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Chapter 1761: Abyssal Zone

After exchanging information, Lin Huang and Xia Bing still did not come to an accurate conclusion despite spending some time discussing.

They could only speculate that the Raiders had a very clear goal of creating conflicts, seizing the exploration opportunity this time to stir up trouble. They wanted to break up the major organizations in the Eastern Eight Zone.

The two of them could not really figure out why their actions were so radical this time.

"So what do you plan to do next?" Xia Bing asked.

"What else? I'll continue to hunt and conveniently kill Raiders if I run into them," Lin Huang answered directly without even thinking about it.

"Do you want to team up with me to conduct a follow-up investigation?" Xia Bing suddenly invited him.

Lin Huang was momentarily stunned, after which he subsequently realized the reason why she invited him.

Although there was a gap between his ability and Xia Bing's on the surface, no matter what, the combat strength he revealed indicated that he was a minor dao-level powerhouse who had mastered 200,000 Dao seals.

Moreover, Xia Bing had confirmed that he had nothing to do with the Raiders.

Who would not be happy to have a major dao-level teammate?

Nevertheless, Lin Huang rejected her directly without even giving it a thought.

"I've gotten used to working alone. Furthermore, given your ability, I'd only slow you down if we run into trouble."

Naturally, he rejected her not because he had a lower level of ability, but because he thought that such an arrangement was inconvenient.

If he teamed up with Xia Bing, she would be watching each and every movement of his. The risk of him exposing his identity would undoubtedly be higher.

Even though he had confirmed that she was not one of the Raiders, he did not know too much about her. He was unwilling to expose his true identity and ability to her.

"I thought that the efficiency of the investigation would be higher if there was one more person. Indeed, I didn't take what you said into consideration," Xia Bing agreed to what Lin Huang said after giving it some careful thought, "Let's work separately then."

"You can contact me if you run into any trouble." Xia Bing took out a jade charm that was the size of a thumb and handed it to Lin Huang as she spoke, "This is a voice transmission charm that I made. You can leave a message by using your Divine Telekinesis on it."

"Thanks." Lin Huang took the jade charm and probed it with Divine Telekinesis right in front of her. He only put it away after making sure that nothing was wrong with it.

Xia Bing did not say much when she saw that. On the contrary, she did not find his actions strange at all.

After all, even if Lin Huang had confirmed that she was not a Raiders' spy, he did not let his guard down and remove his mask.

"Alright then. Bye," Xia Bing said with a smile, "I hope when I see you again, you'll have your mask removed."

Lin Huang understood the underlying meaning behind her blessing—"I hope that you'll still be alive when I see you again. Not only that, I hope that you will have solved your crisis by then and no longer need to hide your identity."

"Thanks." Lin Huang nodded lightly. He added a few words when he saw Xia Bing was getting up to leave, "You can contact me too if you encounter something that you can't solve in the future."

Xia Bing smiled, but responded anyway, "I'll remember what you said."

She vanished as soon as she was done speaking.

Lin Huang knew that she definitely did not take his final words seriously.

After all, it would be a long journey for one to get from mastering 200,000 Dao seals to 800,000 Dao seals. It was not a gap that one could catch up to within a short period of time. Under normal circumstances, no matter how talented a person was, one would spend at least tens of years to consolidate a single Dao seal. The gap of hundreds of thousands of Dao seals would require at least millions of years or even tens of millions of years to catch up.

Naturally, Lin Huang did not care about what Xia Bing thought.

No matter what, he had already said what he should.

He did not stay where he was after watching Xia Bing leave. Instead, he went back into hunting mode immediately and began a new round of hunting.

Over the next two days, Lin Huang killed over 3,000 monsters that had mastered 60,000 to 80,000 Dao seals. He killed all the monsters that had mastered more than 60,000 Dao seals before heading off to the next zone.

It was a bottomless abyss deep in the mountain range.

Lin Huang could sense the auras of many major dao-level monsters clearly as he stood at the entrance of the abyss.

This should be the core zone of the entire mystic territory—The abyssal zone.

Most of the major dao-level powerhouses like Xia Bing should have been teleported here directly when they entered the mystic territory.

Lin Huang did not hesitate at all, leaping inside instantly.

Very soon, he landed in the first level of the abyssal zone.

The first level was the shallowest.

Most of the monsters distributed here were minor dao-level monsters that had mastered more than 80,000 Dao seals, and there were also a small number of major dao-level monsters around. However, basically all of them had just been elevated not too long ago.

The God's Figurine's Combat Souls were completely useless in such a place. Lin Huang could only depend on himself.

Even if ten God's Figurine's Combat Souls with 30,000 Dao seals were to attack together, any of the monsters here would kill them instantly.

As Lin Huang stepped into the abyssal zone, he sensed a strange energy field in here that could cause a certain level of encumbrance and suppression on one's physical body and God's soul.

Although it would not seal one's Divine Telekinesis completely like in the foggy area, he could sense clearly that his Divine Telekinesis' probing distance had been reduced significantly. He even suspected that if a minor dao-level powerhouse came here, they might be able to visually see further than their Divine Telekinesis could extend.

Nevertheless, that made sense to Lin Huang.

He had used his probing technique in a place like that foggy area, in which Divine Telekinesis was sealed completely, and managed to hunt as he pleased, so this place would be no different.

Without hesitation, he activated the long-distance ocular skill again and soon gained a rough understanding of the hundreds of thousands kilometers surrounding him.

The first level of the abyssal zone was much vaster than he expected.

He had yet to probe to the very end of the place despite probing a radius of hundreds of thousands kilometers.

Not only that, the number of monsters were much more plentiful than what he speculated.

Lin Huang found thousands of monsters within his probing range using the long-distance ocular skill that had just been activated.

Most of them were at minor dao-level with 80,000 to 100,000 Dao seals. There were also two at major dao-level that had just been elevated not too long ago. They had less than 120,000 Dao seals.

He also discovered three explorers.

They were minor dao-level powerhouses who had mastered more than 80,000 Dao seals.

There was even one person that he was familiar with—He Nanzhi from Royal.

Lin Huang was not surprised to see Old He.

Before entering the mystic territory, he had sensed He Nanzhi's ability. He had mastered approximately 95,000 Dao seals.

It made sense that he was teleported here.

Although he did not have any ill feelings toward his colleague Old He, he marked him just like how he did the other two explorers, with the ocular skill, observing their movements at all times.

After all, he could not completely rule out the possibility that He Nanzhi was a Raiders' spy.

After leaving ocular skill marks on the three of them quietly, Lin Huang officially began a new round of hunting.

Chapter 1762: Wang Xuanan's Last Chance

Time flew by and another three days passed.

Only half of the 30-day exploration period remained.

Lin Huang spent three days exploring the entire first level of the abyssal zone. He killed over 3,000 monsters.

In reality, he was not focused on hunting monsters this time. Instead, he was focused more on probing explorers. He was only conveniently killing local monsters while doing that.

He had explored every corner of the first level of the abyssal zone throughout these three days. He had found a total of nine minor dao-level explorers. They were basically the leaders of most of the minor dao-level powerhouses.

Initially, Lin Huang thought that Old Wang from Royal would be on this level too. However, he did not find him throughout his period of exploration.

Although he was not sure if they were skilled at concealing themselves or that none of those nine were the Raiders' spies, Lin Huang thought it was unnecessary for him to continue wasting time here after the fruitless three-day observation period.

Before dawn on the fourth day, he headed over to the second level of the abyssal zone.

As soon as he entered, he activated his long-distance ocular skill again and probed his surroundings.

The result was similar to what he expected.

All of the monsters on this level had the combat strength of major dao-level powerhouses. The number of Dao seals they had mastered was basically between 100,000 to 200,000.

Lin Huang chose a direction casually and began planning his hunting and probing route.

He killed over 1,200 monsters on the first day.

He had also discovered four explorers. They were the major dao-level powerhouses from the seven organizations.

On the second day, he killed over 1,300 monsters.

He discovered five more explorers. Among them, four of them were at major dao-level. The fifth person was the leader of Snow Kingdom's minor dao-level powerhouses, Shang Yang.

