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Chapter 831: Bet On Your Future!

Seeing each other once again, Shi Yan didn't know what to say.

After they parted in the Glorious Amethyst Star, Zi Yao came to the Dark Firmament Star while Shi Yan went to the Purgatory Star to join the Extreme Purgatory Field.

On his way, his war chariot exploded, creating the Dark Magnetic Deadly Explosion, which almost smashed him.

He was sure that the one who had attacked him in the dark was Ao Gera!

Not long after he arrived in the Purgatory Star, Ao Gu Duo suddenly wanted to kill him, accusing him of joining Bloody Slaughterer Ka Tuo to assassinate Zi Yao. If Leona hadn't stopped him, Shi Yan would have been dead.

Both potentially fatal incidents were related to Ao Gera. However, Zi Yao still took Ao Gera to the Heaven Punishment City with her. Obviously, she didn't punish him but considered Ao Gera an important chess piece.

Perhaps in her eyes, Ao Gera still had a big value. Or she was afraid of Ao Gu Duo's force.

No matter the case, to Shi Yan, he couldn't let it go as he was the victim. As long as Ao Gera was with Zi Yao, Shi Yan felt annoyed.

"Your Highness, the Heaven Punishment City is unexpectedly dangerous. If you didn't bring enough forces here, you should leave early," Shi Yan said after a long moment of silence.

Zi Yao's eyes became gloomier. "How about you? Will you go with me?"

"If you expel Ao Gera, perhaps I will," Shi Yan rose his brow, "I've almost died twice because of him. If he stays, I can't sleep or eat well by your side."

"Are you sure he did that?" Zi Yao said sadly.

Shi Yan beamed a faint smile. "Even with your wisdom, I don't think you recognize his hostility towards me. No matter what reason you have to keep him with you, I don't feel well with it. I won't fight shoulder by shoulder with him. We'll soon have a fight to the death."

Zi Yao's face was bitter. "Ao Gera has been following me for so many years. Even if he doesn't have any merit, he is dedicated enough. His works in the Glorious Amethyst Star are well-done and transparent. I don't have a reason to expel him. Moreover, he has Ao Gu Duo standing behind him. Can you give me more time?"

"I can't ask you for anything, Your Highness," Shi Yan smiled, "but I will remember how you helped him. However, if I deal with Ao Gera, I won't intentionally lower my powers. If he stays in the Heaven Punishment City... I'm not sure if I won't kill him."

“How about you? What’s your relationship between you and Feng Rao?” Zi Yao furrowed her delicate eyebrows.

Shi Yan was surprised. He shook his head and laughed. “I think it has nothing to do with you, right? I have the rights to chase after any woman I want. You don’t have the right to interfere with my business. Am I right?”

“She’s a pirate!” Zi Yao shouted.

“So what?” asked Shi Yan deliberately.

“The Pirates of the Land of God Punishment are the nails stuck in the flesh of the three big forces. They are my enemies. If you stay with her, you are on the opposite side to us!” said Zi Yao angrily.

“So what?” asked Shi Yan.

Zi Yao took a deep breath, beaming a forced smile but she didn’t say anything.

Swoosh Swoosh Swoosh!

A magical electric magnetic field suddenly expanded from the corner of his eye.

“Who’s that?!” Carthew’s voice came from a stone room nearby. The wind gusted, and a silver silhouette appeared.

“Sir Carthew, long time no see,” Shi Yan bent his body slightly.

Carthew nodded. His face was solemn while the wind swirled around him.

Boom Boom!

The stone gate at the back of the garden blew off. A group of about ten people got in one by one. Leading them was a bulky man with an aquiline nose and deep eye sockets. He looked sinister, haughty, and unruly.

Alchemist Allard and Bi Rou appeared behind him. They were all astounded to see Shi Yan. They assessed him discreetly.

Shi Yan was also surprised. He became vigilant, preparing for a sudden battle.

“Bi Tian!”

Carthew and Zi Yao screamed in fright. They changed their visages instantly.

Bi Tian was a tough character in the Underworld League. He was second to one person but was greater than tens of thousands of people. He had the Second Sky of Original God Realm, one level higher than Carthew. His family held intimidating powers with several life stars. He commanded a team that had as many hotshots as clouds in the sky.

Bi Tian’s position in the Underworld League could be compared to Leona’s and Ao Gu Duo’s in the Dark Firmament Divine Nation. They were all tyrant characters whose names could break the dome of heaven of the Raging Flame Star Area.

“Carthew, do I look weird?” Bi Tian wore an indifferent face, walking as if he didn’t care about anyone else. “You guys are plotting about the star map, and I wish to join in on this matter. We have the same goal. If you can get here, I can, too.”

“You’re quick enough.” Carthew was surprised but he gathered himself quickly. He nodded. “If we have the same goal, why do you come here? You want to join hands with me to steal the star map in Feng Ke’s hands?”

Bi Tian beamed a dry smile, shaking his head. “I have the same realm as Feng Ke. It’s not easy to defeat him. You have only the First Sky of Original God Realm so you can’t be of much help. Anyway, you, Russell, and Jie Nong have the same realm. So, I’m not here to cooperate with you. Oh, if I have to find someone to cooperate, I will be more interested in Leona.”

Obviously, he implied that Carthew wasn’t as strong as Leona.

Carthew wasn’t enraged. He just smiled, “I’m weaker compared to Madame Leona. Yeah, if you aren’t here to seek cooperation, so why are you here?”

“Because of him.” Bi Tian pointed to Shi Yan. His face became solemn as he said, “You are Shi Yan, right? You and my Underworld League have business. But my little daughter didn’t treat you nicely. She was a little bit harsh to you. On behalf of her, I want to apologize.”

After pausing for a while, Bi Tian turned and glared at Bi Rou, giving her a low shout. “Little Rou!”

Bi Rou’s graceful face distorted as if she didn’t want to do it. She had struggled in her mind for a while then bent her delicate waist, saying desperately to Shi Yan, “I’m so sorry for offending you that year. My apologies.”

“Shi Yan, little brother. Forgive us, forgive us.” Alchemist Allard clasped his fist, his face smiling.

Carthew was stunned. Zi Yao was baffled. Shi Yan didn’t understand what was going on.

“Bi Tian, what are you doing?” Carthew pondered for a moment then asked in a confused manner.

“Cough cough!” Bi Tian gave a dry cough, taking a deep breath. He looked at Shi Yan, talking to him solemnly, “Little brother... What do you think about my daughter’s appearance?”

Shi Yan, Carthew, and Zi Yao were perplexed.

Bi Rou’s white neck reddened. She looked at Shi Yan embarrassedly. Her bright eyes were filled with anger and embarrassment.

“She’s nice. Her face is beautiful and graceful too.”

Bi Tian stretched his mouth into a smile, flinging his arm. “Then it’s good. I want to let my daughter marry you. What do you think?”

Bi Rou’s bright eyes looked like she was about to fire, shaking her head continually behind Bi Tian. She signaled him not to agree. She almost screamed.

Carthew and Zi Yao shivered, looking at Bi Tian with disbelieving faces. They didn’t know what to say.

“My daughter is mesmerizingly beautiful. I’m Bi Tian, the Great Commander of the Underworld League. In any aspect, my status is better than Feng Ke’s, right? Marrying my daughter will bring you fewer troubles than marrying a pirate. What do you think?” Bi Tian smiled. He contemplated for a while and then added, “Of course, Princess Zi Yao is more beautiful and noble, but I think... Du Tian Ji won’t be as generous as I am. He won’t allow his princess to marry you. So I think my option is more suitable for you. Don’t you think so?”

Carthew, Shi Yan, and Zi Yao gawked perplexedly. Even some warriors standing behind Bi Tian gave odd looks.

Bi Rou stood behind Bi Tian, continually shaking her head. She was so worried, trying to signal him to reject her father’s proposal. It seemed like she had someone else in her heart and she didn’t want to become someone who can conveniently recruit strong experts for her father.

Shi Yan was astounded for a while. He quietly looked at Bi Tian then turned to Bi Rou. He took a deep breath. “Why? Why did you choose me?”

“Although your realm isn’t enough to be noticed, it doesn’t mean you will stay that way. I believe that if you can survive, you will become an overlord of a region in the Raging Flame Star Area!” Bi Tian answered frankly. “I will take this bet on your future!”

Carthew was shaken. His eyes brightened up all of a sudden as he shouted, “Bi Tian, you’re so tricky! I can’t deny that I admire your cunning mind. You’re worthy to be the hero of your land. You do have imposing manners!”

Zi Yao finally reacted and her soft body shivered.

Bi Tian was about to make a big bet. He wanted to use his daughter’s lifetime worth of happiness and his mighty force to bet on Shi Yan’s future!

He strongly believed that Shi Yan would become the most outstanding character in the Raging Flame Star Area. Thus, he decided that he should persuade and recruit him for his team. He didn’t even regret using his daughter because he thought that his bold vision was correct. Shi Yan would become a great overlord in the future.

His resolute deeds and imposing manners were terrifying indeed.

At this moment, Carthew and Zi Yao understood this course of action. And because they understood it, they felt a chill in their hearts caused by Bi Tian’s endeavors.

“If you marry my daughter, you will belong to my force. I can use all the available cultivating materials to tile your path. I can provide you with whatever you want!” said Bi Tian seriously. “With your natural endowment, I think you can break to the Original God Realm very quickly! I believe that you don’t need two hundred years to gain a slot in the Raging Flame Star Area. I don’t know if someone else favors you like I do, but I believe that I have the most sincere proposal. What do you say?”

“Can you give me more time to think?” Shi Yan suddenly said.

From the other side, Bi Rou was still watching him with sharp eyes, trying to signal him to reject her father. Hearing him, her soft body shook as deep embarrassment and resentment sparked in her eyes. She looked like a tigress about to bare its fangs and tear Shi Yan's throat.

Bi Tian gazed at him for a while. He grinned and nodded, "Alright, I'll give you time to think about it."

"Alright, we won't disturb you anymore." Bi Tian said to Carthew and Zi Yao before turning around and leaving. His warriors followed him silently. During Bi Tian's entire proposal, no one in his delegation had uttered a word.

Only Bi Rou lagged behind. Waiting until her father disappeared, she craned her neck behind the stone gate, rolling her eyes at Shi Yan indignantly. She said through her gritted teeth, "Don't dream about his offer! Even if I die, I won't marry you!" Then, her graceful body disappeared.

At the same time, Feng Rao called for him. Because it took him so long time, Feng Rao got uneasy and came to look for him.

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Feng Rao screamed anxiously. Shi Yan didn't linger with Zi Yao. He hurried to leave and disappeared shortly.

Bi Tian's delegation left. Ao Gera, Yalan, and Tie Mu weren't arranged to stay in this manor house. Thus, only Zi Yao and Carthew stayed in this garden.

After Bi Tian and Shi Yan had left, Carthew and Zi Yao stayed quiet for a long time. They all had devastated looks on their faces.

Long after that, Carthew sighed. "Bi Tian has guts! He is tough and bold to make such an offer!"

Zi Yao frowned, saying nothing.

"Using his daughter's lifetime's worth of happiness to bet on Shi Yan's future... if he wins this bet, he will be rewarded immensely. I can tell you that!" Carthew took a deep breath then said, "With his potential, two hundred years is enough time for him to become an outstanding hero of the Raging Flame Star Area. He could even surpass Bi Tian! If he marries Bi Rou, Bi Tian will put in all of his resources to nurture him. He will grow even faster. So cunning. Bi Tian is very cunning!"

Zi Yao looked bitter, sighing lightly.

She had known Shi Yan for a long time. She knew his potential clearer than anyone else.

When they were in the Solar Star Exploding Fragment Field, Shi Yan had only the True God Realm cultivation base.

It was shorter than ten years before he reached the Second Sky of King God Realm!

Zi Yao was at the Third Sky of King God Realm for a long time. However, her realm remained the same while Shi Yan continued to progress! He had just defeated the Demon Clan's expert Black Horn, a guy

cultivating Ice power Upanishad. Zi Yao wondered if she could defeat Black Horn and she was sure she could not.

It meant that Shi Yan had the capabilities to fight her with his own powers and without using external forces.

It hasn't been very long...

