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Chapter 851: Grand Deduction Tower

The Imperial City of Four Emperors.

The most central city in the Talisman Dimension. It wasn't very large in scale, but it was the most ancient city. The bricks that formed its walls and the rocks that paved its ground were suffused with trace of age, and they seemed solemn.

Everyone knew that the imperial city was the first city to be born when the Talisman Dimension was created, and the four extraordinary figures, the Eastern Emperor, Dark Emperor, Phoenix Queen, and Demon Forefather had created the entire Talisman Dimension here.

In the countless years, innumerable cultivators were attracted here by its fame, and they toured and lingered in the city while trying to search for traces left behind by those four great figures from all those years ago.

But it was absolutely not so simple to enter this city.

The reason was Virtue Energy. For example, if Chen Xi hadn't gathered 30,000 stars of Virtue Energy, then no matter how formidable his cultivation was, he wouldn't have the chance to enter the city.

This was an iron law, a rule, and it was guarded by the four great clans. Since the ancient times until now, no one was capable of surpassing this rule.

Moreover, besides members of the four great clans, others were utterly unable to enter the imperial city before the day the Grand Deduction Tower was opened.

Because at that moment, the entire city would be enveloped under the defensive energy of the Grand Deduction Tower, so they could only enter the city when the Grand Deduction Tower was opened.

When Chen Xi entered the city under Liang Bing's lead, he noticed the ancient streets were filled with many cultivators. Especially the closer he got to the center of the city, the more cultivators he saw on the streets.

Most shocking to Chen Xi was that the lowest strength amongst all the cultivators he saw on the way was at the Nether Transformation Realm. Moreover, Nether Transformation Realm cultivators only occupied a small portion, and most of the remaining cultivators were actually existences at the Earthly Immortal Realm.

It was even to the extent that there was no lack of some existences with obscure and imposing auras that were extremely horrifying, and if nothing unexpected happened, they were surely experts at the Heavenly Immortal Realm!

But these terrifying and great figures only flashed briefly in his sight before they vanished in the crowd. They were elusive, and it was utterly impossible to lock onto their tracks.

All of this struck quite a large blow on Chen Xi's heart. Compared to all this, his cultivation had instead become the weakest level amongst the cultivators in the city. Of course, it was merely his cultivation and not his true combat strength.

But even then, it caused him to feel a shapeless pressure. The more experts there were, it meant the competition would be even more brutal. Fortunately, he wasn't fighting alone.

Actually, it was obvious. How could there be any weaklings amongst the people that were able to gather 30,000 stars of Virtue Energy and arrive at the imperial city?

"There's no need to worry too much. Besides strength, a certain level of ability is needed to ascend the Grand Deduction Tower." The nearby Teng Lan spoke warmly with a smile on his face. "On the other hand, this ability is only grasped by the four great clans."

"Oh?" Chen Xi's brows raised. If it's really like that, then it would be much more relaxed.

"You know as well that the four great clans respectively control the Heaven Discernment Ruler, World Suppression Tower, Earthgod's Seal, and Dao Severance Sword. These four Chaotic Divine Artifacts were inherited from the primeval times, and they assisted the four great figures in creating the Talisman Dimension, so they are far from something that an ordinary Immortal Artifact can compare to." Teng Lan spoke slowly. "Most importantly, one can enter the Grand Deduction Tower even more easily by relying on it. Of course, it's merely a form of assistance, and it depends on one's own strength and fortune to ascend the highest level of the Grand Deduction Tower. But even then, possessing these divine artifacts were sufficient for one to stand above everyone else after entering the Grand Deduction Tower."

Chen Xi nodded because this was very easy to understand. If the Grand Deduction Tower was likened to an expanse of brambles, then possessing one of the four divine artifacts was equivalent to possessing a sharp blade that was sufficient to easily cut through the brambles, whereas everyone else could only move through it forcefully while barehanded.

After that, he couldn't help but ask with surprise. "Could it be that Miss Liang is carrying the Heaven Discernment Ruler?"

Teng Lan nodded then shook his head as he said, "The true Heaven Discernment Ruler left the Immortal Dimension a long time ago. The Eldest Young Miss is only carrying a copy, and it contains a strand of the Heaven Discernment Ruler's brand."

"A copy?" Chen Xi was stunned.

"Exactly. It isn't just the Liang Clan, it's the same for the other clans like the Luo, Yin, and Gu Clans." Teng Lan seemed to be extremely patient, and he explained. "The four Chaotic Divine Artifacts left long ago when right after the Talisman Dimension was created, and the four great clans only preserved the strand of a brand it left behind."

When he spoke up to here, Teng Lan couldn't help but sigh with emotion as he said, "After all, with the strength of the four great clans, it's utterly impossible for them to keep supreme divine artifacts that can create worlds like these, and it would draw boundless calamity to them instead."

Only now did Chen Xi come to an understanding.

“We’ve arrived.” Right at this moment, Liang Bing who led the way stopped abruptly.

Chen Xi raised his head, and his heart shook instantaneously when he saw the appearance of the Grand Deduction Tower.

Within his field of vision, an extremely aged bronze tower stood there, and it was almost capable of holding up the sky. Its entire body was bathed in an expanse of a gentle sheen, and it emanated strands of auspicious qi and a myriad of rays of divine radiance.

The strands of auspicious trees and rays of divine radiance actually surged with boundless talisman markings, and they seemed as if they’d grown wings and fluttered about in the surroundings of the bronze tower while forming numerous profound and indescribable trails.

Just glancing at it from afar caused Chen Xi to have the feeling that his soul was on the verge of sinking into it. It seemed as if the bronze tower was the source of talisman markings, the embodiment of the Dao of Talismans, and it aroused unparalleled shock in the hearts of others.

It was even to the extent that clear chanting that was like the sound of nature sounded out from within it. It was like the Grand Dao was cheering from enlightenment and the gods were giving praise, and everything was filled with a divine, vast, ancient, and solemn aura.

This was the Grand Deduction Tower, the heart of the Talisman Dimension!

At this moment, a dense expanse of cultivators had already encircled the Grand Deduction Tower. All of them raised their heads to look up while they revealed shock and excitement that was impossible to conceal.

“According to rumor, the peak of the Grand Deduction Tower contained an ultimate technique that can shock the three dimensions. It possesses might that shakes the heavens and the earth, and if one’s able to cultivate it, even though one wouldn’t be able to ascend instantly into a Heavenly Immortal, it was at least sufficient to provide endless benefits to the person!”

“I wonder exactly what is that cultivation technique. Is it a Dao Art? Divine Ability? Or perhaps another type of cultivation technique?”

“Who knows. In any case, it’s capable of causing everyone from the Immortal Dimension to be unable to refrain from coming here, so this cultivation technique is surely extraordinary. Perhaps it’s the inheritance left behind by a Daolord!”

“A Daolord? Impossible! If it’s like that, even those great figures in all the worlds would probably make a move as well. How could there be any chance for us to obtain it?”

“I only heard rumors. Even if it isn’t, it wouldn’t be much inferior.”

The crowd in the surroundings discussed animatedly. Everywhere that met the eye were Earthly Immortal Realm experts, and there was only a small group of cultivators at the Nether Transformation Realm mixed between them.

“Let’s go. The Grand Deduction Tower will be opening tomorrow.” Liang Bing stopped and stared at the Grand Deduction Tower for a short moment before she turned around and spoke.

But right at this moment, the crowd suddenly moved restlessly before a group of people split the crowd apart and walked over. The person in the lead was Luo Zixuan, and his figure hadn't arrived yet, but his voice had. "Liang Bing, how's your consideration going?"

There were over 10 people following behind him, and they formed a vast formation. Besides Nan Xiuchong, Wenren Ye, Chu Xiao, Cao He, and the others, there was another man, woman, the black robed man, another old man, and a middle aged woman.

Amongst these two people, one wore a fiery red Daoist robe, had a complexion that was white as jade, carried a jade fan, and seemed casual and unrestrained; the other was a graceful young woman that had beautiful hair that flowed down like a waterfall, a refined bearing, and a gentle and warm expression in her eyes.

"Amongst those two people, one is Gu Liushui, the inheritor of the Gu Clan, and the other is Yin Ping, the inheritor of the Yin Clan." Teng Lan swiftly sent a voice transmission to Chen Xi.

Chen Xi came to a sudden understanding. His gaze swept past the two of them before descending onto those three people at the back, and then his pupils constricted slightly.

One of these three people was the black robed mysterious man, and the remaining two were a decrepit old man in violet robes and a beautiful middle aged woman that wore simple green clothes.

To Chen Xi's surprise, the imposing auras of the old man and beautiful woman were actually like an ocean, and a simple gaze from them caused him to feel horrified.

In other words, the strength of these two people were at least on par with the black robed mysterious man!

"That's Gu Jiuzhen and Yin Biyun, and they're both experts at the Mysterious Immortal Realm. In the recent years, the forces of the Gu Clan and Yin Clan has been in a decline, whereas the Yin Clan even lost the World Suppression Tower, so they're far from being capable of going against my Liang Clan and the Luo Clan." Teng Lan swiftly explained once more via voice transmission, and his voice carried slight seriousness. "But a lean camel is bigger than a horse. If they joined forces with the Luo Clan, then it would indeed be slightly troublesome."

Chen Xi silently digested the information within Teng Lan's words while the pressure in his heart grew because merely three Mysterious Immortal Realm experts were sufficient to make his heart be extremely heavy.

Looks like Liang Bing's situation really is bad... Chen Xi sighed in his heart.

Because of the appearance of Luo Zixuan and the others, a clamor instantly arose at the scene. Everyone had realized that these people before them were a gathering of the inheritors and experts of three of the four great clans, the Luo, Gu, and Yin Clans. Moreover, Liang Bing had been recognized as well.

In other words, the forces of the four great clans were gathered here, so the others couldn't help but be surprised.

"Then we'll just wait and see!" Right at this moment, Liang Bing refused Luo Zixuan bluntly once again, and she spoke coldly before leaving with Teng Lan and Chen Xi.

“Liang Bing, the three dimensions are about to undergo an upheaval. If you still refuse to realize your errors, then the years of foundation your Liang Clan created in the Talisman Dimension will probably be completely destroyed in your hands. In the future, the Talisman Dimension will be the dimension of our three great clans!” Luo Zixuan’s expression was gloomy as he shouted loudly. Liang Bing had actually remained impenetrable under the situation where he occupied a position of absolute advantage, and this caused him to be completely infuriated.

Marrying Liang Bing wasn’t a must for him, but he wanted to seize the Heaven Discernment Ruler in her possession because only in this way would his chances of obtaining that cultivation technique after entering the Grand Deduction Tower become greater.

Liang Bing’s expression was indifferent. She didn’t even turn around, and she used these actions to display her attitude.

Killing intent flashed in Luo Zixuan’s eyes when he saw this, and then he took a deep breath and said, “Everyone, let’s leave as well. We’ll deal with this little bitch when we enter the Grand Deduction Tower tomorrow!”

The others nodded silently.

Even Nan Xiuchong, Wenren Ye, and the other young masters from the Immortal Dimension were keeping a low profile because they knew that under these circumstances, there were too many occasions where they would need to rely on Luo Zixuan.

The two groups left one after the other.

Everyone present glanced at each other, and everything they saw earlier caused them to smell the smell of a fight that was about to erupt, a storm that was on the horizon. All of them knew clearly that the trip into the Grand Deduction Tower tomorrow would probably not be so simple...

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Chapter 852: The Tower Has 10 Levels

Early in the morning on the next day.

The sky hadn’t even lit up when the entire imperial city had fallen into an expanse of clamor. Cultivators were like a tide that moved amidst the trace of night before dawn arrived as they surged towards the Grand Deduction Tower at the center.

Chen Xi, Liang Bing, and Teng Lan had set out as well. When they arrived before the Grand Deduction Tower, the ink black veil of night that enveloped the sky was torn open by the first ray of sunlight at dawn.

Dawn arrived, and light illuminated the world.

The Grand Deduction Tower that was standing silently amidst the night was instantly covered in a misty and dazzling glow, and it stood towering while being suffused with bright radiance, and it seemed as if it had awoken from countless years of slumber.

Auspicious qi fluttered about while divine radiances suffused it, and a myriad of talisman markings moved about within it. The vast scene was like a divine miracle that caused others to be unable to

refrain from dreaming. Who placed the Grand Deduction Tower here? Which extraordinary figure created it?

No one knew the answer.

Even if it was an inheritor of an ancient clan like Liang Bing, she wasn't able to provide an accurate answer.

It seemed as if this miraculous and extraordinary tower had been here since before the Talisman Dimension had been created, and it became the core of the entire Talisman Dimension and source of the Virtue Energy in this entire expanse of the heavens and earth.

Chen Xi stood in the crowd while he swept his gaze towards the surroundings. At the very first possible moment, he noticed Luo Zixuan and the others because they were too striking. No one dared to stand at or approach their surroundings, so they were like cranes standing amongst chickens.

When Chen Xi's gaze swept over, Nan Xiuchong, Chu Xiao, Cao He, and the others seemed to have noticed it, and they turned around to look over. When they saw it was Chen Xi, they revealed killing intent and resentment that wasn't concealed in the slightest.

Only Luo Zixuan smiled lightly while a wisp of dense disdain curled up on the corners of his mouth.

Chen Xi's expression remained unchanged as he withdrew his gaze.

Teng Lan said warmly with a smile, "Don't worry, they'll absolutely not make a move before we enter the Grand Deduction Tower, and even if they want to make a move, they'll wait until we arrive at the 8th level of the tower."

Chen Xi asked with surprise, "Is there any particular reason for this?"

Teng Lan explained patiently.

Actually, it was very simple. The interior of the tower formed a world of its own, and it was divided into 10 levels. The mysterious cultivation technique was stored on the 10th level.

Every single level of the tower was filled with numerous restrictions and killing intent, and the higher one went, the restrictions would grow in formidableness while the killing intent would grow in magnitude.

Especially the 9th level, which was simply like a natural chasm. In the countless years of the past, there had been countless people that were stopped outside the 9th level, and there was no lack of Heavenly Immortal Realm experts with extraordinary might amongst them.

