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Chapter 616: Son

Very few in the Sun Moon Empire knew that Xu Yunhan had tagged along with them. The reason why Ju Zi brought him with her was because she couldn't leave him alone in the empire. After all, she had left with the strongest fighting force in the empire. Furthermore, something had happened to her son before. She was afraid of a repeat of the incident, which prompted her to bring him along with her. In her opinion, he was very safe with such a powerful soul engineer legion led by Elder Kong personally. However, who knew that the situation would be like this now?

Huo Yuhao was stunned for a moment after listening to Xu Yunhan's words. He couldn't help but think of the time when he first met him. He lowered his head and saw the beautiful, black short hair that Xu Yunhan had. His big black eyes were very bright, and his skin was just like his mother's – very smooth and delicate. He looked elegant in his outfit. The smile on his face was even more captivating. He was only six or seven, but he was not frantic at all. Rather, he was curious as he lifted his head to look at Huo Yuhao.

Could Huo Yuhao really lay his hands on this kid? It was a certain no. It was impossible. However, he had no choice after being forced by Ju Zi.

Ju Zi shuddered as she screamed, "Huo Yuhao, you must not touch Yunhan!"

Huo Yuhao took a deep breath and calmed himself down. "Then agree to my conditions. Leave with your people and return to the Sun Moon Empire."

Ju Zi's eyes flashed and she gritted her teeth. She was already a little speechless as she looked at Huo Yuhao. Revenge had been her life's goal. However, there were only two important people in her life. One was this man, who had disappeared for three years. The other was the little kid in his arms!

Huo Yuhao was still less important. After all, she didn't belong to him. However, Xu Yunhan was her only son. He was her only reason to live. Ju Zi didn't even dare to imagine what would happen if something happened to him. Perhaps she would really use the blood of the continent to pay respects to her son.

Even though she knew that Huo Yuhao had always been very soft-hearted and wouldn't do anything to her son, she didn't dare to take the gamble. It was too scary.

"Why? Why must you protect the White Tiger Duke? Why don't you let me kill him? You should know that it's better for my empire to rule the continent compared to what's going on now. I'm no longer the one who can make the decision anymore. Even if you threaten me, I... I..."

Ju Zi could not carry on any further as she spoke until this point. This was because she was terrified to see Huo Yuhao caressing her son's head. Given his abilities, he just needed an instant to kill him!

"No, Yuhao, don't do it! Don't harm Yunhan." Ju Zi begged.

Kong Deming was already very grim now. Xu Yunhan wasn't just the Emperor. He was also his disciple. Although he was only six, his potential was already recognized and well-loved by Kong Deming. He believed that he could nurture a great Emperor for the empire.

Now that he was in the enemy's hands, the circumstances had changed completely. Moreover, the Sun Moon Imperial Soul Engineer Legion had been wiped out. It was a complete turnaround!

Huo Yuhao's abilities were simply too terrifying. No one from the Sun Moon Empire could fight him. Under this circumstance, no one could possibly save Xu Yunhan.

After listening to Ju Zi's words, Huo Yuhao turned his head to look at the White Tiger Duke. The White Tiger Duke was also staring back at him. He revealed a gentle gaze in his eyes, whereas Huo Yuhao appeared very conflicted.

"Do you know why I'm protecting him? Why won't I let you kill him? I'll tell you in front of everyone." Huo Yuhao took in a deep breath.

Xu Yunhan was very obedient in his arms. He didn't struggle at all.

"Because!" Huo Yuhao turned around again and glared at Ju Zi. "He is my biological father!"

When he said this, it was like a bomb that was dropped on two people.

Although he wasn't very loud, it was very clear in every part of the battlefield because of the conduction of his immense spiritual power.

On the city walls, Dai Yueheng, Dai Huabin and Dai Luoli were all jolted awake. They also heard everything Huo Yuhao said. Apart from Dai Luoli, Dai Yueheng and Dai Huabin were both stunned.

This was especially so for Dai Huabin. Ever since he had entered Shrek Academy, he had been chasing and challenging one person. No matter what, he wouldn't have expected this. He didn't expect Huo Yuhao to be his brother. In terms of age, Huo Yuhao should be his younger brother.

Ju Zi was in a daze. She looked at Huo Yuhao, and her mouth was already subconsciously wide open. There were many thoughts in her mind, but she didn't expect this to be the case. How could this be the case? The White Tiger Duke, the person she hated to the core, was actually Huo Yuhao's father. Didn't that mean that Dai Hao was...

Ju Zi felt as if cold water had been poured on her head when she developed this thought. She staggered in the air and almost couldn't control her body. She fell just like that.

The White Tiger Duke was equally as astonished as he drifted to Huo Yuhao's side.

"What, what are you talking about?" The White Tiger Duke's voice had completely changed.

In his heart, this young man was one of the most powerful individuals in the younger generation of soul masters. He was the most outstanding person in Shrek. Because of him, the Star Luo Empire had managed to avert a few disasters. Did he actually mention that he's my son?

"That's right! You are my father." Huo Yuhao turned to look at Dai Hao. He was no longer calm, and his voice was shaking a little. Due to his emotional undulations, an indescribable sense of sorrow also influenced everyone around him.

"However, you are also my enemy at the same time!" Huo Yuhao was already very pale when he said this.

The White Tiger Duke's voice cracked as he asked, "No, this is impossible. How could you possibly be my son?"

Huo Yuhao took in a deep breath and tried to suppress his emotions. "In that case, let me remind you that my mom's surname is Huo. You should recognize that." As he spoke, Huo Yuhao lifted his hand and retrieved a dagger from his storage-type soul tool before passing it to the White Tiger Duke.

"This is a gift of love that you gave my mom. I hope you haven't forgotten."

The White Tiger Duke paused for a moment. He was fixated on the White Tiger Dagger in Huo Yuhao's hand. He took it subconsciously, but his hands were shaking.

"You, you're Yun'er's kid. Yun'er, she actually bore me a child. Didn't she die of sickness when I went out for an expedition? How, how did this happen?"

"The person who told you about my mom's death must be your wife," Huo Yuhao said coldly, "in your heart, my mom must have had died some twenty-odd years ago."

Dai Hao was in a daze as he looked at the dagger. "I was busy with war. I couldn't return even after learning Yun'er was dead. Things were very tense at the front line. I didn't return to the Duke's Mansion for ten years. When I returned, she was already in ashes. The only thing I could do was refurbish her tomb. You, you're actually Yun'er's son. You shouldn't be called Huo Yuhao then. You should be called Dai Yuhao!"

Huo Yuhao shook his head with force and raged, "No, I'm not Dai Hao. I'm Huo Yuhao. I'm only Huo Yuhao. I'm my mother's son, not your son. Have you taken care of me for a single day? Did you even know I existed? When I was young, I had to watch you from afar. You even returned then, but why didn't you go and see my mom? Why did you let your wife bully her?"

"I returned? Every time I did so, I had to leave hastily. Things were simply too hectic in the military. Yes, I neglected Yun'er." Dai Hao turned pale. Even when he faced Ju Zi's sword, he didn't look as lost as he was right now.

Huo Yuhao turned his head suddenly and tried to hold back his tears. "After we deal with this matter, I will get back everything you owe my mother from the Duke's Mansion, you and your wife."

As he spoke, Huo Yuhao turned to Ju Zi.

"Do you understand? You should! No matter how much I'm unwilling to admit it, his blood flows in me. Although he harmed my mother, he's still a hero of the Star Luo Empire. I'm not ashamed because his blood flows in me. No matter what, I won't let him die by your hands. Now you should understand why I'm protecting him, right?"

After he finally vented everything he had kept in his heart for so many years, Huo Yuhao felt relieved. Everything was about to be over. After he defeated the Sun Moon Empire's army, he would return to the Duke's Mansion.

Tang Wutong was close to Huo Yuhao, and grabbed onto his arm. She grabbed his arm and used the warmth of her palms to comfort him. She was the only one who wasn't astonished by his words. This was because she already knew.

He still deeply recalled the vow he had made before he left the Duke's Mansion more than ten years ago. If not for that vow, he wouldn't have trained so tirelessly.

Although his hatred had diminished, he still believed he needed to deal with his mother's matter.

A bitter look surfaced on Ju Zi's face. "I didn't expect this. I really didn't expect this. You are actually his son. Yuhao, I have to thank you. You are right, I really shouldn't kill him. No matter how much I hate him, I can't kill him. Return my son to me. Return Yunhan to me. I'll promise you anything. I'll pull the army back. We'll return the land we've taken from the Star Luo Empire to them. However, both the Heavenly Soul and Dou Ling Empires have long been occupied. We can't return them. They are already more than half the Sun Moon Empire's land. I have no right to return them. What I can do is to return the Star Luo Empire. It's already the most I can do."

The White Tiger Duke was slightly shocked when he heard Ju Zi's words. It was already a surprise that the Sun Moon Empire was willing to return their territories.

As for the Dou Ling and Heavenly Soul Empires, their royal families were completely powerless. Even if their empires were returned to them, they were no longer capable of running them. Undoubtedly, this was the best that could be achieved.

After pondering for a moment, Huo Yuhao nodded and said, "Alright, we'll follow your idea. Retreat with your army and leave the Star Luo Empire. However, since you betrayed our promise, I'll need you to pay for it a hundred times more. Within the next thousand years, the Sun Moon Empire must not invade the Star Luo Empire."

Ju Zi sighed, "Alright, I can promise that. However, we'll counterattack if the Star Luo Empire attacks us. Return my child to me. We'll leave immediately."

She finally compromised. It had to do with Elder Kong. This was their bottom line that Elder Kong had suggested to her. As Huo Yuhao and Tang Wutong were simply too strong and there were stationary interference shells, the entire Sun Moon Empire army might actually be wiped out if Huo Yuhao decided to attack! They could only leave this place first before finding a way to invent a soul tool strong enough to deal with him.

Huo Yuhao said, "Leave first. As for Yunhan, I'll take care of him. You've already betrayed your promise once. How do you expect me to trust you again? After ten years, I'll return him to you as long as the Sun Moon Empire remains obedient."

"What?" Ju Zi exclaimed. "You're going to take Yunhan away for ten years? No, impossible. Impossible!"

After hearing that Huo Yuhao wanted to leave with Xu Yunhan, Ju Zi panicked.

Huo Yuhao dealt with this in a composed manner. "You betrayed our trust and started a war. We can't trust you anymore. Xu Yunhan will follow me for the next ten years, and we'll see what happens next. You can leave now."

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"No, you can't do that. Return my son. Return my son!" As she screamed, Ju Zi immediately increased her speed and rushed out.

She was already not too far from Huo Yuhao. She also acted very suddenly. Her human-shaped soul tool was the best she could wear. Once its soul thrusters were activated, she almost instantly teleported in front of Huo Yuhao. She reached out for Xu Yunhan.

Huo Yuhao lifted his hand, and a strong force restrained Ju Zi. She was completely restricted. Right now, Kong Deming knew that it was too late to save her.

Huo Yuhao spoke coldly as he looked at Ju Zi from close-range. "Leave with your people. I won't retract my decision after I've made it. You must pay the price for your mistake. I trusted you so much before, and even told you about my closed-door cultivation. How did you treat me in return? Now, I can't bring myself to trust you again. I won't harm you. Leave."

"Return my son. Return my son to me. I can't let him leave with you. In your eyes, he's the Emperor of the Sun Moon Empire. You won't guide him properly. He is my last hope in life. Yuhao, I beg you. Return my son to me. Return him!" Ju Zi begged.

If this were the past, Huo Yuhao would have gone soft-hearted. However, the entire Dou Ling Empire had been crushed because of her betrayal. Even the Star Luo Empire was almost annihilated, and the White Tiger Duke had almost died at her hands.

Huo Yuhao hardened his stance and forcibly shook his head. "Leave! There's nothing more to say."

"No—!" Ju Zi shouted. "Huo Yuhao, you can't do this. You can't do this. Yunhan, Yunhan is your son!"

Space seemed to collapse. Just when Ju Zi said this, space within a region spanning a hundred meters in diameter collapsed. Her voice was completely drowned in that space. Only those within this region heard what she said.

Time and space seemed to stop at this moment.

Huo Yuhao and Tang Wutong were both astonished. So was the White Tiger Duke. Their expressions froze. Ju Zi was still sobbing. Little Yunhan was stunned. He lifted his head and looked at Huo Yuhao.

This strange scene just paused in the sky like that.

A dignified voice sounded all of a sudden and echoed in their ears.

"I told you before – never reveal this secret. If you reveal it, I'll take your son's life. It seems like you've forgotten my words. In that case..."

A bright beam of golden light shone. Huo Yuhao, Tang Wutong, Dai Hao, Ju Zi and Xu Yunhan only felt as if everything was spinning in front of them. In the next instant, they came to another place.

When everything became clear once again, they were astonished to discover that they were above a golden patch of clouds.

Even with Huo Yuhao and Tang Wutong's cultivations, they couldn't sense where they were right now.

It was just that they weren't thinking of this at the moment. Huo Yuhao's gaze was fixated on Ju Zi. He lost his voice as he asked, "What, what did you say? Whose son is this?"

Ju Zi was already pale-white by now. The dignified voice left her horrified. She quickly grabbed Xu Yunhan. After this, she kneeled down. "No, please, I beg of you. Don't harm my son. It wasn't intentional. I was just afraid that he would harm my son! Please, please don't hurt my son."

Huo Yuhao only managed to turn around right now. He also unleashed his Spiritual Detection. However, he was stunned to realize that he couldn't sense any changes around him, even with his immense spiritual power.

What's going on? Where is this place??Huo Yuhao was stupefied as he tried to make sense of everything around him. He couldn't understand what was going on.

At this moment, a beam of golden light shone in front of everyone. That dignified voice spoke once again.

"Aren't you afraid of harming someone else's kid if you are so afraid of harming your own? I've already tolerated this fellow for a long time. But heaven is benevolent. However, you still blurted it out. Hatred has blinded you and caused you to lose control of your emotions. You're walking towards destruction. I'll grant you your wish since that's the case."

A golden figure slowly became clearer and clearer. A handsome man who seemed to be only twenty years old appeared in front of everyone.

He had long flowing blue hair that drooped all the way down to his feet. If not for his burly figure and broad shoulders, one might mistake him for a lady.

There were ripples on his long blue robe. Upon closer look, one would be captivated by the ocean-blue on his robe. His entire soul might even be absorbed into this ocean.