Thinking about all this gave Zi Yao a headache.

"Ao Gera has Ao Gu Duo to back him up. Anyway, without this, he isn't as strong as Shi Yan." Carthew took a deep breath, his face solemn. "Don't give up. If you miss this chance, you will regret it for the rest of your life."

Zi Yao frowned, asking, "Uncle Carthew, what do you mean?"

"You know what I'm talking about. I just want to remind you that Shi Yan is no longer an average guy anymore. Bi Tian has shown up because of him. Feng Ke will also try his best to recruit him. If you don't secure him, you will lose him forever. Manage it yourself." Carthew sighed, shaking his head. "Let's go. Ao Gera and Yalan have been waiting for us for a long time. You should think about it on the way. Oh right. Ao Gu Duo is about to arrive. But Leona will come too. Keep thinking about what you want your relationship with Shi Yan to be."

Zi Yao furrowed her brows and remained silent. She quietly followed Carthew, her face absent-minded.

On the lively streets, Shi Yan and Feng Rao were walking shoulder by shoulder. They smiled from time to time. They seemed to be very happy.

"Look! That shop sells a lot of strange and bizarre items. Things we can't find in the Raging Flame Star Area." Feng Rao's eyes brightened as she pointed at a shop by the street. She bloomed her smile as if she was excited, turning to look at Shi Yan. "If you need to use the bathroom, I can wait for you, but you need to hurry."

Feng Rao was hiding something in her words. Her beautiful eyes sparkled.

Staying in the Purgatory Star to retrieve the star map proved her patience and subtlety. She was definitely not a fool.

In fact, Feng Rao was meticulous and clear-headed.

The time Shi Yan disappeared to do his small business was more than she needed. Connecting it to other abnormal things that happened before, Feng Rao knew that he had gone to meet someone. Being a smart woman, Feng Rao didn't expose this or ask him questions. She chose to pretend to not know anything.

Anyway, it didn't mean that she wouldn't care. That was why she took the chance to tease Shi Yan.

"Nah, I'm done. I'm clean now." Shi Yan smiled embarrassedly. He didn't wait for Feng Rao to say more, heading towards that shop.

They were both smart people. There were things they didn't need to say out loud to understand it.

This shop was around one thousand square meters with some square counters that displayed many types of crystals, ores, unknown grass, herbs, and flowers. They even found many pieces of precious leather with natural patterns, beast skeletons, and strange books.

Just like a grocery shop, the counters were packed with items. Many of them were strange and unknown. Even Feng Rao didn't know what some of them were.

The strange energy fluctuated and rose from some stones, crystals, and beast skeleton, but it wasn't strong or strange.

A white-headed old senile woman dozed off on her chair. Her head stooped and nodded from time to time. She seemed to not recognize that she had some customers checking out her shop.

The old woman didn't have a high realm. She just got the Third Sky of True God Realm. It seemed like she was stuck in this realm for many years. And since she couldn't break through, she looked old. She seemed to count her life on this shop with the hope to enter the King God Realm.

The Raging Flame Star Area was vast. People could easily meet King God Realm warriors and sometimes Original God Realm warriors.

However, not all True God Realm warriors could break through to the King God Realm. Compared to the thousands of billion people in the Raging Flame Star Area, the King God Realm warriors were rare. Many remained stuck in the True God Realm for the rest of their lives.

This woman was one of them.

She stooped and slept tight as if she didn't care whether or not someone planned to steal her items or not.

"She is the oldest woman in our Land of God Punishment. I think she is several thousand years old. So many years ago, her man was the strongest leader of the pirates in the Land of God Punishment. I heard that he had robbed the ships near the border of the Raging Flame Star Area and claimed abundant harvests. However, he had disappeared a couple of thousand years. I think he is dead. And she is still in the Land of God Punishment to sell goods that he had robbed. I heard that her shop has something we can't find in the Raging Flame Star Area. Of course, the valuable items were all sold out. What we see here are the leftover items after people have finished selecting and buying. Just normal and useless stuff."

Feng Rao explained when they got into the shop. "We can just watch. We don't have to buy anything."

"This shop has something the Raging Flame Star Area doesn't have. So did anyone buy something good here?" asked Shi Yan.

"Yes, rumors say that some people had bought the priceless items here," Feng Rao nodded. "Of course, it is just a rumor. We haven't seen anything yet. She's been here when my father was just a little pirate. This legend has been told even before that. I heard it from my father. I'm not sure whether it is true or not."

Shi Yan was surprised, but he didn't pay much attention. Instead, he just walked around and checked things out.

He found many stones and crystals that he didn't even know the name of. Many of the objects didn't have energy fluctuations so he didn't know what they could be used for. Also, he couldn't tell what kind of beasts those skeletons were because they had been there for quite a long time. He couldn't tell the level or class of those skeletons either. It was hard to tell their values. And he found many small and peculiar toys, which also didn't have a beam of aura or energy.

This shop had hundreds of items piled on the counters. Most of them didn't have energy. If they did, their energy was so feeble, which didn't make them worth much.

Shi Yan didn't have any purpose in looking for valuable things here. He was simply curious, wanting to see how the items of the other star area look like. He just went back and forth between the counters to observe the items, releasing his Soul Consciousness to sense.

A fist-sized dim blue stone orb, which didn't have a beam of energy caught Shi Yan's attention. It was heavier than it looked.

This dim blue stone orb looked ordinary. It had no feature that was unusual. It didn't have the natural texture of stone either. However, when Shi Yan sent his Soul Consciousness into the orb, his Star power Upanishad reflected a weak beam of energy fluctuation. This stone orb seemed to have some tiny but magical relation to his star power.

Shi Yan was amazed. He quietly picked the dim blue stone orb, put it on the counter and nodded to Feng Rao. "I want this stone orb."

He didn't hasten to use his Star power Upanishad to sense the mysteries of the stone orb. This place was someone's shop so it was not convenient. If this orb had something magical and someone else besides him got it, he would have had to pay a big price to get the orb.

"Okay. Continue to see if you want to buy anything else." Feng Rao glared at the stone orb then shifted her eyes away. She didn't pay much attention to his item. Just like Shi Yan, she crouched to find some toys for herself.

Shi Yan continued to rummage through the piles of miscellaneous items under the counter. Those things were strange, but because they didn't have any energy, Shi Yan couldn't use his Soul Consciousness to check them.

Soon, he walked to another pile of miscellaneous goods.

A small, cold shield suddenly fell into his palm. This one was a pocket edition. It was as big as a human face. It looked exquisite and even lovely.

This small shield was blue and brown. It felt cold and smooth in his hand. Shi Yan's Soul Consciousness sank into it. No energy was reported. The back side of the shield didn't have any pattern or carved formation.

Shi Yan just skimmed through it. He threw it away, not paying much attention.

Clink Clink!

The small shield created some sounds in the pile of assorted items. Shi Yan looked at it and his face stiffened immediately.

On a side of the blue-brown shield showed a mark of five blood-red clouds!

It was the exact same image as the mark on his God Soul's forehead!

Shi Yan was startled. He became solemn because when he had just checked the shield, he hadn't seen any mark on either side of the smooth shield.

However, after he had rubbed it and thrown it away, the mark appeared. What was going on?

Was it because of him?

Shi Yan inhaled, making himself clear-minded. He resumed his normal countenance and picked up the small shield.

The mark of five blood clouds on the shield faded away when he looked again. However, the shield became colder.

Shi Yan was skeptical and perplexed at the same time. He took the small shield, placing it next to the stone orb and nodding to Feng Rao. "I also want this."

"Boy, I'm sorry. We don't sell that small shield," the old woman said in a sleepy voice. The old woman had just woken up.

Shi Yan was astounded.

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The old woman was still sleepy. She bent her body slightly then opened her eyes. Her opaque eyes had no light in them. She looked quiet and senile.

She had been stuck in the True God Realm for many years. She couldn't pass through the King God Realm. She seemed to be numb to this fact, losing her faith in her ability to increase her realm. For the rest of her life, she took care of this small shop, waiting for something to happen.

People said that she was waiting for her husband, the strongest pirate of the Land of God Punishment many years ago. He had disappeared near the border of the Raging Flame Star Area.

Several thousand years ago, that man used to be like Feng Ke, a leader of the Pirates in the Land of God Punishment, whose fame matched his competence. However, he was much stronger than Feng Ke with a more profound realm. His operating area wasn't bound by the Raging Flame Star Area. He had stretched his influence to the peripheral areas of the star area. He had often visited the area where ships from other star areas passed by.

Perhaps because of his guts and his marvelous powers, he became arrogant, which led to unexpected events. He could never come home from the edge of the Raging Flame Star Area.

It has been so many years. Many new Pirate leaders had risen, including Feng Ke. However, none of them had the force and capability that could be compared to that man.

The shop owner, the quiet, senile woman, was the only wife of that man. She stayed in the Heaven Punishment City and sold goods her husband had harvested.

Initially, this shop was famous and packed with goods and customers. Since the man had disappeared, it gradually quieted down. Now, the shop was still famous, but it couldn't sell many things. Not many people visited here anymore. People seemed to have forgotten this shop.

Feng Rao stopped rummaging through the stuff. She frowned, asking with surprise. "Granny Fei Lan, why do you not want to sell it?"

People called the old woman Fei Lan. Only the powerful characters in the Heaven Punishment City knew her real name.

"That small shield is a gift my husband gave to me. It is nothing special, but it is a good memento." Fei Lan remembered something, her eyes showing her affection like a vast sea. "When he gets tired and comes home, if he finds out that I've lost his gift, he won't feel comfortable."

Feng Rao's bright eyes showed that she was moved by the old woman's love.

Shi Yan was astounded, looking at Fei Lan with some affection.

In their eyes, Fei Lan was a fool who quietly waited in sorrow for a man who had disappeared several thousand years ago in Heaven Punishment City.

After so many years, she still loved and longed for him. She even thought that her husband was still alive and that he might come home one day.

Although this deep love sounded conservative and foolish, it could touch anybody's heart.

Feng Rao was deeply moved. "Then forget it. It's okay that you don't want to sell it. How about this stone orb? Will you sell it?"

The dim blue stone orb was revealed as she opened her white palm. This orb didn't have a beam of energy. In any aspect, it looked like a rare shaped stone. Nothing in this orb was special enough to make people look at it for more than several seconds.

Fei Lan's cloudy eyes observed the dim blue stone orb. She didn't say anything for a moment.

"Grannie Fei Lan, you don't want to sell this broken ball either?" Feng Rao was surprised. She started to feel strange.

It wasn't the first time Feng Rao visited this shop. Before she had left the Heaven Punishment City, she often wandered here.

Usually, toys and trash items in this shop were really cheap. Before today, she had never known that this shop had something that the old woman wouldn't sell.

However, Shi Yan had chosen a small shield and Fei Lan said that she didn't want to sell it. And now, she was hesitant in selling this broken stone ball, which made Feng Rao confused.

"Ma'am, if you don't want to sell it... it's alright," said Shi Yan with a natural look on his face.

His eyes still gazed at the stone orb and the small, strange shield.

Fei Lan rubbed her eyes, shaking her head. She sighed then mumbled, "... Take the stone orb. I have to survive anyway. I still have to eat."

"How many divine crystals do you want?" Feng Rao said, taking out some top-quality divine crystals from her Fantasy Sky Ring.

In her eyes, that broken stone wasn't worth a top-quality divine crystal. But if Shi Yan liked it, it was worth the price. She intended to give her ten top-quality divine crystals as she felt sorry for the old woman.

"Give me the quantity that you think my item is worth," Fei Lan pondered for a while then lifted her head. However, she didn't look at Feng Rao but instead at Shi Yan.

Feng Rao was astounded.

Shi Yan's eyebrows slightly twitched. He kept silent.

After more than ten seconds, Shi Yan's brows stretched. He took a deep breath then turned to Feng Rao. "How many divine crystals did your father give you?"

"One thousand. They're all top-quality." Feng Rao felt odd.

"Give her all of it," Shi Yan lowered his voice.

Feng Rao's soft body shivered. Her bright eyes were skeptical and she was very confused.

It was just a rare shaped stone ball. In her eyes, it wasn't worth a coin. The energy of a top-quality divine crystal was enough to refill the energy of a King God Realm warrior!