But this wasn't difficult to the members of the four great clans. Under the assistance of the four Chaotic Divine Artifacts, they would be able to enter smoothly.

Of course, it was merely entering the 9th level, and besides the assistance from these artifacts, they had to rely on their own strength and fortune to arrive at the 10th level.

On the other hand, the reason Teng Lan said Luo Zixuan would surely choose to make a move at the 8th level of the tower was partially because of this. But the most important reason was that if he was

able to obtain the Heaven Discernment Ruler, then when combined with the Dao Severance Sword he possessed and the Earthgod's Seal in Gu Liushui's possession, it would greatly increase their hopes of entering the 10th level.

If it wasn't for the Yin Clan having lost its World Suppression Tower, then once these four artifacts were gathered together, they would absolutely be confident in entering the 10th level because such a matter had occurred numerous times in the history of the Talisman Dimension.

Unfortunately, there was only a single treasure possessed by each of them, whereas the four great clans had enmity between them. So they weren't willing to allow another to use the sacred treasure of their clan.

Chen Xi finally understood everything after he found out about all of this. Luo Zixuan probably wouldn't make a move outside the Grand Deduction Tower because he's worried if he pressures Liang Bing too much, she'll leave with the Heaven Discernment Ruler, and that would absolutely be an outcome that wasn't worth his efforts.

"Actually, even if one doesn't rely on the assistance of the Heaven Discernment Ruler and the other artifacts, some people are still capable of entering the 9th level and smoothly arriving at the 10th." A trace of an unusual expression flashed in Teng Lan's eyes, and he said slowly, "For example, your cousin sister, A'Li, ascended the peak of the tower by herself, and she took a mysterious treasure away with her."

Chen Xi rubbed his nose and sighed with emotion in his heart. The more I get to know this Senior Sister of mine, the more I notice that she's too strong, strong to the point I'm basically unable to guess to exactly what extent her cultivation has arrived at.

After that, he suddenly realized a problem and asked. "Could it be that there are numerous treasures in the higher level of the tower?"

Teng Lan smiled as he shook his head. "The Grand Deduction Tower will only open its doors every 3,000 years. Every single time it opens, a type of treasure would appear within it, and no one is able to explain the reason behind this. Unless..."

"Unless what?" asked Chen Xi.

"Unless someone is able to take control of this tower one day. Perhaps that person will be able to unravel its profundities." Teng Lan spoke indifferently before he laughed with self-ridicule, and he seemed to feel that he was talking nonsense.

Since the ancient times until now, the Grand Deduction Tower had stood towering here for countless years while innumerable experts had ascended it, yet not a single person was capable of taking control of it to this day!

Om!

Right at this moment, a clear ring that was like the ring of the morning bell suddenly resounded out in the world, and it roused the deaf and shook the hearts of all.

"It's going to open up!"

“Quickly! Prepare yourselves! Charge in with all your might as soon as it opens!”

“Remember to be careful after entering. Even though the fortunes it contains are great, the dangers are absolutely not small.”

The crowd started to become restless and clamorous.

Chen Xi raised his eyes and saw that the surroundings of the towering and ancient bronze tower was suffused with circles of strange ripples, and they stretched out to the surroundings.

At the same time, a myriad of rainbow bridges flew out from the tower and descended to the ground. They were like numerous arch bridges, and at the end of the bridges was shockingly numerous doors that were coiled with radiant glows.

Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh!

Practically at the instant those rainbow bridges appeared, the cultivators present that were unable to restrain themselves any longer since a long time ago had transformed into black shadows that charged into the tower. For a time, the entire scene was in chaos. Some cultivators squeezed together on a single rainbow bridge, and they started fighting before they even entered the tower, causing shouting and cursing to resound out without end.

“Hahaha! Liang Bing, you probably understand the importance of the 10th level. Since you’re unwilling to submit yourself to me, then we’ll see each other on the 10th level!” Luo Zixuan suddenly flew up in midair, and his long hair fluttered while his gaze that was like a cold bolt of lightning locked onto Liang Bing. He roared with laughter and spoke these words before turning around and charging into the tower.

They had great strength in numbers, and there were numerous Mysterious Immortal Realm experts amongst them. Everywhere they passed, the surrounding crowd retreated with horror, causing them to seem extremely arrogant and overbearing.

“Let’s go in as well.” Liang Bing’s expression was calm as she instructed, and then she chose a rainbow bridge and charged into the tower with Chen Xi and Teng Lan.

Of course, there was similarly no one that dared obstruct her.

It was even to the extent that because of the appearance of Luo Zixuan’s group and Liang Bing’s group, it caused no one to choose the doors that those two rainbow bridges led to.

The reason was very simple. Those were the forces of the four great clans, so not to mention getting some scraps, they might not even be able to see a trace of anything if they followed behind these groups! Everyone present wasn’t an idiot, so they naturally wouldn’t follow behind these two groups.

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As soon as they entered the tower, Chen Xi felt a thick fluctuation of restrictions assault his face, causing even his figure to become slightly heavier as if he was immersed in water.

His feet descended to the ground as he raised his eyes to scan his surroundings, and he gazed at the 1st level of the tower.

To his surprise, there was only a limestone stairway before him, and it went up step by step to the next level. When he counted it carefully, it just happened to have 99 steps.

Higher above these steps was a door that was coiled with a bright glow.

Moreover, there wasn't just this one stairway in the 1st level of the tower, and there were others all over. A quick count allowed him to discover that there was a total of 99 of these stone stairways as well.

If one looked down from high above, one would notice that there were 99 doors at the top, and there was a stone stairway that descended from every single door. Moreover, these stairways had 99 steps as well.

The space between stairways was filled with spatial rifts that flickered in the sky and were extremely shocking. When facing such spatial rifts, not to mention cultivators, even Heavenly Immortals wouldn't dare go past them.

After all, the dangers of spatial rifts was practically common knowledge. Once one fell into a spatial rift, one would be instantly minced into powder by the spatial tempest within them, and there was absolutely no chance of survival.

These spatial rifts were like natural barriers that caused cultivators that were on the stone stairways to be unable to move to another stairway. In other words, once one chose a stairway, one was bound to only be able to move forward and be unable to move to another stairway.

At this moment, there were numerous cultivators charging up swiftly on the other stone stairway. These stone stairways had at least over 10 people and even had up to a few tens of people, causing it to be extremely crowded.

Like before, Chen Xi had noticed Luo Zixuan's group as well, and they'd arrived at the end of a stone stairway before entering the door and vanishing.

"AH!!!" Right at this moment, a shrill cry echoed out.

Chen Xi glanced over and saw a cultivator at the Nether Transformation Realm rolling down while coughing up blood, and he seemed to have suffered a heavy injury.

"Hmph! You overestimated your ability! Every single step of these stairways is filled with restrictions. If you don't have the strength, then don't rush up impatiently." Someone grunted coldly with disdain.

"So he was injured by the restrictions on the stairway..." Chen Xi instantly came to an understanding. He swept his gaze over and really noticed that the footsteps of Earthly Immortal Realm experts were obviously calmer, and they moved up step by step in a relaxed and carefree manner.

On the other hand, those experts at the Nether Transformation Realm seemed to be extremely cautious, and they were pondering deeply with every step they took.

"The restrictions on the stairway are condensed into form by the energy of talisman markings from the Grand Deduction Tower. The higher one goes, the greater their might will be. So it's much easier for Talisman Formation Masters to get to a higher level here." Teng Lan explained with a warm voice from the side. "You've witnessed the strength of the Talisman Towers in the Golden Mulberry Village and Crimson Swallow City, so you ought to understand how formidable the might of their talisman markings

is. Moreover, the strength of all the Talisman Towers in the Talisman Dimension actually comes from the Grand Deduction Tower.”

Chen Xi nodded. But, even though he understood, he still couldn’t help but be slightly shocked in his heart.

The entire Talisman Dimension was extremely vast and there were countless villages and cities scattered all around it. But the energy of the Talisman Towers in all these places had actually come from the Grand Deduction Tower. The vastness and variety of talisman markings in this Grand Deduction Tower was obvious from this.

“Since the restrictions within the tower are so formidable and the highest level only contains a single cultivation technique, why do the others still swarm in when they’re clearly aware that their strengths are insufficient?” Chen Xi couldn’t refrain from asking.

“Very simple, for the sake of earning Virtue Energy.” This time, it was Liang Bing that answered him. Her gaze was like water as she said coldly, “But most importantly, in the Grand Deduction Tower, they can use Virtue Energy to exchange for things they always wanted even in their dreams!”

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Chapter 853: Tacit Understanding

Exchange for things they always wanted even in their dreams!

Only now did Chen Xi notice that the Grand Deduction Tower was far from being as simple as he’d imagined, and merely based on this, it was sufficient to make all cultivators fight to the death for the sake of squeezing in.

Subsequently, the next words Liang Bing said proved this point.

It turned out that from the second level of the tower and above, there would be a special area existing within every single level that listed magic treasures, medicinal pills, puppets, medicinal herbs, cultivation techniques, and so on and so forth.

So long as one possessed sufficient Virtue Energy, one would be able to exchange for any treasure within the area.

Moreover, the higher one went, the more treasures with higher values would be provided for one to exchange for in these areas, and it was a superb collection that lacked nothing.

It was even to the extent that cultivators were entirely capable of speaking of the treasure they dreamt of in the 9th level of the tower, and then the treasure could be purchased with Virtue Energy!

When he heard about this, even Chen Xi couldn’t help but be shocked. It was truly very difficult for him to imagine what sort of existence the Grand Deduction Tower was to possess such shocking ability.

While they conversed, Liang Bing had already brought Chen Xi and Teng Lan towards the stairway.

Rumble!

As soon as they stepped foot on the first step on the stairway, a sea of flames instantly surged before Chen Xi's eyes, and it roared furiously as it swept over towards him while whistling through the sky.

This isn't an illusion!

Chen Xi instantly determined that this sea of flames was a type of restriction. It wasn't an illusory attack, but really existed.

In other words, a mere step up the stairway was equivalent to a small world, a space that was born from restrictions!

Every single thing contained a world.

Such extraordinary ability caused Chen Xi to be unable to help but sigh with emotion. When will I be able to attain this level?

Bang!

Liang Bing lightly flicked her sleeve, causing the sea of flames to be instantly extinguished, and then the scene before their eyes changed as they returned once more to the stairway.

Subsequently, Chen Xi's group of three moved up step by step. All along the way, they encountered seas of flames, mountains of ice, rains of blades, and so on and so forth. They encountered various attacks from the restrictions, and the might of these attacks was equivalent to the attack of a cultivator at the Nether Transformation Realm.

Moreover, every single time they took a step up, the strength of the restriction would strengthen slightly.

But under Liang Bing's cultivation at the Mysterious Immortal Realm, these restrictions were simply like pieces of paper that were easily torn apart, and they were utterly incapable of obstructing the footsteps of Chen Xi and the others.

In the eyes of others, the three of them seemed as if they were taking an idle stroll in a courtyard, and they ascended to the 99th step with extreme ease, causing an expanse of envious gazes to descend onto them.

During this process, Chen Xi noticed that expanse after expanse of stars were lit up frequently within the Virtue Plate in his hand, and when he strode past the 99th step, the number of stars lit up in his Virtue Plate changed to 57,000!

Disregarding the 34,000 stars of Virtue Energy he'd earned earlier, merely ascending these 99 steps had earned him 24,000 stars of Virtue Energy!

Moreover, this entire process only cost him 10 minutes.

It was even to the extent that Chen Xi felt if Liang Bing was willing, she was entirely capable of instantly bringing them up to the 99th step!

This sort of method of obtaining Virtue Energy simple seemed as if he'd earned it for nothing, and even Chen Xi felt it was slightly unbelievable. He finally understood why those cultivators would swarm over like the tide when they heard the Grand Deduction Tower was opening up.

There was probably no one capable of refusing this sort of temptation.

Especially when a peerless expert was following by one's side, allowing one to move forward through all barriers with overwhelming might. The feeling of watching Virtue Energy soar up swiftly was really too exciting.

Chen Xi felt that he was naturally capable of quickly arriving at the 99th step of the 1st level of the tower by himself, but it was absolutely impossible for him to achieve it in such a relaxed manner like Liang Bing.

He viewed the interior of his body and shockingly noticed that the fluctuation emanated by the Heart Core condensed from the mysterious energy that came from his Dao Heart was growing stronger and stronger, and it thumped like a drum. Its entire body was suffused with exuberant vitality, and it seemed as if a life was being grown and breathing within it.

Perhaps my Heart Core will undergo a transformation after I leave the tower... Chen Xi was excited and felt extreme anticipation.

Without any further delay, Chen Xi, Liang Bing, and Teng Lan flashed into the door that was coiled with a brilliant glow, and they arrived at the 2nd level of the tower.

The 2nd level was similar to the 1st. There were 99 stone stairways distributed throughout the level, but the number of stairs had reduced to 81. After arriving here, it started becoming strenuous for those at the Nether Transformation Realm. Many cultivators had to sit cross-legged in meditation for some time after every step up they took, whereas Earthly Immortal Realm cultivators didn't suffer much obstruction.

Especially shocking to Chen Xi was that a ball of light was surprisingly floating at the entrance to the stone stairway. The ball was only fist size and clear like a water droplet than had been enlarged a thousand times.

With a brief glance of the various treasures within it, there were magic treasures, medicinal pills, cultivation techniques, equipment, spirit medicine, and various other types of treasures. There was practically nothing that repeated itself, and there was a similar ball of light before the entrances to the other store stairways.

The nearby Teng Lan explained in a light voice. "This ball is called the Myriad Ball, and it implies that it contains everything in the world. You can inspect the treasures within it by sending your Divine Sense into it. Every single treasure is labelled with the amount of Virtue Energy required to exchange for it, and if you want to exchange for something, just place your Virtue Plate into the ball of light."

Chen Xi tried inspecting it with his Divine Sense. Sure enough, he noticed row after row of various treasures floating silently in the world within the ball, and they were labelled with the Virtue Energy required to exchange for them.

