

SOVEREIGN 741

Chapter 741: Successive Shock

"Little Tian, you absolutely can't forgive them... Otherwise, once they notify the Azure Forest Tri-Sect that they saw a Seven Star Sword Sect disciple like you, the Azure Forest Tri-Sect will absolutely not let the matter go!" Nie Rong was the first to react, and he spoke out to Duan Ling Tian.

Duan Ling Tian hadn't spoke yet when the expressions of the two old women who knelt in midair froze, and then they looked at Nie Rong with gazes filled with shame and resentment.

Shouldn't you find a better excuse if you want us dead?

They thought that Nie Rong surely knew of the matter of Duan Ling Tian annihilating the Azure Forest Tri-Sect, and Nie Rong used the Azure Forest Tri-Sect now purely as an excuse to kill them as he wanted to take revenge for his wife.

"There're also these Flying Rainbow Sect disciples. Since they've recognized you as a disciple of the Seven Star Sword Sect now, they can't be left alive as well," said Nie Yuan to Duan Ling Tian with a serious expression.

Earlier, the change in expression of the crowd of Flying Rainbow Sect disciples allowed him to realize that Duan Ling Tian turned out to be able to be considered to be a famous person in the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom while Duan Ling Tian was at the Seven Star Sword Sect.

As soon as Nie Yuan finished speaking.

The expressions of the crowd of Flying Rainbow Sect disciples in the Martial Practice Grounds went pale. If Duan Ling Tian really wanted to kill them, then they would really have no way of resisting, nor could they dream of fleeing.

"I'm willing to make a vow under the Nine-Nine Heavenly Tribulation that I'll absolutely not notify the Azure Forest Tri-Sect and sell Duan Ling Tian out."

"I'm willing as well!"

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The numerous Flying Rainbow Sect disciples were completely anxious, and they didn't have the mood to cast flirtatious gazes at Duan Ling Tian any longer.

"Brother Rong, Yuan... Could it be that both of you don't know the Azure Forest Tri-Sect has already been annihilated by Little Tian?" Meng Ping's face was already filled with bewilderment When Nie Rong spoke out, and when she heard her son, Nie Yuan, saying similar words, she couldn't help but ask.

The Azure Forest Tri-Sect was annihilated by Little Tian?

Meng Ping's words instantly seemed to have transformed into two enormous hammers that fiercely smashed onto the chests of Nie Rong and Nie Yuan, causing their chests to rise and fall continuously like a bellows, and it was unable to calm down for a long time.

"Ping, you... You said the Azure Forest Tri-Sect was annihilated by Little Tian?" Nie Rong recovered from his shock and swallowed a mouthful of saliva with slight difficulty, and then his gaze that was filled with astonishment moved from Meng Ping to descend onto Duan Ling Tian.

At this moment, he suddenly felt that the violet clothed young man before him was so unfamiliar.

Unfamiliar to the point his heart palpitated!

Of course, the reason he had such a feeling was for no other reason than because of the strength that Duan Ling Tian possessed now.

Nie Yuan looked at Duan Ling Tian with a dumbstruck expression as well.

"Yes." Meng Ping nodded, and then she said slowly, "Not long ago, Little Tian made a move and annihilated all the sixth level Void Initiation Stage higher-ups of the Azure Forest Tri-Sect, and then he joined forces with the other two sixth level Void Initiation Stage experts of the Seven Star Sword Sect to slaughter all the remaining Void Initiation Stage experts of the Azure Forest Tri-Sect... Presently, the Azure Forest Tri-Sect doesn't exist any longer and the revival of the Seven Star Sword Sect is near at hand." Meng Ping finished speaking with a single breath.

Whoosh!

Meng Ping's words were like a stone that caused a thousand ripples on the surface of a lake, and it caused everyone besides Duan Ling Tian and the two old women to be stunned.

Everyone including Nie Rong and Nie Yuan felt that today was the day they'd suffered the most shock in their lifetimes, and it was simply shocking beyond compare.

"Little Tian, you... really..." Nie Yuan gasped and looked at Duan Ling Tian as if he wanted to confirm it.

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian lightly smiled and nodded.

Nie Yuan had a complicated gaze, and he sighed after a long time. "No wonder you fearlessly trespassed into the Flying Rainbow Sect today. So it turns out that you're utterly unafraid of these old fellows of the Flying Rainbow Sect." As he finished speaking, Nie Yuan laughed bitterly, and at the same time, he glanced at the nearby old women that knelt before Duan Ling Tian.

Now he finally understood why the two old women would be so afraid of Duan Ling Tian.

All of this was because of Duan Ling Tian's actions of annihilating the Azure Forest Tri-Sect not long ago, whereas, the crowd of Flying Rainbow Sect disciples on the Martial Practice Grounds and Nie Rong couldn't help but gasp. For a time, the entire Martial Practice Grounds was filled with the sound of heavy breathing.

The crowd of Flying Rainbow Sect disciples on the Martial Practice Grounds heaved a sigh of relief when they heard the Azure Forest Tri-Sect didn't exist any longer.

After all, since the Azure Forest Tri-Sect has ceased to exist, they weren't worried that Duan Ling Tian would kill them to keep them quiet.

"Duan Ling Tian is capable of killing experts at the sixth level of the Void Initiation Stage? Doesn't that mean that his strength is at the seventh level of the Void Initiation Stage or above?"

"A seventh level Void Initiation Stage expert below the age of 30... Heavens! Even if it's the Darkhan Dynasty, there might not be such a heaven defying young expert, right?"

"I truly never imagined that such a great figure has actually appeared in our Flying Rainbow Sect."

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The crowd of Flying Rainbow Sect disciples that weren't afraid any longer looked at Duan Ling Tian with even more burning gazes, and many even continued casting flirtatious gazes at Duan Ling Tian.

"Lord Duan Ling Tian, spare our lives!" Meanwhile, the azure clothed old woman and blue clothed old woman that knelt before Duan Ling Tian continued to kowtow and beg for mercy, and their voices were filled with terror that came from the heart.

Duan Ling Tian glanced indifferently at the two old women, and then his gaze moved onto Meng Ping as he lightly smiled and said, "Grandma Meng, how should we deal with them? So long as you say the word, I can make them completely vanish from this world right away, and they won't leave a single trace behind."

Duan Ling Tian's words were extremely indifferent, and it was as if killing these two old women was utterly not the slightest bit difficult to him.

In actuality, it was indeed without the slightest bit of difficulty.

"Sect Leader, I won't dare go against you in the future, please spare us!"

"Sect Leader, save us!"

The two old women hurriedly turned to kneel before Meng Ping when they heard Duan Ling Tian's words, and tears flowed down their aged faces.

In their eyes, Meng Ping was currently their life saving straw.

The two old women were instantly anxious when they saw Meng Ping standing there with a heavy expression, yet remaining silent, and they hurriedly pinched open their fingers before a drop of blood flew out of the tip of each of their fingers and shot into the sky.

In the next moment, the two old women hurriedly made a vow.

The vow they made was none other than one that said they were willing to be blasted to death by the Nine-Nine Heavenly Tribulation if they dared go against the Sect Leader, Meng Ping, in the future.

A flowing light flashed within Meng Ping's eyes when she saw the two old women making such a heavy vow, and then she said slowly, "Both of you can live, but you must go to the forbidden area! Unless the sect encounters a calamity, otherwise, both of you aren't allowed to take a step out of the forbidden area for your entire lives."

"Thank you, Sect Leader." The two Supreme Elders knew that they'd saved their lives when they heard Meng Ping, and they thanked her repeatedly.

Living was more important than anything to them.

In next to no time, they left to head towards the forbidden area.

Duan Ling Tian, Nie Rong, and Nie Yuan had instead soared up into the sky with Meng Ping, and they quickly arrived at a higher point on Flying Rainbow Mountain before descending into a vast pavilion.

Under Meng Ping's lead, they sat down before a pavilion, and then Nie Yuan couldn't help but look at Duan Ling Tian and give Duan Ling Tian a big thumbs-up. "Little Tian, Uncle Nie really never imagined that you'll actually be able to obtain such great achievements after you left the Crimson Sky Kingdom."

"What? Uncle Nie, do you look down on me so much?" Duan Ling Tian asked while laughing.

Nie Yuan couldn't help but be stunned when he heard this, and then he spoke with slight embarrassment. "It's not that, it's just that I feel your achievements are truly astonishing... In the past, not even in my dreams had I imagined that a person from our Crimson Sky Kingdom could ascend to the height that you've ascended."

"Hmph! How can Little Tian be compared to ordinary people?" Nie Rong glared at Nie Yuan as he grunted.

Meanwhile, Meng Ping had made tea for the three of them, and she walked over. "Little Tian's had already become famous in the entire Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom since a few years ago. But when I found out that Little Tian was from the Crimson Sky Kingdom and had an extremely intimate relationship with Yuan, the Seven Star Sword Sect has already been annihilated by the Azure Forest Tri-Sect..."

When she spoke up to here, Meng Ping stopped and directly gave a brief summary before continuing. "I was deeply afraid that the Azure Forest Tri-Sect would involve the Crimson Sky Kingdom because of Little Tian, and in extension, involve the Divine Might Marquis Estate... So I didn't mention anything about Little Tian's deeds in the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom to Yuan."

"Little Tian, you don't blame me, right?" Meng Ping looking lovingly at Duan Ling Tian.

"Grandma Meng, you're joking. You had the whole situation in mind, what do I have to blame you for?" Duan Ling Tian shook his head.

"Little Tian, you're already an existence at the seventh level of the Void Initiation Stage or above now... It seems to have been the Darkhan Dynasty's Martial Competition not long ago, whereas, the young geniuses that advanced from it will obtain the qualifications to participate in the Martial Competition of the Ten Dynasties! Have you obtained the qualifications to participate in the Martial Competition of the Ten Dynasties?" Suddenly, Meng Ping had a flash of realization, and she looked curiously at Duan Ling Tian with eyes that were filled with anticipation.

For a time, Nie Rong and Nie Yuan came to a sudden understanding, and only now did they realized that Duan Ling Tian's cultivation had already exceeded their imagination long ago. It was even possible that Duan Ling Tian had advanced from the Empire's Young Genius Competition to obtain the qualifications to participate in the Dynasty Martial Competition.

As for if Duan Ling Tian advanced in the Dynasty Martial Competition, it was something they didn't dare be completely certain of.

After all, the Dynasty Martial Competition was the stage where the young geniuses of the Darkhan Dynasty and the various Empires under it competed, and there surely existed many young martial artists with extraordinary natural talent amongst them.

Coupled with Duan Ling Tian being inferior to all of those young geniuses in terms of age, they were afraid that even if Duan Ling Tian possessed a cultivation at the seventh level of the Void Initiation Stage, Duan Ling Tian might not be able to advance from the Dynasty Martial Competition and obtain the qualification to participate in the Martial Competition of the Ten Dynasties.

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian nodded when faced with Meng Ping's question. "I'll be going to the Darkhan Dynasty's Imperial Palace to gather with the other nine young geniuses in a few months, and then we'll head to the northern desert to participate in the Martial Competition of the Ten Dynasties!"

Duan Ling Tian's words had undoubtedly indicated that he'd indeed passed through the Dynasty Martial Competition.

For a time, the family of three that sat before Duan Ling Tian were petrified, and they only recovered from their shock after a long time.

"If his Majesty finds out about this, he'll surely be overjoyed! A member of our Crimson Sky Kingdom has actually obtained the qualification to participate in the Martial Competition of the Ten Dynasties..." Nie Yuan was excited to the point his face flushed red, and he was unable to restrain his emotions.

The Martial Competition of the Ten Dynasties was a competition amongst the group of top young geniuses in the various Dynasties.

Even though Meng Ping and Nie Rong didn't say anything, the gazes they looked at Duan Ling Tian were still filled with shock.

"Grandpa Nie, Grandma Meng, Uncle Nie... I still have other matters to attend to, so I won't disturb the reunion of your family." Duan Ling Tian bid his farewells to the three of them before standing up with the intention of leaving.

Chapter 742: Extracting Spirit Points

Duan Ling Tian didn't return to the Crimson Sky Kingdom, nor did he return to the Seven Star Sword Sect after leaving the Flying Rainbow Sect, and he instead headed all the way to the Imperial City of the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom.

After he arrived at the Imperial City, he headed directly to the Main Guild of the Weapons Craftsmen Guild to look for Luo Rong.

Luo Rong was the Guild Master of the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Weapons Craftsmen Main Guild, and at the same time, he was the grandfather of Crazy Young Master who was ranked at the top amongst the five great young masters, Luo Zhan, and he could be considered to be an old acquaintance of Duan Ling Tian's in the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Imperial City.

"Master, you've returned?" Luo Rong still maintained a respectful manner towards Duan Ling Tian when he saw Duan Ling Tian after two years.

This respect was because Duan Ling Tian had provided him the grace of guidance in the Dao of Weapons Refinement, and he couldn't forget it for his entire lifetime.

"Help me look for some materials." Duan Ling Tian went straight to the point and spoke of the reason for his arrival.

Amongst all the people that he knew in the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom, the old man before him undoubtedly possessed the broadest connections.

"Please tell me what you need, Master." Luo Rong answered respectfully and reverently.

Duan Ling Tian nodded, and then he spoke of some materials that were comparatively rare.

Of course, even though these materials were rare, yet they weren't precious, and it was completely capable of being gathered in the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Imperial City.

Otherwise, Duan Ling Tian wouldn't come look for Luo Rong.

"I'll go instruct my subordinates." Luo Rong spoke to Duan Ling Tian before leaving, and he only returned after half an hour. "Master, I've already posted a reward for those materials in our guild... Besides that, I've asked someone to enter the Imperial Palace and contact the members of the Imperial Family. The materials stored by the Imperial Family are the most complete collection in the entire Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom. The materials ought to be able to be gathered within three days."

"Okay, thank you for the trouble." Duan Ling Tian nodded, and then he asked. "Right, has Luo Zhan returned?"

