

**Chapter 1731: Divine Saint Stage, Divine Ability!**

“Yes, I heard it.” Faced with Huang Tong’s question, Duan Ling Tian nodded indifferently. In fact, he could not be bothered with the matter at all.

“You’re stronger than my younger brother, but you don’t have the manner a powerhouse should have and humiliated my brother in such a way. Don’t you think you’ve crossed the line?” Huang Tong asked with a grave expression.

“Crossed the line?” Duan Ling Tian smiled. “You say that I’ve crossed the line. However, are you aware that your brother intended to break into my residence and interrupt my cultivation? When he saw me came out, he continuously provoked me and even issued me a challenge... What would you do if you were in my position? Be patient? Tell him I’m stronger so that he can retreat in the face of difficulties?” Duan Ling Tian revealed the details of what had happened.

In fact, Huang Tong had already known about what had actually transpired, and his brother was the one at fault. Otherwise, he would not have been so ‘polite’ with his words after learning that the person before him was Ling Tian.

Although Huang Tong might be aware of all the details, this did not mean the group of disciples on patrol was aware of it. The look in their eyes immediately began to turn strange.

They only knew that Huang Tong’s younger brother, Huang Ji’s hair was shaved, but they did not know he was the one to blame for this outcome.

Huang Tong took a deep breath before asking in a tone that was bordering on interrogative, “My younger brother is indeed in the wrong. However, don’t you think you went too far by treating him that way in front of so many people? How’s he going to face the others in the future?”

“I don’t think I went too far,” Duan Ling Tian continued to reply indifferently, “It’s a good thing we were in Mystical Sky Mansion. Otherwise, if he had dared to break into my residence outside to disturb my cultivation, he would’ve died if not crippled!” When Duan Ling Tian reached the end of his sentence, his eyes gleamed ruthlessly.

He was not a kind person by nature. In his opinion, he had already shown mercy to Huang Ji, and the incident had already passed as well. However, someone was bringing up the incident again to look for trouble with him. This was undoubtedly a blatant provocation.

“YOU!” Huang Tong did not expect Duan Ling Tian to be so extreme. Faced with Duan Ling Tian’s lack of courtesy, his expression turned grave, and his eyes were gleaming with anger as though it would be able to burn anything.

“Senior Brother Huang Tong!” When the group of disciples on patrol saw how both of them were on the verge of fighting, they began to panic immediately. They quickly stopped Huang Tong and advised him.

What a joke!

If one were to investigate this incident, Ling Tian was definitely in the right!

Even if Ling Tian was proven to be at fault, Huang Tong would still be the one punished in the end.

With Ling Tian's high innate talent and prowess, he would definitely be the pillar of Mystical Sky Mansion in the future when he grew stronger. It was not impossible for him to become the next Mansion Master of the Mystical Sky Mansion as well.

Let alone the future, currently, the Palace Master of Heaven Palace must have already learned about Ling Tian's deeds. Moreover, even the Mansion Master of their Mystical Sky Mansion might already be paying attention to Ling Tian. After all, his high innate talent and strength that he had displayed after coming to the Mystical Sky Mansion were just too shocking.

In terms of prowess, he was already on par with the strong disciples at the Mastery Refined Saint Stage in the Heaven Palace. This alone was enough to prove his strength was at least at the Mastery Refined Saint Stage and close to the peak of the Refined Saint Stage.

Most importantly, he was not even 40 years old yet!

There were only a few Mastery Refined Saint Stage powerhouses who were below the age of forty in the history of Mystical Sky Mansion. Moreover, even those people were not as monstrous as he was.

In terms of innate talent, it had only taken him twenty days to finish absorbing the Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy inside the Heaven Palace's Spirit Pool. After all, the more powerful one's innate talent was, the faster the cultivation speed would be. Due to this reason, the speed of absorbing the Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy would also be fast as well.

Based on the Heaven Palace's Spirit Pool's incident, one could see Ling Tian's innate talent was monstrously high. This was enough to shock the entire Mystical Sky Mansion.

Even the group of disciples on patrol could think of this, how could Huang Tong have not thought about this as well?

Due to everyone's persuasion, he began to calm down after glancing at Duan Ling Tian indifferently and left with the others.

However, before he left, Duan Ling Tian did not miss the piercing gleam that flashed across his eyes. Still, Duan Ling Tian was not concerned since he did not take Huang Tong seriously at all.

After entering the Mystical Sky Mansion's suspended island, Duan Ling Tian was blocked once again. This time, the person who stopped him was a disciple guarding the suspended island.

"You're Ling Tian from Heaven Palace?" When the disciple on guard duty was helping Duan Ling Tian to register, he flipped the token over and saw the two words 'Ling Tian' carved on the back. He was instantly shocked.

Perhaps, Ling Tian from the Heaven Palace had only just joined the Mystical Sky Mansion not too long ago. However, his name was like a bolt of lightning to them.

The person who had risen to fame recently in the Mystical Sky Mansion was none other than Duan Ling Tian.

“Yes.” Duan Ling Tian smiled as he nodded.

When the disciple on guard duty saw his smile, he felt refreshed immediately. His impression toward Duan Ling Tian rose as well. “Junior Brother Ling Tian, I’ve finished with your registration. Since you’re not a disciple on the Mystical Sky Ranking, you can only stay in the Main Mansion a month at the most. Before you leave, you’ll have to come here and register again.”

“Thank you, Senior Brother.” Duan Ling Tian quickly thanked the disciple on duty after he took back his personal token.

“Junior Brother Ling Tian, please take this jade token. The rules and warnings of entering the Main Mansion are recorded in it. There’s a list of forbidden places as well where you won’t be allowed to enter,” the disciple on guard duty said kindly as he took a jade token out before passing it to Duan Ling Tian.

After taking the jade token, Duan Ling Tian expressed his gratitude again before he left.

When the disciple on guard duty looked at Duan Ling Tian’s disappearing silhouette, he could not help but sigh emotionally. “This Junior Brother Ling Tian possesses such high innate talent and is so strong, but he’s not arrogant at all. How rare!”

Another disciple on guard duty chimed in, “That’s right! The original few young geniuses in our Mystical Sky Mansion are far from being comparable to him... Put aside the fact that their innate talent and strength are not as good as Junior Brother Ling Tian, their conduct is not as good as Junior Brother Ling Tian as well!”

Even Duan Ling Tian was unaware that he had given such a good impression to other people.

At this moment, he was browsing through the content inside the jade token. Soon after, he learned about the forbidden places and the places he was allowed to enter in the Main Mansion.

The Main Mansion was an island suspended in the air. The clouds above were foggy, making it look like a fairyland.

Along the way, Duan Ling Tian could see richly decorated jade palaces and a few scattered figures. Some were disciples on patrol from the Main Mansion, and some were high-ranking officials and disciples cultivating in the Main Mansion.

Duan Ling Tian did not forget his main intention of coming to the Main Mansion. He headed to the library immediately as soon as he arrived.

There were many records and books that were passed down since the founding of Mystical Sky Mansion in the ancient time. These were called master copies.

As for those other identical copies stored in the Heaven, Earth, Mystical, and Yellow Palaces, they were all rubbing editions.

Due to the fact that the library only stored some books with all kinds of miscellaneous information without any cultivation or martial tactics, the surveillance here was not that strict either. Duan Ling Tian only needed to register before entering.

After he had entered the library, rows and rows of bookshelves of different heights, arranged meticulously, entered his sight.

“So many books... How long will I take in order to finish reading all of them?” When Duan Ling Tian saw the huge pile of books in the bookshelves, he could not help but click his tongue. “I only have a month, so I’ll have to be selective.”

The reason Duan Ling Tian came to the library was to learn about powerhouses who had surpassed the Eminent Saint Stage in the Dao Martial Saint Land. He did not know much about these powerhouses. Naturally, this was because there were rarely people at this stage at the places he had been.

It was different now since he had come to the Mystical Sky Mansion. The Mystical Sky Mansion was a force that stood at the top of the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land. He could learn about many things here that he could not elsewhere.

‘I’ll just take my time... One month should be enough time for me...’ The moment Duan Ling Tian thought of this, he began to browse through the books in the library. He merely glanced through books he was not interested in before putting them back since he had no time to waste on them.

As he continued to immerse himself in reading, the world after the Eminent Saint Stage began to open its door to Duan Ling Tian.

‘After the Eminent Saint Stage is the Divine Saint Stage! Once I make a breakthrough to the Divine Saint Stage, I’ll be able to use the Divine Ability... For instance, a Divine Saint Stage Dao Cultivator would be able to cast the Duplicated Embodiment Divine Ability. He can attach the Divine Ability on some item, and once someone activates the item, the Dao Cultivator’s Duplicated Embodiment would materialize. However, this Duplicated Embodiment can only protect someone, it’s useless to oneself.’ When Duan Ling Tian saw the entry about the Divine Ability, he immediately thought about his Golden Crow’s Wings. According to Elder Huo, he had now consolidated the embryonic form of the Golden Crow’s Wings. As long as he made further progress, he would be able to use the Divine Ability, the Golden Crow’s Wings, when he entered the Eminent Saint Stage.

The Golden Crow’s Wings was a Divine Ability.

“Elder Huo!” The moment Duan Ling Tian thought of this, he could not help but awaken Elder Huo who was in the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda, “I’ve learned from these books that only someone who’s at the Divine Saint Stage or above can master the Divine Ability in the Dao Martial Saint Land. Previously, you told me I’ll be able to master the Divine Ability, the Golden Crow’s Wings, the moment I break through to the Eminent Saint Stage. Is this true?”

“Of course, it’s true!” Elder Huo replied, “Don’t forget the True Origin flowing inside your body is not an ordinary True Origin but the Sun True Origin. You’re now at the Early Refined Saint Stage, but your Sun True Origin’s force is comparable to the True Origin of an ordinary Eminent Saint Stage powerhouse. Once you’ve made it to the Eminent Saint Stage, your Sun True Origin will, naturally, be comparable to a

Divine Saint Stage powerhouse's prowess. Divine Ability relies on the strength of the caster. Do you understand my explanation?" Elder Huo asked.

"Yes, I do now," Duan Ling Tian nodded. He would have no excuse if he still could not understand it by now.

The Divine Ability relied on the strength of the caster.

An ordinary Martial, Dao and Devil Cultivator would only be able to cast the Divine Ability when they reached the Divine Saint Stage.

He, Duan Ling Tian, on the other hand, would have strength that was comparable to a Divine Saint Stage powerhouse when he reached the Eminent Saint Stage. Due to this reason, it would not be a problem for him to cast the Divine Ability.

### **Chapter 1732: Upper Province, Fire Worship Sect!**

Just like how there was a gap between a non-Saint Stage and a Saint Stage powerhouse, there was also a gap between an Eminent Saint Stage and Divine Saint Stage powerhouse.

The Divine Saint Stage was already so powerful that it could touch the Divine Ability.

The Divine Ability was not like a martial tactic or a True Origin Consolidated Weapon, True Origin Consolidated Beast, and True Origin Consolidated Territory. It was a stand-alone technique.

The Divine Ability that ordinary Divine Saint Stage powerhouses could master was all basic Divine Abilities.

Just take a Divine Saint Stage Dao Cultivator as an example. As long as his cultivation base had reached a certain level, he would be able to master the Duplicated Embodiment Divine Ability easily through the guide his predecessors had left behind. This was because it was a very easy and commonly found Divine Ability. It was so common it could be found everywhere on the streets.

As for Divine Saint Stage Martial Cultivators, there was also a basic Divine Ability that belonged to them.

Naturally, similar to the Duplicated Embodiment Divine Ability mastered by a Dao Cultivator, the Divine Ability they were able to master was not powerful and basically useless in a battle.

Duan Ling Tian was puzzled about the origin of the Divine Abilities. He asked Elder Huo again, "Where did these Divine Abilities come from?"

"The Divine Abilities are a breakaway from the martial tactics in your Dao Martial Saint Land. Moreover, it's also far superior compared to the martial tactics in your Dao Martial Saint Land... The Divine Abilities can be mastered through many methods. The most common method is through the teaching of a predecessor. The second common method is mastering the Divine Ability through the relic left behind by the predecessor. It's similar to being taught personally by the predecessor as well. It's just like how I taught you the Golden Crow's Wings," Elder Huo answered Duan Ling Tian's question thoroughly, "Some of the Divine Abilities, on the other hand, are inherent abilities. Just like my Golden Crow's Wings. It's a Divine Ability that I was born with. When my cultivation base had reached a level where I could cast it, it

naturally appeared in my mind immediately like an inherited memory. Naturally, there are also some powerful beings who could create their own Divine Abilities that can be handed down from generation to generation.”