Some treasures were objects that even he had never heard of. For example, a spirit herb was called Treasure Sword Fruit. It was shaped like a sharp sword, and once it was consumed, it was capable of eliminating the impurities in one's meridians.

There was another medicinal pill called 'Tacit Understanding.' Once two people consumed one each, their hearts would react and be able to clearly sense the intentions and thoughts of the other in an area of 500km. The effect lasted for the time for an incense stick to burn.

There were numerous other strange and exotic treasures, causing Chen Xi to feel as if his horizons were broadened. But the treasures within this ball of light could only be considered to be ordinary, and they were roughly equivalent to the earth-rank, so they were of no use at his current cultivation.

After a short moment, he withdrew his divine sense before spending 30 stars of Virtue Energy to exchange for the 'Tacit Understanding' pill, and he put it away in the Buddha's Pagoda.

Teng Lan couldn't help but ask with a smile when he saw this. "This sort of medicinal pill is usually utilized between Dao Companions. Could it be that you bought it to curry favor with a lady?"

Chen Xi hurriedly said, "No. I want to keep it for me and my son to consume. I've left him for numerous years, so I don't know the little fellow's thoughts at all. So I want to try with this medicinal pill, and perhaps I'll be able to understand his life in these past few years."

Son?

It wasn't just Teng Lan who was slightly stunned and had a strange expression in his eyes when he heard this, even the nearby Liang Bing's eyes stared wide open while she glanced at Chen Xi with astonishment. She seemed to have never imagined that he actually had a wife a long time ago.

Chen Xi felt extremely uncomfortable from being looked at by them, and he said hastily, "Let's set out quickly. It'll probably be troublesome if Luo Zixuan occupies an advantageous position.

Liang Bing said with disdain, "Don't worry, he's narrow minded and vengeful. Moreover, he's determined to obtain the Heaven Discernment Ruler in my possession, so he'll absolutely wait obediently at the 8th level."

As she spoke, she straightened out her expression as look seriously at Chen Xi as she said, "If a battle occurs when we arrive at the 8th level, then you can disregard everything and just charge directly into the 9th level. I'll open up a path for you with the Heaven Discernment Ruler and allow you to enter smoothly into the 9th level."

Chen Xi was stunned as he never imagined that Liang Bing would make such a decision. Doesn't this mean that she'll be placing her entire bet on me?

"I..." Chen Xi opened his mouth.

"There's no need to say anything." Liang Bing waved her hand and interrupted him without the slightest hesitation. "All those years ago, your cousin sister, A'Li, was able to ascend the highest level of the tower, so you're similarly capable of achieving this. I only hope that you try your best and strive to obtain that cultivation technique."

Meanwhile, Teng Lan said from the side, “Young Master Chen Xi, there’s no need to be too worried. You’re the most outstanding Talisman Formation Master I’ve seen, so ascending the 10th level of the tower isn’t too difficult for you.”

Chen Xi pondered for a short moment before he took a deep breath in the end, and he didn’t say anything else as he nodded.

He knew that he was already unable to refuse under these circumstances, and he would seem to be too useless if he continued to hesitate.

But Chen Xi never imagined that Liang Bing and Teng Lan would actually trust him so much, and this caused him to feel an even heavier and greater pressure.

“Is that cultivation technique really so important?” Chen Xi couldn’t refrain from asking.

“It’s very important.” Liang Bing didn’t hide anything and nodded. “Once I possess this cultivation technique, my Liang Clan would be entirely capable of controlling the Ninth Rank Hall, and only in this way would the safety of the Talisman Dimension be maintained. Otherwise, once it’s obtained by Luo Zixuan, then not only would my Liang Clan be unable to continue existing in the Talisman World, the entire Talisman World will fall into danger.”

“Why is that?” asked Chen Xi with astonishment.

“You’ll understand once you obtain that cultivation technique. Its significance is absolutely not as simple as any other cultivation technique.” Liang Bing didn’t explain too much. Or perhaps, even if she did explain, it would be very difficult for Chen Xi to understand, and only by allowing him to experience it himself would he be able to understand the reason behind this.

Subsequently, the three of them continued moving up along the stairways. But, Chen Xi’s heart wasn’t as relaxed as he was before this.

The 2nd level.

The 3rd level.

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When they arrived at the 5th level of the tower, only a mere few Earthly Immortal Realm experts still persisted in moving up the stairways. Moreover, based on their appearances, it was obviously rather strenuous for them.

With the protection of Liang Bing and Teng Lan, Chen Xi didn’t feel the slightest bit of strength from the restrictions. But he was able to deduce that the weakest restriction on the stairways after the 5th level was absolutely not inferior to the strength of an Earthly Immortal.

Fortunately, along with them moving up, the number of stairs gradually reduced, and there were only 56 stairs remaining when they arrived on the 5th level.

When they arrived at the 6th level, even Liang Bing and Teng Lan became much more cautious, and they slowed down. It wasn’t because the restrictions on the stairways were capable of killing them, and it was because the pressure and attacks created by the restrictions seemed like locusts that covered the

heavens and the earth. It was impossible to eliminate completely and was extremely troublesome, causing them to waste a great deal of time.

“Wait!” Chen Xi suddenly stopped when they arrived at the 7th level, and he stared at the Myriad Ball that floated in mid air before he noticed to his pleasant surprise that a few treasures he urgently needed were surprisingly contained within the Myriad Ball!

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Chapter 854: Nether Cranes Wings

Regardless of if it was medicinal pills, spirit materials, magic treasures, cultivation techniques, equipment, or other treasures of various shapes and sizes, everything within the Myriad Ball on the 7th level was at the level of a Quasi Immortal Artifact, and there was no lack of some rare immortal materials amongst them.

For example, the Azurevine Myriad Profundity Dew, the Dragonsoul Hundersecret Powder, the Trueforce Five Element Sand... All of them were immortal materials that were practically impossible to find in the outside world, and they were extremely valuable and priceless.

The treasure that drew Chen Xi’s gaze was a pair of palm sized wings. The wings were pure black, had sharp edges, and were suffused with strands of agile jet black light that seemed like flickering bolts of lightning that were flowing endlessly within it.

Even though he’d only taken a glance, Chen Xi still discerned with a single glance that it was the wings of a Nether Crane!

The Nether Crane wandered the Netherworld, and the entire sky was blotted out when it opened its wings. According to legend, the Nether Crane was a divine flying beast in the Netherworld, and a single suck of it was capable of drawing in 100,000 vengeful spirits and ghosts!

Such a divine flying beast was practically impossible to find in the Mortal Dimension, and even if it was in the Netherworld, it was an existence similar to an icy dragon or ancient turtle and possessed monstrous strength.

Most importantly, this pair of Nether Crane Wings was one of the main materials to refine the Flame God Fan!

Without the slightest hesitation, Chen Xi sent his Divine Sense into the Myriad Ball and started searching carefully because if he was able to exchange for this pair of wings, then it would undoubtedly be a pleasant surprise.

After all, so many years had passed since he obtained the method to refine the Flame God Fan in the Primeval Battlefield, yet he’d merely gathered a pair of Azure Phoenix Wings, the Flaming Peacock Fan, and the Dark Pheasant Wings.

On the other hand, it was extremely difficult to find the other wings like the wings of a Phoenix, Roc, Suncrow, and Nether Crane.

Now, he’d actually seen the wings of a Nether Crane in the 7th level of the tower, so the excitement in Chen Xi’s heart was obvious.

In next to no time, Chen Xi found the Nether Crane Wings. But when he saw the amount of Virtue Energy labelled there, his heart tightened slightly.

12,000 Virtue Energy!

He still remembered that Teng Lan had once said an Immortal Artifact could be obtained in exchange for 4,000 stars of Virtue Energy. But exchanging for this pair of Nether Crane Wings actually required 12,000 stars of Virtue Energy, and it was an entire three times the value of an Immortal Artifact!

Moreover, the Nether Crane Wings were merely an immortal material and not a true Immortal Artifact.

After hesitating for a short moment, Chen Xi gritted his teeth and decided to exchange for it.

Such an extremely rare and precious treasure was exceedingly difficult to come by, so if he didn't seize the opportunity to obtain it now, he didn't know how much time he would have to exhaust in the future in order to locate another pair.

Perhaps it was precisely because this material was too rare that its value was so extremely shocking. After all, even though Immortal Artifacts were precious, it wasn't very difficult to obtain for the current Chen Xi. But those rare immortal materials were extremely difficult to come by!

Presently, he was already clearly aware that Immortal Artifacts were divided into various different grades, and they were roughly divided into the ordinary, Darkspirit Grade, Cosmic Grade, and so on and so forth. At the very least, if this Flame God Fan was refined successfully, it wouldn't be an ordinary Immortal Artifact.

Om!

After a short moment, a pair of Nether Crane Wings floated in midair while emanating a radiant glow that seemed like strands of pitch black bolts of lightning, and its aura was obscure and shocking. Chen Xi sized it up briefly and was rather satisfied in his heart, and then he raised his hand and carefully put it away in the Buddha's Pagoda.

Since the 1st level of the tower until now, his Virtue Plate had already gathered almost 200,000 stars of Virtue Energy, so it didn't hurt when he spent 12,000 stars of Virtue Energy to exchange for the Nether Crane Wings.

But right when these 12,000 stars of Virtue Energy vanished, Chen Xi acutely noticed that a large amount of the Goldlight of Virtue in his Blackhole World had vanished while the mysterious energy that came from his Dao Heart and was condensed within his Heart Core actually weakened slightly.

Fortunately, it only weakened slightly. Since accumulating Virtue Energy until now, his Heart Core emanated the rhythm of life that seemed like a thunderous drum, and it wouldn't take long for its vitality that surged like an ocean to undergo a shocking transformation!

This is... Right when Chen Xi withdrew his divine sense, he suddenly noticed that the words 'Suncrow Wings' was shockingly labelled on a spot in the Myriad Ball. But, that place was empty now. Obviously, someone had exchanged for it and taken it.

Unfortunately, he was a step too late.

Chen Xi sighed in his heart, and he vaguely guessed that the Suncrow Wings had been taken by Luo Zixuan's group. After all, besides him, Liang Bing, and Teng Lan, there was already no one else in the 7th level of the tower. Only Luo Zixuan's group was a step ahead of them.

Liang Bing and Teng Lan waited silently throughout this time.

At this moment, when they saw a trace of regret flash past Chen Xi's face, Teng Lan said right away, "Young Master Chen Xi, are you intending on refining the Flame God Fan?" He saw Chen Xi exchange for the Nether Crane Wings earlier, so he'd roughly guessed from this clue.

Chen Xi nodded and said, "Exactly. But the Suncrow Wings have been exchanged by another, and I feel slightly regretful in my heart."

Teng Lan said while seeming to be lost in thought, "That's an extraordinary Immortal Artifact, and it was renowned during the primeval times. Once it's refined successfully, it possesses monstrous might, and a light fan would be sufficient to incinerate entire expanses of land and sea."

The nearby Liang Bing's eyes flashed with a wisp of killing intent as she said indifferently, "According to my knowledge, the Gu Clan's Gu Liushui has always been gathering the materials to refine the Flame God Fan as well, so the Suncrow Wings have probably been taken by him. We can just kill him and seize his possessions when we encounter him later, and perhaps you'll even be able to obtain some other materials for refining the Flame God Fan."

Chen Xi chuckled and said, "That's a good idea."

He naturally knew that Liang Bing wasn't joking. Presently, they were like fire and water with Luo Zixuan's group, and they were in a confrontation that wouldn't end without the death of one side. Since it was like this, killing them to seize their possessions wasn't going too far.

"Let's rest for a while. The 8th floor is right above us. After we arrive there, the Grand Deduction Tower will become completely different from before, and there'll only be a single stairway for anyone to traverse. If I'm not wrong, Luo Zixuan and the others have probably set up a trap there and are waiting for us to fall in." Liang Bing's cold and calm expression revealed a murderous aura, and she sat down cross-legged and started to meditate and regulate her breathing after she instructed them.

"There's no need to worry. I'll open up the path later. You and the Young Miss only have to concentrate on charging towards the 9th level." Teng Lan patted Chen Xi's shoulder with a smile on his face, and his voice was warm and carried a calming energy.

Chen Xi nodded and took a deep breath before he sat down cross-legged as well and closed his eyes in meditation.

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The 8th level of the Grand Deduction Tower.

Luo Zixuan sized up the surroundings, and a wisp of a complacent smile couldn't help but suffuse the corners of his mouth when he noticed that there were no mistakes.

The three Mysterious Immortal Realm experts, the black robed man, Gu Jiuzhen, and Yin Biyun were on guard at the entrance to the stairway, and they stood in a triangular formation while they waited for Liang Bing to enter and give her a heavy blow.

On the other side, Nan Xiuchong, Wenren Ye, the other young masters from the Immortal Dimension, Gu Liushui, Yin Ping, and the others were prepared to come to the aid of the Mysterious Immortal Realm experts and stood on guard at the side. Their strengths were too weak when facing Liang Bing and Teng Lan, so they weren't of much use.

"Brother Luo, don't forget what you promised after the matter is concluded." The nearby Gu Liushui spoke abruptly.

Luo Zixuan laughed heartily. "I established a vow under the Heaven Dao. Could it be that Brother Gu is unable to believe it? It isn't just you, I've also firmly remembered what Miss Yin Ping wanted!"

Earlier, for the sake of joining forces with the Gu and Yin clan to deal with Liang Bing, Luo Zixuan had agreed to allow everyone to comprehend the cultivation technique if they were able to ascend to the 10th level and obtain it.

If it wasn't for that, the Gu and Yin Clans wouldn't deploy two Mysterious Immortal Realm experts for him to command at will.

The expressions of Gu Liushui and Yin Ping relaxed when they heard this, and then they nodded and kept silent.

"Junior Brother Luo, what about us?" Nan Xiuchong couldn't refrain from asking.

"It's the same, of course." Luo Zixuan answered without the slightest hesitation.

Even though these young masters and young miss from the Immortal Dimensions were of no use to him now, he didn't dare neglect them. After all, the powers behind these fellows was enormous, so he couldn't afford to treat them improperly.