On the third day, Lin Huang had explored the entire second level and killed over 1,100 monsters.

He discovered another four explorers. Among the four of them, the only minor dao-level powerhouse was a person he was familiar with—Wang Xuanan from Royal.

Lin Huang thought that it made sense for Old Wang and Shang Yang to be here.

The two of them actually were already halfway into major dao-level.

Lin Huang could sense that the number of Dao seals the two of them mastered was not the rumored 100,000. Instead, they had reached the limit of minor dao-level, 180,000 Dao seals. They were at the edge of a breakthrough.

They were only one step away from breaking the threshold and achieving major dao-level.

Their objective of coming to this level was clear.

They wanted to force themselves to break through by immersing themselves amidst the pressure of the major dao-level monsters here.

Since they had insufficient potential, they wanted to squeeze out all of their potential through a life-and-death crisis.

Though it was dangerous, it was theoretically possible.

In reality, since the beginning of time, there were many people who had indeed forced themselves to achieve something impossible through this method.

Lin Huang disagreed with Old Wang's actions, but he understood why he did so.

He also knew that, for some reason, Old Wang was close to the end of his life.

If he did not break through to major dao-level, he would die soon.

To him, the opening of the mystic territory this time was undoubtedly a chance to fight for his life.

He could only wait for death if he did not fight for his life. He chose to go all out without hesitation.

Meanwhile, Shang Yang's condition was much better than Old Wang.

He should still have the time and the chance to break through.

Perhaps he thought it was a great opportunity when the mystic territory opened this time and wanted to seize the opportunity to try breaking through.

Naturally, it would be good news if he made it. If not, he would try again next time.

Lin Huang roughly speculated that Old Wang was here this time with the intention of confronting the danger of death himself and fighting to live, while Shang Yang most probably had the mentality of testing himself.

He admired their courage.

However, Lin Huang did not exclude the two of them from his ocular skill marking this time. Instead, he marked all 13 explorers.

Three days soon passed by.

None of the 13 did anything out of the ordinary.

Lin Huang thought for a long time and decided to stay for another day to observe.

There were plentiful monsters in this level anyway. There was no need for him to rush to the next level.

Throughout these three days, he focused more on Old Wang.

It was not that he suspected that something was going on with him, but rather that he was the clumsiest among the 13 explorers.

Throughout the three days, Old Wang challenged over ten monsters, but failed to kill all of them.

Lin Huang could tell that he specialized in ocular skills. Compared to that, his close combat ability and long distance attack ability were really mediocre. Lin Huang became nervous whenever he watched.

His ocular skill was indeed powerful. He could even temporarily control monsters that had just been elevated to major dao-level to make them fall into an illusion when he was only at minor dao-level.

The thing was that the strength of his God's soul was insufficient. Each control attempt could only last for a short moment.

His ocular skill attack could wound major dao-level monsters too.

However, due to the restriction of the strength of his God's soul, the harm done to those monsters was rather minimal.

This caused the major dao-level monsters that he challenged to struggle free of his illusion in the end and chase after him.

Fortunately, he could use his illusion to control those monsters again and escape in one piece.

"His ocular skill inheritance is actually pretty powerful. It's a pity that it's restricted due to his innate talent and potential," Lin Huang could not help but exclaim after observing him for three days.

However, throughout these three days of observation, he now admired Old Wang.

This old man really would not give up. His hair would be disheveled from being chased after by monsters. Nevertheless, he would only catch his breath for a little bit after escaping and then begin his next search for prey instantly.

He had powerful ocular skill probing ability that allowed him to accurately avoid all the monsters that had mastered over 120,000 Dao seals. He could also locate monsters with less than 120,000 Dao seals that were closest to him accurately.

Even if he was being chased after by monsters, he always successfully controlled them in the end and escaped.

Throughout these three days, Lin Huang could truly feel Old Wang's desire to achieve major dao-level to prolong his life.

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At approximately 2 am on the fourth day, Wang Xuanan locked onto a monster that was within his hunting parameters again.

He adjusted his condition a little bit and headed over to the route that he had planned immediately.

He was elated when he saw the monster with his ocular skill. It was an Autarch.

Autarchs were monsters with powerful physical bodies. They were proficient in close combat and did not like defense.

However, they had a weakness, whereby they had frail God's souls.

They might be killed instantly if they ran into an opponent with a powerful God's soul.

Meanwhile, most of Wang Xuanan's ocular skills were activated using his God's soul.

Therefore, he had the most confidence in this hunt compared to any of the prior hunts.

He even had the feeling that he might be able to break through to major dao-level at once after this hunt was successful.

However, what he did not know was that Lin Huang, who was millions of kilometers away, was frowning lightly at the moment..

Chapter 1763: He Died Just Like That?

Lin Huang frowned because he found out that, at the same time Old Wang locked onto his target prey, there was another person who was targeting the same monster too.

This person was not a stranger to Lin Huang.

He was a major dao-level powerhouse from Royal—Yan Jun!

Before entering the mystic territory, Liu Fu specially gave a detailed introduction on the three major dao-level powerhouses from Royal.

Yan Jun was a combat cultivator, as well as an Element Master of the fire element.

To be honest, apart from being slightly interested in the fact that he was a combat cultivator, Lin Huang did not have much of an impression of him.

The reason being was that he was the weakest among the major dao-level explorers from Royal.

Judging by the strength of his aura, he had only mastered some 300,000 Dao seals. He had not mastered more than 350,000 Dao seals.

Such combat ability was not within Lin Huang's range of consideration at all.

In reality, he found it rather strange seeing Yan Jun on this level.

Apart from himself, Yan Jun was the only person on the second level who had more than 250,000 Dao seals. Not only was he the only one among the explorers, he was the only one after including all of the monsters on this level.

Theoretically, with his ability, there was a higher chance that he would have been teleported to the third level instead of the current second level.

Lin Huang did not know if he was teleported to this level by accident or if he had come here on his own.

If he was teleported to this level by accident, it would have made more sense if he had gotten to the third level much earlier instead. There was no need for him to stay on this level for this half a month period at all.

If he came here on his own, that in itself proved that something was up with this guy.

However, throughout the three-day observation, Lin Huang indeed did not find anything off about him.

He decided to stay one more day on this level because he wanted to watch this guy a little longer.

Never had he thought that he would see such a scene before dawn.

As Lin Huang had many thoughts flying through his mind, Wang Xuanan reached the Autarch first.

He activated his ocular skill at once without hesitation.

As expected, the Autarch fell into his illusion.

While the Autarch was still struggling in Wang Xuanan's illusion, Yan Jun arrived.

In reality, he had sensed Wang Xuanan's presence when he was still far away. However, he chose to approach him sneakily.

He did not show himself while watching Wang Xuanan and the Autarch.

Instead, he hid to the side and observed the battle in silence.

Time passed as the Autarch was still stuck in the illusion. Wang Xuanan had sweat dripping from his forehead, but he was still holding on.

He knew that this might be the only chance for him to kill a major dao-level monster.

If he missed this opportunity, he might not have another chance.

Meanwhile, Yan Jun, who was still hiding in the dark, did not attack either.

He did not fight for the monster with Wang Xuanan, nor did he attack him.

Even Lin Huang was quite curious about what exactly he had in mind at the moment.

Time went by as another ten minutes passed.

The Autarch's aura suddenly plummeted, and its vitality was fading.

There was a light in Wang Xuanan's eyes, even as his back was drenched in sweat. He knew that he had made it!

The moment he recalled his ocular skill and relaxed, a red spark lit up in the sky out of nowhere. It shot toward his head as quickly as lightning.

It was too late when Wang Xuanan reacted.

He had drained a significant amount of God's soul energy from his activation of the ocular skill. He was in his weakest state at the moment.

He had no strength to handle an attack like this that had come out of nowhere.

However, at that moment, he suddenly saw another red gleam shoot over at an even higher speed, crushing the spark completely.

Almost at the same time, a figure in white robe appeared before him.

"Get out!"

As a shout thundered from the golden mask, a figure was forced to show himself clumsily from the red gleam.