A top-grade divine crystal could buy Sacred Grade pellets, a charming maid, or rent the training yard for half a month in the Heaven Punishment City.

One thousand divine crystals was a big fortune indeed. In the Heaven Punishment City, only pirates with a strong background force could keep such properties.

To recruit Shi Yan, Feng Ke had used his foundation capital. Giving away one thousand divine crystals, he sure was generous.

As Feng Rao knew the value of the divine crystal, she was hesitant and suspicious,...

"Give it to her," Shi Yan frowned, repeating his words.

Feng Rao didn't hesitate anymore. She slipped the Fantasy Sky Ring off her finger, slowly put it on the counter. She was kind enough to remind the old woman, "Granny Fei Lan, this Fantasy Sky Ring keeps one thousand divine crystals of top quality. Keep it well. Don't show others that you have such a big fortune."

If someone else laid eyes on this huge fortune, Fei Lan could fall into trouble because of her True God Realm cultivation base. That's why Feng Rao had to remind her.

Fei Lan appeared to not listen to her reminder. Her dull eyes were still gazing at Shi Yan. After a long moment, she nodded, handing over the dim blue stone orb, pushing it toward Shi Yan. "It belongs to you now."

Pausing for a while, she mumbled, "It suits you anyway."

"Thank you," Shi Yan smiled, respectfully put the dim blue stone orb away. He bowed to greet her then turned to Feng Rao. "Let's go, we shouldn't disturb her more."

Although Feng Rao was curious, she just nodded and said nothing more, following him to leave the shop.

Fei Lan's line of sight was fixed on Shi Yan from the moment he entered until the moment he left the shop. She pondered for a while then dozed off again.

"Why?" After they had left the shop, Feng Rao couldn't hold her curiosity anymore. She asked, her eyes confused, "One thousand divine crystals! That is enough to buy a spacious manor in the Heaven Punishment City. Exchanging such a fortune for a trash stone... was it worth it?"

"I wasn't sure if it was worth it or not," smiled Shi Yan. "But seeing her hesitate, I think... perhaps I've picked a treasure. She didn't want to sell the orb because she knew its value. When you gave her a thousand divine crystals, I didn't see her get excited. She looked begrudging, though. Do you know why?"

"Why?"

"Because she thought that it was too few."

"Few? She thought that one thousand divine crystals were not enough?"

"I think that she considered our payment small. Otherwise, she would have stirred up. She even looked begrudging. Anyway, she doesn't need that orb. That is why she sold it to me... Perhaps, she has another reason."

Shi Yan wasn't so sure. He vaguely felt that Fei Lan should know the magic of that small shield. She might know about the blood mark, too. The reason why Fei Lan agreed to sell the stone orb was possibly related to the fact that he could recognize the value of the small shield.

Of course, all of these were just his assumptions. Shi Yan didn't dare confirm, but he had some strange premonitions.

Feng Rao wasn't a fool. She was skeptical because she couldn't see what magic the stone ball could do. She thought it was just a trash stone.

However, after Shi Yan had explained, she understood immediately. She felt a little bit shocked. "You meant... that stone orb has something strange?"

"It has a subtle connection with my Star power Upanishad. I can say that it's not just a normal item. I think that it's worth the price of one thousand divine crystals and it could be more than that," Shi Yan said after contemplating for a while.

Feng Rao's eyes brightened up. "You mean... Granny Fei Lan knows how valuable the orb is?"

“I think she knows,” nodded Shi Yan.

“But she has only the True God Realm cultivation base. If she knows, why doesn’t she tell people about the stone and give it a higher price?”

“You should ask her. I can’t think of an answer.”

“ . . . ”

They were discussing in a low tone. Gradually, they walked into a desolate alley, where they saw no one on the street.

Shi Yan halted.

Feng Rao stopped next to him.

The wind ceased. A heavy pressure slowly pressed down from all directions. It felt like a wind wall was pressing down to restrain people.

Wind power Upanishad!

Shi Yan and Feng Rao exchanged looks. They became solemn, quietly gathering energy in their bodies.

From the strange pressing wind, they knew that the incomer had a strong realm. He should be a warrior at the Original God Realm.

Shi Yan’s negative energy burst out instantly. His God Body appeared, his eyes turning garnet. The negative aura rolled like a windstorm. Shi Yan’s Dead Domain expanded, tearing off the pressure from the wind.

Feng Rao didn’t say anything. She sat down, closing her eyes to sense the commotion of the wind. She mouthed, using her Sound power Upanishad to disorder the threatening force from the opponent’s God Domain.

The incomer had the Original God Realm and used Wind power. He had prepared well with his intimidating power. If they made a mistake, they would be consigned to eternal damnation. Their soul altars could be smashed, too.

Both Shi Yan and Feng Rao were experienced warriors. When they noticed that something was wrong, they immediately gathered all their forces to resist. They didn’t dare linger for even a moment.

While they were ready to encounter the opponent, a gust of wind shot over from one end of the alley and covered one of them.

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Chapter 834: The Frightful Invisible Hand

The wind blew over like a dust tornado. A gray shadow was suspended in the middle of the tornado but they couldn’t see it clearly. They could only feel a powerful but evil force gushing from him.

The gray wind hissed. The massive pressure increased several times all of a sudden. Instantly, the rock walls of this small alley cracked and exploded. Chips of rock shattered like an intense shower.

The wind howled ear-piercingly, running directly into Shi Yan's Sea of Consciousness like a sharp blade.

Shi Yan could feel pain from the God Domain. At this moment, he couldn't even gather his consciousness. His thoughts couldn't be sent to the soul altar. His God Soul floated as if it was drawn out of the soul altar above the Sea of Consciousness.

In the wind howl, the immense pressure compressed the air. The smell of burning objects invaded the air. Rocks fell like rain. With energy given by the wind, those chips became as heavy as mountains or ten thousand cattle and as thick like the sea.

Inside the Wind God Domain, gusts screamed, making everything blurred. The whole sky became an immense gray area. It looked like the Mighty Heaven was about to rip off everything.

"Confine!"

Shi Yan screamed almost crazily. His voice struck the high sky, his face ferocious.

Countless space ripples expanded from his God Body, raising like the tide of the sea. Shortly, they formed a formation.

The sounds of 'crack' echoed in the air like someone was using invisible chains to lash the surroundings. Even the voice couldn't be sent through.

Feng Rao sat neatly next to Shi Yan with closed eyes. Her visage was tranquil like water, but her delicate curved eyebrows furrowed. Her lips parted as she spurted out syllables as sharp as swords. They then fiercely shot towards the blurry shadow in the middle of the gray tornado.

Boom Boom Boom!

Grumbling sounds echoed continually. Feng Rao used her Sound power Upanishad to bombard that tornado.

A big part of the gray dust vanished. However, the wind had just halted for a while before starting to revolve fast again.

The furious wind rolled, sweeping through everywhere and cleaning each square inch around the man.

As Shi Yan had just gathered his energy to condense the God Domain and Space Confinement, his attack was immediately torn apart by the gust of wind.

The tornados that naked eyes could see rolling in the sky like the axes, flew towards them from every direction. The grating, ear-piercing howl brought the energy that nothing could destroy, moving very quickly.

The stone tiles on the ground of the small alley rolled up into the sky. The tornado then ground them into dust. The walls exploded and shattered. The tornados covered everything as if they wanted to smash all creatures in the area.

Feng Rao closed her eyes, frowning while both of her hands made hand seals. She was screaming and shouting unceasingly.

Her sound seals exploded then condensed into lightning ribbons, stabbing the gray tornado. However, they couldn't get through the thick tornado, and she couldn't harm the one hovering inside.

A gap between two realms was the distance between humans and Gods. This distance couldn't be made up by simply using energy. They couldn't attack the other's God Domain or find a weak spot to attack.

Swoosh Swoosh Swoosh!

The three Bone Thorns appeared in the tornado, trying to attack that shadow.

Wind blades appeared in the void like a sea of sharp sabers. The three Bone Thorns could only break some wind blades, but not the person controlling the winds.

Boom!

Just like the grumbling thunder pressing down, the intimidating invisible wind ropes sprang forward. Shortly after, Shi Yan and Feng Rao were tied tightly. They couldn't even wiggle.

The thumb-sized gray wind ropes slowly revealed themselves, lashing around the two like securing the leaf rice rolls.

The fierce screaming of the wind suddenly stopped. The vague figure in the tornado slowly emerged.

"Fan Ye!" Feng Rao couldn't hold in her shouting. "You dare come to the Heaven Punishment City? Do you really think that the Heaven Punishment City is a desolate place?"

That man was Fan Ye from the Nice Star Chamber of Commerce, a warrior at the First Sky of Original God Realm. He had fought Russell in the past, but he was defeated.

This wasn't too long time ago but he dared to visit the Heaven Punishment City. Now, he wanted to capture Shi Yan and Feng Rao. This man was brave enough to break the rules of the Heaven Punishment City.

"What do your Heaven Punishment City's rules have to do with me?" Fan Ye's visage was cold and harsh. He said with disdain, "We, the nice Star Chamber of Commerce, always wanted to clean up the Heaven Punishment City. You are the dirty scumbags of this star area. You will be eradicated one day. To me, Heaven Punishment City is a city to be destroyed soon. Why should I follow their rules?"

Among the three big forces in the Raging Flame Star Area, the Nice Star Chamber of Commerce had the greatest resentment towards the Land of God Punishment. They always wanted to sweep up the pirates.

The Nice Star Chamber of Commerce was the biggest chamber of commerce in the Raging Flame Star Area with strong forces and large business deals. The Pirates of the Land of God Punishment were their archenemies. Those pirates often robbed the Nice Star Chamber of Commerce's vessels and sold their stolen goods in the Heaven Punishment City, which resulted in tremendous damage to their profits.

If the Land of God Punishment hadn't had so many hiding spots that the Soul Consciousness could sense, the Nice Star Chamber of Commerce would have already attempted to clean this massive base of pirates.

"You're attacking two juniors like us. Do you think you're that good? If you have the guts, you should find Russell to take revenge. He's in the city," said Feng Rao with rage.

"I will. Russell won't escape his death. He must die. No doubt about it." Fan Ye beamed a faint smile.

"But you two have your own value. Where's the Empty Fantasy Crystal? The Empty Fantasy Crystal is a precious item. We had spent a lot to buy it. We can't afford to let a kid steal it."

Pausing for a while, Fan Ye glared at Feng Rao. "I heard that Feng Ke cherishes you so much. I wonder if he will use the star map to exchange it for your life. I will give Feng Ke time to consider. When time's up and he doesn't want to exchange the star map for you, don't blame me."

While talking, Fan Ye stepped toward Shi Yan and Feng Rao.

Swoosh!

A gust swept through. A cut suddenly appeared on Shi Yan's neck, just a line away from his artery.

A wind blade appeared between Fan Ye's fingers. He said coldly, "I want to know where the Empty Fantasy Crystal is."

Shi Yan's eyes were garnet. He looked at Fan Ye, parting his lips. "I broke it."

Fan Ye changed his face. The wind blade between his fingers flew out to cut the artery on his neck.

Boom!

Just like a collapsing mountain, a ruthless force shot out from Shi Yan's body like an erupting volcano.

The ash-gray ropes were broken instantly. Shi Yan had urged the power of Immortal Demon Blood in his body. At this moment, Shi Yan became a wild beast that was breaking out of its confinement. His momentum was furious and intimidating. Light sparkled in his garnet eyes. The Dead Upanishad was urged. Negative energy turned into a massive Dead Seal striking towards Fan Ye.

The Dead Seal was like a giant bloody hand of Death. The pungent, thick smell of blood it brought seemed to not disperse easily. It looked like a palm that could smash the whole dome of the sky.

The ferocious, formidable energy gushed out together with negative emotions. They affected Fan Ye's soul altar before he could attack Shi Yan.

Then, Fan Ye had a hallucination of himself standing in a blood sea. His face became sinister, as his murderous aura vented out furiously.

Bang!

The sky-towering tornado appeared, impacting the Dead Seal that looked like the Death's giant hand. The earth and heaven were shaken. The earth-shattering energy had smashed Fan Ye's barrier into pieces.

