

## Nine Star 3451

### Chapter 3451 Loan Shark Returns

Long Chen's actions horrified countless people, but Qin Feng and Qi Yu didn't even react. They were already used to it.

Rumbling sounds rang out within their bodies, as their Blood Qi was raised to the pinnacle. The two of them knew that this was the true tribulation. Before this, they had just been looking after the others.

BOOM!

The heavenly tribulation quivered, and the levels of those ancient corpses instantly soared to the late Immortal King realm.

"Kill!"

Qin Feng and Qi Yu shouted at the same time, charging into the clouds and obliterating those ancient corpses that descended from the heavens.

The two of them blasted through the current of ancient corpses, and their divine weapons quivered as they attacked fearlessly. At this moment, they displayed bravery that moved countless people.

"What a powerful battle intent. They are true warriors."

There were dozens of experts behind Bai Zhantang. They were the elites of the Battle God Palace and had also experienced countless battles. But seeing Qin Feng and Qi Yu charge against the heavens, they were still moved. They felt great respect and admiration for the two of them.

Heavenly tribulation was the supreme will of the heavens. Not just anyone could simply defy that will and resist the suppression of their souls.

A normal person had great reverence for the Heavenly Daos, so they didn't dare to do anything like this. But Qin Feng and Qi Yu were different. They had started undergoing tribulation with Long Chen in the mortal world. Every single time was a fight against the heavens, so they had long since been accustomed to it.

Bai Shishi also charged up when she saw the two of them go against the flow. The three of them were attacking the current of lightning, slaughtering those ancient corpses.

Many ancient corpses also charged at Long Chen, but before they could even get close, they were devoured by lightning dragons.

"AHH!"

Just then, those disciples being protected at the rear began to wake up, screaming in pain.  
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They were bound by lightning chains, and runes were being forcibly merged into their bodies. The pain woke them out of their slumber.

As the lightning dragons devoured the ancient corpses, a portion of their lightning runes were sent to these disciples. As a result, their skin split open, and veins popped on their foreheads. The pain almost drove them insane.

“Senior apprentice-brother Long Chen, I can’t endure it! Please let me go! I’m going to die!”

A disciple cried out. It felt like he was going through the worst torture of his life. His physical body and soul were going to be torn apart.

Everyone began to wake up and scream as if they had gone crazy. But bound by the chains, they couldn’t escape.

“Don’t worry, you won’t die. At most... you’ll be driven crazy.” Long Chen shrugged helplessly.

“AH!”

As more lightning runes were injected into their bodies, they were experiencing a hellish torment. That pain was something that they had never imagined before.

“Boss, I’m not playing any longer! Let me out!”

Bai Xiaole screamed, even crying. He felt like he really would die.

However, all their pleas fell on deaf ears. Long Chen continued to look up at the sky.

Bai Xiaole's mother was also in pain watching this. Bai Xiaole's current state was truly miserable. His eyes looked like they were about to pop out, and he was clearly enduring unimaginable pain.

Bai Shishi's mother held her hand and comforted, "Junior sister, don't worry. Long Chen won't let Xiaole be injured. In order to transform into a butterfly, you must experience the pain of breaking free of the cocoon."

"I know... but... I can't help feeling aggrieved." Bai Xiaole's mother shook her head tearfully. She understood the principle, but that feeling wasn't something others could comprehend.

Bai Zhantang was clenching his teeth furiously. Although he had also beaten up Bai Xiaole for his own good, at least he had held back the appropriate amount. Seeing Bai Xiaole in this state, it felt like his heart was being cut up.

Bai Xiaole fainted and woke up from the pain several times. The same occurred to others. But no matter how they cried out, Long Chen ignored them.

Bai Shishi was still capable of enduring up in the sky. But Qin Feng and Qi Yu were covered in blood. It was unknown how many wounds they were covered in. These late stage Immortal King corpses all had combat experience. They were actual experts, different from the previous ones.

Despite their wounds, the two of them continued to fight. That brave and ruthless fighting style of theirs even shook the Battle God Palace's experts.

"I heard that Dean Long Chen's Dragonblood Legion has over ten thousand people, and these two are only the most ordinary warriors of them. I can't imagine what they would be like if Dean Long Chen managed to gather them all up again," said one of the Battle God Palace's experts.

Qin Feng and Qi Yu's display shocked them all. The two of them were so powerful, to the point that others almost felt like there was no point in living any longer. Neither of them was particularly talented, but they were inexplicably powerful.

It was like they lived for battle. Every single one of their moves was executed perfectly without any waste. There were countless times when they brushed right up against death, but just as it seemed as if there was nothing they could do to get out, they slipped right through the danger. Just watching them fight made others sweat, and they felt their hearts clench.

BOOM!

Suddenly, a chain wrapped around Qi Yu's waist and pulled him back. Qi Yu's body was covered in wounds. He was a mass of bloody flesh, but he still shouted, "Boss, I can keep fighting!"

"No need. Save a bit of energy to draw the thunderforce into your body. Going too far is as bad as not going far enough," said Long Chen.

After a bit, Long Chen also dragged in Qin Feng, having them conserve just the slightest bit of energy so that their minds were still clear. If they were to draw in the thunderforce to temper their bodies themselves, it would definitely be much more effective than being forced to have the lightning runes enter their bodies.

At this moment, golden light bloomed out of Bai Shishi's body. Her Sword Qi continued to cut down the ancient corpses. Also, her fear of the Ghost Dao's aura had faded. She was capable of unleashing all her power against them.

However, there were truly too many of them. Her mental energy was rapidly exhausted, and she was down to less than thirty percent now. But she continued to persevere.

She also knew that this was a rare chance. She had to erase her fear of the Ghost Dao.

Suddenly, the tribulation clouds rumbled. They began to roil and gather, as if some energy was drawing them in.

BOOM!

Suddenly, the ancient corpses fighting her exploded. Long Chen had a bad feeling rise within him.

“Lei Linger, devour all the lightning!”

Countless lightning dragons flew into the sky, devouring the lightning runes. But the ones that weren’t devoured flew into the clouds.

The lightning dragons only managed to absorb half of them before the rest entered the tribulation clouds. After that, the tribulation clouds quivered and began to pull in on themselves.

The ten thousand miles of tribulation clouds finally compressed into a humanoid figure. That figure’s face then gradually grew clearer.

“It’s him!”

Long Chen and Bai Shishi cried out at the same time. That person was holding a sword identical to the one in Bai Shishi's hand.

Chapter 3452 Give You a Chance

This person was the one who Long Chen had stolen the golden sword from on the Ghost Ship.

When he appeared, all the heavenly tribulation's energy was absorbed by him. Standing in the air, he gave off a feeling of looking down on the nine heavens.

He seemed to have come back to life. Only now did Long Chen see that he was a terrifying sword cultivator. He had been replicated by the Heavenly Daos.

"A half-step World King!" exclaimed Bai Shishi's mother.

"His true power is probably even more terrifying than an average World King."

Bai Zhantang had a grave expression. Wielding his sword, he appeared outside the barrier. This was an absolutely terrifying existence, so he was ready to save Bai Shishi if something happened.

Bai Shishi's mother and Bai Xiaole's mother, as well as the rest of the Battle God Palace's experts, also grew serious.

At this moment, Bai Shishi's sword quivered and her battle intent soared. Facing this terrifying expert of the Ghost Dao, she was fearless. She had conquered her fear of the Ghost Dao.

When Long Chen appeared in front of Bai Shishi, she immediately said, "This is my heavenly tribulation. I will beat him."

"If you were in your peak condition, I wouldn't stop you. But now your power is less than a third of your peak. You will be at a disadvantage. If you hadn't been undergoing this tribulation with everyone, you would have easily passed your tribulation. Leave this final pass to me. You should save some energy to absorb the final lightning essence," said Long Chen.

There was no need to question Bai Shishi's power. But against that terrifying Sword Dao expert, in her current state, she would definitely suffer.

In truth, Long Chen was also shocked. He almost messed around too much this time. If he hadn't had Lei Linger absorb the lightning runes at the end, this fellow might very likely be in the World King realm. Then things would really be out of control.