Wang Xuanan was clearly stunned when he saw the figure.

"Senior Yan Jun?!"

Yan Jun, who had a head full of red hair looked terrible at the moment.

"Explain yourself. Why did you attack your colleague from Royal?" Lin Huang asked in a cold tone.

"I didn't see clearly who he was. I thought that he was an explorer from another organization. I attacked in order to steal his loot."

Wang Xuanan seemed to be only half-convinced by the explanation that Yan Jun gave.

However, what the white-robed man said next made Yan Jun put his guard up instantly.

"Really? You've been watching him in the dark for over ten minutes, yet you didn't recognize that he's your colleague from Royal?" Sarcasm filled Lin Huang's tone. "I'll be honest with you then. I've been watching you for four days."

Yan Jun looked rather grim. He thought that Lin Huang only happened to run into them just now. Never had he thought he had been watching his movements, and he had not sensed it at all.

"Who are you exactly?!"

"I'm a person who has a history with the Raiders like you," Lin Huang answered with a smile.

"I don't know what you're talking about." Panic clearly flashed through Yan Jun's eyes. Although he concealed it instantly, it did not escape Lin Huang and Wang Xuanan's eyes.

"You're the Raiders' spy?!" Wang Xuanan instantly realized his identity.

"That's slander." Yan Jun glared at Wang Xuanan.

"Whether it is slander or not, we'll find out if you let me read your memories," Lin Huang suggested while smiling.

"That's hilarious. Would you dare to allow someone else to read your memory?" Yan Jun scoffed.

"I'm not asking for your permission." Countless saber gleams were consolidated in front of Lin Huang as soon as he was done speaking.

This time, he activated the 400,000 Dao seals from the Kingdom in his body.

Sensing the fluctuation from the Dao seals, Yan Jun turned around to run without hesitation.

Facing a saber cultivator who had more Dao seals than he did, he knew that a partial combat cultivator like him did not stand a chance of winning at all.

Each of the millions of saber gleams would easily break through his defense.

Wang Xuanan widened his eyes too. He could clearly sense the terrifying power within each of the saber gleams. They could kill him easily and instantly.

A question appeared in his head right away, 'Who is this saber cultivator senior?!'

There were only 21 major dao-level powerhouses who participated in the exploration this time, and there were only four saber cultivators among them.

They were White Brow from the Longevity Tribe, Han Zhongjun from the Snow Kingdom, Xing Wuchen from Star Cluster and Jian Xin from Infinite.

Meanwhile, this white-robed man in front of him did not seem to be any of them.

As he held his doubts in his mind, Yan Jun's devastating shriek suddenly echoed over the distance.

He was completely drowned in the blood-colored saber gleams that were like a sky full of lightning before he could run very far away.

The devastating shriek lasted for less than ten minutes before stopping suddenly.

The sky full of blood-colored saber gleams faded completely, revealing a corpse with almost no flesh intact.

"Yan Jun died just like that?!"

Wang Xuanan found it unbelievable when he saw the corpse.

A major dao-level combat cultivator with unparalleled defense was killed by someone so easily. He did not manage to fight back at all throughout the battle.

Lin Huang ignored Wang Xuanan's reaction and arrived next to the corpse in a flash. He grabbed the head and began to read the memories...

Chapter 1764: Strange Black Energy

Lin Huang grabbed Yan Jun's head with one hand and read the remaining memories quickly.

Skipping through the images of his endless and long growth, he browsed for evidence of him being a Raider and the information related to the mystic territory swiftly.

Very soon, he found the portion of information that he was looking for. He began to carefully examine the information.

Yan Jun had joined the Raiders a long time ago. He was discovered when he had just been elevated to heavenly god-level, and was invited to join.

The reason why he joined the Raiders was simple. He was a regenerated being, and had been at minor dao-level in his past life. He failed to elevate to major dao-level, so he chose to reincarnate to cultivate once again.

After the Raiders found him, the first condition they gave was to guarantee that he could definitely elevate to major dao-level.

He joined almost without hesitation.

After elevating to Lord, he was assigned to enter Royal, and he stayed there until now.

Nobody had discovered his spy identity all this while.

His mission in entering the mystic territory this time was simple. He would hunt for explorers while trying his best not to expose his identity.

In reality, Wang Xuanan was not his first prey.

Before Wang Xuanan, he had killed a major dao-level and minor dao-level powerhouse in the second level of the abyssal zone.

He did it discreetly and nobody had found out.

Just as Lin Huang was going to probe further regarding the real purpose of the Raiders in the mystic territory this time, Yan Jun's head seemed to have been triggered by something suddenly.

A pitch-black strange energy appeared out of thin air, spreading out like ink. It spread throughout all of his memories quickly.

The memory images began to carbonize at a terrifying speed, and then collapsed.

After destroying all of the memory images, the strange black energy even started to spread toward Lin Huang's God's soul energy through Yan Jun's memory images.

Realizing something was off, Lin Huang removed his God's soul energy immediately. However, he was too late.

His God's soul energy was tangled up by a strand of black thread shot out by the accelerated black energy. Within a blink of an eye, the black energy enveloped an area of his God's soul energy and began to crawl up, attempting to infest Lin Huang's entire God's soul.

He could even clearly sense that, not only did the black energy come with strong corrosive ability, it contained powerful assimilation capabilities too.

It could absorb the remaining Odyl left in Yan Jun's body and Lin Huang's God's soul energy to strengthen itself.

Sending the abnormality, Lin Huang borrowed the Dao seals in his Kingdom immediately in an attempt to chase it out of his body.

He used 500,000 Dao seals at once to activate a vast amount of Odylic Force.

However, he looked extremely terrible in the next second.

The Odylic Force he borrowed from the Kingdom merely reduced the momentum of the infection of the strange energy. However, as the assimilation continued, the ink-like black energy began to grow at a high speed, and had even begun to infect more Odylic Force.

'What exactly is this?!'

Lin Huang could not help but exclaim secretly.

After hesitating for a moment, he used his own Dao seals to activate Odylic Force.

The Dao seals that were consolidated with millions of Dao tattoos clearly could not be compared to the Dao seals borrowed from the Kingdom.

As the Odyl was activated this time, the ink-like strange energy infection speed finally slowed down. It seemed to be suppressed actively.

Lin Huang also realized that his Odyl could not be infected and assimilated by that black energy.

The problem was, his Odyl could not do anything to the black energy as well. It could not chase it out of his body. The black energy seemed to have consciousness of its own. It was fighting with his Odyl.

After the futile effort of struggling with the black energy by controlling his Odylic Force, he had finally activated the Eternity Fire in his body.

A golden flame attacked the black energy swiftly.

This time, the black energy finally began to show signs of being defeated.

Although it was still absorbing energy slowly, the Eternity Fire was clearly its nemesis.

It would dodge wherever the flame passed by.

As Lin Huang's Odyl blocked its way, Eternity Fire finally engulfed the invading energy completely after some time.

Lin Huang released a long exhale of breath.

He retrieved his consciousness out of his body and realized that Yan Jun's corpse had turned into a pile of ash.

He carefully recalled the information he retrieved from Yan Jun's memory at the very last moment.

There seemed to be only two terms—Black Abyss and sacrifice.

"Black Abyss... Sacrifice..." Without other corresponding information, Lin Huang was at a loss as to what those two terms meant exactly.

After restraining himself from pointless overthinking, Lin Huang recalled that Wang Xuanan was still beside him.

He turned his head to look at Old Wang. There was clearly admiration in Wang Xuanan's eyes when he looked at him.

"Senior..." Wang Xuanan was really clueless as he watched the white-robed man with a mask looking at him. He did not know what Lin Huang would do to him at all.

In the outside world, merely a moment had passed as Lin Huang fought with the contaminated energy inside his body. However, Wang Xuanan had clearly sensed the 500,000 Dao seal power that he used as well as the energy fluctuations from the Dao seals he activated later on.

The first round of Dao seal power he borrowed from his Kingdom had stunned Wang Xuanan, much less the energy fluctuations coming from the Dao seals he used later on.