But even though he agreed readily in words, he was rather indifferent in his heart. Because even he didn't believe such a promise. After all, it was the most precious cultivation technique in the Grand Deduction Tower, and it was related to the safety of the Talisman Dimension, so who would be willing to share it with others?

Hmph! Want to gain benefits from me? Try it in your next life! Luo Zixuan grunted coldly in his heart while he gazed imperceptibly at the black robed man.

"Brother Luo, if we're able to capture that Chen Xi this time, you must hand him over to me. It's impossible to vent the hatred in my heart without torturing him to the point he cries for his parents and kneels down begging for mercy!" Chu Xiao gritted his teeth as he spoke.

"Exactly. Chen Xi is too arrogant, and he must be dealt with properly. He can't be allowed to die so easily." Cao He spoke as well with a gaze filled with resentment.

It wasn't just the two of them who had a bellyful of resentment towards Chen Xi. Even Nan Xiuchong and Wenren Ye were almost unable to restrain the hatred suppressed in their hearts when they heard this.

As descendants of great figures in the Immortal Dimension, no one dared to offend them even in the Immortal Dimension. Never had they imagined that after they lowered themselves and came to the Mortal Dimension, they would instead be badly battered by a little ant at the Nether Transformation Realm!

Such an extraordinarily great humiliation had to be washed clean! Otherwise, how would they have any face to return to the Immortal Dimension?

These were the thoughts of profligate disciples. Face was even greater than the skies, and their hearts were haughtier than the heavens. Once they suffered a setback, they had to get 10 times the revenge.

“Even if all of you didn’t say anything, I would still do that. He’s just a tiny ant that came from nowhere, yet he dares to offend our dignity just because he gained the support of Liang Bing? He’s simply courting death!” Luo Zixuan’s words were filled with disdain.

Om!

Right at this moment, a wave of strange fluctuation arose, causing the hearts of Luo Zixuan and the others to be refreshed while their eyes were suffused with a wisp of an excited and bloodthirsty sheen.

After waiting for so long, they were finally unable to restrain themselves from coming up?

At practically the exact same moment, the expressions of the black robed man, Gu Jiuzhen, and Yin Biyun turned serious while their entire bodies erupted with a shocking fluctuation and emanated boundless light that shot into the sky, and their imposing auras were vast like oceans!

Instantly, an expanse of killing intent surged. This wasn’t a stream of killing intent but an ocean, and it pressed down onto every inch of space and caused everyone else to feel horrified.

Even if Luo Zixuan and the others were mentally prepared since the beginning, they were still shocked to the point their scalps went numb while the blood in their entire body became sluggish. They were on the verge of suffocating, and their figures retreated repeatedly without end.

This was the might of experts at the Mysterious Immortal Realm. Merely a strand of their aura was capable of throwing the heavens and the earth into chaos and aweing the world!

Bang!

Right at this moment, an extremely might figure suddenly charged out from the door that was coiled with a divine radiance. The figure was covered in a myriad of strands of divine light and overflowed with boundless Immortal Energy, and his terrifying imposing aura was simply like a vast river of stars as it swept over.

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Chapter 855: In Confrontation

The mighty figure was exactly Teng Lan!

But at this moment, he was greatly different from before. His entire body surged and rumbled with Immortal Energy while strand of the energy of the Laws coiled around his body like divine chains, and as

his eyes opened and closed, it seemed as if the sun and moon alternated while the heavens and the earth merged with each other.

He walked over silently with large strides, yet he just happened to seem like a river of stars that swept over, and he carried an arrogance of superiority.

Bang!

Even though he was extremely far away, Luo Zixuan and the others still felt as if their bodies were struck by a mountain, causing them to be blasted flying while coughing blood repeatedly without end!

This was Teng Lan's might. When one arrived at his level of cultivation, a single thought could cause mountains to collapse, oceans to dry up, and the heavens and the earth to tremble, whereas a single breath of his was capable of blowing a boundless mountain range away. He was extremely formidable and aloof.

This sort of energy had exceeded the scope of the Mortal Dimension, and it was capable of easily annihilating a clan and destroying an expanse of landscape!

But his might didn't continue for long, and it was even to the extent that it only appeared for an instant before it was obstructed, allowing Luo Zixuan and the others to avoid a calamity of death.

Because the black robed man, Gu Jiuzhen, and Yin Biyun had made a move.

These three Mysterious Immortal Realm experts had already been waiting a long time ago, and they were like three divine mountains that lay before the door. Their entire bodies emanated a divine radiance, and they were like three blazing divine furnaces that lit up the sky and filled the world with boundless light.

At the instant Teng Lan's figure appeared in the door, the three of them didn't hesitate in the slightest to attack brazenly with lethal attacks!

The black robed man flicked his sleeve, causing an expanse of black clouds to appear in midair and blot out the sky, and then it transformed into pitch black light that shot down at Teng Lan while emanating the wails of ghosts.

On the other hand, Gu Jiuzhen's figure flashed as he pressed his fingers together to form a sword, and a dazzling and resplendent glow condensed at the tip of his finger. It seemed like the finger than split the heavens and the earth apart, and its imposing aura was peerlessly fierce. Everywhere it passed, space, airflow, and light fell into it and collapsed within it. It was extremely shocking.

Comparatively speaking, Yin Biyun's attack was much more ordinary. Her white hand fluttered about as she formed an ancient, beautiful, and mysterious seal. But when this seal slapped out, it actually caused the Grand Dao to rumble while strands of the energy of the Laws flowed within it, and it seemed as if a hole would be opened up in the heavens and the earth under the might of this seal!

Rumble!

In practically an instant, an indescribable explosion occurred before this tiny door. It seemed like the furious tremor of a thunderclap, the roar of a Fiendgod, and the extremely blazing light was like a surging tempestuous storm completely drowned this area.

Luo Zixuan and the others felt a piercing pain in their eyes while they were shocked to the point their entire bodies trembled, and they were horrified, causing their legs to go weak and almost fall to a kneel on the ground!

This was a battle between Mysterious Immortals, and it was even more terrifying than a battle between Heavenly Immortals. They grasped the might of the Heaven Dao and were coiled with the Laws, causing a casual strike of theirs to be capable of annihilating millions of living beings. Not to mention they were fighting with all their strength now!

The scene was too terrifying and was simply like doomsday had arrived. It caused Luo Zixuan and the others to doubt whether this expanse of space would be crushed, shattered, and transform into nothingness in the next moment.

Rumble!

Amidst the boundless rain of the light of the Laws, the black robed man, Gu Jiuzhen, and Yin Biyun repeatedly retreated for a few steps while their eyes focused and flashed with a wisp of shock. They seemed to have never imagined that not only had Teng Lan resisted this lethal strike of theirs, he even had strength to spare to knock them back.

Stomp! Stomp! Stomp!

Before they could hesitate, Teng Lan's entire body blazed with divine flames as he walked over with large strides. His long hair fluttered while his legs were enshrouded with flowing mist and emanated a silver radiance, and it formed a path that caused him to seem like a god that descended to the world while striding on an extraordinary path.

His footsteps seemed to be slow, yet every single step that descended seemed to have broken through the shackles of spacetime and the void. It disregarded the shackles of distance as he charged over once more, and he utterly didn't give them the slightest chance to catch their breaths.

Bang!

Both sides collided once more, causing the laws to rumble while Immortal Energy spread out explosively.

"You're courting death! Ghost God's Dance! Immortals and Devils dance as the Ancestor's soul reaps!" The black robed man shouted gloomily while his black robes fluttered, and then a black python that seemed to be condensed from the Laws roared as it flashed out and bit at Teng Lan.

The expressions of Gu Jiuzhen and Yin Biyun were unsightly as well. The combined forces of the three of them were actually unable to crush Teng Lan in one go, and they were forced back instead. This caused them to be extremely shocked and furious in their hearts.

Without the slightest hesitation, both of them acted at the same time and charged over. They were like two divine rainbows that descended from the sky and seethed with killing intent, and their attacks were like bolts of flashing thunder and was ruthless and resolute to the extreme.

"Go!" Teng Lan's voice was like spring thunder as he shouted abruptly, and then divine flames blazed in his eyes as his imposing aura rose explosively once more. His entire body seemed as if it had

transformed into an expanse of an ocean of flames that incinerated the heavens and swept through the world!

Swoosh!

Before his voice could finish resounding out in the sky, a wisp of light that was bright silver like chilly starlight suddenly shot out violently from within the door. In the next moment, it had already seized the gap Teng Lan fought for to arrive on the stone stairway.

Pu!

But Teng Lan had forcefully resisted the full forced strikes of three Mysterious Immortal Realm experts because of this, causing his figure to stagger back while his face went pale, and a strand of golden blood seeped out from the corner of his mouth.

This man that was usually warm, kept a low profile, and had a modest bearing, this Mysterious Immortal Realm expert that was like an emotionless and fierce god once he entered into battle, had been injured in the end.

But his expression still remained calm while the divine flames in his eyes didn't fade but burned even more violently instead. He didn't hesitate in the slightest to greet them once more in battle.

Divine flames flashed through the sky while his hair fluttered, and his imposing aura was ferocious and valiant as before. It carried a ruthless feeling of risking his own life, and he seemed as if he'd gone mad, causing it to be extremely shocking.

The black robed man, Gu Jiuzhen, and Yin Biyun noticed that they'd been fooled as well, causing their expressions to become extremely gloomy while they were furious to the extreme in their hearts, so how could they possibly hold back when they attacked?

Instantly, the two parties were locked in a fierce battle once again.

On the other side, as soon as the silver light that was like chilly starlight arrived at the stone stairway, it didn't hesitate to go up step by step. The silver light was naturally the Cosmic Grade Immortal Artifact, Silverlight Shuttle, whereas it was obviously Chen Xi and Liang Bing within it.

When Luo Zixuan reacted to what had happened, Chen Xi had already charged to the 7th step on the 8th level under Liang Bing's lead. Even though it was merely seven steps, it was like they were seven heavens apart, and it caused Luo Zixuan and the others to feel extremely furious and powerless.

Because the force of the restrictions on every single step in the 8th level of the Grand Deduction Tower was sufficient to threaten the life of a Heavenly Immortal, so how could it possibly be something an Earthly Immortal Realm expert was capable of ascending?

As soon as they took a step on it, they would be obliterated by the restrictions on the stairway!

"Third Martial Ancestor! Quickly! Let that bastard off first and bring us up the stone stairway. Once that little bitch Liang Bing enters the 9th level before us, we'll be unable to seize the Heaven Discernment Ruler any longer!" Luo Zixuan had a savage expression as he howled with a grim voice, and he was fuming with rage. Never had he imagined that Liang Bing would actually be so ruthless and heartless to

the point of making a Mysterious Immortal risk his life and go to his death. This had completely disrupted Luo Zixuan's plans.

"Fellow Daoist Gu, Fellow Daoist Yin, I'll leave this fellow to the both of you!" The black robed man shouted explosively. As he spoke, he'd already transformed into a wisp of flowing light that left the battlefield.

"Don't worry, he'll absolutely be unable to survive today!" Gu Jiuzhen gritted his teeth while his face was covered in killing intent.

Without the slightest hesitation, the black robed man flicked his sleeve, and he carried Luo Zixuan and the others like an enormous bat as he charged up the stone stairway.

His speed was actually slightly swifter than Liang Bing!

There was only a single stone stairway on the 8th level of the tower, and there were 18 steps on it. Strictly speaking, the restrictions on every single step was an Immortal Restriction.

In other words, even if an immortal were to ascend the stairs, the immortal would suffer an extremely great threat and might even perish on the stairway!

But to Liang Bing who was at the Mysterious Immortal Realm, these Immortal Restrictions couldn't be considered to be dangerous and coupled with her ascending the stairway a step earlier, she'd already brought Chen Xi up to the highest point when the black robed man had only arrived at the 9th step.

Unlike the lower seven levels of the tower, there wasn't any door that led to the 9th level here, and there was only an expanse of extremely pitch black void. Even if one inspected it with one's Divine Sense, one would be unable to see anything within it. It seemed as if it was a true expanse of the void that separated dust, light, airflow, and everything else from it.

Om!

Liang Bing seemed to be fearless as she stretched out her hand and grabbed, causing a perfectly square jade ruler than was smooth like a mirror to appear in her hand. The surface of the ruler was suffused in a clear brilliance, and it emanated a fair and peaceful aura.

The Heaven Discernment Ruler!

This ruler was born during the primeval times, and it was a Chaotic Divine Artifact that was capable of discerning the height of the heavens and the truth behind everything! At the time the Talisman Dimension was created, the division of the Heaven Dao and the creation of everything in the world was the contribution of this Heaven Discernment Ruler!

Even though the Heaven Discernment Ruler in Liang Bing's possession was only a copy, the aura suffused on it still caused Chen Xi to be shocked. He felt a strange feeling of justice, order, and the capability to discern everything in the world.

"Prepare yourself! I'll open up a pathway with the Heaven Discernment Ruler, and you have to charge in at the first possible moment. Remember, you only have a breath of time, and the passageway will implode after that!" Liang Bing's expression was serious as she instructed swiftly. Moreover, as she

spoke, the Heaven Discernment Ruler in her hand flew out abruptly and emanated boundless clear radiance, and then strings of dense talisman markings poured out like stars.

Chen Xi took a deep breath and nodded. He noticed out of the corner of his eyes that the black robed man had already ascended the 14th step of the stairway and was only four steps away from charging up here.

On the other hand, Teng Lan was still in battle with those two Mysterious Immortal beneath the stairway. Blazing radiance suffused the surroundings, causing him to be unable to see the situation of the battle clearly.

Chen Xi knew that Liang Bing and Teng Lan had practically used their lives to obtain this chance for him to enter the 9th level of the Grand Deduction Tower, so he didn't dare think too much or hesitate, causing his mind to be unprecedentedly concentrated.

There was only a single thought in his heart — Charge into the 9th level!

Bang!

In the next moment, the peerless clear radiance emanated by the Heaven Discernment Ruler and dense talisman markings condensed into a stream of blazing light that charged into the expanse of the void, and it actually forcefully opened up a clear colored passageway that seemed like it was made of glass!Swoosh!