While the guy seemed to be only twenty, the look in his eyes was very deep. It looked very hollow, but it seemed to contain everything at the same time. At times, there would be a purplish, moving flash that felt as if he could kill with a blink of an eye.

He was carrying a huge golden trident with his right hand. This trident was very familiar to Huo Yuhao.

He, he was...

"Daddy!" Tang Wutong suddenly shouted. Her figure flashed, and she leapt into the embrace of that young man.

The blue-haired youth opened his arms wide and hugged her. There was a benevolent look on his face. He gently caressed Tang Wutong's pinkish-blue hair. "My dear daughter, don't worry. Daddy won't let you suffer."

Tang Wutong turned around and looked at Huo Yuhao. Right now, the look in her eyes was already different. She was intelligent. From Ju Zi's words and her father's rage, she knew that her claim was probably true.

"Daddy, does this kid really belong to Yuhao and Ju Zi?" Her voice was trembling when she said this.

The blue-haired youth nodded. "That's right."

Tang Wutong started to tear up. She looked at Huo Yuhao and seemed to be shaking. She spoke as if she was heartbroken. "Why?"

Huo Yuhao's mouth was already wide open as he tried to explain himself, "Wutong, listen to me. I don't know either! It's impossible that he belongs to me. Impossible! I've never done it with Ju Zi. I've never! I admit to liking her before knowing you were a girl. However, we've only been friends. We've never been together at all. It's not real. This kid isn't mine."

The blue-haired youth laughed coldly, "Not yours? Xu Yunhan, do you know why he's called Xu Yunhan? It's because his name is compatible with yours. Do you really think it's a coincidence? Ju Zi, tell him. Is this his child?"

Ju Zi hugged Xu Yunhan tightly. When she looked at Huo Yuhao before turning to Tang Wutong and that blue-haired youth, she was already so dazed until she couldn't speak.

The person with the dignified voice was actually Tang Wutong's father. No wonder he forced her not to speak. He didn't want his daughter to know anything! *nove-1b*.In

"I beg you, please don't hurt my child. I beg you. I'm only a poor mother. I'm only afraid of my son being hurt! Please, I beg you." Ju Zi didn't explain, and only kowtowed towards the blue-haired youth while hugging Xu Yunhan.

Tears flowed down Tang Wutong's face. Her eyes were already red when she looked at Huo Yuhao.

No woman could forgive her man for having a child with another woman! No matter how much she liked him, she could only feel sorrowful and enraged right now.

The blue-haired youth looked coldly at Ju Zi. "You turned a deaf ear to my words. You shall pay the price!" As he spoke, he lifted his hand. A streak of blue light flashed, and Xu Yunhan disappeared. When he reappeared, he was already in his hands.

Ju Zi frantically tried to leap over. However, space had been frozen. The blue-haired youth looked coldly at her. He already had his hand around Xu Yunhan's neck.

"Let go of him!" A furious scream sounded. A figure charged forward and smacked a pair of tiger palms towards the blue-haired youth.

It was the White Tiger Duke, Dai Hao.

From the earlier conversation, he knew that the kid probably belonged to Huo Yuhao. Although he didn't know why Huo Yuhao suddenly became his son, he knew that if Huo Yuhao was his son, Xu Yunhan was his biological grandson! No wonder the War God Empress said that she can't kill me earlier.

Right now, there was no longer the Sun Moon or Star Luo Empire in his mind. There was only his biological grandson. How could he watch as his grandson was captured by someone else and was about to be killed?

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That blue-haired youth focused his gaze, and the White Tiger Duke froze in place. At the same time, Tang Wutong suddenly hugged him tightly. "Daddy, don't do it. The kid is innocent. Don't harm him."

When the blue-haired youth heard her words, the look in his eyes turned gentler. He sighed, "But, my daughter is innocent too! Who's taking pity on you? My poor Little Seven."

Tang Wutong bit her lower lip, "Daddy, let's go home. I've missed you, and I've missed mommy." As she spoke, she started to cry out loud.

"Wutong, Wutong!" Huo Yuhao only reacted from his astonishment at this moment. He wanted to leap forward, but the blue-haired youth glared at him, and he froze in place too.

After this, blue lights flashed, and the blue-haired youth and Tang Wutong turned into two projections before they vanished into the golden clouds.

A dignified voice echoed in the sky. "The Star Luo Empire must be returned, and the Sun Moon Empire must be remained the Heaven Dou Empire. Otherwise, hmph!"

Xu Yunhan drifted in the sky, and was immediately caught by Ju Zi, who regained her mobility.

Little Yunhan wasn't afraid. His eyes were still open wide. He was looking at this and that; he was curious. Of course he wasn't afraid. He didn't sense any killing intent from that blue-haired youth earlier.

Huo Yuhao suddenly turned to Ju Zi and roared furiously, "Why? Why did you say he's my son? How can it be? How?"

Ju Zi hugged Xu Yunhan and stood up. She coldly looked at Huo Yuhao. "No matter what you believe, he's your child. Do you really think I'd give birth for just anyone? Back then, I knew Xu Tianran wanted me to inseminate myself with someone else's sperm. That was why I was already prepared. Do you remember when we were in the Extreme North? Just when you fell unconscious in my arms. I'm not so despicable as to take advantage of you. I only use a soul tool to steal a 'seedling' from you. After that, I inseminated myself with your 'seedling' when Xu Tianran forced me. That's right. Yunhan is your flesh and blood. However, I have nothing to do with you. Neither does he. He's just a product of your genes. What have you done for him?"

Huo Yuhao was stunned as he looked at Ju Zi. He also took a look at Xu Yunhan. Suddenly, he was very conflicted and emotional. No matter what, he hadn't expected things to turn out this way.

Everything that had happened before replayed in his mind right now. He quickly recalled what had happened. Yes! He had been unconscious in Ju Zi's arms for quite a while back then. It must have happened then. No wonder he felt so drawn to Xu Yunhan the first time he saw him.

When he thought of the moment when Xu Yunhan called him 'Daddy' for the first time, Huo Yuhao didn't know what to say anymore.

Ju Zi hugged her son tightly and let her tears flow. She said coldly, "I only took your 'seedling'. As for the harm I've caused to you, I can only apologize. However, what I want to tell you is this. This kid has nothing to do with you. He's my son, and the future Emperor of the Sun Moon Empire. He'll take the surname 'Xu', not yours. You should know why I was afraid that you would hurt him. If you really hurt him, you would have regretted it for the rest of your life."

The White Tiger Duke looked at Huo Yuhao before turning to Ju Zi. Suddenly, he didn't know what to say. Everything that had happened today was completely out of his imagination!

Huo Yuhao shut his eyes in pain. Right now, he was completely confused.

It wasn't easy for him to undergo closed-door cultivation for three years and become an Ultimate Douluo. He even turned the situation around and prevented the Star Luo Empire from being wiped out. However, his lover had left him for something like this.

Before Tang Wutong left, the sadness that she portrayed made him feel as if someone had cut his heart out. He couldn't even explain because he didn't know what was going on.

Was he supposed to blame Ju Zi? He had no energy to do so anymore. He had a son, but he was still a virgin.

"Yunhan, unleash your martial soul." Ju Zi suddenly said to Little Yunhan.

"Yes."

Xu Yunhan unleashed a gentle streak of soul power. This caused Huo Yuhao to reopen his eyes. The White Tiger Duke also turned his attention to him.

A white glow shone from Xu Yunhan's body. His eyes turned brighter. What was strange was that he had two pupils in his eyes. He ballooned slightly in size, and a vertical eye silently opened on his forehead. His hair also turned half black and half white, and looked just like the patterns on a tiger's skin.

This was...

Three-Eyed White Tiger? What kind of martial soul was this?

The White Tiger Duke was astonished when he saw the double pupils in his eyes. At this instant, he was astonished to discover that the heroism in his heart had ceased to exist. He was certain that this kid was his descendant!

Huo Yuhao also shook a little. He hadn't inherited the White Tiger, but there were sunray patterns around the vertical eye! The aura that belonged to his Spirit Eyes and the Eye of Asura couldn't be faked.

This kid only had one martial soul, but it contained the strength of the White Tiger and the spiritual undulations of his Spirit Eyes. It was a powerful mutated martial soul.

The surrounding golden lights slowly dimmed, and space distorted.

Xu Yunhan regained his original look and remained in his mother's arms. He had allowed space to change, but was mostly fixated on Huo Yuhao. He was a little curious, but was also a little weirded out as he looked at him.

It was still outside Star Luo City, and it was still above the Sun Moon Empire army, but everything was frozen. Time and space had come to a complete standstill.

No matter how confused Huo Yuhao was, he could still guess the identity of his father-in-law. He had to be a god. Apart from a god, who could possibly control time and space? Originally, he had thought that he was the peak of this world. However, he was still too far off compared to his father-in-law.

So Wutong is the daughter of a god. No wonder she's so talented.

Right now, he couldn't think of anything more. This was because the sealed time and space were reactivated at the next instant.

No matter whether it was the army, those from Shrek Academy, the Tang Sect or the three empires, they didn't notice anything amiss. To them, they only lost their awareness for a bit earlier. After that, everything returned to normal.

Only those who were sharp noticed that Tang Wutong was missing.

Ju Zi looked a little pale. Her son was already back in her arms. She flashed and widened the gap between her and Huo Yuhao.

Huo Yuhao looked at her weirdly. Right now, he didn't know how to deal with the current situation.

"I'll keep my promise. I will. This time, a god is the witness." Ju Zi muttered.

Huo Yuhao nodded forcefully.

Ju Zi took in a deep breath and turned to the generals of the Sun Moon Empire. She shouted, "Retreat!"

The words of the blue-haired youth were deeply imprinted in her mind. Huo Yuhao also believed that she wouldn't dare to go back on her word now that a god was their witness.

In fact, both he and Ju Zi didn't know that the god was only saying it for the sake of saying it. As a god, he couldn't intervene in the lower realm. Unless it involved his daughter, he couldn't easily reveal himself.

The Sun Moon Empire army slowly retreated. After a momentary silence, cheers burst out in Star Luo City.

It was over. The war was finally over. Earlier, they still thought that they were doomed. But now, they had regained control of their destiny. They had even attained the final victory. It was a miraculous change!

Huo Yuhao drifted in mid-air and turned to the White Tiger Duke. The White Tiger Duke was also looking back at him. This iron-blooded marshal was no longer as tough as he was before. The look in his eyes was both gentle and complex. As for the Sun Moon Empire, his hatred towards them had diminished. This was because the Emperor of that empire was his own grandson! His grandson was actually in control of the biggest empire in the continent. How magical was that?

"Let's go back." Huo Yuhao nodded at Dai Hao.

He was already a grown-up, and a leading figure of his generation. Tang Wutong's departure left him heartbroken. However, he had many things to deal with right now. He could only search for her after dealing with them.

A son, he actually had a son. Apart from Tang Wutong, he was also thinking about Xu Yunhan.

As he sighed, Huo Yuhao flew towards the others from the Tang Sect.

Under Bei Bei's leadership, those from the Tang Sect quickly came up to receive Huo Yuhao. Bei Bei opened his arms wide and gave Huo Yuhao a big hug. Apart from Tang Ya, who was holding the fort in the Tang Sect, the rest were almost all here.

"Little junior, where's Wutong? Where has Wutong gone to?" Bei Bei couldn't help but ask after he hugged Huo Yuhao.

Huo Yuhao and Tang Wutong had disappeared for three years. They had many questions to ask.

Huo Yuhao shook his head dejectedly and said, "Something happened earlier. Once we settle things here, I'll look for her. Eldest senior, Elder Xuan, let's return to Star Luo City first."

As everyone clustered around them, Huo Yuhao and the White Tiger Duke returned to Star Luo City.

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When he landed on the city walls, he received a hero's welcome. Yes, he was the Star Luo Empire's hero right now!

He was a hero who turned the situation around. Because of him, the Star Luo Empire was preserved. There was even a thousand year pact that the Sun Moon Empire couldn't attack them. This gave the Star Luo Empire enough time to catch up to the Sun Moon Empire. Moreover, the Sun Moon Empire was unlikely to try to renege on this pact with such an invincible Ultimate Douluo around.

Xu Jiawei came over to receive him. He looked at Huo Yuhao before looking at Dai Hao. He had clearly heard Huo Yuhao's words earlier.

"Brother Dai, I didn't expect you to have such a son." Xu Jiawei complimented.

The White Tiger Duke laughed bitterly. "I only found out about it today! It's just that..." He thought to himself. I just wonder whether he's willing to accept me as his father. However, he didn't say this out loud.

Huo Yuhao said, "Your Majesty, this matter is ended. We still have other things to deal with. If you have anything else to say to the White Tiger Duke, please do so quickly. After this, we have some personal matters to settle."

It was time to deal with personal matters now that they had settled 'work' matters.

After he finished speaking, Huo Yuhao turned to Elder Xuan, knelt down on both knees, and kowtowed towards him.

Elder Xuan was astonished. "Yuhao, what are you doing?"

Huo Yuhao lowered his head and said, "Elder Xuan, I don't think I can remain in Shrek City or the Tang Sect. I have some things to do. I need to find Wutong."

Elder Xuan revealed a smile on his face. "Is that it?"

Huo Yuhao nodded.

“Get up, kid.” Elder Xuan pulled him up himself and patted his shoulder. “If Elder Mu could see how you are right now, he’d be delighted. Go and do what you want to. You’ve already contributed so much to the academy and the continent. Although I don’t know what’s going on between you and Wutong, I’ll still encourage you to do whatever you want. As for the academy, don’t worry. The others from the Tang Sect are still around. Furthermore, there’s a new member of the Sea God’s Pavilion.”

“Oh?” Huo Yuhao was stunned as he looked at Elder Xuan.

A fiery-red figure walked out from behind Elder Xuan. She jumped into Huo Yuhao’s embrace and tightly hugged him.

“Younger brother, you’re finally back. I’ve not heard from you for so long. Do you know how hard we’ve been searching for you?” The person who came out and hugged Huo Yuhao was Ma Xiaotao.

Her fiery-red hair was brighter than before. Compared to the past, she was much more genial. However, the fiery undulations that came from her body were much stronger than before as well.

She had been assimilating what she had learned when she was an evil soul master with her own cultivation and everything she now understood. She was now the strongest among the younger generation of soul masters in Shrek Academy. She was an Ultimate Fire Transcendent Douluo. She could possibly become an Ultimate Douluo in the future.

Huo Yuhao hugged Ma Xiaotao and became very emotional. He then recounted what had happened after he and Tang Wutong left.