"No." Long Rong shook his head, and then he said slowly, "That child has been eager to do well since a young age. It was still fine in the past when he was publicly acknowledged as the most outstanding amongst the five great young masters of the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom as he felt no pressure... Two years ago, your appearance and the pressure placed upon him by Saber Young Master had undoubtedly caused him to suffer a great blow. Thus, he decided to go out and gain experience and tempering. But, going out to gain experience and tempering is a good thing as it's capable of polishing of the edge of his spirit and allowing him to become slightly more mature." When he spoke up to here, Luo Rong stopped. "Master, I heard you advanced in the Young Genius Competition of the Darkstone Empire and obtained the qualifications to participate in the Darkhan Dynasty's Martial Competition... I wonder if you've advanced in the Dynasty Martial Competition in the Darkhan Dynasty?"

Duan Ling Tian lightly smiled and nodded.

"As expected." Luo Rong nodded, and he seemed to not be surprised. This caused Duan Ling Tian to be slightly bewildered, and he couldn't help but ask. "You... aren't surprised?"

"If this matter were to happen on another like my grandson, then perhaps I would be surprised... But when it occurred on you, Master, I instead feel it couldn't be any more normal." Luo Rong spoke out with what he thought in his heart, and it caused Duan Ling Tian to be speechless to the point of being at a loss for what to answer with.

He couldn't say thank you for you praise, right?

Subsequently, Duan Ling Tian temporarily stayed at the guild under Luo Rong's arrangement, and he waited for the materials to arrive.

The materials Duan Ling Tian asked Luo Rong to search for were materials used for Inscriptions, and they were the materials required to construct the Inscription Formation Duan Ling Tian intended to use.

"Constructing an Inscription Formation for the first time is truly slightly exciting... But with the memories of the Rebirth Martial Emperor, there isn't the slightest pressure." Duan Ling Tian's face was suffused with a wisp of rosiness as he looked at the pile of materials on the table as he sat quietly in his room, and it was a rosiness of excitement.

With a raise of his hand, numerous low grade Origin Stones were withdrawn by Duan Ling Tian. "Origin Stones aren't a problem... I only hope that those materials can be gathered. In that way, I can successfully extract all the Spirit Points in the base of the Demonic Lotusblade Sect, Origin Convergence Sect, and Snow Moon Sect before moving them to the Seven Star Sword Sect."

Extracting them was different from just extracting the energy within, as extracting the energy that had been accumulated for many years within the Spirit Points only required an Origin Drawing Pearl. It was a physical effort that anyone could do easily to the point it utterly didn't require one to use one's brains.

On the other hand, extracting Spirit Points was skilled work that required one to use one's brain intensely as it could only be achieved when combined with special Inscription Formations.

If one really wanted to speak about the difference between the two.

The former only extracted the spirit energy of the heavens and earth that had been accumulated in the Spirit Point for many years, and after a period of time, spirit energy would once again accumulate within it. Moreover, the spirit energy extracted from the Spirit Point would be gone once it was used.

The latter instead extracted Spirit Points by the roots. No matter if it was the spirit energy accumulated within the Spirit Point or the Spirit Point itself, all of them would be directly extracted.

Duan Ling Tian wanted to achieve the latter.

He wanted to utilize the Inscription Formation he possessed to extract the Spirit Points of the three great sects by the roots, and then move them to the seven great sword peaks of the Seven Star Sword Sect.

At that time, besides the nine Spirit Points that had temporarily lost their spirit energy, the Seven Star Sword Sect would gain another 20 plus Spirit Points.

"Perhaps I can consider extracting the Spirit Points from that Mountain Split Sect as well.... In any case, the Mountain Split Sect was annihilated by the Azure Forest Tri-Sect and leaving the Spirit Points there is a waste." Duan Ling Tian's expression turned serious and had a righteous expression on his face as he muttered to himself.

Even though the materials hadn't been completely gathered, it didn't affect Duan Ling Tian from starting to inscribe the Inscriptions. The Inscriptions he had to inscribe now were the Inscriptions required to construct the Inscription Formation.

These Inscriptions didn't rely on Origin Energy to be powered, as they were powered by Origin Stones instead. Only in this way could the Inscription Formation maintain a tireless circulation.

He couldn't be using his Origin Energy to power the Inscription Formation at all times, right?

Besides some Inscription Formations that possessed some special requirements, otherwise, practically all the Inscription Formations constructed from formidable Inscription Masters of the Foreign Lands utilized Origin Stones to circulate.

After Duan Ling Tian's cultivation broke through to the ninth level of the Void Initiation Stage, his Spiritual Force had advanced to the second level of the Void Interpretation Stage along with his cultivation, and inscribing the Inscription he needed at this moment almost didn't consume any of his Spiritual Force.

So, after three days and two nights of continuing without sleeping, Duan Ling Tian didn't feel a trace of exhaustion, and he was still brimming with spirit.

On the night of the third day, Luo Rong knocked on Duan Ling Tian's door and sent in the last pile of materials required by Duan Ling Tian. "Master, all the materials have arrived."

"Thank you for the trouble." Duan Ling Tian nodded in gratitude to Luo Rong.

"Master, you're too kind. The great favor you've given me is something is difficult for me to repay even with my life, not to mention these small matters," said Luo Rong, and then he sensibly took a step back. "Master, I won't disturb your rest."

Luo Rong closed the door with a flip of his hand while leaving.

Duan Ling Tian's gaze flashed as he looked at the room door that was closed. At this moment, he even had the intention of refining a grade three spirit sword to give to Luo Rong as thanks.

But with a quick thought, it seemed that giving a grade three spirit sword to Luo Rong would only harm Luo Rong.

Not to mention the yearning of the various experts in the Darkhan Dynasty towards a grade three spirit weapon, even if Luo Rong kept it securely, but as a Weapons Craftsman, would he not take it out to study?

With Luo Rong's current attainments in the Dao of Weapons Refinement, forcefully studying a grade three spirit weapon was only harmful to him.

So Duan Ling Tian intended to properly repay Luo Rong in the future.

"The pressing matter for now is to first complete these Inscriptions." Duan Ling Tian returned to his senses, and he continued inscribing the Inscriptions.

Half a month of time passed in the blink of an eye.

During these past few days, besides occasionally going out to have a meal with Luo Rong, Duan Ling Tian practically closed himself off within his room, and he finally completely all the inscribing of Incriptions after half a month.

"I ought to leave now." Duan Ling Tian directly bid his farewells after he found Luo Rong.

"Master, no matter what it is, feel free to instruct me with it in the future. I'll surely try my best to help you, Master." Luo Rong spoke with a sincere expression.

"Thanks." Duan Ling Tian nodded and thanked Luo Rong before leaving the guild, and then he inquired in the Imperial City about the location of the Origin Convergence Sect and Snow Moon Sect before leaving the Imperial City.

Duan Ling Tian headed all the way north and quickly entered into a world of ice and snow. According to what he'd inquired earlier, this was the location of the Snow Moon Sect.

But the Snow Moon Sect was cold and quiet now with almost no signs of human habitation, and after going around for half a day, Duan Ling Tian didn't notice a single living person.

"Looks like Elder Peng really made them suffer to the point they were afraid... Besides the Demonic Lotusblade Sect's Demonic Lotusblade Gorge, the former location of the Snow Moon Sect and even the former location of the Origin Convergence Sect are probably empty as well." Duan Ling Tian thought in his heart.

In next to no time, Duan Ling Tian calmed his mood and started to search for the locations of the Spirit Points in the Snow Moon Sect.

Because the Spirit Points here didn't have their spirit energy extracted by the Origin Drawing Pearls, Duan Ling Tian quickly found the location of the Spirit Points.

"Only six?" After taking a circle around the Snow Moon Sect and searching carefully, Duan Ling Tian only noticed six Spirit Points.

Since he'd found the Spirit Points, Duan Ling Tian started to get to work.

Firstly, he withdrew the Incriptions that were inscribed onto numerous low grade Origin Stones by the various materials.

Duan Ling Tian stood at the eye of one of the Spirit Points before numerous low grade Origin Stones shot out from his hand and arranged themselves with extreme order on the eye of the Spirit Point.

Gradually, they formed a triangular shape, and the numerous Origin Stones joined closely together to the point they became attached tightly.

Clang!

Along with the last Origin Stone shooting out and fusing into the triangular shaped arrangement formed by the numerous Origin Stones, all the Origin Stones started flickering with strands of milky white glows.

In next to no time, the strands of milky white glows effused out before converging together to form a triangular shaped milky white ring of light.

"It's a success." Even though he'd guessed long ago that it wouldn't fail, Duan Ling Tian couldn't help but reveal a smile of joy when he saw the scene of the Inscription Formation really being activated successfully.

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The appearance of the triangular milky white glow also meant that the Inscription Formation had been officially activated.

After the Inscription Formation was activated, one could notice with the naked eye that a revolving vortex had appeared out of thin air at the center of the triangular glow, and the appearance of the vortex became clearer and clearer.

A terrifying suction force swept out from the vortex and acted on the ground.

Bang!

Not long after, a hideous crack appeared on the ground.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

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Along with the passage of time, the cracks on the floor ceaselessly increased in number, and they interweaved densely together like a spider web that stretched out without end.

"It's coming out." Duan Ling Tian's seemed to have noticed something, and his gaze descended onto the area beneath the Inscription Formation.

Meanwhile, along with the vortex formed by the Inscription Formation revolving ceaselessly, a ditch that seemed bottomless had appeared beneath the split open ground.

After a short moment, the ditch that seemed to be dim had suddenly become bright.

A milky white ball of light that was condensed from almost material liquid spirit energy appeared out of thin air beneath the ditch, and then it swiftly fused into the vortex and was swallowed by it.

After the almost material ball of milky white light was swallowed completely by the vortex, it split up and fused into the numerous low grade Origin Stones that were inscribed with Inscriptions.

The vortex gradually dispersed, and the triangular milky white glow gradually dimmed down along with it, and then the triangular glow revealed its true appearance, numerous low grade Origin Stones that had formed into a triangular shape.

If one were to look carefully at these low grade Origin Stones, then one could see that the surface of these Origin Stones possessed strands of extremely bright milky white liquid flowing about within them.

This was precisely the Spirit Point and the spirit energy within the Spirit Point that had been temporarily sealed within the Origin Stones.

A Spirit Point didn't exist in the form of a solid body. Just like the spirit energy of the heavens and the other, it was an existence that existed in a liquid form, and it normally attached itself tightly to the ground.

Even if an Origin Drawing Seal was capable of extracting the liquid spirit energy accumulate in the Spirit Point, it wasn't capable of extracting the Spirit Point itself.

Yet now, Duan Ling Tian had achieved it via an Inscription Formation, and he'd successfully extracted the Spirit Point by its roots.

Whoosh!

Duan Ling Tian withdrew an unused Spatial Ring and put away the pile of Origin Stones on the ground into it. These low grade Origin Stones were the key to moving the Spirit Point, and he couldn't allow them to be lost.

The Spirit Point was temporarily being housed within these Origin Stones.

"Continue." After Duan Ling Tian extracted one Spirit Point, he didn't hesitate to directly head to the next Spirit Point.

Even though he was able to extract Spirit Points, they had a certain time limitation. If he didn't release the Spirit Points that he'd extracted within 10 days and found them a new home, then they would disperse completely.

Duan Ling Tian spent three hours and extracted all six of the Spirit Points in the Snow Moon Sect.

Subsequently, he headed over to the Demonic Lotusblade Gorge.

The Demonic Lotusblade Gorge had a total of seven Spirit Points, yet Duan Ling Tian only found four out of the seven after looking for a long time. "The spirit energy accumulated within the other three Spirit Points were extracted out by Long Wei earlier. Since I didn't know their location beforehand, it isn't easy for me to find them in a short period of time."

"But even if I'm able to extract those three Spirit Points, they will be of no use in a short period of time as they must experience a certain amount of time before being capable of accumulating spirit energy again... Yes, I'll leave them alone for now."

When he thought up to here, Duan Ling Tian temporarily gave up on those three Spirit Points in the Demonic Lotusblade Gorge that had their spirit energy extracted, and he moved his attention of the other four Spirit Points that possessed abundant spirit energy.

Doing exactly as he did before, Duan Ling Tian quickly extracted the other four Spirit Points with the Inscription Formation.

"Continue." Duan Ling Tian, who'd extracted a total of 10 Spirit Points, didn't stop just like this, and he headed towards the Origin Convergence Sect after leaving the Demonic Lotusblade Gorge.

The Origin Convergence Sect was situated within a large canyon, and it only possessed a single entrance. If he didn't inquire about it earlier, then even if Duan Ling Tian passed by this place, he would probably have never imagined that there was something hidden within it.

"Sure enough, it's as I guessed." After he entered the Origin Convergence Sect, Duan Ling Tian didn't notice a single person, and there were only demon beasts that were fleeing in all directions and some fierce beasts that took the initiative to attack Duan Ling Tian.

Demon beasts possessed elementary intelligence, and they could realize how extraordinary Duan Ling Tian was, so they didn't dare offend Duan Ling Tian.

But fierce beasts didn't possess this awareness.

But not a single one of these fierce beasts that attacked Duan Ling Tian could approach him, as every single time they pounced towards Duan Ling Tian, they would be blasted flying when they were still a period of distance away from Duan Ling Tian.

Duan Ling Tian's Origin Energy that was suffused with strands of an Earthen Yellow sheen ceaselessly crisscrossed as they moved on Duan Ling Tian's body, and they were like numerous earth dragons that were indistinct on his body.

This was precisely the high grade Earth Rank defensive martial skill, Earth Dragon's Barrier, that Duan Ling Tian had executed casually!

The Earth Dragon's Barrier was the defensive martial skill that came along with the sixth form, the Earth Dragon Form, of the Nine Dragons War Sovereign Technique that Duan Ling Tian cultivated. Even though it was inferior to a Heaven Rank defensive martial skill, but it could be considered to be at the top amongst earth-rank defensive martial skills.

"Auwu~~"

"Shriek~"

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No matter if it was fierce beasts on the land or in the sky, all of them seemed to have sobered up once they were blasted flying by the defensive barrier on the surface of Duan Ling Tian's body, and they wailed before hurriedly fleeing.

