#### Noble Ruler 1771

#### Chapter 1771 Calculating Debt!

"Red-gold heavenly phoenix?" I definitely won't mistake that girl's aura. She is the red-gold heavenly phoenix without a doubt!

Very quickly, the people in the entire square felt Tuan Zi's presence and gasped in shock. "That's a redgold heavenly phoenix!"

"How did a red-gold heavenly phoenix appear in Godly Dragon Island?!"

"No! She looks pretty young... How did she turn into human form?!"

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The entire square was silent.

However, Miao Yang suddenly recalled something and narrowed his eyes slightly. That's Shangguan Yue's legendary fiend! However, wasn't this red-gold heavenly phoenix stopped outside Godly Dragon Island? How did it appear here again?!

Countless thoughts flashed across his mind messily. Miao Yang gradually realized that many matters had already spiraled out of his control! Everything... is developing toward an unpredictable danger!

He immediately took a step forward, pointed at Miao Zhen, and sharply yelled, "Miao Zhen, you're too overboard! Not only did you collude with the humans and casually allow them to enter the coiling dragon pillar, but you even allowed a red-gold heavenly phoenix in there! What exactly were you thinking? Ask your conscience—can you face our ancestors? Face our entire great phoenix dragon clan?!"

At this point, Rong Xiu and Chu Liuyue had already walked to Miao Zhen's side.

Tuan Zi followed them, still holding the purplish-golden ball of light in her arms—it was Zi Chen.

This ball of light was larger than her body, but luckily, she wasn't an ordinary human child but a red-gold heavenly phoenix. Hence, it wasn't considered tiring for her to hold this ball of light.

Walking to the place, Tuan Zi placed the ball of light down again and sighed deeply. For some reason, Zi Chen hasn't come out of that place until now.

The purplish-golden light had already covered Zi Chen's entire figure. Even Tuan Zi, who was standing so near, couldn't see the inside situation clearly.

Chu Liuyue smiled and stroked her head. "It's been hard on you, Tuan Zi."

Originally, I planned to bring Zi Chen over personally. But before I could do it, Tuan Zi took action before me.

"It's no trouble at all! I should take care of my little brother!" Tuan Zi broke out into a wide smile.

Chu Liuyue raised her brows slightly, and her gaze swept past that ball of light again.

At this point, Zi Chen's figure couldn't be seen, and the aura rumbling on that ball of light had calmed down.

She smiled and did not speak.

Miao Zhen asked, "How are you?"

Rong Xiu smiled and said, "With Senior Miao Zhen around, we're naturally safe and sound."

Miao Zhen then relaxed.

He now saw that Rong Xiu and Shangguan Yue's attitudes were greatly different from before. Even though he had been busy merging with that physical body, he knew what was happening in the surroundings.

These two people were indeed more amazing than he predicted.

Actually, him being able to come out from the inside was all thanks to the two of them. Hence, he had long treated them as his own family.

"Don't worry. As long as I'm around, nobody will dare to touch you in Godly Dragon Island!" Miao Zhen's voice was low and domineering!

Upon hearing this, the other people exchanged glances and couldn't conceal their shock. What exactly is Miao Zhen doing? The great phoenix dragon clan's attitude toward humans has always been cold and with a hint of contempt, not to mention toward these two! However, Miao Zhen is so arrogant and wants to publicly protect them?!

Miao Yang almost laughed out loud. Miao Zhen doing this is undoubtedly cutting off his own path. The clan definitely wouldn't accept such a person again. Death is still waiting for him!

He snorted. "Miao Zhen, it seems like you're bent on rebelling?"

Miao Zhen then turned around and laughed out loud. "Miao Yang, I should be asking you these questions instead! Are you not guilty for saying such words in front of the ancestor and the clansmen?!"

Miao Yang's heart sank.

Just as he was about to speak, Miao Zhen interrupted him again. "Oh, I almost forgot. Isn't that what you're best at? You could do these things back then, and you naturally can do it again now!"

Miao Zhen's words confused everyone.

Miao Yang had a cold face and said, "I don't know what you're talking about! Miao Zhen, you luckily managed to evade the severe sins you committed back then, and you're doing it again! This time, no matter what, we have to punish you to console the souls of our ancestors in the heavens! Someone, take all of them down! Their lives or deaths don't matter!"

The square fell silent for a moment.

Miao Fushan knitted his brows and said, "Clan Leader, their identities are all extraordinary, especially with the red-gold heavenly phoenix. If we really directly kill them, I'm afraid we'll be in endless trouble... Besides, there are many things that haven't been investigated properly..."

Miao Yang glanced at him. "Elder Fushan, I know that you doted on Miao Zhen a lot previously, but I hope you can see clearly the things he has done! We're already being kind by directly killing him! Do you want to let him stay and harm the clan again?! As for those two people and the red-gold heavenly phoenix... they trespassed into our Godly Dragon Island and even used some means to barge into our holy hall. They should die!"

Nobody has the right or stance to beg mercy for them!

Miao Fushan knitted his brows even tighter. I did admire Miao Zhen quite a bit back then, but I know what I should and shouldn't do for major matters. Now, I just want to investigate some matters. For example, how did Miao Zhen step into the holy hall again and stay in the coiling dragon pillar for a thousand years? Also, what is with his physical body?

In addition, what relationship do Rong Xiu and Shangguan Yue have with Miao Zhen and this entire matter...

Many doubts don't have answers, but Miao Yang doesn't seem like he wants to check. I don't know if it is my illusion, but Miao Yang seems to want to kill Miao Zhen's group immediately and can even be said to be anxious. I have just advised him a little, yet Miao Yang's reaction was intense. It is indeed strange.

Miao Zhen is in the wrong, but as the clan leader, it is inappropriate for Miao Yang to be doing that...

Seeing that Miao Yang treated Miao Fushan angrily... Although the others felt that something was amiss, they all fell silent.

Miao Yang coldly surveyed his surroundings. "Why are you still standing around?!"

Shua!

The surrounding elders rushed forward! They prepared to join hands to take these people down!

Miao Zhen grunted. "Miao Yang, I haven't settled my grudge against you yet. Why are you so anxious? Coincidentally, everyone is here today. Let's talk about it clearly!"

# Chapter 1772 Evidence

Once Miao Zhen spoke, he had a strong suppression that caused the surrounding crowd to stop in their tracks unwittingly.

"Back then, you cruelly murdered seven clansmen. That's your first crime! Then, you attacked me when I was at an important stage of breaking through, pushing the deaths of those seven clansmen to me. Finally, you took advantage of me being locked up at Seven Lotus Peak to steal my bloodline power and strengthen your own talent—that's your third crime!"

"Miao Yang, which of these things did you not do? Every single incident concerns the lives of many clansmen, yet you have to cheek to question me?!"

Miao Zhen's appearance was cold, and his gaze was like a knife that stared deep into Miao Yang, not hiding his mockery at all. "I want to ask you: After so many years, how stable has it been after you ascended the clan leader position by riding on your clansman's bones and blood?!"

Miao Zhen's voice spread around the square, landing in everyone's ears clearly!

It was dead silent!

Everyone instinctively looked at Miao Yang. This... Wasn't Miao Zhen the one who did all of this back then? What does it have to do with Miao Yang?

Detecting those gazes, Miao Yang almost crushed his teeth. In the end, I couldn't stop Miao Zhen and allowed him to say such words.