When Elder Xuan heard about Ye Xishui and Long Xiaoyao’s deaths, there was a heavy look on his face. He was the only elderly Ultimate Douluo left. Both the Twin Holy Dragons of Black and White and the Death God Douluo were gone.

“...the situation was very critical then. I couldn’t inform the academy first. Also, I only went into closed-door cultivation with Wutong after Ju Zi promised not to start a war in the next ten years. However, who knew that something like this would happen? It’s all my fault. I caused this disaster.” The more Huo Yuhao spoke, the more depressed he became.

“Fate is making a fool out of everyone!” Bei Bei said, “How can you be blamed for something like this? You’ve already done exceedingly well. You killed Xu Tianran, watched two Ultimate Douluo die, killed the Evileye Tyrant King and did whatever you did just now. You are a hero of this continent. You protected the last hope of the original Douluo Continent with your own strength. You couldn’t have done better.”

Huo Yuhao revealed a grin on his face when he mentioned the Sun Moon Empire. “The Sun Moon Empire will cease to exist soon. It’ll be renamed the Heaven Dou Empire. Ten thousand years ago, the Heaven Dou Empire was in conflict with the Star Luo Empire. Ten thousand years later, it’ll still be the case. While the Sun Moon Empire used soul tool technology to influence people from the Heavenly Soul and Dou Ling Empires, the legacy of these two empires could also be said to have influenced those from the Sun Moon Empire. As for who will assimilate who in the end, it’s difficult to tell. As long as the Sun Moon Empire ceases to exist, they might not be the final victor.”

He didn't say anything about being a god. After all, that would be taboo. However, he revealed the truth about his meeting with a god.

"Younger brother, what do you plan to do next?" Ma Xiaotao asked.

Huo Yuhao replied, "I'm thinking of a way to find Wutong. Although I don't know where she is, I believe I can find her somewhere." As he spoke, he looked into the sky.

Since Wutong's father is a god, she must have returned with him to the godly realm. I must go to the godly realm if I want to find her.

To others, the godly realm was ethereal. However, Huo Yuhao was already at the gate to the godly realm.

Ma Xiaotao looked a little dejected. "When are you going to come back?"

Huo Yuhao laughed bitterly as he shook his head and said, "I don't know either."

After a momentary loss of concentration, Ma Xiaotao said with determination, "Younger brother, go. Don't worry about the academy. Your teammates are in the Tang Sect and I'm in the academy. I've already decided to remain in the academy forever. I'll be the next Master of the Sea God's Pavilion." As she spoke, she couldn't help but laugh.

Not only would she possess authority and status as the Master of the Sea God's Pavilion, but she would also have heavy responsibilities on her shoulders.

"Elder sister, thanks." Huo Yuhao hugged her tightly.

Ma Xiaotao smiled and said, "I can only do this much for you. Go and find Wutong. You must find her. If possible, you must return with her in the future."

Although it was only conjecture, she knew where Huo Yuhao was headed in the future. How could she not aim for the same target? However, she didn't do so in the end. She believed that she might not reach such a tier, given her abilities.

An exclamation was suddenly heard at this moment.

"No, Your Majesty!" It was the White Tiger Duke's voice.

Huo Yuhao turned around to take a look. He only saw the White Tiger Duke kneeling on one knee in front of Xu Jiawei, who was holding a sharp blade to his own throat.

"Dai Hao, get up. Don't force me. If you don't agree to my request, I'll immediately die in front of you." Right now, this Emperor of the Star Luo Empire appeared a little crazy.

The White Tiger Duke was already very frantic now. It wasn't just him. Dai Yueheng, Dai Huabin and Dai Luoli were all here now. They were kneeling down behind him.

Huo Yuhao furrowed his brow and walked over.

Xu Jiawei smiled even more when he saw him. "Yuhao, quickly convince your father."

Huo Yuhao looked at Dai Hao. "What's going on?"

Dai Hao sighed and said, "His Majesty wants to relinquish his throne to me."

"What?" Huo Yuhao didn't expect Xu Jiawei to resort to this.

Xu Jiawei looked very honest as he said to Huo Yuhao, "As an Emperor of the Star Luo Empire, I've been useless. I'm also very jaded after all these years. There's no one outstanding in the Xu bloodline. But the Dai Clan is only getting stronger. Honestly speaking, the empire will be very stable if you are the one on the throne. Moreover, the throne belongs to your clan. I'm only returning it."

After this ordeal, Xu Jiawei finally knew what he thought about power and authority. This was especially so after Huo Yuhao's arrival.

Seeing Huo Yuhao destroy the formidable Sun Moon Imperial Soul Engineer Legion on his own, Xu Jiawei secretly swore to himself that he would rather relinquish the throne to Huo Yuhao than remain on it if the Star Luo Empire survived the crisis.

Everything that happened next was even more dramatic. Huo Yuhao was actually the White Tiger Duke's son. Xu Jiawei immediately thought of a brilliant idea.

Giving the throne to Huo Yuhao wasn't as convenient as giving it to Dai Hao. Dai Hao was more influential in the Star Luo Empire. Also, the Dai Clan was part of the royal family. Although there was a conflict between Huo Yuhao and Dai Hao, Xu Jiawei knew that Huo Yuhao would protect the Dai Clan from how he had saved his father earlier. If the Star Luo Empire was controlled by the Dai Clan, it might actually continue to prosper in the future.

This was why he made such a certain decision.

How was the White Tiger Duke going to respond? Xu Jiawei was putting his life on the line just for this.

Huo Yuhao was a little speechless. This Xu Jiawei was too intelligent!

"Dai Hao, cut the crap. Do you agree to my demand or not?" Xu Jiawei tightened his grip on the blade and shouted, "If you don't, you'll be a Duke who killed the Emperor!"

The White Tiger Duke let out a long sigh. "Your Majesty, why do you have to do this? I have no choice but to agree."

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The White Tiger Duke agreed, and became the Star Luo Empire's new ruler.

Xu Jiawei put down the blade in his hands as he helped the White Tiger Duke to his feet. He heaved a sigh of relief and said, "I can finally rest a little. I will immediately issue a royal decree and announce this to the world. What happens next is up to you. But you have to make me a Duke. Our little exchange is quite interesting, is it not?"

Dai Hao stared at Xu Jiawei, whose face was brimming with chirpiness. Xu Jiawei was truly happy because he had sustained too much pressure over the years as the Star Luo Empire's Emperor. Their enemy had retreated, and he was relinquishing all his responsibility, so he felt a lot younger than before.

"We need to settle things between us before you deal with other matters." Huo Yuhao's voice rang out.

Dai Hao turned around and stared at Huo Yuhao with a complicated look, and his three sons did the same.

Dai Luoli took a few quick steps forward and came before Huo Yuhao as he exclaimed, "Brother!"

A faint smile finally appeared on Huo Yuhao's face. Dai Luoli was much taller and bigger than before, and his soul power undulations weren't weak. He was a Soul Emperor now, close to becoming a Soul Sage. Huo Yuhao could see Dai Luoli's growth over the years.

Huo Yuhao gave him a hug and said, "You have to continue working hard."

"Yes," Dai Luoli nodded excitedly.

Dai Hao glanced at Dai Luoli suspiciously. "Luoli, you knew that he..."

Dai Luoli no longer needed to hide anything anymore as he nodded and answered, "Father, the teacher I have been talking about is my elder brother!"

"Ah?" Dai Hao's eyes widened with astonishment. He could clearly remember that the person that Dai Luoli had referred to as his teacher had saved his own life more than once. So, so he's always been trying to protect me. And I, as his father, didn't even know about such an outstanding son.

"Yuhao..." Dai Hao closed his eyes painfully. He knew that he owed this son of his far too much.

Dai Yueheng and Dai Huabin's wore strange expressions on their faces. Dai Yueheng's expression was a little better because he didn't belong to Huo Yuhao's generation in the first place, but Dai Huabin's expression was incredibly strange as he seemed to recall something from his past, especially about how things were like when he was still a child.

Huo Yuhao said plainly, "Follow me, everyone." He waved his hand as he spoke, and a layer of golden light rose up that encompassed all four of them. Golden light surged into the sky and travelled out of Star Luo City into the distance.

"Where are you taking us, brother?" Dai Luoli could tell that there was something wrong in the atmosphere as he whispered to Huo Yuhao.

Huo Yuhao replied, "The Duke's Mansion."

Dai Luoli was momentarily stunned. Right at this moment, Dai Huabin suddenly hollered from the back, "If you wish to seek revenge, Huo Yuhao, seek revenge on me!"

Huo Yuhao's body froze as he spun around and stared at Dai Huabin.

Dai Huabin wasn't afraid at all as he gazed into Huo Yuhao's shocked but icy eyes.

"I remember now. You're that little fellow from all those years ago. So, you're still alive." Dai Huabin said coldly.

"Smack!" Dai Hao suddenly turned around and slapped Dai Huabin across the face. Dai Hao was furious as he roared, "You knew? You knew that he existed. Does this mean that I'm the only one in the Mansion who didn't know about this son of mine?"

Dai Huabin fell to the ground, and he no longer stood up as he knelt on the ground. He lowered his head and said nothing.

Dai Hao looked up and turned towards Dai Yueheng as he roared once more, "Speak! Did you know?"

Dai Yueheng forced a laugh as he went down on his knees. Of course he knew, since even Dai Huabin, who was a lot younger than he was, knew. How could he not know? "Back then, he went missing not long after Aunt Yun's death. Father, I..."

"Say no more." Dai Hao kicked him to the ground. Dai Hao was such a strong and resilient individual, but tears flowed uncontrollably down his face in this moment.

"Yun'er, I've let you down! I've let our son down, too. I am a commander and a hero in others' eyes, but I am an unforgivable asshole and a jerk before you."

Huo Yuhao turned back around and said nothing, and neither did he look at Dai Hao as he quietly controlled the golden light and continued flying.

The White Tiger Duke's Mansion was located close to Star Luo City, but Huo Yuhao was stunned when he arrived.

The White Tiger Duke's Mansion had always been so magnificent and grand! But it had become a pile of rubble now.

Huo Yuhao extended his Spiritual Detection. The vast White Tiger Duke's Mansion had become nothing but rubble, not even a single complete brick remained.

Dai Hao forced a laugh and said, "I was the War God Empress' number-one enemy. She has vented her fury onto this place a long time ago, so nothing remains."

Huo Yuhao's body trembled vigorously as he suddenly looked up.

The golden light accelerated, and suddenly descended towards a certain direction. They were moving very quickly, and everything around them became a blur.

Fear! Dai Hao could feel fear coming from his son at a time like this. He's afraid? What is he afraid of? Dai Hao stared at Huo Yuhao in surprise.

Yes, Huo Yuhao was afraid, because he thought of a possibility, something that would make him live with regret for the rest of his life.

That place finally came into view. Huo Yuhao swept over it with his Spiritual Detection, and his body swayed a little before his tensed emotions finally relaxed.

They descended from the sky onto that place.

They were at a grave that had been renovated very well. It was lonely, but fiercely independent.

Huo Yuhao was afraid because he was afraid that his mother's grave had been destroyed like the White Tiger Duke's Mansion was! Dai Hao's name was on this gravestone after all, and Huo Yuhao would never forgive Ju Zi if that happened.

But he could see that this gravestone was fortunate. There were no traces of armies or soldiers, like there was a force in the nether protecting this place.

Huo Yuhao went down on his knees before the gravestone as he spoke with a quivering voice, "I'm here to see you, mother. I'm here."

Dai Yueheng and Dai Huabin were on their knees in the first place, and they both looked up subconsciously at the gravestone. Dai Yueheng heaved a sigh, but Dai Huabin's lips were tightly pursed as his body continued trembling while tears flowed from his eyes.

Dai Luoli knelt down next to Huo Yuhao and kowtowed towards the gravestone.

The White Tiger Duke was the only one who was still standing, but he was sobbing uncontrollably at this point.

"I've let you down, Yun'er. I didn't even know that you'd given me a son."

Huo Yuhao continued kneeling as his voice turned incredibly cold. "There are still many things that you don't know about. The duchess mistreated my mother, and the two of us were treated worse than servants. I've asked my mother before, when can I stop being hungry? I can still deeply remember the pain on my mother's face. My mother placed baked biscuits into her clothes for me so that I could enjoy a warm baked biscuit. But she burned herself in the process."

"My mother has passed away, but even in the moment right before her death, I never saw a thread of regret in her eyes. I don't understand what it is about you that is worthy of her love. You were the one who had brought all the pain in my mother's life. You're a good commander to Star Luo City, but you're a horrible husband."

There was no anger in Huo Yuhao's voice, there was only iciness. However, his body still trembled continuously.

He had been waiting for this day for far too long.

Huo Yuhao had returned. Even though he wasn't a Duke, and he didn't have that exalted and noble title, he was entirely worthy of realizing the promise that he had made all those years ago.

"I've been very resentful. I hated the duchess, and I hated Dai Huabin, who had hurt my mother. But my hate gradually dampened afterwards, because my mother didn't have to take the pain that they had given her. At the bottom of it all, she suffered all that because she fell in love with you. My mother had to go through all that pain because of you."

Dai Hao seemed a little lost as he stepped before the gravestone. His stiff knees gradually started bending as he finally went down on his knees. "Yes, you're right. Everything is my fault. I couldn't give her happiness, but I still chose to be together with her, and I ended up giving her a difficult life. Yes, everything is my fault. Yuhao, I know you are resentful, and I am too embarrassed for you to call me your father. But can you allow me to live for another year so that I can arrange matters and affairs within the empire before I'll retire, build a house, and live in this place. I will finally be free when that happens, and I can accompany your mother every day so that I can speak to her and repent. And when I die, if you allow it, and if you believe that I am worthy, I will bury myself here to accompany her. If there is a next life, I will give everything I have to love her."

Huo Yuhao's eyes were no longer cold. Dai Hao's words touched his tenderest heartstrings. Of course he knew what his mother had hoped for the most back then. She didn't wish for any title or whatnot. She had just hoped for her husband to return, so that she could accompany her lover!

Didn't Huo Yuhao wish for Dai Hao to repent before his mother's grave in the first place? Huo Yuhao's persistence finally dampened as he listened to Dai Hao's words.

With his cultivation, and in addition to his control over the power of emotions, he was no longer like the child that he had been back then when he was blinded by the thought of revenge.

Huo Yuhao stood up, came beside Dai Hao and helped him to his feet.