Beams of energy shelled everywhere else. The tall buildings of more than one hundred meters around them exploded by the shockwaves. Many warriors were hurt.

Fan Ye was still hovering in the air, but he was trembling hard. His face turned into an unhealthy red hue.

Shi Yan had condensed his Immortal Demon Blood to create the Dead Seal, which had the mountain-splitting power. Fan Ye got hit. His barrier created by his God Domain was shattered.

At the moment the barrier was torn, Fan Ye knew that the experts of the Heaven Punishment City would come quickly as they must have found the tremendous commotion of this battle.

It was impossible to confine Shi Yan to ask for the Empty Fantasy Crystal's whereabouts. This was also true for capturing Feng Rao to ask Feng Ke about the star map.

Shi Yan panted, his face savage like an enraged beast that was smelling the scent of blood. Blood light sparkly gloriously in his garnet eyes. The Immortal Demon Blood boiled in his body, generating the endless energy, which screamed to get out.

Negative energy in his acupuncture points overflowed torrentially, combining perfectly with the God Domain generated by the Dead power Upanishad. As the Dead power was moving in his soul altar, a blood sea vaguely appeared by his body. The thick scent of blood permeated the sky, covering every creature.

The ability to suck the vitality from creatures arose silently. While he didn't recognize it, light dots emerged from Fan Ye's body, slowly flying toward Shi Yan's God Body in the center of the God Domain.

"Break!"

Shi Yan took a deep breath. His congested arms tore forcefully, ripping off the wind ropes on Feng Rao's body, releasing her from Fan Ye's wind confinement.

"Seems like I will have to kill you all." Fan Ye considered for a few seconds before his face turned dark. He wanted to use his realm advantage to kill Shi Yan and Feng Rao.

Since he had the Original God Realm cultivation base, he hadn't used all of his power in this battle yet. As he confirmed that he couldn't capture Shi Yan and Feng Rao, he was enraged. He decided to kill them all.

Swoosh Swoosh Swoosh.

The wind rose again. The tornado that could tear the sky formed near Fan Ye.

At this moment, Fan Ye seemed to turn into a massive tornado, covering the entire area. His formidable wind power moved furiously. It was several times stronger than the previous ones.

Fan Ye continually urged his energy as he wanted to kill them all.

However, right when he wanted to open his mouth to announce Shi Yan and Feng Rao's death sentence, he discolored. Both of his hands clutched his neck. His eyes showed extreme fear.

His God Body was sliding backward rapidly and eccentrically, breaking more than ten stone buildings. However, he was still being dragged away.

It seemed like there was an invisible hand strangling him and dragging him into the void. Fan Ye couldn't do anything. His wind energy scattered fast.

Fan Ye had the First Sky of Original God Realm. But under that force, he looked like a dead dog that was unable to wiggle.

Shi Yan and Feng Rao were shocked to see Fan Ye get dragged further away until they couldn't see him anymore.

"Let's go!" Feng Rao cleared her mind, shouting. She held his hand, dashing crazily towards the Blue Demon's base.

Shi Yan staggered and flew after her. However, after being baffled for a while, he turned around to look at the general direction of Fei Lan's shop with a complex countenance.

Chapter 835: The Mysterious Hermetic Expert

Fan Ye, an expert at the First Sky of Original God Realm, was dragged to somewhere out of their sights. They didn't know whether he was still alive or not.

The small alley was now a ruin. Smoke and dust swirled in the air as it hadn't dispersed yet. Warriors yelled and cursed, walking through piles of rocks. They shouted while trying to find the one who caused the damage to take revenge.

At this moment, to prevent themselves from being ambushed by Fan Ye, Shi Yan and Feng Rao were moving quickly towards the Blue Demon's base.

Dust and rock chips still scattered in the air. Bi Tian, the great Commander of the Underworld League, Bi Rou, and Allard were standing in a small cottage at the other end of the ruined alley. They looked at the cloud of dust with heavy and yet strange eyes.

"That sudden force was so terrifying!" Allard took a deep breath, his face pale. He instinctively looked at Bi Tian standing next to him. "Master, was that Feng Ke?"

"Feng Ke?" Bi Tian shook his head, "He's in the Blue Demon's discussing the star map. He doesn't have free time now. Moreover, he doesn't have such power. Even for me, if I wanted to subdue Fan Ye and make him lose the strength to resist like that, I wouldn't be able to. No need to mention Feng Ke."

Although they were both at the Second Sky of Original God Realm, Bi Tian considered himself one level stronger than Feng Ke. His confidence stemmed from his strength.

Even Bi Tian who was at the Second Sky of Original God Realm couldn't explain the immense force that they had just witnessed. How strong was that person?

Allard and Bi Rou contemplated, their faces solemn.

"Seems like it's true. The rumor saying that the Heaven Punishment City has some hermetic experts." Bi Tian's eyes sparkled with strange light. He continued faintly, "Although the three big forces have joined

hands to sweep over the Heaven Punishment City many times, we can't uproot the space pirates here. Besides the forbidden lands around, perhaps... there's another reason."

Hearing him, Allard and Bi Rou paled.

"Father... are you saying that someone stronger than you is staying in this area?" Bi Rou shouted slightly, her face disbelieving. "Only Du Tian Ji of the divine nation has the Third Sky of Original God Realm cultivation base! In the Raging Flame Star Area, we have the only other three at the Third Sky of Original God Realm, right?"

"We've known just the three of them," Bi Tian frowned, "but we don't know who is hiding. Who can be sure that there aren't more?"

Warriors in his team discolored in fright.

"Anyway, what surprised me wasn't the hermit in the Heaven Punishment City," Bi Tian contemplated for a while then lowered his voice, "I'm more surprised at Shi Yan's real competence!"

As he said that, Bi Rou and Allard were shaken, remembering his strength.

"Obviously, he didn't use all of his powers in the battle with Black Horn. Since Fan Ye wanted to kill him, he had stirred up the potential of that young man. He had forced him to show his real competence. I think that even if the hermetic expert didn't give him a hand, he still had the strength to battle." Bi Tian took a deep breath, divine light shooting out from his eyes. "In fact, he has only the Second Sky of King God Realm cultivation base while Feng Rao has the First Sky of Original God Realm. The young man is incredibly strong. We must recruit him to our team."

Allard and Bi Rou nodded solemnly.

Shi Yan and Feng Rao flew rapidly towards Feng Ke's manor in the Heaven Punishment City. Seeing his grand palace, they finally calmed down.

In this place, the other experts also felt the commotions of a battle inside the Heaven Punishment City. They paused their meeting and came to the training yard where Shi Yan and Black Horn had battled, discussing clamorously.

As soon as Shi Yan and Feng Rao appeared, they drew the attention of everyone else. Feng Ke on the stone platform still sensed something with his eyes closed. He seemed to not notice that Shi Yan and Feng Rao were back.

"Master Russell, your best friend Fan Ye is in the Heaven Punishment City. He attacked us." Shi Yan shouted when he arrived and hadn't had time to steady himself.

Russell's face got colder then became glorious with the brutal deed. "I could feel the familiar energy. It is him. This is excellent!"

His figured melted like the quicksand merging into the ground. He disappeared shortly to find Fan Ye in the city.

Feng Ke opened his eyes, his eyelids twitching.

“Father, Fan Ye appeared while we were walking down the street. He wanted to capture me to blackmail you. When we were about to fall, someone saved us discreetly,” Feng Rao explained the situation simply.

Feng Ke listened to her attentively. Until she finished, he nodded, “You guys go have a rest. I’m going to search for Fan Ye’s whereabouts in the city. I won’t let him go comfortably.”

“Are you alright?” Bloody Slaughterer Ka Tuo quietly approached Shi Yan from the crowd of the pirate leaders.

“I’m okay,” Shi Yan smiled, nodding to greet the others before leaving with Feng Rao.

“We expected earlier that experts of the three forces would try to interfere. It is not strange that Fan Ye came here. Anyway, he was a bit hurried.” Ka Tuo took a deep breath. He pondered for a while then waved his hand. “I’ll call it a day. You guys should prepare yourself. In the coming days, I’ll summon you guys again for a detailed plan.”

After they bid farewell and gave some advice, the leaders of the pirates left.

Feng Ke returned to his secret chamber and sent his message.

Not long afterward, Feng Rao entered the chamber after she had arranged everything for Shi Yan. This secret chamber was sealed with many layers of barriers and restrictions. No one could eavesdrop their conversation.

“Little Rao, you said that someone had helped you guys when you were in trouble. Do you know who that person was?” Feng Ke asked with a serious countenance.

“No, I don’t,” Feng Rao shook her head. “That person seemed to grab Fan Ye’s neck and drag him away. Fan Ye couldn’t even resist. It was so terrible...”

Feng Ke put on a serious face. “That person is much more dangerous than what you think. Even your father... I don’t have such powers.”

Feng Rao was scared. “Is that person at the Third Sky of Original God Realm? How could it be? Since when did our Heaven Punishment City have people with such mighty powers?”

“It’s possible,” Feng Ke forced a smile, “There is something that you don’t know. Throughout several thousand years, every time the Heaven Punishment City met a disaster or there were enemies that couldn’t be resisted, we always solved it inexplicably. The last time it happened was five hundred years ago. The Headmaster of the Li family of the Nine Star Chamber of Commerce came here, intending to sweep away the Heaven Punishment City and destroy the pirates. When that happened, the Heaven Punishment City bore heavy damage. The city was destroyed. Many pirates got killed. At the moment we thought that the Heaven Punishment City was about to be demolished, the Headmaster of the Li family died for an unknown reason. His experts were also killed unknowingly...”

Feng Ke took another deep breath. “The Heaven Punishment City should have collapsed. But the Li family’s experts all died and we won the war easily.”

Pausing for a moment, Feng Ke said with a vague countenance on his face, "It has happened similarly several times..."

Feng Rao was astounded. "Father, are you saying that we have an invincible hermitic expert in the Heaven Punishment City? Someone that you can't even sense?"

"If that person's realm is higher than mine, I won't be able to feel anything when he or she conceals his or her aura," nodded Feng Ke. "The leaders of the three big forces also know about this person. That's why we were able to stand strong for so long. This mysterious person is the reason why we have not been uprooted yet. Otherwise, do you think that the three forces would have spared our lives? Wouldn't they have tried to come and destroy us one more time?"

Feng Rao kept silent.

"Today, that person suddenly attacked Fan Ye to help you and Shi Yan. However, I'm not sure if this person wanted to help you or Shi Yan..." Feng Ke frowned then asked, "Who did you guys meet?"

"Jester, Ka Fu, and granny Fei Lan. And... he had left somewhere before that. I think he went to meet someone, but I didn't accompany him. I don't know who he had met," answered Feng Rao.

"Jester and Feng Ke, it would be impossible for them to have helped you... Fei Lan... She has only the Third Sky of True God Realm. She looks old and quiet. I have never seen anything strange surrounding her. Her mind seems to not be lucid. It's impossible regardless. Perhaps it was someone that Shi Yan had met. So that person had helped you guys because of him!" Feng Ke changed his visage. He pondered for a while then continued, "... He's not a simple man. Little Rao, if you can bind him with your love and make him work for us, he will be of great support to us in the future."

Feng Rao smiled naturally.

"Yeah, you should go. I need to think more." Feng Ke didn't ask further, tenderly telling his daughter to leave.

Feng Rao left immediately.

Shi Yan lay on his side on the windowsill in a spacious stone room. He was watching people moving in the Heaven Punishment City while he caressed the blue stone orb he bought from Fei Lan's shop. His eyes gradually brightened up.

A flow of Soul Consciousness was sent to the blue stone orb. The stone orb didn't have any halo as it was just a natural stone ball that had no energy fluctuation.

Shi Yan frowned but he didn't hasten. He observed the stone orb for a while. All of a sudden, he urged the Star power Upanishad. His soul altar moved slowly as he used the energy of the star to see what was inside the stone orb.

At the same time, his chest sparkled with star dots. Those light dots then flew out like fireflies, entering the stone orb.

The star power moved as his soul was carving the trajectory of the stars in the sky. He seemed to create a subtle and magical connection with the starry sea of the sky.

After the star energy had been poured into the stone orb, it seemed like the defense inside the orb was cleaned up. Gradually, finger-sized small eyelets appeared on the orb.