But luckily, he was already sufficiently prepared earlier on, so he perfectly controlled his expression and reaction.

As if hearing an incredulous joke, he coldly laughed. "Miao Zhen, what nonsense are you saying? Those seven clansmen did die in your hands, and there was concrete evidence back then. You can't deny it at all! This matter will be concluded sooner or later, yet you say that I killed them? That's too laughable!"

"Besides, what reasons do I have to spend so much effort to scheme against you?"

Miao Zhen raised his sharp brows slightly. "Don't you know the reason most clearly? Back then, you were just mediocre. Even without me, there were still others who were stronger than you in the clan. However, you became the clan leader now?!"

Once he said this, quite a few people had a change in expressions.

Actually, some of them had been very curious about this.

At that time, Miao Yang wasn't the top existence in the clan. His talent tested in the Thousand Summit was better than average at best, but after the Thousand Summit, his talent and skills improved greatly.

Everyone thought that it was because Miao Yang had received a good heirloom after entering the holy hall during the Thousand Summit. In the past, there were also some exceptions in the clan, but his change was the most obvious one.

He started exceeding his peers in the clan. Additionally, Miao Zhen met his demise then, so he undoubtedly became the most outstanding one in the clan!

Later on, the position of clan leader naturally fell to his hands.

Now, Miao Zhen said that Miao Yang stole his bloodline power back then... Upon deeper thought, that seems to be... possible?!

Miao Yang sharply detected the change in the atmosphere. He panicked in his heart, but he still looked strong as he coldly smiled and said, "You said that I stole your bloodline power? Then, how did you live to this day?!"

Without the support of bloodline power, he should be long dead!

Miao Zhen laughed out loud. "That's naturally because... I split my bloodline power into a few parts! You thought that you had stolen all of my bloodline power, but you didn't know that it was just a small portion of it! It's such a small portion, yet you treated it like a treasure... Miao Yang, your bloodline power is too cheap. Thus, your worldview is ridiculously narrow!"

Miao Yang's face instantly stiffened, and there seemed to be fire burning in his chest!

Actually, he had long discovered something amiss. After receiving Miao Zhen's bloodline power, his increase in talent wasn't as strong as he had predicted. However, he faintly felt that it was decent.

On the one hand, his talent and skills had indeed improved by quite a bit. At the very least, he could crush the other clansmen.

On the other hand, he wouldn't arouse too much suspicion in this way. If someone asked, he would say that he received quite a decent heirloom.

As long as he could rely on these things to get what he wanted, there was nothing to mind or calculate. Hence, all these years, he didn't spend much time thinking about this—that was until he heard Miao Zhen say this!

The reason why he was so furious and maniacal wasn't because of what Miao Zhen said but because of Miao Zhen's forever high and mighty tone! It was as if he would always keep others beneath his feet and not let them make a comeback!

He hated this feeling the most!

In the past, Miao Zhen was the pride and the brightest existence in the entire clan. However, he is now just a sinner that has betrayed the entire clan! Relying on Shangguan Yue's broken skeleton, he forcefully reformed his body and doesn't even have wings! Yet, he is still so arrogant and prideful...

How ridiculous! This world has long changed!

"What nonsense! Miao Zhen, I think you're insane!" As Miao Yang spoke, he looked at the surrounding crowd and sharply berated, "Why are you still standing around? Did you not hear my previous command?!"

Miao Yang rarely threw his temper in front of the crowd, but at this point, he seemed to have become an entire other person as he revealed a chilling aura that sent chills down one's spine.

Some people secretly exchanged glances and knitted their brows. At this point, it wasn't only Miao Fushan; even they could also feel that Miao Yang was a little anxious.

He was anxious to settle Miao Zhen as if he could't wait any minute longer.

Just as the surrounding people planned to take action, Miao Fushan suddenly said, "Hold on!"

He was highly respected in the clan. Thus, those people stopped when he said this.

Miao Yang had a cold face and asked, "What? Elder Fushan, are you really intending to speak for him?"

Miao Fushan stroked his beard and slowly said, "Clan Leader, you've misunderstood. This is for your own good! Miao Zhen has insulted you like this and ruined your reputation severely. If you directly kill him

now, it will make you look guilty and prove his accusations toward you. In my opinion, why don't we thoroughly investigate this matter so that it will be the best for you and the entire clan. What do you think?"

Even though Miao Fushan used an inquisitive tone, his expression was stubborn. He clearly planned on doing it.

Miao Yang was so angry that his teeth became itchy. This Miao Fushan is also troublesome! If he stood at the side obediently, the matter would be resolved! Yet, he had to jump out and insist on checking this incident!

He took a deep breath in and forcefully suppressed the anger in his heart. "Okay! Since Elder Fushan wants to investigate, then... go ahead!"

I don't believe that Miao Zhen can really defend himself and make a comeback.

## Chapter 1773 Snatch Back!

Miao Fushan nodded, took a step forward, and looked at Miao Zhen.

In the depths of his old eyes, there seemed to be something tumbling, and he had a conflicted expression.

Back then, I did think highly of Miao Zhen and admired him very much. It was to the point where he couldn't believe it when he heard that Miao Zhen had killed seven clansmen. He had even begged for mercy and hoped that the clan leader and the others could thoroughly investigate this matter back then.

However, it was a pity that when the truth came out, everything proved Miao Zhen's wrongdoing.

He was upset about this for a long time. Not only for Miao Zhen but also for the entire great phoenix dragon clan. That was because Miao Zhen was publicly-acknowledged as a genius, and they had high hopes for him. They wished that he could bring the entire great phoenix dragon clan to a higher level.

What a pity... Everything turned into bubbles of illusion.

Who would've expected that he would see Miao Zhen again a thousand years later?

"Miao Zhen, do you have evidence for what you said earlier?" Miao Fushan asked in a deep voice.

Miao Zhen smiled and honestly said, "No."

The crowd fell silent for a moment and quickly burst into an uproar. No? He doesn't have any evidence, yet he's still so righteous?! Is he kidding us?!

Miao Fushan's expression became much colder. "Miao Zhen, everything needs to be proven with evidence. If you don't have proof, it means that whatever you previously said are just baseless accusations."

Mockery and ridicule quickly flashed across Miao Yang's eyes. Even without me saying much, Miao Zhen's method has now infuriated quite a few people. He really can't be saved for setting himself up!

However, Miao Zhen's expression didn't change, and he still looked bold. Back then, Miao Yang had already destroyed all the evidence to push me to my death. At that time, I couldn't even find any clues, let alone now.

"Of course, it's not an accusation," said Miao Zhen. "What I said was the truth."

Miao Yang chuckled. "Since you don't have any evidence, how should everyone believe you? It can't possibly be that it's the truth just because you said it is, right?"

How could there be such a good thing in the world?

At this point, the crowd gradually reacted. "Yeah! Without evidence, how should one be convinced?"

"I saw how confident he was previously, and I even thought that he had sufficient evidence! Who knew he was just talking about it?"

"That's right! We can't just take his word for it!"

"The person who could do such crazy acts back then isn't trustable at all! I think the clan leader should directly kill him! If we continue asking, we're just wasting our time and energy!"

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The crowd partook in heated discussions, but their attitudes were shockingly uniform.

When Chu Liuyue heard it, she raised her brows slightly. Everyone in the great phoenix dragon clan really hates Miao Zhen to the extreme. It might not be that easy to turn the tables around.