At the moment, Wang Xuanan had completely placed Lin Huang in the same category as White Brow. He even suspected that Lin Huang was Householder White Brow.

However, no matter who he suspected Lin Huang to be, he dared not call out Lin Huang's identity directly.

After all, the senior disguised himself because he did not want to be recognized.

Lin Huang was rather speechless when he heard Wang Xuanan calling him senior.

This old man was so much older than he was.

However, since he had exposed a portion of his ability in front of him, he could only accept him calling him senior.

After nodding lightly at Old Wang, Lin Huang suddenly thought he should know many things that he did not since he had been around the universe for years.

He decided to ask after thinking about it for a moment, "Do you know what the Black Abyss is?"

Wang Xuanan was stunned when he heard the question that had come out of nowhere. He thought for a while before shaking his head. "No idea. I've never heard of it."

"However, if you need the information, I can check for you after the exploration ends," Wang Xuanan continued to say, worried that he might offend the "senior" in front of him.

"No need." Lin Huang waved. "Pretend I never asked. About Yan Jun..."

Before Lin Huang could say anything further, Wang Xuanan squeezed out a smile and took over the conversation, "I didn't see him, nor do I know whether he's dead or alive."

"No, tell Royal that Yan Jun is a Raiders' spy when you return. Get Royal to search for the remaining spies!" Lin Huang shook his head and urged.

"This humble one will do so." Wang Xuanan nodded immediately. "About Yan Jun's death..."

"Say it was a white-robed man who killed him."

"Got it. This humble one will relay the message." Wang Xuanan bowed.

When he lifted his head again, the white-robed man in front of him had vanished completely..

Chapter 1765: What is Black Abyss?

"What is that strange black energy exactly?"

Lin Huang asked Eternity Fire.

Eternity Fire conveyed its thoughts quickly, "It's the Abyssal energy a powerhouse left behind..."

"An Abyssal energy that's so active and has such powerful contamination ability hiding in a major daolevel powerhouse's body silently. I'm afraid only an entity that surpasses dao-level can do something like that," Lin Huang mumbled softly to himself.

If not for his powerful Dao seals and the suppression from Eternity Fire, he would be infected and turned into an Abyssal creature after struggling for three days at most.

Xia Bing's face flashed through Lin Huang's mind as he thought up to this point.

If that girl killed other major dao-level Raiders and retrieved their memories like he did, she might end up in trouble as well.

After hesitating for a moment, he took out the voice transmission charm Xia Bing gave him and left a voice transmission by inserting Divine Telekinesis into it.

"If you discover major dao-level Raiders, don't read their memories rashly after you kill them. You'd trigger a strange energy that's incredibly infectious. It can turn a major dao-level cultivator into an Abyssal creature."

"Got it. I haven't discovered any at the moment. Have you?"

Xia Bing replied almost immediately.

"Yan Jun from Royal," Lin Huang answered anyway after a moment of hesitation.

Xia Bing's question was the reason why he hesitated. The reason being was that Yan Jun had mastered over 300,000 Dao seals. With the level of ability that he revealed to her, he was not Yan Jun's match at all.

Xia Bing fell into silence for a moment, but soon sent over another message.

"You triggered that strange energy that you mentioned?"

Lin Huang fell into a long period of silence when he saw the reply.

He guessed that Xia Bing had actually asked three questions when she sent that message.

The first one—Did you kill Yan Jun?

The second one—Did you read Yan Jun's memories?

The third one—Did you trigger the contamination of the strange energy?

"I did trigger it, but I wasn't infected."

Lin Huang's answer was smart. It contained many different meanings as well.

The first one—I killed Yan Jun.

The second one—I read Yan Jun's memories.

The third one—I triggered the strange energy, but I was not infected.

Xia Bing fell into a moment of silence again.

"That's great. What did you obtain?"

She did not dwell on how Lin Huang had killed Yan Jun or how he had handled that contaminated energy.

Lin Huang thought about it and decided to tell her.

"From his memories, I've verified his identity as a Raider. I saw him killing a major dao-level and a minor dao-level explorer. However, I didn't obtain much information about their mission this time."

"I've only discovered that his authorization level was higher than Ao Yu and the rest, and he indeed knew their real objective for this trip into the mystic territory."

"Just as I was going to probe the objective, the strange energy was triggered. It destroyed all of the memory images in Yan Jun's head almost instantly, and it infected me through my God's soul energy."

"I've only retrieved two keywords in the end—Black Abyss and sacrifice. Do you have any ideas regarding these two terms?"

Xia Bing only replied much later after reading through Lin Huang's messages carefully.

"I'm not too sure about the sacrifice portion, but regarding the Black Abyss... That's what we call the deepest part of the abyss. The reason being is that the deepest part of the abyss is pitch-black. The kind of darkness that strips away all of your senses. All of the probing techniques and Divine Telekinesis are

useless there. However, I'm not sure if the Black Abyss that you're talking about is the same thing. It might mean something else."

After reading Xia Bing's reply, Lin Huang suddenly had a bizarre thought after processing the information for a moment.

"Connecting what you said with the keywords, is it possible that they want to offer a sacrifice to the monsters in the Black Abyss?"

"There is a legend of an Abyssal Lord in the Black Abyss. Indeed, the legend has spread across the universe, but nobody knows what exactly is in the Black Abyss. The reason for that is that everyone who attempted to explore the Black Abyss in the past ended up staying inside until now. No one has come out alive."

Although Xia Bing did not deny Lin Huang's bizarre line of thought directly, what she said actually showed that she did not believe that there was such a thing as an Abyssal Lord.

"Oh yeah, can you give me a thorough description of the strange energy in Yan Jun's body?" It was unknown whether Xia Bing wanted to change the topic or whether there was some other reason behind it when she suddenly asked that question.

Lin Huang replied directly, "It was an active black liquid with a high level of contamination ability. It could corrode all kinds of forces, including Odylic Force, spiritual energy and telekinesis, as well as assimilate them to strengthen itself. Not only that, it had a certain level of consciousness. It was difficult to remove it... I suspect that it was an Abyssal energy, but it was more infectious than Abyssal energy."

"Judging by your description, it seems to be a more powerful energy," Xia Bing replied quickly.

"That's why I suspect that the energy in Yan Jun's body was left behind by a powerhouse that surpasses dao-level. Not only that, there's a high chance that the powerhouse came from the abyss," Lin Huang told her his speculation.

"There's a certain logic to your speculation." Xia Bing had finally agreed with Lin Huang's speculation this time. However, she soon asked a question that Lin Huang was unwilling to answer, "Do you have a technique to avoid the contamination of the energy?"

Seeing that Lin Huang fell into silence, Xia Bing instantly realized that he did not really want to answer that question. "I don't mean to pry. I just want to know if you can help me read their memories if I run into major dao-level Raiders over the next few days."

Lin Huang did not stay silent this time. Instead, he answered quickly, "I can, but I can't guarantee the amount of memories I can retrieve. I'll just give it my best shot."

"Don't push yourself, just retrieve as much as you can, even if you only obtain one more keyword," Xia Bing continued, "About the Raiders' spies, the chances of getting to the bottom of it during this trip in the mystic territory are low. Just do your best."

The two chatted for a little while more before Lin Huang put away the voice transmission charm.

What he was grateful for was that Xia Bing did not dwell on many things throughout the entire conversation.

For instance, how did he defeat Yan Jun and how did he avoid the invasion of the strong energy...

She would stop appropriately if there was something that she was suspicious of instead of prying further.

However, she chose to believe him and was willing to trust him to retrieve the memories of those she found later on.

Initially, he only wanted to remind her not to read the major dao-level Raiders' memories rashly.

Never had he expected to get much more useful feedback through the communication. They had even agreed to collaborate..

Chapter 1766: Something Happened

After ending the chat with Xia Bing, Lin Huang did not stay on the abyssal zone's second level.

On one hand, he had killed many monsters on this level.

On the other hand, he had found a major dao-level Raider on this level. Based on probability, the chances of a second Raider appearing here was low.

The first thing Lin Huang did when he arrived at the third level of the abyssal zone was to activate the long-distance ocular skill to probe.