Upon hearing that, Duan Ling Tian could not help but ponder over it.

“In fact, the True Origin Consolidated Beast, True Origin Consolidated Weapon, and True Origin Consolidated Territory that you mastered, they can be considered as Divine Abilities as well loosely speaking. Naturally, these Divine Abilities are trivial and ordinary Divine Abilities. Due to the fact that they’re pretty mediocre and average, to the point that it can be easily mastered when one’s cultivation base has reached a certain level, nobody in this world calls them Divine Abilities,” Elder Huo continued to say.

Duan Ling Tian finally had some understanding about the Divine Abilities.

Due to this, he was excited about the Divine Ability, the Golden Crow’s Wings, that Elder Huo had passed down to him since it was not an ordinary Divine Ability. Instead, it was a powerful and useful Divine Ability.

‘However, I’ll still need to wait until I break through to the Eminent Saint Stage before I can cast the Golden Crow’s Wings... With my progress, I think it’ll take me at least two years or more even with the help of the third level of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda. After all, I’ve just broken through to the Refined Saint Stage recently.’ The moment Duan Ling Tian thought of how he had just broken through to the Refined Saint Stage recently, he felt as though a cold bucket of water had been splashed on him, and the enthusiasm in his heart subsided immediately.

Duan Ling Tian focused his attention again and continued to learn about the powerhouses’ world above the Divine Saint Stage.

The Divine Saint Stage was not the finishing point of cultivation. There were still the Exemplary Saint Stage and the Quintessential Saint Stage after the Divine Saint Stage.

Naturally, according to the books that Duan Ling Tian had read, there was no known Quintessential Saint Stage powerhouse in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land. The strongest person here was only at the Exemplary Saint Stage.

Usually, Exemplary Saint Stage powerhouses would only stay in quasi third-rate forces or fourth-rate forces.

Naturally, when it came to quantity, the number of Exemplary Saint Stage powerhouses in fourth-rate forces was absolutely incomparable to the number of Exemplary Saint Stage powerhouses in quasi third-rate forces. It was not only the quantity, but even the strength was incomparable to the latter as well.

‘Divine Saint Stage, Exemplary Saint Stage, and Quintessential Saint Stage... The powerhouses standing at the apex of the Lower Province of Dao Martial Saint Land are at the Exemplary Saint Stage! Compared to the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land, the Lower Province is like a small and remote village. If a top-tier quasi third-rate force in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land is placed in the Upper Province, they would count for nothing at all.’ The moment Duan Ling Tian thought of this, he

took a deep breath immediately. 'In other words, apart from having powerhouses at the Quintessential Saint Stage and above, the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land might even have powerhouses who have surpassed the Quintessential Saint Stage as well. A Divine Saint Stage powerhouse can use the Divine Ability so I'm sure the Exemplary Saint Stage powerhouse is even more powerful! The Quintessential Saint Stage is, naturally, superior compared to the Exemplary Saint Stage, and it would be even more powerful! A powerhouse who has surpassed the Quintessential Saint Stage, on the other hand..."

Duan Ling Tian did not dare to think about it any further. Even if he did continue his train of thoughts, he still would not know how strong exactly those powerhouses would be. Although he did not know how powerful those powerhouses were, Duan Ling Tian knew they would definitely surpass his imagination.

"The Fire Worship Sect used to be the three colossuses in the Dao Martial Saint Land, but in the end, they moved to the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land. The strength of Ke'er's twin sister must be at least at the Divine Saint Stage! As a disciple in the Fire Worship Sect, she has already broken through to the Divine Saint Stage at such a young age. This means those high-ranking officials in the sect must have surpassed the Quintessential Saint Stage!" Duan Ling Tian's heart felt heavy because he was absolutely certain of this.

"No matter how difficult the path in front of me is, no matter how terrifying the powerhouses in the Fire Worship Sect is, I, Duan Ling Tian, will definitely save Ke'er and our child!" Not only did the strength of the Fire Worship Sect did not destroy Duan Ling Tian's determination and believe, but it even strengthened them even more.

Throughout his journey, Duan Ling Tian had always encountered strong powerhouses, but his determination and belief had never wavered even once. It was the same as well this time.

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In the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land, there was a mysterious place. To be exact, it was an ancient and mysterious barren land. This barren land had mountains and water but not a touch of green at all.

In this barren land, except for mountains and water, what was most visible to the eyes was the color red. It looked like flowers from afar. However, it was not flowers.

To humans, it was an extremely significant thing. One might not even survive without it!

It was none other than fire!

This red flowers occupied this ancient and mysterious barren land were the flames that humans depended on, particularly, in this barren land where the flames were covered with a mysterious and supreme veil.

In this barren land, spacious sacrificial altars could be seen everywhere.

In the center of these sacrificial altars was a large brazier that was lifted up by brackets. Dazzling flames rose up to the top as burning auras swept out, turning into a heat wave that affected the people around them and causing sweat to form on their foreheads.

However, not only were these people not averse to it or feel uncomfortable, but they were kneeling on the ground, bowing at the brazier. To be more exact, they were bowing at the flames in the brazier.

Upon closer inspection, one could see the reverence in their eyes as though the flames were their God, and they were the staunch worshippers. In fact, this was really the case.

In this land that was completely ruled by the Fire Worship Sect, one of the three greatest forces in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land, everyone worshipped the flames. They were the most devout believers of the flames.

In their eyes, the flames were everything. The world only existed because of the flames.

This ancient and mysterious barren land was completely ruled by the Fire Worship Sect. The southern area was filled with active volcanoes. The craters of the volcanoes were constantly spewing out hot lava. Every time it erupted, it would brighten up the surrounding as though the setting sun is lighting up the sky.

There was no night in this place. Perhaps, when the active volcanoes stopped spewing lavas, night would finally arrive.

The active volcanoes surrounded a gigantic volcano. This gigantic volcano was also an active volcano. Although the frequency of its eruption was not that high, only once a month, it would cause the surrounding volcanoes and the earth to quake and the mountains to sway every time it erupted.

There were islands suspended in the air above the gigantic active volcano. A few buildings were scattered on these islands.

The suspended islands surrounded a gigantic suspended island.

Naturally, this gigantic suspended island was suspended at a higher altitude compared to the other suspended islands. It was obvious this was the main island.

One could vaguely see figures flying across these suspended islands once in a while. Most of these people were wearing white hooded robes with a fiery red flame embroidered in the chest area. It was obvious it was some kind of emblem.

The hoods of their robes were tied on their heads, leaving only their faces visible.

If someone well-informed saw this costume, they would be able to tell these people were from the Fire Worship Sect!

On one of the inconspicuous suspended islands, there was an extremely quiet and vast mansion.

In the spacious backyard, there was a woman with an appearance so beautiful she could topple a nation. She was sitting quietly in the gazebo as she continuously drew a series of identical portraits. Upon closer inspection, one would realize it was all the drawing of a young man. The only difference in the portraits were the expressions on the young man's face.



“Young Master, Ke’er really misses you a lot...” the woman muttered to herself. A hint of longing and nostalgia could be seen in her eyes.

“Mother! Mother!” Only when a childish voice resonated in the air that the woman finally regained her senses. She quickly turned to the source of the voice.

A delicate little girl was holding onto a portrait that was even bigger than her as she jumped excitedly in front of the woman and asked in her childish voice, “Mother, look! Does this drawing resembles my father?” Her bright eyes made her look extremely innocent.

### **Chapter 1733: Ke’er’s Situation**

The little girl was about two years old. She looked very cute with her rosy cheeks. As she stood in front of the woman, she passed her portrait to the woman as though she was fishing for compliments.

When the woman looked at it and saw the doodles, she suddenly burst into tears as she said, “Very, very much.... The drawing Si Ling drew resembles father even more than the one I’ve drawn.”

“Mother, why are you crying? Auntie told me those who like to cry are all cowards! Si Ling is not a coward, and you’re not a coward too!” The little girl chimed in with her childish voice. At the same time, she tried her best to tiptoed as she extended her chubby hand to wipe the tears off the woman’s face.

“Alright, you and I are both not cowards.” The woman nodded before pulling the little girl into her embrace for a long time.

She gazed into the distance as she thought to herself, ‘Young Master, this is our daughter, and she’s called Duan Si Ling! I’m sure you’ll be happy if you can see how sensible she is!’

The woman was, naturally, none other than Ke’er.

Ever since she had been brought away to the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land by her twin sister, it had been arranged for her to stay in the Fire Worship Sect’s estate.

This was the residence of Ke’er’s elder. Usually, nobody would visit here.

Ever since Ke’er had arrived, her elder sister made her stay here and forbade contact with everyone. Even after she had given birth, up until today, apart from her own sister, the only other person she had any contact with since she came to the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land was Zi’er, the Saint Beast that was her eldest sister’s servant.

It had been more than two years, she was certain her sister did not have any malicious intent toward her. Moreover, it seemed as though she was deliberately protecting her.

However, she was baffled as to why her sister would bring her here just to confine her instead of letting her reunite with her family.

She had asked her elder sister many times, but every time, the answer she obtained was the same. “It’s not the right time yet”!

If she was all by herself, perhaps, Ke'er would have been so bored that she would not know what to do with herself. It was fortunate that she had a cute daughter who was always by her side, helping her to alleviate her loneliness and sadness.

This was the daughter of her and her man, Duan Ling Tian. ( Boxno vel. co m )

Due to her yearning for her man, she had named her daughter Duan Si Ling. It contained the meaning, 'Thinking about Ling Tian.'

Duan Si Ling blinked her huge and bright eyes as she looked at Ke'er and asked, "Mother, when are we going to see Father?"

"Soon, soon." Although Ke'er had no idea when she would be able to see her man, she still reassured her daughter. At the same time, she secretly made up her mind.

Her daughter was a two years old child after all. After a moment of playing, she began to complain that she was tired.

After putting Duan Si Ling into her bed and tucking her in, Ke'er began to look for her twin sister. Without beating around the bush, she asked, "What are you trying to do? You've brought me here from the Lower Province more than two years ago, but you've never allowed me to go out or meet any people... I've been wasting away in this place for more than two years, and I want to return to the Lower Province to look for my man."

"Your man?" Upon hearing Ke'er's words, the woman who looked identical to Ke'er frowned immediately. "Ke'er, could it be that you actually think that I'm intentionally confining you here?"

"Isn't it so?" Ke'er's expression was cold. "If you didn't take me away at that time, I'll be able to live happily with Si Ling and her father. How can I possibly separate the two of them? At that time, when you brought me away, I wasn't completely averse to following you since I also wanted to see my family. However, up until now, you've never brought to see any relatives no matter how many times I asked you! You'll always tell me it's not the right time. I really want to ask you today, when exactly is the right time going to come?" When Ke'er reached the end of her sentence, her delicate brows had also furrowed together. It was apparent that she was furious.

"Why? Why would you just come into my life and separate me and my man? You're my twin sister, don't tell me you don't want to see me living happily?" Ke'er asked in an accusing tone.

At this moment, all the emotions Ke'er had been suppressing for over two years seemed to have erupted, causing her sister to be stunned. This was her first time seeing Ke'er losing her cool after all.

How could she know that Ke'er had suppressed her gentle personality temporarily for the sake of her daughter?

"Sister Ke'er, things are not as you think." At this moment, the purple-clad young girl who was standing by the side quickly explained, "Elder Sister is only..."

Ke'er's sister interrupted the young girl and said with certainty, "It's fine, Zi'er. I'll explain this myself. It's time for me to reveal some things to her as well. She also has the right to know about it. If she still wants

to return to the Lower Province to look for her man after listening to my explanation, I won't stop her. Moreover, I'll personally escort her back to the Lower Province as well."

Upon hearing her words, Ke'er's heart tightened for a moment. Could it be that her elder sister had some secret sorrow she could not speak about?

The moment she thought of this, she could not help but feel a pang of guilt.

She was originally a young and kind woman. Otherwise, she would not have stayed here submissively for over two years. It was only today when she saw her daughter asking about her father that she finally summoned the courage to question her elder sister.

However, it seemed like things were not as she had imagined them to be.

"When you and I were just born, some big shot in the Fire Worship Sect had taken a liking to us. In the end, it was planned that you'd become the Saint Girl of the Fire Worship Sect. Although I wasn't chosen, I was still accepted as a direct disciple of my current master. I've worked hard to achieve my present accomplishment," Ke'er's elder sister began to speak.

"Saint Girl?" Ke'er frowned. She did not know what being the Saint Girl of the Fire Worship Sect meant. Moreover, she also did not know why she was not in the Upper Province since she had been selected as the Saint Girl of the Fire Worship Sect. Not only was she was stranded in the Lower Province, but prior to that, she was even left behind in a remote village on the Mortal Continent.