As if detecting her thoughts, Rong Xiu held her hand and caressed the back of it. He then softly said, "A thousand years has been too long. It's originally not easy to change a thought that's already entrenched in their minds."

Chu Liuyue nodded lightly.

Actually, there weren't many people today who were related to the incident back then. Most of the people at the square were descendants.

Ever since they were young, they had been influenced by their surroundings. When someone mentioned the name 'Miao Zhen,' they would instinctively link it to 'betrayal' and 'mania.' When they saw Miao Zhen, they would naturally have prejudice against him.

Based on his two sentences, it wasn't very possible to get all of them to change their views and thoughts—unless Miao Zhen could really produce concrete evidence. However, Miao Zhen had already said himself that he had no evidence for those matters back then.

Chu Liuyue looked up slightly and stared at Miao Zhen for a while. The current situation doesn't seem to affect him; he is still calm and composed. When he looks at Miao Yang, his eyes even have hints of a mocking smile.

Chu Liuyue suddenly made up her mind. Miao Zhen must have other trump cards!

Miao Fushan shook his head and couldn't conceal the disappointment on his face. Originally, I thought...

"Miao Zhen, since you don't have any proof, then... there's no need to continue talking." Miao Fushan took a step back and raised his hand.

The surrounding elders immediately went forward!

The corner of Miao Yang's lips curled up into a cold smile, but he quickly looked down and hid his delight. Today, Miao Zhen has to die!

But at this moment, Miao Zhen suddenly laughed. "I don't have evidence, but everything I said just now was the truth! If you don't believe me, I can't be bothered. That's because my most important agenda in coming here is just to take back what belongs to me."

As he spoke, he gazed at Miao Yang.

Miao Yang suddenly felt a chill run down his spine. An extremely dangerous aura suddenly attacked him!

He instinctively looked up! He saw Miao Zhen staring at him in a seemingly smiling manner.

"Miao Yang, you stole my bloodline power back then and have used it for so many years. It's time to return it!" Once Miao Zhen said this, a ball of purplish-golden light suddenly appeared on his body. At the same time, the sounds of something exploding came from Miao Yang's back!

Peng! Peng!

Two bloody holes appeared on his shoulder blades!

Blood splattered everywhere. Following this, fire suddenly started burning at his wounds!

The scorching fire caused the entire square's temperature to increase rapidly!

The crowd was stunned. Miao Zhen's bloodline power is indeed as intense and rich as before!

Miao Yang also panicked. He could clearly feel his body's strength quickly leaving!

"Miao Zhen! You—"

Whoosh!

Before he could say it, the two balls of fire suddenly turned into knives that harshly cut Miao Yang's two arms! Then, they rushed straight to Miao Zhen!

#### Chapter 1774 Who Exactly Is The Lunatic

"Ah—" Miao Yang cried as his body harshly fell to the floor.

Excruciating pain came from his shoulder blades, hurting so much that his entire body trembled!

His two arms fell not far away from him.

From the corner of his eye, he saw his two bloody arms lying around. Miao Yang's eyes shrunk, and his body trembled even more harshly!

Indescribable horror crazily surged up from the bottom of his heart!

The crowd in the square was also taken aback by this scene.

Everything happened too quickly. Before they could even react and realize what was going on, they saw Miao Yang's two arms being cut!

On the other side, Miao Zhen was miles apart from Miao Yang. When the two balls of fire flew to him, they gently landed on his shoulders and rapidly formed the appearance of two arms!

In the sea of dazzling lights, one could faintly see streaks of blood.

The faint smell of blood spread across.

Chu Liuyue was shocked and instinctively looked at Rong Xiu.

The corner of Rong Xiu's lips curled up slightly, and he nodded in affirmation.

Chu Liuyue widened her eyes slightly. Miao Zhen actually directly snatched his own bloodline power back and completed the recovery of his physical body! It is rare to see such power and charm!

Due to the pain, Miao Zhen's veins popped up on his neck and forehead. There was a hint of mania in his eyes.

Forceful regeneration of the arms and inviting Rong Xiu to help reform his body were different. With a certain meaning, he had to endure even more danger and torture. After all, one started from zero, and the other destroyed something and reforged it!

The latter was clearly more difficult. However, Miao Zhen still did it without hesitation!

As the two arms gradually took shape, Miao Zhen's aura strengthened again!

As the few elders in front couldn't handle this pressure, they moved a few steps back continuously and were shocked. Even if Miao Zhen really didn't die back then, his physical body was indeed destroyed!

They could tell that he must've asked Rong Xiu and Shangguan Yue for help to reform his physical body. However, that skeleton's cultivation level wasn't especially high. If not, Miao Yao would not be forgiven so easily for making such a huge mistake.

Logically speaking, Miao Zhen shouldn't be at such a high cultivation level. However, not only did he easily defeat Miao Yang... but his own cultivation level also kept improving!

However, Miao Fushan's expression was very complicated. Miao Zhen... is indeed that Miao Zhen from back then! At that time, he was the most outstanding genius in the entire clan. Most of the descendants have only heard of how he cruelly killed his clansmen and then died from his mania. They don't know a lot about his talent and capabilities.

In actual fact... He was shockingly brilliant, and this kind of person will only appear once in a million years. Such a description is definitely not an exaggeration—even after so many years, nobody can compare to him, not even Miao Yang!

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Everyone stared at Miao Zhen with their eyes open and mouths agape, deeply stunned by the scene before them.

They didn't even care about Miao Yang, who had collapsed to the floor. In actual fact, nobody dared to go forward at this point.

Miao Zhen could easily break Miao Yang's arms and forcefully steal the two strong balls of fire from his body. This was enough to state the problem—that strength must've belonged to Miao Zhen in the first place!

If he wanted to snatch his own bloodline power back, who could stop him?!

This also meant that out of what he previously said, at least this part was the truth!

Quite a few people were suspicious and confused. If this is true, then... what about the rest? Who exactly killed the seven clansmen back then?!

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Miao Yang spat out a mouthful of blood and felt extreme hatred. He wanted to stand up, but losing two arms made this action very difficult.

After trying a few times, he finally succeeded. However, his body was covered with dirty bloodstains, and he looked extremely disheveled.

He no longer had the past glory and elegance of being the clan leader.

He stared straight at Miao Zhen, and his eyes were dyed red. No wonder Miao Zhen was so bold—so he still had this move! Saying that he had no evidence... was all rubbish! Miao Zhen was clearly waiting for me!

Miao Yang's hatred toward Miao Zhen had reached its peak. He knew very clearly that no matter the result today, his reputation, his status, and everything that belonged to him were in a dangerous position.

He spat out a mouthful of blood and harshly said, "Everyone, listen to my command! Miao Zhen has ill intent. Immediately execute him!"

But once he said this, nobody in the square moved.

Miao Yang looked toward his surroundings crazily. "What, do all of you plan on rebelling?! You're even ignoring my command!"

Miao Fushan looked at him and lightly said, "Clan Leader, the truth is gradually being exposed. How can we take action? As for you, you haven't explained clearly why Miao Zhen's bloodline power is with you."

Originally, I thought that Miao Yang improved greatly after receiving an amazing heirloom. However, it now seems like... there might be a huge secret hidden here!

Miao Fushan's interrogation rendered Miao Yang speechless.

