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Chapter 1431: Revealed

Somewhere not too far away, Bai Shaohong's team was not calm. The Dong twins had already become cautious of Shang Qing, and Bai Shaohong was no different. The Junior Progenitor had even secretly asked Yun Tingting to keep an eye on Shang Qing.

Shang Qing remained as calm as ever. So what if they were wary of him? He was their enemy, and they would discover the truth sooner or later.

At least for the moment, Bai Shaohong would not attack.

This was all thanks to Long Tian, who had revealed his innate gift of space, which had left Bai Shaohong feeling quite envious.

A bit in front of the two teams, Liu Tianmu and Unseen Light had met. They had both been sent flying in this direction, and had finally met each other.

"Ten people were sent here, but only a few of us managed to get into the Dominion Realm. No wonder Arch-Elder Zen told us that not everything could be forced," Unseen Light commented.

Liu Tianmu looked around. Suddenly, a massive desiccated creature pupped up from beneath her feet. It burst upwards like an earthworm, only to be chopped to pieces by her sword.

"The biggest thing right now is that we got separated from our teams, and now I don't even have a chance to participate,." Unseen Light complained.

Liu Tianmu was a cold person, and typically did not say much. "If you don't know where to go, then just wait."

There were many of the dry creatures in this place, and a group of them would periodically rush over to attack the humans.

After half a day, Unseen Light frowned. "It's been an hour, but no more of the withered creatures have attacked. Something's not right."

He then unleashed his domain to envelope the surrounding area. The domain continued to expand, but then suddenly, Unseen Light's expression froze. "There are a bunch of the dried up creatures moving over to the right. What happened over there?"

Liu Tianmu stood up. "Let's go."

It didn't take long for the two youths to find the dry creatures. All of them were traveling further to the right, as though summoned by something.

Before long, they saw a great number of corpses of the desiccated creatures, and the bodies trailed off to the south. The ground was riddled with marks of battle and the piles of dead bark. Of the various marks, the ones from a sword were the most concerning to Liu Tianmu.

Her eyes flashed. "These are marks from Liu Hao's sword, so the team from Shenwu's Sky should be heading south."

Up a long ways ahead of the two, a large number of the withered creatures were roaring. Xia Shenfei was still drunk and floating through the air. He was followed by Wu Taibai and Yao Xuan, and the three were traveling south.

As they traveled, they slaughtered countless dry creatures, but finally, they were approaching the location indicated on the map.

Since Xia Shenfei was still unconscious, Xia Taili was not the only member of this team with a map. Wu Taibai had also been given a map in order to avoid any accidents.

At this moment, Xia Taili was missing, and Wu Taibai's map was the only thing guiding them towards their destination.

An attack from a Divine Martial Armor shot out, and it shattered a massive dry creature. Wu Taibai dropped his hand. There were corpses everywhere, and all of the creatures that had caught up to their team had been wiped out.

Yao Xuan gasped and turned to look at Wu Taibai.

Wu Taibai looked over as well. "Brother Yao Xuan is powerful. It's rare to come across a peer with your strength."

Yao Xuan frowned. This person was deliberately pretending not to recognize Yao Xuan, which was very strange. Wu Taibai was clearly someone from Shenwu's Sky, yet did not seem to care about the fact that Yao Xuan was a trespasser.

"Brother Wu's Divine Martial Armor is also very impressive," Yao Xuan said.

After the two exchanged polite nothings, Yao Xuan fell silent and they group continued southwards.

Further ahead of them, there was a bumpy section of the branch that happened at a Y in the branch. The terrain in this region was rugged, and the bumps formed what seemed to be gentle mountains. The sky was also hidden by thick leaves, which gave the region a bleak appearance.

A slender woman stood in a high place in his region, and she was staring off into the distance. She was Wang Su.

When the barrier in the ancient battlefield had been shattered, the resulting explosion had blasted Wang Su all the way to this point, which placed her far ahead of all of the others.

She looked at her map, and her eyes flashed. "It's here."

She jumped down.

The maps that everyone was using were guiding people to just past the rough section at the Y in the branch. Wang Su had already noticed the entrance. She did not know what her destination was, but she entered into the depths of the branch, which was where the maps had been guiding everyone.

Suddenly, Wang Su jumped back out of the hole that appeared in the fork in the branch. She moved to the side while still in mid-air, and a green liquid appeared where she had just been, and it continued shooting far into the distance.

She turned to see a caterpillar the size of a hill. It looked like a caterpillar that would typically be no larger than a finger that would live and wriggle across a tree. However, this was a caterpillar that lived on the Mother Tree, and it was the size of a small mountain. Its massive black eyes were locked onto Wang Su. The bug opened its mouth and spat out more of the green liquid.

This green liquid was able to warp the void and corrode even the air.

Wang Su frowned. A terrible disgust filled her eyes.

The void twisted and a sharp wind flickered through the area. The caterpillar's body was cut, and it started violently thrashing, which only seemed to gross Wang Su out even more. She unleashed a star energy attack from her palm, and it blasted out before her and annihilated the bug. Only after it was completely gone did she let out a sigh of relief.

No matter who they were, anyone would be disturbed to encounter such a gross bug, let alone one that was so big.

When she looked down, she was able to see that the caterpillar had not been alone. More of the bugs had sensed her from the distance, and they had all started wriggling towards her. They would soon surround her.

Wang Su's eyes went cold. Her pupils fluctuated between dilating and shrinking, and then, suddenly, invisible waves erupted from her body and radiated out in all directions, sweeping over the bugs.

The caterpillars all stared at her in a clearly frightened manner, and then they all turned and left. It was as though they had seen something terrible.

After all the bugs were all gone, Wang Su felt relieved. They were truly revolting.

She lowered her head to look into the hole in the branch, and then jumped in without any hesitation. She was entering the location that was indicated on her map.

One day later, Xia Shenfei's team arrived at the same fork in the branch.

There was a thud as Xia Shenfei fell to the ground. His head slammed into the ground, and he woke up with a scream.

"Who? Who hit me?" Xia Shenfei jumped up, clearly angry. His face was flushed, and though his eyes were open, they still danced about. It was clear that he was still drunk.

His body was unstable, and if one compared him to Bai Shaohong or Long Tian, Xia Shenfei seemed like a rather normal cultivator.

However, no one would dare underestimate Xia Shenfei. He was Shenwu's Sky's most outstanding youth, and he had succeeded in cultivating a technique that no one had managed to master for thousands of years. He had also mastered secret techniques and had a strange innate gift. No one actually knew just how strong the young man was, as even when he had fought during the Yuanlun Festival, the four who had qualified to become the Junior Progenitors had merely tied with each other.

Wu Taibai felt rather helpless when he saw Xia Shenfei in this state. "We've arrived."

Xia Shenfei blinked and stared blankly at Wu Taibai. "Hey, what's going on? Wait, Wu Taibai? When did you get back? Didn't you betray us?"

Wu Taibai replied, "We've arrived at the place in the Dominion Realm that was indicated on the map."

He raised a hand, and water formed that then splashed into Xia Shenfei's face.

Xia Shenfei was drenched by the cold water, and it finally woke him up. He vigorously shook his head and looked back at Wu Taibai before looking over at Liu Hao and Yao Xuan. After that, he immediately asked, "Where's my sister?"

"I don't know where she fell," Wu Taibai replied.

Xia Shenfei instantly grew furious and he grabbed the front of Wu Taibai's shirt. "You dropped my sister? That's how you treat my sister."

Liu Hao stood next to Wu Taibai, and he drew his sword and stopped Xia Shenfei. There was a pulse of star energy, and Xia Shenfei was shaken back a few steps, and even nearly fell. "We ran into an ancient battlefield, and when there was an explosion in that place, everyone was thrown in different directions, and we were separated."

Xia Shenfei massaged his temples. "I really can't drink so much of that Baihuaxing wine. It had a strange look that seemed more like poison, and drinking it even felt like drinking poison. I've even got a hangover."

Yao Xuan shot an odd look at Xia Shenfei. This was not a matter of having a hangover. From the moment that Yao Xuan had first stepped foot onto the Junior Progenitor Planet, this guy had been drunk most of the time. He had only been sober a few times, and he seemed completely unreliable.

"We lost my sister? What about the others? Where's that bastard Bai Shaohong? Also, where's that old man Long Tian and that ice cube, Wang Su?" Xia Shenfei asked.

Liu Hao replied, "I don't know, and I don't need to know."

Xia Shenfei rubbed his temples once again. "Then, who are those two people following us? You should know."

The faces of Wu Taibai and the other two all changed as they whirled around; someone was following them?

A distance back, Liu Tianmu and Unseen Light's hearts stopped. The next moment, Xia Shenfei lifted his head. It seemed as though he peered through the void itself, and his eyes locked onto the two youths.

"I've been seen," Unseen Light said quietly.

As soon he finished speaking, sword qi swept through the air in front of the two. Liu Hao had attacked.

Liu Tianmu moved forward. She held her sword and counter-attacked. She used the Thirteen Swords' First Sword.

The two sword qis clashed and canceled each other out. The collision erupted and a shockwave blasted out in all directions.

At this moment, a large amount of a green liquid fell down from above, targeting Xia Shenfei and his team, as well as Liu Tianmu.

Xia Shenfei looked up to see a mountain-sized bug with its mouth open. "That's disgusting."

As he spoke, he clenched his right hand into a fist and released a punch. Divine Martial Armor appeared over his body and the energy shot out. It pierced through the green liquid and also through the bug. The massive body shattered, but it just caused more of the green liquid to rain down.

Unseen Light quickly blocked the liquid with his domain, and at the same time, Yao Xuan also swept it away with his spiritual force. In the end, no one was covered by the green liquid.

Liu Hao charged towards Liu Tianmu and ordered, "Pull back."

Liu Tianmu looked up at him. "I've long since wanted to trade pointers with the Liu family's most talented descendant."

When she spoke, the two were already less than 100 meters apart.

Liu Hao's swordsmanship was strange, though it did carry a sturdy strength and an impressive level of skill. His sword stabbed out, and the attack caused people to feel like someone was stabbing their back. Liu Tianmu instantly responded with the Thirteen Swords' Tenth Sword: Star Slayer.

There was a bang as the two blades smashed into each other. Sword qi swept out for thousands of miles, and it tore through the piles of bark that had accumulated atop the branch. Each strand of sword qi sliced through with a sharpness that would cause anyone's scalp to go numb, Yao Xuan and Wu Taibai, who were watching. The two had to retreat in the face of this overwhelming sword qi.

This was not because they were scared, but rather because standing up to the shockwave was not worth the effort needed.

Xia Shenfei exclaimed, "What an amazing girl! Right, those two seem to know each other."

No one replied. Wu Taibai and Yao Xuan did not know what Liu Tianmu had decided to call herself in the Perennial World, so they could not freely comment on this matter.

Liu Hao had also wanted to fight Liu Tianmu for a long time, but this was not the proper moment. "You and I are representing the Liu family in the Dominion Realm. Do you really want to fight me?"

Liu Tianmu's blade swayed against Liu Hao's sword qi. Human and sword became one; sword and domain merged, and then human and domain became one. This was the Fourth Sword, and it swept out sideways.

Liu Hao's eyes lit up. He had not yet used any sort of powerful sword technique, yet he had still been able to shatter Liu Tianmu's Fourth Sword, and had slashed through the Tenth Sword. When it came to swordsmanship, he outclassed Liu Tianmu.

"You shouldn't have blocked my attack," Liu Tianmu said solemnly.

Liu Hao shouted, "This opportunity belongs to only the four Junior Progenitors! Anyone who stands in their way is an enemy! You can't change this. If you go down there, you'll die. Pull back!"

Behind Liu Tianmu, Unseen Light had not yet made any moves. It was clear that there were four people in the other party, yet only Liu Hao had been sent to deal with Unseen Light and Liu Tianmu. If Unseen Light took part, then he might instigate the other three with Liu Hao to join the fight.

Chapter 1432: Origin

Unfortunately, things did not proceed as Unseen Light had predicted; Xia Shenfei stepped in. "It's just a hangover, so I should work it off a bit."

After this comment, his expression completely changed, and his originally playful expression changed to one of indifference that was full of murderous intent. "Don't blame me if you die."

The moment Xia Shenfei attacked, there was a tremendous boom. Unseen Light suppressed the entire region with his domain without any hesitation. The terrifying domain far surpassed anything his peers were capable of, and the full force of it caused the ground to tremble, and the cast off bark that had piled up on the branch moved as though it were alive. The items flew through the sky and burrowed through the ground. This was the spiritual manifestation realm of a domain.

Xia Shenfei easily scattered all attacks that drew close to him. He bent his middle finger and gently flicked a finger. The energy of his Divine Martial Armor had been concentrated between his fingers, and it shot out and pierced through the void towards Unseen Light.

Suddenly, Unseen Light opened his eyes, and his domain enveloped everyone within. Everything around him, even Xia Shenfei, was pressed to the ground, and Unseen Light took this time to evade the energy from the finger flick.

Even Xia Shenfei needed to be cautious once Unseen Light released the full power of his domain. Liu Hao gave Unseen Light an appraising look, while also wondering just how this person had ended up traveling with Liu Tianmu.

When Xia Shenfei reappeared, he was surrounded by black. It was as though the space around him had been isolated, and he seemed cut off on all sides. This was the Black Coffin Secret Art.

As spikes emerged from the black coffin, Liu Hao forced Liu Tianmu back with his sword. The swordsman was quite surprised to see such a strange secret technique.

Behind, Wu Taibai frowned. The secret was out.

Blood could be seen on the black coffin's spikes, and everyone stared at it.

Unseen Light felt uncertain that his Black Coffin had severely injured Xia Shenfei. Could it be so easy to injure a Junior Progenitor?

"An unknown secret technique. In that case, you must be a trespasser." Xia Shenfei's voice was heard from behind Unseen Light, and his scalp went numb. The terrible danger he felt at this moment caused Unseen Light to reveal his never before seen innate gift, and a black ball appeared in front of him.

Xia Shenfei swung a hand at Unseen Light's forehead, but the moment the hand drew close, the Divine Martial Armor covering the hand suddenly reversed directions. It was being drawn the black ball. This ball had an attractive force; it was gravity.

Although Unseen Light had reacted very quickly and had even revealed his innate gift of gravity, Xia Shenfei's attack still managed to land on Unseen Light's shoulder, and it sent him flying back.

A 100 meter mark was left on the ground from Unseen Light's feet as he struggled to stop himself. He felt an excruciating pain from his left shoulder. He looked at Xia Shenfei. "How could that be?"

Unseen Light was not alone, as Liu Tianmu and Yao Xuan were both shocked as well.

Wu Taibai let out a long breath. "Shenwu's Sky's greatest inheritance: the Nine Clones Technique."

Yao Xuan's pupils shrank the moment he heard this. "What did you say? Nine Clones Technique?"

The gravity ball disappeared from in front of Xia Shenfei. He turned to look at Yao Xuan with eyebrows raised in surprise. "You don't know about that? Looks like you're another trespasser."

Unseen Light stared at Xia Shenfei. "Wasn't the Nine Clones Technique created by Progenitor Chen?"

Xia Shenfei's mouth curled into a smile. "Progenitor Chen? Oh, that's right. Yes, my Xia family did have a Progenitor Chen whose name was Xia Shang. He was an amazing and brilliant powerhouse, but unfortunately, he volunteered to stay in the Forsaken Land. You think he was the one who created the Nine Clone's Technique? Of course not! It's a unique skill that belongs to my Shenwu's Sky."

