

Chapter 2091: Is Brother Duan the Successor of Fog Rain Progeny?!

There are seven absolutes in the Seven Absolutes Sect.

Among the successors of the Seven Absolutes, the successor of the First Absolute, the Fog Rain Progeny, was destined to be the strongest of them all. He would be the leader of the Seven Absolutes Sect.

Not all of the six absolutes specialized in combat and offense.

For example, the Second Absolute, the Prophet Progeny. The role of the successor was more like a strategist.

Based on the Old Prophet's words, it was obvious he thought highly of Feng Tian Wu's strength.

However, upon hearing the Old Prophet's statement, Feng Tian Wu did not seem particularly happy. Instead, she asked without beating around the bush, "Senior Uncle Prophet, I don't care about this... I just want to know when will I be able to meet Brother Duan again?"

From the beginning until then, Feng Tian Wu had never forgotten the reason she came to the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land. She came here to be reunited with Duan Ling Tian. She had been doing as the Old Prophet told her to only because he had promised to help her look for Duan Ling Tian! That was the reason she had listened to the Old Prophet unconditionally. It was time for the Old Prophet to hold up his end of the bargain.

"Tian Wu, there's something I need to tell you now..." the Old Prophet said when he saw how solemn Feng Tian Wu had become. He knew he could no longer try to pacify the girl or dismiss her question since it would only be counterproductive. "However, what I'm about to tell you is a secret. Without my permission, you can't reveal this to anyone, including those you're close to!" The Old Prophet's expression had turned solemn when he spoke.

"Yes." Feng Tian Wu nodded. She was not one to gossip anyway.

"I came to get you from the Phoenix Clan in order to unite you with the five other absolutes' successors in the Seven Absolutes Sect, excluding the successor of the First Absolute, the Fog Rain Progeny... Once the Six Absolutes successors are united, I will open the Six Absolutes Heaven Defying Fate Changing Grand Formation left behind by our Seven Absolutes Sect's senior!" The Old Prophet said bluntly.

"Six Absolutes successors? Six Absolutes Heaven Defying Fate Changing Grand Formation?" Feng Tian Wu was, naturally, confused when she heard the Old Prophet's words.

As the successor to the Fifth Absolute, the Blazing Phoenix Progeny, of the Seven Absolutes Sect, Feng Tian Wu certainly knew what the Six Absolutes successors uniting meant... It meant that she would be meeting the successors of the five other absolutes of the Seven Absolutes Sect, excluding the First Absolute's successor, the Fog Rain Progeny!

Although Feng Tian Wu did not look forward to it, she was still surprised. She did not expect the old man before her would successfully unite the other five current successors of the Seven Absolutes Sect.

“What’s the Six Absolutes Heaven Defying Fate Changing Grand Formation?” Feng Tian Wu could not help but ask.

“The Six Absolutes Heaven Defying Fate Changing Grand Formation is a heaven-defying formation left behind by the former successor of the Seven Absolutes Sect’s Fog Rain Progeny!” The Old Prophet said with a hint of reverence in his voice when he spoke about the former successor of the Fog Rain Progeny. After that, he continued saying, “The Six Absolutes Heaven Defying Fate Changing Grand Formation is created for the successors of the other six absolutes, excluding the First Absolute, the Fog Rain Progeny... Once the successors of the six absolutes enter the Formation, their cultivation base and Martial Dao Innate Talent will improve tremendously! That means the cultivation base and Innate Spiritual Roots of you and the successors will improve greatly!”

“My Innate Spiritual Root will improve tremendously?” Feng Tian Wu looked surprised. “It’s similar to the Phoenix Clan’s Place of Rebirth?”

Feng Tian Wu who successfully completed her Rebirth in the Phoenix Clan’s Place of Rebirth had already improved her Innate Spiritual Root and cultivation base.

“It’s similar but the Formation’s effects are much stronger!” the Old Prophet said proudly as though he was the one who had created the Six Absolutes Heaven Defying Fate Changing Grand Formation.

“Its effects are stronger than the Place of Rebirth?” Feng Tian Wu was shocked. It took a while before she regained her senses.

Since Feng Tian Wu had personally and successfully undergone Rebirth in the Place of Rebirth, she knew very well how much improvement she had made. However, the Old Prophet had just said that the Six Absolutes Heaven Defying Fate Changing Grand Formation’s effects were even more outrageous than the Place of Rebirth!

“Naturally, this isn’t the point...” The Old Prophet said.

The Old Prophet’s words captured Feng Tian Wu’s attention immediately. She looked at him in confusion.

“The Seven Absolutes Sect’s six absolutes will assemble soon... Subsequently, the seven absolutes will assemble as well! However, there’s still some time before all seven absolutes will gather,” the Old Prophet said.

The Seven Absolutes would assemble!

When Feng Tian Wu heard the Old Prophet’s words, her eyes were filled with curiosity. She was, naturally, curious about the identity of the current successor of the First Absolute of the Seven Absolutes Sect, the Fog Rain Progeny!

Back when she was still at the seventh-rate force, the Drift Blaze Sect in Windfall Nation, she heard from her master, Zi Yun, the Sect Leader of Drift Blaze Sect, that the most mysterious and powerful of the Seven Absolutes was the successor of the First Absolute, the Fog Rain Progeny! Once the successors of

the Seven Absolutes gathered, she would be able to meet the successor of the First Absolute, the Fog Rain Progeny!

“The day when the successors of the Seven Absolutes assemble...” the Old Prophet said, “... is the day you reunite with your Brother Duan!”

Boom!

It was as though a bolt of lightning had struck Feng Tian Wu when she heard the Old Prophet’s words. She was shocked and it took her a while to regain her senses.

The day when the successors of the Seven Absolutes assemble would be the day she would be reunited with Duan Ling Tian?

“Senior... Senior Uncle Prophet, you... What do you mean by that?” Feng Tian Wu asked after she recovered from her shock.

“Silly girl, am I not clear with my words?” The Old Prophet shook his head and smiled. “Your Brother Duan is the current successor of the First Absolute of our Seven Absolutes Sect, the Fog Rain Progeny!”

Feng Tian Wu already had an inkling of what the Old Prophet meant. However, she found it hard to believe that was why she had asked again for confirmation. She was now 100% certain Duan Ling Tian was the successor of the First Absolute, the Fog Rain Progeny, of the Seven Absolutes Sect.

“I-I d-didn’t expect Brother Duan is the successor of the First Absolute, the Fog Rain Progeny!” Feng Tian Wu’s heartbeat quickened. She was extremely excited.

‘That’s why Master asked if Brother Duan knew about the Seven Absolutes Sect back then... According to Master, the 10,000 Swords Territory that Brother Duan cast is exclusive to the successor of the First Absolute, the Fog Rain Progeny!’ Feng Tian Wu recalled what had happened in the Drift Blaze Sect back then.

At that time, her master, Zi Yun, the Sect Leader of Drift Blaze Sect, saw her Brother Duan using the 10,000 Swords Territory and asked if her Brother Duan knew about the Seven Absolutes Sect.

Duan Ling Tian had said he knew nothing about it. That was why her master, Zi Yun, had determined Duan Ling Tian had nothing to do with the First Absolute, the Fog Rain Progeny, at that time.

“Senior Uncle Prophet... I remember my master asking Brother Duan if he knew about the Seven Absolutes Sect and Brother Duan said he doesn’t know. Why is that?” Feng Tian Wu was confused.

“It’s not surprising that he doesn’t know about the Seven Absolutes Sect... As far as I know, the inheritance of the Seven Absolutes Sect’s First Absolute, the Fog Rain Progeny, doesn’t mention the Seven Absolutes Sect. However, he definitely knows he’s the successor of the First Absolute, the Fog Rain Progeny!” The Old Prophet explained.

Feng Tian Wu finally had a clear grasp of what was going on

“Senior Uncle Prophet!” Feng Tian Wu seemed to have recalled something. She looked at the Old Prophet and asked with a straight face, “Earlier you said that the Six Absolutes Heaven Defying Fate Changing Grand Formation that was left behind by Seven Absolutes Sect’s predecessor is meant for the six successors of the six absolutes, excluding the First Absolute, the Fog Rain Progeny, so we can improve our strength and innate talent, right?”

“Yes.” The Old Prophet nodded with a confused expression on his face. Did he not already explained this to Feng Tian Wu?

“Senior Uncle Prophet... I want to give up my place to enter the Six Absolutes Heaven Defying Fate Changing Grand Formation to Brother Duan so he can improve his cultivation base and innate talent!” Feng Tian Wu said without any hesitation as she looked at the Old Prophet.

Upon hearing Feng Tian Wu’s words, the Old Prophet was stunned. He realized Feng Tian Wu had misunderstood him. He did not correct her misunderstanding, instead, he asked her, “Do you really plan to give up your chance to enter the Six Absolutes Heaven Defying Fate Changing Grand Formation for your Brother Duan?” He continued to say, “Think about it... If you give him that chance, you’ll be at the bottom among the successors of the seven absolutes in the Seven Absolutes Sect! That’s definitely not good for you.”

“I’ve made up my mind,” Feng Tian Wu replied. Nothing was more important to her than Duan Ling Tian. Previously, she did not even hesitate to sacrifice her life for him.

“You really treat that lad well...” The Old Prophet said with a hint of envy when he saw how devoted Feng Tian Wu was to Duan Ling Tian. Back in his prime, why was there no girl who would go that far for him? If there was someone like that, he would not remain single until now!

Chapter 2092: Arriving at Sin City

“Alright, I’ll quit joking with you.” The Old Prophet finally decided to tell Feng Tian Wu the truth. After that, he said, “Earlier, I said that the Six Absolutes Heaven Defying Fate Changing Grand Formation was left behind by the former successor of the Seven Absolutes Sect’s Fog Rain Progeny who is your Brother Duan’s master. Since he’s your Brother Duan’s master, do you think he will exclude your Brother Duan if there are benefits to him? There’s probably a reason why he doesn’t allow the successor of the First Absolutes, the Fog Rain Progeny, to enter Six Absolutes Heaven Defying Fate Changing Grand Formation. So there’s no reason for you to worry about your Brother Duan.”

After listening to the Old Prophet’s speech, Feng Tian Wu finally understood that she had made a mistake. “I see.” Her face began to blush.

The Old Prophet abruptly changed the topic and said, “Alright, it’s time for us to go now... We’ll return to the Northern Region once we make another stop.”

Feng Tian Wu had calmed down. She was puzzled when she heard the Old Prophet’s words. “Where are we going?”