Perhaps their intelligence was inferior to demon beasts, yet after they'd suffered a loss, they subconsciously launched actions to protect themselves.

"Seven Spirit Points?" After taking a circle around the former base of the Origin Convergence Sect, Duan Ling Tian revealed a smile on his face.

Since he'd noticed Spirit Points, then Duan Ling Tian started to make a move.

Clang! Clang! Clang! Clang! Clang!

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Numerous Origin Stones that had been inscribed with Inscriptions flew out from Duan Ling Tian's hand and descended onto the ground, and then they formed Inscription Formations before starting to extract the Spirit Points.

Because he had the experience from before, Duan Ling Tian's movements were much more practiced now.

The extraction of seven Spirit Points this time was even faster than the time he spent to extract the six Spirit Points in the Snow Moon Sect earlier.

After he extracted the seven Spirit Points, Duan Ling Tian headed straight towards the seven great sword peaks of the Seven Star Sword Sect.

"I don't have to rush to extract the Spirit Points in the former Mountain Split Sect for now... I'll go extract it when I have time in another few years. Yes, and the remaining three Spirit Points in the Demonic Lotusblade Gorge." On the way, Duan Ling Tian didn't forget the other Spirit Points as he muttered.

While flying with his entire speed, Duan Ling Tian spent three days of time before finally seeing the seven great sword peaks that shot into the skies in the distance, and they gave Duan Ling Tian an indescribable feeling of intimacy.

Duan Ling Tian stood in midair above the peak of Dubhe Peak, and his gaze flickered.

After a short moment, Duan Ling Tian sighed and muttered. "Sect Leader, Peak Master Zheng Fang, Peak Master Ke Zhan, Elder Bi... The Seven Star Sword Sect has already been rebuilt, and just like before, it's still the number one sect in the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom! All of you can rest peacefully in the netherworld." As he finished muttering, Duan Ling Tian slightly bowed, and it could be considered a bow of respect towards all the higher-ups and disciples of the Seven Star Sword Sect that had sacrificed themselves for the Seven Star Sword Sect.

The area on the peak of Dubhe Peak was originally tainted completely with blood, yet it was completely clean now, and it had obviously been specially cleaned.

"Mo Yu's speed is really quick." Duan Ling Tian's brows raised as his figure flashed out to instantly arrive in the sky above Dubhe Hall.

Dubhe Hall was the place the former Sect Leader of the Seven Star Sword Sect, Linghu Jin Hong, cultivated, and after Mo Yu took Linghu Jin Hong as his master, he'd settled down and cultivated here as well.

But even though Dubhe Hall was currently spotlessly clean, it was empty.

"Looks like Mo Yu is probably busy somewhere else." Duan Ling Tian thought to himself.

When he was in the sky above the peak of Dubhe Peak, he noticed that many Seven Star Sword Sect disciples were bustling about all over, and it caused the entire Seven Star Sword Sect to reveal a flourishing scene.

The Seven Star Sword Sect, a lion that had slumbered for a long time, was already awakening.

Duan Ling Tian didn't disturb anyone and descended onto Dubhe Hall at the first possible moment before withdrawing a pile of Origin Stones, and then he fused the Spirit Point sealed within it into the ground beneath Dubhe Hall.

Extracting a Spirit Point and fusing a Spirit Point into the ground were two different notions.

The former required the strength of the Inscription Formation to destroy the foundations in the ground before the Spirit Point could be extracted completely.

The latter only required the Spirit Point to release the Spirit Point from the seal of the Inscription Formation, and then it would bore into the ground by itself in the first possible moment and search for a new home.

Whoosh!

The milky white ball of light that was formed from liquid spirit energy instantly fused into the ground after Duan Ling Tian activated the Inscription Formation.

Practically at the exact same instant, vast spirit energy of the heavens and the earth emitted out the envelop the entire Dubhe Hall, and the cultivation environment in Dubhe Hall instantly underwent a tremendous change.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

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At the same time, waves of light bands sounded out as the numerous Origin Stones that formed a triangular shape had exploded and shatter to transform into power, and then they vanished without a trace along with the wind.

These Origin Stones that were inscribed with Inscriptions to form the Inscription Formation had completed their mission.

"When the other Spirit Point beneath Dubhe Hall accumulates spirit energy once more and the two Spirit Points overlap each other, the cultivation environment on Dubhe Hall will surely be two times better than it is now!" This was something that Duan Ling Tian didn't doubt in the slightest.

Subsequently, Duan Ling Tian left Dubhe Hall and headed to the other places.

"I'll fuse a new Spirit Point into the ground at the place the other eight original Spirit Points were, and I'll fuse the remaining Spirit Points into the other six great sword peaks." In next to no time, Duan Ling Tian made a decision in his heart.

He's extracted a total of 17 Spirit Points from the bases of the other three great sects, and after using one on Dubhe Peak, another 16 remained.

In other words, even if he used another eight Spirit Points, there would still be another eight remaining. He intended to fuse six of these eight into the other six great sword peaks, and as for the remaining two, he intended to leave them to Elder Peng.

Elder Peng was the Sect Guarding Revered Elder of the Seven Star Sword Sect, the sixth level Void Initiation Stage Roc.

When he met Elder Peng the last time, his Spiritual Force had detected that Elder Peng was only a step away from breaking through to the seventh level of the Void Initiation Stage.

Presumably, with a place of cultivation that possessed two Spirit Points and coupled with the assistance of some low grade Origin Stones, Elder Peng ought to be able to break through smoothly.

Chapter 744: Six-Clawed Divine Dragon

Not only did he leave some low grade Origin Stones for Elder Peng, he even left some for Qin Xiang, Mo Yu, and Zheng Song.

After all, it was impossible for him to stay in the Seven Star Sword Sect forever, and the Seven Star Sword Sect had to rely on them to possess better circumstances as it was passed down.

After he left Dubhe Hall, Duan Ling Tian arrived at Alkaid Hall, and it just happened that the Alkaid Peak's Master, Qin Xiang, was at Alkaid Hall.

After greeting Qin Xiang, Duan Ling Tian started constructing the Inscription Formation and released the Spirit Point to allow it to fuse into the ground beneath Alkaid Hall.

Instantly, vast spirit energy spread out, causing the nearby Qin Xiang to reveal a shocked expression.

Even though Duan Ling Tian had said previously that he wanted to move the Spirit Points from the former Demonic Lotusblade Sect, Origin Convergence Sect, and Snow Moon Sect to the Seven Star Sword Sect, hearing and seeing was two completely different things, and Qin Xiang was unable to recover from her shock for a long time.

Duan Ling Tian didn't disturb Qin Xiang who was in a daze, and he continued to head towards his next destination.

In next to no time, Duan Ling Tian had fused a Spirit Point in the ground near the existing nine great Spirit Points on Dubhe Peak.

Subsequently, Duan Ling Tian headed to the other six great sword peaks of the outer court and fused a Spirit Point into each of them.

After that, Duan Ling Tian went to look for Elder Peng.

Elder Peng normally stayed on the precipice behind Dubhe Peak, and that was his place of cultivation.

"Elder Peng." Duan Ling Tian flew down to greet the Roc that lay on the ground nearby.

A bright light flowed out from the eyes of the Roc when he saw Duan Ling Tian, and then he nodded lightly, yet he was quickly stunned.

Because Duan Ling Tian had already started to fuse Spirit Points into his place of cultivation.

After the two Spirit Points fused into the rear of Dubhe Peak, vast and boundless spirit energy instantly swept out to envelop Duan Ling Tian and Elder Peng.

The Roc's pair of sharp eyes couldn't help but constrict when he felt this spirit energy, and he said to Duan Ling Tian via voice transmission, "Little Fellow, this is?"

"Elder Peng, I've left two Spirit Points for your place of cultivation. In the future, your cultivation will yield twice the results here... Besides that, these Origin Stones are for you." With a raise of his hand, Duan Ling Tian withdrew 10,000 low grade Origin Stones and slowly placed them nearby before Elder Peng.

"Origin Stones?" After he saw the Origin Stones, Elder Peng's eyes that revealed astonishment from Duan Ling Tian's actions of moving the Spirit Points had become completely stunned.

Even though he hadn't seen Origin Stones in the past, as the saying goes, even if one hasn't had meat, one has seen a pig run. As the Sect Guarding Revered Elder of the Seven Star Sword Sect, he'd naturally heard of the existence of Origin Stones.

"These are low grade Origin Stones." Duan Ling Tian continued. "A Void Initiation Stage martial artist or demon beast can absorb the spirit energy of the heaven and earth within the Origin Stone to cultivate... A single low grade Origin Stone can be absorbed for an hour."

"Under the assistance of two Spirit Points and coupled with these low grade Origin Stones, it's sufficient to allow Elder Peng to easily break through to the seventh level of the Void Initiation Stage." As he finished speaking, Duan Ling Tian revealed a smile.

"Little Fellow, you should keep these Origin Stones for yourself... Even if I can break through to the seventh level of the Void Initiation Stage in this lifetime, it's impossible for me to break through to the Void Interpretation Stage, so there's no need to waste so many Origin Stones for nothing."

Since the Roc recognized the Origin Stones, he naturally knew how precious Origin Stones were, and he directly refused Duan Ling Tian's good intentions. "With your natural talent and coupled with the assistance of these Origin Stones, you'll surely be capable of going higher and further!"

Obviously, the reason Elder Peng had refused was because he didn't want himself to burden Duan Ling Tian's footsteps.

"Elder Peng, if you're refusing these Origin Stones because of this, then you don't have to.... I have many more Origin Stones in my possession, and I'm unable to finish using them all in a short period of time." Duan Ling Tian smiled before directly soaring into the sky. "Besides that, the Seven Star Sword Sect still requires your protection in the future, Elder Peng... The stronger your strength is, the safer the Seven Star Sword Sect will be." As soon as he finished speaking, Duan Ling Tian didn't wait for Elder Peng to respond before leaving directly.

Elder Peng's complicated gaze contained gratitude mixed within, and he gazes at Duan Ling Tian's figure all the way until Duan Ling Tian flew into the clouds and mist.

All those years ago, when he saw this little fellow for the first time, he'd had an extremely deep impression of Duan Ling Tian.

He still remembered that this little fellow had utilized Spiritual Force to detect his cultivation.

Never had he imagined that only less than 10 years had passed, and the little fellow from all those years ago had already grown to an extent that was difficult for him to reach.

"It's the fortune of the Seven Star Sword Sect to be able to possess a disciple that's willing to do all he can for the sect..." Elder Peng thought silently in his heart.

After leaving Elder Peng's place of cultivation, Duan Ling Tian went to look for Mo Yu.

"Senior Brother." Mo Yu had an expression of joy when he saw Duan Ling Tian once more, and he greeted Duan Ling Tian respectfully.

Since he'd witnessed Duan Ling Tian's terrifying strength that day, he wasn't as carefree before Duan Ling Tian as he was before.

Duan Ling Tian nodded and smiled before asking. "Has Senior Brother Zheng Song returned?"

"Not yet." Mo Yu shook his head. "He probably needs another half a month of time to return. Senior Brother, why don't you stay in the Seven Star Sword Sect during this period of time and await their return?"

"It's fine if they haven't returned." Duan Ling Tian withdrew a Spatial Ring with a raise of his hand, and then he passed it to Mo Yu and said via voice transmission, "There're a total of 30,000 low grade Origin Stones here. Keep 10,000 for yourself, then give another 10,000 to both Peak Master Qin Xiang and Senior Brother Zheng Song."

"I've already moved a Spirit Point into the original locations of the nine great Spirit Points. Besides that, I put one in each of the six great sword peaks of the outer court..." Duan Ling Tian told Mo Yu of all the locations he placed the Spirit Points, and then he soared into the sky with the intention of leaving.

"Senior Brother, what are low grade Origin Stones?" Duan Ling Tian had just soared up into the sky when he heard Mo Yu's voice transmission that was filled with bewilderment.

"Go ask Peak Master Qin Xiang, she'll tell you. Besides that, help me bid farewell to Peak Master Qin Xiang." Duan Ling Tian replied to Mo Yu before he transformed into a violet bolt of lightning that vanished above the clouds and mist high above the sky in the blink of an eye.

Mo Yu sighed and then put down all the affairs he was dealing with to head to Alkaid Hall and look for Qin Xiang.

Mo Yu felt dense spirit energy assault his face when he'd just approached Alkaid Hall, and he knew clearly in his heart that this was the Spirit Point that Senior Brother Duan Ling Tian had moved into the Seven Star Sword Sect.

"Senior Brother really succeeded in doing it." Even though he was mentally prepared since long ago, but Mo Yu's heart was still filled with shock when he felt this dense spirit energy.

As far as he was concerned, Senior Brother seemed capable of anything, and it seemed as if there was nothing that Duan Ling Tian couldn't do.

"Sect Leader." Qin Xiang nodded lightly in greeting when she saw Mo Yu.

"Martial Aunt Qin Xiang, you don't have to call me Sect Leader in private. Just call me Mo Yu like before." Mo Yu spoke respectfully.

Qin Xiang nodded.

"Martial Aunt Qin Xiang, before Senior Brother left, he passed..." Mo Yu looked at Qin Xiang and spoke slowly, yet he hadn't finished speaking when he was interrupted by Qin Xiang. "What did you say? Duan Ling Tian has left?"

"Yes." Mo Yu nodded.

"He didn't even bid farewell to me before leaving." Qin Xiang's beautiful brows knit slightly.

"Martial Aunt, Senior Brother asked me to help him bid farewell to you before he left." Subsequently, Mo Yu changed to topic, or more precisely speaking, he once again changed the topic to the question he wanted to ask earlier. "Martial Aunt, do you know what low grade Origin Stones are?"

"Low grade Origin Stones? How do I....?" Qin Xiang didn't pay attention to what Mo Yu said, and only when she spoke halfway did she react to what she had heard, and her face was suffused with shock. "What did you say? You said Origin Stones?"

Qin Xiang stared fixedly at Mo Yu as she spoke.

