

**Chapter 3871: A Shine that Illuminates Past and Present**

It had been over a year, but Li Qi and Song Mingyuan still looked the same as ever, except for the additional weariness to their faces. Clearly, they had matured a great deal compared to when they were on the Martial Heaven Continent.

Both of them had immortal qi curling around them and shocking auras. After they arrived, the earth quivered according to a certain rhythm as if welcoming them.

The two of them had grown even stronger. They exuded the air of peak experts. However, these two peak experts couldn't stop themselves from spilling hot tears when they saw Long Chen.

"Boss!"

The two of them had no words. After that, the three of them embraced tightly as if afraid that this was all a dream, as if as soon as they let go, they would wake from this dream.

"Good brothers, don't cry. We have important matters to deal with." Long Chen wiped away his own tears from the corner of his eyes and patted them on the shoulder.

Long Chen was delighted by how powerful they were. It wasn't just their physical bodies that were powerful, but their profound earth energy made them seem linked to the earth, as if they had roots in the earth. That kind of heavy feeling was amazing.

However, he had no time to ask them about their current state. He said, "I'll give you the dragon blood activation rune. Prepare yourselves to receive the baptism of dragon blood."

A dragon-shaped rune appeared on each of Long Chen's hands. He then pressed them on their foreheads.

Both of their bodies quivered and this dragon-shaped rune lit up. Following that, the dragon scale lit up, and dragon qi poured into their bodies.

Suddenly, they both coughed up blood. Long Chen jumped in shock. "Senior, what's going on?"

"They cannot endure the impact of the true dragon's will. If you forcibly draw my dragon blood into their bodies, even if their bodies don't directly explode, their wills will crumble, turning them into madmen. Thus, activating the true dragon rune is already their limit. You cannot force things. Have them absorb the essence blood of other dragon kings. With the true dragon rune, they will not be rejected by those dragon king corpses. They'll have a much easier time absorbing their blood," said the dragon expert.

Long Chen saw Li Qi and Song Mingyuan's pained expressions. However, neither of them made a sound. They clenched their teeth hard.

There was no way for them to do this. Originally, Long Chen was hoping for them to absorb at least a trace of this essence blood, but it seemed he had been dreaming. It was impossible. This dragon scale's energy could only be absorbed by him. All he could do was help them receive the true dragon rune.

“Li Qi, Mingyuan, you’ve been branded with the true dragon rune. There are eighteen immemorial dragon kings in the surroundings. Pick one that suits you and absorb its dragon king essence blood to increase the power of your physical body and bloodline power,” said Long Chen.

“Can we really absorb their essence blood?” Li Qi and Song Mingyuan had seen two terrifying dragon kings on their way here. Just their auras alone were suffocating. Hence, they didn’t quite dare to believe their ears.

“Go. Time is pressing. Absorb as much as you can. You’ll only have this one chance.” Long Chen urged them on.

The two of them then nodded and rushed toward one of the immemorial dragon kings. As the dragon expert said, with the true dragon rune, they easily went to the top of the dragon king’s head.

When they activated the Dragon Blood Body Tempering Art, blood oozed out of their bodies, but golden blood also flowed into them. Their essence blood was being switched.

The two of them were earth element cultivators, and their Spirit Roots had been changed by an earth element treasure that Long Chen had given them. Luckily, absorbing the true dragon essence blood wouldn’t destroy this attribute. On the contrary, earth cultivators were all in possession of the thick power of the earth. That immense power would only be further supported by a stronger physical body.

The two of them quickly benefited. With this dragon king essence blood, their bodies were completely transforming. The two of them almost cried out excitedly. Following their boss truly was a blessing.

Suddenly, the world quivered and a ray of light illuminated heaven and earth. It was only once the source of this light got closer that Long Chen could see a glossy bald head reflecting the divine light of heaven and earth. It appeared exceptionally dazzling.

“Gu Yang!”

Long Chen, Li Qi, and Song Mingyuan cried out at the same time.

This bright head whose light could stretch through past and present could only belong to one person. Who else could possibly be so dazzling?

“Boss!”

The first captain of the Dragonblood Legion, Gu Yang. It was only once he got close that they could see his face through the shine. The current Gu Yang was even more muscular than before. It looked like tiny serpents were wriggling beneath his skin. The power of his physical body was on the verge of exploding, and he gave off immense pressure.

“First captain of the Dragonblood Legion, Gu Yang, reporting to boss!” Gu Yang actually knelt on the ground toward Long Chen.

Long Chen immediately lifted him up, his eyes red. “What nonsense are you spouting? When did us brothers ever deal with such things?”

Long Chen patted Gu Yang’s shoulder. The resulting sound was like he had struck an iron wall. Gu Yang’s physical body was incredibly powerful. He had obviously run into his own fortuitous encounters.

“Alright, now isn’t the time to celebrate. Absorb the essence blood of the immemorial dragon kings. After that, come guard me. I also want to absorb some.” Long Chen gave Gu Yang the true dragon rune and had him go as well.

Gu Yang originally had many words to say, but now wasn’t the time to talk. He then found a nearby dragon corpse and started absorbing its essence blood.

“Boss!”

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One Dragonblood warrior after another came, coming from every direction. When they saw Long Chen, Gu Yang, Li Qi, and Song Mingyuan, they all wept, their voices hoarse.

Long Chen had no time to catch up with all of them. He gave each of them the true dragon rune and had them quickly absorb the dragon king essence blood.

Some of the Dragonblood warriors simply didn’t possess enough talent and relied entirely on their toughness to enter the three thousand worlds. Some were not even thinking about leaving this place alive.

A few of them couldn’t even count as Primals. Seeing this, Long Chen was aggrieved and hastily took out Heavenly Dao Fruits for them. First, they became Supremes, and then they absorbed the dragon blood energy.

“Damn, Long Chen, it seems that my business was small compared to yours!”

Space quivered and Mo Nian, Xia Chen, and Guo Ran also arrived. They were stunned by the dragon scale beneath Long Chen’s feet and the surrounding immemorial dragon kings.

“It’s a good thing that you’re here! Guard me, I’m going to absorb the dragon blood!” Long Chen was delighted by Mo Nian’s arrival.

He didn’t even wait for a reply. He directly condensed a large batch of true dragon runes and handed them to Mo Nian for him to distribute to the Dragonblood warriors who would arrive later.

Long Chen had long since grown impatient. He then sat down on the dragon scale and formed hand seals.

The next moment, the golden dragon scale quivered and countless runes lit up on it. Golden liquid flowed into Long Chen.

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BOOM!

When this golden liquid entered Long Chen’s body, his body shook intensely. Divine light appeared around him. It was like he was plated in golden powder.

After that, the earth split open and endless primal chaos qi erupted. This eruption of primal chaos qi shook the heavens.

At this moment, an absolutely enormous dragon mark appeared in the nine heavens. It was millions and millions of miles wide, forming a giant totem illuminating the entire world. It was possible to see it from every corner of the three thousand worlds.

“Primal chaos source, dragon vein land?”

When Mo Nian saw that giant dragon totem as well as the terrain of the surroundings, he suddenly realized something.

A so-called dragon vein was like a meridian that carried the world’s qi flow. It was what oversaw the lifeline of the world.

When the earth collapsed and primal chaos qi gushed out, the entire three thousand worlds shook. Dragon might radiated in every direction. A sacred and holy aura then spread throughout the three thousand worlds.

“Damn, so much primal chaos qi! It’s even denser than where we went! I have to condense a Heavenly Dao Crown!” Guo Ran cried out excitedly.

“Guo Ran, don’t mess up the proper sequence! Absorb the dragon king essence blood first before condensing a Heavenly Dao Crown!” shouted Xia Chen.

With that reminder, Guo Ran changed targets, flying toward a golden dragon king.

“What the fuck? You’re all going and I’m stuck here? I have to absorb primal chaos qi too!” shouted Mo Nian unhappily.

“Don’t worry, I’ll be done soon. Just look after boss, and I’ll look after you in a bit!” Guo Ran didn’t even look back.

As time passed, more and more Dragonblood warriors arrived. They were all incredibly excited to see Long Chen. However, they had no time to talk. Mo Nian had to keep an eye on the surroundings as he absorbed the primal chaos qi. At the same time, he also had to keep handing out the true dragon runes to the newly arriving Dragonblood warriors.

As for Long Chen, he was fully in a meditative state. He was wrapped in golden divine radiance and was like a statue. Even his aura was isolated from the outside world.

Within the divine radiance, Long Chen sensed one drop after another of golden dragon blood entering his body slowly. His almost-dry meridians were nourished by this dragon blood and began to grow plump again.

