."

Long Chen's voice rang out once more, but it came from so far away that it was a bit indistinct.

"Dean Long Chen is so young but already has such power. He even cares for the common people. Just how many generations has it been since such a figure has appeared in the human race?" sighed an Earth tier Immortal King.boxnovelfull.com

Looking at the ruins outside the city to the three corpses of the red-scaled devils, everyone in the city had worshipful expressions.

He had such power but was not arrogantly aloof. Moreover, Long Chen didn't just save them from their present predicament, but he even bestowed them with a divine weapon to protect themselves. Thus, all of them were completely won over.

At the same time, they felt even greater admiration for the High Firmament Academy. When it was first announced that Long Chen had taken up the place of the dean of the seventh branch academy, they had all felt that the High Firmament Academy was playing around too much. Now, they saw that the academy was truly wise.

"Clean up the battlefield! The bodies of those devils might be ruined, but their devil cores should still be intact!" ordered the elder.

As expected, within the black and burnt land, they began to find fist-sized devil cores. That was where the essence of the devils was condensed.

After purifying the devil qi, they could be refined into pure energy, so they were very valuable.

The Yaohua Prefecture's experts quickly cleaned up the battlefield. However, Long Chen was even more excited than them.

He had only slightly tested the World Extermination Flame Lotus, but that slight test already gave it immense power. He hadn't even used the Nirvana Scripture, so it could be seen just how much the World Extermination Flame Lotus had improved.

The power of the World Extermination Flame Lotus depended on his own control. The greater his power, the greater his control over flame energy.

Previously, the World Extermination Flame Lotus's limited power was due to him not being able to control so much power. If it went out of control, it would damage himself.

However, after advancing to the Divine Lord realm, even Long Chen himself wasn't sure just how strong he had grown. If he hadn't been surrounded by so many World Kings back in the Auspicious Cloud Prefecture, he would have definitely fought to his full potential.

But there was no way around it back there. He could not challenge a group of World Kings yet. However, this devil army wasn't something he was afraid of. He was returning to his home territory in glory, and he was excited to finally have a place to use his power.

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The High Firmament Academy's barrier had already been activated, and countless devils were attacking it. The grand formation was split into four layers in total, creating three regions.

Countless experts were fighting devils in these three regions. At the same time, the tablets on their waists were constantly flashing.

"How many have you got?"

"Ninety-seven thousand. What about you?"

"Fuck, are you intentionally provoking them to you?"

These experts fighting the devils still had the time to chat as they fought. Their tablets were being used to count their kill points. Once the battle was over, they could exchange the points for treasures.

This time, the academy was giving them luxurious rewards. As long as they continued to kill these devils, they would get the treasures that they dreamed of.

Thus, everyone was doing everything they could to kill more devils. Fortunately, there were enough devils that people didn't start fighting over them.

These three regions were split into those for the Four Peak realm, the Divine Lord realm, and the Immortal King realm. The academy had used a formation to split the devils according to their realms, so people could choose the battlefield that best suited their power.

"If senior apprentice-brother Long Chen were here, do you think he would enter the Divine Lord battlefield?" asked someone suddenly.

"Don't call him that. He's the dean!" shouted another person.

BOOM!

Just then, a huge explosion shook all three regions, causing everyone to jump.

They saw a red devil smash into the barrier like a shooting star.

After that, the devil slid off the barrier just like that. It had actually smashed itself to its death.

That sight stunned everyone. Just what was going on? When they looked further into the distance, their jaws dropped.

Chapter 3444 The Divine Lightning Elder's True Power

Outside the outermost barrier, the red devils were being sent flying one by one. It was as if some even more terrifying lifeforms had come, sweeping them away.

"What's going on? Aren't these devils above Immortal Kings?!" exclaimed people.

The outermost barrier was specifically to stop the strongest devils from entering. It only permitted those at the Immortal King realm and below to pass through. Outside that barrier, it was a land of absolute death. Even the higher-ups of the academy were not permitted to set foot there.boxnovelfull.com

Just then, saber-light erupted, sending blood and flesh flying through the air. Those red devils were blown apart one by one, and their blood rained down.

BOOM!

Following that, a flame lotus exploded and a sea of fire erupted. Screams rang out as countless red devils were ignited.

"That flame lotus ... "

"Isn't that senior apprentice-brother Long Chen's trump card, the World Extermination Flame Lotus?"

Saber-light flashed within the sea of flames, slaughtering those red devils. After that, a black-robed figure with a blood-red saber on his shoulder walked out of the flames.

"Heavens, it really is senior apprentice-brother Long Chen! No, it's Dean Long Chen!"

When they saw that figure slaughtering the devils with ease, startled cries rang out. It was precisely Long Chen.

Long Chen had long since reached the outer edges of the academy. However, it had taken him almost an hour to slaughter his way over to the barrier. Now, he didn't even know how many of those red devils he had killed. If his sense of direction wasn't so good, he might have gotten lost amongst them.

When he saw the barrier, he blessed his fortune that he hadn't gone in the wrong direction. There were even more red devils in front of the barrier, tearing at it. But the barrier was extremely tough. They were unable to get a foothold in it.

Hence, when Long Chen appeared, they took out their frustration on him, only for his divine ring to appear. He then slaughtered his way through them just like that. When his saber swung through the air, the red devils collapsed. Putting his saber back on his shoulder, he took a few more steps before swinging his saber again, leaving corpses in his wake.

"Dean Long Chen is so handsome!" Countless female disciples couldn't help shouting their admiration when they saw that sight.

Countless Divine Flame and Mortal Transcendence disciples within the academy weren't qualified to set foot on the battlefield, and so they were only watching, gaining experience from it.

Some of them joined the academy later, so they had never seen Long Chen. But they had all heard of his name.

Now when they saw this major figure whose name had shaken the Heavenly Swell Domain, they were all moved and could only express their feelings by shouting.

After reaching the formation, Long Chen directly entered. Quite a few red devils behind him were still pouncing on him, but he ignored them.

This barrier was targeting those devils, so the academy's disciples could pass through it easily.

"Good job. I knew that I didn't misjudge you." A muscular armored expert appeared before Long Chen right as he entered the barrier, laughing.

"Haha, Divine Lightning Elder, it's been a long time." Long Chen recognized this expert. It was the Divine Lightning Elder that had encouraged him not long after he joined the academy.