"I hope that you will keep your promise and do everything that you've said today," He paused and contemplated momentarily as he continued, "When I left back then, I vowed that I would avenge my mother, so that I could give her the most exalted and noble title and status. I knew that what my mother hoped for most was to be your wife. Now, since the Star Luo Empire's Emperor has abdicated the throne to you, I want you to appoint my mother as Empress. You are not allowed to find another Empress in the future, and you absolutely cannot let the duchess become Empress. I will not seek my revenge against her on the grounds of your repentance."

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The White Tiger Duke stared at Huo Yuhao's much gentler expression as he forced a laugh and said, "You can't take your revenge against her even if you wanted to."

"Eh?" Huo Yuhao was momentarily taken aback.

Dai Huabin gritted his teeth as tears continued flowing down his face. "My mother passed away a long time ago. She passed away five years ago. Come at me if you want to take your revenge!"

The duchess is dead?

Huo Yuhao was momentarily stunned. Yes! Everyone has to die at some point. He suddenly felt very relaxed in this moment, and he felt it deep in his heart as the heavy stone that had weighed on his heart for all these years crumbled just like that. It's over. Yes, everything is over. My hatred and revenge have been resolved.

Dai Hao stared at Huo Yuhao with a complicated look in his eyes. "What do you plan to do next, child?"

Huo Yuhao replied, "Our matters here have been settled, and I have accomplished everything that I wanted to. The Sun Moon Empire will definitely not go back on their word this time. Furthermore, we still have that level of connection between us. Xu Jiawei has abdicated his throne to you, and that is an absolutely excellent move. Even though I can't say that the Star Luo Empire won't run into any trouble within a thousand years, there shouldn't be a war within a hundred years. The Star Luo Empire will be fine if it continues developing steadily. There are still some things I have to do."

"Will you return?" The White Tiger Duke asked.

Huo Yuhao shook his head. "I don't think so. I'm going to a faraway place."

Dai Hao heaved a sigh. "I know that I'm not worthy of you calling me your father. But I still have to say: take care, my son. If someday you find yourself too tired and fatigued outside, then come home."

Huo Yuhao's body shook as Dai Hao addressed him as "son", and the last thread of hate in his eyes disappeared. Huo Yuhao stared at his mother's gravestone, and his mother's smile suddenly surfaced in his mind, like his mother was staring at him with hope brimming in her eyes.

"Father..." The gentle word emerged from Huo Yuhao's mouth.

The White Tiger Duke quivered. He stared at Huo Yuhao in disbelief, then he suddenly opened his arms as he took Huo Yuhao into his embrace.

Yes! This is my son!

Huo Yuhao didn't address Dai Hao as "father" because of him, but because he knew that that was what his mother wanted most. He would do anything so that his mother could be happy.

"You can leave. I wish to accompany my mother for a few moments more." Huo Yuhao muttered softly.

The Duke let go of Huo Yuhao and turned towards the gravestone as he said gently, "Wait for me, Yun'er. I will be back soon to accompany you. I'll return everything that I owe you for the rest of my life."

"Brother!" Dai Luoli exclaimed.

Dai Yueheng stood up as he pulled Dai Huabin to his feet.

Dai Yueheng walked up to Huo Yuhao and patted him on the shoulder.

Dai Huabin walked over as he gazed at Huo Yuhao with a complicated look for a long while. He was struggling as he said, "I'm sorry."

A forced smile appeared at the corner of Huo Yuhao's mouth. "My mother cannot be revived no matter what, and neither can your mother. Let bygones be bygones. Forget it!"

Forget it!? It was so difficult for Huo Yuhao to utter those two words, but he finally said them in the end. He finally and completely liberated himself of all his hate and resentment.

The Star Luo Empire's new Emperor, Dai Hao, left with his three sons. Huo Yuhao was the only one left in front of the gravestone.

Huo Yuhao knelt down in front of his mother's grave, and a faint smile appeared on his face.

"That's what you want to see, don't you, mother? You're so kindhearted, and I've done it. I've finally brought him back to your side. He will be here to accompany you in the future, and you no longer have to feel so lonely. I really miss you, mother! If only you had still been alive."

Huo Yuhao muttered as he knelt in front of his mother's gravestone like that. Time continued to pass, and he remained on his knees for a day and a night, which passed in the blink of an eye.

Faint golden light condensed behind him and gradually took shape.

“Have you dealt with everything?” A gentle voice jolted Huo Yuhao awake from his memories of his mother. He looked up, and what he saw was a familiar face.

“It’s you.” Huo Yuhao stood up and bowed respectfully at the golden-haired youth behind him.

The God of Emotions, Rong Nianbing, smiled faintly as he said, “I have found out about your affairs. Seems like you’re not in a particularly good mood!”

Huo Yuhao forced a laugh and replied, “I’ve done everything that I ought to. But I suddenly have a son out of nowhere, and Wutong has left my side. I don’t even know where she is.”

Rong Nianbing asked, “Then what plans do you have?”

Huo Yuhao’s eyes suddenly grew resolute. “I have to search for her, and I have to bring her back to my side no matter what price I have to pay. Please take me to the God Realm, because she must be there. Do you know where she is? Who exactly is Wutong’s father?”

Rong Nianbing answered, “Nobody can take you to the God Realm, not even I can. You’ll have to rely on your own strength if you wish to go to the God Realm, not some external aid. There’s one more test that you haven’t completed if you wish to inherit my spot. You have to become the strongest individual in the Douluo Continent. As for your future father-in-law, I will tell you when you officially take over my seat in the God Realm.”

Huo Yuhao’s eyes moved. “You’re talking about the Beast God?”

Rong Nianbing tilted his head slightly, and his body slowly became faint and illusory as he disappeared into a million golden specks of light.

“Go, you can inherit my seat in the moment when you defeat the Beast God.”

Thoughts spun in Huo Yuhao’s head as he remained rooted to the ground, and a faint smile slowly appeared on his face.

Rong Nianbing didn’t mention it, but Huo Yuhao could tell that he was acquainted with his future father-in-law from his words. That meant that as long as he could reach the God Realm, searching for Wutong wouldn’t be that difficult.

The Beast God, Di Tian! Is it finally time for us to fight?

Intense belligerence and fighting spirit radiated from Huo Yuhao’s eyes. He could only find Tang Wutong if he defeated the Beast God, and nobody would stop his passage to the God Realm!

Huo Yuhao turned back around and knelt down in front of his mother’s grave once more.

“Mother, I’m going to find your daughter-in-law. I will bring her to see you once I find her.”

Huo Yuhao kowtowed a few more times before he got to his feet and flew toward Star Luo City.

Celebratory spirits permeated the city.

Huo Yuhao’s Spiritual Detection easily covered the entire city, and he searched for the people that he wanted to find. He quickly found where the Tang Sect’s individuals were located.

Huo Yuhao broke through space as he appeared in front of his companions.

Huo Yuhao was about to leave, and he had to bid his farewells to his companions, and to Elder Xuan.

“You’re leaving?” Bei Bei stared at Huo Yuhao, and his eyes were filled with yearning and longing. They hadn’t seen each other for three years, and Huo Yuhao was finally back, yet he was going to leave once more.

Huo Yuhao wore a gentle smile on his face as he stared at Bei Bei. “Don’t worry, eldest senior brother. We will return when I find Wutong. I want to conduct our marriage at the Tang Sect, inside Shrek City. Our happiness cannot be complete without your blessings.”

Bei Bei, He Caitou, and Xu Sanshi laughed heartily as they heard his words.

“Then what are you waiting for? Hurry and bring her back. Otherwise, don’t come back.” Jiang Nannan chimed in as she laughed.

“Yes, definitely!”

Huo Yuhao left Star Luo City once more as he said goodbye to his companions. Huo Yuhao didn’t leave right away as he rose into the sky and he turned around and gazed in the Sun Moon Empire’s direction.

They should be on their way back. Yunhan, little Yunhan. A thread of lamentation flowed through his heart. Ju Zi, oh Ju Zi. I don’t know how to face you anymore. Perhaps fate and destiny have played us after all. You’re right, I am not worthy of being Yunhan’s father. He belongs to you. He’s your son.

Huo Yuhao shook his head forcefully as he tossed away all the distracting thoughts at the back of his mind as he soared into the sky and raced towards the Great Star Dou Forest.

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The rubble that was the White Tiger Duke’s Mansion outside Star Luo City was cleared, and a ceremonial altar was erected.

Xu Jiawei announced to the world that he would abdicate his throne to the White Tiger Duke, Dai Hao. Xu Jiawei was appointed as a Crown Duke, and he began building his own residence where the White Tiger Duke’s Mansion used to be after the ceremony.

Dai Hao took over as Emperor, and he made Dai Luoli crown prince as Dai Yueheng and Dai Huabin also became princes. He made his beloved wife, Huo Yun, who had passed away, Empress, while he appointed the Spirit Ice Douluo, Huo Yuhao, as the Imperial Tutor.

Shrek City removed their lockdown, and Shrek Academy started enrolling students once more. The Tang Sect expanded their Soul Tool Hall’s research structure, while He Caitou took over as the Soul Tool Hall’s master. Xuan Ziwen entered Shrek Academy and became the Soul Tool Department’s Dean, while Ma Xiaotao took over as the Martial Soul Department’s Dean.

Elder Xuan passed his position as Master of the Sea God’s Pavilion to Yan Shaozhe, and he went back to his wonderful days of enjoying beautiful wine and delicious chicken thighs.

The Spirit Ice Douluo, Huo Yuhao, was named the Sea God Pavilion’s Honorary Master.

Three months later.

The Sun Moon Empire's armies had completely retreated from the Star Luo Empire's territory, and they returned the Ming Dou Mountain Range.

Six more months went by.

The War God Empress stood her ground against the opinion of the masses, as the Silvermoon Douluo Kong Deming and the military supported her while she announced that the Sun Moon Empire would be renamed as the Heaven Dou Empire.

The Douluo Continent regained the standoff between the Heaven Dou Empire and the Star Luo Empire from ten thousand years ago in the North and the South from this moment onwards.

Peace returned to the continent, and the damage wrought by the war was slowly remedied as soul tool technology continued advancing rapidly.

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Huo Yuhao covered hundreds of kilometers in the blink of an eye.

Only a few moments seemed to pass as the Great Star Dou Forest appeared within his sight.

Silver light flickered as Huo Yuhao broke through space and reappeared in midair. He was high above the Great Star Dou Forest's skies at this moment.

The Great Star Dou Forest's skies were known as a forbidden region, but not a single flying soul beast dared to come close when Huo Yuhao appeared.

The skies were clear, and the weather was excellent. Gentle sunlight shone upon the Great Star Dou Forest, and the vast forest radiated with thick life energy.

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Huo Yuhao's body glowed with a layer of faint light as he hovered in midair. Immense spiritual power expanded with his body at the center like an enormous pool of water that stretched over the entire Great Star Dou Forest.

"I'm coming, Di Tian!" Four simple words became like tidal waves of consciousness as they travelled into the Great Star Dou Forest. Huo Yuhao's consciousness traversed the entire forest, and that frightening spiritual will caused all the soul beasts to tremble fearfully, including the hundred thousand year soul beasts.

Inside the Great Star Dou Forest's core region, at the Lake of Life.

An enormous head suddenly emerged from the bluish-green lake water as water rippled and splashed in all directions, and dense life energy permeated the air.

The creature's large golden eyes gradually opened, and a gigantic frame gradually rose through the air.

“You’re finally here? I’ve waited for you for a long, long time.” A deep voice resonated in the heavens, and waves of sound rolled through the air as the Great Star Dou Forest’s skies began to contort. The sky’s color slowly changed, as the originally radiant sunlight was immediately covered by dark clouds.

Huo Yuhao hovered in midair, and he was unmovable against the dark clouds’ overbearingness.

“I have also waited for this day for a long, long time.” Huo Yuhao stared towards a certain direction calmly.

A pillar of smoke and mist rose from that direction. It was just a tiny sphere in the beginning, but the smoke swiftly magnified like an enormous smoke dragon rising into the sky.

The lively Great Star Dou Forest became completely quiet in this moment, and not a single sound could be heard.

Clouds and smoke condensed as the Beast God, Di Tian appeared. Di Tian’s long hair was draped over his shoulders, and he placed his hands behind his back as he appeared before Huo Yuhao just like that.

Di Tian’s deep eyes were trained on Huo Yuhao’s body. He stared at this unassuming youth, and he nodded slightly. “I knew that this day would come when I didn’t capture you on that fateful day. I just didn’t expect it to come so quickly. The power of destiny has covered everything about you. I searched for you for over a year, but wasn’t able to find a single trace. You dare to seek me out today, so you must have some level of confidence?”

Huo Yuhao smiled faintly as he stared back at the Beast God. They were like old friends who hadn’t seen each other for a long time, and Huo Yuhao answered, “You’re like a towering mountain before me, and I will never reach the pinnacle if I don’t cross it.”

Di Tian smiled coldly and said, “Then we shall see if I’ll keep the Great Star Dou Forest’s destiny behind, or if you’ll step over me to search for your God Realm.”

Huo Yuhao wasn’t surprised that Di Tian knew about his pursuit of the God Realm. The Beast God wouldn’t be known as such if he couldn’t feel Huo Yuhao’s intentions.

“Up.” Di Tian growled as he took a step forward. Silver light flickered, and he disappeared into the air.

Huo Yuhao smiled faintly, and he also stepped into space with a single step.

Battles between individuals of their level were a lot simpler, but more dangerous than anything else.

The originally clear skies darkened almost instantaneously. Dim light rays portrayed a strangely beautiful picture, and there wasn’t any pressure at all. Instead, the skies appeared to be sublimating in some exalted fashion.

Two beams of silver light emerged through these dark clouds almost at the same time as Huo Yuhao and Di Tian appeared ten thousand meters above the ground at the same time.

Not even Titled Douluo could reach such an altitude. The air at this altitude was at extremely low temperatures, and also extremely thin. There were also vigorous gales billowing through the skies.

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Normal living beings appearing at this altitude would immediately be ground to dust and obliterated.

However, Huo Yuhao and Di Tian looked like they were stepping on level ground as they appeared, and nothing seemed to change. Furthermore, the distance between them was identical to back when they had first met each other above the Great Star Dou Forest.

Di Tian nodded in Huo Yuhao's direction. "I haven't had such fighting spirit like I am feeling today, and nobody has challenged me for many years. The truth is, I'm very lonely."

Huo Yuhao said, "I can feel that your yearning towards life isn't that strong. Why?"

