

Immortality Cultivation: I Farm in the System Space

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“What do you think?”

“Will you form an alliance with me, or do you plan to face Li Mingwu and the Dragon Taoist alone?”

After the Yan Family ancestor finished speaking, he looked at Bai Yi, waiting for Bai Yi’s response.

After hearing this, Bai Yi, facing the Yan Family ancestor, smiled and said:

“There’s no need to even say it, I naturally choose to form an alliance with you, Yan Dao friend.”

“The situation is very clear now, if the two of us don’t form an alliance, we are definitely not their match.

Only by uniting can we contend with them.”

As soon as Bai Yi’s words fell, the Yan Family ancestor corrected:

“Not two, but three of us.”

“Three?”

Bai Yi was quite puzzled, looking at the Yan Family ancestor, and for a moment he couldn’t react.

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However,

the Yan Family ancestor then looked towards Lin Jing standing nearby.

Following the Yan Family ancestor’s gaze, Bai Yi saw Lin Jing just taking out a fiery red token from his space ring.

“The Five Elements Fire Command!”

The moment he saw the token, Bai Yi was immediately dumbfounded.

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He hadn’t expected that the missing Five Elements Fire Command was actually in Lin Jing’s hands.

After a moment, Bai Yi came to his senses, looked back at the Yan Family ancestor with a face full of admiration:

“I can’t believe that the long-lost Five Elements Fire Command has been with you all this time.”

“Yan Dao friend!”

“Indeed, the older, the wiser, you truly are deserving of praise.”

Apparently, Bai Yi thought that the Five Elements Fire Command had been obtained by the Yan Family ancestor, and he didn’t suspect Lin Jing.

After all,

in his view, Lin Jing was only at the Nascent Soul Stage, and he hadn’t been in the Southern Outer Sea for long.

It was impossible for him to have planned so early, or to have obtained the Five Elements Fire Command.

He only thought that the Five Elements Fire Command must have been obtained by the Yan Family ancestor long before, and that Lin Jing was also a subordinate of the Yan Family ancestor.

In Bai Yi’s eyes, all this was planned by the Yan Family ancestor.

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Subsequently, the Yan Family ancestor spoke:

“It was just good luck, obtained by chance.”

The Yan Family ancestor didn’t explain further.

And Bai Yi didn’t care, but instead said:

“Yan Dao friend, you plan to let Lin Jing enter the Five Elements Ruins with us, just...”

Bai Yi paused here, looking at Lin Jing, then somewhat hesitantly said:

“It’s just, his cultivation...”

Then, he turned to the Yan Family ancestor, saying:

“I presume you’re aware, Yan Dao friend, that this time, we’re facing Li Mingwu and the Dragon Taoist.”

“Though our cultivation levels can contend with them, Lin Jing’s cultivation is clearly insufficient.

If we really encounter a special situation, I’m afraid even if we want to protect him, it might be too late.”

Hearing this, the Yan Family ancestor instead laughed:

“Bai Dao friend, there’s no need to worry.”

After saying this, the Yan Family ancestor directly addressed Lin Jing:

“Since we’ve already formed an alliance, there’s no need to keep secrets from Bai Dao friend any longer.”

Lin Jing nodded and then released his cultivation, allowing his aura to climb until it stopped at the early Divinity Transformation Stage.

“Bai Dao friend, I had already reached the Divinity Transformation Stage decades ago, but due to certain reasons, it was kept secret.

I hope you don’t take offense, Bai Dao friend.”

“As for facing Li Mingwu, although I may not be a match for him, it’s certainly not easy for him to defeat me.

You don’t need to worry about this matter, Bai Dao friend.”

This had been agreed upon with the Yan Family ancestor before on the small island, and in facing Bai Yi, it was natural to reveal his cultivation to put him at ease.

Lin Jing’s sudden release of cultivation aura truly shocked Bai Yi, but seeing the Yan Family ancestor standing beside Lin Jing, he immediately understood.

After all, the Yan Family ancestor was also an old monster who had lived for over a thousand years, and although he usually didn't show off, no one dared to underestimate him.

This was certainly a plan prepared in advance by him.

Then,

the Yan Family ancestor also looked towards Bai Yi, saying:

"Bai Dao friend, do you have any further objections?"

Bai Yi, with a smile, said:

"It seems that Yan Dao friend was well-prepared in advance, since this is your arrangement, I naturally have no objections."

After finishing, Bai Yi again addressed the Yan Family ancestor:

"Yan Dao friend!"

"Since we're allied, shouldn't we first exchange some information?"

I want to know how much Yan Dao friend knows about the Five Elements Ruins?"

"No problem, naturally, that is necessary..."

The Yan Family ancestor replied.

"Very well then!"

"Please follow me, Dao friends."

Saying this, Bai Yi gestured with his hand, guiding the Yan Family ancestor and Lin Jing toward the inner hall of Yue Tian Hall.

In the inner hall of Yue Tian Hall was where Bai Yi usually lived and cultivated, and that place was also more suitable for discussion.

And the Yan Family ancestor didn't mind, directly following Bai Yi toward the inner hall of Yue Tian Hall.

Lin Jing also followed closely, heading to the inner hall.

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The next day,

news spread from Yue Tian Island that Bai Yi invited the Island Master of True Dragon Island, the Dragon Taoist, to the island to discuss an important matter.

But after the news was released, there was no response, and it seemed the Dragon Taoist wasn't even on True Dragon Island.

Having waited a whole day and seen that the Dragon Taoist didn't respond,

Bai Yi released a second message.

It stated that everything the Dragon Taoist wanted was in his own hands, and if he didn't come, then he would just have to deal with it himself.

Soon after the message was released, the Dragon Taoist indeed came.

And,

with him was a mysterious old man with a concealed identity, the two of them arriving at Yue Tian Island together.

The matter of the Five Elements Ruins was originally not to be disclosed.

As for Li Mingwu, he was even less likely to reveal his true form.

Therefore, they could only use this method to bring Li Mingwu and the Dragon Taoist together.

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After Dragon Daoist led that mysterious elder into Yue Tian Hall, they stayed for most of the day before departing with the mysterious elder.

As for what was discussed in Yue Tian Hall, other than those who were present at the time, I'm afraid no one else knew.

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Time quickly passed, and half a month flew by.

Half a month ago, after Lin Jing left Yue Tian Island, he immediately went to Bihai City and brought several people back with him.

Now that all the discussions were completed, and Lin Jing's crisis was temporarily resolved, it was time to bring them back.

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After returning, Lin Jing did not continue his cultivation; instead, he made some Elixir Medicine and then made some preparations.

In this way, until recently, he had finished all his preparations.

Originally,

When Dragon Daoist took Li Mingwu to Yue Tian Island, those who were there had discussed entering the Five Elements Ruins together for most of the day, eventually coming to a conclusion.

That was, half a month later, they would go to the Five Elements Cave Mansion together and enter the Five Elements Ruins from there.

Before this, any grievances would be temporarily set aside.

After all, the strength of both parties was similar, and if a fight really broke out, it would inevitably lead to a lose-lose situation.

Now their only option was to cooperate with each other to maximize the benefits for both.

However,

before this, they each had to prepare.

Therefore, they set the half-month period, which was today.

Today, Lin Jing had already finished his preparations.

Now, he only needed to inform a few people on Flame Island, and they would immediately start their journey to the Five Elements Ruins.

Coming out of System Space, Lin Jing appeared directly in the Alchemy Room of his small courtyard.

Following,

Lin Jing shut down the Alchemy Room's Formation, then walked straight out of the Alchemy Room, and after leaving the Alchemy Room, Lin Jing directly extended his Divine Sense.

This powerful Divine Sense unfolded, immediately enveloping the entire Flame Island.

At the same time, Lin Jing also found out the current situation of several people.

Li Qingqing's Alchemy Room in the small courtyard had its Formation activated; it seemed like she was likely engaging in Alchemy.

And Lin Jue was currently in the City Lord's Mansion of Li Yan City, discussing city affairs with Yue Qiniang.

Ye Yun was not in his own small courtyard.

However, it was normal for him not to be in the courtyard.

Because Ye Yun spent most of his time cultivating, and it was likely no different now.

Thus, Lin Jing directly invoked his Divine Sense, probing towards the cave near the Earthflame Spring on the island, and at the edge of the Spring in the depths of the cave, Lin Jing found Ye Yun's neatly stacked clothes.

Lin Jing guessed correctly; Ye Yun had again entered the Earthflame Spring for Body Refinement.

This Earthflame Spring, Lin Jing had not been down for a long time.

At Lin Jing's level, the Earthflame Spring's enhancement was minimal, virtually useless.

Whether he went down or not was naturally inconsequential.

After checking on everyone, Lin Jing did not find Li Tanyu nor Bai Zhi.

The two were not on the island and their whereabouts were unknown.

