

### **Chapter 521: The Ten Arbiters' Names**

Actually, Lu Yin considered Mira as his benefactor. If not for her, then the trial that had taken place on Earth would not have been conducted fairly. Even after that, Mira had helped him multiple times. This was also the reason why the Wen family had sent Mira down to the planet's surface.

However, Lu Yin wasn't able to make any decisions about this mountain range since he was nothing more than a puppet. The mountain range actually belonged to Sea King.

Wendy Yushan's eyes gleamed when she saw Mira appear.

Mira leaped into the sky, her feet looking like they were made of pale jade. She hovered ten centimeters above the dull red ground, and her waist-length, white hair released a pleasant smell. She looked at Lu Yin and smiled. "In the end, you still came."

Lu Yin nodded and pointed at the sky. "I didn't want to."

Mira's eyes glinted. "Although both the Innderverse and Outerverse are wary of the Sea King's Dome, that doesn't mean that they actually fear him. The interference of the Sea King is something that can destroy the balance, but that doesn't necessarily mean that he can defeat the Innderverse and the Outerverse. If you're willing, then I can represent the Wen family and offer both you and Frostwave Weave our protection."

"Hey, white haired ghost, what are you saying?" Hai Qiqi was irritated at Mira's words. Although Hai Qiqi hadn't been involved in deceiving Lu Yin into getting pyrolyte ore, she still wouldn't allow anyone to insult the Sea King's Dome and ruin their plans.

Mira glanced at Hai Qiqi and smiled. "You're the Sea King's daughter. Tell me, are you going to marry him?"

Hai Qiqi blushed. "Who- who's going to marry him? Definitely not me!"

"Well, if you don't marry him, then he won't officially become the Sea King's son in law, and if that happens, then how long will the Sea King's Dome be able to protect Frostwave Weave for? I don't mean to be disrespectful to the Sea King, but from what I've heard, the Sea King is getting quite old," Mira calmly replied.

Hai Qiqi's expression turned furious as she glared at Mira. "You have no right to talk about my father!"

Mira bowed. "I wouldn't dare to be disrespectful to him. I'm just stating the facts, so please forgive me if I've said anything wrong."

Hai Qiqi snorted and left.

Lu Yin frowned. This was something that he hadn't known about before. Was the Sea King actually very old? Was Mira suggesting that the powerhouse was nearing the end of his life? Hai Qiqi's reaction proved that Mira had spoken the truth. Lu Yin's eyes started flashing.

Mira looked at Lu Yin and smiled. "This is the second time that Arbiter Wen has tried to recruit you, and he is even more sincere this time than ever. With the Wen family's power, they are more than capable of protecting Frostwave Weave. Also, the Sea King's Dome isn't allowed to interfere in the Innaverse and the Outerverse's affairs, so you wouldn't have to worry about them coming after you. As for the Sword Sect and Daynight clan, the Wen family can handle them just fine."

Wendy Yushan turned to look at Lu Yin.

Lu Yin grinned at Mira. "Miss Mira, I've always been very thankful for your help, but unfortunately, I'll have to let you down this time."

Mira sighed. "It seems that I'm not a very good recruiter."

"No, it's just that the situation is very clear to me. Even the best recruiter would be useless in this case," Lu Yin clarified.

Mira looked at Lu Yin seriously. "Can you tell me the reason?"

Lu Yin narrowed his eyes. "There has never been an invincible force in history. The Wen family is very powerful, but they have their own enemies, and Frostwave Weave cannot afford to offend the Wen family's enemies."

Mira nodded. "That's true."

Suddenly, she beamed at Lu Yin. "You've grown up. Well, in that case, we'll be enemies the next time we meet."

Lu Yin shrugged. "I won't use my full power against you."

Mira smirked. "You're very confident, but your enemy might not be me. You might end up facing Arbiter Wen instead."

Lu Yin's expression turned icy, but he didn't answer.

Mira waved at him and left.

"What did she mean? Will Arbiter Wen become your enemy?" Wendy Yushan looked at Lu Yin in confusion.

Lu Yin was also thinking Mira's words over. His current status shouldn't be enough for Arbiter Wen to personally become enemies with him. Thus, there were only two possibilities. The first was that Arbiter Wen was either the person behind the trial where seventy two people with the "Lu" surname had been executed or close to the Arbiter who had delivered that order. The other possibility was that the Wen family was preparing to become enemies with the Sea King's Dome.

Both possibilities seemed plausible, and Lu Yin silently watched on as Mira traveled towards Pyrolyte Lake. He wasn't sure which possibility he preferred to be the truth.

Lu Yin had always treated the Ten Arbiters as his eventual enemies. However, the closer he grew to their level, the more clearly he was able to feel their strength. At this moment, Lu Yin had only ever seen Wen Sansi fight, but that Arbiter had managed to defeat Yao Gu of the Astral Beast Domain with just one

move. Besides, the Arbiter Scholar had also heavily injured Ming Zhaotian and nearly destroyed the Five Sealing Planets of Shenwu Continent. His power had stunned Lu Yin, and this man was definitely far more powerful than the common Hunter.

Lu Yin felt confident that he would eventually discover which of the Ten Arbiters had convicted those people carrying the “Lu” surname. The question was, when that time came, would Lu Yin be able to defeat the person who was responsible? And what about the forces standing behind that Arbiter?

Lu Yin suddenly felt an overwhelming sense of pressure. As his reputation continued to increase, more people would investigate his past, and that trial wouldn’t remain hidden for much longer. As soon as that information became more well known, he would no longer have the element of surprise, and the Arbiter responsible for that matter might even attack him preemptively.

“What are you thinking of? Why did you suddenly turn pale?” Wendy Yushan asked in concern.

Lu Yin looked at her. “I was thinking about when I’ll be able to catch up to the Ten Arbiters.”

Wendy Yushan’s expression changed, and she looked up at the sky. “I challenged one of the Arbiters before.”

“The one who you follow?” Lu Yin asked.

Wendy Yushan nodded, her gaze nostalgic. “The first time I challenged that person was when I became number eighteen on the Top 100 Rankings.”

Lu Yin continued staring at her.

Wendy Yushan lowered her head and said something that stunned Lu Yin. “I lost before I could even pull out my sword.”

“You didn’t even have a chance to draw your sword?” Lu Yin could barely believe her words. Even if he fought against the least impressive Limiteer, as long as the person had some amount of ability, then they would at least be able to draw their weapon.

Wendy Yushan smiled bitterly. “That person gave me a chance to draw my sword, but I wasn’t able to. Under that person’s power, everything was suppressed.”

“Who is it?” Lu Yin asked.

Wendy Yushan glanced at Lu Yin. “Arbiter Ling Gong, White Knight.”

Lu Yin’s eyes widened. “Ling Gong? Is that someone from the Lingling clan?”

Wendy Yushan nodded. “The most talented and powerful person in the entire history of the Lingling clan.”

This meant that Lu Yin now knew the names of four of the Ten Arbiters: Scholar Wen Sansi, Nightking Zhenwu, Divine Fist Lan Si, and White Knight Ling Gong. As for the other six, Lu Yin knew that one of them was from the Sword Sect, one from the Phoenix clan, and one called the War King. As for the other three, Lu Yin knew nothing at all.

“You should know about all ten of the arbiters, right?” Lu Yin asked.

Wendy Yushan nodded. "Yes I do, but I can't tell you anything. There is an agreement with the Ten Arbiters. If someone wants to learn their names, then that person can only rely on their own power. The names cannot be revealed by anyone else. When you are able to find out the names of all Ten Arbiters on your own, then that might be the time when you gain the right to speak with the Ten Arbiters."

Lu Yin fell silent. The Ten Arbiters used this method to maintain both their authority and the air of mystery about them. It also served as a source of motivation for the younger generation.

"Of course, if you want to know, I can still tell you as well." Wendy Yushan glanced at Lu Yin with bright eyes.

Lu Yin rolled his eyes. "It's fine."

Wendy Yushan turned around and didn't speak again.

"Though, what's the White Knight like?" Lu Yin asked after a moment. White Knight was such a dramatic title, and it caused him to feel annoyed.

Wendy Yushan looked at Lu Yin with a curious expression.

Lu Yin cleared his throat. "I mean, what's his personality like? Do you get along with him?"

Wendy Yushan was still confused. "What do you mean?"

Lu Yin blinked. He just couldn't make himself straightforwardly ask Wendy Yushan if Ling Gong was interested in her. He thought about the matter for some time and then glanced at Wendy Yushan again. He realized that she probably didn't know that much about relationships since she had always been extremely focused on cultivation. Lu Yin thus resignedly said, "Forget about it."

And with that, he left.

Wendy Yushan watched on as he left. She hesitated a bit, and a smile slowly crept across her face.

Half a month passed quickly by, and only a few Explorers descended onto the planet during this period. Those who did so came secretly in order to avoid being discovered by Lu Yin. The major forces were quite wary of Lu Yin stealing their Explorers' star essence skins.

During this time, many locations had been completely mined out of pyrolyte ore, and thus, the battles started back up again. Pyrolyte Mountain, Pyrolyte Lake, and Pyrolyte Plain were almost depleted as well, so the major powers started preparing for an upcoming battle.

Nobody dared to challenge the mountain range that Lu Yin guarded over.

In the Starfall Sea, the Sea King's Dome was as bustling as ever, and there were many spacecraft arriving at the harbor.

On one particular day, an old man emerged from a merchant ship and headed into the Sea King's Dome. The old man had a rosy face, his snow white beard reached all the way to his knees, and he was wearing a pure white robe. He held a wooden staff in one hand that he used to support his bent body as stepped into the Sea King's Dome.

"It's been years. Is this the place? I can't remember clearly." The old man looked at the Sea King's Dome in awe.

A young man impatiently pushed the old man from behind, almost causing the old man to fall. "Old man, walk faster! Don't block the path."

The old man held his staff and looked at the young man with a faint smile on his face. "Even when cultivating, one should always respect their elders. As punishment for your rudeness, you will not be able to use star energy for ten years."

When the old man finished speaking, the young man suddenly froze. His face paled, and he looked at his own hands in terror.

"Where's the star energy? Where's my star energy? Why is it gone!" he screamed crazily. The star energy within the young man's body had simply disappeared, and he couldn't sense any star energy around him either. What was going on? What had just happened? The young man grabbed a pedestrian and screamed frantically, but he was casually tossed into the sea by the passerby.

If a person didn't have star energy, then it meant that they couldn't cultivate any more. In the Sea King's Dome, even a random person on the street could defeat such a person.

The old man didn't even look at the young man as he continued to slowly walk towards the transportation equipment that moved people about the Sea King's Dome.

At the top level of Sea King's Dome, the Sea King opened his eyes. "Earlier than I expected." He then disappeared.

The old man walked into the transportation equipment, which normally sent people up the mountainside of Sea King's Dome. However, the old man next appeared at the top level, in front of the Sea King.

The old man wasn't surprised, and his eyes suddenly turned clear. He looked at the Sea King and said, "You've finally brought me up here."

### **Chapter 522: The Pirate King And The Sea King**

The Sea King calmly looked at the old man. "I didn't invite you, so is it the Chief Justice or someone else who wished for you to come to my Starfall Sea?"

The elder smiled. "If I tell you that it's the Chief Justice's will, then you'll probably chase me out straight away."

The Sea King sneered. "He doesn't dare come himself, so he sent you to get scolded."

The elder sighed. "I don't have the authority to ask about that grudge between the two of you. You should already know what my objective is this time. Just tell me the truth so that I can return and give a good explanation."

The Sea King narrowed his eyes and stared seriously at the elder. "I can tell you, but only three people can know. In particular, the other two with the same status as you definitely must not know."

The elder nodded. "I promise."

The Sea King stared at the old man for a while before retracting his gaze. A worried look appeared in his eyes. "I'm older than you guys, and this universe cannot hold me any longer."

The elder's body trembled, and he stared at the Sea King in disbelief. "You mean..?"

The Sea King raised a hand. "My strength is deteriorating."

The elder's face grew solemn.

The Sea King lowered his hand and stared off into the distance. "So long as I'm still alive, no one will dare to provoke the Sea King's Dome or casually enter the Starfall Sea. However, once I'm dead, who will protect this place?"

"So you intend to use pyrolyte to protect the Sea King's Dome?"

The Sea King was helpless. "Pyrolyte can only be used to intimidate others. Powerhouses such as yourself cannot be bothered about it at all, or else your Hall of Honor would not ignore this contest for pyrolyte. But pyrolyte can at least prevent the youngsters from being harassed, and that's enough for me. Sometimes, they can be more difficult to deal with."

The elder fell into a contemplative silence, and the Sea King didn't speak either.

After a while, the elder had fully grasped the difficult situation. "I trust you, so I can promise to do my utmost to protect the Sea King's Dome in the future. I only hope that you're not lying to me."

The Sea King replied quietly, "Thank you."

The elder left the Sea King's Dome and exited from the Starfall Sea in the blink of an eye. It almost seemed like he had simply gone for a ride on a merchant ship to enjoy the Starfall Sea's scenery.

After the elder left, a figure appeared beside the Sea King. It was the Sea King's eldest son, Hai Feng. "Father, who was that?"

"Mu En, from the Hall of Honor. He's a Judicial Commissioner of Interstellar Supreme Court: the Virtue of Righteousness."

Hai Feng was stunned. "A Judicial Commissioner actually made a personal appearance. It looks like things are worse than we had imagined."

The Sea King arrogantly replied, "No, his appearance was already expected. For them to negotiate with me requires them to at least send someone of his level. Fortunately, it was him. If it was the Chief Justice, then things would have become troublesome since I have a bit of a grudge with that old fellow. We wouldn't even need to talk if he had appeared."

"It looks like Mu En trusted your words. Does that mean that the Hall of Honor won't obstruct us anymore?" Hai Feng asked.

The Sea King sneered. "Neither the Chief Justice nor the three great Judicial Commissioners of the Interstellar Supreme Court are fools in any way, so they will be doubly prepared."

“Yet you’ll still insist on following that matter through?”

The Sea King’s expression became solemn. “From now on, you don’t need to know any more concerning this matter. The less you know, the better it will be for you.”

Hai Feng still looked like he wanted to say something.

The Sea King looked up. “The facade of this universe has to be torn apart, or else the day to step out will never come. Regardless of if it’s right or wrong, I’ll bear the responsibility myself. Whether I’ll be spurned or worshiped 10,000 years later, that will depend on fate.”

