

## **Swordsman 2521**

### **Chapter 2521: First-Class Divine Demon**

Xiao Tiexin was dumbfounded.

Everyone knew about the powers within Primordial Stones.

In the Ancient God Domain, many cultivators used Primordial Stones as a currency though there were also some who often used them to restore or enhance their divine powers.

However, the effects were not as significant because the direct absorption speed from those stones was slow for many cultivators. An ordinary Ultimate God might require several days to absorb the powers of just one stone even with his full concentration. It was too time-consuming and most importantly, it consumed a lot of resources. A Primordial Stone was expensive, so it was considered extravagant to cultivate using it.

Xiao Tiexin got to see it with her very own eyes that day.

Jian Wushuang's divine power absorption speed was phenomenal to her horror.

She could clearly sense many Primordial Stones around Jian Wushuang had dimmed and turned into ordinary stones.

In just merely an hour, Jian Wushuang had refined around a hundred Primordial Stones.

She finally understood Jian Wushuang borrowed her Primordial Stones to absorb and refine the powers within.

Jian Wushuang chose to do it after the remaining Xueya Escort members had left as he was not worried about showing such a scene to Xiao Tiexin.

'At the speed, I'm afraid that my six thousand Primordial Stones will be completely gone within two days. He had absorbed such a great amount of divine power... Could he possibly advance to the Ultimate God?' Xiao Tiexin thought.

She was right. Jian Wushuang was indeed aiming to make a breakthrough to a higher level.

However, he was not targeting the Ultimate God level. Instead, he just wanted to achieve the First-Class Divine Demon realm.

Time passed and Jian Wushuang was completely engrossed in the process of absorbing and refining divine powers.

Xiao Tiexin had also quieted down. She wanted to focus on protecting Jian Wushuang from the interference or possibly any bandits that would attack him.

The Primordial Stones around Jian Wushuang continued dimming at an alarming speed. In less than two days, all 6,000 Primordial Stones were completely refined by Jian Wushuang.

Jian Wushuang had also smoothly broken through from Second-Class Divine Demon to First-Class Divine Demon!

Of course, the black stone disguised Jian Wushuang's combat powers and made him appear to have made a breakthrough from the Peak Divine Demon level to the Ultimate God level.

Xiao Tiexin walked over to greet Jian Wushuang.

"Mr. Jian Yi, congratulations!" said Xiao Tiexin with clear amazement on her face.

Before his breakthrough, Jian Wushuang was already able to kill Ultimate Gods and defeated the Demonic Moon Prefecture Governor. She wondered what he could do with his powers after progressing to a higher level.

Truth be told, progressing from Second-Class to First-Class Divine Demon might seem like a small advancement, but for Jian Wushuang this progress caused his strength to have a qualitative improvement.

'Now, I'm probably unmatched among the High-Level Ultimate Gods such that I can easily defeat or even kill someone like the Demonic Moon Prefecture Governor without even using the Nine Sparkle Stars Armor Technique. I might be able to face off a Peak Ultimate God if I have other trump cards in hand,' Jian Wushuang was quite pleased with that thought in mind.

"I have made progress in my realm, now it's time for me to work out my plan," said Jian Wushuang with his glowing eyes.

"Tiexin, come with me."

Jian Wushuang took Xiao Tiexin, returned to the Demonic Moon Mountains again, and wandered there.

"Mr. Jian Yi, what on earth do you want to do?" Xiao Tiexin asked suspiciously.

"Don't worry, you'll find out later." Jian Wushuang decided to not reveal it yet.

After what seemed like a lifetime, Jian Wushuang stopped in front of a giant mountain.

"Found it." Jian Wushuang had a smile on his face with his eyes locked on the mountain ahead.

There were pavilions and palaces on the mountain with a hazy restriction shield enshrouding the area.

"Is this the Demonic Moon Prefecture's nest?" Xiao Tiexin was taken aback as she commented, "Mr. Jian Yi, are you thinking of attacking their nest?"

"Why not?" Jian Wushuang smiled mischievously.

Xiao Tiexin was stunned.

Jian Wushuang could easily wipe out Demonic Moon Prefecture's Ultimate Gods before even making a breakthrough. With his newly attained divine powers and strength, he could probably wipe out the entire Demonic Moon Prefecture.

"That's Demonic Moon Prefecture, one of the Eighteen Prefectures! There are eighteen prefectures deeply ingrained in Dark Thunder Territory having intricate relationships with each other. Your action

today might incur the hostility of other prefectures. The other seventeen prefectures will not turn a blind eye, I'm afraid that..." Xiao Tiexin frowned.

"What could happen? Will the other seventeen prefectures join forces and kill me together? They must first be able to find me and obtain the opportunity. As for now, I'm definitely after this Demonic Moon Prefecture. If I don't do it, where do I get so many Primordial Stones to return your favor?" Jian Wushuang said indifferently.

"Mr. Jianyi, those Primordial Stones are nothing but Demonic Moon Prefecture..." Xiao Tiexin wanted to continue speaking.

However, Jian Wushuang waved his hand and interrupted her. "I've already decided. You just need to watch me."

Jian Wushuang was not bothered if his actions would nettle with the Eighteen Prefectures since he had planned to face them off sooner or later.

He had no choice as he needed a lot of Primordial Stones. In fact, he needed heaps of it.

The 6,000 borrowed Primordial Stones from Xiao Tiexin were insufficient as it only allowed him to breakthrough as a First-Class Divine Demon.

Therefore, he had his target set on the Eighteen Prefectures for resources.

Although those Eighteen Prefectures had never rubbed him the wrong side they were still unscrupulous bandits who robbed others. Jian Wushuang was just contributing to society by eradicating these evils.

Xiao Tiexin knew she could not change Jian Wushuang's mind.

As for Jian Wushuang, he had his eyes locked on Demonic Moon Prefecture at the front as surging divine powers started arising from within him.

The divine powers were obviously stronger than before as it madly condensed behind Jian Wushuang and formed a thousand-foot-tall Golden God Shadow behind his back in the blink of an eye.

Jian Wushuang was performing the Seven Stars Secret Technique.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

Several handprints were produced as he wore a grim expression.

"Prison of Punishment!"

Rumbling...

The Heavens and Earth shook as infinite golden divine powers swept across the area, forming a vast ocean of golden divine power that expanded madly in every direction.

The golden divine power ocean was moving fast, abruptly, and continuously expanded wider.

In the Demonic Moon Prefecture's nest, a large number of bandits within were alarmed by the sudden attack.

A commotion had stirred up in the Demonic Moon Prefecture and quickly turned chaotic.

## **Chapter 2522: Major Upheaval**

The Governor and several other remaining Ultimate Gods gathered in a magnificent palace within Demonic Moon Prefecture's nest.

There were once, nine Ultimate Gods but only six remained.

"Governor, how's your injury?" asked one of the Ultimate Gods.

"Fortunately, I've restored about seventy percent of my strength. Hopefully, I'll completely recover in a few days," said the Governor who was still a little pale. "After spending years with eagles, I never expected we'd be attacked by another eagle. I must have lost my foresight. I didn't expect such a terrifying genius would appear within the Xueya Escort Team. Not to mention, a Peak Divine Demon who could subdue me. Such super geniuses are scarce even in the entire Ancient God Domain, yet we encounter one of them!"

The Governor sighed at his ill fate.

It was rare to see a genius like Jian Wushuang as many people could not even come across one in their lifetime. In a sense, the Demonic Moon Prefecture must have been lucky.

"Governor, we've concurrently lost three Ultimate Gods with even you being injured. If the other seventeen prefectures know about this, they might even hit us when we are down beside ridiculing us," said a thin old man dressed in grey who was in charge of intelligence.

The Governor's complexion turned ugly and hissed in a low voice, "Try containing the news and don't spill anything to the other seventeen prefectures. Let's talk about this when my strength is fully restored."

"Yes." The Ultimate Gods all nodded in agreement.