Every drop of dragon blood brought with it supreme divine might. With every drop of dragon blood, powerful fluctuations would cause sharp pain throughout his body. Even cracks started to appear on his meridians.

Long Chen blessed his fortune that the dragon expert had tirelessly arranged things for him to strengthen his meridians. Otherwise, a single drop of this blood would have caused his old meridians to crumble. There would be no way to absorb it.

Right now, although there was a stinging pain in his meridians, it was still within his tolerance. As one drop after another entered his body, his meridians transformed. They became golden and incomparably tough.

“What power!”

Long Chen sensed every drop strengthening him. It was like a single drop contained the power of a volcano.

“Just this is powerful? We’ve just started. You will soon understand what the strongest bloodline of the nine heavens and ten lands is,” said the dragon expert disdainfully. That disdain contained immense pride.

“Senior, can we go faster? I’m afraid of others coming,” said Long Chen. He knew that everything was under the control of the dragon expert, but at this rate, many enemies might arrive soon.

The disturbance here was truly enormous. All the experts of the three thousand worlds were probably rushing over with all their power right now. He needed to go faster.

“It is impossible. My essence blood contains a supreme will and power. That is the result of tens of thousands of years of my cultivation, the result of experiencing countless tribulations and dangers. Although there’s no problem for you in terms of the will, in terms of your physical body, you are still human. You are a far cry from my dragon race. In the end, you’ve only lived a few years. As for myself, I had tens of thousands of years to accumulate the experiences that produced this scale. Any faster and your meridians will still shatter. Other than that, any faster and the dragon blood will not properly permeate through every inch of your body. Then there will be imperfections. If that happens, you will not be able to use my bloodline power and will be unable to unleash my innate divine abilities. With my bloodline, you must reach my requirements. Otherwise, if you were beaten by others, I would lose face. That is unacceptable,” said the dragon expert.

Long Chen’s heart shook. This dragon expert’s essence blood was even stronger than he had imagined. His meridians were already so tough, but there would still be a danger of them exploding if the rate of this absorption was increased? Just how powerful was the dragon race?

BOOM!

Suddenly, a figure flew off of the head of a dragon. Surging Blood Qi power came out of him in waves, causing huge ripples in space.

“Hahaha!”

This person was Guo Ran. He laughed arrogantly.

“I, Guo Ran, have finally condensed a Heavenly Dao Crown! I will sweep through the world unrivaled!”

Golden scales covered Guo Ran’s body like golden battle armor, and they had countless dragon marks flowing within them. It looked like there was a dragon moving within his scales.

Most shocking of all, there was a halo of light behind Guo Ran’s head. It was like a crown, making him appear holy and sacred, an existence that couldn’t be blasphemed.

“What the fuck?! It was that simple?!” Mo Nian looked at Guo Ran in disbelief.

Wasn’t it said that condensing a Heavenly Dao Crown required ten to fifteen days at least? It had only just been a few hours! How did Guo Ran do this?

What Mo Nian didn’t know was that Guo Ran’s talent was incredibly lacking. Everything he had right now was essentially thanks to Long Chen’s efforts building him up.

The so-called Dao of the Heavens were fair. If something had a drawback, it also had an advantage. Guo Ran was so incredibly weak that even the heavens felt pity for him. Amongst all the lifeforms in the three thousand worlds, the weakest existence in this realm was Guo Ran.

Thus, in order to make it up to him, the heavens lowered the difficulty of all advancements. For heavenly geniuses with greater talent, condensing a Heavenly Dao Crown was much more difficult. This was the fairness of the Heavenly Daos.

Mo Nian didn’t know about these profundities. Seeing Guo Ran condense a golden dragon battle armor and a Heavenly Dao Crown in just a few hours, he was completely dumbfounded.

“Leave this place to me! You can go absorb the primal chaos qi!” Guo Ran patted his chest confidently. He then took the remaining true dragon runes from Mo Nian’s hands.

Mo Nian didn’t argue. The primal chaos qi here was incredibly dense, and it was the optimal time to condense a Heavenly Dao Crown. He couldn’t miss it. After that, he flew into the sky, and his manifestation burst into existence. The giant palace rumbled as he absorbed this primal chaos qi.

Mo Nian had just settled into this cultivation state when lifeforms of other races appeared. Clearly, they had been drawn over by the disturbance.

“Long Chen!”

Amongst these lifeforms, one of them spotted Long Chen on the scale and immediately erupted with killing intent. Without a second word, he charged at Long Chen.

### **Chapter 3873: Guo Ran vs. Weng Tianyao**

This person was the Violet Thunderclap Empire’s number one expert, Weng Tianyao. Furthermore, there were thousands of the Violet Thunderclap Empire’s heavenly geniuses around him.

During his heavenly tribulation, Lei Linger had taken his priceless treasure, the Wild Blade. That was the divine weapon that Weng Taibei had used to sweep through the world, and Weng Tianyao viewed it as important as his life. For it to have been taken by Lei Linger, he was driven practically insane.

After the tribulation, he went into seclusion to recover and somehow found a treasure land to absorb primal chaos qi. There, he solidified his realm and also prepared to condense a Heavenly Dao Crown. Only by condensing it could he unleash the full potential of his innate thunderforce.

Once his preparations to condense a Heavenly Dao Crown were complete, he planned to start looking for Long Chen to take back his Wild Blade. The Wild Blade was a peerless divine weapon, the national treasure of the Violet Thunderclap Empire. Thus, its importance could not be overstated, and it could not be allowed to fall into other people’s hands.

He then gathered the Violet Thunderclap Empire's experts and drove away all the other lifeforms in a treasure land. They dominated that place, but after spending a few days absorbing the resources there, they were disturbed by the dragon mark phenomenon. As a result, they abandoned their treasure land and came here.

Although Long Chen was covered in golden divine radiance and looked like a statue, Weng Tianyao would recognize him no matter what. Even if Long Chen turned into dust, Weng Tianyao would recognize him.

"Die!"

Weng Tianyao furiously attacked without hesitation. His lightning spear pierced toward Long Chen.

He could tell that Long Chen was in a special state. As Long Chen couldn't fight back, this was the optimal time to kill him.

BOOM!

However, halfway there, a figure suddenly appeared before him, blocking his way. With a single punch, golden light erupted, and his lightning spear was shattered.

Terrifying qi waves surged, blasting Weng Tianyao back. Having been consumed by his fury, he actually hadn't noticed Guo Ran behind Long Chen.

Guo Ran was standing in the air, still in his punching posture with his body covered in golden scales. At this moment, a dragon cry seemed to still hang in the air, like a roar that came from the distant past. The divine light made Guo Ran appear exceptionally majestic.

Right now, endless power surged within Guo Ran's body. It was like the tide of the great sea, possessing unimaginable strength.

The current Guo Ran was incredibly excited. In his entire life, he had never felt such terrifying power. He almost couldn't believe that this immense power was his.

The power of the dragon blood circulated within him, and his Supreme Bone's runes also flowed around his arm. With the dragon blood's support, all the runes of the Supreme Bone were fully activated. Even without his battle armor, he was capable of drawing out the full power of his Supreme Bone.

Most terrifying of all, with his dragon blood, his Supreme Bone's runes became exceptionally active. They were nourished by the dragon blood, seemingly undergoing a metamorphosis just like Guo Ran.

"Who are you?" demanded Weng Tianyao.

"Long Chen's subordinate, general of the Dragonblood Legion, Guo Ran!" announced Guo Ran.

"What Dragonblood Legion? What general? That's all dogshit! You can die first!"

Weng Tianyao roared furiously. After learning that Guo Ran was Long Chen's subordinate, he no longer had any misgivings. A giant sea of lightning then appeared behind him. He had summoned his manifestation.

“Who do you think you are to dare say such big words? Come! Grandpa Guo will teach you how to behave!” sneered Guo Ran.

He was filled with power and didn’t fear anyone. In front of Weng Tianyao’s challenge, Guo Ran directly charged over.

His golden battle sabers rumbled as the power of his dragon blood erupted.

“Split the Heavens 1!”

When Guo Ran unleashed Split the Heavens, divine light lit up behind his head, illuminating heaven and earth. At that moment, Guo Ran seemed to become a god in control of this world, in control of all laws of heaven and earth.

When he unleashed this saber attack, countless currents of invisible energy poured into his sabers, and their power grew explosively. This phenomenon even shocked Guo Ran.

“Heavenly Dao Crown?! Impossible!”

Weng Tianyao’s expression completely changed when he saw the light behind Guo Ran’s head. How could someone have condensed a Heavenly Dao Crown so quickly?

“Heavenly Lightning Divine Shield!”