“We’ll be picking up my direct disciple, the current successor to the Seven Absolutes Sect’s Second Absolute, the Prophet Progeny!” When the Old Prophet spoke about his direct disciple, a smile appeared on his face. It seemed like he was extremely satisfied with his direct disciple.

“The current successor of the Prophet Progeny?” Feng Tian Wu’s eyes shone as she asked teasingly, “Senior Uncle Prophet... Are you planning to find a little charlatan to inherit your legacy?”

The Old Prophet was like an old charlatan in Feng Tian Wu’s eyes. It was only natural she would think of the Old Prophet’s direct disciple as a little charlatan.

“My disciple is as pretty as flowers and jade. She’s definitely not a little charlatan. In fact, in terms of beauty, she’s not inferior to you!” The Old Prophet said as he shook his head and shot Feng Tian Wu a disgruntled look.

“A girl?” Feng Tian Wu was stunned. She did not expect the Old Prophet would accept a female direct disciple to inherit the Prophet Progeny. Did it make her a female charlatan? She was, naturally, extremely curious about the Old Prophet’s female disciple.

What kind of woman would the Old Prophet select as the successor to the Seven Absolutes Sect’s Second Absolute, the Prophet Progeny? Although Feng Tian Wu did not spend much time with the Old Prophet, she could tell he was someone with high expectations and was very fussy as well! It would be difficult for one to catch his attention.

So, Feng Tian Wu followed the Old Prophet to pick up his female direct disciple...

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Meanwhile, at the Central Region in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land.

After traveling for some time, Duan Ling Tian had finally reached his destination.

A majestic city that stood in the distance entered Duan Ling Tian’s sight.

From afar, the city seemed like a gigantic beast lying prone on the ground. It gave off an impressive vibe. As for the open gates, they resembled the mouth of a beast that seemed to devour those who were going in.

“It’s so lively?” When Duan Ling Tian was approaching the city, he could see many people going in and out of the city. It was extremely busy.

‘So this is Sin City? Based on its appearance, it doesn’t seem special apart from the fact that it’s bigger than the other cities I’ve been to...’ Duan Ling Tian thought to himself.

All of a sudden...

Sou! Sou! Sou!

The sound of wind whistling reverberated from Sin City, and Duan Ling Tian instinctively turned over to look. He saw three figures rapidly flying toward him.

The figure in the lead was an old man dressed in blue. He had an anxious expression on his face, and his eyes were tensed. It was obvious he was nervous about something.

This was probably due to the two middle-aged men who were chasing closely after him. Moreover, the two middle-aged men's speed was far faster than the old man. They were quickly closing in on him.

When the old man was near Duan Ling Tian, the two middle-aged men finally caught up to the old man.

'It seems like the two men are cultivators from one of the sectless cultivators alliances in Sin City...'
Duan Ling Tian came to this conclusion when he saw both the middle-aged men were dressed in similar long green robes with an ax embroidered in the chest area.

When Duan Ling Tian was in Clarity City, he had learned from Wang Yi Fo, the leader of the Sectless Cultivators in Clarity City, that there were many alliances for sectless cultivators in Sin City.

The sectless cultivators would band together since there was strength in numbers.

The average sectless cultivators who wanted to settle down in Sin City would usually join a sectless cultivators alliance to obtain shelter and protection. In turn, they would be expected to contribute something to the alliance.

"Old Man Xue, are you still trying to escape?" One of the middle-aged men flew to the front and blocked the old man's path, effectively cutting off the old man's route to escape.

The old man known as Old man Xue looked distressed. He quickly took off his Spatial Ring after taking a deep breath and threw it to the middle-aged man who was blocking his path.

Old Man Xue quickly said in a submissive manner, "My friends from Ground Axe Alliance, the thing you're looking for is inside the Spatial Ring I've given to you. I've already removed my ownership on the ring. I only hope you'll let me go since I've cooperated and given you what you want!"

Duan Ling Tian who was standing nearby could not help but stop and watch the scene before him. He was completely unaffected. At this moment, he did not realize that apart from him, no one had stopped to look. In fact, people took great care to avoid the two people from the Ground Axe Alliance and the old man like a plague. It was as though they would attract trouble if they lingered around.

'Ground Axe Alliance? Among the sectless cultivators alliances that Wang Yi Fo mentioned, I don't remember him mentioning this alliance. If that's the case, this alliance must be a small and unknown alliance in Sin City!' Duan Ling Tian thought to himself. He was certain Wang Yi Fo did not mention the Ground Axe Alliance.

Back in Clarity City's Emerald Clouds Pavilion, when Wang Yi Fo was informing him about Sin City, he had spoken briefly about the powerful sectless cultivators alliances in the city. Duan Ling Tian had remembered the strong sectless cultivators alliances that he mentioned.

Since Wang Yi Fo did not mention the Ground Axe Alliance, so Duan Ling Tian was quite certain it was a small and unknown alliance in Sin City.

'This Old Man Xue must have obtained something of value and attracted the two members of the Ground Axe Alliance... They finally caught him, and he has no choice but to remove ownership of his Spatial Ring and pass it to them.' Duan Ling Tian could roughly guess the situation.

After the man who had blocked Old Man Xue's path caught the ring, he inspected it for a moment before he nodded at his companion. "The thing is inside."

"Hm?"

Duan Ling Tian saw the man from the Ground Axe Alliance's eyes turned cold as soon as he finished speaking. The eyes of the other man from the Ground Axe Alliance had also turned cold.

Swish!

Xiu!

In an instant, the screech of a blade and the cry of a sword rang in the air simultaneously.

Blood splattered everywhere. Old Man Xue was dead!

Duan Ling Tian was shocked by the bloody scene that unfolded before his eyes.

"So... this is what Sin City is like?" Duan Ling Tian finally witnessed firsthand the viciousness of people in Sin City who would kill over a minor argument. He no longer thought Sin City was just like any other city.

Duan Ling Tian took a deep breath before he prepared to continue his journey into Sin City. However, as he was about to move, two Divine Consciousness shrouded him in unison, trapping him.

Sou! Sou!

The sound of wind whistling in the air sounded in unison.

In just a blink of an eye, two figures appeared in front of him. It was obvious they had no intention of letting him leave.

It did not take long for Duan Ling Tian to figure out that the two Divine Consciousness belonged to the two men from the Ground Axe Alliance who had just killed Old Man Xue. The two men blocked his path as they stared at him as though he was their prey.

"I don't know that Old man Xue." Duan Ling Tian explained with a frown.

He thought the two men from the Ground Axe Alliance members had blocked his path because they thought he was acquainted with Old man Xue.

"We're aware you don't know Old man Xue."

After Duan Ling Tian explained himself, one of the men from Ground Axe Alliance smirked and said, "Your cultivation base is at the Mastery Exemplary Saint Stage... Boy, it's your first time in Sin City, isn't it?"

The two men from the Ground Axe Alliance had obviously probed Duan Ling Tian's cultivation based with their Divine Consciousness.

Duan Ling Tian's expression darkened when he realized the two men from the Ground Axe Alliance did not stop him because they thought he was acquainted with Old Man Xue. "So what if it is?"

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“So what if it is?”

When the two members from Ground Ax Alliance heard Duan Ling Tian’s words and saw his darkened expression, both of them could see the incredulity and disbelief in each other’s eyes.

How dare an Exemplary Saint Stage Martial Cultivator act so arrogantly in front of them?

“Boy, do you know who you’re talking to?” One of the members of the Ground Ax Alliance said angrily. He was dissatisfied with Duan Ling Tian’s arrogance.

“I don’t even know you. How would I know who I’m talking to?” Duan Ling Tian frowned as he looked at the Ground Ax Alliance member who had spoken as though he was an idiot.

The two members of the Ground Ax Alliance members were dumbfounded when they heard Duan Ling Tian’s words.

After a few moments, one of the Ground Ax Alliance’s members regained his senses and sneered. “It seems like this kid is really a newbie who has never been to Sin City. He can’t even tell who we are from our clothes.”

“I don’t have a lot of hobbies. The only hobby I have is to teach newbies who have just arrived at Sin City a lesson!” The member from the Ground Ax Alliance who had spoken up first finally regained his senses. His eyes glinted with ill intent as he smirked. His eyes were cold and cruel as he said, “Boy! I’ll give you a chance. Remove the ownership on your Spatial Ring and hand them over! I really can’t stand the look in your eyes. If you gouge your eyes out, I might consider letting you live!” The member of the Ground Ax Alliance spoke commandingly as though he was sure he had Duan Ling Tian’s life in his hands.

It was only natural he felt that way since he had used his Divine Consciousness to probe Duan Ling Tian’s cultivation base and discovered it was only at the Mastery Exemplary Saint Stage. It would be easy for him to deal with a cultivator at the Exemplary Saint Stage!

“Boy, I advise you to cooperate with me. It’s in your best interest after all,” the other member of the Ground Ax Alliance said mockingly. It was obvious he did not think highly of Duan Ling Tian at all.

“Although your cultivation base is only at the Mastery Exemplary Stage, I don’t doubt it took a lot of effort for you to achieve this. It’s much better to be blind than to lose your life, don’t you think? Once you die, it’s not like you can take your Spatial Ring with you. Why don’t you just hand it over to us?” The member of the Ground Ax Alliance seemed as though he was advising Duan Ling Tian, but it was clearly to remind Duan Ling Tian that he was not strong enough to oppose them.

“You want me to hand my Spatial Ring over and gouge my eyes out?” Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes and said with a slight smile, “I’m afraid that won’t do. I don’t have a habit of harming myself!”

From the beginning until the end, Duan Ling Tian remained calm even as the two members from the Ground Ax Alliance threatened him. It was clear he was not affected by their threats at all.

Duan Ling Tian’s calmness made the two members of the Ground Ax Alliance feel uneasy. How could the purple-clad young man remain so calm even after they threatened him?

There were only two possibilities. One, the purple-clad young man had an extraordinary background and was not afraid of them. Two, he was just trying to call their bluff.

A hint of wariness could be seen in the eyes of the two members from the Ground Ax Alliance. They feared the possibility that Duan Ling Tian had an extraordinary background.

“If you really want my Spatial Ring and my eyes, you’ll have to get them yourselves!” Duan Ling Tian said indifferently. He saw a hint of fear in their eyes when he finished speaking. He sneered at them, “If you’re afraid to do it, then it’s best if you leave. Don’t block my way!”

Duan Ling Tian’s words instantly ignited the anger the two members of the Ground Ax Alliance was trying to suppress.

“Boy, do you think we don’t know you’re calling our bluff?”

“How dare a brat at the Mastery Exemplary Saint Stage act so arrogantly in front of us?”