Unexpectedly...

Rumbling...

A terrifying power erupted and their whole world started shaking.

The many pavilions and palaces in Demonic Moon Prefecture violently shook.

"What happened?"

"Go out and take a look."

The Governor and several Ultimate Gods immediately left and appeared hovering in a void above.

They were greeted with an earth-shattering scene.

An infinite ocean of golden divine power was frantically sweeping from all directions and completely enshrouding the Demonic Moon Prefecture's nest.

There was a heavy restriction shield formation Demonic Moon Prefecture had set up at heavy expense surrounding the prefecture which could even parry off attacks from High-Level Ultimate Gods. However, that shield was shaking violently under the golden divine power's attacks and finally gave way before being shattered.

"The shield is gone?" The Governor along with the others were shocked.

Thereafter, the golden divine power ocean engulfed the entire Demonic Moon Prefecture and formed a huge Golden Prison.

The Golden Prison was like a sturdy iron barrel that trapped all their experts.

"This... What technique is this?"

"It's a prison. It's so strong that even our restrictive shield was crushed! Who made this prison?"

A tumultuous panic broke loose within the prefecture.

Suddenly...

"Governor, look! He's there!" yelled an Ultimate God nearby in a shrill and forlorn tone.

The Governor and other experts traced the shout's source and saw two figures standing on the Golden Prison's edge.

They were no other than Jian Wushuang and Xiao Tiexin!

"It's both of you!"

The Governor of Demonic Moon Prefecture was initially shocked but then became furious.

It was just a few days ago that he was injured twice by Jian Wushuang and his prefecture's people were defeated. The Demonic Moon Prefecture suffered a great loss in the battle against Jian WuShuang and Xiao Tiexin.

After the incident, he dared not take revenge against Jian Wushuang for fearing the consequences. However, Jian Wushuang and Xiao Tiexin were unrelenting and even appeared before him?

How could the Governor not be irked by their disparaging gestures?

"G... Governor, look! Look at his divine powers..." The stuttering voice was from an Ultimate God who also previously took part in the Xueyue Escort Team massacre as he stared fearfully at Jian Wushuang.

The Governor finally noticed the divine powers Jian Wushuang emanated from that Ultimate God's cue.

Jian Wushuang's divine power aura was increased by two levels under the black stone's influence and had reached the Ultimate God level.

"U... Ultimate G... God?" The Governor was stunned.

"Has he broken through to the Ultimate God Realm?"

"How is it possible? Four days ago, he was at Peak Divine Demon realm!"

“Did he make such crazy progress in just four days?”

The other experts around were also shocked.

They had suffered great losses when that person was just at Peak Divine Demon realm. What would happen if that person had made a breakthrough into the Ultimate God realm?

“Tiexin, you stay here.”

Jian Wushuang told Tiexin as he made his way ahead toward the people of Demonic Moon Prefecture.

“Governor, I haven’t seen you for a few days. How are you?” Jian Wushuang wore a playful smile on his face.

“What are you doing here?” Feelings of fear had overwhelmed the Governor’s anger.

“Aren’t you stating the obvious? A few days ago, you and your people came to rob us, and as soon as you took action, you placed a restriction to trap all of our people. Now, I’m here to return the favor. Although my Golden Prison isn’t a restriction, I can assure you its power is no less than an ordinary restriction!” Jian Wushuang said.

The Governor was trembling in fear as he could see what was about to happen from the surging golden divine power.

The Golden Prison was not something he could forcibly break open.

None of the experts trapped within the prison were able to escape.

“Your Excellency, there have been no conflicts between us before. I admit the previous incident was purely a misunderstanding. Besides, you’ve already killed three of my Ultimate Gods. Do you want to wipe us out? What if we offer you ten thousand Primordial Stones as our sincere apology? How about that?” The Governor spoke servilely.

He had no choice as the pressure Jian Wushuang asserted on him was too great and he desperately needed to retreat.

As for the ten thousand Primordial Stones which he offered, he was in great despair for losing them. Nonetheless, there would be opportunities of earning the Primordial Stones as long the Demonic Moon Prefecture remained.

“Haha, ten thousand Primordial Stones? Governor, have you forgotten how you treated the Xueyue Escort Team before? A small guard like Xiao Tiexin from the Xueyue Escort Team was willing to give up six thousand Primordial Stones to save her life but you refused to accept her offer. Aren’t you being a bit stingy to just offer me ten thousand Primordial Stones?” Jian Wushuang sneered derisively.

“Your Excellency, we have made concessions. Don’t push us too far,” said the Governor coldly. “You are indeed strong, but don’t forget this is the Dark Thunder Territory and Demonic Moon Prefecture is one of the Eighteen Prefectures. The Eighteen Prefectures have always been acting unanimously against outsiders. If you dare to attack us, the other seventeen prefectures will join forces and kill you!”

**Chapter 2523: Demonic Moon Prefecture Destroyed**

“Oh, what a change of tone?”

Jian Wushuang’s lips curled up as his face laced with a jesting expression. “Are you threatening me with the seventeen other prefectures? Well, let’s give it a go!”

“Give it a go?”

The Demonic Moon Prefecture experts glowered, but Jian Wushuang made his first move before their eyes!

Rumbling...

The infinite golden divine powers poured on the people and oppressed them.

In an instant, each of their experts was suppressed by a domain-like force.

“Sh\*t!”

“Is this a domain restriction? How can it be so powerful?”

“Damn it! He’s about to wipe us out!”

The experts were shocked and desperately looking for an escape path.

Governor screamed frantically. “Stop, stop! The other seventeen prefectures will surely take revenge on you!”

Jian Wushuang was unruffled.

His majestic sword intent swept across the area as 11 apparitions appeared at the same time which went in for the kill!

Before his First-Class Divine Demon breakthrough, Jian Wushuang was already able to take out a few Ultimate Gods. However, his performance was completely incomparable after the breakthrough. Under the Golden Prison and domain suppression, those people of Demonic Moon Prefectures had no way to escape.

A series of forbidding sword shadows constantly flickered in the Golden Prison. Its ever-changing flickering styles sent heads flying and bodies falling with each flicker. There were many within the Demonic Moon Prefecture who were not weak in strength or combat prowess, but they were unable to deflect Jian Wushuang’s attacks.

“No!”

“Come on! Let’s attack him together!”

“Run! Run!”

Shrill and howling of every kind came from each corner but they were drowned by the Golden Prison’s walls.

A quarter of an hour had passed when the world finally calmed down.

Xiao Tiexin was standing on the edge of the Golden Prison with shock and horror in her eyes as she stared at everything in front of her.

“They are dead. All the bandits in Demonic Moon Prefecture including the Governor are dead!” Xiao Tiexin’s heart quivered.

Demonic Moon Prefecture, one of the Eighteen Prefectures in Dark Thunder Territory was not only infamous within the Dark Thunder Territory but also in the entire Northern Darkstar Territory.

Besides, the Demonic Moon Prefecture’s overall strength was strong as they had one High-Level Ultimate God, eight Primary-Level Ultimate Gods, and thousands of Divine Demons which many were either Peak Divine Demons or First-Class Divine Demons.

Such a lineup was stronger than many overlords or sects in the world.

The Great Compassion Sect which was the top sect in Wusha Wilderness only had one High-Level Ultimate God and three Primary-Level Ultimate Gods which was inferior to Demonic Moon Prefecture. However, Jian Wushuang alone extirpated the Demonic Moon Prefecture.

The Demonic Moon Prefecture was destroyed.

Neither their bandits nor higher-ups like their governor could escape the Golden Prison and Jian Wushuang’s attacks.

All of them were killed.

Rumbling...

The Golden Prison enveloping the prefecture soon faded away.

The huge Demonic Moon Prefecture appeared once again under the sun, but bloody scenes and bodies were strewn across the area.

Jian Wushuang scoured the bones, collecting Interspatial Rings and treasures which were left behind.