Following,

Lin Jing left the mountain top and appeared directly at Li Yan City Lord's Mansion.

As soon as Lin Jing arrived, he caught the attention of Lin Jue and Yue Qiniang.

When the two saw that the newcomer was Lin Jing, they immediately relaxed.

"Island Master!"

“Brother!”

The two greeted Lin Jing one after the other.

“Brother, are you finished with your busy work?”

Lin Jing nodded, then stepped forward and spoke to Yue Qiniang,

“Qiniang!”

“Ever since we obliterated Dai Mao and obtained Flame Island, you have been continuously busy, helping to establish Li Yan City and Fang Market.”

“You even managed the early stages of cultivating and managing the Spirit Fields.”

“For this—”

“you have even sacrificed quite a lot of your Cultivation time; these days have indeed been hard on you.”

Upon hearing this, Yue Qiniang hurriedly clasped her hands,

“Island Master, you give me too much credit.

You helped me and all the native Cultivators on our island escape from Dai Mao’s grasp, and you even actively developed Flame Island.”

“You have improved our living standards considerably and also rewarded us with numerous Cultivation resources, advancing our Cultivation dramatically, and thus completely freeing us from oppression.”

“If anything, we should be the ones thanking you.”

The situation on Flame Island is actually quite rare.

Other islands almost covet collecting all Cultivation resources for themselves.

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Only Lin Jing is different; he himself is not lacking Cultivation resources, and he has little regard for those lower-tier resources.

Moreover, Lin Jing regularly concocts large batches of Elixir Medicine to level up his Alchemy Technique and to collect Harvest Points.

Some of these Elixir Medicines are sold in the Flame Elixir Pavilion, and some are handed to Yue Qiniang to distribute according to each person's contribution to Flame Island.

Even the Cultivation True Elixir provided by Lin Jing is included.

With the Cultivation True Elixir, advancing to the Golden Core Stage became possible.

With the hope of advancing, the Cultivators on Flame Island became even more diligent.

Latterly, under the arrangements made by Lin Jing, Spirit Fields were opened and many Spirit Plants were planted.

Flame Island itself cultivated some Alchemists who then used the Spirit Plants from the fields to make more Elixir Medicines.

Once Flame Island was on the right track, the entire island became abundant in resources.

Thus, compared to the time when Dai Mao was in charge, Flame Island is now much better.

The Cultivators on Flame Island have also made the other surrounding islands quite envious.

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Lin Jing raised his hand to interrupt Yue Qiniang:

"No matter what, Flame Island wouldn't be the same without you, you truly played an indispensable role."

With that, Lin Jing took out a jade vial from the Space Ring and handed it over to Yue Qiniang.

"This Elixir Medicine is for you."

"Find a place later and take it directly."

Seeing that Lin Jing brought Elixir Medicine, Yue Qiniang did not decline and reached out to take it.

In her mind, she assumed it to be some sort of cultivation-improving Elixir Medicine.

However, out of curiosity, Yue Qiniang still asked:

“Island Master, what kind of Elixir Medicine is this?”

Lin Jing then spoke, his tone quite casual:

“It’s a Cleansing Spirit Elixir, it has a certain chance of enhancing your Spirit Root Aptitude.”

The words of Lin Jing left Yue Qiniang momentarily stunned, rooted to the spot.

A Cleansing Spirit Elixir, Yue Qiniang was somewhat bewildered, not expecting Lin Jing to actually give her such an elixir.

While Yue Qiniang was still in a daze, Lin Jing continued to speak:

“Oh, and...”

“This Elixir Medicine is precious, don’t let word of it get out.”

It wasn’t until Lin Jing finished speaking that Yue Qiniang came to her senses, looking at the jade vial in her hands, her hands clutching the vial were trembling uncontrollably.

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Before meeting Lin Jing, Yue Qiniang had suffered a lot and endured much hardship.

All of that was because of her own aptitude.

Even her desire to seek revenge for her family was hampered by her own aptitude, which led to her slow progress in cultivation, turning it into a pipe dream.

This situation changed only after she met Lin Jing,

After meeting Lin Jing, Yue Qiniang had broken through from the late stage of Foundation Establishment to the mid-stage of Golden Core.

The improvement in cultivation brought changes to her life and made her family’s revenge no longer just a distant dream.

Therefore, she was always very grateful to Lin Jing.

But now, Lin Jing had brought out an Elixir Medicine that could change her aptitude.

This was an Elixir Medicine she had longed for, for a very long time.

If she had encountered such an Elixir Medicine before meeting Lin Jing, she would have done anything to obtain it, even resorting to the most despicable means if necessary.

For no other reason than her Spirit Root Aptitude had tormented her for far too long.

But now...

Yue Qiniang looked at the Elixir Medicine, hesitating for a moment, her eyes also showing a hint of reluctance, knowing what taking this pill would mean for her.

After hesitating, however, she handed the jade vial back to Lin Jing:

"Island Master..."

"This Elixir Medicine is too precious, I dare not accept it."

"It seems wasteful just to give it to me, it should be given to Lin Jue and Ye Yun to take."

Upon hearing this, Lin Jing looked at Yue Qiniang:

"You needn't think so little of yourself, this Spirit Pill is specifically reserved for you."

"As for Lin Jue and Ye Yun, they have already taken it."

No sooner had Lin Jing's voice faded than Lin Jue directly reached out to press Yue Qiniang's hand back:

"Sister Yue, just accept it."

"We've already taken ours."

Yue Qiniang looked at Lin Jing and Lin Jue, hesitated for a while, and then nodded her head.

Lin Jing then spoke directly:

"Alright!"

"Find a quiet place now and refine and absorb this Elixir Medicine."

"I have some matters to discuss with Lin Jue."

After hearing this, Yue Qiniang nodded:

“Very well, Island Master.”

“Then I will take my leave now.”

Having said that, Yue Qiniang gave Lin Jing a bowed salute and then withdrew.

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Chapter 295: Ling Yi Dies, Advances to the Main Hall After Yue Qiniang left, Lin Jing took out several small jade vials and handed them to Lin Jue.

“Inside these, there are two Supreme Grade Cleansing Spirit Elixirs, along with several Superior and Medium Grade Cleansing Spirit Elixirs.”

“Give one of the Supreme Grade Cleansing Spirit Elixirs to Li Tanyu and one to Zhang Jian.”

“I will be leaving soon, and after I leave, you can just hand the Cleansing Spirit Elixirs to them.”

“As for the other grades of Cleansing Spirit Elixirs, you can distribute them as you see fit.

If you want to sell them, that’s also an option, just be careful.”

Lin Jing had told Lin Jue and the others about his plan to venture into the ruins.

However,

due to the importance of the matter, Lin Jing did not tell them much, only that he would explore the ruins with others and would be away for some time.

As Lin Jing finished speaking, Lin Jue quickly looked at him, his eyes full of worries:

“Ah?”

“Brother, are you leaving now?”

“Yes,” Lin Jing nodded.

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“Won’t you say goodbye to Qing Qing and the others?” Lin Jue then asked.

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Lin Jing shook his head:

“No...”

“I have already told them before, I will not disturb them this time.”

“This departure, I don’t know how long it will take.”

“During the time I am away, Li Yan Island will be in your care.”

Although Lin Jue was reluctant, he knew Lin Jing had to go, so he did not say anything more, but his eyes were still filled with worry.

Lin Jing then reassured Lin Jue with a smile, ensuring he would be careful and telling her not to worry.

After calming Lin Jue, Lin Jing and Lin Jue walked out of the City Lord’s Mansion together.

Lin Jing was about to leave after bidding farewell to Lin Jue.

Just at that moment, a figure appeared in the skyline, quickly approaching Li Yan Island.

This figure had not yet reached Li Yan Island, but Lin Jing had already noticed it.

Lin Jing looked up toward the horizon.

Even though it was very far away, Lin Jing was very familiar with that figure; it was the Yan Family elder.

In but a moment, the Yan Family elder arrived at Li Yan Island.

“Senior!”

Upon seeing the Yan Family elder’s arrival, Lin Jing hurriedly greeted him respectfully.

At the same time, Lin Jue also bowed with Lin Jing:

“We have seen the senior!”

The Yan Family elder first nodded at Lin Jue, then addressed Lin Jing:

“Since we are both cultivators of the same rank, you really need not call me senior.”

Lin Jing respectfully said:

“Not only have you greatly favored me, junior, but you are also a senior of Brother Yan, so you deserve this title.”

In the entire Cultivation World, cultivators of the same rank generally address each other as Dao friends.

However, there are some exceptions, such as those older, highly esteemed cultivators.

Even if later generations advance to the same rank, many would still prefer to address them as seniors.

Especially those seniors who have helped them personally, calling them senior is a way to show respect.

This is no longer about Cultivation.

The Yan Family elder had indeed treated Lin Jing well, even blocking Li Mingwu and Dragon Daoist from causing him trouble half a month ago.