In the emptiness of space, Mu En lowered his gadget and looked back at the Starfall Sea. The Sea King deserved respect, and since he wanted to obtain some pyrolyte, they old folks could not intervene, regardless of whether or not the Sea King had been honest in divulging his motivations. Therefore, given reasonable limits, there were no issues with the contest. It was also still unknown whether or not the younger generation of the Innerverse and Outerverse would be able to withstand those kids from the Neoverse.

The Sea King had not guessed incorrectly, as the Hall of Honor had indeed made ample preparations. They had already selected a batch of experts from the Neoverse to head to Planet Pyrolyte and participate in the contest for pyrolyte. Their purpose was to prevent the Sea King from snatching all of the pyrolyte and also to create obstacles within justifiable limits.

However, neither the Hall of Honor nor the Sea King had expected that the experts from the Neoverse were still in the Cosmic Sea, as they had gotten lost while traveling to the Innerverse.

Traveling from the Neoverse to the Innerverse required one to pass through the Cosmic Sea. The safe routes in that sea were mostly controlled by the Four Pirate Kings. For this voyage, the Hall of Honor’s experts had planned on using the route controlled by Leon’s Armada to reach the Innerverse.

The trip had been agreed upon beforehand, and it would normally take them no more than half a month to reach the Innerverse. This group of powerhouses had already been traveling for a month, as they had headed out shortly after Lu Yin revealed himself on Planet Pyrolyte and took control of the mountain range. But even after traveling for one whole month, they were still stuck in the Cosmic Sea.

In the sea, a warship floated in space while thunder rumbled and sea waves swept by.

On the warship, a dozen Neoverse experts dejectedly stared at the Cosmic Sea.

“Leon’s Armada still hasn’t found the route.”

“This has to be intentional! They’re deliberately delaying our arrival in the Innerverse since that bunch of Innerverse trash is afraid of us.”

“Probably not. We sought out Leon’s Armada because High Sage Leon is a Pirate King, and he has no relations with the Innerverse powers. He wouldn’t possibly willingly help them.”

“Then how can you explain this matter? Leon’s Armada has roamed the Cosmic Sea for so many years that there’s no way they would get lost! Even an idiot would know that something’s up.”

“Are you saying I’m an idiot?” Lightning shot out and illuminated the warship, lighting up the face of a sinister-looking man.

“Who are you going to blame when you jump ahead of yourself?” Across from the man, someone lowered his head and taunted him.

“Alright, everyone, shut up!” As a sharp voice rang out, lightning struck the warship and started a huge fire. It illuminated the speaker, who was an stunningly beautiful woman, though her face held an indescribable coldness and aloofness. “No matter what, this matter will be handled by our superiors, and they will naturally handle Leon's Armada.”

The massive fire was quickly extinguished as the warship descended back into darkness.

At the other end of the ship’s bow, two figures stood across from one another. “Our Hall of Honor trusts Leon's Armada, and we have paid the price for you to guide us across the Cosmic Sea. However, you people have deliberately gotten us lost. The Hall of Honor will not pretend that this matter did not happen, and the Interstellar Supreme Court will not remain indifferent!”

The other figure sighed. “How many times do we have to tell you this? We’re really lost. The Cosmic Sea is extremely vast, and it even changes every year. It’s just that the most recent changes were a little ridiculous. Even we haven’t found a better route. You should trust the integrity of Leon's Armada.”

“You want me to trust the integrity of pirates?”

“It looks like you want to challenge Leon's Armada. Who gives you the balls to do so? The Interstellar Supreme Court? Or the Hall of Honor itself? Our Cosmic Sea is not some playground for your Hall of Honor. You’d best pay attention to your words.”

“Alright, you guys just wait. This matter is not over yet!”

Soon, there was only one person left on the ship’s bow, and they spoke in a taunting voice, “How can I let you guys go and cause trouble for Little Yin?”

Many days later, at the Sea King’s Dome in the Starfall Sea, the sky suddenly went dark. Everyone looked up as they felt an oppressive pressure surround them.

The Sea King looked up and stared into the distance with a strange expression on his face. “Why’s he here?”

Above the sea, thousands of miles away from the Sea King's Dome, a three meter tall figure towered above the sky while wielding a giant blade in one hand as he faced the flow of the sea.

As the sea waves snarled past him, the man raised his long blade and slashed out with an attack that extended endlessly into the distance, dividing the sea’s current in two. This current was something that even those old freaks whose power levels were in the hundreds of thousands would be nervous to face. The blade slash was so terrifying that the nearby planets started quivering, and even powerhouses with power levels over 300,000 started trembling.



“Higsage Leon, did you come to the Starfall Sea to demonstrate your power?” The Sea King's Trident stabbed out from the void.

The figure looked over and grinned. He was Higsage Leon. “Long time no see, old man.”

His blade swept out and collided against the Sea King's Trident, the impact causing the entire Starfall Sea to shudder while everyone heard a muffled thud.

The Sea King's Trident was forcefully knocked back, and it landed in the Sea King's hands. He clasped it and faced Higsage Leon. “What are you doing in the Starfall Sea?”

Higsage Leon held his tyrannical blade aloft and pointed it at the Sea King. “Let me ask you a question. What are you planning to use the pyrolyte for?”

The Sea King's brows rose. “That's none of your business. When did you become the Hall of Honor's lackey?”

Higsage Leon spat in contempt. “The Hall of Honor's got nothing to do with me. I'm just curious, so I came over to ask.”

The Sea King grew angry. “Are you insane? Something like pyrolyte is of no threat to us! You specially came to the Starfall Sea just to ask me this?”

Higsage Leon bristled. “That's right, so hurry up and answer me. What are you going to use the pyrolyte for?”

The Sea King was furious. “It's none of your business!”

Higsage Leon snorted. “We haven't fought in a long time, so I've gotten itchy. Let's have a go!”

The Sea King stabbed out with his trident. “Bring it.”

For two full days, the Starfall Sea trembled, astonishing countless people. Even the Grayweed Continent, which was second only to the Sea King's Dome, was so frightened that no one dared to go out to watch the battle. The entire Starfall Sea had become the battlefield for Higsage Leon and the Sea King.

Finally, after two days, the Starfall Sea regained its typical calmness. Higsage Leon then left. No one knew what the outcome of the battle was, because no one had been able to approach the battlefield.

The events in the Starfall Sea did not spread to Planet Pyrolyte since the Astral Wilderness had no network connection.

However, even if this news did spread, Lu Yin and the others had no time to spare their thoughts on such things. The Daynight clan had sent a truly important person down to the planet, and they had gone straight for the mountain range.

At almost the exact same time, the alliance of the Ross Empire, Blaze Realm, and Dire Barbarian Clan had also sent down their own expert, who also headed straight for the mountain range.

Two red streaks were seen closing in from the distance.

Lu Yin and Wendy Yushan stood up on top of the mountain range while Hai Qiqi and the others were protected by Northgate Lie. They all gazed solemnly towards the sky as they saw two subsequent explosions.

The various great powers above the planet were all focused on the upcoming conflict.

The hatch of the Daynight clan's spacecraft opened, and the first thing that came out with a bone-white palm before a skeletally-thin person walked out soon after. In between the black-and-white hair, there was an eye-catching strand of grey hair. This person was from the Nightking clan.

Countless took a gasp of cold air when they saw this person. He was Nightking Gu, ranked fifteenth on the Top 100 Rankings. The Daynight clan had sent an absolute expert this time.

Wendy Yushan's gaze trembled when she saw that it was Nightking Gu. She unsheathed her long sword, and its cold radiance illuminated the void.

Lu Yin suddenly grabbed her arm, and under her questioning gaze, he solemnly said, "Unless it's a matter of life or death, don't use that. If we can't defend this mountain range, then so be it."

Wendy Yushan's gaze flickered, but she nodded and stepped forward.

Nightking Gu's appearance caused everyone to forget about the other spacecraft, and even if they remembered it, they probably wouldn't care about the person inside. It took a great deal of time and effort to manufacture each star essence skin, and at this moment, the best that the various forces could do was make a skin that could protect someone with Nightking Gu's strength. It would take them much longer to create a skin that could allow the top ten of the Top 100 Rankings to descend to Planet Pyrolyte.

In other words, the strongest person on Planet Pyrolyte was definitely Nightking Gu at this moment.

### **Chapter 523: Defend And Attack**

Nightking Gu did not pay any attention to the other spacecraft after haphazardly glancing at it. That one glance was enough for him to determine the occupant's strength, and it was someone weaker.

In that spacecraft was Sleeping Prince, who was sleeping at that moment.

Wendy Yushan moved in front of Nightking Gu.

One was ranked eighteenth while the other was ranked fifteenth. It would seem like the difference was not that great, but Lu Yin's eyes could see the disparity as Nightking Gu's amount of rune lines clearly surpassed Wendy Yushan's.

There was no nonsense exchanged, and Nightking Gu promptly raised his skull-like visage. His sunken eyes sparkled coldly, but then he suddenly vanished, only to reappear right before Wendy Yushan. He punched out, while at the same time, a grey-white layer of air covered him. This was something that Lu Yin had seen before; this was the Nightking's Body.

Wendy Yushan sliced out with her sword, and the tip managed to penetrate his bone to some degree. The might of Ten-Thousand Swords in One was enough to slice the Nightking's Body apart, but the blade

drew no blood. On the contrary, Wendy Yushan was sent crashing into the mountain range by Nightking Gu's punch, stopping at some unknown depth underground.

Countless people were stunned, as Wendy Yushan had sliced Zhanbing Daynight apart, showcasing the formidable power of her sword. However, even such a blade was ineffective against Nightking Gu. Her attack could not be deemed completely ineffective as she had broken through Nightking Gu's defense, but it had not been enough to seriously harm him.

Lu Yin appeared in front Nightking Gu by using Flash Step and then swatted a palm at the Explorer. Nightking Gu noticed Lu Yin, but he did not bother dodging. Instead, he allowed Lu Yin to strike him. "Thirty Stacks, Seventyfold Shockwave Palm."

Boom!

The ground split open as the two young men sank underground together. Lu Yin's pupils shrank as he had discovered that the power of his palm attack was not enough to break through the Nightking's Body. In fact, it had been completely ineffective.

Nightking Gu turned and stared at Lu Yin with gloomy eyes. He then lunged out with his left hand without any warning. Lu Yin didn't dare to allow himself to be grabbed, and he hurriedly retreated. However, Nightking Gu's speed was not slow either, as no physically oriented cultivation technique would be slow. Nightking Gu hounded Lu Yin along his path of retreat. All the while, his fist vibrated in a way that damaged space, striking Lu Yin through the vibrations.

Lu Yin only felt his chest be struck, and just as he was about to use his Fatesand, sword qi swept up from beneath his feet, aimed straight at Nightking Gu. The Nightking's fist conveniently smashed downwards and collided against the sword qi instead, causing a shockwave to sweep out in all directions, shaking the void as well. Lightning-like spatial cracks extended in all directions, and a large crater appeared where Nightking Gu had struck the ground.

Wendy Yushan leaped up and stood in front of Lu Yin as she solemnly looked at Nightking Gu.

Nightking Gu stood back up. His skull-like face was enough to send chills running down one's spine.

"Don't intervene. You can't handle his attacks," Wendy Yushan said softly.

Lu Yin looked at her seriously. "You definitely cannot use that. At worst, we'll give him the mountain range. The Sea King's Dome can't blame us for not being able to defend this mountain range since we've already worked together."

Wendy Yushan nodded, and her sword spun around before slicing towards Nightking Gu.

Nightking Gu's body itself distorted the void. He obviously had no muscles, but he gave off a feeling of unparalleled strength that was enough to even make Wendy Yushan's sword tip grow sluggish.

Nightking Gu did not even dodge Wendy Yushan's sword. He allowed it to stab into his body again before he slammed out with another palm. Wendy Yushan's expression changed as palm struck her abdomen, causing her to spit out a mouthful of blood as she was flung into the distance.

Nightking Gu ferociously charged after her with another fist, ready to strike again. Wendy Yushan glared at him coldly as she forcefully contorted her body to evade Nightking Gu's attack. She struck out and

stabbed her sword into Nightking Gu's body again, and this time, fresh blood flowed down the blade, proving that she had injured him this time.

However, he paid no attention to the wound and grabbed the edge of the blade with his hand, causing the sword to slice into his palm while his other hand moved forward to strike at Wendy's forehead. If his attack connected, then Wendy Yushan would definitely die.

Lu Yin appeared at this crucial moment and kicked out with a foot wrapped in six-lined battle force. The enormous strength of this kick distracted Nightking Gu, and he was forced to redirect his hand away from Wendy's head to block Lu Yin's attack. Lu Yin's thigh twisted, and there was a crack as his bone snapped and his battle force collapsed. However, the force of his kick had also forced Nightking Gu to take two steps back, allowing Wendy Yushan to escape from her crisis.

Lu Yin crashed deep into the ground with a bang, his right leg bent at a strange angle that sent intense pain jolting through his body. He gritted his teeth and endured the agony as he watched Wendy Yushan break free from her crisis. Only then was he able to relax. Still, the pain from his ruined leg washed over him in waves.

Ever since stepping on the path of cultivation, Lu Yin had rarely lost out when it came to physical strength. His encounter with Nightking Gu at this time had been a struggle of physical strength, but he hadn't even been able to really retaliate. This was a super expert, someone ranked fifteenth on the Top 100 Rankings.

Fortunately, it was just a bent right leg, and he could quickly heal from this sort of injury. Lu Yin touched his cosmic ring, as it seemed that it was time for him to rely on external help once again.

Wendy Yushan appeared beside Lu Yin and bent down to press her hand against Lu Yin's leg.

Lu Yin was puzzled. "What's the matter? It's not that serious."

Wendy Yushan did not answer him, and he saw that fresh blood was dripping from her lips and that her face was serious. In the next moment, her palm started to give off a faint, hazy halo, and Lu Yin's right leg immediately stopped hurting and returned to normal.

This was an innate gift of healing.

When he had been in East San Dios, Lu Yin had guessed that Wendy Yushan most likely had some innate gift, as she was firmly placed within the top twenty, but he had never imagined that she would have an innate gift of healing. This sort of innate gift appeared in less than one person in 10,000, and that was when considering cultivators with innate gifts.

The functionality of healing did not need to be elaborated on. When Wendy Yushan displayed her innate gift of healing, the various major forces above the planet turned green with envy.

In a battle, if a cultivator with the innate gift of healing was present, then the number of casualties would drastically decrease for that side, and their odds of victory would soar. Moreover, this particular cultivator with an innate gift of healing was also not weak in any way.

