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Chapter 1711 - Ironclad Proof

On the very first day that they met, Qianye Ying'er had told Chi Wuyao that Zhou Xuzi was the "big present" that she was giving to her.

They would prepare everything and lure him to the Northern Divine Region for a meeting at the appropriate time before killing Zhou Qingchen to enrage him. They would use this incident to provoke Zhou Xuzi into attacking the Northern Divine Region in rage.

They just needed a tiny spark to ignite the fires of hatred which had smouldered in the heart of the Northern Divine Region since time immemorial. Once they had their "incident", lashing back at the Eastern Divine Region would be eminently reasonable to the Northern Divine Region. But the moment the Eastern Divine Region was struck by this "reprisal", they would blame both the Northern Divine Region and the Eternal Heaven God Realm... instead of forming a unified front against a common enemy.

The Western Divine Region and Southern Divine Region would also view their predicament with silent bemusement.

Qianye Ying'er had the right idea, but Chi Wuyao had rejected it even while she praised it. She even decided to meet the Eternal Heaven God Emperor much earlier than they had previously decided.

The opportunity to raise the curtain on this war should not be gambled on Zhou Xuzi's actions. It was something they had to be in full control of, something that had to occur at just the right time.

Furthermore, it was impossible for anyone to guess whether Zhou Xuzi, who was keenly aware of his responsibilities as the Eternal Heaven God Emperor, would really lose his mind and attack the Northern Divine Region.

In fact... the Eternal Heaven God Realm immediately sealed itself after Zhou Qingchen's death and they had not made a move since.

At the very least, they were definitely not preparing to take revenge on the Northern Divine Region. In fact, they were doing their best to erase all traces of that meeting to preserve Zhou Qingchen's dignity in death while Chi Wuyao had been behind all of the rumors that had been quietly circulating in the Eastern Divine Region and Western Divine Region.

Moreover, when Chi Wuyao said that she wanted to be in full control of this "opportunity", what she meant was that she wanted to use her own hands to "help" the Eternal Heaven God Realm light this dark fuse.

Qianye Ying'er had no choice but to admit something about Chi Wuyao. Beneath her sultry and foxy looks, beneath her gentle and tender warmth toward Yun Che, lay a soul that was even more intelligent and meticulous than her own, a soul that was even more fiendish and malicious than her own.

Perhaps Yun Che would not be the only nightmare that plagued the three divine regions! Because there was still another, Chi Wuyao!

The former was a nightmare they had personally crafted, the latter... was a nightmare that had been lurking in the darkness for ten thousand years!

Qianye Ying'er waved an arm and the Great Void Cauldron flew back in her hands. She did not spare the destroyed star realm another glance as she turned around and disappeared into the darkness.

When she reappeared again, she had already reached a neighboring star realm.

This was a very small middle star realm that was a little deeper inside the Northern Divine Region.

The terrifying sounds of a star realm shattering had long ago reverberated through the region, putting most of the people in this middle star realm on full alert. A Divine Sovereign broke his seclusion and flew into the air. He stared in the direction the explosion had come from.

His name was Ye Jiancheng[1], and he was the realm king of this middle star realm. He was also its only Divine Sovereign.

When he felt the oppressive might that radiated from the Great Void Cauldron press down on him, his eyes widened in fear and alarm.

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The world around him instantly transformed into a purgatory of destruction. He desperately tried to flee, but he was still caught up in the incomparably dreadful energy wave that swept across his star realm... His vision was blurry, but he still managed to make out the figure of a huge ashen cauldron.

Qianye Ying'er had already flown away from the stricken star realm by this point. However, before she left, she had used her divine sense to scan the dazed Ye Jiancheng.

Not long after, a third star realm exploded in a dark star region not too far away from this one.

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A middle star realm and two lower star realms which were at the southern border of the Northern Divine Region had been destroyed in the span of a single night. When news of this started to spread, it shook the entire Northern Region.

Life in the Northern Divine Region was extremely cruel and the lower the level of the star realm, the more savage it was. It was a common thing to see people do evil for profit and plunder other people. Dynasties seemed to rise and fall all the time and it was not uncommon for even countries and clans to be completely destroyed.

However, this was not what was happening in the southern part of the Northern Divine Region. The scale of destruction on an entirely different level. It was the wholesale annihilation of entire star realms!

Even the most chaotic world was governed by a basic set of rules. As star realms of the Northern Divine Region, even if an upper star realm truly hated a lower realm, they would only wipe out the realm king and his sect or the core clan of that realm.

But destroying a star realm was equivalent to turning the flesh and bones of the Northern Divine Region itself into dust. This was a great crime that no living being could accept or forgive, a crime that would alarm anyone who heard of it.

This calamity had utterly destroyed two lower star realms. Not a single blade of grass remained.

The middle star realm had nearly been completely shattered as well. Ninety-nine percent of its inhabitants had died and the surviving profound practitioners did not even know what had hit them. Their realm king, Ye Jiancheng, was discovered in an unconscious state by the elites of the other star realms who had rushed over to investigate what had happened. The news quickly spread and the resultant shock and fury began to shake the entire Northern Divine Region.

The destruction of a star realm. This incredibly vile deed had not been perpetrated in the already dwindling Northern Divine Region for many years.

The anger of the Devil Master and Devil Queen was swiftly aroused and they immediately dispatched members of the Soul Stealing Realm to investigate.

A king realm undoubtedly needed to come forward to investigate this great crime and judge the perpetrators behind it!

In order to express how serious this disaster was to them, the Devil Queen sent Third Witch Ye Li and Fourth Witch Yao Die to investigate the scene of the crime.

By the time Ye Li and Yao Die had arrived, the realm kings of the forty nearby star realms and the various overlords who were situated in the south of the Northern Region were already waiting for them. Profound arks of various sizes filled this vast star region.

In the remote south, where even middle star realms could vie for supremacy, the arrival of a Witch was not any different from a deity descending from the heavens to visit them.

They had not only gathered early to welcome Ye Li and Yao Die, they had even gathered all of the survivors and profound practitioners who had been in the vicinity when this calamity had struck.

When Ye Li and Yao Die arrived, the shattered fragments of the broken star realms were chaotically drifting around in space and the aura of destruction still lingered in the air.

This was especially true for the two lower star realms. Not a single speck of their existence remained. It was as if they had never even existed before.

The gathered realm kings immediately came to greet the Witches once they saw them, their bodies trembling with fear and apprehension. Witch Yao Die ignored all of them. She stood in the center of the destroyed star realm as her aura swiftly swept across the remaining signs of destruction. She suddenly spoke in a low voice, "This energy seems to be rather strange."

She turned her head back to look at them. "Do any of you have any impressions regarding the energy lingering in this place?"

The gathered realm kings shook their heads in panicked unison.

"I heard that there were some survivors from that middle star realm. Where are they now?" Ye Li asked.

"Your Highness." The realm king who was clearly the leader of the pack stepped out and greeted her in an extremely reverential manner. "There were very few survivors and all of them have already gotten on board profound arks."

"Additionally, when this disaster happened, there were some profound practitioners who happened to be traveling through this star region. We managed to gather all of them and place them aboard our profound arks."

"Very good." Ye Li gave a small nod of her head. "Thank you for your hard work. Please bring us to where the survivors are."

That word of praise very nearly caused all of the realm kings to drop to their knees in gratitude.

This disaster caused the attention of the entire Northern Divine Region to be focused on this place. As the star realms of a remote star region, they had never received such attention before.

Once they boarded the profound arks, Ye Li and Yao Die personally questioned each and every survivor. However, most of them were still frightened and distressed and their thoughts and words were barely intelligible. The rare few who were clear-headed could only shrug their shoulders helplessly when they were questioned. They had no idea of what had happened.

At this time, a voice suddenly rang out in the distance. "Realm King Jiancheng has woken up!"

A middle-aged man with a wan complexion was walking toward them while being supported by someone else. His clothes were tattered and his body was stained with blood. His aura was extremely weak and anyone could tell just how badly wounded he was with a single glance.

He had been caught in the very heart of the calamity. All of the living creatures around him had perished but he had managed to survive due to his powerful Divine Sovereign body. However, it was clear that he had barely survived, his aura was as thin as gossamer threads.

"This person's name is Ye Jiancheng." The leader of the gathered realm kings introduced the injured man to Ye Li and Yao Die. "He is the realm king of the destroyed Fodder Realm." [2]

Ye Jiancheng, who had practically been carried over here, tried to bow anxiously despite his extremely weakened state. His lips trembled as he tried to speak. Ye Li raised a hand to stop him and a layer of vast but gentle profound energy covered his body. "There's no need for decorum. Tell me, did you see anything when disaster struck your realm?"

Witch Ye Li's words violently stabbed into Ye Jiancheng's muddled brain. The dreadful scene that had played out in front of him before he had lost consciousness flashed through his mind again, causing his eyes to widen in shock and terror.

"A cauldron... It was a cauldron... A very large cauldron!" he roared, his voice trembling with fright and alarm.

"A cauldron?" The people around him glanced at each other.

"Speak clearly. What sort of cauldron was it?" Ye Li said in a solemn voice as she drew a little closer to Ye Jiancheng.

"I don't know, I don't know." Ye Jiancheng shook his head in panic. "It was a white cauldron... A very large... cauldron that I've never seen before... and it suddenly crashed into my..."

"Ah!"

As Ye Jiancheng rambled on, a startled cry suddenly rang out from below.

The person who had let out that cry was a thin and frail-looking man. The aura of the Divine Spirit Realm could be sensed from his body and he was cowering at the back of the crowd.

The leader of the realm kings flew into a rage as he scolded the man. "You insolent cur, how dare you interrupt Her Highness' questioning. Drag him out!"

"Wait a moment!" Yao Die said. She stared at the frail-looking man and her eyebrows sank as she asked him a question. "Did you just let out a cry because you suddenly recalled or realized something?"

"No, no." The frail-looking man shrunk even more under Yao Die's penetrating gaze. His body was trembling with instinctive fear.

"Milady Witch is asking you a question. How dare you lie to her?" The leader of the realm kings roared in anger. "If you hide anything and provoke the wrath of Milady Witch, there will be nowhere in the Northern Divine Region that you can hide."

The weak-looking man's face instantly turned ashen and he looked like he was about to collapse in a heap.

"There's no need to be so anxious." Yao Die's voice grew gentle. "If you truly did discover something, just tell us whatever you saw. The Soul Stealing Realm will definitely reward you for your efforts."

The Witch's soft and gentle words caused some of the tension to bleed out of the frail-looking man's face. He gulped audibly before he finally managed to muster up the courage to speak. "The great white cauldron that Realm King Jiancheng spoke of... I also happened to see it last night."

Everyone was shocked by those words. Yao Die took a single step forward and asked, "What kind of cauldron was it? Where did you see it? Recount everything you saw to me."

The frail-looking man did not speak. Instead, he extended a trembling hand. An ordinary Profound Imagery Stone lay in his palm.

Profound energy surged into the stone and an image was immediately projected into the air.

A cluster of brilliant white light glowing in the sky was being projected into the air. Everyone could clearly see a cauldron in the center of that white light.

This image had been recorded from afar, but the silhouette of the cauldron could clearly be seen. One could well imagine just how enormous it must have been.

The star realm that was about to meet its impending doom could also be clearly seen in the lower left corner of the image!

The moment everyone clearly saw that image, Ye Jiancheng, whose aura was already weak and thin, suddenly started shouting like a lunatic. "That's it! That is... the cauldron! It's that cauldron!! Ahhh!"

Ye Jiancheng's wounded body had received too much external stimulus. After he yelled those words, his eyes rolled back into his head as he fainted dead away yet again.

All the realm kings looked towards the two Witches. They were about to tell them that they had never seen this cauldron before, but, to their shock, the saw expressions of deep shock bloom on the Witches' faces.

Their breath caught in their chests and they did not dare utter a single word.

"This is..." Yao Die gasped in shock and bewilderment, "the Great Void Cauldron? No, it can't be!"

She immediately denied the words that had come out of her mouth.

"You aren't mistaken," Ye Li replied in a solemn voice. "That is the artifact that was left to the Eastern Divine Region's Eternal Heaven God Realm by the gods. The artifact that possesses mighty spatial divine power, the Great Void Cauldron!"

The words "Eastern Divine Region's Eternal Heaven God Realm" struck everyone who heard them like a bolt of lightning.

Ye Li turned around to look at that weak-looking man and said, "Who are you and why did you record this image?"

The man looked like he had been frightened out of his mind and it took him a few seconds to muster up the courage to speak. His voice trembled as he spoke. "Thi... This lowly one's name is Bo Xishan. I was born in the South Ruins Realm. Whe... When I was traveling last night, I happened to see that white light so I recorded it. I... I also did not expect to be caught up in the fearsome storm that rushed at me. I fainted on the spot and by the time I had woken... woken up, I had already been taken into custody by these realm kings... Eh, no, no, I had been offered shelter by these realm kings."

Ye Li tapped the air with her finger and the Profound Imagery Stone in Bo Xishan's hand flew into her palm. She gave an order after that. "This matter is of grave importance so you need to follow me back to the Soul Stealing Realm!"

"Ah?" Bo Xishan was taken aback by that order. But he soon replied in a trembling voice, "Yes, yes."

"We are also going to take Ye Jiancheng back to the Soul Stealing Realm," Ye Li said.

"Oh, and one more thing." Her gaze swept over everyone present and her voice suddenly turned cold. "This matter concerns the Eastern Divine Region and it is far more serious than any of you can imagine. Before we find out everything, none of you are allowed... to leak anything that you've seen or heard today!"

All of the realm kings nodded their heads hurriedly, cold sweat dripping down their backs.

Ye Li and Yao Die did not tarry any further. They also took the unconscious Ye Jiancheng and trembling Bo Xishan along with them...

However, the moment they left everyone's sight, the fear in Bo Xishan's eyes suddenly disappeared and was replaced by a strange gloomy light.

Even though Ye Li and Yao Die had used their authority as Witches to issue a gag order, news that "three star realms had been destroyed by the Great Void Cauldron belonging to the Eastern Divine Region's Eternal Heaven God Realm" had spread like wildfire to every corner of the Northern Divine Region. In less than two hours after their departure, this news was already reverberating through the entire Northern Divine Region.