Both members of the Ground Ax Alliance were furious. Had there ever been a cultivator at the Mastery Exemplary Saint Stage who had treated them so indifferently? It had never happened before they joined the Ground Ax Alliance, let alone after they had joined the alliance. With the Ground Ax Alliance supporting them, was there anything they had to fear?

Even if the purple-clad young man in front of them had connections, would it be stronger than the Ground Ax Alliance?

Even if the purple-clad young man’s connections were stronger than the Ground Ax Alliance, it had to be forces from outside Sin City. Forces outside of Sin City would not dare to simply intervene in matters in Sin City even if they were stronger. After all, there are alliances that were much stronger than the Ground Ax Alliance.

In Sin City, ordinary sectless cultivators alliances would make connections or ally themselves with a stronger alliance. In exchange for protection from the latter, a levy would have to be made every year.

With that thought in mind, the two members of the Ground Ax Alliance straightened their backs, no longer afraid of the possible force supporting Duan Ling Tian. They were certain even if Duan Ling Tian had some sort of backing, it would be outside of Sin City. He was here alone after all.

Most people would not come to Sin City if they had a choice.

Only those who were oblivious and had never been to Sin City would come to this place where even angels fear to tread!

“Boy, since you’re seeking death. I’ll grant you your wish!” The member from the Ground Ax Alliance who had been questioning Duan Ling Tian said with a sneer before he made his move. He raised his hand and a gleaming sword appeared. He instantly made his move and charged toward Duan Ling Tian.

Xiu!

The sword gleamed and moved rapidly like a shooting star as it headed for Duan Ling Tian.

Swoosh!

The other member of the Ground Ax Alliance struck at the same time as well. He held a saber that was as bright as the moon as he slashed it at Duan Ling Tian.

Duan Ling Tian merely narrowed his eyes and scoffed when he saw the members from the Ground Ax Alliance made their moves. He mobilized the Sun Saint Energy that was boiling underneath his skin.

As soon as the Sun Saint Energy surged out of Duan Ling Tian's body, whirlpools appeared around him. It was the Elementary Devouring Tactic!

In just a blink of an eye, a sword appeared in Duan Ling Tian's hand. The sword was his prize for killing Yang Wu, the second son of Yang Chong, the fifth elder of the Northern Plethora Sect, when he first arrived at the Black Turtle Sanctum.

A Hundred Inscriptions Saint Sword!

Duan Ling Tian did not bother using the Jasper Celestial Sword since he thought it was an overkill. Earlier, he had already asked Elder Huo to probe the cultivation base of the two members from the Ground Ax Alliance.

Elder Huo had informed him the two members from the Ground Ax Alliance were at the peak of the Quintessential Saint Stage!

With Duan Ling Tian's current cultivation base, he could even kill a powerhouse at the Second Form of the Saint Celestial Stage without using the Jasper Celestial Sword!

Two Martial Cultivators at the peak of the Quintessential Saint Stage who had yet to reach the Saint Celestial Stage was not worthy of him using the Jasper Celestial Sword to deal with them!

Xiu! Xiu! Xiu! Xiu! Xiu!

The sound of swords whistled in the air as Duan Ling Tian cast the 10,000 Swords Territory to shroud himself and the two members of the Ground Ax Alliance from prying eyes.

Although Elder Huo had told him there were not many people paying attention, Duan Ling Tian decided to cast the 10,000 Swords Territory just to be safe!

"Territory?" The two members from the Ground Ax Alliance sneered when they saw Duan Ling Tian casting his Territory.

Was Territory useful at their levels?

For the reason both members of the Ground Ax Alliance's attention were on Duan Ling Tian's Territory, they failed to notice that Duan Ling Tian's Saint Energy was different from the Saint Energy of a powerhouse at the Mastery Exemplary Saint Stage. Moreover, they did not even notice his Saint Energy had undergone a dramatic change. His Sun Saint Energy was currently comparable to the Saint Energy of a powerhouse at the Mastery Quintessential Saint Stage!

Since Duan Ling Tian had cast the Divine Ability, the Elementary Devouring Tactic, it further enhanced his Sun Saint Energy to the point where it was comparable to the Saint Origin of a powerhouse at the Saint Celestial Stage!

“Otherworld Celestial!” Once the 10,000 Swords Territory was completely formed, Duan Ling Tian cast another Divine Ability and created three clones. Including him, there were four Duan Ling Tians.

When the members of the Ground Ax Alliance saw the clones, they sneered. They quickly mobilized their Saint Energies to attack Duan Ling Tian. “Your Divine Abilities are pretty good. It’s unfortunate your cultivation base is too weak. Killing you will be as easy as slaughtering a chicken!”

He was not worried about Duan Ling Tian’s clones at all. Even if Duan Ling Tian had mastered the Divine Ability to the highest degree, he could not threaten him with his cultivation base only at the Mastery Exemplary Saint Stage! The two members of the Ground Ax Alliance felt the same way. They were at the peak of the Quintessential Saint Stage after all!

At the moment one of the members of the Ground Ax Alliance was about to mock Duan Ling Tian, he was shocked by the scene unfolding before his eyes and an expression of despair appeared on his face.

What did he see?!

Chapter 2094: He Could Help Others to Improve Their Innate Spiritual Roots!

Xiu! Xiu! Xiu! Xiu!

Four sword cries sounded simultaneously as soon as the member of the Ground Ax Alliance finished speaking.

Meanwhile, the Hundred Inscriptions Saint Sword in Duan Ling Tian’s hand and his clones disappeared from the sight of the two members of the Ground Ax Alliance.

In that next moment, both of their attacks, a slash and a slice, were nullified. They only knew their attacks were nullified but they could not see what did it. All they heard were four short-lived cries of swords.

Wait a minute. Four swords’ cries? Did that not mean there were an additional three attacks?

Chills ran up the two members of the Ground Ax Alliance’s spines when this thought crossed their minds.

Thud!

Thud!

Two muted noises rang in the air as a horrible and bloody wound appeared on the spot between their eyebrows. The wounds were bleeding profusely. Blood splattered everywhere looking like freshly bloomed roses.

All these happened under the cover of Duan Ling Tian's 10,000 Swords so the occasional passersby who stopped to watch could not see what was happening since none of them were at the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage.

Duan Ling Tian was not someone who would show mercy to those who intended to kill him.

"Elder Huo, help me devour their Innate Spiritual Roots!" Duan Ling Tian said to Elder Huo after he killed the two members from the Ground Ax Alliance.

As the saying went, 'Even the smallest mosquito has some meat.' Although Duan Ling Tian knew these two people's Innate Spiritual Roots would not be of a high-grade, he did not plan to waste them.

"Both of them had light green Innate Spiritual Roots." Elder Huo said to Duan Ling Tian.

Subsequently, Duan Ling Tian devoured their Innate Spiritual Roots with the help of Elder Huo and the Elementary Devouring Tactic.

"Your Innate Spiritual Root has reached the tipping point... Currently, you only need to devour one more green Innate Spiritual Root before your Innate Spiritual Root will turn indigo!" Elder Huo said to Duan Ling Tian.

Naturally, Elder Huo's statement excited Duan Ling Tian!

Indigo Innate Spiritual Root!

'Once I obtain the indigo Innate Spiritual Root, with the time flow on the fourth floor of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda, I think my cultivation speed will be comparable to those prodigies with violet Innate Spiritual Roots, right?' Duan Ling Tian thought to himself as he became excited.

Those ultimate prodigies with violet Innate Spiritual Roots were the cream of the crop in the Dao Martial Saint Land in regards to their innate talent!

When Duan Ling Tian thought about how his cultivation speed would be comparable to the prodigies with violet Innate Spiritual Roots, he was extremely delighted. It took him a while to regain his composure.

After Duan Ling Tian calmed down, he called out, "Elder Huo! Can the Elementary Devouring Tactic help others to devour Innate Spiritual Roots? For example, would I be able to devour an Innate Spiritual Root and transfer it to another person to improve their Innate Spiritual Root?"

Duan Ling Tian had asked this question because he was thinking about his family and friends. If his theory worked, he would be able to help the people he cared about to improve their Innate Spiritual Roots. It would allow them to possess high innate talent to achieve the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage.

The Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage was also known as the Heaven Defying Form. Once one entered the stage, one would obtain immortality. Their lifespans would be equivalent to heaven and earth!

There was nothing Duan Ling Tian wanted more than to have the people he cared about to attain immortality. If that was the case, he would not have to watch his family and friends die of old age as he lived on alone.

Duan Ling Tian waited for Elder Huo's answer with bated breath.

"What you said should work theoretically. There's a 90% success rate. However, it'll depend on the circumstances as well!" Elder Huo replied, "Naturally, you'll first have to master the Elementary Devouring Tactic to the highest degree. Otherwise, it would be impossible. Apart from that, your cultivation base has to be at the Saint Celestial Stage since you'll have to be able to sense their Innate Spiritual Roots. You can also sense other people's Innate Spiritual Roots without my help to devour them."

After listening to Elder Huo's response, Duan Ling Tian's eyes lit up immediately. He was obviously excited. He was even more excited than when he learned his Innate Spiritual Root was going to turn indigo soon. After all, there was nothing more important to him than his family and friends!

'If that's the case, Little Fei'er, Mother, Father, Nian'er, and Si Ling will be able to enter the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage and attain immortality!' Duan Ling Tian was excited when he thought about this.

As for Ke'er, Duan Ling Tian was not worried about her since she already possessed the violet Innate Spiritual Root even though it was temporarily sealed. As long as he managed to rescue her, he would ask Elder Huo to teach her to break the seal.

There were two conditions to him improving other people's Innate Spiritual Roots. One, he had to be at the Saint Celestial Stage. Two, he had to master the Elementary Devouring Tactic to the highest degree.

Although currently Duan Ling Tian still had not met the two conditions, he was confident he would be able to meet it in the future!

"Hm?" Duan Ling Tian quickly regained his senses. He had sensed something. He discovered a strange energy emitting from the robes of the members of the Ground Ax Alliance.

"It seems to be the aura of a talisman from this mundane realm," Elder Huo said in a timely manner. It was obvious he had also sensed the energy from the robes as well.

"Talisman?"

Duan Ling Tian frowned and began to search their bodies. However, after he failed to find anything out of the ordinary, he kept both their Spatial Rings and disposed of their bodies.

Then, Duan Ling Tian withdrew the 10,000 Swords Territory and continued flying toward Sin City.

While Duan Ling Tian made his way to Sin City, the bodies of the members from the Ground Ax Alliance dropped to the ground and attracted many people's attention.