Weng Tianyao hurriedly slammed his hands together. His manifestation actually surged in front of him, and the giant sea of lightning instantly condensed into a three-meter shield.

The lightning shield rumbled. It was incredibly solid and emitted a terrifying divine pressure, as well as the aura of heavenly punishment. His thunderforce also came from heavenly tribulation, so it was filled with the destructive power of tribulation lightning.

BOOM!

When Guo Ran’s saber fell, Weng Tianyao’s solid shield crumbled instantly in front of everyone’s shocked gazes.

Guo Ran’s saber attack continued, aiming for his neck. However, Weng Tianyao hurriedly twisted his body, causing the saber to slightly miss. After that, his protective lightning armor shattered, and a giant cut was left in his chest. It was so deep that others could see bone.

Weng Tianyao fled, but Guo Ran simply stood there foolishly instead of chasing. He himself was stunned by his terrifying power.

“So a Heavenly Dao Crown actually has such a terrifying power. Once I attack, the Heavenly Daos resonate and assist me. It increases my attack power by multiple times.” Guo Ran stared at his saber as if he was in a dream.

The moment he attacked, it felt like an invisible hand of the world also held his saber, multiplying its power.

“Primals? Supremes? Those are all dogshit compared to grandpa Guo! I am the true chosen of the heavens! I’m your daddy, hahaha!” Guo Ran raised his head and laughed as if he had gone insane.



This one attack taught him what it meant to be close to the Heavenly Daos. Previously, he had thought that it meant to borrow the power of the Heavenly Daos, using a very humble attitude of asking for aid. Moreover, the power that could be borrowed was limited.

However, now it was different. The moment he attacked, the heavens didn't need him to ask, and he didn't need to borrow anything. The heavens directly gave him power without asking.

"Bastard, so what?! Even if you have condensed a Heavenly Dao Crown, I can still kill you!" Weng Tianyao roared and his manifestation once more appeared. This time, a heavenly tower was present in his manifestation. At the same time, an identical tower appeared in his hand.

Once this tower appeared, waves of lightning scoured heaven and earth. An enormous space tens of thousands of miles wide became filled with endless lightning as if heavenly tribulation had descended.

"Tch, who are you trying to scare? Come! Today, I'll make you beg for mercy!"

Guo Ran's confidence was already inflated. Even in front of this unknown tower, he wasn't the slightest bit afraid.

"Young master, there are immemorial dragon corpses nearby that no one has occupied yet. But people are coming quickly. If we still don't make a move..." At this moment, one of the experts of the Violet Thunderclap Empire shouted. They had noticed the other dragon corpses.

Just as Weng Tianyao was about to unleash the power of his tower, he heard this person's shout and hesitated. He clenched his teeth.

"Brat, I'll let you live a few more days."

In the end, he chose to first occupy one of the dragon corpses. Every dragon corpse was equivalent to a primal chaos source. It was where the primal chaos qi was gushing out the most. What he needed most right now was primal chaos qi. It was his ultimate goal in coming here.

He could also tell that since Guo Ran had condensed a Heavenly Dao Crown, although he was confident that he could still beat Guo Ran, it would not be a matter of one of two moves. As he didn't have that much time to waste, he chose to give up.

"How gutless. You're quite good at acting tough," said Guo Ran disdainfully. However, he didn't chase after him. He had to guard Long Chen and Mo Nian, so he didn't dare to go too far.

Suddenly, space shook and Guo Ran jumped in shock. He then roared furiously and directly slashed his saber in Long Chen's direction.

However, he was still slightly too slow. A dagger flickered with cold light, stabbing toward Long Chen on the dragon scale.

#### **Chapter 3874: Ji Wuming Retreats**

This person appeared bizarrely, without any warning. Considering that Guo Ran had his Heavenly Dao Crown on, he had a high level of control over the surrounding space. But even then, he hadn't noticed him.

“Ji Wuming!”

When Guo Ran saw the attacker clearly, he was enraged. It was the Bloodkill Hall’s number one heavenly genius, Ji Wuming.

Ji Wuming’s dagger stabbed straight toward Long Chen, and Guo Ran had no time to stop him. However, just as Ji Wuming was a few feet away from Long Chen, golden light shot out of Long Chen. The dragon scale beneath him quivered. Ji Wuming then grunted as he was blasted back by formless divine might.

“Hahahaha! You want to sneak attack my boss? Keep dreaming!” Seeing that Long Chen was safe and sound, Guo Ran laughed. Ji Wuming was unable to harm Long Chen, so Guo Ran directly attacked him.

Ji Wuming was shocked, looking at the dragon scale beneath Long Chen. He sensed a terrifying pressure from it.

BOOM!

The next moment, Guo Ran’s saber fell and Ji Wuming received it with his dagger. With an explosive sound, the space behind Ji Wuming collapsed, but his actual body didn’t shake in the slightest. He transmitted the power of Guo Ran’s attack into the space behind him.

Guo Ran was astonished. In just a short time after their last encounter, Ji Wuming’s control over spatial energy had grown to the point of him being able to control it at will. He was capable of controlling it easily without showing any openings. As a result, Guo Ran’s attack was unable to injure him.

Suddenly, Guo Ran’s heart shuddered. An intense sensation of danger swelled within him. At this moment, Ji Wuming’s dagger had somehow appeared next to his throat. It was so fast that Guo Ran didn’t have time to react.

Sparks flew and the dagger cut across his armor, emitting a scratching sound that made Guo Ran wince painfully.

The moment he had sensed danger, he summoned his battle armor. Thus, there was now a large cut in his Devil Dragon Battle Armor.

Fortunately, in his Dragon Blood Battle Armor state, the scales on his neck had managed to stop the dagger. But that chilling dagger still gave him goosebumps.

“Your reaction speed isn’t bad. But it’s still useless. Killing you is as easy as turning a hand.” Ji Wuming was slightly surprised that he hadn’t cut off Guo Ran’s head in one attack. But his tone quickly became one of disdain.

“Bullshit!”

Guo Ran shouted angrily and attacked. Seeing him attacking, Ji Wuming snorted. His dagger then swept through the air until he was holding it behind him. At the same time, a strange mark appeared on his left hand, and he slammed it at Guo Ran.

However, just then, Ji Wuming’s expression completely changed. The rune in his left hand instantly changed to a different rune.

Countless pinholes suddenly appeared on Guo Ran's chestplate. After that, golden needles shot out, instantly piercing through Ji Wuming's body. At this distance, he had no chance to dodge.

"Hahaha, you thought that you could-"

Guo Ran laughed. His saber attack was nothing more than a distraction to draw Ji Wuming's attention, and his true killing blow was the mechanism on his chest. This move was very sinister. He gave Ji Wuming no chance to react. Seeing those needles piercing his opponent's body, Guo Ran was excited. But that smile quickly stiffened.

The needles actually passed straight through Ji Wuming's body. There was no blood. At the same time, an intense sensation of crisis instantly struck Guo Ran.

Without hesitation, Guo Ran's wings folded around him, forming a powerful protective barrier.

The next moment, a dagger stabbed into his back. It directly struck his wings, and the immense power actually dented them. Guo Ran tumbled into the distance.

Guo Ran was shocked. His wings had multiple states to which he could switch between. When his wings folded like an armored beetle, that was their strongest defensive state.

However, even in this state, a dent was left in his wings and multiple of their runes were destroyed. Ji Wuming's attack was simply terrifying.

Guo Ran was instantly covered in a cold sweat. Fortunately, he had condensed a Heavenly Dao Crown and had even sharper senses than before. Otherwise, he would probably have died.

"Fuck, I refuse to believe that I can't beat you!"

Guo Ran's battle intent was stimulated. He had just made his breakthrough, and someone was already trying to deal a blow to his new confidence? That was unacceptable.

At this moment, his battle armor lit up and golden light flowed on top of his dual sabers. He directly attacked.

Seeing this, Ji Wuming was finally a bit afraid. Having both of his attacks blocked startled him.

Previously, he didn't view Guo Ran as any threat. It was because he knew Guo Ran's abilities and so he didn't place Guo Ran in his eyes.

However, he could no longer view Guo Ran so lightly. Not only was his reaction speed astonishing, but the golden needles that had shot out of his chest just now truly made Ji Wuming jump in shock. If he hadn't absorbed some primal chaos qi recently, which caused his control over space and time to rise, he wouldn't have been able to dodge this sinister move.

Guo Ran's needles were all backed by runes and would explode on contact with blood. So, even someone as powerful as Ji Wuming would have a miserable death if he was struck.