The ability levels of the monsters on this level were similar to what he had expected. Most of them had mastered between 200,000 to 400,000 Dao seals.

After probing for a little bit, he soon went into hunting mode.

Two days passed as time flew by.

Lin Huang merely used two days to complete the probing of this entire level.

It was not that the level's area was small, but rather that he had given up on half of the hunting opportunities. He would basically give up on hunting monsters that would require him to deviate from his planned route by more than 30 degrees.

Throughout those two days, he had basically figured out the situation on the third level.

There were much fewer explorers on this level compared to the second level. There were only three of them.

Throughout the two-day observation period, he did not notice anything off about them.

Considering that there was not much time left for the exploration, Lin Huang did not continue to stay. He went over to the fourth level on the third day before dawn.

On the fourth level of the abyssal zone, most of the monsters had mastered between 400,000 to 600,000 Dao seals.

Lin Huang hunted for two days again and then probed the entire fourth level.

The number of explorers on the fourth level was the same as the third level. There were only three of them here as well.

One of them was Lin Huang's colleague from Royal—Yue Wu.

As Yue Wu was a sword cultivator as well, Lin Huang had actually focused on him throughout these two days.

It was not that he suspected him, but he wanted to see how powerful a major dao-level sword cultivator was.

Yue Wu had mastered some 600,000 Dao seals.

Therefore, he had a suppressive upper hand over almost all of the monsters on this level.

As a sword cultivator had powerful attacking capabilities, he attacked face-on when he ran into sword-type monsters with 600,000 Dao seals a few times. Not only that, he suppressed them the entire time they fought.

The other monsters had no way of defeating him when they ran into him. As soon as they approached him, they basically had no chance of fighting back at all.

Including Yue Wu, the three of them did not show any unusual behavior throughout the three days of observation.

Lin Huang did not hesitate further and went straight over to the fifth level.

Most of the monsters on the fifth level had mastered 600,000 to 800,000 Dao seals.

In reality, among major dao-level characters, monsters that had mastered such a large number of Dao seals could be considered powerhouses.

Lin Huang found a total of five explorers on this level.

As there were more people, and given that there was one week left until the end of the exploration, he stayed for three days on this level.

However throughout the three-day observation period, the five explorers did not show any unusual signs as well.

Lin Huang did not plan on wasting his time so he went to the sixth level directly.

The monsters on this level had mastered more than 800,000 Dao seals.

Lin Huang knew that the limit of Dao seals a major dao-level cultivator could master was a million and 80,000.

He merely probed a little bit and thought that this level should be the last level of the abyssal zone.

The reason being was that he sensed a couple of monsters whose strength of aura had surpassed a million and 80,000 Dao seals.

Moreover, this mystic territory was not opened to entities above dao-level. Therefore, it was quite impossible that local monsters that surpassed dao-level would exist here.

However, throughout the two days of probing the entire sixth level, Lin Huang had only discovered two major dao-level explorers.

One of them was a colleague from Royal—Chi Yao.

What made Lin Huang suspicious was that Xia Bing was not on this level.

He could understand that, among the 21 major dao-level explorers, some of them might not have been teleported to the abyssal zone.

However, he knew that Xia Bing was teleported here since the beginning. Furthermore, when he contacted her last time, she was still in the abyssal zone.

If she had left, theoretically, she would tell him.

After all, they had agreed to work together.

However, Lin Huang strolled through the entire sixth level over the past two days, yet no trace of Xia Bing was found.

"Don't tell me something happened?" Lin Huang frowned as he took out the voice transmission charm. He left a message by inserting Divine Telekinesis into it.

"Where are you?"

Lin Huang stood where he was and waited patiently after sending the message.

However, one minute, two minutes, five minutes, ten minutes...

Over an hour passed by, but he did not get a reply.

"Did something really happen?!" Lin Huang's heart sank gradually.

The voice transmission charm would vibrate every time it received a message. It would vibrate even if it was kept in the storage space. When there was motion in the storage space, the carrier would sense it instantly. Therefore, theoretically, it was quite impossible for Xia Bing not to see the message he had sent.

Judging by Xia Bing's reply speed, she would reply after three minutes at most; she would even reply instantly most of the time.

However, there was no response after an hour. Clearly, something was off.

Two possibilities flashed through Lin Huang's head.

One was that Xia Bing was killed!

The other one was that for some reason she did not see the message on the voice transmission charm.

No matter which possibility it was, it was bad news.

Lin Huang soon made a hypothesis regarding the two possibilities.

When he was considering the first possibility, a figure appeared in his mind—Householder White Brow from the Longevity Tribe!

Before entering the mystic territory, among the 21 major dao-level powerhouses, Lin Huang only had a deep impression of two people.

One was Xia Bing, while the other was Householder White Brow.

The reason being was that the two of them mastered more than a million Dao seals. They gave him a clear sense of threat.

To him, among all of the explorers, Householder White Brow might be the only one who had the capability to fight Xia Bing.

More importantly, Lin Huang indeed had not seen Householder White Brow in the abyssal zone. That made Householder White Brow even more suspicious.

However, he did not rule out other suspects completely because of that. The reason for that was that perhaps some people managed to conceal their abilities or even avoid his senses.

Lin Huang was eliminating names one after another in his head quickly.

Excluding himself, there were only a total of 21 major dao-level powerhouses who entered the mystic territory this time.

Among them, seven were on the second level, three on the third level, and also three each on the fourth and fifth level.

There were a total of 16 people. He saw them in the abyssal zone, as well as observed them.

The other one was killed by Yan Jun before he came into the abyssal zone.

Theoretically, what happened to Xia Bing should have nothing to do with the 17th person.

After eliminating the 17 people, the last three were suspicious.

Householder White Brow from the Longevity Tribe!

Jin Feng from Snow Kingdom!

Hu Shan from Star Cluster!

Chapter 1767: Which Fool is That?

To a cultivator like Lin Huang, having photographic memory was a given.

Although he did not have much impression of Jin Feng and Hu Shan, he could recall their identities from memory easily.

Jin Feng was a major dao-level powerhouse from Snow Kingdom.

Lin Huang sensed that he should have mastered some 700,000 Dao seals, or at most 750,000 Dao seals.

Meanwhile, Hu Shan was a major dao-level powerhouse from Star Cluster.

He should have mastered some 800,000 Dao seals.

At least from what Lin Huang sensed, these two did not have the ability to stir up trouble for Xia Bing. Even if they were to work together, there was a high chance that they would be killed by Xia Bing instantly.

Naturally, this was limited to what Lin Huang sensed. There was a possibility that one of them concealed their ability to a point where it could escape Lin Huang's senses.

However, among the three of them, Lin Huang thought the one who was most suspicious was still old man White Brow from the Longevity Tribe.

Before the mystic territory opened, Lin Huang clearly sensed that his ability was no weaker than Xia Bing's.

If she was really attacked by the Raiders, Lin Huang thought that White Brow was the most likely suspect.

Nevertheless, Lin Huang did not rule out other possibilities.

Perhaps Xia Bing did not run into the Raiders at all, but was attacked by powerful local monsters.

Perhaps she was not attacked at all, but was merely stuck in an area that was outside of the voice transmission charm's signal range.

No matter what scenario it ended up being, Lin Huang still thought that he should look for Xia Bing as soon as possible.

The reason being was that there were only two days left before the end of the exploration of the mystic territory.

The exploration period was the safe estimation of the opening of the mystic territory.

Under normal circumstances, the mystic territory would definitely open for longer than the exploration period.

However, if someone did not leave after the mystic territory had closed, there was a high chance that the person would die inside. Even if one did not die, the person might not be able to return to the universe forever.

The reason being was that some mystic territories would only appear in the universe once and never again in the future.

"I have two more days left. I can only try my best to look for her. If I really can't find her, I can only leave."

After all, Lin Huang and Xia Bing had only met by chance. They only collaborated with each other, but they were not friends. Naturally, it would be impossible for Lin Huang to risk his life for Xia Bing.