Since Long Chen had said this, Bai Shishi nodded and didn't continue arguing with him. He was correct. She had used up a great deal of power. If she then lost to this expert of the Ghost Dao, her new confidence against them might shatter.

Long Chen looked at that expert of the Ghost Dao, and this expert also looked back at Long Chen. What shocked Long Chen was that he saw light appear in that expert's eyes. Suddenly, he spoke.

"You stole my sword."

Everyone, including Long Chen, jumped in shock. Just what was going on? How could a lifeform replicated by the Heavenly Daos have its mind intact? How could he speak?



"I didn't steal it. I openly snatched it," said Long Chen with a faint smile. He acted calm but was already tightly clenching his saber hilt.

The elder looked at him expressionlessly. "Very good."

"What part is good?"

Long Chen was startled. Suddenly, he found that his intuition was telling him that this expert wasn't angry at all. Instead, he was pleased.

"Thank you for helping me find a suitable master for it," said the elder.

Both Long Chen and Bai Shishi were stunned. This was completely unexpected.

"How did you find me?" asked the elder. However, now he was speaking spiritually, which further shocked Long Chen. Someone replicated by the heavenly tribulation still possessed their soul?

"On a Ghost Ship," Long Chen also replied spiritually. Long Chen described how he had encountered a Ghost Ship and what had happened.

"Ghost Sovereign, you really are sinister. You killed us and then trillions of years later, you use our corpses to fight for you. Do you wish for us to slaughter the members of our own race?" That expert snorted, his voice filled with hatred.

“Who is the Ghost Sovereign?” asked Long Chen hastily.

“You will know in the future. Even if you don’t find him, he will find you. You set foot on his Ghost Ship, so you are infected by his karma. Since you have his mark planted on you, you have become his prey. Once you grow up enough, he will find you,” said that expert.

“What will he find me for?”

“Naturally, it is to reap your life. He will take back his mark. The Ghost Sovereign’s mark is firmly embedded within you, nourishing your heart-devil. Your heart-devil is his ultimate goal. Once your heart-devil is strong enough, he will reap his harvest.”

“This fucking Ghost Sovereign! He views me as a pig? I will definitely kill him one day!” raged Long Chen.

“The Ghost Sovereign is the master of the Ghost Dao. In the battle of the nine heavens, he killed countless lifeforms. His power is not something you can imagine. However, there is also an aura on your body that is different from all other lifeforms. You are a Divergent. Alright then. This final wisp of my ghost soul has actually been grasped by the Heavenly Daos. I will give you a chance!”

BOOM!

Suddenly, the elder’s body exploded. He transformed into eight golden swords that wrapped around Bai Shishi.

Long Chen didn't stop him. The feeling he got was that this expert was an almighty expert of the human race when he was alive. He shouldn't have any malicious intent toward them.

The eight golden swords slowly merged into Bai Shishi's body. After that, Bai Shishi suddenly coughed up a mouthful of blood. Feeling startled, Long Chen hastily pressed a hand against her forehead. His vast Spiritual Strength poured into her.

These eight golden swords were actually eight runes containing endless information. They merged with Bai Shishi, instantly exhausting all of her Spiritual Strength. Long Chen was helping her keep up.

Bai Shishi's Spiritual Strength was very powerful, but unexpectedly, it was used up even before these runes were done being absorbed. Long Chen's Spiritual Strength then slowly entered her body, helping her absorb them.

Long Chen could sense a huge amount of information entering her soul. Although he didn't know what this information was, his guess was that it was the life's learning of that expert.

Almost half of Long Chen's vast Spiritual Strength was used up before Bai Shishi finished merging with those runes.

Furthermore, at this moment, the tribulation clouds were gone. The devils in the distance then roared and charged back.

Long Chen ignored them and returned to the academy with everyone. Other than Long Chen, everyone else was unconscious.

When the master of the golden sword exploded, other than the eight golden runes, a huge amount of thunderforce was unleashed. Lei Linger naturally didn't waste it. [freewebnovel.com](http://freewebnovel.com)

It was the final lightning essence, and it was also the strongest part. Lei Linger had absorbed it all and injected a portion into the disciples. As a result, everyone's body was on the verge of collapse.

According to Long Chen's instructions, Lei Linger perfectly gave them their max limit of thunderforce. Any bit more and they really would die.

Once they were back in the academy, countless devils attacked the barrier. Long Chen eyed them with an evil smile.

"Just wait to be turned into practice partners."

Chapter 3453 An Existence More Terrifying Than the Ghost Sovereign

"The Ghost Sovereign? Why are you asking about him?" asked the sweeping elder, putting down his broom and looking at Long Chen.

Long Chen didn't conceal anything. He told the elder about what had happened in the heavenly tribulation, as well as what had happened on the Ghost Ship.

The elder sank into thought. He said, "The Ghost Sovereign is the master of the Ghost Dao. He controls all the lives of the Ghost Dao and is also the strongest existence of the Ghost Dao. His origins have always been a mystery. Some people say that he is a lifeform from the primal chaos era who cultivated step by step to become the master of the Ghost Dao. Some say that he is the conglomerated resentment from lifeforms dying over trillions of years. He has longevity as long as heaven and earth, undying and indestructible."

Long Chen jumped in shock. This was Long Chen's first time hearing of such a terrifying existence. Someone from the primal chaos era? Undying and indestructible?

"Why would such a terrifying existence place a mark on me?" asked Long Chen.

"Because he previously encountered an existence even more terrifying than himself. In that battle, his physical body and soul were destroyed. Even as an undying, indestructible existence, he was badly wounded. For him to recover faster, his subordinates secretly pick out some powerful geniuses and place Ghost Sovereign marks on them. Once they grow up to a certain extent, they are devoured by their heart-devils and become puppets of the Ghost Sovereign. They then return to the ghost world and become a part of the Ghost Sovereign's body. However, you are different. Other people have marks placed on them. But you were infected by karma which transformed into the Ghost Sovereign's mark," replied the elder.

"His body and soul were destroyed by an existence even more terrifying than him?" asked Long Chen, feeling shocked. What kind of existence could defeat the master of the Ghost Dao?

"You're so smart. You should be able to guess," said the elder with a smile.

Long Chen suddenly thought of it and held his breath. "Could it be..."

"This thing called karma can truly be marvelous sometimes. No one can say anything for sure about it. Although the Ghost Sovereign is said to possess an undying body, there are no absolutes. Back then, if the Nine Star Master had possessed a primal chaos item, the Ghost Sovereign would have been wiped out of existence. Within the nine heavens and ten lands, the only thing capable of killing him is the most primordial primal chaos energy of primal chaos divine items. The Nine Star Master wounded him, and ever since then, he hadn't made a sound. But you, a nine star heir, ran into a Ghost Ship with his spiritual mark on it, resulting in a Ghost Sovereign mark condensing on you. But you don't need to

worry. Before reaching the World King realm, he won't be able to notice you. There are truly many Ghost Sovereign marks. Unless he pulls in the net, you will be safe," said the elder.

Only then did Long Chen learn just how terrifying an existence the master of the Nine Star Hegemon Body Art was. Even the master of the Ghost Dao was slain by him. Long Chen was unable to calm himself down for a long time.

"Senior, if the Nine Star Master was so powerful, why did he die?" asked Long Chen.

"That is something that you nine star heirs must comprehend on your own. All I can tell you is that the most dangerous existence in the world is the human heart." The elder picked up his broom and continued sweeping.

Long Chen knew that the elder was done talking. Clearly, he still knew a great deal but was only able to say so much.

After cultivating to this point, Long Chen knew just how terrifying the thing called karma was. Everyone had to be cautious about it. If their mouths had no filter, it was all too easy to harm others. Even supreme experts had to be careful about it.

Only through this talk with the elder did Long Chen learn just how big this world was, and just how terrifying it was.

However, he was also uneasy. The Nine Star Master was almost capable of ending the Ghost Sovereign. But his cultivation technique had now been changed by him, and his progress was slow. Still, he could only rely on himself to bring it forward. There was no way to describe just how much pressure he was under now.

At the same time, the little bits of information in his mind combined with the tiny clues he had gathered told him that his future path would not be an easy one.

However, this immense pressure also stimulated him. He felt a powerful drive.