"Yes." Mo Yu nodded, and then he withdrew a Spatial Ring that hadn't had ownership established upon it. "Senior Brother said that there are thirty..." Mo Yu hadn't finished speaking when the Spatial Ring in his hand was seized away by Qin Xiang, and she directly dripped her blood on it to establish ownership.

After she established ownership of the Spatial Ring, the space within the Spatial Ring appeared before Qin Xiang's eyes with a command in her heart.

"So... So many Origin Stones?" With a single glance, her pupils couldn't help but constrict, and she cried out and slightly lost her composure.

Origin Stones that piled up into a mountain was within the space in the Spatial Ring, and it was at least a few tens of thousands.

"Senior Brother said that there are 30,000 low grade Origin Stones within it. Martial Aunt, Senior Brother Zheng Song, and I each get 10,000." Mo Yu noticed Qin Xiang's loss of composure and faintly realized that a low grade Origin Stone was probably not something normal, otherwise, how could it cause Qin Xiang to lose her composure like this?

"Martial Aunt, what exactly are these low grade Origin Stones?" Mo Yu asked Qin Xiang once more.

Qin Xiang's eyes flashed, and then she explained what Origin Stones were and their use to Mo Yu.

For a time, Mo Yu was stunned.

So it turned out that Origin Stones were a type of auxiliary item that could allow one's cultivation to advance by leaps and bounds, and even the Darkstone Empire didn't possess them.

Only the Darkhan Dynasty possessed an Origin Stone Vein, and it was controlled in the hands of the Darkhan Dynasty's Imperial Family.

"Why does Senior Brother have so many Origin Stones?" Mo Yu gasped.

Duan Ling Tian naturally didn't know Mo Yu's shock at this moment, as after he left the Seven Star Sword Sect, he'd headed all the way south with the intention of returning to the Crimson Sky Kingdom.

"Presently, the matters in the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom can be said to be dealt with completely, whereas, Father and Mather aren't at the Crimson Sky Kingdom. I ought to leave with Uncle Feng, Tian Wu, and Elder Kong to return to the Darkhan Dynasty after I go catch up with Xiao Yu, Tian Hu, and Li Xuan." Duan Ling Tian thought in his heart.

"Hmm?" Not long after he'd left the Seven Star Sword Sect, Duan Ling Tian stopped in midair.

This was because a middle aged man in a golden robe was standing in mid air in the distant sky, and he stood there like a beacon.

The middle aged man had his back towards Duan Ling Tian, and the back of his golden robe had an extremely conspicuous divine dragon embroidered on it.

"Dragon robe?" Duan Ling Tian frowned, and then his frown eased up. "Wait... No matter if it's the Crimson Sky Kingdom's Emperor or the Darkhan Dynasty's Emperor, the dragon robe worn by ordinary Emperors have a Five-Clawed Divine Dragon embroidered on it, whereas, the dragon robe on this person has a Six-Clawed Divine Dragon embroidered on it!"

Chapter 745: Duan Ling Tian's Unyielding Character

Dragons weren't unfamiliar creatures to Duan Ling Tian.

In his previous life, when he was still on earth as the Weapons Specialist, Ling Tian, he had another nickname in the ancient eastern country he was from.

The descendant of dragons!

He was a descendant of dragons!

Of course, the dragons from his previous life were mostly existences that had been deified. At the very least, he didn't believe that dragons existed before coming to this world.

"Amongst the dragons in the legends of my previous life, there's a Three-Clawed Divine Dragon, Four-Clawed Divine Dragon, Five-Clawed Diving Dragon... But a Five-Clawed Divine Dragon is already the limit of dragons. I've never heard of the existence of a Six-Clawed Divine Dragon." In the ancient eastern

country he was from, the more claws a dragon possessed, the higher the status and identity the dragon had.

For example, amongst the dragon robes during the ancient times of his previous life, only the supreme Emperor could wear a dragon robe that had a Five-Clawed Divine Dragon embroidered on it. Even if those Kings and Princes wore dragon robes, it would only be a Four-Clawed Divine Dragon or Three-Clawed Diving Dragon, and it was far from being possible to confirm with a Five-Clawed Divine Dragon.

"Six-Clawed Divine Dragon... I've never seen nor heard of it in the past." Duan Ling Tian's eyes flashed with a trace of astonishment as he looked at the back of the middle aged man who wore a dragon robe with a Six-Clawed Divine Dragon on it, and then he didn't pay any further attention to the person before intending to go around the person.

However, when Duan Ling Tian went around him and intended to leave.

Whoosh!

A gust of wind assaulted his face, and then a figure appeared out of thin air before Duan Ling Tian's eyes, a figure that wore a dragon robe with a Six-Clawed Divine Dragon.

"Hmm?" Duan Ling Tian frowned as he looked at the middle aged man that stood before him and was looking at him with a calm expression.

Duan Ling Tian suddenly realized that the target of this middle aged man seemed to be him.

"Who're you?" Duan Ling Tian asked with a low voice.

At the same time, he sized the middle aged man up seriously. Since this middle aged man dared wear a dragon robe with a Six-Clawed Divine Dragon, it undoubtedly indicated that this person wanted to stand supreme above the Emperor and had great ambition.

The middle aged man had an appearance that couldn't be said to be handsome, yet possessed even features. He possessed a serious looked square face with thick brows and large eyes, and his calm gaze that looked at Duan Ling Tian seemed as if he was looking at air.

The middle aged man didn't answer when facing Duan Ling Tian's question, and he scanned Duan Ling Tian from top to bottom a few times before nodding. "You're indeed one with good potential."

"Hmm?" Duan Ling Tian frowned as he didn't know what the middle aged man meant with these words.

For a time, he couldn't help but stretch his Spiritual Force out with the intention of detecting this middle aged man's cultivation.

But when Duan Ling Tian's Spiritual Force flashed towards the middle aged man, it didn't even have the chance to approach near to him before it seemed as if it had encounter a ball of cotton and had nowhere to exert its might on.

"This..." Instantly, Duan Ling Tian's pupils couldn't help but constrict, and trace of shock suffused his face.

His Spiritual Force was unable to detect this person's cultivation, so there were only two possibilities.

The first was that this person was a Void Interpretation Stage expert that had comprehended Advanced Concept.

This second was that this person was precisely a Void Transformation Stage expert!

No matter which possibility it was, the person before him wasn't someone he could deal with at this moment, and this was something he knew in his heart.

Presently, the feeling the middle aged man who wore a dragon robe with a Six-Clawed Divine Dragon embroidered on it was exactly similar to the feeling Feng Wu Dao gave him.

"Inscription Master?" The middle aged man looked at Duan Ling Tian with slight surprise. "Looks like I've underestimated you. Since you're capable of possessing this strength and coupled with you being an Inscription Master... There's practically no one in the history of the Darkhan Dynasty that can compare with you in terms of natural talent in the Martial Dao."

"Who exactly are you?!" Duan Ling Tian wasn't surprised by the middle aged man being able to recognize him as an Inscription Master, and he asked with a low voice.

He urgently wanted to know this middle aged man's identity and the reason the middle aged man had come.

He didn't believe that an expert would personally come look for him only for the sake of chatting... The expert surely had a more important matter. Otherwise, would an expert like this make a move personally?

"You, vow under the Nine-Nine Heavenly Tribulation that you'll be absolutely loyal to me in the future..." The middle aged man didn't answer Duan Ling Tian and instead spoke word by word.

Duan Ling Tian was stunned.

"You want me to make a vow and be loyal to you?" In next to no time, Duan Ling Tian recovered from his shock and couldn't help but burst out in laughter. "Who do you think you are? Wanting me to make a vow to be loyal to you? Laughable!!"

"Otherwise, die!!" Meanwhile, the middle aged man continued to finish the words he was speaking earlier, and his calm gaze instantly emitted frightful cold lights that were like blades as they swept towards Duan Ling Tian.

Instantly, Duan Ling Tian felt a formidable aura sweep over, and it pressed onto him to the point his countenance went pale and he was unable to catch his breath.

But even when facing the formidable aura that stretched out from the middle aged man, Duan Ling Tian still stood ramrod straight and would rather die than yield.

"What is your objective? Speak frankly." Duan Ling Tian took a deep breath and asked with a low voice.

He didn't think that this person would have come looking for him only for the sake of taking him as a slave as he was able to notice an imperceptible strand of a burning flowing light within the depths of the middle aged man's eyes, and that was a flowing light filled with yearning.

Thus, he could know from this that the middle aged man had surely come looking for him because the middle aged man sought something from him.

"A dead man doesn't have to know too much." The middle aged man spoke indifferently before taking a step out abruptly, and he came slightly closer to Duan Ling Tian.

Whoosh!

Practically at the exact same instant, Duan Ling Tian felt the aura that pressed onto him instantly rise and become heavy like Mt. Tai.

But Duan Ling Tian still continued gritting his teeth and persisting without moving in the slightest, and he didn't have any intention of yielding.

It wasn't that Duan Ling Tian didn't want to resist, but he utterly did not dare to split his attention and mobilize his Origin Energy while beneath this formidable aura. Otherwise, he would surely be injured.

Most importantly, even if he mobilized his Origin Energy, it would be impossible for him to flee under the gaze of this middle aged man, nor would it be possible for him to defeat the middle aged man.

"You insensible thing! Let me see how unyielding you really are." The middle aged man's voice was chilly as he took another stride forward.

Instantly, the aura strengthened.

Whoosh!

The extremely formidable aura rose once more, and it seemed to have transformed into a large mountain that pressed down onto Duan Ling Tian, pressing him to the point his body trembled slightly, and his countenance became pale to the extreme.

The middle aged man's brows raised as he glanced at Duan Ling Tian who persisted without moving up until now with surprise, and then he took another step forward.

Bang!

Practically at the instant the middle aged man's feet descended, Duan Ling Tian felt an even more terrifying aura blast down onto him, and it was impossible for him to forcibly resist it this time.

"Pu!" Duan Ling Tian what struck to the point he spat out a mouthful of blood, yet he was barely able to support his body forcefully and didn't bend before the middle aged man.

"Eh." The middle aged man seemed to have been shocked by Duan Ling Tian's unyielding character, and then he said in a low voice, "I have to say, I slightly admire you now. How about this, I'll give you a final chance... Either die or make a vow to become my servant!"

"Hmph!" Duan Ling Tian grunted coldly, and used his attitude to answer the middle aged man.

"Stubborn fool!" The middle aged man's expression instantly darkened, and then he raised his leg with the intention of taking another step forward as he wanted to use his formidable aura to completely press down upon Duan Ling Tian to the point of collapse.

As this step moved out, milky white flashed that shot into the sky skyrocketed out from the middle aged man's body, and the flames were extremely material as if they were real flames.

At the same time, the energy of the heavens and the earth roiled in the sky above the middle aged man, and the air in the sky seemed to have been completely sucked out at this moment.

Ancient horned dragon silhouettes that covered the sky had gradually condensed into form, and they bared their fangs and brandished their claws in a threatening manner.

Before long, the ancient horned dragon silhouettes that covered the sky stabilized, and there was a total of 200.

The strength he exploded out with by relying solely on Origin Energy was comparable to the strength of 200 ancient horned dragon, and it was precisely the mark of a first level Void Transformation Stage expert.

Obviously, this middle aged man that wore a dragon robe with a Six-Clawed Divine Dragon was a true Void Transformation Stage expert!

"Are you so sure that I'm surely carrying that thing you want?" Before the middle aged man's stride descended, Duan Ling Tian looked calmly at the 200 ancient horned dragon silhouettes that appeared in the sky above the middle aged man and spoke slowly.

As expected, the middle aged man retracted his foot that was about to strike out when he heard Duan Ling Tian.

At the same time, the aura that enveloped Duan Ling Tian was retracted by him, and then the flames formed from Origin Energy that skyrocketed on his body had gradually died down.

In the sky, the 200 ancient horned dragon silhouettes dispersed along with this, and they seemed as if they'd never appeared earlier.

"You know that I've come for something in your possession?" The middle aged man's eyes flashed as he asked slowly.

"What else? Could it be that a Void Transformation Stage expert like you has really only taken a fancy to a Void Initiation Stage martial artist like me and wants to take me as your servant?" Duan Ling Tian laughed with ridicule, and his deep gazes seemed as if it was capable of seeing through the middle aged man.

"Even though you're only a Void Initiation Stage martial artist, you'll one day be able to break through to the Void Transformation Stage with your natural talent... There ought to be no one that would refuse a Void Transformation Stage servant." The middle aged man spoke with a cold voice.

"So, you gave me two choices, yet both are actually for the sake of obtaining that thing... Either I make a vow and become your servant to survive, yet I have to hand that thing over to you, or I die and you directly take that thing." Duan Ling Tian's expression remained unchanged as he stared concentratedly at the middle aged man. "Right?"

"You're extremely intelligent, yet it's unfortunate that intelligent people usually don't live for long." The middle aged man eyes revealed a trace of surprise.

"Is that so?" Duan Ling Tian suddenly burst out in laughter when he heard this, and he laughed brilliantly.

"What're you laughing about?" The middle aged man frowned.

"It's nothing... I'm just curious about what your expression will be like when you kill me and notice that the thing you want isn't in my Spatial Ring." Duan Ling Tian shrugged and spoke indifferently.

"You know what I want?" The middle aged man asked.

"If I'm not wrong, the thing you want ought to be that broken stone tablet I used not long ago during the Dynasty Martial Competition." Duan Ling Tian glanced deeply at the middle aged man and continued.

"But do you think I'd carry such an important thing with me? A member of the Darkhan Dynasty's Imperial Family wouldn't really be so stupid, right?"

"You know I'm a member of the Darkhan Dynasty's Imperial Family?" The middle aged man's expression that had always been composed was finally moved.

Never had he imagined that Duan Ling Tian would actually be able to guess his identity.

Chapter 746: The Talisman That Might Not Be Reliable

The answer of the middle aged man caused Duan Ling Tian's eyes to be unable to help but narrow.

Sure enough, he'd guessed correctly.

Actually, all those words from before were only his guess, and he didn't dare be sure.