"You can actually heal!" Lu Yin exclaimed.

Wendy Yushan stood up. "Alright, try to move it."

Lu Yin got up, shook his right leg slightly, and then looked at her in deep appreciation. "I found it strange to see that there was such a disparity between you and him, but if your innate gift of healing is added into the mix, then the disparity is substantially reduced. We can smother him to death."

Wendy Yushan's face turned solemn as she turned towards Nightking Gu. "We can't smother him to death. He's too powerful, and all of the injuries that I gave him only happened because he didn't need to dodge them. If he starts fighting seriously, then I might not be able to even hit him."

"What about working with me?" Lu Yin asked.

Wendy Yushan clenched the hilt of her sword. "Don't intervene. He's not an opponent you can handle."

In front of them, Nightking Gu's cold eyes stared at Lu Yin, and he clenched his hand; the blood had already congealed. His brows rose up. This woman was rather troublesome, so he would need to end this battle quickly.

After thinking about it, Nightking Gu immediately dashed towards Wendy Yushan as a spiral-like air flow appeared around his body. Wendy Yushan's expression immediately changed, and she sliced out with her long sword. The tip of the sword was stopped by the airflow, and when it made contact with Nightking Gu, it was no longer able to break through his Nightking's Body. Nightking Gu was clearly afraid of Wendy Yushan's innate gift, so he had started taking the battle seriously.

Wendy Yushan's strike was fruitless. She followed up by instinctively blocking her front, and Nightking Gu's fist landed on the tip of her sword and bent the blade. The force continued traveling through the sword and shook Wendy to her core, causing her to become severely injured again as she flew into the distance like a meteor.

Nightking Gu continued charging at her, next appearing above her head. He clasped both of his hands together and smashed down ruthlessly, unwilling to give Wendy Yushan any time to recover.

However, Wendy Yushan's position in the top twenty also meant that she was no pushover. Although it seemed like Nightking Gu's previous strike had been critical, Wendy Yushan had managed to withstand it, and she dodged to the side now. Nightking Gu's strike missed, and this time, he was the one blasted into the ground as the void distorted again.

The two started moving faster and faster, and sword qi constantly clashed against the wind from a fist. The void in the surrounding region completely collapsed from the battle, shocking countless onlookers.

Lu Yin narrowed his eyes and filled them with star energy. Although others may not be able to see the battle, he could clearly see it. At the start, Wendy Yushan had been attacking more frequently, but now, she had switched to a defensive posture, and he could tell that she could almost not bear it any longer. Nightking Gu's relentless attacks didn't give her any chances to treat herself.

As he watched Wendy Yushan's injuries grow more serious, Lu Yin's eyes widened, and the Giant Emperor's third eye appeared in his left hand as he unleashed his domain. He stared closely at the two and then used Flash Step to charge in between them. He merged his three grains of Fatesand into one and used the clod of dirt to block the attack before it struck his body. The dirt happened to be right in the path of Nightking Gu's attack that was aimed at Wendy Yushan.

Bang!

There was a loud sound as a giant spatial crack swept sideways and tore through the void. Nightking Gu's strike had landed on the combined Fatesand, and the Fatesand had completely blocked it. The next instant, Wendy Yushan's sword stabbed into Nightking Gu's body, and she gave him another piercing injury as fresh blood dripped off the tip of the sword. The scarlet color was rather eye-catching.

Everyone stared at the scene in disbelief, as Lu Yin had actually managed to defend against Nightking Gu's punch. Not only was Nightking Gu himself astonished, but Wendy Yushan was also staring at Lu Yin in shock, and then she looked at the soil.

What... was that?

Previously, when the Fatesand around Lu Yin's heart had awakened, it had been strong enough to help Lu Yin withstand Feng Mo's attack. Although it was just a casual strike, Feng Mo was still a genuine Hunter. With the defensive ability of just one grain of Fatesand, Lu Yin estimated that the dirt clod could withstand a blow from powerhouses ranked around fiftieth on the Top 100 Rankings. Three combined into one made it possible for him to withstand Nightking Gu's punch.

With a loud explosion, the three separated. Nightking Gu took a dozen steps back as he held his abdomen, shock appearing in his eyes for the first time in this battle. He stared at the dirt clods in front of Lu Yin. What is that thing? It had actually managed to defend against his punch.

Few were able to recognize Fatesand, and not even Nightking Gu or Wendy Yushan knew what it was, and they were two elites of the younger generation. Only the Enlighters in space, and even then, only the extraordinary ones, could recognize the dirt.

Elder Ren was the first, and he was stunned. How could this kid have Fatesand? That was a valuable treasure of the universe, and it was difficult for even the Sea King's Dome to get a hold of it.

Nightqueen Qiuyu was similarly surprised. "It's Fatesand! The Sea King actually gave him such a valuable thing. It looks like he's determined to make this child his son-in-law." Evidently, Nightqueen Qiuyu had misunderstood the situation, though she was not the only one. The other Enlighters who were able to recognize the Fatesand all similarly guessed that the Sea King had given it to Lu Yin, as it was impossible for Lu Yin to have gotten it otherwise.

Not all of the Enlighters were able to recognize it, as Fatesand was just too rare, and even some of the major powers in the Inniverse did not have access to it.

On the surface of Planet Pyrolyte, Wendy Yushan was puzzled as she looked at the soil clod in front of them that had just blocked the attack. "What's that?"

"Fatesand. It's an ultimate treasure that can block the attacks of the guy in front of us. We'll work together: I'll defend while you attack. We'll be able to delay him and then kill him." Lu Yin gritted through clenched teeth.

Wendy Yushan's eyes flashed, and she nodded. "Alright."

Then, under countless eyes, Lu Yin grabbed Wendy Yushan's waist and charged towards Nightking Gu. Wendy Yushan did not pull away. Although it felt unnatural, she allowed Lu Yin to embrace her as she slashed out at Nightking Gu.

#### **Chapter 524: Lu Yin's Hidden Trump Cards**

Nightking Gu promptly avoided Wendy Yushan's sword before tearing through the void to once again appear behind the pair and unleash a punch. However, he was obstructed by the soil clod yet again as Wendy Yushan stabbed at him with her sword. It was a familiar routine, but Nightking Gu was not struck since he managed to dodge aside quickly enough. However, he was now helpless against the pair. Once they combined their strength, he could no longer defeat them.

Nightqueen Qiuyu was furious, as the Daynight clan had gone to great lengths to drag Nightking Gu out of cultivation, but he was still not powerful enough to seize control of the mountain range. Helpless, she stepped out of the Daynight spacecraft and appeared within the Sword Sect's vessel.

After a long while, Lu Yin and Wendy Yushan were both panting heavily as they stared vigilantly at Nightking Gu. He was not in the same condition as the beginning of the fight either, as he had wounds all over his body, and they were all rather deep. Unfortunately, none of them were fatal, as even if the sword pierced his body, it was not enough to hinder him. He was a real freak.

"Again! We can hold out until he dies," Lu Yin barked. With Wendy Yushan's innate gift, he was perfectly healthy, not to mention the fact that Wendy Yushan was being defended by Lu Yin and his Fatesand, which gave her opportunities to heal herself as well. Thus, neither of them had any injuries. Compared to Nightking Gu, the two of them were just tired.

Under such circumstances, Lu Yin was fully confident of stalling Nightking Gu until he died.

"Seventh Bro, charge, go for a mutual exchange!" the Ghost Monkey shrieked, as he was feeling strangely hot-blooded. Defeating the expert ranked fifteenth was just too enticing of a prospect. Although Lu Yin could not rely on this battle to enter the top twenty, he would at least firmly enter the top sixty.

Lu Yin was also excited. "We'll behead him today!"

Wendy Yushan raised her sword and was about to attack, but then they heard a whoosh as sword qi swept over towards them from a distance. It was not aimed at Nightking Gu, but rather at Lu Yin and Wendy Yushan. The two hurriedly retreated as the sword qi attack had nearly succeeded in taking them by surprise. They looked over to see that a figure with a long sword had appeared. The blue, seven-lined battle force shrouding the figure was astounding. Long Yun had returned.

The appearance of Long Yun caused the expressions on Wendy Yushan and Lu Yin's faces to change drastically. Nightking Gu alone had pushed them to the point of exhaustion while trying to deal with him, and if Long Yun joined the fray now, then they might not be able to last even with the defense of Lu Yin's Fatesand. The Fatesand was too small, so it could not protect them on every side.

"Forget it. We can't defend this place any longer," Wendy Yushan spoke softly. Long Yun's appearance had dashed their hopes.

Long Yun coming here meant that they had failed to protect this mountain range, as even a fool could see that Long Yun had come here to help Nightking Gu. The Daynight clan and Sword Sect had finally united.

Over on top of the mountain range, Northgate Lie sighed. In the end, they would need to hand over the mountain range. Fortunately, they had mined a considerable amount of pyrolyte, so even if they handed most of it over to the Sea King's Dome, the remainder would still be enough for him to face his family with pride.

Above the planet, Nightqueen Qiuyu's face was ugly. If at all possible, she would rather not split the profits with the Sword Sect, but just Nightking Gu alone had not been enough to seize the area. Thus, they had been forced to find another ally. Long Yun was way weaker than Nightking Gu, but he could still qualify as an ally.

Everyone had assumed that the matter was settled. No matter how heaven-defying Lu Yin's powers were, he should not be able to withstand the alliance of two super experts.

Lu Yin clenched his fists, as victory had been inches away, but the other side had made a comeback in a single move. This sort of loss was depressing, as those great powers from the Inniverse were circling about him like pythons, slowly suffocating him to death. And now, they were able to team up however they wished and toy with him as if he were a nobody. What meaning was there in his battles up to this moment? They had simply dispatched two experts and easily crushed him.

Although the Sea King's Dome had plotted against him, he had persisted up to this moment, even against the major powers. Being suppressed in this fashion made him feel like he was being choked, and he even felt like he was being driven crazy.

Lu Yin could not take it anymore, as what did the various great powers think they were? A casual decision from them was enough to turn all of his hard work into trash. He did not want to be a grieving nobody who could be threatened at every turn. Wendy Yushan's pale and weary face reminded him of the helpless Great Yu Empire, which could similarly be easily toyed with. He wanted to resist these forces, even though he knew that it was not wise. The Sea King's Dome would not blame him if he retreated in this situation, but he did not want to let others force him into making a decision. He wanted to resist, even if just for this one time.

Wendy Yushan looked at Lu Yin with worry, as she could sense his unwillingness, as his body was literally trembling with fury. "You don't want to give up?"

Lu Yin did not reply, and he looked towards Nightking Gu and Long Yun before looking up. It was almost as if he could see the gathered organizations and the smug expressions on Nightqueen Qiuyu, Elder Viletree, and the others.

"If you don't want to give up, then I'll help you," Wendy Yushan told him quietly, but her eyes became determined as well.

Lu Yin placed a hand on her shoulder. "There's no need. I can do this on my own."

Wendy Yushan was astonished.



Lu Yin raised his foot and stepped forward. As he passed Wendy Yushan, he tossed her a Money Bomb. "This thing can instantly kill a Hunter, so it should be enough for you to protect yourself."

Then, under countless lost, shocked, and puzzled eyes, he walked by himself over towards Nightking Gu and Long Yun.

Countless felt that his actions were strange, and many thought that he had gone mad.

On top of the mountain range, Hai Qiqi frowned, and a trace of worry appeared in her eyes.

Lily Anne could not help herself, and she shouted, "Brother Lu, it's enough! You've done enough!"

Off in the distance, Nightqueen Yanqing and the others made their appearance, though they were also puzzled by Lu Yin's actions.

On another side, those from the Sword Sect also appeared: Mu Rong, Liu Shaoqiu, and Yōu Ye'er. At this moment, everyone was watching Lu Yin.

In space, Hai Dashao felt that something was strange. "This kid still hasn't given up yet?"

Elder Ren looked appreciatively at Lu Yin.

Lu Yin stopped a hundred meters away from Nightking Gu. "This battle isn't over."

Lu Yin then donned his universal armor as a gun appeared in his hands.

This sight was very strange, because the higher a cultivator's realm was, the more unlikely it was for them to use things like a set of universal armor or ring armor. Not only did such items not provide much in the way of defense, but they also obstructed one's mobility. This was also the reason why nobody had donned ring armor since the start of the battles on Planet Pyrolyte. A battle technique could strike the body even through armor, so the protection provided by one was not very impressive.

As for the gun, that bewildered people even more, as such an object was too ancient. For example, Nightqueen Qiuyu herself had not seen a gun in many years, so it took her some time to even recognize what that item was.

Long Yun felt that something was off, and Nightking Gu squinted, but he then charged ferociously towards Lu Yin. The Nightking struck out with a palm, as no matter what this Limiteer did, it would not be enough to defend against his attack, and making a move also would not harm him in any way. If Lu Yin acted, then Long Yun would also make a move.

Wendy Yushan subconsciously raised her sword as she readied herself to help.

Nightking Gu's punch solidly struck Lu Yin's universal armor, and everyone was stunned to see that Lu Yin did not use his Fatesand.

There was a loud explosion, but Nightking Gu's punch made no impact on the universal armor. He had assumed that his punch would either be blocked by Lu Yin's Fatesand or send this person flying. However, no one, including him, expected that the attack would do absolutely nothing to Lu Yin. Lu Yin then calmly raised the gun and pointed it at Nightking Gu's heart.

Bang!

Planet Pyrolyte fell silent, and everyone stared blankly at Lu Yin and Nightking Gu. In the area around the Nightking's heart, fresh blood poured out in copious amounts.

Countless people were stunned.

Long Yun narrowed his eyes, and he stared at the scene with overwhelmed emotions.

Lu Yin spun the gun and pointed it at Nightking Gu's forehead. Just as he was about to pull the trigger for a second time, Nightking Gu's body twisted as he sped away, large amounts of blood falling to the ground behind him.

Lu Yin did not fire and only silently watched the man leave.

No one knew what was going on, as one gunshot had pierced through Nightking Gu's heart. This gun possessed an extraordinary power.

Could a gun be so powerful? After all, Lu Yin's opponent had been Nightking Gu, a super powerhouse who could use the Nightking's Body.

If this gun was pointed at Planet Pyrolyte, then it could definitely pierce through the entire sphere.

Lu Yin was currently rejoicing that he had purchased this gun, as each attack had a power level of roughly 80,000. Nightking Gu was strong, and he certainly surpassed the average Cruiser. However, an attack with a power level of 80,000 launched at close-range in an unprepared situation was definitely enough to severely injure him. If he had not quickly escaped, then the second shot would have caused his head to explode.