Jian Wushuang and Xiao Tiexin left an hour later.

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Jian Wushuang had already counted the various resources and treasures he had collected from the Demonic Moon Prefecture in the void.

“Not bad, I’ve gained twenty-nine thousand Primordial Stones after extirpating the Demonic Moon Prefecture on top of various valuable resources and treasures.” Jian Wushuang smiled lightly.

Jian Wushuang definitely gained a huge wealth as 29,000 Primordial Stones equated to 290,000,000 drops of Ancient God Divine Power.

Adding up the rest of the resources and treasures, the value was much higher than the twenty-nine thousand Primordial Stones.

In other words, the resources accumulated by the Demonic Moon Prefecture over the years were valued at more than 80,000 Primordial Stones.



80,000!

It was a frighteningly high number.

"This is just the wealth from one of the Eighteen Prefectures. Imagine if we obtained all the wealth from those Eighteen Prefectures. Although these Eighteen Prefectures are great, they are still a far cry from affluent families in the Northern Darkstar Continent. Just like your Xiao clan at its peak." Jian Wushuang glanced at Xiao Tiexin beside him.

The Xiao clan where Xiao Tiexin came from was one of the biggest clans in the Northern Darkstar Continent at its peak. Their influence was only second to the Northern Darkstar Territorial Lord.

For Xiao Tiexin to receive a total of 6,000 Primordial Stones just from her mother's collection. The entire wealth accumulation by the Xiao clan must be of a startling amount!

"Tiexin, these six thousand Primordial Stones yours." Jian Wushuang took out 6,000 Primordial Stones and returned them to Xiao Tiexin.

Xiao Tiexin gladly accepted it. She knew Jian Wushuang had just made a fortune after destroying the Demonic Moon Prefecture, so 6,000 Primordial Stones were nothing to him.

"Mr. Jian Yi, I'm sure news of the fallen of Demonic Moon Prefectures will spread throughout Dark Thunder Territory. The seventeen other prefectures will definitely soon receive news of this. Though the Eighteen Prefectures are always competing against each other, they are united against a common enemy. I'm sure the other seventeen prefectures will come after to kill you soon. We better leave the Dark Thunder Territory now," suggested Xiao Tiexin.

Jian Wushuang waved his hand. "No, don't worry about it. The Demonic Moon Prefecture has just been destroyed, it takes time for the other prefectures to react after getting the news. We can take advantage of this time to accumulate more wealth."

"Accumulate more wealth?" Xiao Tiexin was startled as she looked at Jian Wushuang in astonishment. "Mr. Jian Yi, are you thinking of extirpating the other prefectures too?"

Jian Wushuang smiled. "Haha, smart. My plan isn't as simple as merely wiping out the Demonic Moon Prefecture. Now that I've already done something to one of the Eighteen Prefectures, I don't mind doing it on another one. Why don't I seize this opportunity to exterminate a few more prefectures and reap more benefits?"

Xiao Tiexin was in a daze before she said, "Mr. Jian Yi, you are talking about the Eighteen Prefectures. They are no ordinary small fries. Each of them has a formidable background and is extremely powerful. The Demonic Moon Prefecture is ranked rock-bottom among the Eighteen Prefectures. You are definitely powerful to be able to destroy it but you should just stop right here."

"Demonic Moon Prefecture ranked rock-bottom among the Eighteen Prefectures?" Jian Wushuang was slightly surprised but immediately cracked a smile. "Tiexin, your Xueya Escort Team often roams the Dark Thunder Territory. You should know the Eighteen Prefectures much better than me. We are now in the central area, can you tell me which prefecture is closest to the Demonic Moon Prefecture?"

"Heaven Poison Prefecture!" Xiao Tiexin said.

“Then let’s go to the Heaven Poison Prefecture. We can talk more on our way there,” said Jian Wushuang with a smile.

## **Chapter 2524: Nine Thousand Primordial Stones**

Xiao Tiexin knew the Eighteen Prefectures well and also had informed Jian Wushuang on each of the Eighteen Prefectures’ strengths.

After listening to Xiao Tiexin, Jian Wushuang had to admit the Eighteen Prefectures were indeed very strong!

The Eighteen Prefectures were equivalent to 18 powerhouses with each of them being extremely powerful and had at least one High-Level Ultimate God.

The Demonic Moon Prefecture had one High-Level Ultimate God and eight Primary-Level Ultimate Gods which was a strong lineup but was still ranked lowest among the Eighteen Prefectures.

The other prefectures had two to three High-Level Ultimate Gods and more than ten Primary-Level Ultimate Gods. They were definitely much stronger than Demonic Moon Prefecture.

Besides that, the three strongest prefectures among all were each headed by a Peak Ultimate God.

“Individually, each of them might not be a big deal, but if those Eighteen Prefectures united as one, there will be nearly two hundred Ultimate Gods, twenty to thirty High-Level Ultimate Gods, and three Peak Ultimate Gods. No wonder despite their despicable reputation, they were able to stand strong in the Dark Thunder Territory for so many years. They will be fine on their own as long as they aren’t stupid enough to offend the Northern Darkstar Territorial Lord or any other top clans from Northern Darkstar Territory.”

Even the Xiao clan at its peak dared not mess with the Eighteen Prefectures.” Jian Wushuang sighed.

However, he did not care too much in his heart.

He was not afraid of the Eighteen Prefectures, even though many powerful clans in Northern Darkstar Territory preferred to stay out of the Eighteen Prefectures’ way.

His opponent could not do much against him as long as he was careful not to expose his identity. He was currently a lone ranger with both his parents—Zhuo Bing and Zhuo Peng—being far away in the Wusha Wilderness after all.

He had nothing to fear.

Usually, lone experts were the leaders in many forces.

“Mr. Jian Yi, the Heaven Poison Prefecture’s nest is right in front.” Xiao Tiexin abruptly stopped.

Jian Wushuang raised his head. He could sense noises and movements in front of him from where the nest apparently was.

"The Heaven Poison Prefecture is ranked at the bottom of the Eighteen Prefectures just like the Demonic Moon Prefecture. There's only one High-Level Ultimate God, but ten Primary-Level Ultimate Gods," Jian Wushuang murmured. That was the entire message he obtained from Xiao Tiexin regarding them.

"Mr. Jian Yi, are you really going to do something against the Heaven Poison Prefecture?" Xiao Tiexin furrowed her brows tightly.

"You don't need to be with me this time, just wait outside." Jian Wushuang smiled indifferently. His figure soon advanced toward Heaven Poison Prefecture.

Rumbling...

Heaven and Earth shook as the golden divine power ocean once again swept out.

In just a split moment, a huge Golden Prison appeared.

The Golden Prison had completely enshrouded the Heaven Poison Prefecture.

Xiao Tiexin quietly stood waiting in the void not far from the Golden Prison. Although she could not see what happened in the Golden Prison, Xiao Tiexin could guess it and even imagined the scene of Jian Wushuang killing mercilessly in the Golden Prison.

She knew the Heaven Poison Prefecture was about to end with Jian Wushuang had also completely offended the Eighteen Prefectures.

As expected, the Golden Prison faded away and Jian Wushuang slowly stepped out.

The once boisterous Heaven Poison Prefectures had also fallen into dead silence with no more noises coming from it in the future.

Xiao Tiexin let out a sigh and silently shook her head.

She never thought that Jian Wushuang was too cruel or harsh. After all, Jian Wushuang was doing the world some good by extirpating these bandits.

Those extremely cruel bandits looted cultivators who happened to be around the area and should have long been killed.

She was just feeling a little emotional and shocked at the course of events.

"Heaven Poison Prefecture is now destroyed. What's next?" Xiao Tiexin asked.

"Underworld Prefecture," said Jian Wushuang resolutely.

Xiao Tiexin raised her brows and guided Jian Wushuang.

The Eighteen Prefectures were located in the central area of Dark Thunder Territory. They were rather close to each other with the furthest being only a few days away.