His throat moved, and his lips trembled, but nothing came out. How should I explain it? I can't explain it at all! Everyone is from the same clan and understands bloodline power. It is impossible for me to just brush it off.

Seeing his reaction, Miao Fushan had already mostly verified his guess.

He closed his eyes and sighed lightly. "Why must you..."

Miao Yang's heart turned icy cold from his look. "Elder Fushan, you would rather listen to a lunatic and not believe me?!"

Miao Fushan paused. "Clan Leader, who exactly is the lunatic?"

#### Chapter 1775 Favorite Person

Miao Yang was suddenly speechless.

Miao Fushan stared into his eyes. His gaze was as sharp as a knife as if he wanted to cut Miao Yang open and see him completely!

At this moment, Miao Yang suddenly realized that Miao Fushan no longer trusted him.

He subconsciously avoided Miao Fushan's gaze. However, the gazes from all directions were vaguely gathered at this moment, making him feel uneasy.

The feeling of unease grew.

Miao Yang's breathing became rapid, and his heart pounded so hard that he couldn't even care less about the pain in his body.

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Miao Fushan looked away and at Miao Zhen, but he had already made up his mind.

He was very familiar with Miao Zhen and Miao Yang.

The current Miao Zhen looked as arrogant as ever, but his eyes were firm and reserved from beginning to end. He didn't look crazy at all.

On the other hand, it was Miao Yang who looked crazy.

Ever since he found out that Rong Xiu and Shangguan Yue had quietly left the Seven Lotus Peak and entered the coiling dragon pillar in the holy hall, his entire condition had been very strange. Compared to before, not only had he become irritable, but he was also much more impulsive and anxious.

This state reached its peak after seeing Miao Zhen appear.

If Miao Yang was really innocent back then, why didn't he let Miao Zhen finish saying those words? Why didn't he agree to let them find out the truth?

The answer was obvious!

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The pain in his body gradually subsided.

Miao Zhen slowly opened his eyes and looked down at his arms. "It's been... a long time..."

He clenched his fists gently and sighed as he felt the surging power in his body.

Back then, Miao Yang had deliberately chosen to attack when his body was at its weakest to succeed. He had also defended himself. Unfortunately, no one believed him at that time.

Even if he wanted revenge, he was already an arrow at the end of its flight and was powerless to reverse the situation. In the end, he could only choose to lie low in the coiling dragon pillar.

This wait lasted for more than a thousand years!

He thought for a period of time that there was no hope of him coming out. Fortunately, the heavens had taken pity on him and given him another chance!

Almost at the same time, the purple-gold ball of light beside Tuan Zi suddenly moved!

The void trembled and rippled.

Chu Liuyue turned around, and her eyes flickered.

Following this, a slender hand stretched out from the ball of light.

Tuan Zi's eyes suddenly widened! A hand!? A human hand!? This, this, this-

Under her shocked gaze, a tall and slender figure walked out of the purple-gold ball of light.

It was a young man who looked to be in his late 20s. His cheeks were thin, and his facial features were deep and handsome. A vertical purple-gold pattern was engraved between his eyebrows, adding to his demonic aura.

He was very tall and wore a black robe that accentuated his broad shoulders, narrow waist, and tall figure.

His eyes were cold and sharp, and his lips were extremely thin. When he pursed his lips slightly, they naturally carried a hint of coldness and might.

Tuan Zi's black grape-like eyes were round with shock. She pointed her chubby little hand at the other party and stuttered for once. "You, you, you—you're Zi Chen!?"

Zi Chen looked over at the sound, his expression indifferent. "Thank you for earlier."

He was thanking Tuan Zi for all the help she had given him.

Zi Chen had always been cold and taciturn; it wasn't easy for him to say this.

However, Tuan Zi was already stunned. She stared at him blankly, and there was only one thought left in her mind: It's over! My wish to be the big sister is probably going to be blown away!

Thinking of this, Tuan Zi finally couldn't help but pout. She was very aggrieved and disappointed. It turns out that all my efforts have been in vain! I'm not even at his level! I have lost in terms of aura!

The key was that Zi Chen's aura was really not inferior to hers!

Yeah, Miao Zhen's strength had increased, so Zi Chen's strength had naturally increased!

"Hmph!" Tuan Zi turned around angrily and folded her small arms, causing the bells above her head to ring.

How infuriating! I was never able to defeat him in the past, and after breaking through to become a redgold heavenly phoenix, I finally had a higher chance of winning. However, it has only been a few days! Tuan Zi felt sad and pitiful.

Zi Chen looked at her small back with a hint of surprise, but he soon understood. His thin lips pursed, and a faint look of resignation flashed in his eyes. What a child's temper...

Chu Liuyue looked at Zi Chen in surprise. I had already guessed that something must've happened to Zi Chen for him not to come out for so long. However, I only thought that he was about to break through. I never expected him to directly transform into human form!

One had to know that only the two ancient legendary fiend races could do this in the world! Apart from red-gold heavenly phoenixes and great phoenix dragons, no matter how outstanding the other fiends were, they couldn't do this.

It was most likely because Zi Chen had the two wing bones of a great phoenix dragon and had fused with a portion of its bloodline power.

Of course, the most important reason was Miao Zhen! If Miao Zhen hadn't reconstructed his body with that skeleton and led Zi Chen, such a thing wouldn't have happened.

But no matter what, this was a good thing!

Sensing her gaze, Zi Chen also looked over.

He walked forward and stopped three steps in front of her. Then, he nodded and bowed. "Greetings, Master."

Chu Liuyue smiled. "Zi Chen, congratulations!"

Suddenly, something soft pounced on him.

Tuan Zi hugged Chu Liuyue's leg tightly and looked up at her. "A'Yue! A'Yue likes me the most, right?!"

I have to be the one A'Yue likes the most!

Zi Chen listened with a calm expression.

He didn't care about such things. Ever since Chu Liuyue helped him reconstruct his body and revived him, he had already determined that she was his only master. There was no need to say anything else; he would naturally be loyal to her forever.

As for Tuan Zi... She had followed Chu Liuyue since she was young and had a pure and innocent personality. It was inevitable that she would be calculative about this.

Not knowing whether to laugh or cry, Chu Liuyue gently pinched Tuan Zi's face and coaxed her. "Of course! Tuan Zi is so cute. Of course, Tuan Zi is my favorite!"

As soon as Chu Liuyue finished speaking, the temperature beside her dropped.

Rong Xiu raised his eyebrows and smiled faintly. "Oh?"

## Chapter 1776 Ancestor's Might!

Chu Liuyue's back stiffened, and she subconsciously looked at Rong Xiu.

Rong Xiu raised his sharp brows slightly.

Even if he didn't say anything, Chu Liuyue knew what he meant. It was just because of the 'favorite' sentence just now.

Chu Liuyue felt her head ache. Tuan Zi is a red-gold heavenly phoenix, my contracted legendary fiend! What is there to argue about? Now that the situation is so complicated, they're actually fighting over this...

Chu Liuyue felt very tired. She finally knew that children were difficult to coax and that men were also difficult to coax!

She coughed. "You're all my favorites, ahem! All my favorites!"

As she spoke, she reached out and held Rong Xiu's hand. Her fingertips then gently rubbed against his palm twice.

It itches a little, Rong Xiu thought. But I'm very happy.

His lips curved, and he gripped her hand tightly in return.