Chapter 1712 - Blood of Darkness

Everyone in the Northern Divine Region originally had two opinions regarding the tragic destruction of the three star realms. The first was they had been destroyed due to some massive grudge and the second was that some elite committed this grave crime after going insane. However, once they discovered the "truth", that it was the "Eastern Divine Region's Eternal Heaven God Realm" who had been behind this heinous act, it had undoubtedly viciously stabbed into the nerves of every profound practitioner in the Northern Divine Region.

Furthermore, this news was not only being disseminated verbally, countless Profound Imagery Stones were also being spread through the Northern Divine Region... and the images contained within the stones included the shattered remains of the star realms, the scene of the Witches' investigation, Ye Jiancheng's howl of pain and despair, and... a gigantic white cauldron.

Shock, indignation, and fury... crazily swept through the Northern Divine Region like a plague as the news spread.

The dark profound practitioners had always been scorned by the world, it had been like this from the beginning. The moment their aura leaked out when they were outside of the Northern Divine Region, they would be mercilessly hunted down and killed by the profound practitioners from the other divine regions... and their killers even did this in the name of "justice".

They were bitter and resentful, but they were also powerless to do anything about the situation... But at the very least, they had a place they could hide in. As long as they hid in that dark prison forever, they would not be hunted down by those profound practitioners from the "righteous" factions.

But now, these "righteous" powers from the other divine regions had actually stretched their claws towards the last place of refuge. And the one who had perpetrated this act was the "Eternal Heaven God Realm", the king realm which was the symbol of "righteousness" in the Eastern Divine Region.

This act was akin to cutting off their escape route, crossing their bottom line.

And they had even destroyed three star realms in one night!

Shock, fear, bewilderment... These feelings soon transformed into a raging fury which burned hotter and hotter.

One day passed...

Two days passed...

Three days passed...

While throughout the entire Northern Divine Region, the dark blood of its people had reached its boiling point. At this time, a dark screen was projected towards every corner of the region.

This was the first time this had happened since the grand coronation ceremony a year ago.

The Soul Stealing Sacred Region slowly materialized on these dark screens again. The three king realms had already been gathered within the Sacred Region, along with a group of realm kings who had rushed over after being hastily summoned.

When the image on the screens started to move again, the Northern Divine Region, which was shaking in fury, fell into a swift silence. The response of the king realms, something which they had been eagerly waiting for, had finally arrived.

The figure of Devil Queen Chi Wuyao appeared in the center of the screen. Her body was still cloaked in that faint black mist, but no one could sense any alluring seductiveness emanating from her body this time. Instead, a dark coldness which pierced one's soul radiated from her body and even those watching through the screens were chilled by it.

Chi Wuyao pushed a hand forward and an image sprang up from a Profound Imagery Stone. Astonishingly enough, it was the images that had come from "Bo Xishan's" Profound Imagery Stone and they could clearly see the silhouette of the Great Void Cauldron among those images.

"As everyone can see," Chi Wuyao said in a cold voice. Her words were curt and to the point. "The tool that was used to destroy three star realms in the south of the Northern Divine Region was this cauldron."

"This cauldron is known as the Great Void Cauldron. It is the divine artifact left to the Eastern Divine Region's Eternal Heaven God Realm by the gods. It is impossible to forge the divine inscriptions on its surface, impossible to duplicate the divine light that is unique to it alone. Many of the star realms in our Northern Divine Region have detailed records of its appearance and characteristics."

After the Devil Queen spoke those words, restless whispers immediately started to circulate among all the people who were watching.

In the end, a rumor was only a rumor. But once the Devil Queen had confirmed this rumor as fact, when the last bit of doubt and uncertainty had been shattered. The hearts of those who dwelled in the Northern Divine Region were violently shaken.

Chi Wuyao continued, "When profound practitioners from the other divine regions enter our Northern Region, they will definitely be attacked by the darkness. However, this Great Void Cauldron, the strongest spatial artifact in the Eastern Divine Region, can allow its user to teleport over long distances as long as you inject enough Eternal Heaven divine power into it."

"The people from the Eternal Heaven God Realm used the spatial powers of this cauldron to avoid as much damage from the darkness as they could when they ventured deep into the southern part of our divine region. So as to not leave behind any traces of their Eternal Heaven divine power, they poured their power into the cauldron and used it to destroy three star realms. After that, they immediately used the Great Void Cauldron's spatial divine power to flee the scene of the crime."

"This expedition was not only cruel and vicious, it was also exceedingly clever." Chi Wuyao's voice grew solemn. "If several things hadn't all happened, we would not have been able to identify the perpetrator based on the traces of energy left behind. Fodder Realm King Ye Jianchen survived and managed to

catch a glimpse of the cauldron before slipping into unconsciousness. A profound practitioner who was just passing through the area recorded the image. If these things and more hadn't all happened, we might even have started questioning each other because of this disaster."

Even as Chi Wuyao was announcing the "truth" to the entire Northern Divine Region, she was also assuaging their doubts and questions. The words stoked the fires of shock and fury in their hearts even as they sent a chill down their spines.

No wonder they could venture so deep into the Northern Divine Region without leaving a single trace behind!

"Devil Queen, why exactly did the Eastern Region's Eternal Heaven God Realm do such a thing!?"

The one who yelled those words was the leader of the gathered realm kings, Tian Muyi. His voice grew sorrowful and tragic, "The three divine regions have always viewed us dark profound practitioners as a heresy that must be stamped out. They've ground us under their heel. To the point where we don't even dare to take half a step out of the Northern Divine Region! We're already in such pathetic and dire straits, but... are they actually preparing to deliver the coup de grâce now?"

"Preparing?" Desolate Calamity Realm King Huo Tianxing yelled, his hair standing on end. His entire body was trembling as he continued, "They destroyed three of our star realms in the span of a single night. Does it still look like preparation to you!? They've already started their wicked scheme! In fact, this calamity might very well fall upon our heads the next time they strike!"

"How dare they!? How far do they want to push our Northern Divine Region before they're satisfied!?"

"This Great Void Cauldron is far too terrifying! There's basically no way to defend against it. Furthermore, this may just be their opening hand... To think that the Eternal Heaven God Realm would act so tyrannically!!"

The gathered realm kings had already worked themselves up into a furious rage when they had gathered in the Sacred Region and this fury soon spread to countless profound practitioners across the Northern Divine Region.

Chi Wuyao raised a hand before suddenly giving a long sigh of lament. She said, "The Eternal Heaven God Realm actually does have a reason for doing this."

When she finished saying those words, she tapped the air with her finger, causing another image to be projected to the rest of the Northern Divine Region.

Astonishingly enough, the Eternal Heaven God Emperor himself appeared in this image. And beside him was his son, Zhou Qingchen!

Besides the two of them, there was also a cluster of exceptionally pure and brilliant green light... That was the Untamed Divine Marrow in the Eternal Heaven God Emperor's hand.

"You told me that Yun Che has the power to eliminate the dark energy inside my son."

The Eternal Heaven God Emperor on the screen continued to speak. "I hope... you're not playing a trick on me."

Amidst everyone's dazed bewilderment, the scene quickly changed. It turned into a scene of the Eternal Heaven God Emperor and Honorable Tai Yu flying into the distance. The Eternal Heaven God Emperor's voice was filled with grief and hatred as it rang throughout every corner of the Northern Divine Region.

"I will gather everything the Eternal Heaven God Realm has... the Eastern Divine Region... and even the three divine regions themselves... to destroy the Northern Divine Region and grind both of you down to ash!"

The image started to slowly fade after those words had been broadcast. Chi Wuyao turned around to look at the wide-eyed realm kings. "The person within these images is the Eastern Divine Region's Eternal Heaven God Emperor, and his son, the Eternal Heaven Crown Prince, Zhou Qingchen."

"One and a half years ago, the Eternal Heaven God Emperor used the Untamed Divine Marrow to set up a meeting with this queen so that I could get rid of the darkness energy inside his son's body. We arranged to meet at the border of our two regions. But in truth, he was actually looking for an opportunity to ambush this queen. After the Devil Master and I saw through his scheme, we killed his son in retaliation..."

Chi Wuyao suddenly paused before continuing, "That is how it all started."

Chi Wuyao had continued speaking, but the vicious and determined vow of the Eternal Heaven God Emperor was still reverberating in their ears.

He would gather everything the Eternal Heaven God Realm has, the Eastern Divine Region, and even the three divine regions themselves... to destroy the Northern Divine Region!?

It was at this moment that Yun Che descended from the sky. His gaze swept across the people gathered below him before he spoke in an impassive voice, "The entire world knows that this Devil Master was born in the Eastern Divine Region. The fact that I now call the Northern Divine Region my home may be the will of the Devil Emperor, but it is also something the Eastern Divine Region drove me to. And even though I am forced to live in this land of darkness, I'm still viewed as a budding calamity that has to be rooted out."

Yun Che slowly raised his head to the sky. His eyes glimmered with black light and his devilish might caused everyone's heart to palpitate. "When this Devil Master was crowned, I made this devilish vow. I vowed that I, as the Devil Master of these lands, would no longer let the land I dwell in be bullied or oppressed by anybody!"

"This calamity also arose because of this Devil Master. So... this Devil Master will personally go to the Eastern Region's Eternal Heaven God Realm and extract our pound of flesh from them! I will make them pay back this debt a hundredfold! I will let them know that the Northern Divine Region ruled by this Devil Master is not a place that can be oppressed!"

Yun Che's words shocked everyone who was listening. Yama Emperor Yan Tianxiao swiftly spoke up. "How can we blame the Devil Master for this!? Your Magnificence, you are exalted above all devils, you bear the future of the Northern Region on your back! We can't let you throw yourself into danger!"

"This was not merely the destruction of three star realms. It was a shot across the bow! The Eastern Divine Region is taunting us, looking down on us, and trying to humiliate us! They've not only acted in

such a vicious and despicable manner, they have also... crossed our bottom line! Trampled on our pride!"

"Devil Master!" Yan Tianxiao suddenly dropped to his knees as he shouted, "Yama Realm King Yan Tianxiao has received the favor of the Devil Master and my dark powers are no longer reliant on these dark lands. I request that Your Magnificence allows this Tianxiao to mobilize the Yama Realm. We will charge out of the Northern Region and avenge both today's tragedies and yesterday's shame!!"

Just as Yan Tianxiao finished speaking, another person swiftly dropped to his knees. "Burning Moon's Fen Daoqi requests permission for the Moon Eaters to mobilize and do battle with the Eastern Divine Region! We are willing to use our bodies and the dark powers Your Magnificence has bestowed upon us to avenge the wrong that has been done to us today, to wash away the resentment of the past!"

Stepping out of the Northern Region, attacking the Eastern Region, avenging the grievances of the past... These fantastical words, words that seemed to come straight out of a dream, fiercely crashed into the hearts of every profound practitioner of the Northern Divine Region.

That was right, it was a dream... Because the only thing they had been able to do for the past million years was to cower in this dark cage as they were hemmed in on all sides by the other three divine regions.

One era had passed after the other, older generations gave way to new, but no one had ever stepped outside of this prison.

As their prison grew smaller and smaller, the Northern Region also grew increasingly pathetic and this so-called "escape" had become more and more of a dream.

But right now, these words had actually been uttered by two of their great king realms, they were actually reverberating through every corner of the Northern Divine Region.

"That's right!" Devil Queen Chi Wuyao said in a low voice. "In the past, our dark powers were limited because of this. But today, with the blessings of the Devil Master, we have obtained the qualifications to step out of this place! If the Eastern Divine Region chooses to behave in such a tyrannical manner, then how can we, the leaders of the Northern Region, tolerate this anymore!?"

"No! This is definitely not a matter that only concerns the king realms!" Imperial Heaven Realm King Tian Muyi raised his head. His voice was filled with emotion as it shook. "My father's generation, grandfather's generation, great-grandfather's generation... they were trapped in the Northern Divine Region for their entire lives. They weren't able to take even a single step out of it! We can elevate ourselves, exalt ourselves, all we want in these dark lands, but... in the eyes of the world, in the eyes of the three divine regions who trapped us in here, we are nothing more than a bunch of domesticated beasts!"

"One million years. ONE MILLION YEARS!" Tian Muyi's voice grew even more agitated. "And what's even more tragic than this is that countless numbers of our dark brethren have long since resigned themselves to their fates, long since grown numb to their circumstances. Let us not even speak of struggling against fate, because our last bit of pride and hot-bloodedness had been extinguished. We had truly been reduced to nothing more than animals!"

Tian Muyi's words shook everyone's soul, they cut straight to the heart.

"But... my Imperial Heaven Realm has had enough!" Darkness surged up from his palm, his transformed dark powers radiating a pure devilish might. "There is no need for us to tolerate this anymore!"

"The Eastern Divine Region trampled on us once more by destroying three of our star realms, but at the same time... this was also a warning given to us by the heavens! Guidance given to us from above!"

He pointed his palm to the sky as dark energy spread out from it. "The Imperial Heaven Realm seeks permission to step out of the Northern Region. With the darkness in my hand, I will avenge today's debt, and... take back the dignity that our Northern Divine Region has lost over these last million years!!"

Countless profound practitioners felt their bodies and souls hum with vibrant energy. This was especially true for the profound practitioners of the Imperial Heaven Realm. When they heard their realm king's shocking words, their first reaction was not shock and fear. Instead, they felt their blood start to boil as pure rage surged through their bodies.

"Well said!" Desolate Calamity Realm King Huo Tianxing yelled. Darkness flared from his body and his voice sounded even more strident and fierce than Mu Tianyi's. "We had no choice but to grit our teeth and bear these indignities in the past. But now that the Devil Master has blessed us with his exalted darkness, why do we have to endure this any longer!?"

"Let us do what our ancestors could not!"

"My Desolate Calamity Realm requests for permission to step out of the Northern Divine Region! Even if our bodies break, even if our bones shatter, even if our blood soaks the ground of the Eastern Divine Region, our efforts will not be in vain!"

"Your Magnificence!" Tian Guhu stood up. His body was as straight as an arrow and his eyes were like two cold pools of water. One hundred of the youngest Divine Sovereigns in the Northern Divine Region stood before him. He spoke in a proud voice, "We Northern Region Heavenly Sovereigns have been crowned with glory our entire lives, yet we have not made even a single notable contribution."

"For the last bit of glory and honor that remains to the Northern Divine Region, we Northern Region Heavenly Sovereigns seek permission to step out of the Northern Region! Furthermore, we are also willing to be the vanguard, the spearhead that is thrust first into the Eastern Divine Region. We will not regret the choice we make today, even if we die undertaking it!"