Jian Wushuang first went to the Demonic Moon Prefecture followed by Heaven Poison Prefecture and Underworld Prefecture under Xiao Tiexin's guidance. It took less than ten days for him to completely destroy those three prefectures.

Three out of the Eighteen Prefectures were wiped out in less than ten days.

The entire Dark Thunder Territory was in an uproar after news got out.

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On an ordinary-looking glade...

Xiao Tiexin laid out the Interspatial Rings in front of them and carefully counted. She finally announced after a long time, "I've carefully listed them out for you. In addition, I've also made a rough valuation. These resources and treasures in the Interspatial Rings are valued at around one hundred and seventy thousand Primordial Stones. It might be a bit more than, but not by a lot."

"One hundred and seventy thousand? Are you so sure?" Jian Wushuang was surprised.

"Of course, I've been helping in our clan's largest store before the Xiao clan was exterminated. I know around ninety-nine percent of those resources and treasures in these Interspatial Rings along with their market values. It's not bad to have accumulated one hundred and seventy thousand," said Xiao Tiexin.

Jian Wushuang nodded.

Indeed, 170,000 Primordial Stones was a huge amount of money. Not even prominent clans in the Northern Darkstar Territory would take that amount lightly. Jian Wushuang had gained so much after destroying the Demonic Moon Prefecture, Heaven Poison Prefecture, and Underworld Prefecture. It was the wealth accumulated by three prefectures over a span of many years.

"Don't be too happy that you have these valuable resources and treasures. If you take these and sell them at the shops, I doubt there are any shops in the Northern Darkstar Territory which are able to produce that many Primordial Stones at once. Even if there are shops which could and are willing to do it, you might be targeted once you leave. Such a huge amount of Primordial Stones would be tempting to any clans or sects," said Xiao Tiexin.

Jian Wushuang said, "I understand. I'll put these resources and treasures in the Interspatial Rings for the time being. Once I have the chance or I'm powerful enough, I'll exchange them for Primordial Stones. At this point in time, I've collected nearly ninety thousand Primordial Stones which will last me for some time."

Apart from the various resources and treasures worth 170,000 Primordial Stones, he had collected nearly 96,000 Primordial Stones after annihilating the three prefectures.

After returning 6,000 to Xiao Tiexin, he had about 90,000 Primordial Stones remaining!

At Jian Wushuang's stone refinement speed, it would take approximately one month to use all of it.

After careful consideration, Jian Wushuang doubted whether he could even progress to Peak Divine Demon Realm after refining those Primordial Stones.

## **Chapter 2525: Furious**

Earlier, when he was breaking through from the Second-Class Divine Demon to the First-Class Divine Demon, Jian Wushuang used almost 10,000 Primordial Stones and the entire Divine Power Ocean in Saint's Tomb. At that time, he had reached a certain level in Second-Class Divine Demon and he had also been cultivating to improve his divine power. All in all, he probably needed 20,000 Primordial Stones to make a breakthrough from Second-Class to First-Class Divine Demon.

Hence, if he wanted to make a breakthrough from First-Class Divine Demon to Peak Divine Demon, he would need multiple times more divine power.

Jian Wushuang estimated he would need at least 100,000 Primordial Stones to make a breakthrough to the next level, hence having only around 90,000 Primordial Stones were not sufficient.

Unless...he would destroy another prefecture.

However, Jian Wushuang shook that thought off his mind.

"Can't do this anymore," murmured Jian Wushuang.

He knew his successes in destroying the Demonic Moon Prefecture, Heaven Poison Prefecture and Underworld Prefecture were because of two main reasons.

First of all, those three prefectures were the weakest in strength among the Eighteen Prefectures as they were ranked the bottom three. Not only were their combat prowess much weaker than other prefectures, but so were their techniques. The formations protecting and shielding their prefectures were so weak that Jian Wushuang could easily annihilate those formations just by relying on the Prison of Punishment.

On the other hand, the other prefectures were different as they had stronger combat powers and more advanced techniques. It would not be as easy for Jian Wushuang to handle them.

Secondly, he was able to succeed one after another because of his fast pace while not allowing time for the prefectures to react and plan their counterattacks.

Ten days had passed since he started with the first prefecture and ended with the third. The other prefectures would have gotten news by now and came up with strategies to protect themselves.

Jian Wushuang guessed the remaining 15 prefectures were probably boiling in rage and were already discussing how to deal with him should he seek them out.

Under such circumstances, it was unlikely for him to succeed in destroying another prefecture.

He could not stay in the Dark Thunder Territory any longer as well.

"Tiexin, let's go," said Jian Wushuang.

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Just as Jian Wushuang had anticipated, his deeds in the past ten days spread like wildfire and caused a huge sensation in the entire Dark Thunder Territory.

The remaining 15 prefectures were furious.

Those Eighteen Prefectures had internal conflicts and struggles but they had always been united against any outsiders that were against any of them.

The other 15 prefectures had reacted immediately upon the destruction of those three.

In a magnificent palace, many experts from those 15 prefectures had gathered. Although not all of them were their prefecture's governor, all of them were powerful Ultimate Gods.

"I've already figured out the culprit. It's this golden-robed man with a sword who did that to Demonic Moon Prefecture, Heaven Poison Prefecture, and Underworld Prefecture," said a purple-clothed old man.

Despite Jian Wushuang performing the Prison of Punishment Technique to prevent bandits from escaping, that technique could not prevent those bandits from communicating with others through sending messages. Therefore, information about Jian Wushuang's appearance, characteristics, strength, and skills had been leaked.

"This golden-robed man is good with the sword on top of having a profound understanding of Space-time Law which he can produce eleven apparitions at the same time. His command of the Space-time Law is no less than a Peak Divine Demon's and he's extremely clever with his techniques. Though his combat prowess is only at the Primary-Level Ultimate God, he's able to kill High-Level Ultimate Gods. When he attacked the three prefectures, he first created a Golden Prison which prevented those experts from escaping before performing domain techniques to suppress those trapped experts before killing them directly."

"There were many experts in the three prefectures with nearly thirty Primary-Level Ultimate Gods and three High-Level Ultimate Gods, but all of them were killed!"

"The problem is we don't even know the golden-robed man's origins. We don't even know his name. We only know he appeared along with the Xueya Escort Team. According to our intelligence, the Xueya Escort Team has already left the central area." The purple-clothed old man frowned.

"Hmph, it doesn't matter what's his origin or whether he's with the Xueya Escort Team. We must not allow him to leave the Dark Thunder Territory alive since he launched an attack on our Eighteen Prefectures and wiped out three prefectures in one go. Otherwise, how will the eighteen... No, Fifteen Prefectures show ourselves to the world? From now on, those clans in Northern Darkstar Territory will think we are weak and they can bully us," commented a burly middle-aged man.

"Yes, whoever attacks us must die!"

"According to our intelligence, although this golden-robed man can destroy three prefectures with his own powers, he mainly relied on his Golden Prison which prevents experts from escaping. As for his true combat strength, he's actually only at the High-Level Ultimate God. There are many of us amongst the Fifteen Prefectures that can kill him!"

Inside the palace, the faces of the experts were stern and somber with their eyes flashing in anger.

At that instance...

A red-haired woman suddenly looked up and said in a deep voice, "There's news. I just got news from my subordinates about the golden-robed man. He's currently around Firmament Mountains while someone is keeping an eye on him."

"Firmament Mountains?" The purple-clothed old man seated in the higher position had a grim look, "The Infernal Heart Prefecture—one of the top three prefectures was not far away. Send a message immediately to the Governor of Infernal Heart Prefecture and ask him to take action and kill the golden-robed man. Besides, the Blood Light Prefecture is closest to Firmament Mountains. The Luo Brothers of Blood Light Prefecture are very powerful. They might not be able to kill the golden-robed man, but it shouldn't be a problem to stop him. Send both of them a message as well so that they can take action as soon as possible."