The academy had a Heaven, Earth, Wind, and Lightning Elder. Back then, Long Chen hadn't been able to see the Divine Lightning Elder's cultivation base. Now, he could tell that the latter was a terrifying Immortal King. It was no wonder that the Divine Lightning Elder hadn't placed the Pill Institute in his eyes back then.

Long Chen was quite surprised to see him here. He had always remembered the elder's praise from back then.

After seeing him here, sensing his vast Blood Qi, and hearing the thunder coming from inside his body, it was like the elder was a wild dragon. He was truly frighteningly powerful.

The High Firmament Academy was truly filled with hidden dragons. They had concealed their true power deeply.

The Divine Lightning Elder was also excited to see Long Chen. He patted him on the shoulder and even shook him lightly.

If Long Chen wasn't strong enough, just this one pat on the shoulder might have smashed him into the ground. Sensing his powerful physical body, the Divine Lightning Elder smiled proudly. "I knew that I wouldn't misjudge you. You advanced even faster than I expected. Moreover, you killed those half-step World Kings devils as easily as chopping apart vegetables. As expected, the younger generation would surpass the senior generation."

"Divine Lightning Elder, you are overpraising me," said Long Chen with a bit of embarrassment.

"Go to the academy and see the dean. This is just a small matter, and it is under control. They probably just want to train the children so that they don't piss themselves when they see the real devils," laughed the Divine Lightning Elder.

Hearing that, Long Chen suddenly felt that the situation was not as serious as he had anticipated.

He was thinking that with the Divine Lightning Elder's power, killing those red devils should be effortless. It seemed that they had only let themselves be surrounded as a training opportunity for the disciples.

The Divine Lightning Elder was actually placed here to oversee things and make sure that the disciples didn't panic.

As Long Chen walked through their midst, the disciples ran over to greet him. Long Chen then waved his hands and urged them to focus on killing their enemies. They shouldn't treat this as a game. Their lives didn't just belong to themselves as they also belonged to the people that cared about them. If they didn't cherish this life, it wouldn't be bravery but complete idiocy.

At first, Long Chen was quite pleased. But when he spoke of life and death, his expression grew colder. These disciples were not true warriors. Many of them were still spoiled and pampered. If he didn't give them a stern knocking down, they could easily lose their lives in a moment of carelessness on the battlefield.

This stern side instantly made those disciples fight seriously. It was far more effective than even the harshest of warnings from the Elders or instructors.

Once Long Chen was past the barriers, all the new disciples in the Divine Flame realm and Mortal Transcendence realm had no misgivings at all and waved at him. Long Chen waved back, and an Elder brought him to see the dean.

When he was introduced to the dean, he was startled. Only now did Long Chen learn that the ordinary elder who had been clearing the books in the Divine Scripture Pavilion was actually the dean. He was also Bai Xiaole and Bai Shishi's grandfather, Bai Letian.boxnovelfull.com

Seeing his shocked appearance, Bai Letian laughed. "What? Are you very surprised, dean?"

"Dean, don't call me like that, please. I feel like I can't live up to that title. Just call me Long Chen, or it will make me feel strange," said Long Chen.

Although he was also the dean, he never really viewed himself as one. That title was just for him to play around with. "Then I won't stand on courtesy. In private, I will just call you by your name." Bai Letian nodded. He then became serious. "Let me tell you our opponent's goal this time. It isn't the main academy but your seventh branch academy. Furthermore, the seventh branch academy is already surrounded by three major forces and is in a critical state."

"Three major powers? Who are they?" demanded Long Chen angrily. So many powers were targeting him?

Chapter 3445 Dog-Headed Generals

"One is the devil sea, and the second one is the devils from outside the immortal world. The last one is the Undying race's Devil Eye Water Lilies," said Bai Letian.

"The Undying race has also come?" Long Chen was startled. He really did feel a bit of worry when it came to this race. They were truly difficult to deal with.

"Yes. Thus, Zhantang and the others have gone to reinforce the seventh branch academy. Their real goal is that side," said Bai Letian.

After a moment's hesitation, Long Chen couldn't help asking, "Dean, I want to ask you. Was this done by Lord Brahma?"

Most things related to Lord Brahma were taboo in the academy. Everyone who knew about him kept it a secret, but Long Chen really couldn't help asking. He felt that this was definitely done by Lord Brahma.

Bai Letian smiled. "It can be said that it was and it wasn't."

"What does that mean?"

"With Lord Brahma's intellect, he wouldn't make such a childish move. For them to be in such a rush to destroy the seventh branch academy, they have essentially revealed the powers that Lord Brahma controls. No matter what, Lord Brahma is from the immortal world. Even if some people do know some of the old secrets, they don't mention them to others. On the surface, Lord Brahma appears to be a powerful overlord of the immortal world with absolute authority. He wouldn't let others know that he can control the other forces."

Long Chen came to a sudden understanding. "You mean to say that it was done by those dog-headed generals underneath Lord Brahma? In other words, they panicked once we took back the seventh branch academy, and they directly communicated with those powers without discussing it with Lord Brahma first?"

Bai Letian nodded. "Dog-headed generals is an appropriate description for them. Only fools would act so openly and directly. Lord Brahma and Fallen Daynight are in seclusion, so everything is done by their subordinates, disciples, and disciples of their disciples. Based on our understanding, there are only a few people with this kind of authority amongst Lord Brahma's subordinates. A crafty old fellow like Enpuda is always meticulous. He likes to scheme things through without leaving any evidence of his actions, so this definitely wasn't done by him. My personal guess is that it was done by the Nine Underworld Hall's master, Liao Bencang. Although he is an assassin, he has an explosive temper, and his head isn't that bright. He has always been at odds with Enpuda.

"Although Enpuda appears to be suppressed by him on the surface, with the difference in brains, there's no way he can outplay Enpuda. Enpuda simply knows how to endure. Taking back the seventh branch academy caused them to panic. For such a major thing to occur while Lord Brahma is in seclusion, they wanted to quickly fix it. But once wood has been turned into a boat, it cannot be turned back. They are willing to pay any price to destroy the seventh branch academy before Lord Brahma comes out of seclusion. The mastermind is probably Liao Bencang, and if my guess is right, Enpuda will have argued with him and then lost the argument on purpose. That way, if Liao Bencang does succeed, nothing bad will happen to Enpuda. And if Liao Bencang fails, he will have a way to escape his sins."

Long Chen nodded. Enpuda was truly a schemer, and such a forceful play was unlike him. This must have been done by Liao Bencang. However, who would have thought that a person with such a foolish head would be an assassin under Lord Brahma? Was there no one else he could find?