"The Saint Girl of the Fire Worship Sect symbolizes holiness in the Fire Worship Sect. One person would be picked every 100 years. At that time, I couldn't replace you to be the new Saint Girl since you've already undergone the ritual. After you've gone missing, a commotion broke out in the entire Fire Worship Sect, and they had even sent out many people to look for you. Naturally, they only looked for you in the Upper Province initially. After several years, they began to shift their attention to the Lower Province, thinking that you might have gone to the Lower Province since they couldn't find any trace of you here. At that time, the higher-ups had given the order that if it's discovered you're no longer a virgin, you'll have to be brought back and be punished severely according to the sect's rules. Usually, a Saint Girl who has lost her virginity would receive a death penalty! It's because I was worried about you that I also went to the Lower Province to find you both openly and secretly. In the end, I finally found your trace and found you." When Ke'er's sister reached this part of her sentence, happiness could be seen on her face.

Saint Girl?

Virginity?

Death penalty?

Ke'er's expression seemed to have turned cold again as she said gravely, "I've been wandering outside since young, and I've completely no memories of the past. Even if I'm the Saint Girl of the Fire Worship Sect, isn't it their responsibility for losing me in the first place? What right do they have to mess with my life? How would I even know about my true identity?"

"I know, but the sect's rules have always been ruthless. Those Enforcement Elders in the sect wouldn't care about all these things. Otherwise, I wouldn't have looked for you everywhere and prayed that you haven't found a man and is still a virgin." Ke'er's sister sighed. "However, when I sensed your aura on that man, I began to have an ominous feeling. As it turns out, my instinct is right. You're no longer a virgin, and you're even pregnant with his child! Do you know if those people who're looking for you discover this, what awaits is you is the death penalty? At that time, not only would you and the baby in your tummy die, even your man wouldn't have survived. He has violated the Saint Girl of the Fire Worship Sect so the Fire Worship Sect wouldn't have let him go!" Ke'er's elder sister snapped furiously.

Colors also drained from Ke'er's face at this instant.

It did not cross her mind that her past identity was so complicated that it would even complicate her man's life.

Perhaps, she did not understand the might of the Fire Worship Sect when she came to the Upper Province more than two years ago. Although she did not have any contact with other people, she had learned from Zi'er who was always by her elder sister's side about things in the Upper Province. Based on that, she knew the Fire Worship Sect was one of the three greatest forces in the Upper Province.

In the Dao Martial Saint Land, the Fire Worship Sect was a colossal force to be reckoned with.

If the Fire Worship Sect really wanted her man dead, he would not be able to survive.

"As for why I brought you back, it was also because I was worried you'd be found by the others. Originally, I planned to bring you to some other place to hide. However, after thinking about it carefully, I feel the most dangerous place is the safest place to hide. For this reason, I brought you back to the Fire Worship Sect," Ke'er's sister continued to say, "Although I hate your man since he has gotten you into this situation, I have never once had any malicious thoughts about his and your child. If she's only his child, I wouldn't have let her live. However, she's also your child. She's also my niece. How can I possibly hurt her? As for the family reunion you mentioned, I've also thought of that before. However, there are many Fire Worship Sect's spies among the relatives in our house. I dare not reveal your existence to other people since I'm not confident you and Si Ling will be able to live if you're revealed to the public."

The moment Ke'er's sister reached the end of her sentence, she sighed. As a Fire Worship Sect's disciple, she was the clearest about the Fire Worship Sect's way of handling things.

Ke'er's expression changed again and again. In the end, colors had completely drained from her face.

She did not think things would turn out like that.

"I'm sorry, sister." At this moment, she had finally understood. It was her who had misunderstood her own sister.

From the beginning until the end, her sister had only wanted the best for her.

### **Chapter 1734: Fire Worship Sect, Enforcement Hall!**

"You're my sister, there's no need for you to be so polite with me," Ke'er's elder sister shook her head before saying, "I've already said what I wanted to say. If you still insist on leaving the Fire Worship Sect

and the Upper Province to search for your man in the Lower Province, I'll personally escort you and your daughter to reunite with him."

"No! I won't go anymore!" Ke'er shook her head.

Although she missed her Young Master a lot and hoped that her daughter would be able to reunite with her father, the moment she thought of how she might put her Young Master in danger if she and her daughter returned, she instantly dismissed the idea. She would rather die than see something happen to her Young Master. In her opinion, her Young Master's life was even more important than her own life. He was someone she was willing to give up her life for!

At the moment when Ke'er's sister sighed in relief after listening to Ke'er's words, an angry voice resonated high in the sky. "Gan Ru Yan! How dare you!"

Ke'er's sister, Gan Ru Yan, turned horrified instantly as soon as she heard this voice. She could tell whose voice it was just by listening to it. It was none other than Jiang Qin, one of the Vice Hall Masters of the Enforcement Hall of Fire Worship Sect.

Gan Ru Yan saw four figures hovering in the sky when she looked up.

The person in the lead was a middle-aged man. He had an ordinary appearance, but his eyes looked as sharp as an eagle's eyes, especially now that he was looking down at her. It sent chills up her spine immediately.

The middle-aged man was none other than Jiang Qin, one of the Vice Hall Masters of the Enforcement Hall of Fire Worship Sect.

Three people stood behind Jiang Qin. Two of them were young men with an aloof expression. It was not difficult for Gan Ru Yan to guess they were most likely disciples from the Enforcement Hall.

However, her expression turned grave immediately when she the last person standing behind Jiang Qin. The final person was a sexy and beautiful young woman.

Naturally, in terms of beauty, this woman was not as beautiful as Gan Ru Yan.

At this moment, hints of pleasure that was derived from Gan Ru Yan's misfortune could be seen in that woman's eyes. At the same time, she said through Voice Transmission mockingly, "Gan Ru Yan, congratulations for finding your long-lost sister. However, I'm afraid that even your Master, Guardian Qing Huo, wouldn't be able to intervene and help you remove the sin of hiding the Saint Girl who has violated the sect rules, right? Oh, I almost forgot, your good sister didn't only violate the sect rules by losing her virginity, but she even gave birth to a child as well! What a blasphemy to the Fire Worship Sect! Both of you will be found guilty twice!"

At the end of the Voice Transmission, the woman's tone was filled with arrogance.

Gan Ru Yan was not sure how the woman found out about this matter, she could not help but ask through Voice Transmission, "Wen Yan, you're the one who went and looked for Vice Hall Master Jiang?" Her tone was filled with anger.

"What do you mean by I went and looked for Vice Hall Master Jiang? Gan Ru Yan, don't tell me you think I'm so petty as to take personal revenge in the name of public interest?" The tone of Wen Yan's Voice

Transmission was smug. "As a Fire Worship Sect's disciple, all of us are obligated to uphold the sect rules. If you think I'm taking revenge because of a personal vendetta, you can always complain to Vice Hall Master Jiang and ask to bring his men away."

The moment her words left her mouth, a spiteful smile appeared on her face.

She and Gan Ru Yan were both outstanding Fire Worship Sect's disciples, but she had always been inferior to Gan Ru Yan. She had been living in Gan Ru Yan's shadow. This matter made her feel unwilling and angry.

Some time ago, she had noticed Gan Ru Yan secretly bringing someone back to the sect. After spending two years thoroughly investigating the matter, she finally discovered who that person was.

She finally found a reason to strike at Gan Ru Yan. Prior to this, she had never won against Gan Ru Yan once. However, she had finally won today!

Although the method of her victory was despicable and low, she did not care since she only cared about the outcome.

Whoosh!

A gust of cold wind blew past, accompanied by the sound of wind whistling in the air, Jiang Qin, the Vice Hall Master of the Enforcement Hall of the Fire Worship Sect descended and soon arrived in front of Ke'er. His pair of keen eyes were gleaming terrifyingly as he stared at her intently. "Hmm... you look identical to Gan Ru Yan. There's no doubt you're Saint Girl Yu Yan who had been kidnapped last time!"

Ke'er was not unfamiliar to the name Gan Yu Yan. She had learned about her original name after following her sister here. She was called Gan Yu Yan, and her name was only one word different from her sister's name.

"I'm not Gan Yu Yan nor am I the Saint Girl! Ever since I can remember, I'm called Ke'er!" Ke'er announced nonchalantly faced with Jiang Qin's intent stare.

At this moment, naturally, she knew somebody was trying to harm her sister. Due to this reason, she decided to feign ignorance.

In fact, she was telling the truth. Ever since she could remember, she was called Ke'er. From her earliest memory, she and her mother had lived a difficult life and depended on each other for survival.

She only met her Young Master after her mother died, and she planned to sell herself to give her mother a proper burial. Ever since then, she had risen from a pheasant to a phoenix, living a life she did not dare to dream of before. She was already satisfied enough by this.

"Hurmph! Do you think you can deny you're our Fire Worship Sect's Saint Girl just because you feigned ignorance? Our Fire Worship Sect's Saint Girl is Gan Ru Yan's twin sister. This is something everyone in the sect knows. It's useless even if you don't admit it. Based on your appearance alone, it's enough to prove you're Gan Ru Yan's twin sister and also the Saint Girl of our Fire Worship Sect, Gan Yu Yan!" At this moment, Wen Yan had also descended from the sky as she glared at Ke'er viciously. A sneer had already appeared on her face. "It's unfortunate while you were wandering outside, you'd acted without

self-respect. Not only did you lose your virginity, but you actually got pregnant with some unknown man's illegitimate child. What's even more preposterous is you actually gave birth to that illegitimate child!"

Illegitimate child?

Upon hearing Wen Yan's words, Ke'er was, naturally, furious. Nobody could insult her daughter. Ke'er's outburst was similar to that of a tigress protecting her tiger cubs.

However, how could she possibly be a match for Wen Yan with her meager strength? Wen Yan merely lifted a hand before she restrained her immediately. "Tsk tsk. Previously, everyone kept saying the Saint Girl's innate talent is much higher than Gan Ru Yan. That was why you were chosen as our Fire Worship Sect's Saint Girl! I can't believe the outer world has turned you into such a waste. Any random disciple from the sect is 100 times stronger than you!"

"Wen Yan!" At this moment, an angry but delicate sound came before Gan Ru Yan made her move. She instantly sent Wen Yan, who was unprepared, flying back with just a move.

"Gan Ru Yan!" Wen Yan did not expect Gan Ru Yan to act so mercilessly to her. Her expression turned grave, and she glared at Gan Ru Yan angrily as she wiped the traces of blood on her mouth using the back of her hand.

"What? You've just been defeated by me, and you still want to fight?" Gan Ru Yan mocked Wen Yan with a smirk.

Although Wen Yan could be considered strong among the younger generation in the Fire Worship Sect, she was not worth mentioning when compared to Gan Ru Yan.

Wen Yan's face turned green before it paled when she heard Gan Ru Yan's words.

"Bring that child out," Jiang Qin ordered without any warning.

The Enforcement Hall's disciples who had followed Jiang Qin here instantly charged into Gan Ru Yan's residence and disappeared like two bolts of lightning.

"Vice Hall Master Jiang, she's only a child!" Upon hearing that, Gan Ru Yan was horrified. She wanted to make a move to stop the two Enforcement Hall's disciples but was blocked by Jiang Qin instead.

"Gan Ru Yan, you've violated the sect rules for harboring the Saint Girl who has also violated the sect rules! In consideration of the fact that you're Guardian Qing Huo's last disciple, I won't make things difficult for you now. However, the Enforcement Hall wants an explanation from Guardian Qing Huo regarding this matter!" Jiang Qin continued to say nonchalantly, "As for the Saint Girl and her illegitimate child, I'll bring them to the Enforcement Hall. After I've consulted and discussed this with the Sect Leader, we'll deal with the matter according to the sect rules."

The moment his words left his mouth, the two Enforcement Hall's disciples who had barged into Gan Ru Yan's residence had also come out. One of them was hugging a child in his arms.

“Bastard! Let me go! I’ll ask Aunty to kill you if you don’t let me go! My aunt is very powerful!” The girl shouted in her childish voice as she struggled.

“Si Ling!” Horror dawned on Ke’er’s face. She made a move to rescue her daughter but was instantly stopped by Wen Yan. At this moment, Wen Yan was no longer angry from being humiliated. There was a smile on her face instead. “Saint Girl, it’s time for you and your beloved daughter to make a trip to the Enforcement Hall.”

“Vice Hall Master Jiang, don’t you have even a shred of mercy for this young child?” Gan Ru Yan’s eyes brimmed with tears as she stared at Jiang Qin. Even her voice was trembling when she spoke.

Although she was quite outstanding, she was still far from being comparable to the Enforcement Hall’s Vice Hall Master.

It was impossible for her to snatch the child away from his grip.