“Born as an ant, longing to be a swan. One’s life is as thin as paper, but one should not yield. My life will be controlled by me. I will walk my own path.” Long Chen clenched his fists. He knew that he had been drawn into an unimaginable vortex. He was currently getting closer and closer to the heart of that vortex.

He still had time to get stronger, so he would accumulate more trump cards to face the challenges of the future.

Back in the seventh branch academy, other than Bai Shishi, everyone else was in slumber. Meanwhile, the Elders of the academy were busy at work, constantly feeding the unconscious disciples medicine to nourish their souls.

Many people had been pushed to the very limit of their physical bodies. Although it was still within the limit of their physical bodies, their souls had not been able to endure that pain, and there were signs that some might grow insane.

Fortunately, the Soul Calming Elixir could nourish their souls while they slept. Those Elders also used soul arts to let them enter the land of dreams, calming their souls to avoid a heart-devil appearing.

As for Long Chen, he returned to his room and then took out a five-colored seed of the Devil Eye Water Lily. This was a fourth tier Devil Eye Water Lily, one that was in the same realm as him.

Taking out the pill furnace, he carefully refined the seed into medicinal powder. However, he didn't use the Demon Moon Furnace. Instead, he used the Moon and Star Refining Furnace because it had more experience with refining pills. It was more reliable and had a lower chance of failure.

This time, he was going to refine the Violet Tower Pills. Just the cost of the ingredients was enough to buy a whole city. There were certain ingredients that came from demonic beasts, spirit beasts, and other non-plant ingredients that he couldn't grow. Thus, he couldn't waste any attempts at refining them like before.

Eye of the devil dragon, fang of the blood bat, gall of the deep sea serpent, essence blood of the violet sable... One medicinal ingredient after another was refined into powder. Long Chen was completely focused, not daring to be the slightest bit careless.

Just purifying the medicinal ingredients took a full day. Due to his intense concentration, he rested for two hours before starting to refine the pill.

The five-colored powder of the Devil Eye Water Lily seed was the first to enter the pill furnace. It was the main ingredient. All other ingredients were controlled by it.

When the flame ignited, one powder after another entered. A rainbow mist then appeared within the pill furnace. At the same time, the runes on the pill furnace automatically lit up.

"What terrifying power. The pill furnace's self-preservation runes have been forced to activate." Long Chen's heart shook. The pill furnace had actually reacted to the refinement and automatically activated its defenses.

The rainbow light began to grow turbulent as more medicinal powders entered. It began to crash against the pill furnace.



Fortunately, this was no ordinary pill furnace but a Daynight Furnace. If it was the old King item pill furnace, Long Chen might have needed to give up.

This was only the start, but it was already causing such a phenomenon. If the pill furnace wasn't strong enough, it would not be able to endure.

Close to a thousand ingredients entered the pill furnace, and five-colored light shone brightly. It created a current that crashed against the pill furnace like a surging dragon.

"Now I have something to play with." Sensing that immense power in the pill furnace, at the same time as he tensed up, Long Chen also grew increasingly excited.

#### Chapter 3454 Powerful Violet Tower Pill

All the pill furnace's runes lit up. Five-colored light surged within the pill furnace, crashing against the pill furnace like wild beasts trying to break free.

"Good thing I got a new pill furnace. That old pill furnace would have broken from this power." Long Chen's heart gradually relaxed when he saw that the Moon and Star Refining Furnace was able to endure this onslaught.

Long Chen wiped off some sweat from his forehead. His nerves were tense as he was using up a vast amount of Spiritual Strength.

In the past, when he refined pills, it was usually based on spiritual plants. Those pills possessed gentle and mild natures.

However, the Violet Tower Pill was refined from many ingredients that came from beasts. That made the pill's nature particularly violent. It was like countless beasts were fighting within the pill furnace.

The Violet Tower Pill's quality was increased when the power of the ingredients was stimulated. So, all of this violence was helping to draw out the potential of the ingredients. If instead this nature was forcibly erased, most of the medicinal nature would fade away as well.

Thus, letting them fight and clash against each other was the best method. That violent nature would slowly be worn down.

Roars rang out from within the pill furnace, and countless powers were clashing against each other, none capable of subduing the others.

At first, there were countless powers crazily fighting within the five-colored light. But as time passed, the battle grew more and more intense, and some powers gradually seemed to subdue and devour the others.

After a while, five streams of power remained, crazily fighting each other. After another incense stick's worth of time, the five powers merged into one. *freewebnovel.com*

When those five powers merged, they formed an immense force that crashed against the pill furnace. Long Chen pressed his hand against the lid, afraid that they would charge out and ruin all his efforts. The immense force was making his arm numb.

Long Chen couldn't help being shocked inside. The impact of this medicinal pill was almost equivalent to a full-power late stage Divine Lord's attack.

There were nine impacts in total. The ninth time in the end caused the whole room to quiver. Long Chen almost couldn't hold it.

After the ninth impact, the pill furnace finally became calm. Long Chen then carefully opened the lid. But all of a sudden, nine rays of light shot at Long Chen's eyes. The sensation of mortal danger made Long Chen instinctively take out his saber.

BOOM!

The nine divine lights shattered.

"Fuck!"

Long Chen cursed furiously. Shattered remains of medicinal pills lay on the ground. He had just refined a good furnace of pills only to destroy them with his saber in the next moment. Everything was for nothing.

His face was dark with anger. Just now, in his excitement, he had made a grievous mistake. He had forgotten that the higher the tier of a pill, the greater its spirituality. Unwilling to be trapped, those higher tier pills would directly kill the alchemist and flee. This was something that he had often seen in the later stages of the mortal world.

However, in the immortal world, due to there being different laws, he had not refined any pills that possessed their own spirits, causing him to forget about this matter.

Unexpectedly, the Violet Tower Pill had its own spirit and even tried to kill him. Long Chen instinctively counterattacked, destroying them by accident. Most infuriating of all, he hadn't even gotten a look at what the pills looked like.

He angrily plopped himself on the ground. After two hours, he finally settled his emotions and started on the next furnace of pills.

The second refinement went much smoother than the last. Long Chen had the experience, and the Moon and Star Refining Furnace was also prepared. While working together, everything went very smoothly.

The second furnace of pills quickly formed. This time, he was prepared, and when the pills came flying out, he unleashed a punch.

The divine light shattered, and blood dripped down Long Chen's fist. The attack power of these medicinal pills was truly powerful. That was naturally why when they attacked last time, he instinctively counterattacked without holding back.

This time, after the divine light was shattered, the nine pills were not damaged. They floated in the air just like that.

The pills sparkled brightly, with divine light flowing within them. At the core of every pill was a blooming lily.

The lily had some tiny spots. When Long Chen's mind entered those spots, he found himself in a different world.

This world was a lily flower with violet qi swirling on top of it. Immortal mist rose out of the ground, and fierce beasts were roaming around the land. They were the beasts whose ingredients were part of the pill formula.

However, compared to the giant lily, they were minute. They lived in this world. Long Chen even saw two of the beasts fighting each other.

“One flower, one world.”

Long Chen sighed in amazement. The Violet Tower Pill was truly terrifying. It seemed to contain boundless power. Furthermore, that violet immortal mist seemed to be the purest, most primeval immortal qi of the world.

“They’re all top grade treasure pills. Perhaps it’s due to the tiers of the ingredients being so high.”

Originally, Long Chen had felt that refining top grade spirit pills would be something to celebrate. He hadn’t expected the first furnace of pills to all be top grade treasure pills.

Upon thinking about it carefully, this was the result of the quality of the ingredients, the refining technique, and the power of the pill furnace combined. That was what resulted in such a shocking outcome.

Long Chen looked at the Violet Tower Pills adoringly. This was his first time seeing such a beautiful pill. Every pill seemed to contain its own world. It was a beautiful feeling.

However, Long Chen didn't immediately devour them. He first sent them into the primal chaos space for Lei Linger to use her thunderforce to nourish them, turning them into tribulation pills. That way, they could unleash their maximum potential.

Refining a single furnace of Violet Tower Pills was truly taxing. Furthermore, the medicinal ingredients that didn't come from plants couldn't be reproduced limitlessly by the primal chaos space. Every bit that he used was gone. Who knew when Zheng Wenlong would be able to gather more? Long Chen had to be meticulous with these ingredients. He couldn't entirely depend on others.