At this point, the Junior Progenitor turned to look at Wu Taibai. "You solve that little pale one, and I'll deal with the blind man."

He then turned and looked at Liu Tianmu in an odd manner. "You were found with the blind man, so are you also a trespasser?"

This was the same question Liu Hao wanted to ask, though he had already guessed the answer.

Liu Tianmu did not reply, but instead just raised her sword and pointed it at Liu Hao. "Come."

Liu Hao shook his head and regretfully commented, "I really thought that a genius had appeared in a branch family. I never thought you would be from the Forsaken Land. What a pity."

"If people from the Forsaken Land are able to defeat elites like you, just what do you think the Abandoned Land really is?" Yao Xuan defiantly challenged.

Across from him, Wu Taibai raised a hand and replied, "First, you actually have to be able to beat us."

Xia Shenfei felt helpless. "This is such a pain! Every time we visit the Dominion Realm, rats like you sneak in."

Unseen Light had revealed a truly top-tier level of strength. He would be able to stand his ground against any opponent, especially after revealing his innate gift. He was actually able to stand up to Xia Shenfei, who was a Junior Progenitor who had already opened his middle meridian point.

Unseen Light's innate gift of gravity not only attracted physical objects like a planet's gravity, but could also attract battle techniques.

Xia Shenfei looked at the black balls of gravity that were around him. He was truly stunned. "This is an incredibly innate gift."

The decaying bark beneath his feet climbed up his legs and tried to bury him once more.

The energy that made up Xia Shenfei's Divine Martial Armor formed giant hands that grabbed at the gravity balls. The balls were then turned around and directed towards Unseen Light, but he was no longer there. Instead, there was a Black Coffin. However, Xia Shenfei was not trapped this time, as he twisted his body to avoid the secret technique.

Just as Unseen Light was about to attack again, another Xia Shenfei appeared from behind. At this moment, the power of the Nine Clones Secret Technique began to be revealed. Xia Shenfei was able to give a showing of a much greater level of power than Xia Jiuyou had managed, as each and every clone was terrifyingly powerful, and they were each able to be freely merged or separated.

There was a bang as Xia Shenfei landed a palm on Unseen Light's back, causing him to slam into the ground. A Xia Shenfei landed in front of Unseen Light with a smile, and his hand rose up. The power of his Divine Martial Armor was enough to shatter Unseen Light.

Suddenly, the air in front of the Junior Progenitor warped, and he only was able to hear a shout. There was a terrifying burst of energy as Yao Xuan used Force Explosion, and it rattled Xia Shenfei's brain. He was no longer able to see Unseen Light, and Unseen Light took advantage of the distraction to smash one of his gravity balls into Xia Shenfei's stomach. The sword qi from Liu Hao and Liu Tianmu's attacks, as well as Wu Taibai's Divine Martial Armor and Yao Xuan's spiritual force had all been absorbed into the gravity ball.

All of these attacks shot towards Xia Shenfei.

Xia Shenfei continuously retreated. He stared down at the gravity ball at his stomach, as well as the attacks surrounding him. He shook his head. "Why?"

His armor twisted and gradually cracked. Eventually, the invisible Divine Martial Armor that covered his entire body transformed into an armor that seemed to be made up of immaterial qi, and it instantly shattered the gravity ball.

Xia Shenfei raised a hand. There was no movement to be seen, but the moment his eyes landed on Unseen Light and Yao Xuan, they were both sent flying, and they both spat out blood at the same time.

Liu Tianmu stared on in surprise.

Liu Hao's eyes trembled. "Shenwu Transformation. Shenwu's Sky is the most outstanding inherited technique. No one has been able to train in this technique for thousands of years. It's a technique that stands above the Divine Martial Armor. I've finally seen its return."

After using the Shenwu Transformation, Xia Shenfei himself had completely changed. He raised a hand and flicked his fingers, one at Unseen Light and one at Yao Xuan.

This was the difference between them. Xia Shenfei was a Junior Progenitor. He was someone who had already opened his middle meridian point and who had received the greatest inheritances available in the Perennial World. Just like Bai Shaohong's Void Rip or Long Tian's innate gift of space, this was a technique that could instantly decide a battle. The only people who could stand against such a powerhouse was another Junior Progenitor.

Liu Tianmu let out a long breath. While Liu Hao was still stunned, Liu Tianmu lifted her sword and looked at Xia Shenfei. Then, she closed her eyes.

Xia Shenfei did not notice Liu Tianmu's odd behavior, as he was watching Unseen Light and Yao Xuan struggle to rise off in the distance.

"Who does this overwhelming power remind you of?" Yao Xuan let out a sigh as he stared at Xia Shenfei in the distance.

A figure who looked like a god of death suddenly appeared in Unseen Light's mind. During ZENITH's final battle, one person had revealed a power that had overwhelmed all of the other finalists at the same time. It had been truly appalling strength. It was possible that only that person in all of the Fifth Mainland possessed the strength capable of defeating a Junior Progenitor!

The streams of qi that covered Xia Shenfei's body transformed from the Divine Martial Armor and tore at the void. In this condition, Xia Shenfei had the confidence to face even an Envoy. "There's no way for anyone in the Forsaken Land to open any meridian points, which is a failure of their cultivation methods. You've reached an impressive level of strength, and you can stand on the same level as those just beneath us, but unfortunately for you, it's quite unrealistic for you to hope to be able to take anything away while we are watching, or to steal anything from us."

Yao Xuan was also helpless. He had just used a Force Explosion, which was his most powerful attack, and yet it had not had almost any effect on Xia Shenfei. That man was terrifying. As for Yao Xuan's incorporeal body that was supposed to be immune to physical damage, that was just nonsense when facing such an expert. During ZENITH, even Wang Yi had managed to defeat Yao Xuan's body with a single attack, which had been completely humiliating.

"Since you've come here, then you must have prepared yourself for death. In that case, I'll send you on your way." Xia Shenfei looked solemn. His legs bent, but just as he was about to attack, he felt an inexplicable vibration in his heart.

At this moment, Liu Tianmu had swung her sword. She had used the Thirteenth Sword; if there was emotion, then it could be used as a sword.

Liu Hao did not actually care about Liu Tianmu at this moment. He was simply focused on watching the Shenwu Transformation, which had given Liu Tianmu an opportunity to use this particular attack.

The Thirteenth Sword was completely invisible and traceless, and it could not be avoided. Long ago, Liu Tianmu had used this attack to give Shang Qing his first injury in the Mountain and Seas Zone, and Wu Taibai had also suffered from it. He had managed to overpower even Yuhua Mavis after using the Divine Martial Armor, and yet the Thirteenth Sword had left him injured. The only person who had been unaffected by this sword was Lu Yin. During those previous attacks, Liu Tianmu had not had complete mastery of the Thirteenth Sword, but after using it several times, her mastery had reached a level where she no longer injured herself when attacking her opponent. The Thirteenth Sword surpassed all the previous swords.

Liu Hao's swordsmanship might have surpassed Liu Tianmu's, but he was not able to stop this particular attack.

Sword qi took the form of wind, and when Xia Shenfei felt the breeze, the Thirteenth Sword had already finished.

Where did the Thirteen Swords come from? Not even the Sword Sect knew. The only thing that was known was that the Thirteen Swords was the pinnacle sword technique in the Fifth Mainland, and it had allowed the Liu family to become the king of the sword.

Wu Taibai had had a certain thought after being attacked by the Thirteenth Sword during ZENITH: 'The Thirteenth Sword did indeed live up to its name, no wonder there were also rumors of it there.'

'There' had been referring to the Perennial World.

In the past, though Liu Tianmu had used the Thirteen Swords, she had not used anything above the Tenth Sword. Since she had not revealed anything that was enough to defeat Liu Hao, her techniques had not aroused much attention. However, the moment she used the Thirteenth Sword, her technique was exposed.

Xia Shenfei lifted a hand and wiped the corner of his mouth. He saw red on his hand. It was blood. He had been injured.

He looked up and gave Liu Tianmu an odd look. He had actually been injured, and it was by someone of his own generation who had not even opened her lower meridian point. She was even from the Forsaken Land. This was really exciting!

Liu Hao stared in shock and finally blurted out, "The Thirteen Swords."

He turned to stare at Liu Tianmu. "I had wondered why your swordsmanship was giving me a feeling of deja vu. You are using the Thirteen Swords that my Liu family lost. This technique originally came from the Forsaken Land."

Although Liu Tianmu had already achieved some level of mastery of the Thirteenth Sword, she was still not able to use it freely, and her body had been left in a slightly weakened state. "The Liu family's lost technique?"

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Liu Hao solemnly explained, "The Thirteen Swords came from the Sword Monument. A long time ago, one of my Liu family's elders disappeared. He was the only person to this day to have received the Thirteen Swords, and that inheritance disappeared with him. I never would have thought that that elder might have gone to the Forsaken Land. You're actually his descendant."

Liu Tianmu's eyes grew sharper after she heard Liu Hao's story.

"Give me the Thirteen Swords, and I can keep you alive. After all, you're also a member of my Liu family," Liu Hao spoke sharply. While his eyes were hot, they did not shine with greed. He pursued the peak of the sword, and thus the Thirteen Swords held a strong attraction for him.

"Liu Hao, back down!" Xia Shenfei's voice sounded a little strange.

Liu Hao frowned and turned to look at Xia Shenfei. He saw the excitement in Xia Shenfei's eyes, and an indescribable look on the Junior Progenitor's face. Liu Hao's expression changed a bit. This was not good, and there was going to be trouble; Xia Shenfei was stepping into the fight.

"Brother Xia, this woman is a descendant from my Liu family, so please, stay your hand," Liu Hao asked.

Xia Shenfei smiled, though he still looked very excited. "I'll leave her alive. Step back, I want to play this game."

Liu Hao was left feeling helpless. He understood Xia Shenfei, and while the Junior Progenitor usually behaved in a very laid back manner, he could not be provoked. Once that happened, things would end badly even for those closest to Xia Shenfei. This thought ran through Liu Hao's head and he jumped back and retreated to the edge of the hole in the branch.

Whether other youths wished to admit it or not, they were always a step behind the Junior Progenitors. It was a difference like heaven and earth.

The gap between the victors and runners up in Yuanlun Festival was too big to overcome.

Huh? Suddenly, Liu Hao noticed something strange. There were bugs in the hold in the branch that they had been directed to by the map, and all of the bugs had already been smashed. Seeing this, Liu Hao jumped down.

At this moment, Xia Shenfei attacked. He stepped forward and appeared right in front of Liu Tianmu, covering an impressive distance. His hand was raised to attack. Liu Tianmu retaliated with the Twelfth Sword, but it was instantly overpowered by Xia Shenfei. A Force Explosion and a gravity ball both appeared at the same time, but Xia Shenfei instantly destroyed both of them with his Divine Martial Armor. One attack forced Liu Tianmu back, while also repelling Yao Xuan and Unseen Light.

Suddenly, Xia Shenfei felt a sense of danger from behind, and he spun around and released a kick. The kick shattered the approaching Mountains and Rivers Imprint. The Junior Progenitor looked up, and in the distance, he saw Wu Taibai covering his face with a hand. He was already using the Divine Martial Armor.

Xia Shenfei grinned. "Is this worth it? You betrayed Shenwu's Sky! Did you really believe that uncovering a few secrets would wipe that clean? I was the one who suggested bringing you to the Dominion Realm so that I could eliminate you for the clan."

Wu Taibai's body was covered with the Divine Martial Armor. He stared back at Xia Shenfei. "I know that. However, are you sure you can handle me? Fighting four of us on your own is enough to cause even you to struggle."

Xia Shenfei frowned. "It will be quite difficult."

"Don't forget, Bai Shaohong, Long Tian, and Wang Su are all just as strong as you. What's more important, settling things here, or getting the Origin Matter?" Wu Taibai pressed.

Xia Shenfei laughed. "Wu Taibai, Wu Taibai, when have you ever seen me, Xia Shenfei, acting timid? Since I decided to get rid of you, you shouldn't even dream of leaving the Dominion Realm alive."

"Brother Xia, someone already went in!" Liu Hao shouted from the hole in the branch. "It looks like it was Wang Su."

Xia Shenfei's face completely changed, and he raced into the hole without any hint of hesitation. He abandoned the entire battle.

Yao Xuan was stunned, What does this mean? Didn't he just say that he had to take care of us? He really changed his mind that fast?

On the other hand, Wu Taibai was not surprised. This was Xia Shenfei's personality, and nothing he said could be trusted. He spoke of grandiose righteousness as if it was the most important thing, but it was all nothing but an act. "Let's get going then! We won't get anything if we fall behind."

Xia Shenfei rushed into the hole, and he then continued to follow the map's directions. Once he reached the bottom, he found traces of someone digging.

"It's impossible to leave such marks on the wood of the Mother Tree without having the power of at least a Semi-Progenitor," Liu Hao commented quietly as he stared into the rough and winding path ahead of him.

Xia Shenfei frowned. "Stay here and stall those four rats."

"I can't block them," Liu Hao replied bluntly. He was confident in his own strength, and believed himself to be more powerful than the other four, but he also saw that it was impossible for him to stop them on his own.

Xia Shenfei rolled his eyes. "Just stall them for a bit while I go on ahead and see what the deal here is."

"If I can't stop them, I'll retreat," Liu Hao stated in a completely serious manner.

Xia Shenfei was left speechless. While the members of the Liu family focused on the sword and appeared to be simple-minded, the truth was that each and every one of them was no better than a thief. This was what ran through the Junior Progenitor's mind as he stepped onto the winding path through the tunnel.

Still, Xia Shenfei could no longer concern himself with such things, as he needed to completely focus on getting his hands on the Origin Matter. As for what he had said a bit earlier, had he said anything at all?

Before long, his eyes went wide as he stepped into a large opening that should still have been within the branch. Up ahead, he saw a massive pillar of tribulation crystals, and on top of it was a leaf. On the ground beside the pillar sat Wang Su in a cross-legged position.

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Three days later, Long Tian and his team arrived at the fork in the branch. Bai Shaohong's team arrived at the same time.

As he looked around, Long Tian was surprised. "Someone got here earlier."

Bai Shaohong examined the marks on the branch. "There's traces of the Liu family's sword qi here."

"Also Shenwu's Sky's Divine Martial Armor," Long Tian remarked.

Everyone approached the edge of the hole in the branch and looked down. Cold air blew up from the depths, and it looks very gloomy.

Long Xi glanced over at Lu Yin.

Lu Yin stepped forward and released his domain and spread it to the bottom of the hole. He found it very strange that while the Perennial World possessed methods to cultivate a domain, very few people did so. For example, both Long Tian and Bai Shaohong had no domain at all. It was very odd.

His domain spread all the way to the bottom of the pit. "Someone fought there, and it was a very intense battle."

Bai Shaohong jumped down, and everyone followed without hesitation.

As they fell, they saw numerous bugs that had been smashed to pieces.

Bai Shaohong's eyes went wide. "Wang Su."

"Xia Shenfei should also be here," Long Tian said.

Bai Shaohong smiled gently. "Looks like we're too late. The two of them had quite a lively fight."

"Wang Su's only remaining team member is that guy with his eyes closed, so how can she stand up to Xia Shenfei's team?" Long Tian wondered.

No one could provide an answer.

The two teams soon reached the bottom of the hole. As they looked around at the marks left behind on the walls and ground from a fierce fight, none of them had much to say.