Furthermore, based on Bai Letian's tone, he didn't particularly care about Enpuda and the others' attack.

"Dean, what is their goal in this battle? It is meaningless, no?" asked Long Chen. Even after gathering three major powers, they were unable to break the academy's barrier. Then what was the point?

Bai Letian smiled slightly. "Attrition."

Long Chen instantly understood. It seemed that they were playing just who had more ammo. They were competing in terms of manpower, physical resources, and financial power.

This kind of attrition might not have any effect for one or two months. But what about after three or five years? Or thirty or fifty years?

The High Firmament Academy was said to have declined, so they definitely couldn't beat Lord Brahma in terms of manpower, physical resources, or financial power. Although this was a simple play, it was quite effective. It was just that they had neglected to consider one aspect.

That was that whether it was the devil crystals of the devils, the demonic cores of the sea demons, or the corpses of the Devil Eye Water Lilies, they were all very valuable.

After they were killed, their corpses could be traded for immense wealth. If the fighters were strong enough and kept the casualties within a certain range, they would actually profit.

Furthermore, they were backed by Zheng Wenlong. These demonic cores, devil crystals, and so on could be rapidly sold and turned into useful materials. They wanted to compete in a battle of attrition? Then they could compete to their heart's content.

Seeing that disdainful smile, Bai Letian also smiled. "It seems that you are already prepared." boxnovelfull.com

"Hehe, it can't count as preparations. I've just made some small fortune during this time, and it should be able to help with our current predicament," said Long Chen.

Only then did Bai Letian have a chance to ask Long Chen about what had happened after he fell for Enpuda's scheme.

Long Chen told the dean a bit about how he had entered the Netherworld. After breaking through the void, he appeared in the Integral Heaven Star-Field, coincidentally running into the opening of their Divine Lord Immortal Realm. He didn't bother concealing anything about the Integral Heaven Star-Field.

Hearing all this, Bai Letian was stunned, but he also found it comical. "You turned a disaster into a blessing. Even the protector spirit of the Integral Heaven Star-Field has helped you. Since you've gained so much wealth, I won't be so courteous with you. In the future, the expenses of your seventh branch academy will have to be paid by yourself."

Originally, with the seventh branch academy under siege, the main academy was paying close to a thousand immortal king crystals every day just to maintain the barrier. As for the medicinal pills, damaged weapons, and other fees, they were all paid by the battle.

Since Long Chen had money, Bai Letian was quite direct. He could pay for himself.boxnovelfull.com

Long Chen laughed. Now he understood what it meant for riches to lead to domineeringness. With money, he could stand tall.

"Dean, do you think it's possible to draw out Lord Brahma's subordinates and end them?" Long Chen made a throat-cutting gesture.

Bai Letian was startled and then laughed. "I know that your current power can challenge ordinary World Kings. But you don't know the differences between World Kings. Let us not speak of the differences between early, mid, and late stage World Kings. The likes of Enpuda and Liao Bencang have countless believers, so they have an enormous amount of faith energy. World Kings like them have power that exceeds your imagination. Do not compare them to the World Kings of the demonic beast races."

Although Long Chen also knew that Enpuda wasn't an ordinary World King, he hadn't expected Bai Letian to give him such a response. His heart then turned a bit cold.

However, he forced out a smile. "I can't, but what about the academy? You definitely have the power to kill them, no?"

"Hehe."

Bai Letian simply laughed and didn't reply. Long Chen knew that this old fellow wouldn't tell him the truth. The academy had truly hidden itself deeply.

The Heaven, Earth, Wind, and Lightning Elders were extremely terrifying. The Divine Lightning Elder was ranked last amongst them, so the other three must be even more terrifying. But if the dean refused to tell him, Long Chen could only let it be.

In the end, when Long Chen prepared to return to the seventh branch academy, Bai Letian warned him, "If you have the ability, then go ahead and show it. As long as you don't randomly run around, the academy will definitely protect you."

Hearing that, Long Chen was at ease. He excitedly stepped on the transportation formation.

Chapter 3446 Divine Object of the Primal Chaos Eraboxnovelfull.com

The sound of a broom sweeping lightly across the ground rang out, along with the crinkling of some leaves being swept. No matter how great the vitality of a tree, no matter how long it could live without changing, its leaves would still be constantly replaced.

If more leaves were growing, then more leaves had to fall. It was a cycle that went around and around. Perhaps this was also another kind of interpretation of life.

The sound of the devils and screams of slaughter were loud, but the sweeping elder didn't seem to hear them. He was focused entirely on sweeping. It seemed that even if the heavens were to collapse, it wouldn't hinder his sweeping.

"Senior..."

Bai Letian arrived and bowed respectfully to the sweeping elder.

"What is it? What problem have you encountered?" The elder still had his head down as he continued sweeping. He spoke very casually.

"Long Chen has returned. He concealed what he had experienced," said Bai Letian somewhat solemnly.

"And then?" asked the sweeping elder.

"The High Firmament Divine Sword sensed an aura on Long Chen that made it uneasy," said Bai Letian.

"Oh?"

The sweeping elder was finally moved. He stopped sweeping, a trace of astonishment appearing in his turbid eyes.

"Something that could make the High Firmament Divine Sword uneasy? Most likely, only those divine objects from the primal chaos era could cause such a thing. Did the High Firmament Divine Sword say where this uneasy aura came from?"

"No. It wasn't on Long Chen, but Long Chen has been stained by its aura. The High Firmament Divine Sword is unable to tell what exactly it is. Now that Long Chen is getting stronger and stronger, I am worried..."

"You are worried that Long Chen is a double-sided sword? He has powerful enemies outside and a heart-devil inside. You fear he will walk down the evil path?" asked the sweeping elder.

Bai Letian nodded. This time, Long Chen's aura was completely different from before. He seemed like a sealed devil lord slowly breaking free from his seal bit by bit, revealing a sharp and dangerous light.

"Don't be so afraid. Long Chen is a nine star heir, and he is also different from other nine star heirs. He is a Divergent, he is a Heaven-Defier, he is a gamebreaker. If he becomes an immortal, good; if he becomes a devil, fine. This deadlock of the nine heavens and ten lands requires someone with extraordinary means to break free. Who cares what method he uses? If you use someone, do not doubt them; if you doubt someone, then don't use them. Ah, your guts are shrinking more and more. This is no good. When Zhantang becomes a World King, you should abdicate your position to him." The elder shook his head, and he once more started sweeping.