As a result, he had a headache when it came to Guo Ran, whose battle armor equipped him to the teeth. As Ji Wuming couldn't fully penetrate his defenses, it was hard to cause any substantial wounds to Guo Ran.

On the other hand, Guo Ran had countless sinister moves up his sleeve. If Ji Wuming fell for a single one, he would not be able to survive. Seeing more and more experts coming here and fighting for the dragon corpses, he snorted. "I'll take your life later."

His figure swayed, and he instantly melded into nothingness. He merged into the void like water, vanishing without a trace.

As a result, Guo Ran's attack missed. Having completely lost track of Ji Wuming, he also snorted. "Shameless things, all you know how to do is hide. If you have guts, come fight grandpa Guo! Let's exchange thirty thousand blows!"

Guo Ran was a bit unhappy with this fight. He had just condensed a Heavenly Dao Crown and the Golden Dragon Battle Armor, so he still wasn't fully accustomed to his current power.

Most importantly, his Devil Dragon Battle Armor was built for his previous power level. Now that his power had suddenly soared by dozens of times, it was no longer a perfect match for him. Guo Ran was not used to this. Despite all his terrifying power, he was unable to fully draw out his potential.

He cursed furiously, but Ji Wuming ignored him. He left just like that to absorb primal chaos qi from another dragon corpse, and Guo Ran didn't dare to chase him. After all, he had to look after everyone and didn't dare to be careless.

Although Long Chen was protected by the dragon scale, making it difficult for others to harm him, there were also Mo Nian, Xia Chen, Gu Yang, and the other members of the Dragonblood Legion. If someone sneak attacked them, that would be troublesome. He had to guard them.

After a while, rumbling rang out and black qi surged over the horizon. Within this black qi was a terrifying lifeform.

When this lifeform appeared, every expert present without exception felt an icy chill. They stared in horror at that lifeform within the black qi.

### **Chapter 3875: Shi Yang Appears**

This gushing black qi made it seem like the gates of hell had been opened. At this moment, endless death qi unfurled. Within this black qi was a lifeform possessing an ancient aura.

It was a horned lifeform with two wings and sharp claws, and its aura caused the laws of the world to shake.

"Shi Yang!"

Guo Ran's heart pounded hard when he saw this lifeform. This was precisely the lifeform that Shi Yang had possessed in the heavenly tomb. It was the corpse of an immemorial winged devil expert.

Back when Shi Yang had first taken control of this corpse, he had wanted to launch a sneak attack to kill them. However, he was unable to fully control this powerful corpse well and was almost captured. After that, he had to flee in a panic.

However, now his footsteps were steady and natural, no longer tottering like he was drunk. Most terrifying of all, the devil qi around him fluctuated with every breath. It was as if the Heavenly Daos were thrumming to his rhythm.

“Long Chen!”

Shi Yang instantly spotted Long Chen and exploded in rage. He wanted to charge right over, but then he saw Ji Wuming occupying a dragon corpse all on his own. After that, he suddenly calmed down.

Shi Yang only looked at Long Chen, Mo Nian, and the others. With a cold snort, he didn’t attack. Instead, he went toward one of the immemorial dragon corpses.

“If you don’t want to die, then scram!” Shi Yang shouted thunderously, and wild death qi erupted. There were originally quite a few experts on this dragon corpse, but they all fled in terror.

Although the immemorial dragon corpses were all primal chaos sources with the greatest and purest primal chaos qi, if one didn’t have the necessary level of power, occupying them would be courting death.

Everyone could see how terrifying Shi Yang was, so they didn’t dare to compete with him, fleeing. As a result, Shi Yang easily occupied one of the dragon corpses just like that.

“Curious. Why didn’t he attack?”

Guo Ran was prepared to fight, but Shi Yang actually chose not to, not even launching a probing blow. Guo Ran couldn’t help finding it curious.

However, after thinking about it, he realized that the dragon scale Long Chen was on was emitting a sacred aura, which must be restraining Shi Yang’s evil corpse qi. Thinking that he wouldn’t gain any advantage if he attacked, Shi Yang put that idea aside for now.

After looking at Ji Wuming in the distance absorbing the primal chaos qi, he came to the conclusion that Ji Wuming had also been powerless to do anything to Long Chen. Thus, he also chose not to waste the effort. He could always absorb the primal chaos qi first before anything else.

Shi Yang spread his wings and crazily devoured the energy of heaven and earth. Space was constantly collapsing around him as he absorbed the primal chaos qi. After a while, the black runes on his body gradually grew brighter. It was just like a devil king was slowly awakening.

Time passed bit by bit, and more and more experts arrived. Some of them directly attacked Long Chen when they saw him.

A newborn calf wasn’t afraid of a tiger; not all experts were so experienced. Some were simply arrogant existences who liked to look down on others, but they didn’t actually have much power. Due to thinking that they were unrivaled, they often did brainless things.

As a result, those experts were quickly put in their place by Guo Ran. The current Guo Ran didn’t even need to summon his armor unless it was against the likes of Ji Wuming or Shi Yang. He simply blasted them apart with a single punch.

However, Guo Ran also did encounter a few tough fellows. But once he brought out his Heavenly Dao Crown, he still crushed them. He could fight these experts all alone, and even if they joined forces, it wouldn't be hard on him to stop them.

Guo Ran also became smart, and he wasn't just thinking about showing off. He used these new experts to temper himself, gradually growing accustomed to his power. As a result, his usage of dragon blood power and Heavenly Dao Crown grew increasingly skilled.

Three days passed. After three days, Guo Ran's saber was fully stained with blood, and there was an unknown number of corpses on the ground beneath him. After all, Long Chen's position was too conspicuous. All people wanted to tear him off of it, so Guo Ran had no choice but to start being vicious to stare off any competitors.

The fortunate thing for Guo Ran was that amongst the true peak experts, only Shi Yang, Weng Tianyao, and Ji Wuming came. As for Yin Changsheng, the Nine Underworld Luocho, and the others, they actually didn't come.

Despite that, there were countless terrifying new faces. Some of them didn't have auras that were much weaker than Yin Changsheng and the others.

However, those experts were all smart. Seeing the current situation, they didn't directly attack Long Chen, nor did they compete for the immemorial dragon that the Dragonblood Legion occupied.

Instead, they chose to fight over other dragon corpses. They were all true experts and instantly saw that Long Chen, Mo Nian, and the others weren't existences that could be easily provoked. Hence, they chose not to take the risk.

Despite that, there were still many distasteful fellows staring at Long Chen. They could see how terrifying this golden dragon scale was, so they were like a group of mosquitos. Even if they couldn't eat this dragon scale, they would at least get their bit of blood.

Some people had actually managed to charge to the dragon scale. Using secret arts and treasures, they managed to absorb the slightest trace of dragon blood energy.

However, it wasn't because they were so powerful. It was more like the process of Long Chen absorbing the dragon blood energy did cause some slight dregs to ooze out.

In truth, the dragon blood that they absorbed was the essence blood that escaped out of Long Chen. But even this slightest trace was enough to drive countless people crazy.

One of the people to succeed in absorbing a trace of this dragon blood was from a mixed-blood dragon race, and after devouring that slightest trace of essence blood, his aura instantly erupted by dozens of times, shocking everyone.

Although this person was still slain by Guo Ran in the end, his death didn't extinguish the flames of greed that he ignited. In fact, they only grew even crazier because after he died, his body still retained the slightest bit of the true dragon essence blood. After that, someone else obtained and absorbed it, causing his aura to also grow by several times.

The increase in their Blood Qi was enough to drive them crazy, but the truly crazy thing was the sacred aura contained within that blood.

That slight sacred aura was enough to change their lives and even the fate of their entire race. With that sacred aura in their bodies, they would be able to transmit it to future generations. That would be greatly beneficial to their race.

The sacred dragon race's essence blood was an unmatched treasure to any beast lifeform. Although Guo Ran was slaughtering these newcomers, he wasn't able to stop them all.

After three days of fighting, Guo Ran was tired. He had been facing a group of madmen that came in droves, and he couldn't kill them all. He only gained more and more enemies.

Most hateful of all, so many people were charging toward the dragon scale just to get a taste of that essence blood oozing out of Long Chen. After a taste, they became even crazier.

Guo Ran roared furiously as he slaughtered those newcomers. However, they had figured out Guo Ran's weakness.

That weakness was that he was all alone. The dragon scale was more than ten thousand miles wide, so how could he possibly cover all that area by himself? As soon as he showed any openings, they would snatch some essence blood, infuriating Guo Ran.

"Suicidal idiots, do you think you can touch my boss's plans?!" Even as Guo Ran hunted them down, there was nothing else he could do. Although he knew that this little bit of essence blood oozing out of Long Chen counted for nothing, it still enraged him.