Even though the middle aged man was a Void Transformation Stage expert, there were only two people that had broken through to the Void Transformation Stage in the Darkhan Dynasty.

One of them was that person in the Darkhan Dynasty's Imperial Family, the publicly acknowledged number one expert of the Darkhan Dynasty.

The other person was precisely the Feng Clan's Eldest Master, Feng Wu Dao.

It was precisely because of this and coupled with the dragon robe worn by the middle aged man that caused Duan Ling Tian to have a guess like this.

After he had this guess, he started to recall the motive the Darkhan Dynasty's Imperial Family would have for making a move against him.

No matter how he thought about it, the Devilseal Tablet was the only thing amongst the things he'd revealed that was able to make the Darkhan Dynasty pay the price of sacrificing him.

After all, he was the number one young genius in the Darkhan Dynasty's martial competition and was bound to compete for extremely great honor and generous rewards for the Darkhan Dynasty in the Martial Competition of the Ten Dynasties that's held a year from now.

Under these preconditions, the Darkhan Dynasty's Imperial Family had still made a move against him, then it undoubtedly indicated that the thing they wanted to obtain from him did indeed possess a worth that far exceeded the benefits he could obtain for the Darkhan Dynasty from the powers of the Foreign Lands during the martial competition.

Obviously, only the Devilseal Tablet was capable of moving the hearts of the Imperial Family to such an extent.

This was something that wasn't difficult to guess.

Of course, all of this was only his guess, and he only knew that he was correct after the middle aged man answered him.

The middle aged man was precisely from the Darkhan Dynasty's Imperial Family, and he was the Darkhan Dynasty's Imperial Family's 'God of Protection' and the strongest existence in the Imperial Family.

Supposedly, this person's seniority was even higher than the Emperor, and even if the Emperor met him, the Emperor would have to respectfully call him Grand Imperial Uncle.

Supposedly, this person was an influential figure in the Darkhan Dynasty a few tens of years ago, and he was publicly acknowledged as a rare talent of the Darkhan Dynasty.

Later on, he went into seclusion in the depths of the Imperial Palace and shut himself off from the outside world.

Rumors said that he had perhaps already broken through to the Void Transformation Stage and was the number one expert of the Darkhan Dynasty.

"Not only do I know you're a member of the Darkhan Dynasty's Imperial Family, I even know you're called Bai Nana Xiang, the 'God of Protection' of the Imperial Family." Duan Ling Tian worked hard to maintain the calm on his face, yet traces of coldness couldn't help but emerge within his heart.

Even though he'd merged with the memories of the Rebirth Martial Emperor, and a Void Transformation Stage expert wasn't unfamiliar to him.

But he was currently only a ninth level Void Initiation Stage martial artist after all, so he couldn't help but feel terrified when facing a Void Transformation Stage expert that was full of hostility and even killing intent towards him.

Even though the middle aged man was a first level Void Transformation Stage expert which was the weakest amongst the Void Transformation Stage, he was an existence akin to a god before a ninth level Void Initiation Stage martial artist like him.

The distance between the two of them was like a chasm, and if the middle aged man wanted to kill him, it would be no different to killing an ant.

Under these circumstances, Duan Ling Tian felt that he could be considered to be extremely calm.

If it was another ninth level Void Initiation Stage martial artist, they'd probably have been terrified to the point of falling limply to the ground.

"You're shockingly intelligent for being able to so easily guess my identity... I'm truly more and more unwilling to kill you. How about this, you hand over that thing and make a vow to never go against the Darkhan Dynasty's Imperial Family, and I can spare your life." Bai Nan Xiang spoke indifferently as if speaking of this condition was already the greatest concession he could make.

"Hahahaha..." When he heard Bai Nan Xiang's words, Duan Ling Tian seemed as if he'd heard the greatest joke in the world and couldn't refrain from bursting into laughter, and then he gradually restrained his laughter under Bai Nan Xiang's gloomy gaze. "I mean, are all the members of your Darkhan Dynasty so overbearing? You've want to seize something of mine, yet even don't allow me to go against you?"

"I'm truly sorry... I'm really unable to do this. How about you kill me? After that, you can go look for that thing slowly?" Duan Ling Tian spoke fearlessly.

Bai Nan Xiang frowned when facing Duan Ling Tian's fearlessness, and then he thought in his heart. "Could it be that thing isn't in his possession as this moment?"

At this moment, Bai Nan Xiang's resolution was slightly shaken.

Actually, he'd spoke those words earlier only for the sake of probing if that thing was in Duan Ling Tian's possession at this moment, and he'd never thought of really letting Duan Ling Tian off.

As far as he was concerned, so long as he didn't make a vow under the Nine-Nine Heavenly Tribulation, then he could go back on his word and kill Duan Ling Tian at any moment.

Duan Ling Tian's composure and natural talent had caused him to feel terror that came from the bottom of his heart.

To think that he, Bai Nan Xiang, who'd lived half his life had encountered a person that caused such feelings to emerge in his heart for the first time.

He knew that the young man was an extremely dangerous figure, and he wouldn't allow the young man to live.

"Stop trying to mislead me! That thing is surely in your possession right now." Bai Nan Xiang's eyes squinted suddenly, and then he laughed coldly as he stared fixedly at Duan Ling Tian.

As he spoke, Bai Nan Xiang took a step forward, and the Origin Energy on his body skyrocketed out once more.

This time, there were strands of deep violet bolts of lightning within the Origin Energy that raged like flames on Bai Nan Xiang's body, and it flowed ceaselessly within the Origin Energy, causing him to seem like the god of thunder that had descended into the world.

Whoosh!

At the same time, 200 ancient horned dragon silhouettes appeared in the sky above Bai Nan Xiang before another 200 ancient horned dragon silhouettes appeared.

"First level Advance Lightning Concept!" Duan Ling Tian's brows raised as strands of burning flames of desire leaped about in the depths of his gaze. "Looks like this Bai Nan Xiang broke through to the Void Transformation Stage via Void Transformation Lightning Concept. Even though it's only a first level Void Transformation Concept, it's a Void Transformation Concept at any rate, and he has already condensed a Concept Fragment."

A Void Transformation Concept was an Advanced Concept.

A Concept at this level had already condensed into a material Concept Fragment within the body of the person that had comprehended it.

Thus, there was obviously a first level Advanced Lightning Concept Fragment within Bai Nan Xiang's body.

"I'll be able to obtain the Concept Fragment within his body if I kill him. A Lightning Concept Fragment just happens to be able to assist my Lightning Concept to swiftly advance in step further." When he thought up to here, Duan Ling Tian's breathing couldn't help but quicken.

The Lightning Concept he'd comprehended was only an Elementary Lightning Concept, and it was only comprehended to the third level.

If he was able to obtain a Lightning Concept Fragment, then his comprehension in Lightning Concept would chase up to his comprehension in Wind Concept in the least amount of time.

At the same time, Duan Ling Tian put his hands behind his back as he stood there proudly, and then he looked calmly at Bai Nan Xiang who was ready to attack at any moment. "Since you think like this, then you can go ahead and make a move against me right now." Duan Ling Tian revealed a brilliant and confident smile as he spoke, whereas it was exactly this smile that caused Bai Nan Xiang to slightly hesitate once more.

Actually, Bai Nan Xiang was still probing Duan Ling Tian even now as he wanted to confirm if that thing was really in Duan Ling Tian's possession at this moment.

If that thing was really not in Duan Ling Tian's possession, then it was very likely that he'd forever be unable to obtain that thing once he killed Duan Ling Tian, and this wasn't something he wanted to see happen.

Bai Nan Xiang's current thoughts were something Duan Ling Tian was naturally clear of, and he was only stalling.

Now, even he wasn't able to confirm if Bai Nan Xiang would take desperate measures and kill him.

A talisman appeared out of thin air in the hands that he kept behind his back, and it was precisely one of the three talismans his father, Duan Ru Feng, had left for him.

"Perhaps those three talismans that are stacked together will be able to save your life three times..." Duan Ling Tian still remembered the words his father left him within the Void Transmission Jade Slip.

According to what his father said, each talisman could save his life once.

As for the effect of the talisman, it was something that he had no knowledge of. He only knew that he had to use it against his enemy. "No matter what, I already don't have a choice now... I hope the talisman dad left me is really effective."

Presently, Duan Ling Tian was trying anything he could in a desperate situation, and he made this current choice entirely because he believed that deadbeat dad of his.

Of course, this was his only choice as well.

Who knew if this Void Transformation Stage expert of the Darkhan Dynasty's Imperial Family wouldn't turn angry out of embarrassment and directly attack and kill him? If he didn't utilize the talisman before being killed by the middle aged man, then he would have really died too unjustly.

No matter what, he wasn't willing to become an unlucky b*stard that had died unjustly.

"Father, don't make me get killed!" Duan Ling Tian's hand that clenched the talisman trembled slightly, and his forehead had already started to flow with cold sweat, cold sweat that appeared from his perturbed feelings.

Presently, Duan Ling Tian's heart was filled with a perturbed feeling.

He knew clearly in his heart that his following actions was like actions of an ordinary person that couldn't fly walking on a steel wire between precipices.

A single mistake would cause his doom!

This was the portrayal of his current situation.

Actually, the reason Duan Ling Tian was perturbed was mostly because of a portion of memory that the Rebirth Martial Emperor had left him with.

Within this memory of the Rebirth Martial Emperor, even though a formidable offensive Inscription was capable of kill another, it was limited to those martial artists that hadn't comprehended Concept.

No matter how strong an Inscription was, it could only interfere with a martial artist that had comprehended Concept, and it couldn't directly kill the martial artist.

This was an iron law of the art of Inscriptions in Cloud Continent.

Even if it was the Rebirth Martial Emperor during his prime, the strongest offensive Inscription he could inscribe with this powerful Martial Emperor Stage Spiritual Force couldn't directly kill a Void Initiation

Stage martial artist that had comprehended Concept, and it could only carry out a certain level of interference.

Inscriptions weren't all powerful.

It was precisely because of this that Duan Ling Tian felt perturbed.

Even the Inscriptions inscribed by a Martial Emperor was unable to kill a martial artist at the Void Initiation Stage, was a strange talisman his father let behind capable of dealing with this Void Transformation Stage expert?

"Hmm?" Suddenly, the gaze of Bai Nan Xiang that was slightly hesitant lit up.

Because he noticed that Duan Ling Tian's forehead was actually flowing with cold sweat at this moment, and he'd even noticed Duan Ling Tian's hands that were trembling.

As far as he was concerned, this was a manifestation of Duan Ling Tian's lack of confidence.

"I was almost deceived by you... Looks like the thing I want is in your possession!" Bai Nan Xiang started laughing as Origin Energy once again skyrocketed on his body, and then waves of light thunderclaps sounded out ceaselessly while accompanied by strands of dark violet bolts of lightning that flickered within his Origin Energy.

Whoosh!

Bai Nan Xiang took a stride forward before he pressed down towards Duan Ling Tian like a mountain, giving Duan Ling Tian the feeling as if he was about to be completely suffocated.

Chapter 747: Dad Is A Martial Emperor Stage Expert?

Practically at the instant that Bai Nan Xiang took a step forward, Duan Ling Tian made a move.

Origin Energy abruptly skyrocketed on his right hand that was originally behind his back, and then his vast Origin Energy coiled around the talisman in his hand before he tossed it out towards Bai Nan Xiang.

Swoosh!

The talisman itself was light as a feather, and even if Origin Energy was poured into it, it didn't have the slightest offensive power when flashing out.

"Hmm?" Bai Nan Xiang felt rather surprised when Duan Ling Tian attacked first, and when the Origin Energy in his surroundings condensed into a defensive barrier of light, he noticed a piece of light paper flashing towards him.

After a short moment, it descended onto the defensive light barrier around him and was blocked out.

"What's this?" Bai Nan Xiang frowned. This strange piece of paper before his eyes had something scribbled atop it, and it actually caused him to feel a wave of fear.

"Perhaps I'm thinking too much. Isn't it only an ordinary piece of yellow colored paper?" Bai Nan Xiang shook his head before raising it, and his gaze instantly locked onto Duan Ling Tian once more and he was about to kill Duan Ling Tian.

Right when he looked at Duan Ling Tian, he noticed that Duan Ling Tian's gaze was staring fixedly at him, and Duan Ling Tian's gaze was so sharp it caused him to feel a chill run down his spine.

It wasn't that he was afraid of Duan Ling Tian, but this sort of feeling had emerged within him for no reason or rhyme.

"Hmph!" Bai Nan Xiang grunted coldly to cover up the feelings in his heart, and then his face was suffused with killing intent as he took another step forward.

Whoosh!

The Origin Energy and first level Advanced Lightning Concept on his body shook the surrounding sky to the point the airflow was in chaos, and gusts of violent winds fluttered out from all directions in great strength.

"Descend!" Right when Bai Nan Xiang was about to make a move and exterminate Duan Ling Tian, Duan Ling Tian's explosive shout resounded out abruptly.

This explosive shout caused Bai Nan Xiang to be stunned subconsciously.

Right at this instant, his pupils suddenly constricted because he saw the seemingly insignificant yellow paper before his eyes had actually vanished strangely from the space before him in an instant.

In the next moment, he felt a piercing pain in the spot between his brows, and then his consciousness gradually became blurry before completely vanishing.

Even until the moment that his consciousness was completely wiped out, Bai Nan Xiang didn't know what had happened, whereas the distant Duan Ling Tian was dumbstruck as he watched the scene before him.

Along with him shouting out the word 'descend,' he noticed that the talisman he'd thrown out had instantly vanished in the sky, and practically at the exact same moment, a bloody hole had appeared between Bai Nan Xiang's brows.

After the bloody hole appeared, the Origin Energy on Bai Nan Xiang's body and the Lightning Concept that coiled within the Origin Energy had died down instantly, whereas, Bai Nan Xiang himself had followed on to drop to the ground without the slightest signs of life.

"It's... It's done just like that?" Duan Ling Tian was unable to recover from the shock he experienced from the scene before him even after a long time.

After a short moment after Bai Nan Xiang's corpse plunged towards the ground did Duan Ling Tian recover from his shock, and then he hurriedly flashed in the sky to chase after the corpse.