Boom!

Shi Yan's Sea of Consciousness was shaking uncontrollably. Starlight started to lash around his left hand, the hand that was holding the stone ball. His soul altar had formed a subtle and magical connection with the ball.

The starlight in the immense starry sea showered like rain, gathering inside the stone orb.

Dazzling light suddenly shot out from the eyelets in the stone orb with a terrifying piercing power!

Boom Boom Boom!

When the light hit the rock wall, it pierced through the wall. The window where he was standing exploded. His spacious stone room was pricked as many beams of light shined in different directions. The light pierced through the wall as if someone was pinching and breaking the dried tree branches.

Screams of fright and astonishment arose under the room. Many warriors of Feng Ke's force stormed upstairs to see what was happening.

Shi Yan was stunned. His eyes were brighter as he caressed the orb while it continued still shooting light everywhere. The corners of his mouth curved into a smile.

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Chapter 836: Fusion

The dim blue stone orb was now as dazzling as a star and it generated a flow of rolling star energy that surged vehemently.

Starlight still fell countlessly from the immense star area into the stone orb like rivers flowing into the vast sea. Holding the stone orb, Shi Yan released his Star power Upanishad, creating a special connection with the stone orb.

All of a sudden, beams of glorious starlight started to swirl around Shi Yan's God Body, covering him shortly.

At that moment, he looked like a cocoon covered in starlight. His entire body was as brilliant as a diamond that people couldn't look directly look at.

The silver starlight energy fell from the sky rapidly, flooding the shattered stone chamber and making it look like the room sunk into the galaxy.

Feng Ke, Feng Xiao, and Feng Rao went to the place as they had also sensed the tremendous commotion in this room like the other pirates had.

They floated outside of Shi Yan's window, peering into the room with great astonishment.

A glorious cluster of light bobbed in the galaxy inside the room. It was so blinding that people couldn't look at it very well. The starlight was so magnificent and it was the most eye-catching star in the sky.

The fierce star energy fluctuated in the stone room. Shi Yan's God Domain had turned into a miniature version of outer space. It continued to absorb the starlight from the sky, making his God Body more terrifyingly dazzling.

"What's that?" Feng Ke's eyes sparkled. She couldn't help but turn to Feng Rao.

Shaking her head, Feng Rao was also bewildered. "I don't know what's going on. His powers Upanishads include star power..."

Feng Ke remained silent.

"Not Space power and Fire power?" Feng Xiao was surprised.

"He doesn't cultivate Fire power. Space power is just one kind of his powers Upanishad..." explained Feng Rao.

Feng Ke and Feng Xiao were stunned.

"He's comprehending the Star Upanishad. At this moment, he shouldn't be disturbed," said Feng Rao uncertainly after being hesitant for a while.

Feng Ke nodded. His face darkened as he shouted to people floating near them, "Go away, all of you. Don't bother our little buddy."

Those onlookers flew away, listening to him. Shortly after, only Feng Rao, Feng Ke, and Feng Xiao stayed.

"Girl, how many secrets does this boy have? Do you know them all?" Feng Ke beamed a forced smile. "I don't know why I always feel that he is very dangerous. Would he be able to ruin our plan?"

"I don't know how many secrets he keeps either," Feng Rao shook her head, "but I know that he won't become our enemy."

Feng Ke contemplated, staring at Shi Yan for a while then nodded, "You stay here and watch over him. I have some important stuff to do. Little Xiao, follow me." Then, he and Feng Xiao disappeared.

Feng Rao stayed alone in this place, watching Shi Yan while her beautiful eyes twinkled.

Starlight cocooned around Shi Yan, making him a shining pupa with fierce starlight power. It seemed like he could affect the galaxy out there, dragging countless beams of starlight to gather within his God Body.

This condition of his had lasted for a long time. Eventually, starlight stopped falling into the room.

The starry sea created by the God Domain also disappeared. Finally, Shi Yan's body was revealed.

Everything resumed in its normal state.

He sat indifferently on the ground, his breathing steady. He closed his eyes like he was cultivating.

However, the dim blue stone orb he had held in his hand had disappeared unknowingly.

The light cluster of Essence Qi in his lower abdomen overflowed with starlight. It looked like a marvelous nebula had formed in his lower abdomen, which was radiant under his skin.

A long time later, his lower abdomen appeared normal. There was no glorious light anymore.

When that happened, Shi Yan woke up. His eyes were now as brilliant as the stars and as dazzling as diamonds.

"What happened to you?" Feng Rao asked.

Stretching the corners of his mouth, Shi Yan stood up deliberately. He concentrated on his body. His eyes became brighter.

The Star Martial Spirit in his heart had disappeared. He didn't see the blue orb anywhere either. However, besides the crystal Essence Qi ancient tree, he now had an immense nebula containing an extremely brilliant star in the vortex in his lower abdomen.

As the Star Martial Spirit and that blue stone orb had absorbed many beams of starlight, they fused together and became the nebula and a star in the vortex in his lower abdomen.

This star wasn't just an illusion. Shi Yan used his Soul Consciousness to sense that it was actually a star in outer space. It was massive with marvelous secrets hidden within.

The hazy and immense nebula was a galaxy with many stars scattered around as well auras of the moon and the sun, which was generated from the Star Martial Spirit that Shi Yan had nurtured for years in his heart. And the dim blue stone orb had become the most dazzling star in this galaxy.

As his thought flickered, he gathered the energy. Earth and heaven energy flowed into the vortex in his lower abdomen after being refined, flooding the Essence Qi ancient tree.

At the same moment, invisible starlight from the sky had also gathered when he was urging earth and heaven energy. Beams of starlight rolled into the nebula, congregating with the broken stars and twinkling stars there.

His thought changed. Pure Essence Qi circulated from the Essence Qi ancient tree. Meanwhile, crystal clear star power was generated from the nebula, turning into a cold and transparent stream of stars running through his veins. A fiercely sharp beam of starlight shot out from his finger.

The nebula was spinning inside the vortex in his lower abdomen, becoming another fountain of power like the Essence Qi ancient tree. He thought that he could absorb and use the energy of the galaxy easily.

The misty nebula seemed to be a living thing. It was moving unceasingly in the vortex. Shi Yan felt an abundant energy source from that glorious star. He felt that as soon as he urged the mysterious power of the Star Upanishad, he would be able to use a considerable amount of energy from these things.

When he gathered energy, the nebula could achieve even more things. It could absorb the starlight in outer space to increase the energy stored in the nebula.

He believed that when he fought some warrior and even when his Essence Qi ancient tree was withered without a single beam of Essence Qi, he could still use the star energy from the nebula to continue this furious battle.

The nebula had become another source of his energy, which could gather and supply energy marvelously.

All of these were related to the dim blue stone orb he got from Fei Lan's shop. Shi Yan was sure that the stone ball was a Star class rare treasure!

"I'm fine. I feel pretty good! You don't need to worry." Shi Yan smiled and comforted Feng Rao. "It's alright. I'm studying the Star Upanishad. Today, I received something nice. Oh right, I want to find Ka Tuo to do something. After my business with him is done, I will find you."

"Can I go with you?" Feng Rao asked with hopes.

Shaking his head, Shi Yan frowned and said, "Ka Tuo doesn't want people to intrude his private space. Don't worry. I should go there to check on Bao Ao and the others. Your father is busy with the star map. You should stay here to help him. When the leaders gather to depart, I will come with Ka Tuo."

"Alright then. You should be careful. The Land of God Punishment is not safe now. Don't let stealthy people ambush you." Feng Rao knew that Shi Yan had something he didn't want her to know. She wasn't dumb enough to ask him though. "If you don't need to get out of the city, then don't do that. Outside the city is surely not safe. Barrette doesn't like you. If he knows that you went back out to the city, he will attack you. You should understand this."

"Okay, I got it," Shi Yan smiled, "I'll be back soon. Don't worry. Everything will be alright."

Then, he sprang out of the room and landed on the large street of the Heaven Punishment City. He blended and disappeared into the crowd shortly.

Feng Rao knew that he wanted to take action alone. Naturally, she wouldn't be like the other stupid women sticking on him all day long. Although she was a little bit worried about him, Feng Rao stayed back, frowning and thinking of unexpected things that could happen to him.

Shi Yan appeared in the flow of people moving in the city then accelerated. He crossed and shuttled between some remote streets, going further away.

That blue stone ball had helped him big this time. Not only had it helped create the nebula in his lower abdomen, it had also given him the chance to understand the Star Upanishad better.

He vaguely felt that perhaps he would enter the Third Sky of King God Realm shortly after using the Star power Upanishad.

Shi Yan continually changed directions. After a while, he stopped.

Situated in front of him was a lonesome shop, but it wasn't Ka Fu's.

The main door of this shop was open. It was just one day ago he had visited this shop. It was Fei Lan's.

Fei Lan wasn't in her shop but the door was open. The spacious shop still had piles of stuff on the counters. Unexpectedly, the small shield was there too. It seemed like Fei Lan didn't treasure it much.

Shi Yan raked through the shop then stopped at that small shield. His eyebrows twitched. He took a deep breath before dragging a wooden stool to have a seat. He closed his eyes to rest, waiting for someone or something.

One hour later.

Sounds of limping steps arose from the rear garden of the shop. Fei Lan was walking heavily with her cane, her face senile and quiet. She glared at him with her smoky eyes, talking tenderly. "Why are you here? I told you that I don't sell that shield."

Shi Yan stood upright, bowing to her with respect. "Thank you, precursor."

"You thank me? For what?" Fei Lan rubbed her eyes, sitting in her usual seat. She slightly lifted her head, revealing her wrinkled neck and asking suspiciously.

"Thank you for saving us. And thank you very much for the stone orb." Shi Yan was still bending his body and looking at the old woman with his bright eyes, his face serious.

"Save you?" Fei Lan sneered, "You're wrong. My realm is too low. I couldn't save you. That stone ball isn't something precious, either. Anyway, you paid me one thousand divine crystals. You don't need to thank me. You bought it."

Shi Yan smiled, didn't chase her more. "I want to know what that stone orb is. Please enlighten me."

"A star nucleus," said Fei Lan.

"A star nucleus? What is that?" Shi Yan asked seriously for more information.

"You've been cultivating Star Upanishad, but you don't know what a star nucleus is?" Fei Lan's eyes were odd. She pondered for a while then explained, "Its meaning is just as it is named. The star nucleus is the nucleus of a star, the heart of a star, the source of the star power. The star nucleus functions like the heart of a warrior or the Essence Qi ancient tree. It's the fountain of powers."

Shi Yan's eyes brightened up.

Chapter 837: The Big Scarlet Shield

The star nucleus was a precious star class treasure, much more precious than the star itself. The most marvelous and exquisite thing of a star in the sky was its nucleus.

Fei Lan explained to Shi Yan the mysteries of the star nucleus. She felt strange as Shi Yan didn't know such information even though he was cultivating Star power Upanishad. He was stupid in her eyes.

Shi Yan was amazed. He beamed a forced smile as he didn't know how to answer her.

He came from the Grace Mainland where not many people cultivated the Star power. He knew nothing about the unusual things related to Star power. He had just cultivated his power ignorantly because his knowledge in this aspect was really poor.

Even in the Raging Flame Star Area, Star power Upanishad was also rare. Not many people could successfully cultivate it to the acme.

He contemplated for a while then looked at Fei Lan. "Precursor, how did you know so clearly about it? And with your cultivation base, how could you know that I'm cultivating Star power from the moment you met me? How could you know that the star nucleus is good for me?"

This confused him a lot. It was also the reason why he thought that Fei Lan was the one who had possibly saved them yesterday.

Even the normal warriors of the Raging Flame Star Area weren't familiar with the Star power Upanishad, let alone an old woman at the True God Realm. But she knew he had star power at first glance. Why would he not be suspicious?

"Even if I haven't eaten pork, I've seen pigs running, okay? Anything strange about it?" Fei Lan's misty eyes gradually brightened up. "I've been living for so long. Although I can't break through my realm, my knowledge of powers Upanishads is much more profound than yours. Warriors cultivating star power have a distinctive aura. Ordinary people can't sense it. Anyway, it's not strange that I know it."