Tian Guhu's words shook all of the profound practitioners in the Northern Divine Region yet again... His words especially stirred the hearts and souls of the Northern Region's young profound practitioners.

Every single one of the Northern Region Heavenly Sovereigns were undoubtedly the creme de la creme of the Northern Divine Region's youth. Nearly all of them possessed the most exalted of statuses and the world could only admire, look up to, or envy them.

But today, these young profound practitioners, who were born into a life of luxury, whom the commoners thought lived like princes and princesses high above the clouds, were not only requesting permission to step out of the Northern Region, they were even requesting to be the vanguard of the expeditionary force. They had truly... placed the dignity of the Northern Divine Region above their own lives.

Once they heard Tian Guhu's words, any doubt and fear that still lingered in the hearts of the youngest Divine Sovereigns of the Northern Divine Region completely disappeared. A fierce determination and resoluteness that went beyond anything they had ever felt appeared in their hearts as the world gazed upon them.

This was the first time they had felt so proud to be the Northern Region's Heavenly Sovereigns.

In fact, even death did not seem so frightful at this moment.

Tian Guhu turned around. His penetrating gaze seemed to reach through the screen and stare into everyone's eyes and hearts. "Our Northern Divine Region has been oppressed for too long. They destroyed three star realms in a single night, they even swore to destroy the entire Northern Divine Region. This is no longer something that can be dismissed as "humiliation and bullying"! If we continue to tolerate this like the days of yore, everyone in our Northern Region... will become the laughingstocks of the world! We will no longer be able come back from this!"

"Men of the Northern Divine Region, could it be that you truly want to continue enduring this!? Could it be that you are perfectly happy to kneel down and let the Eastern Divine Region trample on us in such a wanton and cruel manner!?"

If one wanted to set hearts and minds aflame, or spread new ideas, young profound practitioners were the easiest to affect.

After a brief period of silence, the Northern Region finally started to erupt in sound and fury.

"He's right! The Eastern Divine Region has gone too far! How can we endure this any longer!?"

"Domesticated beasts... Hahahahaha! How ironic! Even if we obediently allowed ourselves to be 'reared', they still seek to trample all over us! If we can still endure their behavior any longer, even dogs and pigs would look down on us!"

"The noble realm kings are absolutely right. Right now we have a Devil Master who was given to us by the Devil Emperor. With the dark blessings of the Devil Master, our powers won't weaken even if we leave the Northern Divine Region! Now that we have the ability to fight back, we no longer need to suffer their humiliation."

"The Devil Master and the king realms are leading the charge and even the exalted Heavenly Sovereigns are spitting in the face of death, so what do we have left to fear!? Anyone who isn't a craven coward, stand up and be counted! Revenge! REVENGE!!"

"We need to make the Eastern Divine Region pay a price for trampling on us! How can we continue to let everyone ride roughshod over us!?"

"If we still don't fight back, our star realm may very well be the next to go!"

"I have already decided to follow the noble Heavenly Sovereigns and become part of the spear that thrusts into the Eastern Divine Region! My comrades, let us put our blood debts aside! As for all the gutless cowards among us, I will despise you now and forever!"

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The rage over the destruction of the three star realms started to boil over. The unbending determination of the king realms and star realms to break out of their cage, the will to never bow their heads to anyone ever again, ignited the hatred that the Northern Divine Region had been swallowing for countless years. The blood of darkness which had lain dormant for countless years was now churning in their veins.

Chapter 1713 - Dark Clouds

The voices within the Northern Divine Region intensified as multiple auras of darkness surged in fury and passion. Gradually space itself began to tremble, causing the dark clouds overhead to roil in the skies above.

Yun Che raised his head, watching the dark clouds that were shaken into roiling yet again. He lifted his hands as his devilish voice covered the world. "Since this Devil Master has already inherited both the power and will of a Devil Emperor, how could I possibly allow this dark land to be bullied and humiliated?"

"If we concede today, it will be the shame of multiple generations."

"A million years is enough. We will make the Eastern Divine Region pay this time! We will let them pay for the humiliation every one of us has suffered for one million years!"

Yun Che's words couldn't be disobeyed, but nobody wanted to disobey them anyway. His supreme devilish mandate deeply engraved itself into the souls of every Northern Region profound practitioner.

As the supreme Devil Master of the Northern Divine Region, what he had declared was the Northern Divine Region's official proclamation... This land of darkness that had been sealed and suppressed for one million years had at last taken its first real step against fate.

While the Northern Divine Region had been silent for those million years, the world thought that this was their fate. The denizens themselves had also become accustomed and resigned to it as well. Regardless of whether they were qualified to stage a resistance, the mere idea had long been whittled away by the sheer length of their extensive dark history.

Yet behind that silence was a backlog of pent-up feelings.

If hope and opportunity truly appeared before them, then it would only take a small spark to incite their fury and set their blood aflame.

When the smothered anger and hatred accumulated throughout every passing generation was finally introduced to the breaking of their shackles and the hope of reversing their fate, the eruption of battlelust triggered afterwards would be unimaginable.

This very day, this very moment, each word said by the Devil Master's world-encompassing devilish voice would be firmly engraved into the Northern Divine Region's history. As for the Northern Divine Region's countless dark profound practitioners, they had become both witnesses and participants to a part of that history.

The Northern Divine Region's widespread projections had disappeared but they left behind many with frenzied boiling blood who wished to fight right away, and that fervor lasted for a long time. They all charged into their sects, clans, and households... facing the possibility of going against fate, personal grudges and factional hostilities were no longer important. Even death had become something that could no longer induce fear.

If they were able to alter the Northern Divine Region's million year old fate with their blood as the sacrifice, there was no doubt that such glory would forever pass on to the later generations.

In the Soul Stealing Sacred Region, the various star realms had all quickly dispersed. The three king realms lead the upper star realms, causing the upper star realms to lead the middle star realms, and the middle star realms the lower.

Led by their own realm king's sect, all Northern Region profound practitioners who wished to participate in the battle to reverse their fate were gathering in a momentous fashion and shifting southward... The speed at which they mobilized was inconceivable.

They had not forgotten their huge advantage, however. Their escape route was solid!

If one was not a dark profound practitioner, they would not be able to enter the depths of the Northern Divine Region, nor could they stay for long. No matter the result of this war, they could retreat at any time... The family and children they wished to protect didn't have to worry about getting drawn into this grand war of fate reversal either.

Thus, those willing participants had no misgivings and were free of hesitation.

Every realm within the Northern Divine Region was swept up in a chaotic maelstrom of profound energy and the space above them faintly trembled. As their rage persisted, the rising eagerness to fight and their roused determination spread through every inch of the land. Instead of settling down, there was no end in sight to those thoughts as they escalated with each passing second.

One million years, it had been a whole one million years! The eternal darkness was finally descending upon the light so there was no reason to stay silent anymore.

"Of the forty thousand star realms in the God Realm, the Eastern Divine Region occupies nine thousand of them. Among these nine thousand star realms, there are close to five hundred upper star realms. Ignoring the king realms and the huge number of middle star realms, just those upper star realms alone would be a terrible force if they were to band together against a common enemy."

The Northern Divine Region shook as all of its star realms were swiftly gathering their forces. Inside the Soul Stealing Sacred Region, the Northern Divine Region's leaders were making their final arrangements.

"So our first move has to be quick. It's best to not give the Eastern Divine Region any time to react or even have the chance to detect the danger." Qianye Ying'er continued, "The three strongest upper star realms in the Eastern Region are Holy Eaves, Glazed Light, and Shrouding Sky."

"Especially the Holy Eaves Realm, it has the level nine Divine Master Luo Guxie, level eight Divine Master Luo Shangchen, level seven Divine Master Luo Changsheng, and its sect also has an extremely deep foundation. It is the greatest threat below the king realms."

"Additionally, the 'Three Millennia in Eternal Heaven' has directly given the Eastern Divine Region nineteen more Divine Masters and more than seven hundred Divine Sovereigns. Hmph! Those trash didn't bother to move at all during the crimson calamity incident but now they've actually become trouble for us."

"If we fight them outright, we obviously wouldn't be their match." There was not the slightest hint of worry on Chi Wuyao's charming face.

"Our first step isn't to destroy their forces, but to... destroy their faith."

"What would you do after?" Qianye Ying'er shot her a glance. "The same as before?"

"No." Chi Wuyao lightly smiled. "Just showing a Profound Imagery Stone projection is too slow and much too out of the way. A direct announcement is the simplest and most efficient method."

She stretched out a finger and looked at the dim light above her fingertips as her beautiful eyes bent into crescents. "The human heart is a thing that is easy to manipulate and sway as long as they 'see it with their own eyes'... am I right?"

The darkness in the Northern Divine Region surged and if the distant star regions were to look over, they would see numerous streaks of dark shadows moving toward what was originally the most empty space, toward the southern realm closest to the other three divine regions.

Due to the dark barrier and the information lockdown, the Northern Divine Region still seemed as tranquil as before, off the radar.

In the Snow Song Realm, the Eastern Divine Region's northern realm closest to the Northern Divine Region.

After the profound beast riot in the south concluded with the Azure Snow Ice Qilin fearfully taking the initiative to swear an oath of allegiance, the previously restless profound beasts had also soon become especially well-behaved, no longer daring to show the tiniest hint of unruliness.

It seemed like they too had also been frightened off by something.

These days, Mu Bingyun would frequently visit the Heavenly Netherfrost Lake and talk to her sister about recent events. When she was about to leave, she suddenly heard an incredibly muffled explosion.

She turned her head toward its source and her icy pupils slightly contracted.

It was unknown when it happened, but the northern skies had become a field of dusk.

This darkness also continued to spread, as if it wanted to swallow the entire firmament, and was also accompanied by a stifling dark pressure.

A large number of profound practitioners in many of Eastern Divine Region's northernmost star realms were looking northward. The horrifying sight they were seeing in the distant north was a terrifying devilish might.

"What... is that!?"

"Could it be the darkness mist released by the Northern Divine Region?"

"Wait! That's... a projection!?"

A dim star region slowly emerged inside the dark mist pervading the north. Within that star realm were innumerable flying fragments of a star realm which neatly described that it had recently been destroyed.

"Eastern Divine Region, Eternal Heaven Realm!" A deep, gloomy, and angry voice enveloped the north. This was the voice of Yama Emperor Yan Tianxiao projected by his unparalleled god emperor might which instantly pierced through millions of miles. "As a king realm of the Eastern Region, you've actually used the power of the Great Void Cauldron to destroy three innocent star realms in my North Region due to a personal grudge!"

"This crime is unforgivable!"

The Eastern Region profound practitioners gazing at the dark northern sky had all been struck dumb. At this time, the projection changed and the Great Void Cauldron was seen in the dark star region... There was a brief period of dead silence until the profound practitioners woke up from their reverie and took out their various Profound Imagery Stones to record the voice and projection that came from the northern devil region.

"My Northern Region has always been willing to stay within the darkness since time immemorial but do you all really think that you can bully us however you like?!"

The projection changed yet again. This time, it displayed the father and son duo that had stepped into the Northern Divine Region. However, when this scene flashed by, it did not reveal the reason why Zhou Xuzi brought Zhou Qingchen there.

Even so, just the fact that the Eternal Heaven God Emperor had appeared in the Northern Divine Region was enough to cause a huge commotion.

When the scene changed once more, what materialized was the fleeing Eternal Heaven God Emperor and Honorable Tai Yu, as well as the poisonous pledge said by the Eternal Heaven God Emperor to gather Eternal Heaven, and even the entire God Realm to destroy the Northern Divine Region.

Each word spouted by that malicious voice overflowed with hatred, making its listeners doubt that it had actually come from the Eternal Heaven God Emperor... In the eyes of the world, he was the most gentle and refined god emperor who was as impartial as a saint.

"Eternal Heaven God Emperor Zhou Xuzi, on behalf of my Devil Master, in the name of the Northern Region, I order you to kill yourself within seven days time to atone for your sins to our Northern Divine Region! Otherwise, with the rage instilled in our Northern Divine Region, we will make your Eternal Heaven Realm... make the entire Eastern Divine Region pay ten thousand-fold!"

When Yan Tianxiao's voice fell, the darkness and devilish might in the northern skies also quickly withdrew.

However, the voice and images that had been displayed earlier had left an imprint on countless profound practitioners, shaking their minds for a long time.

As the star realms closest to the Northern Divine Region, they would frequently encounter a few devil people escaping the Northern Divine Region for various types of reasons. They would always kill them on sight and feel proud for doing so.

In many star realms, the number of devil people one killed was a great feat that one could boast about for a lifetime.

But this was the first time they had seen such a vast devil projection from the Northern Divine Region!

It told them frightening news that shocked them so hard that they almost trembled from head to toe.

Right, huge news.

A threat from the Northern Divine Region?

What sort of a threat could the Northern Divine Region be? It would at the very least be devil people coming out to give them more padding on their achievements.

This news that had been personally seen and heard by the Eastern Region's northern realms exploded like thunder as it rapidly made its way throughout the other realms in the Eastern Region... and had even spread to the Western and Southern Divine Regions as well.

An enormous ripple fanned out everywhere it traveled.

This combined with the previous unbelievable rumor made way for countless growing speculations, heating the entire Eastern Divine Region.

"Turns out that the Eternal Heaven God Emperor really did go to the Northern Divine Region and he really did bring the Eternal Heaven Crown Prince there too.... The rumors back then were all true!"

"Wind does not blow from an empty cave without reason! And those rumors originated from the north so I always knew that they couldn't be false!"

"Does this mean that the Eternal Heaven Crown Prince really did die in the Northern Divine Region?"

"The Eternal Heaven Crown Prince dying from a cultivation backlash? Barely anyone believed such a laughable rumor when it came out! The rumors from before were all true!"

"The huge white cauldron on that projection is indeed the Eternal Heaven God Realm's Great Void Cauldron! The Eternal Heaven Crown Prince must have died in the Northern Divine Region. It's why the Eternal Heaven God Realm used the Great Void Cauldron's spatial divine powers to consecutively destroy three of the Northern Region's dark star realms in a moment of anger!"