"Senior, how can that be? That little fellow is far too hot-headed!" Bai Letian jumped in shock. He understood his son well. When his head got hot, he didn't care about anything else. How could Bai Letian possibly entrust the academy to him?

"Haha, it's just a joke. Don't take it seriously," laughed the sweeping elder.

Bai Letian rolled his eyes. After knowing this sweeping elder for so many years, he had never been so casual. So, for him to suddenly make a joke, Bai Letian was caught off-guard.

"Do you know? When I chatted with Long Chen before this, he said something that moved me greatly." The elder suddenly paused and sat on the ground.

Bai Letian also quickly sat and asked, "What did he say?"

The sweeping elder shook his head. "These weren't his words but the words that his adoptive father told him. Pigs run forward, chicks run back. Birds don't even pee. Thus, every person has their own Dao."

"Uh...?" Bai Letian was left dumbfounded. He had expected something profound. But the sweeping elder's serious expression didn't seem to be that of someone joking around.

The elder smiled. "In truth, many profound principles are contained within somewhat vulgar words. The lives of mortals are over in a flash. A person may not even live to a hundred, but the principles they comprehend during this time are quite shocking if you carefully examine them. On the surface, every single day, cultivators are comprehending the Heavenly Daos, grasping the profundities of the world, cultivating magical arts, training divine abilities, extending their lifespans, and flying through the air. In the eyes of mortals, we are omniscient, omnipotent. But in reality? Just how much of the Heavenly Daos can we truly comprehend?"

"Well..."

Bai Letian couldn't reply. Even after cultivating to his realm, he wasn't able to give a precise definition of the Heavenly Daos. Furthermore, his cultivation was done by standing on the shoulders of those who had come before him. His cultivation path was cleared by his predecessors, and this was true for all of them. They could just close their eyes and walk down this set path.

"Thus, no matter what lifeform it is, they have their own special means to live. It can be considered the path that the Heavenly Daos gave them. This is true of every person, but Long Chen has his own Dao. His Dao is unique, and his path is one that defies the heavens, changing his fate. For him to come to our High Firmament Academy, there are some things that are set by fate. You don't need to think about how to help him, nor should you treat him like a child, requiring him to get your consent for every little matter. Give him his freedom."

"Yes."

Bai Letian respectfully bowed his head. Seeing the elder pick up his broom, he left.

Just after Bai Letian left, the image of a sword silently appeared in front of the elder.

The elder looked at that sword-image. "Do not tell Letian about these kinds of things. That is the aura of a divine item from the primal chaos era. If Letian learns too much, it will infect him with karma. If his life isn't tough enough, he will lose it."

The sword-image quivered slightly, as if nodding.

The elder stared at the sword-image. The two of them seemed to be communicating. After a moment, the elder narrowed his eyes.

"The aura of the Netherworld. Then it should be it. Even the divine objects of the primal chaos era have appeared. The nine heavens and ten lands are definitely about to enter a great era. All kinds of monsters will be appearing one after another. I wonder if these old bones of mine will be able to deal with them?"

The elder shook his head slightly before lowering his head and continuing to sweep.

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The transportation formation lit up and Long Chen walked out of it. After that, countless startled cries rang out. Before he could even see anything, a burst of fragrance struck Long Chen, and a soft body crashed into him. Bai Shishi hugged him tightly.

"I knew that a scoundrel like you wouldn't die."

Long Chen was startled. The countless disciples around the transportation formation were also startled. As for Bai Zhantang, he froze. Only Bai Shishi's mother and Bai Xiaole's mother exchanged a look and smiled.

Long Chen saw countless experts in the surroundings, vigilantly guarding against the unexpected. For Bai Shishi to hug him like this in front of them, even he felt a bit odd.

Only then did Bai Shishi react. Her face was as red as an apple. She then viciously punched him, covered her face, and fled.

"Boss!"

Once Bai Shishi left, Bai Xiaole, Qin Feng, Qi Yu, and Xu Zixiong surrounded him excitedly.

Ever since Long Chen had vanished within the spatial channel, their hearts had been clenched in worry. Now that he was back, they shouted in excitement.

"Boss, you even advanced to the Divine Lord realm?" Qin Feng was shocked. Long Chen had actually advanced first.

"No way! Boss, how could you do that? We were waiting to undergo tribulation with you!" cried Bai Xiaole disappointedly.

They had long since reached the point of being able to advance to the Divine Lord realm, but in order to obtain the most benefits from the heavenly tribulation, they were waiting to go through it with Long Chen.

"No worry. Gather everyone. I'll bring you through your tribulation." Long Chen waved his hand heroically.

Just then, the grand formation of the seventh branch academy rumbled.

Chapter 3447 Who is the Bigger Boss?

"Quick, replace the immortal king crystals!" shouted Bai Zhantang.

The attack of the devils rapidly depleted the energy of the immortal king crystals maintaining the formation.

"It's only been two hours since we last replaced them! It seems that they have increased their attack power." Bai Shishi's mother frowned, looking at the devils outside the formation.

"If this continues, the immortal king crystals we have won't last more than a few days," said Heaven Master Yun Yang gravely.

Heaven Master Yun Yang and Heaven Master Dong Ming had been promoted to deputy deans of the academy. Essentially, Long Chen had left all the work to the two of them. So, in the past two days, the two of them had gotten quite a few more white hairs.

The main academy had sent over immortal king crystals to support the formation, but they would only last at most three more days at this rate. In just one day, almost a thousand immortal king crystals were exhausted. That was an incredibly painful price.

"Your dean is back, and he doesn't seem worried at all, so what are you all worried about?" said Bai Zhantang irritably.

He was left in a bad mood from seeing Bai Shishi run up and hug Long Chen, so he intentionally said some cold words.

"What kind of attitude is that? After seeing the great dean, shouldn't you hurry and bow in greeting? Instead you act arrogant? It seems that you don't place my boss, the dean, in your eyes!" chided Bai Xiaole. With Long Chen's return, he instantly stood up straighter.

Bai Shishi and Bai Xiaole's mothers laughed when they heard that. But Bai Zhantang's expression darkened. He angrily roared, "You little brat, you don't know who the bigger boss is!"

Bai Zhantang grabbed Bai Xiaole by the collar. He would show his son who the boss was today.boxnovelfull.com

In the past few days, Bai Xiaole had been very obedient in front of Bai Zhantang, making him happy. So, he had given his son quite a few good things during this time. But now, this little fellow instantly flipped on him when Long Chen returned. It seemed that all his previous respectfulness had been faked. As his father, Bai Zhantang felt like he needed to teach his son a lesson.