Long Chen spent days refining the Violet Tower Pills, working seven consecutive days and nights. Although he did rest in between, he was still weary.

But in these seven days, he had refined a thousand Violet Tower Pills. He then gave them to Lei Linger to nourish. Only once they successfully became tribulation pills would he consume them.

After that, Long Chen returned to his residence and fell asleep. This one nap lasted three days. Refining the Violet Tower Pills was just too exhausting. He only restored his mental energy after three days of sleeping.

It had been a full ten days since the tribulation. Although there were still devils assaulting them, the academy had plenty of provisions. Everyone was able to sleep peacefully.

During this time, the Battle God Palace's experts actually went out once to gather the devil crystals from the devils that were killed by the grand formation.

Furthermore, Long Chen was very magnanimous, directly saying that those devil cores went to whoever found them, and that there was no need to pay the academy. Hence, these experts all felt him to be the very picture of generosity, letting them make no small sum so easily.

When Long Chen asked about the disciples, he was told that the majority were still sleeping. Long Chen couldn't help frowning. Had he gone a bit too far this time? They still hadn't woken up even after all this time.

"Long Chen!"

Suddenly, Bai Shishi appeared. When Long Chen saw her current state, he jumped in shock.

### **Chapter 3455 Bai Shishi's Luck**

The current Bai Shishi seemed to be an entirely different person. Her gaze was so sharp it seemed that it could pierce a person's soul.

Moreover, there were countless runes revolving and evolving within her eyes. It was like the workings of a field of stars. There seemed to be endless power hidden within her body, and even Long Chen felt immense pressure when he looked at her.

"You really merged with that person's inheritance?" asked Long Chen in shock.

Bai Shishi shook her head. "Only some of the superficial information so far. His Dao is too profound, and I cannot comprehend them in this realm. Thus, Ninety-nine percent of the divine runes are sealed in my soul, and I am working to comprehend them."

"Amazing. Just comprehending some superficial information is enough to completely transform you. Once you comprehend it all, won't you be unrivaled?" Long Chen was delighted.

Bai Shishi smiled. "Long Chen, it really is all thanks to you. I would have never encountered such an opportunity if it hadn't been for you. I suspect that this senior was a terrifying Divine Venerate back when he was alive. Obtaining his inheritance is enough to change my entire life."

Long Chen was stunned by that. Bai Shishi had obtained that person's inheritance, so she should have a certain understanding of him. She wouldn't blindly guess such a thing. If she said that he was a Divine Venerate, then he probably had reached that realm.

That Divine Venerate had actually died to the Ghost Sovereign. The Ghost Sovereign had then placed his corpse on the Ghost Ship. Clearly, the Ghost Sovereign was planning on using him again. It really was just as he said... the Ghost Sovereign wouldn't let him off even in death.

Not only that, but this Divine Venerate didn't seem to hold much resentment at being killed by the Ghost Sovereign. That would imply that he was fully convinced of his defeat.

Even a powerful Divine Venerate like him was slain by the Ghost Sovereign. From this, it could be seen just how terrifying of an existence the latter was. However, even then, he was almost wiped out of existence by the Nine Star Master. So just how powerful was the Nine Star Master?

If the Nine Star Master was so powerful, why had he died? In the end, he transformed into countless seeds of vengeance. Just who was the target of that vengeance?

Seeing Long Chen's bewildered expression, Bai Shishi looked around. Since there was no one else around, she blushed and grabbed his hands. She softly said, "Don't worry, even if my power surpasses yours, I'll do my best to listen to you."



Bai Shishi's voice was very quiet. A very rare expression appeared on her face, one that truly shook his heart. He was enraptured by her beauty.

Seeing Long Chen foolishly staring at her, Bai Shishi blushed even more. But she still held his hands.

It was only after a long moment that Long Chen recovered. Bai Shishi was a peerless beauty, but she was even more moving like this. If before this she was a fairy untouched by the mortal world, now she was like a fairy that had fallen into the mortal world. A bit of that immortal aura was replaced with mortal air. It was that trace of mortal air that made Long Chen feel like she was more real. He could also clearly sense her inner heart.

"Do your best? You mean that you might not listen? At that time, I won't be able to beat you, so won't I be suppressed by you every single day? Will you be like your mother that day, and put your father in his place, but instead it's me?" asked Long Chen with a smile.

Bai Shishi hastily explained, "I definitely won't beat you. I said I'd do my best because if you make the wrong decision, I naturally have the right to disagree."

As expected, it was still that same character. It seemed that she was always leaving herself a way out. Long Chen bitterly smiled inside. Putting it frankly, it didn't matter how grateful she was to him, she definitely wouldn't blindly follow him.

"Cough, cough..."

Just then, Qin Feng and Qi Yu came over and saw the two of them holding hands. Theoretically, they should leave at this moment.

However, if they just left like this, it would be too obvious, so they lowered their heads and coughed as if they hadn't seen anything.

Bai Shishi hastily pulled her hands away, her face burning. She then turned around.

"Oh, boss, alliance head Shishi, what a coincidence? You're here." Qin Feng raised his head and acted like he had just seen them. Although everyone knew it was an act, at least it wouldn't further embarrass Bai Shishi.

Sometimes, a loincloth was very interesting. It was a bit comical, but there was a big difference between wearing it and not wearing it. No matter how strong a person was, they needed it.

"Not bad, the lightning has tempered your bodies. Your physical bodies are more than ten times stronger than before." Long Chen sensed the surging Blood Qi within their bodies and nodded. This time, the results were even a bit better than he had expected.

Perhaps it was due to the final compression of the heavenly tribulation, forming that elder. The lightning contained that elder's soul energy. It was then absorbed by Lei Linger and injected into their bodies, causing even their souls to strengthen.

Their Four Peaks were the flesh, bone, qi, and blood. To put it frankly, they simply raised the power of their physical bodies as high as possible because of their fighting styles. A powerful physical body was their foundation.

However, this time, due to the elder, it wasn't just their physical bodies that were strengthened to the maximum. Their Spiritual Strength had also increased. A powerful Spiritual Strength increased the sharpness of their senses and gave them more precise control over their techniques.

They had all benefited from Bai Shishi, and not just a little bit. It could be said that the two of them had greatly profited.

“The two of you aren’t getting any younger. Have you not found any ladies that attract your eyes? My Heaven Female Alliance has countless beauties. Are you acting aloof, or do you feel that they aren’t a match for you?” asked Bai Shishi, recovering her normal indifference.

Long Chen was speechless. It seemed that Bai Shishi didn’t want to be embarrassed by herself and wanted the two of them to find companions as well. If it was just Qin Feng, then fine. But Qi Yu already had someone!

Qin Feng smiled. “We are just ordinary Dragonblood warriors. There are the squad leaders above us and then the captains above them. Even the captains haven’t found any partners. How can we be qualified? When the captains drank together, they told us that unless they had power like boss’s, they wouldn’t be qualified to find partners. Without enough power, they can’t even protect themselves, let alone their loved ones. Even someone as powerful as boss could only watch as-”

“Qin Feng!”

Qi Yu suddenly glared at Qin Feng, causing him to apologetically look at Long Chen. “Sorry, boss.”

He was about to say that even someone as powerful as Long Chen had not been able to protect the Pill Fairy back then. How could they be qualified to find a companion for themselves? He had inadvertently touched upon Long Chen’s scar.

Long Chen smiled slightly and indicated that it was fine. Bai Shishi knew of his relationship with the Pill Fairy. It seemed that they were using him as a model and didn’t want to experience the same pain.

"It's fine. Tell your Heaven Female Alliance's beauties to just wait. Once our boss rules the world, our Dragonblood Legion will warmly welcome all your people," laughed Qin Feng.

"A nice thought!"

Bai Shishi knew that Qin Feng was just joking around, so just as he wished, she closed this topic of discussion.

"Boss, we came to find you because we want to exercise our bones," said Qin Feng seriously.

"Go. Just pay attention to the Devil Eye Water Lily race and you'll be fine," said Long Chen. He knew their power and their characters, and they wouldn't mess around. They simply wanted to use battles to solidify their realms and get used to their new power.