Di Tian smiled faintly and replied, "You wouldn't ask me that question if you've lived for a few hundred thousand years. I'm familiar with every speck of dust within the Great Star Dou Forest, and I've seen every detail that has happened in the world. I am already sick and tired of this place. It is duty that has kept me here so that I cannot leave. Otherwise, I would rather use my future life to pursue new and mystical things."

"Oh? What is considered new and mystical to the Beast God?" Huo Yuhao asked a little curiously.

A look of yearning appeared in Di Tian's eyes. "I wish to pursue worlds outside the Douluo Continent. I travelled the world when I was younger, and did you know that our world is a giant sphere? If you fly in a single direction, you will ultimately circle back to where you started. The ocean takes up most of our world, and there are barely a few patches of land. The Douluo Continent is the most advanced one, in addition to the Sun Moon Continent that came afterwards. Of course, only the Douluo Continent remains, and the Sun Moon Continent is no more. I was born in the Douluo Continent, so I am happy to see this result."

Huo Yuhao stared at him in astonishment. "Our world is round?"

Di Tian nodded and said, "Yes. Furthermore, all the stars that we can see every night are all spheres, including the sun and the moon." Di Tian was like an intellectual who had accumulated his knowledge over a hundred thousand years in this moment.

"Therefore, I wish to see other planets and stars aside from our own. I've already attempted to fly even higher. The pressure and restrictions in the air decrease after you breach a certain altitude, but there is a barrier in place. You can only search for other worlds if you break through that barrier. I don't know if I can accomplish that in my lifetime, but I do wish to try. Perhaps, that barrier is what the God Realm has restricted our world with. If I can break through that barrier, perhaps I will have a chance to enter the God Realm. I can almost feel that the God Realm is likely to exist on another star, perhaps one that exists above and superior to us. That place can master more powers and mystical things."

"Why didn't you try?" Huo Yuhao asked curiously.

Di Tian shook his head and replied, "I can't. Life and death are terrifying things, but death is nothing to me. However, I'm not just living for myself. I have to protect the Great Star Dou Forest, and I have to protect the dragons' last pure bloodlines. Therefore, I cannot take that risk because I have to stay alive. Even if I have to stay alive, alone and lonely."

"Frankly speaking, your appearance has given me a pleasant surprise. I have seen what other humans do not have on you, and there hasn't been anyone across tens of thousands of years who has been able to

break through into the God Realm by relying on his own strength, and to ultimately obtain the God Realm's approval. And you finally have this opportunity. If not for the fact that you carry the Great Star Dou Forest's destiny, I would almost be willing to help you, in the hopes that you can return in the future and tell me what you've seen on the other side. That would be most meaningful for me."

"Unfortunately, you have fused with the Three-Eyed Golden Lion, and this means that we can only be on opposite ends. I will not kill you, and if I can defeat you today, I will seal you away and keep you in the Great Star Dou Forest. With your current cultivation rank and physical strength, you will have no problem surviving for a thousand years. Furthermore, I will use the Lake of Life's water to nourish your body, and find some way for you to reproduce. Then, I will use your descendants to pass on the power of destiny."

"I will find a hundred thousand year soul beast to be your wife, so that your descendants will possess a soul beast's characteristics, and your descendants can live even longer, while your power of destiny will always be passed on to your descendants. I will kill you when that happens, and I will fuse your Skull of Destiny into your descendants who possess a soul beast's characteristics. His long life and fusion with the power of destiny will undoubtedly guarantee the Great Star Dou Forest's peace and safety. I've contemplated this for a long time, and I feel that dealing with this in this fashion will achieve the best result."

Di Tian was speaking very seriously, like he had already dealt with this matter.

Huo Yuhao's expression didn't change, and he listened quietly to Di Tian's speech.

"The stronger you become, the lonelier you get. The Beast God is living an unhappy life after all, and he can't even pursue the things he wishes to. However, I have a lot of respect for you. You hold onto this life because you're bound by duty, and that is enough to earn my respect." Huo Yuhao bowed faintly in Di Tian's direction as he spoke to show his respect.

Huo Yuhao gradually straightened his body after his bow, and his eyes began to change along with his posture. His calm eyes suddenly grew bright, and they were filled with incredibly sharp luster.

"But everything you've planned is based on a single prerequisite: you have to defeat me!" Huo Yuhao's voice travelled far into the distance, and those soundwaves tore a gap through the dark clouds. Radiant sunlight shone upon the great earth once more, and onto Huo Yuhao's body such that his entire frame turned golden.

Di Tian nodded and answered, "Yes, I have to defeat you. Then, let's begin." Di Tian slowly raised his right hand as he spoke and pointed his palm in Huo Yuaho's direction.

Huo Yuhao made the same action and raised his right hand. He radiated with incredibly strong light at the same time.

A golden sun glowed from behind his back, and this sun's light was so intense that it surpassed the sunlight from the sky. The golden backdrop made Huo Yuhao seem like a God descending from the heavens.

A sun shone from behind Di Tian's body as well. Di Tian's sun was black as ink in comparison to Huo Yuhao's glaring gold. There was a purple circle on the edges of his black sun.

Purplish light flickered faintly, and rippled with patterns that resembled flames.

A golden sun and a black sun faced off against each other in the sky, and the dark clouds were immediately divided into two colors. One side was golden, while the other was black, but the clouds were no longer above their heads. They descended to beneath their feet.

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Di Tian had an eight hundred thousand year cultivation! His abilities were unparalleled. Their palms shone at the same time. Golden and black lights clashed instantly.

They were originally only a hundred meters apart from each other. However, after they clashed, the gap between them immediately widened significantly, as if they had sparked each other.

A strong ball of light formed at the center of where they were earlier. After this, a terrifying energy storm caused space to shake tremendously.

A huge black hole instantly appeared at that position. It was more than three thousand meters in diameter, and it was devouring everything furiously, such that the clouds below were rising towards that black hole.

Some strange also happened. Below the black hole, there seemed to be a black and golden tornado. It only lasted for ten seconds, but it was an abnormal phenomenon.

Huo Yuhao and Di Tian were several thousands of meters apart now. Di Tian appeared very surprised. "You've formed your third soul core? It's spatial type?"

Huo Yuaho nodded slightly. "Yes. Otherwise, why do you think I dared to challenge you?"

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The breakthrough was already at its most critical moment. The strength of the Ice and Snow Empresses were almost fully drained. Huo Yuhao's third soul core had already taken form in his dantian, but it was circulating on its own.

Sitting in the cave, Huo Yuhao could sense a lot right now. He knew that the next fusion was going to be the most critical one. If it succeeded, he would improve by leaps and bounds. If he failed, both he and Tang Wutong were doomed.

If he had a choice, Huo Yuhao would rather not choose to cultivate his third soul core forever. He wasn't willing to take the risk with Tang Wutong.

However, the Dragon Emperor Douluo and Death God Douluo had poured too much soul power into their bodies. If they didn't absorb the soul power, they were mostly likely going to die. If they couldn't control the soul power, they would die even faster.

This was why they were in closed-door cultivation.

What he had to do now was let his third soul core fuse with his other two soul cores. A new chain was also to be formed during the collision.

If he hadn't absorbed the Evileye Tyrant King's spiritual power and raised his spiritual power to a new tier, Huo Yuhao would really be lacking confidence. Right now, he had some confidence.

He immediately relied on his spiritual intent to slow down the circulation speed of his three soul cores. The slower they were, the less likely it was for mistakes to occur during the fusion later on. This was undoubtedly the best choice.

After he slowed down his three soul cores, Huo Yuhao started to adjust them slightly again. He increased the circulation speed of his first soul core, which was his spiritual soul core, whereas he slowed his other two soul cores down even further.

In this way, things became a little messy between his intersecting first and second soul cores.

Their fusion was built on a foundation of balance. This was how Huo Yuhao had completed the Yin-Yang Complement method. Right now, the balance was affected when their speeds were altered.

His soul power undulations became a little unsteady. However, Huo Yuhao made a strange choice. He silently drew out the spiritual power in his spiritual sea.

His spiritual soul core was at the core of his spiritual sea. As he drew out his spiritual power, a part of his spiritual soul core slowly separated itself from his spiritual sea.

The immense spiritual power in his spiritual sea was the origin of his spiritual soul core. Without the support of his spiritual sea, his spiritual soul core couldn't possibly stay stable. Only someone like Huo Yuhao with such immense spiritual control could do something like this. If a Titled Douluo tried this, he would most likely have died by now.

His soul power bulged a little. After this, Huo Yuhao started to struggle.

Under his control, the spiritual power which he drew from his spiritual soul core started to sink towards his chest, whereas his second soul core rose as it was pushed by his soul power.

Yes, he was trying to switch their positions!

This was the best method if he wanted to cultivate his third soul core.

After absorbing the Evileye Tyrant King's immense spiritual power, Huo Yuhao's soul cores were already a little unbalanced. This was because his spiritual soul core was too strong, and his Ultimate Ice soul core paled in comparison. This was why the strength of his spiritual soul core would devour that of his Ultimate Ice soul core just as they collided to form his whirlpool-like soul power.

Due to this, Huo Yuhao was forced to separate a part of his spiritual sea from his spiritual soul core. Right now, he was relying on the strength of his spiritual soul core to complete this fusion.

His two soul cores shifted positions. The pain made him feel as if his organs were being torn apart before being put back into place.

Even though Huo Yuhao was already prepared, he still felt excruciating pain when he got to doing it.

His two soul cores passed each other. At that instant, blood streamed out from all his pores. Given his physical strength, he was still unable to bear such excruciating pain. On his forehead, his Eye of Destiny had already uncontrollably opened. However, it was dim inside.

His Eye of Destiny had fused with his spiritual soul core! Now that his spiritual soul core was being moved away, it greatly influenced his Eye of Destiny.

However, he still persisted.

His two soul cores were finally separated. His Ultimate Ice soul core was heading up, and his spiritual soul core was heading down. The energies that clashed generated unstable soul power. A low-pitched blast could be heard coming from Huo Yuhao's body. This was because his soul power wasn't stable, leading to minor 'explosions' in his body.

Finally, his Ultimate Ice soul core was pushed to where his spiritual soul core had been, and his spiritual soul core was also moved to his chest. Both soul cores were guiding each other. They wanted to return to their original positions. The chain between them was like a taut rubber band. Once it was released, it would immediately catapult both soul cores back to where they were originally.

Huo Yuhao actually opened his eyes right now.

If anyone could see the look in his eyes, he would discover that distorted lights were shining inside of them.

He was shaking as he lifted his right hand. He pressed it against his Eye of Destiny.

It was normally a very simple action, but it appeared very difficult for him now.

Finally, Huo Yuhao's right hand was high enough. He used force and pressed his right hand against his Eye of Destiny.

A weird ball of light shone. Huo Yuhao groaned slightly. He already sounded like a wild beast. At the same time, he removed the last layer of protection around his third soul core. The force generated from the circulation of his third soul core instantly appeared. Strong traction was immediately unleashed. The spatial whirlpool-like soul power it generated immediately clashed with the spiritual soul core at his chest.

It was also at this moment that unprecedentedly strong spiritual power was unleashed from Huo Yuhao's Eye of Destiny. There was a strong suction force. At the same time, Huo Yuhao released control of his first and second soul cores.

Both soul cores immediately sprung back to where they had been . **no17e-LB**)In

Right now, the strength of his third soul core was guiding his spiritual soul core. The strong suction force caused his third soul core to be wrenched out from his dantian. It left its original position.

If there was one word to describe the situation in Huo Yuhao's body right now, that word was 'messy'.

His three soul cores had shifted positions. Whether it was his spiritual power, Ultimate Ice soul power or spatial-type energy, everything was a mess.

However, there was one thing that was in order as his three soul cores circulated, and that was his spiritual soul core, which was trying to return to his brow, and his Ultimate Ice soul core, which wanted to return to its original position too.

This was even accelerated because of the great suction force that was suddenly generated by his Eye of Destiny, such that his spiritual soul core instantly sprang back into its original position. It stuck closely to his Eye of Destiny, and unprecedentedly strong spiritual power was unleashed. At that instant, Huo Yuhao's spiritual soul core and Eye of Destiny fused completely with his spiritual sea. His spiritual power was enhanced even further.

Then, the mountain peak that Huo Yuhao and Tang Wutong were on turned pure gold because of this terrifying spiritual power.

However, that traction was simply too strong, such that his Ultimate Ice soul core immediately sprung away again. His third soul core also sprung up once again this time. The energy between both soul cores caused them to clash with each other.

These two soul cores were obviously circulating in different directions. Something strange occurred. Under Huo Yuhao's precise control, they instantly fused through the Yin-Yang Complement method. However, they weren't where they were supposed to be. Rather, they were close to Huo Yuhao's shoulders.

The three soul cores formed a strange triangular shape.

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The control that Huo Yuhao had relinquished earlier now returned.

The two soul cores that had completed the Yin-Yang Complement sank. Huo Yuhao's third soul core returned to his dantian, where it was supposed to be. What about his second soul core? It returned to his chest.

Due to the Yin-Yang Complement method, both his soul cores were already shining extremely brightly. The immense spiritual power that came from his first soul core also sank at this moment.

When it came, it didn't just clash with one other soul core. It directly collided against the chain between the second and third soul cores. Immense spiritual power was directly poured into that rapidly spinning whirlpool-like soul power.

The Ultimate Ice and spiritual soul cores were originally fused through the Yin-Yang Complement method. Naturally, they complemented each other. And his Ultimate Ice and third soul cores had undergone the same fusion right now. Due to this, the fusion of the third soul core was unprecedentedly harmonious.

Huo Yuhao's spiritual soul core was the strongest out of the three. Its strength sank down to the Ultimate Ice soul core. After it fused with his Ultimate Ice soul core, it continued to sink down to his third soul core before it fused and assimilated. The strength of Huo Yuhao's second and third soul cores helped to neutralize the strength of the spiritual soul core, which was much stronger than either of the other two.

A strange balance was formed as a result. It was like a link that was moving up and down in Huo Yuhao's body. After Huo Yuhao's soul power fused many times, it gathered in his dantian. It then entered his passageways through his Mysterious Heaven Technique.

The earlier mess and chaos vanished. The result was that Huo Yuhao's spiritual power was mainly gathered in his head, whereas his dantian was where his soul power gathered. At the same time, he possessed three different elements – spiritual, Ultimate Ice and space.

The fusion of the third soul core was complete!