Therefore, Lin Jing held great respect for the Yan Family elder.

The Yan Family elder, hearing this, just smiled and said nothing more.

Afterward,

the Yan Family elder spoke to Lin Jing:

“Shall we leave now?”

Lin Jing nodded.

Then Lin Jing and Lin Jue waved goodbye, and he went with the Yan Family elder toward Yue Tian Island.

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When the two arrived at Yue Tian Island, the other three were already there.

However, the aura around Bai Yi and Li Mingwu seemed off, as if they had just been through a fight.

The Yan Family elder noticed the tense atmosphere and frowned as he spoke to them:

“Didn’t we agree half a month ago?”

“Whatever grievances there are, they need to be set aside before entering the Five Elements Ruins.

What’s going on with you two?”

Li Mingwu's gaze was chilly as he looked at Bai Yi and then spoke:

"We had agreed that we would each prepare for entering the Five Elements Ruins."

"Yet Bai Yi took the opportunity to find Ling Yi and killed him."

"What?"

"Do you really disregard our prior agreement?"

Bai Yi replied with a cold face:

"Since Ling Yi dared to betray me, naturally I couldn't let him live."

"This matter has nothing to do with our previous agreement."

Seemingly emboldened by the presence of the Yan Family elder, Bai Yi looked at Li Mingwu:

"If you are not satisfied, we can fight it out first, determine the winner, and then enter the Five Elements Ruins."

Hearing this, Li Mingwu's gaze became even chillier as he stared at Bai Yi, his aura rising.

Ling Yi, although just a subordinate, had shown great respect and had done much for him.

Although Li Mingwu was also a cold-hearted person, such a loyal subordinate was rare, and he valued him highly, intending to nurture him.

Now that Ling Yi had been slain by Bai Yi, Li Mingwu was naturally enraged.

Especially since Bai Yi, after allying with the Yan Family elder, seemed to disregard him.

This made Li Mingwu even more inclined to eliminate Bai Yi.

At this point,

the Yan Family elder spoke up, attempting to mediate:

"Enough!"

"The two of you calm down for now, and let's discuss this after we exit the ruins."

Having said this, the Yan Family elder continued:

“This venture into the Five Elements Ruins is of great importance, and I assume you wouldn’t want any mishaps before we enter.”

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“The situation inside the ruins is complex, and there might be dangers within.”

“If you really fight here and get injured, entering the ruins afterward could be fatal.”

“After all, none of us have been inside the Five Elements Ruins before, and we are all unclear about the specific conditions inside.”

As the Yan Family elder’s words fell, seeing that both men had fallen silent, it was evident from their eyes that they still harbored anger.

Seeing them like this, the Yan Family elder spoke again:

“We are all here to advance further, to ascend to the Solidifying Body Realm.

This opportunity might be the only one we encounter in our lifetime.”

“That’s all I have to say, I’ve said everything that needs to be said.”

“If you really insist on fighting now, then please go ahead.”

After the Yan Family elder finished speaking, the True Dragon Island’s master, Dragon Daoist, also stepped forward to persuade.

“Friend Yan is right.

This opportunity is rare.

Whatever grievances you have, can be resolved after returning from the ruins.”

Meanwhile, Lin Jing stood by and said nothing.

Following their advice, Li Mingwu temporarily set aside the matter and coldly said to Bai Yi:

“This matter, let’s set it aside for now.”

“After this exploration of the ruins is over, I will seek justice for Ling Yi.”

Bai Yi also huffed coldly and said:

“Hmph!”

“Then I’ll be waiting for you.”

Ling Yi, this gentleman, had done much for Li Mingwu, originally tricking numerous people into the Devouring Spirit Blood Realm at the trade conference.

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Even Lin Jing was unintentionally involved in this scheme.

Moreover, he had been undercover beside Bai Yi for many years, using the identity of Xue Yilin, ostensibly helping Bai Yi while actually secretly assisting Li Mingwu.

Naturally, Bai Yi was extremely annoyed and wanted to eliminate him swiftly.

Now, with Ling Yi ultimately dying at the hands of Bai Yi, it could be said he brought it upon himself.

Lin Jing felt no regret either.

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Having temporarily calmed the two men, the group then set off together towards the Five Elements Cave Mansion.

Before long, they arrived at the edge of Yue Tian Island, at the Teleportation Array leading to the Five Elements Cave Mansion.

Since the last time they used it, this Teleportation Array had been sealed by Bai Yi.

Upon arrival, Bai Yi once again took action, unsealing the Formation of the Teleportation Array.

After that, the group entered the Teleportation Array one by one and passed through it to enter the Five Elements Cave Mansion.

The others entered first, while Lin Jing was the last one to step into the Teleportation Array.

After Lin Jing stepped into the Teleportation Array, a flash of light followed.

Then, a tearing force was felt, and Lin Jing also disappeared in the light.

Transporting into the Five Elements Cave Mansion was the same as last time, still within the Spirit Field.

And the mist remained thick.

Seeing Lin Jing had transported over, a few looked at Lin Jing and then turned around, heading into the white mist.

When they looked at Lin Jing just now, Li Mingwu's gaze was particularly hostile.

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Not only Li Mingwu, but even the Dragon Daoist had unfriendly eyes when looking at Lin Jing.

Half a month ago, Bai Yi delivered information that led Li Mingwu and the Dragon Daoist to Yue Tian Island to discuss matters of the Five Elements Ruins.

It was that discussion that enlightened them on many things.

They also realized that all of this was because of Lin Jing's meddling, and Li Mingwu understood the reason for his failure.

At that time, Li Mingwu had made a meticulous plan, which could be said to be flawless, but it was due to Lin Jing that he was completely exposed, forcing him to flee in disarray.

Originally, after killing the Demon Lord Wan Mo, both Li Mingwu and the master of True Dragon Island indeed suspected Lin Jing.

Originally, they indeed planned to find troubles with Lin Jing after healing.

But before they could act, they first received the news dispatched by Bai Yi.

Although Lin Jing indeed admitted everything.

However, all of this was arranged by the Yan Family elder, and with Lin Jing under the protection of the Yan Family elder, they could no longer touch Lin Jing.

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Passing through the white mist, the group once again arrived at the entrance of the Five Elements Cave Mansion.

The Formation here had already been opened by the group last time, so this time, they directly entered.

The group stood at the entrance and looked inside.

The Five Elements Cave Mansion remained much the same as last time.

“Let’s go.”

After observing for a while, the Yan Family elder spoke and said to the group.

The group nodded and said:

“Let’s go!”

Afterward, several people followed the path they had broken through last time, heading towards the Five Elements Cave Mansion.

Since they were taking the old route they had traveled before, without any formations blocking their way, their speed was much faster.

In less than an hour, they had arrived at the square in the middle of the Five Elements Cave Mansion.

At that moment,

Li Mingwu first glanced at the side, where the Wood Hall Formation had been opened, his brows slightly furrowed.

He had been unable to enter this Wood Hall last time, which had left him quite regretful.

After looking over, Li Mingwu once again coldly glanced at Lin Jing.

It seemed that Li Mingwu harbored a deep grudge concerning the events of the last time.

However,

this action of his was naturally noticed by the elder of the Yan Family nearby.

The elder of the Yan Family looked at Li Mingwu and spoke out to remind him,

“Li fellow cultivator, right now we should focus on the Five Elements Ruins.”

“Let the past be the past.”

Li Mingwu heard this and looked towards the elder of the Yan Family.

At that moment, although the elder of the Yan Family was smiling, his eyes were full of warning.

Clearly, he was warning Li Mingwu not to think about acting against Lin Jing.

Li Mingwu was silent for a moment, then nodded.

Then he turned to look towards the back of the square at the majestic main hall.

At that moment,

in front of the Five Elements main hall, there was a huge formation.

This formation differed from the previous ones; it was laid out with a pentagram in the center, extending to the edges of the formation.

At each point of the pentagram, there was a raised stone platform, whose shape resembled that of the Five Elements Command Token.

Clearly, this was the place meant for placing the Five Elements Command Tokens.

The method of opening this Five Elements main hall required five cultivators, each holding a Command Token, to open it.

Upon seeing this formation, they immediately understood what was going on.

And at that moment, Li Mingwu spoke,

“Each of us should stand at the position that corresponds to our respective elements and then place the token on the raised stone platform and channel spiritual power into the token.”

“Shall we start now?”

“Alright, let’s begin then.” The elder of the Yan Family also echoed.

Following that, several people stepped forward, coming up to the formation.

Once they reached the formation, everyone scattered, walking towards their respective positions.

The raised stone platforms were each a different color, corresponding exactly to the Five Elements.

In Lin Jing’s hands was the Five Elements Fire Command.

Thus, he directly went and stood next to the red stone platform.

At that time, the others had also reached their respective positions.