"Brother Long, we're clearly late. While there might be some corpses inside, they may not possess anything that we want," Bai Shaohong spoke casually. He did not sound very disappointed. This location had not originally been part of the plan. Each of the four ruling powers had chosen their own places to explore, and there was a high probability of finding Origin Matter in those places.

Long Tian and Bai Shaohong glanced at each other. "What do you want?"

Bai Shaohong smiled lightly. "Let's team up and rob them?"

Long Tian nodded in agreement. "Of course."

Bai Shaohong glanced back at Long Xi. "It is my honor to be able to join forces with the White Dragon Clan. In the future, our relationship will grow even closer."

Lu Yin frowned. As they had traveled, this man had never stopped talking like this, and he had kept up his provocations towards Lu Yin. It was truly revolting.

Lu Yin looked at Bai Shaohong, but the Junior Progenitor did not even glance at Lu Yin. He was focused entirely on Long Xi and was utterly ignoring Lu Yin. Lu Yin had not once responded to the various barbs, and he stayed silent this time as well. People saw him as nothing but a coward.

Long Xi's expression remained the same: utterly calm.

Long Tian gently said, "Let's go. We can talk about that later."

Bai Shaohong nodded with a smile. The two Junior Progenitors took the lead, and everyone quickly entered the meandering tunnel.

Long Xi dragged Lu Yin to the back of the group. Over on Bai Shaohong's team, Shang Qing had intended to take the rearguard, but Yun Tingting kept her position, and Shang Qing was forced into the middle of the group.

Gradually, the wandering tunnel grew wider and larger. They had reached the center of the branch.

It was hard to believe that there were so many people inside a branch and wandering around and exploring its interior.

They soon saw a faint light in the distance. Bai Shaohong and Long Tian looked at each other and picked up their pace. They turned a corner, and the tunnel opened up completely. The first thing that everyone saw was a massive pillar of tribulation crystals and a green leaf. They then quickly noticed Wang Su, Xia Shenfei, and others all sitting cross-legged on the ground.

Lu Yin turned the corner and saw the strange scene. His mouth fell open and he stared blankly, Thisthis- isn't this the place I saw when I rolled six pips and Possessed the corpse? Is this really a coincidence?

Despite matter how strange the scene was that the group had stumbled upon, no one could match the turmoil currently churning in Lu Yin's heart. He had not expected to end up in this place. He looked around, and sure enough, there was a mummified corpse some distance behind the crystal pillar. That was it. That was the corpse he had Possessed and that he had not been able to move or control.

This was an incredible coincidence. He averted his eyes and suppressed the shock that had hit him, and he managed to prevent anyone from seeing his shock. He looked around once more. This pillar of tribulation crystals was very large, and it dwarfed the pillar that Long Ding had used to open his lower meridian point. It was believed that this pillar would be enough for someone to open their middle meridian point. However, despite other people being present, they were all seated cross-legged on two sides of the pillar. Lu Yin saw Unseen Light and Liu Tianmu among their numbers.

Wang Su, Xia Shenfei, and the others did not move. They all remained sitting cross-legged on the ground. They all seemed peaceful, and there was no indication of any sort of fight in this chamber. It was very odd.

Neither Bai Shaohong nor Long Tian dared to act rashly after seeing the situation.

Seven people were sitting cross-legged on the ground: Wang Su, Xia Shenfei, Wu Taibai, Yao Xuan, Liu Tianmu, Unseen Light, and Liu Hao. They represented three teams, and the damage that had been left on the pit on the other side of the tunnel leading to this chamber had clearly come from these people, and yet this chamber looked completely peaceful.

Lu Yin looked at the seven people sitting on the ground, and his eyes flashed. This was not good; Unseen Light had already been exposed.

Wang Su, Xia Shenfei, and Liu Hao were sitting cross-legged on the left side of the pillar, while Unseen Light, Wu Taibai, Yao Xuan, and Liu Tianmu sat on the right side. There was a clear delineation between the two sides, yet Yao Xuan and Wu Taibai had both been on the team from Shenwu's Sky. Thus, the only explanation for the pattern was that the trespassers had been exposed.

Lu Yin sighed to himself. It looked like it really would be impossible for him to remain hidden until the end. The moment that these people woke, they would not hide the truth, and even if none of them awoke, it was impossible for Shang Qing to remain hidden and not compete for the Origin Matter, as it was the entire purpose behind infiltrating the Perennial World.

At this thought, Lu Yin looked at Long Xi in an apologetic manner. He had endured everything while traveling to his place because he did not want to cause Long Xi more suffering. However, it looked like there was no path to escape at this point.

Bai Shaohong gazed at Dong Shan, indicating for him to act, and Dong Shan shouted, "Junior Progenitor Xia!"

No one reacted. It seemed that Xia Shenfei had not even heard anything.

Dong Shan frowned and shouted again, "Junior Progenitor Wang!"

Wang Su also did not move. It was as though she had not heard anything.

Bai Shaohong's gaze grew sharp. He looked around the chamber, and then focused on Lu Yin. "Use your domain to examine this place."

Lu Yin ignored him, too.

Chapter 1434: Free For All

Bai Shaohong stared at Lu Yin. "I told you to release you domain."

Long Tian also looked at Lu Yin. "Check it out."

Long Xi stepped in, "You want it, then check it yourself."

Bai Shaohong said, "Since you decided to come here, you don't get to just stand to the side."

"Are you retarded? Check it out for yourself! You must think you're important," Lu Yin rudely mocked. Since he already knew that he would eventually be exposed, there was no need for him to keep restraining himself.

Everyone stared at Lu Yin in shock. No one had expected him to chew out Bai Shaohong after opening his mouth. Bai Shaohong had certainly not expected it.

As they had been traveling, he had repeatedly tried to aggravate Long Qi, yet the youth had always remained silent. So why was he speaking up at this time?

Lu Yin rolled his eyes. Was he no longer able to endure? No, it was not that. He was actually trying to trigger an attack from Bai Shaohong.

Things were very strange in this chamber. Xia Shenfei, Wang Su, and Liu Tianmu were all present, and they represented three different teams, yet they were quietly sitting together at this moment. It should be impossible for a fight to not break out in this place, yet it was still peaceful. The only possible explanation was that something unexpected occurred as soon as any form of violence broke out.

Since that was the case, what was there to be afraid of? Lu Yin would just let Bai Shaohong make the first move.

Bai Shaohong was not stupid, and he quickly understood the situation, as did everyone else.

Yun Tingting stared at Bai Shaohong with great interest. Just what would the Junior Progenitor do after being insulted in such a manner? Would he attack? Did he dare?

Bai Shaohong's eyes flashed with a killing intent. "Watch what you say."

"Fuck off!" Lu Yin snapped back rudely. He intended to completely alleviate all of the stress and frustration that had accumulated while traveling.

Long Xi glanced over at Long Qi. She remembered how he had spoken to Yu Chen in front of the Hope Restaurant. He had expressed absolutely no manners at all, and had been very rude. However, it was still true that this sort of behavior was the most effective way to deal with someone who had always been pampered, like Bai Shaohong.

Bai Shaohong's expression grew dark, but he refrained from taking action as he was too worried about the repercussions.

Long Tian frowned as he looked at Lu Yin. "Even if you come from a branch family and want to be blunt, you still can't be so crass. Once we return to Dragon Mountain, you will recite the clan rules. If you behave in such a disrespectful manner again in the future, you will be severely punished."

Lu Yin looked over at Long Tian and smiled. Then, suddenly, Lu Yin's expression changed, and he shouted, "You can fuck off too! What a load of bullshit!"

"What did you say?" Long Tian was enraged. He had not expected Lu Yin to retort to even him.

Long Xi hurriedly pulled Lu Yin back. "Don't say another word."

Bai Shaohong's eyes grew cold. "Brother Long, have the White Dragon Clan's rules been lost? If my Celestial Frost Sect had such a person enter the sect, they would absolutely be put through excruciating pain."

Long Xi snapped back, "Your Celestial Frost Sect does not have the qualifications to step into the affairs of my White Dragon Clan."

Long Tian had already lost his patience. "Little sister, enough is enough."

Long Xi fell silent.

Long Tian shot a cold glare at Lu Yin. "I thought you were a piece of jade that I would be able to sculpt, but I see now that someone from a branch family will never measure up and will always remain worthless."

He then turned to Bai Shaohong and continued in a more gentle tone, "Brother Bai, there's no need to pay attention to such a person. We simply need to find out how to wake up Brother Xia and then we can find out what happened."

Bai Shaohong glanced at Lu Yin once more, but then ignored him. Instead, he turned to focus on Xia Shenfei and the others. He frowned.

Shang Qing looked at Lu Yin smiling, and then shook his head with the same smile on his face.

Lu Yin rolled his eyes; what was that supposed to mean?

Bai Shaohong and Long Tian studied the seated figures for a while, but no one dared to randomly attack. Finally, Bai Shaohong raised a hand and took out some sourceboxes from his cosmic ring. He then used them to set up a sourcebox array.

Lu Yin and Shang Qing glanced at each other. Neither of them had expected Bai Shaohong to be an Array Master.

Sourcebox arrays simulated the effects of a sourcebox's danger zone, and setting one up would not affect the surroundings.

Lu Yin watched as Bai Shaohong arranged the sourcebox array, but even if Lu Yin had already comprehended several sourcebox arrays, it was still impossible for him to understand the purpose of Bai Shaohong's sourcebox array.

It did not take long for the array to be completed. Long Tian then attacked it and pushed the sourcebox array into the open chamber. Everyone grew wary, but no abnormalities could be detected. Then, the sourcebox array slowly fell to the ground and disappeared. The fluctuations from the sourcebox spread out to eventually envelope the entire chamber.

A beam of light shot out of the ground straight into the air. This was the start of the activation of this array. It was not overly powerful, but it had an impressive range.

Beams of light then began to shoot out with increasing frequency. One of the beams landed on Wang Su and pushed her from where she was seated. Her eyes snapped open, and she looked over at Bai Shaohong and others. She shouted, "Destroy the corpse! We're in the Forgotten Ruins."

While Lu Yin and Shang Qing were unaware of what the Forgotten Ruins were, both Bai Shaohong and Long Tian went pale from fright when they heard Wang Su's words. They both immediately attacked the dried up corpse that sat behind the crystal pillar.

The corpse was not durable, and since Bai Shaohong and Long Tian had joined forces, the mummy was instantly smashed to pieces. The moment that occurred, Xia Shenfei and the others all opened their eyes. Confusion flickered through their eyes, but they quickly recovered themselves and stood up.

Xia Shenfei instantly charged towards the pillar of tribulation crystals, clearly hoping to snatch the green leaf that sat atop of it. Wang Su was not slow to react, either, and the two youths raced for the pillar at the same time and clashed at the base of the pillar.

As soon as they saw the other two moving, Bai Shaohong and Long Tian charged forward as well.

"Attack! Get the Origin Matter!" someone shouted, and everyone else instantly started racing for the pillar.

In no time at all, a battle that could shake the entire Perennial World erupted within the chamber at the center of one of the Mother Tree's branches. The people participating in this fight were the most outstanding members of their generation, and they each fought with a dogged determination within the chamber.

Long Xi shoved Lu Yin back and sternly ordered him, "Stay here! Where's your ring?"

Lu Yin immediately took out the ring-shaped power vessel he had been given.

"Stay safe!" Long Xi ordered before racing away and making her way towards the pillar.

All four Junior Progenitors were fighting around the pillar of tribulation crystals, and each move that any of them made tore the void open, which forced everyone else to keep pulling back.

This was a battle between Junior Progenitors, and the outcome would not be easily decided.

Unseen Light's domain covered the pillar, but it was instantly torn apart by Xia Shenfei's Divine Martial Armor. Xia Shenfei loudly ordered, "Take care of the trespassers! It's all four of them."

Wu Taibai raised his hand and pointed straight at Dong Shan and Dong He. "Those are them! They're the trespassers, to attack them!"

Bai Shaohong was instantly enraged at hearing this accusation. "Don't you try to slander me!"

He then pointed at Xia Shenfei. "You dare make such accusations against my people?"

Xia Shenfei was speechless. He waved a hand and scattered bits of his Divine Martial Armor while pointing at Liu Tianmu and the others. "I was talking about those four!"

Long Tian glanced over and saw that Xia Shenfei had also pointed out Liu Tianmu. Long Tian's eyes flashed, but he ignored the matter and fought to get closer to the crystal pillar. He even entered the true universe with the Roving White Dragon to get closer, but Wang Su managed to use the Four Arts to accomplish the same thing, and she clashed with Long Tian in the true universe at the top of the crystal pillar.

A powerful shockwave blasted out, twisting the void as it passed until it finally tore space apart.

The spatial tear extended towards Lu Yin as he stared at it, and he quickly grabbed the ring-shaped power vessel and used it to protect himself.

Long Xi felt relieved when she saw this.

Liu Hao attacked Liu Tianmu with a sword. Dong Shan and Dong He fought against Unseen Light and Yao Xuan, respectively. Long Xi and Wu Taibai fought each other, while Yun Tingting turned into several different figures, and she tried to approach the pillar from every direction, only to be stopped by Wen Diyi.

For the moment, everyone was very busy, and none of them were concerned about Lu Yin and Shang Qing.

The four Junior Progenitors all mutually restrained each other, so Bai Shaohong shouted at Shang Qing, "Grab the Origin Matter!"

Shang Qing rushed forward. He no longer tried to keep anything hidden, and three streams of qi swirled around him, giving him an ethereal look that stunned many people.

Long Tian could not bear the situation any longer, and he looked back at Lu Yin. "Go grab it! If you get the Origin Matter, everything else will be forgotten, and I can even give you a position in the clan second only to me!"

Long Xi pushed back Wu Taibai's Divine Martial Armor and shouted over at Lu Yin, "Don't move! This has nothing to do with you!"

Long Tian grew furious. "Long Xi, don't try to hold us back! Long Qi, grab it! I promise you will no longer have to worry about anything for the rest of your life."

Long Xi gritted her teeth, but no longer tried to stop Lu Yin. She knew just how important Origin Matter was. If Long Tian could become a Progenitor with this Origin Matter, the White Dragon Clan would be able to shake free of the suppression they suffered from the Celestial Frost Sect. This was more important than anything else.

At this moment, everyone else was occupied with an opponent, so the only possibility for the White Dragon Clan to grab the Origin Matter was Long Qi, but that depended on whether or not he could defeat Shang Qing.

Bai Shaohong was fully confident in Shang Qing. "Shang Qing, as long as you grab the Origin Matter, I, Bai Shaohong, will make you an elder in my Celestial Frost Sect, and you will look down on the entire Perennial World."

Shang Qing looked inspired by this offer. "Rest assured, I'll definitely get it."

Lu Yin stepped out of the protection of his ring. "I'll get it!"

The two rushed towards the pillar at the same time.

Wang Su and Xia Shenfei both wanted to stop the two, but they were both held back by Bai Shaohong and Long Tian. Everyone else also had their own opponents, so everyone could only watch.

Suddenly, Dong He's eyes flashed. He had been fighting against Yao Xuan, but his hand moved. "Yu Secret Art: Void Transfer"

The green leaf atop the pillar disappeared, only to appear in Dong He's hand.

