

SOVEREIGN 921

Chapter 921: Supreme Emotion Forsaking Technique

Emotion Severing Sect.

A blue-clad young man was sitting in a secluded courtyard. Waves of turquoise ripples were swirling around his body.

It was the Water Concept.

In the sky, 200 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons descended as they whirled. They quietly waited and was poised to attack at any time.

The green-clad young man sitting there did not use the slightest amount of his Origin Energy at all. In other words, his Water Concept alone managed to urge the Heaven and Earth Energy to gather 200 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons. It was obvious that he had comprehended the First Level Advance Water Concept!

Time passed by quietly.

After God-knows how long, the wave of turquoise ripples around the green-clad young man suddenly churned and emitted waves of water mist. It spread out like a gentle breeze caressing the rain.

Water droplets scattered from the mist and sprinkled the plants planted in the garden, giving them a strong breath of life.

All of a sudden, the blue-clad young man who was engulfed in the turquoise ripples opened his eyes. A bright gleam flashed across his eyes as he muttered under his breath, "Supreme Emotion Forsaking Technique. As water reaches its acme, it condenses into ice!"

Almost immediately after his words left his mouth, the turquoise ripples by his body emitted a bone-chilling icy aura until there was no mist left. Not long after, the waves of turquoise ripples condensed and formed a layer of thick ice.

The thick ice enveloped the blue-clad young man's entire body. However, he did not seem to have noticed anything. His face still remained aloof as he continued to mumble the incantations without pause.

Whoosh!

Suddenly, a tall figure appeared in the sky out of thin air. It was an expressionless middle-aged man.

"I can't believe he has mastered the Supreme Emotion Forsaking Technique. It's the ultimate cultivation method that has been passed down for several thousands of years in the Emotion Severing Sect, and nobody had been able to master it. When water reaches its acme, it'll condense into ice. When ice reaches its acme, it'll breed fire, and when fire reaches its acme, it'll converge and become thunder," the middle-aged man murmured to himself. "With his current progress, I'm sure he'll be able to

successfully breed the Fire Concept with the Ice Concept in no time. At that time, he'll be able to simultaneously cast the Ice and Fire Concepts. When Ice and Fire unify, its power will multiply as well!"

"Huh?" As if he was hit by some sort of realization, there was a slight change in the middle-aged man's expression.

Whoosh!

When he lowered his head, he saw intense flames had erupted out of the thick layer of solid ice that was enveloping the young man and rose up to the sky.

Despite the hot air that the blazing flame emitted, it did not melt the extremely cold ice. Similarly, the extremely cold ice did not extinguish the flame either. It looked extremely strange to the eyes.

The harmonious existence between the two elements seemed to be completely contrary to the principle of 'water extinguishing fire'.

Whoosh!

At this moment, 200 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons above the young man's head suddenly shifted to the side, and another 200 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons immediately appeared.

Suddenly.

BOOM!

The young man's legs slammed on the ground. The thick bricks on the ground cracked and fissures began to spread out in all directions. It looked like a huge spider-web.

There was a sudden burst of coldness that emitted a hot wave in this huge spider-web. This contradictory combination caused the plants in the small courtyard to immediately lose their vitality.

Swish!

The moment the young man leaped on the ground, he used his force and soared up into the sky. He rushed into the air like a flash of lightning.

"Supreme Emotion Forsaking Technique... The Union of Ice and Flame!" The young man hovered in the air and muttered under his breath. The moment he reached the end of his muttering, he shouted without warning.

The moment he shouted, the Ice and Flame on his body strangely merged into one and formed a new bluish flame that was crystal clear and beautiful.

It was like an icy flame that was burning intensely.

Waves of extreme coldness and heat radiated from the icy flame. The contradictory combination caused the Heaven and Earth Energy in the sky to whirl once again.

Wham!

Without any warning, the young man took a stride forward, and his fist punched out to the sky like a cannonball that was swiftly shot out.

Blue flames rushed out from his fist as it formed a shock wave that swept and tore through the sky. It set off a series of deafening explosions.

Waves and waves of air that was a mixture of coldness and heat swept spread all over the place. Next to the 400 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons on top of his head, another 200 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons appeared without any prior warning.

From the beginning until the end, he did not use his Origin Energy at all.

In other words, this strength of 200 ancient horned dragons did not come from his Origin Energy at all.

"Not bad! Although your Union of Ice and Flame is still at the Rudiment Stage, it's enough to multiply your strength by half. When you managed to reach a higher stage and cultivate it to the Mastery Stage, it'll be able to multiply your strength by two times!" The cold-looking middle-aged man suddenly appeared before the young man. A smile that rarely appeared on his face was playing at the corner of his mouth.

If Duan Ling Tian was here at this moment, he would be able to identify the middle-aged man as Pei An, the Sect Master of the Emotion Severing Sect, with just a glance.

As for the young man, he was Zhang Yang, the Flame Young Master.

The Supreme Emotion Forsaking Technique was the cultivation method inherited from the Emotion Severing Sect since the ancient time. It was said that it was regarded as a first-rate cultivation method in the entire Cloud Continent.

However, no one in the Emotion Severing Sect had successfully cultivated it all this time.

Other than having to sever one's emotional ties completely, cultivating the Supreme Emotion Forsaking Technique would require the person to comprehend the Water Concept to a certain level as well.

When water reaches its acme, it would condense into ice.

When ice reaches its acme, it would breed fire.

When fire reaches its acme, it would converge and become thunder.

These short thirty words were exactly the outline of the Supreme Emotion Forsaking Technique.

For those who cultivated the Supreme Emotion Forsaking Technique, once they managed to successfully condense ice from water and comprehend the Ice Concept, they would be able to rely on the Ice Concept to breed the Fire Concept that emerged the moment the Ice Concept reached its acme. Moreover, they would not have to cultivate the Fire Concept. When the Ice Concept made progress, the Fire Concept would simultaneously progress as well.

This was because it originated from the Ice Concept.

The same theory applied to the Thunder Concept that would come later as well.

The fact that it was considered as a first-rate cultivation method in the entire Cloud Continent naturally meant that the Supreme Emotion Forsaking Technique's powerful nature was not only limited to this.

Anyone who had successfully cultivated the Supreme Emotion Forsaking Technique would also be able to master another peculiar technique. It was called the Union of Ice and fire!

The Union of Ice and Fire was separated into two stages — the Rudiment and the Mastery Stages.

Compared to the other cumbersome martial skills, it was definitely much simpler.

The Rudiment Stage allowed one's Ice and Fire Concept to merge. Not only could it combine the power of the two, it could also multiply the power by half.

Similar to Zhang Yan earlier.

Through the Supreme Emotion Forsaking Technique, his First Level Advance Water Concept was transformed into the First Level Advance Ice Concept. It was equivalent to the strength of 200 ancient horned dragons. The Fire Concept that was bred out of this was at the same level as well — the First Level Advance Fire Concept — with a strength that was also equivalent to 200 ancient horned dragons. The two of them added up together was equal to the strength of 400 ancient horned dragons.

With the help from the Union of Ice and Fire, the strength would multiply by half-fold, which was equivalent to 200 ancient horned dragons.

When he managed to cultivate his Union of Ice and Fire to the Mastery Level, his base strength would multiply by twofold and would have the strength of 400 ancient horned dragons.

The stronger the Ice Concept was, the stronger the Fire Concept would be. The strength of the Union of Ice and Fire would be more powerful too!

Other than that, the Union of Ice and Fire could only be regarded as a combination of the Ice and Fire Concepts that could be executed together. It had no conflicts at all with one's martial skills. For this reason, it was possible to cast some martial skills on top of the Union of Ice and Fire.

As a result, the strength would increase too.

"Master!" The moment Zhang Yan saw him, he hastily bowed as a salutation and dared not slack at all.

"Get ready. We'll depart tomorrow for the Martial Emperor's secret treasure." Pei An nodded his head. The instance he finished his words, he vanished without a trace again before Zhang Yan's eyes.

After Pei An had left, a brilliant gleam flashed across Zhang Yan's eyes as he murmured to himself, "With my cultivation base at the Seventh Level Void Interpretation, plus the Union of Ice and Fire that was created out of the fusion of Ice and Fire Concepts, I possess the strength of 700 ancient horned dragons without a spirit weapon! If everything goes smoothly, the other young powerhouses from the other sects will not be a match for me!" His eyes shone with confidence when he finished his sentence.

Since he joined the Emotion Severing Sect and demonstrated his innate skill and comprehension, his consumption of spirit fruits did not cease at all. For this reason, there was no more spirit fruit that was suitable for him to consume after he made a breakthrough to the Sixth Level Void Interpretation.

Due to the abundance of spirit fruits in the Emotion Severing Sect, he had consumed all of them previously so he was already completely immune to the medicinal efficacy of the fruits. For this reason, since the Martial Competition of the Ten Dynasties, he only managed to make a breakthrough to the Seventh Level Void Interpretation due to lack of suitable spirit fruits that he could consume.

"Duan Ling Tian just left the Darkhan Dynasty... Before this, he did not consume any spirit fruit that was exclusively for a Void Interpretation martial artist. However, since he went to Blade Sect, he would have no shortage of spirit fruits at all. I'm sure his current cultivation base must be higher than mine!" As a familiar purple figure emerged in his mind, a rare and faint smile crept up to the corner of his mouth.

"However, even if his cultivation base is higher than mine, and his Concept is raised with the help of the Profound Assimilation Formation, his strength will not be as good as mine since I cultivated the Supreme Emotion Forsaking Technique successfully! Only Zi Shang might pose a threat to me!" The moment he recalled Zi Shang, a hint of dread could be seen in between his brows. He still could not help but shudder when he thought about the Secret Technique that Zi Shang demonstrated previously.

Second Level Void Interpretation. After he had cast his Secret Technique, his cultivation base immediately soared up to the Sixth Level Void Interpretation.

It was fortunate that Zi Shang's Concepts did not rise together as well. Otherwise, most of the young powerhouses from the other sects that would enter the Martial Emperor's secret treasure this time, including himself, would most likely not be a match for Zi Shang.

Chapter 922: For the Sake of Profundity Fragment!

Northern desert, the southwest region.

Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh!

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Figures flew from the northeast with an extremely fast speed. They passed through the clouds in the sky and left a visible 'sky road'.

A group of people was led by three middle-aged men, an old man, and a middle-aged woman with twenty people following closely behind. All twenty of them were young men and women. None of them was over forty years old.

"We're arriving soon." The middle-aged man who was leading the group was none other than Guo Chong, the Sect Leader of Five Element Sect. When he withdrew his gaze from afar, he also began to slow down his speed.

The rest of the people immediately slowed down as well.

"We've arrived?" The twenty young people behind him were stunned.

"It has already been more than a month since the day of our departure. We'll be arriving at our destination soon!" Guo Chong's voice was transmitted to all of their ears.

"We're really arriving soon?" Duan Ling Tian was following behind as he slowed down his speed as well. The instance he heard Guo Chong's words, his eyes lit up.

Huang Daniu looked at Duan Ling Tian as he spoke to Duan Ling Tian through Voice Transmission, "Duan Ling Tian, we'll arrive at the Martial Emperor's secret treasure soon. At that time, you and I will join forces and there's no need for us to worry about not being able to get the treasures that were left behind by the Martial Emperor!"

Duan Ling Tian was rendered speechless by Huang Daniu's brazenness.

'Do I really need to join forces with the others? Even if I really want to join forces with the others, I'll never choose this guy. Nangong Chen from Gold Peak is more suitable okay?!

Nangong Chen's current cultivation base must have already broken through to the Ninth Level Void Interpretation. Similar to his First Level Advance Earth Concept, his strength was extremely strong as well. Duan Ling Tian was the only person he was second to among the younger generation in the Five Element Sect.

Duan Ling Tian had no doubts that Nangong Chen could make a breakthrough to the Ninth Level Void Interpretation. After all, the two spirit fruits that he had consumed previously were issued by the Five Element Sect in a unified manner.

Wood Peak received four while Gold Peak received three. Out of the three that Gold Peak received, at least two must have been given to Nangong Chen.

"Throughout this journey, I'm sure all of you must have been curious about the destination. I'm going to tell you about it now," Guo Chong's voice continued to resonate. The group of Five Element Sect's disciples' eyes lit up immediately, apart from Duan Ling Tian and Huang Daniu. Even Nangong Chen was not an exception.

The moment Duan Ling Tian heard this, he lifted his brows at once. He knew that Guo Chong was going to tell them about the Martial Emperor's secret treasure.

"The place that we're heading to this time is the secret treasure that the Martial Emperor left behind!" Guo Chong's words entered their ears clearly.

Other than the four Peak Masters, Duan Ling Tian and Huang Daniu who looked very calm, the rest of the Five Element Sect's disciples were stunned for a moment before chaos broke out among them.

"Secret treasure that was left behind by a Martial Emperor?"

"My goodness! I wonder how many treasures are contained in the Martial Emperor's secret treasure! It must have all sorts of things like the Ninth Level Concept Fragments, grade one spirit weapon, or grade one medicinal pill right?"

"I knew it! I knew it certainly won't be for some trivial matter that the Sect Leader and the four Peak Masters personally took us out this time! It's just that it did not cross my mind that the Sect Leader and the four Peak Masters would bring us to the Martial Emperor's secret treasure"

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The group of young Five Element Sect's disciples discussed animatedly. Their faces were filled with excitement.

Even the Nangong twins were not an exception.