Worst of all, after seeing others succeed, more people were joining in. His greatest worry was that Shi Yang, Ji Wuming, and the others would also come.

"Heavenly Lightning Curse!"

Just as Guo Ran was infuriated to the point of almost coughing up blood, a shout rang out. Thirty-six talismans then appeared around the borders of the dragon scale. Before those lifeforms even understood what was going on, those talismans detonated.

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Thirty-six talismans detonated at once, summoning lightning runes that instantly blasted apart any nearby experts before they could even react.

If Long Chen saw this scene, he would definitely be shocked. These lightning talismans actually contained the terrifying might of heavenly punishment.

Furthermore, it was the power of heavenly punishment compressed to the pinnacle and then detonated. That destructive power was shocking. The only one he knew capable of such a thing was Lei Linger.

"Xia Chen!"

Guo Ran was delighted to see Xia Chen appear. At this moment, Xia Chen also had divine radiance behind his head, a Heavenly Dao Crown. He had also succeeded in condensing one.

After condensing a Heavenly Dao Crown, Xia Chen seemed to have merged with heaven and earth. His aura had completely changed, and he seemed to be the one in control of all laws. One wave of his hand could destroy heaven and earth.

Suddenly, the space behind Xia Chen quivered and an assassin appeared. This person was from the Bloodkill Hall, and he had slipped past just like Ji Wuming without alerting any of them. This person's position in the Bloodkill Hall was definitely not low.

Just as Guo Ran was about to shout a warning, Xia Chen simply swung his hand back without even looking. There was a web-like design on his palm.

When that design lit up, a giant net hundreds of meters wide appeared, hanging in the air.

Seeing this scene, that assassin instantly had a bad feeling. He stamped on the air and shot back. His switch of direction was quick as lightning. To be able to come to a sudden stop like that showed that he was an expert. The only one capable of such a thing was an expert amongst experts.

Regretfully, even that was useless. The net already stuck to him, and he was like a fly caught in a spider's web.

"Split."

The design on Xia Chen's palm suddenly separated along with the net in the air. However, it brought away that person's limbs and head as well.

That expert assassin was torn to pieces. After his corpse was pulled apart, the pieces exploded, transforming into blood mist. He was killed in body and spirit.

"What?!" Guo Ran was dumbfounded. He knew Xia Chen the best and was familiar with his techniques. Xia Chen was now capable of condensing talismans barehanded!

Having escaped the bindings of paper and writing, Xia Chen had condensed this talisman using only his essence, qi, and spirit. This was the dream of any Talisman Master. Unexpectedly, Xia Chen had reached this level today. With his bare hands, he could control the power of heaven and earth.

"Merge with heaven and earth, condense talismans empty-handed. I've actually reached this realm. No wonder it is said that only after condensing a Heavenly Dao Crown are you truly a King amongst Immortals." Xia Chen looked at his own hand excitedly.

Xia Chen's arrival scared off the people who were throwing themselves at the dragon scale. This was their first time seeing such a terrifying Talisman Master. Xia Chen had destroyed heaven and earth with a wave of his hand, killing people without even touching them. With just two moves, he scared them off.

"Hahaha, congratulations Xia Chen! I was the first in the Dragonblood Legion, but you were second," laughed Guo Ran.



Although Guo Ran was saying congratulations, he was also bragging. He was the first one in the Dragonblood Legion to condense a Heavenly Dao Crown, and the next fastest took three more days. He would be able to brag about that for a lifetime.

Xia Chen naturally knew that Guo Ran was showing off and simply smiled. Right now, he was fully immersed in the laws of heaven and earth, getting control over this marvelous feeling.

Just then, countless experts shot toward the dragon scale once more. Although Xia Chen's arrival had scared them, some of them had already had a taste and were willing to give it another try.

Previously, they had taken turns to distract Guo Ran, and now tens of thousands of experts charged at once, wanting to use their collective force to crush the two of them. They knew that they had to join forces in order to get the benefits.

"Hmph, trying to use numbers against a Talisman Master? Truly foolish. Let me see how many of you can survive."

Xia Chen sneered and formed hand seals. This time, forty-eight talismans flew out. When those talismans appeared, heaven and earth rumbled explosively. It was like forty-eight claps of thunder, so loud that people's ears bled.

"Damn!" Guo Ran jumped in shock. He recognized those talismans to be Xia Chen's most precious Heaven Shaking Talismans. "Hold some back! Don't-!"

BOOM!

The forty-eight talismans caused explosive sounds in the world just by flying. The moment they arrived around the dragon scale, Xia Chen detonated them.

As a result, forty-eight Heaven Shaking Talismans exploded at the same time. That sound shook the entire three thousand worlds. Forty-eight ripples also appeared, devouring the surrounding space. Chaotic spatial currents then blew apart those experts, and even the dragon scale was swallowed by the spatial current.

Originally, Guo Ran was shouting for him to hold back and not end up affecting Long Chen. But Guo Ran's words stopped in his throat midway. He couldn't hear anything.

Seeing Long Chen and the dragon scale vanish within that chaotic space, his soul almost fled in terror. He actually thought that Xia Chen had just killed Long Chen.

However, when space settled, the dragon scale was still standing as solidly as a boulder. It wasn't at all affected by the Heaven Shaking Talismans. Only then did Guo Ran sigh with relief, but he was already covered in a cold sweat.

"Who else wants to die? Just come."

Xia Chen clasped his hands behind him. His Heavenly Dao Crown shone as he looked at those distant lifeforms, his voice backed with a murderous aura that made their hearts shake.

That attack terrified even Guo Ran, let alone these other experts. All the others who were thinking about touching the golden dragon scale instantly left, preparing to go somewhere else.

“Brother, that attack of yours almost made me piss myself!” praised Guo Ran.

“I benefited from boss. My spirit was strong enough before, but my essence and qi weren’t. As a result, I was unable to resist the backlash of the Heavenly Daos. I could only scatter my power in my talismans and avoided drawing in the power of heaven and earth, so I wasn’t injured by the backlash. Now, my essence, qi, and spirit are finally in equilibrium. I also have the Heavenly Dao Crown. Because of it, my talismans are now supported by ten times the Heavenly Dao energy. Furthermore, the backlash is easily endurable. Hehe, I’ve finally vented a bit.” Xia Chen laughed delightedly.

The current Xia Chen seemed to have completely transformed. He was a different person compared to before. He had finally stepped into the realm that he had longed to reach.

“Xia Chen, do you feel like something is off?”

Suddenly, Guo Ran’s expression became a bit grave. He looked into the distance vigilantly.

### **Chapter 3877: All-Out Assault**

“What’s wrong?” asked Xia Chen.

“Don’t you feel like there are fewer people than expected?” responded Guo Ran.

Just as Guo Ran said, three days had passed, and this disturbance had definitely shaken the vast three thousand worlds. With their great talents, the peak experts possessed the ability to traverse the majority of the three thousand worlds to come here. However, Yin Changsheng, the Nine Underworld Luochoa, and experts of their caliber were conspicuously absent.

What piqued Guo Ran’s curiosity the most was that even Long Aotian hadn’t come. Given the magnitude of this disturbance, it should have reverberated far and wide, reaching the corners of the three thousand worlds, drawing countless experts over.

“It’s not surprising. There are many treasure lands with special inheritances in the three thousand worlds. Perhaps the other experts have found great places, so they are ignoring the disturbance here. I guess those who came here either had no special inheritances to obtain or had simply abandoned their original treasure lands due to the huge disturbance here. But now that they’ve left, they probably won’t be able to get anything if they go back to those places. Anyway, spending all their time running around will only cause them to miss out on the surging primal chaos qi. Then they’ll have wasted this golden opportunity.” Xia Chen eyed the many experts around. They were glaring at Xia Chen and the others, wanting to come over yet not daring to.

There were also some who knew how to judge the situation and began to go for the other dragon corpses. Although the ones at the core had been occupied, there were still other corpses in the outer regions.

Although the primal chaos qi in that area wasn’t even a tenth of the core, they had no other choice. If they were to return to where they were from originally, they probably wouldn’t have a spot either.

“So that’s the case.”

After hearing this, Guo Ran nodded. He felt that Xia Chen's theory was reasonable. After all, the three thousand worlds had more than one treasure land.

They had just come from such a place with Mo Nian. In a tomb, they had obtained plenty of treasures, and the primal chaos qi there had also been abundant. Thus, they had been planning on just staying there to absorb that primal chaos qi.

However, after sensing Long Chen's summons, Xia Chen and Guo Ran knew that they had to leave. Thus, they abandoned their treasure land and came here.