Tuan Zi didn't notice this and only hugged Chu Liuyue's thigh, pressing her face against the latter and rubbing against her intimately. I don't care! Anyway, A'Yue has said that I'm her favorite!

She raised her face proudly and raised her eyebrows provocatively at Zi Chen. When I grow taller, I will definitely take him in as my underling!

Zi Chen's eyes flickered before he looked away.

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There was a moment of dead silence in the square because of Zi Chen's appearance. But soon, they were noisy again.

"That's... a legendary three-eyed eagle?! Why did he change into human form?!"

"How strange... Do you think he has the aura of our great phoenix dragon clan on him?"

"Hmph, isn't this very normal? Don't forget that Shangguan Yue took the wing bones from our ancestor's skeleton and helped him reconstruct his body!"

"Hmph... That's true! In that case... the legendary three-eyed eagle and Miao Zhen actually used the same skeleton?"

"Definitely. After Miao Zhen's strength increased just now, the aura of the legendary three-eyed eagle also intensified significantly!"

"But if that's the case, then... Wouldn't Miao Zhen be equivalent to being connected to the legendary three-eyed eagle?"

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All kinds of discussions came from all directions.

Many people's expressions changed slightly when they realized the special relationship between Miao Zhen and Zi Chen.

The legendary three-eyed eagle was considered to be of a higher level among legendary fiends, but it was still inferior to them. Now that this had happened... it was indeed very strange.

It was uncomfortable to think about it.

Miao Yang laughed angrily. "Elder Fushan, is this the person you chose to believe? Such actions are no different from betraying the clan!"

Even if I—Miao Yan—can't become the clan leader, it definitely won't be Miao Zhen's turn!

Miao Fushan's expression was grave, but he said nothing.

Actually, he could roughly guess why Miao Zhen would do this—there was nothing else he could do.

If a great phoenix dragon wanted to reconstruct their body, they had to use the bones of their own kind. Otherwise, it would definitely not succeed.

Other than asking Shangguan Yue for help, what other chance did he have? As it turned out, it did work.

Unfortunately, there was also the trouble of the legendary three-eyed eagle. It was almost impossible for the clan to accept this.

"Miao Zhen, what else do you have to say?" Miao Fushan asked.

Miao Zhen smiled and glanced at Miao Yang. "I just said that I came back this time to take back what belongs to me—my bloodline power and the position of clan leader!"

Once he said that, the crowd was stunned! Miao Zhen is too presumptuous! He actually said that he wants to snatch the position of clan leader? Miao Yang is still here!

Miao Yang had expected him to say that. He couldn't help but sneer. "Miao Zhen, this is your true goal, right? The position of clan leader... Why don't you take a look and see if you're worthy?!"

Even if Miao Zhen proves that I'm the one who had snatched a portion of his bloodline power back then, so what? Miao Zhen can't explain the deaths of those seven clansmen no matter what! If he can't produce the strongest evidence, this matter will at most become a headless case!

Miao Zhen can pull me down from the position of clan leader, but he can't sit on it himself!

"Miao Zhen, your request is indeed excessive." Miao Fushan also shook his head. Back then, Miao Zhen was indeed publicly acknowledged as the next clan leader, but many things happened later. In the end, it was Miao Yang who became the clan leader.

Now, Miao Yang won't be able to keep his position as clan leader.

If Miao Zhen can clear all the misunderstandings and prove his innocence, he might be able to replace Miao Yang. However, the key point is that he can't explain everything now. More importantly, he has an extremely special relationship with the legendary three-eyed eagle.

With just this, it is impossible for the elders to agree to let him become the clan leader.

There were a total of nine elders in the great phoenix dragon clan who had the right to decide many things in the race.

If Miao Zhen wanted to become the clan leader, he had to obtain the unanimous approval of the nine elders. It was impossible for Miao Zhen to pass this level alone.

Miao Zhen laughed. "Elder Fushan, even now you have yet to ask why Miao Yang attacked me back then."

Miao Fushan was stunned.

What had just happened was too shocking for him to ask.

He gave Miao Yang a suspicious look. Miao Yang and Miao Zhen seem to have never had a public conflict in the past. I had always thought that Miao Yang was being ruthless because Miao Zhen was too outstanding. Could there be another reason?!

Miao Yang's entire body tensed up, but his heart gradually sank! Miao Zhen dared to say that. Doesn't that mean... that thing is still with him?! But how is that possible?

Back then, Miao Zhen's physical body had been destroyed. Even if his soul wasn't destroyed, it should be impossible for him to keep that thing. But now, Miao Zhen seems to be quite confident...

Miao Yang's mind raced. Could it be that Miao Zhen was tricking him?!

Miao Fushan asked, "Miao Yang, do you have anything to say about this?"

This time, he didn't call Miao Yang 'clan leader' anymore. Instead, he called Miao Yang by his name!

Many people quickly exchanged glances. From the looks of it, Elder Fushan no longer plans to acknowledge Miao Yang as the clan leader!

The corners of Miao Yang's eyes twitched when he heard this.

He suppressed the surging emotions in his heart and sneered sarcastically. "If you want to accuse me, why don't you say so? Elder Fushan, since you don't believe me anymore, why ask? I think you might as well ask Miao Zhen directly! Let's see what answer he can give!"

Miao Zhen laughed. "Miao Yang, since you don't want to say it, I'll do it!"

He took a step forward, and the aura around him suddenly fluctuated violently! Immediately after, a totem appeared between his eyebrows!

At the same time, a purple-gold stream of light surged out of the totem. Then, it transformed into a huge great phoenix dragon behind him!

Roar!

An indescribable pressure that seemed to come from ancient times descended silently!

Miao Fushan's expression changed. "The ancestor's might!"

#### Chapter 1777 Return

For a moment, the pressure was overwhelming, and the world shook!

The expressions of the great phoenix dragons standing in the square changed, and they kneeled down. "Welcome, Ancestor!"

In the blink of an eye, a large number of people kneeled in the square! Even Miao Fushan and the others kneeled down respectfully!

Only Miao Yang stared at the huge apparition that suddenly appeared with shock, his mind going blank. Ancestor... This is really the ancestor's might!

The ancestor of the great phoenix dragon clan was naturally long gone, but back then, that person had specially left some aura behind in the holy hall to protect the entire clan.

When the clansmen entered the holy hall, they would sense this faint aura and pressure. Therefore, they were very familiar with it.

It was precisely because of this that as soon as the apparition appeared and the vast aura spread out, everyone present immediately submitted!

Miao Yang's legs trembled, and waves of powerlessness surged around him. He was on the verge of collapse as if he would fall to the ground at any moment.

He knew too well what this scene meant. The legacy of our ancestor is indeed still with Miao Zhen! Moreover, from the looks of it, Miao Zhen might've completely comprehended it! How could it be... How did this happen?

Miao Zhen raised his eyebrows at Miao Yang and snorted. "Miao Yang, why aren't you kneeling when you see Ancestor?!"

Miao Yang suddenly came back to his senses, and his face turned pale.

Before he could react, the great phoenix dragon apparition in the air suddenly roared at the sky!

Roar!

An incomparably heavy force pressed down fiercely on Miao Yang's shoulders!

Plop!

His body swayed, and he kneeled on the ground heavily with a muffled sound! At the same time, there was the sound of bones cracking.

The force was extremely great. This time, it actually smashed Miao Yang's knees into the ground, and the surrounding cracks spread.