Nangong Yi looked eager, and his eyes were shining brilliantly. Nangong Chen, on the other hand, still had a cold and aloof look on his face, but his eyes that were gleaming brightly undoubtedly betrayed his mood at the moment.

"According to the news that I received, the Martial Emperor's secret treasure was left behind when he was close to his death. All of his inheritance is inside, and they're waiting for the right person from the future to take them!" When Guo Chong was announcing this, his tone became slightly higher than usual.

How could the inheritance that was left behind by a Martial Emperor be something ordinary?

Even he who held the Sect Master position in the Five Element Sect could not contain his excitement.

"Inheritance?" The moment Duan Ling Tian heard this, his heart gave a sudden jolt.

Although he already knew beforehand that they were going to the Martial Emperor's secret treasure, he thought that it was merely some games that were created by a Martial Emperor when he was feeling bored.

However, it looked like this was not the case at all.

Without a doubt, it did not matter if it was a game or inheritance that was left behind by a Martial Emperor. They would both contain some items that people would fight to the death over. However, it was obvious the latter would contain a much valuable treasure.

This was because the latter might contain the wealth that had been accumulated by the Martial Emperor during his entire life. It was enough to make any force, or anyone, in the Cloud Continent to turn green over it.

"I'm really getting more and more excited about it!" Duan Ling Tian's eyes shone brightly as he muttered to himself.

At the same time, after they heard Guo Chong's words, the group of young Five Element Sect's disciples' breath began to quicken.

The inheritance from a Martial Emperor?

What did that mean?

"The inheritance that was left behind by a Martial Emperor is all of the wealth accumulated by him during his life. Whoever obtains it would definitely soar up to the sky!"

"I can't wait to go now!"

"However, since it's the inheritance left by a Martial Emperor, why did the five Peak Masters bring us along with them? Wouldn't it be better if they bring the sect elders with them to take the treasures?"

"Could it be that there's some reason behind it?"

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The group of Five Element Sect disciples buried their heads together in a heated discussion. Eventually, one by one they slowly looked towards Guo Chong, the Sect Leader of the Five Element Sect, and the other four Peak Masters with a questioning look on their faces.

"This time, the Martial Emperor's secret treasure that we're headed to is filled with all sorts of tests that were left behind by the Martial Emperor. We'll have to enter the secret treasure ourselves to search for them if we want to get the treasures that were left behind!" Naturally, Guo Chong heard the discussions of the Five Element Sect's disciples. Slowly, he continued to explain, "We brought all of you here because the gate of that place is covered with an Inscription Formation! That Inscription Formation only allows those who are below forty to enter the place. If we force our way in, the Martial Emperor's secret treasure will collapse immediately. Now, do you understand the reason why I brought all of you here?"

Guo Chong's words entered the ears of the Five Element Sect's disciples.

Other than Duan Ling Tian and Huang Daniu who were already prepared, the other eighteen people could not help but be taken aback.

However, they grasped the situation completely after listening to Guo Chong's explanation.

It was not because the Sect Leader and the four Peak Masters refused to bring the sect elders with them. It was because none of the sect senior officials, including themselves, were able to enter the Martial Emperor's secret treasure.

Only young people below the age of forty like them could enter the Martial Emperor's secret treasure.

"Furthermore, the Five Element Sect is not the only one who knows about the Martial Emperor's secret treasure. As far as I know, the four major forces in the southern district of the northern desert also know about the existence of the Martial Emperor's secret treasure. When the Martial Emperor's secret treasure opens its gate, they'll definitely bring the best young disciples they have as well." When Guo Chong announced this, his face turned glum immediately.

"In other words, apart from the twenty of you who'll enter the Martial Emperor's secret treasure, the best young disciples from the four major forces in the southern district of the northern desert will enter with all of you as well. As for what's going to happen inside, I'm sure you can guess it already. For this reason, all of you must be mentally prepared for it," Guo Chong finished in one breath.

"What?!"

"The four major forces of the northern desert also know about the existence of the Martial Emperor's secret treasure?"

"Oh, Lord! If the young disciples of the four major forces enter with us, we might not be able to hold on to the treasure even if we managed to find it!"

"The four major forces are in no way inferior to our Five Element Sect! It seems like going into the Martial Emperor's secret treasure is going to be a perilous journey!"

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Other than Duan Ling Tian and Huang Daniu who were already well prepared, the group of Five Element Sect's disciples was astonished. Judging from their words, it was clear that some of them were filled with dread.

Naturally, there were also some whose eyes shone brilliantly like Nangong Chen and Nangong Yi.

The moment they heard that other young powerhouses from other forces would be entering the Martial Emperor's secret treasure too, a strong battle intention began to radiate from their bodies unconsciously.

Apart from the twins, Hu Fei, Tan Huang, and Tian Zhen's eyes were all filled with anticipation as well.

"Naturally, the sect won't force you if you don't want to go in. However, before you make any decision, I still want to talk to all of you on behalf of the sect." When he reached this point, Guo Chong paused for a while before continuing, "Among all of the things hidden inside the Martial Emperor's secret treasure, the sect's only interested in the Profundity Fragments. As for the remaining things like Ninth Level Concept Fragments or Grade One Spirit Weapon... Well, finders keepers. The sects will not seize it from you by force."

The Profundity Fragment!

The moment the words left Guo Chong's mouth, other than Duan Ling Tian, the other nineteen Five Element Sect's disciples, including Huang Daniu, narrowed their eyes immediately.

Naturally, they all knew fairly well what the Profundity Fragment meant.

If the Five Element Sect could get their hands on the Profundity Fragment, even only one piece was enough to give birth to a Martial Emperor!

— and, right now, the Martial Emperor's secret treasure that they were about to enter actually contained the Profundity Fragment?

All of them came around after giving it some thoughts.

After all, that was a place that contained the inheritance of a Martial Emperor during the course of his entire life. There must be no shortage of Profundity Fragments in the wealth accumulated during his entire lifetime.

"Whoever obtains the Profundity Fragment will become a great benefactor of our sect! In the future, the sect will fulfill and never refuse the request of the disciple who turns in the Profundity Fragment as long as it's within the sect's ability." Guo Chong said with a solemn look as he reached the end of the sentence, "However, if you don't turn in the Profundity Fragments and we find it after we perform a search on you, you won't get the benefits anymore!"

Guo Chong's tone became harsher than before as he said, "Whichever Five Element Sect's disciple who comes out of the Martial Emperor's secret treasure will have to hand in their Spatial Ring and let us have a thorough search! Once we've confirmed that you don't have the Profundity Fragment on you, we'll return the Spatial Ring to you. As for the other treasures, the sect will not lay a finger on it at all. Don't even think about hiding the Spatial Ring from us. You should know that Peak Master Tian Gu is an Inscription Master, and when he expands his Spiritual Energy, he'll be able to find out where you hide it even if you swallow the ring into your stomach!"

Chapter 923: Arousing the Enthusiasm

Guo Chong's words completely discouraged some of the Five Element Sect's disciples from trying to hide the Profundity Fragment after they found it. If their Spatial Ring would be searched as well, it would definitely be impossible to hide the Profundity Fragment.

'Search the Spatial Ring?' Upon hearing Guo Chong's words, Duan Ling Tian frowned a little.

Unlike the other Five Element Sect's disciples, he had already possessed three Profundity Fragments even before he entered the Martial Emperor's secret treasure. They were obtained from the Sword Monarch's Treasure before this.

He could still accept it if the Profundity Fragments that he found in the Martial Emperor's secret treasure were taken away. However, if the three Profundity Fragments that he originally possessed got taken away, who should he lodge a complaint to?

"Sect Leader," Duan Ling Tian looked at Guo Chong and spoke up immediately.

"Yes?" Guo Chong stared at Duan Ling Tian with a puzzled look. The stern look on his face had vanished without a trace. Instead, it was replaced with a smile as he asked, "Anything?"

In his opinion, among all of the young Five Element Sect's disciples who would be entering the Martial Emperor's secret treasure, the person who possessed the greatest strength was none other than Duan Ling Tian. He had pinned most of his hopes on Duan Ling Tian this time.

For this reason, he did not put on the air of a sect leader in front of Duan Ling Tian.

"What if we managed to get two or more Profundity Fragments in the Martial Emperor's secret treasure? Do we really have to hand in every piece to the sect as well?" Duan Ling Tian looked Guo Chong in the eyes and casually asked. "Not only would the Profundity Fragment allow the sect to give birth to a Martial Emperor, it would also help us enter the Martial Monarch Stage if we can keep one for ourselves!" Duan Ling Tian's eyes shone brightly as he said this.

The moment the words left his mouth, all the other nineteen Five Element Sect's disciples immediately shifted their attention towards Guo Chong in unison. It was apparent that they were curious about this as well.

After all, Duan Ling Tian's words resonated with their thoughts.

Of course! The Profundity Fragment would help the sect give birth to a Martial Emperor, and it would also help them enter the Martial Monarch Stage in the future and become a Martial Emperor themselves.

"T-This..." Upon hearing Duan Ling Tian's words, Guo Chong became hesitant immediately.

"Sect Leader, if the sect really wants us to hand in all of the Profundity Fragments that we obtain, I'm afraid not many of us will be interested in fighting for the Profundity Fragments inside the Martial Emperor's secret treasure!" Duan Ling Tian continued to add on, "After all, what use is there for us to fight till our very last breath for something that doesn't belong to us? What use is there for us to take as many as possible?"

"Hurmph!" The moment these words left his mouth, Cha Bai, the Peak Master of Fire Peak, who was standing by the side, snorted, "What do you mean by 'what use is there for us to fight until our very last breath for something that doesn't belong to us' and 'what use is there for us to take as many as possible'? Don't you forget that you're all the disciples of the Five Element Sect! The sect trained and fostered all of you. Now that the sect needs you, don't you think you should devote yourself entirely to your last breath for the sake of the sect?"

As he was speaking, Cha Bai swept a glance at the Five Element Sect's disciples, including Duan Ling Tian.

"Peak Master Cha Bai, you're speaking with such a strong sense of awe-inspiring righteousness. Does this mean that you'll be willing to put your life at stake to fight for those Profundity Fragments that will eventually be handed to the sect if you're the one entering the Martial Emperor's secret treasure?" Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes as he stared directly at him.

"Of course!" Cha Bai replied as a matter of course, putting on an air that was saying 'I'm willing to sacrifice everything for the sake of the sect!'

"In that case, do you dare to swear by the Nine-Nine Heavenly Tribulation, Peak Master Cha Bai? Swear that if the words that you just said did not come from the bottom of your heart, you're willing to be killed in a strike by the Nine-Nine Heavenly Tribulation!" A ridiculing smile crept up on the corner of Duan Ling Tian's mouth.

"You..." Cha Bai's face turned pale at once. He did not expect Duan Ling Tian to bring up the Nine-Nine Heavenly Tribulation into the conversation again.

However, did he really dare to swear by the Nine-Nine Heavenly Tribulation?

Of course not!

"Looks like the words that you just spoke were uttered against your conscience, Peak Master Cha Bai?" Duan Ling Tian stared deeply at Cha Bai and mocked him with a sneer.

Many of the Five Element Sect's disciples immediately cast a mocking glance at Cha Bai while some even snorted.

"We're duty-bound to find the Profundity Fragments for the sect. However, if there are no incentives, I'm afraid it's not enough to raise the sect's disciples' morale." Duan Ling Tian looked at Guo Chong

again before he slowly proclaimed, "Sect Leader, please consider this for a while. When the disciples enter the Martial Emperor's secret treasure knowing that they will not get to keep the Profundity Fragments for themselves, how passionate do you think they would be when they're searching for the Profundity Fragments? At that time, their minds will be totally focused on the high-level items such as the Concept Fragments or spirit weapon instead. After all, no matter how many pieces of those items they get, it'll belong to them!"

When he reached this point, Duan Ling Tian paused for a moment before he changed his tone and said, "However, if the sect promises that no matter who it is, we can keep the second or the third Profundity Fragments that we found for ourselves, I'm sure all of the sect's disciples will be willing to risk their lives to search for the Profundity Fragments instead! After all, a piece of Profundity Fragment is more than enough to change one's life! All of the sect's disciples present here were chosen by the sect. Each of them possesses a strong innate skill and comprehension. I'm sure they'll eventually make a breakthrough to the Ninth Level Void Transformation and comprehend the Ninth Level Void Transformation Concept someday! To them, the Profundity Fragment is also an equally rare treasure. I hope that you can consider this, Sect Leader. I can't speak for everyone. In my case, I might be willing to search for the Profundity Fragments for the sect's sake in order to repay the debt for the training I received from the sect. However, if the Profundity Fragment is in the hands of a young powerhouse whose strength is on par or stronger than mine and could potentially kill me, I'll most likely not fight for that Profundity Fragment! After all, we only have one life in this world. It's extremely precious and valuable. No matter how attractive the Profundity Fragment is, in the end, it's still not ours so there's no reason for us to risk our lives to fight for it!" Duan Ling Tian addressed the group in one breath.

"Senior Brother Ling Tian said it well!"

"That's right! If all of the Profundity Fragments that we obtain have to be given to the sect, then this will definitely lower our enthusiasm to search and fight for the Profundity Fragments!"

"Since it doesn't belong to us anyway, there's no reason for us to risk our lives for it!"

"However, if we can keep the second piece of Profundity Fragment that we find, I'll definitely fight till my last breath to snatch it! After all, it'll play a role in whether or not I'll be able to become a Martial Emperor in the future!"