“Let’s go!” Jiang Qin ignored Gan Ru Yan. The moment his words left his mouth, he instantly rose up into the air and raised a hand. An invisible force began to restrain and guide Ke’er as they flew away.

The two Enforcement Hall’s disciples followed closely behind.

“Elder Sister, please save Si Ling. I don’t care about what happens to me, but nothing can happen to Si Ling. She’s only two years old, and she hasn’t even seen her father and her grandparents yet!” Ke’er’s almost desperate and trembling voice entered Gan Ru Yan’s ears clearly.

Whoosh!

Upon hearing Ke’er’s words, Gan Ru Yan’s eyes instantly turned red. She could no longer hold it back as she stared directly at one of the Enforcement Hall’s disciples. Specifically, the one who was holding Duan Si Ling.

However, before Gan Ru Yan managed to touch the Enforcement Hall’s disciple, a horrifying wave of energy swept across the sky and struck her, sending her flying.

An extremely cold voice sounded in the next moment. “Gan Ru Yan, if you continue to hinder the Enforcement Hall from carrying out its duty, we won’t show you any mercy even if you’re Guardian Qing Huo’s last disciple!”

Jiang Qin glanced at Gan Ru Yan who was sent flying coldly before he brought the two Enforcement Hall’s disciples, Ke’er, and her daughter away.

Wen Yan looked at Gan Ru Yan and smirked. “Gan Ru Yan, why don’t you take care of yourself first before taking care of others? Your sin this time is pretty big, you know?”

### **Chapter 1735: Saint Martial Secret Zone**

Usually, Wen Yan would have left immediately if she had said such words. However, she was not in a rush to leave today. She looked at Gan Ru Yan, taking pleasure in her misfortune. Currently, Gan Ru Yan



had been injured by Jiang Qin, the Vice Hall Master of the Enforcement Hall, so her strength was limited. Due to this reason, Wen Yan was not afraid at all.

“Elder Sister.” Zi’er’s, the purple-clad young lady, had a worried and helpless expression on her face as she carried Gan Ru Yan. She was worried about her elder sister, Ke’er, and Si Ling, and she felt helpless because she was too weak to do anything.

“Wen Yan, I’ll remember what happened today! Don’t ever fall into my hands in the future. Otherwise, you’ll wish you’re dead instead!” Gan Ru Yan snarled as she glared at Wen Yan coldly.

Initially, she was confident the most dangerous place would also be the safest place to hide in. It did not cross her mind that Wen Yan would spend two years just to investigate the situation before reporting it to the Enforcement Hall due to the enmity between them.

She was unaware that Wen Yan hated her to such an extent. It was over two years! If it was not because the enmity was deep-seated, who would have the time and patience to plot against another person?

If she knew Wen Yan was like that, she would not have brought her sister back to the Fire Worship Sect. The moment Gan Ru Yan thought of this, she was washed by a sense of guilt. She felt responsible for putting her sister in this situation.

When Wen Yan heard Gan Ru Yan’s words, she threw her head back laughing and continued to say mockingly, “Gan Ru Yan, you can’t even save your own ass now, and yet, you think you’ll be able to seek revenge from me? How naive! I’ll just wait for that day to come!” Wen Yan was still laughing as she left after she finished speaking

“Elder Sister, what should we do now? Sister Ke’er and Si Ling will die!” Zi’er’s face was filled with worries.

“I didn’t expect this to happen either. If I’ve known Wen Yan hates me so much, I would’ve long killed her! Now that things have escalated to this extent, we can only take one step at a time! I won’t let anything happen to Ke’er! I only have one biological sister after all!” Gan Ru Yan’s eyes gleamed coldly. “It’s time for me to return to the clan and tell mother and the others about Ke’er. After that, I’ll look for Master. Hopefully, she’ll be able to plead for and save Ke’er and Si Ling’s lives.”

She left the Fire Worship Sect and returned to her own clan as soon as she made up her mind.

Her clan was the Gan Clan in the Upper Province of Dao Martial Saint Land. Although it was only a second-rate clan, those powerful first-rate sects did not dare to simply look for trouble with them because of the complicated relationship they had with the Fire Worship Sect.

Gan Ru Yan was the biological granddaughter of the current Clan Leader of Gan Clan, and she was also a lineal disciple of the Gan Clan. Ke’er was Gan Ru Yan’s twin sister, naturally, she was also a lineal disciple of the Gan Clan.

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Naturally, Duan Ling Tian was unaware of the calamity that had befallen Ke’er and their daughter, and they were on the verge of death.

Although he was unaware of such things, he still inexplicably felt anxious. He was immersed in reading the books in the Main Mansion's library when he was overwhelmed by a sense of panic. It caused him to be unable to maintain his composure.

'What's going on? Did something happen?' Horror dawned on Duan Ling Tian when he thought of this.

He believed it was not an ordinary incident if it was capable of rousing such a sense of panic in him. Moreover, it had to be someone close to him.

'Is it Ke'er or Tian Wu?' Due to the fact that he knew Li Fei was by his parents' side, he did not take her into consideration. His first thought immediately went to his fiancée, Ke'er, and Feng Tian Wu.

Duan Ling Tian took a deep breath, and with great difficulty, he suppressed the panic in his heart.

After the panic had faded, it did not appear again. However, Duan Ling Tian had lost the mood to read the books. Coupled with the fact that he had learned almost everything he wanted to know and there was not much time left for him to stay in the Main Mansion, he decided to leave.

After he left the library, he went to register again before he left.

When the disciple on guard helped Duan Ling Tian to register, he noticed Duan Ling Tian's face was pale. Since he thought Duan Ling Tian was a decent person, he casually asked in a chatty manner, "Junior Brother Ling Tian, you look a little pale... Did something happen to you?"

"It's nothing. Thanks for your concern, Senior Brother." Duan Ling Tian shook his head. After he forced a smile on his face, he bade him farewell and left.

The few disciples on guard looked at Duan Ling Tian's disappearing silhouette until it had completely vanished before they regained their senses. At the same time, they began to whisper among themselves.

"Hey, do you think someone picked on Junior Brother? Otherwise, why would he look so pale?" One of the disciples on guard could not help but speculate.

"It's possible." Another disciple on guard nodded in agreement.

"Hurmph! I really wonder which blind person actually dares to pick on Junior Brother Ling Tian... Perhaps, he might not be extremely strong now, but how old is he currently? Given enough time, who among the disciples in our Mystical Sky Mansion can compare to him?"

"That's right! No matter who that person is, he's definitely going to get in trouble in the future for picking on Junior Brother Ling Tian."

"Junior Brother Ling Tian is so nice, and yet, someone still looked for trouble with him. I'm certain the other party started it first!"

"Isn't it obvious?"

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Duan Ling Tian was, naturally, unaware that his pale countenance had caused the few disciples on guard at the Main Mansion to imagine so many scenarios.

After leaving the Main Mansion, Duan Ling Tian returned to the Heaven Palace and his own residence.

'There's still more than a month before the Saint Martial Secret Zone opens. The competition to determine one's qualification to enter the Saint Martial Secret Zone, on the other hand, will be held ten days before the Saint Martial Secret Zone opens,' Duan Ling Tian thought to himself on his journey back as he tried to change the direction of his thoughts.

However, he still felt a little worried in the depths of his heart. Naturally, no matter how worried he felt, he could only feel helpless since there was nothing he could do.

"I hope this is just a coincidence, and nothing bad happens to both of them." Duan Ling Tian could only reassure himself.

"You're finally back!" The moment he returned to his own residence, he immediately heard a delicate cry. When he regained his senses, he instantly saw a delicate figure standing in his courtyard.

The owner of the delicate figure was none other than Wang Fei Xuan.

Duan Ling Tian descended from the sky and landed firmly in front of her before asking with a frown, "You're looking for me?"

"Where have you gone in over twenty days?" Wang Fei Xuan did not reply Duan Ling Tian's question. Instead, she pulled a long face and asked in return, "Do you know I've been looking for you for more than twenty days? These twenty days disrupted the progress of my cultivation!"

"You've been looking for me for more than twenty days?" Duan Ling Tian frowned deepened. "Is there a purpose in you looking for me?"

"Of course!" Wang Fei Xuan nodded. "Why would I look for you without a purpose? Tell me, how are you going to make it up to me for holding up my cultivation progress for over twenty days?"

"I held up your cultivation progress?" Upon hearing her words, Duan Ling Tian could not help but feel strange. "Great Young Miss Wang, it's you who didn't cultivate whole-heartedly, and yet, you still want to put the blame on me? And I find it really hard to believe you would put your cultivation on hold for my sake. Your fame for cultivating in a frenzy did not only spread in the Tyrannic Saber Mansion's district, but it has also spread to the Mystical Sky Mansion, you know!"

Wang Fei Xuan did not expect Duan Ling Tian would know so much about her. She was momentarily stunned, but she began to act shamelessly as soon as she regained her senses. "I don't care. You still have to make it up to me no matter what! Otherwise, I'll... I'll bother you every day so you can't cultivate!"

"This again?" Duan Ling Tian was speechless. At the same time, his expression turned grave. "Great Young Miss Wang, do you think it's fun playing like this?"

"I'm merely cracking a joke so why are you being so serious?!" When Wang Fei Xuan saw Duan Ling Tian's grave expression as though he was beginning to get angry, she stuck out her tongue cheekily before adding, "Alright, fine. I won't tease you anymore, and I'll stop pestering you to make it up to me! How petty!"

Petty?

Duan Ling Tian was rendered speechless. However, after he heard her words, his expression gradually returned to normal again as he asked, "Please tell me why are you looking for me."

Perhaps it was because she was scared by how solemn Duan Ling Tian was this time around, she no longer beat around the bush and answered bluntly, "Saint Martial Secret Zone!"

"Saint Martial Secret Zone? Isn't the opening of the Saint Martial Secret Zone in a month's time? Why did you come to me with this matter?" Duan Ling Tian was baffled.

"Naturally, I know the Saint Martial Secret Zone will only open in a month's time. However, I'm looking for you regarding another matter even though it has something to do with the Saint Martial Secret Zone as well," Wang Fei Xuan replied.

"Please say what you have in mind then," Duan Ling Tian said indifferently.

Wang Fei Xuan looked at Duan Ling Tian and asked, "Before that, I want to ask you... How much do you know about the Saint Martial Secret Zone?"

"I only heard there are many good items inside, and if we manage to stay longer inside, our cultivations will benefit from it. I don't really know much apart from that," Duan Ling Tian replied.

"Do you know why only a quasi third-rate force possesses the Saint Martial Secret Zone in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land?" Wang Fei Xuan asked again.

"No." Duan Ling Tian shook his head without any hesitation. He had only heard from other people that the Saint Martial Secret Zones were something only quasi third-rate forces possessed in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land. As for other information, he was completely unaware of it.

"Think about it... What's it that a quasi third-rate force has but not the other forces in the Dao Martial Saint Land have?" Wang Fei Xuan asked.

"What other forces don't have?" Duan Ling Tian frowned. After pondering for a moment, his frown eased up. "If we don't take powerhouses into consideration and merely take items into consideration, I only know the reserves that quasi third-rate forces possess are different. The quasi third-rate Saint Stones reserves are only possessed by quasi third-rate forces alone. Don't tell me the formation of the Saint Martial Secret Zone is actually related to quasi third-rate Saint Stones reserves?"

When he finished speaking, he looked at Wang Fei Xuan

"Exactly." Wang Fei Xuan nodded. "The Saint Martial Secret Zones that quasi third-rate forces control are built on the quasi third-rate Saint Stones reserves. And the Saint Martial Secret Zones have existed for a long time. It's something that was found by powerhouses from quasi third-rate forces a long long time ago, and it's passed down generation to generation."

## Chapter 1736: The Divine Ability Relic

“It’s said that the existence of the Saint Martial Secret Zones mostly rely on Formations, and these Formations also need an endless stream of energy as support,” Wang Fei Xuan continued saying, “As far as I know, the Saint-Martial Secret Zones’ foundations will also accumulate a large amount of Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy. Every few years, it’ll open at a certain time. This is also the moment when the Saint Martial Secret Zones open. It’s precisely because of this the Saint Martial Secret Zones will only be opened every few years.”

Duan Ling Tian finally understood.

“Moreover, in the Saint Martial Secret Zones, there are also many items that even a powerhouse who has surpassed the Eminent Saint Stage wants!” When Wang Fei Xuan’s sentence reached here, her breathing also began to quicken.

“Items that even a powerhouse who has surpassed the Eminent Saint Stage wants?!” When Duan Ling Tian heard her words, he was shocked as well.

“Yes.” Wang Fei Xuan nodded.