Perhaps others had simply decided not to abandon the places that they found. After all, who knew what the situation was like in other places? Furthermore, in most cases, it was better to find things that suited you. Some treasure lands contained different kinds of energy. Because of that, many experts would sense the specific energies that suited them and make those treasure lands their targets.

"No, that's bad too!"

Guo Ran's expression suddenly changed. "If that's the case, what if they condense Heavenly Dao Crowns and then rush over here?"

Xia Chen said, "You're right. That's why we have to prepare in advance. Guard this place. I'll set up formations to protect boss."

Xia Chen then took out formation discs and embedded them in space. There were a total of one hundred and eight formation discs, like stars floating around the dragon scale.

Every formation disc also had one hundred and eight talismans inside of them. In total, they formed a giant grand formation protecting Long Chen.

As for Long Chen, his condition had changed. Now, the divine light around him was denser, and the golden light was like silk threads wrapping him. He was soon completely covered.

Every strand of that silk possessed boundless power and emitted a sacred aura. It was like a single strand of it could sever heaven and earth.

Xia Chen and Guo Ran didn't know what Long Chen was experiencing, but they knew that he could not be disturbed.

One day, two days, three days... Ten days passed. More and more golden silk appeared around Long Chen. He was now fully wrapped in a golden cocoon.

The golden dragon scale's aura finally began to fade, its energy pouring into this cocoon. Clearly, Long Chen had entered a critical state.

Not that far from Long Chen was an ancient, majestic palace. It seemed to exist beyond the cosmos, standing above the ten thousand Daos.

However, this was not a true palace but Mo Nian's manifestation. He hadn't occupied a dragon corpse. Instead, he was absorbing the terrifying primal chaos qi beside Long Chen.

After all, the dragon scale was the primal chaos source of the three thousand worlds, a place where the primal chaos qi was gushing out of the most. Long Chen couldn't even absorb it all himself, which was why Mo Nian benefited from him, taking in the energy that Long Chen couldn't absorb.

Also, Mo Nian didn't stand on courtesy. He made sure to suck in every drop of primal chaos qi that Long Chen couldn't absorb. It was all absorbed into the palace.

His manifestation was originally very indistinct, but as he absorbed all this primal chaos qi, it grew clearer. The roof, the doorposts, the marks on the brick walls, they all gradually became clear.

As the palace grew clearer, the signboard on the gate was particularly conspicuous. There, written in gilt, was the name Limitless Palace. Just that writing alone seemed to contain endless profundities, as if the energy inside of it was manifesting some great secret.

Mo Nian was seated before the gate where a pine tree stood tall. Most palaces seldom had trees adorning their gateways; instead, they were often adorned with majestic divine beast statues, standing guard with an imposing presence.

Even if they did plant a tree, there should be one on each side. But the Limitless Palace only had a single tree planted right in front of the gate, blocking the entrance. That was very much against normal aesthetics and fengshui. This peculiar arrangement piqued the curiosity of onlookers, leaving them unable to resist questioning its significance.

It was an enormous pine tree thousands of miles tall, but other than being large, it appeared really ordinary.

At this moment, drops of strange light fell from it, enveloping Mo Nian. Those drops of light were extremely bizarre, almost demonic, so when they fell on him, his slightly wretched face became even more wretched. Even the Limitless Palace's sacred light could not conceal his wretchedness. This was something that people found very strange.

As the image of Limitless Palace grew more and more solid, the space on its edges began to collapse. It was as if the palace was being brought into reality, shattering the ten thousand Daos within its domain.

Other than Mo Nian, there were also Gu Yang, Li Qi, and Song Mingyuan. All their Blood Qis were soaring. Also, their bodies were swollen with power as if they might explode.

Countless cracks appeared on their skin, and light red blood slowly oozed out. Beneath those cracks, people could see golden blood flowing. That was the true dragon essence blood expelling their original essence blood, a complete blood exchange. They had also reached a critical juncture and were on the verge of switching out their blood.

Once their blood was switched out, they could start condensing Heavenly Dao Crowns. However, they took far more time than Guo Ran and Xia Chen. That proved that the potential of their physical bodies was far greater than theirs.

Suddenly, a group of lifeforms appeared in the distance. The world rumbled as they tore through the void. When Xia Chen and Guo Ran saw this group, they instantly tensed up and prepared to fight.

"This time, it'll probably be an all-out assault."

## Chapter 3878: The Transformed Xia Chen

These newcomers all had a divine radiance shining behind their heads. At this moment, the might of the Heavenly Daos crashed down. They were all experts who had condensed a Heavenly Dao Crown.

Clearly, these experts had been in other treasure lands. After condensing Heavenly Dao Crowns and gathering all the treasures there, they rushed over to this place to fight for more primal chaos qi.

When they saw the endless primal chaos qi gushing out of this place, their eyes reddened. In particular, the sight of the golden dragon scale encircled by the big eighteen immemorial dragon kings evoked a profound emotion within them. Greed glimmered in their eyes, igniting the insatiable hunger for boundless power.

“Kill!”

Hundreds of them were from different races. But without hesitation, they charged at the golden dragon scale together.

These people were originally already powerful, and now that they had condensed Heavenly Dao Crowns, their confidence naturally inflated. That golden dragon scale made them directly ignore the eighteen dragon king corpses and rush straight at Long Chen. If they were going to fight over something, they would fight over the best.

“This is the most critical juncture. The first batch of experts that have condensed Heavenly Dao Crowns has shown up, and more and more of them will be appearing. Unfortunately, it doesn’t seem like boss will be coming out of seclusion any time soon, so we have to prepare for a long-term fight. Remember, every bit of our power counts. Don’t waste your energy!” reminded Xia Chen.

“Don’t worry, I won’t waste energy just to show off.” Guo Ran laughed valiantly while feeling slightly guilty inside. If it weren’t for Xia Chen’s reminder, he would have immediately charged out for a glorious display.

“I’m going.” Xia Chen had runes flow around his hands. The next moment, his figure swayed and he vanished.

When he reappeared, he was in front of a large lifeform, and he sent a single palm at it.

“Those who block me will die!” shouted it. Confronted by a feeble scholar from the human race, the large lifeform unleashed a seemingly simple punch, yet it radiated an awe-inspiring brilliance of golden light. Unexpectedly, this lifeform was a metal energy cultivator.

BOOM!

Xia Chen’s palm met his fist just like that. Upon contact, a mesmerizing display unfolded—a cascade of golden dragon scales materialized upon Xia Chen’s arm, and each intricately adorned scale bore a mystical golden rune. Amidst a heaven-shaking sound, that large lifeform shattered into pieces and fell to the ground like a broken statue.

“With such weak control, how dare you boast so loudly?” Xia Chen sneered. After that, he shouted, “All those who approach the golden dragon scale will be killed without exception!”

After killing that lifeform, Xia Chen vanished and reappeared in front of another lifeform, which was then blasted apart by another single punch.

Xia Chen was like a phantom, coming and going without a trace. Every single one of his attacks killed a powerful expert.

In just a short moment, seven powerful lifeforms were slain. It had to be known that these were terrifying existences that had condensed Heavenly Dao Crowns, but Xia Chen was killing them one after another.

“Damn, he’s unrivaled!”

Guo Ran had just killed two powerful lifeforms with his battle sabers. Eyeing Xia Chen’s clean movements, he was amazed.

The current Xia Chen was using the dragon scales covering his body as a vector. With his essence, qi, and spirit controlling his blood, he could use his blood as ink to directly inscribe talismans on his scales.

As a result, any talisman that he could control could be freely inscribed on his dragon scales. For example, when he had fought that metal energy cultivator, his arm had been backed by metal energy talismans. With them, Xia Chen crushed his enemy using his own metal power. Supported by his dragon blood, he was no longer afraid of close-range combat.

The next six lifeforms were also killed with different talismans depending on Xia Chen’s desires. He directly picked the best talismans to beat them with. As a result, those experts didn’t even have a chance to do anything before they were slain.

“Die!” With a thunderous roar, Guo Ran resolutely put away his sabers, opting instead for a devastating punch. As the void shattered, a torrential qi wave mercilessly obliterated the closest dozen experts. It was the power of his Supreme Bone that fueled this great display of might.

“I already told you to save your energy! Even more terrifying experts might come soon!” scolded Xia Chen angrily.

Hearing this, Guo Ran instantly blushed. After seeing how powerful Xia Chen was, he also wanted to erupt a bit and ended up forgetting Xia Chen’s reminder.

“I’m intimidating them with power so they will go somewhere else! Otherwise, if we have to kill every single person who comes, we’ll exhaust ourselves!” transmitted Guo Ran. Although he was quibbling, this was also reasonable.