Wendy Yushan stared at Lu Yin as if he was incomprehensible. It turned out that he actually still had such a powerful trump card up his sleeves. In these few years, what exactly have you gone through?

Nightqueen Qiuyu found the scene to be unbelievable, as someone had actually relied on a foreign object to severely injure a Daynight expert. They were the Daynight clan! They had unlimited resources. Before Nightking Gu had gone down to Planet Pyrolyte, Nightqueen Qiuyu had offered him some external aides, but the youth had declined. She had not insisted, but the final outcome was so ironic.

A Limiteer was able to severely injure the fifteenth ranked expert of the younger generation, and an item powerful enough to cause this much damage was rare even within the entire universe. How had this kid gotten one? Was it the Sea King once again? Perhaps that powerhouse had given Lu Yin Fatesand as well as many other objects that could preserve his life.

At the base of the mountain range, Nightking Gu covered the area around his heart as his skeletal-like body withered even further. He stopped at a distance and looked at Lu Yin with caution in his eyes.

Lu Yin was astonished, as that shot had actually pierced through the Nightking's heart, but the man had still managed to survive somehow. Lu Yin's eyes filled with star energy, and he was able to see that Nightking Gu's rune lines had been reduced by a great deal. The man had truly been severely injured, but it was unfortunate that his heart had not been destroyed, as that mighty shot had only brushed past his heart.

As he thought about it, Lu Yin raised the gun and aimed it at Long Yun.

Long Yun felt his scalp tingle, and he instantly backed a thousand meters away as he vigilantly observed Lu Yin.

Lu Yin did not fire, as these experts were now prepared, which meant that a bullet with a power level of 80,000 might no longer cause them much of an injury, or they might even be able to evade the attack entirely.

He paused, turned the gun around, and aimed it at Nightking Gu again.

Nightking Gu appeared fearful, and he quickly retreated just like Long Yun. Not only did he retreat, but he even began considering escaping since he had been severely injured, and he would be in trouble if he did not leave. However, he was also afraid Lu Yin would fire at him, so he did not want to show his back to Lu Yin. Fortunately, at that moment, he saw the spacecraft that had crashed at the same time as his, though the person inside had never appeared, which was probably because they were too terrified.

Nightking Gu kept his eyes on Lu Yin as he backed away step by step until he was in front of the spacecraft. He then tried to pry open the hatch with one hand so that he could use the vessel to escape into outer space.

Lu Yin kept the muzzle of the gun trained on Nightking Gu the entire time. Even though he had no intention of firing the weapon since the attack would not be powerful enough to kill him, the Nightking still kept a cautious eye on Lu Yin. Once he managed to force the hatch open, he threw the occupant at Lu Yin like a rock without even looking at who it was.

Lu Yin moved a few meters to the side when he saw the body flying towards him, but he also kept his eyes on Nightking Gu.

Nightking Gu had already taken the spacecraft over and was speeding back into outer space.

Lu Yin relaxed, as the strongest enemy had left, and Long Yun was not Wendy Yushan's opponent alone.

Above the planet, the majority were watching Lu Yin and Long Yun. Only the Ross Empire, Blaze Realm, and Dire Barbarian Clan were staring at Sleeping Prince whom Nightking Gu had just thrown out of the spacecraft, and Huo Houye was furious that this scoundrel was still sleeping at this moment. "Is that guy actually useful?"

Scholar Newmoon also felt helpless, but he did not know how to reply to the man.

### **Chapter 525: The Power Of The Secret Technique**

Lei Long commented in a deep voice, "The star essence skin that we made for him was quite impressive. It required even more resources than the one Kayze received. He should at least rival the top thirty in the Top 100 Rankings."

Scholar Newmoon added on, "Not just that, but his technique is not ordinary. His power level may rival the top thirty, but if his opponent is unprepared and he manages to take the initiative, then even that Nightking expert would not be his opponent."

Lei Long and Huo Houye were astonished. "What exactly is his technique?"

“The Dream Sutra,” Scholar Newmoon calmly replied.

Huo Houye and Lei Long were lost, as they had not heard of such a technique before.

Scholar Newmoon did not explain any further, and he merely continued to stare at the screen. He had only seen this technique being mentioned in ancient writings, and even he was not very clear on the details of the technique, but if it was truly that ancient technique, then Sleeping Prince’s power definitely was not as simple as it seemed to be. Even if it wasn’t, since that person’s true power could rival the top thirty, then why did he always occupy the hundredth position? Was it truly as was rumored? Did he really like the number hundred that much?

On Planet Pyrolyte, Long Yun saw that Nightking Gu had left, and he took his leave as well since he couldn’t even beat Wendy Yushan by himself.

Lu Yin stored his gun away and released an exhausted sigh. The most difficult hurdle had just been overcome, and it would take the organizations at least half a month to manufacture another star essence skin. By that time, the pyrolyte ore beneath the mountain range would be almost completely depleted.

As he looked towards the south, Lu Yin was still afraid that Mira might try to seize this opportunity to act, but it seemed that she had restrained herself.

He also stored his universal armor away and began returning to the mountain range. Suddenly, he felt tired and beaten. Was this exhaustion? His eyelids drooped, and his body swayed. He almost fell asleep when he suddenly felt that something was amiss, and his scalp tingled. He then saw a huge number of rune lines converging to his left.

He turned around and saw Sleeping Prince. At this time, Sleeping Prince’s eyes had finally opened, and he was lazily looking at Lu Yin. There was a smile in his eyes, but an invisible attack with an indescribable killing intent moved through the void and enveloped Lu Yin. This strange killing intent was very similar to what Lu Yin felt during his lockbreaking attempts, and though Lu Yin wanted to use Secret Sidestep technique to avoid this attack, he was too sleepy. His body could not respond as his mind wished. It was difficult for him to even move slightly, and he really wanted to do nothing more than sleep.

It seemed like the sky had gone dark, and even though Lu Yin could not see where the danger was coming from, he could see a countless number of rune lines approaching him, and the danger that he felt from them was more than enough to destroy him. This was Sleeping Prince’s attack.

At this moment, no one was able to save Lu Yin because nobody knew that he would be attacked out of the blue. Lu Yin did not have the strength to resist this attack, and he didn’t even have a chance to don his universal armor.

Countless rune lines approached him. Lu Yin had given up just as they were about to descend upon him, but at that moment, he heard Wendy Yushan’s voice. “Yu Secret Art: Void Transfer.”

Off in the distance, the ground was covered by an invisible attack that did not seem destructive, but all of the creatures underground had instantly died.

Still in his same position, Lu Yin had not been harmed at all.

Sleeping Prince's expression changed abruptly, and he turned to the west to see Wendy Yushan staring at him with cold eyes. He thought that he had heard an outstanding attack. Yu Secret Art? Void Transfer? Is that a secret technique?

Not only was Sleeping Prince startled, but in the emptiness of space above the planet, Elder Ren was also shocked as he stared at Wendy Yushan. "That's a secret technique! That little girl just used a secret technique."

Hai Dashao was astonished. "Secret technique? Why would she have one?"

Nightqueen Qiuyu was blown away yet again; she had been stunned too many times this day. However, even all of the previous shocks combined did not add up to what she was currently feeling after personally seeing Sleeping Prince's attack be transferred to another place. Only a secret technique could achieve such a feat, and this girl had actually comprehended one.

Elder Viletree, Wen Qichen, Lei Long, Scholar Newmoon, Huo Houye, and the other Enlighters all appeared outside of their spacecraft one after another as they solemnly stared at Wendy Yushan. A secret technique was much more precious than Fatesand, to the point where it was not even on the same level. Fatesand could be obtained through destined opportunities while a secret technique was different.

Each and every secret technique had been created by a Progenitor, so they were all passed down almost singly through a given bloodline. Even so, the majority of them would disappear since these secret techniques were too difficult to cultivate. Even within the Inniverse's various great powers, only a select few possessed secret techniques, and there was even a possibility that there were no secret techniques at all. After all, not one of the great powers had ever revealed such a thing before. But now, they had all just seen an Outerverse girl wield a secret technique. She was somehow linked to a Progenitor.

Each Enlighter's expression changed, as the appearance of a secret technique made even the pyrolyte pale in comparison. Each of them was contemplating how they could get their hands on this girl.

The Myriad Swords Peak had also sent people to Planet Pyrolyte, but they hadn't sent any Enlighters. At this moment, the top expert from Myriad Swords Peak was actually heading towards the Northcastle Weave in order to use the network to contact the sect. It had just been revealed that their female senior disciple actually possessed a secret technique. This news was too startling, and their sect's super powerhouse had to be brought over.

However, the Myriad Swords Peak expert couldn't even leave the Astral Wilderness before they were obstructed. The various great powers would not let Wendy Yushan off, so they naturally could not allow the Myriad Swords Peak to intervene.

On Planet Pyrolyte, Lu Yin's heart sank. He was thrilled that he hadn't died, but he was also regretful that the secret technique had been revealed.

Sleeping Prince stared at Wendy Yushan. "Was that a secret technique?"

Wendy Yushan raised her sword and did not bother speaking nonsense. She sliced her sword at Sleeping Prince, but he only needed to casually wave his hand and cause a formless air wave to surge over.

However, that was not enough to block the sword qi, and his arm still ended up being cut. Across from him, the blast of air streaked past Wendy Yushan, and just by passing by her, it caused her to sway and almost fell asleep, as the strength that it carried was too peculiar.

Sleeping Prince looked at the wound on his arm. He had a serene expression even as he stood there, injured. His body released a strange strength that was able to cause others to fall asleep.

Lu Yin looked at the Explorer. Although he could not sense the man's strength, he could see that his rune lines were increasing in number. He could not stop himself from blurting out, "Stop him!"

Wendy Yushan suddenly appeared in front of Sleeping Prince as her left hand flitted by him. "Yu Secret Art: Void Transfer."

As her left hand moved, she stabbed out with her blade. The strength that Sleeping Prince had unleashed was redirected elsewhere as he was stabbed by Wendy Yushan's blade in the shoulder, fresh blood dripping down the blade.

Sleeping Prince's face went pale, and he looked closely at Wendy Yushan. "A secret technique lives up to its reputation, and it can divert even my strength. I admit defeat, but unfortunately, you've just become everyone's target."

Sleeping Prince pulled back and then leaped up to return to outer space.

Wendy Yushan lowered her blade while fresh blood dripped down off of it. Her sword had tasted the blood of quite a few experts this day.

After Sleeping Prince left, Lu Yin regained his energy, and he walked over to Wendy Yushan.

She looked up. "The secret technique is very powerful, isn't it?"

Lu Yin nodded. "It lives up to its name. With it, you can even challenge the top fifteen experts."

She put her sword away. "Yes, that's why such techniques are invaluable. Lu Yin, do you think that we can safely escape?"

Lu Yin knew what she meant, as she had become the main focus of all the gathered organizations after revealing the secret technique.

"We'll try," Lu Yin responded seriously. By this point, many powerhouses were focused on them above the planet, and there were at least ten Enlighters here. Escape? They did not know if the Sea King's forces would help them, but even if they did not, Lu Yin could invite Mister Mu.

"Do you regret it?" Lu Yin could not help himself from asking.

Wendy Yushan shook her head. "You're my only kin. I don't regret saving you."

"Rest assured, I'll do my best to get you out of here safely," Lu Yin assured her.

Wendy Yushan looked at him and nodded, but she did not reply.

The various Enlighters above the planet exchanged glances, but they did not speak. However, they rapidly moved closer to Planet Pyrolyte, as they were thinking of methods to grab Wendy Yushan right then and there.

At this moment, Elder Ren appeared, and a terrifying shockwave representing his power level of several hundred thousands rippled out, making the other Enlighters feel frightened.

“Everyone, the Sea King’s Dome has promised to protect Frostwave Weave, and this girl belongs to that place as well. I hope that everyone will show some respect to the Sea King and not touch her,” Elder Ren said as his aged eyes swept across everyone gathered.

Nightqueen Qiuyu was the first to back off, and Viletree, Wen Qichen, and the others consecutively retreated soon after. Before long, all of the Enlighters had moved back without anyone saying anything.

Hai Dashao’s heart sank upon seeing this scene. “They won’t give up, and they’ll definitely invite their sect’s powerhouses to come here.”

Elder Ren nodded. “That’s true, but it won’t be that easy.”

After the old man finished speaking, a layer of ripples spread out from beneath him. It spread out further and further until the entire region around Planet Pyrolyte had been sealed off.

He would not allow the various major forces’ powerhouses to leave, at least not for the time being.

The Enlighters did not show themselves, as there was no point in saying anything at this time. They were currently racking their brains for a way to leave and report to their respective powers, as Wendy Yushan’s value now surpassed the value of all of the pyrolyte ore on the planet. Elder Ren could stop them for now, but he would no longer be able to once the pyrolyte ore had been completely harvested. At that time, he would no longer be able to obstruct them. As for whether or not they could get a hold of Wendy Yushan, that all depended on the baseline strength of the various powers.

Wendy Yushan had displayed a secret technique, and Lu Yin had shown that he had the strength to severely injure Nightking Gu as well as repel Long Yun. When the two youths worked together, as long as Avery was held back by Hai Dashao, the curtains would close on the contest for pyrolyte ore on this planet. No one would be able to seize control of the mountain range from those two.

Many smaller powers had finished their activities on Planet Pyrolyte a long time ago. They wanted to leave, but all of them were restrained by Elder Ren.

After a full month went by, the last of the pyrolyte ore beneath the mountain range was finally mined out, and the leaders of the various organizations relaxed and looked at Elder Ren.

Elder Ren had already told them in no uncertain terms that all of them would have to wait for Northline Flowzone to finish mining the pyrolyte ore, and that only then would he remove the seal around Planet Pyrolyte. At that moment, Lu Yin, Wendy Yushan, and Hai Qiqi would be the first to leave.

This was all being done to protect Lu Yin and the others. It would prevent them from being ambushed by a powerhouse along their journey, but it would only work for a short while.

Lu Yin’s face turned solemn when he looked at his cosmic ring. He surveyed the region, but he knew that not even the Sea King himself would be able to protect Wendy Yushan. Lu Yin could only invite Mister

Mu to help. Though he couldn't do that here; it would have to wait until they were back on Zenyu Star. That would allow Mister Mu to become a legend on Zenyu Star, which would make the other great powers a bit apprehensive.

