

SOVEREIGN 851

Chapter 851: Chen Wei

"Big Brother Duan, what do you mean by this?" Ye Xuan had a perplexed expression.

"You'll know in a few days." Duan Ling Tian smiled mysteriously. Even though it was the first time he'd used that method to help another wash away their impurities, he could be certain that it was effective.

Because it was a unique technique the Rebirth Martial Emperor had obtained by luck during his second lifetime, and it was only effective towards people who were below the age of 18 and whose meridians' shape hadn't become completely finalized.

Moreover, it required Origin Energy and Spiritual Force at the Void Interpretation Stage to be successfully executed.

If it wasn't for him encountering Ye Xuan, Duan Ling Tian wouldn't know that such a thing existed in the memories of the Rebirth Martial Emperor, so it could be of use to Ye Xuan now.

Of course, the exact effects of the cleansing of the impurities in her body was something Ye Xuan would only be able to notice after a few more days.

"Big Brother Duan, don't keep me in suspense and tell me quickly." Ye Xuan shook Duan Ling Tian's arm and acted like a spoiled child.

Presently, it wasn't just Duan Ling Tian who'd taken her to be his own younger sister, even she'd taken Duan Ling Tian to be her own older brother, an older brother that she could trust entirely.

"You little girl, you might not believe me even if I tell you now. You'll naturally notice it in another few more days." Duan Ling Tian shook his head and smiled.

"Alright, then I'll wait a few more days." Ye Xuan let go of Duan Ling Tian's arm and nodded obediently, and then she said, "Big Brother Duan, it's fine if you don't go hide during the next few days... But if that Chen Wei brings along the seniors of his Five Element Sect to our Ye Clan, then you must hide yourself and not come out!"

"You little girl, you don't have to care so much about my business... Quickly go cultivate! I'm going to check your improvement in another few days," said Duan Ling Tian with a smile, and as he finished speaking, he urged Ye Xuan to enter her room and cultivate.

"Okay." Ye Xuan playfully spat out her tongue before running back to her room to cultivate, yet she forgot to close her room's door.

"This little girl." Duan Ling Tian revealed tender affection on his face as he helped Ye Xuan close her room's door, and then he muttered to himself. "Perhaps I can consider taking Ye Xuan to the Five Element Sect with me."

Based on Duan Ling Tian's tone, it seemed as if bringing Ye Xuan along to the Five Element Sect was an extremely simple thing, and someone who didn't know any better might think that he owned the Five Element Sect.

"I ought to go cultivate as well... I feel that I'm just a little bit more away from breaking through to the fifth level of the Void Interpretation Stage! Once I break through, my strength will improve once again." Duan Ling Tian thought in his heart as he directly returned to his room before taking out the Wind Concept Fragment and holding it in his hand, and he comprehended Wind Concept as he cultivated.

Nine Dragons War Sovereign Technique, Sword Dragon Form!

Time silently passed by, and three days of time passed in the blink of an eye.

Chen Clan Estate.

On this day, the Chen Clan was extremely bustling and was decorated with lanterns and colorful silk, and it seemed as if it was holding a celebration.

The entrance to the Chen Clan was covered by a long red colored carpet at dawn, and it covered the path all the way until the entrance to the Chen Clan Audience Hall. At the sides of the red carpet stood a servant girl after every short period of distance.

Not long after, the Chen Clan's Patriarch, Chen Dong, brought along his younger son, Chen An, and the group of Elders to walk out of the Chen Clan Estate in a formidable array, and they stood at the entrance while seeming to be waiting for something.

"Father, it's Senior Ke and Big Brother!" Suddenly, the sharp gaze of Chen An lit up, and he looked ahead as he spoke with pleasant surprise.

As he spoke, Chen An moved over to welcome the two people that were walking over from afar. One was a robust old man with a kind countenance, and the other was a young man around the age of 35.

"Senior Ke!" Chen An took a few steps forward and stood respectfully at the other side of the old man before walking by the old man's side while speaking with an extremely humble tone, and he didn't possess the slightest bit of the sharp edge he usually possessed.

"You're Chen Wei's younger brother, Chen An?" The old man's muddy eyes lit up with a trace of a glow as he asked amiably.

"Senior Ke, I am him." Chen An was obviously extremely happy that the old man could remember him.

"I remember that when I came to your Chen Clan all those years ago, you were only seven or eight, right? In the blink of an eye, the little child from all those years ago has already grown into a man." The old man chuckled.

"Chen Wei, I remember that when I first came to your Chen Clan all those years ago, it was precisely the time you took me as your master... It seems to be 18 years ago, right?" The old man looked at the young man by his side, Chen An's older brother, Chen Wei, as he asked.

Chen Wei had a tall figure and a pair of bright and penetrating eyes, and he smiled lightly and nodded when he heard the old man. "Yes, Master, it has been 18 years... At that time, I was 17 and Little An was 7."

"Time is merciless... In the blink of an eye, 18 years have passed already. But unfortunately, during these 18 years, our Wood Peak is still like before and is being suppressed by the other three peaks to the point of being unable to catch a breath." The old man sighed. "Now, I only hope that I can see the Wood Peak rise up once again before I die... In that way, I won't have any other regrets."

"It's disciple who is useless," said Chen Wei hastily.

"It's not your fault... Since 20 years ago when the Peak Master went into closed door cultivation because of his heavy injury, our Wood Peak had already started its decline. I only hate the other three peaks for going too far and seizing the opportunity that the Peak Master was in closed door cultivation to resort to both bribing and threats to steal away all the outstanding disciples of our Wood Peak, causing Wood Peak to have no more useful people in the younger generation!" The old man's face flushed red when he spoke up to here, and he seemed to be slightly agitated.

"Master, cool down. I believe that our Wood Peak will surely be able to stand up once again! Master, I'll surely cultivate more painstakingly in the future and not lose face for the Wood Peak." Chen Wei spoke seriously.

"Alright, you seldom return to your home, so let's not speak about these unhappy things." The old man looked at the group of people that were waiting ahead and the red carpet on the ground, and he couldn't help but sigh. "Didn't I ask you to tell your Father not to make it so extravagant? You ought to know that Master doesn't care about all this. So long as your family is fine and you're able to be at ease while you cultivate in the sect, then Master is satisfied."

"Master, it's rare for you to make a trip here, so don't care about these little details." Chen Wei said with a light smile, "Moreover, my Father did this because he respects you."

"Yes, Senior Ke. You've fostered my older brother into a genius, so our Chen Clan ought to welcome you with the highest courtesy." Chen An spoke out as well.

"Alright, alright." The old man's face was covered in a smile as he arrived before the Chen Clan Estate's entrance under the escort of Chen Wei and Chen An.

"Elder Ke!"

"Elder Ke!"

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Instantly, all the higher-ups of the Chen Clan led by the Patriarch, Chen Song, bowed towards the old man with humble expressions.

"We're all family, there's no need to be courteous." The old man's eyes narrowed as he spoke with a grin on his face.

Family!

The Chen Clan higher-ups instantly beamed with joy, as being taken to be family by an elder of the Five Element Sect wasn't a treatment that anyone could obtain.

"Elder Ke, please come in. We've already prepared a feast to celebrate your arrival." Chen Dong personally greeted the old man into the Chen Clan Estate in a respectful manner.

"Eldest Young Master!"

"Eldest Young Master, long time no see. Your cultivation has improved again, right?"

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The group of Chen Clan Elders greeted Chen Wei fervently.

They felt heartfelt respect towards Chen Wei who was the number one expert in the Chen Clan's younger generation and was a disciple of the Five Element Sect.

"Greeting, elders." Chen Wei smiled lightly as he replied, and he didn't be the slightest bit disrespectful to these elders that had fought for the Chen Clan for most of their lifetime just because he was a disciple of the Five Element Sect.

"Eldest Young Master, please come in." The Chen Clan Elders that stood at the entrance of the estate split open a path for Chen Wei to enter.

"Elders, all of you are seniors to me, so all of you should enter first... If all of you don't enter, then I won't enter the clan today." Chen Wei seemed to be accustomed to a scene like this, and he directly utilized his trump card.

Instantly, the group of Chen Clan Elders laughed bitterly as they walked into the Chen Clan Estate, yet a pleased expression was contained between their brows, as they were pleased towards Chen Wei, who was the Eldest Young Master of their Chen Clan.

Chen Wei and Chen An walked side by side behind the group of Chen Clan elders, and they walked into the Chen Clan Estate.

"Brother." Suddenly, Chen An looked at Chen Wei, and his face suddenly went grim as his eyes flickered with a fierce light. "You must take revenge for me! I won't continue living if you don't help me!"

"Hmm?" Chen Wei frowned as his face sank. "What exactly happened? Tell me clearly."

"Brother, a few days ago, I saw a young man from outside the town forcefully seized a local girl on the streets, and I couldn't bear to see it, so I wanted to save the young girl... But who knew that his strength was formidable and blasted me flying with a single palm, causing me to be knocked unconscious." Chen An spoke with a sorrowful expression.

"There's someone in Driftcloud Town that our Chen Clan can't take care of?" Chen Wei's face sank slightly as he asked.

"Brother, that person said he'd a disciple of the Five Element Sect's Wood Peak, so Father and the elders didn't dare do anything to him... After all, you're at the Five Element Sect's Wood Peak as well. Father

and the Elders were afraid it would cause trouble for you, so they didn't do anything to him." When Chen An spoke up to here, he said hatefully, "This wasn't all... Never had I imagined that he actually forcefully took the fiancée I had a marriage agreement with! Brother, I hate him so much, I hate him so much!!" As he finished speaking, Chen An's eyes were filled with frightful cold lights that seemed ready to swallow up his enemies.

"He said he's a disciple of our Five Element Sect's Wood Peak? Did he say it himself?" Chen Wei stopped moving and asked with a low voice.

"Yes!" Chen An nodded, and then he said with a trembling voice. "He said he's a superior disciple of the Five Element Sect and seizing my fiancée is because he thinks highly of me, and it's my good fortune... Brother, he's too insulting!"

"Did he say what his name was?" Chen Wei's eyes were filled with extreme coldness as he asked with a cold voice.

"He said he's called Duan Ling Tian!" Chen Wei spoke hatefully.

"Duan Ling Tian? Are you sure he's called Duan Ling Tian?" Chen Wei asked with a frown.

"Yes." Chen An nodded. "I clearly remember every single word and every single insult he spoke to me, it's absolutely correct!"

"Little An, you and Father might have been deceived by him! Our Wood Peak doesn't have a disciple called Duan Ling Tian!" Chen Wei's voice became even colder.

"What?!" Chen An's face went pale. "Then doesn't that mean he's an impostor? Brother, you must take revenge for me, take revenge for me!!"

"Do you know where he is now?" Chen Wei's eyes flickered with cold lights as he asked.

He wouldn't easily let off a person that impersonated a Five Element Sect disciple, especially one that impersonated a Wood Peak disciple to swagger about and deceive others!

Chapter 852: Chen An's Scheme

"I do!" Chen An nodded fiercely as he said in a grim voice, "After he forcefully took the fiancée I'd made a marriage agreement with and forced the members of my fiancée's clan to come to our Chen Clan to break off the engagement, he's always been staying at my fiancée's clan!" A trace of a cold light flickered faintly in the depths of Chen An's gaze.

But unfortunately, Chen Wei didn't notice this.

"What?!" Chen Wei's expression became even more gloomy when he heard Chen An.

As far as he was concerned, if it wasn't for that fellow who impersonated a disciple of his Five Element Sect's Wood Sect and used the power of the Five Element Sect to seize his younger brother's fiancée, then he would perhaps be able to attend his younger brother's wedding when he returned this time.

But now, not only did he not get to attend the wedding, his younger brother's fiancée was taken away!

Since he was young, he'd always doted upon his younger brother the most, and he would give the best to his younger brother... Now, how could he endure it when he heard his younger brother had suffered such a humiliation?

"Big Brother, my fiancée is the Ye Clan's Young Miss, Ye Xuan. That fellow is in the Ye Clan right now... You must take revenge for me!!" Chen An revealed a sorrowful expression as he added fuel to the fire, and then he stretched out his hand to pull on Chen Wei's arm before walking out in a hurry.

"Little An, I know you're extremely angry, and Big Brother is extremely angry as well... How about this? I'll go notify Father and Master before following you to the Ye Clan. No matter what, Master rarely comes to our Chen Clan, and I can't leave him aside as soon as I return." Chen Wei stopped moving and spoke to Chen An.

But how could Chen An allow him to see his father? Once he met his father, wouldn't all the lies he'd said earlier be unraveled instantaneously?

"Brother! I've already endured it for a very long time, and I don't want to continue enduring it... If you don't want to take revenge for me, then I'll go myself!" Chen An's eyes flickered with a strand of a cunning bright light, and then he roared in a low voice before letting go of Chen Wei's arm and seemed to transform into a gust of wind that charge out of the Chen Clan.

"Little An!" Chen Wei's face went grim, and he who was worried about the safety of his younger brother hurriedly chased after Chen An. With his speed, he caught up to Chen An not long after he left the entrance of the Chen Clan.

"I'll go with you! It just happens that I want to see that person that dares impersonate a disciple of our Five Element Sect's Wood Peak to seize your fiancée!" Because of Chen An's pitiful narration earlier, his heart was filled with a ball of flames since long ago, and he wished for nothing more than to arrive at the Ye Clan right away and expose that person's true face.

It wasn't just that, he also wanted to cripple that person's cultivation and bring him back to the Five Element Sect's Wood Peak!

As far as he was concerned, that person had actually dared to impersonate a disciple of the Wood Peak to commit deeds that caused widespread indignation and discontent, so that person must be personally judged by the Enforcement Elders of the Wood Peak!

Only in this way would he be able to completely clean the name of the Wood Peak.

"Brother, the entire Ye Clan have been suppressed by that Duan Ling Tian with his martial strength, causing them to do everything he tells them... So when we go over, the members of the Ye Clan will surely drive us out! They have no other choice but to act in that way, so you must not blame them." Chen An spoke to Chen Wei with a heavy expression, yet the depths of his eyes contained slight complacency.