With Long Chen's assent, the two of them happily ran off. Once they were gone, Long Chen said, "Let's go take a look at Xiaole and the others."

### **Chapter 3456 Xu Zixiong's Barbarian Blood Power**

Of everyone that had undergone tribulation, only Bai Shishi, Qin Feng, and Qi Yu were awake. The others were still asleep.

They had severely overdrafted themselves. Fortunately, Qin Feng and Qi Yu were Dragonblood warriors with strong bases and firm wills, so they woke up sooner than the others.

However, for the others, those ancient corpses had brought fear, and then the pain of the forced lightning tempering had also injured their minds. They needed to rest longer.

After all, not every person was like the Dragonblood warriors and had experienced so many trials and torments, creating a will as firm as a boulder.

“Martial-uncle.”

When Long Chen entered the training hall, the first person he saw was Luo Changwu going through the disciples, checking on them one by one.

Luo Changwu had stayed here this whole time. Long Chen had already told everyone to respect him and view him as another member of the seventh branch academy. They couldn’t neglect him.

Thus, Luo Changwu had almost absolute authority to come and go around. However, he had remained here this entire time.

Every day, every few hours, he would investigate the bodies of the Luo family’s disciples. Every single time he did so, his emotions would stir and wouldn’t settle for a long time.

This time, these children had truly transformed because of this tribulation. Every single one of them had managed to awaken their ancestral bloodline under the pressure of death, which meant their potential had been excavated to the limit. If he hadn’t personally witnessed it, he still wouldn’t believe it.

Even now, he felt like he was dreaming. He was afraid that he would wake up and everything would return to as it was before the tribulation.

When Long Chen arrived, Luo Changwu hastily rose, but Long Chen pressed him down and sat beside him.

“Martial-uncle, it seems that you don’t trust me,” said Long Chen, seeing the lines of blood in Luo Changwu’s eyes. He was clearly worried and anxious.

“How can you say that? Is this not because I’m worried that this group of disappointing children won’t be able to endure?” Luo Changwu laughed awkwardly.

He truly was worried. These disciples had their minds and spirits in chaos after the tribulation. Moreover, the flames of their souls had almost been extinguished. In other words, they were only the slightest bit more alive than dead people.

Compared to other families, the Luo family cared more about every member of their family. It wasn’t simply caring more about those with the most talent. Every descendant was like their own child, and they had to be cherished.

Thus, seeing all these children in this half-dead state, as the head of the family, he was naturally worried. But as time passed and they recovered, he stopped worrying.

After the worry came excitement. Every time he checked, he found that these children’s bodies had strengthened a bit. After the storm of worry came joy. Even as an Immortal King, these tumultuous emotions were difficult to endure. That was why Luo Changwu seemed so weary.

“I already told you. The academy’s Elders are here, so there’s no need for you to worry,” said Long Chen.

"I know that the Elders are trustworthy. But how can I leave my family's disciples for others to look after?" said Luo Changwu.

This was the most exciting time of his life. Enduring through this was the least he could do.

Long Chen then looked toward the distant Bai Xiaole whose face was pale white. He had clearly overdrafted his soul greatly.

After all, his physical body wasn't strong, so the lightning tempering was many times more painful for him than others.

When Long Chen checked on him, he saw that his physical body had fully recovered. Only his soul was still badly damaged.

According to the elder beside him, Bai Zhantang and his two wives had just left. Bai Xiaole's mother wanted to help Bai Xiaole recover but was stopped by Bai Zhantang. Unable to endure seeing her son in this state while she was powerless to help, she then left.

Long Chen nodded. Bai Xiaole needed to recover on his own because external forces would spoil his current condition. Even the gentlest energy could have an influence.

However, Bai Xiaole was indeed in a dangerous state. His soul was on the verge of collapse. Thus, his soul and will had to struggle, drawing out all their power to protect their master from dying.

If someone were to help Bai Xiaole in this state, it would be like throwing him a lifejacket. He would quickly pass through this moment.

However, that would cause him to lose out on this tempering opportunity. Long Chen hoped for Bai Xiaole to create a lifejacket for himself without anyone saving him. What was important wasn't the lifejacket but the ability to create one.

Long Chen then fed Bai Xiaole a medicinal pill. This pill guaranteed that the flame of his soul wouldn't extinguish, but it was only a final barrier. If he wanted to wake up, he would need to rely on himself.

If within ten days he still didn't awaken, then someone would be forced to intervene to wake him up. Otherwise, he really would die.

"Boss..."

Just then, Xu Zixiong woke up. After waking up, he felt full of energy, and his mind and body were in top condition. In fact, it felt like he had so much power that he would explode.

His current state made everyone jump. Xu Zixiong's aura was even more terrifying than Qin Feng and Qi Yu's now. This was completely unexpected to everyone.

"Barbarian blood energy?"

Long Chen was also surprised. Long Chen sensed an aura that was somewhat similar to Wilde's from Xu Zixiong. This was the aura of the Barbarian race. He hadn't expected this tribulation to cause Xu Zixiong's Barbarian blood to show signs of returning to its ancestral state.



The Barbarian race was a species from the primal chaos era. Legend had it that despite appearing similar to the human race, they were not the same. The Barbarian race didn't cultivate divine abilities. In this case, they were a bit similar to the demonic beast race, relying on bloodline inheritances.

However, their power was such that they shook the ten thousand races. Legend had it that in the primal chaos era, the giant Barbarian race could move mountains and overturn seas with a wave of their hands. Even dragons and phoenixes were their food.

Although Xu Zixiong had a trace of Barbarian blood, it was so diluted that it was almost gone. It was like a candle about to extinguish.

However, after this tribulation, the candle was revitalized. Moreover, it was no longer a candle but a prairie fire. This was something that Long Chen hadn't anticipated.

Long Chen then pressed a hand against Xu Zixiong's shoulder. His vast energy erupted in an instant.

As a result, Xu Zixiong was caught off guard and coughed up blood. Bai Shishi, Luo Changwu, and the other Elders present jumped in shock, not knowing what was going on.

Xu Zixiong's head buzzed. The threat of death instantly activated all the power within him.

Xu Zixiong's body quivered and countless runes on it lit up. Following that, his body began to grow. It was like a wild beast was awakening within his body. His power crazily climbed.

"Remember this state and this feeling. This is called the Barbarian Blood Battle Body. Starting today, it is your strongest move."

Long Chen pressed down once more on Xu Zixiong and smiled. He had misjudged this fellow. His potential was truly not bad. At this moment, a new fierce general had appeared in the Dragonblood Legion!

### **Chapter 3457 Deep Sea Fiend Devils**

Long Chen then checked on the conditions of the others. There were no problems.

Lei Linger had grown increasingly strong and was able to accurately deduce every person's potential. She had forced them as close to their limits as possible but didn't exceed the limits.

In particular, that final explosion of the master of the golden sword resulted in his remaining Spiritual Strength being spread throughout the lightning runes. A portion was absorbed by Bai Shishi, while the disciples were only able to absorb a very small portion. The rest was digested by Lei Linger.

Lei Linger had started to transform after absorbing this Spiritual Strength. Most shocking of all, she had also peered into the runes that had merged into Bai Shishi.

As Bai Shishi digested those runes, Lei Linger also digested them. She was in a state of slumber right now, focusing on digesting those runes. Only a portion of her power was helping Long Chen temper the medicinal pills.

Long Chen knew that once Lei Linger came out of seclusion again, she would definitely have gone through a shocking transformation.

Everyone was fine. Based on Long Chen's estimate, they should all wake up within five to six days. Long Chen told Luo Changwu not to worry.

After checking on them, Long Chen continued refining pills. Bai Shishi and Xu Zixiong joined Qin Feng and Qi Yu, attacking the devils outside the barrier to get accustomed to their new power.

With Bai Shishi present, even if a World King devil were to appear, they wouldn't need to worry. Long Chen wasn't worried about them at all.

Long Chen then spent another week refining Violet Tower Pills and slept another three days. Once he woke up, he went to find Bai Xiaole, just in time to see him with his mother, getting accustomed to his new power.