The most important thing to do right now was to return to Zenyu Star.

After all of the pyrolyte ore was mined out, the star essence skins became useless. Also, the various powerhouses were finally able to make a move against Planet Pyrolyte. They eliminated the atmosphere of the planet and exposed the entire planet to the vacuum of space, completely changing the environment.

The collapse of Planet Pyrolyte then began.

Lu Yin retrieved his collapsible spacecraft, which just so happened to be able to hold three people.

Beneath him, the ground began to rupture. The Limiteers who had been fighting against each other on Planet Pyrolyte all either moved to return to their spacecraft or donned a universal armor. They were no longer protected by the atmosphere of Planet Pyrolyte, so their entire bodies were essentially about to be exposed to the emptiness of outer space.

### **Chapter 526: Making A Fortune**

At this time, the Explorers who had been sent down to Planet Pyrolyte finally relaxed. Their advantage could only be displayed when they were physically in outer space. What use was an unequaled Limiteer if they were unable to freely roam the universe? However, when the Explorers thought of how Lu Yin had put on his universal armor and then severely injured Nightking Gu, their psychological superiority instantly vanished. They wished for Lu Yin's universal armor to be destroyed so that he would die in space.

They could not be blamed for being so malicious, as Lu Yin had indeed committed many nauseating actions in just one month. The most devastating blow to the Explorers had been when he seized their star essence skins. Beside the two skins that he had given to Wendy Yushan, he had also seized another eleven star essence skins. Given his personal power, the universal armor, and that chill-inducing gun, there had been no skin that he could not snatch.

Of the eleven skins, he had sold five and saved six.

The five skins had sold for 5,000 star essence in total, and although it wasn't much, Lu Yin hadn't been left with any other choice. The Explorers had all been from weaker forces, and there hadn't been a single one of them who was equal to an expert in the top eighty of the Top 100 Rankings. The six skins that Lu Yin had saved were of the same quality as well.

Beneath the various people leaving the planet, the ground ruptured. Hai Qiqi had already entered the spacecraft, and Wendy Yushan passed Lu Yin the two star essence skins that he had given her as she also went to sit in the vessel.

Lu Yin remained there, waiting for Hai Dashao, as he knew that Hai Dashao would want to speak with him.

Soon, the void tore open in front of him, revealing Hai Dashao.



When he saw Hai Dashao, Lu Yin felt a reflexive disgust, as no one enjoyed being used. This time, he had been thoroughly exploited by the Sea King's Dome.

Hai Dashao was not unprepared for Lu Yin's attitude. "Your betrothal gift is pretty decent."

Lu Yin's eyes narrowed.

"Relax, the Sea King's Dome will keep its promise. From this day forth, Frostwave Weave will be under the Sea King's Dome's protection and will become a part of it," Hai Dashao stated proudly.

"Was that enough pyrolyte?" Lu Yin asked.

Hai Dashao smiled. "That's not for you to worry about. You've already done what you can, so you don't need to think about what's left. Hurry up and become an Explorer. Father really admires you."

Lu Yin stayed silent.

Hai Dashao's lips bent upwards. "Are you that offended by this matter?"

Lu Yin mockingly replied, "Do you enjoy being exploited?"

Hai Dashao shook his head. "I don't know how to explain things to other people, and you aren't qualified for me to even try. I just have one sentence for you: there will come the day when you understand how wise your actions this day are."

Hai Dashao then looked at the spacecraft and saw Wendy Yushan. "What's your relationship with her?"

Lu Yin grew vigilant. "It's none of your business."

Hai Dashao exclaimed, "Few people in the universe have access to a secret technique, and that's something that even I don't have. It would seem that her background isn't simple. I can have Elder Ren send her to the Sea King's Dome and have Father protect her there."

"There's no need. We will handle our own business." Lu Yin felt disgusted, as the attitude of the Sea King's Dome was too arrogant. Even after exploiting him, they gave off the feeling that they expected him to be proud of the matter. This caused Lu Yin to instinctively oppose them, and he really wanted to punch Hai Dashao in the face.

Compared to Hai Qiqi, Hai Dashao was too haughty, even more so than the Sea King himself.

Hai Dashao withdrew his gaze, and he looked at Lu Yin. "Do you know what a secret technique represents? She's already become the focus of many organizations. Even our Sea King's Dome promise might not necessarily be able to completely protect her. For her own good, let her return to the Sea King's Dome with."

"I will not go to the Sea King's Dome," Wendy Yushan's voice sounded from the vessel.

Hai Dashao frowned.

From within the spacecraft, Hai Qiqi shouted at Hai Dashao, "Brother, you're too stupid! How could picking someone up be that easy? You should smile and invite her cordially to the Sea King's Dome as guests and then protect them in the process. Stupid!"

Hai Dashao and Wendy Yushan exchanged glances. "The promise of my Sea King's Dome can temporarily provide peace, but no one can predict what will happen next. Take care of yourselves, and my promise to you will still be valid in the future." He then passed his contact details over to Wendy Yushan.

Hai Dashao fancied Wendy Yushan. This was something that Lu Yin and even Hai Qiqi could plainly see.

Lu Yin didn't like it. "If there's nothing else, then you can leave now."

Hai Dashao glanced at Lu Yin once more before leaving through the void.

After Hai Dashao left, the next person to appear was Lily Anne. It could be said that during her first meeting with Lu Yin, she had already made plans concerning Frostwave Weave. Even back then, she had accurately ascertained the importance of Frostwave Weave in Lu Yin's heart. This woman had incredible foresight.

"Brother Lu, Granny Chan has asked me to represent Northline Flowzone and thank Brother Lu for his help. No matter how much pyrolyte we ultimately obtained this time, Northline Flowzone will not forget the kindness shown to us by Brother Lu," Lily Anne said solemnly.

Lu Yin nodded. "If you really want to thank me, then take these off of my hands as well." He then pulled out the remaining eight star essence skins. "I'll sell them all to you for a flat 5,000 star essence."

This was a fair price. Although the star essence skins were now useless, the amount of raw star essence that they contained was not only 5,000.

Lily Anne seemed to already have made preparations for this as she immediately pulled out 5,000 star essence from her cosmic ring, but then she brought out another 3,000. "A total of 8,000. We can't allow Brother Lu to take a loss."

Lu Yin's eyes lit up. He knew that all this star essence was quite a large sum to Northline Flowzone, but not excessive. However, for him, this was an unprecedented sum. Even when he had used the Sea King's token at the Sea King's Dome for an all-expense-paid shopping spree, the total had only amounted to about 15,000 star essence. But now, his cosmic ring already held more than 17,000 star essence.

He felt moved, and he even felt that he was too rich now.

Storing over 10,000 star essence in his cosmic ring took up a great amount of space. Fortunately, the cosmic ring that Northgate Lie had given him before was still enough. However, as he became richer, the size of that cosmic ring might not necessarily be enough for him. Others could store their wealth in their cards, but he could not since he needed his star crystals and star essence to be available at any time.

What a headache.

Lily Anne left after promising Lu Yin that Northline Flowzone would do all it could to help Frostwave Weave's economy recover. Also, the youths of Northline Flowzone would recognize Lu Yin's position under the Ten Arbiters Council and acknowledge that he had the authority to judge and supervise the younger generation. This meant that Lu Yin's position was now above Northgate Lie's in Northline Flowzone.

Lu Yin grimaced, as there was no point to such things. As soon as he returned to Zenyu Star, all of the different organizations would start moving, and they would send out their old folks to capture Wendy Yushan. He would have to ask Mister Mu for help. At that time, not only Wendy Yushan, but he himself would be forced to leave and make a clean break with the Great Yu Empire as well as the Sea King's Dome. The two of them would join Leon's Armada in the Cosmic Sea, and Lu Yin might just become a glorious pirate after all.

However, before any of that took place, he wanted to take a trip to Shenwu Continent so that he could settle his affairs there and help Ming Yan. That was another headache, but it was nothing too difficult to resolve. The strongest person on Shenwu Continent was a Hunter, and with Lu Yin's current abilities, he could preserve his life and escape from a Hunter.

The main thing that he had to consider was his timing. He had to take Ming Yan away before the various great powers arrived at Zenyu Star for the secret technique and also before breaking away from the Sea King's Dome. Then, he could head towards the Cosmic Sea with Mister Mu's help, where he would be safe.

The only issue was that Lu Yin didn't know how strong Mister Mu was. If even Mister Mu couldn't help him against the coming various forces, then Lu Yin would have no choice but to send Wendy to the Sea King's Dome.

Unfortunately, it would be difficult for him to return to Earth, which had been the most peaceful time in his past, and it had also become his self-acknowledged home.

Lu Yin had almost forgotten that Wendy Yushan's secret technique was something that was extremely appealing to the Sword Sect, the Daynight clan, and all the other powers. However, it was important to note that it was the technique itself that was important, for Elder Viletree and Nightqueen Qiuyu at the very least had not recognized it as the Yu Secret Art. It was different for the Yōu Court or the Neohuman Alliance, as they would definitely recognize the secret technique.

In space, Yōu Ye'er flew by the three people in her spacecraft and gave Wendy a strange look. "I never thought that the Yu Secret Art would appear again, and in a fringe weave at that. Yu family, you won't be able to escape."

In the darkness, a pair of non-human eyes were similarly fixed upon Wendy Yushan.

Days later, Lu Yin managed to get Hai Qiqi and Wendy Yushan back to Zenyu Star. Hai Qiqi seemed reluctant since she still wanted to go out and play, but she did not kick up a fuss. She knew of the secret technique's existence, and she was well aware that Lu Yin and Wendy Yushan were about to be placed in a difficult situation.

The various great powers were still sealed next to Planet Pyrolyte and were unable to send out any information. As soon as the seal was removed, there would be a storm waiting for Lu Yin and Wendy Yushan.

Wendy Yushan had originally wanted to head to the Innerverses's Myriad Swords Peak, but she was stopped by Lu Yin. The Myriad Swords Peak also would not let the Yu Secret Art go, and no one there would be able to protect her. The only possible place where they would be safe was the Cosmic Sea, since his family, Big Sis, and Uncle Reuben were all there.

After giving some instructions to Huo Qingshan and the others, Lu Yin reached out to Barley at East San Dios, as he had once asked Barley to focus on the situation at Shenwu Continent.

At first, Lu Yin had intended to head straight to Shenwu Continent after handling matters on Zenyu Star and coming up with a way to take Ming Yan away. However, after speaking to Barley, he had learned a bit of bad news. When Shenwu Continent's interior had fractured, Reverent King Ming Zhaoshu had allied with outside forces, and many powers from the universe had stationed their powerhouses outside of Shenwu Continent. Aside from the people from those organizations, no one else was allowed to enter, and the Daynight clan was one of those powers.

Lu Yin's heart fell, as he had not considered this possibility when he should have. The Daynight clan behaved tyrannically, and the other great powers in the Inniverse acted similarly. If Ming Zhaoshu was willing to cooperate with them, then they naturally would not allow anybody else to dip their hands into this opportunity, so they would have sealed off Shenwu Continent.

It would be temporarily too difficult for him to enter Shenwu Continent, and even if he managed to do so, leaving that place was entirely dependent on the Daynight clan and the other forces guarding that place. It was possible that, after the various forces left Planet Pyrolyte, that the Sea King's protection would be enough and that nothing would happen to Lu Yin, but Wendy Yushan did not enjoy the same protection as him. Also, the Sea King's promise was less significant than a secret technique.

Lu Yin locked himself in King Zishan's residence and pondered things over for a good day. At the end, he finally decided to not head to Shenwu Continent for the time being. Aside from Ming Zhaoshu, no one else was aware of his relationship with Ming Yan, which meant that no one would be able to use it against him either. Ming Zhaoshu also would not casually use Ming Yan as a bargaining chip, so she should be safe for the time being. All Lu Yin could do at the moment was stay on Zenyu Star and wait for events to unfold. Besides, even if he wanted to bring Ming Yan out from Shenwu Continent, she might not agree to it.

If the various great powers had a falling out with the Sea King's Dome because of the secret technique, then Lu Yin's only option would be to ask Mister Mu for help.

A few more days passed, and after Northline Flowzone finished refining the pyrolyte ore, Elder Ren released the seal over Planet Pyrolyte. At the first opportunity, many spacecraft flew out.

Elder Ren calmly watched the scene.

## **Chapter 527: Ringleader**

"Elder--"

Hai Dashao wanted to say something, but Elder Ren interrupted him, slowly saying, "The Sea King's Dome can make them momentarily apprehensive, but not for very long. During this bit of time, they will definitely scout out about that little cutey and start sending their forces out. As soon as they become unable to resist the allure of the secret technique, they'll take action."

"Won't she be in great danger at that time?" Hai Dashao could not help asking.

Elder Ren glanced at the youth. "Do you really like her?"

Hai Dashao nodded and proudly replied, "I want to marry her."

Elder Ren smiled slightly. "That's right. With the secret technique, she is indeed qualified to marry into the Sea King's Dome. Very well, I'll let the Sea King know. If possible, he should make a trip over for his future daughter-in-law and son-in-law. Hopefully, those old folks have actually died, or else the universe will be thrown into chaos. It's possible that even the Neoverse won't be able to resist acting this time."

They did not know that the Neoverse had already taken action long ago, but they had gotten lost while being led around in circles in the Cosmic Sea by Leon's Armada.

After the seal around Planet Pyrolyte was removed, the various great powers quickly escorted their pyrolyte back to the Inniverse while constantly on guard against each other.

However, the Daynight clan, Sword Sect, Wen family, and other forces at a similar power were not too worried since no one dared to steal from them. It was instead the smaller forces who were robbed soon after they left the Astral Wilderness.

When the events at Planet Pyrolyte first started, there had been many people who had offered exorbitant prices to purchase pyrolyte. There was no shortage of criminals in the universe, and there were also powers such as Grandtop Weave and Lars Weave that coveted pyrolyte. Thus, it was actually very normal for the smaller forces to be ambushed.

However, when the Wen family's pyrolyte was also stolen, things grew strange.

Nightqueen Qiuyu set down her gadget with a solemn expression. Who would be so bold as to actually rob the Wen family? Wen Qichen was no pushover, so they could have only been robbed by an Enlighter whose power level had reached 250,000 at the minimum, and that was also discounting the destructive power of the pyrolyte that they were carrying. The Wen family had obtained quite a bit of pyrolyte, and that in and of itself served as a deterrence. If Wen Qichen got the chance, then he definitely would have ignited their pyrolyte.