"No matter what's the price, the golden-robed man must be killed!"

The experts in the palace had strong murderous intent.

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Firmament Mountains was an ordinary mountain in the center of the Dark Thunder Territory.

Jian Wushuang did not know the mountain's name. He was soaring above the Firmament Mountains alone.

He was not moving fast nor did he hide. In short, he was just swaggering in the void.

He was also using a message token to communicate with Xiao Tiexin while moving about.

"Tiexin, how are you doing with your escort team?" Jian Wushuang asked.

"We'll be able to leave the central area soon. There are bandits who often drop by to spy on us but they didn't stay for too long," said Xiao Tiexin.

"That's normal. I think they have their eyes on me now and will probably not pay much attention to you," said Jian Wushuang with a smile.

### **Chapter 2526: In For The Kill**

Not long ago, Jian Wushuang parted ways with Xiao Tiexin who then joined a crimson-class escort team which she had encountered and left the central area with those escorts.

The Fifteen Prefectures were keeping an eye on him while Jian Wushuang swaggered and appeared around Firmament Mountains, hence Xiao Tiexin could safely leave.

"Mr. Jian Yi, you should quickly go. The remaining fifteen prefectures aren't that easy to handle," said Xiao Tiexin.

"I know, but it's not easy to leave. They have already marked me and probably won't let me leave this central area," said Jian Wushuang.

"What can I do?" Xiao Tiexin asked.

"It's okay. I have my own ways to deal with it. You can find a place to stop and wait for me after getting out of the central area. I'll find you soon," said Jian Wushuang casually.

"Okay." Xiao Tiexin nodded.

Jian Wushuang ended the communication and his eyes darted around and scanned the area.

His soul powers had sensed many bandits in the void surrounding him.

Those bandits were probably there mainly to keep an eye and prevent him from escaping as they were not sufficiently powerful to fight against him.

Jian Wushuang estimated it would not be long before someone from the Fifteen Prefectures appeared to kill him.

"The Fifteen Prefectures have many powerful experts, but they are scattered in different corners. It's impossible to unite their high-level forces to kill me in a short period. I wonder which prefecture will come for me first?" Jian Wushuang mumbled to himself and looked forward to it.

Half an hour passed by very quickly.

Jian Wushuang was still sauntering around Firmament Mountains.

Suddenly...more than ten tyrannical auras appeared out of thin air within the range of his soul power.

"Have they arrived?" Jian Wushuang raised his head and looked at the nearby void where more than a dozen black spots had appeared. In just moments, those dozens of black spots appeared in front of him.

The weakest among them were exuding an Ultimate God's aura as they stood before Jian Wushuang.

Jian Wushuang ignored the Primary-Level Ultimate Gods and looked at those two people in the centre.

The divine powers emanating from both of them had reached the High-Level Ultimate God and were very powerful, at least much stronger than Demonic Moon Prefecture Governor and even stronger than Great Compassion Sect's Yun Zhen.

Besides, apart from both of them having similar divine powers, even their faces were identical.

Both of them were burly and sturdy with cold stern faces. Each was also carrying a gigantic axe behind them.

Jian Wushuang narrowed his eyes and figured those two's identity. "Twin brothers? Seems like they are the Luo brothers from Blood Light Prefecture."

Jian Wushuang heard Xiao Tiexin talking about the strength of various prefectures, as well as some of their powerful experts.

The Luo brothers were quite famous among the Eighteen Prefectures in Dark Thunder Territory. They were only slightly weaker than the three Peak Ultimate Gods of those three top-ranked prefectures.

The Luo brothers were indeed twin brothers with both of them having cultivated and acted together since young. They had progressed simultaneously in strength and were equally talented. Both of them were close to being Peak Ultimate Gods and their combat prowess were extremely powerful. It was still



fine to fight against one of them, but when the two joined forces... Their combat power would skyrocket!

According to Xiao Tiexin, both brothers worked extremely well together and had even developed powerful fusion attack techniques to complement each other. The two of them joined forces to double up their strength such that even those very high ranking Ultimate Gods would avoid confronting them together.

“Golden-robed youth, you continuously wiped out Demonic Moon Prefecture, Heaven Poison Prefecture, and Underworld Prefecture. You have completely disregarded the Eighteen Prefectures. We’ll kill you today!” roared the older brother, Luo Hai.

“You can’t just use lip service to kill me,” Jian Wushuang sneered.

“Of course, we’ll crush you with our powers.” Luo Hai’s face was cold. “Brother, let’s attack!”

“Okay.” The younger brother, Luo Bao nodded.

The two brothers had a tacit understanding and fired their shots almost at the same time.

They were extremely violent and drew the big axes on their backs which were swinging around in accordance with their bodies.

Hum!

The giant axe in Luo Shan’s hands was heavy and forbidding like a giant mountain as it went crashing down on Jian Wushuang with its almighty strength.

Whoosh!

The second brother, Luo Hai waved his big axe that caused ripples to immediately spread out. It gave one the impression as if they were plunged into the sea waves and repeatedly being hit by the ripples.

“The two brothers might be equal in strength, but their laws and axe skills are completely different!” Jian Wushuang exclaimed.

He had also moved along and transformed into 11 apparitions. His terrifying speed had saved him from Luo Shan’s powerful axe strike.

Swoosh!

As his Blood Mountain Sword flicked, a cold sword-light seemed to tear apart everything in the world.

The sword-light tore apart Luo Hai’s axe rippled before shooting toward Luo Hai.

Luo Hai let out a cold snort before discharging an infinite amount of divine power, like a giant wave in the middle of the sea. Multiple waves were sent out by his axe’s swinging motions which all of them were aimed at Jian Wushuang.

Jian Wushuang used his Samsara driven sword-lights to repeatedly crush those waves. However, there were even more waves coming his way.

On the other side, Heaven and Earth violently shook as Luo Shan charged at Jian Wushuang with an axe at hand. His movements were intense as if the Heaven were being slashed apart.

“These two brothers are really strong!” Jian Wushuang exclaimed as the Stellar Strength in his body started to surge.

Buzz... Majestic divine powers began condensing behind Jian Wushuang. It was the early signs of him forming his a-thousand-feet-tall Golden God Shadow.

The Golden God Shadow was towering over the Earth with its height as divine powers in Jian Wushuang’s body continued to build up.

He simultaneously performed the Seven Stars Secret Technique and Divine God of Punishment!

“Get lost!”

Along with his stern shout, the Blood Mountain Sword’s power soared while his eyes were filled with a burning hatred.

Hate! hate! Hate!

The feeling of hatred filled the entire world!

Transmigration Sword Skill, Third Form—Hateful Path Toward Heaven!

Boom!

Heaven shattering sword intents swept across and smashed into the endless waves ahead. The axe which Luo Shan was waving around had also been frontally repelled.

The two Luo Brothers’ bodies were sent retreating backwards.

“Big Brother, he’s very strong. Let’s use our Fusion Attack Techniques,” said Luo Hai in a low voice.

“Yeah.” Luo Shan also solemnly nodded.

The very next moment, a glimmer of light was shining from both of them.

### **Chapter 2527: Fusion Attack Techniques**

The glimmer of light was an extremely unique secret technique.

The two brothers then moved at the same time and simultaneously waved the giant axes in their hands.

Wow! Wow!

Two axe shadows, one domineering and the other extremely sturdy as they shot out at the same time before completely integrated into one in an instant.

“Heavenly Beast’s Descent!”

The two Luo brothers snorted as the glimmering lights on their bodies completely merged.

“Roar!”

A loud roar resounded abruptly. Under the fusion of both axe shadows, a ferocious wild beast descended from above.

The wild beast carried terrifying powers and attacked Jian Wushuang.

Jian Wushuang’s eyes sank. The divine power in him erupted before swinging across the Blood Mountain Sword in his hand.

Hate! Hate! Hate!

It’s still the technique Hateful Path Toward Heaven!