“Like what?” Duan Ling Tian was extremely curious. He really could not figure out what exactly was inside the Saint Martial Secret Zones that only Saint Stage geniuses below 40 years old could enter that would attract powerhouses that had surpassed the Eminent Saint Stage.

“Divine Abilities!” Wang Fei Xuan spat out two words in a tone that was neither hurried nor slow as she looked at Duan Ling Tian.

Divine Abilities!

Upon hearing these words, even Duan Ling Tian could not help but feel stunned. Perhaps, the former him might not know what Divine Abilities were, but after he had consolidated the embryonic form of the Golden Crow’s Wings some time ago, he had already learned what the Divine Abilities were.

The Divine Ability were techniques that only a powerhouse at the Divine Saint Stage or above could master. It was far superior compared to martial tactics.

Naturally, although most of the Divine Saint Stage powerhouses could master Divine Abilities, 90% of the Divine Abilities they mastered were Divine Abilities that were worthless during actual battles.

For example, the Duplicated Embodiment that almost every Divine Saint Stage Dao Cultivators had mastered. Other than being a ‘protective talisman’ for the juniors, it had no other functions at all. ( Boxno vel. co m )

“It’s normal for you to not have heard of Divine Abilities. It’s a technique that only a powerhouse at the Divine Saint Stage or above can master.” When Wang Fei Xuan saw Duan Ling Tian was stunned, she assumed it was his first time hearing about Divine Abilities. Due to this reason, she patiently explained it to him. “The Divine Ability that an ordinary Divine Saint Stage powerhouse masters are very ordinary...

In the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land, only the Divine Ability that's mastered by a powerhouse at the Exemplary Saint Stage or above would be able to live up to its full potential in an actual battle just enough to be deemed useful. If an ordinary Divine Saint Stage Dao Cultivator is willing, he'd be able to master a Divine Ability easily. That Divine Ability is called the Duplicated Embodiment.

Wang Fei Xuan explained everything to Duan Ling Tian patiently and even gave him an example. Based on her words, it was obvious she was revealing everything she knew about Divine Abilities to Duan Ling Tian.

"Naturally, in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land, there's also a minority of Divine Saint Stage powerhouses who have mastered useful Divine Abilities. These Divine Abilities are either comprehended from the relics that previous powerhouses left behind or directly passed down. However, even if you encounter a relic or someone is willing to teach it to you, it also depends on your innate talent and comprehension. Not just anyone can master a Divine Ability!" Wang Fei Xuan continued to say.

"Then, does this mean there are relics that contained Divine Abilities in the Saint Martial Secret Zone?" Duan Ling Tian was not dumb. Based on Wang Fei Xuan's words, he could guess what she was trying to say.

"That's right." Wang Fei Xuan nodded. "The relics the powerhouses left behind are the most valuable treasures in the Saint Martial Secret Zone... Although we can see the relics when we enter the Saint Martial Secret Zone, we can only memorize it since it's almost impossible for us to comprehend it. These relics can't be duplicated so even if we obtain it, it'll be impossible for us to share it with other people. Only when one of us manages to break through to the Divine Saint Stage then only would we be able to master the Divine Ability and pass it down if we want to."

Wang Fei Xuan continued speaking, "No matter which quasi third-rate force it is, they place such high value in the Saint Martial Secret Zone is mainly because they place an even higher value on the Divine Ability's Relics inside. As long as one powerhouse among those who enter could break through to the Divine Saint Stage powerhouse and master a Divine Ability, then it'll be possible to share the Divine Ability."

"No wonder the Mystical Sky Mansion wants to recruit for so many disciples even though they've already had so many Saint Stage geniuses below the age of forty... As it turns out, this is their plan." Duan Ling Tian finally managed to piece everything together.

Divine Ability Relic!

This was something that would tempt any quasi third-rate force. Due to the fact that only Saint Stage geniuses below the age of forty could enter the Saint Martial Secret Zones to look for Divine Ability Relics, each of the quasi third-rate forces would seize the chance before the Saint Martial Secret Zones open to recruiting Saint Stage geniuses below the age of forty.

Naturally, it was still difficult for quasi third-rate forces to obtain the Divine Abilities stored in the Divine Ability Relics inside the Saint Martial Secret Zones.

It was considered pretty good to have one person among all the Saint Stage geniuses who entered the Saint Martial Secret Zones to break through to the Divine Saint Stage. It would be almost impossible to

ask for that person to also master the Divine Ability he had seen in the Divine Ability Relic several years ago.

Due to this reason, there were only a few Divine Abilities obtained from the Divine Ability Relics inside the Saint Martial Secret Zones that had successfully been passed down in quasi third-rate forces.

“In comparison to Divine Abilities, nothing else seems as important. I’m completely disinterested in the other items,” Wang Fei Xuan said as she looked at Duan Ling Tian.

“Get straight to the point,” Duan Ling Tian said as he raised an eyebrow.

There had to be a reason why Wang Fei Xuan came looking for him in regards to the Saint Martial Secret Zone. It was not difficult for him to deduce this.

When Wang Fei Xuan saw how direct Duan Ling Tian was, she looked at him and said anticipatorily, “I want to partner up with you.”

“Partner up? How?” Duan Ling Tian asked.

To be honest, he knew nothing about the situation inside the Saint Martial Secret Zone at all.

It was apparent Wang Fei Xuan was somewhat knowledgeable about the Saint Martial Secret Zones.

Due to this reason, he looked at Wang Fei Xuan curiously, wondering what kind of partnership she had in mind.

“A place filled with people will definitely have battles. It’s the same inside the Saint Martial Secret Zone.” Wang Fei Xuan seemed to know Duan Ling Tian knew nothing about the situation inside the Saint Martial Secret Zone. She instantly explained the situation to him. “For example, some of the Divine Ability Relics inside the Saint Martial Secret Zone would only allow one person to comprehend it. In that case, people who encounter it at the same time will definitely fight over it. Only those who survive in the end will be able to comprehend the Divine Ability Relic. Naturally, it’s a little too early to use the word comprehend since it’s basically impossible for us to comprehend the Divine Ability contained in the Divine Ability Relic without being at the Divine Saint Stage. All we can do is just memorize the words, characters, and everything else in the Divine Ability Relic. Moreover, we can only memorize the content of the Divine Ability Relic, we won’t be able to duplicate it. Even if we forcefully do so, we’ll only be able to duplicate the item, not the content. It’s impossible to pass on a Divine Ability from a duplicated Divine Ability Relic.”

It was not difficult for Duan Ling Tian to understand this.

Otherwise, each of the quasi third-rate forces would not have recruited Saint Stage geniuses below the age of forty without restraint. All they wanted was someone at the Saint Stage who was a genius to enter the Saint Martial Secret Zone to break through to the Divine Saint Stage so that they could comprehend the Divine Ability contained in the Divine Ability Relic they encountered in the Saint Martial Secret Zone.

Once someone had successfully comprehended the Divine Ability, it also meant that he or she would be able to pass it on. Naturally, not everyone would be able to master the Divine Ability even if they were willing to pass it on, but at least there was hope.

“The Divine Ability Relics inside the Saint Martial Secret Zones are also separated into various grades and ranks. For those lower grade Divine Ability Relics, the Divine Abilities contained inside are basically useless as well. It’s at the same level as the Duplicated Embodiment and is useless in actual battles. A better Divine Ability would have a miraculous effect when it’s coordinated together with a martial tactic. A powerful Divine Ability would even grant a powerful ability to the powerhouse who has successfully comprehended it. Mastering that kind of Divine Ability is equal to mastering a very powerful and terrifying martial tactic!” When Wang Fei Xuan reached this part of the sentence, her eyes were burning with enthusiasm.

“A higher grade Divine Ability Relic is rarer in the Saint Martial Secret Zones, one would have to go through many trials in order to obtain them. Throughout this process, if one fails the test, one would be instantly kicked out of the Saint Martial Secret Zones.” When Wang Fei Xuan reached this part of the sentence, she looked at Duan Ling Tian. “For this reason, I want to partner up with you. If you and I work together, we’ll definitely be able to make it much further! It’s not impossible for us to get our hands on the highest grade Divine Ability Relic as well!”

The moment her words left her mouth, her gaze turned even more intense.

“What wishful thinking you have!” Upon hearing Wang Fei Xuan’s words, Duan Ling Tian shook his head and smiled. “Unfortunately, I’m not interested in partnering up with you.”

“YOU!” It did not cross Wang Fei Xuan’s mind that Duan Ling Tian would directly reject her. Her expression turned grim immediately. “Why are you being like this? I intentionally came to look for you so that we can partner up, but you rejected me without even considering it! Don’t tell me you think you won’t benefit from our partnership?”

“Well... I do feel that I won’t benefit much from partnering up with you...” Duan Ling Tian said bluntly after he sized Wang Fei Xuan up.

Put aside the fact that Wang Fei Xuan was merely an Early Refined Saint Stage Martial Cultivator, even if she was an Intermediate Refined Saint Stage Martial Cultivator, he still was not interested in partnering up with her.

In his opinion, bringing Wang Fei Xuan with him was akin to bringing an extra burden.

If he was an ordinary man, he would have definitely agreed to Wang Fei Xuan’s request without even thinking about it since it was difficult to reject a beautiful woman’s request.

However, to Duan Ling Tian who had two fiancées and one girlfriend, he did not care about Wang Fei Xuan at all. From the beginning until the end, he did not even feel attracted to her.

### **Chapter 1737: Two Excess Pieces of Baggage**



After rejecting Wang Fei Xuan, Duan Ling Tian returned to his room. He did not care that she was still standing outside and directly closed his room door.

“Speaking of partnering up, I can partner up with Liu Jian and Ren Fei.” After returning to the room, Duan Ling Tian’s heart leaped as he recalled Liu Jian and Ren Fei who had entered the Mystical Sky Mansion and Heaven Palace together with him.

Liu Jian was from the Raging Wave Mansion, and he was also the nephew of Liu Hong Guang, the Second Elder of Raging Wave Mansion.

Ren Fei, on the other hand, was from the Sky Hurdle Mansion. He seemed to have quite a good relationship with Ren Zhong, the Vice Mansion Master of the Sky Hurdle Mansion.

Whether it was Liu Hong Guang or Ren Zhong, Duan Ling Tian had stood both of them up. Up until now, he still felt guilty about it. He kept thinking he had to return the favors if he was presented with an opportunity.

After learning about the situation inside the Saint Martial Secret Zone, Duan Ling Tian felt this would be a good chance to return their favors. If he worked together with Liu Jian and Ren Fei, he could let the two of them comprehend the highest grade Divine Ability Relic inside the Saint Martial Secret Zone. This could be considered as him returning both Liu Hong Guang and Ren Zhong’s favors.

( Boxno vel. co m ) Duan Ling Tian had never liked owing people favors. Naturally, it would be best if he could return it.

‘Come to think of it, it’s all thanks to Wang Fei Xuan that I learned about the situation inside the Saint Martial Secret Zone... Since I’m already planning to work together with Liu Jian and Ren Fei, having an extra person on board is not that big a deal.’ The moment Duan Ling Tian thought of this, he opened his room door again. He discovered Wang Fei Xuan was still there.

However, it seemed as though she had lost her soul as she stood there. She did not regain her senses for a long time.

Wang Fei Xuan was the biological granddaughter of the Mansion Master of Tyrannic Saber Mansion and was the Eldest Miss of the Tyrannic Saber Mansion. In the Tyrannic Saber Mansion. Everybody treated her like a little ancestor, particularly the young disciples in the Tyrannic Saber Mansion who even fought with each other to serve by her side.

One could say that she was God’s favored daughter in the Tyrannic Saber Mansion! Even if she walked out of the Tyrannic Saber Mansion, nobody would dare to look down on her as well because of her background.

Her peers would stick to her like putty when they were with her. If she had any request, they would carry it out for her as well.

However, after coming to the Mystical Sky Mansion and meeting Duan Ling Tian, Wang Fei Xuan was subjected to blows, again and again. All these blows came from the Saint Stage genius named Ling Tian who was also the most outstanding person among the Saint Stage geniuses who had just entered the Mystical Sky Mansion.

Today, she had finally met Ling Tian. Originally, she thought Ling Tian would instantly agree to her request of partnering up. Who knew he did not seem to care at all about working together.

Although she understood the reason why, it was still difficult for her to accept it. She knew she would not be much of a help to Duan Ling Tian with her strength.

The reason it was so difficult for her to accept this was due to the rejection from a man still full of vigor and vitality even though she, a beautiful woman, had taken the initiative to ask him to partner up!

If she did not know he already had three women, she might have thought he detested women.

“Hey!” Just as Wang Fei Xuan was going crazy in her heart, that annoying voice entered her ears in a timely manner. It took her by surprise. She immediately looked toward the source of the voice.