"What?!" Chen Wei was slightly shocked when he heard this. "The members of the Ye Clan were suppressed by his martial strength? Didn't you say that Duan Ling Tian is only a young man? According to my knowledge, the Ye Clan's former patriarch is an existence at the third level of the Void Interpretation Stage. Could it be that even the Ye Clan's former patriarch is unable to deal with him?"

Chen An's expression went imperceptibly grim before recovering, and then he sighed. "Brother, there's something you don't know... The Ye Clan's former patriarch passed away three years ago."

"So that's how it is." Chen Wei nodded, and then he couldn't help but sigh. "I remember when I returned four years ago, I'd once visited the Ye Clan's former patriarch... At that time, I didn't notice anything wrong with him, how did he pass away so quickly? It's truly a pity."

Chen An broke out in cold sweat in his heart as he continued. "I heard he encountered a formidable enemy outside and was heavily injured, causing a hidden injury to be left behind. After that, he couldn't hold on any longer and passed away."

"Brother, you'd already broken through to the Void Interpretation Stage when you returned four years ago... What's your cultivation now?" Chen An seemed to have thought of something and couldn't help but ask.

"I just broke through to the fourth level of the Void Interpretation Stage last month," said Chen Wei.

"Mmm." Chen An nodded, yet he said in his heart, "Brother is only at the fourth level of the Void Interpretation Stage now, and he's surely not a match for that Duan Ling Tian... But I never thought that Big Brother would be able to do anything to that Duan Ling Tian! After all, Duan Ling Tian is an existence that's even capable of defeating the Supreme Elder."

Chen An's thoughts were extremely simple. He wanted to make Duan Ling Tian injure his older brother, causing his older brother's Master, Ke Zheng, the elder of the Five Element Sect's Wood Peak who was a formidable existence at the Void Transformation Stage to be infuriated.

As far as he was concerned, with how much that Senior Ke doted on his older brother, Senior Ke would surely not let the matter go after his older brother was heavily injured by Duan Ling Tian.

"Once Senior Ke is enraged, he'll surely kill that Duan Ling Tian! In this way, the hatred in my heart will be resolved! Duan Ling Tian, not only did you destroy the marriage agreement between me and Ye Xuan, you actually want to interfere in my business. I'll make you die a graveless death!" At this moment, Chen An was extremely satisfied of his scheme.

As far as he was concerned, his scheme was flawless.

After a short moment, Chen Wei and Chen An arrived before the entrance to the Ye Clan Estate, and the expression of the two disciples that guarded the entrance went grim when they saw Chen An.

"Brother, let's go in!" Chen An completely disregarded these two Ye Clan disciples and directly moved to trespass into the Ye Clan Estate.

"Second Young Master Chen!" The two Ye Clan disciples stopped Chen An, and their expressions changed indeterminately.

They felt slightly curious. Wasn't the marriage agreement between this good for nothing Young Master of the Chen Clan and our Ye Clan's Young Miss broken off? What's this good for nothing Young Master coming to our Ye Clan for?

Moreover, he's coming to look for trouble and obviously came with ill intent.

Could it be that he isn't afraid of Young Master Duan teaching him a lesson?

Right when the two Ye Clan disciples had a myriad of thoughts in their minds, Chen An made a move.

Bang! Bang!

Two palms slapped out, one for each of them, and he directly blasted the two Ye Clan disciples flying, causing them to collide with the pillar at the side of the entrance and lose consciousness.

"Little An?" The scene before him occurred suddenly, and Chen Wei only recovered from his shock after Chen An finished knocking the two Ye Clan disciples out, causing him to be unable to help but frown.

"What're you doing?"

"Brother, don't worry. I've only knocked them out. The Ye Clan members have all been coerced by that Duan Ling Tian now. If I don't knock them out, then they'll surely not dare allow us to enter." Chen An explained.

Chen Wei nodded. Even though he kept having the feeling that something was amiss, yet he didn't think any further.

Of course, it was also because he'd never doubted his younger brother, nor did he ever think that his younger brother would deceive him.

Chen Wei and Chen An trespassed all the way into the Ye Clan and arrived outside the Ye Clan's Audience Hall.

All the Ye Clan disciples on the way that came to question Chen An were injured successively by Chen An, and it instantly drew the rage of the comparatively stronger Ye Clan disciples, causing the group of Ye Clan disciples to make a move in unison.

Meanwhile, Chen An couldn't withstand it any longer.

Bang!

Chen Wei took a stride forward, his robes fluttering without the wind as a vast and enormous energy gushed out from his body to directly blast the group of Ye Clan disciples flying.

The group of Ye Clan disciples fell to the ground and emitted muffled groans, yet all of them didn't emit a single shrill cry.

Perhaps, as far as they were concerned, letting out a shrill cry before the good for nothing Young Master of the Chen Clan was an extremely great humiliation, and they were unable to accept a humiliation like that.

"Quickly, go get the Patriarch!"

"I'll go get the Grand Elder!"

"I'll go get the Second Elder!"

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Instantly, besides a portion of Ye Clan disciples that stared fiercely at Chen Wei and Chen An, some Ye Clan disciples flew off to go notify the Patriarch and elders.

In next to no time, the Ye Clan's Patriarch, Ye Ting, and the group of elders converged together and came over in a formidable array.

"Patriarch!"

"Grand Elder!"

"Second Elder!"

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The Ye Clan disciples that surrounded Chen Wei and Chen An opened up a path as they respectfully greeted Ye Ting and the others over.

The expression of Ye Ting who heard Chen Wei had come over to cause trouble was extremely ominous, but when he walked into the crowd and saw Chen Wei who stood by Chen An's side, his expression eased up slightly.

"I was wondering why Second Young Master Chen would dare trespass into our Ye Clan Estate, so it turns out that Eldest Young Master Chen has returned." Ye Ting glanced coldly and indifferently at Chen An before shooting his gaze at Chen Wei, and it seemed to contain slight fear mixed within.

He wasn't afraid of the Chen Clan's Eldest Young Master, Chen Wei, but he couldn't help but be afraid of the Five Element Sect that stood behind Chen Wei.

Moreover, he'd heard that not only had Chen Wei joined the Five Element Sect, he'd even taken an elder of the Five Element Sect as his master, and this was something Ye Ting had to fear.

After all, even the weakest elder in the Five Element Sect was an existence at the Void Transformation Stage.

Merely the strength of a single existence like this was sufficient to annihilate his Ye Clan.

"Patriarch Ye." Chen Wei nodded to Ye Ting. He didn't come to the Ye Clan with his younger brother today for the sake of denouncing the Ye Clan's crimes, and he'd instead come for the sake of looking for the person that impersonated a disciple of the Five Element Sect's Wood Peak to seize his younger brother's fiancée.

So, he was very courteous when facing Ye Ting.

"Eldest Young Master Chen, I wonder why you and your younger brother have come?" Ye Ting asked indifferently. "Our Ye Clan seems to have no relationship with your Chen Clan now, right?"

"Patriarch Ye, I'm happy for my younger brother for being able to be engaged to your daughter... But no matter what the reason was, your actions of coming to my Chen Clan to break off the engagement seems to be going a little too far, right?" said Chen Wei.

"Breaking off the engagement?" Ye Ting came to a sudden understanding when he heard Chen Wei. "So Eldest Young Master Chen has come because of this... But could it be that your father didn't tell you that this matter had already ended completely?" When he spoke up to here, Ye Ting looked at Chen An, and he kept having the feeling that something was off with the incident today.

Chen Wei's reputation in Driftcloud Town had always been extremely good. He was absolutely not a person that relied on his backing to bully others nor was he an unreasonable person. But, his actions of coming to the Ye Clan to denounce the Ye Clan's crimes with Chen An today was truly slightly strange.

"Hmph!" Chen Wei hadn't spoken when Chen An had already said angrily, "Ye Ting, you brought that Duan Ling Tian to come to my Chen Clan to break off the engagement and caused my Chen Clan to lose face greatly, and you even forcefully tore me and Little Xuan apart... Could it be that you don't feel guilty in the slightest?" As he finished speaking, Chen An had an agitated expression as tears streamed down from his face and dripped down to the ground.

Ye Ting was stunned.

The group of Ye Clan elders were stunned.

All the Ye Clan disciples were stunned.

What exactly is this Chen Clan's Second Young Master doing?

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Chen Wei's calm expression instantly became gloomy when he saw his younger brother was so sorrowful, he said with a low voice to Ye Ting, "Patriarch Ye, since you were once considered to be the father-in-law of my younger brother, I won't make it difficult for you..."

"But you must hand Duan Ling Tian over! Today, I, Chen Wei, will not only seek justice for my younger brother and Chen Clan, I'll also seek justice for my Five Element Sect's Wood Peak!" Chen Wei's words were spoken clearly with a voice that was like a thunderclap.

As he finished speaking, his face was suffused with ghastly rage.

He was very rarely enraged, but when he saw his younger brother in such pain today and coupled with someone impersonating a disciple of his Five Element Sect's Wood Peak, he was completely enraged!

Seek justice for the Five Element Sect?

Ye Ting's pupils constricted when he heard Chen Wei, and the other Ye Clan elders and disciples had astounded expressions as well.

How did Duan Ling Tian get related to the Five Element Sect?

Moreover, he seems to have committed something that caused indignation and discontent in the Five Element Sect?

"Eldest Young Master Chen, have you mistaken something? How did Brother Duan become related to your Five Element Sect?" Ye Ting asked with a frown. He kept having the feeling that something was amiss, yet he didn't know how to describe this feeling.

"Hmph! Patriarch Ye, looks like you've really been scared sh*tless by him." Right at this moment, Chen An shouted fiercely with a low voice. "Could it be that he didn't tell you he's a disciple of the Five Element Sect's Wood Peak? Today, my older brother is representing the Five Element Sect's Wood Peak to teach him a lesson!"

Disciple of the Five Element Sect's Wood Peak?

Ye Ting was stunned as he really didn't know that Duan Ling Tian was a disciple of the Five Element Sect, and he instantly looked at a nearby Ye Clan disciple and said, "You, go invite Young Master Duan over."

"Yes." The Ye Clan disciple replied respectfully before leaving.

When Chen Wei saw Ye Ting ask someone to call Duan Ling Tian over, he didn't say anything further and closed his eyes to meditate while waiting calmly.

Chen An who stood by Chen Wei's side had a complacent expression.

"Duan Ling Tian, let me see how you're struck with misfortune!" The corners of Chen An's mouth was suffused with a cold smile as he cursed in his heart.

In a quiet little courtyard in the Ye Clan, Duan Ling Tian sat silently before a stone table as he drank tea, and his other hand held an azure colored fragment at all times.

"I've finally comprehended third level Intermediate Wind Concept." Duan Ling Tian glanced at the Wind Concept Fragment in his hand as he revealed a satisfied smile, and at the same time, he raised his tea cup up to take a sip, causing a fragrant tea to bloom within his mouth.

"Big Brother Duan!" Suddenly, the sound of a door opening resounded out, and then a beautiful figure walked out from a room on the right of the little courtyard. It was precisely Ye Xuan who was in closed door cultivation for a few days.

At this moment, Ye Xuan's face was covered in joy as she said delightedly, "Big Brother Duan, the medicinal pill you gave me is too miraculous. Only a few days have passed, yet my cultivation has once again recovered to the seventh level of the Nascent Soul Stage!"

Ye Xuan had discarded her Origin Energy a few days ago and started cultivating the cultivation method Duan Ling Tian had given her.

During this period of time, she'd consumed a few medicinal pills Duan Ling Tian gave her.

Those medicinal pills were precisely pills that were capable of absorbing and storing Ye Xuan's dispersed Origin Energy, and after Ye Xuan cultivated the new cultivation method, the medicinal pills would return the stored Origin Energy to Ye Xuan.

During these few days of time, Ye Xuan had completely reclaimed the Origin Energy within the medicinal pills, and she was even a step away from breaking through to the eighth level of the Nascent Soul Stage!

"Little Xuan, even though those medicinal pills are miraculous, yet they're insufficient to allow you to recover your cultivation in such a short period of time... Could it be that you didn't notice during these past few days that the speed you absorbed the Origin Energy in the medicinal pills had become faster?" Duan Ling Tian shook his head and then asked with a smile.

"It has become faster. But isn't it because the Origin Energy in the medicinal pill was mine to begin with?" Ye Xuan asked curiously.

She didn't know much about that type of medicinal pill, and she only knew that it was capable of absorbing her dispersed Origin Energy before allowing her to reclaim the Origin Energy by cultivating.

"You little girl... You've already completely absorbed the Origin Energy in those medicinal pills, try and absorb the spirit energy of the heavens and the earth contained within Origin Stones to cultivate." Duan Ling Tian laughed bitterly. He originally thought that after this little girl came out from closed door cultivation, she would be delighted by the natural talent she possessed now, yet she unexpectedly seemed to have not noticed anything.

Ye Xuan nodded and sat before the store table before taking out a low grade Origin Stone and starting to cultivate.

After the time for over ten breaths, Ye Xuan opened her eyes, and her beautiful face was filled with astonishment.

"Big... Big Brother Duan, why do I feel as if the speed I absorb the spirit energy of the heavens and the earth seems to be a few tens of times faster than before? Even though it isn't as swift as when I absorbed the Origin Energy that belonged to me in those medicinal pills, yet it isn't much slower." Ye Xuan spoke in a slight daze.

"Silly girl." Duan Ling Tian shook his head. "You wouldn't have forgotten what I told you a few days ago, right? Did you really think the cleansing of impurities I did for you was just talk?"

According to his observation, even though Ye Xuan's current natural talent was inferior to his natural talent that was at the limit after consuming the 10,000 year Stalactite Milk, yet it wasn't much inferior.