"Isn't that the bodies of the people from Ground Ax Alliance?"

“Two members from the Ground Ax Alliance died just like that? Who’s that purple-clad young man? He’s so bold to openly kill two members from the Ground Ax Alliance so close to Sin City? Isn’t he afraid of retribution from the Ground Ax Alliance?”

“Sin City is ruthless. Even if you have support, you won’t be able to escape death if you offend someone powerful!”

As the passersby gossiped among themselves, their eyes were trained on the purple figure who was flying away.

From the beginning until the end, no one saw Duan Ling Tian’s face.

As for those who were closer to the entrance of Sin City, they were unaware of what had occurred so they did not pay close attention to Duan Ling Tian.

‘Sin City... I’m here at last!’ Duan Ling Tian thought when he arrived at the entrance of Sin City.

Although there were four gates in Sin City, not many people used the gates. Most people prefer to fly in and out of Sin City. The gates were almost redundant.

Duan Ling Tian followed the crowd and flew into Sin City.

‘It’s huge!’ Although Duan Ling Tian had seen from afar how vast Sin City was, it was even more impressive up close.

When Duan Ling Tian entered Sin City, he felt so small like a fish in the ocean.

Inside Sin City, there were many main streets. The alleys were many and of numerous sizes.

Along the main streets, many stalls were set up at the side, Some of the stalls sold Saint Weapons, medicinal pills, and talismans. Many people were bargaining in front of the stalls.

Duan Ling Tian hovered in the air above one of the main streets as he took the sight in. Sin City was vibrant.

Boom! Boom! Boom

A loud noise suddenly attracted Duan Ling Tian’s attention. He turned around and saw two people fighting at the northern side of the sky. Both of them seemed strong. Based on their attacks, they had to be at the Quintessential Saint Stage.

The people fighting were a Martial Cultivator and a Dao Cultivator respectively.

In the beginning, the Martial Cultivator had the upper hand. However, after the Dao Cultivator retrieved several Talismans and tore them up, he managed to kill the Martial Cultivator. Even then, the Dao Cultivator was on the verge of passing out.

“What an opportune time for me!” Someone said with a laugh.

Following that, Duan Ling Tian saw a black-clad man with a crow embroidered on his chest shot up into the sky and killed the Dao Cultivator who was drained from his fight with the Martial Cultivator!

Chapter 2095: I Hate Your Face!

Duan Ling Tian could tell how strong the black-clad man was when he attacked. He was much weaker than the Dao Cultivator he had killed. He had only managed to kill the Dao Cultivator because the Dao Cultivator was severely injured and was not at his prime. For that reason, he was killed and his Spatial Ring and the Spatial Ring of the Martial Cultivator he had killed were taken away.

“Two idiots! What’s there to fight about... In the end, I reap all the benefits,” the black-clad man cursed openly. He took his time before he left.

From the beginning until the end, the people in the surroundings merely watched without saying anything.

“People from the Black Crow Alliance are really shameless... People who fight in Sin City must be aware of those treacherous people from the Black Crow Alliance!”

“That Dao Cultivator was unlucky to meet that man from the Black Crow Alliance... Otherwise, he wouldn’t have died!”

“If he was at the peak of his strength, that fellow from Black Crow Alliance is definitely not a match for him. He took advantage of the Dao Cultivator’s injuries and killed him to reap the rewards!”

After the black-clad man left, the people in the surroundings began to talk among themselves.

“People from the Black Crow Alliance?” Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes.

Through the people’s conversations, Duan Ling Tian learned about the black-lad man. He was a sectless cultivator who was a member of the Black Crow Alliance. It seemed like the Black Crow Alliance had a reputation of taking advantage of others. Nobody dared to speak up because they were afraid of the Black Crow Alliance.

“Hmm... It seems like the people from Black Crow Alliance are really loathsome!”

Duan Ling Tian did not consider himself to be a righteous person, but the behavior of the people from the Black Crow Alliance had disgusted him.

Duan Ling Tian’s eyes gleamed as he flew in the direction where the man from the Black Crow Alliance had left.

No one noticed Duan Ling Tian’s departure. After all, there were so many people on the scene. No one would notice if one person left.

‘Based on the way he’s strutting around, he seems really smug,’ Duan Ling Tian thought to himself.

Initially, Duan Ling Tian was merely trying his luck by following the black-clad man. He did not think he would be able to find him. However, it did not take long before he saw the man strutting around.

‘It seems like even God intends for me to be a hero today. The change of Innate Spiritual Root from dark blue to indigo depends on you. I hope you won’t let me down!’ Duan Ling Tian thought to himself as he noiselessly landed on the ground in a quiet alley.

Duan Ling Tian looked around and extended his Divine Consciousness to make sure no one was around before he made his move.

‘Apart from my purple robes... I only have uniforms from the Fire Worship Sect!’ When Duan Ling Tian wanted to change his clothes, he realized he only had the uniforms of disciples of the Fire Worship Sect in his Spatial Ring. He had three types of uniforms from the Fire Worship Sect. They were uniforms from the Black Turtle Sanctum, the Saint Land’s disciples’ uniforms, and the true disciples’ uniforms. He used to have the uniforms from the First Mine’s Penalty Zone, but he had returned it before he left.

‘Whatever... I’ll just wear one of these uniforms!’ Eventually, Duan Ling Tian decided to change into a Saint Land disciple’s uniform. This was his first time wearing it again after becoming a true disciple.

An idea suddenly appeared in Duan Ling Tian’s mind. ‘I should change into the true disciple’s uniform.’ Subsequently, he quickly changed into a true disciple’s uniform.

After that, Duan Ling Tian used the Disguising Secret Tactic and began to change his face.

If there were any Fire Worship Sect’s Saint Land disciples around, they would not be able to recognize Duan Ling Tian. They would have seen Bu Hong who was ranked third on the Fire Worship Sect’s True Ranking.

Bu Hong was originally ranked second on the Fire Worship Sect’s True Ranking. After he was defeated by Duan Ling Tian, he had dropped a rank. Bu Hong was, naturally, unaware of what Duan Ling Tian was currently doing. If he knew that Duan Ling Tian had destroyed his innate talent and also disguised himself using his appearance, he would probably throw up blood!

‘Bu Hong’s body is almost similar to mine. I’m certain that even if those who are close to Bu Hong see me now, they would not be able to tell us apart’ Duan Ling Tian touched his face and nodded in satisfaction.

Sou!

Since Duan Ling Tian had changed both his appearance and clothes, there was no reason for him to stay in the small alley any longer. He immediately flew up into the sky to look for the man from the Black Crow Alliance.

It did not take long for Duan Ling Tian to find the man from Black Crow Alliance.

“Is that person from the Fire Worship Sect?”

When Duan Ling Tian flew out, he attracted many people’s attention. Most people in Sin City were sectless cultivators. It was definitely not an everyday occurrence for a disciple from one of the three great sects, the Fire Worship Sect, to appear here.

“Based on his outfit, it seems like he’s a true disciple from the Fire Worship Sect!” Among the people present, there were some who were knowledgeable so they managed to identify Duan Ling Tian’s uniform.

“Who is he chasing?”

Soon after, a few people noticed Duan Ling Tian seemed to be in a hurry.

“Eh? Isn’t that person from the Black Crow Alliance? The true disciple from the Fire Worship Sect seems to be chasing him!”

When the sectless cultivators realized Duan Ling Tian was chasing the man from the Black Crow Alliance, they began to tail after him. They wanted to join in the fun,

Sou! Sou! Sou! Sou! Sou!

A group of sectless cultivators flew up into the air, causing the wind to whistle.

The sound of wind whistling, naturally, alerted the man from the Black Crow Alliance. He instinctively turned back to have a look.

“A disciple from the Fire Worship Sect?”

With just a glance, he saw a group of people behind him. Naturally, the most eye-catching person was the person flying in the lead since he was wearing the exclusive uniform of a disciple from the Fire Worship Sect.

“A Fire Worship Sect’s true disciple?” When he saw the embroidery on the uniform, the eyes of the man from the Black Crow Alliance widened.

Based on what he knew, all true disciples from the Fire Worship Sect had a cultivation base at the Saint Celestial Stage or higher! They were not someone that he, a cultivator at the Mastery Quintessential Saint Stage, could compare to.

“I-it s-seems like he’s targeting me?” The man from the Black Crow Alliance was still surprised by the appearance of a true disciple from the Fire Worship Sect when he suddenly realized he was being pursued. Moreover, he could feel the killing intent radiating from the other party!

“My friend from the Fire Worship Sect, I’m from Sin City’s Black Crow Alliance. I’m Jiao Tu. My second brother is Deputy Leader Jiao Zhan of the Black Crow Alliance. Is there a misunderstanding between us? I don’t think we’ve met!” The man from the Black Crow Alliance said anxiously when he saw Duan Ling Tian closing in on him with killing intent.

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“Jiao Tu?”

“As it turns out, it’s Jiao Tu!”

“Jiao Tu’s a bad man. He has done a lot of nasty things and has gotten away with it because his brother is the Deputy Leader of the Black Crow Alliance!”

The group of sectless cultivators tailing Duan Ling Tian was stunned when they heard the name of the man from the Black Crow Alliance. When they regained their senses, they began to discuss among themselves.

Perhaps, not all of them had an encounter with Jiao Tu, but all of them had heard of him! Jiao Tu was infamous in Sin City!

“To be honest, I don’t know you either!” Duan Ling Tian said coldly to Jiao Tu who was panicking in the distance.

When Jiao Tu heard Duan Ling Tian’s words, he sighed in relief. However, his relief was short-lived.

Duan Ling Tian said, “However, I hate your face, and I feel like killing you!”

When Jiao Tu heard Duan Ling Tian’s words, he shuddered and his expression changed drastically.

At the same time, Duan Ling Tian sped up using the Sun Saint Energy and arrived in front of Jiao Tu in a short time.

In fact, the speed Duan Ling Tian currently exerted was only as fast as Jiao Tu’s speed. However, Jiao Tu was so frightened he did not manage to escape in time. He did not try to flee after that because he had a feeling he would not be able to escape from this Fire Worship Sect’s true disciple. He thought it would be better to stand his ground and talk his way out of this.

“My friend from the Fire Worship Sect, your jokes aren’t funny,” Jiao Tu said as he suppressed the rising panic in his heart. He even forced a smile on his face.

“You think I’m joking?” Duan Ling Tian’s eyes turned cold.

Chapter 2096: One of Fire Worship Sect’s Eight Great Prodigies?

Duan Ling Tian’s eyes were cold and he did not bother to conceal his killing intent at all. Even the people who came to watch could feel it.