The entire process sounded very complicated, and it was even more complex in real life. The reason why Huo Yuhao was able to complete the most important part was because his spiritual power was strong enough, and his spiritual control was precise enough.

Huo Yuhao slowly put down his right hand. Thorn-shaped halos were silently flashing around Huo Yuhao's Eye of Destiny.

Yes, there was something special there.

When the Evileye Tyrant King was killed by Huo Yuhao, he didn't just leave behind a seven hundred thousand year soul core. He also left a small eye. That eye was in the shape of a vertical eye. It wasn't a decoration; it was the soul bone that the Evileye Tyrant King had left behind. It was an unprecedented external soul bone, an Evileye!

Under normal conditions, no human could absorb this Evileye. First, it was because it contained too much spiritual power. Next, it was also a vertical eye. It couldn't even be said to be a soul bone. It was just a manifestation of a strange form of energy, but it was superior to soul bones.

It contained the purest spiritual power, as well as some of the memories of the Evileye Tyrant King with regards to his abilities.

When he tried to take over Huo Yuhao, he actually paid a huge price. After all, his main body was gone, and he couldn't possibly pour in all his strength into his soul rings to fuse with Huo Yuhao. Given this, he left some of his soul skills in his eye.

However, he had failed. The control left behind in this eye naturally disappeared. Huo Yuhao managed to unleash his spiritual power by fusing with this Evileye at the last moment. This increased his spiritual control to the maximum, which led to the fusion process earlier. Otherwise, it couldn't have been completed.

He only fully recovered after a long rest after he completed his fusion. Next, it was time to help Tang Wutong. Given his spiritual cultivation and control, he was Tang Wutong's Evileye. No, rather, he was the Eye of Asura.

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After listening to Di Tian's astonished voice, he was reminded of the torment he went through to cultivate his third soul core. His success was tightly related to luck. If not for the Dragon Emperor Douluo's immense soul power and the Evileye Tyrant King's soul ring and eye, he wouldn't have stood a chance at all.

It was only through trying that he knew that forming a third soul core was actually so difficult.

He was the first in history to complete it. While Tang Wutong was the second, she only succeeded with his help. Of course, that was also because their martial souls were complementary. It wasn't impossible for Huo Yuhao to help someone else form a third soul core.

In terms of the volume of soul power, Huo Yuhao was still inferior to Di Tian. However, Di Tian was still shocked because of the immense soul power generated from his three soul cores. This was because Huo Yuhao's soul power was superior to his quality-wise. They were inseparable after their first confrontation!

They were separated by that black hole. Even with their cultivations, they didn't dare to get close to it. The suction force coming from that black hole was simply too terrifying. It was a phenomenon of space being torn apart. Once they were sucked in, there was no turning back. They also didn't know where they would be transported to.

Huo Yuhao's gaze suddenly shifted. After this, he shifted lightning-quick.

This was because neither of them could use spatial power given this huge crack in space. This was why he could only rely on his speed.

Once he moved, the Beast God also moved. He shifted at the same time. Undoubtedly, he was trying to make his way around the black hole.

The black hole slowly shut. However, both Huo Yuhao and Di Tian both knew that space had been completely crushed. It would take a long time for it to be completely healed.

They both moved hundreds of kilometers instantly and stopped at the same time, as if they were telepathic. Huo Yuhao's Eye of Destiny opened. He pointed his right hand at Di Tian. Before his soul rings even appeared, a whirlpool and a skull appeared behind Di Tian.

Spiritual Confusion and Spiritual Enfeeblement.

Di Tian revealed a cold smile on his face. "Useless. Your soul skills won't have any effect on me. No matter how strong your spiritual power is, they won't work. Unless you are much more powerful than me, dragons are immune to most spiritual attacks."

As he spoke, he pointed at Huo Yuhao. Suddenly, the space around Huo Yuhao seemed to bubble. Purplish air bubbles suddenly appeared before they blew apart, turning into countless purple billows that moved towards the giant dragon in the center. After this, they surrounded the dragon as it shot into the sky.

The corrosiveness of the darkness element was properly demonstrated right now.

However, that purple region soon stopped. It slowly turned white and smooth, and transparent snowflakes fell from the top. After this, the purple whirlpool from before slowly dissipated. It turned into countless snowflakes before scattering.

The air temperature, which was extremely chilly, fell even more dramatically. The entire sky was covered in a hazy fog, which Huo Yuhao used to conceal himself.

“It seems like you’ve understood the true meaning behind Ultimate Ice.” Di Tian nodded as he complimented Huo Yuhao. He waved his right hand, and the snowflakes that came in front of him naturally dispersed. He didn’t retract his right hand. It transformed instead. His joints became huge and thick. After this, scales started to surface and form a dragon claw.

It was the Dragon God’s Claw. Di Tian was actually prepared to use his Dragon God’s Claw against Huo Yuhao in this fight?

When it appeared, it felt as if something mighty and terrifying had appeared in heaven and earth, even though Di Tian didn’t attack. The snowflakes that Huo Yuhao had formed were crushed at this instant. They turned into powder and instantly disappeared. Huo Yuhao was even revealed from the fog, and his body shook slightly.

Di Tian’s expression also turned serious as he faced his Dragon God’s Claw towards Huo Yuhao. Behind him, a projection of a huge black dragon surfaced. Above this projection was a ball of rainbow light, shining brightly.

Huo Yuhao had never seen Di Tian in this form before. He only felt helpless, like an irresistible force was restraining his body and soul. The pressure on him kept mounting, as if it wanted to crush him just like that.

Although the Dragon God’s Claw was only tapping into the strength of the Dragon God, it was still left behind by the Dragon God for Di Tian. Di Tian was also able to make breakthrough after breakthrough with it, eventually becoming the Beast God.

This wasn’t the strength of gods, but it was beyond the strength of an Ultimate Douluo. It was like it came from a demigod!

The biggest problem with Huo Yuhao was that he hadn’t expected Di Tian to use his greatest strength the moment the fight started. From this earlier interaction, he knew that he had lost. He had lost to the Beast God’s experience and slyness.

In his heart, Di Tian’s superiority influenced his judgment. He didn’t demonstrate any arrogance at all. Instead, he revealed his greatest strength to pressure Huo Yuhao. He didn’t give him any chance at all.

Huo Yuhao felt very strange. He had done this himself before, which was to limit his opponent before completely defeating him. This was undoubtedly the best strategy in any fight.

Right now, he was on the opposite end. And it didn’t feel good at all.

The entire sky distorted because of the immense pressure. A low-pitched dragon roar rang in Huo Yuhao’s ears and shook him greatly.

Di Tian’s claw was slowly turning golden. In his eyes, a rainbow flare had already started burning.

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A smile appeared on Di Tian’s lips. “Young man, you must not have expected this. I’ve already treated you as my nemesis the moment you dared to challenge me. How could I have survived until now without giving my all every time?”

Di Tian used to be invincible in the past. Indeed, he was very arrogant. However, he was really hurt after he was attacked by evil soul masters not long ago. Although his injury wasn't very serious and he managed to retaliate, he was still left with a deep impression then. This also reminded him of how powerful humans could be. They could already threaten him.

This was why he didn't hesitate to unleash his strongest attack after he felt that Huo Yuhao already had an unprecedented third soul core.

Although Di Tian didn't know how strong a third soul core would be, he must have possessed twin soul cores for hundreds of thousands of years longer than Huo Yuhao. How could he not have any understanding of third soul cores? This was why he didn't want to give Huo Yuhao a chance to unleash his full strength. He used his greatest power the moment he attacked.

The Dragon's Claw didn't belong to him, but the Dragon God. This demigod-like power had threatened many of his enemies who were once stronger than him. It had helped him to become the Beast God.

Right now, when he used it again, Huo Yuhao was completely suppressed.

The lights coming from Huo Yuhao's body kept on transforming. In Di Tian's eyes, he seemed to see Huo Yuhao's three soul cores shining non-stop. Every time they shone, his soul power would spread with stronger momentum.

However, what was the point of this? Even if he had three soul cores, his power was still at the human tier. It still couldn't compare to the power of a god. Regarding this, Di Tian was extremely clear.

Huo Yuhao's expression seemed to turn cold. Behind him, the projections of his Spirits kept on flashing. However, they only flashed for a short period of time before they changed.

He couldn't sense the changes coming from Di Tian's body. However, Di Tian could sense that he was using different types of soul power to break out from this restraint.

The Dragon God's Claw had already turned golden. The tip of his claw was already shining with a rainbow glow.

"It's no use. You don't have to attempt to break out of this restraint. What you can only do is drain your own soul power in the face of the power of a demigod. Don't worry. I won't kill you. I want to complete my perfect plan, which I mentioned to you earlier. When your soul power is drained, I'll take you back to the Great Star Dou Forest."

Huo Yuhao looked at Di Tian calmly. The soul power undulations coming from his body suddenly weakened. When they weakened, Di Tian's rainbow glow suddenly shone brighter. The entire sky started to distort, and Huo Yuhao's body started to tighten, as if it could possibly be crushed.

Di Tian was stunned for a moment. An Ultimate Douluo was not supposed to cave in so easily!

It was also at this moment that an icy-blue light flashed before it disappeared instantly. Di Tian only felt that everything in front of him was empty. After this, that icy-blue light was in front of him.

"Ding!" Di Tian raised his Dragon God's Claw and blocked the invasion of that icy-blue light.

However, that icy-blue light instantly bloomed like a flower, forming countless streaks of icy-blue light. Di Tian's body was completely engulfed.

Di Tian wasn't the only one with demigod-like abilities.

Huo Yuhao had been complacent, but so was Di Tian. He didn't dare to kill Huo Yuhao. If he had attacked with all his might earlier, Huo Yuhao would most likely have been severely hurt. However, he only wanted to assume control over him.

Sigh of the Frozen Goddess, Morning Dew Dagger! It was a powerful weapon of the God of Emotions. When Huo Yuhao completed the formation of his third soul core, he was finally able to unleash demigod-like abilities.

At his tier, his Icy War God Armor was no longer as effective as it used to be. However, the Morning Dew Dagger was different. Even if he became a god, it would still be a very useful weapon for him.

Rain Dragon's Dance.

Two figures suddenly flashed past after a short few seconds. Di Tian broke open space and appeared a thousand meters away. His Dragon God's Claw was already rainbow-colored. However, there were seven wounds on his body. None of them were very big, and no blood was seeping out. However, there was a layer of frost on top of each of them.

However, did it really look as simple as it was on the surface?

Huo Yuhao was panting a thousand meters away. His Morning Dew Dagger was flashing with a bluish glow. Light fog drifted around the bluish glow, making it seem extremely divine.

Di Tian was watching him, and was already looking very serious. Demigod-like abilities. He actually possesses demigod-like abilities.

Although Di Tian could tell that Huo Yuhao was hugely drained with every attack he unleashed, he also knew that he was hurt from the previous attack. The strength of Ultimate Ice was quickly invading his body.

No, it wasn't just Ultimate Ice. There was also Huo Yuhao's spiritual intent and spatial power.

Spatial power could be neutralized, but Huo Yuhao's spiritual intent and Ultimate Ice were already causing destruction. If not for his immense physical strength, he would have been greatly hurt.

He was hurt. He was really hurt again.

Di Tian slowly lifted his Dragon God's Claw. Suddenly, he looked into the sky, and a dragon's roar turned into countless echoing sounds. The huge black dragon projection behind him exploded and turned into a black fog that surged into that rainbow dragon projection.

Suddenly, rainbow lights shone brightly, and turned Di Tian into the same colors. He stretched his Dragon's God Claw out towards Huo Yuhao. A huge dragon claw suddenly appeared out of thin air before it reached out towards Huo Yuhao.

Huo Yuhao was tightly holding onto his Morning Dew Dagger, and he suddenly took in a deep breath. Thick icy fog suddenly rose at an alarming speed, turning into rings of icy fog.

Huo Yuhao then raised his dagger high above his head. At this instant, Huo Yuhao was completely covered in a holy aura. It gave him an indescribable feeling. It was as if he had completely fused with the dagger at this instant.

His facial expression turned gentler. As ice and fog gathered, Huo Yuhao disappeared. He was replaced by a graceful figure.

It wasn't the Ice or Snow Empress. It was also not the Goddess of Light. It was just an icy-blue figure.

She was more than a hundred meters tall, and she released an icy, foggy aura from her body. Her appearance wasn't very clear, but she was wearing an icy-blue dress.

"Ai—" A voice started to ring out.

Following this, a ball of icy-blue fog surfaced from her head and received the Dragon God's Claw.

The rainbow projection stopped instantly, and turned icy-blue.

Di Tian was stunned. What's this? It's already stronger than Ultimate Ice! The strength of the Dragon God's Claw was actually quickly being drained, as if it were being frozen by the icy-blue fog.

Of course, he didn't know that this was Huo Yuhao's unused ninth soul skill. It was the ninth soul skill of his Ice Jade Empress Scorpion.

When he attained nine rings, Huo Yuhao originally believed that he could obtain a ninth soul ring from the Ice Bear King. However, he experienced a mutation then. His ninth soul skill didn't appear directly. Instead, it was very ambiguous, as if it were just a haze. Although his ninth soul ring was red, Huo Yuhao didn't know what his soul skill was going to be.

It was only when the Ice and Snow Empresses burned their spiritual sense and fused completely with him that his ninth soul skill presented itself.

With a hundred thousand year soul ring, he naturally had two ninth soul skills. These two soul skills didn't just belong to any Spirit. All of his ice-type Spirits had them. They also fused with the strength of his Morning Dew Dagger. They were two extreme soul skills of Ultimate Ice.

Right now, Huo Yuhao was using one of them. By using the Morning Dew Dagger as a guide, he was able to unleash the immense power of this soul skill.

Huo Yuhao named this soul skill the Sigh of the Frozen Goddess!

"Blow!" Huo Yuhao's cold voice resonated in the sky. Di Tian's body shook, and a strong black glow was released from his body. Even so, a series of explosive sounds were still heard from his body. It was characteristic of the Ice Explosion Technique, after Ultimate Ice was introduced into Di Tian's body.

The frozen Dragon God's Claw started shuddering. After all, the Sigh of the Frozen Goddess was Huo Yuhao's soul skill, and not really the power of the Icesky Snow Goddess, whereas the Dragon God's Claw was extremely close to the power of the Dragon God.

At this point, Huo Yuhao suddenly moved. He didn't advance, but retreated instead. He was already in front of the frozen Dragon God's Claw, and he smacked it.