Practically at the instant the passageway appeared, Chen Xi had executed the Wings of Disruption and flashed like a silver radiance that moved through space as he vanished at the end of the passageway.

“You must hold on until I return!” Chen Xi's voice transmission only resounded out when the passageway opened up in that expanse of the void had vanished, and it entered into Liang Bing's ears. It was obvious from this that everything had occurred extremely swiftly, and it had exceeded the speed of sound by countless times.

Chen Xi's voice carried the indisputable feeling of an order, and it was the first time Liang Bing had heard someone dare to order her like this, causing her to be unable to help but have a trace of a strange feeling arise in her heart. Moreover, an unprecedented faint smile appeared on the corners of her mouth.

She said in her heart, I will.

“Bitch! You brought destruction upon yourself!” Amidst a wave of rumbling, the black robed man had already charged up the stone stairway, and he was extremely furious and roared with a grim voice while he suddenly grabbed towards the top of Liang Bing's skull.

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Chapter 856: A Familiar Voice

This grab of the black robed man was an attack carried out with hatred. His palm was coiled with the energy of the Laws, and it transformed into jet black and surging waves, causing his palm to seem like the claw of a devil that stretched out from hell. It was ruthless, vicious, and carried blazing might.

Slap!

Liang Bing seemed to have noticed a long time ago, and her figure hadn't moved yet a graceful black whip tore through the sky and transformed into circles of ripples that were like numerous vortexes that revolved madly while boundless energy of the Laws flickered as it directly blasted away the black robed man's hand.

At the same time, her figure flashed. She moved with vigorous steps and seemed like she was walking on air while the pitch black whip in her hand moved about agilely while carrying a murderous, ruthless, and terrifying imposing aura that struck straight to the heart.

The black robed man's expression was unsightly as his sleeve fluttered repeatedly, and it blotted out the sky as it transformed into numerous lethal moves. He intended to annihilate his opponent with a single move earlier, yet he was unable to succeed.

After all, both of them were existences at the Mysterious Immortal Realm, so it was obviously impossible to defeat the other in a short period of time.

Rumble!

Both of them were locked in combat. One was like a queen that whipped the sky, while the other was like a ruthless god of ghosts whose sleeve fluttered while surging with a myriad of jet black light, and they fought to the point the heavens and the earth were cast beneath a shadow.

But before the battle began, the black robed man had removed Luo Zixuan and the others from his side while he himself got entangled with Liang Bing and fought with all his strength as if he wanted to kill her ruthlessly.

"Dammit! It's a mess! Everything's in a mess!" Luo Zixuan gritted his teeth while his expression was exceedingly gloomy. Beneath the stone stairway, Gu Jiuzhen and Yin Biyun were in battle against Teng Lan, whereas the black robed man was entangled with Liang Bing, and it seemed as if they were only equally matched.

But he knew clearly that Liang Bing's side had seized the upper hand because Chen Xi had already entered the 9th level before them!

"Dammit! This little bitch was actually willing to place all hope onto that kid? Could it be that she's tired of living and wants to fight us to the death?" The nearby Nan Xiuchong cursed.

"Hmph! Since she's courting death, then who can be blamed for it? After we leave this place, I'll surely gather some forces to slaughter the entire Liang Clan!" Wenren Ye's eyes were filled with murderous intent while her voice was boundlessly icy cold.

The others cursed endlessly as well because they were extremely disgruntled from being caught off guard by this practically suicidal move of Liang Bing's.

"Brother Luo, the pressing matter at hand is to consider what we should do next." Gu Liushui frowned and said after pondering deeply, "According to my knowledge, even if he has entered the 9th level, it's still extremely dangerous. Not to mention a cultivator at the Nether Transformation Realm, even a Mysterious Immortal Realm expert would have a slim chance of survival without the protection of divine artifacts like the Heaven Discernment Ruler, Earthgod's Seal, World Suppression Tower, and Dao Severance Sword."

“Exactly. Even if that Chen Xi entered the 9th level, the Heaven Discernment Ruler is still in Liang Bing’s possession. So long as we kill him, we’ll still have an extremely great chance to arrive at the 10th level and obtain that cultivation technique,” said Yin Ping.

Luo Zixuan took a deep breath and forcefully restrained his restless mood. He looked at these young masters and young miss from the Immortal Dimension before he glanced at Gu Liushui and Yin Ping, and then a plan suddenly arose in his heart.

He pondered for a moment then said, “Everyone, how about we let Brother Gu lead all of you into the 9th level with the Earthgod’s Seal and kill that little fellow. On the other hand, I’ll stay on guard here, and I’ll converge with all of you after my Third Martial Ancestor annihilates this little bitch Liang Bing and seizes the Heaven Discernment Ruler, alright?”

When he spoke up to here, he frowned and sighed as he said, “Of course, this is an expedient measure. The 9th level is filled with danger, and it’s difficult to avoid any mishaps from occurring. But possessing the protection of the Earthgod’s Seal is much better than that kid, Chen Xi. All of you only have to kill him after you enter, and then all of you can wait there. In this way, we’ll be able to eliminate this potential trouble in a timely manner. After all, since Liang Bing trusts that kid so much, it’s worrying in the end.”

When they saw what he said was perfectly logical and reasonable, they didn’t think that this suggestion was going too far.

Gu Liushui pondered briefly before he nodded and said, “Alright, we’ll do just that.”

The others nodded successively and tacitly approved. As far as they were concerned, since they had the protection of the Earthgod’s Seal and so many people at the Earthly Immortal Realm were sent over together, no matter how heaven defying Chen Xi was, he would have no choice but to obediently allow himself to be captured.

Luo Zixuan’s gloomy expression finally eased up greatly when he saw this, and he forcefully squeezed out a smile and said, “There’s no time to lose. Everyone, set out! Once I obtain the Heaven Discernment Ruler, then combined with the Dao Severance Sword and Earthgod’s Seal, we’ll surely be able to easily enter the 10th level!”

Om!

Gu Liushui didn’t say anything else, he flicked his sleeve, causing a perfectly square ancient bronze seal to float in midair. This bronze seal was only fist sized, and its surface flowed with strands of golden and blazing light. Moreover, it emanated a heavy and steady aura of establishment.

It seemed as if so long as this seal was present, the sun, moon, mountains, and rivers would move according to its will, circulate, and not interfere with each other.

The Earthgod’s Seal!

A Chaotic Divine Artifact just like the Heaven Discernment Ruler, and it divided the earth and held down the karmic luck of the world!

Of course, the Earthgod's Seal in Gu Liushui's hands was similarly a copy. But it had a trace of the Earthgod's Seal aura branded within it, and merely this caused its value to far exceed an ordinary Immortal Artifact.

In the next moment, the Earthgod's Seal emanated golden divine radiance that directly opened up a passageway in the void, and it brought Gu Liushui and the others along as it flew into the passageway and vanished.

That's the Earthgod's Seal? As expected of a divine treasure that's equally famous to the Dao Severance Sword... Luo Zixuan stared silently for a short moment before a wisp of burning greed flashed within his eyes.

After that, he shot his gaze towards the distant battles beneath the stairway.

At this moment, Liang Bing and Teng Lan had converged together to jointly resist the black robed man, Gu Jiuzhen, and Yin Biyun. It temporarily seemed that nothing was bad about their current situation, and it was even to the extent that they seemed to be on par.

But Luo Zixuan laughed coldly instead while a wisp of a cruel smile appeared on the corners of his mouth as he muttered. "Third Martial Ancestor, it's time to make an appearance...."

As soon as his voice finished resounding out in the air, a strand of light smoke suddenly appeared on him, and then it actually condensed into a mighty figure!

This person had cold eyes and thick bones. The hair on his temples were slightly turning white, and he possessed a dignified and awe-inspiring appearance. As his eyes opened and closed, strands of cold lightning flickered within and emanated a majestic and powerful feeling of supremacy!

As soon as he made an appearance, the terrifying imposing aura that surged on his body instantly drew the attention of everyone present here.

"Luo Zhanbei!" Liang Bing frowned while a trace of surprise and bewilderment flashed past her eyes because that person was clearly Luo Zixuan's third martial ancestor, Luo Zhanbei, so who was the black robed man?

"Sure enough, I knew this person wasn't a member of the Luo Clan." Teng Lan seemed to have expected it since the beginning, and he wasn't surprised. But his expression became much heavier.

Luo Zhanbei had refrained from making an appearance and concealed himself until now, this was like throwing fuel to the fire in the situation he and Liang Bing were in, causing it to become even more disadvantageous.

"Hmm? Fellow Daoist Luo? Then who's this person?" It wasn't just Liang Bing and Teng Lan, even Gu Jiuzhen and Yin Biyun were slightly surprised and bewildered.

"Hahaha! Fellow Daoist Gu, Fellow Daoist Yin, there's no need for panic. That's a good friend of mine, and he came for the sake of lending us a hand. I'll introduce both of you to him once we deal with the enemies before us!" Luo Zhanbei roared with laughter, causing his beard to flutter. As he spoke, he'd already charged into the battlefield with the imposing manner of a tiger while he whistled through the wind like a dragon, and the might of his attack was extremely powerful and peerlessly overbearing.

Gu Jiuzhen and Yin Biyun's expressions eased up, and they stopped asking anymore questions. As for what they thought in their hearts, only they knew it well.

On the other hand, the black robed man kept silent from the beginning until the end. his attacks were like a raging fire as he struck repeatedly in a ruthless and vicious manner, and he seemed as if he was indifferent to everything in his surroundings.

When facing the attacks of four Mysterious Immortal Realm experts, the pressure Teng Lan and Liang Bing faced instantly increased greatly, causing their expressions to be extremely heavy.

"Uncle Lan, we must persist no matter what!" Liang Bing gritted her teeth while a wisp of resolve flashed past her face.

"I'm not worried about myself, and I'm just slightly worried about Chen Xi." The space between Teng Lan's brows were suffused with worry. As an expert at the Mysterious Immortal Realm, he'd noticed long ago that Gu Liushui and the others had left, and he couldn't help but worry about Chen Xi.

"Don't worry, he'll absolutely be fine." Liang Bing seemed to have thought of something, causing a trace of a strange expression to flash past her clear eyes. "Do you still remember the scene when A'Li ascended the tower?"

A slight glow silently slid past Teng Lan's eyes when he heard this. "You mean..."

"Exactly. I'm betting, betting that Chen Xi will surely be able to achieve it as well." Liang Bing spoke without the slightest hesitation.

"But what if a mishap occurs?" Teng Lan spoke slightly indeterminately.

"Then I'll consider it as having misjudged him, and it doesn't matter if he dies. At any rate, the three dimensions are about to undergo an upheaval. Gods are like grass, immortals and devils are like ants. So dying here and dying at that time makes no difference." Liang Bing's expression was calm and fearless.

"I hope he'll be successful." Teng Lan sighed, and he still felt Liang Bing's actions of staking everything on Chen Xi to be too risky.

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Huff!

Chen Xi glanced at the passageway that instantly vanished behind him and let out a long sigh.

This was the 9th level of the tower. He raised his eyes to look at the surroundings yet noticed that there was still only a single stairway before him. Or perhaps, the entire space was filled by this one and only stairway.

There were only nine steps on this stairway. They were mottled, lusterless, and covered with expanses of dark green mood, and it seemed to be extremely ordinary, yet it was suffused with an indescribably ancient aura.

This aura was extremely heavy and caused Chen Xi to feel suffocated. It felt as if his heart had passed through the boundless annals of time in an instant, and he felt unspeakable shock.

It was too profound and indescribable.

He looked at the place above the nine steps from afar. It was similarly an expanse of pitch black void there, and it seemed as if it was covered by the veil of night, causing him to be unable to see anything within it.

The restrictions on the 8th level was already sufficient to threaten a Heavenly Immortal Realm expert, then what about this 9th level? How should I ascend these stairs with my strength? Chen Xi frowned and sighed endlessly in his heart.

Up until this moment, he was still slightly unable to believe that Liang Bing and Teng Lan would actually hand over such an important task to him, and they even fought with their lives on the line for the sake of winning over a slight opportunity for him.

In next to no time, Chen Xi put his feelings in order and stopped thinking about it. He started pondering about how he should deal with the situation before him, and his gaze scanned every inch of the stairway before finally descending at the space before him in the end.

He noticed to his surprise that there was still a Myriad Ball floating before the stairway of the 9th level, and it was jade-like and clear like a water droplet and emanated a misty sheen.

“Oh, I smell the smell of so many precious treasures...” Right at this moment, Chen Xi felt something shake on his chest, and then a familiar voice that he hadn’t heard in a long time sounded out by his ear.

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Chapter 857: The Tiny Cauldron Has Changed

Chen Xi’s entire body shook while he felt slight disbelief, and he probed. “Senior?”

This voice had precisely come from the tiny cauldron that hung on his chest, and it was calm to the point there wasn’t any fluctuation or emotion in it. He’d heard it countless times in the past, so it was familiar to the point of practically being branded onto his bones.

For the sake of rescuing before the Door of Profundity in the Dark Parasol’s Abyss, the tiny cauldron had gone head to head with Bing Shitian, and then it tore open space and brought him into the Ninth Hell.

From that day onward, the tiny cauldron had fallen into silence, deathly silence, and it hadn’t spoken a single word.

At that time, Chen Xi had tried to communicate with the tiny cauldron, but no matter how hard he tried, it was of no use. But he was able to sense that the tiny cauldron hadn’t perished, and it seemed to have fallen into a strange sort of silence from exhaustion of its strength.

Now, after so long, the tiny cauldron actually showed signs of awakening at the 9th level of the Grand Deduction Tower, so how could Chen Xi not be excited?

“Senior?” Chen Xi couldn’t help but cry out when he saw that it didn’t give any reaction.

“Stop! My god! Could it be that you didn’t notice that I’m very weak now? Shouldn’t you prepare some precious treasures for me to enjoy at this moment?” The tiny cauldron glowed and started trembling.

But its voice and tone caused Chen Xi to be slightly stunned. Is this still that tiny cauldron that spoke in a concise and comprehensive manner?