Just then, Bai Zhantang's wrist was caught by Long Chen's hand. He naturally couldn't let Bai Xiaole suffer for him.

"Sorry, deputy palace master, this place is the seventh branch academy. I am the biggest one here," said Long Chen with a smile.

Suddenly, the bricks beneath Bai Zhantang and Long Chen's feet shattered. Clearly, the two of them were competing. As the ground was unable to endure their power, cracks spread on the ground.

Just then, a hand slapped Bai Zhantang on the back of his head. Unexpectedly, it was Bai Shishi's mother.

This graceful and elegant woman was now frosty with anger. The slap on the back of his head sent Bai Zhantang reeling.

"Just how old are you to quibble with a child? Can the bigger boss be so immature?"

Everyone, including Long Chen, was shocked and their jaws dropped. In her current state, she seemed to be a tigress, a completely different person from her normally warm self.

As a result, Bai Zhantang's fury vanished. Like a defeated rooster, he lowered his head and didn't make a sound.

"I wanted to give you some face, but you get more and more out of control. We're leaving. Stop embarrassing yourself here," ordered Bai Shishi's mother.

Bai Zhantang really did leave just like that with his head down. Let alone Long Chen, even Bai Xiaole was stunned. He only reacted after a moment and cried out, "Aunt, you're so amazing!"

As soon as she turned to look at Bai Xiaole, her anger vanished. She returned to her warm self and smiled at him. "Men. You can't indulge them too much, or they'll think that they've become a god, don't you think?"

Long Chen instantly caught goosebumps all over. These words were clearly for him.
"Cough, deputy dean Yun Yang, deputy dean Dong Ming, when it comes to immortal king crystals, there's no need for you to worry. As long as I am present, we won't be lacking money." When Long Chen waved his hand, countless people cried out in shock. It was because a small mountain of immortal king crystals had appeared. The clear sound of a few crystals rolling down was exceptionally pleasant in their ears.

Everyone was stunned, even Bai Shishi and Bai Xiaole's mothers. Even experts on their level were shocked.

After all, seeing hundreds of thousands of immortal king crystals at once was truly shocking. Heaven Master Dong Ming and Yun Yang were delighted.

"Now we're saved. These immortal king crystals will be enough to last us several months," said Heaven Master Dong Ming excitedly.

"What are you talking about? This is just some pocket money that is to be given to everyone as a side benefit. Every expert who came to support us will get a portion. We can't let them come for nothing, or they'll think that our seventh branch academy is stingy," said Long Chen, waving his hand.

"Pocket money?"

"Side benefit?"

Everyone was stunned. Long Chen was actually going to split these immortal king crystals with everyone? Bai Shishi and Bai Xiaole's mothers were stunned. Furthermore, Bai Zhantang, who had just dejectedly left, now ran back.

"Little fellow, those are your words! It just so happens that my brothers are missing some pocket money."

Bai Zhantang eyed those immortal king crystals. Before he was even done talking, Bai Shishi's mother grabbed his ear and dragged him away.

"We came due to the academy's orders, and we have to carry out those orders. How can we ask for other rewards?" chided Bai Shishi's mother.

"This doesn't count as that. Just who is Long Chen? He is the dean. How can you not give face to the dean?" said Bai Zhantang righteously.

"Can you save yourself some face?!" demanded Bai Shishi's mother.

"For my brothers, who cares about face?" said Bai Zhantang loftily.

"You!"

"Seniors!" Long Chen hastily interrupted them. "The deputy palace master is correct. You have come to save us twice. These immortal king crystals are only a small token of my gratitude, so you must accept them."

"But right now, the defenses are more important," said Bai Shishi's mother. She was of the opinion that Long Chen had taken out these immortal king crystals due to the words that she had just said in order to win some face. "I already said that this is just some pocket change. The academy's regular expenses have been taken care of here." Long Chen directly tossed a chest to Heaven Master Dong Ming.

Heaven Master Dong Ming opened it and almost cried out. After that, he hastily covered up the chest. But from Bai Shishi's mother's vantage point, she had managed to catch a glimpse of the interior. It was a huge space filled with immortal king crystals. That was more immortal king crystals than she had ever seen in her entire life.

That one chest had ten million immortal king crystals. Heaven Master Dong Ming almost fainted. Despite knowing that everyone in this place could be trusted, he still immediately covered it.

Although others couldn't see what was inside the chest, just from his expression, they knew that there had to be more immortal king crystals inside compared to what Long Chen had taken out before.

After seeing those immortal king crystals, Bai Shishi's mother understood that Long Chen wasn't joking around. She then released Bai Zhantang.

Bai Zhantang didn't stand on courtesy and directly gathered the pocket change of immortal king crystals. Before leaving, he hesitated for a moment, seemingly pondering if he should thank Long Chen. But he then left without saying anything.

"Xiaole, gather all the Four Peak disciples. I'll lead you through your collective tribulation," said Long Chen, laughing heroically.

Hearing this, all the disciples inside the seventh branch academy shouted excitedly. They had been waiting a long time for this day.

Chapter 3448 Collective Tribulation

BOOM!

The formation shuddered and divine light erupted. After that, those devils attacking the barrier were blown to dust.

At the same time, a ripple spread. All the devils within ten thousand miles of the barrier were wiped out.

Watching this scene, Bai Zhantang cursed Long Chen for being a rich moneybags inside. This one attack had cost three thousand immortal king crystals. His heart was dripping blood seeing this.

Long Chen was amazed by the formation's power. If this large-area attack was condensed into a single ray, it truly did have the power to kill a World King.

As for the price of three thousand immortal king crystals, to the wealthy Long Chen, it was only like a single hair off of nine oxen. He didn't even feel the cost.

Just then, the transportation formation lit up and young disciples came flooding off. There were nine thousand of them, led by Luo Changwu.

The seventh branch academy had a transportation formation linked right to the Luo family. Long Chen had already sent word to them to gather their disciples.

After wiping out those interfering devils, the formation connecting the academy to the Luo family could instantly activate, so the nine thousand disciples were all brought over.

The reason Long Chen had spent a huge sum to construct this transportation formation was partially due to his care for the Luo family and also partially for the Luo family's Honing Heavenly Staircase. It was truly a priceless treasure to a cultivator. The academy's disciples also needed tempering.