"Cleansing of impurities!" Ye Xuan recalled what Duan Ling Tian had told her a few days ago, and at that time, she didn't believe Duan Ling Tian when he said that her current natural talent wasn't the same as before.

Now the facts were laid before her eyes, and she had to believe it.

"Big Brother Duan, you... You've really improved my natural talent?" Ye Xuan looked at Duan Ling Tian, and her beautiful face was filled with excitement.

Duan Ling Tian laughed bitterly. "You little girl, you're still doubting your Big Brother Duan now? Could it be that I look like a fraud?"

"Big Brother Duan, I didn't mean it that way..." Ye Xuan's beautiful face flushed red instantly when she heard Duan Ling Tian, and then explained hurriedly. "I'm just... I'm just too surprised! Even though I

knew that some precious materials in Cloud Continent are capable of improving a martial artist's natural talent, yet I've never heard of someone being capable of increasing the natural talent of another."

"Now you know how formidable your Big Brother Duan is, right?" said Duan Ling Tian with a smile.

"Yes, Big Brother Duan is the most formidable." Ye Xuan nodded her head like a chick pecking on grains, and then her face went red as she stared fixedly at Duan Ling Tian.

"What? Is there something on my face?" Duan Ling Tian felt uneasy when being stared at Ye Xuan like this, and he couldn't help but ask.

Kiss!

Right when Duan Ling Tian raised his hand and intended to touch his face, Ye Xuan came closer and kissed Duan Ling Tian on the cheek like a surprise attack.

When Duan Ling Tian was dumbstruck, Ye Xuan had already ran back to her room with a red face, and she closed her room's door with a 'bang' as her voice sounded out. "Big Brother Duan, thank you! I'll cultivate properly."

No sound escaped her room after she finished speaking. Obviously, after she found out that she possessed an extraordinary natural talent now, she started cultivating impatiently.

"This little girl." Duan Ling Tian shook his head and smiled after being struck by Ye Xuan's surprise attack.

"If I have the chance in the future, I'll bring Little Xuan to go see Father and Mother and make them take her as their foster daughter. Then she'll really be my younger sister." Duan Ling Tian thought in his heart as a warm smile suffused his face.

"Young Master Duan!" Right at this moment, a respectful and urgent voice sounded out from outside the courtyard.

"Hmm?" Duan Ling Tian frowned. He discerned the urgency in the voice from outside, so he didn't dare dally and walked out directly.

Only now did he notice that a Ye Clan disciple was standing there with an anxious expression.

"What happened?" Duan Ling Tian asked curiously. He didn't know why this Ye Clan disciple was so anxious, and he seemed as if he was rushing to go get reincarnated.

"Young Master Duan, quickly go over to take a look... Then Chen Clan's Eldest Young Master and Second Young Master have come, and they seem to have come for the sake of the matter of you and the Patriarch breaking off the engagement with the Chen Clan." The Ye Clan disciple spoke hurriedly.

"The Chen Clan's Eldest Young Master? Chen Wei?" Duan Ling Tian recalled that Ye Xuan had mentioned the Chen Clan's Eldest Young Master who'd joined the Five Element Sect to him, and he couldn't help but ask.

"Yes." The Ye Clan disciple nodded.

"Where are they? Lead the way," said Duan Ling Tian. His expression remained calm from the beginning until the end and seemed as if he wasn't the slightest bit worried that Chen Wei would be able to do anything to him.

The Ye Clan disciple lead the way ahead and Duan Ling Tian followed from behind.

"Didn't she say that the Chen Clan's Eldest Young Master is a reasonable person?" Duan Ling Tian frowned. He still remembered Ye Xuan's evaluation of Chen Wei. According to Ye Xuan, Chen Wei was an upright person and was like a completely different person when compared to his younger brother, Chen An.

But if Chen Wei was really such a reasonable person, then it was logically impossible that he would come with Chen An to the Ye Clan to look for trouble with him.

"No matter what, I'll go over and take a look first... I was just thinking about how to come into contact with the members of the Five Element Sect, yet I never imagined that Chen Wei would come looking for me." Duan Ling Tian followed behind the Ye Clan disciple and moved through the Ye Clan Estate to arrive at the Audience Hall not long after.

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian noticed a group of people within the Audience Hall.

"Young Master Duan has arrived!" The Ye Clan disciple that led the way before Duan Ling Tian shouted out in a loud voice.

Instantly, the Ye Clan disciples in ahead respectfully opened up a path.

"Young Master Duan!"

"Young Master Duan!"

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The numerous Ye Clan disciples bowed respectfully and reverently towards Duan Ling Tian who walked over. During this period of time, the deeds of the violet clothed young man before them had practically spread throughout the entire Driftcloud Town.

He'd successively defeated the Chen Clan's Patriarch and Supreme Elder by himself, and he assisted the Ye Clan to break off the absurd marriage agreement with the Chen Clan.

Because of his matter, they who were Ye Clan disciples noticed bystanders from all around looking at them with respectful gazes when they left the clan during these past few days, and it allowed their vanity to obtain sufficient satisfaction.

They knew that all of this was given to them by the violet clothed young man before them, and if it wasn't for this violet clothed young man, no one would respect them like that.

"Mmm." Duan Ling Tian lightly smiled and nodded in reply to all the group of fervent Ye Clan disciples.

Instantly, the Ye Clan disciples revealed brilliant smiles and exclaimed with admiration. "Not only is Young Master Duan's strength formidable, he's so modest as well. It's truly difficult to come by."

When he saw Duan Ling Tian receive such respect from the Ye Clan disciples, Chen An's expression completely darkened, and he looked at the nearby Ye Ting and ridiculed. "Patriarch Ye, I think your position as Patriarch can almost be given to this Duan Ling Tian! In the future, the Ye Clan can just change its name to the Duan Clan, and all the members of the Ye Clan can change their surname to Duan."

Chen An's words caused Ye Ting's expression to become extremely unsightly.

Chapter 854: Blasted Flying With A Single Strike

Asking the Ye Clan to change its name was undoubtedly an undisguised insult to their Ye Clan!

For a time, it wasn't just Ye Ting, all the Ye Clan elders and disciples stared furiously at Chen An, yet because of being afraid of Chen Wei, they didn't dare make any movements.

"Little An, don't go too far! Don't forget that we didn't come to the Ye Clan today to condemn them..." Finally, Chen Wei who stood silently at the side in meditation opened his eyes, and his sharp gaze descended onto the violet clothed young man at the first possible moment.

"You're Duan Ling Tian?" Chen Wei looked at Duan Ling Tian and asked with a low voice.

"Exactly." Duan Ling Tian nodded indifferently, and at the same time, he started sizing up the young man, Chen Wei, before him.

Chen Wei was around the age of 35, with a righteous aura between his brows, and a single glance allowed one to discern that he was an upright person. This was something that was completely opposite of his younger brother.

"Do you know what's the consequences of impersonating a disciple of the Five Element Sect to bully others and seize women?" Chen Wei's gaze was like a bolt of lightning as he stared at Duan Ling Tian and asked with a low voice.

Impersonating a disciple of the Five Element Sect?

Duan Ling Tian couldn't help but be stunned when he heard Chen Wei.

Everyone from the Ye Clan couldn't help but be stunned as well.

Duan Ling Tian impersonated a disciple of the Five Element Sect?

As far as they were concerned, with the attainments Duan Ling Tian had obtained at such an age, there was utterly no need for him to impersonate a disciple of the Five Element Sect.

If Duan Ling Tian wanted, he would be completely capable of easily joining the Five Element Sect!

At a mere age of around 25, he utilized an unfathomable ability to defeat a martial artist at the sixth level of the Void Interpretation Stage... Would such an outstanding young man need to impersonate a disciple of the Five Element Sect?

"Eldest Young Master Chen, is there a misunderstanding?" Ye Ting asked.

Duan Ling Tian recovered from his shock, and his brows raised up. When he unintentionally looked towards Chen An who was by Chen Wei's side, he noticed that slight panic was contained between Chen An's brows.

For a time, he faintly guessed what had happened.

"Duan Ling Tian!" Right at this moment, before Duan Ling Tian could speak, Chen An had already shouted out explosively and looked at Duan Ling Tian furiously. "You scum! Not only did you impersonate a disciple of the Five Element Sect's Wood Peak to bully others and seize women, you even took my fiancée forcefully and forced the Ye Clan to break off the engagement with our Chen Clan... I won't let you off! I'll risk my life to kill you!" As he finished shouting out furiously, Chen An pounced towards Duan Ling Tian with a manner as if he wanted to risk his life to kill Duan Ling Tian.

The group of Ye Clan members were stunned when they saw Chen An pounce towards Duan Ling Tian, as they never imagined that this good for nothing Young Master of the Chen Clan would dare launch an attack at Duan Ling Tian.

Logically speaking, he ought to know Duan Ling Tian's strength.

Duan Ling Tian started laughing, and he laughed extremely brightly and brilliantly.

He naturally guessed Chen An's thoughts yet didn't expose them and laughed coldly instead as he shouted. "You contemptible wretch!"

As soon as Duan Ling Tian finished speaking, he slapped out a palm strike towards Chen An with a raise of his hand.

Duan Ling Tian didn't utilize too much strength in this strike.

"Don't harm my younger brother!" When he saw Duan Ling Tian's palm strike about to descend onto Chen An, Chen Wei shouted out with a grim voice as he took a stride forward and similarly slapped out with his palm to greet Duan Ling Tian's palm.

Whoosh!

Vast origin Energy transformed into vast and surging flames on Chen Wei's palm as it flashed out through the sky and gave rise to a wave of ear piercing explosions of the air before moving to intercept Duan Ling Tian's palm.

In the sky, the phenomenon of the heavens and the earth arose abruptly to first condense 60 ancient horned dragon silhouettes before another 40 ancient horned dragon silhouettes appeared.

A total of 100 ancient horned dragon silhouettes flashed out with an imposing aura that shot into the sky like a rainbow.

Fourth level Void Interpretation Stage!

Third level Intermediate Fire Concept!

This was the strength of the Chen Clan's Eldest Young Master, the disciple of the Five Element Sect's Wood Peak, Chen Wei.

"Interesting!" The corners of Duan Ling Tian's mouth curled into a cold smile as the Origin Energy on his hand suddenly exploded out to transform into gusts of piercingly cold strong winds that formed a ceaselessly revolving vortex at the center of his palm.

Bang!

Finally, Duan Ling Tian and Chen Wei's palms collided and emitted an enormous bang.

Subsequently, raging flames gushed out from Chen Wei's palm and sprayed towards Duan Ling Tian as if it wanted to burn Duan Ling Tian's entire body into ash.

The strong wind that roared and revolved without end counterattacked from Duan Ling Tian's hand instead, and it collided with the raging flames before completely suppressing it.

Crack!

The clear sound of bones breaking resounded out, and it was accompanied by an exceedingly heavy muffled groan as it entered into the ears of everyone present.

Subsequently, everyone saw that after Duan Ling Tian's palm strike suppressed Chen Wei and broke Chen Wei's arm, the palm strike that swept out like a tornado descended onto Chen Wei.

Bang!

Another enormous bang resounded out as Chen Wei's entire body flew out like an arrow leaving bow, and after he flew out for over 10 meters, he collided onto the wall of the Ye Clan's Audience Hall before falling down and losing consciousness.

Practically at the exact same time.

Swish!

Swish!

With the expanse of sky behind and before Duan Ling Tian as the center, two compressed waves of air exploded out and swept out towards the surroundings, and it blew onto the clothes of the members of the Ye Clan to the point of fluttering with the wind.

Some Ye Clan disciples with comparatively lower cultivations were even struck by the waves of air to the point of repeatedly taking a few steps back.

In the sky above Duan Ling Tian, 110 ancient horned dragon silhouettes dispersed gradually, causing the sky to once again return to calm.

"It's still the first time I'm fighting since I broke through." Duan Ling Tian lightly clenched his fists as he revealed a slight smile.

Fifth level of the Void Interpretation Stage!

Third level Intermediate Wind Concept!

This was Duan Ling Tian's current strength.

During this period of time in the Ye Clan, not only had his cultivation completed a breakthrough, even his Wind Concept had broken through once again to obtain an increase of the strength of 20 ancient horned dragons.

"But... Why didn't my Spiritual Force increase this time?" Since he broke through to the fifth level of the Void Interpretation Stage two days ago, Duan Ling Tian had always been perplexed by this and didn't know what exactly had happened.

According to convention, his Spiritual Force was improved by a Soul Pearl and that was capable of improving the strength of the soul, and his soul was two levels higher than his cultivation.

All along, his Spiritual Force had maintained an advancement of being two levels ahead of his cultivation.

But when he broke through to the fifth level of the Void Interpretation Stage this time, Duan Ling Tian noticed to his shock that his Spiritual Force was still at the sixth level of the Void Interpretation Stage and didn't advance to the seventh level of the Void Interpretation Stage.

Logically speaking, this was impossible.

"There's only one possibility... It's a side effect left behind after the Devilseal Tablet changed unusually!" Now Duan Ling Tian could only explain it in this way.

On that day, when he was besieged by the six elders of the Skywolf Fort, the energy that gushed out from within the Devilseal Tablet after he touched it didn't just enter his arm, it also entered his soul.

After that, he lost consciousness.

In his dazed state, a scene that was like a dream had appeared, whereas, he'd already confirmed that it wasn't a dream but reality.

The energy of the Devilseal Tablet had temporarily taken control of his body and slaughtered all living beings in his surroundings!

At that time, even Feng Wu Dao was almost killed by him who was controlled by the Devilseal Tablet. Fortunately, he was barely capable of maintaining a trace of consciousness, and it allowed Feng Wu Dao to escape calamity.

"If the truth is really as I think it is... Then the side effect of the Devilseal Tablet is too big, right?" Duan Ling Tian's heart was filled with helplessness and bitterness.

All along, he'd relied on his Spiritual Force that was two levels above his cultivation to execute his soul skill, Thousand Illusions, and it could be said to be the strongest ability he possessed.