But surprisingly enough, their pyrolyte had been stolen, which could mean only one thing: Wen Qichen had not even gotten an opportunity to ignite their pyrolyte, which meant that the thief was someone with a power level that far surpassed 200,000.

"Faster!" Nightqueen Qiuyu immediately ordered the crew.

However, not long after she gave the order, the entire spacecraft—no, the entire region of space froze. Nightqueen Qiuyu's expression changed, as only a super powerhouse had the strength to freeze such a large region of space.

Not a minute later, the spacecraft returned to normal once again. Nightqueen Qiuyu hurriedly tore through the void, moving towards where they had stashed their pyrolyte, but she was only greeted with empty space. The pyrolyte was missing.

The next to be robbed after the Daynight clan was the Sword Sect. Even with an Enlighter like Elder Viletree, the Sword Sect's pyrolyte was still stolen.

Then, an even more astounding event occurred: Elder Ren from the Sea King's Dome was severely injured, and Northline Flowzone's pyrolyte was taken just like everyone else's.

Once news of this broke out, it shocked both the Innerverse and the Outerverse. Elder Ren was an old freak with a power level in the several hundred thousands. If even he had ended up severely injured, then the culprit had to be a terrifying powerhouse with a power level above 400,000 or even 500,000.

The various major powers had spent countless resources to obtain this pyrolyte, not to mention losing the lives of many of their disciples. And yet, despite all their efforts, everything had been stolen away at the last moment, and it thoroughly infuriated them all.

In the Daynight clan's ancestral grounds, the earth ruptured, and a pair of eyes opened wide. They then peered through the void to see something an endless distance away. In that instance, the disciples in the area all felt their scalps go numb, and any gadget that was able to evaluate power levels exploded, even numerous Hunters' gadgets. This happened because the devices had detected the power level of a frightening figure.

There was a pub in the Sword Sect that many swordsmen loved drinking at since many sword techniques were comprehended while drunk. At this moment, in the pub, an elder stood up after polishing off several dozen jars. He rubbed his drowsy eyes and sighed. He then grabbed a wine jar and vanished.

In the Wen family, the clear sounds of people reading aloud reverberated through the sky while students carried their scrolls around and tried to understand the contents. There was an elder with white hair who stood out in a rather eye-catching manner since he was sitting among the rest of the students. He had studied with this group for more than ten days, and during that time, their initial curiosity had gradually turned into sympathy before they had eventually stopped paying attention to the old man. They assumed that he was a scholar who had repeatedly failed the exams, but refused to give up and continued to study.

The elder suddenly set down his scroll, looked up, and then vanished.

This scene caused many of the students to be stunned, and some of them thought that their eyes had gone blurry.

Not long after, more news shocked the Outerverse and caused the Outerverse powers to grow nervous.

An old freak from the Daynight clan with a power level that surpassed 400,000 had moved out to investigate the matter of the stolen pyrolyte. The powerhouse had declared that whoever had perpetrated the crime would have their entire clan exterminated when they were discovered. This announcement vividly displayed the Daynight clan's tyranny.

Not only the Daynight clan, but the Sword Sect and Wen family had similarly sent out powerful old experts. Of the three experts, the Sword Sect's drunken elder first sought out Northgate Taisui from Northline Flowzone, as Northgate Taisui was indeed someone who could seize all of that pyrolyte without leaving a trace.

Northgate Taisui and the Sword Sect's drunken elder fought in Northline Flowzone until space itself was damaged, but no one knew what the outcome of the battle was.

Lu Yin barely cared about what happened in the other regions of the universe, as he was only concerned about Wendy Yushan. Over the past few days, she had received many messages from various powerful

organizations, and each one had offered astounding incentives as they invited Wendy Yushan to join them. Also, the Myriad Swords Peak had requested that she return to the sect.

These messages were just diplomatic maneuvers that served as a prelude to the impending violence. Even if these organizations were apprehensive of the Sea King's Dome and also of each other, Wendy Yushan might as well be another Planet Pyrolyte. She was like a luxurious dish that had been plated that was now merely waiting for the various powers to enjoy.

With the bright light of Wendy Yushan's importance, Lu Yin disappeared into the shadows of obscurity.

It was only messages for the moment, but Lu Yin believed that, before long, someone would personally come and visit Zenyu Star. At the moment, there were already many spacecraft gathered outside of Zenyu Star, but they made no attempt to signal their origin.

Hai Dashao had also contacted Wendy Yushan during these few days, but Wendy Yushan did not answer his calls, which delighted Lu Yin.

Over the period of a dozen days, the three old freaks did not manage to learn much, though Elder Ren was certain that the culprit was someone from the Neoverse.

Finally, Wen Sansi made an appearance and requested the aid of the Starsibyl Sect.

Starsibyl had once mentioned that Wen Sansi's reply to her question had convinced the Starsibyl to give him their support. When he had first heard about that, even if Lu Yin had known that the Starsibyl Sect's support was important, he had not clearly understood what that meant until this moment. Now, he learned what it was to receive that sect's support.

When they acted, they pointed directly at the Starfall Sea. More accurately, it was the Sea King.

When Hai Qiqi learned of this news, even her face changed.

Lu Yin also felt numb. Was this true? Could the Starsibyl Sect truly be this divine? Could they have calculated everything after people acted? Lu Yin did not believe in the powers of divination, but many others did, as well as the great powers of the universe.

Even if the Inverse and Outerverse were both said to be apprehensive of the Sea King's Dome, that was because they were worried that the Sea King would lean towards one side or the other, not because they were truly afraid of the Sea King. When discussing pure strength, no matter if one considered the Daynight clan, Sword Sect, or Wen family, not a single one of them was any weaker than the Sea King's Dome. If they came together, then even the Sea King would not be able to face them head on.

The moment the Starsibyl Sect revealed that the perpetrator was the Sea King's Dome, the three great powers united along with quite a few other powers from the Inverse and headed for the Starfall Sea. There were no less than ten old freaks who had power levels in the several hundred thousands, and even some Envoys went.

"I want to return! I want to look for Father." Hai Qiqi was anxious as she spoke to Lu Yin.

Lu Yin tried to comfort her, and he immediately contacted Hai Dashao.

“Was it really your Sea King's Dome that snatched the pyrolyte?” Lu Yin asked.

Hai Dashao did not reply.

Hai Qiqi grew uneasy. “Brother, answer him.”

Hai Dashao softly replied, “Take care of Qiqi, and don’t let her get injured. This matter is none of your business.”

Lu Yin did not understand why the Sea King needed pyrolyte. After all, it was just a deterrent to the various great powers, and it wasn’t even enough to threaten the powerhouses whose power levels were in the hundreds of thousands. This was also the reason why the various powers had not sent their old freaks to Planet Pyrolyte. If there was a substance that could truly threaten them, then they would have personally moved out long ago, and Limiteers would have never taken the stage.

But it was extremely strange that the Sea King would want so much pyrolyte, and it was inconceivable that he would risk the wrath of the other organizations for such a thing.

“Brother, I want to return to the Sea King's Dome! I want to look for Father!” Qiqi shouted.

Hai Dashao stubbornly rebutted, “You don’t need to come back. There’s no one who would dare to wage war on my Sea King's Dome. Relax, even if all of the Inniverse powers unite, they still can’t defeat the Sea King's Dome within the Starfall Sea.”

And with that, Hai Dashao ended the call.

Hai Qiqi still wanted to return to the Starfall Sea, but Lu Yin restrained her. “Even with your collapsible spacecraft’s speed, it would still take you a long time to return to the Starfall Sea. By then, everything will already have been sorted out. Your brother is right. The various great powers won’t declare war on the Sea King's Dome just for pyrolyte. Also, don’t forget that, aside from the Sea King's Dome, the Starfall Sea still has Grayweed Continent and the other planets, each with an old freak with a power level in the several hundred thousands. Together, they can’t be touched by those Inniverse powers.”

Hai Qiqi’s body trembled. Then, she slowly knelt down and buried her head in her arms. At this time, she finally understood Lu Yin’s earlier feelings, and she thought of what he had once said to her. If the Sea King's Dome faced a war, then what would she do? Who would have thought such a day would come for her so fast.

The Sea King’s daughter was unpredictable, but she wasn’t foolish. She understood that pyrolyte wasn’t very important to the various Inniverse powers and also that they valued their reputation more. This time, the Sea King had practically slapped all of those forces across the face, which was something that neither the Sword Sect nor the Daynight clan could tolerate. A war was about to break out.

More importantly, Hai Qiqi had a vague feeling that her father was hiding something from her, which was the true source of her unease. She started carefully thinking things through; why had her father so readily agreed to let her out? It must have been because he had been afraid that she might be implicated. All of his arrangements had been made long ago.

“Lu Yin, can we go to the Sea King's Dome?” Hai Qiqi looked up pleadingly at Lu Yin.



Lu Yin had never seen her in such a state, and she looked like a completely different person. He reached out and patted her head. "Don't worry. Nothing will happen to the Sea King's Dome. Have you forgotten about Elder Tong? Didn't you say that his strategies are unbeatable? With him around, everything will be easily taken care of."

Hai Qiqi buried her head back in her arms, completely miserable.

Lu Yin looked in the direction of the Starfall Sea. Sea King, just what are you trying to do?

Outside the Starfall Sea, an unprecedented scene was taking place. Countless experts were gathering at that place, and even Envoy-level powerhouses flitted about. Their mere presence caused the Starfall Sea's entrance to shudder and the seaweed to break apart. Everyone stayed low as they looked up at the countless powerhouses littering the sky.

The Sword Sect and Daynight experts led the way, aggressively charging into the Starfall Sea.

It was possible that they had been waiting a long time for this moment, and the gathered organizations had all united for a variety of motivations. They were dealing with the Starfall Sea because of the pyrolyte, but that wasn't all.

The Inniverse would not permit the existence of a power that was completely outside of their structure, so the Starfall Sea had no allies.

Countless people were observing this battle, and many watched on with worry, as no one knew what the outcome would be. Wen Sansi now regretted requesting the Starsibyl Sect to look into the matter, as he had never imagined that his request would create trouble on such a large scale.

### **Chapter 528: Upper Three Gates**

Things had recently become very busy in the Starfall Sea. First, Pirate King Highsage Leon had come by and kicked up a fuss. And now, even more powerhouses had come. However, for the residents of the Sea King's Dome, this all meant nothing because the Sea King wasn't even at the Sea King's Dome. He resided somewhere nearby in the Starfall Sea, beneath the waterfall whose top was rumored to be impossible to even see.

There were rumors that the source of all the water within the Starfall Sea was precisely this gigantic waterfall that no one could climb. The theory also went that the Starfall Sea ended at another fountain, whose end could not be seen either. The Starfall Sea was essentially a small, concave region along a huge river. There was a start and end for sure, but nobody knew where they lay.

As the water fell, there were riptides that would break off, and each one carried the power to destroy anything and everything in its path, including planets. Similarly, there were many strange things that appeared within the Starfall Sea. Nobody knew where such things came from, but the appearance of these oddities caused a lot of people to search the sea for them. This was one of the reasons why the Starfall Sea attracted so much attention from powerhouses from both the Outerverse and the Inniverse.

The Undying Manual had first shown up in the Starfall Sea, and there were many, many similar items that had shown up throughout the years.

The Sea King stood beneath the waterfall and was greeted by a group who appeared. "Stop. This is an order from the Hall of Honor. Nobody is to go close without permission."

The Sea King completely ignored the people there as he immediately leaped up and charged towards the top of the waterfall.

The people from the Hall of Honor were infuriated, and they all took action. There were twelve of them here, and each one of them was an Enlighter. Above everyone, there was a pair of eyes that opened, and they looked at the Sea King in shock. "Why are you forcing your way through, Sea King?"

The Sea King waved his hand, causing all twelve of the Enlighters to cough up blood and fall into the waterfall. The Sea King's Trident then appeared in his hands as he attacked.

"Have you forgotten your agreement with the Hall of Honor, Sea King? You are not to go near this place!" A middle-aged man walked out of the waterfall and blocked the path forward with both of his arms before charging at the Sea King.

The Sea King's eyes turned icy. "Move aside. You can't stop me!"

With a boom, a huge gap appeared in the waterfall. However, compared to the entire waterfall, this gap was just a tiny hole.

The Sea King, who possessed a power level of over 500,000, had attacked a powerhouse with a similar power level, but such a momentous collision had only created a tiny gap in the waterfall.

Soon, the middle-aged man coughed out blood, and he stumbled into the waterfall. He bellowed, "Are you going to betray this place, Sea King?"

The Sea King looked grim. "If the other choice is to keep living under this facade forever, then I'd rather die with honor. I don't care how my descendants remember me! You people from the Hall of Honor are way too conservative."

He shot forward like a fish, clearly intending to charge through the waterfall.

The middle-aged man hastily contacted the Hall of Honor. He had a feeling that something big was about to happen. Given the Sea King's personality, the man wouldn't take such actions unless he'd already made ample preparations.

"Quick! Get Arch-Elder Zen over here right away! The Sea King is about to open the Upper Three Gates!" he screamed into his gadget.

High in the sky, the Sea King moved faster and faster as he flew higher and higher. The look in his eyes became increasingly determined.

There were no records of the waterfall's height; however, this was the water source of the entire Starfall Sea, which had drowned out a portion of the universe. Even planets were nothing more than gravel in comparison to it.

The higher the Sea King climbed, the more powerful the current became. However, he could still endure the force.

Five minutes, ten minutes, twenty minutes... Even with his speed as an Envoy, the Sea King had still been flying for a long time with no change in sight. When he finally stopped, what he saw was still just a waterfall. The Sea King took a deep breath and clenched his trident tightly. With a mighty roar, he used his trident to tear through the cascade. Behind the waterfall, there was a gigantic stone gate.

The sheer size of this stone gate was indescribable. The moment it appeared, the entire Starfall Sea jolted. Everyone glanced in the direction of the waterfall, feeling like their very souls were trembling.

Meanwhile, within the Starfall Sea, two elders froze at the same time and glanced at each other in shock and confusion. One of them was from the Daynight clan while the other was from the Sword Sect. They were both Envoys whose power levels exceeded 500,000. They had initially planned on interrogating the Sea King, but at that moment, they suddenly froze in place.

They weren't the only ones. All of the powerhouses from the major powers of the Inniverse stopped moving. They all felt themselves instinctively tremble as a mighty pressure, as well as terror, swept over them. It was as if they'd encountered their natural predator.

Somewhere below the waterfall, the middle-aged man had a defeated look. "It's too late. Far too late."