Bai Shaohong's mouth curled into a smile. He had succeeded! With Shang Qing's help? No. Bai Shaohong had never placed any confidence in Shang Qing. Instead, he had believed in Dong He, and the Junior Progenitor had ensured that everyone was focused on Shang Qing and Long Qi in order to provide an opportunity for Dong He to take action with the Yu Secret Art. After all, it was the best secret technique when it came to stealing things.

No one had expected Dong He to have such an ability at his disposal. Long Tian was extremely frustrated. He had already known that Dong He had comprehended that secret technique, but had not realized that it could be used in such a way. The moment the Origin Matter entered Dong He's cosmic ring, it would be difficult to seize the Origin Matter. Long Tian not only wanted Dong He's ring, but also his blood.

Yao Xuan had been careless, and Dong He had snatched the leaf by using the Yu Secret Art right under Yao Xuan's nose. He reflexively wanted to grab it, but he was already too late.

Dong He was feeling very proud of himself, and he was about to store the Origin Matter, but suddenly, the leaf was gone! Dong He blinked; where had the leaf gone?

A short distance away, the leaf appeared in Lu Yin's hands.

Everyone stared at him, stunned.

"The Yu Secret Art?" Dong He felt speechless.

Bai Shaohong's pupils shrank. What was this? The Yu Secret Art?

Long Tian, Long Xi, Wang Su, Xia Shenfei, and everyone else had not believed that anyone else would know that same secret technique, let alone Long Qi.

Lu Yin coughed. Everyone was staring at him, and it made him feel a bit guilty!

"Long Qi, put it away!" Long Tian was ecstatic, believing the leaf to already be his.

Bai Shaohong shouted angrily, "How dare you!!"

He immediately tried to attack Long Qi, but Long Tian stopped him.

Lu Yin wanted to quickly put away the leaf, but he did not notice that a black mist had appeared on the ground at some point in time. The moment when the leaf was about to be put away, the mist shot upwards and took the form of Crown Prince Gui Qian. His golden eyes locked onto Lu Yin, and bones emerged from his back and slapped the leaf away. It fluttered to the ground, and was then snatched away by the black mist.

Lu Yin had never considered that Crown Prince Gui Qian might have still been hidden, and he blamed the Perennial World for the fact that he could not see any runes. If runes existed in this universe, Lu Yin would have seen the prince.

Still, Lu Yin felt amazed at the prince's abilities that he had managed to keep hidden.

Chapter 1435: Trespasser?

"Crown Prince Gui Qian, you're seeking death!" Long Tian roared, his eyes filled with a killing rage.

The prince looked at Long Tian in a mocking manner. "Junior Progenitor Long, you are really an idiot. The person who slipped away from you in the Voidsoul Palace was Long Qi."

Long Tian was caught completely off guard. "What did you say?"

Crown Prince Gui Qian sneered. His body then cracked and reverted back to a black mist, and he turned to flee out of the chamber while dragging the leaf with him.

He had just wanted to stir things up so that no one would be able to chase him.

Out of reflex, Lu Yin attacked with a Vacuum Palm. The attack smashed through the black mist and struck the ground.

Crown Prince Gui Qian was using a bizarre technique, and his body had already vanished as he tried to escape. However, he was suddenly trapped by four beams of light that appeared from the void. Off in the distance, Wang Su's eyes held a terrifying light as she used the secret technique Confinement.

The black mist that was Crown Prince Gui Qian roiled, and the churning caused the void to warp. He erupted with his full strength at this moment. He had already opened his lower meridian point, and he managed to break free of Wang Su's secret technique by utilizing death energy, and he rushed outside.

"You're looking to die!" Long Tian growled in a low voice. He made a grabbing motion with his right hand and reached for the void some distance away. A palm appeared from the void in front of Crown Prince Gui Qian, and it shot through the void and smashed into the prince's death energy.

Death energy was strange, but Long Tian's innate gift was not a simple one. Crown Prince Gui Qian was forced back.

Lu Yin was fully aware of how most people feared death energy from the bottom of their hearts. It was strange and difficult to predict, and it was impossible to counter through normal means. If not for this, Crown Prince Gui Qian would never have the confidence to escape. However, he had been too confident.

Four of the people present were Junior Progenitors. They represented the four ruling powers that reigned over the entire Perennial World. Each one of them had abilities to prevent the prince from immediately escaping.

Crown Prince Gui Qian instantly regretted this choice. He should not have revealed himself so early.

Shang Qing disappeared, and he suddenly reappeared in front of Crown Prince Gui Qian. He grabbed for the leaf with a hand, but Crown Prince Gui Qian just sneered. He was being attacked by the four Junior Progenitors, so he had no intention of hanging on to the leaf. He threw it towards Unseen Light and the others. "Here, trespassers, for you!"

Dong He immediately used the Yu Secret Art, but Yao Xuan was not slow to react this time. Just as Dong He was about to make his move, he was bombarded with spiritual force that nearly knocked him unconscious. At this moment, Lu Yin used the Yu Secret Art himself, and he managed to grab the leaf once more.

Long Tian's eyes lit up. "Long Qi, take that leaf away! I'll act as though nothing ever happened in the Voidsoul Palace!"

Lu Yin held the leaf and looked at it oddly. What was this? Wasn't this the same thing that Mister Mu had used to strengthen Lu Yin's body to the limit in the hidden dimension with the golden ocean? Only that had been a branch, and Lu Yin held a leaf at the moment. Was this really Origin Matter?

Bao Shaohong's mind raced, and then he suddenly asked, "Brother Long, have you investigated the members of your clan?"

These words startled many people, and even Wang Su and Xia Shenfei were taken aback.

Long Tian's eyes grew frosty. "Brother Bai, what is that supposed to mean? Are you saying I don't know my own clansmen? Even if you want to get the Origin Matter, you should still have some limits. This is unbecoming of the Celestial Frost Sect's Junior Progenitor."

Bai Shaohong stared at Lu Yin in a serious manner. "Yu Chen once tried to deal with Long Qi when he was with Humility's Gate. At that time, he was the one who helped Long Qi turn the situation around."

As he spoke, Bai Shaohong pointed at Unseen Light

Long Tian's expression changed. Anger could be seen, as well as killing intent, and yet there was no surprise. Long Tian was no fool, and he had already started to grow suspicious when Yuhua Mavis had been exposed as a trespasser. In the past, when Long Qi had revealed the three Guan brothers as Redbacks, he had received help from Yuhua Mavis, yet had claimed to have no connection to her. There was no understanding as to why she would have helped Long Qi move against the Guan brothers.

The excuse Long Qi had given had been barely acceptable.

However, the moment that Crown Prince Gui Qian had revealed that Long Qi had been the one to snatch away a portion of the inheritance in the Voidsoul Palace, Long Tian had become almost completely certain that Long Qi was a trespasser, though he could not figure out how Long Qi had managed to deceive the White Dragon Clan and entered the Dominion Realm. While Long Qi had married Long Xi, it was impossible for a member of a branch family to improve so quickly, even if they had received an inheritance from the Sword Monument and received an inheritance from Semi-Progenitor Kui Luo.

After all, each of the four Junior Progenitors had received an inheritance from a full Progenitor.

Long Tian had not said anything in order to trap Long Qi. After all, Long Qi was the one in possession of the leaf. Long Tian had not expected Bai Shaohong to expose the matter.

The fight for the Origin Matter suddenly took a turn. Everyone stared at the leaf in Lu Yin's hand as they ran Bai Shaohong's words through their minds; could this person really be a trespasser?

Long Xi's face went pale as she stared at Lu Yin. Her amber eyes were filled with shock and disappointment.

Lu Yin still wanted to try to defend himself, "Bai Shaohong, so you just know who's a trespasser and who isn't? Junior Progenitor Wang was the one who brought Yuhua Mavis and Unseen Light, while Junior

Progenitor Xia brought Yao Xuan. Why are you targeting me? Because I'm from the White Dragon Clan? The princess can attest to the fact that she personally tested my bloodline."

Everyone turned to look at Long Xi.

Lu Yin also turned to look at her, but at the same time, he put the leaf into his cosmic ring.

Bai Shaohong immediately shouted, "TAKE IT OUT!"

As he shouted, star energy shot out and formed a palm that attacked Lu Yin.

Lu Yin took out the ring-shaped power vessel, and it blocked Bai Shaohong's palm. Lu Yin loudly retorted, "Bai Shaohong, are you trying to rob us? Long Tian, such simple words turned you stupid! Idiot! Block him!"

Long Tian came to as though waking from a dream, and he stabbed his spear at Bai Shaohong, though it was completely a reflex.

Bai Shaohong shouted, "Shang Qing, catch Long Qi!"

With that, the ground trembled and a beam of light struck Lu Yin and the entirety of the power vessel protecting him. This was the sourcebox array that had been used to rouse Wang Su and others. This was Bai Shaohong's backup.

This sourcebox array was powerful, and it was able to affect others as well, and it put them at a disadvantage for a moment. In particular, Liu Tianmu was affected, as she was still in a weakened state from using the Thirteenth Sword earlier. She was unable to resist Liu Hao's swordsmanship, especially his Sword Spirit. The sword pierced her shoulder and pinned her to the wall.

Dong Shan and Dong He joined forces to fight back Unseen Light and Yao Xuan by using their Mountain and Sea Banner.

Since Lu Yin had managed to seize the leaf, Wang Su and Xia Shenfei were no longer entangled with each other, and the two rushed at Lu Yin from different directions.

Yao Xuan glanced over at Liu Tianmu and saw that she was in danger. He then saw Wang Su and Xia Shenfei who were both rushing for Lu Yin, and he yelled, "If you don't do something, we're all going to die!"

Yao Xuan did not care about Liu Tianmu, but only by joining forces would any of them have a chance to leave the Perennial World.

Yao Xuan's words forced many people to instinctively look at Lu Yin; was this directed at him?

Lu Yin stayed within the protection of the power vessel. He looked perfectly innocent.

Wang Su and Xia Shenfei were quickly approaching him, and further back, Long Tian was still holding Bai Shaohong back, but anxiety could be seen in Long Tian's eyes.

The ring-shaped power vessel was not enough to stop a Junior Progenitor. After all, such a thing had been given to Lu Yin, so which of the Junior Progenitors would not have a special power vessel?

Lu Yin watched as the two Junior Progenitors drew closer. In the distance, Long Xi turned pale. "RUN!"

Wang Su stretched a hand out. She held a small knife in her hand, and it glinted with a strange light. It pierced through the protection of Lu Yin's power vessel, and the knife and the ring both shattered. Wang Su's hand was about to grab Lu Yin.

Lu Yin narrowed his eyes and he moved his fingers. Suddenly, a slight flicker of a blade appeared behind Lu Yin, and a knife attacked Wang Su. It was the Xia family's Triple Blade Will. Progenitor Chen had been summoned.

Wang Su had not expected anyone else to appear. The flickering blade caused her feel a sense of danger. She instinctively used the Four Arts: Celestial Blade.

Lu Yin moved to the side by using the Ce Secret Art. Crown Prince Gui Qian had already exposed Lu Yin's power, and while Lu Yin did not know how the prince had found out, the fact of the matter was that there was no longer any need to hide things.

The summoned Progenitor Chen held a knife and slashed it at Wang Su once more.

At this same time, another Progenitor Chen appeared, flickering between reality and illusion, and he threw a palm attack at Xia Shenfei.

Xia Shenfei was able to clearly see the face of the summoned Progenitor Chen, and his pupils instantly shrank to pinpricks. "Ancestor Xia Shang?"

Wang Su heard his words, and was shocked. "What did you just say?"

The illusory Progenitor Chen smashed a hand into Xia Shenfei, who took a few steps back. The Junior Progenitor blurted out, "That's my Xia family's ancestor, Xia Shang."

"Progenitor Chen from back then?" Wang Su was shocked, and her scalp went numb.

There were still Progenitors in the Perennial World, and more than just one. It was a place with far more inheritances than the Fifth Mainland, and yet the invincible Progenitor Chen of the past had also been able to shock the people of this universe.

The horror of Progenitor Chen had not been just limited to the Fifth Mainland. The Sixth Mainland had not dared to even record him in their history, and the Perennial World had always held the Progenitor in high esteem. He had been a genius, the likes of which had not been seen again throughout countless years. His story was the history of the Xia family. He had been the strongest Progenitor to ever live.

No one could have imagined that they would be forced to face off against Progenitor Chen in the Dominion Realm.

Xia Shenfei lifted his head and looked some distance away, where he saw Shang Qing's calm expression. The last stream of qi was still swirling around Shang Qing's body. "Is it you?"

Shang Qing floated in the air. He looked like an immortal. At this moment, the true power of the Tri-Yang Ancestral Qi Technique showed itself. He was Shang Qing, a supreme talent who had been cultivated by the Fifth Mainland's Hall of Honor. If Lu Yin had not been born, Shang Qing would have stood above all of his peers in the Fifth Mainland. He held a status similar to that of the Perennial World's Junior Progenitors, or possibly even higher. After all, there was no one in the Fifth Mainland who could measure up to Shang Qing.

During ZENITH, Shang Qing alone had been enough to face off against Lu Yin, Wu Taibai, and Wang Yi. All three of them had to admit that Shang Qing had the strength to compare to a Junior Progenitor. Once he managed to open his three meridian points, the power of the Progenitor Chen clones and Progenitor Hui that Shang Qing would be able to summon would be even more terrifying, as Progenitor Chen and Progenitor Hui had both definitely opened all three of their meridian points.

How powerful had Progenitor Chen and Progenitor Hui been when they had opened all three of their meridian points? Just the thought was enough to send someone into a cold sweat.

Although the four Junior Progenitors had been given that title, it did not mean that they were guaranteed to become Progenitors in the future, nor that they were invincible within their realm, as Progenitor Chen had been.

No one doubted that Progenitor Chen had been invincible among his peers.

Unfortunately, the clones of Progenitor Chen that Shang Qing was able to summon had no intelligence, which was the greatest flaw of the Tri-Yang Technique.

There was a boom, and Wang Su was forced a step back. She stared at the Progenitor Chen that held a dagger. Wang Su felt extremely envious at this moment. She was facing the historical and invincible Progenitor Chen of the past. According to records, Progenitor Chen had been a terrifying existence who had possessed nine clones that had each become a Progenitor on their own. He had killed multiple Progenitors, and had been one of the most impressive powerhouses in history.

The illusory Progenitor Chen continued attacking Xia Shenfei, and the Junior Progenitor's expression completely changed, and his body started trembling from rage. He glared at Shang Qing. "What the hell did you do? How dare you insult my ancestor!"

His body flashed and split into nine clones, and each and every one of them was shrouded with the Divine Martial Armor as they charged at Shang Qing.

Lu Yin's back went cold when he saw this; nine clones? Just as he had assumed, Progenitor Chen had not been the one to create the Nine Clones Secret Technique. Instead, it was something that had come from this universe.

Chapter 1436: Attack

Shang Qing had not expected Xia Shenfei to possess the Nine Clones Secret Technique. Even more shockingly, the clones could apparently be separated even after they had all merged together. This revelation shattered Shang Qing's common sense. He felt helpless, and his last stream of ancestral qi moved away from his body and took on the form of Progenitor Hui.

Xia Shenfei had assumed that the last strand of qi would also be one of Progenitor Chen's clones, and he had not expected to see a stranger appear.

The moment Progenitor Hui appeared, the summon started dashing around the battlefield. At the same time, Shang Qing moved to dodge the attacks of Xia Shenfei's clones.