Embarking on an infinite hateful path.

Boom!

There was a loud noise as the beast which came out from the axe shadows was slashed and thrown back. It went rolling backward with an obvious decrease of divine powers.

“Again.” Luo Shan’s voice was cold.

“A Million Changes, A Million Beasts’ Evolution!”

Rumbling!

More lights were injected into the wild beast. After the wild beast stood firm on its feet, its momentum was rebuilt once again before charging forward and suddenly splitting into multiple beasts. In the blink of an eye, there were dozens of fierce beasts.

Those fierce beasts were extremely powerful and went right after Jian Wushuang as soon as it took shape.

A terrifying evil spirit filled the entire void which completely surrounded Jian Wushuang.

Jian Wushuang scoffed as 11 apparitions were concurrently produced and slipped in between the wild beasts.

Thereafter, there were a series of strange and bewitching sword-lights illuminating among the beasts.

Every sword-light could easily kill a Primary-Level Ultimate God.

With just a momentary effort, Jian Wushuang’s figure retreated back to the original place as dozens of fierce beasts had already been swept away by the sword-lights.

“Any other techniques?”

Jian Wushuang stood there with his sword at hand, looking condescendingly at Luo Shan and Luo Hai.

The two brothers’ faces turned ugly.

Both of them were very powerful high-level Ultimate Gods and were very close to being a Peak High-Level Ultimate God. When they worked together to perform the combined attack, even the top High-

Level Ultimate God experts would shun them. However, Jian Wushuang had parried off their fusion attack techniques head-on.

“Brother, use the ultimate trick!” Luo Shan said coldly.

“Alright.” Luo Hai nodded solemnly.

In an instant, the light glimmer appeared on them both again and condensed in the void ahead.

Both of them shouted at the same time, “Impersonation of a Beast, Devil’s Descent!”

Boom!

Heaven and Earth shook as infinite light gathered before the two brothers.

In the blink of an eye, a hundred feet tall devil appeared out of thin air from the gleaming light. The devil held a giant axe in his hand with its eyes emitting cold lights.

“Kill!” Luo Shan shrieked.

The hundred-foot-tall devil stepped out and held a giant axe with both of its hands before swinging it downward.

The axe had changed the colors of Heaven, Earth, and Space-time.

The void shuddered.

Jian Wushuang stood in front of the devil with his eyes focusing on the axe which the devil wielded.

The Golden God Shadow behind him was surging with divine powers and the infinite ocean of golden divine powers erupted.

Jian Wushuang shook his hands firmly and the Blood Mountain Sword turned into a long snake. Swash! The void was torn apart like pieces of paper with everything turning into nothingness.

No sound. No wind. No shadow.

The sword shadow was the only thing that swept around.

Space-time Sword Technique, Third Form—Pure Shadow!

Boom!

There was a loud noise and the sky shattered while the entire grounds trembled frantically.

The two brothers had already retreated to the void behind them as both Luo Shan and Luo Hai coldly stared at the void at the front.

The divine powers that had flooded the void slowly dissipated before the appearance of a powerful sword intent which completely annihilated the collision aftermath’s reverberation.

Once again, Jian Wushuang appeared in front of the two brothers.

“Did this golden-robed kid actually ward off our strongest move?” Luo Shan gritted his teeth tightly.

“His divine power’s breath is still full. It seems he has not suffered any harm.” Luo Hai added.

The two brothers exchanged looks as a thought entered their minds at the same time.

They knew it was impossible to kill the golden-robed man before them with just the two of them.

“Fortunately, our mission isn’t to kill but to keep him occupied and not allow him to escape,” said Luo Hai.

“Well, the Governor of Infernal Heart Prefecture should be here soon,” said Luo Shan.

Several shadows appeared in the distant void while the two were conversing.

Those shadows were moving extremely fast and appeared on the battlefield in the blink of an eye.

There were only five people. Among the five were four high-level Ultimate Gods and a thin black-haired young man standing in the center who was emitting a phantom-like aura.

The aura of the black-haired man was obviously stronger than anyone present and his aura had already surpassed the High-Level Ultimate God rank.

He was a Peak Ultimate God!

The phantom-like black-haired young man was also a governor of the top three prefectures in the Dark Thunder Territory, Governor of Infernal Heart Prefecture!

“Is he a Peak Ultimate God?”

Jian Wushuang stealthily glanced at the phantom-like black-haired young man with his narrowed eyes.

A Peak Ultimate God—a top Ultimate God who was just one step away from being an Earth Ultimate God.

Peak Ultimate Gods were considered super experts in both Dark Thunder Territory and Northern Darkstar Territory.

In many Northern Darkstar Territory’s prominent families, Peak Ultimate Gods were clan heads. The only one known to have power above Peak Ultimate God in the entire Northern Darkstar Territory was the Territorial Lord.

A Peak Ultimate God had appeared in front of Jian Wushuang.

Jian Wushuang licked his lips but was still unflustered. On the contrary, his expectations were building up.

“Governor, you’re finally here.”

Luo Shan and Luo Hai both turned their heads to the phantom-like black-haired young man.

The phantom-like black-haired young man was the Governor of Infernal Heart Prefecture. He first glanced at Jian Wushuang before looking at the Luo brothers. “Are you two brothers unable to get him?”

"It's a pity. This golden-robed kid is much stronger than we thought. We've joined forces by performing our fusion attack techniques and displaying our strongest moves. Unfortunately, we aren't able to subdue him, not to mention kill him" said Luo Shan.

### **Chapter 2528: Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor**

"Oh?" The Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor was a little surprised.

He knew about the Luo Brothers' abilities with their almost peerless joint attack techniques among High-Level Ultimate Gods. However, their opponent did not even budget.

The Governor looked at Jian Wushuang and mysteriously smiled. "Golden-robed kid, I hear you're a swordsman. What coincidence, so am I!"

The Governor flipped his wrist as soon as he spoke and a long black sword which was glowing in a faint light appeared in his hand.

The black sword projected a gloomy cold aura with a touch of evil.

"Let's find out who's more skillful." Jian Wushuang appeared calm with an undercurrent of excitement.

He would have done so long ago if he wanted to leave, but he was not in a hurry as he wanted to cross hands with the Eighteen Prefectures' top cultivators.

His wait for a Peak Ultimate God was finally over.

"I wonder how large is the gap between a Peak Ultimate God and me at my current level?" Jian Wushuang murmured. In the next moment...

Broom~~~

An infinite golden divine power ocean began gushing out before covering Heaven and Earth.

The void was shrouded in the blink of an eye as a huge Golden Prison was formed out of thin air.

At the same time, an expanding golden divine power had formed an enormous domain that directly pressed against the Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor.

The Governor was still standing at the same spot when he felt the domain's pressure. He was slightly surprised but immediately calmed down.

"Is this the Golden Prison which you unleashed to annihilate those three prefectures? Rather powerful, huh?" The Governor looked around him. "Such a sturdy prison is perhaps difficult to break, even for a high-level Ultimate God. No wonder none of the three prefectures' experts could escape. Moreover, it has a domain within..."

"What a pity that this domain within the prison is only a joke for me. I'll show you what real oppression is."

As soon as his voice faded, the Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor's eyes turned cold.

With ringing noises, a terrifying sword essence suddenly surged upward from the Governor's body. It was such a strong sword essence.

It was strong enough to make both regular and High-Level Ultimate Gods stunned.

Even Jian Wushuang felt a sense of fear the moment he noticed the sword essence.

The sweeping sword essence immediately and completely materialized before continuing its motion toward every direction. The golden divine power ocean began to retreat under the sword essences.

In the blink of an eye, the sword essence had completely covered Heaven and Earth, forming an immense and complete Sword World!

The powerful sword essence filled every corner of that world.

The Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor was at the centermost region of that world. He was the ruler of sword principles in that world.

Jian Wushuang experienced an unprecedented great shock physically and mentally when that enormous Sword World was formed.