It was even to the extent that he'd relied on his soul skill on many occasions to defeat opponents he was unable to defeat by solely relying on his strength.

Now, after his cultivation advanced to the fifth level of the Void Interpretation Stage, his Spiritual Force didn't advance along with it, and it had maintained itself at the sixth level of the Void Interpretation Stage instead.

This caused him to be slightly unhappy and disappointed.

"Hu!" Duan Ling Tian let out a breath of air and returned to his senses. No matter why exactly it had happened, since it had already happened, it was bound to be something that was difficult to change.

"I hope that my Spiritual Force will be able to advance again when I break through to the sixth level of the Void Interpretation Stage. Otherwise, it's practically impossible to surmount levels to defeat my opponents." Duan Ling Tian sighed in his heart.

What he was most worried about was that his Spiritual Force would become similar to his cultivation once more. If that situation really appeared, then his soul skill, Thousand Illusions, would become utterly useless.

"Don't move!" After he returned to his senses, Duan Ling Tian noticed Chen An had carried the unconscious Chen Wei on his back and wanted to sneak off, and Duan Ling Tian couldn't help but shout out with a grim voice.

Instantly, the body of Chen An who'd just soared into the sky shook, and he revealed a ruthless gaze as he stared at Duan Ling Tian. "Duan Ling Tian, you're dead since you dared to heavily injure my older brother... Senior Ke will absolutely not let you off!"

Senior Ke?

Duan Ling Tian's brows raised, and then he flashed out to arrive nearby Chen An and ask indifferently. "Who's the Senior Ke you speak about? A member of the Five Element Sect?"

"Exactly!" Chen An revealed ruthlessness in his gaze as he stared at Duan Ling Tian. "Senior Ke isn't just a member of the Five Element Sect, he's also my older brother's Master and an elder of the Five Element Sect's Wood Peak!"

An elder of the Five Element Sect?

As soon as Chen An said this, Duan Ling Tian didn't have any reaction, yet the Ye Clan's Patriarch Ye Ting had already gone grim, and he hurriedly sent a voice transmission to Duan Ling Tian. "Brother Duan, you should leave the Ye Clan quickly and go into hiding... An elder of the Five Element Sect is at least at the Void Transformation Stage! He's far from something you can compare to."

"An elder of the Five Element Sect?" Duan Ling Tian seemed as if he'd utterly not heard what Ye Ting said, and his brows raised as he looked at Chen An and asked indifferently. "Where's that elder of the Five Element Sect now?"

"He's naturally at our Chen Clan." Chen An grunted coldly, and then he ridiculed. "You wouldn't be thinking of going to our Chen Clan to apologize to Senior Ke, right? If you are, then let me tell you now... It's useless!"

"My older brother is the disciple Senior Ke dotes on the most and regards my older brother as his own child. Since you've crippled my brother's arm and even heavily injured him... Senior Ke will surely not let you off!" As he finished speaking, the smile on Chen An's face grew wider.

"Who else from the Five Element Sect came with your brother?" Duan Ling Tian's expression was still calm as he asked indifferently.

"Even if it's only Senior Ke, it's sufficient to annihilate you a thousand times! Duan Ling Tian, wash your neck clear and wait! Of course, you can flee as well. HAHahaha..." As he finished speaking, Chen An laughed without restraint, and his laughter was filled with joy.

Chapter 855: Pitiabile

"No wonder the people of Driftcloud Town say you're worse than an animal, they aren't wrong in the slightest." A wisp of coldness arose on the corners of Duan Ling Tian's mouth as he looked at Chen An who laughed loudly.

"Duan Ling Tian, if I was you, I'd quickly flee for my life and not waste time here... But even if you escape Driftcloud Town, you might not be able to escape Senior Ke's hands!" Chen An withdrew his unrestrained laughter, and he looked at Duan Ling Tian as if he was looking at the dead.

"Do you think that a dignified elder of the Five Element Sect would be so stupid?" Duan Ling Tian suddenly started laughing, laughing to the point Chen An felt horrified and couldn't help but shout coldly. "What do you mean by this?"

"What do I mean?" Duan Ling Tian glanced deeply at Chen An. "Could it be that you aren't clear of what I mean than anyone else? Perhaps it was I that injured your older brother, yet why did I injure your older brother? Do you think that elder of the Five Element Sect would be unable to find out that it was you that led your older brother into a trap?"

"You're talking nonsense!" Chen An's face went grim when Duan Ling Tian pointed out his worries, and he roared furiously as if he wanted to use a loud voice to conceal the lack of confidence in his heart.

"I'm talking nonsense?" The smile revealed on Duan Ling Tian's face grew even more brilliant, and then he said, "Alright... I'll make a trip to the Chen Clan with you! Let's see if that elder of the Five Element Sect hates you, the cause of everything, or me, the person that injured your older brother."

"You... You still dare go to our Chen Clan?" Chen An's pupils constricted as he said with astonishment, "Aren't you afraid of death?"

"Death? Even if I die, you'll probably die before me, right? I'm extremely curious, what expression would that elder of the Five Element Sect possess when the disciple he dotes on the most was led into a trap by his disciples own younger brother." The smile on Duan Ling Tian's face remained.

"You... You're mad! You're mad!" Chen An's expression was extremely gloomy as he was really worried that Duan Ling Tian would return to the Chen Clan with him.

He originally thought that his scheme was extremely thorough, and once he brought his heavily injured older brother to the Chen Clan while Duan Ling Tian had fled instead. Then his brother's Master, the elder of the Five Element Sect, Ke Zheng, would surely spare no costs to pursue and kill Duan Ling Tian.

At that time, Duan Ling Tian would probably not even have the chance to say anything before being killed by Ke Zhen.

Yet now, the development of the matter had completely not moved according to the scheme in his heart. Or perhaps, the person that stood before him was too composed, composed to the point it struck fear in his heart.

"Patriarch Ye, call Little Xuan over... We'll make a trip to the Chen Clan together! Didn't this Second Young Master Chen say that I've forcefully taken his fiancée? We'll go face the elder of the Five Element Sect with him. I don't believe that everyone in the Chen Clan will go along with his lies." As he finished speaking, the corners of Duan Ling Tian's mouth curled into a ridiculing smile.

As the Patriarch of the Ye Clan, Ye Ting was naturally not a stupid person, and he vaguely guessed some things from what Duan Ling Tian said earlier.

"Alright! I'll go bring Little Xuan over now." As he spoke, Ye Ting transformed into a bolt of lightning that shot towards the little courtyard Ye Xuan resided in.

In the sky, Chen An's expression was extremely unsightly as he looked at Duan Ling Tian and said with a low voice, "Duan Ling Tian, what exactly do you want to do? What do you want?"

"What do I want to do? What do I want?" Duan Ling Tian looked at Chen An as if he was looking at an idiot and laughed coldly. "Second Young Master Chen, shouldn't I be asking you these words? I want to ask you what you want to do? What do you want?"

"Out of respect for your father, I didn't fuss about the things you did in the past... But what have you done now? You deceived your own older brother and used him to deal with me. Do you really think that I, Duan Ling Tian, am an idiot like you and would walk into your trap?" As he finished speaking, Duan Ling Tian slowly spoke a single word from his mouth. "Idiot!"

Idiot!

Duan Ling Tian's voice was like the sound of an enormous bell that shook Chen An to the point his face went ghastly pale.

Every single word Duan Ling Tian spoke seemed to have transformed into a sledgehammer that collided fiercely on his chest and caused his breathing to become even more hurried.

"Duan Ling Tian." Finally, Chen An took a deep breath and said slowly, "So long as you ask the members of the Ye Clan not to say anything about what happened today, then I won't fuss about it with you... As for my older brother, I'll say that he was heavily injured by an expert of unknown origin." Chen An speaking like this was obviously a sign of submitting, and at the same time, he admitted that his scheme had failed.

"Oh?" Duan Ling Tian was greatly surprised when he heard Chen An, and then he asked curiously. "But your brother was obviously injured by me... Even he knows that I injured him as well. In this way, wouldn't the elder of the Five Element Sect find out sooner or later?"

"My older brother dotes on me the most. So long as I admit my mistakes to him, then he'll surely go along with what I say and will absolutely not sell you out." Chen An spoke with a low voice.

Chen An words, caused Duan Ling Tian to be unable to help but shoot his gaze at Chen Wei who was heavily injured and unconscious, and his eyes revealed slight pity.

As far as he was concerned, it was truly a sad thing for Chen Wei to possess such a younger brother!

His younger brother had completely taken his affection as a tool that could be used, and it was pitiable.

"I really feel bad for your older brother." Duan Ling Tian shook his head and spoke from the bottom of his heart.

"You don't have to care about this... In any case, we'll go our separate ways!" As soon as Chen An finished speaking, he wanted to take the unconscious Chen Wei and leave.

Whoosh!

Duan Ling Tian flashed out to stop Chen An once more.

Chen An's face sank, and he said furiously, "Duan Ling Tian, do you really think that it will be beneficial for you if you make a big thing out of this matter? Let me tell you that even if my brother's master knows the sequence of events, it's impossible for him to kill me with my brother protecting me! Yet you're in more danger than me."

"Is that so? Then I'll make a trip with you." Duan Ling Tian laughed fearlessly.

"Madman! You're a motherf*cking madman!" Chen An roared with a heavy expression.

He's spoken like that earlier, yet he was actually not confident in his heart. Who knew if his brother's master would become enraged and kill him before his brother awoke?

"What exactly do you want before you'll be willing to let go of this matter?" Chen An took a deep breath and asked with a low voice.

Duan Ling Tian paid no attention to him and looked at the two figures that flashed over from the distance. It was Ye Ting who was bringing Ye Xuan along to arrive in the sky above the Ye Clan's Audience Hall in the blink of an eye.

"Big Brother Duan." Ye Xuan didn't look at Chen An but looked at Duan Ling Tian instead, and she asked with a worried expression. "I heard from my father that you injured Chen Wei and still want to go to the Chen Clan?"

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian nodded with a light smile. "You come with me as well, as I might need your help."

When he finished speaking, Duan Ling Tian looked at Chen An and restrained him with a raise of his hand before bringing along the unconscious Chen Wei and flying towards the Chen Clan.

Behind him, Ye Ting brought along Ye Xuan who hadn't stepped into the Void Prying Stage and was incapable of flying herself.

The remaining Ye Clan elders and disciples sighed successively.

"Young Master Duan is really capable!"

"From the beginning until the end, that good for nothing Young Master of the Chen Clan was completely played with in the palm of Young Master Duan's hand!"

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All the Ye Clan disciples looked at Duan Ling Tian's figure that vanished into the distance with admiration, and they only returned to their senses after Duan Ling Tian's figure completely vanished before their eyes.

"Big Brother Duan..." Ye Xuan carried slight worry between her brows as she was worried something would happen to Duan Ling Tian.

"Little Xuan, don't worry... Since Brother Ling Tian has made a decision like this, I believe he knows what he's doing and will be fine." Even though Ye Ting was perturbed in his heart as well, but due to his trust towards Duan Ling Tian, he still couldn't help but console Ye Xuan.

After all, when he went to the Chen Clan to break off the engagement with Duan Ling Tian that day, his feelings were even worse than it was now when he saw the strength Duan Ling Tian revealed was inferior to the Chen Clan's Supreme Elder.

But later on, Duan Ling Tian had used an unfathomable ability to play with the Supreme Elder in the palms of his hand, and it caused Ye Ting's feelings to instantly ascend the heavens from hell.

"Okay." Ye Xuan nodded when she heard Ye Ting's consolation.

"Duan Ling Tian, let me go! Let me go!" Chen An who was restrained by Duan Ling Tian and brought along to the Chen Clan roared ceaselessly all along the way, and his expression was extremely hideous.

Duan Ling Tian couldn't be bothered to pay attention to him.

"Duan Ling Tian, so long as you let me go, not only will I remove you from any implication in this matter, I'll also guarantee that I'll absolutely not do continue committing evil deeds in the future... It's true! Believe me! Believe me!" After Chen An noticed being forceful was useless, he chose to submit.

But unfortunately, he neither listened nor bowed to force.

After a short moment, Duan Ling Tian once again arrived in the sky above the Chen Clan Estate.

The reason he wanted to make a big deal out of the matter this time was firstly to teach Chen An a lesson, and secondly because he wanted to join the Five Element Sect through that elder before heading to the treasure vault left behind by the Martial Emperor Stage expert to join Tian Wu and the others.

It was precisely because of this that he didn't strike ruthlessly when heavily injuring Chen Wei.

Chen Wei's injuries looked to be extremely heavy, yet so long as he consumed a healing medicinal pill and recuperated slightly, Chen Wei would be able to recover completely in less than half a month.

Chen Clan Audience Hall.

After the elder of the Five Element Sect's Wood Peak, Ke Zheng, had a meal while accompanied by all the higher-ups of the Chen Clan, he sat at the head seat in the Audience Hall.

Below him sat the Chen Clan's Patriarch, Chen Dong, and the elders of the Chen Clan.

"Wei is really something... He rarely makes a trip back yet actually even missed the banquet we prepared to celebrate Elder Ke's arrival." Chen Dong looked at Ke Zheng with an apologetic expression. "Elder Ke, I'm truly something. It's surely that youngest son of mine that has dragged Wei out, and I'll surely teach him a proper lesson once he returns!"

"There's no harm done." Ke Zheng shook his head and chuckled. "Chen Wei hasn't returned for four years, let him go around Driftcloud Town... After all, we're leaving tomorrow."

"So quickly?" Chen Dong was shocked greatly. "Elder Ke, I still want to properly entertain you. How about you stay for a few more days?"

"Patriarch Chen, I brought Chen Wei out this time because we really have something to attend to. Because of certain reasons, our Five Element Sect needs to recruit a batch of Void Interpretation Stage martial artists that are below the age of 40. Up until now, our Wood Peak has only recruited two people, and we're still far away from the expected target." As Ke Zheng finished speaking, he couldn't help but sigh. "Our time is extremely tight."