"Why the Eternal Heaven God Emperor entered the Northern Divine Region isn't important. The Eternal Heaven God Realm has always hated those jealous devils so it absolutely cannot be because of personal greed or being in cahoots with those devils. One cannot live under the same sky as someone who killed their child and Zhou Qingchen was the only son of the Eternal Heaven God Emperor's first wife. No matter how refined and mild the Eternal Heaven God Emperor's personality is, it's impossible for him to forget this debt. His action was within reason."

"The Northern Divine Region actually has three innocent star realms? Hahahaha, what a farce! Those devils that should've long been destroyed actually have the cheek to call themselves 'innocent'? If not for the Northern Divine Region's dark yin energy barrier, they would've long since gone extinct!"

"It was destroyed well! As expected of the Eternal Heaven God Realm. Even the Northern Region's yin energy cannot stop the fury of our Eastern Region's king realm!"

"They actually want the Eternal Heaven God Emperor to commit suicide to atone for his sins? Hahahaha... this is the funniest joke I've ever heard in my entire life, hahahahahaha!"

"Hiss... the Eternal Heaven God Emperor's roar was filled with so much hatred. It looks like the Eternal Heaven God Realm picking a new crown prince so soon really is like what the rumors have been saying, they're making preparations to attack the Northern Divine Region."

"That group of lowly devil people would immediately be half crippled the moment they come out of the Northern Divine Region. It's fine if they obediently hide in their nest but they have the nerve to hoot at the Eternal Heaven God Realm, our Eastern Divine Region?!"

"What else could they do? After all, the only thing they can do after being locked in their pathetic cage for an eternity is bark furiously."

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Not long after, the rumors of the Eternal Heaven God Emperor using the Great Void Cauldron to enter the Northern Region, destroying three star realms in a fit of rage, and swearing to destroy the Northern Divine Region due to Eternal Heaven Crown Prince Zhou Qingchen truly having died in the Northern Divine Region rapidly spread to every realm within the Eastern Divine Region.

Moreover, this was not just a rumor. There were numerous imprints of this projection as proof. Whether it was the Great Void Cauldron, the Eternal Heaven father and son duo, the destruction of the Northern Divine Region's star realms, or the Eternal Heaven God Emperor's hate-filled words... all of that was clear to see.

No one felt the slightest bit of doubt for those rumors.

There was amazement, shock, and even excitement, cheers, and countless speculations but no one paid any heed to the anger and threat contained in that devilish voice which covered the sky.

Having been suppressed for a million years thus far and slowly decaying to the point where even the weakest profound practitioners of the three Divine Regions pitied them, how could the Northern Divine Region's threat that sounded like a dog barking from its cage... deserve to be called a threat?

When this explosive news broke out, all of the Eastern Divine Region's various realms were in heated discussion, completely oblivious to the shadow of darkness that was already closing in on them.

Chapter 1714 - Baiting a Dragon

Eastern Divine Region, Eternal Heaven God Realm.

Zhou Xuzi and Honorable Tai Yu were sitting across from one another.

Zhou Xuzi's eyes were closed and his expression was calm. But Honorable Tai Yu's face was dark, and simmering anger could be seen in his eyes.

"What exactly is the Northern Divine Region trying to do!?" Honorable Tai Yu said in a somber voice. "The Great Void Cauldron had fallen in Yun Che's hands back in the God Realm of Absolute Beginning! It is very likely that they destroyed those three star realms themselves before framing our Eternal Heaven!"

"So they mean to..." Zhou Xuzi spoke in a low voice. He was calculating the various possibilities.

They wanted to use the Great Void Cauldron to frame the Eternal Heaven God Realm, and they were even willing to destroy three of their own star realms to accomplish it. Was it to destroy the Eternal Heaven's reputation?

If this had happened in the Western or Southern Divine Region, it would certainly be the case. If they were "discovered" to have destroyed a vast star realm because of their own personal grudges, it would definitely arouse the anger of the God Realm against them and harm the Eternal Heaven's prestige and reputation.

But it had happened in the Northern Divine Region! Even if the Eternal Heaven God Realm had acted a thousand times more viciously, it still would not be seen as a crime. On the contrary, it would be seen as a shining achievement that would be admired through the ages.

"Ai." Zhou Xuzi let out a soft sigh. His old eyes stretched open as he said slowly, "I was as cautious and prudent as I could be while preparing for that trip into the Northern Region. However, I never imagined that I not only fell into the foul trap of Yun Che and the Devil Queen, but our entire exchange was also being recorded in secret. It looks like I've become more useless with age."

No matter how high the grade of a Profound Imagery Stone, it would still send out profound energy vibrations while it was recording images.

The stronger a person was, the easier it was to conceal these profound energy vibrations. But Zhou Xuzi was not just any old person.

This was the first time his image had ever been recorded without him noticing it.

At this point in time, a person from the Northern Divine Region flashed into his mind... It was a Witch from the Soul Stealing Realm, the one whose ability to hide and disguise herself was said to be transcendent.

Seventh Witch Hua Jin!

It was rumored that no one would be able to detect her existence once she hid herself in the darkness. In fact, her ability to conceal herself was so strong that it could be compared to any of the Heavenly Slaughter Star Gods who had reached the peak of their powers.

Honorable Tai Yu replied, "We were in the Northern Divine Region after all. The darkness energy that pervades that region will interfere with our spiritual senses, and they definitely came fully prepared. It isn't strange that my lord did not detect it."

"I'm worried... that they may have recorded far more than this." The Eternal Heaven God Emperor's expression grew solemn. "Qingchen has already passed on, but the thing I'm most afraid of is that his transformation into a devil will be revealed to the world."

"My lord, rumors are flying wildly in the Eastern Divine Region right now. How should we deal with them?" Tai Yu asked.

Zhou Xuzi shook his head. "There's no need to pay any attention to them."

Because there was no use trying to explain themselves. In fact, there was no way they could even prove their innocence. It was a fact that he had brought Zhou Qingchen into the Northern Divine Region, that he had made a furious vow when he left. It was also undeniable that the Great Void Cauldron had been involved in this incident. It was extremely hard to deny their involvement... because no one would believe that the Eternal Heaven God Realm's Great Void Cauldron would actually fall into Yun Che's hands.

He slowly got to his feet, his broad white robes suddenly flaring up. His god emperor might suddenly erupted from his body as he stood in the center of this sacred hall. "On the contrary, I am actually extremely anxious to find out what they are trying to do right now!"

"If... Yun Che is going to force a meeting by threatening us with compromising images of Qingchen, it could not go any better!"

No one in the Eastern Divine Region had even considered the possibility of the Northern Divine Region crossing the border to attack them so the god emperors, who had the best understanding of the state and overall strength of the Northern Divine Region, would never think of it either.

While they were helpless to deal with the devils when they were holed up in the Northern Region, they would simply be digging their own graves if they tried to force their way out of those dark lands.

Because of this, even when they were faced with these meticulously constructed false charges, false charges they could not poke a hole in, the Eternal Heaven God Realm's reaction was exceptionally calm and composed. In fact, they even found these trumped up charges rather ridiculous.

However, no one in the Eternal Heaven God Realm, including Zhou Xuzi himself would imagine that this pile of shit that had been dumped on their heads would plunge their realm into a terrible nightmare in the near future.

Western Divine Region, Dragon God Realm.

The Dragon God Realm was incredibly vast. It was not only the strongest king realm in existence, but also the largest star realm in the entire God Realm.

Every year, countless profound practitioners would make a pilgrimage to this place.

The aura in the Dragon God Realm was exceptionally primal and dense, it was somewhat similar to the aura of the God Realm of Absolute Beginning. In the heart of the Dragon God Realm, the holy land known as the "Dragon God Region", the aura was at its thickest.

Countless profound practitioners would come from very distant lands to visit the Dragon God Realm and peer at the vast Dragon God Region from a distance. It was not that they did not want to approach this holy land, but that the might coming from the Dragon God Region was simply far too dreadful.

They did not even dare come within five hundred kilometers of these sacred grounds.

The dreadful might that belonged solely to the Dragon God Region was known as draconic aura.

The Nine Dragon Gods, forty-three Dragon Sovereigns, three hundred and eight Master Dragons dwelled there along with the supreme and unmatched Dragon Monarch.

This was the Dragon God Realm... The most exalted existence in the four divine regions, in the entire Primal Chaos Dimension.

A realm that was unrivaled, an existence that could not be shaken.

The most important reason for the strength of the king realms was the indestructible legacy of divine power that they passed down through the generations.

But the Dragon God Realm was not the same.

They relied solely on the strength passed down from one's bloodline!

They possessed their draconic bodies which stood at the peak of creation. They had extremely long lifespans, and a trace amount of divine blood that they had inherited from the primordial dragon gods still flowed in their veins. Thus, even though they did not possess an indestructible inheritance of divine power, the dragons were still a supreme race that could crush all the other races, all the other king realms.

The dragon stood supreme among all living creatures, this was a fact undisputed since time immemorial.

The draconic aura in the center of the Dragon God Region was so dense and thick that it could easily shatter the mind of any other living creature. If a person did not possess a sufficiently strong cultivation or spirit, they would not even be able to crawl through this place, much less walk.

At this moment, a large, tall man descended from the sky and slowly began to make his way to the great hall in front of him.

He was over two meters tall and he had a head of long bluish-gray hair. Dull gray scales covered his arms and a vast world seemed to be hidden within the depths of his twilight blue eyes.

When his feet touched the ground, the draconic aura in the surrounding area lost all of its potency. The Dragon Guards that were standing nearby immediately fell to their knees and said, "We greet the Dragon God."

The blue-haired man did not utter a single word. He merely continued to stroll forward at a leisurely pace. Long after he left, the Dragon Guards remained on their knees, hearts trembling with respect and fear.

The Azure Dragon God, one of the Dragon God Realm's Nine Dragon Gods. They were transcendent existences second only to the Dragon Monarch himself, individuals who were strong enough to treat the god emperors as equals.

When he stepped into the great hall, the space in front of him blurred and a man whose back was toward him appeared.

In this Dragon God Region that was overflowing with matchless draconic aura, the man in front of him radiated no aura at all. He had black hair and wore white robes. Regardless of being eight feet tall, he looked like a human.

The Azure Dragon God fell to his knees. He did not speak, but his twilight blue dragon eyes were filled with reverence.

"Azure, you've arrived."

The man slowly turned around. His face was extraordinarily handsome but it also instilled fear in the hearts of anyone who gazed upon it. This was especially true when it came to this man's eyes. They resembled two blazing suns set in a clear blue sky as they glowed with a divine light that seemed to have seen all the vicissitudes of life.

The Dragon Monarch!

The Azure Dragon God rose to his feet and said, "I heard something interesting while I was on my way back."

"Is it concerning the Eastern Region's Eternal Heaven God Realm?" Long Bai calmly asked.

"That's right. As expected, my lord Dragon Monarch already knows about it," the Azure Dragon God said. "I am a little surprised though. Given the way the Eternal Heaven God Realm conducts itself, I find it rather ridiculous that they actually did such a dark thing in secret. And they were even caught red-handed too."

"But I'm actually more curious about one thing. Why would the Eternal Heaven God Emperor, someone who abhors the darkness, secretly venture into the Northern Divine Region with his son. Could it be that the rumors were true and that his son was truly transformed into a devil a few years ago?"

The Dragon Monarch glanced at him before speaking. "You didn't cut your expedition in the God Realm of Absolute Beginning short and rush back home just because of trivial things that don't concern our realm, correct?"

The divine light in the Azure Dragon God's eyes dimmed. His voice grew much softer as he said, "I discovered the Dragon Queen's aura in the God Realm of Absolute Beginning."

"What did you say!?" Those four words thundered out of the Dragon Monarch's mouth. In that instant, the draconic aura in the area went berserk and the Azure Dragon God's hair flew in the air. Energy waves rippled out, causing the vision of the Dragon Guards, who were stationed far away from the great hall, to go blurry. Their bodies violently swayed as they very nearly fell unconscious.

"..." the Azure Dragon God's long hair slowly fell to his shoulders and a deep frown had appeared on his face. He was shocked and puzzled at the intensity of the Dragon Monarch's reaction.

The Dragon Monarch lost his composure for only that moment. In the next instant, his aura went back to normal and he calmly spoke, "That's impossible. My Dragon Queen has been secluding herself within the Forbidden Land of Samsara for the past few years, and she needs to remain in seclusion for at least a thousand years... Perhaps even ten thousand years. How could her aura appear in the God Realm of Absolute Beginning?"

Even though the violent change in his mood and the berserk draconic aura had only lasted for a single instant, it was enough to shake the Azure Dragon God for a long while.

He was the Dragon Monarch!

The Azure Dragon God had known the Dragon Monarch for more than two hundred thousand years but this was the first time he had ever seen him behave in such a manner... and all because he had told him that he had discovered the Dragon Queen's aura in the God Realm of Absolute Beginning.

The Azure Dragon God did not waste time speaking. Instead, he slowly stretched out his arm. A tiny isolation barrier could be seen floating above his palm.

The barrier broke and a clump of grayish-white dirt appeared on top of his palm. Anyone who had been the God Realm of Absolute Beginning would be able to easily tell that this was ancient dirt from that place. Every grain of sand vibrated with its unique primordial aura.

However, there were a few traces of light profound energy... that was clearly mixed in with this primordial aura!

Long Bai's dragon eyes began to slowly focus... He had recognized it with a single glance, in the very first instant it had appeared. This was the light profound aura that belonged to Shen Xi!

He would never ever forget this. He would not be able to forget it even in death.

This was the first time... he had sensed Shen Xi's aura in a few years, what felt to him like the longest years of his life.

As the Azure Dragon God stared at him in increasing astonishment and shock, Long Bai slowly raised a hand. Every single one of his fingers trembled as his hand slowly crept toward the ancient dirt which radiated Shen Xi's aura.

However, he suddenly came back to his senses and retracted his palm with lightning speed. He folded his hands behind his back once more and his usual calm and composed expression returned to his face.

He turned around and spoke in an incredibly composed manner, "Azure, where did you find this?"

The Azure Dragon God suppressed the shock that was reverberating in his soul. He replied calmly, "I discovered this in the southern part of the God Realm of Absolute Beginning. Within a part of the Ancient Forest Ruins, the Endless Petrified Forest."

"...Did anyone else find this?"

"No." There was no uncertainty or hesitation in the Azure Dragon God. "The Ancient Forest Ruins is a place that only extraordinary people can reach in the first place. Furthermore, this trace of light

profound aura that belongs to the Dragon Queen wouldn't be recognized by anyone else but my lord Dragon Monarch and the other Dragon Gods."