Xia Shenfei staggered from the overpowering rage that was consuming him, and his own strength naturally fell a bit as well. He was protecting himself from the clone of Progenitor Chen as well as Shang Qing, so he had not expected to suddenly be attacked by Bai Shaohong.

Bai Shaohong used a single finger to touch the void, and it caused a black line to appear. "Void Rip."

The black line tore through the void and cut across Xia Shenfei's back. He turned around to stare at Bai Shaohong in shock.

Long Tian was also surprised. He had originally believed that Bai Shaohong was directing the Void Rip at him.

Wang Su frowned. Bai Shaohong was too despicable. This sort of surprise attack was completely unscrupulous.

As far as Bai Shaohong was concerned, no matter how impressive Shang Qing's strength might be, he was still nothing more than a trespasser from the Forsaken Land. Thus, he could never possess the strength to match up to a Junior Progenitor. Bai Shaohong only saw the other Junior Progenitors as his peers.

At this moment, Xia Shenfei was still too upset.

Shang Qing had not expected Bai Shaohong to suddenly sneak attack Xia Shenfei. He shot a glance over at Bai Shaohong. This person was like a poisonous snake that could turn on people without warning.

Lu Yin also kept a wary eye on Bai Shaohong. This guy had no bottom line.

"Long Qi, behind you!" Long Xi yelled. Lu Yin instantly dodged, but smoke appeared and took on the form of a rope that wrapped around him. Yun Tingting was attacking him.

Lu Yin smashed out with his hand, and while he was able to disperse the smoke, it quickly reformed.

The smoke had appeared in more than one direction, and it had actually completely surrounded him. In fact, it was even beneath his feet.

Long Tian shouted, "Wen Diyi, stop her!"

At this moment, Wen Divi was busy fighting with another Yun Tingting. He truly did want to stop the woman, but he had already been badly injured, and his injuries had not had a chance to heal yet. On top of that, Yun Tingting had a strange power that allowed her to create multiple clones. However, each of these clones were formed from smoke, and they were known as Smoke Incarnations. With this technique, Yun Tingting was able to form ten clones.

Yun Tingting continued fighting with Wen Diyi even while she was attacking Lu Yin.

However, Lu Yin was not an easy opponent, and he gradually revealed a level of strength that left Yun Tingting helpless.

Wang Su forced back a summoned clone of Progenitor Chen by using Four Arts: Celestial Blade. She coldly stated, "Origin Matter is the most important thing here! If trespassers manage to steal it from us, that would be too humiliating. We need to deal with them first."

"I agree." Bai Shaohong was the first to agree.

Wang Su dodged another knife attack from Progenitor Chen, and she glanced at Bai Shaohong. "Bai Shaohong, let's work together for now. However, if you act against us again, then I, Wang Su, swear that you will pay for such a betrayal."

At this same time, Xia Shenfei was busy evading the illusory Progenitor Chen's attacks. Even though Xia Shenfei did not want to accept it, he understood the priorities at this moment. "I agree."

Long Tian stepped back and stopped fighting with Bai Shaohong. "I also agree."

Shang Qing frowned. This was bad. The worst possible outcome had occurred. The four Junior Progenitors were uniting, and no one could oppose them. Shang Qing turned and winked at Lu Yin, indicating that they needed to find a way to escape.

Lu Yin's eyes flashed. He suddenly spoke up. "Brother Long Tian, don't worry! The Origin Matter is with me, and I'll make sure to get it safely back to Dragon Mountain so that you can open your upper meridian point."

Lu Yin's statement was extremely irritating to Bai Shaohong's ears. He pointed at Lu Yin. "He has to turn over the Origin Matter first! He could also be a trespasser, and we have to deal with all of them first!"

"No, I won't agree to that," Long Tian said.

Bai Shaohong loudly protested, "Long Qi is most likely a trespasser! He's just pretending! Can't you see that?"

Just as Wang Su was about to interject, Shang Qing attacked her. The summoned Progenitor Chen's knife became even more ferocious, and Wang Su was forced to hold back what she had been about to say.

Long Tian did not actually care about whether or not Lu Yin was a trespasser. After all, Long Tian was completely selfish and self centered. As long as he was able to get the Origin Matter, it did not matter even if Long Qi was a trespasser. Besides, there was no evidence supporting the claim that Long Qi was a trespasser.

The four Junior Progenitors were able to restrain each other, which meant that Long Tian had to protect Long Qi in order to be the one to ultimately take away the Origin Matter. Even if it eventually came out that Long Qi was a trespasser, his life or death would have nothing to do with Long Tian.

"Bai Shaohong, you just want to steal the Origin Matter! That's why you're trying to slander me as a trespasser!" Lu Yin loudly shouted out an accusation.

Bai Shaohong was enraged, and a killing glint flickered through his eyes. "You must want to die."

In a corner of the chamber, Crown Prince Gui Qian suddenly attacked. He had been silent and passive this entire time, and even now, he still did not attack anyone. Instead, he was targeting the pillar of tribulation crystal. He quickly stashed the huge pillar in his cosmic ring and fled without any hesitation.

Everyone's attention had been on Lu Yin, and no one had expected Crown Prince Gui Qian to suddenly steal the tribulation pillar. By the time anyone was able to react, the prince had already returned to his previous corner and was busy escaping.

Lu Yin did not ignore Crown Prince Gui Qian's efforts. If not for the prince, Lu Yin would have never been exposed. Thus, when the prince stole the crystal pillar, Lu Yin had not made any move to stop the prince. Only after the prince had returned to the corner of the chamber and was about to flee did Lu Yin use his secret technique: Astral Chessboard.

Crown Prince Gui Qian was just about to dash around the corner, but he suddenly noticed that the scenery before him had changed. He was now in the center of the chamber while Lu Yin had taken the prince's previous position. Then, Lu Yin quickly fled.

Crown Prince Gui Qian had failed to escape for a second time.

Lu Yin sped up and raced away. As long as he was able to escape with the Origin Matter, the four Junior Progenitors would definitely chase after him, which would be the safest option for Unseen Light and the others.

Unfortunately, Lu Yin had been too optimistic. Crown Prince Gui Qian had not been able to escape, and neither could Lu Yin. With four Junior Progenitors present, no one could even dream of escaping, even if they did have secret techniques.

Lu Yin rushed out of the chamber at his fastest speed, only to find that his path had somehow been reversed and that he was actually returning to the chamber.

What had just happened?

"Brother Long, if you're in too much of a rush, then it'll be easy to run into a wall." A voice entered Lu Yin's ear, and he turned to see Xia Shenfei. What had he done?

Lu Yin was just looking at one of Xia Shenfei's clones. This clone had attacked Shang Qing before, but because of Bai Shaohong's sneak attack, Xia Shenfei had not recombined with all of his clones. Instead, he had kept one of them on standby to act as a guard. While Xia Shenfei seemed like an emotional person, he was actually even more wiley than anyone else. Crown Prince Gui Qian had claimed that Long Qi had managed to escape from Long Tian and Bai Shaohong, so Xia Shenfei had been waiting for just this moment.

Since Long Qi had been able to escape once before, it was likely that he would attempt to do so a second time, and Xia Shenfei intended to seize that opportunity.

The outcome could be considered ideal. Long Qi had almost escaped with the use of a secret technique, but fortunately, Xia Shenfei had been prepared.

"Give it to me." Xia Shenfei's body was covered with the Divine Martial Armor, and he grabbed at Lu Yin.

In the distance, Long Tian, Bai Shaohong, and Wang Su all wanted to take action, but there were people blocking them. In particular, Bai Shaohong was held back, as Xia Shenfei's main body was blocking him.

A Junior Progenitor, or even just a clone of one, was not something that an ordinary cultivator could face.

At this time, the summoned Progenitor Hui appeared at Lu Yin's side. The summoned Progenitor grabbed Lu Yin and instantly disappeared. The two passed right by Xia Shenfei and continued to race out of the chamber.

This was the clone of Progenitor Hui's power. It would dash about the battlefield to place countless spatial coordinates, which would then allow it to freely move about as it wished.

During ZENITH, Shang Qing had infuriated many people with this ability.

Progenitor Hui carried Lu Yin and rushed away. However, the void suddenly distorted in front of them, and it looked as though it had been grabbed. Lu Yin secretly cursed. This was not good, as Long Tian had attacked him. He had an innate gift of space, so distance meant nothing to him. Even if the summon blocked this attack and allowed Lu Yin to escape from the branch, he would still be attacked.

"Let him go!" Long Tian shouted. He pulled his right hand back, and the void in front of the summoned Progenitor Hui shifted as his attack landed. Half of the summon's body was shattered by this attack. Long Tian had deliberately avoided Long Qi with his attack, as he actually wanted Long Qi to escape. If the Origin Matter was in Long Qi's possession, then the White Dragon Clan would have every right to claim it. As for the possibility of Long Qi using the Origin Matter to open his own upper meridian point, there was no fear of that happening as it was simply impossible.

Long Tian had assumed that Progenitor Hui had been kidnapping Long Qi, which was why he had attacked and scattered the summoned Progenitor Hui, momentarily delaying the summon. This delay had allowed Xia Shenfei to catch up to Lu Yin once more.

Long Tian continued to attack. He tried to use his innate gift to lock down Xia Shenfei, but his efforts were being rebuffed by Bai Shaohong, who was interfering with Long Tian's attacks. Bai Shaohong then looked over at Xia Shenfei. "Brother Xia, catch Long Qi! We'll have a fair competition afterwards."

"Okay!" Xia Shenfei shouted back. Once he was past the corner, he raised a hand and grabbed at Lu Yin. His hand was covered by his Divine Martial Armor, ensuring that Lu Yin would not be able to resist.

Long Xi's expression changed drastically. "Long Qi, RUN!"

Unseen Light was still fighting against Dong Shan. He opened his eyes and helplessly said, "It's time to make a move, Champ."

Across from Unseen Light, Dong Shan was confused, as he could not understand what Unseen Light meant.

Yao Xuan, Liu Tianmu, Shang Qing, and Wu Taibai all simultaneously looked over at the corner, each of them anticipating a shocking scene. They were waiting to see the Lu Yin who had challenged and triumphed over everyone during ZENITH.

Xia Shenfei lowered his hand. He was just about to seize Lu Yin when Lu Yin let out a breath and looked up. "Is this fun?"

As soon as these words left his mouth, a golden light appeared and shrouded Lu Yin's body. He raised his own hand and reached out for Xia Shenfei's. Xia Shenfei felt the power behind Lu Yin's hand, and his expression changed. "Is this-?"

There was a bang, and Xia Shenfei's clone was suddenly forced up against the wall by Lu Yin. "It's over."

Lu Yin instantly released a Vacuum Palm with a full 250 Stacks behind it, as well as his golden battle force. Lu Yin's hand continued to press forward, tearing through Xia Shenfei's clone.

Everyone stared on, dumbfounded; how was this possible? That was Xia Shenfei, a Junior Progenitor! While Lu Yin had only been up against a clone, that clone had still been around as strong as Wang Yi and others at that level. And yet, Lu Yin's hand had gone straight through the body!

In the distance, Xia Shenfei's true body spat out a mouthful of blood, as another clone had been holes punched through his body.

He stared at Lu Yin in utter shock. "Ten lined battle force? You actually managed to cultivate ten lined battle force!"

Bai Shaohong and the others were similarly shocked. It was not difficult for such people to cultivate battle force, but reaching ten lined battle force was a completely different story, as that required an unparalleled ambition. Only after achieving ten lined battle force could one be considered to have become unparalleled.

The four Junior Progenitors had never focused on cultivating a domain or battle force, as they had all received various inheritances and had enough to focus on in terms of training. They had never imagined that Lu Yin would have actually achieved ten lined battle force.

Ten lined battle force was comparable to the Divine Martial Armor!

Suddenly, Lu Yin no longer wished to escape. He was fully capable of doing so at this moment, but why should he do so? He had already been exposed, so he would just fight it out. There was also a conjecture that he needed to confirm in this place, as it could only be done in this place.

Long Xi stared blankly at Lu Yin, who was shrouded in a golden light. It was now confirmed that Long Qi was a trespasser, but that was not a surprise.

Only a trespasser could have hidden such strength.

Long Tian wore an extremely grim expression on his face. The son-in-law of the White Dragon Clan's main family actually turned out to actually be a trespasser! Once word of this spread, it would be the ultimate humiliation.

Chapter 1437: Zenith

Bai Shaohong lifted his head high. He was very, very happy that Long Qi had turned out to be a trespasser, as it meant that his marriage to Long Xi did not count.

Shang Qing looked at Lu Yin. "You aren't leaving?"

Lu Yin casually replied, "I can leave whenever I want, so there's no rush."

Wang Su arched a brow as she looked at Lu Yin. "If you don't leave right now, then you can forget about ever leaving."

She then lifted a hand and opened it, pointing all five fingers towards Lu Yin. He recognized this move as a technique that had deeply impressed him before. Four Arts: Pearl was able to seal any technique or ability that a person possessed.

Lu Yin disappeared in a flash and attacked Wang Su with a Vacuum Palm.

Wang Su quickly dodged aside, but Lu Yin was much stronger than he had been during ZENITH, and his cultivation had also risen greatly. He had strengthened his body with dragon saliva, and he had even opened his lower meridian point. As such, his Vacuum Palm had become both faster and stronger, and it far surpassed what Wang Yi had endured during ZENITH. That level of strength would not have been able to pierce through the body of one of Xia Shenfei's clones.

Wang Su wanted to avoid Lu Yin's attack, but she was a little too slow. The palm slammed into her shoulder, and it knocked her several meters back. A palm print appeared on her shoulder.

Wang Su was surprised, especially since she was no longer able to fully lift her arm. This had been a very powerful attack.

Yun Tingting wanted to sneak attack Lu Yin, but she was hit by another Vacuum Palm. She was also not as lucky as Wang Su, and Yun Tingting spat out blood as her body smashed into a wall.

Bai Shaohong pointed out with a finger to unleash Void Rip.

Lu Yin stared at Bai Shaohong. "You're really an eyesore. You absolutely deserve to be beaten."

Lu Yin raised his hand, and Vacuum Palms shot out without end.

Lu Yin's battle force had reached ten lines, and the increased power that it gave his Vacuum Palms left Shang Qing and the others speechless. If Lu Yin had possessed such strength during ZENITH, then he might not have even needed to use the God of Death Transformation in his fight against Shang Qing.

At this moment, Lu Yin was still in a normal condition, but his level of strength was comparable to Shang Qing's. This meant that Lu Yin was as powerful as a Junior Progenitor because after revealing the full power of his Tri-Yang Technique, Shang Qing had been able to hold down a Junior Progenitor all on his own.

The Vacuum Palm had been reinforced with the golden battle force, and when that power was amplified by Lu Yin's physical strength, not only was it able to break through Bai Shaohong's Void Rip, but it also continued on towards Bai Shaohong and Long Tian, who were nearby.

Bai Shaohong's eyes grew cold. "What arrogance."

As he spoke, he raised a hand and struck out with a palm of his own: Gap Between Heaven and Human.

Boom!

The violent collision sent out a wave of ripples. Bai Shaohong was an Enlighter who had already opened his middle meridian point, overwhelming Lu Yin in both cultivation and physical strength. However, Lu Yin's physical power had been reinforced by golden battle force, so his Vacuum Palm was simply too powerful, and it actually overpowered Bai Shaohong's attack.

Bai Shaohong could not believe this result; had he actually been overpowered? How could this have happened?!