This feels too strange!

It was like listening to the nagging of a loquacious woman, and it caused Chen Xi to even suspect that something had gone wrong with the tiny cauldron.

“Stop staring blankly into the air. Little fellow, quickly get to work. Don’t make a senior wait too long because it’s very disrespectful!” The tiny cauldron continued nagging.

Chen Xi took a deep breath and rubbed his face, and he confirmed that it wasn’t an illusion before he said, “Senior, what do you need?” He intended to deal with this in a straightforward manner.

Because he felt that the tiny cauldron had become like this because it had exhausted too much of its strength. When he thought up to here, he couldn’t help but feel a trace of self-blame because if it wasn’t for him, the tiny cauldron wouldn’t become so...stupid, right?

“Oh, give me like 17 or 18 of those things within that Myriad Ball, and it’ll be barely sufficient for me to eat.” The tiny cauldron shook its body while it instructed.

Chen Xi walked forward, and his face instantly darkened when his Divine Sense swept through the Myriad Ball because any treasure within it required at least 100,000 stars of Virtue Energy, and the highest was at over one million stars of Virtue Energy!

Not to mention a few, all the Virtue Energy he possessed was only capable of being exchanged for two treasures from the Myriad Ball, and it would be those of the lowest value.

For example, a medicinal pill called the Supreme Goldew Jade Spirit Pill within the Myriad Ball was actually more precious and rarer than an Immortal Pill, and it was a cultivation treasure that even Heavenly Immortals dreamt of. It was capable of condensing and tempering the energy of the Laws, and it required 180,000 stars of Virtue Energy.

A further example was the Eight Direction Skyshaker Wheel, it was a Darkspirit Grade Immortal Artifact that possessed vast might. There were eight areas opened up within it according to eight legendary devas, and each area possessed a different effect. But its might was extraordinarily great. It required 270,000 stars of Virtue Energy to be obtained.

All the other treasures within it were like this as well. All of them were peerless divine treasures that Chen Xi had never seen or heard of, and it caused him to be extremely moved. But when he saw the amount labelled on them, he instantly sobered up greatly.

It was very difficult for him to imagine exactly where the Grand Deduction Tower gathered all these divine treasures from, and they were even in such a huge number. If he didn’t know that he would suffer the punishment of the Grand Deduction Tower if he touched the Myriad Ball, he would be unable to refrain from plundering it.

“Little fellow, this senior can only meet you in the next life if you continue to hesitate! Act quickly and stop hesitating like a woman. Have you not heard that true men must be resolute!?” The tiny cauldron urged him on from the side.

Chen Xi sighed in his heart as he gritted his teeth to exchange for a medicinal pill called the Violet Extreme Dragon and Phoenix Pill that was worth 130,000 stars of Virtue Energy. Not matter what, the tiny cauldron had saved him on countless occasions, so not to mention spending this Virtue Energy, he would be willing to pay an even greater price.

But right when he passed the medicinal pill over to the tiny cauldron, he suddenly recalled something and said, "Senior, didn't you say in the past that there's a balance in everything, and if one wants to gain, then one must give. Aren't you going against your intentions by doing this?"

The tiny cauldron was obviously stunned, and then it said, "Nonsense! Of course, the words of a senior like me is always valid!" The tiny cauldron's voice carried a trace of anger from embarrassment.

Chen Xi smiled and hurriedly passed the medicinal pill over.

Crunch! Crunch!

The tiny cauldron glowed and took the medicinal pill away before emanated a wave of tiny munching sounds. After a short moment, the entire body of the tiny cauldron was suffused with a circle of green and hazy divine radiance, causing it to be rather beautiful.

"Oh, its taste is barely passable. Unfortunately, it's only enough to fill the space in my teeth." After a short moment, the tiny cauldron sighed with dissatisfaction.

"Senior..." said Chen Xi.

"Alright, I understand!" The tiny cauldron interrupted him angrily. "Haven't I not been good to you in the past? A real man isn't petty."

Even though the tiny cauldron spoke like this, it still asked. "What do you want this senior to do? Let me tell you, that medicinal pill was too inferior, so I'm unable to do things that are too strenuous. Of course, if you give me some more divine treasures, then we can discuss some things."

Chen Xi couldn't help but sigh in his heart when he heard these words that sounded like it came from a sordid merchant. What exactly has occurred to the tiny cauldron?

It doesn't even have the slightest bearing of an expert!

In next to no time, Chen Xi put his feelings in order and said after he pondered deeply, "Senior, you've noticed as well. It seems like the stone stairway before me is impossible to ascend with my strength. So how about you guide me?"

This time, the tiny cauldron actually displayed a rare moment of silence, and it lasted for quite a long period of time.

Chen Xi was stunned. Could it be that this request is very difficult for the tiny cauldron?

"My guidance is, ascend it by yourself." The tiny cauldron spoke after a short moment.

Chen Xi was astounded. "That's...that's all?"

The tiny cauldron replied with a question. "What else should I say?"

Chen Xi couldn't help but sigh in his heart. He noticed that since the tiny cauldron woke up, the amount of times he sighed seemed to have increased, and this was something that never happened in the past...

"Go on. Only by walking by yourself will you be able to go further." The tiny cauldron flew out from Chen Xi's chest with a swish, and then it floated in midair.

It had already displayed its attitude by doing this, and it wouldn't follow Chen Xi up the stone stairway.

Chen Xi puckered his lips when he saw this, and his expression turned serious as he stood before the stone stairway. He looked at the nine steps that lay before him, and he stared at them for a long time before he decided.

Since he started cultivating until now, he was never a weakling that was unable to survive without the help of others. Conversely, he'd obtained all the accomplishments he'd attained all the way until today by his own hard work.

The tiny cauldron wasn't heartless because its words had already clearly showed the path he should take, and if he continued to hesitate and waver, it would cause him to lose the heart to move forward boldly.

Stomp!

Chen Xi strode up the first step. In merely an instant, an extremely terrifying fluctuation of the restrictions enveloped towards him like a whistling ocean.

This aura was so terrifying, it was like the gods were approaching amidst heavenly winds and the ocean, and they intended to obliterate the heavens and the earth and drown the world!

On the other hand, he was like a speck in a vast ocean, a floating ant, and he was tiny to the point of being powerless. Even if he exerted all his strength, burned the essence, spirit, and energy in his entire body, and circulated his Blackhole World to the limit, he would still be unable to resist this aura!

This caused Chen Xi to feel even more powerless than facing a Heavenly Immortal, and he even felt that it was even simpler for this energy to kill him than kill an ant!

Could it be that my first step will be announced as a failure? Every single inch of skin of Chen Xi's body tightened while he gritted his teeth and resisted it. The veins on his face bulged, causing his expression to become savage and mad. No! How laughable is a mantis trying to stop a chariot, but who has even seen it take a step back?

I'll give it my all!

My all!

Chen Xi roared in his heart while all his reason transformed into obsession under this unprecedented monstrous pressure, and his mind was devoid of distracting thoughts because of his fearlessness, yet he seemed like he was mad.

Om!

Right at the instant when this extremely terrifying restriction touched his body, a strange fluctuation suddenly stretched out from his sea of consciousness and flowed throughout his body.

In the next moment, Chen Xi's entire body shook while he seemed to have entered a different space.

From the tiny cauldron's point of view, Chen Xi was standing there on the first step of the stairway like a clay status, and his backbone was ramrod straight while he stood silently without moving.

"I knew it would be like this. Fortunately, I moved away right at the beginning, otherwise, I would probably lose my freedom..." The tiny cauldron muttered. In the next moment, it seemed to have noticed something, and its body flashed before it suddenly vanished into thin air.

Bang!

A silver colored passageway charge through space and swiftly arrived at the 9th level.

Gu Liushui, Yin Ping, Nan Xiuchong, Wenren Ye, Chu Xiao, Cao He, and the others walked out successively from the silver passageway, and they swept the surroundings with their gazes before emitting a wave of surprised exclams.

"This is the 9th level of the Grand Deduction Tower?"

"According to rumor, the restrictions here are peerless, and even Mysterious Immortal Realm experts can only stop here."

"What a kid! He actually intends to ascend the stone stairway, fucking die!" Chu Xiao noticed Chen Xi at the first possible moment. He shouted explosively right away when he saw Chen Xi standing on the stairway with his back towards him, and then he raised his hand and slapped out with a palm strike from afar.

This palm strike was filled with Immortal Energy and interweaved with Dao Insights. It was like an enormous palm that blotted out the sky, and its impetus was extremely terrifying. It fully revealed the might of an Earthly Immortal Realm expert.

However, before this palm strike could touch Chen Xi, a shapeless fluctuation of restrictions arose from the stone stairway, and it directly reflected back the entire force of this palm strike.

Bang!

Chu Xiao's entire body seemed as if it was slapped by a shapeless hand, and he was suddenly blasted flying while being unable to refrain from spitting out a mouthful of blood in midair.

When he descended to the ground, his entire body was in a terrible state. His countenance was pale, blood seeped out from the corners of his mouth, and his spirits were slightly low.

"What...what the fuck is going on? Why would the force of my palm strike cause me to suffer backlash?" Chu Xiao was surprised and bewildered, and he couldn't help but curse.

The others were shocked as well when they saw this.

Nan Xiuchong attacked. He struck out with a swift and fierce sword qi that wasn't very strong, and it only carried 30% of his cultivation. But it was still reflected by the restriction and counterattacked towards him.

His face sank abruptly while his figure flashed to swiftly avoid it, and he was barely able to avoid this sword qi.

This scene undoubtedly proved what Chu Xiao had said earlier.

The enemy is clearly right before our eyes and just a few meters away from us. But it's like the distance between the heavens and the earth, and it's impossible to reach, let alone kill him. Moreover, the reason for this is most probably the restrictions on the stone stairway.

When they thought up to here, the expressions of everyone instantly darkened.

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Chapter 858: Launching Sneak Attacks Repeatedly

The restrictions on the 9th level of the Grand Deduction Tower were Immortal Restrictions with extraordinary might capable of stopping even Mysterious Immortals.

At this moment, Chen Xi stood on the first step of the stairway like a clay statue, yet he caused Gu Liushui and the others to feel powerless as if he was impossible to shake, and the reason was the Immortal Restrictions on the stone stairways.

Even if it was those descendants of immortals from the Immortal Dimension, they were unable to see through the profundities of these restrictions, let alone the others.

Wenren Ye seemed to have thought of something, and a wisp of a sheen that was like cold lightning suddenly appeared in her beautiful eyes as she said, "Fellow Daoist Gu, why don't we test the might of the Earthgod's Seal. Even though we'll only be 100% confident in breaking through the restrictions of the 9th level by gathering all four of these divine treasures, as far as I'm concerned, just a single one of them ought to be able to be of a certain level of use."

What she said wasn't wrong. The ancestors of the four great clans had cooperated on many occasions in history, and they successfully dealt with the restrictions on the 9th level and arrived at the highest level by gathering all four of these divine artifacts.

But the possibility of arriving at the top with only a single one would reduce greatly. Moreover, it was filled with danger, so even if one was able to ascend a few steps, it was impossible to determine if one would be able to ascend to the top.

Moreover, if they did this, they might even be trapped to death within the Immortal Restrictions on the stone stairway!

Thus, Luo Zixuan still wanted to seize the Heaven Discernment Ruler that was in Liang Bing's hands under the circumstances that he already possessed the Dao Severance Sword and Earthgod's Seal. After all, an extra one meant another layer of safety and possibility.

The others instantly understood when they were reminded by Wenren Ye, and they looked at Gu Liushui.

Gu Liushui took a deep breath and nodded. "Alright, since I don't have to step foot on the restrictions of the stairway and this little fellow is standing on the first step, the might of the Earthgod's Seal is probably able to heavily injure him!"

Actually, he'd thought of this as well. But only he knew the best that the Earthgod's Seal couldn't be utilized casually, and he was barely capable of utilizing it three times with his current cultivation.

After he utilized it three times, he would have no choice but to spend time to recover the Immortal Energy in his body.

But Gu Liushui would absolutely not leave himself in such a terrible state under such circumstances because he would be helpless if someone seized the opportunity to kill him and seize the Earthgod's Seal!

After all, no matter if it was those descendants of immortals or Yin Ping, all these people by his side were extraordinary figures and would absolutely harm him for their own benefit.

So he'd hesitated until now.

But since he'd been called upon, his Immortal Energy had more or less recovered, and he felt he didn't have to worry about any danger arising, so he agreed.

Om!

In the next moment, the perfectly square Earthgod's Seal that flowed with golden light soared into the sky and emanated blazing divine radiance before it transformed into a golden ray that carried a myriad of golden radiance as it smashed fiercely at Chen Xi.

Bang!

The restrictions on the stone stairway shook violently and didn't reflect the force of his attack, and it only resisted for a short moment before it was crushed into pieces, allowing the Earthgod's Seal to charged forward.

The eyes of everyone instantly lit up when they saw this scene, and they revealed expressions of excitement. It really is possible!

However, before they could get happy, they heard an enormous bang resound out. At the instant that Earthgod's Seal that carried a vast imposing aura and peerless might touched Chen Xi's body, it seemed as if it had smashed on an extremely hard steel board, and it emanated a deafening rumble.

It felt as if Chen Xi's body was even harder than the Earthgod's Seal...

The thing that shocked Gu Liushui and the others the most was that the Earthgod's Seal was actually shaken to the point of droning and trembling before it was suddenly blasted flying. It swayed endlessly in midair and seemed as if it was drunk.

Pu!

A mouthful of blood sprayed from Gu Liushui's mouth as he suffered from backlash, causing his entire face to be covered in golden blood.

But he couldn't care about all this, and he hurriedly stretched out his hand and grabbed with the intention of retrieving the Earthgod's Seal. He was worried that the others would seize the opportunity to seize it, and that would be very bad. Thus, he was so anxious.

Swoosh!

However, to his astonishment, it actually flashed before he could touch it, and it seemed to have dodged him and moved away.

This sudden scene terrified Gu Liushui to the point his soul almost left his body, and he was like an untouched virgin that had lost her chastity, his expression changed violently as he flashed out to pursue it. Moreover, he couldn't even care about maintaining his graceful bearing at this moment.