After this attack, the charging lifeforms fell back, their momentum stopped. The greed that had clouded their heads was cleared up.

“There are so many treasure lands around, yet you just have to send yourselves to your deaths. Why bother?” Guo Ran’s words reverberated, instilling a sense of dread into their hearts. After scaring them, Guo Ran shook his head in pity.

With that reminder, these experts looked toward the other dragon kings, hesitating. Clearly, Xia Chen and Guo Ran’s immense power had shaken them.

No matter how amazing the treasure was, they had to be alive in order to enjoy it. After all, even if hundreds of them stood united, they might not fare well against Guo Ran and Xia Chen. If things went badly, they might even be killed one by one.

The problem was that they all came for one particular treasure land, but they weren't from the same power, their hearts not united. So, even if they went all-out, their lack of cooperation would not give them much advantage.

"Everyone, don't fall for his plan! They're stalling! If we keep waiting, others will come, and the benefits will all go to them!" shouted a devil lifeform. He was at least a bit smart.

"You think we're stalling? How laughable. Since you're so smart, why don't you come over? What? You want to instill others to fight while you benefit from the rear? Come, as long as you dare to take the lead, I'll believe what you just said," challenged Guo Ran disdainfully.

All eyes turned toward that devil expert. Bristled with indignation, that devil expert was unable to even retort.

If he took the lead, Xia Chen and Guo Ran would instantly kill him. Even one of them would be enough to easily wipe him out, let alone their combined forces.

"Hmph, treacherous human race. Let's see how long you can last. I'll put you in your place later."

Lacking the audacity to take the lead, the devil expert swiftly set his sights on a nearby dragon corpse and charged toward it. He knew that there weren't that many experts there.

Once the devil lifeform left, the others also found their own targets. After all, although they had condensed Heavenly Dao Crowns, they could strengthen their crowns even further by absorbing more primal chaos qi.

However, before they could catch their breath, the world erupted with a deafening rumble once again. From every direction, a swarm of experts emerged, converging upon them with relentless force. Xia Chen and Guo Ran's expressions changed, their initial alarm escalating as they realized the number of opponents had multiplied tenfold.

"We can't fight them all. It seems that we need to switch to your tactic. You take the front; I'll take the rear." Xia Chen took a deep breath, and runes flowed on top of his dragon scales. After that, he exchanged a glance with Guo Ran, and they both nodded. They actually charged at those terrifying lifeforms.

Ninety-nine talismans swirled around Xia Chen's hands, weaving together to create a colossal lotus. In the blink of an eye, flames surged from the runes adorning his dragon scales, coursing into the center of the lotus. Instantaneously, the lotus blazed into a raging inferno that gave off an apocalyptic aura.

"I'll try boss's trump card, the World Extermination Flame Lotus!" With a resounding shout, Xia Chen unleashed this giant flame lotus upon the onslaught of approaching experts.

## **Chapter 3879: The Situation Turns Critical**

Ninety-nine talismans transformed into a flame lotus, which then erupted amongst the incoming experts, unleashing a ferocious wave of flame that devoured them whole.

Even as these experts went all-out, some were still torn asunder by the explosive flame. The majority, however, succumbed to the overwhelming impact, coughing up blood as they were blown back.

“It’s too bad I’m not a flame cultivator. If I could use boss’s Nirvana Scripture, the flame lotus’s power would be a hundred times greater, enough to wipe them all out. Compared to boss’s move, this one is greatly lacking.” Xia Chen couldn’t help but sigh when he saw this result.

Empowered by the Heavenly Dao Crown and the support of the dragon blood, Xia Chen felt himself to be invincible. In his Dragon Blood Battle Armor state, he possessed the ability to directly inscribe runes onto his dragon scales, granting him the freedom to unleash a vast array of magical arts. As long as he could inscribe the runes, he could effortlessly unleash any talisman at his disposal. He was no longer constrained by the limitation of traditional paper talismans.

However, some things could only be replicated but not truly mastered. He could imitate Long Chen’s World Extermination Flame Lotus, but it was just the form, not the essence.

Without innate flames and the Nirvana Scripture, although Xia Chen’s talismans could draw out the flame energy of heaven and earth, the effect was much worse than the Nirvana Scripture. As a result, the eruption of the ninety-nine talismans wasn’t as good as he had expected.

With this attack, he understood his shortcomings. As a talisman cultivator, although the Heavenly Dao Crown and dragon blood power enhanced his combat versatility, his true essence still resided in the realm of talismans. They were the embodiment of his path, his Dao.

“Split the Heavens 1!”

Xia Chen had just unleashed the World Extermination Flame Lotus when Guo Ran’s saber descended with decisive precision. A giant saber-image then cleaved through the world, resembling a giant crescent moon cutting through the fabric of reality.

BOOM!

The devastating impact shattered over ten powerful lifeforms, reducing them into fragments along with their weapons. A mist of blood then spread, staining the air with a gruesome taint. On the other side of the battlefield, countless other experts were sent flying, hurtling through the battlefield in disarray.

“Those who aren’t afraid of death can come!”

Harnessing the might of his swinging saber, Guo Ran bellowed with an intimidating roar.

Unfortunately, there were thousands of them this time. Although the power of Guo Ran’s saber was shocking, it wasn’t enough to fully stop them.

The thing that troubled Guo Ran and Xia Chen the most was the incessant rumbling of the surrounding space, a sign that more and more experts were coming over. Like vultures drawn to the scent of decaying flesh, their numbers swelled with each passing moment, an unyielding tide of adversaries steadily closing in.



“Just two people think that they can stop us? What a joke! We’ll blast through them and take that dragon scale for ourselves! Time is of the essence; we must act quickly before the peak experts appear. Otherwise, we won’t have a chance. You all, boldness begets fortune. Whoever is the luckiest will get the biggest piece of meat!”

At this moment, a powerful demonic beast shouted and took the lead to charge over. He was extremely powerful. With a surge of unleashed Blood Qi, akin to a blazing fire, his wings spread as he tore through the sky with unmatched ferocity. The sheer force of his qi wave blew back the other experts around him.

“Since you want to die first, I’ll fulfill your wish!”

Guo Ran was enraged. As expected, the very concern that troubled them really happened before his eyes. With this one rallying shout, the other lifeforms came charging over, joining the fray. The golden dragon scale indeed possessed a fatal attraction to everyone.

BOOM!

Guo Ran’s saber slashed down with tremendous force, descending upon the mighty demonic beast’s own weapon. A heaven-shaking explosion then erupted between them.

As a result, that demonic beast coughed up blood, and cracks covered his body. A touch of fear appeared in his eyes after this blow. He finally experienced just how terrifying the current Guo Ran was.

On the other hand, Guo Ran was cursing inside. He realized that his inability to kill this demonic beast in one blow would only stoke the others further.

As expected, seeing that demonic beast survive fueled the confidence of countless others. After all, they had numbers. With newfound determination, they crashed down upon Guo Ran and Xia Chen.

“Courting death!”

In the face of overwhelming odds, Guo Ran and Xia Chen’s rage ignited like an inferno. They knew that there were too many enemies for them to stop all at once.

Nevertheless, the two of them began unleashing a torrent of attacks. Each of their attacks could kill dozens of these lifeforms, but they couldn’t hold them off forever.

As one expert was about to reach the dragon scale, a sudden quiver rippled through the void. In a split second, a barrier of light appeared, obstructing his way to the dragon scale.

He then struck the barrier, and without a single sound, was blown apart into a crimson mist. He ended up triggering the formation that Xia Chen had set up.

Even so, those experts refused to give up. They still took out their weapons and struck that barrier ferociously. As a result, violent power coursed through their weapons and into their bodies, blowing them up.

Only then did these lifeforms grow a bit more cool-headed despite the fatal attraction of the dragon scale. They no longer simply charged forward. As for Guo Ran and Xia Chen, they were slaughtering these lifeforms as fast as they could.

These lifeforms might be powerful, but they weren't a match for the two of them in individual combat. Just like that, dozens of them were slain with every passing moment.

However, these lifeforms seemed to have gone insane. They were lunatics. Despite knowing the danger, they didn't know the meaning of retreat. It was like they were afraid that they would lose any chance to obtain the dragon scale if they ran away. After all, experts were always crazy when presented with a chance to get even stronger.

"Don't attack the formation directly. Use long-distance attacks to exhaust the formation's power and then we can break through!" shouted a human expert.

"You traitor!"

Hearing this shout, Xia Chen and Guo Ran were both incensed. The two of them had pushed these experts to the limits of their courage, but someone just had to drive them even crazier. Moreover, as this person was from the same race as them, their fury was indescribable.