Then, Li Mingwu made the first move; he took out the token and placed it on top of the stone platform, fitting perfectly into the stone.

At the same time, the others did the same,
placing their tokens on the stone platforms in front of them.

Once the tokens were placed, the entire formation immediately underwent a change.

Lights of various colors spread from the platforms, continuously spreading throughout the formation.

However, the spreading speed of the light was not fast.

At this moment, Li Mingwu spoke to the others,

“Everyone, it’s starting...”

“We input spiritual power, remember to maintain balance, otherwise, if the spiritual power becomes imbalanced, the formation will seal itself.”

“If it gets sealed, then we’re really in trouble.”

Sure enough, Li Mingwu knew even this, his understanding of the Five Elements Cave Mansion was probably unmatched by anyone else.

As Li Mingwu’s words faded, the others began to circulate their cultivation techniques, gathering spiritual power, converging it above the token in front of them.

As they inputted their spiritual power, the spreading of those colorful lights suddenly accelerated significantly.

Before long, that spiritual power covered the entire formation.

When the light covered the entire formation, the colorful light instantly transformed into a beam of light shooting straight into the sky.

At that moment, the tokens that had originally fit into the stone platforms popped out, caught quickly by everyone.

Then, Li Mingwu swept a glance over the others and spoke,

“Alright...”

“The teleportation array leading to the Five Elements main hall is now usable.”

“So, who’s going in first?”

Chapter 686: Chapter 296: Cunning Dragon Taoist, Exchanging Maps Chapter 686:
Chapter 296: Cunning Dragon Taoist, Exchanging Maps Li Mingwu finished speaking, swept his gaze around the room, and finally rested on Lin Jing.

After that.

Li Mingwu turned his head to the Yan Family’s senior ancestor and said,

“Yan Daoyou, didn’t you say before that the Five Elements main hall poses no danger, and that Lin Daoyou has even gone inside once?”

“How about letting Lin Daoyou go in first this time?”

Upon hearing this, the Yan Family’s senior ancestor frowned slightly and then looked at Lin Jing.

Lin Jing nodded to the Yan Family’s senior ancestor and then opened his mouth to say,

“The Five Elements main hall indeed poses no danger.

Since Li Daoyou is worried, then let me go in first.”

Seeing this, the Yan Family’s senior ancestor also nodded slightly to Lin Jing:

“Alright.”

“Then you go ahead.”

“But, be extremely careful,” the Yan Family’s senior ancestor added after finishing his sentence as a reminder.

Lin Jing nodded and then walked towards the Formation in the middle under everyone’s watchful eyes.

Just as he stood firm within the Formation, Lin Jing immediately felt the pulling force of the teleportation.

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As the pulling force grew stronger, within moments, Lin Jing's entire form vanished from the Formation, teleported away.

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Inside the Five Elements main hall.

The Teleportation Array at the entrance, silent for many years, suddenly lit up with a glow, growing brighter and brighter.

Not until it illuminated the entire main hall did the light slowly fade away.

When the light had completely dissipated, Lin Jing appeared above the Formation.

Returning to the Five Elements main hall, Lin Jing first swept his gaze around.

The main hall hadn't changed at all, it was still the same as before.

The three platforms which had lost their function still stood there.

And behind the platforms, the gigantic statue of the Five Elements Ancestor still stood tall and imposing.

Following that.

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Lin Jing walked out of the Formation and headed towards the statue.

After making a round around the statue, Lin Jing came behind it, where the Teleportation Array to the Five Elements Ruins was located.

This Formation was also unchanged from last time.

After making a round of the great hall, Lin Jing then returned to the front, waiting for another person to enter.

It wasn't long before.

The Teleportation Array lit up once more, and after the light faded, another person appeared.

This person was none other than the True Dragon Island's Island Master, Dragon Daoren.

Upon entering, Dragon Daoren first swept his gaze around and then looked towards Lin Jing at the front.

Then.

He walked over to Lin Jing.

Even though Dragon Daoren seemed harmless at that moment, Lin Jing still kept his guard up in secret.

Approaching Lin Jing, Dragon Daoren appraised him for a moment then spoke,

“Lin Daoyou, the last time I saw you, you were still at the Nascent Soul Stage.

I didn’t expect you to have reached Divinity Transformation by now.”

“Such speed is truly astonishing.”

“It seems you’ve encountered quite a few fortunes, Lin Daoyou.”

For some reason, as he talked, Dragon Daoren took a step closer, shortening the distance between them and Lin Jing.

Lin Jing’s brows furrowed slightly, then he discreetly stepped back two paces and spoke,

“Dragon Daoyou jests.

To reach the Cultivation of Divinity Transformation, which of us hasn’t had great fortunes?

“Even you, Dragon Daoren, must have had your share of opportunities.”

Seeing Lin Jing step back, Dragon Daoren didn’t come any closer but instead took a step back and laughed:

“What Lin Daoyou said is true.”

“Anyone who has reached our realm must have had great fortunes.”

“It was a lapse of judgment on my part, apologies...”

“It doesn’t matter,” Lin Jing replied succinctly.

Following that.

Lin Jing no longer paid attention to Dragon Daoren, who, knowing when to back off, didn't say anything further.

The two of them just continued to watch the Teleportation Array.

Before long, the Teleportation Array glowed once again, signifying that another person had been teleported in.

This time, the one who was teleported in was Bai Yi.

After entering, just like Dragon Daoren, Bai Yi first scanned the entire great hall.

After scanning, he then looked towards the two men.

Next, Bai Yi walked towards them.

After approaching, Bai Yi came to stand beside Lin Jing.

Then.

Bai Yi leaned in close to Lin Jing and spoke,

"Dragon Daoren may seem harmless, but in fact, he's the most scheming of all, and he's also skilled at divination, knowing how to seek advantage and avoid harm.

You must be extra cautious around him."

When Bai Yi said this, he didn't lower his voice deliberately; on the contrary, he looked provocatively at Dragon Daoren.

Obviously, his words were a warning to Lin Jing, as well as a jab at Dragon Daoren.

Dragon Daoren's face turned sour upon hearing Bai Yi's words.

He spoke directly, his voice cold, to Bai Yi,

"Bai Daoyou, although I've formed an alliance with Li Mingwu, it's merely to enter these Five Elements Ruins."

"If because of this, you slander me, then I have nothing more to say."

Bai Yi looked at Dragon Daoren with cold eyes and sneered,

"Heh...

whether it's slander or not, you know very well in your heart."

After Bai Yi spoke, the aura around both men surged instantly, setting them in opposition to each other...

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Whether it was slander or not, not only Bai Yi and Dragon Daoren knew, but also in that moment, Lin Jing understood as well.

Originally.

When Dragon Daoren seemingly moved closer unintentionally, Lin Jing was already somewhat displeased and had therefore moved back.

Fortunately, Dragon Daoren did not continue to advance, and Lin Jing let it go.

However.

After Bai Yi's comment, Lin Jing became instantly vigilant.

And as Bai Yi and Dragon Daoren faced off, Lin Jing quietly focused his Soul Spirit, meticulously scanning himself from head to toe.

After one thorough check, he discovered something unusual in one corner of his robe.

It was an extremely hidden and faint aura.

This aura was so well concealed that, were it not for the fact that Lin Jing's own Cultivation was at the seventh layer of Divinity Transformation, and he had consumed the Jade Soul Algae, thereby enhancing his Soul Spirit a bit more,

Chapter 687: Chapter 296: Cunning Dragon Taoist, Exchanging Maps_2 Chapter 687: Chapter 296: Cunning Dragon Taoist, Exchanging Maps_2 That aura, he would never detect it.

Needless to say, that aura must have been stealthily left behind by Dragon Taoist when he approached just now.

The Dragon Taoist was very secretive, and he was also very cautious.

He did not leave that aura on Lin Jing's body but rather on the hem of his clothes.

At that time, Lin Jing clearly had his guard up, yet he was still marked by the Dragon Taoist.

It had to be said that everything the Dragon Taoist did was indeed very covert.

It was exactly after discovering that aura, that Lin Jing believed in Bai Yi's words.

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This Dragon Taoist was not as he appeared to be but a sinister and cunning character.

Although he discovered that aura, Lin Jing did not make it known, nor did he remove it.

After all.

With the level of strength Lin Jing had shown, he should not have been able to detect that aura.

That's why the Dragon Taoist could be so bold.

If he himself had removed the aura, that would have been problematic.

This aura, Lin Jing would keep it for now and consider it further upon entering the ruins.

Just as Bai Yi and Dragon Taoist were at odds, neither willing to give in, the teleportation array lit up once again.

This time, it was Li Mingwu who arrived.

After Li Mingwu came in, he said nothing and went straight towards the Dragon Taoist.

Not long after Li Mingwu was teleported in, the Yan Family Ancestor also arrived through teleportation.

With this, the five of them were all present.

After the Yan Family Ancestor entered, he glanced at the few people and then walked towards them.