In one small area of the Starfall Sea, the Sea King's eldest son looked sorrowful. "Farewell, Father."

Far above, on the waterfall, the Sea King panted as he looked at the gigantic stone wall in awe and despair. There were only a few people in the entire universe who knew what lay behind that gate. On this day, he was going to break through it.

The Sea King struck out with his trident and smashed it against the stone gate. However, the gate did not even budge.

The Sea King narrowed his eyes. This was what he had expected. With this in mind, he reverently took out a bag. It looked very ordinary, but then he pulled out a blood-stained cloak from the bag.

The moment the cloak appeared, the void seemed to tremble. Above the Sea King, countless cracks extended out as if space was unable to withstand the pressure of the stained cloak.

The Sea King had a look of ridicule in his eyes. "The facade clearly can't handle the power of my predecessors! Please help me, sir, and destroy this fake sky. Return the Fifth Mainland to what it once was." He then pulled out all of the pyrolyte he possessed, wrapped it within the cloak, and smashed it against the stone gate.

Within the Starfall Sea, an old man suddenly appeared. He only took one step, but that one step brought him next to the various powerhouses of the Inniverse. This included the two Envoys. When they saw the old man, their faces immediately revealed their shock as they both paled. On his third step, the old man arrived at the Sea King's Dome, but he merely glanced at it for a second. On his fourth step, he appeared high up in the waterfall.

He appeared just in time to see the stained cloak move towards the stone gate. He had intended to stop the Sea King, but he seemed to be afraid of something. Although he had an opportunity to do something, his moment of hesitation allowed the stained cloak to hit the gate.

In that moment, the heavens crashed down—literally. The heavens had cracked open. The Starfall Sea had cracked apart, and the same was true of the stone gate. Behind it was an old woman with a very stern face. As soon as she saw the cloak, her expression quickly changed. “Th-th- That’s!” But before she could even finish her sentence, the cloak brushed past her, and most of her body was destroyed. She had died that fast. Even while dead, there was a look of terror on her face.

Behind her stood a second stone gate. The stained cloak did not slow down, and it struck the second gate as well. When that gate cracked open, the same incident occurred. However, this time, it wasn’t only just the Starfall Sea that shook; the entire Chaos Flowzone and even the Astral River that divided the Innaverse and the Outerverse began trembling as space collapsed

Behind the second stone gate was another person. This time, it was an old man, and when he blinked, everything he saw disintegrated into nothingness. The Sea King felt a cold chill; this power was not something that he could face.

However, the old man’s aura of strength lasted for no more than a moment. The instant the old man saw the blood-stained cloak, his expression changed just like the old woman’s. “Pro- Progenitor Chen’s cloak! How dare you!”

The old man struck out, trying to stop the cloak in vain. At that moment, the pyrolyte inside the cloth exploded. The Sea King had personally moved to seize most of the pyrolyte mined from Planet Pyrolyte and all of it exploded at once. The cloak’s blood contaminated the explosion, raising its power to another level. Although the old man was very powerful, his strength still was not enough to stop such an explosive force. In terms of power levels, this explosion was well over a million.

The stained cloak was shredded by the power of the explosion as it then struck the third gate that lay behind the old man.

The old man roared, “Our ancestor gave you a way out of this from the kindness of his heart! How dare you trample upon it!”

The Sea King stared intently at the third gate behind the old man, all the while internally screaming, Open, open, open!

The old man turned around and also looked at the third gate.

Crack!

With a quiet sound, the cloak finally disintegrated due to the power of the pyrolyte explosion. The third gate opened, and though it was only the tiniest bit, the Sea King could sense an aura that was completely different from that of where he was currently standing. This aura changed the very nature of space.

The Sea King burst into laughter. “This is it! This is the true universe! This is the fifth! This is the fifth!!!”

The old man was enraged. “You’re looking to die!” He then aimed his hand at the Sea King.

The Sea King continues to laugh crazily. He had no plans to fight back anymore. The old man’s power was terrifying, and he was not somebody that the Sea King could compare to. Just as the old man’s

attack was about to land on the Sea King, the old man from the Starfall Sea pulled the Sea King backwards, raised his fist, and attacked.

The shocking attack blew the Sea King's mind as the old man raced back while dragging the Sea King along with him. "Arch-Elder Zen?"

Arch-Elder Zen appeared to be serious. In front of him, the old man protecting the stone gate lifted a hand once again. "Child, although we might have similar power levels, you will not be able to stop me that easily. You will die!"

The Sea King looked grim. "Please leave, Arch-Elder Zen. I'll stop him."

Arch-Elder Zen did not answer. Instead, he stared at a certain place. To be more precise, he stared behind the old man and through the third stone gate. His pupils shrank when he saw a finger—a pretty, jade-like finger—smash through the stone gate that had opened by a tiny crack. The finger was aimed right at the old man protecting the stone gate.

The old man felt a chill go down his spine, and he turned back, startled. "Who are you?"

The finger tapped the old man's head, and it nearly forced his head into his chest as he was smashed downwards. After that, the finger pulled back. Arch-Elder Zen and the Sea King stared on in shock. Through the destroyed gate, they could see an unfamiliar space and a pair of bright eyes. They were beautiful, but so, so arrogant.

The third gate had finally been destroyed, and the shockwaves spread out in all directions. At an indescribable speed, they swept across the Starfall Sea, then the Innerverse, Astral River, Cosmic Sea, Outerverse, and on and on.

In the Starfall Sea, numerous people looked up, confused. Why did it seem like the sky was growing brighter?

The powerhouses from the Daynight clan, the Sword Sect, and all the other powerful forces looked up. Something seemed to have changed. Space itself seemed to have changed.

Shortly after, space fragmented apart. Everybody gaped, staring at the sky in disbelief. It had split open and then vanished. After that, a completely different sky appeared.

Meanwhile, a huge change occurred in the Astral River. The liquid energy that formed the river suddenly surged upwards, causing the Astral River Ark to lose control. The huge vessel shot towards the Outerverse as if somebody had flung it away. The tributaries of the Astral River spread throughout the Innerverse behaved the same. Everything suddenly rose up and sealed off each of the flowzones.

The Astral River had just completely separated the Innerverse and the Outerverse.

## **Chapter 529: Changing Skies**

In the Outerverse, on Zenyu Star, Lu Yin was shocked as he stared at the sky. What was going on? The sky had disappeared just now. He had just seen the sky crack before shattering like a mirror. Then, another sky had appeared.

*This scene suddenly reminded him of the words that he had heard back on the island at the end of the Ocean of Death: "Five changed the sky. Five was replaced with six. Since then, a fake veil has been draped across the heavens. We won't allow it!"*

*"The sky has changed. It has changed."*

He was also reminded of how the Ghost Monkey had described the Rune Technology Civilization: "A sky covers another sky".

Hai Qiqi suddenly screamed in horror, "Father! I can't feel father's power anymore!"

Lu Yin was shocked, and he suddenly had a bad premonition. Could something have happened to the Sea King?

Beside the waterfall, in the depths of the Starfall Sea, the Sea King ecstatically exclaimed, "I've succeeded! I finally succeeded!"

Arch-Elder Zen stared at the broken third gate. That pair of bright eyes had disappeared, and after a while, the broken third door closed by itself.

Upon seeing that, the Sea King's laughter abruptly stopped, and his face turned pale. "Why? Why did the gate close?"

Arch-Elder Zen let out a sigh of relief. "So they don't want to have any interactions with us. Alright, it's alright.

The Sea King roared, raised the Sea King's Trident, and slammed it upon the last stone gate. However without the blood stained cloak, his attack couldn't damage the stone gate in the slightest.

Arch-Elder Zen yelled, "Enough! Do you really want this mainland to be eradicated?"

The Sea King looked at Arch-Elder Zen with determined eyes. "I can't accept this! If I don't break this door open, then we will forever be forced beneath them. We will never be anything more than ants!"

Arch-Elder Zen closed his eyes. "Even if you make it through that stone gate, you'll just bring about another desperate situation. This sort of thing has happened before, and I will not allow it to happen again."

The Sea King seemed to have lost all of his strength, and he closed his eyes.

Elder Zen looked at the Sea King. "This is the best result possible of today's events. The false skies have been torn apart, but it did not attract a powerful enemy. However..." At this point, he looked towards the waterfall. "...War is coming. This will be a war that envelops the entire universe. Neither we, the Astral Beast Domain, nor the Technocracy will be able to escape from this. The real catastrophe has yet to come."

At the bottom of the waterfall, the old man who had previously guarded the first stone gate screamed in derision, "You eternal ants! We will not let you go! We will make the blood of this skies flow like a river! We will make your ancestors weep! These skies will no longer exist after this!" With a snort, the old man's eyes flashed. When he looked down at his chest, he saw a spear protruding from it. His fresh blood was dripping into the sea.

The old man slowly turned his head around and saw a black warhorse with hoofs wreathed in blue flames. Atop the warhorse sat a figure that looked like a phantasm. It was wearing armor, but it couldn't be clearly seen. The only detail that could be seen besides the armor were two blazing flames, which were its eyes. The gaze of this figure would send a chill through anyone.

The spear was violently pulled back, and the old man's internal organs were left shattered. The light soon left his eyes, and he tumbled into the sea.

From the sky, Arch-Elder Zen appeared with the Sea King. He looked sternly at the figure on the horse. "I didn't expect you to make an appearance. It must feel good to kill an old enemy."

From above the warhorse, two blazing flames directed their focus to Arch-Elder Zen. "If he hadn't already been seriously injured, it would have been very difficult for me to kill him."

"Since you've appeared, then does that mean that the Burial Garden will reopen?" Arch-Elder Zen asked gravely.

The figure on the warhorse turned around. "The Burial Garden reopened long ago. The living are nowhere to be found. You may enter the Burial Garden, but you will only see the dead. A calamity will soon arrive, so you'd better think about that instead."

The ghost-like figure that looked like a phantasm then disappeared.

Arch-Elder Zen sighed. "If the Burial Garden has reopened, then the dead will reappear."

"So what? No one can hide from the catastrophic war that is coming. The Burial Garden will be no different," the Sea King said solemnly.

Arch-Elder Zen looked at him. "Why did you have the ancestor's bloody cloak?"

The Sea King casually replied, "There's nothing in the Starfall Sea, but that bloody cloak was discovered by accident."

Arch-Elder Zen shook his head. "Everything is according to destiny."

"No, this was the blessing of our ancestors. Our ancestors want us to resist instead of merely waiting to die without dignity," the Sea King replied in a firm voice.

Arch-Elder Zen stared at the Sea King for a while. "It's too late to say anything at this point. I just hope that you're right."

After saying that, he took a step forward. "Catastrophe is quickly approaching, and there can't be any internal friction among us. The Hall of Honor will help you take responsibility for this matter, and this old man also hopes that you will own up to your own responsibilities." After saying this, Arch-Elder Zen disappeared.

The Sea King clenched his trident and slowly bowed towards Arch-Elder Zen's back. If it hadn't been for Arch-Elder Zen, he would have already died.

Lu Yin wasn't aware of the events that had just occurred in the Starfall Sea, but he received a shocking piece of news: the Astral River had surged and had completely separated the Inniverse from the Outerverse. Even the Astral River Ark had been swept away.

When he first read the news, he couldn't believe it. Why would the Astral River change so drastically? But then, when he remembered how the sky had shattered, he realized that something extraordinary must have happened in the depths of the universe.

Beep, beep, beep.

Lu Yin checked his gadget. "Regent, energy explosions have appeared in the third filament, which have completely isolated the area from nearby regions."

"What's the energy intensity?" Lu Yin asked.

"It is equivalent to a catastrophic cosmic phenomenon, but after taking readings, the energy has declined rapidly after the detonation. Initial estimations say that it will completely disappear after a month."

Lu Yin nodded to indicate his understanding.

Before long, he received many more similar reports.

He finally set his gadget down. Many regions of the Great Yu Empire had become isolated due to the explosive energy, but these energies did not appear to last long. The longest that one of these energy explosions would last for was about a year. These events did not only take place in the Great Yu Empire, and Lu Yin expected that similar events had occurred throughout the rest of the Outerverse. Many regions had become cut off from the rest of the universe due to this explosive energy. Actually, the Astral River itself was liquid energy. If it had exploded, then that would be a reasonable explanation for this phenomena.

With the raw energy concentrated in the Astral River, how long would it take to return to normal? Lu Yin had no idea, but he guessed that it might take a very long time.

In other words, the Inniverse and Outerverse had now become completely separated. His eyes quickly filled with excitement. For most of his cultivation journey, the major forces of the Inniverse had been like a python constricting Lu Yin, giving him no space to breath. He had already prepared for the worst, but now, unexpectedly, the landscape of the universe had drastically changed. If the Inniverse had really been separated from the Outerverse, then he wouldn't need to escape.

At that moment, Wendy Yushan appeared with a serious expression. "Check how the void feels."

Lu Yin raised his fist and used a bit of force. The air merely fluctuated, and his expression drastically changed. He exerted more force, but the air still only trembled.

Lu Yin's face deepened even more. He waved a hand and unleashed a massive force that should have been more than enough to shatter the void, but this time, it did nothing more than twist the air and send a strong wind sweeping through the area. Still, there was no change in space itself.



“How can this be?” Lu Yin was surprised.

Wendy Yushan solemnly replied, “Space itself has changed.” She unsheathed her longsword and slashed down. Sword qi that was visible to the naked eye tore through the air and slashed far into the distance, but the space remained unchanged.

“The space has become stable,” Lu Yin commented gravely.

Wendy Yushan nodded. “Even with my strength, it is very difficult for me to tear through the void now. Perhaps only someone with the power of a Hunter can disrupt this space. Lu Yin, the sky has changed.

“Where is Hai Qiqi?” Wendy Yushan suddenly asked.

Lu Yin sighed. “She’s hiding by herself. The Inniverse and Outerverse have been separated, so she can’t return to the Starfall Sea, and she also can’t feel the Sea King’s power.”

Wendy Yushan’s eyes turned sullen. She had experienced such feelings herself before, and she now felt very uncomfortable. “You should go and comfort her. Maybe there is a gap that you can use to pass through the Astral River.”

“It’s useless. The Astral River Ark was also swept away. Even if the Astral River returns to its original state, it will still be difficult to cross it. At the very least, it will be impossible given our abilities. We would need to be at least an Enlighter powerhouse.” Lu Yin’s face changed drastically. Enlighter powerhouses—those people were unable to travel across the Astral River without help. Similarly, there were Enlighters who had been trapped in the Astral Wilderness.