"Die!" Guo Ran furiously shot toward him like a shooting star.

"You want to kill me? Keep dreaming!"

That person sneered and took out a jade talisman, crushing it.

However, the moment he crushed it, his smile stiffened. To his dismay, his transportation talisman failed to activate. In that instant, translucent talismans manifested around him, forming a barrier that blocked any attempts at spatial transportation.

"Die!"

Xia Chen had ruined his talisman from a great distance. At this moment, Guo Ran's saber fell, and that person screamed. But nothing he did could stop the scythe of the death god.

Alas, although he was dead, because of his reminder, countless lifeforms were now unleashing rays of divine light at the barrier.

Countless runes glowed on top of the quivering barrier, blocking these relentless attacks. However, those once-glowing runes were rapidly dimming. All the attacking experts had already condensed their Heavenly Dao Crowns. As a result, their formidable power was taking a toll on the formation, draining its energy reserves at an alarming rate.

Now, Guo Ran and Xia Chen began to panic as they couldn't think of a way to kill all of them swiftly. Once they broke through the barrier, the consequences would be unimaginable.

BOOM!

Overwhelmed by the attacks of thousands of experts, the barrier exploded in a sudden burst, unleashing a surge of wild dragon qi. Upon sensing it, those experts descended into a frenzy and charged at Long Chen like hungry wolves, their rationality forsaken.

However, just as these wolves were about to touch the dragon scale, one figure after another descended from the heavens with remarkable speed. Like celestial beings, their weapons tore through the void, striking down these experts with unparalleled precision and efficiency.

“The Dragonblood Legion has arrived! If anyone seeks death, come forth and fulfill your desire!” The arrival of these formidable warriors was announced by a chorus of heroic and hot-blooded voices.

### **Chapter 3880: Dragonblood Legion Fights All Sides**

One warrior after another appeared, with a Heavenly Dao Crown on their heads and golden dragon scales covering their bodies. Like unsheathed swords, their Blood Qi reverberated through the heavens, and their overwhelming killing intent manifested like a whirlwind.

With a single strike, the closest lifeform to the golden dragon scale was directly hacked in two by a Dragonblood warrior. Crimson blood then spilled down, marking the beginning of a counterattack against their enemies.

“Kill!”

This Dragonblood warrior roared, feeling as though he had returned to the Martial Heaven Continent and was fighting alongside Long Chen. With this roar, the hot blood that had been slumbering for so long once more ignited.

At this moment, the battle wills inside their hearts erupted like volcanos, and a desire for blood and slaughter rapidly grew. They lived in battle. In battle, they found the true essence of life and their true selves.

After all, every single one of them was a warrior who had experienced hundreds of battles. But after ascending to the immortal world, they were like divine weapons covered in dust. Their light was gradually covered.

Their days apart from Long Chen were not easy. Every single one of them had gone through a tough time struggling at the bottom level of the cultivation world.

Ascending to the immortal world was like starting over. All of them returned to the time before Long Chen, when they were constantly suppressed and squeezed out by others. They had to fight bitterly just to survive.

The light that Long Chen had bestowed upon them was no longer visible. After all, their talent and aptitude could only count as average in the immortal world.

However, Long Chen had also taught them invaluable lessons that would forever be etched in their minds. One such lesson was to always have a relentless pursuit of strength.

No matter what time it was, they would unleash their full power to get stronger. Without resources and talent, they could only go all-out. If they were not given any opportunities, they would create them themselves. There were no excuses to be lazy. They would not submit to the cruelty of reality, nor would they give up in despair.

In order to reunite with the Dragonblood Legion, they cultivated day and night, not daring to slack in the slightest. In this world, they had to create a path for themselves at all costs; even if they had to spill their blood to do so.

All that pain and suffering did not make them collapse. It only made them tougher, sharper. They were like dragons that had survived through the crushing weight of the depths. While accumulating power, they were waiting to find Long Chen.

Now, they had finally found him, and in an instant, the sand covering the sharp blades was blown apart. These divine weapons finally unleashed their sharpest light. After the suffering of this time, they were ground and sharpened. Now, with the dragon blood and Heavenly Dao Crowns, they possessed unimaginable power.

“Kill!”

Dragonblood warriors roared in unison, causing the stars above the heavens to shake because of their overflowing battle will. It was a roar that caused even gods and devils to feel uneasy.

When the Dragonblood warriors charged out, those lifeforms aiming for the golden dragon scale were like sheep waiting for slaughter. As packs of wolves descended upon them, mercilessly rending their flesh, the air became a chaotic flurry of broken bodies and weapons, scattered in disarray.

However, some of those broken weapons were from the Dragonblood warriors. Most of them had been very poor. So, their weapons were no good, unable to compete with the weapons of the elites.

Their old weapons shattered upon impact. Fortunately, the Dragon Blood Battle Armor was always their strongest weapon, and the dragon scales served as their strongest armor. With their bare hands, they directly crushed the divine weapons of their enemies.

The exhilarating sensation of slaughtering formidable foes caused their hot blood to surge. They then reveled in the feeling of effortlessly sweeping through their enemies, unmatched and unrivaled once more.

Even without proper weapons, the Dragonblood warriors were so powerful that not one of their enemies was capable of enduring a single blow from them. Guo Ran and Xia Chen rejoiced, filled with delight as they witnessed their immense power. The Dragonblood Legion was finally back, no longer merely the number one legion of the Martial Heaven Continent, but now the greatest legion throughout the nine heavens!

One by one, the Dragonblood warriors emerged, soaring through the air with unstoppable force. They had awakened from their seclusion. Each of them had condensed a Heavenly Dao Crown and had also absorbed the dragon blood, further strengthening their power.

One hundred... two hundred... three hundred... With time, more and more Dragonblood warriors arrived, halting the frenzied charge of these lifeforms. They were all stopped before reaching the golden dragon scale.

However, even more lifeforms were coming in relentless waves, driven by their thirst for more resources. It was evident that they had taken everything within their own treasure lands, which compelled them to go out in search of fresh resources to exploit.

They were from various races. Some of them arrived in waves numbering in the hundreds, while others came in groups of tens of thousands.

Seeing the dragon corpses, they immediately charged over to absorb the primal chaos qi. But when they saw the golden dragon scale unleashing a heavenly pillar of primal chaos qi, they went crazy, charging over like lunatics.

“Defensive formation!”

Xia Chen shouted out orders, directing the warriors. Somehow, those lifeforms seemed crazy, seemingly willing to bite a chunk of Long Chen’s flesh even if they had to die in the process.

“Boss, he...!”

Xia Chen and Guo Ran widened their eyes in surprise. They took notice of the dragon scale beneath Long Chen, which had begun to undergo a transformation. It shrank and shrank until it was just three meters wide. Intriguingly, the dragon scale started to flex and curve, slowly wrapping around Long Chen like a protective shell, resembling an egg in shape.

The egg was translucent, so everyone could see countless strands resembling tubes entering Long Chen’s body. When the connection formed, his body also became translucent. They could see a mystical rune on the dragon scale fragmented, its pieces assimilating into his body.

When Xia Chen saw that mystical rune, his heart shook. It was definitely the dragon scale’s innate divine ability rune. If Long Chen could assimilate this rune, he would be able to use its divine ability.

After seeing it, Xia Chen understood why those lifeforms were going so crazy. If they shattered the egg, those runes would become masterless items that they could fight over.

Anyone who wasn’t an idiot knew that this dragon scale had a shocking origin. Its innate runes could completely change a person’s fate, so how could they not go insane?

The golden egg had a total of eight such runes. Long Chen was absorbing the first one right now, but the absorption rate was very slow. Seeing this, those lifeforms grew even more frantic.

“Not good. More and more enemies will be arriving soon.” Tens of thousands of experts were still assaulting the blockade of the Dragonblood warriors. Although their defenses were rock solid, this information was still worrisome.

The enemies would be stronger figures that had spent more time absorbing primal chaos qi before coming. Furthermore, some people were still eyeing the situation. If any hidden experts made a move, that would be even more trouble. They were all waiting for the defenses of the Dragonblood Legion to weaken.

The presence of Ji Wuming, Shi Yang, and Weng Tianyao was also a great concern. Their Heavenly Dao Crowns were gradually taking shape, and they might finish condensing them at any moment.

BOOM!

Suddenly, the space in the distance collapsed and a middle-aged figure appeared with hundreds of thousands of experts, charging over with furious killing intent.

When Xia Chen and Guo Ran saw that middle-aged man, their expressions instantly changed.

“Silver Moon City’s lord!”