At this moment.

Li Mingwu stepped forward and said to the Yan Family Ancestor:

"We agreed beforehand that once we arrived at this Five Elements Main Hall, we would exchange maps.

Shall we begin now?"

The Yan Family Ancestor looked at the few people and then nodded his head, saying:

“Yes, let’s start.”

With that, the Yan Family Ancestor directly took out a fragment of a map.

This map, was the very map fragment Lin Jing had obtained from the space ring of the Black Shark Gang Leader.

When the Yan Family Ancestor took out the map fragment, Bai Yi, Li Mingwu, and the Dragon Taoist also each took out their own maps.

The few of them had long coveted the Five Elements Ruins and were naturally very concerned about the map of the ruins.

Bai Yi had one fragment, Li Mingwu had two, and even the Dragon Taoist held a piece of the incomplete map.

After pulling out their maps, they one by one sent the map fragments forward, the pieces floating in front of them.

Then, under their control, the map fragments began to automatically piece together, eventually forming one complete map.

Though the map had fused together, it was still irregular in shape and appeared to be missing some parts.

So, the few of them gathered to observe it.

Li Mingwu, having examined the map, couldn’t help but frown deeply:

“This map is not complete, it’s missing a piece.”

Upon hearing his words, the others nodded in agreement.

“Indeed, what Li Daoyou said is correct.”

“The map does seem to lack a portion,” the Yan Family Ancestor also added.

But at this point, the Dragon Taoist turned to Lin Jing and spoke:

“Lin Daoyou!”

“When you entered this hall before, did you get only that one map fragment?”

After saying this, he turned his head to look at a stone platform beside him, and then spoke again:

“There are three stone platforms here.

Could there really be only one map fragment?”

Hearing the Dragon Taoist’s words, Li Mingwu also turned to look at Lin Jing.

Lin Jing, upon hearing this, frowned instantly and then spoke:

“I already mentioned half a month ago.”

“The items within this Five Elements Main Hall are related to the Five Elements Cultivation Technique I practice.

There was only that one piece of the map.”

After hearing this, the Dragon Taoist turned to the Yan Family Ancestor and said:

“Yan Daoyou!”

“It’s not that I don’t trust Lin Daoyou.”

“After all, he was the only one who entered this main hall at that time.

We don’t know what exactly was inside; we have only his word for it.”

“How about this?

Let’s have Lin Daoyou reveal what he obtained from this main hall for us all to see.”

“After seeing it, we will naturally be able to discern.”

“Otherwise, without evidence, how can we believe that the items on this stone platform are related to the Five Elements Cultivation Technique?”

At the same time, Li Mingwu too turned to look at Lin Jing.

Although he did not speak, his intent was clear to everyone.

Obviously, he too did not trust Lin Jing.

However.

Facing such a situation, Lin Jing simply spoke directly to them:

“On the statue’s finger behind you, there are a few lines of small characters.

Go take a look and you'll understand."

Being in the current predicament was within Lin Jing's expectations, and even if they persisted, Lin Jing had a backup plan.

When he was on Spirit Rock Island, Lin Jing had a lengthy conversation with the Yan Family Ancestor.

There were contingency plans for all kinds of possible situations.

And the map obtained inside this main hall was not the incomplete map now assembled.

Lin Jing took out the complete map he had obtained from the main hall immediately after finding the Yan Family ancestor.

Even after looking over the map, the Yan Family ancestor made a copy.

Now, of this map, only Lin Jing and the Yan Family ancestor have a complete version, no one else does.

Even Bai Yi, the two had not shared the complete map with him.

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This Five Elements Ruins is divided into six layers in total.

The first five are the Metal Realm, Wood Realm, Water Realm, Fire Realm, and Earth Realm.

Each of these realms occupies a separate layer, and one can only enter the next realm through a Teleportation Array.

After passing through the first five realms, the last sixth layer is the Five Elements Territory.

And the latter part of the Immortal Five Elements Technique that Lin Jing is looking for is within this final Five Elements Territory.

Just now, Lin Jing compared the incomplete maps obtained by the others with his complete version, and found that these incomplete maps only lacked a single piece compared to the complete map.

And that missing last piece is the map of the Five Elements Territory at the deepest level of the Five Elements Ruins.

The maps of the other areas, on the other hand, are complete.

Without the complete map, there might be some trouble later, but there is no impact on the earlier parts.

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Hearing this, everyone hurriedly extended their Divine Sense toward the statue's hand to scan it.

Very soon.

They discovered those few lines of small characters.

After discovering the inscriptions, Long Daoren stopped talking.

At this point, the Yan Family ancestor timely spoke to Li Mingwu and Long Daoren:

"Both fellow Daoists must have seen it, right?"

"This Five Elements Territory is predestined with Lin Daoyou, and now that we can come here together, we're already taking a great advantage."

"Moreover, the map is only missing a corner, and even without this corner, we can explore on our own."

"Don't you agree that this is the case?"

At this moment, Bai Yi also chimed in on the side:

"Indeed..."

"This map has been scattered around for many years, my fragment of the map was obtained unintentionally at an auction a hundred years ago."

"That missing piece has probably been lost long ago, who knows where."

"Why should the two of you still fret over this?"

Upon hearing this, Li Mingwu glanced at Bai Yi and then spoke:

"Fine!"

"Let's just do it this way for now."

“We each take a copy of this map, and once we’re inside, we’ll rely on our own fortunes.”

“As for the parts not covered by the map, we’ll explore them ourselves.”

Everyone nodded.

Then, they each made their own copy of the patchwork map with their Spiritual Power.

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After copying, they headed toward the Teleportation Array at the back.

This Teleportation Array, similar to the one outside they encountered earlier, also had a Pentagram Array in the center.

It required the use of five tokens simultaneously to activate the Teleportation Array.

Following that.

Just like before, everyone took their respective positions and used the Five Elements Command Token to open the Teleportation Array.

As the Teleportation Array activated, a beam of light shot up into the sky.

At this moment, Li Mingwu spoke:

“I’ll go in first this time, no objections, right?”

The Yan Family ancestor glanced at Bai Yi and Lin Jing, then spoke:

“Then, Fellow Daoist Li, please go ahead.”

As for who would enter the Five Elements Ruins first, Lin Jing naturally didn’t care.

After all, the inside of the Five Elements Ruins was vast, and being first to enter didn’t guarantee finding treasures.

There could also be dangers inside.

Therefore, Lin Jing had no desire to compete for the order of entry.

The Yan Family ancestor and Bai Yi seemingly shared Lin Jing’s thoughts.

And Long Daoren naturally wouldn’t compete with Li Mingwu, either.

Afterward, Li Mingwu stepped into the center of the Teleportation Array.

As the light of the Teleportation Array flashed, Li Mingwu disappeared.

After Li Mingwu left, the second person to enter was Long Daoren.

Then came Bai Yi.

Following Bai Yi, the Yan Family ancestor also went in.

After the Yan Family ancestor entered, only Lin Jing was left in the Five Elements main hall.

Lin Jing looked around.

Then he too stepped into the Teleportation Array...

Chapter 688: Chapter 297 The Five Elements Metal Realm, Under Attack Chapter 688: Chapter 297 The Five Elements Metal Realm, Under Attack A pure white sky, a black ground, and on the ground, the occasional glint of gold or silver light.

This was the scene that Lin Jing witnessed upon entering the Five Elements Ruins.

After Lin Jing was teleported in, he didn't encounter a single soul.

Just himself alone.

Upon entering, Lin Jing felt something was off.

He immediately extended his Divine Sense, allowing it to stretch out.

However...

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Lin Jing's Divine Sense only reached a distance of a hundred meters before it could extend no further.

For a moment, Lin Jing was extremely shocked; the Five Elements Ruins actually had a suppressing effect on Divine Sense.

Outside, Lin Jing's Divine Sense could easily cover an area of several hundreds of miles, but here, even with all his might, it only extended just over a hundred meters before reaching the limit of his Divine Sense's range.

The suppression of Divine Sense in the Five Elements Ruins was just too severe.

Unable to use Divine Sense was extremely inconvenient.

If there was any danger, it would be difficult to detect it in time.

However, since the entire first layer of the Five Elements Ruins was like this, it was likely the same for everyone else.

He just needed to be more careful and cautious.

It was unknown, however,

If the other layers were the same?

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Following that,

Lin Jing looked up and ahead.

At a glance, besides the pure white sky and black ground, there were also metallic fragments randomly scattered on the ground, emitting dazzling light.

There was nothing else.

No flowers, no trees, no rivers or lakes, and even the black ground was just some unknown type of black metal, not real soil.

This place was the Metal Realm, the first layer of the Five Elements Ruins.

Lin Jing had initially thought that upon being teleported in, it would be like before, with a fixed teleportation spot.

But only after being teleported did Lin Jing come to a realization.