Long Tian disappeared, and he raced towards Lu Yin with the Roving White Dragon. A spear shot out, and the attack pierced through the void.

Lu Yin's eyes were locked onto the speartip. At this moment, the images that he had witnessed from the Sword Monument reappeared in his mind, and his brain began to race. His hand shot up and shifted the speartip by a tiny bit while simultaneously striking the weakest part of the spear with a palm. Long Tian nearly lost his grip on the spear, and he felt the same shock that had just assaulted Bai Shaohong. Long Tian instantly used the White Dragon's Transformation, causing his physical might to rise as he fiercely attacked Lu Yin.

Lu Yin suddenly disappeared. He had used the Teleportation Formation.

Long Tian stabbed the air with his spear, and his body twisted. He was still using the Roving White Dragon. His mastery of the technique allowed him to briefly enter the true universe, and he completely vanished.

Nearby, Bai Shaohong also stepped into the true universe by utilizing his unparalleled strength.

This was the strength of the Junior Progenitors. Even if Shang Qing or Lu Yin were strong enough to stand on the same level as the Junior Progenitors, the two were still inferior when it came to overall ability.

The tip of the spear stabbed at Lu Yin from an invisible location. He sensed the danger and evaded, but his arm was still torn, and blood dripped out. He felt an impending crisis, and an astral chessboard appeared beneath his feet, causing him to move with the secret technique.

Lu Yin had intended to move to a location that was not close to anyone, but he suddenly realized that he had moved in the wrong direction. He instantly thought of Xia Shenfei, as the Junior Progenitor had already demonstrated a similar ability, and he continued to cause Lu Yin to make mistakes.

Wang Su seemed to be cooperating with Xia Shenfei, and the moment Lu Yin reappeared, he was met by Four Arts: Pearl.

Both Bai Shaohong and Long Tian appeared, charging at Lu Yin at the same time. Fortunately, at the same time, the summoned Progenitor Chen with the knife and Progenitor Hui's As If Closed sourcebox array appeared. One slashed at Bai Shaohong's back while the other trapped Long Tian to give Lu Yin a moment to recover.

Lu Yin looked over at Shang Qing. "Do you want to target the Junior Progenitors with me? It'll be faster and easier."

"Alright," Shang Qing agreed. The illusory Progenitor Chen immediately merged with the body of the knife wielding clone of Progenitor Chen. At this moment, the summoned Progenitor Chen's strength became far higher than before, and it forced Bai Shaohong to retreat.

Shang Qing had summoned Progenitor Chen. No matter how strong Bai Shaohong might be, he would never be able to compare to Progenitor Chen within the same cultivation realm. If not for the fact that Bai Shaohong was cautious and the summoned Progenitor had no intelligence, Bai Shaohong might not have even been able to put up a fight.

This was the terrifying part of the Tri-Yang Technique; even if Shang Qing's cultivation only rose by a small amount, the strength of his summoned Progenitor Chen and Progenitor Hui would rise by a terrifying amount.

Wang Yi and Wu Taibai had both experienced what it felt like to face off against the Progenitor.

Although the summoned Progenitor Chen and Progenitor Hui were able to stop Bai Shaohong and Long Tian, Wang Su had not been stopped.

She confronted Lu Yin. With a movement of her fingers, the void cracked open. Four black ropes took form from the void, and they bound Lu Yin's hands and feet. This was the Wang Secret Art: Confinement.

"I already told you that there's no escape." Wang Su did not immediately attack, but her attitude completely changed. Invisible fluctuations radiated out from her in all directions.

Bai Shaohong was closest to her, and his expression instantly changed. "Stop!"

But his words were useless. The invisible waves continued to spread out from Wang Su in all directions, and they enveloped everyone.

Shang Qing was the only one present who felt danger at this moment, and the summoned Progenitor Hui appeared to move Shang Qing away.

Shang Qing frowned as he saw the ripples roll over everyone. What was going on?

Wang Su lifted her head. At this moment, she looked like a goddess who reigned above the nine heavens. She gave off an image of invincibility and caused fear to sprout in everyone's heart.

At this moment, even Bai Shaohong, Long Tian, and Xia Shenfei had the conscious desire to worship the young woman. They were still unable to take any action against her.

The same was also true of Lu Yin. He had been bound by the four black ropes and rendered immobile. He could not break free. However, even more importantly, he did not want to break free. He watched as Wang Su slowly walked closer, and the urge to kneel filled Lu Yin's heart.

This was the Wang Secret Art: Supremacy, and the secret technique elevated the user in the eyes of those observing them, giving everyone the desire to worship the user of the secret technique.

In a battle, even the slightest bit of hesitation could be enough to turn the tides. Thus, the ability to make an opponent to bow their head in submission was something that even Bai Shaohong and other Junior Progenitors were terrified of.

Wang Su approached Lu Yin one step at a time. She had used Supremacy, so she was not afraid of him escaping. After all, at this moment, he did not even possess the desire to escape. As far as Wang Su was concerned, at this moment, Lu Yin only wanted to prostrate himself and submit to her. This was the source of Wang Su's self-confidence. This was the strength of the Wang family's Junior Progenitor.

Lu Yin watched as Wang Su approached. He watched as she lifted a hand to grab him. This was the same scene that he had seen before, though at that time, it had been Xia Shenfei reaching for Lu Yin, and at this moment, it was Wang Su.

"Do all of you Junior Progenitors feel like you're superior and above all others?" Lu Yin's eyes suddenly changed as he opened his mouth.

Wang Su's expression changed drastically; this was impossible.

Lu Yin growled and snapped the ropes. He then grabbed at Wang Su, using the exact same motion that Xia Shenfei had used before.

Wang Su stared into Lu Yin's eyes, and her pupils somehow changed and Lu Yin felt a jolt to his brain as he was attacked by spiritual force. His eyes went wide from the shock, and he resisted the attack.

There was an explosion, and the void between Wang Su and Lu Yin erupted. The two briefly attacked the other with spiritual force and then simultaneously retreated. As they stepped back, the effects of Supremacy also disappeared.

At this instance, a ball appeared between Wang Su and Lu Yin. When Lu Yin saw it, he silently cursed and immediately fled.

Xia Shenfei also saw the ball. "RUN!"

There was a bang, and Wang Su was blasted by a violent eruption of spiritual force. This was Yao Xuan's attack, Force Explosion.

He had taken advantage of the fight between Wang Su and Lu Yin's, only attacking at the exact moment that the secret technique had ended. The results were quite good, as Wang Su had been injured badly enough for blood to leak out from her mouth.

In addition to Xia Shenfei, another Junior Progenitor had also been injured.

Lu Yin had also been shaken by the explosion, and he was stunned for a moment. Yao Xuan, that idiot! He must have done that on purpose.

Xia Shenfei looked at Wang Su's injury. He then licked his lips and dryly asked, "Has anyone ever told you that you shouldn't offend a woman?"

Many people turned to look at Wang Su out of reflex.

She quietly stood there in place. Her face looked calm, but her head was bowed, and she started to give off a strange aura.

The moment that Bai Shaohong and Long Tian saw Wang Su in this state, they no longer took any actions at all. Xia Shenfei actually looked at Lu Yin in a sympathetic manner before looking at Yao Xuan and the others. "The actual reason why Junior Progenitors are given such a title is because there is a fundamental difference between us and you. This is something that only we were aware of, but now, you'll get to see it for yourselves."

The void trembled after he finished speaking. Wang Su's head rose. Her body was filled with so much star energy that it actually became visible to the naked eye. It formed a beam that shot high into the sky, and an invisible pressure fell upon the surrounding area. After that, a phantom appeared behind Wang Su that gradually became more and more clear.

Lu Yin and the others grew somber. From the moment that Wang Su had raised her head, a bad premonition had filled all of their hearts. They had realized that the treatment that the Junior Progenitors received in the Perennial World was simply too favorable. They were called Junior Progenitors as a way of indicating that they were future Progenitors still in their youth. Such a realm was an impossible mystery in the Fifth Mainland. Even though Lu Yin had become the champion of ZENITH, he had never received such biased treatment despite having a much greater chance of becoming a Progenitor when compared to his peers.

In the Perennial World, each Junior Progenitor not only became a member of Humility's Gate, but they were also automatically given the role of an officer in the organization. On top of that, they would each be given a Junior Progenitor Planet as well as resources from the entire universe. This preferential treatment was extremely out of the ordinary.

Thus far, despite the impressive strength that Bai Shaohong and the others had revealed that placed them far above their peers, none of them had shown anything that could be considered worthy of the title "Junior Progenitor." However, the moment Wang Su raised her head, revealing the phantom behind her, the title "Junior Progenitor" rang out in the minds of Lu Yin and the others. Xia Shenfei's words also echoed in their minds; they were about to experience the difference between a Junior Progenitor and the others of the same generation.

Lu Yin silently threw out a Vacuum Palm. It shot through the air towards Wang Su. Lu Yin did not care about titles and such. He was fully confident that his strength had reached the pinnacle of his generation. Even if the Junior Progenitors still had some hidden cards, Lu Yin believed that he was on the same level as them. Besides, was it even possible to avoid a fight? Thus, he had to fight.

The Vacuum Palm shot through the air, aimed straight at Wang Su's eyes. She lifted a hand and slapped at Lu Yin's attack.

The deafening bang exploded in everyone's ears, and the powerful shockwave blasted the ground flat.

Wang Su had directly received Lu Yin's Vacuum Palm.

Lu Yin was surprised. His physical strength and cultivation had greatly improved after he had arrived in the Perennial World, and when those improvements were combined with his ten lined battle force, his Vacuum Palms should have been able to severely injure someone at Wang Yi's strength. Previously, Wang Su had been knocked back by a single Vacuum Palm, but Lu Yin's attack had suddenly become useless.

Chapter 1438: Reappearance Of Invincibility

The phantom image behind Wang Su was quite clear. It was a hand, and it was even possible to make out the palm lines on it. Its light illuminated Wang Su, giving her a divine appearance.

The moment that Lu Yin saw this, he thought of the imprints that he had seen before. Could the Perennial World also use imprints? No, an imprint was an imprint of a powerhouse while this image was of nothing more than a hand.

Liu Tianmu and the others were all shocked. The moment the image of the hand appeared, Wang Su had completely changed. She had easily blocked Lu Yin's Vacuum Palm, which showed that her strength had undergone a qualitative transformation.

Across the chamber, Liu Hao exclaimed, "The Lu family's visualization method was divided among the four ruling powers, and this was what brought about the four Junior Progenitors. Is this the power of visualization?"

As soon as Liu Tianmu heard this, she looked at Lu Yin. The Lu family?

Long Tian and the others fell back. Wang Su had already brought out the power exclusive to the Junior Progenitors, so this entire farce should finally be about to end. They just needed to wait for Long Qi to be defeated so that they could grab the Origin Matter.

Long Xi's face went pale. She had previously seen and felt for herself the visualization method, and she fully believed in the invincibility of the Junior Progenitors. Even though she had already opened her lower meridian point, even if she was given enough tribulation crystals to open her middle meridian point, putting her at the same cultivation level as the Junior Progenitors, it would be useless. Even cultivation was meaningless before this power. Only the Junior Progenitors were able to practice the visualization method out of everyone in the four ruling powers. There were only a few cultivators in the entire Perennial World who were able to use the visualization method as this power had belonged exclusively to the Lu family.

Lu Yin stared at Wang Su for a moment. There was a phantom behind the woman, not an imprint. This was the same sort of power as the phantom tree that had appeared behind Yuhua Mavis.

Suddenly, Wang Su's body disappeared. Lu Yin's heart skipped a beat. This was not good! She had moved so quickly that she had entered the true universe. Without even thinking, Lu Yin pulled out the gemspring water that he had Enhanced, and he dripped it into his eyes. At the same time, he fell back. Once he opened his eyes, he saw Wang Su's icy gaze to his right. He pretended not to see her as she passed by him, moved behind him, and waved a hand. Four Arts: Celestial Blade.

Lu Yin instantly set up and used a Teleportation Formation to move behind Wang Su where he lifted his hands and threw out multiple attacks. Wang Su had not expected Lu Yin to actually be able to track her movements. Surprised, she whirled around and swatted out multiple counter attacks.

Bang bang bang...

Dozens of explosions rang out as two palms collided. The void tore apart, and the shockwaves from the impacts surpassed a power level of 500,000.

Long Xi stared on in shock. Was Long Qi actually strong enough to compare to the Junior Progenitors?

There was another bang as their hands struck each other once more. Then, Lu Yin and Wang Su both retreated at the same time. They were both panting.

Wang Su was also astonished. She had already used the visualization method, so why was she still unable to suppress this person? He was absolutely as powerful as a Junior Progenitor.

Lu Yin's palms ached. This woman's hands were extremely strong, and she was direct with her attacks too. He did not understand just what had boosted her strength so much, but the force that had met each of his Vacuum Palms had been anything but weak. Fortunately, she had not been able to overpower him.

This battle reminded Lu Yin of when he had first fought against Wang Yi. The two of them had been nearly identical in physical strength, and it was difficult to quickly determine a winner in such a battle.

At this moment, there was one rule that everyone was following: no one used any items when fighting against those of the same level. After all, who did not want to overwhelm a group of their own peers?

Lu Yin had revealed enough strength while fighting against Wang Su, and Long Tian's expression had grown extremely ugly. He had been tricked. Long Qi had obviously possessed this level of strength from the very beginning, and he had definitely been laughing at Long Tian from the beginning. How hateful!

Bai Shaohong also grew more somber as things progressed, as he was gradually realizing the level of strength that these trespassers from the Forsaken Land possessed. As he thought about this, he looked over at Shang Qing. He was another trespasser with an impressive level of strength. After another era, the situation was looking worse and worse. Things would have to be dealt with after returning.

Shang Qing's eyes narrowed. Even though he and Lu Yin were keeping two of the Junior Progenitors occupied, there were still two more, and they were more than enough to deal with Yao Xuan and others. Given the current situation, escape was impossible.

"Wang Su, hurry up and make a decision!" Bai Shaohong suddenly rushed over and pressed down a hand. It was the secret technique: Cloud Fall.

Wang Su did not stop Bai Shaohong, as this was not the time for a fair fight.

Two Junior Progenitors had joined forces against him, causing Lu Yin to frown. This had just become incredibly troublesome.

Shang Qing quickly waved a hand, and his summoned Progenitor Chen charged forward, only to be blocked by Long Tian. Long Tian was not only able to block Progenitor Chen, but he also managed to attack Shang Qing. The attack came from the true universe, but Shang Qing did not have any upgraded gemspring water. Thus, he was not able to see Long Tian's attacks that came from the true universe. However, the summoned Progenitor Hui was able to take Shang Qing away, and as they moved away, Long Tian was attacked by the As If Closed sourcebox array.

However, it was not that easy for Shang Qing to escape, as Xia Shenfei also attacked him. "Are you still trying to hold both of us back?"

His body was covered with the Divine Martial Armor, and Shang Qing dodged again with the help of Progenitor Hui. However, this attack had targeted a large area, so there was no way for Shang Qing to completely avoid it. He was struck by the attack, and he coughed up blood.

The summoned Progenitor Chen slashed a knife at Xia Shenfei from behind, and Xia Shenfei turned around and raised a hand. "Secret Technique: Reverse."

With a shout from Xia Shenfei, the summoned Progenitor Chen was actually forced back. At the same time, Long Tian broke free of the As If Closed sourcebox array by using the White Dragon Transformation. His spear pierced through the summoned Progenitor Chen's body and reverted the summon back to a strand of ancestral qi.