In next to no time, he'd chased after Bai Nan Xiang's corpse and withdrew a violet colored fragment from within, and it was precisely the first level Advance Lightning Concept Fragment that had condensed within Bai Nan Xiang's body.

Subsequently, Duan Ling Tian took the Spatial Ring on Bai Nan Xiang's hand.

After he obtained his spoils, a violet colored flame with copper edges skyrocketed on Duan Ling Tian's palm with a raise of his hand, and then the flames descended onto Bai Nan Xiang's body.

Instantly, Bai Nan Xiang's corpse transformed into ash that drifted off with the wind and vanished completely in this world.

After he put away the spoils, Duan Ling Tian stood on the spot without moving.

At this moment, his mind was filled with the bizarre scene that occurred earlier.

A dignified existence at the first level of the Void Transformation Stage had been so easily annihilated by the talisman left behind by his deadbeat dad.

The scene from before gave Duan Ling Tian the feeling as if he was dreaming.

"What talisman was that? Isn't it too heaven defying?" After he returned to his senses, Duan Ling Tian couldn't help but be shocked in his heart.

Earlier, he didn't see clearly exactly how the talisman had killed Bai Nan Xiang.

He only saw the talisman vanish instantly, and practically at the exact same moment, the spot between Bai Nan Xiang's brows seemed to have been penetrated and directly caused his death.

Of course, Duan Ling Tian knew clearly in his heart that all of this was a product of that talisman, and it was only because his strength wasn't sufficient that he was utterly unable to catch the exact process of how the talisman killed Bai Nan Xiang.

The speed of the talisman was so swift that it had already arrived at an astonishing degree.

It was even to the extent that Duan Ling Tian noticed the air in the area before Bai Nan Xiang earlier seemed to not have the slightest movement.

Exactly what sort of speed was capable of allowing the air to not be affected?

Or perhaps, its affect was so tiny that he was utterly unable to notice it with his current strength.

For a time, Duan Ling Tian felt his scalp go numb.

"Where did Dad get these talismans from?" Duan Ling Tian laughed bitterly.

At this moment, he suddenly felt that his deadbeat dad was so unfamiliar...

At the same time, his heart was filled with questions.

"Dad's body obviously didn't possess any trace of Origin Energy... Even if he's a Martial Emperor Stage expert, if he didn't resist the detection of my Spiritual Force, I'd normally be able to use my Spiritual Force to notice his Origin Energy. But I can be sure that Dad's body does indeed not have a trace of

Origin Energy." Duan Ling Tian was unable to wrap his head around this no matter how he wracked his brains, and he suddenly felt that his dead beast dad was even more mysterious.

"Logically speaking, it's impossible for Dad to not know that the world outside the Darkhan Dynasty is dangerous, yet he still brought along Mom and the others and left the Darkhan Dynasty..." Duan Ling Tian recalled his father's departure, the three talismans his father had left for him, and the mysterious Exquisite Jadebox. "Perhaps, some unbelievable events had occurred on him during those 23 years that he went missing... At least, I can be sure now that he'd absolutely not a martial artist with a crippled Dantian!" When he thought up to here, Duan Ling Tian's thoughts continued to drift off.

The scenes when his father returned all those years ago flashed one by one within his mind.

From the moment he'd seen his father in the Duan Clan Estate to the moment he returned home with his father, and then some incidents that occurred later, he didn't leave anything out.

"At that time..." Duan Ling Tian continued to recall and unknowingly recalled the scenes when the three great Guardian Elders of the Azure Forest Tri-Sect had arrived at the Crimson Sky Kingdom.

At that time, even though Peak Master Qin Xiang was present as well, but she was far from being able to be a match for Zhao Ming's group of three.

At that time, for the sake of protecting his life, he'd convinced Zhao Ming's group of three that he knew the location of the 10,000 Year Stalactite Milk while having the intention of leaving with Zhao Ming's group of three before finding an opportunity to escape.

Of course, doing so was extremely risky, and the slightest mistake would could him to become a corpse under the hands of Zhao Ming's group of three.

But at that time, he had no other choice.

However, right at that critical moment, a low and hoarse voice had suddenly sounded out, and then the owner of the voice hadn't shown himself yet had easily used his imposing aura to press down on Zhao Ming's group of three to the point they were unable to catch their breaths.

After that, under the mysterious expert's ability that was sufficient to crush Zhao Ming's group of three, even though they were unwilling, they could only flee.

At that time, Duan Ling Tian thought the owner of the hoarse voice was a mysterious expert that lived in seclusion within the Crimson Sky Kingdom that couldn't bear the sight of Zhao Ming's group of three, so he saved Duan Ling Tian in the process.

"Now it would seem that it's very likely that mysterious expert was Dad! At that time, I didn't think like this and overlooked an important problem. The owner of the hoarse voice was obviously intentionally suppressing his voice and seemed to be unwilling to reveal his true identity." Duan Ling Tian couldn't help but guess, and the more he guessed, the surer he was.

"At that time, Dad ought to have been within my courtyard house while he lent a hand... But this level of ability seems to not be something an ordinary martial artist can execute." When he thought up to here, Duan Ling Tian started to search through the memories of the Rebirth Martial Emperor.

In next to no time, his pupils constricted, and he confirmed one thing.

"According to the memories of the Rebirth Martial Emperor, only an expert that has stepped into the Martial Emperor Stage could use one's acute Spiritual Force to control one's Origin Energy and project one's voice out while being a few hundred meters away. Moreover, one could use one's imposing aura to suppress others from a few hundred meters away!" As he muttered, Duan Ling Tian couldn't help but gasp.

"Dad... Could it be that Dad's really a Martial Emperor Stage expert?" Duan Ling Tian was completely dumbstruck.

After a while, Duan Ling Tian recovered from his shock and recalled the scenes when his deadbeat dad, Duan Ru Feng, had just returned. "Perhaps, the reason I didn't detect any Origin Energy within Dad's body was because he utilized some sort of method to intentionally conceal it. After all, Cloud Continent is so vast that there's no lack of some secret techniques that are capable of concealing one's aura and Origin Energy." The more he thought about it, the more certain Duan Ling Tian was, and then he laughed bitterly. "Looks like I've been completely deceived by Dad."

Now, he was practically able to confirm that his father was most probably an expert at the Martial Emperor Stage or above.

"I wonder what exactly Dad encountered during those 23 years...? He actually possesses such a shocking strength! Besides that, he's even capable of leaving such heaven defying talismans to me." Suddenly, another two talismans appeared in Duan Ling Tian's hand, and they were the last two he possessed.

"Wait!" Suddenly, he seemed to have recalled something, causing Duan Ling Tian to frown and shake his head. "If Dad really is an expert at the Martial Emperor Stage, then why didn't he bring me along to the Foreign Lands?"

"Is he really my real Father? Just leaving me like this on my own in the Darkhan Dynasty?" As he muttered to himself, Duan Ling Tian was slightly speechless.

Even though his deadbeat dad, Duan Ru Feng, being a Martial Emperor Stage expert was only his guess, yet he felt that his guess should be close to the truth.

If his father didn't possess a shocking strength, how could his father dare take the risk to bring along his mother and leave the Darkhan Dynasty?

"Perhaps, Dad wants me to gain more experience and tempering by staying in the Darkhan Dynasty... The message he left behind in the Void Transmission Jade Slip spoke of meeting in the future. Perhaps the outside world he spoke of ought to be the Foreign Lands!" Duan Ling Tian guessed in his heart.

When he thought up to here, even though Duan Ling Tian was much more at ease, he couldn't help but be slightly resentful. "Dad is really too disappointing... If he's really an expert at the Martial Emperor Stage, shouldn't he take me along and allow me to 'show off' in the Foreign Lands? Who would dare offend the son of a Martial Emperor Stage expert?"

"Forget about not taking me along, he didn't even leave me like a million high grade Origin Stones and spirit fruits used by Void Interpretation Stage and Void Transformation Stage experts."

Chapter 748: Reunion Of Good Friends

Duan Ling Tian who'd merged with the two lifetimes worth of memories of the Rebirth Martial Emperor naturally knew how lofty the status of Martial Emperor Stage experts were in the Foreign Lands.

Even if it was only an ordinary person, so long as it was a person that was related to a Martial Emperor Stage expert, then even a ninth level Martial Monarch Stage expert would dare do anything to the person in the open.

Once a Martial Emperor was enraged, then even a Martial Monarch would be annihilated and blood would flow in rivers.

The strength of a Martial Emperor wasn't a joke.

After feeling resentful for a while, Duan Ling Tian returned to his senses and didn't continue being entangled by this, and he instead moved his gaze onto the two talismans in his hand.

"I can be sure that these talismans don't have any Inscriptions within them... I wonder where Dad got these things from, they're actually even capable of directly killing Void Transformation Stage experts!" At the same time that Duan Ling Tian sigh in his heart when he recalled the scene of Bai Nan Xiang dying at his hands just like that, he couldn't help but be pleased.

Bai Nan Xiang, the 'God of Protection' of the Darkhan Dynasty's Imperial Family, an existence that had even been publicly acknowledged as the number one expert in the Darkhan Dynasty.

Even Feng Wu Dao's reputation wasn't as great as Bai Nan Xiang in the Darkhan Dynasty, yet it was precisely an expert like this that had died at Duan Ling Tian's hands.

"I wonder what's the strongest martial artist these talismans can annihilate... If it's even capable of killing Martial Monarchs, then it was truly too great of a waste this time!" Duan Ling Tian thought in his heart, and then he put away the two talismans as if they were precious treasures as these were treasures that could instantly kill Void Transformation Stage experts.

"There's also that Exquisite Jadebox amongst the things Dad left behind for me... I wonder when I can open it? According to Dad's message, it seems as if I'll only be able to find him after I open the Exquisite Jadebox." Duan Ling Tian laughed bitterly. He didn't feel the slightest bit delighted that he had a father that seemed to be a Martial Emperor Stage expert, and he instead was slightly speechless.

Even if you want your son to gain experience and tempering, it shouldn't be an experience like the one earlier, right?

You neither care nor give any regard.

What would happen if I accidentally got killed?

Duan Ling Tian felt angrier and more speechless the more he thought about it.

He obviously had a chance to obtain a meteoric rise, yet for some unknown reason, his father had actually left him all alone in the Darkhan Dynasty and left him to his own means.

"Nevermind! I was fine when you didn't return in the past... Hmph! I'll carve out achievements of my own and even surpass you in the future." Duan Ling Tian silently thought in his heart.

Of course, this was something he was saying in his heart to his deadbeat dad, Duan Ru Feng.

After some time passed and he cleared his mood, Duan Ling Tian continued to head towards the Crimson Sky Kingdom. "I'll first go look for Xiao Yu, Xiao Xun, and Tian Hu to have a meal and catch up after I return, and then I'll return to Aurora City." Duan Ling Tian had a plan in his heart.

Aurora City was precisely the city he'd headed to after leaving Fresh Breeze Town all those years ago, and it was a city that belonged to the Swallow Mountain County of the Crimson Sky Kingdom.

The Main Clan of the Fresh Breeze Town's Li Family that his mother was from was there.

"In a blink of an eye, it's been many years since I've seen that damn fatty Li Xuan... I wonder if he has slimmed down? Hmm, I'll return to the Fresh Breeze Town's Li Family on the way and go see the Patriarch, Fifth Elder, and the others." Duan Ling Tian continued to plan for the following period of time.

Duan Ling Tian arrived at the Crimson Sky Kingdom's Imperial City after a few days, and he didn't impatiently return to his own courtyard house but instead went to the Xiao Clan to look for Xiao Yu and Xiao Xun. "Xiao Yu, Xiao Xun, long time no see." Duan Ling Tian smiled as he greeted the two.

"Duan Ling Tian!" Xiao Yu and Xiao Xun revealed delighted smiles when they saw Duan Ling Tian, and then they pounced over to give Duan Ling Tian a bearhug. "We found out a while back from the members of the Su Clan that you've returned, yet when we went over to look for you, you weren't there."

"I went out to take care of something and have just returned." Duan Ling Tian smiled.

"Since you came looking for us as soon as you returned, we won't make a fuss about it with you... Let's go have a drink!" Xiao Xun joked.

"Wait." Xiao Yu stopped Xiao Xun.

"Hmm?" Duan Ling Tian and Xiao Xun both looked at Xiao Yu with gazes of wonder.

"Duan Ling Tian, let me bring you to go see a person... She's been frequently talking about you." Xiao Yu looked at Duan Ling Tian and revealed a warm smile, and his eyes were filled with gentleness. If someone who didn't know the relationship he had with Duan Ling Tian, they would perhaps think that he was fond of the same sex.

"Could it be that you brought Little Qian over?" Duan Ling Tian's eyes couldn't help but light up when he saw the gentleness in Xiao Yu's eyes, and he asked with slight surprise.

Little Qian was precisely Luo Qian, the younger sister of the companion Duan Ling Tian and Xiao Yu had become acquainted with in the Iron Blood Army's Genius Camp, Luo Cheng.

Luo Cheng had passed away because of the test of the Genius Camp, and he'd asked Duan Ling Tian to take care of his younger sister, Luo Qian, in the will he wrote, whereas, Duan Ling Tian had indeed taken Luo Qian to be his own younger sister.

After that, because Luo Qian and Xiao Yu had fallen for each other, she didn't return to the Li Clan with him and had instead gone to the Xiao Clan.

A warm smile couldn't help but suffuse Duan Ling Tian's face when he recalled the cute young girl from all those years ago.

When he met Luo Qian once more, Duan Ling Tian was slightly unable to recognize her.

The immaturity the young girl had once was long gone, and replacing it was a natural and graceful bearing.

In terms of appearance, Luo Qian was inferior to his two fiancées, Feng Tian Wu, Xiao Lan, and Princess Bi Yao, yet she could be considered to be a beauty.

Duan Ling Tian smiled as he looked at the beautiful woman that held a baby in the courtyard. "Little Qian, I haven't seen you for many years, yet never did I expect that you'd have already married Xiao Yu and become a mother."