"Same goes for me!"

"Although Senior Brother Ling Tian is young, every word of his is a gem, and they completely resonate with my heart!"

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Before Guo Chong could respond in time, a clamor had already broken out among the group of Five Element Sect's disciples. From their words, it was obvious that they all agreed with Duan Ling Tian's opinion.

Nangong Yi, Tan Huan, and Tian Zhen were no exception as well.

Although Nangong Chen still had a cold look on his face, there were no doubts that he had the same thoughts from the constant gleaming of his eyes.

"Hurmph!" Although Hu Fei was displeased that this words came out of Duan Ling Tian's mouth, he had to admit that he actually agreed with Duan Ling Tian as well.

When Guo Chong saw the scene before him going out of control due to Duan Ling Tian's remark, he could not help but let out a wry smile.

He had to admit that Duan Ling Tian's remark had not only resonated with the other Five Element Sect's disciples' hearts but with his own heart too.

Although he would not be involved in the search for the Profundity Fragments, he could roughly understand the feelings of the people involved.

It was exactly like what Duan Ling Tian said. If the sect's disciples had to hand all of the Profundity Fragments to the sect no matter how many they obtained, their enthusiasm would be killed off no matter how loyal they were to the sect.

"Sect Leader, I agree with Duan Ling Tian about this matter!" At this moment, Qi Yu, the Peak Master of Wood Peak, suddenly stepped out and voiced out directly, "In order to stimulate the enthusiasm of the sect's disciples, I hope that you'll allow them to keep the second, third or even fourth Profundity Fragments that they manage to find in the Martial Emperor's secret treasure."

"I also agree with Duan Ling Tian!" This time, Yu Fang and Tian Gu, the Peak Masters of Water and Earth Peaks respectively, chimed in as well.

"What about you, Peak Master Cha Bai?" When he saw the three Peak Masters had stepped forward and agreed with Duan Ling Tian's remark, he instinctively looked over at Cha Bai who did not say a word at all, "Or could it be that you disagree with Duan Ling Tian?"

"I have no objection." Although Cha Bai hated Duan Ling Tian to the core, he knew that this was not the right time to be cocky. If he denied Duan Ling Tian's remark, even the disciples from Fire Peak would hate him as well.

"Alright!" When Guo Chong saw all four Peak Masters agreed with him, he nodded his head and immediately looked at the twenty young disciples of the Five Element Sect, including Duan Ling Tian. He announced clearly, "I, Guo Chong, the Sect Leader of Five Element Sect, give you my word on behalf of the sect that no matter how many Profundity Fragments you obtain from the Martial Emperor's secret treasure, every one of you only need to hand in one to us. The disciple who hands in one to us will no longer need to hand in their Spatial Ring for us to check!" Guo Chong announced in one breath.

Suddenly, the eyes of all Five Element Sect's disciples shone brightly. Some began to breathe more rapidly than usual.

"All hail the Sect Leader!"

"In this case, I must obtain at least two Profundity Fragments even if I fight till my last breath!"

"Wait for me, Martial Monarch Stage!"

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Chaos broke out in the group of Five Element Sect's disciples. Each and every one of them was extremely excited.

Guo Chong could not help but sigh emotionally when he saw this scene. He knew that the enthusiasm of the sect's disciples in finding and fighting for the Profundity Fragment had finally been successfully aroused. Now, all that was left was for them to enter the Martial Emperor's secret treasure and show off their skills.

Duan Ling Tian breathed a sigh of relief when he saw that situation had finally turned around.

'I hope that I'll be able to get my hands on one Profundity Fragment that's not useful to me in that Martial Emperor's secret treasure. It can also be considered as repayment for the grace of the Five Element Sect and for my training,' he thought to himself.

Previously, the Five Element Sect had given him three spirit fruits and even allowed him to enter the Profound Assimilation Formation. It resulted in him making a great breakthrough in his strength.

The training was also a sign of their grace after all. If he did not repay it, he would feel uneasy about it.

'However, I'm sure that the Martial Emperor's secret treasure won't have too many Profundity Fragments. If I really can't find any Profundity Fragments inside, I'll have to think of another way and hide the three Profundity Fragments I have on hand,' Duan Ling Tian was prepared for the worst scenario.

It was impossible for him to hand in the three Profundity Fragments he had on hand.

The Wind Profundity Fragment, Thunder Profundity Fragment, and Sword Profundity Fragment.

These three Profundity Fragments were all Profundity Fragments that would be useful to him so he would never hand them over.

Chapter 924: Crimson Moon Sect's Provocation

"Let's go!" Guo Chong, the Sect Leader of Five Element Sect, shouted lightly. He continued leading the group of Five Element Sect people, including Duan Ling Tian, to fly forward to their destination.

Very soon, they reached a hill that had a vast area. It stretched as far as the eyes could see.

Suddenly, one of the Five Element Sect disciples cried out in surprise as if he had discovered something, "There's someone over there!"

Everybody immediately looked in the direction where he was staring, and they soon saw a group of people flying towards them swiftly from afar. In just a blink of an eye, this group of people arrived before them.

The other party had also noticed them as well. Each and every one of them came to a halt and stood confrontationally before them.

All of these people added together totaled to 24 people. There was a middle-aged man, three old men, and twenty young men and women that appeared like they were below forty years of age.

Other than the middle-aged man who was dressed casually, the three old men and the twenty young men and women were all wearing a red robe that had gold or copper trims. The three old men were wearing robes with gold trims while the twenty young men and women were wearing red robes with copper trims. The badges pinned on their chests looked like a reddish moon.

"Uniforms?" Duan Ling Tian raised his brows. Skywolf Fort immediately came to his mind.

The group of Vice Fort Masters from the Skywolf Fort and their disciples were all usually in some sort of uniform too.

'Skywolf Fort, we'll eventually settle the bill between us once and for all!' The moment he thought about Skywolf Fort, Duan Ling Tian's eyes immediately flashed with crimson red.

The scene when Ta Mu died from blocking an attack for him when he was hunted by the five Vice Fort Masters of Skywolf Fort was still vivid in his mind.

A blood debt had to be repaid with blood!

"It's the people from Crimson Moon Sect!" A loud clamor erupted next to Duan Ling Tian's ears. Many of Five Element Sect's disciples started to whisper to each other.

"The Crimson Moon Sect?" Duan Ling Tian finally understood when he saw the crimson moon badge pinned on the chests of the group of people before him.

He was not unfamiliar with the Crimson Moon Sect at all.

Originally when he was still staying with the Ye Family at Driftcloud Town, Ye Xuan had mentioned Crimson Moon Sect to him before.

For this reason, he knew that Crimson Moon Sect, just like Five Element Sect, was also one of the three major forces in the eastern district of the northern desert.

Their strength was in no way inferior to Five Element Sect.

"Sect Leader Ren," Guo Chong greeted lightly when he saw the middle-aged man who led the group. "I didn't expect that Crimson Moon Sect has also received the news."

"That middle-aged man, who's dressed casually, with a medium-built body and ordinary looking features, is the Sect Leader, Ren Ji. It's said that his cultivation base has already reached the peak of the Void," a familiar voice entered Duan Ling Tian's ears instantly when he looked at the middle-aged man.

It was none other than Chen Wei who was using Voice Transmission to tell him about the middle-aged man's identity.

"Likewise, I didn't expect news to travel so fast to your Five Element Sect! However, only a capable man will be able to obtain the secret treasure left behind by the Martial Emperor!" Ren Ji said as he swept a glance at Guo Chong indifferently before pausing for a little while.

His sharp gaze swept pass all the twenty young Five Element Sect's disciples one by one before it landed on Duan Ling Tian, and he burst out laughing, "Sect Leader Guo, looks like you really don't have any

other candidates among the younger generations in Five Element Sect huh? Don't you think a young boy like him should just stay back and be nursed at home?"

"Hahahahaha..." The moment these words left Ren Ji's mouth, the three old men behind him and the twenty young men and women burst out laughing instantly. Their laughter was full of mockery.

"Sect Leader is right! Such a young boy should just stay home and drink milk instead!"

"Look at him, I'm sure he's only around 25 years old. Is that trash seeking for his death in the Martial Emperor's secret treasure?"

"Perhaps he feels that dying in the Martial Emperor's secret treasure is something to be proud of!"

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Many of the Crimson Moon Sect's disciples commented without restraint as they mocked Duan Ling Tian with their intentionally raised voice. They deliberately followed the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect's example and wanted to shame the Five Element Sect on purpose.

Humiliation!

What a blatant humiliation!

Despite the calm look on Duan Ling Tian's face, his narrowed eyes gleamed coldly. It imperceptibly exposed his current feelings.

His gaze was focused on the few Crimson Moon Sect's disciples who were mocking him happily without restraint.

When the opportunity presented itself later, he would definitely kill these people off without mercy!

His dignity should never be trampled on by anyone.

Drink milk?

Guo Chong's expression turned very ugly.

The three forces of the eastern district in the northern desert had no tolerance for each other all along. If anyone of them had the ability to annihilate the other two forces, they would definitely not wait until the next day to make their moves.

However, Guo Chong did not expect the Crimson Red Sect to be so blatant during an occasion like this. The moment they met, they had immediately mocked his Five Element Sect's disciples.

"Sect Leader Ren, as the dignified leader of a sect, don't you think it's a little inappropriate to treat a junior like this?" Guo Chong asked in a deep voice.

"Inappropriate? No, I don't think so!" Ren Ji replied nonchalantly with a calm expression. "If he thinks what I said is incorrect, he can always come out and challenge any one of the twenty young disciples from my Crimson Moon Sect! If he can beat any one of them, I, Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of the Crimson Moon Sect, will take back my words from earlier!"

Swoosh!

The instance the words left Ren Ji's mouth, a purple figure had already flew past the group of Five Element Sect's people and stood right in front of Guo Chong, the Sect Leader of Five Element Sect.

It was none other than Duan Ling Tian.

"Boy, you really dare to come out huh?" When Ren Ji saw Duan Ling Tian stepped out from the Five Element Sect's group, his eyes were immediately filled with surprise before he continued to mock him, "I have to remind you though, you might lose your life by being so blindly courageous and impulsive!"

"Sect Leader Ren, do you intend to take back your words from earlier willingly?" Duan Ling Tian's gaze was extremely calm. Even when he was faced with Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect, he was neither haughty nor humble. With his indifferent tone, it was like he was talking to a person who was of no significance.

"Huh?" Ren Ji was astounded before bursting into a fit of laughter, "Looks like you intend to seek death then?"

"Lad! Come! Come and challenge me! I'll fight you!"

"Oy, that boy from the Five Element Sect, come and challenge me if you have the balls!"

"Me too!"

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The seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples who trampled on Duan Ling Tian's dignity with their words along with Ren Ji's words earlier were looking at him as they shouted. It was apparent from the smug look on their faces that they looked down on Duan Ling Tian.

As he hovered in the sky, Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes and swept his gaze across the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples who were still clamoring about. His cool voice resonated emotionlessly, "Since the seven of you want to fight me, then I'll just go along with your wishes! All seven of you, come out now and fight with me together!"

The moment Duan Ling Tian's words left his mouth, not only were the seven Crimson Moon Sect disciples stunned, the remaining thirteen Crimson Moon Sect's disciples were taken aback by his words as well.

The three old men who were wearing red robes with gold trims and Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect, were also stunned.

On the other hand, on the side where the Five Element Sect stood, the group of people under Guo Chong the Sect Leader did not even have a change in their expressions. It was like the scene before their eyes did not even warrant any change of emotions in their hearts.

'Hurmph! This guy is trying to show off again!' Cha Bai, the Peak Master of Fire Peak, and his direct disciple, Hu Fei, snorted secretly.

"Huh?" At this moment, Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect, had also noticed the group of Five Element Sect people's expressions. His heart jolted instantly.

Could it be that he had made a wrong judgment?

When Ren Ji thought of this, he eyed the purple-clad young man in front of him from top to bottom with great attention. The eyes were so sharp as if it could pierce through everything were tightly locked on Duan Ling Tian as though he wanted to see through him thoroughly.

Duan Ling Tian's face remained indifferent, neither happy nor angry, as he faced Ren Ji's scrutiny.

"Hahahaha..." At the same time, the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples who were just called out by Duan Ling Tian regained their senses and burst into a fit of laughter. It was as if they had heard the biggest joke in the world.

"Wanting to challenge seven at the same time alone? Seven of us simultaneously?"

"Is he even sane?"

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The seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples looked at Duan Ling Tian with a sneer, the words that came out of their mouths were even ruder than before.

At this time, even among the other thirteen Crimson Moon Sect disciples, many people could not help but burst out laughing as well.

Naturally, there were also a few of Crimson Moon Sect's disciples who were observant and had noticed the calm and indifferent looks on the group of Five Element Sect's people. When they shifted their glances towards Duan Ling Tian who looked as calm as before, a hint of dread could be seen in their eyes.

"What? You dare not?" The expression on Duan Ling Tian's face remained unchanged even when faced with the repeated provocations from the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples. Hovering in the sky, the purple robe on his body billowed from the light breeze as he stared at the seven people before his eyes.

"What? Did you just say that we dare not?!"

"Just because we didn't bare our fangs, you think that we're some sick cats huh?!"

"Brothers! Since he looks down on us so much, we must teach him a good lesson!"

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The seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples were completely infuriated by Duan Ling Tian. One by one, they flew out and surrounded Duan Ling Tian as they glared at him viciously.

Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect, frowned. He was beginning to vaguely feel that something was not right. That purple-clad Five Element Sect's disciple seemed to be a bit overconfident.

Was he really that confident in himself?

Or was he deliberately trying to look mysterious?

At this moment, Ren Ji saw the calm expressions on the Five Element Sect's people again, and he began to feel uncertain as well. However, since things had already progressed to this point, how could he stop it now?

After all, he was the person who asked the other party to come out for a challenge. If he stopped the fight now, would it not be like slapping his own face?

The three old men wearing the gold-trimmed red robe in Crimson Moon Sect also began to look more sullen. Similar to Ren Ji, they could also faintly feel that something was wrong.

"Sect Leader Ren, I remember you told me earlier that I might lose my life due to blind courage right?" Duan Ling Tian, who was surrounded by the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples, looked at Ren Ji as he nonchalantly said, "Then, does this mean that you agree for me to fight with your seven Crimson Moon Sect's people to death, Sect Leader Ren?"

Upon hearing this, Ren Ji's face fell instantly. However, there was no way for him to refute it at all.

He indeed did say it previously.

"You lad! Looks like you really want to die huh?!"

"We'll help you if you really want to die!"

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The seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples who surrounded Duan Ling Tian roared loudly one after another. The Origin Energy on their bodies whirled, and their Concepts immediately rose.

Chapter 925: Slicing Seven Throats with One Slice of Sword!

When they saw how the seven people from Crimson Moon Sect were about to launch their attacks on Duan Ling Tian, everyone, be it the people from Crimson Moon Sect or Five Element Sect, was watching the scene intently.

Among the people from Crimson Moon Sect, dread immediately filled the eyes of Ren Ji the leader, the three old men and a few other Crimson Moon Sect's disciples' who were more observant.

Duan Ling Tian's confidence elicited a sense of ill omen from the bottom of their hearts.

On the other hand, the rest of Crimson Moon Sect's disciples sneered as they watched Duan Ling Tian who was surrounded by their seven brothers from the same sect. Their gazes were so cold that it was as if they were looking at a dead man.

In their opinion, this five Element Sect's disciple would definitely die.

Among the people of Five Element Sect with Guo Chong as the leader, all of them thought Duan Ling Tian would immediately cast his innate ability and create an illusion to disrupt the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples. At that time, the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples would flail around uselessly before him and be finished off in one blow.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

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The Origin Energy on the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples suddenly burst out. Their Concepts merged with the Origin Energy like shadows, and 100 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons began to appear above each of their heads.

Among the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples, the person who was the strongest had a cultivation base at the Fifth Level Void Interpretation and a comprehension of the Sixth Level Void Interpretation Concept. The weakest one had a cultivation base at the Third Level Void Interpretation with a comprehension of the Third Level Void Interpretation Concept.

Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh! Whoosh!

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As though they had planned beforehand, the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples launched their attacks at the same time. Without the use of spirit weapons, their fists and palms all struck out and charged towards Duan Ling Tian who was surrounded by them.

Nearly 1000 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons formed a circle in the sky. They bared their fangs and claws as they pounced towards Duan Ling Tian as if they were about to tear him into pieces.

Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom! Boom!

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The seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples charged as they attacked, be it with their palms or fists. They carried the strength of 100 ancient horned dragons as they ripped the sky apart. A series of shrill and ear-piercing air blast was set off at the place that they passed through. At the place where the air blast was set off, the air flow in the air compressed and immediately exploded, setting off waves and waves of wind.

As the wind spread, it transformed into flurries of strong hurricanes that blew the Five Element Sect's and Crimson Moon Sect's disciples who were watching by the side. It was to the extent that some of them had to squint their eyes.

Only the senior officials from Five Element Sect and Crimson Moon Sect, and those disciples with a slightly higher cultivation base were watching the scene before their eyes intently without missing even a single detail.

When Duan Ling Tian saw how the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples were charging at himself and were aiming at his vital parts, Duan Ling Tian's eyes narrowed into slits. A cold gleam flashed across his eyes.

The instance the cold gleam flashed across his eyes, his hands were already lifted up. The Origin Energy in his hands immediately converged and formed a white three-foot long blade out of thin air.

The Origin Energy converged and became a sword. In the next moment, it seemed like became incorporeal as it transformed into a sword that was solidified from purple electrical snakes.

At the same time, streaks of purple lightning and thunder appeared on the sword like shadows that were intertwined with one another.

All of this happened with the speed of light.

Apart from the senior officials and a few other stronger disciples from the Five Element Sect and Crimson Moon Sect, everyone else could not clearly see what Duan Ling Tian was doing at all.

Swoosh!!

In the next second, a sword-whistling sound resonated and died down as soon as it appeared. Accompanied by the ear-piercing thunder, everybody on the scene could hear the sound very clearly.

Whoosh!

Almost at the moment when the sword-whistling sound that was accompanied by the thunder came to an abrupt halt, all the crowd could see was a flash of purple lightning that rose up to the sky before it vanished in the encirclement of the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples in a blink of an eye.

Boom! boom! boom! boom! boom!

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When the purple lightning soared up to the sky, everybody could see that the throats of the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples, who looked threatening earlier, were spurting out blood continuously. At the same time, their bodies collided brutally with flesh and blood flying everywhere.

Due to inertia, their fast speed could be likened to seven sports cars that collided on Earth where Duan Ling Tian lived in his past life. They collided until everything was completely smashed!

The entire place became deadly silent instantly when everyone saw the seven disfigured bodies.

Whoosh!

Concurrently, above the purple figure that was hovering in the sky, the Heaven and Earth Phenomenon that did not even have the chance to solidify dissipated immediately.

Duan Ling Tian stood straight with both of his hands behind him as he hovered in the sky. The purple robe on his body billowed from the breeze, and his handsome face was extremely cold.

A pair of calm eyes were looking directly at the seven fallen bodies without any hint of emotion at all.

The seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples had been annihilated by him with just a slice to the throat.

One slice that killed seven men!

"What a fast sword!"

"That sword contained the Thunder Concept!"

"Although his attack was very brief, and the Heaven and Earth Phenomenon did not solidify into form, the speed in which he launched his attack earlier is at least 200 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons or more!"

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Horror instantly dawned on the senior officials of the Crimson Moon Sect, including Ren Ji the Sect Leader.

Earlier, they had seen Duan Ling Tian's attack clearly with their eyes. They also saw that with just one slice, the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples were all dead.

Naturally, they immediately wanted to step out and rescue them at that moment. However, they noticed that the senior officials from Five Element Sect had their auras focused on them just as they were about to make their moves.

They knew that if they made a move, they would be stopped by the senior officials from Five Element Sect. For this reason, they could not make any move at all. Instead, they could only watch in pain as their seven lively Crimson Moon Sect's disciples turned into seven disfigured bodies.

'H-How did he become so powerful? He's only so young!' With a ghastly pale face, Ren Ji clenched his teeth and stared fixedly at the purple figure in the sky. He was itching to make a move and kill him off. However, he also knew that as long as Guo Chong, the Sect Leader of Five Element Sect, was there, he would not be able to kill Duan Ling Tian at all.

At this moment, the three old men wearing the gold-trimmed red robes, who were the three great Vice Sect Leaders, were all looking extremely pale as well. Despite their fury, none of them made any move towards Duan Ling Tian.

The incident today was their mistake no matter how they tried to justify it. Moreover, they might not necessarily win against the Five Element Sect's people even if they planned to play rough.

The five Peak Masters of Five Element Sect had been fighting with them for so many years now. Their strengths were on par with each other. They could not do anything to the other party, and the other party could not do anything to them either. If they were to battle it out, both sides would eventually sustain great losses.

This was not something they wanted to see.

"Good job, lad!" Guo Chong, the Sect Leader, said. Guo Chong and the senior officials of the Five Element Sect — Qi Yu, Yu Fang and Tian Gu, the Peak Masters of Wood, Water and Earth respectively — were looking at Duan Ling Tian with a face full of pleasant surprise.

Initially, they thought Duan Ling Tian would use his innate ability to slowly torture them to death when he faced the seven disciples from Crimson Moon Sect.

It did not cross their minds that Duan Ling Tian would choose to use the most simple method and kill them directly with just a slice of his sword when faced with the threatening seven disciples from

Crimson Moon Sect. At this moment, when they saw the pale faces of the Crimson Moon Sect's senior officials, bright smiles lit up their faces instantly.

"Hurmph!" Cha Bai, the Peak Master of Fire Peak, snorted secretly to himself. Although he enjoyed this ending very much, he could not help but feel displeased the moment he recalled the fact that it was Duan Ling Tian who launched the attack.

If the person who had annihilated the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples was his own direct disciple, Hu Fei, he would definitely be so happy that he would even laugh out loud in his sleep.

"Haha... Duan Ling Tian! Great job!" Huang Daniu laughed excitedly as he pumped his fist in the air.

Chen Wei, who was standing at the side, smiled as well.

The rest of the Five Element Sect's disciples, including Nangong Yi, Tan Huan, and Tian Zhen, had a brilliant smile on their faces. The only exception was Hu Fei.

Even a rare faint smile could be seen playing on the corner of Nangong Chen's mouth.

"Previously, the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples persistently humiliated and mocked Duan Ling Tian. Look at how well that situation turned out! Every one of them became mere souls under Senior Brother's Ling Tian's sword!"

"That's right! When they surrounded Senior Brother Ling Tian, they looked so arrogant. However, in just a blink of an eye, they're all gone!"

"It's a pity that I'm still too weak so I didn't see clearly how Senior Brother Ling Tian launched his attack. The slice of his sword was incredibly fast!"

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The Five Element Sect's disciples were discussing it animatedly. Each of their faces was filled with an excited smile.

At this moment, they were no longer divided into Gold, Wood, Water, Fire or Earth Peaks. Instead, they all belonged to only one sect — the Five Element Sect.

They shared wealth and woes with the Five Element Sect!

Contrary to the excitement that the Five Element Sect's disciples felt, the remaining thirteen Crimson Moon Sect's disciples looked extremely pale in comparison. Just one blow and the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples were instantly killed off by an awfully young disciple from the Five Element Sect.

He annihilated seven men with just a slice to the throat.

Until this moment, they were still in a state of disbelief.

Some of them even wondered if they were actually dreaming, and they could not help but extend their hands to pinch their own thighs. The pain that came from their thighs seemed to indicate that everything that had happened earlier was not a dream after all. It was indeed real.

"What a fast sword! Senior Brother Hong Qing, did you see that clearly?" A Crimson Moon Sect's disciple asked another disciple from the same sect by his side with a dismal look on his face.

The Crimson Moon Sect's disciple who was known as Senior Brother Hong Qing had a strong and tough body with a pair of unruly eyebrows. His pair of eyes were brimming with vigor while his cold and aloof face appeared extremely determined.

The extraordinary aura that radiated out of his entire body was not on the same level as the other Crimson Moon Sect's disciples.

"Yes, I did. His cultivation base must be higher than the Eighth Level Void Interpretation. Moreover, the Thunder Concept that he demonstrated earlier must also be at the Eighth Level Void Interpretation Concept at least." Hong Qing nodded his head, and his sharp gaze was filled with killing intent. From the beginning until now, it did not leave the purple figure in the sky at all. It was as though he could not wait to kill him off with his own hands.

"Senior Brother Hong Qing, you mean even without a spirit weapon, he's able to cast the strength of 200 ancient horned dragons with just his Origin Energy and Thunder Concept?" The Crimson Moon Sect's disciple who asked the question earlier could not stop himself from gasping in shock.

Without any spirit weapon, he had a strength of 200 ancient horned dragons.

One could not help but tremble against such terrifying strength!

"Sect Leader Ren, I'm sorry that you lost so many of your young powerhouses that were about to enter the Martial Emperor's secret treasure." Guo Chong flashed Ren Ji a faint smile as he looked at him.

However, there was no hint of apology at all on his face. It appeared to have a hint of ridicule instead.

With a ghastly pale face, Ren Ji answered in a low voice, "Guo Chong, don't be too proud yet! Those people that he killed were only some weaker disciples that we, Crimson Moon Sect, sent out!"

Chapter 926: Qi Yu's Past

"Master!" At this time, one person — a man with a sturdy body — stepped out of the Crimson Moon Sect and went to stand beside Ren Ji.

The young man's eyes gleamed coldly as he stared at the purple figure in the distance.

"I want to have a battle with him... A life-and-death battle!" The young man's voice was filled with an extreme coldness that it made other people who heard it felt as if they had just fallen into a thaw hole.

"It's Senior Brother Hong Qing!" Before Ren Ji could respond, many of the Crimson Moon Sect's disciples' eyes lit up instantly. As they looked at the young man, their eyes were filled with veneration.

"Senior Brother Hong Qing is the proud disciple of the Sect Leader. He's only 38 years old, and his cultivation base has already reached the Ninth Level Void Interpretation. Just some time ago, he managed to comprehend the First Level Advance Fire Concept after coming out of the Profound Assimilation Foundation. Moreover, Senior Brother Hong Qing has also comprehended the Second Level

Intermediate Saber concept. Even without any spirit weapon, his full strength amounts to 350 ancient horned dragons!"

"Hehe... Now that Senior Brother Hong Qing has decided to make his move, that kid will definitely die! Well, unless he dares to turn down the challenge!"

"I'm sure he doesn't have the guts to accept the challenge!"