That fellow she hated had somehow appeared in front of her again.

“What?” Wang Fei Xuan was not a clingy woman. Since this man had rejected her, she, naturally, would not be so cheap as to cling on to someone who had given her the cold shoulder.

“I agree to your request of partnering up,” Duan Ling Tian said indifferently when faced with Wang Fei Xuan’s cold countenance. He was not bothered by it at all.

The moment his words left his mouth, Wang Fei Xuan was dumbstruck again.

This fellow who had rejected her request earlier was agreeing to it now?

It was said that women were capricious, but why did she feel that this guy was actually much more capricious than a woman?

“However, I have a condition!” The voice entered Wang Fei Xuan’s ears again, causing her expression to turn grave as she stared at Duan Ling Tian spitefully.

“If you think you can force me to submit to you and take advantage of me, then you’re sorely mistaken! Although I want to join forces with you, I’m not desperate enough to sell myself! Hurmph!” After she finished speaking, she turned and left without waiting for Duan Ling Tian’s response. Her movements were graceful and cool like floating clouds.

Duan Ling Tian was dumbfounded.

This woman actually thought he would make that kind of request?

Did he look like that kind of person?

However, Duan Ling Tian knew if he kept quiet now, it would be no different from admitting he had such thoughts. Due to this reason, he quickly called out to Wang Fei Xuan, “Wait a minute!”

Wang Fei Xuan came to a halt and turned around before glancing coldly at Duan Ling Tian without saying anything.

“Come on, Great Young Miss Wang! Aren’t you too conceited? Do you really think I’m that kind of shameless bastard?” Duan Ling Tian waved his hand and shook his head helplessly. “To be honest,

although you're pretty good-looking and has quite a good body, in my opinion, you're really not attractive. My two fiancées and one girlfriend are not inferior to you in every aspect."

Wang Fei Xuan was shocked the moment she heard Duan Ling Tian's words. She looked into his eyes and saw that he was being honest. She immediately realized she had misunderstood him.

The eyes were the windows to the soul. The eyes would not lie.

At this moment, Wang Fei Xuan's delicate face turned red, making her appear particularly enchanting.

"What condition do you have?" If it was not an over-the-top condition, she would accept it since she really wanted to partner up with Duan Ling Tian.

Naturally, it sounded nicer to say she was partnering up with Duan Ling Tian, but it was more like riding on his coattails. She believed she had the highest chance of obtaining the high-grade Divine Ability Relic by following Duan Ling Tian.

"I need you to help me to look for two people and ask them to join in our partnership," Duan Ling Tian told Wang Fei Xuan.

Upon hearing his words, her eyes lit up right away. "Who?!"

In her opinion, Duan Ling Tian had initially refused to cooperate with a Saint Stage genius like her, and now that he had taken the initiative to cooperate with two other people, these two must be far stronger than her.

To her, this was undoubtedly a good thing.

'I can't believe this fellow has already made friends with the Saint Stage geniuses in the Mystical Sky Mansion even though he has just entered the Mystical Sky Mansion not long ago. There seem to be only two people below the age of forty whose strength is above mine in the Heaven Palace. Could it be that Duan Ling Tian wants me to go look for them?' The moment Wang Fei Xuan thought of this, she became excited.

If that was the case, then she would be able to ride on three powerful people's coattails, and the chances of her getting the high-grade Divine Ability Relic would be very high.

"Liu Jian and Ren Fei," Duan Ling Tian told Wang Fei Xuan.

The moment these words entered Wang Fei Xuan's ears, it was as though a bucket of cold water had been thrown on her, washing away the enthusiasm in her heart.

Naturally, she was not unfamiliar with the name Liu Jian and Ren Fei. She had even seen them a few times. They were both young geniuses who came from fourth-rate forces.

Moreover, Ren Fei had even pursued her before. However, he had stopped his attempt after he was beaten into a pulp by her.

“A-Are you close to them?” Wang Fei Xuan asked with a frown on her face. She really could not figure out why this fellow would want to join forces with Liu Jian and Ren Fei. These two fellows were much weaker than her. Not only would they not be of any help, but they would even get in their way.

“I don’t know them.” Duan Ling Tian shook his head.

Wang Fei Xuan, originally, thought Duan Ling Tian wanted to work together with them and helped them because he had a close relationship with them. However, when she heard his reply, she was rendered speechless immediately.

“You don’t know them, but you still want to cooperate with them? Although they’re young geniuses from the Sky Hurdle Mansion and Raging Wave Mansion, did you know their cultivation base has not even entered the Refined Saint Stage? Ren Fei, in particular, he’s merely a Mastery Refined Saint Stage Martial Cultivator!”

When Wang Fei Xuan reached the end of her sentence, she was frustrated.

“Although I don’t know them, I owe both their seniors a favor. I’ve decided to pay off the favors in the Saint Martial Secret Zone,” Duan Ling Tian replied, “If you’re unwilling to work with them, you can refuse. I can look for them myself if you choose to refuse. If you don’t want to cooperate with them, then that means you won’t be cooperating with me.” Duan Ling Tian laid out the options for Wang Fei Xuan.

When she heard his words, she became even glummer.

She had only wanted to join forces with him because she regarded Duan Ling Tian’s strength highly, and she felt he would be able to lead her to greater heights. However, currently, if she wanted to join forces with him, she would have to accept two excess pieces of baggage. To be honest, she felt extremely unwilling.

“So what’s your decision? Great Young Miss Wang, are you done considering it?” Duan Ling Tian asked.

“Alright, I agree to let them join us, but you must guarantee they won’t get in our way,” Wang Fei Xuan said solemnly.

“What? You don’t have confidence in me, Great Young Miss Wang?” Duan Ling Tian smiled nonchalantly.

Perhaps it was Duan Ling Tian’s smile that had affected Wang Fei Xuan and allowed her to sense his confidence, but she no longer said anything and immediately left to look for Liu Jian and Ren Fei.

“What? You want me to join your little group? With that Ling Tian as well?” Originally, when Liu Jian saw Wang Fei Xuan coming to find him, he was a little baffled as to why this Young Miss would look for him. When she told him of her intention, he was delighted.

Wang Fei Xuan and Ling Tian were the two most powerful people among the 37 people who entered the Mystical Sky Mansion previously.

It would be filled with hardship once one entered the Saint Martial Secret Zone. He was just wondering if he should find a few people to join forces with. However, he did not expect before he could make his move, Wang Fei Xuan had already come and made a request.

“If you’re willing, then this matter is confirmed. Naturally, it’s fine as well if you’re unwilling. However, you’ll need to follow me and explain yourself to that fellow. Otherwise, he’ll think I’m lying to him about you being unwilling,” Wang Fei Xuan replied indifferently.

### **Chapter 1738: Colossal Sword Bell**

“I’m willing! I’m willing! I’m willing!” The moment Wang Fei Xuan’s words left her mouth, Liu Jian quickly replied as though he was afraid that he would lose the chance of cooperating with Wang Fei Xuan and Ling Tian if he was late to reply.

What a joke!

He had everything to gain and nothing to lose by entering the Saint Martial Secret Zone together with Wang Fei Xuan and Ling Tian. Unless his head had been kicked by a donkey, he would not reject this request at all.

“Since you’re willing, then it’s confirmed. However, there’s still one more thing you need to do,” Wang Fei Xuan nodded indifferently as she looked at Liu Jian and said, “You should know Ren Fei from the Sky Hurdle Mansion, right?”

“Yes, I do.” Liu Jian quickly nodded. At the same time, he looked at Wang Fei Xuan with a baffled expression. He thought to himself, ‘Don’t tell this Young Miss actually wants me to teach Ren Fei a lesson to prove my loyalty as a condition to join her and Ling Tian?’

He had also heard of the matter of Ren Fei pursuing Wang Fei Xuan in the past. He did not think Ren Fei would be successful, and he was proven right. It was just like he had expected, Ren Fei and those who had pursued Wang Fei Xuan were all beaten to a pulp by her.

Upon hearing Wang Fei Xuan mentioning Ren Fei, his first thought was this Young Miss must have been dissatisfied with only beating him into a pulp previously and wanted him to beat him up again.

‘Ren Fei, I’m sorry.’ Liu Jian quickly made up his mind. In order to cooperate with Wang Fei Xuan and Ling Tian, he would turn against and offend Ren Fei.

However, the words that left Wang Fei Xuan’s mouth next stunned him immediately. He realized he had misunderstood her intention.

“Go look for Ren Fei, and ask him if he’s willing to join our group of three as well. If he’s willing, ask him to prepare himself and compete for the spot to enter the Saint Martial Secret Zone. If he can’t even earn a spot, he’s not qualified to join forces with us. If he’s unwilling, bring him to Ling Tian so he can refuse Ling Tian directly,” Wang Fei Xuan said.

“Ask Ren Fei to join us as well?” Liu Jian frowned. Ren Fei’s strength was even worse than his.

To be honest, if Wang Fei Xuan did not come looking for him today, he would not have considered Ren Fei even if he was considering joining forces with other people. He was considering those Saint Stage geniuses who were on par or even more powerful than him. Naturally, those Saint Stage geniuses who were more powerful than him might not necessarily want to cooperate with him as well.

After all, benefits were everywhere in the Saint Martial Secret Zone so nobody would be willing to work with somebody weaker and let those weaker than them partake in their gains.

It was precisely because of this, that when Wang Fei Xuan came to look for him to join forces, he was beside himself with joy.

“What? We didn’t even look down on you, and you’re looking down on Ren Fei?” When Wang Fei Xuan saw Liu Jian frowned, how could she possibly not know what he was thinking? An expression of disdain appeared on her face.

Liu Jian felt a little guilty when she heard her words.

Indeed.

With Wang Fei Xuan and Ling Tian’s strength, they did not even look down on him. What right did he have to look down on Ren Fei?

“Miss Fei Xuan,” Liu Jian took a deep breath and finally asked after seemingly mustering up all his courage, “With yours and Ling Tian’s strength, both of you will definitely make a clean sweep of everything if you cooperate. Why would two of you join forces with Ren Fei and me? Moreover, bringing us along might even hinder both your progress. Can you please tell me why?”

As one of the two most powerful people among the younger generations in the Raging Wave Mansion, Liu Jian was, naturally, not an idiot. Ling Tian and Wang Fei Xuan were not bringing them along out of the goodness of their hearts, there must be a reason behind it.

He really wanted to know the reason. However, he did not think Wang Fei Xuan and Ling Tian wanted to harm them either. Based on Wang Fei Xuan and Ling Tian’s strength, they did not have to go to such great lengths if they wanted to harm them.

“I’m not the reason. If it’s up to me, I wouldn’t be working with two excess baggage.” Wang Fei Xuan was a straightforward woman. Her words were very blunt.

Liu Jian did not get mad either. Instead, he merely smiled wryly. “Then, in this case, the reason must be Ling Tian... May I ask Miss Fei Xuan if Ling Tian told you the reason?”

“He didn’t go into details, but he said he owes some favors to your seniors. Due to this reason, he wants to repay them by using this opportunity when we enter the Saint Martial Secret Zone. You two are really lucky. With him on your side, perhaps, both of you might even encounter high-grade Divine Ability Relic in the Saint Martial Secret Zone,” Wang Fei Xuan replied nonchalantly.

“Don’t forget the thing I asked you to do.” After leaving behind this message, she left after passing on the task of inviting Ren Fei into their group to Liu Jian.

Naturally, Liu Jian did not dare to dally with the task that had been given to him by Wang Fei Xuan. He instantly went to find Ren Fei and told him about joining forces with Wang Fei Xuan and Ling Tian.

“Miss Fei Xuan came to look for us to join forces?” When Ren Fei heard Liu Jian’s words, his eyes brightened immediately. He smiled so widely that his eyes could hardly be seen as he said, “Seems like

Miss Fei Xuan still thinks about the old times. As it turns out, my efforts in pursuing her are not in vain. With Miss Fei Xuan's care toward me, it seems like she has me in her heart. Maybe if I was a little more persistent previously, she might already be my woman. However, it doesn't seem like it's too late now. Since she looked for me to join forces, then it must mean she's interested in me. Perhaps, if I put in more effort, I'll be able to pierce through the last layer of her defense and make her mine," Ren Fei muttered to himself. His eyes were as bright as the stars in the sky.

His voice was so loud that Liu Jian could not help overhearing his words, causing the corner of his lips to twitch.

This fellow was just too conceited, right?

However, in order to avoid infuriating Wang Fei Xuan and missing the opportunity of joining forces with them, Liu Jian could not help but say, "Ren Fei, please don't think too much. The reason we're asked to join forces is not Miss Fei Xuan's wish. According to her words, she had no intention of bringing us two excess baggage along at all."