When Bai Xiaole saw Long Chen, he shouted excitedly. After waking up, his Three Flower Pupils had become multicolored. As it turned out, those with the Three Flower Pupils bloodline saw the world in only black and white.

Only once the Three Flower Pupils had evolved to a higher level could they see color. Hence, this was Bai Xiaole's first time seeing a world of beautiful colors. He was so happy that he wept.

Bai Xiaole's mother was also crying. Bai Xiaole had had an innate deficiency. She had thought that he would never be able to awaken the colored Three Flower Pupils. Now that they had awakened, she was even more emotional than Bai Xiaole.

"Those eyes are really beautiful. Xiaole, you're growing more handsome," praised Long Chen. The light in his eyes seemed to have Heavenly Dao energy flowing within it. Bai Xiaole's talent was truly enviable.

Bai Xiaole was even more excited at obtaining Long Chen's praise. He felt like his whole body was full of power.

His body was originally weak, but after the baptism of the heavenly tribulation, it was dozens of times stronger. Although it still only counted as average amongst ordinary disciples, to an eye cultivator, that was already very impressive.

A powerful physical body made his movements more agile, and he could form hand seals faster. He would also be able to avoid his enemies as he used his pupil arts, making things much safer for him.

When Bai Xiaole learned that the others had awakened and already entered the battlefield, his hands instantly got itchy. He wanted to fight as well.

However, both Long Chen and his mother told him no. Long Chen said, "You are different. You severely overdrafted your soul. Although you've recovered, your Spiritual Strength is still in a weak state."

Eye cultivators could be considered a type of soul cultivators. Bai Xiaole's soul was so badly damaged this time that although he had recovered and his Spiritual Strength was exceptionally powerful now, it would be wise not to use his Spiritual Strength during this time. For the best results, he should wait until his Spiritual Strength reached max power.

Perhaps Bai Xiaole wouldn't listen to his mother, but he didn't dare to disobey Long Chen. He ran over just to cheer on the Bai Shishi and the others.

Now Long Chen arrived at the plaza and saw mountains of corpses piled up outside the barrier. The academy was almost buried in corpses.

As the disciples came out of seclusion, they all felt like they had inexhaustible energy. Then seeing an endless supply of devils to fight, they used them as training partners, slaughtering them.

All of them were full of inexhaustible energy, and they crazily slaughtered those devils. When they saw that they could easily kill those devils that had once filled them with fear, they were delighted. It almost drove them crazy, and they could barely contain their excitement.

If they did get tired from the training, they would return to the academy and rest for an hour or two before going back out again.

They used this fighting to solidify their realms and get accustomed to their new power. They were experiencing just how much they had progressed. It felt like they had completely transformed. This was a new era for them.

All the experts of the academy were watching. When they saw these disciples descend like a flock of wolves on these devils, they couldn't help sighing. Once these disciples grew up, they would truly be amazing.

Having just advanced to the Divine Lord realm, they already possessed the power to fight Mortal tier Immortal King devils. That kind of combat power was astonishing.

If it was just one or two people with that power, it wouldn't be strange. But for over ten thousand of them, disciples who were originally merely Primals without any shocking bloodlines or inheritances, to suddenly become such peerless heavenly geniuses completely toppled their understanding.

Seeing these fearless, unmatched disciples of the Luo family, Luo Changwu's eyes reddened. If only his big brother and the rest of the seniors of the Luo family were here, they could celebrate together.

In the distance, they could see flashes of golden light. Wherever that golden light appeared, it created a line of death. Those devils were blasted out of existence.

They were unable to even see Bai Shishi's figure. They merely saw flashes of light and splashes of blood. Her golden sword was unstoppable. Even the Battle God Palace's Immortal Kings were stunned.

Bai Shishi's mother watched proudly. After this tribulation, Bai Shishi would soar to the heavens.

Long Chen went out of the barrier too. Everyone thought that his hands had gotten itchy as well.

However, they saw him simply wave his hand and gather the mountains of corpses piled up around the academy. In just a few breaths' time, the ground was cleared.

A waterfall of devil crystals came pouring out, forming a large hill. The devil crystals were the size of a baby's fist. Just seeing so many of them at once dazzled people.

The academy had Elders taking inventory of them. That was money, and no small sum at that.

"If this continues, the seventh branch academy won't be hurt at all. Instead, they'll profit. They're basically sending us money," said Bai Shishi's mother with a smile.

With Long Chen present, they didn't need to work to clean up the battlefield. All the devil crystals were instantly taken out.

These devil crystals were valued at around a hundred thousand immortal king crystals. Counting how many immortal king crystals they had used up so far, they had essentially made up for their costs. If they continued killing, it would be profitable. It truly was a hell of a battle of attrition.

Suddenly, the void rumbled and mists covered the battlefield. After that, a terrible stench assaulted their noses. In the distance, countless large beasts came charging over to the academy.

### **Chapter 3458 Who Runs Out of Patience First**

That aura was that of the devil sea. They were sea demons from the depths of the sea, but they didn't possess the aura of demonic beasts. Instead, they possessed devil qi.

These deep sea fiend devils that appeared were at least in the early stage Immortal King realm. But there were some strong ones that had reached the half-step World King level.

An ominous and frightening aura struck the disciples in the face when they appeared.

At this moment, a heaven-shaking roar rang out from a half-step World King drake. It was like an order, and following its roar, countless deep sea fiend devils charged at the seventh branch academy.

Those devil experts that came from the devil world didn't clash with them. They intentionally opened up a path for them to attack the academy.

"As expected, it really is just like the dean said. The attack on the main academy is nothing more than a front. Their real goal is the seventh branch academy." Long Chen sneered with contempt.

These deep sea fiend devils were only putting on an act in the Heavenly Swell Domain. The main force was here.

However, this place was quite some distance away from the devil sea, and these fiend devils were greatly weakened once they left the devil sea. Were they coming just to give Long Chen money?

Their devil crystals and devil cores were all treasures. The devil cores in particular were very valuable. Were they worried that the seventh branch academy was lacking money?

Bai Shishi immediately shot toward them. With a slash of her sword, golden light lit up, and that roaring drake was cut in two. Even a half-step World King deep sea fiend devil was unable to stop a single strike from that sword.

Previously, although the golden sword had recognized Bai Shishi as master, Bai Shishi had not been able to unleash its true power. But after obtaining the inheritance of its old master, she was finally able to activate the golden sword's runes. That drake's scales gave it a defensive power comparable to a King item, but the scales were still unable to stop this sword.

The golden sword-light was incomparably sharp. The waves it unleashed cut through these giant deep sea fiend devils like they were radishes.

One with her sword, Bai Shishi slaughtered those devils until she gradually started to push them further and further away from the academy.

"Don't go too far. They have experts keeping an eye that far out, so your current position is the limit. Don't go any further. But you also don't need to be in a rush to come back. Just keep killing them like this, slowly retreating. Don't let them see through you." Just then, Long Chen's voice rang out in Bai Shishi's ear.



Bai Shishi was startled. She didn't sense anyone watching her, but she trusted Long Chen. Just at that moment, a half-step World King fiend devil sneak attacked her, causing her to be forced back slightly. She then continued killing the devils around that area.

Long Chen smiled slightly. When this girl actually listened, she was very likable.

Seeing Long Chen's smile, she replied with her own smile. But when she saw her mother staring at her with a certain expression, she turned red and instantly turned her face away, ignoring Long Chen and the others to kill the fiend devils.

Bai Shishi was the main force on the battlefield now. Whatever area was struggling, she would charge over. This battle continued for ten days and nights just like that, but she wasn't the slightest bit tired. Clearly, a battle on this level was not extraneous enough for her. She could replenish whatever energy she used.

Other than Bai Shishi, everyone else needed to occasionally return and rest a bit. Any time they dropped down to just fifty percent of their spiritual yuan, they took a break. Otherwise, they would be in trouble if they encountered danger.

Qin Feng and Qi Yu took three breaks during these ten days. The rest of the time was spent on the battlefield, as they were in charge of the tempo of the battlefield. Only once things started growing out of control would they have Bai Shishi come help.

However, unexpectedly, Xu Zixiong would fight for three hours and then immediately return for a break. His power was astonishing. Every blow shattered the void. But after only a bit, he would run out of energy and return.