“This Fire Worship Sect’s true disciple intends to kill Jiao Tu?”

Many of the sectless cultivators looked surprised. They did not think the true disciple from the Fire Worship Sect had chased after Jiao Tu to kill him.

“How did Jiao Tu offend him?”

Some sectless cultivators looked at each other in confusion.

“Didn’t you hear him? He doesn’t know Jiao Tu. He just dislikes the way Jiao Tu looks that’s why he wants to kill him!”

“You believe his words?”

“I do. After all, people from the Black Crow Alliance are infamous for taking advantage of others in Sin City. Maybe this Fire Worship Sect’s true disciple doesn’t like that and decides to take matter into his own hands and kill Jiao Tu who’s from the Black Crow Alliance!”

“I feel this reason a little far-fetched. There are so many members of the Black Crow Alliance around, why is this true disciple from the Fire Worship Sect targeting Jiao Tu? Moreover, Jiao Tu isn’t an ordinary member of the Black Crow Alliance!”

“I’m confused as well... Jiao Tu is the younger brother of Deputy Leader Jiao Zhan of Black Crow Alliance. Moreover, Jiao Zhan is at the Second Form of the Saint Celestial Stage and is ranked 566th on the Supreme Saint Ranking!”

“With Jiao Zhan’s strength, there are only a few Fire Worship Sect’s true disciples who are a match for him. This true disciple might not be one of them!”

“By right, he should be afraid of acting against Jiao Tu due to Jiao Zhan’s strength.”

The sectless cultivators who came to watch the show discussed among themselves. All of them were baffled. Naturally, there were a few people who thought things were not that simple. They thought Jiao Tu must have offended this true disciple from the Fire Worship Sect at some point. Otherwise, why was the other party so intent on killing him?

“My friend from Fire Worship Sect, although I’m just an ordinary member of the Black Crow Alliance, my second brother is Deputy Leader Jiao Zhan of the Black Crow Alliance!”

Jiao Tu knew Duan Ling Tian was serious when he sensed the killing intent getting stronger. In an attempt to save his life, he brought his brother up.

It seemed as though Jiao Tu was worried Duan Ling Tian did not care about his brother being the Deputy Leader of the Black Crow Alliance so he quickly said, “My second brother, Jiao Zhan, is one of the strongest among those at the Second Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. He’s ranked 566th on the Supreme Saint Ranking!” Jiao Tu sighed in relief once he finished speaking.

In Jiao Tu’s opinion, now that he had revealed the ranking of his brother, Jiao Zhan, on the Supreme Saint Ranking, the Fire Worship Sect’s true disciple would be frightened and would not dare to harm him.

“He’s ranked 566th on the Supreme Saint Ranking?” Duan Ling Tian said coldly as he narrowed his eyes when he heard Jiao Tu’s words.

“Yes.” Jiao Tu nodded proudly although he was not as smug as he usually was. Although his brother was strong, his brother was currently not by his side.

‘It seems like this guy from the Fire Worship Sect is afraid now that he knows my brother is ranked 566th on the Supreme Saint Ranking... Otherwise, he wouldn’t ask for confirmation,’ Jiao Tu thought to himself.

Meanwhile, most of the sectless cultivators who came over to watch the show shared the same thought as Jiao Tu.

“Now that the true disciple from the Fire Worship Sect learns that Jiao Tu’s brother, Jiao Zhan, is ranked 566th on the Supreme Saint Ranking, he probably won’t dare to harm Jiao Tu.”

“That’s for sure! Moreover, Jiao Zhan is well known for being protective in the Black Crow Alliance. He’s usually biased toward members from the Black Crow Alliance, let alone his own brother!”

“It seems like there’s nothing worth watching after all!”

Many sectless cultivators whispered among themselves, feeling disappointed since they did not think the true disciple from the Fire Worship Sect would dare to harm Jiao Tu now that he learned about Jiao Tu's background.

However, would Duan Ling Tian fear Jiao Tu and not kill him just because of his background? Absolutely not.

"If my memory serves me well, I seem to be ranked on the Supreme Saint Ranking as well," Duan Ling Tian said off-handedly. Although his tone was casual, the killing intent he radiated was still as strong as ever. In fact, it seemed to have gotten stronger.

When Jiao Tu heard Duan Ling Tian's words, his expression turned grave immediately.

"A Fire Worship Sect's true disciple who's ranked on the Supreme Saint Ranking?!"

"From what I know, there are only eight true disciples, including the new prodigy, Duan Ling Tian, in the Fire Worship Sect who are ranked on the Supreme Saint Ranking. The eight of them are known as the Eight Great Prodigies of the Fire Worship Sect among the younger generation!"

"I wonder which of the eight prodigies this person is!"

When the sectless cultivators heard Duan Ling Tian's words, their eyes brightened immediately. All of them were curious which of the eight prodigies Duan Ling Tian was.

"I didn't know... Y-you... Which one of the Fire Worship Sect's Eight Great Prodigies are you?" Jiao Tu asked after he mustered up all his courage. He was frightened and panicking at this moment.

"It doesn't matter. You're going to die anyway..."

When Jiao Tu heard Duan Ling Tian's words, his expression changed dramatically. He finally realized the true disciple from the Fire Worship Sect was determined to kill him.

"I guess there's no harm in telling you this. I'm Bu Hong, a true disciple of the Fire Worship Sect!"

Jiao Tu was still in a state of fright when Duan Ling Tian revealed his 'name'.

Bu Hong!

Jiao Tu's eyes widened in shock when he heard the name! He was no stranger to that name.

In fact, all of the sectless cultivators present on the scene knew this name.

In Fire Worship Sect, the Eight Great Prodigies were led by three powerhouses at the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. Bu Hong was ranked second on the Fire Worship Sect's True Ranking.

Naturally, these people had not heard the recent news in Fire Worship Sect where Duan Ling Tian defeated Bu Hong. Otherwise, they would know that Bu Hong was no longer ranked second among the Eight Great Prodigies in the Fire Worship Sect. From what they knew, Bu Hong, a prodigy from the Fire Worship Sect, was ranked 421st on the Supreme Saint Ranking.

Many sectless cultivators instantly looked at Jiao Tu disdainfully.

Jiao Tu had used Jiao Zhan who was ranked 566th on the Supreme Saint Ranking to scare Bu Hong off. As it turned out, Bu Hong was ranked 421st on the Supreme Saint Ranking. How ironic!

Was there a need for Bu Hong to fear Jiao Zhan?

“I didn’t expect him to be Bu Hong!”

Many sectless cultivators were surprised.

“Bu Hong, apart from being the second among the Fire Worship Sect’s Eight Great Prodigies, he’s also the direct disciple of the Sanctum Leader of the Azure Dragon Sanctum! Moreover, the Sanctum Leader of Azure Dragon Sanctum is considered one of the strongest Golden Flame Elders in the Fire Worship Sect!”

There were some sectless cultivators who knew Bu Hong’s background.

“With Bu Hong’s strength and background... Why would he be afraid of Jiao Tu?”

Many sectless cultivators began to look at Jiao Tu sympathetically.

“Remember to be more humble in your next life... Moreover, on your way to hell, do keep in mind that the person who killed you is me, Bu Hong!” Duan Ling Tian said coldly while everyone was still in shock.

Jiao Tu’s expression changed drastically.

“Run!” In the next moment, Jiao Tu turned to run. He was no longer arrogant, blatantly taking advantage of others. Currently, he was scampering away like a dog with its tail tucked in between its legs.

Sou!

It seemed as though Duan Ling Tian could foresee what was going to happen. He chased after Jiao Tu as soon as Jiao Tu moved. He maintained the distance between him and Jiao Tu.

Naturally, the sectless cultivators who were watching could tell Bu Hong, the true disciple from Fire Worship Sect, was toying with Jiao Tu.

It was common knowledge that almost all true disciples in the Fire Worship Sect were at the Saint Celestial Stage. They managed to become true disciples due to their high innate talent. It would take a second for ordinary true disciples to catch up to Jiao Tu, let alone someone like Bu Hong.

That was why it was clear to them that Bu Hong was only toying with Jiao Tu.

However, what they did not know was it was not Bu Hong who was chasing after Jiao Tu. It was Duan Ling Tian, the monstrous prodigy who had quickly risen in ranks in the Fire Worship Sect.

The reason Duan Ling Tian was slow was due to the fact that he did not cast the Elementary Devouring Tactic or the Golden Crow Wings. Otherwise, he would have caught up to Jiao Tu in just a blink of an eye!

Duan Ling Tian did not cast the two Divine Abilities because he would expose his identity.

Currently, Duan Ling Tian's Sun Saint Energy was equivalent to the Saint Energy of a powerhouse at the Mastery Quintessential Saint Stage. Therefore, his speed was on par with Jiao Tu whose cultivation base was at the Mastery Quintessential Saint Stage.

"Bu Hong, there's no enmity between us. Why do you insist on killing me?!" Jiao Tu asked in a panic. He had discovered Duan Ling Tian was chasing him at a leisurely speed. Similar to the others, he thought Duan Ling Tian was toying with him.

"I've already told you. I want to kill you because I hate your face!" Duan Ling Tian replied indifferently.

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian discovered the sectless cultivators were now quite a distance away. He quickly seized this opportunity and quietly cast the Divine Ability, the Elementary Devouring Tactic!

Chapter 2097: Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword!

Since Duan Ling Tian had decided to impersonate Bu Hong, he had to be meticulous about it. For this reason, he only cast the Divine Ability, the Elementary Devouring Tactic, after he confirmed the sectless cultivators were far enough that they could not see his actions. He did not fully cast the Elementary Devouring Tactic. Even then, faint whirlpools could still be seen around him as it absorbed the Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy in his surroundings.

In just a blink of an eye, Duan Ling Tian's Sun Saint Energy had risen to the level of a powerhouse at the peak of the Quintessential Saint Stage. It did not stop there as it continued to rise.

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian began to close the distance between him and Jiao Tu.

"No! Y-you're n-not Bu Hong!" Jiao Tu cried out. Although the sectless cultivators in the distance could not see the Elementary Devouring Tactic that Duan Ling Tian had cast, Jiao Tu who was closer to him could sense the change in Duan Ling Tian's Saint Energy.

At the same Jiao Tu spoke, Duan Ling Tian's Sun Saint Energy had risen to a level comparable to the Saint Origin of a powerhouse at the First Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. At this point, his Sun Saint Energy finally stopped rising.

"You only realized this now? It's too late though!" Duan Ling Tian said indifferently.

Jiao Tu had an expression of despair on his face as a wave of energy swept toward him as fiercely as a beast on a rampage.