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The Crimson Moon Sect's disciples buried their heads together in a heated argument. Their voices spread without restraint and reached the ears of the Five Element Sect's people, and it made them turn pale immediately.

The young man that was standing beside Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect, had already comprehended the Void Transformation Concept?

Moreover, his cultivation base was already at the Ninth Level Void Interpretation! Additionally, he had also comprehended another concept, the Second Level Intermediate Saber Concept!

Just his Origin Energy alone, the Ninth Level Void Interpretation already amounted to the strength of 120 ancient horned dragons.

The First Level Advance Fire Concept amounted to the strength of 200 ancient horned dragons.

The Second Level Intermediate Saber Concept amounted to the strength of 30 ancient horned dragons.

Indeed, this Hong Qing could unleash the strength of 350 ancient horned dragons even without the help of any spirit weapon.

The Five Element Sect's people, including Guo Chong, the Sect Leader of Five Element Sect, and a few Peak Masters, immediately turned glum.

Although they knew Duan Ling Tian was a Variant and could cast his innate ability to construct that mysterious illusion, they did not know if the innate ability that was cast by Duan Ling Tian's Spiritual Energy could affect a Ninth Level Void Interpretation martial artist or not.

If he could not be affected, Duan Ling Tian would be in a disadvantageous position.

After all, the Duan Ling Tian they knew had only comprehended the Ninth Level Intermediate Thunder Concept and the Third Level Intermediate Wind Concept.

When it came to real strength, he was not a match for this Hong Qing, the proud disciple of the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect.

"Huh?" When Hong Qing personally requested to challenge Duan Ling Tian, Ren Ji's face was still a little distressed as he carefully studied the changes on the Five Element Sect's senior officials' faces, including Guo Chong, the Sect Leader of Five Element Sect.

This was because he did not know that if that Five Element Sect's disciple had given his all or not when he killed the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples earlier. Before he could grasp the background of the other party, he would not let his most valued disciple take such a risk.

However, the moment he saw the expressions of Guo Chong and the others became sullen, he knew immediately that Guo Chong and the rest did not think Duan Ling Tian would be able to defeat his disciple.

"Hahahaha! Good! Good!" Ren Ji immediately burst out laughing.

After a moment, his laughter finally died off as he stared Guo Chong in the eyes and snorted, "Guo Chong, weren't you so pleased with yourself earlier? Now, my useless disciple is going to challenge that Five Element Sect's disciple of yours. Does your Five Element Sect dare to accept this challenge?"

Before Guo Chong could open his mouth to reply, Tian Gu already snorted coldly as he loudly mocked, "Hurmph! A 38 years old man challenging our Five Element Sect's disciple who is below 30 years old? Ren Ji, how low can you stoop?"

"Shorty! I'm talking to Guo Chong right now. Who says that you can interrupt our conversation?" Ren Ji said scornfully to Tian Gu in a casual manner.

"What did you say?" Height had always been a taboo topic for Tian Gu.

Usually, in the Five Element Sect and Earth Peak, nobody dared to use the word 'short' in front of him.

Now that somebody had disregarded his taboo and openly revealed his scars, he was instantly infuriated. The vast Origin Energy on his body whirled and transformed into khaki energy that enveloped his entire being.

In the next moment, Tian Gu disappeared before the eyes of all Five Element Sect's and Crimson Moon Sect's disciples.

Naturally, he did not actually disappear. It was just that his speed was so fast that it was difficult for the naked eyes to see.

"So fast!" Duan Ling Tian who was hovering in the sky above narrowed his eyes instantly. This was his first time seeing Tian Gu, the Peak Master of Earth Peak, make his move.

In his opinion, Tian Gu was nothing but an Inscription Master who was far from being handsome and had a particularly small stature. It did not even cross his mind that Tian Gu's strength was actually at the Eighth Level Void Transformation.

At this moment, he used his cultivation base that had already entered the Ninth Level Void Interpretation and his Spiritual Energy that had elevated up to First Level Void Transformation to probe Tian Gu's cultivation base. After his Spiritual Energy had made a breakthrough to the First Level Void Transformation, Duan Ling Tian could see the cultivation base of all Void Transformation martial artist.

For instance, Guo Chong, the Sect Leader of Five Element Sect, and Qi Yu, the Peak Master of Wood Peak, were both at the Ninth Level Void Transformation. As for Cha Bai and Yu Fang, the Peak Masters of Fire and Water Peak respectively, were both at the Eighth Level Void Transformation, just like Tian Gu.

Perhaps, Duan Ling Tian would not raise any suspicion if he probed Guo Chong, Qi Yu, Cha Bai, and Yu Fang who were not Inscription Masters.

However, if he probed Tian Gu, he would definitely be discovered immediately. This was because Tian Gu was an Inscription Master. For this reason, he had always held himself back from probing Tian Gu.

Only at this moment when Tian Gu had no time to attend to other matters that Duan Ling Tian finally extended his Spiritual Energy to probe his cultivation.

Under the watchful eyes of the crowd, Tian Gu quickly appeared before Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect.

Before all of the Five Element Sect's and Crimson Moon Sect's disciples, including Duan Ling Tian, had time to react, they heard a loud noise that sounded like thunder rumbling in their direction.

Boom!

Then, they finally saw it.

Tian Gu's small body immediately flew out, and it was only until a 100 meters away later that he finally managed to stabilize his body.

"Barf!" Tian Gu's body shuddered, and his face turned red instantly as he spat out a mouthful of blood.

"Father!" Tian Zhen's face turned pale immediately. Hastily, he flew forward to check on Tian Gu's injuries.

"Ren Ji!" Guo Chong's face darkened at once when he saw Tian Gu, the Peak Master of Earth Peak, was injured. When he looked at Ren Ji again, his eyes were filled with extreme coldness.

"We, Crimson Moon Sect, were the first to provoke your Five Element Sect. For that reason, our people were killed by you. We admitted that that was our wrong so we did not pursue the matter. However, your people are the one provoking us now, and he's not even dead yet! Just like this and you can't hold yourself back anymore?" Ren Ji mocked as he cast an aloof glance at Guo Chong.

Guo Chong's face darkened a little more, but he did not make any move at all.

As the other side had put it, this time, it was indeed Five Element Sect who had started it.

Naturally, he also knew the reason why Crimson Moon Sect did not seek to avenge the seven Crimson Moon Sect's disciples that were killed by Duan Ling Tian. It was not because they knew they were at fault. Instead, they were worried that they themselves and Five Element Sect would both end up suffering great losses.

At this moment, he did not make any move not because he felt that his own side was at fault. Instead, he was also worried that Five Element Sect and Crimson Moon Sect would be weakened by the fight.

If Five Element Sect and Crimson Moon Sect suffered great losses, it would only be an advantage for the Wind Sand Sect, which was the final major force among the three in the eastern district of the northern desert.

"Yes, that's right! We, from Five Element Sect, really can't hold back any longer!" Just as the atmosphere became somewhat weird, a cold voice reverberated in the air and shocked the Five Element Sect's disciples to the core. They quickly looked at the owner of the voice.

"Peak Master?" Duan Ling Tian hovered in the air as he looked down. He saw that the person who spoke out was none other than Qi Yu, the Peak Master of Wood Peak.

Qi Yu stood out and looked at Ren Ji in the eyes with no fear.

"Qi Yu? What? The injury from twenty plus years ago has already healed?" Ren Ji looked at Qi Yu and scoffed, "Qi Yu, that time, you were widely recognized in the eastern district of the northern desert as a genius martial artist that was hard to come by in every 100 years. It was to the point that many people even said that you'd become the first Martial Monarch in the eastern district of the northern desert in 1000 years! Unfortunately, that injury from twenty over years ago must not have fully healed yet right? I'm sure you're no longer as strong as you were twenty over years before. If you weren't injured twenty over years ago, I'd probably be slightly afraid of you. However, right now in my eyes, you're no different from that shorty at all!" As Ren Ji reached the end of his sentence, he cast another glance at Tian Gu who had just returned to stand behind Guo Chong.

For a time, Tian Gu was so infuriated that he threw up another mouthful of blood. The face of Tian Zhen, who was supporting Tian Gu, immediately darkened as he glared fiercely at Ren Ji.

At this moment, he hated himself for being too weak and was not able to avenge his father.

Whoosh!

Upon hearing Ren Ji's words, all of the Five Element Sect's and Crimson Moon Sect's disciples, including Duan Ling Tian, were completely dumbfounded. Their eyes fell on Qi Yu instantly. It did not even cross their minds that this middle-aged man standing before their eyes actually had such a glorious past.

The genius martial artist that was hard to come by every 100 years in the eastern district of the northern desert.

The person who was widely acknowledged as having the potential to become the first Martial Monarch in the eastern district of the northern desert in 1000 years.

'I didn't know that Peak Master had that kind of past,' Duan Ling Tian could not help but sigh emotionally.

Actually, it was not only Duan Ling Tian, the group of Wood Peak's disciples, including Huang Daniu and Chen Wei, could not help but sigh as well.

They also knew nothing about Qi Yu's past.

"Why don't you come and try it out for yourself to see if I'm still as strong as I was twenty over years ago?" Qi Yu, who was in the limelight, finally spoke faintly.

The moment these words left his mouth, he disappeared into thin air before the eyes of the Five Element Sect's and Crimson Moon Sect's disciples, including Duan Ling Tian.

The speed was so fast that it was horrifying.

"Huh?" Right at this moment, the face of Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect, turned glum immediately as if he had noticed something.

Horror suddenly dawned on his face!

The instant his expression changed, his entire being vanished in front of Duan Ling Tian and the others.

Chapter 927: Complete Annihilation!

Wham!

A loud noise resonated from the endless explosions. It was like the roar of thunder piercing the ears.

Everyone, including Duan Ling Tian, immediately looked towards the source of the sound.

There was a wave of turquoise energy that collided with an azure green energy. When they exploded, the air flow became turbulent immediately.

Qi Yu, who was behind the turquoise blue energy, and Ren Ji, who was behind the azure-green energy, appeared out of thin air. However, they vanished again before everyone's eyes as soon as they appeared.

At the same time, a huge wave of air was set off at the center where the two waves of energy collided and swept out in all directions. Strong gusts of wind with a great oppressive force blotted the sky and covered the ground as it fell and pressed on everyone.

Apart from the senior officials of the Five Element Sect and the Crimson Moon Sect who were not affected, all of the Five Element Sect's and the Crimson Moon Sect's disciples, including Duan Ling Tian, were pressed down to the point that they were bent over.

Some of the Five Element Sect and the Crimson Moon Sect's disciples who had lower a cultivation base abruptly dropped down a hundred meter before they could finally stop their tracks and soar back up into the sky against the strong wind current.

"What a powerful force!"

"Is this the energy of a Ninth Level Void Transformation martial artist?"

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The Five Element Sect's and the Crimson Moon Sect's disciples were struck dumb with amazement.

"Ninth Level Advance Water Concept and Ninth Level Advance Wind Concept. However, it seems like they're still withholding their power!" Although he could not see Qi Yu's and Ren Ji's movements clearly, Duan Ling Tian, who possessed the memories of the Martial Emperor's two reincarnations, had a rough idea of what happened when the two waves of energies collided earlier.

Whoosh! Whoosh!

Finally, Qi Yu and Ren Ji came into view again under the watchful eyes of the others.

Before the crowd even had time to figure out what was happening, a tremendous energy was already emanating out of their bodies and swept out without warning before crashing upon each other.

Wham!!

This time, the energies that collided were not at the same level compared to the previous one. Horrifying airwaves swept out, and strong hurricanes that covered the entire ground and sky crashed down immediately!

At this time, even the faces of the three Peak Masters from the Five Element Sect and three Vice Sect Leaders from the Crimson Moon Sect began to turn grave.

A layer of light Origin Energy rose out from their bodies and spread over them as it covered their bodies and forcibly resisted the invasion of the strong winds.

"Ahhhh!"

"I can't stand it anymore!"

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At this moment, all of the Five Element Sect's and Crimson Moon Sect's disciples, including Duan Ling Tian, dropped down from the sky similar to dumplings that were dumped into a hot pan. They disappeared from the sky in an instant.

All Duan Ling Tian could feel was a strong irresistible wind that pressed down on him and forced him to fall straight down. Even when he cast a suitable Concept to help him, he still continued to fall.

'Other than the Ninth Level Advance Water Concept, it turns out that the Peak Master has also comprehended the Ninth Level Advance Fire Concept! It seems like he actually comprehends both Water and Fire Concepts at the same time! No wonder he was once widely regarded as someone who could become the first Martial Monarch in the eastern district of the northern desert in 1000 years!' When Duan Ling Tian recalled the scene that he saw before the strong winds covered the entire sky and ground, he could not suppress the shock that he felt.

It turned out that Qi Yu was a powerhouse who was at the peak of the Void Stage!

Although he had his own suspicion about it previously, he was not entirely sure. He finally confirmed his suspicion.

'The Peak Master comprehends the Water and Fire Concepts that are completely antagonistic to each other. Moreover, both of them have also reached the Ninth Level Void Transformation Concept stage! Even if he doesn't have the Profundity Fragment, he'll most likely be able to make a breakthrough to the Martial Monarch Stage and become a Martial Monarch very soon!' Duan Ling Tian thought to himself.

A powerhouse who had reached the peak of the Void Stage and had comprehended two types of conflicting Ninth Level Void Transformation Concept, like the Water and Fire Concepts, would have an easier time in breaking through to the next stage.