Miao Yang's trembling intensified, and his face turned even paler.

The ancestor's might could not be underestimated. In just this moment, the bones in his knees were broken!

Everyone looked over when they heard the sound.

When they saw Miao Yang's sorry state, their expressions were different. Who would've thought that the usually glorious and noble clan leader, Miao Yang, would actually be in such a sorry state one day?

The ancestor's might descended and directly punished Miao Yang. This time, everyone didn't dare to approach him or speak up for him.

Although the clan leader's status in the family was extremely high, the current situation was special.

Miao Yang had clearly used disgraceful methods to obtain a portion of Miao Zhen's bloodline power and become the clan leader. Just this alone was enough for the nine elders to join forces and remove him from the position of clan leader, not to mention that the ancestor's might had descended!

Of course, they were led by their ancestors!

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Miao Zhen looked at Miao Fushan and the others. "Elders, please stand up first. We still need you to be present to bear witness."

Hearing his words, the elders—including Miao Fushan—first looked at each other before standing up uneasily. It wasn't that they were too timid, but too many things had happened today, and it was too shocking!

Nobody would believe it!

Finally, they focused on Miao Fushan. He was the most experienced existence here and had the most say; it was naturally appropriate for him to step forward.

Although Miao Fushan looked calm, his emotions were actually surging. After some thought, he took a step forward and cupped his hands at Miao Zhen.

Of course, this bow was for the ancestral apparition above Miao Zhen's head.

After bowing seriously and respectfully, Miao Fushan glanced at Miao Zhen again. He had actually guessed something, but he wasn't sure yet.

"Miao Zhen, how... did you summon the ancestor's might?" Miao Fushan spoke slowly, clearly, and cautiously.

Everyone pricked up their ears because this was also what they were most curious about. After all, nobody had done this in tens of thousands of years!

Now that Miao Zhen had done it, how could they not be shocked?

Miao Zhen laughed and said loudly, "Elder Fushan, this is the question I asked you previously! The most important reason why Miao Yang tried his best to kill me at all costs back then was that I obtained the ancestor's heirloom during the Thousand Summit!"

Countless people gasped. The ancestor's heirloom! Over the years, nobody from the great phoenix dragon clan has obtained it. Unexpectedly, Miao Zhen had already—

Miao Fushan was also shocked and subconsciously asked, "What did you say? Back then, you obtained the ancestor's heirloom during the Thousand Summit?!"

Miao Zhen smiled but said nothing. However, this was already equivalent to a silent acknowledgment.

In fact, even if he didn't say it, everyone knew that it must be true.

In an instant, countless images appeared in Miao Fushan's mind. It was as if a thread had finally strung those fragments together! No wonder... No wonder Miao Yang wanted to attack him!

No wonder Miao Zhen could still escape when he was in a desperate situation back then and hide in the coiling dragon pillar for a thousand years!

No wonder he could survive a thousand years without dying even though he only had a soul!

All of this now has an explanation—he had the ancestor's heirloom!

Miao Zhen... He is the heir chosen by the ancestor!

"B-but why don't we know about this? Why does only Miao Yang know?" Miao Fushan was puzzled. Under normal circumstances, nobody would mention what heirloom they had obtained from the coiling dragon pillar, and nobody would ask carefully. But Miao Zhen's situation... He should've said it directly!

If he had directly announced it back then, the position of clan leader would've fallen into his hands. How could he have given Miao Yang a chance and caused so much trouble?

Miao Zhen laughed at himself. "This is really my fault. At that time, I was too arrogant and didn't have enough vigilance. After suffering such a huge loss, I can only say that I deserved it."

At that time, he was the pride of the clan and was extremely proud. After obtaining the ancestor's heirloom, his pride turned into conceit.

He didn't immediately reveal this news. He only wanted to announce it after he comprehended the ancestor's heirloom.

But before he could wait for that day, Miao Yang's series of schemes came.

At that time, he wasn't prepared. By the time he realized that something was wrong and wanted to counterattack, it was too late!

This delay lasted for a thousand years.

Miao Zhen gazed at Miao Yang.

The latter had already fallen to his knees, his face ashen. This is the best evidence! I am really... done for this time!

Miao Zhen stepped forward and stood in front of Miao Yang, looking down at him. "Miao Yang, you've snatched my bloodline power and the position of clan leader for many years. It's time for you to return them, right?"

#### Chapter 1778 This Is Just The Beginning

Miao Yang instinctively struggled to get up, but that heavy and terrifying pressure suppressed him tightly, making him unable to move.

Deep despair and fear surged in his heart.

The intense emotions surged in his chest, finally causing his chest to tremble. He then suddenly spat out a mouthful of blood!

Miao Zhen waved his sleeve, and a purple-gold stream of light set up a barrier in front of him.

Miao Yang's blood splattered on it and quickly burned away.

"Don't dirty my clothes." Miao Zhen's expression was indifferent, and his voice was cold.

Miao Yang felt even more indignant and humiliated. His lips trembled, but he didn't say a word and spat out a few more mouthfuls of blood.

After all this, his face was as pale as a ghost, and he was on the verge of death.

Miao Zhen glanced at Miao Fushan and the elders standing beside him. "Since I've inherited the ancestor's heirloom, I should naturally replace Miao Yang and become the clan leader. I wonder if any of the elders have an objection?"

After a short silence, Miao Fushan was the first to speak. "Since the ancestor has already made a decision, we will naturally comply."

The other elders nodded in agreement. "We have no objections!"

This wasn't showing their submission to Miao Zhen's pressure but their sincerity.

In the past, they had misunderstood Miao Zhen. However, everything now in front of them was enough to prove Miao Zhen's innocence.

Even if he didn't obtain the ancestor's heirloom, he was definitely qualified. All these years, nobody had really surpassed Miao Zhen. He was also the number one genius and expert in the clan.

It was only right for him to be the clan leader.

After a moment of silence, everyone kneeling in the square bowed and shouted, "Congratulations, Clan Leader!"

The shouts shook the sky and were magnificent!

Most of them looked rather excited. The initial shock and confusion had completely dissipated; all that was left was joy and excitement.

How could they not be happy?

Miao Yang was ruthless. Back then, he had used sinister methods to snatch the position of clan leader; it was simply the shame of the entire clan!

It was reasonable for him to be defeated now.

As for Miao Zhen, not only did he clarify the truth back then, but he was also a figure who had inherited the ancestor's heirloom! It was naturally different for such a person to be the clan leader!

Even if his relationship with the legendary three-eyed eagle was a little special, it was nothing compared to the approval of the ancestor.

It was obvious why Miao Zhen could hide in the coiling dragon pillar for so many years. Wasn't it all because of the ancestor's favor?

There was no dispute about this at all!

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When Miao Yang heard the almost boiling cheers and celebrations, his eyes rolled back as he fainted.

Miao Zhen pressed his hand down, and the voices in the square quickly quietened down.

Chu Liuyue was secretly shocked. That was all he said. Miao Zhen has just returned, but he has already received everyone's support. He is indeed extraordinary.

She blinked at Rong Xiu. This time, we have really helped the right person.

Rong Xiu's lips curled up slightly as he held her hand even tighter. This trip to Godly Dragon Island was indeed unexpected. Fortunately, it was a close call, and we benefited in the end. To be on good terms with Miao Zhen is definitely beneficial to us.