Boom!

As a loud explosion sounded, Jiao Tu was drowned by the energy. It was as though he had been swallowed by a gigantic beast.

When the energy vanished, Jiao Tu vanished along with it. Only a Spatial Ring was left floating in the air.

During that time, before Jiao Tu was killed, Duan Ling Tian had asked for Elder Huo's help to devour Jiao Tu's Innate Spiritual Root.

"Yellow Innate Spiritual Root." Elder Huo's words disappointed Duan Ling Tian.

Jiao Tu merely possessed a dark yellow Innate Spiritual Root. Therefore, Duan Ling Tian's Innate Spiritual Root did not turn indigo after he devoured Jiao Tu's Innate Spiritual Root.

"Your Innate Spiritual Root is very close to turning indigo. It's enough to turn indigo if you devour another yellow Innate Spiritual Root!" Elder Huo's subsequent words lessened Duan Ling Tian's disappointment slightly.

'It doesn't matter. It'll eventually turn into an indigo Innate Spiritual Root. I just need a little more time.' Duan Ling Tian consoled himself inwardly.

After Duan Ling Tian regained his composure, he collected the Spatial Ring. He only spared the sectless cultivators who had finally caught up an indifferent look before he left without a trace.

For the sectless cultivators, it was, naturally, impossible for them to forget about Duan Ling Tian. There was no doubt they did not know his real identity. They thought he was Bu Hong, the second strongest among the Fire Worship Sect's Eight Great Prodigies!

"Jiao Tu died just like that?"

Many sectless cultivators were in shock and disbelief. Although they were far away earlier and could not clearly see what the true disciple from Fire Worship Sect had done, they knew he was the only one left on the scene. Jiao Tu had disappeared without a trace.

"That Fire Worship Sect's true disciple, Bu Hong, is really domineering! Doesn't he know that this isn't the Fire Worship Sect but Sin City? Moreover, it's very likely that Jiao Zhan will seek revenge from him."

There were also some sectless cultivators who marveled at the bravery of Fire Worship Sect's true disciple, Bu Hong.

After all, not just anyone would be so brave as to kill the brother of a deputy leader of an alliance in Sin City!

"Since Bu Hong dares to act so boldly in Sin City, he must have some sort of support. I assume his master is in Sin City as well!"

"That's possible! With his master here, even the Leader of the Black Crow Alliance can't do anything to Bu Hong."

"If it was someone else who was killed, I might have felt pity. However, since it's Jiao Tu, not only do I not feel pity, but I feel glad!"

"I feel the same way. Previously, Jiao Tu killed many people without a reason just because he's from the Black Crow Alliance and his brother is the Deputy Leader. It's karma!"

All the sectless cultivators present on the scene did not mourn Jiao Tu's death. Instead, many of them were glad Bu Hong had killed him. Naturally, they were unaware it was not Bu Hong who had killed him. It was Duan Ling Tian, who had quickly risen in ranks in the Fire Worship Sect, who had disguised himself as Bu Hong and killed Jiao Tu.

Due to Duan Ling Tian's flawless disguise and his meticulous care to keep up the act, it was destined that he was the only one who knew the truth. Well, apart from Jiao Tu, who was dead.

After killing Jiao Tu, Duan Ling Tian left and found a place to change into his purple robe. At the same time, he changed his face to his previous appearance that he had changed on a whim when he was near Sin City. Although he had changed his appearance, there was still a lot of similarities to the disguise he wore in the Fire Worship Sect. He still had sword-shaped brows, still handsome, charming, and attractive.

"Wang Yi Fo didn't mention the Black Crow Alliance similar to the Ground Ax Alliance. I guess they're not very powerful in Sin City." Since Wang Yi Fo did not mention the Black Crow Alliance, Duan Ling Tian did not think they were a force to be reckoned with.

'Let's find a restaurant so I can learn more about Sin City...'

With that thought in mind, Duan Ling Tian flew out to the city center of Sin City. He planned to find a busy restaurant to rest and find out more about the place.

'I still don't know why so many sectless cultivators choose to stay in this dangerous place...' Duan Ling Tian was extremely curious about this.

Back then, the Leader of Clarity City's Sectless Cultivators Alliance, Wang Yi Fo, had left him in suspense.

While Duan Ling Tian was looking for a restaurant, all was not peaceful in the Black Crow Alliance's estate.

As one of the alliances in Sin City, the Black Crow Alliance, naturally, had an estate of their own in Sin City even though they were just a mediocre alliance.

Bang!

In the Black Crow Alliance's estate.

Upon learning about Jiao Tu's death, Deputy Leader Jiao Zhan was furious. With just a move, he smashed the stone table in front of him.

"Who? Who is it?" Jiao Zhan asked as he looked at the messenger with a terrifying glint in his eyes like a poisonous snake looking at its prey.

Jiao Zhan's reaction was only natural. He used to have three brothers. Apart from Jiao Tu who was the youngest, he had another older and younger brother. Four of them were sectless cultivators and had fended for themselves in this world. Throughout the years, his elder brother, Jiao Da, and his third brother, Jiao Hong, had died, leaving only him and Jiao Tu behind.

After that, Jiao Zhan and Jiao Tu came to Sin City and built the Black Crow Alliance with someone else. Ever since then, they found a place where they belonged.

Naturally, Jiao Zhan cared about the only brother he had left. However, today, he learned that his only brother, his youngest brother, had been killed!

"It's t-the Fire Worship Sect's true disciple, Bu Hong!" The messenger quickly replied in a trembling voice as his body shuddered from Jiao Zhan's rage.

"Bu Hong?" Jiao Zhan's eyes narrowed immediately when he heard the messenger's words. He asked in a deep voice, "Are you certain the one who killed my brother is Fire Worship Sect's Bu Hong?"

Naturally, Jiao Zhan had heard of Bu Hong. In terms of strength, Bu Hong was much stronger than him since Bu Hong was at the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage!

However, that was in the past. About half a month ago, Jiao Zhan had managed to break through to the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. With the various moves he had and the practical combat skills he had mastered as a sectless cultivator, he was not afraid of Bu Hong! In fact, he was confident he could kill Bu Hong! After all, Bu Hong was the weakest among all the powerhouses at the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. This could be seen from his ranking on the Supreme Saint Ranking. He did not fear Bu Hong, but he was afraid of Bu Hong's master, a Golden Flame Elder of the Fire Worship Sect! He was also the Sanctum Leader of the Azure Dragon Sanctum!

Apart from the Black Crow Alliance's estate, things were also not peaceful in the Ground Ax Estate as well.

"That's him? The one who killed two of my men and took the Spatial Ring that held the Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword?" The Leader of the Ground Ax Alliance was able to see what had happened after he tore the Major Mirror Image Talisman.

He saw a handsome purple-clad young man in the picture who was shrouded in golden light with 10,000 swords flying about, killing his men from the Ground Ax Alliance. Moreover, he even took the Spatial Rings from the two men.

Chapter 2098: Sin City's Charm

There were various types of Dao talismans with many uses in the Dao Martial Saint Land. The Mirror Image Talisman was one of them. Moreover, there were two types of Mirror Image Talisman. They were ordinary Mirror Image Talismans and Minor Major Mirror Image Talismans.

An ordinary Mirror Image Talisman could be used to record scenes that occurred within a certain period of time in the form of motion pictures. When it was torn up, it would replay the scene it had recorded.

The effect was similar to a video camera on earth where Duan Ling Tian was from in his past life. The only difference was it did not record sounds.

Previously, when Duan Ling Tian was in the Moon Illumination Sect, someone from the Mountainshade Black Market's branch had plotted against him by using an ordinary Mirror Image Talisman.

That person from the Mountainshade Black Market's branch used the ordinary Mirror Image Talisman and recorded Duan Ling Tian and broadcasted it through a Sky Screen Mirror Image in the sky above Moon Illumination Sect. It had shocked the Moon Illumination Sect and caused Duan Ling Tian to leave the Moon Illumination Sect!

A Minor Major Mirror Image Talisman was not one but two talismans. They came in a set of two. A Minor Major Mirror Image Talisman had one Minor Mirror Image Talisman and one Major Mirror Image Talisman. The Minor Mirror Image Talisman would be carried around by a person and would constantly record whatever the person saw. If the person carrying the Minor Mirror Image Talisman was killed, the Minor Mirror Image Talisman would retain the final scene of the person that was killed and would transmit the scene back to the person holding the Major Mirror Image Talisman. Once the Major Mirror Image Talisman was torn up, one would be able to view the scenes recorded by the Minor Mirror Image Talisman.

The Leader of the Ground Ax Alliance's expression was extremely grim when he watched the scene transmitted by the Major Mirror Image Talisman and saw the handsome and elegant purple-clad young man. "Who's that?!"

The Leader of the Ground Ax Alliance was called Yao Bu Ji. He was a middle-aged man with a medium built. He had an ordinary appearance. He would not have stood out in a crowd of people. However, this seemingly ordinary middle-aged man was a leader of an alliance in Sin City! Apart from that, Yao Bu Ji was also one of the stronger powerhouses at the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. He was ranked in the top 300 on the Supreme Saint Ranking.

When Yao Bu Ji witnessed two of his men being killed by a young man through the Major Mirror Image Talisman, he was obviously upset. However, it was not the death of the two men that caused the loss of his composure. He had lost his composure because he had sent the two men to snatch the Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword! The Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword was stored in the Spatial Ring that the Ground Ax Alliance members obtained from the old man before they were killed by the purple-clad young man.

Yao Bu Ji did not want to attract people's attention. That was why he did not personally make a move or sent elite powerhouses out. Moreover, since the old man was not much of a threat, he had sent two men who were only at the peak of the Quintessential Saint Stage out to snatch the old man's Spatial Ring that contained a Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword! He certainly did not expect his plans would be ruined by the purple-clad young man.

"That two idiots... Must they offend him?" Although Yao Bu Ji could only watch what happened and could not hear what they were saying, he could easily guess what had transpired from the movements of their lips. He knew the purple-clad young man had killed the two men from the Ground Ax Alliance because they had looked for trouble with him first.

'Fortunately, I gave that two idiots a Minor Mirror Image Talisman each before they left. Otherwise, I wouldn't know who currently possesses the Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword!' Yao Bu Ji thought to himself, feeling lucky.

However, Yao Bu Ji still found it somewhat wasteful. Ordinary Mirror Talismans might not be very valuable, but Minor Major Mirror Image Talismans were extremely expensive. Even as the Leader of the Ground Ax Alliance, he only possessed a few of the talismans. This time, he had lost two of them at once!