After a long period of heavy silence, the Dragon Monarch finally spoke in a deep and solemn voice. "You are not to reveal this matter to anyone else... Even you must wipe your memory of it."

"Yes," the Azure Dragon God replied, "this Azure has already completely forgotten about it."

The shock in his heart was now dozens of times greater than it had been before.

"Convey this order for me," the Dragon Monarch continued. "I need to go into seclusion for a few months... or maybe even a few years. Before I choose to come out of seclusion, no one is to disturb me, no matter how momentous the matter."

Only the reappearance of a heresy that existed beyond this era, beyond this universe, like the Heaven Smiting Devil Emperor, could be counted as a 'momentous event' to the Dragon God Realm. Nothing else even came close, because the Dragon God Realm itself was the sky in this universe, and the Dragon Monarch was the heaven that existed above it.

"Yes, this Azure will relay your command."

The Azure Dragon God gave a deep bow before resealing the ancient dirt within a barrier. He placed it before the Dragon Monarch before turning around to leave... He did not utter a single question throughout the entire process.

Once he left the great hall, the Azure Dragon God's eyebrows deeply knit together.

He knew that the Dragon Monarch had lied about going into seclusion. In fact, it was extremely likely that he was about to delve deep into the God Realm of Absolute Beginning.

The isolation barrier that the Dragon Monarch had personally erected outside the Forbidden Land of Samsara suddenly flashed through his mind... but he did not dare to continue speculating any further.

Chapter 1715 - Devilish Blades

Southern Divine Region, Southern Sea God Realm.

The Southern Sea God Emperor was the number one god emperor in the Southern Divine Region. But he was also "number one" at something else, something rather unique.

He was the god emperor who had the most imperial harem palaces.

His imperial harem palaces numbered in the thousands in just the Southern Sea God Realm alone, and they were dotted all over the various regions of the realm.

These imperial harem palaces had been built solely for his pleasure.

The Southern Sea western region, in front of the great hall of one of the Southern Sea God Emperor's imperial harem palaces.

An elegant and beautiful lady dressed in luxurious robes walked toward the great hall with soft steps. She stopped right in front of the hall and bowed her body forward as she waited in respectful silence.

The sounds of many bodies moving rang in her ears, sounds that were punctuated by the Southern Sea God Emperor's wild laughter.

The woman did not flinch when she heard those sounds, she had long since grown used to them.

It was a commonly-known fact in the God Realm that the Southern Sea God Emperor considered sex to be as important as his life. Moreover, he himself had never sought to conceal his lust. He even seemed to take pride in it.

The woman waited for a very long time before the great doors of the imperial harem palace were violently flung open. Nan Wansheng swaggered out of the hall. His golden robes hung loosely around his shoulders and his chest was completely exposed. His youthful face was so stunningly handsome that it could dazzle any woman.

"What's the matter?" His eyes slanted as he stopped in front of the beautiful lady. It seemed as if he was very cross that she had disturbed his fun, but he also knew that no one would dare to come to look for him here if the matter was not important.

The beautiful lady gave a bow as she lifted up both hands. "My king, this concubine suddenly received this message about an hour ago and I was told that my king must be the one to personally open it."

"This concubine feared that something momentous had happened so I did not dare tarry. This concubine deserves to die for disturbing my king's pleasure. I beg my king's forgiveness."

A very small soul crystal lay in her spread palms and it was emitting a dull white light.

She was at the peak of the Divine Sovereign Realm, but she could not sense the item that lay in her hands. Furthermore, the level of power radiating from this soul crystal was so high that it caused her heart to skip a beat.

As a result, she truly did not dare to wait to present it to him.

Nan Wansheng picked up the soul crystal, his already long and narrow eyes slowly turning to slits.

This soul crystal could only be read once, so it was not possible for anyone else to even peek into it. Furthermore, a person needed to at least have the cultivation of a level eight Divine Master to safely wipe away the power contained within this crystal.

Nan Wansheng did not immediately read the contents of the soul crystal. Instead, he stared at the beautiful lady through slitted eyes before letting out a deep chuckle. "You really do deserve death. Because you've currently only been able to find a bunch of repulsive hags to service this king."

The beautiful lady's head drooped as her entire body started to tremble. "This concu... This concubine has sinned. However, these were the most beautiful women I could find in the hundreds of realms that surround us, so this concubine is truly..."

"Heh." Nan Wansheng let out a cold laugh. He crooked a finger under the beautiful lady's chin as he slowly raised her head to meet his gaze. He stared straight into her eyes, eyes filled with a fear that she sought desperately to smother, as he spoke in a slow and languid voice. "Sigh, what a good-looking face. But too bad, once you compare it to Ying'er, it simply looks far too ugly."

"..." The beautiful lady bit down on her lower lip as she said, "The only person whose beauty can compare to the Brahma Monarch Goddess is the Dragon Queen herself. This concubine... is truly far too useless."

"Then are you bringing these ugly women to this king every day to feed me shit!?"

The beautiful lady did not dare to explain herself any further. She replied in a voice filled with shame, "This concubine is simply too useless."

He would have regarded these women as first-class beauties in the past, women fit to enter his harem.

But ever since he had laid eyes on the Brahma Monarch Goddess, he couldn't find a single acceptable-looking woman among the countless women that surrounded him.

This was amplified by the fact that he had pursued Qianye Ying'er for years, and had practically bent over backwards to fulfill her every request, but had yet to be given an opportunity to even spend some time with her. His heart yearned for her, it was a maddening itch he couldn't scratch, yet it just inflamed his passion for her more. He was even becoming more and more violent and ill-tempered toward the women who served him, women whom he used to treat with tender loving care.

"Since you already know that you're incompetent, are you actually waiting for me to kick you out!?"

Nan Wansheng tapped the air with a finger, as he roughly shoved the beautiful lady a very far distance away. "If you bring such trash to me next time, you can leave forever."

Sorrow flashed across the beautiful lady's face. She gave him a deep bow before she swiftly left.

Nan Wangsheng held up the soul crystal and gave it a light squeeze.

The message contained within the soul crystal instantly appeared inside his soul sea. His eyes slowly started to widen as a strange light began to burn in the depths of Nan Wansheng's eyes with incredible intensity.

"Heh heh heh, to think that they actually want to use this king to block a spear heading their way."

His lips curled up with dark glee. "However, this king will definitely let them use me."

"After all, who can resist the allure of 'eternal life'.... Hahahahaha!"

Seven days were really too short.

Before the red-hot gossip regarding the Eternal Heaven God Realm's huge news had even begun to die down and outrageous ideas were still percolating in the heads of countless Eastern Divine Region profound practitioners, the deadline for the "Eternal Heaven God Emperor to commit suicide to atone for his sins" had already passed.

But no one paid any mind to it.

A rabid dog would strike fear into anyone's heart but no one would truly pay any attention to one in a cage, no matter how fierce it looked, no matter how loudly it barked... Besides, this was a dog that had been trapped in its cage for one million years.

No one knew that a sea of pitch-black shadows was slowly creeping towards the southern border like dark clouds gathering to blot out the sun.

The skies above the Northern Divine Region were getting darker and darker with each passing day.

In a low level and resource-starved lower star realm on the Northern Divine Region's southern border.

When the Devil Master and Devil Queen personally visited his realm, the realm king of this small star realm could not even breathe without trembling.

Yun Che, Chi Wuyao, and Qianye Ying'er hovered high in the clouds as they stared southward.

Their gazes pierced the black clouds and stared into the Eastern Divine Region.

Seven days had passed.

A black mass thronged below them. In fact, they were completely surrounded by this black horde.

The number of dark profound practitioners who had been willing to step out of the Northern Divine Region and stake their lives on its revival had far exceeded Yun Che's expectations... No, it had far exceeded all of their expectations.

No matter how dreadful Yun Che's devilish might was, he had only been crowned emperor a year ago, so it was unbelievable that he could rally so many people by his words alone.

However, the hatred and battlelust of the Northern Divine Region, who had been oppressed for a million years, were undoubtedly the easiest to stoke among the four divine regions.

This was the only other "advantage" that the Northern Divine Region possessed in addition to their escape route.

"The day has finally come," Chi Wuyao said in a soft voice as she stared into the distance.

No matter what the outcome, no matter what the future held, this would definitely be a day that would go down in the history of the Northern Divine Region, of the entire God Realm itself.

If they succeeded, they would not only change the fate of the Northern Divine Region, the destiny and structure of the entire God Realm would be flipped on its head.

All of this had occured because of Yun Che. Without him, even if the size and the strength of the Northern Divine Region was multiplied several fold, they would still never be able to take this step.

However, his goal had never been the wellbeing of the Northern Divine Region, it had always been about achieving his own petty vengeance... On the contrary, everything in the Northern Divine Region had been nothing more than a tool to him.

At this time, Tian Guhu swiftly flew toward the trio. He stopped in front of Yun Che before saying, "Your Magnificence, the time has arrived."

When he finished speaking, he raised his head to look at Yun Che. A battlelust that was practically bursting out at the seams simmered beneath his calm exterior.

"Have you made your preparations?" Yun Che said in a low voice as he stared at Tian Guhu.

"Your Magnificence." Tian Guhu's eyes were as deep as an abyss and his words were steely and resolute. "Tian Guhu has been preparing for this moment for his entire life."

"Good." Yun Che gave a slow nod of his head. His body blurred and he instantly appeared at the head of the dark devilish horde.

"Let's be off." Those three calmly-spoken words were the order that the Devil Master gave to begin the Northern Divine Region's war of vengeance and rebellion against their fates. "Use your rage, hatred, and desire to paint those filthy and wretched lands with darkness and fresh blood.

"This period of hibernation, that has lasted for a million years, is finally over. Now it is time for you to open up a new chapter in our dark history!"

Rumble!!

Earth-shaking shouts filled the air like crashing peals of thunder as an immeasurable amount of dark profound energy was released into the air all at once. Blood and battelust churned in the veins of this dark horde as the Northern Divine Region began the first act of their vengeance.

"Men who have been holed up in the darkness!" Tian Guhu roared in an impassioned voice as he stood at the forefront of this dark horde. "Every single one of you make up the vanguard which will be the first to break out of this wretched prison!"

"For the glory of our descendants, in order to avenge the humiliation of our ancestors, become the sharp sword of vengeance! ON...WAAAARDS!!"

The darkness, which had lain dormant for a long period of time, finally erupted. In the distant horizon, ten pitch-black devilish shadows transformed into dark blades which bled boundless malice as they tore through the borders of the Northern Divine Region. These shadows were led by one hundred Northern Region Heavenly Sovereigns and the rest of the shadows were formed by ten million dark profound practitioners. They had broken free of the cage they had never dared to step out of, and they rushed toward the nearby Eastern Divine Region with violent intensity.

The usual calm reigned over the Eastern Divine Region so this tidal wave of darkness sprang upon them with nightmarish suddenness. It had caught them with their pants down... even though Yan Tianxiao had given them ample warning seven days ago.

Chi Wuyao and Qianye Ying'er were hovering in the clouds far above the border of the Northern Divine Region as they bore witness to the first step the Northern Divine Region took out of its cage.

Even though this was only a very small step.

"We have ten divisions and each division is made up of one million dark profound practitioners and led by ten Heavenly Sovereigns. They have each been assigned to conquer one star realm," Qianye Ying'er muttered under her breath. "Why don't we use the Heavenly Sovereigns to conquer the heart of these star realms first before we send our devil troops after them to hold and pacify the territory? If we do it in this current manner, we will definitely suffer heavy losses."

Chi Wuyao gave a soft and dry chuckle. She said, "The easier it is to agitate an emotion, the easier it is for it to die down. So what do you think will continue to fuel the rage and the lust for battle that currently burns in the hearts of the Northern Divine Region's profound practitioners?"

Qianye Ying'er, "..."

"Sacrifice and death," Chi Wuyao said those cruel words with a small alluring smile.

"Heh, I got it." Qianye Ying'er laughed coldly as well. "You truly are worthy of being Yun Che's former 'master', a senior who easily gains the respect of others."

"Senior? His master was Mu Xuanyin. I happen to be his empress. As for you..." Chi Wuyao calmly turned her bewitching eyes toward her as she spoke in a languid voice, "You need to call me Big Sister. Don't get it wrong again, okay?"

"Hmph!" Qianye Ying'er's nostrils flared slightly as she gave a soft snort.

Devilish eyes that rippled with bewitching allure turned towards the south. Chi Wuyao stared at those ten devilish blades of darkness which were streaking toward the Eastern Divine Region as she muttered, "How will the Eternal Heaven God Realm respond? This queen really can't wait to see it. Speaking of which..."

"Have you thought of any other dangerous variables that might put our plan at risk?"

Qianye Ying'er had told Chi Wuyao that there were two major variables that might endanger them on this first stage of battle.

The first was the Eternal Heaven Pearl. As one of the Heavenly Profound Treasures, there was no one else besides the Eternal Heaven God Realm that knew its true power or all of its secrets.

The unknown was always the most dangerous obstacle.

This was especially important since the Brahma Monarch God Realm had always suspected that the founding ancestor of the Eternal Heaven God Realm had never truly "died".

The second was Moon God Emperor Xia Qingyue.

She was the only woman who had ever left a dark and heavy shadow on Qianye Ying'er's heart.

It was her incredibly frightening instincts and cunning which gave Qianye Ying'er pause, which unsettled her heart... The other thing that worried Qianye Ying'er was her understanding of Yun Che.

After all, they had known each other since they were sixteen years old. She had once been the person that Yun Che was closest to, that he trusted the most... In fact, she had even been a person that he used to rely on.

"I haven't," Qianye Ying'er said. "We need to be careful of the Eternal Heaven Pearl and Xia Qingyue. As for the rest...."

Cold light flashed through her brain as a thought suddenly occurred to Qianye Ying'er, causing her to frown. But after that, she shuddered as her body went cold.

"What's wrong?" Qianye Ying'er's sudden change caused Chi Wuyao's crescent brows to arch.

"I actually... forgot about one terribly dreadful variable," Qianye Ying'er muttered as she stared into the distance.

Chi Wuyao turned around, her expression turning incredibly serious as she asked, "What is it?"

Chapter 1716 - Invasion of Darkness

Qianye Ying'er did not reply immediately. Instead, she spoke in a low tone, "You weren't there when we sent the Heavenly Smiting Devil Emperor off at the border of the Primal Chaos so you probably don't know who truly forced the darkness out of Yun Che and pushed him into such desperate straits."