Unfortunately, the Earthgod's Seal seemed as if it was controlled by a shapeless hand, and no matter how he summoned it and chased after it, it was futile because he was utterly unable to even touch it.

The scene was very amusing. Gu Liushui pursued repeatedly while the Earthgod's Seal dodged repeatedly and moved endlessly in the space before the stone stairway. It was like as if they were playing hide and seek, and it caused Nan Xiuchong, Wenren Ye, and the others to stare their eyes wide open and feel astounded by this scene.

What's...going on?

Isn't this Gu Liushui too useless? He can't even control his own Ancestral Treasure?

"Dammit! Bastard! Which Bastard is fucking causing trouble!?" Gu Liushui suddenly stopped moving and continuously gasped for breath while his expression was gloomy and unsightly to the extreme. He gritted his teeth and swept his cold gaze past everyone, and his eyes were filled with surging flames of rage.

The thing he feared the most had happened! There was surely someone that harbored evil intentions and desired to take possession of his Earthgod's Seal!

Since he firmly believed this in his heart, he didn't even continue pursuing the Earthgod's Seal, and he glanced fiercely at everyone with a murderous expression as if he would he dig through the ground just to drag out the culprit.

It couldn't be helped, he was truly too infuriated because the Earthgod's Seal was the divine artifact of his clan. Once he lost it, it was a loss capable of heavily injuring the foundation of the Gu Clan in the Talisman Dimension.

Such a matter had already occurred in the past, and it was obvious from the current Yin Clan. The loss of the World Suppression Tower caused the Yin Clan to be the existence amongst the four great clans that had declined the most.

Everyone looked at each other. This fellow actually suspects that we did it?

All of them were wondering exactly what was going on in this absurd scene before their eyes, so how could they have imagined that Gu Liushui would actually suspect them instead?

Instantly, all of them were slightly displeased.

Wenren Ye frowned and said coldly and indifferently, "Fellow Daoist Gu, who do you think we are? It's only a copy of the Earthgod's Seal, only you would take it to be as precious as your life, right? How laughable!"

"Hmph! You can't even take maintain possession of the Ancestral Treasure of your own clan, yet you still blame others. You, Gu Liushui, are really a genius." Nan Xiuchong grunted coldly from the side as well.

All these young masters and young miss from the Immortal Dimension were extraordinarily domineering and felt they were superior to others, so how could they allow another to slander them? They instantly started ridiculing him, and they seemed as if they would make a move against him at the slightest sight of disagreement.

When Yin Ping saw that it seemed as if a battle was about to break out, she said hurriedly, "Brother Gu, don't be short-tempered. Tell us exactly what has happened and allow us to help you think about it. If this continues, then we'll probably be unable to complete what Brother Luo entrusted us with."

As soon as these words were spoken, everyone restrained their rage and grunted coldly. On the other hand, Gu Liushui took a deep breath and forcefully restrained the anxiousness and rage in his heart as he said, "If it wasn't for someone causing trouble, how could I possibly be unable to retrieve the Earthgod's Seal?"

As he finished speaking, his voice actually carried a trace of grievance.

"Ha!" A faint sound of laughter resounded out in the sky.

Even though it was faint, it was still heard by everyone present, causing their expressions to change while they shouted explosively. "Who is it?!"

Instantly, all of them became tensed up. Never had they imagined that there would actually be another besides them and Chen Xi in the 9th level of the tower.

On the other hand, Gu Liushui's expression became extremely horrible. He finally understood that he'd blames Nan Xiuchong and the others mistakenly, and it was actually another person causing trouble from the shadows!

When he thought up to here, his heart jerked while he flashed out once more like a madman, and he started pursuing the Earthgod's Seal repeatedly while roaring madly. "Which damnable bastard is it! Get the fuck out here! I'll surely burn your bones and scatter the ashes..."

The others maintained combat readiness and emanated strands of Immortal Perception that swept through the surroundings and searched carefully.

There was actually someone hiding in the shadows, whereas they hadn't noticed in the slightest from the beginning until the end. This sudden and unexpected event caused them to be surprised and bewildered.

Dong!

Right at this moment, Gu Liushui who was howling with curses seemed to have been struck from behind, and his entire body convulsed like he was epileptic, and then froth flowed out from his mouth before fell from the sky. A lump slowly rose up behind his head, and his eyes rolled before he fainted.

Hiss!

Everyone couldn't help but gasp. They hadn't even seen the assailant, yet an Earthly Immortal Realm expert was knocked unconscious with a single strike?

Exactly what sort of terrifying cultivation would be needed to achieve this?

If this person aroused killing intent, then this strike would have probably taken Gu Liushui's life, right?

When they thought up to here, their entire bodies trembled while they felt a chill run down their spines, and their souls almost left their bodies. All of them circulated their cultivation techniques with all their might as they converged together because they were deeply afraid of suffering the same end as Gu Liushui.

"So rude at such a young age. No matter how good this senior's temper is, I can't continue watching on. Thus, it's clear how infuriating all you little bastards are. Nevermind, it arose because of that kid at any rate, so I'll place this karma on him. So I can only help him, right, help..." A wave of nagging resounded out throughout the entire 9th level of the tower.

To the shock of Nan Xiuchong and the others, even if they were able to hear the voice, they were actually unable to lock onto the position of the person that spoke!

Dong! Dong! Dong!

A wave of rhythmic muffled bangs resounded out. Nan Xiuchong, Wenren Ye, Yin Ping, Cao He, and the others didn't even have the chance to react when they felt pain come from the back of their heads, and then their vision dimmed. In the next moment, they'd already fainted and lay scattered on the ground.

Before they fainted, they clearly sensed that a very large lump had surely arisen behind their heads just like Gu Liushui...

Swoosh!

Right after they fainted, a flash appeared in space as the tiny cauldron floated out into appearance. Its surroundings were coiled with a white radiance of divinity. Obviously, it was the culprit.

"Oh, he wasted a great deal of my energy right after I just woke up. That kid ought to give me like 17 or 18 divine treasures as compensation. But he doesn't have time to care about all this now, so I can only do it myself..." An expanse of longwinded talking sounded out as the tiny cauldron emanated strands of divinity that transformed into dazzling chains, and it lightly swept past the bodies of Gu Liushui and the others and hooked up numerous Virtue Plates.

"Not bad! Haha! No bad! There are actually so many, and it's sufficient to exchange for so many divine treasures. I never expected that the wealth of these little bastards would be really abundant." The tiny cauldron chuckled while its body shook, and it seemed to be overwhelmed with joy.

If Chen Xi saw this scene, he would surely sigh in his heart once more...

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Chapter 859: Deducing The Secrets Of The Heavens

Goldwurm Jade Radiance Dew.

Nine Yin Supreme Powder.

Hundred Treasure Immortal Intoxication Wine.

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Numerous unparalleled divine treasures were exchanged from the Myriad Ball while the stars of Virtue Energy in the Virtue Plates of Gu Liushui and the others fell repeatedly.

Two amongst them were direct descendants of the four great clans of the Talisman Dimension, whereas the others were descendants of immortals, so the total combined Virtue Energy in their possession was around an entire three million, and it was a shocking sum.

But it had been cleaned out completely in the blink of an eye to merely exchange for 17 types of unparalleled divine treasures. Moreover, the tiny cauldron swallowed them like a cow eating grass and wasn't pained by it in the slightest.

If this scene was seen by Gu Liushui and the others, they would simply go mad!

After all, even if it was with their status, they'd accumulated Virtue Energy for an extremely long time to attain such a sum of Virtue Energy. Now it had actually been plundered completely by the tiny cauldron, so such a loss was even more painful than killing them.

Fortunately, they'd already fainted, and their inability to witness this tragic scene could be said to be a lucky thing.

Om!

After swallowing so many unparalleled divine treasures, the entire body of the tiny cauldron transformed. Its body with clearly defined angles suddenly became fatter, and it became round like a little bottle, causing it to seem rather funny and laughable as it glowed. It caused others to be unable to refrain from wanting to prod its tummy with their finger.

"I'm finally able to control my state of mind..." The tiny cauldron's voice changed abruptly. It wasn't long-winded any longer, and its voice was calm like pool of dead water. There weren't any waves on it, and it didn't fluctuate in the slightest.

This was the original tiny cauldron.

However, in the next moment, it seemed to have realized something and cursed. "Dammit! That kid saw how I was in the past. I'm finished, even my body has become so fat. It's too disgusting. My image is probably destroyed this time..."

Even though it said this, its voice didn't carry the 'human' feeling it had before, and it was dry and seemed to utterly lack emotion.

Stomp!

Right at this moment, Chen Xi who was on the first step of the stairway moved abruptly, and he stepped up onto the second step. He moved in a neither fast nor slow speed, yet it revealed a feeling as if he was taking an idle stroll in a courtyard. It was natural and seemed to have been achieved without effort.

Moreover, right at the instant his feet descended onto the step, an expanse of dense radiance rose up beneath his feet, and it formed the pattern of a golden lotus that flashed briefly on the stone stairway.

Bang!

Along with the golden lotus vanished, a shapeless and strange fluctuation suddenly stretched out, and the shapeless ripple instantly suffused the entire Grand Deduction Tower!

“He finally took this step...” The tiny cauldron muttered.

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The 8th level of the Grand Deduction Tower.

Liang Bing’s expression was icy cold while her beautiful and bright face was completely pale, and the dark black colored warrior robes with dark violet colored embroidery was even tainted with drops of golden blood.

She was injured.

Since the fierce battle started until now, they were encircled and attacked by Luo Zhanbei, the black robed man, Gu Jiuzhen, and Yin Biyun, who were four Mysterious Immortal Realm experts, so even with the strengths of herself and Teng Lan, they were gradually unable to hold on.

So suffering injuries were naturally impossible to avoid.

But her bearing was formidable as always, and it was even overbearing. The pitch black and icy cold whip in her jade white hand was ferocious and still carried a peerless imposing aura of resolute slaughter.

Compared to her, Teng Lan’s injuries were heavier. Bloody froth ceaselessly gurgled down from the corners of his mouth, and it was impossible to stop, causing his countenance to be pale and almost translucent while even his aura revealed the feeling that was like a formidable arrow at the end of its flight.

Liang Bing knew that her Uncle Lan had suffered such heavy injuries entirely because of her, and it was her Uncle Lan that had repeatedly disregarded his life to help her when she was endangered on many occasions...

“Eldest Young Miss, can you promise me something if I’m really unable to persist?” Teng Lan’s voice sounded out by her ear, and his hoarse voice carried a wisp of resolution.

“Uncle Lan, don’t talk nonsense!” Liang Bing berated while her eyes turned slightly red. Moreover, she was even slightly shaken and doubted if her decision this time was correct.

“Eldest Young Miss, I watched you grow up since a young age. No matter how cold blooded and unfeeling people say you are, you’re like my child in my eyes. You’re intelligent, brave, wise, beautiful...

You're the most perfect little girl in my heart. I've never refused your instructions in the past, but this time, and only this time, please listen to me, alright?" Teng Lang fought fiercely with his opponent while speaking with a hoarse voice, and the bloody froth on the corners of his mouth grew in volume and stained his clothes, causing him to seem horrifying.

"Uncle Lan, go ahead." Liang Bing bit her teeth together tightly while she spat out these words with great difficulty, and her eyes blazed with flames of rage as she suddenly started to hate herself.

If it wasn't for me being too assertive and stubborn, would all of this have not occurred?

"Survive!" Teng Lan blasted back the attack of the black robed man that tore through the sky and assaulted him, whereas he himself was struck to the point of coughing up blood repeatedly. But he still charged forward and was unwilling to take a step back.

"Survive?" A wisp of bitterness arose on the corners of Liang Bing's mouth. Could it be that there's really no other way?

"Exactly, survive! Listen to my orders later and leave when I tell you to leave. I'll strive to obtain a chance for you to escape, and you must listen to me!" Teng Lan's pale and translucent face revealed a wisp of a ruthless expression, and his voice carried an indisputable tone that seemed to contain madness and lightheartedness.

"I..." Liang Bing felt grief in her heart, and she wanted to say something yet didn't know where to start.

"Hmph! Let me see how long both of you can struggle desperately! Don't have any extravagant hopes, no one in the world is capable of saving both of you today!" Right at this moment, Luo Zhanbei shouted savagely. "Everyone, put your back into it and send them on their way!"

For a time, the fierce battle became even more horrifying, and it was obviously at the time when the outcome was about to be decided.

Bang! Right at this moment, a strange fluctuation stretched out from above the tower, and it swept through the surroundings.

This fluctuation was mysterious, vast, and profound. It was like a storm that swept past the hearts of all, and it shocked them to the point their bodies stiffened.

After all, they were Mysterious Immortals! But before this strange fluctuation, they still felt an extremely horrifying aura, and it was too terrifying.

"Shit! Someone has started moving towards the 10th level of the tower!" The expressions of Luo Zhanbei and the others changed abruptly, and they instantly guessed the source of this fluctuation.

They'd been cultivating for countless years in the Talisman Dimension, so they'd witnessed countless experts stride towards the 10th level. How could the aura of this strange fluctuation not be familiar to them?

Just 3,000 years ago, there was a young woman that had caused such a phenomenon when she strode towards the 10th level. At that time, Luo Zhanbei, Gu Jiuzhen, and Yin Biyun were all present in the tower.

"I knew that he would surely be able to succeed!" Liang Bing couldn't refrain from having a wisp of a smile appear on the corners of her mouth, and it was brilliant and dazzling to the limit.

"Uncle Lan! Stop entertaining foolish ideas and persist! Wait for Chen Xi to return!" A wisp of confidence and the will to fight burned once more in her voice, causing her face to seem as if it was glowing.

"Alright!" Teng Lan nodded, and his spirits were refreshed as well. But, right after that, he couldn't help but ask. "Even if he returns from the 10th level, it seems that it'll be impossible for us to bring him out in our current situation..."

"There's no need to worry. We'll cross that bridge when we get there." Liang Bing's eyes flowed with light, and she seemed to be rather confident.