'As long as I can find the purple-clad young man, I'll be able to get the Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword... The loss of the two Minor Major Mirror Image Talismans is not such a waste after all!' Yao Bu Ji consoled himself inwardly.

Naturally, the purple-clad young man whom Yao Bu Ji saw was none other than Duan Ling Tian who had just recently arrived in Sin City.

Duan Ling Tian was, naturally, unaware that the old man who was killed by the two men from the Ground Ax Alliance outside of Sin City possessed something as precious as a Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword! Moreover, the Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword was currently in his possession. To be more precise, it was in the old man's Spatial Ring that was kept in one of the Ground Ax Alliance's member's Spatial Ring, and currently, it was kept in Duan Ling Tian's Spatial Ring.

Duan Ling Tian had no time to look at the rewards he reaped today so he was unaware that he had unwittingly obtained a Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword.

Currently, Duan Ling Tian was in a restaurant in Sin City. This restaurant was one of the busiest restaurants in the center of Sin City. He had been in the restaurant for quite some time so he had a better understanding of Sin City now.

'No wonder so many sectless cultivators settle down in Sin City. As it turns out, there are powerhouses at the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage and above in Sin City who would occasionally give things to them by literally throwing them around!'

Duan Ling Tian learned about this from the conversation in his surroundings. He had chosen to sit by a window in the restaurant.

In Sin City, there were a few sectless cultivators above the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage who were not in any alliance. They had a high status in the city and was widely respected. Occasionally, they would throw out some items that ordinary cultivators considered as treasures. The sectless cultivators would fight and kill over it.

These items ranged from celestial-grade Saint Stones to high-grade Martial Tactics, Dao Talismans, and Hundred Inscriptions Saint Weapons.

'These strong powerhouses are treating the other sectless cultivators as a form of entertainment!' Duan Ling Tian shook his head when he thought about this.

Based on the sectless cultivators' conversations, Duan Ling Tian learned the powerhouses above the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage would throw the items around, leading to a bloodbath in Sin City. Many sectless cultivators had died in an attempt to obtain the items.

Humans were greedy after all.

The items that the powerhouses above the Seventh Form of the Saint Celestial Stage casually threw out might not be worth much to them, but to ordinary sectless cultivators, those items were treasures that were worth risking their lives for.

‘Those unfortunate souls would have to fight for the treasure when it’s thrown out in a street of people. The ones who are luckier might find the items being thrown in a place where there are no people,’ Duan Ling Tian thought to himself.

The sectless cultivators gathered in Sin City in hopes of one day getting their hands on the treasures if luck was on their side

‘This is just like buying lottery on earth. They all clearly know the chances of hitting the jackpot are low, yet it doesn’t stop countless people from buying it. After all, if one hit the jackpot, the monetary reward numbered in the millions! To be fair, compared to hitting the jackpot, their chances are higher when it comes to obtaining the treasures these powerhouses casually throw out,’ Duan Ling Tian thought to himself.

Soon after, Duan Ling Tian learned about another attraction in Sin City. ‘There’s a treasure vault that was left behind by a powerhouse at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage after he passed the Heavenly Tribulation and ascended?’

Every once in a while, news would circulate in Sin City about the treasure left behind by a powerhouse at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage.

Everybody knew that once one entered the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage, they would have to face the Heavenly Tribulation before ascending to the Devata Realm. This applied to Martial Cultivators, Dao Cultivators, Devil Cultivators alike.

The Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage was also known as the Celestial Ascension Form! They would only be able to ascend if they passed the Heavenly Tribulation. They had the option of ascending immediately or wait before they decide to ascend. Naturally, there was a time limit to how long they could wait.

Generally, people who passed the Heavenly Tribulation could not remain in the mundane realm for long. After a period of time, they would be forced to ascend to the Devata Realm by the celestial ascension force.

Naturally, it was not a guarantee that all powerhouses at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage would pass the Heavenly Tribulation.

The Heavenly Tribulation was extremely terrifying. Many powerhouses at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage had died after being turned to ashes by the Heavenly Tribulation!

Powerhouses at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage from major forces would usually keep Saint Weapons and Dao Talismans that would strengthen them the most. The rest of their belongings would be kept in a Spatial Ring and left behind in the force they belonged to.

The Heavenly Tribulations were capable of destroying Spatial Rings after all. Even if they passed the Heavenly Tribulation, they would not be able to bring anything with them when they ascended. This was because the celestial ascension force would repel everything, including 10,000 Inscriptions Saint Weapons.

Chapter 2099: Welcome Inn

Powerhouses at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage from a force would usually leave their belongings to their forces before they faced the Heavenly Tribulation. However, there were quite a few sectless cultivators who were at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. They did not belong to any force, and most of them did not have family or friends.

Before these sectless cultivators pass the Heavenly Tribulation and ascend, or die in an attempt to ascend, they would mostly hide their Spatial Rings that contained treasures somewhere. These places were later known as treasure vaults.

The possessions of powerhouses at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage were undoubtedly treasures!

‘It seems like this is part of the reason so many sectless cultivators decide to come to Sin City.’ Duan Ling Tian came to this conclusion when he heard there was news being spread occasionally about the location of the treasure vault of a powerhouse at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage. Even he was intrigued by the treasures left behind by a powerhouse at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage.

Would the items left behind by a powerhouse at the Ninth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage be ordinary? Absolutely not.

After a while, Duan Ling Tian discovered there was nothing useful he could learn in the restaurant anymore so he paid his bills and left after eating.

For sectless cultivators who had just arrived in Sin City, there were three options when it came to accommodations.

First, they could choose to stay in a specially constructed residence built by Sin City. However, one must fight for a place to stay. It was an impossible feat if one was not strong enough.

The second choice would be to stay in the residences provided by various alliances. To stay there, one had to join the alliance that the residence belonged to.

The third choice was to stay in an inn. The cost to stay in an inn in Sin City was very high. There were many kinds of rooms. Apart from normal rooms, there were rooms with courtyards. They even had mansions! Naturally, the mansions would cost even more. It was not something normal people would be able to afford.

‘Let’s just find an inn to stay in.’ Duan Ling Tian made up his mind. He did not even consider the first two options.

The inns in Sin City were owned by various alliances. Naturally, they were protected by the respective alliance that owned them. For this reason, this allowed visitors to have a peaceful stay. This was one of the reasons why Duan Ling Tian chose to stay in an inn.

After leaving the restaurant in the center of Sin City, Duan Ling Tian approached an inn nearby that looked luxurious. The name of the inn was ‘Welcome Inn’.

Behind the reception of the inn, an old man sat there, dozing off. When he heard the noise Duan Ling Tian made, he quickly opened his eyes and forced a smile on his face. "A guest?"

'A Saint Celestial Stage powerhouse!' As soon as the old man opened his eyes, Duan Ling Tian sensed the aura of a Saint Celestial Stage powerhouse from the old man.

"He's at the First Form of the Saint Celestial Stage!" Elder Huo confirmed Duan Ling Tian's guess.

'Even a mere innkeeper is a Saint Celestial Stage powerhouse... It seems that the alliance that owns this inn isn't simple!' Duan Ling Tian thought to himself.

"Yes, I'm planning to stay here," Duan Ling Tian replied to the old man and nodded.

The old man's smile widened when he heard Duan Ling Tian intended to stay. He asked enthusiastically, "The rooms available in Welcome Inn are similar to most inns in Sin City. There are three types of accommodations. We have normal rooms, rooms with a courtyard, and mansions. Which one would you like to stay in?"

"How much do you charge for the different types of accommodations?" Duan Ling Tian asked. Although Duan Ling Tian had heard accommodations in Sin City were expensive, he did not know how expensive it would be.

Duan Ling Tian felt as though he had broadened his horizons when he heard the old man speak.

"For a normal room, it'll be one grade-three Saint Stone per day. For a room with a courtyard, it'll be one grade-two Saint Stone per day. As for the mansion, it'll be one grade-one Saint Stone per day," the old man said with a smile.

Although Duan Ling Tian knew the rooms were going to be expensive, he could not help but gasp inwardly when he heard the exact prices for the rooms.

It was extremely expensive! Especially when the price was only for a night. It might not be expensive if one only stayed for a day. However, most people would definitely stay longer than a night.

The old man seemed to notice Duan Ling Tian's surprise, but he maintained a neutral expression. He asked with a smile, "Is this your first time in Sin City?"

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian nodded. He did not feel there was a need to hide that it was his first time in Sin City.

"Dear guest, the prices of the rooms in Welcome Inn are fair. It isn't more expensive than the other inns. Moreover, our services are definitely more superior than most inns in Sin City!" The old man said confidently, "Perhaps, the rooms in Welcome Inn are similar to other inns in terms of quality. However, in terms of safety, not many inns can compete with us! Welcome Inn is own by the Mighty Tyrannical Alliance. We have powerhouse from the alliance standing guard here. If you stay here, there's no need for you to worry about your safety!"

"The Mighty Tyrannical Alliance?!" Duan Ling Tian's eyes brightened when he heard the old man's words. This was because he had heard of this alliance before he arrived in Sin City.

Based on what Duan Ling Tian heard from Wang Yi Fo, the Might Tyrannical Alliance was a fairly strong alliance in Sin City.

The old man was very astute. He instantly noticed the change in Duan Ling Tian's eyes. "It seems like you've heard of the Mighty Tyrannical Alliance."

"Yes, I've heard of it." Duan Ling Tian did not bother denying it. He nodded before he took a grade-one Saint Stone out and placed it on the counter. "Innkeeper, I'll take the room with a courtyard. I'll pay for a ten-day stay."

"Alright." The innkeeper became more enthusiastic when he heard Duan Ling Tian had decided to stay in a room with a courtyard.

After registering Duan Ling Tian, the innkeeper handed a token marked with the words 'Ground 27'. The token was a little heavy. Apart from that, it seemed to emit a strange energy.

'There's a Formation?' It was not difficult for Duan Ling Tian to figure out the energy was from a Formation.

"Please wait a minute. I'll have someone lead you to your room," the innkeeper said before he tore a Dao talisman up.

After a span of three breaths had passed...

Hu!

A gust of wind blew in, bringing a short but nimble manservant with it. He took the token marked with the words 'Ground 27' from Duan Ling Tian and began to lead Duan Ling Tian to the back of the inn.

Soon after, Duan Ling Tian arrived at a spacious courtyard. There were flowers and grass in the courtyard. It was exquisite and pleasant to look at. It had a separate room at the back.

"Esteemed guest, this is your room."

"This token serves as the key to your room. You can easily pass through the Formation that shrouds this place with this key," the manservant said as he returned the token to Duan Ling Tian.