The teleportation was random.

Now recalling Li Mingwu's actions before the teleportation, Lin Jing even began to suspect whether he knew about the situation inside the Five Elements Ruins.

During the earlier discussions, Li Mingwu might have concealed something and not told them the full truth.

However,

Even if he really did hide something, that was all it could be.

From now on, one could only take things one step at a time.

However,

Before that, there was another matter to take care of.

Lin Jing then looked down at the hem of his robe, where a trace of Dragon Daoist's aura lingered.

The aura was so faint that it was difficult to detect, even in the Five Elements Ruins.

Clearly, Dragon Daoist had left this extremely faint aura on purpose, with the sole intent of using it to sense his location.

With Divine Sense being suppressed in this place, Dragon Daoist's method of using this subtle method to probe his position was undoubtedly proof that he must know something about the conditions within these Ruins.

Exactly how they came to know of this, Lin Jing did not know.

But with this, entering the Ruins without these key pieces of information placed Lin Jing and the Yan Family Ancestor at a disadvantage.

There was no helping it, since Lin Jing had not known about the Five Elements Ruins for very long, and the Yan Family Ancestor was only brought in by Lin Jing at the last moment.

Clearly, he knew very little as well.

Li Mingwu and Dragon Daoist were different, though.

Two thousand years ago, Li Mingwu had entered the Five Elements Ruins alongside True Master Ling Yin, and it was then that True Master Ling Yin was harmed.

It was evident that Li Mingwu had long studied these Ruins, so it was not surprising that he knew some details about them.

Li Mingwu certainly had shared some of what he knew with Dragon Daoist.

So, the latter likely knew quite a bit as well.

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Following that,

Lin Jing directly tore off the corner of his robe that had Dragon Daoist's aura.

After tearing it off, Lin Jing did not discard it, but instead placed it inside his Space Ring.

Since Dragon Daoist wanted to track him using this method, Lin Jing could also think of a way to use this to his advantage and turn the tables on him.

This location was utterly empty, with nothing else around, definitely not suitable for action now, so he could only put it away first and prevent being tracked for the time being.

Having finished that, Lin Jing took out the complete map from the Space Ring, spread it out, and began to examine it.

This map was simply a topographical map, recording the terrain of every layer within the Ruins.

Besides the topography...

There were two marked locations on each layer.

One of these marks, located in the central area of each realm, was indicated with a mark.

That was the most dangerous place of the entire layer, and also the most likely location for the Metal Spirit to appear.

Additionally, the map indicated that,

In the center of each layer, not only would there be a Metal Spirit likely to appear, but also there was a high chance of extremely rare treasures emerging.

The other mark on the map was the place to leave this first layer, the Metal Realm.

If Lin Jing wanted to leave the Metal Realm and go to the next level, he would have to make his way there.

After looking at the map for a while, Lin Jing memorized the terrain of the Metal Realm, and then put the map away again.

After that,

Lin Jing needed to confirm his current position before deciding on his next move.

Should he head to the central region of the Metal Realm within the Five Elements and snatch the True Spirits and peerless treasures?

Or should he bypass this place and go directly to the next level?

Actually.

Lin Jing, possessing the Five Elements Spiritual Root, did not need to snatch True Spirits to advance to the Solidifying Body Realm, as he could cultivate them on his own.

Moreover, the True Spirits he cultivated would be more attuned to his body than those derived from nature.

It would also enable him to exert his strengths more effectively.

The only reason Lin Jing was here was for the Immortal Five Elements Technique.

But with Li Mingwu and Long Daoist present, if they did indeed encounter each other, Lin Jing could help the Yan Family's ancestor compete for it.

Even Bai Yi could assist him.

At the very least, they must not allow Li Mingwu and Long Daoist to obtain it first.

According to the Yan Family's ancestor, Li Mingwu was just missing one True Spirit to collect all the Five Elements True Spirits and advance to the Solidifying Body Realm.

As for which one he lacked, even the Yan Family's ancestor did not know.

But if Li Mingwu managed to get that True Spirit, then he could directly use it to advance to the Solidifying Body Realm.

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Packing away the map, Lin Jing rose into the sky and flew toward the distance.

In the Metal Realm of the Five Elements, the Spiritual Energy was imbalanced.

The Metallic Attribute Spiritual Energy was overwhelmingly rich, while the energies of the other attributes were sparse, barely amounting to even one-tenth of the metal energy when combined.

The abundance of metallic energy in this place made it uncomfortable for Lin Jing, who cultivated the Five Elements Cultivation Technique.

After all.

Outside, even in the Demonic Monster Sea, the Five Elements were balanced.

Lin Jing had never before encountered a special region dominated by one type of energy.

For Lin Jing, the optimal way to absorb Spiritual Energy was a balanced distribution of the Five Elements, so absorbing energy in a place filled with metallic energy was extremely difficult for him.

This place was a paradise for those cultivating metallic attribute techniques, and their spells would greatly increase in power here.

But for cultivators of other attributes, it was extremely uncomfortable.

Luckily, the Immortal Five Elements Technique was exceptionally unique, allowing Lin Jing to absorb energy even in a place filled only with metallic Spiritual Energy.

He only needed to transform it using the Immortal Five Elements Technique after absorbing it.

Though effortful, it was still much better than for the others.

If he really found it bothersome, Lin Jing could also enter the System Space.

After all, the System Space was not affected by the rules of this world.

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As he flew, Lin Jing quietly noted the terrain he passed.

Without knowing his location, Lin Jing had no choice but to memorize the terrain and compare it with the map to determine where he was.

After flying for most of the day, Lin Jing matched the terrain with the map and determined his location.

This place was on the eastern edge of the Metal Realm of the Five Elements.

To leave this realm, he had to cross the entire Metal Realm to reach the far west.

Because the exit from this realm was located in that extreme western land.

After confirming this, Lin Jing was rather speechless; his luck was truly terrible to be transported to the farthest spot from the exit.

Being sent to any other place would have been better; he wouldn't have had to cross the entire Metal Realm.

But what's done is done.

There was no other way, so he could only continue flying westward.

And so, Lin Jing continued his journey westward.

The Metal Realm of the Five Elements was incredibly monotonous, with only the black metallic earth and the flickering gold and silver lights shining from the ground.

Nothing else.

However, the closer to the central region, the more numerous the gold and silver flickering lights became.

But other than that, there were no changes.

As time went by, Lin Jing, while flying forward, suddenly felt a sense of alarm, as if danger was approaching.

After sensing danger, Lin Jing immediately stopped.

He quickly expanded his Divine Sense, careful to defend himself.

Since his Divine Sense was suppressed, even when expanded, the range it covered was limited.

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Lin Jing had to keep sweeping his surroundings vigilantly.

However, after scanning the area, Lin Jing did not detect anything amiss.

And the sudden sensation of danger he had felt disappeared just as quickly.

But just as Lin Jing was puzzled...

Suddenly.

A flash of silver-white light streaked by.

The silver-white light, hidden in the air with no energy emanating from it, was difficult to detect without close observation.

It was only because this silver-white light entered the range of Lin Jing's Divine Sense that he became aware of it.

The light moved so fast that by the time Lin Jing reacted, it was already in front of him.

Fortunately, Lin Jing reacted swiftly; by the time the silver-white light entered his Divine Sense range, there was no time to cast a spell.

Lin Jing made a split-second decision and threw a punch directly.

This punch, carrying peerless might, distorted the space in front of Lin Jing.

However, the silver light seemed to detect the strength of Lin Jing's punch and attempted to flee.

Yet.

Under Lin Jing's punch, escape was simply not an option...

Chapter 689: Chapter 298: Core Area Chapter 689: Chapter 298: Core Area With Lin Jing's punch blasting out, it heavily struck the area where the light flickered.

"Boom!"

A loud noise followed by a "crack" sound, like that of some metal object breaking, echoed through the air.

Immediately after, a silver-white liquid poured out.

It was not until then that Lin Jing had a sense of feeling.

This seemed to be a kind of intelligent beast.

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Afterward.

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The thing that attacked Lin Jing in front finally revealed its form, and it indeed was a strange beast.

And this strange beast seemed to also be capable of becoming invisible.

No wonder Lin Jing had not noticed anything before.

As the silver liquid flowed out, the beast's shape also slowly became visible.

It was an owl-like beast, only much larger in size and completely silver-white in color, resembling a skeleton and just as smooth, as if cast from silver metal.

On its forehead was a silver bead.

However...

The silver bead seemed to have been shattered by Lin Jing's punch just now, and the liquid inside it was leaking out.

As the silver liquid kept leaking, the body of the silver giant owl became more and more visible.

Clearly, it was the liquid inside the bead on its forehead that made it invisible.

Upon the death of the silver giant owl, its body began to fall downward.

Seeing this, Lin Jing reached out and directly caught the silver giant owl in his hand.