Over two thousand disciples of the academy and the nine thousand disciples of the Luo family were sent outside the barrier, getting a certain distance away. Over ten thousand of them were present, their hearts pounding wildly in their chests. It was their first time hearing of a group undergoing tribulation with so many people. So, they were exceptionally excited.

As for Heaven Master Dong Ming and the others, they were a bit worried. If something happened, and all these elite disciples were wiped out, how would they explain themselves?

"Will this really work?"

Bai Shishi stood beside Long Chen. She seemed to have forgotten her previous embarrassment.

Her heavenly tribulation wasn't something that ordinary people could endure. Furthermore, a Divine Lord like Long Chen was standing in their midst, so her heart clenched. This could be a major mistake.

"I find that you are the one with the least confidence in me," said Long Chen with a bitter smile.

Bai Shishi looked around. It seemed that this really was the case. Not one disciple here seemed worried at all, as their eyes were shining brightly. That kind of blind confidence was inexplicable to her.

"Start!" announced Long Chen.

Following that, everyone's aura surged. Bai Shishi, Bai Xiaole, Qin Feng, Qi Yu, Xu Zixiong, Mu Qingyun, Luo Bing, and Luo Ning were all amongst them.

Over ten thousand people broke through their shackles, charging into the Divine Lord realm. The heavens shook. At this moment, countless tribulation clouds surged and a terrifying pressure shook people's hearts.

Heaven Master Yun Yang stared in fright at the massive tribulation clouds.

"The youngsters these days are crazy."

Long Chen looked at the tribulation clouds and frowned as well. Bai Shishi immediately asked, "What is it? Did something happen?"

"This heavenly tribulation is weaker than I expected. That doesn't seem right," said Long Chen curiously.

"How could that be? The heavenly tribulation's destructive aura is causing my soul to shake. One mistake and we might all die. How can you call it weak?" Bai Shishi looked at him in confusion.

Long Chen shook his head. Suddenly, he had a thought. Could it be due to the Heavenly Dao mark? Standing here, he didn't sense any hostility from the heavenly tribulation.

If it was before, the heavenly tribulation would immediately want to kill him as if he had killed their father. This time, the heavenly tribulation didn't even notice him.

"That's fine too. If it can't see me, it will give everyone else some buffer time. Then I just need to silently watch," thought Long Chen.

Just then, a drizzle of lightning fell onto their bodies. The first wave of this tribulation was very gentle. Everyone found it easy.

Everyone bathed in the lightning drizzle, but they knew that the real danger lay at the end. Thus, they did their best to absorb as much of this lightning as possible to quickly raise the power of their bodies to face the end of the tribulation.

Just then, long lightning dragons appeared. They swam within the lightning tribulation, absorbing the lightning that didn't fall on people's bodies.boxnovelfull.com

Lei Linger had transformed into tens of thousands of lightning dragons to absorb the leftover lightning here. She had ended up devouring too many lightning runes in the Integral Heaven Star-Field. The last batch in particular was so powerful that refining them took up a great deal of energy.

If relying just on herself, it would take at least ten more days to finish refining those runes. But now, by borrowing everyone's heavenly tribulation, she could use the weak lightning here to refine that strong lightning. It could be considered killing two birds with one stone.

At first, the disciples were stunned to see the violet lightning dragons swimming around them. They had never seen lightning lifeforms like them.

Even the experts inside the academy, including the Battle God Palace's experts, were startled.

"Long Chen controls thunderforce himself. Otherwise, he wouldn't make everyone take this risk," said Bai Xiaole's mother with a smile.

Last time, she had personally witnessed the entirety of Long Chen's tribulation. Now, she found that the aura of those lightning dragons of his had grown even more terrifying.

With the descent of the lightning tribulation, those devils attacking the academy fled. This kind of supreme Yang power was precisely what they were most afraid of.

After an incense stick's worth of time, the lightning rain grew stronger and bigger. The drops went from the size of a thumb to the size of a chicken egg, and their power grew explosively. It then went from the size of a chicken egg to a head. Now, the drops were exploding, possessing a certain killing power.boxnovelfull.com

After that, they transformed into lightning swords, which grew sharper and sharper. After two hours, people started to be injured.

Heaven Master Yun Yang started to grow uneasy. They were not even halfway through the tribulation, but people were starting to be injured. How would they face the rest of the tribulation?

When another incense stick's worth of time passed, lightning beasts appeared in the sky. With their arrival, the situation became a bit chaotic. There were too many of those lightning beasts, and they came from every direction. These disciples clearly didn't have experience against lightning beasts.

Lightning beasts normally only appeared when advancing to the Divine Lord realm and onward. So, most of these disciples had not encountered them in their tribulations yet.

Furthermore, it was also said that an ordinary person would only have nine lightning beasts appear in their tribulation, and they would only appear at the end. Killing those nine lightning beasts would mean that the tribulation was over.

Only Primals would have ninety-nine lightning beasts in their tribulation. But this time, although the ones undergoing tribulation were all Primals, the number of lightning beasts was numbered in the millions. Furthermore, they continued to stream out of the tribulation clouds. There was an endless tide of them. Now, the situation instantly turned grave. Quite a few people looked toward Long Chen.

"If you fall to such weak lightning beasts, I won't save you. You won't be worth saving and can just die in humiliation." Long Chen's icy voice shook their hearts.

Chapter 3449 Gain Some Profit

"Every person wants power. Every person wants to encounter some miraculous opportunity that can change their fate. Every person hopes to accomplish what takes others years to do in just a day. They want shortcuts that allow them to skip decades ahead of others. They want to soar to the top and look down on their old peers. I have a responsibility to tell you that there are no shortcuts in cultivation.

"If you want to accomplish in a day what others accomplish in decades, then you'll need to pay the pain of the decades of work compressed into a single day. If you can endure it, you will be completely transformed. If you cannot, you will be turned to dust. No one can change this law.

"The reason I am stronger than you isn't because my talent is higher, or because I'm smarter than you. It is because I was forced to get stronger. What I endured is not something you can imagine. This power of mine was tempered through countless brushes against death. I had no choice but to get stronger, because if I didn't get stronger, I would die. Furthermore, my death would be very miserable. You only see my strong side, but you don't see what lies behind it. If you can't even endure such a weak tribulation, then don't even think about changing your fate that the heavens decided for you. Especially the Luo family's disciples, you keep saying that you will restore the Luo family's glory, but is that something that can be accomplished just by talking? You're not talented enough to look down on others. You don't have a World King or a Divine Venerate as a father or mother. What will you use to compete with others?