After analyzing Xia Bing's situation, Lin Huang quickly reviewed his memories to see if there were any unusual areas on the sixth level of the abyssal zone.

The images of the different areas were replayed swiftly in his mind. He would examine the details carefully when he noticed traces of battle.

However, he found nothing after spending close to three hours looking through his memories several times.

"I didn't sense Xia Bing's aura anywhere I found traces of battle..." Lin Huang frowned lightly. "Can it be that she didn't go missing on this level?"

Lin Huang took out the voice transmission charm again and checked it by inserting Divine Telekinesis into it. He still had not received any replies.

After thinking to himself for a little bit while standing where he was, he soon decided to probe through the rest of the levels.

After exiting the sixth level of the abyssal zone, Lin Huang headed straight to the fifth level.

This time, he activated his long-distance ocular skill to its maximum range. It covered the entire abyssal zone level.

He spent more than three hours looking through each corner carefully.

After confirming that there was nothing unusual, he headed to the fourth level.

Then the third, second and first level...

Lin Huang scanned each level using his long-distance ocular skill a few times, but he still failed to find anything unusual.

It was close to midnight after all the repetitive hard work.

There was only one day left to explore.

At that moment, 20 hours had passed since Lin Huang sent Xia Bing the message. There was still nothing from the voice transmission charm.

"One day left..." Lin Huang still did not want to give up. "I definitely won't have enough time to probe other areas. I've already flipped through the entire abyssal zone, yet I didn't find anything..."

Suddenly, a thought flashed through his mind as he thought up to this point. "Theoretically, it's impossible for my ocular skill to have missed out on anything. Is it possible that there's something hidden somewhere that the ocular skill can't probe?"

Lin Huang had a fresh perspective all of the sudden when he thought of that.

He did not hesitate at all and spread out his Divine Telekinesis directly.

Terrifying Divine Telekinesis radiated directly, scanning through the entire first level of the entire abyssal zone.

At that moment, no secrets on the first level could escape his sight.

This time, he probed the entire level carefully within ten minutes. He then recalled his Divine Telekinesis and headed quickly to the second level's entrance.

When Lin Huang arrived at the second level, he scanned through it with Divine Telekinesis again swiftly. After that, he rushed to the third level almost without stopping at all.

Later, he went to the third, fourth and fifth level...

Lin Huang scanned each level with his Divine Telekinesis one level after another.

What he did not know was that almost everyone was shaking when the Divine Telekinesis with a strength that was close to the peak of major dao-level spread over their bodies.

"Judging by the strength of this Divine Telekinesis, this person has mastered at least 800,000 Dao seals!"

"Who offended this person to the point that he's searching frantically using his Divine Telekinesis like this!"

"I think someone's doomed when Divine Telekinesis of such strength has been released like this."

...

Lin Huang used his Divine Telekinesis to scan from the first to the fifth level.

However, he did not find anything.

Without hesitation, he returned to the sixth level again directly.

The monsters on the sixth level of the abyssal zone had mastered more than 800,000 Dao seals.

Monsters with such levels of ability would not be scared of Lin Huang's Divine Telekinesis.

He even knew that there was a high chance that the monsters on this level would locate him once he spread out his Divine Telekinesis.

He only hesitated momentarily before releasing his Divine Telekinesis again.

This time, within three seconds, there were already a couple of Divine Telekinesis probing him and located his coordinates.

Lin Huang ignored that and summoned his Kingdom to cover the surrounding hundreds of kilometers. (It was not the maximum range of coverage of the Kingdom, but it had been shrunk to only cover that range.)

Later on, he continued to release his Divine Telekinesis to probe areas that were further away.

However, after less than a minute of doing so, he was greeted with a couple of uninvited guests.

A couple of local monsters came over one after the other. They surrounded the area hundreds of kilometers outside the Kingdom.

They did not hide their auras at all. The one with the weakest aura had more than 850,000 Dao seals, while the most powerful one had close to a million Dao seals.

It was not only the local monsters who sensed Lin Huang's Divine Telekinesis, there were two explorers too.

Chi Yao from Royal could not help but mumble out loud, "Which fool dares to spread out his Divine Telekinesis on this level?!"

Chapter 1768: All of You Should Stay

On the sixth level of the abyssal zone, Lin Huang's action of scanning with his Divine Telekinesis was like a pebble being tossed into water. He exposed his coordinates instantly.

As his Divine Telekinesis continued to spread far and wide, more and more local monsters located Lin Huang's coordinates using their own Divine Telekinesis.

There were many that were coming toward Lin Huang one after the other.

Within a minute, seven monsters had arrived outside of his Kingdom.

These monsters naturally sensed that Lin Huang had activated his Kingdom. They did not rush in rashly.

Although judging by his aura, he was the weakest creature on the sixth level, who had merely mastered 800,000 Dao seals at most, all the monsters knew that he would have the upper hand in his Kingdom. His ability might be multiplied inside it.

Time continued passing. More and more monsters surrounded the area outside Lin Huang's Kingdom.

However, he ignored those monsters completely and continued to spread out his Divine Telekinesis' probing range to scan through the entire area.

Such a state lasted for some ten or so minutes. Close to a hundred monsters had already gathered around.

There were monsters trying to launch attacks from far outside the Kingdom, but they were blocked by Lin Huang's telekinetic flying daggers.

The stagnant state of affairs was finally broken when the first monster that had mastered over a million Dao seals arrived.

It was an Abyssal monster with countless tentacles. Its entire body was like that of an irregularly-shaped, blue-black rotten ball of meat with numerous dark purple spores on it that were enlarged many times.

When its rotten aura arrived, the other monsters instinctively stayed far away from it, worried that they might accidentally be targeted.

However, none of them dared to run away. The reason being was that they would definitely become its prey if they moved at this time.

Nevertheless, this meat monster did not even glance at the many monsters outside Lin Huang's Kingdom.

It targeted him with its Divine Telekinesis straightforwardly. The tentacles were clearly flailing about faster now. They even began to secrete dark purple juices.

It merely stopped for a moment when it arrived outside Lin Huang's Kingdom.

It then floated into his Kingdom without hesitation.

The moment it stepped into the Kingdom, Lin Huang finally had to shift his focus and recall his Divine Telekinesis probing.

Seeing that he was looking at it, the tentacles all over the meat monster's body flailed about even more vigorously. There was a snickering sound coming from some unknown source. It sounded like it was laughing.

Lin Huang raised his brows and attacked without hesitation. Millions of God Weapon flying daggers shot out from his sleeves like a lightning storm.

He used millions of Dao seals from his Kingdom directly, adding level-1,000,000 Odyl on the flying daggers.

At the same time, he had even unsealed the Critical Hit Hammer's function, providing a randomized threefold to fortyfold critical hit chance to each of the flying daggers' attacks.

Facing an Abyssal monster that had mastered over a million Dao seals and was close to the limit of major dao-level, Lin Huang did not dare to delay his actions at all.

The meat monster seemed to have not expected Lin Huang to be so decisive in his attack and to be so fast, so it was drowned in the blood-colored lightning storm completely before it reacted.

Many monsters that were watching outside the Kingdom were rather terrified by the attack.

Naturally, they sensed the power of the attack clearly.

Lin Huang still looked tense after the attack successfully landed.

The reason being was that he could obviously feel that the meat monster was still resisting stubbornly within the blood-colored lightning storm.

Although it reacted a little too slowly, it had still managed to react once it was drowned by the blood-colored lightning storm.

Countless black tentacles stretched out frantically, each of them containing level-1,000,000 Odyl.

They were strands of dark purple lightning collided with the blood-colored lightning.

At that moment, the intertwined dark purple and red lightning lit up Lin Huang's Kingdom.

The meat monster's defense capabilities were pretty powerful. It's defense was almost airtight.

Only a small amount of blood-colored lightning with over tenfold critical hit chance crushed through its first layer of tentacle defense. However, they were soon blocked by the second layer of liquid defense that covered its body.

The layer of liquid defense was like a layer of dark green pus. The liquid was secreted from the roots of the tentacles, almost covering its entire body. The layer of liquid contained a vast amount of Odylic Force.