The beautiful woman that was concentratedly teasing the baby in her embrace hurriedly raised her head when she heard a voice, and when she saw Duan Ling Tian, she had a pleasantly surprised expression. "Big Brother Ling Tian!"

After the two of them caught up, the nearby Xiao Yu smiled at Duan Ling Tian. "Our child is already three months old, yet doesn't have a name until now... Since you've returned, give him a name. No matter what, you're the child's godfather."

"Give a name?" Duan Ling Tian laughed bitterly. "You're making it difficult for me."

But even though he said this, Duan Ling Tian's gaze still descended onto the baby in Luo Qian's embrace, and the baby was rosy and chubby, causing him to be extremely cute.

"Big Brother Ling Tian, hold your godson." Luo Qian smiled as she passed the baby over to Duan Ling Tian.

Duan Ling Tian stretched out his hand to receive the baby, and as he looked at the baby that was blinking his watery and large eyes while looking curious at himself, Duan Ling Tian felt his feelings suddenly become extremely calm.

The baby's pair of large eyes were pure and flawless, and they didn't contain the slightest impurities.

For some unknown reason, a figure actually flashed abruptly within Duan Ling Tian's mind as he looked at the baby, and it was the figure of a young man, a young man that was smiling lightly as he looked at Duan Ling Tian.

Luo Cheng!

Luo Qian's older brother.

"We'll call him Xiao Cheng, how about it? It can be considered to be in memory of Luo Cheng." Duan Ling Tian looked at Xiao Yu and Luo Qian as he asked.

"Alright!" Xiao Yu's eyes lit up when he heard this, whereas, Luo Qian's eyes were already red. She'd obviously recalled her older brother than had passed away many years ago, and a smile suffused her face as she received the baby that Duan Ling Tian passed back to her.

It was as if she'd returned to those times when she was young, those times that were happy even though they were hard times.

Because she had an older brother that could give everything for her.

Duan Ling Tian signaled Xiao Yu and Xiao Xun with his eyes, and the three of them left the courtyard and left the Xiao Clan Estate to go look for a restaurant to drink at.

After three cups of wine, Duan Ling Tian found out that his old friend, Tian Hu, wasn't in the Imperial City any longer, and he'd instead gone to guard the borders of the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom.

"That fellow Tian Hu is already a Vice General... The person above him in rank is about to retire two years from now, and at that time, he'll be a real general." Xiao Xun laughed as he told Duan Ling Tian about Tian Hu's recent developments.

Duan Ling Tian smiled lightly as he nodded, and he felt happy that Tian Wu was able to obtain such achievements.

All those years ago in the Imperial City's Paladin Academy, there were only four good friends of the same age by his side, and they were Xiao Yu, Xiao Xun, Tian Hu, and Su Li.

This friendship was something he would always remember in his heart.

"Duan Ling Tian, what's your cultivation now?" asked Xiao Xun.

"Xuan Xun, you actually dare ask Duan Ling Tian this question? I reckon both of us are going to have a heavy blow struck on us." Xiao Yu shook his head, but his eyes still looked at Duan Ling Tian with a curious expression.

"Ninth level of the Void Initiation Stage." Duan Ling Tian didn't conceal anything to these two old friends, and he shrugged as he spoke.

Ninth level of the Void Initiation Stage?

Practically at the instant Duan Ling Tian finished speaking, Xiao Xun and Xiao Yu were petrified, and they were unable to recover from their shock even after a long time.

Xiao Yu was the first to recover from his shock, and he muttered. "I heard that even the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom only possesses a single existence at the seventh level of the Void Initiation Stage, and that person is the number one expert of the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom."

"Duan Ling Tian, you really shocked the sh*t out of us!" Xiao Xun gasped.

Duan Ling Tian smiled lightly. "When I see both of you like this, I feel that I should tell the both of you about Su Li."

"Su Li?" Xiao Yu and Xiao Xun's eyes instantly lit up when they heard Duan Ling Tian, and they said with slight pleasant surprise, "Duan Ling Tian, you... You met Su Li?"

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian nodded. "During the Genius Competition held by the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Imperial Family over two years ago, Su Li was there as well... At that time, my strength was far inferior to Su Li."

"What?!" Xiao Yu and Xiao Xun were instantly shocked.

They knew clearly of Duan Ling Tian's natural talent in the Martial Dao, and not only had they never surpassed Duan Ling Tian, they were thrown further and further into the distance by Duan Ling Tian.

Yet now, Duan Ling Tian had said that Su Li's strength two years ago was stronger than him?

After all, when Su Li left Paladin Academy and even the Crimson Sky Kingdom all those years ago his cultivation was far inferior to Duan Ling Tian.

Never had they imagined that Su Li would be able to catch up and even surpass Duan Ling Tian.

Even if he'd surpassed Duan Ling Tian temporarily, it was sufficient to cause them to feel shocked.

"So in this way, both of you passed through the Azure Forest Imperial Kingdom's Genius Competition together?" Xiao Yu asked with a burning gaze.

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian nodded.

"What was the outcome later on? Did you and Su Li obtain the qualifications to advance and participate in the Dynasty Martial Competition in the Darkhan Dynasty after the both of you arrived at the Darkstone Empire?" Xiao Xun asked slightly impatiently.

"Not long ago, Su Li and I have just advanced in the Dynasty Martial Competition of the Darkhan Dynasty, and we've obtained the qualifications to participate in the Martial Competition of the Ten Dynasties." Duan Ling Tian smiled.

Chapter 749: Departure

"Su Li obtained the qualifications to participate in the Martial Competition of the Ten Dynasties as well?" Xiao Yu's pupils constricted, and he had an expression of astonishment.

After he found out about Duan Ling Tian's current cultivation, he wasn't surprised that Duan Ling Tian had advanced in the Darkhan Dynasty's Martial Competition.

As far as he was concerned, even if it was amongst the younger generation of the Darkhan Dynasty, a ninth level Void Initiation Stage expert was surely one of the top figures.

Yet now, he couldn't help but be shocked when he heard Su Li had advanced as well.

"Duan Ling Tian, what's Su Li's current cultivation?" Xiao Yu asked with slight impatience.

"Eighth level of the Void Initiation Stage," said Duan Ling Tian.

Instantly, Xiao Yu and Xiao Xun froze. They only recovered from their shock after a long time, and they were slightly dispirited. "I truly never imagined that amongst all of us, not only are you abnormal, but even Su Li's abnormal as well! But why didn't Su Li return with you?"

"Su Li went to gain experience and tempering with his master." Duan Ling Tian smiled. "He asked me to greet the two of you on his behalf."

Xiao Yu and Xiao Xun nodded, and their gazes were slightly complicated.

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When he left the restaurant, Duan Ling Tian supported Xiao Yu and Xiao Xun, one on each of his sides as he sent them back to the Xiao Clan Estate.

After these two fellows found out about Su Li's current achievements, their mood became slightly heavy, and then they ceaselessly poured wine down their throats to the point of becoming dead drunk.

Duan Ling Tian was able to guess what the two of them were thinking.

It was obvious that even though they would be happy that a companion who was equal to them in the past had already grown to a height that was difficult for them to reach, they couldn't avoid being slightly sad.

After he left the Xiao Clan Estate, Duan Ling Tian returned to his own courtyard house.

Dawn the next day, after having a good night's sleep, Duan Ling Tian had left the Imperial City with Feng Tian Wu following by his side like a shadow.

He intended to return to Aurora City.

As for Feng Wu Dao and Elder Kong, they were waiting in the Imperial City for his return, and at that time, they would return to the Darkhan Dynasty.

With Duan Ling Tian and Feng Tian Wu's speed, they arrived in the sky above Aurora City after half a day of time.

"Big Brother Duan, this is your old hometown?" Feng Tian Wu looked down at the small city beneath her feet and asked with slight surprise.

Never had she imagined that her Big Brother Duan had actually come from such an inconspicuous and remote place, and she could know from this that her Big Brother Duan's journey until his current achievements was surely not easy.

For a time, her heart throbbed slightly.

"Sort of." Duan Ling Tian nodded. "My true hometown is over there... There's a small town that's under this city."

At this moment, Duan Ling Tian's gaze had looked towards the south of Aurora City.

"Let's go down." Duan Ling Tian gestured to Feng Tian Wu to descend down, and then the two of them entered into the streets of Aurora City. Unknowingly, they'd walked into the most bustling trade market of Aurora City.

"I wonder if that fellow is still here." Duan Ling Tian recalled Tang Ying, the person in charge of the Ghastly Shadow in Aurora City, the person that was a medicine store's manager by day and an Asura by night.

But unfortunately, Duan Ling Tian didn't notice Tang Ying when he headed to the medicine store.

The manager of the medicine store had changed, and it was the person in charge of the Ghastly Shadow in Aurora City, and after he found out about Duan Ling Tian's identity, he was respectful and reverent to Duan Ling Tian.

The highest leader of the Ghastly Shadow, the Dean of the Imperial City's Paladin Academy, Sima Chang Feng, was Duan Ling Tian's teacher.

Since many years ago, Sima Chang Feng had once given the order that the Ghastly Shadow would not take any assignments related to Duan Ling Tian or people related to Duan Ling Tian. Otherwise, that person would be seen as a traitor to the Ghastly Shadow.

Duan Ling Tian was slightly disappointed that he didn't see Tang Ying.

When he'd just arrived at Aurora City from Fresh Breeze Town, not only had Tang Ying helped him on many occasions, he'd even saved his life once.

He still remembered that the Li Clan's Grand Elder wanted to kill him, and if it wasn't for Tang Ying lending a hand in a timely manner, he would be dead for sure.

Duan Ling Tian's gaze became slightly dazed as he stood at the entrance to the Li Clan Estate.

In the blink of an eye, so many years had passed.

The scene of him, his mother, and Ke Er leaving Fresh Breeze Town together to head to Aurora City all those years ago was still vivid in his mind, yet when he looked back now, it seemed like time had changed everything.

Duan Ling Tian and Feng Tian Wu were stopped outside the Li Clan Estate's entrance.

"I'm looking for Li Xuan," said Duan Ling Tian.

"You're looking for Seventh Elder?" The eyes of the few Li Clan disciples that stood on guard before the gate lit up when they heard Duan Ling Tian, and their tone contained an extra sense of respect.

"Seventh Elder?" Duan Ling Tian's eyes stared wide open. When has that damn fatty, Li Xuan, become the Seventh Elder of the Aurora City's Li Clan?

In next to no time, Duan Ling Tian saw Li Xuan under the lead of the Li Clan disciple.

Duan Ling Tian cursed with a smile as he looked at the fatty whose chubby face grinned widely and caused his pair of small eyes to narrow. "Damn fatty, so many years have passed, yet you haven't changed a bit."

"Boss!" Li Xuan was first stunned when he saw Duan Ling Tian, and then his face was covered in a delighted smile as he directly pounced towards Duan Ling Tian and gave Duan Ling Tian a bear hug. "Boss, you've finally returned! I thought that I'll never see you again in my life." Li Xuan's small eyes were completely wet.

"Enough, how old are you to still be crying? I rarely return, yet this is how you greet me?" Duan Ling Tian pushed away Li Xuan's enormous figure and cursed with a smile on his face.

"Hehe..." Li Xuan rubbed his head and laughed foolishly. In next to no time, his gaze descended onto Feng Tian Wu who was by Duan Ling Tian's side, and his small eyes lit up. "This is my sister-in-law, right? Boss, you're really amazing! This sister-in-law isn't inferior to the other two sisters-in-law."

Feng Tian Wu was standing silently as she watched the two of them that were reunited after a long time, yet when Li Xuan suddenly turned to look at her and said these words, it caused her beautiful face to be tainted in a blush.

"Don't talk nonsense! This is Tian Wu, my friend." Duan Ling Tian glared angrily at Li Xuan.

"Young Miss Tian Wu." Li Xuan was slightly embarrassed and hurriedly changed his way of address, yet his heart was as clear as a mirror. "She's not my sister-in-law now, yet she'll surely be in the future... Looks like Boss's charm is as great as before."

"Damn Fatty, how did you become the Seventh Elder of the Li Clan?" Duan Ling Tian asked.

"Hehe... Boss, I relied on my own ability to become an Elder! Of course, if it was an ordinary branch family disciple, then unless the person was heaven defying like you, Boss, otherwise, it's impossible to become an Elder. But who am I, Li Xuan? I'm the little brother of you, Boss, and even the Patriarch has to give me some face." Li Xuan grinned.

"You're still never serious as before." Duan Ling Tian rolled his eyes at Li Xuan and then laughed. "You're about to become 30 years old... Why haven't you taken a wife and had kids yet?"

On the way here, Duan Ling Tian had found out about Li Xuan's recent developments from the disciples of the Li Clan, and he knew that Li Xuan was still alone until now.

"Boss, do you think everyone is like you? And finding a wife is as simple as drinking water?" Li Xuan glanced at Feng Tian Wu by Duan Ling Tian's side as he muttered.

"Alright, what're you complaining about? Let's go look for Lin Zhuo and Lin Qi... I'll return to Fresh Breeze Town after we catch up, and then I'll be leaving." As he finished speaking, Duan Ling Tian sighed. "I wonder when will be the next time I return?"

Indeed, after he left this time, Duan Ling Tian would be leaving the Darkhan Dynasty to head towards the northern desert that was neighboring to the Foreign Lands and the various Dynasties, and he would ascend the stage that was the Foreign Lands from there.

In the future, he didn't know when he would return.

"Boss, where're you going?" Li Xuan discerned the meaning behind Duan Ling Tian's words.

"I'll tell you later while we drink." Duan Ling Tian said, "Now go find Lin Zhuo and Li Qin, I'll go see the Patriarch... He has taken care of you during all these years, so I have to express my thanks as your Boss."

After Li Xuan left, Duan Ling Tian notified Feng Tian Wu before going alone to see the Li Clan's Patriarch.

For the sake of expression his thanks, Duan Ling Tian left behind a grade seven spirit sword.