"Right now, the only thing you can do is compete with your life. Create a new world for yourself and create a new future for yourself. Originally, you had the choice to not try changing your fate, but that chance is gone now. You've already chosen to undergo tribulation with me. Either you will change, or you die. freewebnovel. com

"Trust me. I can see every single person's talent here. This little heavenly tribulation is nothing to you. Use the threat of death to squeeze out your potential. Force yourself to erupt with greater power. Don't let your potential lie dormant within your body. Awaken it so that you can change your fate with this heavenly tribulation. You will then be reborn, and your lives will completely change!" Long Chen's voice rang out above the rumbling of the heavenly tribulation. It was like a celestial god's voice ringing out above the nine heavens.

The experts feeling immense pressure were revitalized by Long Chen's speech. Their blood heated up.

Perhaps they didn't believe in themselves, but they did not doubt Long Chen. This was the charisma of the strong. In the cultivation world, many people simply had blind trust in the strong.

That was especially true when the words came from someone like Long Chen, who was practically a miraculous existence. Every single word he said was firmly believed by them without a doubt. If Long Chen said that they had immense potential inside them, they instantly felt like their bodies were overflowing with power, as if their potential was right in the midst of awakening.

"Kill!"

Xu Zixiong, this simple-minded fellow, immediately charged out. He was the one most affected by Long Chen's words. Even his eyes were red, as his thirst for power was incredibly intense. After following Long Chen for a while, he could tell that he had transformed, and he wanted to get even stronger. He charged out, taking the initiative to go against those lightning beasts. Taking out his weapon, he slaughtered them.

Qin Feng and Qi Yu shook their heads. Long Chen's words were for others to listen. What was this fellow getting so emotional for?

However, following Xu Zixiong's display of power, the other disciples were also affected. Rather than passively defending, they all charged out, launching a crazy counterattack against the lightning beasts. Their morale soared.

When everyone set aside their fear, their battle intent soared. It was an indescribable power. Every person's soaring morale was affecting the other, constantly stimulating each other's wills.

Like charcoal in the furnace, they ignited each other, growing more and more powerful. In just a few breaths' time, the lightning beasts were no longer able to suppress them. They charged out against the lightning beasts.

A huge number of lightning beasts were devoured, and powerful lightning runes quickly filled the air, strengthening their bodies. As a result, their physical bodies and power continuously climbed.

This was a normal phenomenon, but as these disciples crazily attacked, they didn't even realize that. They simply felt that their bodies were overflowing with power. They even thought that this was their potential being unleashed. In their delight, they went even crazier to excavate even more potential.

Seeing Long Chen ignite the disciples' passions so intensely with just a speech, Bai Zhantang curled his lips.

"What a conman."

Bai Xiaole's mother covered her smile with her hand. "What? Deputy palace master, are you jealous?"

"What is there for me to be jealous of? My brothers don't need to be conned," snorted Bai Zhantang disdainfully.

"But these people aren't Long Chen's brothers. With just a few words, Long Chen was able to make them forget the pressure, allowing them to directly face the fear in their hearts and instantly unite them. It seems that our palace master doesn't have such an ability, right?" said Bai Xiaole's mother with a giggle.

Bai Zhantang was irritated, but he was also unable to find any words to retort. Seeing Bai Shishi's mother also starting to covertly giggle, he said, "You're still in the mood to laugh? Your treasured daughter is going to be conned away by this fellow due to his glib tongue."

"A glib tongue is better than a foolish tongue. At the very least, he knows how to say things that others like, unlike some people who can't say a single word of endearment after so many years. It seems that Shishi's vision is far better than her mother's. Looks, potential, talent, character, hehe, as expected of my daughter," said Bai Shishi's mother with praise.

"The two of you..." Bai Zhantang's expression darkened. These two wives of his were actually standing on the side of that little fellow.

"What? You've accepted the betrothal gift. Don't you think it's rude for you to talk badly about your future son-in-law?" asked Bai Shishi's mother, curling her lips.

"What betrothal gift?!"

Bai Zhantang was startled. He then thought of the immortal king crystals and furiously raged, "That's not-"

"That's enough. Hmph, after eating other people's food, you can't be rude to them. You're going to talk badly about him behind his back? You're quite something!" Bai Shishi's mother glared at Bai Zhantang before turning away and focusing on the heavenly tribulation again.

In the heavenly tribulation, more and more lightning beasts appeared. They also constantly grew stronger. But the disciples' morale was still high. They were fighting at full power. Saber-images raged and Sword Qi rumbled. The battle was exceptionally intense.

After two hours, these disciples began to have dark red mist surrounding their bodies. That was no manifestation but the result of their sweat and essence blood mixing together after being excited.

"Even the essence mist has appeared. These children really aren't bad. They are stimulating so much of their potential." Heaven Master Yun Yang was pleasantly surprised. As a Heaven Master, he naturally knew that this mist was the result of their potential being stimulated to a certain extent.

Their essence blood had silently ignited without them even being aware of it. They were starting to overdraft their power. In a heavenly tribulation, the more power you overdrafted and the more potential you activated, the more you would absorb from the heavenly tribulation. It was the opposite of overdrafting your power during normal times, so it was very beneficial.

However, normal people didn't dare to go so far. If they reached their limit before the heavenly tribulation ended and didn't have the power to endure it, they would die.

Suddenly, the void rumbled and the lightning beasts vanished. In return, a sinister aura enveloped the land.

Long Chen narrowed his eyes. As expected, they had also been infected by this karma. Not bad, Lei Linger would get to gain some profit.

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Just as Long Chen predicted, a sinister qi enveloped the land. At this moment, dried-up corpses in strange clothes began to come out of the tribulation clouds.

Those ancient corpses made Bai Xiaole cry out in shock. He instantly recognized them as the corpses he had encountered on the Ghost Ship.

Bai Zhantang and the others' hearts shook. Those corpses had the aura of the Ghost Dao on them. It was the specific aura of lifeforms of the Ghost Dao. Unexpectedly, they had been manifested by the heavenly tribulation.

When those ancient corpses appeared, all the disciples undergoing tribulation felt a chill. That aura provoked the most primitive sense of fear within them.

Just as they descended, the lightning dragons that were swimming in the surroundings grouped together, forming a giant yurt around everyone. There was only a single opening at the top. This way, those ancient corpses would have to come through that opening.