Chi Wuyao, "..."

"It was the Dragon Monarch." Qianye Ying'er's gaze turned gloomy as she continued on, "Zhou Xuzi had blasted the Evil Infant out of the Primal Chaos right before the crimson rift was sealed. Yun Che was furious with Zhou Xuzi, but the Southern Sea God Emperor and Qianye Fantian opposed him."

"Even so, that alone would not have driven Yun Che to desperation. After all, Yun Che had just saved the universe and everyone owed him their lives. The exalted and esteemed Dragon Monarch had also always held Yun Che in high regards and he had even wanted to take him as his foster son back when they first met. It was also the Dragon God Realm who took Yun Che in and saved him when he was under my Brahma Soul Death-Wishing Mark."

"All he had to do was stand up and speak for Yun Che, and everything would have been resolved."

"However, not only did the Dragon Monarch not speak up for Yun Che, he reproached him instead. He pressured everyone who was present at the time and he pressed Yun Che in a manner that was even more merciless than the Southern Sea God Emperor and Qianye Fantian."

"Since the Dragon Monarch, their leader and the number one god emperor of the three divine regions, had chosen to stand against Yun Che, the rest of the god emperors and realm kings had no choice but to take his side. In his fury, Yun Che touched the Eternal Calamity imprint left to him by the Heaven Smiting Devil Emperor. Devilish energy gushed from his body, which immediately gave everyone a proper reason to kill him, forcing him into dire straits."

Qianye Ying'er's golden brows froze, "I was very puzzled by the Dragon Monarch's change in attitude toward Yun Che and it remained a mystery to me for the longest time. I believe that everyone who knew of the Dragon Monarch's admiration for Yun Che would also be puzzled by his behavior back then."

"..." Chi Wuyao frowned deeply but she remained silent.

She truly had not been present when Yun Che's darkness had been exposed at the border of the Primal Chaos.

The one who had dealt a fatal blow to Mu Xuanyin had also been the Dragon Monarch.

Now that she thought about it, the viciousness of the Dragon Monarch's attack directly contradicted his personality. Especially since he was said to be someone who was proud and aloof, who did not deign to involve himself in the petty squabbles of the world.

"However, once I arrived in the Northern Divine Region, Yun Che accidentally divulged a secret to me," Qianye Ying'er said. "He slept with the Dragon Queen."

"...!" Chi Wuyao's eyebrows twitched violently, "What did you say!?"

"This man, who is worse than any beast, is capable of anything," Qianye Ying'er spat out.

Shock paralyzed her mind for an instant, but Chi Wuyao frowned as she suddenly recalled the frivolous question she had asked Yun Che during their meeting with the Eternal Heaven God Emperor. During the time that Yun Che had allowed his soul to be seized, Chi Wuyao had taken the opportunity to ask him this question.

"Then, who do you think is the most beautiful woman that you've ever come across?"

Yun Che's reply was "Shen Xi".

She hadn't paid much attention to it back then and she had even teased him about it. After all, the "Dragon Queen and Goddess" stood at the pinnacle of beauty in this current era. Furthermore, it was not strange for him to have seen the Dragon Queen's true appearance after she had agreed to let him stay in the Forbidden Land of Samsara, so his answer was even less surprising.

"That... beast!" Chi Wuyao's ample chest heaved enchantingly. "He even dared to taint a married woman! A married woman who also happened to be the Dragon Monarch's wife! The Dragon Queen whom he is greatly indebted to!"

She was greatly shocked and a little disappointed too.

"No," Qianye Ying'er replied in a soft voice. "I'm afraid this matter isn't as simple as that. Because Yun Che emphasized this point to me repeatedly, and he's even gotten angry over it many times."

"She is Shen Xi, not the Dragon Queen."

"..." Chi Wuyao frowned deeply.

"Even though Yun Che's lechery is ingrained in his bones and he's a true scoundrel, he is also excessively loyal to his friends." Qianye Ying'er "praised" him with an expressionless face.

"Back then, he was indebted to the Dragon Monarch so if Shen Xi was truly the Dragon Monarch's wife, he definitely wouldn't have touched her."

Shen Xi's heavenly beauty could break down any man's willpower in an instant, it would instantly cause that person to toss any notion of friendship or ethics out the window... However, Qianye Ying'er was convinced that the insanely lecherous Yun Che would not be swayed by this and her belief was not without any basis.

Because when she had been Yun Che's slave, he had not touched her at all for Xia Qingyue and Jasmine's sake.

"Which would also mean..." Chu Wuyao muttered to herself, "Shen Xi is not the Dragon Queen. Perhaps those words... really are true."

Her understanding of Yun Che's nature far surpassed Qianye Ying'er's. Indeed, if it was the wife of someone he was indebted to, he would never touch her, no matter what. There was also no way he'd be able to stay so calm when someone mentioned "Shen Xi".

Qianye Ying'er said, "At first, all I cared about was mocking Shen Xi for being a slut who was pretentiously pure on the outside but lewd and wanton on the inside. But after I angered him so many times, a very amusing possibility began to form in my head..."

"Perhaps, this so-called 'Dragon Queen' had never even existed. Instead, this title was only a ridiculous charade the Dragon Monarch used to trick the rest of the world, and even more so, himself!"

Chi Wuyao's gaze turned ice-cold. She did not find this shocking or ridiculous at all. Instead, she was calculating what sort of dangers lay hidden in their path... if all of these things were true.

"And you've never verified these things with Yun Che before?" Chi Wuyao asked carefully.

"I haven't been able to." Qianye Ying'er shook her head. "I've asked him many times, but he's never been willing to talk to me about Shen Xi. In fact, he'd get angry the very moment I started asking him about it."

"..." Chi Wuyao muttered something inaudible before continuing, "A dragon is lustful by nature, but the entire world knows that the Dragon Monarch so deeply loves the Dragon Queen that he's never even remained in close proximity with another woman for hundreds of thousands of years, much less stained them. His devotion was a show of his love for her and the entire world lavished him with praise for it."

"However, if it has always been Shen Xi, and the 'Dragon Queen' has never truly existed in this world, then he's been willing to remain alone for all of these years just for those two empty words."

"His love for Shen Xi can no longer even be described as 'deep', it has already far surpassed that word... In fact, it's even a little frightening."

Chi Wuyao's expression grew even more serious. "His infatuation with Shen Xi is so great that if he discovered that she had been tainted by someone else, and a human junior who was only thirty years of age at that..."

Chi Wuyao did not continue speaking. In fact, she could scarcely even imagine the jealous rage that the Dragon Monarch would feel toward Yun Che if everything was true.

But if all of her conjectures were true... then his change of attitude towards Yun Che was nothing strange.

Then...

Chi Wuyao suddenly understood why Qianye Ying'er had looked so frightened and alarmed just now.

"You're worried that the Dragon Monarch might forcefully intervene?" Chi Wuyao asked.

It was the Eternal Heaven God Realm who provoked the Northern Divine Realm first. The Western and Southern Divine Regions had no reason to interfere with the Northern Divine Region's vengeance. They would only sit on the sidelines and gloat at the Eastern Divine Region's plight... They had no reason to worry that the flames of this war would end up burning them too.

Because the Eastern Divine Region would surely be able to deal with a bunch of devils who broke out of their cage in search of death.

Once they had blitzed the Eastern Divine Region and conquered it, it would be far too late for the other two divine regions to react.

However, if their conjectures regarding the Dragon Monarch and Shen Xi were true, once the Dragon Monarch heard about Yun Che's emergence from the Northern Divine Region, he might... No, he would surely attack!

He would not care about the cause or any of the grudges between the divine regions. He would simply attack because of... his deep hatred and killing intent toward Yun Che, a hatred and killing intent that possibly transcended all of their imaginations.

"That's correct," Qianye Ying'er replied in a low tone. She let out a soft sigh and said, "I hope that all of these things are just baseless conjecture. Still, compared to believing that the two hundred thousand year title of 'Dragon Queen' has never existed, it is much easier to believe that Yun Che was simply a lecherous beast."

Qianye Ying'er used to have these thoughts every now and then, but she had always been far more interested in mocking Shen Xi. After all, she had always derived great pleasure from it.

But right now, everyone's minds were focused on this war of vengeance that the Northern Divine Region was orchestrating against the Eastern Divine Region, so no one would even spare a thought in this direction.

However, when she was considering the essential factors of the dangers they would face, the conjecture she had made about Shen Xi and Yun Che immediately sprang to mind, causing a chill to run down her spine.

"No matter what, we have to clarify this matter with Yun Che immediately!"

Qianye Ying'er was just about to move when Chi Wuyao grabbed her by the wrist.

"There's no need to ask him about this," Chi Wuyao said. The shock had disappeared from her face and her voice was far more composed than it had been earlier.

Qianye Ying'er: "?"

Chi Wuyao turned her gaze to look toward Yun Che, who was a fair distance away from them. She said unhurriedly, "We can only guess at the consequences of Yun Che's action, but the person in question is well aware of the risk posed by the Dragon Monarch."

"The one who is least able to tolerate any failure during this war of vengeance is Yun Che himself. However, he's never said a single thing about such an important variable."

Qianye Ying'er frowned slightly, "What do you mean?"

"Either we are overthinking this," Chi Wuyao continued, "Or..."

Although it was very likely that the Dragon Monarch hated Yun Che to the core, Yun Che's hatred toward the Dragon Monarch burned just as bright!

If the Dragon Monarch knew that Yun Che had reappeared in the Eastern Divine Region, it was very likely he'd personally lead his army into battle against Yun Che.

At the same time, Yun Che, who had officially bared his fangs toward the world, would also be itching... to kill the Dragon Monarch as well.

No matter what the cost!

Her phoenix eyes grew hooded as she stared directly at Yun Che's silent and dark figure. She sighed bitterly and said, "It looks like he kept more secrets from us than even I had expected. Ai, once men grow up, they always find ways to disappoint us."

Qianye Ying'er: "..."

"Since he is so against mentioning Shen Xi, then let's not force him to," Chi Wuyao said in a calm voice. "However, we need to pay as much attention as we can to the movements of the Dragon God Realm."

At this moment, a woman slowly emerged from the darkness and bowed to Chi Wuyao. "Master, I've completed my mission in the Southern Divine Region."

"Did anyone detect your presence?" Chi Wuyao asked.

Hua Jin hesitated for a split second before replying, "No. The Southern Sea God Emperor has been indulging his lust over the last few days, so it made it much easier for me to move around."

"Very good." Chi Wuyao gave a faint smile. "You truly are this queen's capable Jin'er. To be able to enter and return from the Southern Divine Region without a trace in such a short amount of time, only this queen's capable Jin'er is able to accomplish such a great feat."

"Speaking of which," she said as she turned her gaze towards Qianye Ying'er, "exactly what mysterious secrets were hidden inside that soul crystal?"

Qianye Ying'er crossed her arms under her chest and replied indifferently, "It's a secret that you'd be better off never knowing. The only thing you need to know is that the so-called number one god emperor of the Southern Divine Region has always been a very useful dog."

"He was a useful dog in the past, is one in the present... and will continue to be one in the future!"

After she finished speaking, she did not give Chi Wuyao a chance to pursue the matter any further. Her body blurred and she reappeared beside Yun Che, who was very far away. However, she also did not ask him about the matter concerning the Dragon Monarch and Shen Xi.

Chi Wuyao suddenly frowned at this moment as she looked down, "Hua Jin, were you exposed?"

Chi Wuyao understood her Nine Witches far too well. She had very clearly caught Hua Jin's moment of hesitation.

Hua Jin lapsed into a deep silence before finally shaking her head. "I don't think I was. However... the moment I drew near to the Southern Sea God Emperor's imperial harem palace, I had this vague sensation that I was being watched for a few seconds."

"Oh?"

"However, the soul crystal still ended up in the Southern Sea God Emperor's hands, just as we had planned. His divine sense also had not swept over any areas that I had been hiding in. So, perhaps it was just a... misperception."

Hua Jin had said the word "misperception" very softly. Because Chi Wuyao had instilled this in all of her Witches. There were two things that you could not trust in this world. The first was men and the second was "misperception".

Chi Wuyao muttered something under her breath. Her reply to Hua Jin was short and sweet. "That's fine then. You may leave."

Those ten devil blades of darkness could be seen creeping closer and closer to the Eastern Divine Region from a distance.

A hundred thousand enormous profound warships and millions of profound arks of all configurations followed closely behind. They covered the entire sky over the borders of the Northern Divine Region, radiating a boundless and heavy aura of darkness.

Once the first wave of devil blades shot out of the Northern Divine Region, there was no longer any need to hide.

Chi Wuyao did not move to stand beside Yun Che. Instead, she suddenly recalled the sensation she had felt when she met the Eternal Heaven God Emperor all those years ago. It had only lasted for an instant, but it felt like she was being spied on. But it was something that she had ended up shrugging off as "misperception" as well.

"..." She remained silent for a very long time.

In the northern parts of the Eastern Region, a dark shadow suddenly appeared in the skies of the ten star realms nearest to the Northern Divine Region, other than the Snow Song Realm.

At first glance, it looked like a black hole was starting to slowly expand in the northern skies.

"What... is that?"

Countless profound practitioners gazed towards the north and were stunned by what they saw... That black hole was gradually drawing nearer and getting bigger. They started to discern many human figures pouring out of that "black hole", there were so many of them that it resembled a vast swarm of locusts.

"Dev... Devils!!"

A huge army of dark devil people had appeared, on a scale like they had never seen before!

Before the first profound practitioner could even cry out, a dark figure pierced through the clouds and crashed into the ground. A terrifying devilish might that could overturn the skies and the seas radiated from his body... He was the leader of the Northern Region Heavenly Sovereigns, the commander-in-chief of these ten "devil blades" of darkness, Tian Guhu!

The devilish might of the Yama Devils condensed inside the Imperial Heaven Sword as it was brought down mercilessly.

Rumble———

Under the devilish might of a late stage Divine Master, the middle star realms looked so fragile and weak. He had cracked open this vast star realm with a single blow of his sword, extinguishing countless lives in a single instant.

Tian Guhu had delivered the first stroke of the Northern Divine Region's vengeance, the first blow to signal the start of their assault. Just based on that single instant of euphoria and release, Tian Guhu felt like he no longer had any regrets in life.