"Void Interpretation Stage martial artists below the age of 40?" Chen Dong's eyes couldn't help but light up when he heard Ke Zheng. "Elder Ke, I thought of a person when you said this... Perhaps I can help recommend him to join the Five Element Sect."

Chapter 856: Arriving Once More At The Chen Clan

"Oh?" Ke Zheng's eyes lit up when he heard Chen Dong, and he asked with slight surprise. "Could it be that your Chen Clan possesses a young genius that satisfies this condition?"

"Elder Ke, you must be joking. Besides Wei, how could our Chen Clan possess such an outstanding young genius?" Chen Dong laughed bitterly. "He's a young brother I became acquainted with a few days ago, and he possesses an extraordinary strength at his young age... I'm not afraid to incur Elder Ke's ridicule, but not a single person in our Chen Clan was a match for that young brother."

"What?!" Ke Zheng was instantly shocked greatly when he heard this. "Patriarch Chen, I heard from Chen Wei that the Supreme Elder of your Chen Clan had already broken through to the fifth level of the Void Interpretation Stage four years ago... Could it be that even he isn't a match for that young brother you spoke of?"

"There's something you don't know, Elder Ke. Our Chen Clan's Supreme Elder had broken through to the sixth level of the Void Interpretation Stage some time ago." Chen Dong sighed, and his gaze became slightly complicated.

That violet clothed young man from before shocked him too greatly.

"Sixth level of the Void Interpretation Stage?" Ke Zheng's pupils constricted, and he was moved.

"Patriarch Chen, could it be that the young brother you spoke of has even defeated your Chen Clan's Supreme Elder, an existence at the sixth level of the Void Interpretation Stage?"

"Yes." Chen Dong nodded.

"Where's he now?" Ke Zheng's eyes shone as he asked urgently. He suddenly felt that it was extremely likely that the young man would be a turning point for the Wood Peak.

Presently, the Wood Peak was declining steadily, and it urgently required outstanding fresh blood to join it.

"He has been staying in our Driftcloud Town's Ye Clan during this period of time. Elder Ke, if you're interested, then I'll..." Chen Dong hadn't finished speaking when he was interrupted by a sudden voice.

"Patriarch Chen, Duan Ling Tian has come uninvited, I hope you don't hold it against me!" A calm and resounding voice sounded out from outside the Chen Clan Audience Hall, and it grew closer and closer.

"It's him!" Chen Dong's eyes lit up as he hurriedly looked towards the entrance. He didn't expect that he'd just mentioned Duan Ling Tian and Duan Ling Tian had arrived.

But his face quickly went grim.

He did see Duan Ling Tian, yet he also saw another two people. A young man with a face covered in terror, and a young man who was heavily injured and unconscious.

There two people couldn't be any more familiar to him, and they were precisely his two sons.

"Chen Wei!" An aged voice sounded out abruptly as the old man who sat at the head vanished, and when he appeared once more, he was already at the side of the unconscious young man, the Chen Clan's Eldest Young Master, Chen Wei.

After he inspected Chen Wei's injuries and found that it wasn't serious, the old man heaved a sigh of relief. After he fed Chen Wei a healing medicinal pill and reconnected Chen Wei's arm, he stood up and looked at the nearby violet clothed young man.

The violet clothed young man was naturally Duan Ling Tian.

"Patriarch Chen, excuse me, Ye Ting, and my daughter for disturbing you." Another voice sounded out as the Ye Clan's Patriarch, Ye Ting, brought his daughter Ye Xuan along and entered.

"You injured Chen Wei?" The muddy eyes of the old man, Ke Zheng, stared fixedly at Duan Ling Tian as he spoke with a slightly low voice.

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian nodded, and then he carefully sized up the old man before him.

When he'd just arrived at the Chen Clan Audience Hall earlier, he'd noticed the old man that sat at the head seat, and it was extremely easy for him to guess the old man's identity.

Elder of the Five Element Sect and Chen Wei's Master.

"Why?" The old man was obviously a calm person, and even if he saw the disciple he doted on the most injured heavily, he didn't lose his head from rage and wanted to first understand the sequence of events instead.

When he saw the old man be so reasonable, Duan Ling Tian's eyes had slight praise and respect.

Actually, he'd thought countless times before he'd come here that if Chen Wei's master was an unreasonable person that only protected his own and made a move against him before asking for the reason, then Duan Ling Tian would kill Chen Wei's master with the talisman at the first possible moment.

Now it would seem like not only could he save a talisman, he would even be able to attain his main objective from coming here today which was to join the Five Element Sect and join up with his friends that he got separated from through the Five Element Sect.

"You're probably Eldest Young Master Chen's master, Elder Ke from the Five Element Sect, right?" Duan Ling Tian's eyes narrowed as he asked with a light smile.

"Exactly." Ke Zheng nodded, and then he glanced at Chen Wei that lay on the ground and asked with a low voice. "How did this useless disciple of mine offend you to the point of making you strike so ruthlessly?"

"Ruthlessly?" Duan Ling Tian started laughing. "Elder Ke, let's be straightforward... Do you really think I've struck your disciple ruthlessly?"

Ke Zhen couldn't help but be speechless when he heard this.

Needless to say, even though he said that the violet clothed young man had struck ruthlessly, he didn't think so in his heart.

He'd clearly inspected the injuries on his disciple, it only required consuming a healing medicinal pill and rejoining the bones before recuperating for a period of time, and it wouldn't leave behind any side effects.

"No matter what, you've injured my disciple... I feel this disciple of mine conducts himself well and would absolutely not cause trouble! So shouldn't you give me an explanation?" Ke Zheng asked with a low voice.

Actually, his heart was filled with shock at this moment, he was shocked by the age of this violet clothed young man before him.

This young man that looked to be 25 at most was actually capable of defeating his personal disciple, Chen Wei, who was a martial artist at the fourth level of the Void Interpretation Stage.

He's noticed when he inspected Chen Wei's injuries that Chen Wei was heavily injured under the circumstances of fighting another head on. Moreover, the person that injured Chen Wei had held back intentionally. Otherwise, Chen Wei's injuries wouldn't be so simple.

It was difficult for him to imagine how a young man at such an age actually possessed such a terrifying strength.

Unknowingly, the intention to cherish a genius like Duan Ling Tian had arisen in the depths of his heart.

"If I'm really able to bring him back to the Five Element Sect, then why would I have to worry that the Wood Peak wouldn't rise? But, I must probe his behavior before bringing him back. Otherwise, even if I bring him back, he'll be poached away by the other three peaks." Ke Zheng thought in his heart.

During these past few years, it wasn't that disciples with outstanding natural talent hadn't appeared in their Wood Peak, yet because of various reasons, all of them were poached away by the other three peaks.

If the violet clothed young man before him was a fence-sitter like the others, then no matter how high his natural talent was, Ke Zheng wouldn't bring him back to the Five Element Sect.

Because it would only be bringing back benefits to be reaped by the other three peaks.

"Explanation?" Duan Ling Tian shook his head when he heard Ke Zheng, and then he pointed at Chen An. "Elder Ke, if you really want an explanation, then I think he ought to be the most suitable to give you an explanation."

"Hmm?" Ke Zheng frowned and looked at Chen An. "Is what he's saying true?"

"No! No!" Chen An hurriedly shook his head, and then he pointed at Duan Ling Tian in panic. "Elder Ke, it's him! It's he who injured my brother! Quickly kill him, quickly kill him!"

"Bastard!" Finally, Chen Dong walked over and glared angrily at Chen An as he asked with a shout.

"Answer truthfully, what absurd thing have you done this time?!"

He vaguely guessed some things in his head.

He understood his eldest son and believed that his eldest son would absolutely not take the initiative to offend Duan Ling Tian. Moreover, there was no enmity between the two of them.

As for Duan Ling Tian, even though he'd only become acquainted with Duan Ling Tian for a short period of time, he was able to discern that Duan Ling Tian was an upright person.

Thus, as far as he was concerned, this matter was most probably caused by his youngest son.

Chen An's entire body shook as his face went ghastly pale when being shouted at by Chen Dong, and he stretched out his hand to point at Duan Ling Tian and shout. "Father! It's him! It's he who injured brother... All of you kill him quickly! Kill him quickly!"

Presently, Chen An was roaring hysterically, and he seemed to be hiding the terror in his heart.

"Looks like you aren't willing to speak to truth?" Duan Ling Tian glanced indifferently at Chen An, and then he looked at Ye Ting. "Patriarch Ye, please tell Elder Ke and Patriarch Chen how domineering Second Young Master Chen was at the Ye Clan Estate earlier."

"What? You unfilial son, you actually brought your elder brother to the Ye Clan Estate?!" Chen Dong's face went grim when he heard Duan Ling Tian, and he raised his hand to give Chen An a slap, causing Chen An to be dazed by the slap.

Ye Ting took a deep breath and didn't conceal anything as he slowly spoke of the matter of Chen An bringing Chen Wei along into the Ye Clan Estate and injuring the numerous Ye Clan disciples.

"Besides that, I think Eldest Young Master Chen might have been deceived by Second Young Master Chen..." Ye Ting had just spoken up to here when he was interrupted by Chen An. "Ye Ting, don't sling mud at me!"

"Father, Elder Ke, I didn't deceive my brother, I didn't deceive my brother! It's was they, it was they who injured my brother! Quickly, quickly! Quickly kill them, quickly kill them!" Chen An looked at Chen Dong and Ke Zheng as he howled hysterically.

"Bastard! Shut up!" Chen Dong's face sank as he shouted out with a grim voice once more, and it terrified Chen An to the point his face went even paler as his body started trembling intensely out of fear.

"Oh." Suddenly, a voice sounded out, and it was the unconscious Chen Wei that had opened his eyes and spoke in a daze. "Where is this?"

"Since Eldest Young Master Chen has awoken, Patriarch Ye, you don't have to waste your breath." Duan Ling Tian smiled, and then he glanced at Chen An. "What do you think? Second Young Master Chen?"

Chen An's face sank slightly as he took a deep breath and hurriedly looked at Chen Wei.

"You wouldn't be thinking of using a voice transmission to ask your brother to help lie for you, right?" After he noticed Chen An's actions, Duan Ling Tian took a step forward and grabbed Chen An up before making him spin a few rounds like a top, causing Chen An to become completely dazed and incapable of sending a voice transmission.

"Wei!"

"Chen Wei!" Chen Dong and Ke Zheng didn't stop Duan Ling Tian as they strode out to support Chen Wei up from both sides, and their faces were covered with worry.

"Father, Master." After Chen Wei sobered up, he asked with a perplexed expression. "How did I come here? I... It's you! What're you doing to Little An?!" Chen Wei's expression went grim when he saw Duan Ling Tian who was toying with Chen An, and he shouted out furiously as he moved to make a move against Duan Ling Tian and save Chen An.

But unfortunately, he who hadn't completely healed his injuries had only just taken a stride forward before he almost fell down. Fortunately, he had Chen Dong and Ke Zheng to support him.

"Chen Wei, what exactly happened? Tell us the sequence of events of the entire matter without leaving out the slightest detail." Ke Zheng asked with a low voice.

When faced with the frank and straightforward violet clothed young man, he didn't dare confirm whether it was his disciple who was in the wrong or was it the violet clothed young man that was in the wrong.

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"No..." When Chen An heard what Ke Zheng said to Chen Wei, he who wasn't facing Chen Wei and was incapable of sending a voice transmission to Chen Wei spoke out with the intention of stopping Chen Wei.

Slap!

Duan Ling Tian who was prepared since long ago raised his hand and swung out with a slap, striking Chen An to the point he became dizzy. "Shut up! I'll beat you until your head is swollen if you speak another word!"

"You!!!" Chen Wei's face went grim when he saw Duan Ling Tian treating his younger brother like that, and his eyes went crimson, yet was utterly unable to utilize strength and could only watch idly by.

"Father, Master, quickly stop him!" Chen Wei sought for help from Chen Dong and Ke Zheng, yet he quickly noticed that not matter if it was his father or master, they didn't have any intention of helping Chen An.

For a time, he vaguely realized that the atmosphere was strange.

"Father, what happened?" Chen Wei looked at Chen Dong with a perplexed expression.

"Wei, answer your Master." Chen Dong spoke with a serious expression.

Only now did Chen Wei notice that his master was looking at him with a solemn expression, and he instantly didn't dare dally as he spoke of everything Chen An had told him since he just arrived home.

"Not only has that Duan Ling Tian impersonated a disciple of our Five Element Sect's Wood Peak to seize women and bully others, he even forcefully took my younger brother's fiancée before suppressing the Ye Clan and making the Ye Clan break off the engagement with our Chen Clan, causing our Chen Clan to lose face greatly!" Chen Wei looked at Duan Ling Tian and gnashed his teeth as he said, "So, it was I that wanted to teach him a lesson, and it has nothing to do with Little An! Moreover, Master, don't you think that he ought to be taught a lesson?"

"Impersonated a disciple of my Wood Peak?" Ke Zheng's face sank after he heard Chen Wei, and then he looked at Duan Ling Tian with a cold and indifferent gaze. "How do you explain that?"

"Explain?" Duan Ling Tian started laughing as he glanced indifferently at Ke Zheng and said, "Elder Ke, truthfully speaking, I utterly didn't know of the existence of the Five Element Sect before I helped the Ye Clan break off the engagement with the Chen Clan, let alone the Wood Peak."

"As for the reason I came to break off the engagement with the Chen Clan, Patriarch Chen knows clearly about it... If Patriarch Chen says he doesn't know, then I've brought the person concerned." When he spoke up to here, Duan Ling Tian looked at Ye Xuan who was behind Ye Ting. "Little Xuan, come here."

Ye Xuan stood by Duan Ling Tian's obediently as she looked timidly at Ke Zheng.

To her, the elder of the Five Element Sect was an existence that was far out of her reach and could only be looked up to, and her heart was filled with a perturbed feeling when facing him.