It wasn't just the 8th level of the tower, all those cultivators that were moving up with great difficulty on the lower levels had noticed this strange fluctuation, and their entire bodies shook as well.

Someone is charging up the 10th level?

Is it those formidable figures from the four great clans?

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In the 9th level of the Grand Deduction Tower.

Chen Xi noticed calmly that he was in an extremely strange situation. He felt as if his body was controlled by a terrifying consciousness, whereas his soul was watching coldly from the sidelines.

He wasn't frustrated or resentful, nor did he have the slightest intention to reclaim the authority to control his body, and he was calm and indifferent as if he didn't have any feelings instead.

He knew that it was the might of the River Diagram. Since the moment he stepped foot onto the first step, it suddenly emanated a fluctuation that assisted him in dealing with the attack of the restrictions on the first step, and it indirectly controlled his body.

Perhaps, it's precisely because I trust the River Diagram won't harm me that I'm able to be so calm, right?

Chen Xi was unable to figure it out, so he stopped thinking about it.

Within his field of vision was an extremely vast world. It was pitch black, deathly silent, completely empty, and seemed to be boundless. On the other hand, he stood alone at the center of this world that seemed dark like it was in the period of chaos before the world was split open, and he had one hand behind his back while the other drew repeatedly in midair.

Swoosh!

A profound marking flashed into appearance, causing the pitch black world to suddenly have a dazzling ray of light, and it split open the darkness and tore open a boundless rift, forming the heavens and the earth.

Swoosh!

Another graceful and lively marking fluttered out from between his fingers, and it studded the sky with a myriad of stars and carved out the geography of the entire world.

Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh!

Numerous profound markings flashed into appearance and poured out from the tips of his fingers, and they formed mountains, rivers, lakes, plants, rocks, beasts, monsters, spirits... All sorts of things and living creatures started to appear and enrich the entire world.

The entire process was shockingly similar to when he created the Blackhole World within his Dantian all those years ago, but it was even more profound, and it carried the unique profundities of deduction, creation, and development.

Or perhaps it could be said to contain a sort of general trend. Fate, karmic luck, and vitality that circulated in the world appeared here, and it was like the workings of the heavens were circulating and deducing the alternation in this world.

Chen Xi was shocked and suddenly thought of the master of the Master, Senior Fuxi, had precisely observed and comprehended the principle behind the changes in the workings of the heavens through the River Diagram before finally grasping the Grand Dao and arriving at the end of the path to the Grand Dao.

Even though the scene before his eyes wasn't him actually observing the River Diagram, but it was largely identical with minor differences because the River Diagram was utilizing his body to reveal the principles behind the Heaven Dao to him!

Even if his current cultivation realm was unable to thoroughly comprehend the profundities within it, this sort of experience was sufficient to allow him to go further in his future path.

Because while others were still bitterly pondering what the Heaven Dao was, he'd already obtained insight into the principle of its variations and the profundities of its deduction. So long as he persisted in his cultivation, he would surely be able to use it to soar into the heavens in a single leap and attain an unprecedented height.

Unknowingly, Chen Xi's mind was immersed within it. He carried a slight smile while he remained unaware of his surroundings, and he forgot the passage of time in his daze. He was completely unaware that he'd taken a step up and ascended onto the third step on the stairway.

The scene before his eyes changed once more!

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Chapter 860: Affecting The Talisman Dimension

The scene before his eyes changed swiftly and was reflected in his eyes, yet it was unable to affect Chen Xi's state of mind.

When his feet stood steadily on the third step of the stairway on the 9th level of the Grand Deduction Tower, the scene before his eyes instantly froze, and an extremely tall bronze tower appeared within the world that was dark and seemed to be in a state of chaos.

Shockingly, it was exactly similar in appearance to the Grand Deduction Tower.

But Chen Xi wasn't surprised, and his soul that seemed as if it had no emotions looked at this figure that stood at the center of the dark world and watched his fingers draw out an ocean of talisman markings that covered the sky as he repaired the tower.

His mind was still immersed in this profound comprehension.

But he knew clearly that the internal structure of the Grand Deduction Tower turned out to be in a terrible state since a long time ago. The talisman markings had fallen off, the formations were damaged, and there were too many places in it that needed to be repaired.

On the other hand, during this process of repair, he once again witnessed the formidableness of the River Diagram Fragments. With a light point of his finger, boundless talisman markings flashed into appearance, and this miraculous attainments in the Dao of Talismans caused him to be immersed once more in it and be unable to break free.

After 10 minutes passed, the tower was completely repaired, causing it to be entirely suffused with a golden radiance, and it was like a phoenix that had been reborn in flames and carried vitality that was exuberant and vast like an ocean within its ancient aura.

Chen Xi was completely unaware that right at this instant, all the cultivators in the tower had practically instantly sensed the changes in the tower.

It had become even more dazzling while the air within it carried strands of divine radiance and enshrouded in mist, causing it to seem like an immortal paradise.

"My god! Someone has repaired the Grand Deduction Tower!"

"How could this be possible! The Grand Deduction Tower is the heart of the Talisman Dimension. Unless those four great experts that created the Talisman Dimension or the gods whose might traversed the ages made a move, otherwise, who else in this world is capable of achieving this?"

"The Grand Deduction Tower being repaired is an extraordinarily shocking and joyous event for the entire Talisman Dimension. So long as the Grand Deduction Tower stands, the entire Talisman Dimension will never crumble!"

"The thing I'm most curious about now is exactly who achieved this?"

No matter which level they were at, all the cultivators in the tower were in animated discussion, and they were exclaiming in admiration towards the Grand Deduction Tower that had taken on a new look and were extremely curious about exactly who had repaired the tower.

Even though she was fighting bravely while bathed in blood, only Liang Bing who was in the 8th level was still in high spirits.

She knew that all of this was surely done by Chen Xi!

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Along with the passage of time, Chen Xi walked up the stairway step by step, and a golden lotus bloomed with every step he took.

Only now did he notice that it wasn't simply terrifying restrictions that were set up on the surface of the steps on the stairway in the 9th level, and there were even questions that were difficult like natural chasms set up for the countless people that came over to ascend it, and these questions were the repairing of talisman diagrams!

At the first step, he fell into a strange state because of the River Diagram fragments, and he obtained the acknowledgement of the tower.

At the second step, he was able to witness the might of the River Diagram fragments, and he gained insight into the principle of the variation of the workings of the heavens.

At the third step, he truly entered into the stage of repairing talisman diagrams.

Moreover, from this level onward, until the fourth, fifth, and even ninth, the Grand Deduction Tower, the Imperial City of Four Emperors, the four counties, the myriad of cities, and the countless villages appeared successively within the extremely vast and dark world. In the end, his field of vision expanded, and the entire Talisman Dimension was actually revealed before him!

It felt as if he was the lord of creation standing proudly up above in the universe, and he was utilizing his supreme divine might to repair the scars and wounds of a large world from afar.

In the present world, the ancient Imperial City of Four Emperors glowed once more with vitality. As it bathed beneath the scorching sun and stood amidst the clouds, it was suffused with divine brilliance and flickered with radiant light, causing it to seem as if it had come back to life after being dead for countless years.

It was like a miracle!

Similarly, the four great counties, and the Talisman Towers in the myriad of cities like Crimson Swallow City and the countless villages like Golden Mulberry Village were suffused with shocking fluctuations of vitality.

This fluctuation was extremely vast, and it practically instantly alarmed all the cultivators in the entire Talisman Dimension.

Everyone was shocked and bewildered because they didn't know why such a miraculous incident would occur, and only an extremely small group of people faintly guessed something, and they were shocked speechless.

Crimson Swallow City.

Daoist Ling and his friends were discussing the structure of talisman diagrams in the hall while Ling Qingmo was extremely bored at the side, and she was tugging on her beautiful hair while staring blankly.

Suddenly, all the damaged talisman diagrams in the 3,600 screens in the entire hall instantly flashed before vanishing, and they transformed into completely white and empty screens.

All of the Talisman Formation Masters with eccentric dispositions were stunned when they saw this, and then they jumped up while waving their arms around and roaring endlessly, causing the scene to instantly fall into chaos.

The lord supervisor, Yue Meng, dragged his chubby figure along and charged in while sweating profusely before he started explaining repeatedly. Never had he imagined that a problem would occur in the hall once more!

EH, why would I think it happened again?

Yue Meng slapped himself on the forehead as he laughed bitterly and recalled that young man called Chen Xi from half a month ago. At that time, Chen Xi had swept through 30,000 stars of Virtue Energy and caused the entire Talisman Diagram Grandhall to be in chaos just like it was at this moment.

But this time, there seems to really be a problem...

Yue Meng's mouth opened as he looked at the numerous empty Talisman Diagram Screens, yet he didn't know how to explain it.

At this moment, an attendant with a dazed expression flashed past Yue Meng's side, and Yue Meng grabbed this attendant's neck from behind and pulled the attendant over to his side before he roared in a low voice. "I fucking asked you to investigate what had happened, yet you're dazed yourself. Trust me, I'll fucking fire you today!"

The attendant seemed as if he awakened from a dream and stuttered. "Lord Supervisor, I came precisely for the sake of reporting back to you. But the news was too shocking, so... I was slightly dazed."

Yue Meng said with a puzzled expression, "What do you mean?"

The attendant explained swiftly in a low voice.

After he heard everything, Yue Meng's chubby face twitched fiercely while his entire body shuddered without end. If this is true, then it means an extraordinary expert in the Dao of Talismans has appeared in the Grand Deduction Tower within the imperial city!

Right at this moment, the Talisman Formation Masters in the hall found out about this as well, and the clamorous noise in the hall practically instantly vanished without a trace, causing the hall to become perfectly silent.

The Talisman Tower in Crimson Swallow City was repaired in an instant!?

The eyes of all the Talisman Formation Masters were wide open, and they seemed as if they'd heard a legend. This is too unbelievable.

Even Daoist Ling and the other Talisman Formation Grandmasters were shocked, and they guessed a possibility — Someone repaired the Grand Deduction Tower in the Imperial City of Four Emperors.

Heavenly attainments in the Dao of Talismans!

Exactly who achieved this?

"Grandfather, do you think that it's Chen Xi?" The nearby Ling Qingmo spoke abruptly.

"Don't speak non..." Daoist Ling was about to berate Ling Qingmo, yet he forcefully swallowed back his words after speaking half way because he recalled the experience from the other day. At that time, he never imagined that Chen Xi would be able to sweep through 30,000 stars of Virtue Energy like that, so

he'd created a mistake that shouldn't have happened, causing him to feel slightly ashamed and depressed.

"Grandpa hopes it's Chen Xi of course." Daoist Ling squeezed out a smile as he rubbed Ling Qingmo's little head, yet he said in his heart, If it really is him, then I'll request to have a meeting with him even if I have to kneel down and kowtow...

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Golden Mulberry Village, Elder Xue Ming sat with his back laying on a golden mulberry tree as he bathed under the sun, and he seemed extremely cozy.

Since the Talisman Tower in the village was completely repaired, he wasn't worried the village would fall to the Cosmos Beasts any longer, and even if these were Cosmos Beasts assaulting the village at night, he was able to sleep peacefully and have a nice dream.

All of this was because of that young man, Chen Xi.

Xue Ming was sure that he would absolutely not forget this young man that kept a low profile and had a warm attitude.

"Hahaha! Xue Ming, let me tell you some good news. It isn't just my Spirit Medicine Village, even all the other villages in the vicinity had their Talisman Towers repaired completely!" Right at this moment, a spirited old man with a rosy complexion appeared at the distant entrance to the village, and Xue Ming raised his eyes before recognizing the old man as Elder Du Xing from the neighboring Spirit Medicine Village.

"You probably don't know yet, I heard an expert with extraordinary ability entered the Grand Deduction Tower and repaired it completely, causing the Talisman Towers in the entire Talisman Dimension to be recovered to their initial state. Now, no matter how many Cosmos Beasts attack, it would be extremely difficult for them to threaten us for a long time." Du Xing sat by Xue Ming's side and spoke with an expression of admiration. "Alas, I wonder who exactly that expert is. I, old man Du, have lived for an extremely long time, yet I was still excited to the point of jumping with joy after hearing about this matter. I truly wish for nothing more than to kowtow and express my gratitude."

"Oh? Then I have to congratulate you." Xue Meng lazily smacked his lips.

"Could it be that you aren't concerned in the slightest?" Du Xing was astounded.

"Of course, of course I am. This is an extremely good thing." Xue Ming said with a smile, "There's only room for Chen Xi in my eyes, and there's no room for that expert because the lives of every single person in my Golden Mulberry Village was saved by Chen Xi. It isn't related to that expert in the slightest!"

If Xue Ming knew that the 'expert' he spoke of was Chen Xi as well, it was a mystery what sort of expression he would have.

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The entire Talisman Dimension underwent a tremendous change.

If one were to look down from the expanse of the universe where Chen Xi and Li Yang arrived at the Talisman Dimension from, one would notice that at this moment, the Talisman Dimension that was extremely enormous and surrounded by countless stars was like a dusty precious pearl that was washed clean, revealing its smooth and flawless true appearance. Under the starry sky, it emanated blazing and powerful vitality.

All of this was easily accomplished by the River Diagram Fragment through Chen Xi's hand, and it only utilized less than two hours to complete the entire process!

Such ability was already no different than a miracle.

On the 9th step on the stairway in the 9th level of the tower, Chen Xi suddenly awoke from the profound state he was in, and he reclaimed the power to control his body once more.

No wonder Senior Sister Li Yang dared to be so sure. So it turned out that all of this was because of the River Diagram Fragments. I wonder exactly what relationship the River Diagram Fragments have with the Grand Deduction Tower... As he recalled everything that he'd experienced earlier, Chen Xi felt unprecedented shock, and he felt the River Diagram Fragments were even more extraordinary and mysterious.

After a short moment, he shook his head. At this moment, there was no benefit in thinking about it because Liang Bing and Teng Lan were waiting for him to retrieve that cultivation technique at the 10th level!

Chen Xi didn't hesitate in the slightest and took a deep breath before moving forward, and he strode into the expanse of void before him.