"Children of darkness." He pointed his sword downward and looked at the crowd of terrified, wailing creatures who were trying to flee from his wrath. "Burn up your life and your blood, exact as much vengeance as you can!"

At his orders, the opening scene of a horrible, bloody battle had just begun. Meanwhile, he stared at the south as he went to conquer the core of the star realm by himself—the place where the realm king's sect was located.

Chapter 1717 - All Devils, Press the Border!

Most of the northern parts of the Eastern Region were covered in snow and ice. As the Northern Region's devil troops poured into their territory dripping malice, fresh blood soon dyed the snowy landscape in glaring red colors.

On the distant horizon, pitch-black devil figures cut open blood-colored chasms in this boundlessly white world.

There were ten devil armies, each numbering a million soldiers. But when faced against an enormous star realm, it was really just a small and pitiful number.

However, one side had been preparing for this moment. The soldiers of the Northern Region had transformed themselves into demons filled with rage and resentment, they were willing to lay down their lives for their vengeance. The other side was composed of factions who were all looking to their own benefit. None of the Eastern Region's profound practitioners had made any preparations and their forces were weaker and more scattered than loose sand.

When the curtain on this bloody war was raised, it soon became a one-sided massacre. Yet that was not the only thing that was happening. The dark armies shot out like dark arrows as they streaked toward the heart of each star realm at an extreme speed.

The core of these devilish troops were being personally led by Tian Guhu himself.

He went at full speed as he sped past vast snowy vistas, leaving a dark storm howling in his wake,

Cold Sunflower Celestial Palace was the realm king sect of the Cold Sunflower Realm, Ever since Snow Song Realm King Mu Xuanyin had fallen, Cold Sunflower Celestial Palace had quietly become the number one sect in the northern part of the Eastern Divine Region. The only "obstacle" blocking their path to ascendancy was the Snow Song Realm's new realm king. The new sect master of the Divine Snow Phoenix Sect had the power of a level eight Divine Sovereign, two whole levels higher than the Cold Sunflower Realm King.

However, with the sole exception of Mu Bingyun, the power of Cold Sunflower Celestial Palace surpassed that of the Divine Snow Phoenix Sect.

On this day, Cold Sunflower Realm King Mu Xue'er was calmly meditating inside the Celestial Palace. As she gathered and focused the cold energy in her body, a frantic sound transmission suddenly rang from the icicle she wore around her neck.

"Sect Master! Our branch sects are being attacked... Devils! We're being attacked by devil people!"

The Cold Sunflower Realm King slowly opened her eyes as she replied in a cold voice, "If the devils draw near, just kill them. To think you'd be so panicked and flustered while facing mere devils, has all of your cultivation and tempering over the years gone to waste!?"

"No! The devils that have come this time... Erk! AHHHHH!"

The sound of flesh rupturing and a skull being split apart soon followed that miserable wail.

The Cold Sunflower Realm King furrowed her brow deeply. Just as she was about to stand up, another branch sect sent her an urgent sound transmission. "Sect Master! Devils... Devil people are invading!"

The Cold Sunflower Realm King said, "The moment devils leave the Northern Divine Region, they become half-crippled. Just kill them as they come!"

"These devils are extremely terrifying. There are a lot of Divine Kings and even some Divine Sovereigns among their numbers... They're ripping into us like madmen... Our grand protection formation collapsed before it could even fully form... Sect Master, please..."

Bang!

The very last thing she heard was the shattering sound of a sound transmission jade.

The Cold Sunflower Realm King shot to her feet, a dark haze swiftly covering her heart... At this time, she suddenly sensed something and her head swiveled toward the north.

A pitch-black figure was streaking in from the north and he was radiating a terrifying oppressive might that blanketed everything around him.

The light suddenly went dim. At that moment, everyone in Cold Sunflower Celestial Palace, including the Cold Sunflower Realm King, felt like they had been shoved into a deep abyss. They felt as if everything in the world had been swallowed up by a boundless darkness.

"Devils are invading!" The Cold Sunflower Realm King's heart shook with shock and fear, but she started to yell out orders with incredible composure. "Close the realm! Set up the barrier!"

The vast Cold Sunflower Celestial Palace stretched over five thousand kilometers long and their disciples numbered in the tens of millions. Tian Guhu came to a stop in the air high above them as he looked down on them.

In order to survive in the shrinking Northern Divine Region, middle star realms always had to be prepared for cruel fights or pillaging. Yet this middle star realm sect could quietly luxuriate in this vast snowy region, could hunt down and exterminate dark profound practitioners without even blinking an eye...

His arrival was heralded by the dreadful aura that radiated from his body. It was also this aura that caused Cold Sunflower Celestial Palace to swiftly open their sect protection barrier. Countless disciples flew into the air and dozens of Divine Kings led them as they rushed into formation.

Tian Guhu's face twisted slightly, but he did not say anything. Instead, he raised his Imperial Heaven Sword high in the air before slashing down with it!

RUMBLE!!

That attack split the sect protection barrier that had just been formed in half along with the vast Cold Sunflower Celestial Palace.

This display of world-destroying divine might nearly caused the eyeballs of every single Cold Sunflower disciple to pop out of their sockets. Their eagerness for battle and desire to protect their territory had instantly been extinguished.

Tian Guhu's lips moved as he spoke in a deep, almost demonic voice. "Die... in the darkness."

As he pointed his Imperial Heaven Sword downward, countless streaks of black lights fell shot toward the ground like inky meteors. They easily pierced through Cold Sunflower Celestial Palace, which had existed in proud and cold quietude since ancient times, and each of them obliterated thousands of dazed and helpless living beings.

The gathered elders of Cold Sunflower Celestial Palace were instantly frightened out of their minds. They began to yell, "Run! Hurry up and run!!"

This was power that only a Divine Master could display, so even if they combined all of the power within their sect, they would not even be able to put up the slightest resistance.

All of Cold Sunflower Celestial Palace's Divine Kings shot into the air as they crazily burned their own blood essence. They hoped that their sacrifice would be able to save the lives of some of their disciples.

Shnnnk!

A merciless ripping sound rang out in the air as Tian Guhu's body flashed behind them. They had all been instantaneously cut in two and the great ice formation they were just starting to form collapsed right after.

Under the sword of a level eight Divine Master, what difference was there between Divine Kings and blades of grass?

He did not even bother to take a single glance back at them. His divine senses were already locking onto the strongest aura among those who were fleeing. In the next instant, his body blurred and appeared somewhere else.

Clang!

It only took a single blow of his sword to shatter the Cold Sunflower Realm King's ice sword. She flew through the air, blood spraying in her wake.

Bang!

He ran her through with his second attack. The Cold Sunflower Realm King's body dissolved within the darkness as it scattered into droplets of blood which flew through the air.

Tian Guhu's vision grew blurry for an instant.

White snow, darkness, the color of blood... all deeply prodded at the most painful scene frozen in the depths of his soul...

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A girl was quietly lying in the arms of a man. Her robes were tattered and stained with blood, and her aura was as thin as gossamer... This was the most relaxed and at peace she had ever felt in her entire life. She no longer needed to feel fear, to struggle to survive, to live in anxiety.

"Big Brother Tian, why... Life is already so hard, but everyone is still trying to kill each other... Why must we be caught up in these cruel fights all the time... Is there truly no way that we can break out of this cage... if we actually worked together?"

"Qing... er..." Tian Guhu hugged the dying girl as he gritted his teeth and sobbed silently.

"I heard... that the sky beyond this region is blue, and the seas are also blue... There, we can see lush viridian forests, beautiful and enchanting flowers in strange and wondrous colors..."

"I hate the people there... But... I... really... wanted to... see it..."

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Bang!

The Cold Sunflower Realm King's remains fell to the ground and the blood droplets that swirled in the air mixed in with his frozen tears... In the next instant, boundless darkness started to mercilessly spread from his body.

"Qing'er, I'm coming to where you are, I'll be there real soon... and I'll see all the sights you wanted to see together with you."

As he mumbled those words, he thrust the Imperial Heaven Sword into the ground. The darkness of the Yama Devils surged in and an endless black light erupted in the vast snow region which stretched five

thousand kilometers long. It mercilessly swallowed up this gigantic sect which had existed for hundreds of thousands of years and reduced it to ruin.

He did not enjoy killing, and he had never committed such a great sin before. However, as he felt countless lives flicker out and die underneath his dark power, his face and his heart remained unmoved.

He soared into the sky as he flung out an arm, creating several gigantic crescents of dark energy with the Imperial Heaven Sword. Those energy crescents shot out and destroyed the dozens of profound arks which were trying to flee the scene of destruction.

Booom!!

A pillar of ruinous energy soared into the sky. The foundation of Cold Sunflower Celestial Palace, an ice leyline was obliterated in a single instant. Tian Guhu raised his head to the sky as he howled, "The Cold Sunflower Realm King's sect has been destroyed. All who surrender in this star realm will live, branded as captives. All who resist... are to be killed without mercy!"

Miserable wails shook the skies of the Cold Sunflower Realm as the pale white snow-covered lands were swiftly dyed the color of blood. Tian Guhu's voice blanketed the entire realm and the news of Cold Sunflower Celestial Palace's destruction mercilessly destroyed the faith and last hopes of countless Cold Sunflower profound practitioners.

Reports filtered back to the border of the Northern Region.

"Reporting to the Devil Master and Devil Queen, the Cold Sunflower Realm King and her sect have been wiped out. The first 'foothold' has been established."

"As for the remaining nine star realms, the six lower star realms were easily taken and our forces have already penetrated the heart of the three other middle star realms. We will be able to conquer all three realms within the next ten hours!"

When the news was conveyed to the rest of the dark profound practitioners, their hearts were set aflame.

With the Northern Region Heavenly Sovereigns as their leaders, the ten million young dark profound practitioners had formed the vanguard of their invasion force. Chi Wuyao had not done this to probe the strength of their enemies, she had done this to allay some of the apprehension and fear that still existed in the hearts of the Northern Region's profound practitioners.

A million years of hiding in this dark hole had caused the fear of the Eastern Divine Region to be ingrained in their bones. The older a Northern Region profound practitioner was, the more profound their fear. After all, unlike the young profound practitioners, it was not so easy to get their blood boiling.

But the vanguard, whose strength was actually rather weak as Tian Guhu was the only Divine Master among them, had cut through their targets like a knife through hot butter. In less than day, they had won all their battles.

As they stared at the truth unfolding in front of them, the Northern Region's profound practitioners were beginning to understand that the Eastern Divine Region was not that frightening. Now that the

Devil Master had descended upon their Northern Divine Region, they had become far stronger than they had even imagined.

"Very good." Chi Wuyao stared into the distant southern skies. She raised a jade hand wreathed in black mist as she pronounced the dark command that would push the Eastern Divine Region into an even deeper nightmare.

"The hundred realms in the western territory. Use the first one as a foothold and press them from all sides!"

"Remember, no one is to go near the Snow Song Realm or attack any upper star realm. The moment you enter the realm, press them on all sides and take the heart of their realm. None of you are to show the slightest bit of negligence or mercy."

"Kill all those who resist and bind those who surrender with darkness so we can use them as hostages!"

Chi Wuyao's lips curved up in a cold and merciless smile. "Doesn't the Eastern Divine Region keep prattling on about their morals!? Then we'll use these people as hostages and use their morals as shackles!"

RUMMMMBLEEEEE...

Thousands of bolts of lightning lit up the Northern Region's skies.

One hundred dark profound warships that stretched longer than fifty kilometers surged past the border along with hundreds of thousands of dark profound arks. They left a sun-blotting darkness in their wake as they swarmed toward the western territories of the Eastern Divine Region.

Now that those ten penetrating arrows had landed, it was time for the true darkness to engulf the world.

Chi Wuyao waved an arm and a projection spread out in front of her. A map of the entire Eastern Divine Region was displayed on that screen. All nine thousand of its star realms were accurately mapped out there. The king realms, upper star realms, middle star realms, and lower star realms were highlighted in different colors so it was easy to tell which was which.

There were a few spots on the map which were glowing with a strange black light. There were about one hundred of these dots of black light.

The positions of these black dots had been decided by both her and Qianye Ying'er. After all, her consciousness had dwelled within Mu Xuanyin for ten thousand years, so she had spent most of her time in the Snow Song Realm. As a result, Qianye Ying'er's knowledge of the entire Eastern Divine Region and her knowledge of where the important "hubs" far exceeded her own.

Chi Wuyao swiftly scanned the map. Finally, her gaze fell on a dot of light on the right side of the map and remained fixed on it.

"What, are you still worried?" Qianye Ying'er's voice rang in her ears.

Chi Wuyao stretched out a hand as she said, "These three 'footholds' are much too close to the Holy Eaves Realm. The Holy Eaves Realm has three great threats, Luo Guxie, Luo Shangchen, and Luo Changsheng and the sect is also incredibly strong and potent."

"It will be easy to use our blitzkrieg assault to take these three footholds, but if the Holy Eaves Realm decides to contest our presence, then we will have to split off some of our king realms to deal with them..." Chi Wuyao turned to look at Qianye Ying'er. "Are you still unwilling to say it at this point? This queen's chest is currently trembling mightily due to the worry that I am feeling."

Chi Wuyao's words caused Qianye Ying'er to glance at her chest unconsciously. Those full luscious globes, which stuck out without any effort, formed a captivating arc as they rose and fell with Chi Wuyao's breathing. Qianye Ying'er immediately averted her eyes as she clenched her teeth.

"There is a huge landmine buried in the Holy Eaves Realm." Qianye Ying'er spat out. She was well aware that Chi Wuyao was provoking her... So she had no choice but to tell her in order to "recover some lost ground". "As long as we set off this landmine, the Holy Eaves Realm will descend into internal chaos."

"Oh?" An interested look appeared on Chi Wuyao's face.

Qianye Ying'er stretched out her white hand. She held a soul crystal that she had prepared a long time ago between her fingers. "When you think the time is ripe, make sure that this falls into the hands of Holy Eaves Realm King Luo Shangchen. Once you do that, you'll just need to sit back and watch the spectacular show that the Holy Eaves Realm is going to put on for us."

Chi Wuyao reached out to take the soul crystal and swept her divine senses over it. Her lips instantly pursed up into a small smile that was alluring enough to enchant most people. The worry and anxiety she had previously felt had disappeared into the ether.