Not only would they be able to leave successfully this time, but they would also have contact with the great phoenix dragon clan in the future. With this relationship, it would undoubtedly be much more convenient to deal with many things in the future.

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Miao Zhen said to an elder beside him, "Wake him up."

The elder responded and quickly walked forward. He then grabbed Miao Yang's collar and gave the latter two extremely loud slaps without saying a word.

Miao Yang's face quickly turned red and swollen. At the same time, he was woken up by the pain.

He opened his eyes angrily and saw Miao Zhen and the elder who was about to slap him a third time. He immediately understood. I'm still here!

Instantly, his anger turned to panic and fear.

He instinctively shrank back, but unfortunately, his collar was clenched so tightly that he couldn't move.

At this moment, he had lost his arms and was unable to resist.

Miao Zhen smiled, but in Miao Yang's opinion, this smile was no different from that of a demon! "Miao Yang, I know you want to die a simple death, but how can there be so many satisfying deaths in this world?"

Miao Yang immediately had an ominous feeling, and he asked in a panic, "You! What do you want to do?!"

Miao Zhen raised his hand.

A purple-gold scale abruptly appeared in his palm. Immediately after, a dazzling light suddenly flew out from between his eyebrows and enveloped Miao Yang!

The elder immediately let go and took a few steps back.

Miao Yang's body began to roll on the ground as if he were enduring immense pain. Soon, his figure began to change!

After a while, he actually returned to his true form!

Roar!

Miao Yang's roar was filled with deep panic and fear.

Miao Zhen said indifferently, "Don't worry. I won't take your life directly. I just... want to seek justice for those seven clansmen!"

With that, the scale in his palm instantly flew out!

Chu! Chu! Chu!

An ear-piercing sound suddenly sounded!

Miao Yang's body began to flip even more crazily! Soon, bloody scales fell to the ground.

Some scales still had flesh attached to them, making them look very bloody and terrifying.

Miao Zhen was going to skin him alive!

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Such methods couldn't be said to be ruthless, but thinking about what Miao Yang had done made people feel that this was what he deserved!

Such a person deserved to be cut into pieces, not to mention how much he had framed Miao Zhen.

This was even considered light punishment for him.

Miao Yang's roars gradually subsided as if he no longer had the strength to churn. He was barely breathing.

It wasn't until the last dragon scale on his body was scraped off that Miao Zhen said, "Send him to Seven Lotus Peak and give him the last of the medicine. Make sure he recovers as soon as possible."

"Yes!"

Miao Yang was shocked. Could it be that Miao Zhen still plans to torture me like this repeatedly?!

As if to confirm his guess, Miao Zhen glanced at him and smiled without much humor. "Miao Yang, what's the hurry? This is just the beginning."

## Chapter 1779 Wedding Day

Miao Yang's eyes suddenly widened, his scarlet eyes filled with hatred and madness. "Miao Zhen, if you want to kill me, kill me! Aren't you afraid of unnecessary trouble?!"

Miao Zhen gave him a strange look. "You think too highly of yourself."

Miao Yang felt a lump in his chest and almost couldn't breathe.

However, Chu Liuyue couldn't help but laugh. Not only is Miao Zhen extremely powerful, but his eloquence is also impressive. What Miao Yang hates the most is that he is weaker than Miao Zhen. In his life, he has treated Miao Zhen as a strong opponent, but the other party looks down on him.

There is nothing like indifference to represent a person's contempt.

There is nothing that can deal a greater blow to Miao Yang than this sentence.

As expected, Miao Yang became agitated as if he still wanted to cause trouble. But at this moment, he was no different from trash. He couldn't cause trouble even if he wanted to.

In the end, he could only fall to the ground dejectedly and lay there covered in blood.

Miao Zhen waved his hand. The people below quickly stepped forward and led Miao Yang away.

Even after he was dragged away, the square was still filled with the thick smell of blood.

Looking at the mess on the ground, everyone subconsciously fell silent with complicated expressions.

Too many things had happened today. The clan was undergoing a drastic change and was almost turned upside down!

Miao Fushan looked at Rong Xiu and Chu Liuyue and sighed inwardly. Who would've thought that all of this... was just because of these two people's arrival? If they hadn't suddenly barged into Godly Dragon Island, Miao Yang wouldn't have specially imprisoned them at Seven Lotus Peak. They wouldn't have found an opportunity to enter the coiling dragon pillar in the holy hall and help Miao Zhen reconstruct his body.

All of this actually... originated from these two people!

After hesitating for a moment, he still spoke. "Clan Leader, since everything has come to an end, then... What are your arrangements?"

Since Miao Zhen had become the clan leader, their attitude toward these people was naturally different from before. They were much more polite and gentle.

Miao Zhen also sensed his gaze and laughed. "Naturally, we have to send them off!"

He still remembered his exchange with Rong Xiu. Now that he had taken back everything which belonged to him, he naturally had to fulfill what Rong Xiu had asked.

Miao Fushan and the others were a little surprised. Just... just like that? We thought that Rong Xiu and the others would definitely take this opportunity to make many requests... In the end, they just want to leave this place properly?

Rong Xiu's lips curled up slightly. "Congratulations, Senior Miao Zhen. Logically speaking, we should celebrate, but we've been delayed here for too long. It's really time to go back."

Miao Zhen walked over and smiled. "What are you talking about?! I should be the one thanking you! If not for your help, I would still be in the coiling dragon pillar!"

He was truly grateful. The thousand years hadn't been easy for him.

In the past, like his clansmen, he couldn't stand the humans and thought that they were all treacherous. But after this time, he had a profound change in perspective. At the very least, he valued and respected Rong Xiu and Shangguan Yue very much.

He glanced at Tuan Zi.

Tuan Zi immediately put her hands on her waist and looked up. "Why are you looking at me?"

Although the red-gold heavenly phoenixes and the great phoenix dragons had always been at odds, she wasn't afraid at all!

Chu Liuyue did not know whether to laugh or cry as she pulled Tuan Zi back. She could sense that Miao Zhen didn't have any ill intentions.

Miao Zhen was not angry. Instead, he couldn't help but laugh. "Hahaha! You're young, but you have a temper! Don't worry! Your master helped me this time, and the entire great phoenix dragon clan won't do anything to you!"

Tuan Zi blinked a few times. After confirming that the other party's tone was sincere, she heaved a sigh of relief and patted her chest. "Phew--that's more like it!"

I'm with A'Yue!

Miao Zhen's smile deepened, and his liking for Tuan Zi increased a little. "Yi Zhao is really lucky!"

Tuan Zi's talent is clearly very outstanding, and her soft and cute appearance is especially lovable. The great phoenix dragon clan doesn't have such luck!

Hearing him praise her, Tuan Zi couldn't help but grin happily. "Of course!"

Clan Leader Grandpa and the others dote on me very much!

Miao Zhen looked at her round, fair face and wanted to go forward and pinch it, but he held back. "Let's go! I'll send you out myself!"

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Outside Godly Dragon Island.

Time passed especially slowly. Every minute and second was getting harder and harder for Shangguan Jing and the others who were waiting.

Nan Suhuai stared at the transportation formation with a solemn expression and a frown.

"Nothing yet?" Shangguan Jing couldn't help but ask.

Nan Suhuai shook his head. "Nothing."