Under the protection of the double-layered defense system, Lin Huang's first attack failed to cause any substantial harm to it.

Although it was just a test attack, Lin Huang was quite surprised to find that it was not effective at all.

After confirming that the first attack was futile, he attacked a second time without hesitation.

He shook his sleeves again. Another cloud of endless blood-colored lightning was shot out.

He added level-2,000,000 Odyl in this attack directly, while the number of God Weapon flying daggers used skyrocketed to five million.

This time, the meat monster did not dare to take this second attack lightly, as it watched the attack arrive.

It activated its Kingdom within Lin Huang's Kingdom.

The entire space transformed into a strange-looking sky all of a sudden.

Lin Huang could even see planets faintly. There were sarcomas that were alive.

With the help of its Kingdom, the meat monster's aura increased instantly, while the number of the Dao seals it had mastered seemed to have at least doubled.

The strange sky enveloped the sky that was full of blood-colored lightning the moment they clashed.

Subsequently, the tentacles threw out the God Weapon flying daggers.

With the meat monster activating its Kingdom, the effect of Lin Huang's second attack was worse than the first.

Just when Lin Huang was thinking about whether he should use his trump card, the meat monster took the initiative to attack. The countless planets in the sky in its Kingdom seemed to have come alive.

They stretched forth numerous tentacles toward Lin Huang.

Almost each tentacle was superimposed with more than three million Dao tattoos.

There were at least a hundred million tentacles.

Lin Huang hesitated no further after seeing the disgusting tentacles coming his way from all directions in the sky.

He superimposed level-5,000,000 Dao seals directly. The hundreds of millions of God Weapon flying daggers in his sleeves turned into a sky full of divine lightning.

All of a sudden, blood-colored lightning spread throughout the entire Kingdom.

The dark purple tentacles were turned into dust the moment they touched the lightning.

It was the most powerful attack that Lin Huang had ever used.

Each God Weapon flying dagger was superimposed with five million Dao tattoos.

A casual hit would be enough to kill most major dao-level powerhouses.

Although the meat monster was powerful, its tentacles were crushed without any suspense.

Meanwhile, the layer of pus secreted by its body did not last too long as well before being destroyed completely, revealing its weak physical body within.

Lin Huang's third critical attack only lasted less than 20 seconds.

The meat monster's devastating shriek that came from somewhere unknown stopped abruptly, as its vitality faded away completely.

Before its Kingdom collapsed entirely, Lin Huang lifted his head and glanced at the many monsters that were still watching the battle from outside his Kingdom.

Many of them turned around quickly in an attempt to run away when they met his gaze.

However, it was too late.

Suddenly, Lin Huang's Kingdom expanded and enveloped the thousands of kilometers of his surroundings directly.

All of the monsters that were watching were caught inside.

"All of you should stay behind since you loved watching the show!"

Lin Huang could not help but grin when he saw that all of the monsters had been enveloped by his Kingdom and that none were left out.

Chapter 1769: Hidden Space

Within three minutes, Lin Huang had suppressed all of the monsters in his Kingdom.

He could borrow close to eight million Dao seals from his Kingdom, which was a hundredfold of the Dao seals he had mastered himself.

Even if the monsters fought with the help of their own Kingdoms, it would only provide them a two to threefold boost at most. Almost none of them could use over three million Dao seals.

With the addition of the critical hit effect from the Critical Hit Hammer, the nearly hundred monsters or so were killed instantly before they could activate their Kingdoms. There were only a small number of them who successfully activated their Kingdoms, but they were also killed easily after a brief struggle as they had their Odyl exhausted by the God Weapon flying daggers.

Seeing the carcasses littered all over the ground, Lin Huang shrunk his Kingdom directly and put away the nearly hundred or so carcasses in his Kingdom.

His harvest this time was undoubtedly great. Almost all of the nearly hundred or so monsters had mastered more than 800,000 Dao seals. There would only be more Dao seals that were hidden in their Kingdoms.

Lin Huang could almost foresee how many Kingdoms he would be able to refine thanks to this, and how many Dao seals he would gain for his Kingdom after leaving the mystic territory.

However, he also knew that there might be other monsters coming over to challenge him later on.

The reason being was that almost all the monsters on this entire level had watched the whole battle earlier using all sorts of probing techniques, including Divine Telekinesis.

Initially, everyone expected that this battle would end with this explorer, who spread out his Divine Telekinesis so carelessly, being killed by the numerous monsters directly.

However, the ending surprised everyone. The nearly hundred or so peak major dao-level monsters were killed within three minutes.

Naturally, the two explorers witnessed it too. They were shocked.

Chi Yao, who was from Royal, fell into deep thought for a long time, "Who exactly is this white-robed man?! He doesn't seem to be White Brow..."

After settling this round of troublemakers, Lin Huang soon focused once again on his probing efforts with his Divine Telekinesis.

He spread out his Divine Telekinesis further away, probing every detail on this level carefully.

Some ten minutes later, his Divine Telekinesis finally arrived at the fringes of the level.

Suddenly, his eyes lit up, "Found it!"

Under the probing of his Divine Telekinesis, he found a hidden spatial fluctuation at the northern fringe of the level.

It was a cliff that he had probed using his long-distance ocular skill before. He did not notice anything amiss when he examined it with the ocular skill previously.

However, he had finally discovered the abnormality under the probing of his Divine Telekinesis.

Although he was not sure if this place had anything to do with Xia Bing's disappearance, he planned to check it out.

Very soon, Lin Huang appeared at the cliff.

Seeing the tall cliff, he soon had his eyes locked onto a wall.

He hovered and arrived in front of the wall.

This was the place where his Divine Telekinesis had detected the abnormality. However, he still did not see anything strange despite observing it from less than two meters away.

He pressed his palm onto the wall in a testing manner. As expected, his hand penetrated the wall directly. It felt as if his hand had fallen into quicksand.

After giving it a thought, Lin Huang stepped into it.

His eyes dimmed. A moment later, all of his senses were back to normal.

"Where is this..." Lin Huang widened his eyes.

It was clearly the cliff that he was on earlier, but the scene that he was looking at seemed to have turned black and white.

Just as Lin Huang wanted to verify his suspicions of whether it was the virtual realm, he sensed strong battle fluctuations coming from the distance.

The intensity of the energy fluctuations was definitely of the standard of top major dao-level powerhouses fighting.

"Is that Xia Bing?!"

Lin Huang clearly sensed that one of the auras belonged to Xia Bing.

He rushed over to the source of the energy fluctuations in a flash without even thinking about it.

Some ten minutes later, he finally made it to the area where the battle fluctuations were.

The entire sky was almost fully covered in silver saber gleams and black icicles.

It took Lin Huang some effort to finally see the situation clearly. Among the two in the battle, one was the Xia Bing he was looking for, while the other was White Brow from the Longevity Tribe.

Xia Bing was being faintly suppressed.

Meanwhile, White Brow's state also seemed to be a little strange.

He clearly looked much younger compared to before he came into the mystic territory. His silver hair was completely white now, while his initially white eyebrows had turned completely black as well.

The two who were in the fight instantly sensed Lin Huang's appearance.

"Why are you here? Get out now!"

Xia Bing said through voice transmission immediately.

To her, Lin Huang did not have the ability to participate in this battle. His current appearance would totally hinder her instead of help her.

However, he ignored her voice transmission. Countless God Weapon flying daggers that were disguised as golden saber gleams shot out of his sleeves directly. There were tens of millions of them.

Superimposed with level-800,000 Odyl, they were consolidated into a saber formation in the air instantly and charged at White Brow.

He had borrowed the maximum number of Dao seals from his Kingdom for this attack. It was the most powerful attack outside his Kingdom under the premise of not using his actual Dao seals.

The reason being was that he knew that the opponent was White Brow who had mastered over a million Dao seals. He had to take him seriously.

White Brows teasingly said while smiling when he saw Lin Huang, "Hey, your lover is here."

As soon as he was done speaking, the countless silver saber gleams swept toward Lin Huang's God Weapon flying sabers.

Loud noises continuously echoed in the air at the moment.