Due to the fact that water and fire were antagonistic to each other, these two Concepts would exert a greater pressure on the person to some extent, and in turn, it would spur the powerhouse who had reached the peak of the Void Stage to comprehend Profundity.

Once the powerhouse who had reached the peak of the Void Stage had comprehended Profundity, it was equivalent to obtaining a pass to enter the Martial Monarch Stage. As long as his Origin Energy was further elevated, he would then be able to successfully breakthrough to the Martial Monarch Stage!

Duan Ling Tian also noticed that the Sect Leader of the Crimson Moon Sect was a powerhouse who had reached the peak of the Void Stage as well. When he collided with Qi Yu earlier, he had also demonstrated the Ninth Level Advance Thunder Concept apart from the Ninth Level Advance Wind Concept.

'If that Ren Ji is killed by Peak Master, how good would it be if Peak Master gives me the two Concept Fragments that Ren Ji would leave behind!' Duan Ling Tian who was constantly falling due to the pressure from the strong winds thought happily to himself.

Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of the Crimson Moon Sect, was a powerhouse who had reached the peak of the Void Stage. If he died, he would leave behind a piece of Ninth Level Wind Concept Fragment and Ninth Level Thunder Concept Fragment. Both of these Concept Fragments were very useful to Duan Ling Tian. They were much better than the Wind and Thunder Concept Fragments that he had in hand.

"Qi Yu, it seems like I've underestimated you... I didn't expect that your injury has healed after twenty over years. Moreover, you even managed to make more progress after your downfall and elevated your cultivation base to the peak of the Void Stage!" A loud voice that contained a hint of dread resonated from the sky.

This time, the strong hurricanes that were raging below finally began to show signs of stopping. It allowed all of the Five Element Sect's and Crimson Moon Sect's disciples, including Duan Ling Tian, to rise up to the sky again.

After Duan Ling Tian had returned to high altitude, he looked towards Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of the Crimson Moon Sect, who was standing at an even higher altitude.

The remark earlier was made by Ren Ji.

At this moment, Qi Yu was standing not far in front of Ren Ji as they faced each other. They were locked in a stalemate. Neither happy nor angry, his face looked of calm. It was so calm that his countenance betrayed nothing of his thoughts.

"Today, due to my respect for you, Qi Yu, our Crimson Moon Sect will not have a dispute with your Five Element Sect! Let's go!" After taking a deep breath, Ren Ji came up with a reason to extricate himself from the situation. He proceeded to leave with the Crimson Moon Sect's people.

"This Ren Ji is scared now huh?" Duan Ling Tian whose attention had never left Ren Ji clearly noticed the deep look of dread that could be seen in Ren Ji's eyes. It was obvious that he was afraid of the current Five Element Sect.

Indeed, come to think of it, in the Five Element Sect, Guo Chong, the Sect Leader, must be a powerhouse who was at the peak of the Void Stage as well. Now that Qi Yu had entered the picture, how could Ren Ji not be afraid?

"Trying to leave? It's too late now!" Just as Ren Ji was about to leave, Qi Yu vanished from his spot in flash. When he reemerged again, he was already standing before Ren Ji, blocking his path.

"Qi Yu! Don't overdo it!" Ren Ji face turned utterly grave.

At this moment when Ren Ji's face changed its color, a wanton laughter reverberated in the air. That laughter came from Guo Chong, the Sect Leader of Five Element Sect. "Hahahaha! Ren Ji, everyone from Crimson Moon Sect will have to remain here today!" As he reached the end of his sentence, his voice turned chilly instantly.

"Guo Chong! You..." Ren Ji narrowed his eyes. He instantly sensed what Guo Chong was about to do. However, he got cut off right away before he could even finish his sentence. This was because Qi Yu had just launched an attack on him.

Before the eyes of the Five Element Sect's and Crimson Moon Sect's disciples, including Duan Ling Tian, Qi Yu, and Ren Ji disappeared again in the air.

"I'll take care of that three old men! Cha Bai, Yu Fang, you two lead the sect's disciples and annihilate all the disciples from Crimson Moon Sect! Tian Gu, you're responsible for protecting the sect's disciples' wellbeing!" Guo Chong's loud and clear voice resonated in the air like thunder as he passed down his orders.

"Today, we'll cut off the four most important pillars and all of the future pillars of Crimson Moon Sect! When we return, we'll go to Crimson Moon Sect's base and completely wipe them out from the eastern district of the northern desert!" A bloody massacre was implied in Guo Chong's words.

His intention was very clear. Today, everyone from Crimson Moon Sect would remain here.

Upon hearing Guo Chong's words, the eyes of everyone from Five Element Sect lit up immediately.

"Crimson Moon Sect... is doomed!" Duan Ling Tian muttered to himself.

As for the three Vice Sect Leaders and the thirteen remaining disciples from Crimson Moon Sect, including Hong Qing, horror dawned on their faces instantly! Some of them were so scared that their bodies began to tremble fiercely as cold sweat began to form on their foreheads.

They knew that this time Five Element Sect was about to slaughter their Crimson Moon Sect!

Meanwhile, Ren Ji, who was being chased by Qi Yu, cried out loudly and gave an order to the people from Crimson Moon Sect, "RUN!"

The instance they heard Ren Ji's order, the people from Crimson Moon Sect did not dare to hesitate anymore. Without the slightest delay, they fled in all directions one after another.

The position was very clear now.

The Five Element Sect had two powerhouses who were at the peak of the Void Stage. That meant that they could suppress the Crimson Moon Sect.

Flee! Flee! Flee!

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The group from Crimson Moon Sect, including the three Vice Sect Leaders, scattered on command. They fled disorderly in all directions.

One of the Vice Sect Leaders was flying extremely fast. He was the first one to flee. In just a blink of an eye, he turned into a small black dot before Duan Ling Tian's eyes. Duan Ling Tian's eyes gleamed as he muttered, "Ninth Level Void Transformation! However, if Sect Leader casts his attack, he'll..."

Before Duan Ling Tian could even finish his words, he saw the small black dot came to a halt suddenly before dropping from the high altitude. He was dead!

At the same time, he also saw that after the death of the Ninth Level Void Transformation Vice Sect Leader from Crimson Moon Sect, Guo Chong appeared in front of the other two Vice Sect Leaders from the Crimson Moon Sect successively and instantly killed them.

In the face of a powerhouse who was at the peak of the Void Stage, an ordinary Ninth Level Void Transformation and two Eighth Level Void Transformation martial artists were like papier mache that crumbled with just a blow!

After Guo Chong killed the three Vice Sect Leaders from Crimson Moon Sect, he flashed again and vanished from his spot. He was on his way to help Qi Yu.

It was as easy as a snap of the fingers for two powerhouses who were at the peak of the Void Stage and had comprehended two Ninth Level Void Transformation Concepts, to kill a powerhouse who was at the peak of the Void Stage who had also comprehended two Ninth Level Void Transformation Concepts.

"Kill!"

"Kill!"

"Kill!"

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At this time, loud battle cries entered Duan Ling Tian's ears. He could see that under the leadership of Cha Bai, Yu Fang, and Tian Gu, Nangong Chen, Nangong Yi, Huang Daniu and the rest of the Five Element Sect's disciples had begun to round off and kill the remaining Crimson Moon Sect's disciples.

For a moment, the group of Crimson Moon Sect's disciples, who did not have any intention to fight, died one by one. There were only a few people left.

Whoosh!

In the meantime, a swift figure struck Duan Ling Tian. He narrowed his eyes coldly at once, "Hong Qing!"

The person who came was none other than Hong Qing, the proud disciple of the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect.

"Five Element Sect wants to annihilate my Crimson Moon Sect, so let me exterminate the Five Element Sect's genius disciple!" With a pair of bloodshot eyes, Hong Qing charged towards Duan Ling Tian like a lightning.

Chapter 928: Heart-Stopping Performance

Hong Qing, the disciple of the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect was the favored one in Crimson Moon Sect.

Apart from his strength that was far superior to his peers, he also possessed an extremely rational mind and calm judgment. He was able to remain cool-headed in the face of disasters.

After seeing Qi Yu, the Peak Master of Wood Peak in Five Element Sect displayed a strength that was at the peak of Void Stage that was comparable to his master, a sense of danger began to rise in his heart.

Just as he expected, his master and Qi Yu were evenly matched in power. Neither side got the better of the other.

Guo Chong, the Sect Leader of Five Element Sect, who used to be the only powerhouse who was at the peak of Void Stage in Five Element sect, had just single-handedly killed the three Vice Sect Leaders of Crimson Moon Sect the moment his master shook off his bindings.

The other Crimson Moon Sect's disciples were also being massacred by the Five Element Sect's disciples under the guidance of the three Peak Masters.

When his master, Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect, ordered them to flee, he did not flee because he knew that he would not be able to escape them.

He would become an easier target to hunt if he had chosen to escape.

For this reason, he made himself scarce until he saw the purple-clad young man who was standing not too far away. It instantly reminded him of the fact that this young man had just killed seven of their Crimson Moon Sect's disciples with just a slice of his sword.

The instance he thought of the purple-clad young man's age, jealousy rose in his heart immediately.

He was not even thirty years old yet he had already possessed a cultivation base at the Eighth Level Void Transformation and had possibly comprehended the Intermediate Thunder Concept that was at the Eighth Level or higher. Without any spirit weapon, he had demonstrated a strength that was more than 200 ancient horned dragons.

When Hong Qing was at that age, his strength was not even half of Duan Ling Tian's strength!

Although he was jealous, he could sense that the purple-clad young man played quite an important role in Five Element Sect. He must be the main subject of cultivation in the Five Element Sect or perhaps, the next Sect Leader of Five Element Sect.

For this reason, he had made up his mind since he knew that he would definitely die today. He had decided that he would kill the purple-clad young man and destroy the future pillar of Five Element Sect when everyone's attention was diverted.

"Die!" When Hong Qing pounced on Duan Ling Tian, his eyes were completely bloodshot.

A spirit saber appeared in his hand out of thin air. Blazing flames rose up from the saber as it transformed into a Flaming Saber that emanated a wave of fierce aura.

Whoosh!

The Heaven and Earth Energy whirled in the sky, and the Heaven and Earth Phenomenon rapidly solidified into form.

440 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons bared their teeth and fangs at Duan Ling Tian. It looked like they were about to tear him into pieces when they bore down on him menacingly!

Hong Qing was a martial artist at the Ninth Level Void Interpretation. When his Origin Energy fully burst out of his body, his strength was equivalent to 120 ancient horned dragons.

The spirit saber in his hand was a grade two spirit weapon, it would be able to boost 80% of the owner's Origin Energy which was equivalent to ninety over ancient horned dragons.

The Ninth Level Intermediate Fire Concept was equal to the strength of 100 ancient horned dragons while the Second Level Intermediate Saber Concept was equal to the strength of thirty ancient horned dragons.

When Hong Qing unleashed his entire energy without any reservations, his strength would be equivalent to more than 440 ancient horned dragons.

Swish!

The Flaming Saber in Hong Qing's hand was swift and dexterous as it sliced through the sky and charged at Duan Ling Tian like a shadow. Explosions were set off at the place that it had gone past, and it continued exploding for a long period of time.

Waves of hot aura swept out in all directions and transformed into gusts of hot wind. It blew and many of the Five Element Sect's people shuddered for a moment before they finally realized what was happening.

"Shit! It's that Hong Qing! He's trying to kill Senior Brother Ling Tian!" One of the Five Element Sect's disciples, who responded the fastest, shouted.

Horror immediately dawned on the two Peak Masters and eighteen disciples of Five Element Sect.

"Duan Ling Tian!" Huang Daniu who had just slaughtered a Crimson Moon Sect's disciple immediately turned to look at Duan Ling Tian the moment he heard that shout.

The instance he saw that Hong Qing's Flaming Blade was just a foot away from Duan Ling Tian, his face turned pale at once.

"Shit! I didn't notice that Hong Qing!" Other than Cha Bai, the Peak Master of Fire Peak, who had a cold look on his face, the faces of Yu Fang and Tian Gu, the Peak Masters of Water and Earth Peaks respectively, turned grave as well the moment they saw this.

However, it was too late now even if they wanted to go to his rescue. Hong Qing's Flaming Saber was about to fall on Duan Ling Tian.

"Duan Ling Tian!" The Nangong Twins, Tan Huan, Tian Gu, and the rest of the Five Element Sect's disciples' hearts leaped.

At this moment, they could only hope that Duan Ling Tian's innate ability would work on Hong Qing. Otherwise, he would definitely die.

"Duan Ling Tian, I'll avenge my seven Crimson Moon Sect's brothers who died today! Avenge my Crimson Moon Sect! Killing you is equivalent to cutting off the Five Element Sect's arm!" When Hong Qing was charging towards Duan Ling Tian, his Voice Transmission pierced through Duan Ling Tian's ears. He shouted in a frenzy, and it made Duan Ling Tian's eardrums shake from the extreme vibration.

Duan Ling Tian narrowed his eyes immediately when he saw the Flaming Blade that was fast approaching him. This Flaming Blade that looked extremely fast to the others appeared awfully slow in his eyes. It was so slow that he even had the time and mood to reply Hong Qing's Voice Transmission.

"With just the strength of only 440 ancient horned dragons, I really wonder where you get your confidence from!" Duan Ling Tian's calm Voice Transmission entered Hong Qing's ears and made his face darkened slightly.

"You're just bluffing!" Hong Qing roared. The blazing flames on the Flaming Saber in his hand broke out and enveloped Duan Ling Tian from the top. If this flame really touched him, he would definitely die, if not crippled.