Shang Qing coughed up more blood. He could keep one of the Junior Progenitors occupied but not two.

A short distance away, Lu Yin had also gotten in trouble. Bai Shaohong's Cloud Fall secret technique had not trapped Lu Yin, but that had never been Bai Shaohong's intention. After Lu Yin evaded the secret technique, Bai Shaohong instantly attacked again. He pointed into the void. "Void Rip."

The black line appeared and sliced through the void.

Lu Yin paled. This was a Progenitor's battle technique, which meant that his Yu Secret Art would be useless against it. He wanted to use the Teleportation Formation to escape, but he had already revealed many of his abilities against Wang Su. So, Wang Su disrupted Lu Yin's ability to use the Teleportation Formation with a burst of star energy, and Lu Yin had also just used a secret technique. He would have to take this attack head on.

Bai Shaohong was absolutely confident that Void Rip would be enough to cut Long Qi in half as long as he did not use a power vessel, but Bai Shaohong was even prepared for that possibility.

Lu Yin raised a hand and caused a Channeling Diagram to appear. The Void Rip cut across the sourcebox array, but the Channeling Diagram was able to divert star energy attacks, domains, battle techniques, and even stranger attacks. After the sourcebox array appeared, Lu Yin brought out his fatesand, but it was quickly cut through and returned to Lu Yin's body. Both of his defensive measures only managed to buy Lu Yin an extra second of time, but this second was enough to allow Lu Yin to escape with the Ce Secret Art. His destination was right next to Crown Prince Gui Qian.

The prince had not been very far from Lu Yin, and he had been staring, stunned, at everything that was occurring. Even a person as morose as him would curse at this moment, because he had also been attacked by Void Rip outside of the Voidsoul Palace. He had been cut in two by this technique, and he could still remember the sensation. Now, was he facing it again?

Just as Crown Prince Gui Qian was about to take out a power vessel to protect himself, Lu Yin appeared in front of him. He pressed a hand down upon the prince's shoulder and said, "I'm going to use your death energy."

Crown Prince Gui Qian was stunned. "What did you just say?"

Right then, the death energy within the prince's body started rushing out towards Lu Yin. It raced away from the prince faster and faster as Lu Yin absorbed it.

Crown Prince Gui Qian was dumbfounded. Besides Specter Abyss, who else was capable of using death energy? Death energy was not a common power, but somehow, this person was able to absorb it. On top of that, the moment that Lu Yin had touched the prince, he had felt as though he was being suppressed and even outclassed.

Crown Prince Gui Qian then became certain that he had heard Long Qi correctly; Lu Yin had indeed said that he would use the prince's death energy as the prince's death energy was no longer under his control and was currently being yanked away.

This matter toppled the prince's entire worldview. There was not supposed to be anyone outside of Specter Abyss who used death energy, and even within Specter Abyss, there was no one in the prince's generation who was able to steal his death energy. In fact, even disregarding his peers, it would be highly unlikely that an Envoy from Specter Abyss could successfully steal Crown Prince Gui Qian's death energy.

Despite all of that, Long Qi was pulling it off. What the hell? Crown Prince Gui Qian was utterly stunned.

Lu Yin had not escaped earlier, and the entire reason for that was because, when he had first been attacked by Crown Prince Gui Qian, Lu Yin had clearly felt himself absorbing a bit of the prince's death energy. Thus, he wanted to see if it was possible to absorb death energy from another person.

As it turned out, it was indeed possible.

Lu Yin continued to absorb the prince's death energy even as the Void Rip drew closer and closer. Within Lu Yin's heart, the black and white mist had grown greatly since last time, and it had begun to churn with this additional influx of death energy. It quickly spread throughout Lu Yin's body.

Shang Qing and the others stared on in amazement as a black and white cocoon suddenly encased Lu Yin's body. Right after that, the Void Rip struck the cocoon, but it did not break it. However, the Void Rip also did not disappear. It looked as though it had become stuck in place.

After two seconds, the black and white cocoon cracked open and revealed a completely transformed Lu Yin.

His eyes had become pure black, and his hair hung all the way down to his waist. His upper body was half-naked, and there was also a black mist wrapping around him. It swirled about like a nebula before forming a chain that circled his body that was now marked with mysterious looking dark red veins. There was also a white mist wrapped around his left arm that had formed a shield while in his right hand, he held a massive scythe. More of the black mist rose up behind him, and eyes occasionally could be seen within it. This was the God of Death Transformation.

When Shang Qing and the others saw Lu Yin's transformation, their scalps went numb. During ZENITH's last battle, they had all been overcome with despair after Lu Yin entered this state, and they were struck by the same feeling once again. During ZENITH, all of the top ten had fought Lu Yin at the same time, but their combined efforts had not been able to defeat Lu Yin after he had transformed. In fact, they had not even been able to make him take a single step.

This was the true pinnacle strength of the Fifth Mainland.

Given how shocked Shang Qing and others were upon seeing this transformation for the second time, there was no need to even mention Bai Shaohong and the others from the Perennial World. At this moment, they were all struck stupid and were staring at Lu Yin, dumbfounded.

Wang Su was also staring at Lu Yin. This appearance looked so familiar. She felt like she had seen or heard of it somewhere before.

Lu Yin looked up, and his solid black eyes locked onto Bai Shaohong. The Junior Progenitor felt his heart tremble. An inexplicable sense of fear filled his body, and it felt as if he was being looked down upon by some indescribable existence.

At this moment, the one feeling the most turbulent emotions was none other than Crown Prince Gui Qian.

He felt like his brain was about to explode the moment Lu Yin revealed his God of Death Transformation. No one was more familiar with this image that Specter Abyss. This was the appearance of the God of Death.

The God of Death had not been a mere myth. Although that was what everyone else believed, Specter Abyss knew that the ancient Progenitor had truly existed and that he had been an utterly invincible powerhouse who had surpassed everything that humanity currently understood about the ancient Progenitors. Not even the Perennial World's four ruling powers possessed inheritances comparable to the God of Death's inheritance. In fact, only the Lu family that had once ruled this universe had possessed a comparable inheritance.

And yet, the God of Death's inheritance had appeared on a trespasser from the Forsaken Land's Fifth Mainland. This represented the pinnacle that Specter Abyss had always sought, yet never gotten close to reaching. Crown Prince Gui Qian had never expected the inheritance to actually appear here on this person.

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As soon as the black and white cocoon shattered, the Void Rip arrived at Lu Yin's face. He lifted his left arm, and the shield formed by the white mist blocked the Void Rip. Lu Yin's eyes flashed. This was an absolutely terrifying attack, as even at this moment, he still felt a bit of pressure from it, though it was only a small bit. After all, it was a Progenitor's battle technique and was something that not even the Yu Secret Art could divert.

Lu Yin snorted and shifted his left arm to throw the Void Rip back.

Bai Shaohong's pupils instantly shrank; how was this even possible? How could his Void Rip be forcibly blocked by one of his peers?

As they looked at Lu Yin at this moment, Long Tian and the others felt a chill strike their hearts. They felt as though they were facing a god of death.

Lu Yin clenched his scythe and slashed it at Bai Shaohong. "Let me return it to you."

Bai Shaohong faced the scythe's attack head on, and an unconscious sense of danger prompted him to use his full strength. Just like what had happened with Wang Su, a phantom appeared behind Bai Shaohong, though his was of a small pond.

As the phantom image of the small pond appeared, Bai Shaohong raised a hand and pointed a finger: Celestial Being Shows the Way. At the same time, the water in the small pond was rapidly consumed.

Suddenly, an extreme cold appeared. This was the true Celestial Being Shows the Way of the Celestial Frost Sect. The power of this single finger was able to pierce through the void.

Lu Yin's scythe directly smashed against the Celestial Being Shows the Way.

A terrifying shockwave swept out and shattered space. Lu Yin had expected his attack to injure Bai Shaohong, but Lu Yin had still underestimated the Junior Progenitor who was the Celestial Frost Sect's most talented youth. Lu Yin's slash was actually blocked by his Celestial Being Shows the Way.

However, a great deal of the water in the image of the pond behind Bai Shaohong had been consumed as a result.

"How many times can you block my attack?" Lu Yin asked in a low voice. He raised his scythe once more and slashed it down. This attack not only targeted Bai Shaohong, but also Wang Su. Lu Yin actually wanted to face off against two Junior Progenitors at the same time.

Bai Shaohong could not believe that a mere trespasser from the Forsaken Land actually possessed greater strength than even him. "I'll block him—you attack!"

Wang Su did not hesitate, and her body shot into the true universe. The effects of the upgraded gemspring water had already faded, so Lu Yin was no longer able to see into the true universe, but did he even need to?

Black ropes formed from the void itself appeared all around Lu Yin. This was the Wang Secret Art: Forbidden.

Lu Yin raised his left hand, grabbed the nebulous black chain wrapped around his body, and swung it in a circle around himself.

The Forbidden secret technique shattered, and Wang Su emerged from the true universe. The phantom hand behind her solidified, and she attacked Lu Yin with a hand, which meant that two palms were falling upon Lu Yin at the same time.

However, the palm attack froze the moment it entered the black mist swirling around Lu Yin.

Wang Su was startled; how was this even possible?

Lu Yin turned around and attacked with his scythe again. Wang Su waved her left hand to use Four Arts: Celestial Blade. But there was a bang, and the Celestial Blade shattered while the scythe continued on its path without slowing. Wang Su's body rippled. Secret Art: Supremacy.

The power of this secret technique was unbearable, and it even left Bai Shaohong fearful.

Lu Yin avoided the suppression of the secret art by reciting the Stonewall Scriptures. The secret technique had actually caught him off guard, so he was momentarily affected by it. While it only affected him for less than a moment, it was still enough time for Wang Su to quickly retreat.

Lu Yin looked up at her and attacked once more with his scythe. Blood splashed down. Wang Su had been cut.

Bai Shaohong appeared from behind him. "Void Rip."

This was another method of using Void Rip, and it was even more powerful than the attacks Bai Shaohong had used before. He was using the visualization method at this moment, which had boosted his strength even further. Even Lu Yin had to be careful of this attack.

It sliced through the void in an entire area.

Shang Qing, Yao Xuan, and the others all warily watched Lu Yin in his God of Death Transformation. They remembered that this state altered Lu Yin's behavior, and he tended to be more ruthless than normal. Thus, they were afraid of being dragged into his fights.

When Lu Yin retaliated with his scythe, Shang Qing and the others instantly and unhesitatingly retreated. Their actions proved to be the right one, as it was clear that they would have been swept up in his attack.

Faced with a slash from the black scythe and a Void Rip that sliced through the void, Long Tian's expression dramatically changed, and the phantom of a giant python appeared behind him. This was also the power of visualization. At the same time, Xia Shenfei manifested the phantom of a long knife behind his back. All four of the Junior Progenitors had unleashed their full strength.

However, all four of the Junior Progenitors were forced to defend against Lu Yin's scythe, and all of their followers either ducked low or were protected by a Junior Progenitor. Dong He was the only one without anyone to protect him, and he did not have a chance to duck either. The scythe swept by, and his head toppled off, dead.

Bai Shaohong's eyes went wide. Dong He was the most talented junior in the entire Celestial Frost Sect after Bai Shaohong himself, but he had just died. "Long Qi, you'll pay for that with your life!"

Lu Yin did not see what Bai Shaohong did after that, but Lu Yin suddenly saw Nightking Zhenwu. He looked perfectly real, and he was laughing wildly. "Lu Yin, you can't defeat me! You can never defeat me! Look at yourself! Look at your people! I will destroy every single one of them one at a time! This is the fate of those who cross me and my Daynight clan."

Suddenly, Ming Yan appeared. Her eyes were filled with tears. "Big Brother Lu, Father's dead! I don't want to get you involved, so just let me go."

As she spoke, she swallowed the Vitality Poison that she was holding in her hands.

The blood drained from Lu Yin's face. "Don't-"

He stepped forward to try to stop Ming Yan from swallowing the Vitality Poison, but even though she was only a few steps away, she might as well have been on the other side of the world. He would never be able to reach her in time, and he could only watch as she drank the Vitality Poison and died.

His chest was wracked with severe pain, and he heard someone else roaring. His mind raced, and Ming Yan disappeared from before his eyes. He was once again able to see his surroundings clearly. Unseen Light was shouting at Lu Yin, and in front of him stood the summoned Progenitor Chen and Progenitor Hui. They were blocking Xia Shenfei and Long Tian. When Lu Yin looked down, he saw that blood was dripping down his chest. Had he been injured?

Yao Xuan heaved a sigh of relief. His Force Explosion had successfully roused Lu Yin. Then, Yao Xuan stared at Bai Shaohong in horror. The Celestial Demon prince did not know what the man had done, but Lu Yin had fallen into an illusion. No, there had not been any spiritual force ripples, so it could not have been an illusion. Regardless, Lu Yin had been directly struck by a Void Rip without erecting any sort of defense, and he had acted as though he had lost his mind.

Bai Shaohong once again pointed a finger at the void as he stared at Lu Yin. "You can't escape!"

The blood stopped falling from Lu Yin's chest. He did not know what Bai Shaohong had done, but since there had not been any spiritual force involved, it had to be an innate gift or a secret technique. The Celestial Frost Sect had as many inheritances as the countless stars in the sky. Lu Yin gained a new wariness of Bai Shaohong.

Void Rip appeared in front of Bai Shaohong, and the black line moved towards Lu Yin. At this moment, the Junior Progenitor locked his eyes onto Lu Yin once more. Since he had succeeded once, then he could do so a second time. This technique was unavoidable, and it forced them to either see the person they hated the most or the person they loved the most. Regardless, the person would be dragged into a dream.

Lu Yin let out a breath and started reciting the Stonewall Scriptures within his mind. Any time he encountered strange attacks like this, the Stonewall Scriptures were able to protect him from most of them.

Another scene entered Lu Yin's eyes. This time, it was a finger falling towards him, and a boundless rage overcame him. He nearly shouted, "Presumptuous!"

He heard Unseen Light and the others shouting at him from nearby. Yao Xuan did not know who would be injured if he attacked again, which was the only reason why he refrained from using Force Explosion a second time.

Just as the Void Rip drew close, Lu Yin's eyes suddenly shot open, and his scythe slashed out once more. The Void Rip was split in twain, and as Bai Shaohong watched on in utter shock, the scythe swung down once again. Bai Shaohong was not able to dodge this time, and a terrible wound appeared on his body, starting at his neck and continuing all the way down to his legs. Blood poured out.

"Junior Progenitor—" Dong Shan roared in rage and rushed towards Bai Shaohong, but Lu Yin did not stop, and he continued to unleash attacks that contained unparalleled power.

However, the last attack was blocked by a long spear. It was Long Tian. A phantom of the Ancestor Python had appeared behind him, and the white scales from the White Dragon's Transformation had appeared all over his body in a dense pattern. He stared at Lu Yin with eyes that burned with heat while

also being icy cold. "Now that I've had a moment to think, that's the appearance of the God of Death. Now, Long Qi, return to the clan with me, and I will ensure that you will be allowed to become a core member of the clan."

"Idiot," Lu Yin replied. The scythe pressed down harder, and the spear cracked. At the same time, Lu Yin grabbed the nebulous black chain with his left hand and swung it at Long Tian.