At this time, Bai Shishi, Bai Xiaole, Qin Feng, Qi Yu, Xu Zixiong, and the others charged to the top, attacking them.

Bai Shishi's face was slightly pale. She had an innate fear of the Ghost Dao's lifeforms. That was directly related to Bai Zhantang.

But she knew that she had to conquer this fear. Otherwise, if the Ghost Dao's lifeforms appeared in any battles in the future, she would be seriously affected by this fear.

Seeing Bai Shishi charge up, Bai Xiaole felt that it would be too embarrassing for him to retreat. Afraid of being laughed at by others, he charged up as well.

These Ghost Dao lifeforms manifested by the Heavenly Daos actually weren't that strong. Bai Shishi's sword swung through the air, and those ancient corpses were cut down in droves.

Seeing Bai Shishi slaughter them so easily, Bai Xiaole's guts also grew. He attacked those lightning ancient corpses together with everyone else.

"If you feel that you are capable, you can try it. If you feel that you can't, then just wait at the rear and it's fine," said Long Chen.

Those frightened disciples instantly grew tumultuous. Seeing that Bai Shishi had charged out, it felt like they would be admitting that they couldn't do anything if they didn't join in.

It was as if they were about to take a swig of alcohol and someone said that they could avoid drinking it if they couldn't. The challenge fully provoked them.

"Kill!"

Clenching their teeth, those disciples suppressed their fear and charged forward. They were ferocious, and just relying on this provocation, they completely stopped that army of ancient corpses.

"The power of these ancient corpses should be around the early Immortal King realm and is technically stronger than they are. They've already started overdrafting their power but are still able to endure. Long Chen is right. They really will completely transform after this tribulation," said Bai Shishi's mother. She saw that these disciples were all panting and covered in sweat but still roaring furiously and charging forward. "This is Long Chen's charisma. With him present, others can forget their fear. Perhaps they have no confidence in themselves, but their confidence in Long Chen has never wavered."

These disciples were unafraid of death. They had a new conviction, and that was that they would rather be beaten to death than be scared away.

It was this conviction that let them enter a state of forgetting even themselves. They only knew to fight all-out and forgot everything else.

However, going all-out like this, some disciples suddenly fainted in less than an incense stick's worth of time. They had used up everything they had. There was no longer any trace of energy in their bodies.

Once they collapsed, lightning chains grabbed them and dragged them to the rear. But they were left just suspended in the air.

"No way! Even after they fainted, he won't let them off?"

Heaven Master Yun Yang noticed that even as those fainted people were bound by the lightning chains, more lightning runes continued to merge into their bodies, forcibly tempering their bodies.

More and more disciples collapsed. But seeing that, the other disciples only grew more excited. For them to be able to endure while others couldn't meant that they were at least a bit stronger.

However, it wasn't long before only just over a thousand people were left fighting from the original eleven thousand. This proved that their potential was greater than others.

Luo Changwu watched excitedly. He saw that many of the Luo family's disciples had violet marks appear in their eyes right before they collapsed. That was a sign of their bloodline awakening.

It had to be known that in all these years, every generation in the Luo family would only have a few dozen talented disciples capable of activating their bloodline power.

Now, so many people were starting to awaken their bloodline. Luo Changwu even had the urge to cry. Luo Zichuan had left the Luo family to him and Luo Changwen, so both of them felt a heavy pressure.

However, with Long Chen's help, the Luo family was growing stronger day by day. They were growing more and more glorious, entering an unprecedented era. They all wished that Luo Zichuan could see their current state.

After another incense stick's worth of time, only over ten experts remained. Bai Shishi, Bai Xiaole, Qin Feng, Qi Yu, Xu Zixiong, Luo Bing, Luo Ning, Mu Qingyun, Zhong Ling, Zhong Xiu, and a few others were still capable of enduring. The rest had collapsed.

At this time, the Ghost Dao's lifeforms had reached the mid Immortal King realm. Although Bai Shishi's sword was as sharp as lightning, she was unable to stop all of them. Thus, everyone else was under a great deal of pressure.

In just a few breaths' time, Luo Bing, Luo Ning, Mu Qingyun, and the others exhausted all their remaining energy and fainted.

Now it was only Bai Shishi, Bai Xiaole, Xu Zixiong, Qin Feng, and Qi Yu still enduring. Bai Xiaole's Three Flower Pupils revolved in his eyes. But he actually looked at Xu Zixiong and shouted, "Big brother Zixiong, don't fight any longer. I can see that you've reached your limit."

Long Chen was speechless. It seemed that Bai Xiaole didn't want to give up before Xu Zixiong. Amongst the five of them, Xu Zixiong was the weakest. If he gave up first, it would be admitting that he was inferior to Xu Zixiong. This child was actually trying to make him give up.

Xu Zixiong clenched his teeth. He was soaked in sweat and panting as he swung his rod. "I'm fine. I can endure."

"But I can't endure much longer..." Bai Xiaole was so anxious that he actually said exactly what he was thinking. After realizing it, he hastily shut his mouth.

As for Bai Shishi, she was continuing to cut down those Ghost Dao lifeforms. Her fear of the Ghost Dao was growing dull bit by bit. Even now, she wasn't out of breath.

Qin Feng and Qi Yu were also still in top condition. Furthermore, due to their combat experience, they were well-suited to group battles. Their auras were not showing any signs of weakening.

Thus, it was Bai Xiaole who was the most bitter now. He had a splitting headache. That was the result of overdrafting his Spiritual Strength. He had used his pupil arts liberally in order to show off his power and had killed countless tribulation manifestations. Although it was very flashy and drew attention, it cost a great deal of energy. He could not hold on much longer.

However, the only thing keeping him going was that he didn't want to fall before Xu Zixiong. So, he clenched his teeth and endured, trying to save as much of his Spiritual Strength as possible to outlast Xu Zixiong.

After an incense stick's worth of time, Bai Xiaole finally couldn't last anymore. His eyes rolled into the back of his head and he fainted.

Just after he fainted, Xu Zixiong coughed up a mouthful of blood. He was injured by one of those ancient corpses and fainted as well. There was no more than the blink of an eye between the two of them falling.

"Now it's just the three of you. Now, we can really get started!"

Long Chen flicked his finger. A flash of fire soared into the sky and exploded amongst the tribulation clouds.

The calm tribulation clouds instantly went crazy. It was like a wild beast had been awoken. A murderous aura filled the air.