"There's no need for Young Miss Ye to personally speak of this matter." Chen Dong took a deep breath before explaining the marriage agreement between the Ye Clan that was a farce to Ke Zheng, and at the same time, he spoke of all the misdeeds of his youngest son during these past few years.

"So, it was this unfilial son of mine that was unworthy of the Ye Clan's Young Miss! It was understandable that Brother Ling Tian came to our Chen Clan to break off the engagement, and he'd conducted himself frankly and openly. He only came for the sake of repaying the Ye Clan's Young Miss's life saving grace, and he didn't want anything else." When he spoke up to here, Chen Dong looked angrily at Chen Wei who had his back to him, and he said with a low voice, "Yet never had I imagined that this unfilial son of mine would actually give a false account to Chen Wei... The person that bullied others and seized women was obviously him, yet it had become Brother Ling Tian when he spoke of it!"

"As for impersonating a disciple of the Five Element Sect's Wood Peak, it was surely he who slandered Brother Ling Tian for the sake of infuriating Wei and making Wei stand up for him!" As Chen Dong finished speaking, he was boiling with rage, and his clothes fluttered without the wind.

"What?!" Chen Wei's face went pale when he heard his father, and he looked at Chen An's figure with disbelief as he muttered. "It was Little An... When did Little An become like this? Why did Little An become like this?!"

"No! Impossible! Impossible!!" Chen Wei was unable to accept the fact that his younger brother was a profligate disciple of the clan, and frequently bullied others and seized women. In the end, he was unable to catch his breath, causing his vital energy and blood to move in reverse, and he fainted once more.

"Third Elder, please take the Eldest Young Master to go rest." Chen Dong sighed, and then he looked at Chen Lei who stood silently at the side and gestured to him.

"Yes." Chen Lei replied respectfully before carrying the unconscious Chen Wei away.

"Looks like I was mistaken about you." Ke Zhen looked at Duan Ling Tian and squeezed out a slight smile that seemed to be amiable. "You're called Duan Ling Tian?"

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian nodded.

"Good, good." Ke Zheng sized up Duan Ling Tian from top to bottom as he revealed a satisfied smile.

"Elder Ke, he's the young brother I mentioned to you earlier." Seeming to have discerned Ke Zheng's interest towards Duan Ling Tian, the nearby Chen Dong said with a light smile, "On that day, for the sake of repaying Young Miss Ye's life saving grace, he trespassed into our Chen Clan Estate to defeat me before defeating our Chen Clan's Supreme Elder and broke off the absurd engagement for the Ye Clan."

"It's rare that one is able to go to such lengths for the sake of repaying a life saving grace." The gaze Ke Zheng shot at Duan Ling Tian became even more satisfied, as he was able to discern from this that there

was utterly no problem with Duan Ling Tian's character, and his worries earlier were completely unnecessary.

Most importantly, Duan Ling Tian's natural talent in the Martial Dao could truly be said to be terrifying!

A young man that looked to be merely around the age of 25 was actually capable of defeating the Chen Clan's Supreme Elder, an existence at the sixth level of the Void Interpretation Stage.

Even if it was their Five Element Sect, it didn't possess such an outstanding disciple!

"Perhaps he's an opportunity for our Wood Peak to turn its situation around!" Ke Zheng's gaze became slightly excited as he looked at Duan Ling Tian, and he seemed to have seen his Wood Peak rising and the members of the other three peaks being shocked to the extreme.

"Patriarch Chen, I'll be embarrassed if you continue praising me." Duan Ling Tian shook his head and smiled, and then he threw Chen An on the ground with a raise of his hand before a sharp light flashed within his eyes. "Patriarch Chen, how do you intend to deal with the matter this time?"

As soon as Duan Ling Tian said this, Ke Zheng looked at Chen Dong as well, and his gaze became slightly fierce.

Obviously, this elder of the Five Element Sect detested Chen An's despicable conduct, especially since Chen An had led his own brother which was Ke Zheng's disciple into a trap, causing Ke Zheng to be even more infuriated.

But as the saying goes, even an upright family finds it hard to deal with a problem in the family. He knew clearly in his heart that he was an outsider to the Chen Clan in the end, and it wasn't convenient for him to interfere in this matter.

"Brother Duan, don't worry. I'll give both you and Elder Ke a satisfying explanation!" Chen Dong took a deep breath and seemed to have made some sort of decision.

"Father, I know my mistakes! I know my mistakes! Forgive me this time, forgive me this time!" When he saw Chen Dong's fierce gaze that swept over, Chen An seemed to have realized what was about to happen, and he couldn't help but shudder as he endlessly begged for mercy with a trembling voice.

But unfortunately, the fierceness in Chen Dong's eyes didn't seem to show any signs of weakening when facing Chen An's begging. Perhaps he'd already given up on this youngest son of his.

Subsequently, under Duan Ling Tian's astonished gaze, Chen Dong arrived before Chen An before knocking out Chen An who revealed an expression of despair and lay limply on the ground.

Crack!

Crack!

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Four successive sounds of bones shattering sounded out and caused a chill to run down everyone's spine. Chen Dong had completely shattered the limbs of Chen An with the raise of his hand.

He'd struck so ruthlessly that even with a grade one Life Recovery Pill, it would forever be impossible for Chen An's four limbs to recover.

"From today onward, this unfilial son of mine will stay in the Chen Clan. The Chen Clan will allow him to lay peacefully on the bed and live through his entire life, and it won't allow him to go out and cause trouble." Chen Dong's cold and indifferent voice sounded out, and it fully displayed his resolution.

As the saying goes, even a vicious tiger wouldn't eat its cubs. Chen Dong had no way to back down now, so he had to make a decision.

Otherwise, he didn't know what trouble his younger son would cause in the future.

The elders of the Chen Clan sighed, yet none of them felt Chen An was pitiable. As far as they were concerned, this was perhaps the best end for Chen An.

"Big Brother Duan, let's go home." Ye Xuan's beautiful face went pale from terror since long ago when the sounds of bones shattering sounded out, and she couldn't help but close her eyes and not dare look at it.

"Alright." Duan Ling Tian smiled lightly as he nodded, and then he held Ye Xuan's hand before bidding farewell to Chen Dong and Ke Zheng. "Patriarch Chen, Elder Ke. Since this matter is resolved, I'll be returning first..." As soon as he finished speaking, Duan Ling Tian soared up into the sky with Ye Xuan, and he flashed out of the Chen Clan Audience Hall with Ye Ting.

"Brother Duan!" Chen Dong was instantly anxious when he saw Duan Ling Tian wanted to leave as he'd boasted before Ke Zheng earlier that he would introduce Duan Ling Tian to Ke Zheng.

"Patriarch Chen, is there something you need?" Duan Ling Tian stopped in midair and asked with a perplexed expression.

"It isn't I that needs something but Elder Ke. I wonder if Brother Duan is interested..." Chen Dong looked at Duan Ling Tian and wanted to ask Duan Ling Tian if he was interested in joining the Five Element Sect, yet he wasn't able to finish speaking when he was interrupted by Duan Ling Tian.

"Patriarch Chen wants to ask me if I'm interested in joining the Five Element Sect?"

"Exactly!" Chen Dong nodded, and he didn't expect that Duan Ling Tian would actually be able to guess what he thought.

"I can." Duan Ling Tian didn't beat around the bush and nodded, and then he looked at Ke Zheng who revealed an excited expression upon hearing what he said and smiled lightly. "Of course, the precondition is that Elder Ke is satisfied."

"I'm satisfied, I'm satisfied!" Ke Zheng hurriedly nodded as a smile bloomed on his face, and he didn't have the slightest bearing of an expert at the Void Transformation Stage.

"Big Brother Duan, you... You're going to the Five Element Sect?" Ye Xuan's pretty face went slightly pale as she bit on her lips, and her beautiful eyes held tears and were filled with unwillingness.

"Little Xuan, if you're willing, then follow me to the Five Element Sect... I think that Elder Ke will probably not refuse, right?" Duan Ling Tian glanced deeply at Ke Zheng as he asked.

"Of course not!" Ke Zheng spoke out hastily. After he approved of Duan Ling Tian's character, he was filled with interest towards this young man with monstrous natural talent, and he wished for nothing more than to bring the young man back to the Five Element Sect and the Wood Peak.

Even though Duan Ling Tian's current request was going slightly too far, that was only towards ordinary people, and a monstrous martial artist like Duan Ling Tian naturally obtained a different treatment.

"I... I can go to the Five Element Sect?" Ye Xuan couldn't help but be stunned when she heard Duan Ling Tian, and after she heard Ke Zheng's reply, at the same time that her beautiful face was dumbstruck, it revealed an expression of disbelief.

"Elder Ke, can my daughter really join the Five Element Sect?" Ye Ting was similarly stunned when he heard Ke Zhen, and he fiercely gulped down a mouthful of saliva before asking with disbelief.

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"Of course." Ke Zheng nodded and smiled confidently. "I have that much authority."

"Thank you Elder Ke, thank you Elder Ke!" After he obtained Elder Ke's confirmation, Ye Ting instantly had an excited expression.

Even though he was the Patriarch of the Ye Clan in Driftcloud Town, yet he still maintained a respectful manner when facing a colossus like the Five Element Sect.

The Ye Clan had been passed down for a few hundreds of years, yet never had a single disciple of the Ye Clan possessed a natural talent to join the Five Element Sect, and this had always been a regret of the Ye Clan.

Now, when he found out that his daughter could join the Five Element Sect, even though she had obtained Duan Ling Tian's help to join the sect, he still couldn't help but feel extreme excitement.

"Since it's like this, then I hope Elder Ke can allow us a few days to prepare. How about we leave after a few days?" Duan Ling Tian looked at Ke Zheng and had the intention of asking his opinion.

"No problem, no problem!" Presently, Ke Zheng was completely immersed in the happiness of Duan Ling Tian agreeing to join the Five Element Sect, and he would naturally agree to any request a monstrous genius like Duan Ling Tian had.

"Elder Ke, you... Didn't you say that you wanted to leave at dawn tomorrow?" Chen Dong who instructed the elders of the Chen Clan to take Chen An away just happened to hear Ke Zheng, and he couldn't help but be stunned.

Earlier, Ke Zheng had said that he wanted to leave tomorrow, and he intended to persuade Ke Zheng to stay.

But Ke Zheng had a resolute expression, and it caused him to be rather helpless.

Now...

"Cough, cough." Ke Zheng laughed embarrassedly when he heard Chen Dong. "A special circumstance, a special circumstance... Patriarch Chen, since it's like this, then I'll disturb you for a few more days?"

"It's an honor of my Chen Clan's," said Chen Dong hurriedly.

He was naturally able to discern that Elder Ke had suddenly decided to stay a few more days for the sake of Duan Ling Tian, and this was sufficient to show how highly he regarded Duan Ling Tian.

"Thank you Elder Ke." Duan Ling Tian thanked Ke Zheng before bidding his farewells to Chen Dong, and then he brought Ye Xuan and Ye Ting who was still immersed in excitement to flash out of the Chen Clan's Audience Hall.

"Duan Ling Tian, you prepare slowly... You just have to finish preparing and leave with me within half a month of time." When he saw Duan Ling Tian had left the Chen Clan Audience Hall, Ke Zheng who stood within the Audience Hall added with a loud voice.

It caused all the higher-ups of the Chen Clan including Chen Dong to be speechless.

Sure enough, different people obtained different treatment!

Duan Ling Tian's group of three quickly returned to the Ye Clan Estate, and Ye Ting naturally couldn't avoid thanking Duan Ling Tian for the matter from before.

"Brother Duan, thank you, truly. If it wasn't for you, Little Xuan would probably be unable to step into the entrance of the Five Element Sect for her entire lifetime," said Ye Ting.

"Patriarch Ye, you've spoken too seriously." Duan Ling Tian shook his head, and then he glanced at Ye Xuan who followed by his side and said, "Little Xuan's natural talent isn't bad. I actually spoke out to ask Elder Ke to accept her into the Five Element Sect because I didn't want a bright pearl to be covered in dust."

The beautiful face of Ye Xuan who stood nearby went slightly rosy, and her pair of pretty eyes contained excitement that was difficult to restrain.

Up until now, she still felt that she was dreaming.

Joining the Five Element Sect!

This was undoubtedly a dream of hers since she was young that was far beyond her reach.

Now, this dream had been truly realized.

"Brother Duan, I know what natural talent my daughter possesses. With her natural talent, the Five Element Sect would surely not take a fancy to her... All of this is your contribution." Ye Ting shook his head when he heard Duan Ling Tian.

Duan Ling Tian laughed bitterly. Could it be that this Patriarch Ye thinks his daughter's natural talent is still the same as before?

After all, he'd pondered carefully before wanting to make Ye Xuan join the Five Element Sect.

He'd joined the Five Element Sect mostly for the sake of smoothly meeting and joining up with his friends through the Five Element Sect, and he didn't really want to join the Five Element Sect to commit himself to it.

So, under these circumstances, Duan Ling Tian felt guilty in his heart, guilty to the Five Element Sect.

He asked Ye Xuan to join the Five Element Sect with him mostly for the sake of compensating the Five Element Sect.

However, he knew clearly in his heart that in the future, Ye Xuan would let everyone know that it wasn't she who was unworthy of the Five Element Sect, but the Five Element Sect was unworthy of her.

Of course Duan Ling Tian temporarily didn't speak of all this because he knew that few people would believe him even if he spoke of it, so it was better to let facts talk.

Presently, Ye Xuan needed time. So long as she had the time, her shocking natural talent would gradually reveal itself and emit extraordinary splendor!

"Five Element Sect, this can also be considered to be an explanation of mine to you." Duan Ling Tian thought in his heart.

In the following days, Duan Ling Tian still acted as usual, either cultivating and comprehending Concept, or sitting in the small courtyard and cozily drinking tea.

He naturally didn't ask Ke Zheng for time to prepare for himself, he was alone and had no relatives or acquaintances here, so he could leave at any time.

He asked for these few days of time for Ye Xuan.