The Junior Progenitor lifted a hand and grabbed the chain, which was something that Lu Yin certainly had not expected. Long Tian managed to not only grab a hold of the chain, but he also wrested control of it away from Lu Yin for a moment. This was the first time that such a thing had ever happened, and Lu Yin looked at Long Tian in astonishment.

Long Tian's eyes grew cold. "You look down on us too much."

At this moment, Long Xi's voice entered Lu Yin's ear, "My big brother's innate gift is not control of space, but rather that of seizing. He can grab anything, even space."

Lu Yin was stunned; such a strange innate gift existed?

The nebulous chain had been grabbed by Long Tian, so Lu Yin swung out his scythe once more. At that moment, Xia Shenfei appeared behind Lu Yin. "Reverse."

Lu Yin's posture instantly reverted to before he had attacked. He felt frustrated that he had been hit by the same trick once again.

Xia Shenfei waved a hand, and star energy wrapped around Lu Yin. It was clear that this was not an attack, but Long Tian was so scared of the technique that he instantly retreated.

Lu Yin instinctively felt that something was wrong, and then he heard Long Xi's voice yet again. "Xia Shenfei's innate gift is the ability to replay the past. He can bring back any pain that you've already experienced, both physical and mental."

Lu Yin's scalp went numb at this explanation. Each of these people had a more bizarre innate gift than the next! This was the power of the Junior Progenitors, and it was no wonder why it was impossible for any of their peers to catch up to them. These four were all freaks.

Xia Shenfei had surrounded Lu Yin with star energy, and he was about to use his innate gift. There was no way for Lu Yin to evade, so instead, he pulled someone in to help him handle the situation.

Blood splattered in front of him, and a huge gash appeared on Lu Yin's chest. This was the exact same wound that he had suffered after being trapped in the As If Closed sourcebox array during ZENITH. The summoned Progenitor Chen had cut Lu Yin with a knife, and after that, Shang Qing had assumed that the match was over. However, that was the moment that Lu Yin had activated his God of Death Transformation.

However, the reappearance of this wound during the present battle was due to Xia Shenfei.

A wound also appeared on Shang Qing from his past. It was the wound that he had suffered from Liu Tianmu's Thirteenth Sword. Shang Qing very rarely suffered any injuries, and the Thirteenth Sword had been the most impressive technique so far.

"Discipline!" Lu Yin snorted quietly.

Shang Qing was taken aback, as he did not know how he had just been injured. He assumed that Liu Tianmu must have suddenly attacked him. Still, after hearing Lu Yin's order, Shang Qing reflexively used the secret technique: Discipline.

Discipline was the most hated of the Hall of Honor's techniques, as it was able to perfectly return a wound back to the attacker.

Xia Shenfei was utterly confused; why had Lu Yin suddenly pulled Shang Qing over? What was the point of having two people be injured? Suddenly, he felt a sharp pain in his chest, and he could not stop himself from coughing up blood. Had he been injured? When had that happened?

The injury felt very familiar. Was it that woman's Thirteenth Sword?

Xia Shenfei turned to stare at Liu Tianmu, only to see that she was currently occupied with Liu Tianmu with no chance of getting involved in any other battles. But then, how had he been injured?

"Don't leave me to fight all four at once! You can keep one of them busy," Lu Yin scolded Shang Qing. Suddenly, an astral chessboard appeared beneath Lu Yin's feet.

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Lu Yin moved directly behind Long Tian. "I've been wanting to tell you this, but you spout off a lot of bullshit!"

He swung his scythe, and Long Tian raised a hand to grab the weapon, only to realize that he had been entangled by Lu Yin's black chain. The chain was not a physical item, but rather solidified death energy. The moment Lu Yin appeared, Long Tian had already been locked down.

There was a loud squeal as the scythe tore through half of Long Tian's body. Blood fell to the ground, and Long Tian's pupils dilated as his body was hurled to the ground in the distance. He stared at Lu Yin in disbelief. This person was completely terrifying.

Long Tian remembered everything that he had said to Long Qi in the past. This guy had clearly been playing with him from the beginning.

Long Xi's face had also gone pale, though there was clear disbelief on her face as well. It was common knowledge that Junior Progenitors were invincible within the Perennial World. Each one was nurtured and groomed by the entire universe, and everyone looked up to or even worshiped them. And yet, Long Tian had just been badly wounded by a casual attack from Long Qi. How was such power possible? What was Long Qi's true identity? This was a truly peerless individual.

Lu Yin glanced over at Long Xi. If not for her sake, he might have killed Long Tian with the last attack. Then, Lu Yin looked towards Bai Shaohong and raised his scythe high.

Chills ran down Bai Shaohong's back. He had not expected Long Qi to actually be able to overpower each and every single one of them. This was an impossible level of strength, and Long Qi had shattered Bai Shaohong's common sense. Bai Shaohong was not the only one with such a reaction, as Shang Qing and the others from the Fifth Mainland were similarly stunned. The strength that Lu Yin had revealed during ZENITH was enough for him to take on a single Junior Progenitor, but he had not been strong enough to utterly crush one. But now, his battle force had risen to ten lines, and his overall strength had risen extremely sharply in the amount of time that had passed. Also, Lu Yin had taken the dragon saliva, improved his cultivation by multiple cycles, and even opened his lower meridian point. This last point, in particular, had led to an incredible increase in Lu Yin's physical strength, and it was the main reason why he was able to overwhelm the Junior Progenitors.

As the scythe fell, Bai Shaohong raised a hand, pointed a finger, and released a Celestial Being Shows the Way. The water in the phantom pond behind him was completely drained now, but this also meant that this was the most powerful Celestial Being Shows the Way yet. A shower of blood fell down in front of him. He had just been seriously injured.

The Celestial Being Shows the Way overpowered all of Lu Yin's battle techniques, but Bai Shaohong had forgotten that Lu Yin had been a match for a Junior Progenitor even before using his God of Death Transformation. Lu Yin's left hand had moved to release a Vacuum Palm at the same time.

The Celestial Being Shows the Way broke through and continued on towards Lu Yin, but his Vacuum Palm was even faster, and it shot towards Bai Shaohong. This attack not only targeted Bai Shaohong, but also Xia Shenfei, Wang Su, and Long Tian. The Vacuum Palm that the transformed Lu Yin unleashed was enough to force all of them to vomit blood as they retreated. In particular, Bai Shaohong had just been badly injured by the scythe, and he had little chances of surviving if this attack struck him.

Helpless, he resorted to using a power vessel that barely managed to block the Vacuum Palm. At the same time, he shouted, "Don't hold back! Deal with them with power vessels!"

Lu Yin had revealed a level of strength that was just too overwhelming. Even a powerful and arrogant person like Bai Shaohong was forced to use power vessels to gain any advantage, which was no different from admitting that he was inferior. This would cause psychological damage to him regardless of the outcome of the fight.

This was also true for Wang Su, Xia Shenfei, and Long Tian. Lu Yin's strength after undergoing the God of Death Transformation was terrifying beyond anything they could ever have imagined.

Lu Yin raised a hand, and a Channeling Diagram appeared to block the Celestial Being Shows the Way. After the attack shattered the sourcebox array, it was no longer a threat to Lu Yin. At this moment, he was preoccupied with Bai Shaohong's power vessel, as well as the precious power vessels the others would take out.

Shang Qing and the others all felt their hearts sink. The time had come to fight with power vessels, which meant that the fight would be determined by the various backgrounds supporting the youths. How could anyone from the Fifth Mainland have a background that could compare to one of the four ruling powers of the Perennial World?

Upon hearing that the fight would shift into one of power vessels, Lu Yin let out a sigh of relief. The death energy that he had absorbed from Crown Prince Gui Qian had been almost completely exhausted, and it would be better to use power vessels at this point. That was a competition that Lu Yin did not

fear. He did not believe that Bai Shaohong and others could possibly produce more power vessels than him, and if all else failed, he could just suppress them with Zenith Mountain.

Everyone had become preoccupied with the Origin Matter, and while they had been fighting to the death, they had all forgotten that the chamber they were in was actually a trap. Given that it was a trap that the ancients had set with tribulation crystals and Origin Matter as the lure, how could the trap have been disarmed that easily?

When the four Junior Progenitors had all started using the visualization method, no one had noticed that the previously smashed apart dried up corpse had been oddly restored to its previous state. When Bai Shaohong took out a power vessel and prepared to end the entire fight, the sourcebox array that he had placed on the ground of the chamber was suddenly broken.

Lu Yin was the first to notice that something was wrong. After all, he was an Array Master. He had comprehended multiple sourcebox arrays, and he had also reached the Worldliness realm of star energy control. All this allowed him to sense something strange.

However, it was already too late. The corpse opened its eyes, and everyone suddenly froze. Confusion could be seen in everyone's eyes, and they all moved to sit down on the ground, cross-legged. They moved like they were being manipulated, but everyone had also calmed down.

"The Forgotten Ruins are no longer shielded. Hurry up, break free, and escape!" Wang Su struggled to speak. Only she, Bai Shaohong, and a few others were barely able to retain a sliver of their consciousness. They all wanted to escape, but they were clearly all struggling to do so. The same was also true of Shang Qing and the others. Just like what Lu Yin had seen when he entered the chamber, everyone calmly sat down on the ground, and there was no further movement.

Lu Yin was reciting the Stonewall Scriptures, and it allowed him to retain a fraction more of his mental faculties than Wang Su and the others. Temporarily stabilized, Lu Yin looked over towards the dried out corpse.

Lu Yin's body disappeared, and when he reappeared, he was within five meters of the corpse. He looked at the body, and then his consciousness Possessed the corpse. For his main body, the God of Death Transformation ended, and he returned to his normal state.

Rolling six pips on his die allowed him to Possess people at random, but once he had Possessed someone, as long as he was within five meters of their body, he could Possess them again. This was a part of Lu Yin's innate gift.

He was capable of moving towards the exit of the room with the Ce Secret Art, which would allow him to escape from the Forgotten Ruins that Wang Su had mentioned. However, if he left, then what would happen to the others? In particular, Long Xi was his wife in name, and that alone was enough for him to subconsciously not want to abandon her.

Since he had managed to Possess the corpse, he had the confidence to leave the chamber whenever he wished.

Instead, the question was how he could take everyone else out? Lu Yin had Possessed the corpse, so he tried to move his hands. This time, he was able to move the body. He was thrilled, as this was just perfect.

First, he had to take care of himself. He controlled the corpse into a standing position and placed his own body on the corpse's back. He then moved towards Wang Su, who was the closest to him. He suddenly grew wary for a moment. This was a trap, which meant that there should not be anyone or anything waiting around to attack them. If there were, then the trap would be redundant, as any invaders could simply be directly dealt with.

After thinking things through, Lu Yin unconsciously tried to cough, only to discover that the corpse he had Possessed was incapable of coughing.

He felt a bit apologetic, but they were enemies. They would never leave this place, so there was no need for them to keep anything for themselves. Lu Yin tried to comfort himself even as he removed Wang Su's cosmic ring and pricked her finger to draw a drop of blood. He then started to clean out her cosmic ring. As he looked through the ring, he became incomparably excited, as it was time to collect his loot.

While he was certainly capable of rescuing everyone present, most of these people would never feel any gratitude for his efforts. At the very least, Lu Yin knew for certain that Bai Shaohong and Long Tian would never do so, and neither would that creepy Crown Prince Gui Qian. Lu Yin would not risk his own life to save these people, but he also could not simply eliminate these people. This trap had been set by humanity's ancient enemy, and killing the Junior Progenitors would be no different than giving those monsters a helping hand.

He could not save them, but neither could he eliminate them. All he could do was leave things as they were, and also take a bit of a reward for not harming them.

Lu Yin had expected to find a great deal of star essence in Wang Su's cosmic ring, but the contents left him disappointed. At most, there were a few tens of millions of star essence. It might be enough to help others, but it was far too little to mean much to Lu Yin.

In addition to the star essence, Lu Yin also found many personal items in the cosmic ring, and while such things did not interest him, he still glanced through everything. Eh? A hairpin caught his eye. He frowned and took it out to examine it. After a look, he became excited as this was a lockbreaking tool. How odd; why was there a lockbreaking tool in the shape of a hairpin?

Since he had almost missed a treasure, Lu Yin casually laid it on the ground and continued going through the cosmic ring. Next, he found some white paper. What? Why would anyone store blank paper in a cosmic ring? It had to be something special. He also removed that and set it on the ground before continuing to look through the ring. In the end, he also found a small knife that was very similar to the one that had destroyed his ring-shaped power vessel, though it was a bit different.

The only power vessel in the entire cosmic ring was only the small knife. Clearly, it was an invaluable power vessel, and there was no need to think otherwise. Lu Yin knew that this power vessel was not simple, so he removed it from the ring, only for the blade's sharpness to nearly cut him when he looked at it. It was quite powerful and valuable.

Lu Yin took the knife away without hesitation. Next, he moved on to Dong He. This person was already dead, so Lu Yin walked the dried out corpse over to the fresh one and removed Dong He's cosmic ring. He used a bit of Dong He's blood to sweep the ring clean.

This ring also only had a few pieces of star essence. In addition to that, Lu Yin just found some medicinal herbs and a few power vessels, though there was nothing very good. There were also some blank sheets of paper. What was this? Lu Yin found a bottle that held a red powder. There was a single word written on it: "chili."

Lu Yin was left speechless. Chili? Was this real or fake? Who carried chili powder with them?

Then, Lu Yin remembered Silver. That guy had claimed to be a gourmet, and he had always carried some condiments with him. It looked like Dong He was the same.

Lu Yin took the bottle out of instinct. No matter how small a mosquito was, the flesh of a mosquito was still meat.

Lu Yin continued to sweep through the various cosmic rings. Still, he only targeted his enemies, skipping people like Unseen Light. He would not kill them. However, Lu Yin still found it somewhat regretful.

From Yun Tingting, he took some healing pills and rather useless power vessels. Also, he found some smoke. This smoke was truly incredible, and it was most likely Yun Tingting's last resort. However, Lu Yin showed no hesitation and simply took it away.

He found nothing in Wen Diyi's ring aside from a pile of books and some ink.

Lu Yin pursed his lips. This guy even carried ink! What a nerd! However, when Lu Yin remembered how Wen Diyi had always treated him well, Lu Yin skipped the man. After all, he did not even have anything worth stealing.

Lu Yin glanced around and saw that Crown Prince Gui Qian was next. This person had already provided Lu Yin with a great deal of help, as without the prince, Lu Yin would not have had enough black and white mist in his chest to sustain his transformation for as long as he had. Still, the prince had also been the one to expose Lu Yin. If not for this person, Lu Yin would have been able to maintain his cover as Long Qi, though not for much longer. Still, it had not been easy to expose Lu Yin as a trespasser.

Lu Yin felt a mixture of gratitude and anger as he looked at Crown Prince Gui Qian. He shamelessly took the massive pillar of tribulation crystals, and Lu Yin also cleaned out the prince's star essence and other various treasures. Out of everything, the item that intrigued Lu Yin the most was the skeleton of some giant beast. Lu Yin felt suppressed the moment the skeleton was removed from the cosmic ring, so he quickly stored it away once again. Those bones were not simple.

When Lu Yin got to Xia Shenfei, he still felt rather resentful. Xia Shenfei's secret technique was so infuriating that many people had grown to hate him, as it was a truly shameless technique.

Xia Shenfei's cosmic ring was stuffed full of wine, which instantly made Lu Yin think of Liquor Hero. The two were a perfect match.