"But... so much time has passed..." Shangguan Jing pinched the bridge of his nose, looking a little haggard.

All this time, they had been waiting patiently, not daring to relax for fear of missing anything. However, the transportation formation remained calm.

They gradually became anxious.

Chu Ning comforted him. "Although there's no reaction from the transportation formation, nobody from Godly Dragon Island has sent anyone over. They should still be safe."

If the great phoenix dragon clan discovered that something was wrong, they would definitely not sit back and do nothing.

Nan Suhuai nodded. "No news is good news. Let's wait a little longer!"

Shangguan Jing and Chu Ning could only nod in agreement.

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At the exit of Godly Dragon Island's barrier.

Miao Zhen personally sent Rong Xiu and the others here. "I'll send you off here."

Miao Zhen smiled. "There are still some things to deal with in the clan. At this moment, I really can't leave for too long."

Rong Xiu and Chu Liuyue nodded in understanding.

The Thousand Summit had just ended, and Miao Zhen had just taken the position of clan leader. There were indeed still many things to do.

"Senior Miao Zhen is too polite. It's already beyond our expectations that you can send us off personally." Rong Xiu smiled and said.

Now that Miao Zhen was the clan leader, his status was very different.

He was willing to see them off personally to show his attitude. This way, even if some people in the great phoenix dragon clan were still dissatisfied with them, they would restrain themselves greatly in the future.

To them, it was undoubtedly extremely beneficial.

Miao Zhen shook his head and sighed. "You've helped me a lot, and this small matter is really not considered repayment. If you encounter any trouble in the future, just let me know! I, Miao Zhen, will definitely do my best!"

Chu Liuyue's heart tingled slightly. This is a serious promise! This is equivalent to us having the great phoenix dragon clan as a major backer in the future!

Rong Xiu's lips curved slightly. "Actually, there's something I really want to trouble you with."

Miao Zhen waved his hand. "Just say it!"

Rong Xiu suddenly took out a gilded invitation and handed it over with a smile. "In half a month, it will be my wedding with Yue'er. At that time, I hope Senior Miao Zhen will come."

## Chapter 1780 Meeting

Chu Liuyue was confused. Marriage in half a month? Why don't I know?

And this invitation card—when did he prepare it? He actually took it out casually?! Chu Liuyue was dazed.

Miao Zhen took the invitation.

As soon as he touched it, surprise flashed in his eyes.

The invitation card was actually made of ink brocade paper.

Ink brocade paper was extremely precious rice paper. It was famous for its rare materials, complicated craftsmanship, and extremely low production. It was also because of these reasons that ink brocade paper was extremely expensive.

But even so, ink brocade paper was still extremely popular, causing everyone to flock to it. This was because ink brocade paper was very tenacious, although it was extremely thin.

The sharp tip of a blade couldn't cut it, nor could the icy water or flames destroy it. As long as it was kept well, it could last more than 10,000 years.

Not to mention ordinary people, even these first-rate families in the God Residence Realm might not have so much. However, such precious ink brocade paper was actually used by Rong Xiu to make a wedding invitation...

Miao Zhen really didn't know if he should say that Rong Xiu was too extravagant or that he valued this wedding too much. Perhaps he values the person who is about to marry him.

Miao Zhen carefully read the invitation and then smiled. "Don't worry. I'll definitely prepare generous gifts and personally congratulate you two!"

Rong Xiu smiled with deep meaning. "Then, Yue'er and I will wait for your arrival."

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Just as the two of them walked out of the barrier, Chu Liuyue grabbed Rong Xiu's hand. "What's with the invitation?! The wedding is in half a month. Why didn't I know about it before?"

Rong Xiu smiled and let her hold his wrist. His voice was low and gentle. "I decided on the wedding day just now. In fact, it has been delayed several times. This time, I don't want to delay it anymore. In half a month, we'll return to the Sky-Cloud Empire and get married immediately."

Although his voice was as gentle and soft as usual, his tone was firm.

Clearly, he had made up his mind on this matter.

Looking into his deep and calm phoenix eyes, Chu Liuyue suddenly froze, and the rest of the questions suddenly fell silent. Yes, Rong Xiu has said this too many times. However, we never seemed to have the right time and opportunity. It has been too long.

"My father..."

"Don't worry. I've already sent someone to invite him over; he should be arriving at the Sky-Cloud Empire soon. In addition, your friends and subordinates will also go to the Sky-Cloud Empire together."

Chu Liuyue was dazed.

Rong Xiu's lips curled up slightly as he patiently explained, "Mu Hongyu and the others will come. In addition, once Cen Yi receives the news, he should also directly inform the Thirteen Yue Guard."

Chu Liuyue's eyes widened slightly, and it took her a while to say, "You... prepared all of this before you went to Godly Phoenix Mountain?"

From then on, Rong Xiu had been traveling with her. She thought that he should've done these things before that.

Rong Xiu raised his eyebrows and did not deny it.

He originally planned to get married after bringing her back from Godly Phoenix Mountain and when everything was ready. It was just that too many accidents had happened later that it had dragged on until now.

"Yue'er, are you blaming me for not discussing it with you before?" Rong Xiu lowered his voice. "But I don't want to wait anymore."

Chu Liuyue's heart suddenly felt as if it had been hit hard by something.

Tears welled in her eyes as she smiled and nodded. "Me too. Let's go home."

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"Look! Someone's coming!" Shangguan Jing suddenly sensed something and looked up.

Suddenly, his gaze focused. The two figures in front... Why do they look familiar?

"That's Rong Xiu and Yue'er!" Nan Suhuai followed his gaze and was instantly pleasantly surprised.

Although Chu Ning's cultivation realm was low, he had the Indestructible Holy Body. Thus, his eyesight wasn't bad.

He also looked over and immediately became excited. "It's indeed Yue'er and the others!"

Shangguan Jing had already rushed forward.

Nan Suhuai looked back at the Xuan formation.

With a wave of his sleeve, the stream of light dissipated. Then, he followed with Chu Ning.

"Yue'er!" Shangguan Jing was the fastest and quickly shortened the distance between the two sides.

Rong Xiu and Chu Liuyue also sensed the few of them and immediately sped up.

"Ancestor! Father! Master!"

Previously, the people from Godly Dragon Island had rejected them. Coupled with what Tuan Zi had said, Chu Liuyue guessed that they should still be waiting outside.

As expected!

Hearing her voice, they were overjoyed.

Shangguan Jing stepped forward, unable to hide his excitement. He first sized her up from head to toe. "Yue'er, how are you? Were you injured on Godly Dragon Island? They didn't do anything to you, right?"

Chu Liuyue's heart warmed as she smiled. "Ancestor, don't worry. Don't you think I'm fine?"

As she spoke, she deliberately turned half a circle around so that they could see clearly.

Actually, she had indeed suffered a small injury on the Godly Dragon Island, but that wasn't worth mentioning. In addition, her recovery ability was extremely strong. At this moment, there were almost no injuries on her body.

Moreover, her internal condition was good too.

Shangguan Jing was relieved to see that she was indeed looking good. "That's great; that's great..."

Nan Suhuai and Chu Ning also rushed over.

Nan Suhuai first looked at her, then at Rong Xiu. "Are you... doing well?"

Rong Xiu nodded.

Only then did Nan Suhuai's worried heart calm down. With him around, there is indeed no need to worry...

"Yue'er, how... did you get out?" Chu Ning asked.