According to his knowledge, Ye Xuan had never made a long trip from home in her entire lifetime, so she naturally required some time to get ready properly.

In the following days, the news of Ye Xuan joining the Five Element Sect spread throughout the Ye Clan, causing the Ye Clan to be covered in lanterns and decoration, and it was filled with joy as if it was celebrating the new year.

During these past few days, all Ye Clan disciples would frequently mention 'our Ye Clan's Young Miss is going to join the Five Element Sect' when they were outside the clan.

Moreover, the outsiders gave them various flattery as well.

Everyone knew clearly what Ye Xuan joining the Five Element Sect meant.

From today onward, the Ye Clan would be completely different from before, and it would be like the Chen Clan, possessing the Five Element Sect behind it.

Perhaps, the Five Element Sect wouldn't swarm out in full strength for the Ye Clan, but there was no lack of favors when people mingled together.

Once the Ye Clan was in trouble and the Ye Clan's Young Miss, Ye Xuan, returned to help, she would surely have some elders and disciples of the Five Element Sect by her side to assist her.

"Driftcloud Town is changing!"

"When one attains something, everyone by the person's side rises with the person's success, just like the Ye Clan now!"

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All the streets and alleys of Driftcloud Town were completely bustling and in an uproar because of the news of the Ye Clan's Young Miss joining the Five Element Sect.

Five days later.

Duan Ling Tian stood silently and without moving like a mountain before the entrance to the Ye Clan Estate, and he seemed like a statue.

His gaze had descended towards a nearby group of people.

A beautiful young woman was bidding her farewells to the group of Ye Clan higher-ups that were led by the Patriarch, Ye Ting.

So long as they were Ye Clan disciple in the Ye Clan Estate, all of them had come out to send her off.

Half an hour later, the young woman turned around to arrive by Duan Ling Tian's side.

"Brother Duan, I'll trouble you to take care of Little Xuan in the future." Ye Ting looked at Duan Ling Tian and instructed with a serious expression.

His daughter was his everything, and he was extremely unwilling in his heart, as it was her first time leaving home for a long time.

"Don't worry Patriarch Ye, I will." Duan Ling Tian nodded solemnly, and then he held Ye Xuan's hand and lightly smiled. "Little Xuan, let's go."

"Okay." Ye Xuan was brought up into the sky by Duan Ling Tian before flying towards the Chen Clan, but she couldn't help but keep turning around to wave her hand and bid farewell towards everyone from the Ye Clan.

She only turned around with a slight sense of loss when the figures of everyone from the Ye Clan vanished before her eyes, and she muttered. "Big Brother Duan, when do you think I can return to see my father?"

"Silly girl." Duan Ling Tian smiled tenderly. "So long as you're willing, you can return at any time... I'll notify Elder Ke about this."

Duan Ling Tian believed that Ke Zheng would surely not refuse a small matter like this.

"Big... Big Brother Duan, don't tell Elder Ke this first. Otherwise, he will think that I'm relying on you to do things." Ye Xuan spat out her tongue playfully. "I still hope to rely on myself to obtain the respect of Elder Ke and the other disciples of the Five Element Sect."

Duan Ling Tian smiled and nodded. "You have ambition! I'll do so as you said."

In next to no time, Duan Ling Tian and Ye Xuan arrived at the Chen Clan Estate, and he naturally obtained the warm entertainment of the Chen Clan's Patriarch, Chen Dong.

In the Chen Clan Audience Hall, Duan Ling Tian saw Ke Zheng once again.

Ke Zheng looked to be glowing with health today, and he seemed to be slightly younger.

Duan Ling Tian's eyes couldn't help but light up and ask with slight surprise. "Elder Ke, could it be that you broke through during the past few days"

"Duan Ling Tian, you really have a good discerning ability." Ke Zheng nodded with a smile. "My cultivation during these past few days was especially smooth, and I finally charged through the bottleneck I haven't been able to break through for many years!"

Many years ago, Ke Zheng's cultivation had fallen into the bottleneck that led to the seventh level of the Void Transformation Stage, yet he was unable to break through as if he'd fallen into a devilish barrier.

During these past few days, because he'd encountered Duan Ling Tian and Duan Ling Tian had agreed to return to the Five Element Sect with him to join the Wood Peak, his mood was excellent.

Unexpectedly, his cultivation broke through in one go without even trying.

"Now that I speak of it, I have to thank you in this matter." Ke Zheng smiled.

"Thank me?" Duan Ling Tian was stunned.

"It was precisely because you agreed to follow us back to the Five Element Sect that Master was able to break through under his excellent mood." A person walked in from outside, and his calm voice entered the Audience Hall.

Duan Ling Tian looked over and noticed that the person who came in was precisely the Eldest Young Master of the Chen Clan, Chen Wei.

After a few days, Chen Wei had already recovered to the point he seemed as if nothing had happened to him.

"Eldest Young Master Chen." Duan Ling Tian nodded to Chen Wei. After he understood the sequence of events of the previous matter, he didn't hold a grudge towards Chen Wei in his heart.

Chen Wei was kept in the dark during the entire matter and was used by his younger brother, Chen An, so everything he did wasn't wrong.

"Duan Ling Tian, I hope you can forgive me for offending you a few days ago." After he entered, Chen Wei bowed to Duan Ling Tian in apology, and his tone was filled with sincerity.

"Eldest Young Master Chen, you're too courteous, I've already forgotten about that matter." Duan Ling Tian smiled calmly, and he had an even better impression of Chen Wei. As expected of a figure that the people of Driftcloud Town frequently held their thumbs up in approval to, he deserves his reputation.

"We're disciples of the same sect in the future, so don't call me Eldest Young Master in the future. Just call me Chen Wei," said Chen Wei with a smile, and then he looked at Ye Xuan who was by Duan Ling

Tian's side. "You ought to be the Ye Clan's Young Miss, right? Young Miss Ye, I'm sorry for causing offence and disturbing your Ye Clan a few days ago..."

"As for that younger brother of mine, even I never imagined that he'd actually done so many things that caused widespread indignation and discontent in these past few years!" As he finished speaking, a trace of sorrow flashed past Chen Wei's eyes.

Chapter 859: Bandits

"Let's not mention things that have passed." Ke Zheng shook his head and then said, "Since everyone has gathered, then we should leave."

"Elder Ke, why don't all of you have lunch before leaving?" Chen Dong persuaded them to stay.

"There's no need... Patriarch Chen, thank you for entertaining me during these past few days." Ke Zheng nodded to Chen Dong before calling out to Duan Ling Tian's group of three and heading out.

"Patriarch Chen, farewell." Duan Ling Tian brought Ye Xuan along as he bid his farewell to Chen Dong and left.

Chen Wei hurriedly followed after them.

Their group of four soared up into the sky from the Chen Clan Estate and headed west.

On the way, Duan Ling Tian couldn't help but ask curiously. "Elder Ke, are we returning to the Five Element Sect or going somewhere else?"

"We're going to Settlement City first. Our Wood Peak has a point of operations there... The two people that were recruited not long ago are there as well," said Ke Zheng.

"Okay." Duan Ling Tian nodded.

"Elder Ke, can you tell me about the situation in the Five Element Sect?" Duan Ling Tian asked.

Ke Zheng nodded and introduced. "Our Five Element Sect is divided into the gold, wood, fire, water, and earth peaks. Besides the Gold Peak which is the main peak that the Sect Master resides in, the other four peaks have an equal status and are managed by four Peak Masters"

"The four peaks are in a state of competition, and in the last 20 years, it was our Wood Peak that was in a disadvantageous position." When he spoke up to here, Ke Zheng sighed heavily.

In next to no time, Duan Ling Tian obtained a certain level of understanding of the Wood Peak from Ke Zheng and Chen Wei, and he knew that it was once the most brilliant peak beneath the Gold Peak.

However, 20 years ago, the Peak Master was heavily injured outside the sect. After he returned and went into closed door cultivation, the Wood Peak started to fall into decline.

First the outstanding disciples of the Wood Peak were poached away by the other three peaks by way of coercion or bribery, and then the other three peaks intentionally joined forces to suppress the Wood Peak, causing the Wood Peak to become the peak at the bottom of the sect.

Even though the older generation experts of the Wood Peak were still present, yet compared to the other three peaks, the younger generation seemed lacking.

"Even if a power is just a small power divided out from the same sect, yet once its younger generation is lacking, it would mean decline." Ke Zheng sighed.

"Wouldn't it be fine to recruit some genius disciples? So long as you spend some time, you'll still be able to find some disciples with good natural talent," said Duan Ling Tian.

"We of course know this, and we've indeed done so... But these genius disciples haven't even stayed in the Wood Peak for a while before being poached away by the other three peaks." Ke Zheng laughed bitterly.

"Didn't the Sect Master's Gold Peak interfere this matter?" Duan Ling Tian asked with a frown.

"There's something you don't know... There has always been a convention passed down in our Five Element Sect. The five peaks exist together and compete with each other. Besides the disciples of the various peaks being prohibited from killing and crippling others, and the Seniors are prohibited from making a move against juniors, there many other restrictions."

"The Gold Peak has been the deserving number one peak in our Five Element Sect since the beginning, whereas, the other four peaks have always been competing with each other both openly and in secret. 20 years ago, our Wood Peak became the target of the joint suppression of the other three peaks, and this suppression caused the Wood Peak to be unable to catch its breath for over 20 years." When he spoke up to here, Ke Zheng sighed.

Duan Ling Tian came to a sudden understanding, and he came to understand the situation of the Wood Peak.

"As expected of a power of the Foreign Lands. It's only a third-rate power, yet its competition is so intense... Perhaps it's precisely because of this that the Five Element Sect was able to develop until today." Duan Ling Tian thought in his heart.

If it was a cozy and peaceful sect, then perhaps it could be mighty for a time, yet it was bound to decline in a few tens of years or after 100 years.

It would decline for no other reason that because the younger generation of the sect didn't possess motivation and passion.

"No wonder Elder Ke seemed like a hunter than had seen prey when he saw me... So it turns out that he wants to make the Wood Peak rise once more through me." Duan Ling Tian laughed bitterly. Even though thinking like this was slightly conceited, yet Ke Zheng obviously possessed an intention like this.

The competition between the peaks of the Five Element Sect was mainly between the younger generation, whereas the experts of the older generation rarely made a move, nor was it convenient for them to do so.

Perhaps the strength of the younger generation was far inferior to the older generation now, yet they were the future pillars of support of the sect, and they were the foundation for the sect to continue prospering.

"My days will probably not be peaceful once I arrive at the Five Element Sect's Wood Peak." Duan Ling Tian thought to himself.

Of course, he wasn't afraid and was instead slightly anticipating it.

In next to no time, an afternoon of time had passed, and Duan Ling Tian's group of four had left far away from Driftcloud Town to arrive in the sky above a continuous mountain range with complicated terrain.

"Hmm?" Suddenly, Duan Ling Tian who journeyed by the side of Ke Zheng and Chen Wei couldn't help but frown and seemed to have noticed something.

"Watch out!" Ke Zheng shouted out in a low voice and warned.

Instantly, Chen Wei seemed as if he was confronted with a formidable enemy, and a seven foot long spear with flowing lights revolving at the tip appeared out of thin air in his hand. The weapon he used was exactly the same as his father.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

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Numerous swift figures arrived around Duan Ling Tian's group of four in the blink of an eye, and they surrounded Duan Ling Tian's group.

This was a group of middle aged men in linen clothes who had cold and indifferent expressions, and the gazes they shot at Duan Ling Tian's group of four seemed as if they were looking at dead people.

"Bandits?" Duan Ling Tian's brows rose, and he guessed the identities of these people in the first possible moment.

Before he left for the Foreign Lands, he'd found out from the memories of the Rebirth Martial Emperor that bandits frequently roamed some remote places in the Foreign Lands.

These bandits only had a single objective, to kill the passing martial artists with formidable strength and to seize the wealth of these martial artists.

Simply speaking, this was a group of bandits that had no regard for their lives. They lived on the edges of their blades, and they risked their lives to earn enormous wealth.

Duan Ling Tian had always been staying in Driftcloud Town and had never left alone because he was worried about encountering these bandits.

It was fine if he encountered bandits that were inferior to him, and he could kill them directly.

If their strengths far exceeded him, then he could only become a lamb waiting to be slaughtered and wouldn't have the slightest chance of survival.

"Big Brother Duan." Ye Xuan's face went pale when she saw them being surrounded by so many people. She was the Young Miss of the Ye Clan who was born with a golden spoon in her mouth, so when had she seen a scene like this?

"Little Xuan, come on Big Brother Duan's back." At the first possible moment, Duan Ling Tian noticed that Ye Xuan was terrified to the point her body trembled slightly, and he instantly called out to Ye Xuan and asked her to get on his back.

Ye Xuan leaned on Duan Ling Tian's back and held onto his neck, and only then did her feelings slightly stabilize.

Duan Ling Tian took a deep breath as his Spiritual Force stretched out, and he clearly detected the cultivations of all the bandits at the first possible moment.

There was a total of nine people.

One was at the seventh level of the Void Interpretation Stage.

Three were at the sixth level of the Void Interpretation Stage.

The remaining people were at the fourth and fifth level of the Void Interpretation Stage.

"What a formidable band of bandits!" Duan Ling Tian gasped in his head as he never imagined that the first group of bandits he encountered in the Foreign Lands with possess such terrifying strength.

Duan Ling Tian didn't know that this wasn't the first group of bandits he'd encountered since coming to the Foreign Lands.

When he was 'devilified' by the Devilseal Tablet that day and after he distanced himself from Feng Wu Dao and lost consciousness, he'd encountered numerous groups of bandits with strengths that weren't inferior to the group before him on the way to Driftcloud Town.

It was even to the extent that there were even some existences at the Void Transformation Stage.

However, without exception, all those bandits were killed by the 'devilified' him as soon as they made an appearance.

"Kill!" The seventh level Void Interpretation Stage bandit in the lead didn't speak a single word before directly giving the order.