This silver giant owl could hide its form and breath; Lin Jing was indeed going to study it carefully.

Afterward.

Holding the giant owl in his hand, Lin Jing descended toward the ground below.

Beneath Lin Jing was a mountain peak.

This mountain peak was also black like the other areas, with flashes of silver and gold light on it.

Lin Jing descended from mid-air and landed on the peak.

Just as Lin Jing set down the corpse of the silver giant owl he was holding, intending to study it,

unexpectedly, another incident occurred.

In front of Lin Jing, the black ground suddenly lifted a large chunk without warning, and this piece of ground flew directly at Lin Jing.

Fortunately, having just experienced the attack of the silver giant owl, Lin Jing was still on high alert.

The moment there was any movement in the black ground, Lin Jing had already noticed it and was prepared.

Immediately.

Lin Jing threw another punch directly forward.

Under Lin Jing's fist, the uplifted piece of ground shattered into pieces with a "thud."

After the ground split open, a turtle-like strange beast was revealed within it.

The entire body of this strange beast, like the ground itself, was completely black, except for its eyes, which were different.

One glowed with a golden light,

while the other shimmered with a silver light,

much like the golden and silver flashes that could be seen everywhere on this black land.

This camouflage was simply perfect.

With the suppression of Divine Sense and relying only on visual observation, it was very difficult to detect their disguise.

However, even though this turtle-like strange beast pounced toward Lin Jing, its speed was not as fast as the silver giant owl beast.

With a punch from Lin Jing, striking the turtle's shell, it felt like hitting steel.

The shell on the back of the old turtle was extremely hard.

But sadly, this hard shell could not withstand Lin Jing's strike.

With just one punch, the shell on the turtle's back cracked open.

And the turtle's flesh was shattered, spilling out a large amount of silver blood, dyeing the entire ground silver.

And the old turtle died instantly as a result.

After killing the old turtle, Lin Jing did not relax.

He quickly spread his Divine Sense to inspect the ground below,

to check if there were any other beasts lying in ambush nearby.

After some investigation and ensuring that there was no ambush by any other beasts in the vicinity, Lin Jing finally breathed a sigh of relief.

Both the giant owl and the old turtle beast were extremely difficult to detect when they were concealed.

Lin Jing was certainly going to find out why.

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Four hours passed, and on top of the mountain, the bodies of the giant owl and the old turtle beast had been disassembled by Lin Jing.

In addition, there was another complete old turtle corpse lying next to Lin Jing.

After disassembling them, Lin Jing finally understood why these strange beasts could hide.

It was all because of Spiritual Power.

The first layer of the Five Elements Ruins was the Metal Realm, where Metallic Attribute Spiritual Power was dense.

And those two beasts relied on Metallic Attribute Spiritual Power for their survival.

Moreover,

the stronger the Metallic Attribute Spiritual Power, the stronger their abilities.

Besides, these strange beasts also had an ability to use Metallic Attribute Spiritual Power to conceal themselves, thus making it hard for enemies to sense their presence.

That was the reason why Lin Jing couldn't feel anything before these strange beasts attacked.

Even the giant owl had a special ability to become invisible, making it even harder for Lin Jing, who could not use Divine Sense, to detect it.

Knowing that there were these beasts that could launch stealth attacks at any moment, Lin Jing then continued on his way.

However,

this time, Lin Jing was more cautious to avoid being ambushed.

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In the blink of an eye, more than a month had passed.

The expanse of the Metal Realm of the Five Elements was vast.

It took Lin Jing more than a month to reach the central area of the Metal Realm.

At that time, Lin Jing, wearing a black straw raincoat, walked unhurriedly across the black land.

This black straw raincoat, coupled with the lack of any breath emanating from Lin Jing's body, made it easy to overlook him unless one looked closely.

The straw raincoat on Lin Jing's body was made from the softer underbelly hide of the old turtle beast.

Wearing this raincoat in the Metal Realm not only hid his form,

The most important thing is that it can conceal one's own aura.

This helps avoid attacks on oneself.

Since the first attack, as I proceeded towards the central region, the frequency of such attacks increased.

Even my distinct aura, compared to that of the Five Elements Metal Realm, directly attracted the besiege of those exotic beasts.

Although these beasts couldn't harm Lin Jing, they were quite annoying.

Countless exotic beasts attacked from dawn till dusk without rest.

And furthermore,

the closer Lin Jing got to the central region, the more powerful these beasts became.

Dealing with each beast required a considerable amount of energy.

It nearly brought Lin Jing to a point where he could hardly move.

Out of necessity,

Lin Jing had to find other ways to evade these beasts' attacks.

It was by chance that Lin Jing discovered that the hide of an old turtle beast could block one's aura.

Therefore,

Lin Jing thought of this method.

Using the hide of the old turtle beast, he crafted such a cloak.

And indeed, after donning this cloak and forcefully suppressing his own aura,

he could actually deceive the perception of those beasts.

He could even deceive those huge owl beasts in the sky.

However, after putting on this cloak, Lin Jing could no longer fly, forced instead to walk on the ground.

And he couldn't move too fast either.

If he moved too quickly, he would still be noticed by those beasts.

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Lin Jing walked lightly, without making a sound on the ground.

At the moment, not far from him underground, there lay a slumbering old turtle beast.

Although it was sleeping, any disturbance would immediately wake it up and it would instantly attack Lin Jing.

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This situation was something Lin Jing had encountered many times before.

The old turtle beast had already been detected by Lin Jing's Divine Sense.

However, Lin Jing chose not to disturb it.

As long as it was not agitated, it would continue sleeping and would not attack Lin Jing.

Currently, this area is already within the central region of the Five Elements Metal Realm where the Metallic Attribute Spiritual Energy is even more concentrated.

And these beasts are even more formidable.

Lin Jing just wanted to quickly pass through here and didn't wish to provoke them without reason.

Passing by the slumbering old turtle beast, Lin Jing continued forward.

Ahead of Lin Jing was a mountain range soaring into the clouds, stretching endlessly.

Beyond this mountain range lay the heart of the Five Elements Metal Realm, the most central area.

The Five Elements Metal Spirit resides in that central area.

And furthermore,

if he wanted to cross here to travel to the far west of the Metal Realm, he would also need to traverse this mountain range.

Lin Jing lifted his head, looking towards the mountain range ahead.

The mountain range spanned from the south to the north, with no end in sight.

At the top of the entire mountain range, there was a shimmering golden light, glittering brightly.

It seemed that even the mountain range was extraordinary.

Merely glancing upwards, Lin Jing then stopped hesitating and continued towards the direction of the mountains.

The mountain range was towering, visible from afar, but it wasn't so easy to approach.

It took Lin Jing five days just to reach the foot of the mountains.

Then, after six more days, Lin Jing traversed the towering range and finally entered the core area of the center.

Within this core area, Lin Jing was even more cautious.

The beasts in this core area were three times larger compared to those in the outer central regions.

Presumably, the strength of these beasts would be even more terrifying.

However, the closer to the core area, the greater the danger, which was to be expected.

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Lin Jing continued forward, now even more cautious and slower than before.

Finally, after two days, just as Lin Jing began to climb a hillside, he sensed a dangerous aura coming from ahead.

That's when Lin Jing stopped.

He had decided not to proceed any further from here.

Further ahead should be the very center of the Five Elements Metal Realm, an extremely dangerous place.

At the same time, if there truly existed a Five Elements Metal Spirit, it would also appear there.

Ahead lay danger; a rash move could awaken the beasts, and in this place, Divine Sense was suppressed to an extreme extent.

To investigate, he would have to find another method.

But,

for Lin Jing, this wasn't really a problem at all.

Because he had the System Space.

After stopping, Lin Jing immediately invoked the System and entered the System Space.

Once in the System Space, without delay, Lin Jing entered Observation Mode.

Inside the System Space, using Observation Mode to scout was much safer than doing it himself outside.

And furthermore,

the range of this scouting was much wider than using Divine Sense.

Lin Jing, now in Observation Mode, watched as his viewpoint appeared directly above where he had just been standing.

Afterwards, Lin Jing controlled the viewpoint to continue scouting ahead.

In Observation Mode, Lin Jing no longer had any concerns and directly controlled the viewpoint to rise.

Soon, the viewpoint surpassed the summit of the mountain he was on and he could see the scene ahead.

On the other side of the mountain where Lin Jing was located, in a valley, lay a colossal golden turtle.

This giant turtle was so large that its body covered an area of a thousand zhang in diameter.

It nearly filled the entire valley.

The sense of danger Lin Jing had felt before came precisely from this giant turtle.

And most crucially...

As Lin Jing watched this golden giant turtle, he also noticed two figures in black armor acting stealthily.

Just by their stature, Lin Jing recognized them.

These two people were none other than Li Mingwu and Dragon Taoist.