Not all of the Enlighter powerhouses had returned to the Inniverse after the events at Planet Pyrolyte, so there should still be some remaining in the Outerverse.

Lu Yin’s heart sank once he realized this. Once it was completely determined that the Outerverse had been fully separated from the Inniverse, it would also mean that he would have lost the Sea King’s protection. Those Enlighters would then be able to act unscrupulously against Frostwave Weave.

Of the Enlighters remaining in the Outerverse, some of them might be Lu Yin’s enemies. After all, he had stolen quite a few star essence skins on Planet Pyrolyte, and there was also their desire for the secret technique.

Lu Yin grew apprehensive. At his side, Wendy Yushan seemed to have thought of the same thing, as a serious expression on her face had appeared on her face.

The Great Yu Empire immediately entered the state of highest alert, and all foreign spacecraft were strictly investigated on Lu Yin’s order.

It was unlikely for anything to happen during the first few days. Even the Enlighters would need some time to confirm the state of the Astral River. However, after more than ten days passed, the atmosphere of the Outerverse changed drastically. First of all, Darkmist Weave, which was the weave closest to the Astral River, underwent drastic changes. One entire organization was wiped out. The attacker was an Enlighter. Afterwards, several other forces were also wiped out.

This incident became the catalyst that led to the advent of a dramatic change.

Lu Yin's heart sank when he heard this news. He didn't even hesitate to return to King Zishan's mansion and start rolling his die. He wanted to roll Enhance so that he could use his star essences to upgrade his universal armor, the gun, and some other materials. He needed to upgrade his equipment to the extent where he could threaten an Enlighter.

Huo Qingshan and the others were all waiting at Zenyu Star since they had already predicted that an Enlighter powerhouse would soon show up.

In King Zishan's Mansion, Lu Yin stayed in a secret room. He screened the Ghost Monkey off and then raised his hand. His die appeared, and he tapped it with one finger, causing it to spin quickly. When the die came to a stop, Lu Yin saw were six pips. His vision grew dark, but he suddenly regained clarity afterwards.

Lu Yin let out a breath of relief. Fortunately, he had taken the precaution to set his cosmic ring to the side. As long as he didn't have any star energy crystals or star essences on him, nothing would happen when he rolled Possession.

But now that he had rolled Possession, it would be harder for him to roll Enhance. He used a star crystal to restore the die and rolled it again.

The die spun quickly and finally stopped on Pilfer.

Lu Yin sighed. As expected, after rolling Possession, it was always harder to roll Enhance. With a snap, Pilfer randomly selected an item from some random cosmic ring. Lu Yin had received many strange things through this ability, including women's clothing and even a rock once. This time however, he received a blood-red bell the size of a thumb.

Looking at the bell on the ground, Lu Yin frowned. He felt very uncomfortable when he looked at it, almost as if he had been caught by something. His blood started boiling when he leaned in to pick up the bell, and the moment he touched it, his body trembled and turned cold to the point where he stiffened up. He quickly stored the bell away in his cosmic ring. This demonic item felt even stranger than Progenitor Wushang's hide.

Still, at least it seemed to be something good. Well, it was better than a rock or underwear.

### **Chapter 530: Crisis**

Lu Yin had two more chances. If he was lucky, one of these two rolls would be either Timestop or Enhance. If not, he'd have to wait for quite a while before making another attempt.

Unfortunately, luck was not on his side. For both times, he rolled Pilfer. He obtained a weapon that looked pretty good, but on his second roll, he received a normal pair of pants. In a fit of anger, Lu Yin burned the damn thing to ashes.

He'd already rolled his die four times, but his luck had been terrible. He could only wait ten days and hope that nothing would go wrong before he rolled his die again.

Within the Astral Wilderness, a flaming warship was headed in the direction of Frostwave Weave. It carried cultivators from the Blaze Realm.

During the contest for the pyrolyte ore, the Blaze Realm had only obtained a small amount of pyrolyte. The main reason was because Lu Yin had killed Jared, which meant that the Blaze Realm had been significantly slowed. On top of that, one of the people they had intended to deploy had never shown up, and Huo Houye had been absolutely furious because of that.

It was only when everything was over that that person had arrived.

Lilyrose was the person in question. She was beautiful but very vicious. More importantly, she was ranked thirty first in the Top 100 Rankings. Unfortunately, by the time she arrived at Planet Pyrolyte, Lu Yin and the others had already left.

At this moment, Lilyrose was lazily leaning against the side of the spacecraft, revealing a pair of long, pale legs. She stared off into space. "Things have changed and going back to the Inniverse is now impossible. I wonder if there are any fun people still here in the Outerverse." As she spoke, Huo Houye came to her mind, and she smirked. "Wendy Yushan will probably disappear from the Top 100 Rankings soon. That means that I'll be able to enter the top thirty. What a pity. Lu Yin's a pretty interesting guy though. I hope that he doesn't die in some pathetic manner."

"Baihe?" Someone exclaimed in shock. Lilyrose turned around and saw a young man with fair skin and burning excitement in his eyes.

"It's me! Do you remember me? You're the one who took me to the Blaze Realm!" The youth ran over to her, looking at her zealously.

Lilyrose blinked, pursed her lips, and gave off an incredibly enchanting look. "Is that so?"

The youth could feel his heart rate rapidly increase because of her alluring figure, and he gulped. "There were a thousand of us at that time, so it makes sense that you wouldn't remember me. Where have you been all these years? You haven't been to the Blaze Realm at all."

Lilyrose chuckled and lifted the youth's chin with a finger, much to his shock. She then slowly drew closer. "I'm very tired, my dear, so let me lean on you for a bit, okay?"

The young man had a dazed look as he gulped, and unconsciously scanned the woman's body. He could sense an enchanting aroma from her curvaceous body, and her bright red coat looked incredibly beautiful. The young man found himself unable to speak.

Lilyrose smiled and leaned forward.

The youth felt something warm, and he was enveloped by an indescribable sense of amazement as he unconsciously placed his arms around Lilyrose's slender waist.

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At the border of Frostwave Weave, there was a fleet patrolling. Everything appeared to be normal, but then, all of a sudden, flames spread everywhere and burnt the whole fleet to nothingness.

A figure flitted by and stared ahead fiercely.

On Zenyu Star, Lu Yin eyed the various documents in front of him and felt a headache developing. He had no idea how Undying Yushan had managed everything. The Great Yu Empire was huge and covered

thirteen filaments, so there were innumerable incidents and reports coming in at any given time. Right now, chaos reigned throughout most of Frostwave Weave. There was a whole mountain of documents making their way to Lu Yin every single day.

Lu Yin had already re-delegated most of the documents to others, but even then, there were still many that he had to personally handle.

He could not find Wendy Yushan at this time either. This must have come from her previous experience. She must have known that this would happen, so she had left him at Zenyu Star while she escaped.

Lu Yin sighed and started to read another one of the documents. Lu Yin had to decide whether or not the military should suppress rebels on a certain planet. All he needed to do was approve the military action. The next document was about sending more supplies to some region, but just thinking about the work still ahead of him made him dizzy.

He really couldn't take it anymore. If he spent all his time looking at these documents, there was no way he would be able to do anything else. This wouldn't do. He needed to find someone else to handle these things.

However, all of the Great Yu Empire's ministers were people who Undying Yushan had hired while he had still been around, and most of them were people whom Lu Yin disliked. The way that they'd treated Karthika, in particular, had been unacceptable.

"It's time to reevaluate things and find someone talented to deal with all this bureaucracy," Lu Yin muttered to himself. Then, he dived right into the huge pile of documents.

All of a sudden, his gadget beeped. Lu Yin glanced at it, and his expression immediately changed. He immediately contacted Ban Jiu and activated Zenyu Star's defenses.

Lu Yin took a step and next appeared in the sky. Soon after, Huo Qingshan, Peach, Rocky Auna, and the rest appeared as well, all of them looking up at the sky with a grim expression. They'd all received the same report. All of the fleets patrolling along the path between Northcastle Weave and Frostwave Weave had been wiped out and destroyed by flames. The line was pointing straight at Zenyu Star.

The situation that they were most worried about had finally come to pass. A powerhouse was attacking Frostwave Weave, and they had already dealt a huge amount of damage.

Moving the people who lived on Zenyu Star to somewhere else wasn't possible at this moment. If their opponent was an Enlighter, then they'd move very quickly.

Lu Yin looked grim as he rubbed his cosmic ring. It seemed that there was no way to get out of this mess. The powerhouse might very well be an Enlighter, since they had attacked with flames, there was a high likelihood that they were that Enlighter from Blaze Realm, Huo Houye.

Wendy Yushan appeared, and she looked at Lu Yin solemnly.

After that, Ban Jiu arrived as well. Invisible energy waves enveloped Zenyu Star, also covering all three of its surrounding rings. This was Zenyu Star's strongest defense that had been created back when Undying Yushan was still in power. It was rumored to be able to block the attacks of a peak Hunter.

“Based on the feedback regarding power level, it would seem that the enemy isn’t too far away from Zenyu Star at this time,” Ban Jiu said grimly.

Zenyu Star was prepared for battle.

Hours later, the energy surrounding Zenyu Star turned completely red as a terrifying pressure spread out and started to roast the entire planet.

The people on Zenyu Star trembled in fear as the temperature of the entire atmosphere spiked. Even the oceans started to evaporate..

Huo Houye towered above the planet in outer space and looked down at it. With a wave of his hand, his flames turned into a gigantic palm that smashed down. After a boom, the three continents started to collapse, and the defensive energy field had already been destroyed.

Lu Yin had preemptively put on his universal armor, and he took out the Money Bomb at this time and aimed it at Huo Houye. At the same time, Huo Qingshan, the Blind Monk, and the other powerhouses all attacked. Numerous attacks were aimed at the Enlightener.

Huo Houye snickered. “I’ll show you what being an Enlightener means.”

With one hand, he manipulated the void and caused ripples to quickly burst open and swallow all of their attacks.

While the universe’s space had changed, Enlighteners were still able to tear through the void. This was the ability held by the strong.

At this moment, all of the devices measuring power levels exploded, for Huo Houye had displayed an incomparable strength just now.

The Great Yu Empire had never provoked an Enlightener before. Even Liuying Zishan, Peach, and the others had never faced such a powerful cultivator. The pressure that they felt from this person was something that they did not even have the guts to face.

The Money Bomb attack that Lu Yin had used on Huo Houye proved to be completely useless.

Huo Houye took a step forward and appeared in front of Lu Yin and the rest. With a wave of his hand, flames blazed through the void. Huo Qingshan and the Blind Monk, who were both Hunters, immediately rushed forward to stop him, but they were unable to advance at all due to the flames. Lu Yin stood in front of them and looked at Huo Houye as a jade talisman appeared in his hands. If he crushed it, Mister Mu would appear.

Wait a second. Lu Yin suddenly recalled the fact that the Innerverse and the Outerverse were no longer connected. Could Mister Mu even come?

The thought caused him to go pale. If Mister Mu could not come, then Lu Yin’s only option would be to contact Granny Chan from Northline Flowzone. After all, Northline Flowzone still owed him a favor.

Huo Houye looked at Lu Yin with scorn. "Weren't you arrogant at Planet Pyrolyte, kid? You killed a powerhouse from my Blaze Realm, chased away the people from the Daynight clan and Sword Sect, and even fought against people in the Top 100 Rankings. What about now?"

Lu Yin's eyes glimmered, and he looked uncertain.

Wendy Yushan spoke up. "You want the secret technique, don't you?"

Huo Houye looked straight at her, his eyes revealing his desire and greed. "Yes."

"I'll go with you under the condition that you don't hurt anyone. Otherwise, I'll just kill myself, and then you'll never be able to get it," Wendy Yushan said matter-of-factly.

Lu Yin grabbed her. "No."

Peach and the others voiced their disapproval as well.

Wendy Yushan pushed Lu Yin aside and kept her eyes trained on Huo Houye.

Huo Houye appeared to be deep in thought for a moment. Compared to a secret technique, these people's lives meant nothing to him. He was also afraid that something would go wrong while capturing Wendy Yushan, so he agreed. "Fine, I'll do it. I won't harm the others, so obediently come with me."

Wendy Yushan looked despondent as she glanced over at Lu Yin. "Take care of yourself."

Lu Yin's resolve hardened, and just as he was about to crush the jade stone, Hai Qiqi appeared after having hid for several days. She looked straight at Huo Houye. "Have you forgotten that Frostwave Weave is under the Sea King's Dome's protection?"

Huo Houye chuckled and shook his head. "I know that you're his daughter, but now that the Innerverse and Outerverse have been completely separated, he can't meddle in the affairs of Frostwave Weave anymore. Besides, even if this wasn't a problem, the Sea King has already offended the entire Innerverse by stealing all of that pyrolyte. The Sea King is in trouble as it is. I'll disregard your rudeness seeing as how I already have the secret technique. You may go."

Hai Qiqi looked up. "The Sea King is a man of his word. If he says that the Frostwave Weave is under his protection, then he won't allow anyone to do as they wish!"

Blue rays started emanating from her body as an item appeared in her hands; it was the Sea King's Trident.

Lu Yin's pupils shrank as he recognized the weapon. However, what was in Hai Qiqi's hands was clearly not the actual Sea King's Trident, but rather more like its shadow.

The moment the weapon appeared, everyone on Zenyu Star was able to sense an incomparable strength that was far above Huo Houye's. This power was able to nullify the heat that had enveloped Zenyu Star.

Huo Houye eyed the spear in awe. "This... this is the power of the Sea King."

Hai Qiqi lifted it. "Leave or die."

Without giving the matter a second thought, Huo Houye immediately left. He had been able to sense a threat to his life. That thing most certainly held the Sea King's power. He hadn't expected the Sea King to actually be able to merge his power into another person's body—that power was enough to kill an Enlightener.

Sometimes, the longer people lived, the more they feared death. That was precisely the case for Huo Houye. It didn't matter whether or not Hai Qiqi truly had the ability to kill Enlighteners, as he wouldn't take that risk.

Lu Yin put the jade talisman away and stared at Hai Qiqi in awe. It was no wonder why the Sea King had said that Hai Qiqi did not need Lu Yin's protection. Clearly, she had the power of the Sea King within her all along. No, didn't she say that she couldn't sense the Sea King's power before? Could the reason why she had been able to sense his power be because of what her father had placed in her body?

In that case, this power was all there was, and it could not be replenished anymore. He hurriedly had Hai Qiqi stop using it.