At the same time, Duan Ling Tian saw a sign above the courtyard that said 'Ground 27'.

The manservant took his leave after he watched Duan Ling Tian entered the courtyard.

As soon as Duan Ling Tian stepped into the courtyard, he realized it was extremely quiet.

'It seems like the Formation that shrouds this place includes a noise-canceling Formation. However, it's still expensive for them to charge a grade-two Saint Stone per night,' Duan Ling Tian thought to himself.

A noise-canceling Formation could be easily created with a few low-grade Saint Stones.

Nonetheless, Ground 27 in Welcome Inn would be Duan Ling Tian's temporary residence in Sin City.

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Meanwhile, the Leader of Ground Ax Alliance had a portrait drawn out and made many copies of it to be distributed to members of the alliance.

Yao Bu Ji had announced that they had to find the person in the portrait regardless of the cost. Anyone who had clues about the whereabouts of this person would be rewarded with a hundred grade-one Saint Stones. If they managed to bring him to the alliance's estate, they would be rewarded with a hundred quasi celestial-grade Saint Stones.

As the saying went, 'A generous reward will rouse the people's enthusiasm.' The members of the Ground Ax Alliance were buzzing with excitement when they heard their leader's order.

Even Saint Celestial Stage powerhouses in the Ground Ax Alliance brought along the portrait as they searched around Sin City.

For the reason Duan Ling Tian was using the same disguise he had used when he killed the two men from the Ground Ax Alliance, it did not take long for members from the Ground Ax Alliance to find out that he was in Sin City. They even found out which restaurant he had been to and which table he had sat at. Moreover, they even discovered the inn he was staying in.

Upon learning that Duan Ling Tian was staying in Welcome Inn, Yao Bu Ji, the Leader of the Ground Ax Alliance, frowned. He did not think the matter would be so tricky. "Welcome Inn?"

Yao Bu Ji was not worried about Welcome Inn. However, he was wary of the Mighty Tyrannical Alliance that owned the inn. After all, he and the Ground Ax Alliance were not a match for the Mighty Tyrannical Alliance at all!

Chapter 2100: Bu Hong's Scream

As for accommodations in Sin City, it was safer to stay in an estate of an alliance or an inn owned by an alliance. Naturally, among the two, it was much safer to stay in an inn.

There were, naturally, differences in strength between the alliances in Sin City. One's safety could not be guaranteed if one was to stay in an alliance's estate. However, it was different if one was to stay in an inn.

Although there was a number of inns in Sin City, there were not many of them. Not every alliance could afford to open an inn. Even if third-tier alliances such as the Ground Ax Alliance and the Black Crow Alliance opened an inn, not many people would dare to stay in their inns since their safety was not guaranteed. After all, leaders from third-tier alliances would mostly have a cultivation base at the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage at most. The deputy leaders and members were, naturally, even weaker. If alliances like that opened an inn, only the leaders would be able to deter others from seeking trouble. However, it was clearly not practical for the leaders to stay at the inn at all times.

On the other hand, alliances like the Mighty Tyrannical Alliance were not alliances like the Ground Ax Alliance and Black Crow Alliance could compete with. The Mighty Tyrannical Alliance was famous in Sin City. Moreover, the Leader of the Mighty Tyrannical Alliance was a powerhouse at the Fifth Form of the Saint Celestial Stage! Even the powerhouses tasked with guarding Welcome Inn was at the Third Form of the Saint Celestial Stage.

For this reason, Yao Bu Ji, the Leader of the Ground Ax Alliance, would not gain any advantage even if he decided to barge into Welcome Inn. He might even offend the Leader of the Mighty Tyrannical Alliance.

"It seems like I can only wait until he leaves Welcome Inn. Once he leaves the inn, he would no longer be under the protection of the Mighty Tyrannical Alliance!" Yao Bu Ji's only option was to wait for Duan Ling Tian to leave. "I don't believe you'll stay in Welcome Inn forever!" Yao Bu Ji's eyes glinted coldly when he spoke.

Since Yao Bu Ji had decided on his plan, there were many people loitering around Welcome Inn. There would be a change of people every once in a while as though they were on shifts. These men were obviously sent by Yao Bu Ji to monitor Duan Ling Tian. Once Duan Ling Tian left Welcome Inn, they would follow him and a few others would return to the Ground Ax Estate to notify the others.

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian was unaware that he had been targeted by the Ground Ax Alliance.

Currently, Duan Ling Tian was looking at the rewards he had reaped after he entered his room. He took out three Spatial Rings that formerly belonged to the two men from the Ground Ax Alliance and the man from the Black Crow Alliance respectively.

Upon seeing the number of Saint Stones in the Spatial Rings, a satisfied smile appeared on Duan Ling Tian's face. "Hmmm... It's pretty decent although there's nothing extraordinary. Sin City is really the perfect place for me to improve my Innate Spiritual Root!"

In Sin City, there was nothing wrong with killing people just because of a disagreement. Wicked people accounted for more than half of the population in Sin City. For this reason, Duan Ling Tian did not feel guilty about devouring their Innate Spiritual Roots and robbing them.

Soon after, Duan Ling Tian discovered another Spatial Ring in a Spatial Ring that belonged to one of the men from Ground Ax Alliance. He quickly recalled where he had seen the Spatial Ring before. "This Spatial Ring seems to belong to the old man who was killed by the members of the Ground Ax Alliance!"

It was obvious the two men from the Ground Ax Alliance were after the old man's Spatial Ring.

'Could there be something precious in it?' Duan Ling Tian's eyes lit up when he thought about this. He quickly established Blood Ownership Claim on the ring. A hint of excitement could be seen in his eyes. He quickly looked over the things in the Spatial Ring before his eyes landed on a sword. The sword appeared ordinary, but there was something special about its vibe that attracted Duan Ling Tian's attention.

As a Saint Inscription Master who practiced the Strange Inscription Dao, Duan Ling Tian possessed a very keen sense when it came to Saint Inscriptions.

After Duan Ling Tian briefly studied the sword, he came to a conclusion. "It's a Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword! The two men from the Ground Ax Alliance had to be going after this Thousand Inscription Saint Sword." Duan Ling Tian became even more certain of his theory after he thoroughly looked through the old man's Spatial Ring and failed to find anything of value.

‘However, based on the old man’s strength, I wonder how he obtained the Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword. Moreover, how did the two men from the Ground Ax Alliance knew the old man possessed a Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword?’ Duan Ling Tian was confused about this matter.

Duan Ling Tian was no longer a newcomer in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land. He had learned a lot during his time in the Fire Worship Sect.

The Thousand Inscriptions Saint Weapons were one of the things he learned about. A Thousand Inscriptions Saint Weapon was considered a top-tier treasure even in the Upper Province of the Dao Martial Saint Land. In the Fire Worship Sect, a Thousand Inscriptions Saint Weapon cost about 100,000,000 Contribution Points.

In the Fire Worship Sect, apart from the high-ranking officials at the rank of a Golden Flame Elder or above who possessed Thousand Inscriptions Saint Weapons, there were only a few Silver Flame Elders who possessed a Thousand Inscriptions Saint Weapon. This showed how precious a Thousand Inscriptions Saint Weapon was!

How did a precious Thousand Inscriptions Saint Weapon end up in the possession of an old man whose cultivation base was only at the Quintessential Saint Stage old man before it was forcefully taken away by the two men from the Ground Ax Alliance who were also at the Quintessential Saint Stage?

If those two men from the Ground Ax Alliance did not look for trouble with Duan Ling Tian, he would not have obtained this Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword.

‘I guess I have those two men to thank for taking the initiative to provoke me,’ Duan Ling Tian thought to himself and laughed. That was probably what people meant when they said life was like a box of chocolates. One would not know what one would get.

Duan Ling Tian no longer paid attention to how the Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword ended up in the possession of the old man who was only at the Quintessential Saint Stage. After all, the Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword was currently in his possession. That was all that mattered.

‘With this Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword, I no longer have to use the Hundred Inscriptions Saint Sword. In the future, I can use the Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword during a fight. I’ll avoid using the Jasper Celestial Sword if possible,’ Duan Ling Tian thought to himself with a satisfied smile on his face.

‘Although it’s only a Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword, it would still attract unwanted attention. The most important thing is to get stronger. As long as I’m strong enough to wield the Thousand Inscriptions Saint Sword, no one would dare to covet it,’ Duan Ling Tian thought.

Subsequently, Duan Ling Tian entered the fourth floor of the Seven Treasures Exquisite Pagoda with just a thought and began to cultivate.

Nine Dragons War Sovereign Technique!

As he cultivated using that method, the Heaven and Earth Spirit Energy surged into Duan Ling Tian’s body freely. At this time, he could clearly feel that his cultivation speed had improved by leaps and bounds.

Duan Ling Tian was not surprised since he had anticipated this. After all, his current Innate Spiritual Root was different from before. He was only a step away from possessing an indigo Innate Spiritual Root!

‘With my current cultivation speed, I’ll definitely be able to break through to the peak of the Exemplary Saint Stage in within two months!’ Once he had broken through to the peak of the Exemplary Saint Stage, his strength would improve significantly as well.

Time continued to pass as Duan Ling Tian immersed himself in his cultivation. His strength kept increasing. In the beginning, the improvements were not noticeable. Gradually, the improvements became more and more obvious.

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In the Western Region. In the Fire Worship Sect...

“NO!” A hysterical voice tinged with desperation could be heard from one of the floating islands in the Saint Land.

The howl sounded like it came from a beast, shocking the people nearby.

“It’s Senior Brother Bu Hong!” The people hovering near the floating island were Fire Worship Sect’s true disciples. All of them looked at the floating island in shock since they knew the master of that floating island. It belonged to Bu Hong who was ranked third on the Fire Worship Sect’s True Ranking!

Although Bu Hong was defeated a while ago by Duan Ling Tian, the new prodigy who had quickly risen in ranks, it did not mean that Bu Hong was weak. To the other true disciples, Bu Hong was still superior to them.

When they heard Bu Hong’s hysterical scream, they were shocked.

“What’s wrong with Senior Brother Bu Hong?”

“I don’t know. Ever since he was defeated by Senior Brother Duan Ling Tian, he hasn’t left his residence. I suspect something must have happened today.”

“Based on his voice, it seems like he has suffered a blow. Could it be that he still can’t accept that he was defeated by Senior Brother Duan Ling Tian?”

“That’s possible.”

The few true disciples discussed among themselves and reached a conclusion that they all agreed on. All of them thought Bu Hong could not accept his defeat by Duan Ling Tian.

However, were they right in their speculations?