Swoosh!

The Flaming Saber pierced through the air and set upon him as if God's Brush drew a boundless wildfire that shrouded Duan Ling Tian.

"Senior Brother Ling Tian!" When everyone saw Duan Ling Tian was shrouded by the boundless wildfire from the Flaming Saber, many of the Five Element Sect's disciples could not help but shut their eyes right away. They refused to watch his blood splattering all over the place.

However, in the next moment, the sound from a series of explosions that were set off by the Flaming Saber suddenly came to a halt.

Curiously, they opened their eyes again.

When they looked at the far distance, their eyes narrowed immediately. Disbelief immediately crept up on their faces. It was as though they had just seen something that would be unforgettable in their entire lifetime.

"T-This..." From Cha Bai, Yu Fang, Tian Gu, the Peak Masters of Fire, Water, and Earth Peaks, to the Five Element Sect's disciples like Huang Daniu, Shen Wei, the Nangong Twins, Tan Huan, and Tian Zhen, all of them were staring in bewilderment with their mouths agape.

Goodness!

What did they just witness?!

In the distance, Hong Qing was still there, and the Flaming Saber was still there as well.

However, the great wildfire that accompanied the slicing motion of the Flaming Saber was currently being forced back by a bloodcurdling force that rose up to the sky.

"This..." At the same time, Guo Chong and Qi Yu, who had just killed Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect, by joining their forces, happened to witness this scene as well. They were instantly dumbfounded.

Under the watchful eyes of the others, the purple-clad young man merely stood there with his purple robe that looked as though it had transformed into purple flames that were billowing in the light breeze.

At this moment, gusts of khaki energy rose up from around the purple flame, and in the khaki energy, there were streaks of lightning that resembled purple electrical snakes that emitted a threatening aura. Moreover, there was another wave of sharp aura that rose up from the purple flame. From afar, it looked like a gigantic sword that sailed across the sky with tiny star-like and sword-shaped energy around it.

However, none of these caught the crowd's attention. What attracted their attention was the purple-clad young man's hand that was lifted up in the sky. His hand was directly in front of his brows. The blazing Flaming Saber that was so close to him was locked in between two of his fingers.

He had seized the naked blade with just his bare hands!

The Five Element Sect's disciples who were watching from the side instantly felt chills running down from their heads.

"D-Did Senior Brother Ling Tian just took on that blow from Hong Qing's spirit saber with his bare hands?"

"Hong Qing is a Ninth Level Void Interpretation martial artist, and the spirit saber in his hand is a grade two spirit saber! Moreover, he has already comprehended the Ninth Level Intermediate Fire Concept and Second Level Intermediate Saber Concept. When he unleashes his full power, it's equivalent to the strength of more than 440 ancient horned dragons! And yet, it was all blocked by Senior Brother Ling Tian!"

"And it's only with two fingers!"

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As the Five Element Sect's disciples buried their heads together in heated discussions, many of them could not help but gasp in shock as well.

How powerful was that person who managed to take on a blow that contained the strength of more than 440 ancient horned dragons with his bare hands?

"Look! The Heaven and Earth Phenomenon above Senior Brother Ling Tian is beginning to solidify into form," somebody shouted.

Everyone from the Five Element Sect, including the senior officials, immediately gazed at the space above Duan Ling Tian. The silhouettes of ancient horned dragons that were gathered there reflected in their eyes clearly.

It was a total of 500 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons!

The silhouettes of 500 ancient horned dragons were grouped systematically in the sky. At least, that was what Guo Chong, the Sect Leader of Five Element Sect, and Qi Yu, the Peak Master of Wood Peak, could see.

As powerhouses whose cultivation bases were at the peak of the Void Stage, their eyesights were not something an average person could match.

They could see that the 500 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons were being grouped respectively in this manner — 200, 100, 100, and another 100 silhouettes.

"T-This Duan Ling Tian has already broken through to the Void Transformation?" Guo Chong was extremely dumbfounded. He could not help but look at Qi Yu.

"I also have no idea when he managed to break through to the First Level Void Transformation. By right, just with that two spirit fruits alone would not be enough for him to make such a huge leap from the Seventh Level Void Interpretation to the First Level Void Transformation," Qi Yu shook his head. As he reached the end of his sentence, his face became dazed and blank.

"Perhaps... He had some special encounter," Guo Chong's gaze once again turned to the purple robe figure in the distance as he let out a sigh, "I can still accept the fact that he's already at the First Level Void Transformation... However, not only did this little fellow manage to comprehend the Ninth Level Intermediate Thunder Concept, he actually comprehended the Ninth Level Intermediate Earth Concept and Ninth Level Intermediate Saber Concept as well? What an insane power of comprehension!" A wry smile crept up to the corner of Guo Chong's mouth.

"He's a monster through and through!" Qi Yu smiled wryly as well.

Duan Ling Tian, whose hand were shrouded with the First Level Void Transformation's Origin Energy that was merged with the three Ninth Level Void Interpretation Concepts, stared directly into the eyes of Hong Qing. Hong Qing's face had long turned ghastly pale.

Duan Ling Tian asked nonchalantly, "Now... Do you still think I'm bluffing?"

Chapter 929: Hong Qing's Death

"You... You..."

Upon hearing Duan Ling Tian's words, Hong Qing regained his senses. There was fear in his eyes, and he could not even complete his sentence. He desperately tried to retract his spirit saber with all his might,

but he realized that the spirit saber that was held in the purple-clad young man's hand felt like it was rooted to the spot. It did not even budge an inch.

"Y-You're a Void Transformation martial artist?" Hong Qing gasped and asked in a trembling voice. He stared at Duan Ling Tian with dread in his eyes.

Duan Ling Tian did not answer Hong Qing. Nobody noticed when but a bright smile had already crept up on Duan Ling Tian's face as he asked rhetorically, "Why? I thought you were going to kill me?"

The bright smile on Duan Ling Tian's face entered Hong Qing's sight. It was exactly like a devil's smile.

A gleam flashed quickly across Hong Qing's pair of terrified eyes. Without any hesitation, he swiftly let go of the spirit saber.

Whoosh!

After Hong Qing abandoned the grade two spirit saber, he immediately turned around and fled. His speed was as fast as lightning.

Although Hong Qing's silhouette got farther and farther away, Duan Ling Tian continued to stand in the same spot with seemingly no plans to give chase at all. The hand that was holding the spirit saber with two fingers were now grasping the spirit saber with his entire palm as he weighed it gently.

"Why didn't Senior Brother Ling Tian chase after him?"

"Could it be that Senior Brother Ling Tian decided to just let him off like that?"

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Many of the Five Element Sect's disciples were puzzled.

On the contrary, the senior officials from Five Element Sect fixed their gazes on the spirit saber that was held in Duan Ling Tian's hand as though they were absorbed in their thoughts. That was the second-grade spirit saber left behind by Hong Qing.

Under the watchful eyes of the crowd, Duan Ling Tian proceeded to make his move.

He suddenly lifted the hand that was holding the grade two spirit saber and drew it to the back. Like a giant bow, it was stretched tautly to its limit until the muscles of his back began to slightly quiver.

Very soon, a layer of khaki energy covered the grade two spirit saber and streaks of purple lightning surrounded it. Bursts of sharp aura emitted out of the spirit saber as well.

Whoosh!

The awfully quiet 500 ancient horned dragons silhouettes above Duan Ling Tian suddenly whirled. Another 150 silhouettes of the ancient horned dragons appeared from thin air next to the 500 ancient horned dragons. That was the boost from the grade two spirit saber.

"Kill!"

Duan Ling Tian's gaze turned grave instantly. He hurled the grade two spirit saber in his hand that contained his full strength. Like an arrow that was shot out of a strong bow, its speed was so fast that it was completely astounding.

Whoosh!

The grade two spirit saber swiftly fired out. As it was hurled out, more than 650 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons in the air charged forward. It was even faster than Hong Qing who had fled in advance.

As Hong Qing was fleeing, he mobilized the Heaven and Earth Energy above his head. 350 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons immediately appeared out of thin air.

At this moment, apart from Duan Ling Tian's full energy, the grade two spirit saber that was hurled out contained an extra boost of energy from the grade two spirit saber itself. It gave the saber a speed that was twice as fast as Hong Qing's.

One could easily imagine the outcome of such a gap in their energy.

In just a short while, the grade two spirit saber caught up to Hong Qing before it pierced his body from behind. The saber entered his body white in color and exited entirely red. It pierced his body cleanly, leaving him dead on the spot.

"Senior Brother Ling Tian is so strong!"

"See, I told you so! How could Senior Brother Ling Tian possibly let Hong Qing go?! It turns out that he could not even be bothered to give chase to Hong Qing himself. All he needed to do was throw the saber out to kill him!"

"Previously, Hong Qing said something about Senior Brother Ling Tian being a Void Transformation martial artist right?"

"When Senior Brother Ling Tian threw the grade two spirit saber earlier, the Heaven and Earth Phenomenon above his head had an additional 150 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons. This means that the energy contained in his Origin Energy is more than 200 ancient horned dragons."

"When the Origin Energy of a First Level Void Transformation martial artist is completely unleashed, it's equivalent to the energy of 200 ancient horned dragons! It seems like Senior Brother Ling Tian is indeed a First Level Void Transformation martial artist now!"

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After discovering that Duan Ling Tian was a First Level Void Transformation martial artist, the Five Element Sect's disciples could not help but be taken aback.

Huang Daniu appeared in front of Duan Ling Tian and sized him up with a gaze that seemed like he was looking at a monster. After a while, he finally asked with a face full of disbelief, "Duan Ling Tian, since when did you make a breakthrough to the Void Transformation?"

He remembered that before they made their journey here, Duan Ling Tian was only at the Ninth Level Void Interpretation.

The journey only took slightly over a month, and Duan Ling Tian managed to have another breakthrough again? And it was all the way to the Void Transformation?"

"Just a few days ago," Duan Ling Tian answered with a faint smile.

Although Duan Ling Tian was caught off guard by his own breakthrough to the Void Transformation a few days ago, he was not surprised at all.

After all, the bottleneck led to the First Level Void Transformation was already very loose before he left the Five Element Sect. He only needed to give it a little push in order to breakthrough.

During this journey, he had used his spare time to cultivate a little, and finally, he managed to complete the breakthrough just a few days back.

The Origin Energy in his body went through a complete transformation like a carp that transformed into a dragon as he swiftly broke through to the First Level Void Transformation in just one leap.

"That's right! When Duan Ling Tian cast his attack and mobilized his Heaven and Earth Energy to solidify more than 500 silhouettes of ancient horned dragons earlier, it seemed like he has the Earth Concept other than the Thunder Concept!"

"Not just the Earth Concept, there was the Sword Concept as well!"

"When he unleashed all three Concepts together, the energy is equal to the energy of 300 ancient horned dragons. Senior Brother Ling Tian's strength is indeed appalling!"

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Very soon, the Five Element Sect's disciples broke out in a heated discussion again.

"Duan Ling Tian!" Hu Fei stared at Duan Ling Tian with endless hatred in his eyes as he stood at a corner inconspicuously. Despite that, a hint of dread could be seen in the depth of his eyes.

Duan Ling Tian's strength managed to elicit shock and fear from the bottom of his heart. He knew that if Duan Ling Tian really wanted to kill him, he would have no way to escape at all.

'Since I can't touch you in the light, I'll make my move in the dark instead! When we arrive at the Martial Emperor's secret treasure, all of the sects' young powerhouses will be entering together! I don't believe you'll be able to defeat everyone!' The corner of Hu Fei's mouth lifted up to form a devilish smile as though he was hit by a realization. A plan to deal with Duan Ling Tian formed in his heart.

He believed that as long as this plan was successfully implemented, Duan Ling Tian would not be able to survive even if he had ten lives!

"Oh?" Duan Ling Tian immediately noticed the poisonous snake-like gaze coming from Hu Fei's direction.

His face turned solemn immediately as a cold gleam flashed across his eyes. 'This Hu Fei's really like a haunting ghost that's unwilling to leave. I must kill him once I have the opportunity in the Martial Emperor's secret treasure!' Hu Fei made Duan Ling Tian extremely uncomfortable.

This feeling was no different from Zi Shang last time.

Although this kind of person might not be able to do anything to him in the light, it was still hard for Duan Ling Tian to guard against him effectively if this kind of person decided to do anything to him in the dark.

Duan Ling Tian immediately sentenced Hu Fei to death in his heart.

Standing afar, the Nangong Twins' gazes were focused on Duan Ling Tian. Nangong Yi could not help but groan as he cursed out loud, "This Duan Ling Tian's really a freak!"

Of course, there was no malice in his tone at all.

Although Nangong Chen did not speak a word at all, there was still a glimpse of light in his eyes. It was as though Duan Ling Tian was a bright lamp that lit up the direction of his advancement.

"Since this Duan Ling Tian is able to make a breakthrough to the Void Transformation, this means that he must have comprehended at least one Void Transformation Concept!" While the Five Element Sect's disciples were in awe with Duan Ling Tian's strength, the Five Element Sect's senior officials could not help but recall the three Concepts that Duan Ling Tian had demonstrated earlier.

None of the three Concepts was at the Void Transformation Concept. Otherwise, Duan Ling Tian's strength would not merely be at 500 ancient horned dragons.

At this moment, they were hit by a shocking realization.