"It's not Miss Fei Xuan's wish?" Liu Jian's words were akin to a pail of cold water that was splashed on Ren Fei, causing him to wake up from his dream immediately. "... I-It's that Ling Tian's wish? But I don't know him."

"I don't know him either." Liu Jian smiled wryly. "However, according to Miss Fei Xuan, it seems like he owes our seniors a favor. Due to this reason, he plans to repay the favor when we enter the Saint Martial Secret Zone..."

"I see..." Ren Fei finally understood. "In this case, this is a good thing. With Ling Tian's prowess, if we cooperate with him, we'll definitely obtain a Divine Ability Relic that's not too bad."

"Indeed." Liu Jian expressed his agreement.

Time continued to pass by quietly.

Perhaps, it was due to Ren Fei and Liu Jian's joining forces with them that pressured Wang Fei Xuan. She actually successfully broke through to the Intermediate Refined Saint Stage before the day to compete for a spot to enter the Saint Martial Secret Zone arrived.

After she had broken through to the Intermediate Refined Saint Stage, her confidence was, naturally, greatly boosted.

Even in the entire Mystical Sky Mansion, there were only a few people who were at the Intermediate Refined Saint Stage below the age of forty. Currently, she was also on that list. Due to this reason, she could not help but feel a little proud.

"Ling fellow, I've just made a breakthrough so let's have a friendly match." After making a breakthrough, Wang Fei Xuan immediately went to look for Duan Ling Tian.

"You've made a breakthrough?" Duan Ling Tian was also slightly surprised over Wang Fei Xuan's breakthrough. He already knew she was an Early Refined Saint Stage Martial Cultivator before this. A Martial Cultivator at the Early Refined Saint Stage Martial Cultivator who was below the age of forty. Moreover, she was a female cultivator. This could be considered rare.

However, Wang Fei Xuan had made another breakthrough?

Duan Ling Tian had to admit that among all the young females he had seen, Wang Fei Xuan was only inferior to Ke'er's sister.

"If I don't make a breakthrough, I'm really afraid that two excess baggage might drag us down!" Wang Fei Xuan snorted

"Looks like you still don't believe in me." Duan Ling Tian shook his head and smiled before asking again, "Are you sure you want to have a friendly match with me?"

"Of course! I also want to know how wide is the gap between us now that I've made a breakthrough." Wang Fei Xuan nodded eagerly.

"Come then." Duan Ling Tian nodded and welcomed Wang Fei Xuan's attack with a calm expression.

Wang Fei Xuan was not modest as she made the first move. After her Territory had consolidated, typhoon-like attacks charged at Duan Ling Tian as it covered the sky. It was as though she intended to defeat him in one blow.

Faced with Wang Fei Xuan's attack, Duan Ling Tian smiled indifferently as he mobilized the Sun True Origin inside his body in movement that was neither hurried nor slow.

Soon after, Sun True Origin appeared on the surface of his body before transforming into faint golden sword rays that revolved around him as they flew swiftly. This was a defensive technique cast using Duan Ling Tian's Sun True Origin, the Sovereign Heart Sword, and the defensive martial tactic, Colossal Arrow Bell, that he had cultivated previously.

Naturally, the defensive technique he was using now was much more powerful than the plain Colossal Arrow Bell.

He had intentionally chosen a name for this defensive technique —

Colossal Sword Bell!

It sounded the same phonetically but it was a completely different word.

(T/N: The word "arrow 箭" and "sword 劍" are two different words that have the same pronunciation and tone in Mandarin)

As he stood there, his body emanated a faint golden light as golden sword rays revolved around him as they continued flying swiftly, looking like streaks of golden amulets from afar. They formed a layer of powerful defensive light shield that seemed to be able to defend against everything.

Finally, Wang Fei Xuan's overwhelming attack landed on Duan Ling Tian.

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

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Wang Fei Xuan was an Intermediate Refined Saint Stage Martial Cultivator currently. Her attacks slashed through the sky and caused a series of explosions in the air.

Her attacks crashed onto the golden light shield on the surface of Duan Ling Tian's body violently like a typhoon.

Crack!

At this moment Wang Fei Xuan gave a delicate shout. Her attack turned even more intense.

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

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Meanwhile, the golden light shield on Duan Ling Tian's body surface began to tremble as well.

However, upon closer inspection, one would see that the streaks of golden rays that were flying rapidly were still flying in their original trajectories despite the trembling earlier. Moreover, their speed did not seem to be affected at all.

### **Chapter 1739: Like Father Like Son?**

Although Wang Fei Xuan knew from the beginning she was no match for Duan Ling Tian, she still wanted to see how wide the gap between them was.

Before she broke through to the Intermediate Refined Saint Stage, she did not even have the courage to have a duel with Duan Ling Tian since his ability was at the Mastery Refined Saint Stage. Moreover, he was not an ordinary powerhouse at the Mastery Refined Saint Stage.

Coupled with the fact that Duan Ling Tian had gone to the Spirit Pool to cultivate, his ability must have been greatly boosted as well even if he did not break through to the peak of the Refined Saint Stage.

Now that she had broken through to the Intermediate Refined Saint Stage, her confidence was greatly boosted. Due to this reason, she wanted to have a friendly match with Duan Ling Tian.

"H-How's this possible?!" However, when she saw the attack she had unleashed unreservedly did not even leave a scratch on the defensive shield on Duan Ling Tian's body, she was shocked. Her confidence that had been greatly boosted from her breakthrough crumbled into nothing at this moment.

"Y-you've broken through to the peak of the Refined Saint Stage?" She asked bluntly as a scary thought appeared in her mind at this moment.

What happened could only be explained if he had broken through to the peak of the Refined Saint Stage.

No matter how strong a person at the Mastery Refined Saint Stage was, it would still be impossible for him or her to block her attack that had been unleashed with all her might so easily.

Originally, Wang Fei Xuan was already wondering whether this fellow had already broken through to the peak of the Refined Saint Stage after coming out of the Spirit Pool. Now that they had a duel, she could finally confirm that he had broken through. Otherwise, it was impossible for him to be so strong.

Faced with Wang Fei Xuan's question, Duan Ling Tian merely shrugged and smiled indifferently. He did not say anything.

In Wang Fei Xuan's eyes, it was as good as him admitting to it.

If Duan Ling Tian could read Wang Fei Xuan's thoughts, he would be rendered speechless. He had chosen not to give an answer because he was worried he would scare Wang Fei Xuan if he had told the truth. Moreover, she might not even believe him. In fact, his true cultivation base was only at the Early Refined Saint Stage. It was not even comparable to the current Wang Fei Xuan.

Naturally, it was only his cultivation base, not his prowess. Duan Ling Tian's current prowess was no longer restricted by his cultivation base.

Even if he did not rely on his powerful brute strength and external forces, just his True Origin alone was comparable to an Early Eminent Saint Stage powerhouse.

After Wang Fei Xuan received a heavy blow from Duan Ling Tian, her confidence had also crumbled. She no longer wanted to remain here so she left in a haste after saying, "In three days' time, the competition to earn a spot to enter the Saint Martial Secret Zone will take place. At that time, I'll look for you, and we'll go together."

"In three days' time, we'll compete for a spot... Thirteen days later, the Saint Martial Secret Zone will open... I'm looking forward to entering the Saint Martial Secret Zone," Duan Ling Tian muttered to himself as he looked at Wang Fei Xuan's disappearing silhouette.

Duan Ling Tian did not know that while he was waiting for the competition to qualify in entering the Saint Martial Secret Zone to arrive in three days' time, news of Ling Tian, his other identity, had already begun to spread and reached the ears of the few quasi third-rate forces.

Ling Tian was a Saint Stage genius below the age of forty. The moment he entered the Mystical Sky Mansion, he came to a draw in a duel with a powerhouse at the Mastery Refined Saint Stage in the Heaven Palace. Apart from that, it had taken him only twenty days in the Heaven Palace's Spirit Pool to finish absorbing the Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy.

Such a Saint Stage genius was a rarity in the other quasi third-rate forces, let alone the Mystical Sky Mansion.

Just take the Mountainshade Black Market and Azure Cloud Mansion as examples. The two were leading forces among the quasi third-rate forces in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land's Lower Province, and although they had such young geniuses as well, they only had one each. Moreover, they were far inferior to the Mystical Sky Mansion's Ling Tian.

It was precisely because of this when news regarding Ling Tian spread to the Mountainshade Black Market and Azure Cloud Mansion, it had caused quite a commotion.

At Mountainshade Black Market's headquarter, the highest leader, Dugu, finally heard the news.

"You've confirmed it?" Dugu asked calmly. His gaze was calm as well when he looked at the polite black-clad old man standing below.

"Yes, Lord Leader," the black-clad old man replied respectfully, "This news came from the spy we've planted in the Mystical Sky Mansion so it's not fake. Lord Leader, that Ling Tian is absolutely a prodigy with a rare talent in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land. If he joins our Mountainshade Black Market, our Mountainshade Black Market will still be able to maintain its glory for several hundred years even after you leave to the Upper Province, Lord Leader."

"Looks like you have quite a high opinion of him... However, do you really think he's more powerful than Hei Ying?" Dugu asked again.

"Lord Leader, I suspect this Ling Tian from the Mountainshade Black Market is already at the peak of the Refined Saint Stage now! Although Hei Ying is also a rare genius in our Mountainshade Black Market, he's already 39 years old. He'll be in his forties when he breaks through to the peak of the Refined Saint Stage," the black-clad old man replied again.

In the Dao Martial Saint Land, those who were below the age of forty were considered young. Only after they had passed the age of forty they would no longer be considered young.

"How old is Ling Tian?" Dugu asked again.

"It's said that he's not even 38 years old," the black-clad old man replied.

"Not even 38 years old?" Dugu's eyes brightened immediately. "Then, does this mean Ling Tian is not inferior to Li Feng who had appeared in the Rising Sky Mansion's district previously?"

"Perhaps he's slightly inferior to Li Feng, but the gap is definitely not huge," the black-clad old man's eyes gleamed as he continued to say, "However, Li Feng disappeared as soon as he appeared. Many people think he's from the Upper Province. Ling Tian, on the other hand, is different. If he's from the Upper Province, it'll be easy for him to join those powerful sects. There's no need for him to come to the Lower Province to join a quasi third-rate force."

"Good! Very good!" Dugu nodded. "Make a trip there personally, and do everything you can to bring Ling Tian back. If he's unwilling, kill him! If the Mystical Sky Mansion has him, they'll definitely ride above our Mountainshade Black Market's head in 100 years' time. I don't wish for the Mystical Sky Mansion to become the second Azure Cloud Mansion, understand?"

"Yes!" Upon hearing that, the black-clad old man nodded his head solemnly before he retreated.

"Ling Tian... This name sounds a little familiar," Dugu muttered to himself after the old man retreated before he was hit by a pang of realization, "That's right! Duan Ru Feng's son's called Duan Ling Tian!"

Although the name of the son of Duan Ru Feng, the Mansion Master of Azure Cloud Mansion, was similar to the genius in the Mystical Sky Mansion, Dugu, the Leader of Mountainshade Black Market, did not put two and two together.

This was because he did not think it was possible for Duan Ru Feng's son to be so highly talented. Second, if Ling Tian was really Duan Ru Feng's son, he would have gone to the Azure Cloud Mansion since the Mystical Sky Mansion was far from being comparable to it.

Since the Mountainshade Black Market had received the news, the Azure Cloud Mansion whose strength was on par with the Mountainshade Black Market in the Lower Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land, naturally, had also received the news.

On a suspended island that looked like a fairyland, in a gigantic palace, a blue-robed middle-aged man was sitting in the Main Hall. The two jade beads in his hands that he kept rotating gave off a faint sound that was particularly piercing in the quiet hall.

Finally, the blue-robed middle-aged man, who was none other than Duan Ru Feng, the Mansion Master of Azure Cloud Mansion, looked at one of the old men standing below him and asked, "Elder Yuan, did you say the genius in the Mystical Sky Mansion is called Ling Tian?"

"Yes." The old man Duan Ru Feng was looking at was none other than Rong Yuan, Duan Ru Feng's right-hand man. In the Azure Cloud Mansion, he was someone who shared equal fame with Ku Mi. When he heard Duan Ru Feng's question, he nodded solemnly.

At this moment, Ku Mi who was standing at the side chimed in, "Lord Mansion Master, this Ling Tian from the Mystical Sky Mansion seems as though he had appeared out of nowhere... Moreover, his name is identical to Young Mansion Master as well! Could it be that he's actually Young Mansion Master?"