“Boss, is there something wrong with me? I don’t have any endurance anymore.”

Xu Zixiong eventually went to ask Long Chen about this. He was panting, and he sat on the ground, soaked in sweat. He seemed to be on the verge of collapse.

This time in particular, he had only been able to fight for an hour before running out of energy and returning. Although his newfound power was delightful, the lack of endurance made it hard for him to be happy about it.

Long Chen checked his body. His Blood Qi was still thrumming powerfully, so there was no problem. Such a situation should not occur, no? It had to be known that Xu Zixiong was not even fighting with the Barbarian Blood Battle Body yet. It shouldn’t be this exhausting.

Long Chen suddenly had a thought and pulled in a giant eight-clawed fish monster. Flames flew out of his hand, instantly cooking the fish. After that, a fragrant smell came out.

Saliva instantly gushed out of Xu Zixiong’s mouth. He couldn’t even stop it.

“You didn’t eat any meat. Try eating some meat this time.”

Xu Zixiong instantly latched onto the fish. As expected, after eating just a few mouthfuls, he was no longer so exhausted. Long Chen found the problem.

With the awakening of his Barbarian blood, Xu Zixiong could not walk his original cultivation path. Just like Wilde, he needed to eat meat. Just now, it wasn’t that he was out of energy but that he was exhausted from starvation.

Xu Zixiong had always been cultivating according to the human race's standards. He relied on absorbing spiritual qi and rarely ate anything. So, the sensation of hunger had already been forgotten.

Now that he ate something, he knew that it wasn't that he was out of energy. He was simply starving.

Long Chen then took out a copper furnace. This was a fire attribute weapon and wasn't a pill furnace. Long Chen gave it to Xu Zixiong.

He taught Xu Zixiong how to use it to cook these sea demons. When their corpses were drawn inside, they would be quickly cooked and stored so that he could conveniently eat them to replenish his energy.

After just a bit, Xu Zixiong felt like he was full of power. With Long Chen's copper furnace, he shot through the battlefield, gathering the corpses of the more powerful sea demons as his food.

Now that he wasn't hungry anymore, he was like an entirely different person. With three strikes of his rod, a half-step World King tortoise had its shell broken. That fierceness made Long Chen think of Wilde.

Wilde was a pureblooded member of the Barbarian race. His energy was replenished by eating food, not immortal spiritual qi. But his power was definitely the most terrifying of all the lifeforms that Long Chen had ever seen.

"I wonder how that foolish brother of mine is doing." Long Chen sighed. This foolish brother of his could easily be conned and tricked by others.

Wilde was just different. Xu Zixiong didn't have Wilde's digestive abilities and couldn't devour those sea demons in giant quantities, so he ate much slower.

Time passed and mountains of corpses piled up once more. Just as they seemed like they would drown the academy, Long Chen cleaned up the battlefield again. The corpses were then tossed into the primal chaos space, and Lei Linger transformed into millions of knives that cut open the corpses, taking out their devil cores and devil crystals.

As a result, another small mountain of devil crystals and devil cores fell to the ground. Long Chen looked into the distance and sneered.

"Let's see who runs out of patience first."

Chapter 3459 Major Bad Turn of Events

"Long Chen, what are you waiting for?" asked Bai Shishi's mother.

This was something that Bai Zhantang had wanted to ask for a long time, but he was unable to lower himself to do so. He had already received orders to listen to Long Chen, and he could not argue.

Hence, they had passed through these days like fools. Bai Zhantang was already getting a bit irritated at just sitting around, but he also wasn't allowed to leave. He could only watch as his precious daughter made eyes at Long Chen, making him feel extremely out of sorts.

Bai Shishi's mother knew what he was thinking, so she came to ask Long Chen this question for her husband.

Long Chen nodded. "Someone is watching us. Like leopards in the shadows, they are preparing to unleash a mortal blow."

"Can you see them?" Bai Shishi's mother was surprised. Long Chen was looking in a certain direction.

It had to be known that the High Firmament Academy's formation was capable of overlooking the majority of the Vile Dragon Domain. If anyone was spying on them, they should have long since noticed them.

"I can't see them, but I can smell their scent. They really do view me as a child. How could I fall for the same ploy twice?" sneered Long Chen.

He didn't say much. He was very familiar with Enpuda's aura, so he could feel that this damn fatty was keeping an eye on him.

Enpuda was waiting for Long Chen to reveal an opening. At first, Long Chen only had a vague feeling, but the moment Bai Shishi charged out, that feeling became clear.

In other words, when Bai Shishi charged out, the other side prepared to make their move. Furthermore, the place that Bai Shishi had charged to was on the edge of the formation's attack range. Once she passed that area, the formation's attack power would drop.

Thus, it was very simple for Long Chen to deduce the other side's intentions and range. After all, Long Chen was willing to just continue grinding away like this. Just who would lose their patience first?

Furthermore, Long Chen didn't just sense Enpuda's aura. He also sensed another terrifying existence. After advancing to the Divine Lord realm, his senses were even sharper. He wasn't afraid at all.

The other side was using the devil world and the devil sea's lifeforms as bait. However, Bai Shishi and the others were consuming the bait without getting hooked. All that was left was to see just how much bait the other side was willing to toss out.

This response from Long Chen startled Bai Shishi's mother and the others. Long Chen had almost lost his life due to Enpuda's scheming. Now that he raised that topic, it was clear who was on the other side.

Enpuda had personally come? Even Bai Zhantang couldn't believe that. Enpuda wasn't in this heaven. If he were to come across heavens, he would have to pay a huge price. That didn't seem too likely.

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However, Long Chen wouldn't make this up. Everyone looked at each other in shock and confusion. They couldn't help tensing up.

They didn't pursue this topic any further. Bai Letian had already told them to listen to Long Chen. It would only cause irritation if they needlessly asked questions, and there would even be a slight flavor of wanting to take over.

In one day, Long Chen gained a large pile of devil crystals and devil cores. The others were fighting the entire time, training themselves. As a result, their realms gradually stabilized, and they came to control their new power.

The second day also ended with huge gains. Other than Bai Shishi, everyone was taking turns to rest. Of the over ten thousand disciples, the majority had fully stabilized their realms.

After five days, every disciple had finished stabilizing their realms. Now their attacks grew even sharper. At the same time, they began to consume Divine Lord Pills, using this battle to cultivate.

Even after ten days, nothing changed with the other side, so Long Chen also didn't make any changes. He just refined pills in his room occasionally while he kept an eye on the battle.

Long Chen was delighted that during this time, Lei Linger had managed to fully absorb the energy from both tribulations. She was now entirely focused on nourishing the Violet Tower Pills.

The Violet Tower Pills were actually too strong and possessed their own wills. Nourishing them required patience and steadiness. One careless slip and they would detonate.

Furthermore, during this time, Huo Linger and the Moon and Star Refining Furnace started trying to refine the pills themselves. The only issue was that Huo Linger didn't have Long Chen's powerful Spiritual Strength, so Long Chen needed to split a portion of his Spiritual Strength to help.

Despite that, Long Chen saved himself quite a bit of effort by not having to personally refine anything.

In order to make sure that every Violet Tower Pill's effect was maximized, Long Chen patiently waited for Lei Linger to expel all the impurities with thunderforce. The stronger the pill, the more difficult it was to nourish them. But Long Chen was capable of waiting.

Another ten days passed. The number of attackers had not diminished in the slightest. It seemed that the other side was really planning on dragging out this battle.

“Fuck, what medicine are they taking?!” After waiting so long, there was still no reply from the other side. Bai Zhantang was getting vexed.

Long Chen also felt that something was wrong. The other side was truly being patient, more than he had expected. It didn’t make sense for them to simply be sending Long Chen money.

However, the formation was still keeping an eye on everything. There was nothing odd. But the more he couldn’t see anything odd, the more he felt that something was wrong.

“Is everything still fine at the main academy?” asked Long Chen.

“Everything is normal,” answered Heaven Master Yun Yang.

Long Chen sank into thought. Suddenly, his heart thudded and his expression changed so drastically that everyone jumped.

“What is it?!” asked Bai Shishi’s mother.