"Duan Ling Tian is still hiding a Void Transformation Concept!" Cha Bai, Yu Fang, and Tian Gu, the Peak Masters of Fire Peak, Water Peak, and Earth Peak respectively, exchanged glances with each other. Each of them could see the astonishment in each other's eyes.

Cha Bai's face paled instantly from the shock.

In the end, he took a deep breath as though he had made up his mind about something.

"Hu Fei!" He immediately looked at his direct disciple, Hu Fei, and said with a grave voice through Voice Transmission, "From this moment onwards, forget about all the enmity between you and Duan Ling Tian! You must not provoke him!"

Hu Fei, who was still proud of his own plan, was stunned for a while when he heard the Voice Transmission from Cha Bai.

Before he had time to respond, Cha Bai's voice continued to enter his ear, "I suspect that this Duan Ling Tian is still hiding his true strength when he launched his attack earlier. He may well have comprehended another Void Transformation Concept."

Void Transformation Concept!

Hu Fei blanched the moment he heard Cha Bai's words, "V-Void Transformation Concept?"

At first, Hu Fei was still skeptical. He thought that his master had made a mistake.

However, after listening to Cha Bai's explanation, he had no choice but to believe it even if he did not wish to believe it.

"Yes, Master. I won't take the initiative to provoke him next time," Hu Fei replied Cha Bai after he took a deep breath.

All the same, he had another idea in his mind despite his reply. 'Duan Ling Tian, so what if you have comprehended the Void Transformation Concept? At that time when you become the target for all in the Martial Emperor's secret treasure, you'll still die in the end!'

As he thought of this, a hint of coldness flashed in the depth of his eyes as if he was about to devour a certain somebody.

Asking him to let Duan Ling Tian walk away just like that?

Impossible!

Unless he died first.

Naturally, Cha Bai was not privy to Hu Fei's thoughts. The moment he heard Hu Fei's promise, he let out a sigh of relief.

He knew that right now, let alone his disciple, Hu Fei, even he would have to think twice before provoking the current Duan Ling Tian unless he was sure he could kill Duan Ling Tian to remove the cause of future troubles! Otherwise, what was waiting for him ahead would be an endless revenge from Duan Ling Tian.

"Duan Ling Tan, you really hide them well!"

The two figures disappeared into thin air above the sky and reappeared again near Duan Ling Tian. Guo Chong scrutinized Duan Ling Tian.

"Hold it!"

At this time, Qi Yu, who was standing next to Guo Chong, threw out two streaks of lights with just a flick of his hand. It went all the way to Duan Ling Tian.

Duan Ling Tian hastily reached out a hand to catch it. When he looked down, he noticed that they were actually two Concept Fragments.

Two Concept Fragments, one was blue, and one was purple. It shone with deep intense color, and it was obvious that their levels were not low.

"Are these the two Concept fragments from the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect, Ren Ji?" Duan Ling Tian's eyes lit up instantly, and his breathing quickened as well.

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Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect, was a powerhouse at the peak of the Void Stage who had comprehended the Ninth Level Advance Wind Concept and the Ninth Level Advance Thunder Concept.

For this reason, the two Concept Fragments in his body were Ninth Level Wind Concept Fragment and Ninth Level Thunder Concept Fragment. Both were top-ranking Concept fragments that could also be considered as treasures!

Just with these two Concept Fragments, Duan Ling Tian could raise his Wind and Thunder Concepts to the Ninth Level Advance Stage in no time.

At that time, he would be able to comprehend the Profundity with just one more step.

"Thank you, Peak Master!" Duan Ling Tian immediately thanked Qi Yu. After all, this surprise was too huge indeed.

Meanwhile, when the three other Peak Masters and the disciples from the Five Element Sect shifted their gazes toward Duan Ling Tian, there was an additional hint of envy and jealousy.

That was two Ninth Level Concept Fragments after all!

Even the Five Element Sect only had a few pieces of the Concept Fragment in their collection. However, Duan Ling Tian alone currently possessed two of them.

However, none of them said anything about it even though they were envious.

Put aside the fact that those were Qi Yu's loot so it was entirely up to him how he wanted to distribute them, even if the loots were owned by the sect, just from the strength that Duan Ling Tian had demonstrated earlier that far surpassed the rest of Five Element Sect's disciples, made him more than qualified to be given the two Concept Fragments by the sect.

"Junior Brother Qi Yu, you hid your strength even better than Duan Ling Tian did. If you had told me earlier that you've already reached the peak of the Void Stage, there'd be no need for me to fear Ren Ji at all earlier," Guo Chong, the Sect Leader of Five Element Sect lamented as he shifted his glance from Duan Ling Tian and stared at Qi Yu who was standing next to him.

If he had known earlier that Qi Yu was a powerhouse at the peak of the Void Stage earlier, he would certainly be very eager to launch an attack when Crimson Moon Sect made their appearance.

As one of the three major forces in the eastern district of the northern desert, the enmity between Five Element Sect and Crimson Moon Sect had endured for thousands of years.

The two major sects were always thinking about annihilating each other all the time. However, none of them had been able to truly win due to their strengths being equal.

Now that Qi Yu had comprehended two kinds of Ninth Level Void Transformation Concepts and possessed the strength at the peak of the Void Stage, the balance between the two major forces had been thrown off.

The two powerhouses who were at the peak of the Void Stage from Five Element Sect joined forces and easily annihilated Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect. Moreover, they had also killed the three Vice Sect Leaders of Crimson Moon Sect.

Upon hearing Guo Chong's words, everybody from Five Element Sect simultaneously shifted their attention from Duan Ling Tian to Qi Yu as if they had planned for it beforehand.

At this moment, Qi Yu became the focus of attention of the crowd instead.

"I didn't expect Peak Master Qi Yu to be so powerful!"

"From now on, Peak Master Qi Yu is no longer the second strongest person in our Five Element Sect. Instead, he's a powerhouse who can stand side by side with the Sect Leader and a person who's competent enough to be known as the strongest powerhouse in the Five Element Sect along with the Sect Leader!"

"How unlucky those Crimson Moon Sect's people were! Especially that Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect, who provoked our Five Element Sect from the very beginning. He was fearless thinking that he had a strong support! The expression on his face the moment he found out that Peak Master Qi Yu is also a powerhouse at the peak of the Void Stage is still clearly etched in my mind!"

"I saw it as well... That expression was of utter horror and fear! I'm pretty sure he regretted provoking us at the moment he was dying."

"Now that the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect is dead, Crimson Moon Sect would cease to exist except in name... After we return from the Martial Emperor's secret treasure, Sect Leader and the rest will definitely wipe Crimson Moon Sect's name off Cloud Continent completely!"

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Each and every one of the Five Element Sect's disciples erupted in an uproar. Excitement and elation were apparent in between their brows as they continued to discuss animatedly.

"The peak of the Void Stage!" The gazes of those people who stared at Qi Yu were filled with idolization.

The other three Peak Masters of Five Element Sect, Cha Bai, Yu Fang, and Tian Gu, looked at Qi Yu with a complicated look in their eyes. It did not cross their minds that Qi Yu possessed such a terrifying strength.

The moment they recalled how they treated Wood Peak previously, they could not help but break out in cold sweat.

It was fortunate that Qi Yu did not fuss and bother with them. Otherwise, they would not be able to defeat him even if the three of them joined forces!

A powerhouse at the peak of Void Stage was just too appalling. After all, it meant that he already had half his foot in the Martial Monarch Stage!

Yu Fang cast a glance at Cha Bai and Tian Gu before she said to them with Voice Transmission, "Both of the Ninth Void Transformation Concepts that Qi Yu comprehended are Water and Fire Concepts. Even if none of the sect's disciples managed to obtain any Profundity Fragment from the Martial Emperor's secret treasure, it would not take him long to make a breakthrough to the Martial Monarch Stage."

Upon hearing her reminder, Cha Bai and Tian Gu were hit by the realization.

When Qi Yu was battling with Ren Ji, the Sect Leader of Crimson Moon Sect, he indeed demonstrated the Ninth Level Advance Water Concept and Ninth Level Advance Fire Concept.

"Perhaps he would be able to break through to the Martial Monarch Stage a step earlier than the Sect Leader to become a Martial Monarch powerhouse!" Tian Gu gasped in surprise.

"Peak Master Qi Yu, congratulations!" Yu Fang and Tian Gu exchanged glances before looking at Qi Yu simultaneously and congratulated him. They congratulated him for possessing the strength at the peak of the Void Stage.

Even Cha Bai, the Peak Master of Fire Peak who was usually incompatible with Qi Yu, had also put down his ego and congratulated Qi Yu, "Congratulations!"

From his words, it was obvious that he had decided to submit.

"Hahaha.... Hu Fei, look at your own grave expression! Do you regret betraying our Wood Peak now?" Suddenly, a laughter rang out in the silence. It was none other than Huang Daniu who was standing afar as he looked at Hu Fei who had a solemn expression on his face.

Hu Fei's face darkened immediately as he glared fiercely at Huang Daniu for exposing his thoughts in front of so many people. Despite that, he did not dare to retort at all.

Put aside the fact that Huang Daniu and Duan Ling Tian were on friendly terms with each other, he did not even dare to provoke Huang Daniu alone.

Although Huang Daniu needed to borrow Earth Energy during the Battle of the Five Peaks, the current Huang Daniu could easily defeat him even without the Earth Energy.

After coming out of the Profound Assimilation Formation, Huang Daniu had already comprehended the Ninth Level Advance Earth Concept, and he even displayed a strength that was not in any way inferior to himself when he was battling Crimson Moon Sect's people earlier.

He knew that the current Huang Daniu could easily defeat him even without the use of Earth Energy.

"Duan Ling Tian!" When Hu Fei felt the mocking gazes from the surroundings shifted to himself, his face turned grave immediately. His pair of icy eyes glared at Duan Ling Tian who was standing afar. Until now, he still held Duan Ling Tian responsible for his lack of progress in the Profound Assimilation Formation.

When Duan Ling Tian noticed Hu Fei's glare, he could vaguely figure out his thoughts. Duan Ling Tian looked at him coldly as his Voice Transmission pierced sharply through Hu Fei's ears, "Idiot!"

"YOU!!!" Hu Fei's face was ashen. Flustered and exasperated, his organs became agitated and with a "Barf!", he spat out a mouthful of blood.

"Why did Hu Fei spit out blood suddenly?"

"He must be regretting his decision after seeing the strength that Peak Master Qi Yu demonstrated and the compelling dominance that Wood Peak displays..."

"It seems like he's mad at himself for making such foolish choice last time!"

"What's the point of being mad now? An ungrateful bastard will always be an ungrateful bastard."

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Although the Five Element Sect's disciples were discussing this under their breaths, they did not bother lowering their voices. For this reason, each and every word was heard by Hu Fei clearly. Once again, he was so mad that he spat out another mouthful of blood.

When Guo Chong noticed Cha Bai's ashen face, he helped alleviate the atmosphere and called out to everyone before taking the lead to fly forward, "Let us continue our journey!"

Everyone from Five Element Sect immediately followed closely behind him.

"We're not there yet?" After flying for a period of time, Duan Ling Tian frowned as he looked at a hill under his feet.

An astonished voice rang by Duan Ling Tian's ears suddenly. One of the Five Element Sect's disciple cried out while he pointed to the front, "Eh? There are many people there! Could it be that the Martial Emperor's secret treasure is actually there?" His voice was filled with excitement.

Upon hearing this, many of the Five Element Sect's disciples, including Duan Ling Tian, looked in the direction he was staring at.

After passing by a towering mountainous forest, a gigantic valley appeared before their eyes. Two groups of people were hovering above the valley.

Similar to Five Element Sect, both groups had about twenty over people.

"There's a group of baldies there!"

"Could they be the people from the Empyrean Temple, one of the four major forces in the southern district of the northern desert?"

"Only the Empyrean Temple in the entire northern desert has so many bald monks!"

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When Duan Ling Tian noticed the group of people who were made up of many kasaya-wearing monks with dots on their heads, many of the Five Element Sect's disciples had already spoken out.

"The Empyrean Temple... Hui Ming, Hui Jing, and that little monk as well!" Very soon, Duan Ling Tian discovered three familiar figures in the group of people that were made up of 50% bald monks. They were none other than the three Empyrean Temple monks that he encountered in Skywolf Fort previously.

"Abbot Hui Kong, it has been a long time since we last met. How are you doing?" The Five Element Sect party flew in and attracted the Empyrean Temple's and the other group's attention. Guo Chong immediately looked in the direction of the Empyrean Temple, his gaze landed on the old monk who led the group.

The old monk had nine dots on his scalp. He appeared kind and benevolent with his two white brows. He was Abbot Hui Kong from the Emyrean Temple.

The Abbot of the Emyrean Temple was also the highest leader in the Emyrean Temple.

"Amitabha... Sect Leader Guo, greetings to you too," Hui Kong replied as he narrowed his eyes to look at Guo Chong. All ten of his fingers were linked together, he was extremely attentive to his ethics.

"Duan Ling Tian?" At this moment, a cry resonated among the people of the Emyrean Temple. It attracted the attention of many people.

Everyone saw a monk disciple who was not bald among the Emyrean Temple's temple. He was staring at a particular person clad in purple among the Five Element Sect's disciples.

"Senior Brother Ling Tian is known among the Emyrean Temple as well?"

Many of the Five Element Sect disciples marveled, "Whoa! Senior Brother Ling Tian is indeed extraordinary! Even the Emyrean Temple from the far southern district of the northern desert knows him too!"