Shi Yan just smiled. He didn't want to probe her further. Anyway, the doubt in his heart couldn't easily leave like that. As Fei Lan didn't want to tell him, he wasn't thick-skinned enough to ask her more.

"My body has some changes..." after hesitating for a while, Shi Yan continued, "The star nucleus has fused with my God Body. A nebula and a star have been formed in the vortex in my lower abdomen. Could this cause a problem?"

This is the reason why he comes here.

The star nucleus and the Star Martial Spirit had fused into one. Together, they created a marvelous nebula in his lower abdomen, which increased his absorbing star energy more than five times. At the same time, he felt so comfortable when using star energy.

However, he wasn't sure if any problems could arise from this situation. He was tense and he was worried a lot.

Fei Lan's eyes got a bit brighter. She gazed at him, pondering. After a while, she muttered, "... You got the nebula..."

"Yes, I've formed a nebula... But I'm not sure how it was formed. I worry that it can bring some backfire or any danger I should be concerned?" answered Shi Yan.

"What danger could it be?" Fei Lan pursed her lips. "You lucky boy. You have formed the nebula that easily. Did you know the subtle mysteries of the nebula? Don't worry. It won't harm you. It will fuse perfectly with your Star power Upanishad. As the nebula is formed, it means your Star Upanishad is on the right track. If you continue cultivating, you will gain excellent attainment. The nebula is similar to the Essence Qi ancient tree in your body. They are the nuclei of your God Body, the fountain of your powers, which are perfect for enhancing your powers."

"I got it," Shi Yan felt relaxed. He suddenly calmed down. "Nothing harmful to me, right?"

“No. It’s a necessary step that everyone who cultivates star Upanishad must experience.” Fei Lan gave a faint smile. “Good. Your one thousand divine crystals are well spent then.”

“I think so,” Shi Yan smiled then quieted down as if he was musing on something.

After a while, he turned away and walked to the door and pulled the stone door closed. People from outside wouldn’t be able to see what was happening inside the shop now.

Fei Lan frowned while looking at him, but she didn’t stop him as though she wanted to see what he wanted to do.

After closing the door, Shi Yan took a deep breath, his face becoming serious. He walked to Fei Lan, his eyes glaring at the small shield. He lowered his voice. “Precursor... do you know what mysterious lies with that small shield?”

Fei Lan’s face was calm, not reflecting any strange emotion of hers. She shook her head, “Not really.”

“Can you let me see it? I won’t buy it, I just want to observe it for a while. I ask for your permission, precursor!” Shi Yan asked with a sincere and stern countenance.

“Why?” Fei Lan furrowed her brows.

“Perhaps, I can figure something out. Please allow me to do this,” Shi Yan was persistent.

Fei Lan slowly moved her tired body, frowning, walking toward the pile of miscellaneous stuff. She picked up a small shield. Hesitating for a while, she handed it to Shi Yan. “You can look but you can’t take it away. Although this small shield is not a valuable thing, it has a special meaning to me.”

“Don’t worry. I’ll be careful. I won’t take it out of this shop.” Shi Yan agreed immediately. He studied the small shield with bright eyes.

This small shield was made of an unknown material. It wasn’t gold or jade, but it felt so heavy and cold in Shi Yan’s hands. There was no pattern or carving on either side of the shield. It looked pretty ordinary.

Caressing the small shield, Shi Yan closed his eyes to use his God Soul and sense.

The soul altar slowly spun. The strange mark on the glabella of the God Soul floating above the soul altar slowly appeared. Five clusters of blood-red clouds were visible as if a strange energy was seeping out.

This plain shield didn’t glow, but some patterns started to appear on one side of the shield. Then, a mark of blood-red cloud emerged on the outer side of the shield.

The five clusters of red clouds on the shield and the ones on his God Soul’s forehead were identical. Although they had no halo or energy fluctuation, they gave the impression of a wicked and eccentric thing. They were like five garnet eyes, sneaking on people and making them irritated.

Swoosh!

A deadly energy bloomed from his fingertip. The gray, misty energy was poured into the blood mark on the shield.

Boom!

A garnet light shot out from the mark. The small shield buzzed and hissed. Shortly after, the small shield became larger. Now it was three meters tall and two meters wide. The garnet mark covered one side of the shield, glowing in a blood-red halo.

The other side of the shield now had countless exquisite and complex patterns. Apparently, it was a magical formation that hid a wicked energy that couldn't be sensed.

A fine handle slowly appeared on this side. It seemed like the handle was here so the user could lift up the shield.

A red light that wasn't different from the halo of the Blood Vein Ring radiated from the garnet mark on the shield. Five clusters of cloud arrayed in a pentagon. From a distance, it looked like a giant, bloody mouth that could swallow all kinds of light.

Crack!

The massive shield fell, smashing the firm stone ground of the shop. Two-third of this shield sank into the ground like a sharp sword. Only a small part of it remained visible.

Shi Yan was stunned.

This massive shield was as heavy as one thousand cattle. It could be compared to a mountain that was one thousand meters tall. Shi Yan couldn't hold the shield. The moment it grew larger, it sank directly into the ground.

Fei Lan stood behind the counter, her eyes looked heavy with deadly Qi. They flashed then resumed the normal status. She looked at him quietly, revealing no strange signs. She didn't say anything, either. She just looked at him quietly and indifferently as though none of this was related to her.

Taking a deep breath, Shi Yan reached out to grab the handle of the shield, trying to lift it up.

Heigh!

Shi Yan roared. The power of his entire body rocketed. His muscles and veins erupted like the volcano. The pure energy in his body increased massively.

Boom!

He could only lift the shield one meter high before he had to put it down. The shield directly sank deep into the ground, only a small part remaining above the ground.

Shi Yan also sank into the ground. Half of his body pierced through the ground as if the rigid ground was a block of tofu that was unable to hold him up. Stone and rock scattered.

With the energy in his body, he couldn't lift up the shield, which had just enlarged. It even resulted in his body being pressed into the ground. How heavy was this large shield?

Shi Yan was frightened, gasping for his breath. He felt so terrible.

At the Second Sky of King God Realm, his body was tenacious. The energy he could urge could be compared to the Peak of the King God Realm warriors. However, he couldn't lift up this shield. Was it even heavier than a ten-thousand-meter-tall mountain?

Can it be as heavy as a real star?

Shi Yan had an unknown fear in his heart.

The user of this shield could control it with ease. He could even use the energy to make the shield fly around. What kind of ability and energy did that user have to control this massive shield?

He was sure that even the warriors at the Original God Realm like Carthew or Russell couldn't dream about controlling the shield as they pleased. Perhaps Leona could try. But it was unknown whether she could use it or not.

Shi Yan was baffled. He dragged himself out of the hole, taking several breaths to wake up his mind. After a while, he looked at Fei Lan, saying nothing.

"Don't look at me. I didn't know it would turn out like that. I didn't know this shield could be such a strange thing. Before it transformed, the small shield was relatively light..." Fei Lan said.

"I saw the blood mark on the shield. I think it is related to me somehow," said Shi Yan seriously.

"Yeah, I can see that. If you weren't related to the shield, it would never have transformed." Fei Lan smiled inaudibly. "But I can't sell it to you. You should shrink it and put it back in the pile for me. I'm not interested in your secrets. If you don't want to rob it from me, just leave. I have nothing to tell you."

Shi Yan was astounded.

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Chapter 838: The Dark Blood Sunset

"I'm old, and my realm is low. I just want to live and wait peacefully for my man to come back. I don't want to get involved in unnecessary troubles," said Fei Lan faintly.

"Okay, I'm sorry for bothering you." Shi Yan took a deep breath then urged the energy in his body, trying to use the mark on his God Soul to connect to the big shield.

A blood-red light arose in his Sea of Consciousness. At the same time, the big shield also radiated a blood-red halo. In the next moment, it resized into its pocket version. The blood mark on it disappeared. The shield was now just a normal item.

Shi Yan picked up the small shield silently. This time, it was as light as a feather. He carefully placed it back on the pile of the miscellaneous items. He turned to Fei Lan and bowed to thank her before turning around and walking away.

Fei Lan stooped and didn't care about him as if she had already dozed off.

Getting out of the shop, Shi Yan frowned while standing on the empty street. He turned around and looked at the shop again and sighed, shaking his head before leaving.

After several steps, he saw a graceful figure covered entirely. Even the face was in black garments. This person was walking towards him.

The person in black also saw him. The gentle body paused for a while before crossing him and walking towards Fei Lan's shop.

Shi Yan was surprised. He turned around to look at that figure in black. He frowned as he felt that something was familiar about that person. However, as he couldn't see that person's face or realm, he didn't assume much and just headed to Ka Fu's shop.

After Shi Yan had left, the one in black also stopped, turning around and looking at the direction he had disappeared in as though this person was trying to be sneaky.

Shortly after, that person in black continued her trip to Fei Lan's shop.

As Fei Lan was closing her eyes resting, she was shaken all of a sudden. Her misty eyes brightened for the first time.

After the one in black entered the shop, the thick stone door closed inaudibly. The entire shop fell into a lightless and gloomy ambiance. This person didn't seem to like the light.

This person pulled her black veil off her head, revealing her frightful appearance. Her dark green eyes looked at Fei Lan, talking in a soft tone. "Auntie, you've just met him?"

She was the leader of the five feudal vassals of the Dark Firmament Divine Nation. She was the regimental commander of the Bloody Legion, Madame Leona.

Fei Lan sat behind her counter, her face unchanged. She nodded and said, "Yes. This is the second time."

Leona's eyes brightened. "Auntie, then... have you told him yet?"

"Told him?" Fei Lan's face was mocking. "Why do I have to tell him? What does it matter to me?"

Leona frowned, looking at the broken ground inside the shop and the small shield atop the pile of miscellaneous items. "That shield belongs to him. You should give it to him."

"Why should I give it to him?" Fei Lan gave a light snort.

"This is what uncle asked you to do. It was his wish," said Leona in a heavy tone.

"It's your Dark Blood Sunset Family's mission. It's not my mission. I have nothing to do with it!" Fei Lan put on a cold visage. "When that devil gave me this that year, he didn't say that I had to fulfill the mission of your Dark Blood Sunset. He hasn't married me. I'm not a woman of the Dark Blood Sunset's family. So that kid and I are not related. And as for you, your family has only you now. That devil has disappeared for several thousand years. Your father and the others are gone. Do you still want to keep that vow?"

"As long as one of our Dark Blood Sunset family's members is still alive, the vow is still there. I will never forget it," said Leona with a stern visage. "Uncle couldn't marry you because he didn't return alive. If he was able to return, he would have surely married you! You are a member of the Dark Blood Sunset family no matter how hard you try to deny it. I call you auntie and you have never objected to it. It means that you accepted it. If you did accept it, you should follow the vow of the Dark Blood Sunset. You should return to Shi Yan what belongs to him."

Fei Lan was silent. After a long moment, she sighed weakly. "Even if I give it to him now, he won't be able to use it. His realm is still too low."

The scar on Leona's cheek twitched as if she was smiling. "I know that auntie won't just stand and stare. Otherwise, you wouldn't have helped him and you would have let Fan Ye die."

Recently, Feng Ke and Russell tried their best to find Fan Ye. They had almost turned the Heaven Punishment City and Land of God Punishment upside down. Still, they couldn't find Fan Ye. No one knew that of the Fan family, the strongest family in the Nine Star Chamber of Commerce, the Original God Realm expert was killed...

"It has nothing to do with him. I hate the Fan family. Fan Ye appeared near me. Well, he wanted to die so I had to fulfill his wish," snorted Fei Lan.

"Haha, auntie, you don't need to be so obstinate. If you didn't want to follow his wish, you wouldn't have tried to protect the Heaven Punishment City. My Uncle had established this city. You aren't allowing anyone to destroy it because you know that if my uncle was still alive, he wouldn't want to see the Heaven Punishment City destroyed by the hands of the bandits," smiled Leona.

"I've lived in this place long enough not to want to move anymore," Fei Lan pouted her lips, talking neither angrily nor indifferently.