"Piak—" Di Tian's body shook. Due to the Ice Explosion Technique, he wasn't able to control his claw or intercept Huo Yuhao. He could only watch blindly.

At the next moment, Di Tian's pupils shrank. This was because he was astonished to find out that his connection with the Dragon God's Claw had been cut off.

This Huo Yuhao actually possesses such a power?

It was his second ultimate ninth soul skill, Absolute Zero! It was combined with the Snowless Glacier.

First, Absolute Zero was used to consolidate the Sigh of the Frozen Goddess, before it was poured into Di Tian's body using the Snowless Glacier. The terrifyingly low temperature and god-like strength of the Morning Dew Dagger finally blocked off Di Tian's lethal strike.

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Huo Yuhao's face had become pale after releasing a series of explosive attacks. The three soul cores in his body were operating already operating at maximum capacity. Even though he made it seem easy, Huo Yuhao had already expended more than fifty percent of his soul power. This was something he had not experienced after becoming an Ultimate Douluo.

"Good!" Di Tian exclaimed loudly. He swung his left fist forward as he released a wave of spatial power.

An almighty intent was released at that instant. A gigantic black dragon appeared right behind Huo Yuhao as it opened its mouth to devour him.

Once again, Di Tian ripped apart space as he transformed into a streak of silver before vanishing.

Powerful binding and corrosive forces started to infiltrate Huo Yuhao's body. However, they were ineffective, as they were instantly frozen due to the effects of his Absolute Zero.

Just when Huo Yuhao was about to break out from the head of the dragon, he suddenly spun himself in mid-air as multi-colored light grazed past his body.

Huo Yuhao felt that side of his body turn numb. The insane energy within the light was actually able to spin his entire body around. The absolute zero temperature was somehow unable to affect Di Tian's attack.

At this instant, Huo Yuhao finally learned how powerful the Dragon God's Claw was. n-0)07eℓBIn

There seemed to be some sort of extremely frightening absolute power within it, in addition, to pulses of elemental energy.

Huo Yuhao specialized in ice-type elemental energy. However, the Dragon God's Claw seemed to possess energy from all elements.

Water, fire, earth, wind, light, darkness, and spatial-type energy fluctuations appeared at the same time. In fact, they were released in an extremely chaotic and explosive manner.

Di Tian was not trying to land a heavy blow on Huo Yuhao. Instead, he focused on the speed of his attack. In addition, he was able to fuse spatial power and the power of darkness perfectly. Di Tian managed to time his attack such that he struck Huo Yuhao when he had just expended a lot of energy, and was catching his breath. There was no lock-on, or any sort of warning. Hence, Huo Yuhao was ultimately unable to evade the attack.

Because of how half of his body was numb, Huo Yuhao had to activate the three soul cores in his body to fend off the frightening power of the Dragon God.

The dragon head, which had consumed him, had already disintegrated. Huo Yuhao took a step forward as he entered a crack in the space before him. He was able to avoid the subsequent attacks coming his way.

Space flickered as two individuals continually appeared and collided with one another. Flashes of light illuminated the surrounding air as both Di Tian and Huo Yuhao separated from one another every time after they collided.

If one were to look up at the sky above the Great Star Dou Forest, one would see a sky which was completely contorted. The colors in the sky were rapidly changing as they flickered between radiant golden, intense black, and rainbow colors. Even though they could have been separated by tens of thousands of meters, every single soul beast in the Great Star Dou Forest did not dare move at this moment.

Within the Core Region of the Great Star Dou Forest.

The Emerald Swan, the Myriad Demon King, the Bear Lord, and the Scarlet King were all gathered here. They all seemed to be reacting to the commotion above them differently.

The Bear Lord continually released and retracted its Darkgolden Terrorclaws as it glared ferociously.

On the other hand, the Myriad Demon King seemed to be thinking about something.

Meanwhile, the Scarlet King and the Emerald Swan were very worried about Di Tian.

After all, they were separated by ten thousand meters, and the four of them were extremely powerful soul beasts. Even though they were heavily suppressed by the effects of Huo Yuhao and Di Tian's battle, they were still capable of moving.

The Scarlet King bellowed, "Who is that? I don't know of anyone who is able to fight with the Beast God for such a long period of time."

The Emerald Swan's eyes seemed to be sparkling as it replied, "I think Di Tian is fighting with a human. I just don't know who he is. I only realized that when I saw Di Tian ascending into the sky with a human."

"Impossible. How is a human able to possess enough power to rival Di Tian?" The Scarlet King did not believe what the Emerald Swan had just said.

The Bear Lord sniggered, "Is it the Evileye Tyrant again?"

The Myriad Demon King scolded him, "Can you please use your brain? There's no way he can come here right now. He's probably busy trying to prepare himself for the catastrophe which is about to hit him."

Unless he has reached the eight-hundred-thousand-year cultivation level, he would have no chance against Di Tian.”

The Bear Lord grunted, “So what if he has managed to make a breakthrough?”

“Bullshit...” The Myriad Demon King replied. However, at the very next instant, its body started to tremble. All four Savage Beasts looked up into the sky at the same time as an expression of disbelief formed on their faces.

The originally warped sky suddenly became clear as a mystical streak of light flashed before their eyes.

“Is that really the Evil Emperor?” The Emerald Swan gasped.

The Myriad Demon King’s eyes widened in disbelief. “T-That’s Space-Time Light?”

The sky above them had already transformed into a different world. The Eye of the Asura above Huo Yuhao’s forehead was radiating a deep and frightening glow. At that instant, it seemed as though it had come alive.

Di Tian, who was not too far away from Huo Yuhao, seemed to be moving very slowly. The surrounding space and time seemed to have become frozen.

Huo Yuhao’s spiritual power exploded like a geyser as Di Tian’s human form started to give way. Scales started to appear on his human skin.

Initially, those scales still seemed to be radiant and shiny. However, very soon, the light on their surfaces started to fade away as they started to fall off of his body.

At this instant, Di Tian’s eyes widened in disbelief. His body started to tremble as it stared at Huo Yuhao.

“Space-Time Light! H-How are you able to use Space-Time Light?” Di Tian could not believe what he was seeing.

As the two of them continued to collide in the air and unleash their demi-god abilities—the Dragon God’s Claw and the Morning Dew Dagger—Di Tian had managed to land another blow on Huo Yuhao. However, his attack was blocked by Huo Yuhao’s Absolute Zero. Following which, Di Tian saw Huo Yuhao’s Eye of the Asura release a dark blue light.

A powerful streak of dark blue light was suddenly released from the depth of his pupils.

When this streak of dark blue light appeared, it was almost as if time had been frozen. Di Tian, who was about to go after Huo Yuhao, was practically immobilized in mid-air. The surrounding space-time was contracting at an incredible rate. The dark blue light seemed to be moving very slowly. However, during its movement, the sky and earth had become dark blue. At that very instant, everything seemed to have become dark blue.

Space-Time Light!

This was the Evileye Tyrant’s biggest trump card. Back then, it was only able to escape from Di Tian with this powerful ability.

This was effectively space-time power which originated from one's source of spiritual power! Space-time power was able to strip the source of spiritual power from all living things. This would cause their source of spiritual power to deteriorate, and eventually be destroyed.

Back then, even though Di Tian was able to severely injure the Evileye Tyrant, he was also hit by the Space-Time Light. The Beast God took close to a thousand years before finally recovering from that blow. It was apparent how powerful Space-Time Light was.

This time, the Space-Time Light had reappeared. However, Huo Yuhao was now the person releasing this ability. Di Tian could sense that Huo Yuhao's Space-Time Light was, in fact, a lot more powerful than the Evileye Tyrant's. The reason was that Huo Yuhao's spiritual power was stronger than that of the Evileye Tyrant.

After all, Huo Yuhao possessed spiritual power which could rival that of a demi-god! His spiritual soul core was already at the demi-god level—a level which even Di Tian could not attain after cultivating for seven hundred thousand years. Di Tian finally learned that Huo Yuhao's power did not only come from the Morning Dew Dagger!

Di Tian finally understood everything. He realized that there was only one possible reason why Huo Yuhao was able to acquire the Space-Time Light power. Huo Yuhao must have gone to look for the Evileye Tyrant before finding Di Tian. In addition, he must have made the Evileye Tyrant his soul ring.

No wonder he's so confident of defeating me. That's right! With three soul cores, a demi-god level spiritual soul core, a demi-god level Morning Dew Dagger, his Absolute Zero aura, and the Sigh of the Frozen Goddess... There's no way he would not be confident of defeating me.

Di Tian's pupils had already taken on several colors at this instant. He was mustering all the energy his Dragon God's Claw could give him. He was trying to stop his source of spiritual power from deteriorating in the Space-Time Light.

However, at this instant, Di Tian saw a small blue light in Huo Yuhao's hand. The light was not very intense. In fact, it was wedged under his finger nail. However, Di Tian revealed a look of despair after seeing it.

Following which, Huo Yuhao's pupils took on a dark color. He closed his eyes, including his Eye of the Asura. The blue light in his hand suddenly became very intense as it became even brighter than the glow from the Space-Time Light.

Because Di Tian was pinned down by the Space-Time Light, there was no way he could stop Huo Yuhao. Right now, Huo Yuhao was practically one with heaven and earth.

Suddenly, Huo Yuhao waved his arm as the blue light instantly retracted to form a crystalline blue dagger. The dagger was released into the air as it formed a beautiful blue parabolic path which flickered across the sky.

The fear in Di Tian's eyes was apparent. As it watched the layers of space that were crushed and penetrated by the dagger, his eyes widened in disbelief. The dagger seemed to contain all of Huo Yuhao's spiritual power. Di Tian could sense the demi-god aura from the little dagger.

Di Tian lowered its head in despair. He knew that there was no point in watching the dagger, since he was unable to avoid the dagger. The Beast God looked at the forest beneath it longingly. He really did not want to leave the forest in such a manner.

Dragon God, it seems like I won't be able to complete the task which you have given me...?A bitter smile formed on Di Tian's face. Perhaps, this was the look one would give after one was liberated from his or her responsibilities.

Di Tian's body started to tremble lightly. At the very next instant, he felt as though its body was flying. The dagger was sending his body backward as Di Tian smashed through layers of space. The other world seemed to be beckoning him.

The four Savage Beasts could not believe what they were seeing.

Is the number one soul beast in the world really going to depart from this world? Is this the end for the Beast God who ruled the Great Star Dou Forest for hundreds of thousands of years?

At this instant, the sky was no longer in its warped and contorted state. The Emerald Swan was now able to tell who Di Tian was fighting.

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Huo Yuhao? The person who created the Spirit Pagoda?

Why is it him? Why does he want to kill Di Tian? When did he become so powerful?

The Emerald Swan could not understand what was happening. At the same time, she was very saddened to see what had happened.

Di Tian...

After releasing that dagger, Huo Yuhao had to stay where he was for a couple of seconds. The blow itself had expended too much of his energy.

Crying Guanyin: Guanyin's Tear! This was the Tang Sect's most powerful hidden weapon technique. Huo Yuhao did not try to form Guanyin's Tears, because he knew that a normal Guanyin's Tear would never be able to destroy Di Tian. Instead, he used his Ghostcarving Blade—the second blade Rong Nianbing had given him.

I don't remember being penetrated by any weapon or attack...?Hundreds of thousands of years of memories started to stream through Di Tian's head. Right now, everything seemed to have lost its meaning after he had been defeated by Huo YUhao.

When Di Tian was still young, he had been doted by the Dragon God. Afterward, the Dragon God had fallen and transformed into two Dragon Kings. Following which, Dragons started to fall as a race. Everything until now was running through his head like a tape recording.

As his life energy started to flow away, Di Tian simply closed his eyes. The sensation of being liberated was extremely calming. Even though it was a little disappointing to end just like this, it was ultimately the end!

“Beast God.” Suddenly, Huo Yuhao’s voice entered Di Tian’s head. Huo Yuhao’s chilling voice woke him up from his dreamy state.

Di Tian opened his eyes, and was shocked to realize that his life energy was not fading away at a very fast rate.

Why is that?

Di Tian immediately looked down at the wound in his chest.

This isn’t a fatal wound!

Everyone at Di Tian’s level knew that attacking the head was the easiest way to take someone’s life. However, Huo Yuhao, for some strange reason, had not chosen to attack his head. This was something which was hard to comprehend. Even though the blade intent and the Space-Time Light were ravaging his body, Di Tian should still be able to survive the blow.

Di Tian did not believe that Huo Yuhao had made a mistake. This was something which would never happen.

“Why?” Di Tian asked Huo Yuhao.

Huo Yuhao smiled. “I only want to defeat you, and never wanted to kill you. Have you forgotten? I have made a promise to never voluntarily kill another soul beast.”

“Then what about the Evil Emperor?” Di Tian replied condescendingly.

Huo Yuhao answered regretfully, “It wanted to kill me. I had no choice but to retaliate.”

Di Tian revealed a bitter expression and said, “What a lucky retaliation that was. In the end, you have won.”

Huo Yuhao nodded. At this moment, he was very relaxed. He nodded at Di Tian and said, “Goodbye, Beast God. Perhaps this will be the last time we see each other. However, I still want to thank you for saving my life back then. Without understanding some of your abilities, I would never be able to possess the power I have today. Goodbye, and take care.”

After finishing his sentence, Huo Yuhao waved his hand and disappeared into the space before him.

As he watched Huo Yuhao disappear, the bitter expression on Di Tian’s face intensified. The Beast God had realized how wonderful the sense of liberation was. Without liberation, it meant that he still had to fulfill its duties.

Di Tian slowly landed back in the Great Star Dou Forest from the sky.

The four Savage Beasts stared blankly at him as they watched him land. They had no idea what had happened up there. Even though Di Tian was injured, his aura was still powerful and intimidating.

The Bear King, who was starting to harbor some selfish intentions, immediately lowered his head in fear. He was worried that Di Tian was might learn about his disloyal thoughts.

Di Tian waved his hand at them as he moved to the side of the Lake of Life.

The four Savage Beasts stared at each other before retreating.

“He did not want to kill me. Haha. He did not want to kill me.” Di Tian was overwhelmed by a multitude of emotions. He was laughing and crying at the same time.

At this instant, silver light started to form and move around Di Tian.

“He did not kill you. Even if he wanted to kill you, there is no way that you would die just like this. You still have a responsibility you have to shoulder.” An authoritative voice rang beside Di Tian.

Di Tian was instantly awakened by the voice as he knelt down on the ground.