The shock directly affected his sword technique even had greatly decreased the gathering speed of his sword essences.

He felt like a child who just started learning sword techniques and fighting against the world's best swordsman!

"Sword World, this is a real Sword World!" Jian Wushuang slightly shuddered.

The first stage of sword principles, Sword World!

As soon as one stepped into this stage, one had entered a new level in sword principles.

However, it was incredibly hard to reach that stage.

Jian Wushuang did cross hands with Fan Jianxian while in Wusha Wilderness who had also unleashed a Sword World, but it was only a frame of a Sword World—an empty shell with no substance—and did not help to develop his Sword World at all.

Even then, Fan Jianxian's 'empty shell' still indeed caused a slight bit of shock to Jian Wushuang during the battle.

Jian Wushuang was greatly shocked when he felt those heaven-shattering sword essences sweeping in from all directions. He immediately understood that the Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor before him was a true sword expert who had opened up his Sword World. The Sword World which he displayed was a complete one and felt entirely different from Fan Jianxian's.

"It's a complete Sword World? What a strange and unique feeling." Jian Wushuang was paying detailed attention to the sword essence around him.

He could personally feel the Sword World that surrounded him.

His understanding of sword principles had reached the completion stage with his next objective was to form his Sword World. However, even though he had received Purple Blood Saint's understanding on top of knowing a Sword World's structure, it was not enough to develop one on his own. It would be best if he could personally feel the Sword World.

Jian Wushuang had always wished to cross paths with a sword expert who had developed his Sword World and today's encounter was an unexpected and pleasant surprise.

"My luck's rather good." Jian Wushuang's eyes were shining with excitement as battle intent began surging within him.

The Governor took action at that same moment.

He had casually arrived right in front of Jian Wushuang as a gloomy and evil cold black sword stabbed outward horizontally.

It produced violent wind noises as though the void was pierced through and exploded.

The stroke itself did not seem to unleash an overly powerful momentum, but Jian Wushuang could tell it was done by focusing and suddenly erupting infinite sword essences at a single point.

The instant explosion sent out terrifying energy waves.

"Hmph!"

Jian Wushuang humphed coldly and dared not be careless. Divine powers were surging violently from his body as the 3,000-meter-tall golden god shadow behind him was also projecting infinite powers.

Ring!

A sword-light appeared out of the blue.

The sword-light was incredibly attractive and bright as though it could connect Heaven and Earth.

It became the focal center of Heaven and Earth the moment it appeared.

It even became an eternity.

Space-time Sword Technique—Heaven and Earth Aligned!

However, Jian Wushuang's pupils dilated the moment his sword-light appeared.

"How's that possible? The energy of my stroke had weakened so much?" Jian Wushuang was extremely shocked.

He had been under the Sword World's oppression from the beginning.

His gathering of sword essences and the divine powers had been greatly affected by it. He had already given his all into that stroke, but the energy it projected was only at most half of what he could have performed in his peak.

How could an attack at half of his power be able to fend off Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor's explosion attack?



Twang!

The noises of metal collisions resonated along with the Governor's immediate explosive strike which Jian Wushuang felt was ten times stronger than a regular Ultimate God's!

He could not withstand it at all.

Boom!

His body got blown out extremely far away and hit the wall of the Golden Prison.

### **Chapter 2529: Crushed**

Whoosh!

Jian Wushuang struggled out of the golden prison's wall and once again appeared before Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor.

"Power, truly powerful!"

Jian Wushuang's eyes were shining with excitement.

His abilities had been shockingly decreased by 50% from the Sword World's effects.

Moreover, the Governor's battle strength was also horrifyingly powerful. Any casual stroke he unleashed was ten times more powerful than regular High-Level Ultimate God.

An expert such as that...

"Looks like I have underestimated the gap between a High-Level and Peak Ultimate God, but I won't miss a chance to personally experience his Sword World in detail." Jian Wushuang smiled coldly as his body suddenly trembled.

Ring!

Infinite golden lights violently surged and radically gathered in the form of a blinding golden light right outside of his golden robe before shrouding his entire body.

A shiny golden armor surrounded Jian Wushuang's body in the blink of an eye.

One of Jian Wushuang's secret techniques—Nine Sparkle Star Armor—was finally unleashed.

It was also the debut of his cultivated Life Armor after its upgrade.

"Show me exactly how strong an expert owning a Sword World is!" A piercing light shone through Jian Wushuang's eyes.

Whoosh!

All 11 apparitions were projected at the same time.

12 Jian Wushuang's appeared out of nowhere in the void with each of them shrouded in golden armors which shone and made their appearance seemingly like golden demonic deities.

The 12 Jian Wushuang's moved with terrifying speed in the void.

“Eleven apparitions. Does he have such a high understanding of Space-time Law?”

The Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor looked at those golden figures and drew his sword sideways with only one hand.

Clank, clank, clank, infinite sword essences suddenly solidified and became tiny little sword shadows that hurled toward those golden figures coming from every direction.

The sword shadows went right through each of those golden figures except one which made physical contact with them.

“Right there.”

The Governor’s figure appeared before Jian Wushuang’s physical body with a flash and lashed out his black sword. He struck like a venomous snake directly aiming for Jian Wushuang’s throat.

As he attacked, an enormous sword essence pressed against Jian Wushuang.

Jian Wushuang looked aloof as he swung his long sword which seemed to tear open the void before him and formed a sword river.

That sword river seemed to separate the two of them, making them confront each other on either side.

Both sword techniques exploded into action right after.

With consecutive wind noises, multiple traces of cold and mysterious sword-lights lashed out one after another.

The sword-lights were incredibly fast, vicious, and the momentum contained therein were horrifying. The crux was the huge number of sword-lights.

The infinite sword-lights were so dense that they completely shrouded Jian Wushuang in just a very short time.

Jian Wushuang was trying his hardest to withstand them but was shocked by the Sword World which greatly impacted his abilities and especially his sword techniques.

Even though he had Nine Sparkle Star Armor, which caused each of his strokes to be three times more powerful and placing himself not far behind in terms of momentum, but in terms of sword techniques...

“His sword techniques are just too fast. If I’m not affected by his Sword World, I could rely on my Space-time Law understanding to resist him. However, I can’t even catch up to his speed at this moment, let alone resisting him.” Jian Wushuang’s expression became extremely troubled. He was gradually losing to Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor’s oppression despite giving his all.

“This is it.” Jian Wushuang made a shocking realization.

The Governor’s pupils suddenly dilated before saying, “Golden-robed kid, go to hell.”

Ring!

A flash of evil and cold sword-light slid by Blood Mountain Sword’s edge and aimed directly toward Jian Wushuang’s head.

The sword's freezing tip stabbed between Jian Wushuang's eyebrows. Jian Wushuang had the Nine Sparkle Star Armor shrouding over his body, it was an important defense, hence it also protected that area.

However, the armor fell apart as it made contact with the sword tip which continued to stab inward.

Clank!

The sound of metals making contact was heard which was even accompanied by a flickering golden flame.

"Huh? Another layer of battle armor?" The Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor looked over and realized Jian Wushuang was not only shrouded with shiny golden armor but the golden robe which he had been wearing also turned into a sophisticated and beautiful golden armor that covered his entire body.

It was Jian Wushuang's life armor, Golden Glazed Life Armor!

One must know Jian Wushuang's cultivation of the Nine Sparkle Star Armor technique was meant for both offense and defense. It would fuse with the life armor and form a second layer of golden armor to defend the user's body.

In other words, he was being protected by two layers of defense armor!

The Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor's sword tip shattered the Nine Sparkle Star Armor which formed with the accumulation of divine powers, but it would not be able to harm the Golden Glazed Life Armor. The most it could do was to transmit its impact energy into Jian Wushuang's body through the Golden Glazed Life Armor.

However, going through two layers of armors meant the remaining momentum bits were already very weak and could not even hurt Jian Wushuang a bit.

Whoosh!