“I think I know their goal. Deputy Dean Yun Yang, I have a mission for you. Stealthily activate all the grand formations,” said Long Chen.

“All of them?”



Heaven Master Yun Yang jumped. If the grand formations were fully activated, it would burn a hundred times more immortal king crystals than usual. One day would cost hundreds of thousands of immortal king crystals. Thus, despite clearly hearing Long Chen's order, he still needed confirmation.

"Yes, activate them all. Furthermore, it must be done stealthily without anyone being the wiser. This relates to the survival of the academy, so you must be careful," said Long Chen.

Seeing how serious Long Chen was, Heaven Master Yun Yang didn't dare to tarry any longer. He immediately left and personally supervised the activation. Heaven Master Yun Yang and Heaven Master Dong Ming were fully trusted by Long Chen. They were very dependable and meticulous. If Long Chen left anything to them, he could feel at ease about it.

Even Bai Zhantang and the others tensed when they heard this. The survival of the academy was at stake? Such a thing rarely came out of Long Chen's mouth. That alone showed how serious this matter was.

"Just what happened?" Bai Zhantang couldn't help asking.

"I'm not too sure either." Long Chen shook his head.

"You..." Bai Zhantang almost coughed up blood. If he didn't know anything, why was he being so grave?

"I feel like they are intentionally letting us kill these devils. I almost fell for that damn fatty Enpuda's sinister scheme again," said Long Chen.

Hearing that, Bai Zhantang and the others' expressions changed. It seemed that this matter really wasn't so simple. Everyone raised their guard.

“Not good! Our connection to the main academy has been lost!” Heaven Master Dong Ming’s expression suddenly changed.

“Everyone, come back!” Long Chen’s voice resounded through the air.

#### Chapter 3460 Heaven-Shaking Attack

Bai Shishi and the others received the order and didn’t hesitate. They all activated their tablets and were instantly brought back into the academy.

Before anyone could understand what was happening, a pillar of divine light exploded in the distance. It was like a sun was attacking. The terrifying pressure shattered the surrounding mountains.

At that moment, the wind and clouds changed color, while heaven and earth shuddered. It was like the apocalypse had come. Everyone was horrified. This power was smashing directly toward the High Firmament Academy.

Just then, the High Firmament Academy’s grand formations rumbled and countless ripples appeared. After that, every building within the academy began to shine brightly. As runes blazed with light, an outline of the entire academy appeared on top of the barrier.

The truth was that every building in the academy was its own independent grand formation. That was why when Long Chen said to activate all of them, Heaven Master Yun Yang couldn’t believe his ears. That price was astonishing.

However, Long Chen's sense of danger was truly sharp. Heaven Master Yun Yang had just activated all the formations when the attack came.

Everyone stared in horror as a giant blood-colored sun smashed into the academy.

"That damn fatty, as expected. He was letting us kill the devils to gather their devil qi. Then he would launch an attack to wipe us out. Fuck, good thing it was sensed early." Long Chen felt some cold sweat on his back.

This star contained an enormous amount of devil qi. It was a star made from an extreme compression of devil qi.

BOOM!

The star then struck the formation, and the immense power caused the world to shake. Even Long Chen was unable to stand steady in the face of that impact. His Blood Qi flipped inside of him, and his ears were ringing. He couldn't hear anything.

As for the other disciples, they coughed up blood. The majority fainted, while the others were left with their heads buzzing. They temporarily lost most of their senses.

Bai Zhan Tang and the others were also shaken and took a while to recover. They were shocked and infuriated. The power of that one attack was enough to annihilate all of them.

Fortunately, while countless cracks and holes appeared in the grand formations, they still managed to hold on.

“Three million immortal king crystals...”

Heaven Master Yun Yang was aggrieved. Just to block this attack, three million immortal king crystals were turned into nothing. That was the price of increasing the formations to their maximum power at once.

However, these three million immortal king crystals were all worth it to block this attack. Seeing the riddled formation, Long Chen felt a burst of fear. They had almost been doomed just now.

Just then, countless experts appeared from all sides. It wasn't just the deep sea fiend devils and the lifeforms from the devil world. The Devil Eye Water Lily race's experts also showed up.

This time, even the weakest of the devil world and devil sea's lifeforms were half-step World Kings. These experts had clearly been waiting for this moment.

The grand formations were riddled with holes. If they were to launch another powerful attack at this time, it would be all too easy to break the academy entirely.

Although the formations were also rapidly repairing themselves, that would take a certain amount of time. The enemy wouldn't give them that chance.

“Kill!”

Long Chen roared and was the first to charge out. He was like a bolt of lightning charging at the distant Devil Eye Water Lily race. Although their experts were mostly in the Immortal King realm, in terms of actual power, they were even more terrifying than the World Kings.

They definitely couldn't be allowed to approach the barrier. Otherwise, with their power, the formations would crumble.

As soon as Long Chen charged out, some spiritual fluctuations locked onto him. Long Chen narrowed his eyes. These fluctuations belonged to that Devil Eye Water Lily whose seed pod he had taken.

After that, overwhelming killing intent erupted and giant leaves covered the heavens. A giant lily appeared.

As the lily's runes glowed, they transformed into a long-haired man with a five-colored sword, and he charged at Long Chen. He actually used his true body as his manifestation.

"Damnable human, you dared to ruin my path to advancing! I will tear your corpse into ten thousand pieces!" shouted that man furiously.

At that time, he had made his preparations to advance to the World King realm. But Long Chen cut off his seed pod, severing his path to advancing.

He had tried to take back his seed pod, but without it, he was like a human that had lost his Dantian. His power plummeted and he couldn't even unleash a tenth of his power. In the end, he could only watch as Long Chen took it away.

He then returned to the Undying World and condensed a new seed pod. Now that he was seeing Long Chen again, he was raging with killing intent.

The manifestation behind the Devil Eye Water Lily man raged. The lily leaves, flowers, and seeds shone brightly, and divine light flowed out and filled him. After that, the five-colored sword in his hand blazed with light as well. Metal, wood, water, fire, and earth--all five elements twined together. The power of his attack was comparable to an attack from a World King.

“You’re a lifeform from the Undying World, but instead of cultivating in the Undying World, you ran over to my immortal world, occupying the land of my academy. Since you were willing to be used by others, you definitely deserve to die. I can’t be bothered to waste words with you. Is the Devil Eye Water Lily race so amazing? Then today, I’ll show you that the human race is the king of the immortal world. Divine ring, battle armor!”

Long Chen’s divine ring appeared, his stars shining brightly. After that, golden dragon scales covered his body, and a dragon cry rang out, exuding a golden ripple with him in the center. The Devil Eye Water Lily man was actually sent back staggering by that ripple.

“Die!”

Long Chen’s roar was like spring thunder. His blood-red saber came out of its sheath, absorbing all the murderous aura of the world without leaving a drop. It then slashed mercilessly at the Devil Eye Water Lily man.

BOOM!

As a result, five-colored light exploded. That man from the Devil Eye Water Lily race was blasted to bits along with his sword.

When Long Chen let out a roar, his saber also roared. Overflowing battle intent then came raging out.

“All of you have committed crimes against my academy. You can all die miserable deaths now!”

Long Chen’s long hair flailed in the air. Like an unstoppable god of war, he charged at the Devil Eye Water Lily race’s experts. His 108,000 stars unleashed all their power.

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Long Chen didn’t hold back and started off at full power. Due to it, these Devil Eye Water Lily experts collapsed, not one capable of stopping him.

BOOM!

At this moment, a half-step World King expert of the Devil Eye Water Lily race appeared. His five-colored divine sword was finally capable of stopping Long Chen.

However, he had just stopped Long Chen’s saber when a lotus mark appeared on Long Chen’s left hand. He then slammed it into his enemy’s head, and the latter exploded. That half-step World King’s power was truly terrifying, but he wasn’t able to attack as fast as Long Chen.

Long Chen didn’t tarry. He killed as many as he could to buy time for the grand formations to repair themselves.

BOOM!

Suddenly, a heaven-shaking explosion erupted. At the same time, he heard Bai Zhantang's furious roar.

"Jia Luo, this time, only one of us will live to see tomorrow's sun!"