“It was precisely because he had no intention to kill you that I had chosen not to intervene. If not, I would risk ending my closed-door cultivation prematurely to kill him.”

Di Tian seemed to have regained its composure as he asked, “But, Master, why did you not stop him from leaving? He possesses the power of destiny! That is something our entire Great Star Dou Forest needs. You also need this power.”

That mysterious voice replied plainly, “The power of destiny belongs to the Douluo Continent. It is not something that anyone can just take away as they please. He is going to leave this world very soon. When he leaves, the power of destiny will naturally be returned to the Great Star Dou Forest. Di Tian, I know you have been very lonely. It must have been very hard for you all these years.”

“Master.” Di Tian continued to kneel on the ground.

“Just bear with it for another ten thousand years. By then, I will have finished my cultivation and recovered from all of my injuries. When I return to this world, you can go and travel around as you please.”

“Yes. Thank you, Master.”

The silver light slowly faded as everything became normal again.

Ten thousand years might be an infinitely long time for a human; however, it was nothing for Di Tian, who had already spent eight hundred thousand years cultivating. In fact, there was now a clear deadline for him to anticipate.

He could not help but reveal a look of genuine excitement and anticipation.

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A streak of silver light flickered across the sky as Huo Yuhao appeared out of nowhere.

The sky and earth had seemed to become completely different at this instant.

Huo Yuhao could sense how his Spiritual Sea was bubbling and becoming stronger. The six Spirits in his body were also cheering in excitement.

He could also sense how the soul power in his body was transforming and taking on a special aura. These changes were starting to surface from his body.

Di Tian was like a mountain and a barrier for him.

Now that the barrier was no longer able to restrain him, Huo Yuhao had made his final breakthrough.

Huo Yuhao looked up at the sky as he opened his arms wide. At this moment, he felt that heaven and earth had become different. His spirit seemed to be rising and ascending into a different world.

“You have succeeded. Congratulations, Yuhao.” A gentle voice rang in his ear. A faint golden glow started to descend from the sky as it took form before Huo Yuhao’s eyes.

Rong Nianbing was still wearing the same outfit, and was happy to see that Huo Yuhao had finally done it. He was clear how difficult the path he had taken was! Huo Yuhao had conquered more difficult challenges than he had.

“Teacher.” Huo Yuhao respectfully kowtowed to Rong Nianbing. It was only now that he felt that he was sufficiently qualified to call the person before him teacher.

Rong Nianbing smiled and said, “To be honest, I’m not well-suited to be your teacher. Your teacher should be someone else. I am just someone who took advantage of the situation and found a treasure. If not for me, you might not have had to suffer so many tribulations. Nonetheless, you have managed to pull through all of them. Are you ready?”

“Yes.” Huo Yuhao nodded fervently. Of course he was ready. He was going to find his beloved wife! There was no longer anything that could stop his heart. He was raring to fly to the other world. Wutong, I wonder if you are doing fine in that world.

Rong Nianbing nodded as he revealed a serious and solemn expression. He spoke, “I am the God of Emotions. Humans possess a multitude of emotions: happiness, anger, sorrow, and bliss. There is an abundance of unification and separation in a human’s world. There are always positive and negative emotions. What you have to control is the power of emotions. It is now appropriate for me to share more details about our world with you.”

“The Douluo Continent—the place where you have lived for your entire life—is a planet. Other than the Douluo Continent, there are several other planets in this world. All living things on these different planets possess some form of psychokinetic energy. When this energy rises above their bodies, they collectively form a special place. While this place is beyond the realm of planets, it is still intimately tied to them. It is like a space carved out independently by humans. Hence, humans are usually the only entity allowed to enter this realm. This place is called the God Realm.”

“The God Realm houses all the individuals who have exceeded the limitations imposed by their planets. Hence, they can be called Gods. I am an example of a God. Tang Wutong’s father is also another example.”

“To be more precise, I don’t belong to your planet—the Douluo Continent. On the other hand, Tang Wutong’s father came from the Douluo Continent. In fact, you should have heard his name before. He is called Tang San.”

After hearing Tang San’s name, Huo Yuhao could not help but shudder. He never would have expected the woman he loved to be the daughter of the Founder of the Tang Sect.

After seeing how Huo Yuhao's jaw had dropped, Rong Nianbing could not help but chuckle. "Tang San came from the Douluo Continent. He has always been concerned about it. Tang Wutong is his daughter. Tang San loves his daughter a lot, and hence allowed her to come to the Douluo Continent to train."

"A God is not allowed to intervene with what happens in the world of the humans. This is true for all planets. Hence, even Tang San can only send his daughter to the continent and seal the part of her memory about the God Realm. This was the reason why both of you were able to meet each other. Tang San had always been observing you. That was why he placed a seal on Tang Wutong. In fact, he has been able to positively influence your development through the little bit of divine sense he has placed in his daughter."

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"Some of the tribulations you went through were actually evaluative measures Tang San had put in place on behalf of the God Realm. If not, you would have had a much easier time. Do you remember the Yin-Yang Love Querying Valley? That was one of the tests which was used to evaluate your suitability to become a God. It was then when I saw the potential in you, and decided that I wanted you to take over my Godly Seat. Because Tang San was bogged down by some things which were happening in the God Realm and was unable to monitor you closely, I was able to sneak in and get you to inherit my Godly Seat."

"Hence, you shouldn't blame him for what he has done to you. Without the challenges he laid in your way, you would not have been able to achieve what you have today. In fact, he was a much more influential figure in your development than me."

Huo Yuhao listened to Rong Nianbing's explanation as he allowed past events to stream through his head. Some of the things which used to be unclear started to make a lot more sense now.

No wonder I was attacked by the powerful golden figure back at the Yin-Yang Love Querying Valley.

No wonder Wutong has a seal on her which stops me from being intimate with her.

No wonder Wutong disappeared after returning to the Clear Sky Sect.

Legend had it that the Clear Sky Sect was also started by Tang San—the founder of the Tang Sect.

Now that everything was falling into place, Huo Yuhao finally understood everything! Tang Wutong was actually Tang San's daughter. Tang San, his future father-in-law, had been testing him all this while.

Rong Nianbing continued, "Even within the God Realm, Gods are divided into different tiers. The five most powerful Gods within the God Realm form the Judicial Committee. Among them are two Godkings—the God of Kindness and the God of Evil. There are also three Enforcers—the God of Asura, the God of Annihilation, and the God of Life. Tang San happens to be one of the Enforcers—the God of Asura. As of now, the two Godkings have gone to another planet to be reborn. They wanted to experience the ever-changing human life. Right now, the new Godkings are still in their development stage. Hence, Tang San could be said to be the most powerful God in the God Realm. He is essentially the one managing the God Realm now. Beyond the Judicial Committee, the most powerful Gods are Tier One Gods. I am one of the Tier One Gods. Because of how my power of emotions is intertwined with the

abilities of the God of Kindness and the God of Evil, I am stronger than the average Tier One God. However, I still pale in comparison to Tang San.”

“After the Tier One Gods, we have Tier Two Gods and Tier Three Gods. There is also a group of individuals called the God Realm Patrol Hunters. All of them come together to form the God Realm. Because of the space limitation within the God Realm, only individuals who possess a Godly Seat can enter the God Realm. A person can only be given a Godly Seat after he or she has successfully passed the evaluation set by the Judicial Committee, and when a Godly Seat is available. He or she would then have to make a breakthrough and ascend into the God Realm. This is precisely what you have to do now.”

After finishing his sentence, Rong Nianbing paused for a while. He knew that Huo Yuhao would take some time to digest what he had just said.

Huo Yuhao seemed to understand what he said in no time. After all, he had always been an intelligent person. Before long, a clear picture of the God Realm started to form in his head.

So the God Realm is basically a world that is built above the Douluo Continent! It is a world which houses individuals who have exceeded the limitations of our world!

Rong Nianbing smiled and asked, “Do you understand?”

Huo Yuhao nodded.

Rong Nianbing continued, “I’m only telling you all this because I want to give you one more chance to make a decision. After all, I have taken advantage of Tang San’s situation, and not done as much as what he has done for you. You can now make a decision whether you still want to inherit my Godly Seat. Of course, you are also allowed to choose to inherit Tang San’s Godly Seat. He really wants someone to help him share his workload. I can also pass what you feel about his Godly Seat to him. I’m sure he would be very happy to hear that. Besides, I’m sure it will help you get back your wife.”

Huo Yuhao shook his head. “There’s no need for that. I still wish to inherit your Godly Seat. As a man of my word, I ought to keep my word. Besides, I also should not rely on my father-in-law to find Wutong. Wouldn’t that make me seem useless? Can I ask you to pass your Godly Seat to me?”

Rong Nianbing revealed a pleased smile. “Alright. But I still want to remind you about one thing. Life in the God Realm is extremely lonely and boring. Even Tier One Gods like me can’t leave the God Realm whenever I please. In fact, we can never stay in the world of humans for an extended period of time. Unless we have passed our Godly Seat to another suitable individual, we can never leave the God Realm after entering it. The main reason why both Tang San and I want to pass our Godly Seat to you is that both of us want to travel around the world. Both of us want to see if there are any other God Realms in distant planets and worlds.”

Huo Yuhao’s determination did not seem to waver after hearing Rong Nianbing’s clarification. He spoke resolutely, “I am willing to inherit your Godly Seat.” No matter what the price was, he wanted to go and find Tang Wutong. This was something that would never change.

Rong Nianbing exclaimed, “Alright! I have already laid out all the things you should know. Since you are still willing to take up my Godly Seat, let’s begin.”

Following which, he raised his hands as two lights—one blue and one red—surged and rose around him.

Huo Yuhao could sense how his Ultimate Ice soul power was activated by the lights released by Rong Nianbing. At this instant, Huo Yuhao felt the familiar sensation of becoming one with heaven and earth when he had released the Ghostcarving Blade earlier.

Rong Nianbing waved his hand as the scenery around him started to fade and become illusory. In the blink of an eye, both of them were transported to a sky full of stars. *nOVE.L&*(In

Rong Nianbing continued to release icy blue and fiery red light into Huo Yuhao's body.

At this instant, Huo Yuhao could sense how his entire body was being enhanced. The three soul cores in his body were rotating at an unprecedented speed. Every time a circulation was completed, an immense soul power fluctuation would be released.

Streaks of light started to fly through the air as a mysterious intent started to form on Huo Yuhao's face.

Streaks of starry light began to descend from above as they landed on his body.

His surroundings started to become warped as Huo Yuhao's past started to run itself like a tape recording within his spiritual world.

It started from how he was ill-treated within the residence of the White Tiger Duke. Following which, it moved on to the part when he met the Skydream Iceworm and absorbed a million-year soul ring. Then, it showed him how he met Tang Wutong at Shrek Academy. Everything that had happened to him in the Douluo Continent was appearing before his eyes again. He was able to experience his entire life in this short moment.

After a short while, Huo Yuhao opened his eyes again, only to see a smiling Rong Nianbing.

As he stared at Rong Nianbing, the color in Huo Yuhao's pupils seemed to have become fainter. It was almost as though he had aged, and had comprehended more about the laws of the universe. The energy and power in his body were undergoing a complete transformation.

His three soul cores started to melt as the Ultimate Ice, spiritual power, and spatial power in his body started to fuse together. A brand new power was forming.

His Spiritual Sea started to take on a pure golden color. His spiritual sense was becoming illusory as the divine sense he had once detected from Electrolux started to expand from his Spiritual Sea. Everything about him was being enhanced at this instant.

Rong Nianbing raised his hands as a mystical crown appeared at the top of his head. The crown had two colors—icy blue and fiery red. There seemed to be some mystical fluctuations radiating from the top of the crown.

Huo Yuhao immediately felt the emotions within him—happiness, anger, sorrow, bliss, love, hate, and disgust—changing and activating.

The Morning Dew Dagger on Huo Yuhao's body transformed into a streak of blue light and returned to Rong Nianbing. Rong Nianbing's seven daggers represented the seven different kinds of emotions.

In order to hand his Godly Seat over to Huo Yuhao, Rong Nianbing had to first take his power back from him.

The seven different daggers represented the water, fire, earth, wind, light, darkness, and spatial elements. These were the seven daggers that belonged to Rong Nianbing—the God of Emotions.

Sigh of the Frozen Goddess—Morning Dew Dagger.

Roar of the Flaming God—Positive Yang Dagger.

Whisper of the Free Wind—Arrogant Sky Dagger.

Melody of the Awakening Earth—Immortality Dagger.

The Brilliant Six Lights—Jade Pearl Dagger

The All-Penetrating Dawn—Holy Radiance Dagger.

Curse of Eternal Damnation—Devildevouring Dagger.

These seven godly daggers were radiating seven different colors—which also happened to represent the seven different kinds of emotions.

Suddenly, the Morning Dew Dagger transformed into an icy blue light image as it shot towards Huo Yuhao.

Huo Yuhao felt his body shudder as the blue light flashed before him. A melancholic emotion was stirred within his heart. This was sorrow—one of the seven emotions.

Following which, the fiery red Positive Yang Dagger carried its burning flames and flew towards Huo Yuhao.

An intense rage appeared in Huo Yuhao's heart. This was anger!

Next, the green blade flew towards Huo Yuhao. This was the Arrogant Sky Dagger, the Whisper of the Free Wind. Huo Yuhao could sense the happiness in his heart.

Following which, a long yellow dagger shot towards Huo Yuhao. It was the Immortality Dagger—a dagger which contained the power of earth. The yellow light fused into Huo Yuhao's body and gave him bliss.

A ray of silver light was emitted from the Jade Pearl Dagger. The Brilliant Six Lights was not only a dagger which contained mere hatred. It was also filled with rejection and exclusion.

Next, there was the Curse of Eternal Damnation—the Devildevouring Dagger. This was the embodiment of true hatred. Its black glow seemed to be drawing strength from all sorts of negative emotions within Huo Yuhao.

Lastly, there was a brilliant golden light. This almighty light entered from the top of his head as it penetrated through his entire body.

It was the All-Penetrating Dawn—the Holy Radiance Dagger. It embodied the power of radiant light. At that instant, everything seemed to come to life as all negative emotions were embraced and converted by the power of love. Yes, it was love—the most powerful emotion among the seven.

All seven emotions were now interconnected as the seven legendary daggers returned to Rong Nianbing. It was evident that Rong Nianbing was sad to part ways with his beloved daggers. However, he decisively waved his hand as all of them combined to form a ball of light. The ball of light was then released into the starry sky above them.