Jian Wushuang and the Governor moved away from each other.

"Golden-robed kid, your body's defense ability is not too bad," said the Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor.

"Thanks for the compliments." Jian Wushuang did not deflect the praise nor did he show any arrogance.

"Hmph." The Governor suddenly harrumphed coldly before immediately stepping out.

It looked like a simple and extremely casual step but was an incredibly huge step in truth.

It was amazingly fast to the extent of being almost like teleportation. The Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor had already appeared less than a meter from Jian Wushuang.

"What?" Jian Wushuang was shocked.

Right after that, the black sword in the Governor's hand projected waves of dark light, and the Governor's face looked extremely stern.

"Dark Sword, God-Kill!"

The Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor lightly recited those words as the black sword's tip once again pointed toward Jian Wushuang without any obstructions in between.

The cold and gloomy black sword tip formed strange dark waves as it moved through the void. Those dark waves seemed to have formed a huge swirl.

Jian Wushuang had no time to react against that attack at all and neither was there a way for him to fend it off.

He could only watch as it made contact with his body.

Boom!

The sword tip contained an incredible amount of impact and killing momentum instantly exploded on Jian Wushuang's body.

Jian Wushuang flew like a cannonball and once again knocked against the Golden Prison's wall.

It even formed a huge hole in the Golden Prison's wall at that time with a huge momentum and sword essences rippled outward from the hole.

"Is he dead?"

Luo Shan, Luo Hai, and the Ultimate Gods who were also within the Golden Prison attentively gazed.

Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor stood coldly in the void with his suffocating aura projected from his body. He also looked ahead but began to frown.

### **Chapter 2530: Full Retreat**

Jian Wushuang once again struggled out of the cracks under everyone's scrutiny and appeared in front of the Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor.

"The Governor of Infernal Heart Prefecture is truly a premier of the Eighteen Prefectures' Three Great Ultimate Gods. I'm impressed!" Jian Wushuang said with a bright voice.

According to Xiao Tiexin, the Infernal Heart Prefecture's Governor was the best among the Eighteen Prefectures' Three Great Ultimate Gods.

It was indeed true based on his observation.

Even among Peak Ultimate Gods, there were very few who could open up their World after all. Most of them had to become an Earth Ultimate God before they could do so, but the Governor had already achieved so.

"That strike just now was my most powerful sword strike. It should've killed you or at least severely injured you when it struck your body head-on, but you're completely fine. It's impossible unless you practice certain extremely powerful protective secret techniques or...your golden armor is a Heavenly Treasure!" The Governor sternly stared at Jian Wushuang.

At this moment, he was 90% sure Jian Wushuang's armor was not only a Heavenly Treasure but also extremely high-leveled. Otherwise, Jian Wushuang could not remain unscathed under his most powerful strike.

"A Heavenly Treasure armor!" The Governor's eyes were shining with a touch of greed.

Artifacts were categorized into three categories—Mystical Treasures, Earthly Treasures, and Heavenly Treasures!

Among them, Earthly Treasures were already considered very good as most regular Ultimate Gods only used Pinnacle Earthly Treasures. Those among Peak Ultimate Gods who could afford to use Heavenly Treasure weapons were very rare.

For example, the Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor did not own a Heavenly Treasure.

However, not only was it a piece of Heavenly Treasure present before him but was also a protective armor-type.

Protective armors were a lot more precious than offensive mystical gear.

Jian Wushuang noticed the Governor's greedy eyes.

His protective armor was indeed at the Heavenly Treasure level, but its powers were not as exaggerated as it seemed. He was injured by the strike just now but immediately used his divine powers to recuperate without the Governor's noticed.

'I have experienced his 'Sword World' when we fought, hence there's no longer any need to continue being entangled with him.'

Jian Wushuang had made up his mind as he immediately laughed and said, "Mr. Governor, thank you for the lesson today. Let's cross hands again if we get a chance in the future."

Jian Wushuang's laughter was resonating between Heaven and Earth, but his figure had already shot all the way backward.

"Wishing to escape?"

The Governor's expression turned dark as he immediately moved to chase after Jian Wushuang.

After knowing that Jian Wushuang possessed a Heavenly Treasure armor, the Governor had absolutely no intentions of letting Jian Wushuang live, not to mention that the remaining 15 prefectures must kill him to salvage their reputations since he had indeed annihilated three prefectures.

Other than Infernal Heart Prefecture's Governor, Luo Brothers, and remaining Ultimate Gods also immediately chased after Jian Wushuang.

However, Jian Wushuang only smiled faintly when he saw that before pointing his finger toward them.

Just from pointing his finger... Boom!!!

A titanic divine power erupted like a volcano that had stayed idle for billions of years.

It was incredibly overwhelming.

At that instant, the divine power that swept out of Jian Wushuang's body had challenged the Ultimate Gods' knowledge in divine powers.

"How's that possible?"

"His... His divine power... How can it be so much?"

"It's above Earth Ultimate Gods, Heaven Ultimate Gods, and Grand Ultimate Gods. Probably even Undying Saints would not have such overwhelming divine powers!"

Terrifying noises resonated around them.

The Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor was also dumbfounded. Never had he imagined Jian Wushuang could suddenly project such vast and incredible divine powers.

His divine powers literally formed an ocean with its infinite and ever-expanding size which repeatedly formed giant waves and violently swept against them.

They did not realize the divine power that was sweeping at them was only 30% of Jian Wushuang's total divine powers.

As a Perfect Chaotic Creature, Jian Wushuang possessed divine powers that were as vast as the ocean. He had absorbed an entire divine power ocean after all when he broke into Second-Class Divine Demon from Third-Class.

Now that he was a Second-Class Divine Demon, he naturally possessed even more divine powers.

It was exactly due to such that he never had to worry about exhausting his divine powers during fights and was able to ruthlessly use various tactics.

At that moment, he projected 30% of his divine power all in one go.

It was still terrifyingly vast despite being only merely 30%. Under violent impacts of his infinite divine powers, Infernal Heart Prefecture's Governor, Luo Brothers, and everyone else could not help but stop chasing and withstood the impact while watching Jian Wushuang vanish from their sights.

After a while, the vast divine power ocean which violently swept at them had finally exhausted its momentum. The divine powers that previously filled the air had completely dissolved.

The Governor, Luo Brothers, and the rest of them stood there feeling incredibly embarrassed.

"He escaped even though I'm the one who fought him?" The Governor felt extremely reluctant to concede.

He did not wish to give up on the opportunity to obtain Jian Wushuang's Heavenly Treasure armor.

On the other hand, Luo Brothers and the rest of them could only quietly shake their heads.

From the recent battles, they could conclude that Jian Wushuang's battle strength might still be below a Peak Ultimate God's, but he was most definitely unrivaled among Peak Divine Demons.

Furthermore, his body protective abilities and life-saving skills were really high.

The Infernal Heart Prefecture's Governor was already the most powerful among Eighteen Prefectures, but even he could only watch Jian Wushuang leave without being able to do anything.

For the remaining 15 prefectures, unless they gathered all their high-level experts together, they would not be able to kill him with only a few prefectures joining hands—even with their Peak Ultimate Gods.

"Let's go back for now. The prefectures need to discuss and decide on how to deal with the golden-robed kid," said Luo Shan.

"Aye." Luo Hai nodded and soon everyone from Blood Light Prefecture had left.

As for Infernal Heart Prefecture's Governor, there was nothing he could do despite feeling reluctant to concede as Jian Wushuang had already left. He could only return and plan for his next steps.

Experts from other prefectures immediately fell silent when they found out that even the Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor could not even injure or force Jian Wushuang to stay.

However, they soon began their plans on dealing with Jian Wushuang again.

Of course, their plans were based on the hypothesis that Jian Wushuang would still stay within the Central Region and continued messing with them.

However, Jian Wushuang had immediately left the Central Region where those Eighteen Prefectures gathered after his battle with the Infernal Heart Prefecture Governor.