Chapter 690: Chapter 299: Tracking Chapter 690: Chapter 299: Tracking Like Lin Jing, the two of them were wrapped in hides taken from the old turtle to mask their presences.

At this moment.

They were on another mountaintop, slowly moving toward the valley.

Observing them, they seemed to be exceedingly cautious.

They appeared acutely afraid of disturbing the golden turtle that was sleeping.

As the saying goes,

“Know yourself and your enemy, and you will never be in peril.”

Having spotted the two, Lin Jing was certainly inclined to investigate further to see exactly what they were up to.

Along the way, he hoped to learn something about the Five Elements Ruins from them as well.

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However, the two were located on the opposite side of the valley, a good distance away from Lin Jing.

Given the range Lin Jing could observe in Observation Mode, he was still far away from the two.

If he wanted to observe them, Lin Jing had to close their distance and enter the System Space at a position not far from them in order to explore their actions.

Luckily,

the Divine Sense in this space was greatly suppressed.

Even with Divine Sense, they probably couldn't detect far.

This meant that Lin Jing, drawing closer to them, had a much lower chance of being detected.

Thinking thus, he recorded their position under Observation Mode, surveyed the surrounding terrain to determine the route forward.

Having planned everything, Lin Jing then exited Observation Mode and left the System Space.

Upon exiting the System Space, Lin Jing reappeared at the location he had been before.

Following,

instead of continuing to climb toward the mountain peak, Lin Jing turned and walked down the slope.

After descending the slope, Lin Jing skirted around the base of the mountain, heading towards the direction where Li Mingwu and Long Daoren were.

Throughout this journey, Lin Jing was extra careful,

lest he disturb the ancient turtle beast lurking underground.

At this distance, if Lin Jing alarmed the creature and a fight ensued, Li Mingwu and the other would definitely notice.

In fact, he might even disturb the golden turtle.

After all, only a single mountaintop separated them; Lin Jing naturally needed to be very cautious.

In this manner, it took Lin Jing an entire day to travel from his mountain to the foot of the mountain where Li Mingwu and his companion were located.

From there, although there was still some distance to the mountain they were on, he could go no further.

Any further, and he would be discovered.

The mountain currently shielded him from their sight, which was just perfect.

There, below that mountain, Lin Jing once again entered the System Space.

From within Observation Mode, Lin Jing saw the two men, who were not at the mountain top but in the valley.

The two were moving extremely slowly within the valley, as if inching along.

And that colossal golden turtle was just a thousand yards away from them.

At such a distance, the turtle could probably reach them with just a step.

However,

the golden turtle was still asleep and hadn't woken up, unaware of Li Mingwu and his companion approaching it.

Li Mingwu and Long Daoren moved incredibly slowly, fearing they might awaken the giant turtle.

Inside the valley, every time they moved a distance, they would stop for a while, seemingly busy with something.

However,

Lin Jing was at the base of the mountain outside the valley and couldn't observe them closely enough; he could only watch from afar by raising his observation angle.

Therefore, Lin Jing couldn't determine what they were actually doing.

Clearly,

observing from this mountain base wouldn't suffice.

From the base of the mountain, he was still too far from them.

Lin Jing would need to climb to the mountain peak...

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It took him over two hours more to climb from the base to a spot near the mountain peak.

It was here that Lin Jing called out the System, murmuring in his mind:

“Enter System Space!”

As the scene in front of him changed, in the next moment, Lin Jing vanished from the spot, entering into the System Space.

After arriving in the System Space, Lin Jing immediately activated Observation Mode.

Next.

Lin Jing, once again through the observational view, saw the outside situation.

During the time it took Lin Jing to climb up the mountain, Li Mingwu and Long Daoren had already retreated from the valley.

At this moment, they were climbing from the foot of the valley towards the mountain peak.

Lin Jing adjusted the observation view, narrowing the distance, directly arriving in front of the two men.

Upon close observation, Lin Jing could clearly see them.

The two were dressed in black armor, which was tightly wrapped around their bodies; even other exposed parts were coated with a layer of silver fluid.

This silver fluid, Lin Jing knew,

was from the cranial bead of a silver giant owl that enabled the owl to become invisible.

After killing the silver giant owl, Lin Jing had also tried this fluid, which hadn't made him invisible but, at most, shielded his sense like his armor from other beasts.

But the armor alone was enough,

so Lin Jing hadn't thought much of this silver fluid.

Yet, they wore not only the armor but had also applied the silver fluid.

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Now, both of them moved very slowly and were extremely cautious, even occasionally looking back at the golden turtle behind them.

Seeing their caution,

Lin Jing couldn't help but have a malicious thought.

If he rushed out now, startling the Golden Turtle,
their previous efforts would most likely be in vain.

However, although such an idea appeared,

Lin Jing would not actually do that.

Doing so, firstly, would easily put himself in danger.

Secondly, Lin Jing still didn't know what the two were doing in the valley,
or what their true purpose was.

If he wanted to take any action, he needed to understand their goals first.

Before that, it was necessary for Lin Jing not to disturb them and to carefully observe their actions.

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Li Mingwu and Long Daoren moved slowly, taking most of the day to finally climb back to the mountain top.

After crossing the mountain top, the two did not stop but continued down the mountain.

Lin Jing followed and observed them for a while, noting that the two did not speak to each other but just kept moving downward.

It made sense since, even though they had left the valley, they were still too close to the Golden Turtle; even a slight noise could disturb it.

Once out of the valley, their descent down the mountain sped up.

Lin Jing used the Observation Mode to follow them.

Until the two reached the foot of the mountain and continued outward, moving beyond the maximum range of the Observation Mode.

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To avoid wasting time, Lin Jing chose a spot where the two couldn't see him and used Fixed Point Teleportation.

He had to ensure he didn't lose track of them if he was to glean any information from them.

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Afterward,

the two men kept walking outwards, seemingly no longer concerned about the Golden Turtle.

But Lin Jing knew that was not possible.

If they weren't planning to deal with the Golden Turtle, they wouldn't have entered the valley in the first place.

This way,

the two walked ahead, and Lin Jing silently followed behind them.

Two days later, perhaps feeling they were far enough not to disturb the Golden Turtle, the two finally took off their armor and stopped hiding.

Once they exposed themselves,

they were immediately attacked by several magical beasts.

Facing these assaults, the two men fought back mercilessly.

They used powerful spells and even resorted to various Magical Treasures,

and together, it didn't take long before they had slain all the attacking beasts surrounding them.

After killing the magical beasts, they extracted the silver blood from the creatures' bodies and collected it all.

Once the blood of the magical beasts was collected, the two men set off again, heading to another location.

At the next site, more hidden beasts attacked them.

These beasts, undeterred by fear of death, would immediately attack upon sensing their presence.

And the two men fought back again, killing the assaulting beasts...

This way...

The two continued forward, relentlessly killing magical beasts, whether they were burrowing old turtles or massive owls in the sky; none were spared.

Meanwhile, Lin Jing silently trailed behind, making no noise whatsoever.

After another three days, having jointly killed over a hundred magical beasts,

Finally,

after slaying the last old turtle beast, the two stopped.

After killing the beast, Long Daoren stepped forward, took out a Jade Vial, and collected all the blood from the old turtle beast.

After collecting the blood, Long Daoren returned to Li Mingwu's side, handed him the Jade Vial, and then spoke,

"With so much essence blood from the magical beasts, should that be enough?"

Li Mingwu opened the Jade Vial, peeked inside, and then nodded,

"Enough!"

"With these essence bloods, we can lure out that giant Golden Turtle."

Upon hearing this, Long Daoren nodded slightly, and then spoke again,

"Now that we have collected the essence blood of these beasts, you can tell me what to do next, right?"

"Of course," Li Mingwu continued.

"Earlier, we had placed an extremely covert Formation within that valley."

"Next, we will need to place these essence bloods within those Formations."

"Once we evacuate, we can detonate the Formation."

“Once the Formation is detonated, it will certainly enrage the Golden Turtle, at which point, I will lead the enraged Golden Turtle away.”

“Beneath the Golden Turtle, there is a deep pit, and the Metallic Attribute of the Five Elements Spirit should be within that pit.”

“After I lead the Golden Turtle away, you should take the opportunity to approach the pit and retrieve the Metallic Attribute Five Elements Spirit inside.”

At this point, Li Mingwu changed his tone slightly, cautiously adding,

“You must remember.”

“Even without that Golden Turtle, the pit is still very dangerous.”

“You must be extremely careful.”

Long Daoren, upon hearing this, nodded,

“I am well aware of that,” he assured.

Having said this,

Long Daoren looked at Li Mingwu and spoke again,

“This time, as I help you get this Metallic Attribute of the Five Elements Spirit, the Fire Attribute Five Elements Spirit you promised to obtain for me, you must not go back on your word.”

Li Mingwu looked directly at Long Daoren and replied,

“Don’t worry,”

“Since we have formed an alliance, I will certainly keep my word.”