A grade seven spirit sword was no different to trash in Duan Ling Tian's eyes now, yet in the eyes of the Li Clan's Patriarch, it was a peerless treasure, and he took it to be the Clan Guarding Treasure.

After leaving the courtyard the Li Clan's Patriarch lived in, Duan Ling Tian brought Feng Tian Wu along to have a meal and drink with Li Xuan, Lin Zhuo, and Lin Qi.

All those years ago, he had very few friends in Aurora City, and besides Xiao Yu, there was only Lin Zhuo and Lin Qi.

After many years, the youths from all those years had grown into men, yet their friendship was still remembered deeply within their hearts, and it was impossible to forget for their entire lifetimes.

Duan Ling Tian headed to the Fresh Breeze Town's Li Family with Feng Tian Wu after eating and drinking with them, and he left behind some Origin Stones before leaving to hurry back to the Imperial City that very night.

On the next day, Duan Ling Tian paid a visit to all the seniors in the Imperial City, including the Dean of Paladin Academy, his old teach in the Paladin Academy from all those years ago, Sima Chang Feng.

Besides that, he made a trip back to the Duan Clan and the Imperial palace.

After basically everything was dealt with, he went to see the Junior Marquis, Nie Feng, before leaving the Crimson Sky Kingdom's Imperial City with Elder Kong, Feng Wu Dao, and Feng Tian Wu.

Meanwhile, the Senior Marquis, Nie Rong, and the Divine Might Marquis, Nie Yuan, hadn't returned yet.

Swoosh!

In the sky above the Crimson Sky Kingdom, an enormous sword passed through the sky, and its destination was straight towards the Darkstone Empire.

Duan Ling Tian sat cross-legged on the enormous sword, and he finally heaved a sigh of relief. He'd been extremely busy during these past few days, and he finally had the chance to rest.

After resting for a while, Duan Ling Tian withdrew the fifth level Wind Concept Fragment that he obtained in the Sword Monarch's Treasure that day, and he calmed his heart to comprehend Wind Concept.

The pressing matter at the moment for him was to comprehend Intermediate Wind Concept or Void Interpretation Concept, as only in this way would he be able to advance a step further and officially break through to the Void Interpretation Stage.

As for Lightning Concept and Earth Concept, even though he had the corresponding Concept Fragment in his possession, yet he couldn't divert his distraction while comprehending Concept.

So he could only improve his Concepts one by one.

When his Wind Concept advanced slowly even with the assistance of the Wind Concept, that would be the time he would comprehend other Concepts a step further.

Now, his point of concentration was Wind Concept.

There were another 10 months of time before the Martial Competition of the Ten Dynasties would begin, and he had to comprehend Intermediate Wind Concept before that and become a Void Interpretation Stage martial artist.

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"We've arrived." Suddenly, a voice entered into the ears of Duan Ling Tian who was immersed in the comprehension of Wind Concept, and it caused him to seem as if jolted awake from a dream.

After Duan Ling Tian awakened, he noticed that he'd already arrived at a familiar gorge.

When he saw the ball of gases that seemed like a cloud or mist, Duan Ling Tian completely reacted to his whereabouts. This place wasn't unfamiliar to him, and he'd come here twice in the past.

The first time was with Feng Wu Dao, Feng Tian Wu, and Elder Kong.

At that time, his target was the Soulcleanse Pool.

After that, he'd found an underwater abode within the Soulcleanse Pool, and he'd obtained a soul brand that allowed him to grasp a soul skill that belonged to himself, the soul skill Thousand Illusions.

The second time he came here was for the sake of fleeing for his life.

At that time, he'd been taken hostage by the traitor of the Seven Star Sword Sect, Zhao Ming, and the Azure Forest Tri-Sect's Guardian Elder, Tang Huo, and he outwitted them by bringing them here and trapping them within the Inscription Formation.

"Uncle Feng, Tian Wu, Elder Kong... All of you wait here for me, I'll return after dealing with them." Duan Ling Tian smiled at Feng Wu Dao's group of three before walking towards the ball of cloud and mist that had been compressed together, or more precisely speaking, he'd walked towards the completely sealed Inscription Formation, and that ball of mist and cloud was only the outward appearance of the formation.

When he left the Crimson Sky Kingdom, Duan Ling Tian had notified Feng Wu Dao and asked Feng Wu Dao to bring him here, whereas, Feng Wu Dao was familiar with this place, so he easily arrived here.

Duan Ling Tian's eyes squinted when he approached the ball of cloud and mist that had been compressed together, and his acute Spiritual Force swept out to easily break it open.

More precisely speaking, he'd opened the Inscription Formation.

Whirlwind!

Before the Inscription Formation had completely opened, Duan Ling Tian had already transformed into a gust of wind that instantly entered into it like an agile rabbit.

Whoosh!

Duan Ling Tian once again appeared outside the Soulcleanse Pool, and his gaze descended to a spot nearby at the first possible moment.

There were two old men with faces covered with stubble there, and they were looking at the direction Duan Ling Tian came in with overjoyed expressions. Their gazes seemed as if they'd grabbed onto a lifesaving straw.

But the expressions of those two old men changed quickly as boundless ruthlessness suffused their faces when their gazes descended onto Duan Ling Tian.

"Duan Ling Tian!" One of the old men shouted out in a grim voice, and his voice was filled with hatred.

He's been trapped within here for the past few years, and it caused his life to be worse than death. Normally, he could only eat weeds to allay his hunger, and it was simply like the difference between the heavens and the earth when compared with his life of luxury from before.

Because of this, he'd even thought of ending his life, yet he didn't have the courage in the end.

Of course, the most important reason that drove him to continue living was because he wanted to tear apart the kid that trapped him here that day.

Originally, he thought that he wouldn't have any hope to take revenge in his entire lifetime.

Yet today, not only had the Inscription Formation that trapped him been opened up, there was even someone that entered after it opened, and this person was precisely the person he hated the most.

"Duan Ling Tian... I won't let you escape again today. You're dead!" The other old man seemed to have transformed into a bolt of lightning that instantly appeared behind Duan Ling Tian, and he launched a pincer attack at Duan Ling Tian with the other old man that was before Duan Ling Tian.

"Elder Huo, are you so sure?" Duan Ling Tian turned around to glance deeply at the red clothed old man that stood behind him, and then the corners of his mouth curled into a ridiculing smile.

The red clothed old man was precisely the Guardian Elder of the former Azure Forest Tri-Sect, Tang Huo.

After many years, Tang Huo wasn't elegant and unrestrained as before, and he looked like an old geezer that didn't have the slightest bearing of an expert.

"Die!" Tang Huo exploded into rage from being underestimated by Duan Ling Tian, and the Origin Energy on his body skyrocketed as Fire Concept followed his Origin Energy like a shadow, causing him to seem as if he'd transformed into a ball of flame that swept aggressively towards Duan Ling Tian.

His ability as a sixth level Void Initiation Stage martial artist was revealed completely!

"Elder Huo, a few years have passed yet you haven't improved in the slightest... Truly a pity." Duan Ling Tian's expression remained unchanged when facing Tang Huo's aggressive attack, and at the same time that he spoke out in ridicule, Duan Ling Tian casually pointed out twice in the air before him.

Swish! Swish!

Instantly, two piercing howls resounded out as material Origin Energy point force accompanied by a strand of azure colored energy and violet colored energy tore through the sky, and it caused the airflow in the sky to surge and violet gales to blow in all directions.

Pu! Pu!

Two light sounds accompanied by muffled groans sounded out.

Subsequently, the nearby Zhao Ming saw an unforgettable scene.

Heavens!

What have I seen?

Tang Huo, an existence who possessed a strength equal to him had attacked out with his full strength, yet Tang Huo hadn't even touched Duan Ling Tian before his legs were penetrated by the two point forces that Duan Ling Tian casually shot out.

Bang!

After his legs were penetrated, Tang Huo forcefully endured the intense pain and let out a muffled groan while his body trembled.

Meanwhile, Tang Huo still gritted his teeth and withdrew his spirit weapon before pouncing towards Duan Ling Tian like a wild beast that had opened its bloody mouth and revealed its fangs.

The spirit weapon tore through the sky while accompanied by an even stronger strength as it swept towards Duan Ling Tian, and the Origin Energy that covered the skies like surging flames seemed as if they wanted to swallow Duan Ling Tian completely.

Duan Ling Tian stood on the spot and looked at Tang Huo's final struggle with interest.

In his eyes, Tang Huo was indeed making a final struggle now.

Tempest Point!

Along with Duan Ling Tian pointing out once more, another Tempest Point swept out and at the instant a piercing howl sounded out, the spirit weapon in Tang Huo's hand was directly blasted flying by the energy of the Tempest Point, whereas, the hand Tang Huo held his spirit weapon with had been blasted to the point it dripped with blood and intense pain caused Tang Huo's countenance to go pale to the extreme as he barely stopped his body and look at Duan Ling Tian in panic.

"No... Impossible... Impossible! How many years have passed, how could you possibly possess such a formidable strength?!" Tang Huo looked at Duan Ling Tian with a gaze filled with terror, and his tone contained traces of trembling.

Whoosh!

Right at this moment, the energy of the heavens and earth that swept out in the sky above Duan Ling Tian had finally started formed into numerous ancient horned dragon silhouettes.

First where 12 ancient horned dragon silhouettes, and then another eight ancient horned dragon silhouettes appeared before another three ancient horned dragon silhouettes appeared.

Ninth level of the Void Initiation Stage!

Eighth level Wind Concept!

Third level Lightning Concept!

This was the strength Duan Ling Tian had utilized when making a move against Tang Huo.

"Ninth... Ninth level... Ninth level of the Void Initiation Stage?" When Tang Huo saw the ancient horned dragon silhouettes that appeared in the sky above Duan Ling Tian, his body couldn't help but tremble as his countenance went ghastly pale to the extreme, and he was terrified to the point he couldn't speak clearly.

"Tang Huo, you first participated in the battle to annihilate my Seven Star Sword Sect, and you even wanted to kill me later on... Now, I'll send you on your way and allow you to accompany Long Wei, Xue Rui, and the others in the netherworld." Duan Ling Tian spoke slowly.

At this moment, Tang Huo's pupils constricted when he heard Duan Ling Tian, and his voice started to tremble slightly. "You... You... our Azure Forest Tri Sect..."

Tang Huo didn't continue speaking because he'd obtained the answer he wanted from Duan Ling Tian's cold and indifferent gaze.

Tang Huo's countenance was ghastly pale, and his breathing was slightly hurried as he pointed at Duan Ling Tian and said, "Duan Ling Tian, you were lucky since you annihilated the Azure Forest Tri-Sect before our Demonic Lotusblade Sect's Ancestor reemerged into the world. Otherwise, once the Ancestor reemerged, the one that died would have surely been you!"

Tang Huo was a Guardian Elder of the Demonic Lotusblade Sect before the three sects had combined together.

"Ancestor?" Duan Ling Tian suddenly started laughing, and he laughed brilliantly. "The Ancestor you mentioned is probably that Jia Hong, right?"

"You know?" Tang Huo frowned, and then he said with a cold voice, "If the Ancestor reemerged in time, then even if you're already a ninth level Void Initiation Stage martial artist, you'll be dead without a doubt! But unfortunately, you've escaped calamity."

"Then I'm afraid I'll have to disappoint you." Duan Ling Tian smiled lightly. "I watched the Ancestor you spoke of, Jia Hong, emerge from the Firebreath Rock... I have to say, his strength was extremely strong, and I'm far from being a match for him."

"What?! The Ancestor reemerged?" Tang Huo's pupils constricted.

But the following words Duan Ling Tian spoke caused the paleness of his countenance to go deeper, and then his expression turned to one of astonishment and disbelief. "But unfortunately, he still died... Do you think that if your Azure Forest Tri-Sect has someone to rely on, I don't have someone to rely on?"

When Duan Ling Tian's smile entered into Tang Huo's eyes, it was no different than the smile of a devil.

"So you can peacefully go to hell and see your Ancestor." As soon as Duan Ling Tian finished speaking, his finger that had been accumulating force since long ago pointed out.

Swish!

The Tempest Point tore through the sky and gave rise to a wave of fierce piercing howls before directly penetrating the spot between Tang Huo's brows and killing Tang Huo.

Bang!

Tang Huo's corpse dropped to the ground, yet his eyes were still wide open as he'd died with everlasting regret.

When the sound of Tang Huo's corpse dropping to the ground entered into the nearby Zhao Ming's ears, it caused Zhao Ming's expression to go completely pale.

At this moment, the rage he had when facing Duan Ling Tian earlier had vanished completely, and replacing it was terror and uneasiness.

Never had he imagined that after a few years, Duan Ling Tian would actually possess such a terrifying strength, a strength that caused even him to look up to.

It was even to the extent that Duan Ling Tian had even annihilated the Azure Forest Tri-Sect.

After he retrieved Tang Huo's Spatial Ring, Duan Ling Tian turned around to look at the old man who stood dumbstruck nearby, and his gaze instantly went cold.

"Zhao Ming!" Duan Ling Tian's voice seemed to have come from the netherworld, and it carried frightful coldness with it.

At the same time, Duan Ling Tian strode over step by step toward the old man that possessed an extremely unsightly expression, Zhao Ming.

Zhao Ming was one of the Guardian Elders of the former Seven Star Sword Sect and people called him Elder Ming.

Later on, when the Seven Star Sword Sect encountered a calamity, Zhao Ming had viciously backstabbed the strongest martial artist in the Seven Star Sword Sect, Elder Xuan, and his actions caused the situation that could be in a stalemate for some time to instantly crumble.

The Seven Star Sword Sect was easily annihilated by the Azure Forest Tri-Sect.

All those years ago when Duan Ling Tian had first found out about all this, he had the impulse to tear Zhao Ming into pieces... But unfortunately, his cultivation was far inferior to Zhao Ming at that time.

Yet now, he'd come!

He'd come along with the blood enmity of all the souls of the dead from the Seven Star Sword Sect, and he carried with him a strength that far surpassed Zhao Ming to appear mightily before Zhao Ming with the sole reason of collecting a debt.

This was a debt Zhao Ming owed the Seven Star Sword Sect.