Instantly, the other eight bandits pounced towards Duan Ling Tian's group of four.

In the sky, a vast expanse of ancient horned dragon silhouettes appeared and swept towards them, and they covered more than half of the sunlight from the horizon.

"Those three are at the fourth level of the Void Interpretation Stage." Ke Zheng spoke out. He didn't have any intention of making a move and pointed towards three of the bandits as he spoke to Chen Wei.

Subsequently, he looked at Duan Ling Tian and asked. "Besides the bandit in the lead, the strongest amongst the other five are at the sixth level of the Void Interpretation Stage... How many can you deal with?"

Obviously, the old man wanted to test Duan Ling Tian's strength.

Up until now, the old man hadn't seen Duan Ling Tian fight and only knew that Duan Ling Tian had once defeated the Chen Clan's Patriarch and Supreme Elder.

The Chen Clan's Supreme Elder was a martial artist at the sixth level of the Void Interpretation Stage.

"Senior, besides the bandit in the lead... Leave all the rest to me." Duan Ling Tian smiled with confidence. As soon as he finished speaking, his eyes started to flicker with dim lights, and in the depths of his mind, his vast Spiritual Force pierced into the soul brand.

Thousand Illusions!

An illusory space was constructed by Duan Ling Tian out of thin air, and it enveloped an area of a few tens of meters.

The nine bandits clearly appeared within the scope of Duan Ling Tian's Spiritual Force.

Besides the bandit in the lead that was at the seventh level of the Void Interpretation Stage, he was able to affect the other bandits with his soul skill, causing them to fall into the illusory space.

When Duan Ling Tian executed his soul skill, Thousand Illusions, Ke Zheng and Chen Wei were both shocked by what Duan Ling Tian said.

Ke Zheng couldn't help but frown as he felt Duan Ling Tian was too conceited.

"Alas... Have I misjudged in the end?" Ke Zheng sighed in his head as the Origin Energy in his body started to roil, and he was prepared to make a move against the group of bandits at any moment.

Obviously, he didn't believe Duan Ling Tian's 'boast.'

But in next to no time, he was stunned.

Chen Wei was stunned as well.

Ye Xuan who lay on Duan Ling Tian's back and tightly held onto Duan Ling Tian's neck was terrified to the point she couldn't help but close her eyes.

But when she opened her eyes curiously to look ahead, she saw an unforgettable scene.

Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh!

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The eight bandits that charged over abruptly stopped in midair, and they revealed dazed expressions as if they'd suddenly lost their target.

Subsequently, all of them went berserk and started attacking their former companions, and their surging strength that seemed ready to come out at any moment was vented completely.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

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Terrifying strength tore through the sky and gave rise to a wave of ear piercing sounds of air exploding, and the three sixth level Void Interpretation Stage bandits had joined forces to kill the other five of their companions.

"What're all of you doing?!" The bandit leader that wasn't affected by Duan Ling Tian's soul skill was stunned for a short moment when he saw this scene, and then his face darkened as he roared with a grim voice.

However, along with his roar, the three sixth level Void Interpretation Stage bandits looked at him in unison and revealed killing intent on their faces.

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"What? All of you are thinking of going against me?" The bandit leader at the seventh level of the Void Interpretation Stage had a gloomy expression as he looked at the three subordinates before him.

These three subordinates didn't even dare make a noise before him in the past, let alone arouse killing intent towards him.

"Kill!" the three sixth level Void Interpretation Stage bandits shouted out explosively as they directly made a move against the bandit leader, and they struck out with their full strength as soon as they made a move and struck straight towards the bandit leader's vital points without showing the slightest mercy.

"Have all of you gone mad?" The bandit leader shouted out furiously, yet didn't launch an attack, and he only avoided the attacks of the three bandits while shouting out explosively at the same time.

However, the three bandits seemed as if they'd utterly not heard him, and they continued launching attacks at him.

In the end, the bandit leader realized that something was off.

But the successive attacks of these three bandits caused him to be unable to divert his attention to think about it, so he could only attack with rage and launch an attack that covered the heavens and the earth to envelop the three bandits.

The strength of a seventh level Void Interpretation Stage martial artist was revealed completely!

When compared to the sixth level of the Void Interpretation Stage, there was like a distance of a chasm with the strength of the seventh level of the Void Interpretation Stage, and it was a completely new leap in strength.

Unless a sixth level Void Interpretation Stage martial artist had a special ability, otherwise, the martial artist would be completely helpless before a seventh level Void Interpretation Stage martial artist.

In the time of 10 breaths, the bandit leader had killed all three of his subordinates with rage.

After he killed them, he returned to his senses, and his gaze descended onto Ke Zheng as he asked with a low voice. "What did you do to them"

Ke Zheng had just recovered from his shock when he heard the words of the bandit leader, and he was slightly speechless for some time.

What had he done?

From the beginning until the end, he seemed to have been only standing at the side and watching the show, right?

In next to no time, the bandit leader took a deep breath, and he who'd calmed down his feelings felt he scalp go slightly numb when he recalled the scene from before.

"Hmph! I'll spare all of you today." After he grunted coldly, the bandit leader maintained a posture that caused him to not lose to others in bearing as he flashed out to transform into a bolt of lightning, and he intended to leave this place.

He'd noticed an aura of danger on the four people.

"Since you've come, then don't leave." An aged voice seemed to sound out from all directions.

Subsequently, a figure appeared out of thin air in the way of the bandit leader.

It was Ke Zheng.

The bandit leader's expression instantly went pale when he saw a figure appear like a ghost before him and even he was unable to catch this figure, and he said in panic, "You... You're an expert at the Void Transformation Stage?!"

Ke Zheng didn't answer the bandit leader, and he looked at the bandit leader with a calm expression and a gaze that didn't contain any emotion.

"Senior, spare me! Senior, spare me!" Under the astounded gazes of Duan Ling Tian, Ye Xuan, and Chen Wei, the bandit leader, a dignified martial artist at the seventh level of the Void Interpretation Stage actually knelt before Ke Zheng and ceaselessly begged for mercy.

"A qualified martial artist ought to be of unyielding and firm character and unafraid of death... A cowardly person that's afraid of death like you isn't worthy to be a martial artist!" Ke Zheng's face went cold. With a raise of his hand, vast flames swept out to envelop the bandit leader's body and instantly burned him into ash.

From the beginning until the end, the bandit leader didn't even have the chance to let out a shrill cry.

"How formidable!" Ye Xuan who lay on Duan Ling Tian's back spoke with a dumbstruck expression.

"Seventh level of the Void Transformation Stage!" Even though the old man held back when he attacked, Duan Ling Tian was still able to notice an inkling from his Origin Energy that was fused with Advanced Fire Concept.

After all, he'd fused with the lifetime worth of memories of the Rebirth Martial Emperor. Even though he was temporarily unable to use his Spiritual Force to detect the old man's cultivation, yet he was still capable of noticing some things with his eyes.

"With Elder Ke's strength, his status in the Wood Peak is probably not low." Duan Ling Tian guessed in his heart.

Meanwhile, Duan Ling Tian's eyes flashed as a figure appeared before him, and it was precisely Ke Zheng who'd killed the bandit leader before coming to stare at him with a burning gaze.

"Elder Ke." Duan Ling Tian felt uneasy and slightly embarrassed when being stared like this by Ke Zheng.

"You used an ability similar to an illusory realm when dealing with those eight bandits earlier?" Finally, Ke Zheng spoke out and asked with slight surprise.

"It isn't similar... What I executed earlier was an illusory realm ability." Duan Ling Tian spoke truthfully.

"I didn't sense any aura or fluctuation of Inscriptions or Inscription Formations... In other words, you used your own Spiritual Force to execute an ability similar to a soul skill and constructed an illusory realm?" Ke Zheng's breathing became slightly hurried.

"Yes." Duan Ling Tian nodded, and he couldn't deny this.

"You wouldn't be a 'Demon,' right?" Ke Zheng sized up Duan Ling Tian from top to bottom as he asked with a doubtful expression.

Duan Ling Tian was instantly speechless when he heard this.

"This won't do. I have to verify it." Ke Zheng spoke abruptly.

"How?" Duan Ling Tian was stunned.

"You'll know soon enough." Ke Zheng glanced at Duan Ling Tian with ill intent as he took out an ancient copper mirror that flowed with strands of faint flowing lights.

"Demon Revelation Mirror?" Duan Ling Tian was completely speechless when he saw the thing in Ke Zheng's hand. "Senior... Is there a need for this?"

A Demon Revelation Mirror wasn't anything rare in Cloud Continent.

Any grade three Weapons Craftsman or above was capable of refining it so long as they possessed the materials.

The Demon Revelation Mirror wasn't a spirit weapon and only had a single function, and it was to verify if a person was a 'Demon' that had taken human form.

So long as it was a person who was a 'Demon' that took human form, once they were reflected on the surface of this mirror, it wouldn't show their human appearance but their real appearance instead.

"Let me see if you're a 'Demon' that has taken human form or not, little freak." Ke Zheng held up the Demon Revelation Mirror and aimed it at Duan Ling Tian before looking towards the surface of the mirror.

He couldn't help but heave a sigh of relief when he saw it was still Duan Ling Tian that appeared on the surface of the mirror.

Now, he could be completely certain that Duan Ling Tian was a pure human and not a 'Demon.'

"You're not a Demon, so how could you possibly execute a Spiritual Force ability similar to a soul skill?" Even though he'd confirmed Duan Ling Tian wasn't a Demon, Ke Zheng still couldn't help but ask curiously.

According to his knowledge, unless a human martial artist was at the Martial Emperor Stage, otherwise, it would be utterly impossible to utilize Spiritual Force against one's enemies, yet Duan Ling Tian had gone against this convention.

"Senior, you wouldn't have not heard of Variants, right?" Duan Ling Tian's eyes narrowed as he intentionally led Ke Zheng astray.

Variant?!

Ke Zheng was completely petrified when he heard Duan Ling Tian.

As an elder of the Five Element Sect, how could he not know of the existence of Variants?

Variants were lives given birth to by the union of man and Demon. They were either mediocre or possessed extraordinary natural talent, and the latter even possessed unique Innate Abilities.

However, Variants could be considered to be rare in the entire Cloud Continent, and only some top first-rate powers had Variants existing in their sects.

The Five Element Sect could be considered to be an overlord in the eastern area of the northern desert, but it was only a third-rate sect in the entire Cloud Continent, and it wasn't worth mentioning.

So he'd utterly not thought of Duan Ling Tian as a Variant at the beginning because he didn't dare think in that way.

"You, you..." Ke Zheng looked at Duan Ling Tian and was slightly unable to speak clearly, and his heart was filled with indescribable excitement.

A Variant!

I've actually encountered a Variant of legend!

Moreover, this Variant is about to join my Five Element Sect and become a disciple of my Wood Peak.

"HAHAHAHA... HAHAHAHA..." Under Duan Ling Tian, Ye Xuan, and Chen Wei's dumbstruck gazes, Ke Zheng roared with laughter into the sky without the slightest reason, and his laughter sounded out far and wide.

Duan Ling Tian was able to hear happiness from Ke Zheng's laughter, and he naturally guessed why Ke Zheng would be so happy.

Finally, Ke Zheng restrained his laughter.

Now Ke Zheng had no doubts in his heart towards the ability Duan Ling Tian had executed earlier.

Innate Ability!

"Big Brother Duan, what's a Variant? Why is Elder Ke so excited after hearing about it?" Ye Xuan lay on Duan Ling Tian's back and asked curiously.

"A Variant is a type of unusual existence... You can understand them as existence that can't be described with convention." Duan Ling Tian explained with a smile.

Ye Xuan nodded without fully understanding what Duan Ling Tian said.

"Let's go!" After the wave of loud laughter earlier, Ke Zheng seemed to have completely wiped away the unhappiness he felt previously, and he seemed to be radiating joy.

"Duan Ling Tian, thank you." Suddenly, Chen Wei arrived by Duan Ling Tian's side and thanked Duan Ling Tian from the bottom of his heart.

"What're you thanking me for?" Duan Ling Tian was stunned.

"Thank you for making Master be so happy." Chen Wei sighed. "Since the day I became Master's disciple, he placed great hopes on me because of the situation of the Wood Peak at that time... Even though he didn't say anything up until now, yet I know he's disappointed."

"Chen Wei, there's something I don't understand." Duan Ling Tian frowned.

"Hmm?" Chen Wei looked at Duan Ling Tian with a perplexed expression and asked. "What?"

"I keep having the feeling that Elder Ke seems to have an extremely unusual feeling towards the Wood Peak... His concern towards the Wood Peak is completely unlike the concern a Wood Peak elder ought to have." Duan Ling Tian said with a low voice, "If it was another person, then perhaps the person would think that Elder Ke is the Peak Master of Wood Peak and not an elder."

"You noticed?" Chen Wei was slightly surprised when he heard Duan Ling Tian, and then he said, "Actually, it isn't a secret... Master is the foster son the Wood Peak's last Peak Master took in, and he'd grown up in the Wood Peak, causing him to completely take the Wood Peak as his home."

"To him, the Wood Peak's decline is similar to the decline of his home." Chen Wei laughed bitterly.

"So that's how it is." Duan Ling Tian came to a sudden understanding. Never had he imagined that Elder Ke would have such a relationship with the Wood Peak, and since it was like this, everything seemed to fall into place.

At dusk, Duan Ling Tian saw a city situated on the plains below, and it was like a colossus in a green and picturesque illusory realm.

"That's Settlement City," said Chen Wei.

"Mmm." Duan Ling Tian nodded, and then he looked straight at the city ahead.

Even though the Settlement City was inferior to the Ancient Desert City, yet it wasn't smaller than the Capitals of the Darkhan Dynasty and Darming Dynasty.

Duan Ling Tian's group of three followed Ke Zheng to enter the city, and they quickly walked into a vast estate.

"Elder Ke!" Everywhere Elder Ke passed, the people that were bustling about all around the estate would bow respectfully towards him.