"Tian'er?" When Duan Ru Feng heard Ku Mi's words, his eyes gleamed brilliantly. In fact, he had also thought about this.

However, he did not dare to believe his son's cultivation base had already reached the peak of the Refined Saint Stage. After all, how long has it been since his son had come to the Dao Martial Saint Land?

"If he's really Tian'er, then he might stand a chance in fighting Di Jue, that Five-clawed Golden Dragon from the dragon clan and snatch the opportunity to enter the Dragon Cleansing Pool... B-but, is he really Tian'er?" However, Duan Ru Feng felt it was very unlikely.

"I really don't think so." Rong Yuan shook his head. "Two years ago, when Young Mansion Master left the Windfall Nation with the Devilseal Tablet, he was only at the Paramount Mortal Shedding Stage... How's it possible for him to reach the peak of the Refined Saint Stage from the Paramount Mortal Shedding Stage in just over two years' time?"

"Perhaps, it's impossible for an ordinary person, but he's our Young Mansion Master, Lord Mansion Master's son!" Ku Mi chimed in confidently. Based on his words, it seemed like he was brimming with confidence for the Young Mansion Master whom he had never even seen before. Naturally, this was because he had taken Duan Ru Feng's innate talent into account. As the saying went, 'The apple never falls far from the tree.'

Upon hearing Ku Mi's words, Rong Yuan glanced at Duan Ru Feng before he fell silent.

The rise of this Mansion Master of Azure Cloud Mansion was absolutely legendary. If his son inherited his talent and only spent over two years to reach the peak of the Refined Saint Stage from the Paramount Mortal Shedding Stage, then, it was not completely impossible.

Upon sensing Ku Mi and Rong Yuan's gaze, Duan Ru Feng shook his head.

Only he knew about his own meteoric rise.

The main reason he had risen in such a short time was mostly due to the powerful Devil Cultivator, Black Nether. At that time, in order to raise his own ability, Black Nether had taken a lot of shortcuts, and that was not a cultivation journey that any ordinary Martial or Dao Cultivator could copy.

Due to this reason, only he knew that unless his son had a similar fortuitous encounter, it was impossible for him to rise to the peak of the Refined Saint Stage from the Paramount Mortal Shedding Stage in just a short span of over two years.

After a long while, Duan Ru Feng looked at Ku Mi and said, "Elder Ku, please make a trip to the Mystical Sky Mansion to have a look. It doesn't matter if he's Tian'er or not."

#### **Chapter 1740: Luo Brothers**

Three days passed by in just a blink of an eye.

The Mystical Sky Mansion's Saint Martial Secret Zone would open in ten days' time. At that time, only thirty people would be allowed to enter to train. Naturally, it was more apt to say 'treasure seeking' instead of 'training.'

There were many valuable items inside the Saint Martial Secret Zone, and the thing that was the most valuable was none other than the various Divine Ability Relics hidden inside. These Divine Ability Relics were ancient relics left behind by powerhouses in the past.

Not many of these powerhouses were from the Mystical Sky Mansion since the Mystical Sky Mansion only rose to become the quasi third-rate force after that.

( Boxno vel. co m ) The reason the Mystical Sky Mansion took great pains to recruit Saint Stage geniuses below the age of forty was so they had more people.

If somebody successfully broke through to the Divine Saint Stage after coming out of the Saint Martial Secret Zone and comprehended the Divine Ability contained inside the Divine Ability Relic that they had seen in the Saint Martial Secret Zone, it would be the greatest gain ever.

In the history of the Mystical Sky Mansion, there were only a handful of people who managed to break through to the Divine Saint Stage after coming out of the Saint Martial Secret Zone and comprehended the Divine Ability contained in the Divine Ability Relic. However, the number of these Divine Abilities that were passed down were very few.

The Saint Martial Secret Zone would open after ten days. Due to the fact that only 30 people were allowed inside, they would need to compete for a spot to enter the Saint Martial Secret Zone.

Out of the thirty spots, ten spots were given to the Heaven Palace. The remaining twenty spots were shared by the other three palaces.

Although the Heaven Palace were given ten spots, the disciples who were qualified to compete for entrance to the Saint Martial Secret Zone were not happy at all. If it was possible, they would rather go to one of the three palaces to fight for a spot.

Although the three palaces were only given an average of seven spots each, the number of outstanding young disciples in the other three palaces were less than half compared to the Heaven Palace.

The competition was extremely fierce in the Heaven Palace even though they were given ten spots.

There was a vast and boundless platform on the summit of the steep peak where the Heaven Palace was located. The competition to earn a spot to enter the Saint Martial Secret Zone for the Heaven Palace would be held there.

For this reason, early in the morning, many people, including those from the three palaces, made their way over to watch the show.

Although there would be competitions to earn a spot to enter the Saint Martial Secret Zone in each palace, it would not be as interesting as the competition in the Heaven Palace. This was why many disciples from the Earth, Mystical, and Yellow Palaces who were unqualified to participate in the competition had come to the Heaven Palace early in the morning to join in the fun.

“The spots that are given to our Heaven Palace aren’t a lot.” One of the Heaven Palace’s disciples sighed emotionally.

“That’s right. Although the spots given to our Heaven Palace is more than the other three palaces, and the last Heaven Palace’s disciple who obtains the spot might be the weakest here, he’s definitely going to be stronger than the weakest disciples who obtain the spots in the other three palaces,” another Heaven Palace’s disciple chimed in.

“Isn’t that a given? Put everything else aside, in the Heaven Palace, we already have four powerhouses who’re above the Refined Saint Stage! Two months ago, when our Heaven Palace recruited new disciples, we managed to recruit Ling Tian and Wang Fei Xuan who’re both at the Refined Saint Stage as well! Currently, our Heaven Palace has 6 Refined Saint Stage powerhouses below the age of forty!”

“The six of them will definitely obtain the spots to enter the Saint Martial Secret Zone today... The fight for the remaining four spots is going to be very fierce. I suspect those who don’t have a cultivation base at the peak of the Refined Saint Stage would most likely not stand a chance in securing a spot to enter the Saint Martial Secret Zone.”

“The recruitment of so many Saint Stage geniuses of our mansion has also given quite a huge pressure on those who originally fit the requirements.”

“That’s right! Initially, I was indifferent when they announced they were recruiting Saint Stage geniuses outside since I didn’t think they’ll be able to recruit anyone at the Refined Saint Stage. However, it did

not cross my mind that not only were they able to recruit powerhouses at the Refined Saint Stage and above, but both of them actually chose to join our Heaven Palace!”

“We can put Wang Fei Xuan aside since she’s the biological granddaughter of the Mansion Master of Tyrannic Saber Mansion, and she’s already pretty famous in our Mystical Sky Mansion... However, Ling Tian, on the other hand, appeared out of nowhere! He’s the strongest among all Mystical Sky Mansion’s disciples below the age of forty!”

“Previously, Ling Tian was capable of coming to draw during the duel with Guo Lu. His cultivation base must be quite near the peak of the Refined Saint Stage. After that, he was granted entrance to the Spirit Pool. It only took him twenty days to finish absorbing the Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy inside! Do you all think it’s possible for him to have broken through to the peak of the Refined Saint Stage?”

“Well, isn’t it obvious? I’m sure he has!”

“I’m pretty sure he has as well!”

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At the surrounding of the vast platform, each of the Heaven Palace’s disciples buried their heads together in discussion. Their topic had changed from the spots granted to enter the Saint Martial Secret Zone to Duan Ling Tian.

Almost 80% of the Heaven Palace’s disciples felt Duan Ling Tian must have made a breakthrough to the peak of the Refined Saint Stage!

At the corner of the crowd, Guo Lu stood quietly with an indifferent smile on his face.

Only he knew that Junior Brother Ling Tian had already long broken through to the peak of the Refined Saint Stage.

The Spirit Pool cleansing was merely a push for Junior Brother Ling Tian on his journey to the Eminent Saint Stage.

Naturally, he thought this way because Duan Ling Tian had shown him mercy. Due to this reason, he felt that Duan Ling Tian’s cultivation base at that time must already be at the peak of the Refined Saint Stage. After immersing himself in the Spirit Pool, perhaps, he might not have made a breakthrough, but his cultivation base had definitely been further strengthened.

It was due to this that he did not participate in the discussion around him.

“Guo Lu, do you also think Ling Tian has broken through to the peak of the Refined Saint Stage?” Two figures suddenly appeared by Guo Lu’s side. They were two young men. Their appearance was identical, and they were both dressed in white. Not only were both of them handsome, but they appeared elegant and graceful as well.

The person who had spoken was the white-clad young man standing on the left side. It was not difficult to distinguish the two white-clad young men. One of them had a red cinnabar mole between his brows, and the other had a black mole between his brows.

The person who had spoken to Guo Lu was the one with the black mole between his brows.

"I don't know." Guo Lu frowned when he saw these two men.

Although these two fellows did not have much enmity with him, they liked to flaunt their strength.

After he was defeated once by both of them, they would always come to challenge him without showing any mercy. Moreover, there was once he had admitted defeat, but they still did not show any mercy, causing him to be bedridden for two weeks.

Due to this reason, Guo Lu did not have a good impression of these two young men.

The two identical white-clad young men were disciples at the Heaven Palace. They were at the Mastery Refined Saint Stage and were even stronger than Guo Lu. It was obvious they were twins.

If they joined forces, coupled with the chemistry between twins, they were even able to defeat some ordinary powerhouses at the peak of the Refined Saint Stage. Due to this, they were extremely arrogant.

The white-clad young man with a black mole between his brows was Luo He. He was the younger of the twins. He looked at Guo Lu disdainfully before he burst out laughing. "Guo Lu, you've really been slacking. He's only a young pup, but you actually came to draw with him! How embarrassing!"

Luo Shan, the other white-clad young man with the red mole between his brows, said in a deep voice, "You can embarrass yourself all you want, but please leave us out of it. It's all because of you that people began to speculate that none of us is a match for him after he came out from the Spirit Pool!"

"You can just challenge Junior Brother Ling Tian if both of you are so eager to prove your strength. Why are you showing off in front of me?" Guo Lu asked nonchalantly.

"Guo Lu, you're seeking death." Luo He's expression turned grave as True Origin rose from his body. It was apparent he was eager to attack.

"Have I said something wrong?" Guo Lu smirked, "I admit that I'm inferior to both of you. You can make yourselves look good by defeating me, but doesn't that just show how timid both of you are? Only bullying the weak but fear the strong!" Guo Lu did not bother to lower his voice when he spoke. His words immediately attracted the attention of many of Heaven Palace's disciples.

A group of Heaven Palace's disciples instantly came up to them and curiously sized Guo Lu and the Luo Brothers up.

"Hurmph!" Luo He's expression turned grave when he saw Guo Lu deliberately attracting the attention of other people. If he attacked at this moment, it would just prove that Guo Lu's words were true.

'Face is as important to a man as bark is to a tree.' Luo He really did not want to embarrass himself.

"Guo Lu, we'll show you that any one of us is stronger than that fellow." Luo Shan hissed with a grim expression.

"Anyone can boast. Why don't you come and boast to me after you've defeated Junior Brother Ling Tian?" The smirk on Guo Lu's face turned wider.



At this moment, the group of Heaven Palace's disciples who came up to them could roughly guess what was going on. At once, they began to whisper among each other. "The Luo Brothers want to have a match with Ling Tian?"

"Any one of the Luo Brothers is more powerful than Guo Lu, but there's a possibility Ling Tian has already broken through to the peak of the Refined Saint Stage. If they fight with him individually, they might not be a match for Ling Tian."

"That's right! The difference between a powerhouse at the Mastery Refined Saint Stage and the peak of the Refined Saint Stage is not a joke! If Ling Tian has already broken through to the peak of the Refined Saint Stage, they won't be a match for him unless they join forces!"

"Your words are ridiculous... It's your own speculation that Ling Tian has broken through to the peak of the Refined Saint Stage. Perhaps, he has not even made a breakthrough."

"If he really has not made a breakthrough, then any one of the Luo Brothers might stand a chance to win."

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Currently, Duan Ling Tian was naturally unaware he was being targeted by someone, and that someone was two of the strongest people among the Mastery Refined Saint Stage disciples in the Heaven Palace. They were a pair of twins.

Outside the steep mountain wall, Duan Ling Tian and Wang Fei Xuan rose into the air together as they made their way to the summit.

"You've spoken to both Lu Jian and Ren Fei, right?" Duan Ling Tian asked as he looked at Wang Fei Xuan.

"Yes." Wang Fei Xuan nodded before she was hit by a pang of realization. "I heard the competition to earn a spot to enter the Saint Martial Secret Zone this time in the Heaven Palace will be extremely fierce. If both of them don't earn a spot, how are you going to repay their seniors?"