Meanwhile, Lin Huang had found the chance to get close to Xia Bing with a flash.

"What's going on?"

Xia Bing was finally relieved a little bit when she saw Lin Huang's real ability.

Although he could not fight White Brow head-on with his ability, he could provide support to her rather than slowing her down.

"I found this space by accident a few days ago and thought I'd come in to investigate. Inside I saw White Brow sitting on an altar with a layer of black abyssal mist covering him. When he noticed my presence, he attacked me directly..."

Lin Huang had just noticed that there was indeed an altar not too far away.

There were a few human-shaped mummified corpses on the altar.

Lin Huang could faintly recognize that the two whose faces were facing up were Jin Feng from Snow Kingdom and Hu Shan from Star Cluster!

The key word he read from Yan Jun's head back then popped up—Sacrifice!

Connecting the dots that White Brow, who was in front of them now, clearly looked younger, he instantly understood the meaning of "sacrifice". He had a rough hypothesis now.

"After absorbing that black mist, his appearance has obviously become younger. He doesn't seem to need to refine the black mist himself. Even while he's fighting with me, it's automatically absorbed and modifies his physical body and God's soul continuously..." What Xia Bing said verified Lin Huang's hypothesis.

"Also, that altar is very strange. It seems to be absorbing energy from outside of this space.. I can't destroy it..."

Chapter 1770: Xia Bing's Trump Card

Lin Huang had a rough understanding of the situation after hearing Xia Bing's explanation. He only began speaking after that.

"Today is the last day of the exploration period. If we don't kill him, we might not be able to leave this space in time. We might be stuck here forever."

He was only telling the truth by reminding her. In reality, he was not too worried about being trapped inside as he had the Gate of All Realms. He could return to the universe any time he wanted. However, he did not want to expose this Goldfinger unless it was the last resort.

"The time flow here is the same as the outside world..." Xia Bing mumbled softly, "At least that's not bad news."

In reality, she had been wanting to find out about the time flow in this space. She had finally found the answer she was looking for from Lin Huang.

She had actually been counting the entire time. When she saw Lin Huang's appear, she knew that the exploration period outside had not ended, after which she was relieved. However, she secretly hoped that the time flow in here was faster than that of the outside world.

If that was the case, she would have more time to deal with White Brow.

However, Xia Bing now knew that they had to end this today when she found out that the time flow was 1:1, and it was the final day of the exploration.

She merely thought for a moment before sending Lin Huang a voice transmission.

"We don't have time to let this drag on, I can only use my trump card. However, promise me that you won't share this with anyone no matter what you see later."

Lin Huang nodded immediately to agree to her request. It was better for her to be willing to use her trump card than for him to expose his.

Moreover, what she requested made sense. Nobody was willing to make their trump card public.

Xia Bing hesitated no further after receiving Lin Huang's promise.

Her Kingdom was activated directly.

It covered that entire space within its range.

Lin Huang realized that he was currently in a land that was snowing. Despite his physical ability, he could feel the stinging chill penetrating the particles in his body continuously.

He knew that it was not an attack Xia Bing targeted at him, but rather simply the attribute of her Kingdom.

"Kingdom of ice and snow..." White Brow, who was enveloped in the Kingdom, laughed instead of feeling surprised. "This should be Snow Kingdom's technique? So you're also a Snow Kingdom's spy planted in Star Cluster!"

Lin Huang only came to a realization after hearing that. This was the reason why Xia Bing asked him not to share this information with anyone.

However, she merely scoffed and did not retort.

She performed hand seals with both hands quickly. Within her Kingdom, ice coffins of all sizes emerged from the ground.

Subsequently, they shattered consecutively and the ice corpses within were unsealed.

Lin Huang glanced at them. The tens of thousands of ice corpses were major dao-level powerhouses. Judging by their auras, the weakest one had mastered more than 500,000 Dao seals, while the most powerful few had even mastered over a million Dao seals.

He was quite curious about how Xia Bing managed to obtain such a terrifying number and grade of ice corpses.

White Brow squinted. "Endless ice coffins... What's your relationship with the Ice Queen?!"

Even Lin Huang became rather curious when he heard that question.

He had heard of the Ice Queen. She was a legendary entity that surpassed dao-level, as well as Snow Kingdom's founder.

"You ask too many questions." Xia Bing's expression was as cold as ice.

"Forget it. No matter what your relationship is with her, you have to die anyway!"

White Brow glanced at Lin Huang after he was done saying that, "I'll bury this guy with you as well."

Lin Huang thought to himself, 'You guys go ahead and chat. Why drag me into things?'

As soon as White Brow was done speaking, the endless white saber gleams before him transformed into countless light streams. They shot forth, sweeping toward the ice corpses.

Almost instantly, the tens of thousands of ice corpses were drowned in the saber gleams entirely.

When the saber gleams faded away, the tens of thousands of ice corpses stood where they were, seemingly not to have been substantially harmed.

Only a few of them fell to the ground, yet the corpses were strangely intact instead of being crushed by the saber gleams.

Just when Lin Huang was feeling confused, he witnessed an even stranger scene.

The few ice corpses that fell down got up slowly. Their wounds were recovering automatically at a speed that was visible to the naked eye.

Even their auras had not fallen either.

'Does her Kingdom come with a function that provides defense to the ice corpses? It can even revive them?' Lin Huang speculated following his observation. 'That's crazy!'

One had to know that White Brow did not hold back at all in his attack.

Each of the saber gleams was superimposed with level-1,000,000 Odyl.

Theoretically, his attack would have been sufficient to kill 99% of the ice corpses before him.

Perhaps only the few ice corpses with over a million Dao seals would not be killed.

However, the reality White Brow was seeing in front of him was that his attack, which had encompassed all the ice corpses in saber gleams, nearly did not break through their defenses. Most of the ice corpses did not even have a trace of a wound on them.

Even the few that were killed with great effort were revived. Their wounds were recovering quickly.

White Brow, who was on the other side, frowned.

Clearly, he did not expect this to happen after he attacked.

However, he knew very well what had taken place.

The surface of the ice corpses' bodies were covered with a layer of strange ice. It was unknown how many layers of Odyl were superimposed on that layer of ice, which had forcefully blocked his saber gleams.

To be exact, his saber gleams had not broken through the defenses of those ice corpses.

Meanwhile, those that fell had actually only exhausted their Odyl from the many attacks of his saber gleams, thus losing the protection of the layer of ice.

It wouldn't be too much of a problem if they were only competing in regard to who was going to exhaust their Odyl first. All he needed to do in that case was to exhaust the Odylic Force in these tens of thousands of ice corpses' bodies in order to kill them.

The problem was that, after they were killed, they were revived...

This presented quite a headache to White Brow.

The reason being was that if these ice corpses could be revived repeatedly, without a doubt, the one who would have their Odyl exhausted would be him.

White Brow responded after merely a moment of thought.

Watching the countless ice corpses rushing at him, he did not perform a ranged attack with saber gleams this time. Instead, he took up a defensive stance.

The saber gleams transformed into a cloud of protective lightning, crushing the attacks that were targeting him.

Then, he focused his attack on the few ice corpses that he had killed just now when he had the opportunity.

Very soon, he managed to kill them a second time.

However, within ten seconds of the ice corpses falling to the ground, they got back up.

The wounds on them recovered at speed that was visible to the naked eye again.

Nevertheless, White Brow did not want to give up yet. He remained in his defensive position and continued to attack the few ice corpses that were killed just now.

Judging by his actions, Lin Huang could guess that White Brow wanted to test the revival mechanism in Xia Bing's Kingdom. He wanted to see how many times exactly the ice corpses could be revived.

Naturally, Xia Bing noticed that too. She smirked and performed another complicated set of hand seals.

The second the hand seal was completed, the tens of thousands of ice corpses began to go out of their minds. They went into berserk mode.

The frequency of White Brow being attacked rose. The ice corpses even broke through his saber gleam defense a few times.

He did not manage to modify his attack before a couple of ice corpses in melee distance charged at him.

He scoffed when he knew that he could no longer hide behind his defense. Though unwilling, he activated his Kingdom anyway...