"Forget it. It's okay if you don't want to admit it. I'm here to ask for your help... The star map appeared. Shi Yan brought it out of the Purgatory Star. As soon as he arrived, he met you twice. It's destined. You can't escape your fate. The Imperial Masters of the Dark Firmament Divine Nation were all the ancestors of the Dark Blood Sunset family. My Big Uncle disappeared while trying to find where the star map leads to. Don't you want to see what's there? Perhaps, you can find Uncle's body," pausing for a moment, Leona added, "if he did die there."

"You mean that devil hasn't died yet?!" Fei Lan was shocked.

"Nobody has ever seen his skeleton. With his realm and competence, even if you see his corpse, it doesn't mean that he vanished," said Leona faintly.

"If he hasn't died yet, why didn't he come to me? It's been several thousand years already! Oh, this bastard. If he isn't dead and he didn't show his face, I will not let him live at ease!" Fei Lan's eyes sparkled with brutal light.

"I guess he is reluctant for some reason. Maybe he's confined somewhere, waiting for us to unchain him," Leona just smiled.

"You got a silver-tongue, girl. People from your Dark Blood Sunset family are all lunatics and swindlers. I don't believe you," snorted Fei Lan.

"It's alright. You can believe what you want. Before that kid leaves, I will stay in the Heaven Punishment City. When you make up your mind, auntie, you come see me. With your powers, I think that no one could hide the person you want to see in the Land of God Punishment," said Leona indifferently. She faded into the dark then vanished into thin air, leaving no trace of aura.

Fei Lan fell into silence. She frowned, but no one knows what she's thinking.

Shi Yan went to Ka Fu's shop.

Bloody Slaughterer Ka Tuo was there.

"Brother, you're back." Ka Tuo laughed. "Brother, you're a genius. Black Horn was no match for you. I'm totally convinced now. After this battle, you're no longer some anonymous junior. Everyone in Heaven Punishment City is talking about your title and stories."

"Oh yes, you're dangerous. No wonder my big brother admires you a lot. I finally got it," Ka Fu also added.

"How are Bao Ao and the other two?"

"Good. Their powers are about to be restored fully. They are all feeling well. After their time of suffering, their realms seem to be progressing very quickly. I can tell that they will break through the new realm soon," Ka Tuo complimented honestly.

When Bao Ao, Jie Ji, and Bo Ruo were brought to him, they were so weak. After using pellets and divine crystals, their energies were restored quickly. Their realms were also enhanced. They were in the soul transformation process as they had to calm down and learn the essence of their powers.

Ka Tuo had a good intuition. He knew that those three people's innate endowment was more than amazing. If they had enough time, they could break through the new realm shortly.

Even if they had to stay in the Grace Mainland where the energy had been drained, they could still easily become the top characters. Since they arrived in the Raging Flame Star Area with sufficient energy supplies, their talents started to shine like someone who cleaned up the dust covering the pearls.

"Where are they?" asked Shi Yan.

"They are moved to my lair, a forbidden place outside of the Land of God Punishment. They're safe. The Heaven Punishment City is dangerous these days. They couldn't stay there for a long period. Don't worry. I will ask my people to take care of them." Ka Tuo pounded his chest affirmatively.

As Shi Yan had exchanged the star map for the other three's lives, they knew how deep the relationship was between them.

Ka Tuo took Bao Ao's team away. He wanted to do Shi Yan a favor. On the other hand, he wanted something to depend on to negotiate with Shi Yan. If Shi Yan wanted to deal with Ka Tuo, the people he kept as a safeguard would keep Shi Yan from acting recklessly. Although this made Ka Tuo look generous, his plan was close-knitted.

"Your people?" Shi Yan's face was cold. "Your men aren't all loyal to you. Last time, one of your men almost killed me!"

Listening to him, Ka Tuo was embarrassed. "No, no. That won't happen this time. You don't need to worry. Why did you leave? It's good to stay at Feng Ke's. This place of mine isn't safe. If Barrette wanted to kill you, I wouldn't be able to help."

"What do you know about Fei Lan?" asked Shi Yan all of a sudden.

"Fei Lan?" Ka Tuo frowned as he didn't know this person.

"The owner of the oldest shop in the Heaven Punishment City. Da-ge, you don't often stay in the Heaven Punishment City, so you don't know her." Ka Fu smiled and explained. "I've heard that Fei Lan has been

staying in the Land of God Punishment even before the Heaven Punishment City was established. Her realm isn't high and she's a little bit freaky, too. She doesn't talk to people much. Not many people know her. I don't either."

"Ka Fu, please deliver ten thousand top-quality divine crystals to Fei Lan's shop for me," Shi Yan pondered for a while then asked.

"Ten thousand crystals!" Ka Fu screamed, "Even if I have spent ten years, I wouldn't have earned that much!"

"Do as you're told. Why are you babbling there?" Bloody Slaughterer Ka Tuo rolled his eyes, yelling at his brother.

Ka Fu retracted his neck, nodded begrudgingly. His face looked like he was attending a funeral. He felt so painful, going to Fei Lan's shop to give her free divine crystals.

"Why?" Bloody Slaughterer Ka Tuo asked carefully after his brother had left.

"She's one of us," Shi Yan answer deliberately.

Chapter 839: A Knot In The Heart

"She's one of us?"

Bloody Slaughterer Ka Tuo gawked, thinking that Shi Yan was kidding. He smiled gingerly, his face odd.

Fei Lan was the oldest person in the Land of God Punishment. No one denied this. However, she had only the True God Realm, right? She was slow and looked like she was about to pass away in any minute. Compared to Shi Yan, they contrasted immensely.

No matter how hard Ka Tuo tried to rationalize it, he couldn't relate Fei Lan to Shi Yan. These two people weren't in the same world!

"Yeah, she should be one of us," nodded Shi Yan seriously.

Ka Tuo wanted to cry. "Why should she be one of us? Impossible. Brother, is something wrong with you?"

"No, nothing is wrong here," Shi Yan rose the corner of his mouth. "I think she had attacked Fan Ye. She's also the person who has been protecting the Land of God Punishment and the Heaven Punishment City for several thousand years."

Ka Tuo was dumbstruck, looking at Shi Yan as if he was looking at a monster. "Fan Ye has the Original God Realm, right? Not many people in the Heaven Punishment City could fight him. And I have never heard that the Heaven Punishment City had a secret guard. Senior, you're going to give her ten thousand top-quality divine crystals because you think she is one of us? This is too sheer bull."

"I'm not sure whether she would accept it or not. I just want to show my respect." Shi Yan didn't explain in details. "And you, next time you see her, you should show respect too. You shouldn't look down on her!" Shi Yan spoke seriously.

Ka Tuo held a forced smile, nodded his head begrudgingly. "Alright, you're my senior. It's right if you say it's right." Although he said so, he didn't buy it.

Ten thousand divine crystals! How many years did he have to rob to earn that money back? He suddenly regretted it. He shouldn't have let his brother deliver the money like that.

The headquarter of the Black Curtain Pirates, Heaven Punishment City.

"Master, we got news. That kid had left Feng Ke's base to go to Ka Fu's shop."

Inside a spacious stone hall, a pirate kneeled down, reporting with respect.

Inside the hall, two people were sitting neatly. They were Barrette and Black Horn, his vice chief. They were the two top leaders of the Black Curtain.

The Black Curtain was the strongest pirate force in the Raging Flame Star Area. They had so many hotshots with a strong background. They also had a position in the Heaven Punishment City.

Barrette and his vice chief Black Horn were the infamous heroes in the Land of God Punishment. Since their debut many years ago, they had rarely failed.

But now Black Horn was defeated...

"Dismissed," Barrette waved his hand. The pirate kneeling on the ground immediately went out of the hall.

"Barrette, do we really need to do that? Defeat means defeat. I admit that I was defeated. I have nothing to regret. That kid is quite the character. At the Second Sky of King God Realm, he beat me. I'm convinced," said Black Horn in a loud and frank tone. He didn't look distressed. He continued excitedly. "He's excellent. Since he now has such mighty power, he will be more dangerous in the future. Oh right, who is that kid? How did he know Feng Rao?"

"Shut up!" Barrette was so enraged he got angry. "You lost. You should be ashamed. And how about me? I lost my Feng Rao!"

"Just a woman," Black Horn teased him. "With your powers and tricks, if you want women, you can find all kinds if you want. Why do you need to hold on to Feng Rao?"

Black Horn hesitated for a while then added, "Honestly, I don't want you to have any relationship with that woman. It has been so many years since we've put forth everything strenuously. How much blood have we shed to have our current attainment? If you marry Feng Rao, what should our brothers do? Should we all follow Feng Ke? That old man isn't okay for us to follow. He's too old. His realm can't be progressed fast enough. We won't have a bright future going with him. We're still young. If we get more time, the Heaven Punishment City will be ours soon."

"You fool. You don't know what is happening. To you, women are just goods that you can buy or tools you use to vent out your lust. You will never experience what I am experiencing now." Barrette took a

deep breath. "To me, Feng Rao has been my dream since I was young. When I met her that year, I swore that I would have to marry her. She is a knot in my heart. If she hadn't emerged in my life, it would have been alright. But now that she's back, if I can't fulfill the dream of my younger self, it will affect my realm seriously."

Listening to him, Black Horn finally understood. He became solemn. "So you must get Feng Rao at any cost?"

"I must! As long as I get to marry her, even if I have to give her up later, I will be able to accomplish the dream of my younger self. I can untie the knot in my heart. But if I can't have her, I will feel very irritated and annoyed!" Barrette's eyes sparkled with brutal light. "That kid is an obstacle. I want to crush him!"

"He's in the Heaven Punishment City, and the city has rules. If we kill him, everybody will know who committed such a deed. Are you going to break the rules and have people laugh at your face?" Black Horn advised, "Hold it for a while. He will join the expedition to the new star area. We can find a chance to kill him along the way."

"I can't wait for that!" Barrette snorted. "People made the rules of the Heaven Punishment City, right? Wait until I've reached the Second Sky of Original God Realm, I will make that immortal Feng Ke leave his position. I will create new rules. Who can hinder me then?"

"Do you really want to kill him?" Black Horn suddenly got up and contemplated before saying, "If you are going to be so persistent, you must be careful. That kid isn't easy to deal with. If you can't kill him in one strike and you have someone else to assist you, there will be trouble. Don't lose this chance for nothing. At that time, perhaps you won't even be able to join the expedition."

"Don't worry. I won't let people figure it out. As long as I leave no trace, it will be alright. Even if they figure out that I did that, they will have no evidence to accuse me." As the bloodthirsty desire rose in Barrette's heart, he couldn't hold it anymore. Barrette immediately prepared for his stealthy operation.

"I'll go with you. I'll help you hold Ka Tuo back. If we brothers join hands, I think it won't be hard to kill him." Black Horn felt reluctant but he only had the choice to cooperate with his brother.

The two of them had a close brotherhood. They had been together for many years and battles. These two were men who weren't afraid of anything. Once they were determined, they would never hesitate. Their deeds would be harsh and furious, leaving opponents no chance to counterattack.

"Good bro!" Barrette laughed, shouting. "Go! We're going to kill him. If he dies, Feng Ke has no choice. He still needs our forces, anyway."

Afterward, they left without letting their warriors know. They discreetly left the Black Curtain's headquarter in an attempt to kill their target.

An isolated manor in the Southwest area of the Heaven Punishment City.

More than ten warriors were gathering in a secret chamber underground. Their faces were grim.

Lying in the stone coffin at the center of the chamber was a cold and frigid body. It was Fan Ye of the Nine Star Chamber of Commerce.

The people surrounding him wore normal clothes, but they were all experts of the Nine Star Chamber of Commerce. At this moment, all of them looked gloomy.

Two days ago, Fan Ye came back with a pale face. He said that he was wounded severely and he needed to recover in seclusion. However, after one night, when they came to see him to discuss important matters, they found that he was no longer breathing.

Normally, a warrior at the Original God Realm wouldn't have died that easily. Even though his God Body was smashed, he could have used the soul altar to resurrect it with some kind of skill.

But Fan Ye's soul altar also perished. He was dead, really dead. He would never come back to life ever again.

When he came back the other day, although his condition wasn't good, his mind was still lucid. They thought that he wouldn't die that fast. They believed that it was impossible that his soul altar would also vanish.

... Nevertheless, he died. After only one night, his soul altar didn't exist anymore.

The strangest thing was that none of them had recognized anything. They didn't even hear Fan Ye scream. His death was eccentrically unreasonable. They were all startled and frightened.

Many people in the Heaven Punishment City were searching for Fan Ye at this moment. These experts were afraid. They became uneasy and anxious. They started to discuss whether they should leave the Heaven Punishment City or not.

Although the Nine Star Chamber of Commerce had bought this manor at a high price, Russell and Feng Ke were the top leaders of the Heaven Punishment City and the tycoons of the entire area. If they continued to search, they would find this group shortly.

"What should we do? Fan Ye died. How can we explain this to the Headmaster?" asked an old man, frowning as if he had a headache. "If the Headmaster knows this, we won't be able to dodge this responsibility. Before we came here, I told Fan Ye to wait until Li Yue Feng was here. He didn't listen to me. Now we're all in trouble."

"He wanted to solve the problem before Li Yue Feng came. He wanted to earn the merit alone. Too bad for him, he got such fatal results. He was too arrogant," said another one.

More than ten warriors grimaced. They didn't know what they should do.

While they were anxious, the door of the secret chamber squeaked.

A hunky middle-aged man appeared. This man had the Second Sky of Original God Realm. He was the Master of the Li family, ranked behind the Fan family in the Nine Star Chamber of Commerce.

Li Yue Feng arrived!

The Nine Star Chamber of Commerce consisted of many families. The Fan family and the Li family were the two strongest forces.

Many years ago, the Master of the Li family used to be the Headmaster of the Nine Star Chamber of Commerce. The Li family was also the strongest clan at that time. However, the Master and the family's experts had perished while sweeping the Land of God Punishment. The Li family declined. The Fans took the chance to rule the chamber of commerce.

After many years of recovery, the Li family rose up again. Li Yue Feng was the Master of the Li family in this generation. His realm was profoundly high. In the Nine Star Chamber of Commerce, he stood right behind Fan Tian Po. The Li family would have a chance to become more prosperous behind him. They believed that he could make the Li family surpass the Fan family and take the title back as the strongest clan in the Nine Star Chamber of Commerce.

Seeing him, they greeted respectfully with fright.

"Let me see how he is." Li Yue Feng frowned, walking to Fan Ye's corpse. He stretched his arm, touching the neck of the body. A dim light flashed on his palm. Beams of light moved around Fan Ye's neck, entering his corpse.

After a while, Li Yue Feng suddenly screamed in pain. His body jerked back as if he was attacked by a tremendous force. He discolored, letting out a low shout. "Too strong!"

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Fan Ye's corpse was nothing out of the ordinary. He laid silently in the cold stone coffin. His soul altar remained perished. His life aura had vanished.

Li Yue Feng, the Master of the Li family from the Nine Star Chamber of Commerce, shouted. He looked pale as he retreated as if a strong, invisible force had hit him. He looked truly frightened.

The wrist of the arm he had used to touch Fan Ye's body was shaking. His five fingers lost all color while his fingernails dissolved at a speed that naked eyes couldn't observe. Then, the dissolution expanded to the back of his fingers. It seemed like it was going to melt his entire hand.

Li Yue Feng took a deep breath. Under the scrutinizing looks of many warriors of the Nine Star Chamber of Commerce, he sat down on the ground and closed his eyes, urging the energy within his body.

Gold beams suddenly emitted from his fingertips. The sharp air swirled around his fingers trying to resist the evil, erosive force. After a while, he finally eradicated the energy that was intruding into his fingers.

He was pale, but the others weren't sure if it was because he had consumed a lot of his energy or if it was because he was so frightened.

The other warriors of the Nine Star Chamber of Commerce dully looked at him. No one dared to utter a word as they were all very nervous.

That strange and wicked energy had seeped into Fan Ye's body several days ago. It had made him return lucidly before taking his life and destroying his soul altar during the night. It had totally destroyed him.

Although it has been several days, that energy had not dispersed yet. Li Yue Feng tried to investigate with his Second Sky of Original God Realm and he was attacked by that strange energy. This power was unpredictable and unreasonably strong.

The others secretly thought that they were lucky. They felt lucky that because their realm was low, they didn't have to use their Soul Consciousness or energy to look into Fan Ye's death like Li Yue Feng had done.

Otherwise, they wouldn't be standing here unharmed like this. Without a strong power and a profound realm like Li Yue Feng's, if they sensed the corpse rashly, their God Soul would also perish.

"So strong!" After a while, Li Yue Feng pulled himself together. Color returned to his face. He took a deep breath, his face stern. "What happened to him? Any information? Who attacked him?"

Everybody remained quiet, shaking their heads.

"Master Li, what realm does the attacker have? What kind of power Upanishad does this one possess?" asked a warrior gingerly.

"I'm sure that the attacker's realm is higher than mine. About the power Upanishad, I haven't seen it before. That erosive ability is very frightening. If we couldn't examine Fan Ye, we would have never known his condition." Li Yue Feng wagged his arm. A gold air emitted from his fingertip. He rose his hand and cut. A soft 'swish' sound was heard and Fan Ye's chest was cut open.

The Nine Star Chamber of Commerce's warriors took one step forward to look at the cut in Fan Ye's chest.

Inside Fan Ye's chest was an area of bloody paste. His internal organs and rib cage were dissolved. With a closer look, they found that Fan Ye's God Body now was just a like a skin bag containing the bloody paste.

At this moment, Fan Ye looked like a rubber ball with some strange bloody pulp. Inside the rubber ball, his flesh, bones and internal organs had been dissolved into that scary, bloody paste. His body had been destroyed entirely, which gave him no chance to recover.

Everybody paled immediately. They were so scared of the cruel energy of the attacker. They felt anxious, thinking that their operation in the Land of God Punishment was too reckless this time.

"Except for the Li family's warriors, the others should leave. We have something to discuss now," shouted Li Yue Feng after pondering for a while, his face solemn.

More than half of the Nine Star Chamber of Commerce's warriors bent their bodies to excuse themselves, all having grimaced expressions.

The ones who stayed were Li's warriors. They kept silent, looking at the open cut on Fan Ye's corpse.

A white-headed old man at the First Sky of Original God Realm twitched. Fear appeared deep in his eyes as he muttered, "Looks exactly the same."

"You know about this?" Li Yue Feng sighed then forced a smile.

Li Wei nodded, his eyes didn't reflect any light. "It is definitely the same thing that caused our Master's death that year. When the Master's God Body was brought to our family, the elders had examined it carefully. His corpse had a perfect skin layer while everything inside was just a bloody paste. He was also eroded inwardly and his soul altar perished gradually. Sigh, I didn't expect that the secret hermit of the

Land of God Punishment was still alive. My goodness. The hermit starts to attack again. I'm afraid that we are going to fall into a disaster again."

"The attacker is the same person. We can be sure about this," Li Yue Feng furrowed his brows. "With our powers, I don't think we can have plans with the star map easily. Later on, I will send a message to Fan He that Fan Ye is dead now. He has to know this."

"Fan He will come to the Land of God Punishment personally?" Li Wei was surprised.

"He will come. The star map is important. As the Master of the Fan family and the President of the Chamber of Commerce, he understands that the star map will be closely related to the future of the Raging Flame Star Area. Fan He's realm is higher than mine, and Fan Tian Po, his son, is also extraordinarily strong. The Fan family has accumulated for so many years. They have a lot of hotshots now. If they come, we can resist the mysterious hermit of the Land of God Punishment." Li Yue Feng's eyes showed his cruel intentions. "As long as we can capture that hermit to take revenge for our ancestors, I will agree to work with the Fan family to get through this."

"Yes, we should take revenge for our family. That hermit is ruthless, leaving no options for survival for the victims. Their soul altars were also gone. If we don't kill this person, the Li family will find it hard to stand upright in the Nine Star Chamber of Commerce," agreed Li Wei.

"I'm going to prepare something," Li Yue Feng's face darkened. A tremendous soul energy fluctuation emitted from him. A Stone Sound emerged in his palm. He transmitted the message right away.

Ka Fu's shop.

Shi Yan sat quietly in the garden behind the shop. Starlight fell over him like a drizzle, illuminating the whole place.

The mysterious, misty starlight disappeared into his body right when it touched him. It seemed like the stars in the sky had a magical connection with his God Body. They were all attracted and pulled into his God Body.

At the same time, the earth and heaven energy turned into invisible flows that gathered into his God Body. It streamed fiercely through his vessels. After more than ten times of refining, it became the pure Essence Qi, contributing to the vortex in his lower abdomen.

His soul became peaceful and crystal clear. He didn't have any distracting thoughts in his mind, giving room to comprehend the magical mysteries of the star.

His Star power Upanishad had a positive advancement after the experience of the fusion between the star nucleus and the Star Martial Spirit. Shi Yan had a premonition that he could have a new breakthrough with his Star power, putting him one step closer to passing the tough threshold of the Third Sky of King God Realm.

With an infinite number of stars in the sky, he could wield a formidable power that he could use easily.

To control the Star power better, he knew that he shouldn't relax for even a second. As soon as he had free time, he immediately let himself sink into the starry sea, using his soul to grab it and get more energy and powers from the nebula in the vortex in his lower abdomen.

Ka Fu's aura suddenly entered his Sea of Consciousness. Shi Yan's brows twitched as he woke up from his meditation.

After several breaths, Ka Tuo and Ka Fu appeared as they walked from the front shop to the manor behind. Shi Yan stood up. "What is the matter?"

"She received the crystals," said Ka Fu with a sad face. "She received them curtly. Who can reject ten thousand free top-quality divine crystals? Even if my brother worked as a hard-working pirate for ten years, he wouldn't earn that much. They're gone just like that. Sigh, that hag is lucky today."

"Shut up!" Shi Yan's face got colder. "If you are not going to mind your manners, don't complain about it to me."

Ka Fu's face darkened. A blood-red light sparkled in his eyes as he coldly gazed at Shi Yan.

"Ka Fu, if you think I'm wrong, we will diverge here," Shi Yan curled his lips, speaking indifferently. He turned to Ka Tuo, "You should watch your greedy brother better. This good-for-nothing man can't give up ten thousand divine crystals. How is he going to achieve anything big?"

Ka Tuo changed his face, talking coldly, "Bastard! Apologize to my senior now! With your intelligence, do you think you can understand my senior's bright ideas?"

"Da-ge!" Ka Fu shouted, his face reddened in anger. "He's just a boy of unknown origin. Would he be worth spending so much on? Why? We live well in the Land of God Punishment! Even if we don't depend on anyone, we will have a piece of land on our own in the future. Why do we have to go with him?"

"You know nothing!" Ka Tuo snorted, "Apologize to my senior. Now! You aren't going to even obey my words?"

Under his brother's pressure, Ka Fu paled and reddened. His visages shifted continually. After a while, he sighed inwardly then turned to Shi Yan, bending his body, "I'm sorry." Then, he turned around and left. Obviously, he wasn't convinced.

"My brother has been in the Land of God Punishment for too long. He started to look down on people. He is just a dumb man. Brother, don't keep it in your mind." Ka Tuo smiled, talking to Shi Yan. "Brother, don't worry. I will teach him later. Please don't haggle with him."

"It's okay as long as you're loyal to me. For him, if he doesn't want to contribute, he won't receive my help in the future," Shi Yan waved his hand as if he didn't really care.

"I will make him obedient," Ka Tuo said, giving him a dry smile then bowed and left.

Shi Yan's eyes were cold. He snorted, not saying anything else. He sat back in his seat.

Through Ka Fu's discontented words, Shi Yan recognized that he didn't have control over this pair of brothers yet. Otherwise, even if Ka Fu didn't want to work for him, he wouldn't have dared to complain.

Shi Yan started to consider whether he should use the flow of Ka Tuo's Original Soul to remind them a little bit or not.

However, if he subdued Ka Tuo and made them unable to voice their opinions anymore, he would plant a seed of resentment in Ka Tuo's heart. They wouldn't follow him with all their hearts and will. When they found a way to resist him, they would rebel fiercely.

His original plan was to use his power and competence to make Ka Tuo wholeheartedly work for him. It would be a struggle initially, but if he could make it work, Ka Tuo would never have other thoughts but to work for him loyally.

All of a sudden, he was hesitant.