"You even managed to dig up such sensitive information on the Holy Eaves Realm. You truly do live up to your name as the Brahma Monarch Goddess who was universally feared by the king realms."

"Heh." Qianye Ying'er gave a cold chuckle. "I also never imagined that all of the 'sensitive information' that I worked so hard to dig up over the years would end up being a wedding dress for your Northern Divine Region!"

"Oh, no," Chi Wuyao said as her smile grew even more bewitching. She whispered in that sultry voice of hers, "I think you're mistaken about something. This isn't a wedding dress you made for the Northern Divine Region. It's one you made for Yun Che, my adorable little hatchling."

Chapter 1718 - Destroying Morale

By the time the news that the devils of the Northern Region had attacked star realms started to spread, an even more dreadful calamity was already engulfing the northern territories of the Eastern Divine Region.

The heavens grew dark as thunder and lightning roiled in the sky. Large fleets of dark profound arks arrived in the skies of one star realm after another, and dark devils started swarming out of them.

Devils poured down from the sky like an apocalyptic deluge.

As this darkness, dread, and malice descended, it cut through the bodies and defenses of the Eastern Region's profound practitioners like cruelly-edged knives.

Chi Wuyao's strategy was exceedingly simple and violent.

They would use forces from their middle star realms to suppress lower star realms, and the forces from their upper star realms to suppress middle star realms.

After that they would use all of the living beings in these middle and lower star realms as hostages to pressure and restrict the upper star realms... They would avoid clashing with the upper star realms altogether.

Despicable? Shameless? Cruel? Inhumane?

Weren't these the very labels that other three divine regions had slapped on the Northern Divine Region!?

If that was the case, they would live up to their expectations!

Every dark profound ark was directly descending upon the realm king sect of a star realm.

Once they destroyed the core of a realm, it was easy to get the rest of the realm to surrender.

Thus, incredibly violent battles simultaneously broke out in over one hundred star realms in the northern territories of the Eastern Region.

Countless dark profound arks continued to fly deeper into the Eastern Divine Region even as these battles raged on. It seemed as if there was no end to them and it caused those already terrified Eastern Region profound practitioners who were already engaged in battle to shudder in fear.

A nightmare had suddenly descended on them on this day.

The land they were so familiar with had now turned into a viscous sea of blood.

Their comrades which they had just been laughing together with a moment ago were now corpses strewn across the plains.

As the darkness continued to spread, lives all around them were snuffed out as profound formations collapsed and entire sects were destroyed. Their struggles grew more and more powerless, until only boundless despair was left to them...

More and more people sank to their knees in despair... They knelt before the devils they used to despise and detest as they allowed themselves to be sealed into dark cages.

They might lose all of their honor and dignity by surrendering to these devil people, but at least they would still have their lives.

The devils who had suddenly poured into their world were different from the devils they normally knew! They were completely different!

In the past, any devils that they met became easily-slaughtered prey.

This was the first time they realized just how terrifying these devils clad in darkness profound energy were.

Gigantic sects which had existed for dozens of millennia were being leveled by these devils in the span of hours, clans which had a hundred generations worth of foundation had been completely destroyed... Gradually, the core of their star realms had been trampled and seized by the darkness.

As these realm king sects were being destroyed, gloomy darkness started to pervade the skies. Those profound practitioners who had come to reinforce them stopped in their tracks before turning around and fleeing back to their homes... Some of them even uprooted their entire clans and sects and fled their homes altogether.

In a single day, in the shockingly short span of twenty-four hours, nearly two hundred star realms in the Eastern Divine Region's northern territories had fallen.

However, these twenty-four hours were merely the beginning.

The Eastern Divine Region had never dreamed that the Northern Divine Region would actually invade them in earnest.

Because they had never had to guard against the Northern Divine Region! They never needed to worry that their homes would be threatened by that place!

Now that these devils had been unshackled, they were free to vent a million years of rage, hatred, and battlelust. When faced with such demons of war, the Eastern Divine Region now knew exactly how terrifying they were.

In the Cold Sunflower Realm, Tian Guhu stepped out of the ruins of Cold Sunflower Celestial Palace. There were groups of Eastern Region profound practitioners bound in darkness all around him. More and more of them were surrendering and soon the number of captured profound practitioners stretched to the horizon.

Tian Guhu shifted his gaze from the people below him as he looked to the south.

At this time, a gigantic profound warship was speeding towards them from the south, leaving incredibly vast energy waves pulsating in its wake.

This profound warship was radiating the terrible might that belonged to an upper star realm.

The profound warship stopped in midair and a higher realm king dressed in blue robes stepped out of it. The earth-shaking oppressive might of a Divine Master surged out from his body.

The Scattered Star Realm King—Luo Chuanyun!

One million powerful profound practitioners flooded out of the warship as they swiftly formed up into a battle formation behind him.

The Scattered Star Realm was the closest upper star realm to the Cold Sunflower Realm, so their arrival could only be expected.

As Luo Chuanyun haughtily stared down at the lands below him, his brow creased deeply. The auras of the devils he saw were far stronger than the devils he had come in contact with. They had clearly emerged from the darkness, but they did not show any signs of weaknesses.

Furthermore, the hatred in their eyes and the malice that oozed from their bodies greatly astonished him.

And the moment his spiritual sense swept over Tian Guhu, the pupils in his eyes fiercely contracted.

"Scattered Star Realm King, we've been waiting for you for a long time." Tian Guhu's hands were folded behind his back and he made no move to draw his sword. "However, I would strongly encourage you not to attack, otherwise..."

He pointed at the hostages imprisoned in prisons of darkness below him. "This ocean of blood will be on your hands!"

"Heh!" The Scattered Star Realm King gave a cold laugh. "To think that a mere devil would dare to behave so arrogantly in front of this king!"

Profound energy erupted from his body as he took a single step forward.

But it was when he took this step forward that he saw a sinister smile flash across Tian Guhu's face.

Boom!!

Darkness exploded and a blood-colored hole appeared in the sea of people below him. Several hundred thousand people had been completely obliterated.

"You!!!" Luo Chuanyun's body went rigid as the expression on his face dramatically changed.

To a higher realm king, the lives of mortals were as cheap as grass. If one counted the amount of people Luo Chuanyun had personally killed in open and in secret, it far exceeded the amount of people who had just died.

However, right now, it was a conflict between the Eastern Divine Region and Northern Divine Region, a conflict between the righteous and the devil people. So he would undoubtedly be held responsible for all these lives which had just been lost because of that single step he had taken... and he might never be able to absolve himself of it.

Miserable wails of fear and terror rang out across a vast stretch of bloody snow-covered land, causing the scalps of the Scattered Star Realm's profound practitioners to go numb.

"Wail and cry to your heart's content. If you want to blame someone, blame the Eternal Heaven God Realm!" There was no reluctance or pity in Tian Guhu's eyes. On the contrary, they seemed to be filled with a twisted joy. "We were willing to be caged up in the Northern Divine Region, but the Eternal Heaven God Realm still wanted to destroy our star realms and push us to the brink of extinction!"

"Since they want to shove our backs against the wall, then they had better not complain when we retaliate!"

He slowly raised his head to look at the Scattered Star Realm King. "Are you sure you want to bear the blood of this star realm on behalf of the Eternal Heaven God Emperor? Hmmm?"

As he looked at the boundless sea of people below him, the Scattered Star Realm King's hands started to shake... Tian Guhu's words had given him a clear reminder that it was the Eternal Heaven God Realm who had selfishly provoked the Northern Divine Region first, that everything that was happening in front of him was the fault of the Eternal Heaven God Realm.

Since that was the case, the Eternal Heaven God Realm would definitely take action. In fact, they had to take action, it was only right for them to do so!

These devils who were hellbent on revenge clearly had no intention of attacking any of the upper star realms, so why did they have to take responsibility on behalf of the Eternal Heaven God Realm?

The desire to retreat sprang up in his heart, but since he had already come here, he would lose a great amount of dignity and honor if he simply retreated like this.

At this moment, his sound transmission jade suddenly rang violently. After that a panicked voice rang in his mind.

"Sect Master! Devils are invading! They've already reached our capital! The barrier protecting our city is under attack! Please return and reinforce us!"

Great shock instantly seized the Scattered Star Realm King's heart. He saw a cold smile form on Tian Guhu's face. "We are only doing this to force the Eternal Heaven God Realm to atone for their sins. If we were merely venting our hatred, we would have massacred these people a long time ago."

"As long as the upper star realm sects obediently stay at home, we won't come and bother you either. However, if any of you want to sacrifice yourselves for the Eternal Heaven God Realm... don't blame us for wiping you off the face of the earth!"

The Scattered Star Realm King's expression went through a series of changes. He withdrew all of his aura into his body and spoke in a low voice, "Order your people to retreat from the Scattered Star Realm and I promise you, as the Scattered Star Realm King Luo Chuanyun, that we will immediately retreat and not interfere with you."

Humans were selfish by nature, especially when the responsibility so clearly belonged to someone else.

The Scattered Star Realm King's current stance was exactly what Chi Wuyao and Qianye Ying'er had predicted it would be.

If they shared a common foe, they would rally together and fight to the bitter end.

But if the Eternal Heaven had caused this trouble... then the Eternal Heaven should bear the brunt of the consequences! If they could preserve their lives and their realms by staying out of this conflict, why should they sacrifice themselves for no good reason?

"Very good. A wise decision," Tian Guhu said as he gave a soft chuckle. After that, his smile froze on his face and his voice suddenly turned low and deep. "What did you just say your name was?"

"?" The Scattered Star Realm King's eyebrows knit together in puzzlement before he replied in a proud voice, "The Scattered Star Realm King, Luo Chuanyun."

"Heh." Tian Guhu smiled once more but his voice was now as dark and deep as an abyss. "Such a disrespectful name. It's better if it was wiped off the face of this earth!"

Bzzz——

The Imperial Heaven Sword was unsheathed and his Yama Devil power flared out of his body. His strength, that of a level eight Divine Master, caused the faces of everyone from the Scattered Star Realm to go white, and this included Luo Chuanyun.

"You... you!" Luo Chuanyun's heart and eyes were shaking in fear.

When he had arrived, he had sensed the aura of a Divine Master from Tian Guhu's body. Even though he had been shocked by it, he had still remained proud and haughty.

But right now, he found it difficult to even breathe. The terrifying devilish might that threatened to break apart his body told him that this young man in front of him was at least half a realm stronger than him. It was very likely that he was a late stage Divine Master, the ones who stood at the very pinnacle of this era's profound way.

Every step taken in the Divine Master Realm was like ascending to a new heaven, so at least six heavens existed between him, a level two Divine Master, and Tian Guhu!

If he had gone to any of the other star realms controlled by an upper star realm of the Northern Region, he could have left completely unscathed. However, he just had to go to the Cold Sunflower Realm and he had even haplessly offered up his innocent name.

"Run... RUN!!"

Luo Chuanyun roared once he was engulfed by that soul-penetrating killing intent. He abandoned his profound warship as he turned around to flee.

However, fangs of darkness closed in on him from behind and mercilessly dragged him into the abyss of death.

Many similar scenes played out above the skies of the middle and lower star realms conquered by the Northern Divine Region.

Thousands of people were being used as hostages to press the morals of these upper star realms, and revenge against the Eternal Heaven God Realm was being offered up as the reason...

They would not invade the upper star realms, but if any upper star realm interfered, they would be included in the scope of their vengeance...

The Northern Region's attack would last until the Eternal Heaven God Realm atoned for their sins.

As one star realm after another fell to the devils, these rumors swiftly spread throughout the entire Eastern Divine Region. They even reached the Western Divine Region and the Southern Divine Region.

The devil people of the Northern Region really did not attack any upper star realms but the upper star realms clearly felt the peril of interfering with them. They waited for the Eternal Heaven God Realm to step up and solve this problem. No one was willing to blindly sacrifice themselves or bear any responsibility for the Eternal Heaven God Realm's mistake.

Due to the selfishness inherent in every human being... they would tarry. But the longer they tarried, the longer they stayed quiet, the deeper the darkness would thrust in. It was already burrowing into the Eastern Divine Region at an incredibly frightening speed.

Furthermore, no one was aware of the secret chess pieces that were quietly being placed on the board amidst this chaos and destruction.

Additionally, the praise and admiration that had been heaped on the Eternal Heaven God Realm for "destroying three star realms of the Northern Divine Region" had gradually transformed into resentment, blame, and curses due to the Northern Divine Region's frenzied "vengeance", the dark calamity that had suddenly befallen them all.

Western Divine Region, Dragon God Realm.

"Lord Ash, we have received some news from our northeastern territories. The devils of the Northern Divine Region have launched a full-scale invasion against the Eastern Divine Region's northern territories. It is rumored that many lower and middle star realms have already been conquered by the devils... This entire affair started because they want to avenge the destruction of three of their star realms by the Eternal Heaven God Realm."

"Hehehehe."

A giant figure lay slouched on a gigantic seat. He had long silver-gray hair and a strange face that looked like it was sculpted by a sharp sword. Even the pupils of his eyes were ash-gray.

He was one of the Nine Dragon Gods of the Dragon God Realm—The Ash Dragon God.

He was also the most arrogant and conceited Dragon God.

He gave a cold laugh before speaking in a mocking voice, "We should have just allowed those pitiful devils to slowly die in that cage of theirs. But those idiots in the Eastern Divine Region just had to go provoke them. Haven't they heard that a dog will jump over a wall if it's desperate?"

"Lord Ash, do we help them suppress the devils?"

"Help? Suppress?" the Ash Dragon God said with a bored look on his face. "Have those devils stepped into the Western Divine Region?"

"No, they have not. Your subject has paid careful attention to them and they are very far from the borders of the Western Divine Region. Forgive me, but they don't have the guts to come near our Western Divine Region either."

"Then why should we do anything? Since when has it been our responsibility to clean up after the Eastern Divine Region every time they do something stupid?" The Ash Dragon God looked to the side. "Since this is a mess they made, they should clean it up themselves."

"However." The Ash Dragon God's eyes narrowed. "We still need to inform the Dragon Monarch about this.

"There's no need for that."

A deep and indifferent voice rang out in the air as the Azure Dragon God slowly walked inside and said, "The Dragon Monarch has gone into seclusion recently and he will be in seclusion for at least several months. He said to tell all of you that he is not to be disturbed, no matter what happens, much less for a small external matter like this."

"Seclusion?" The Ash Dragon God looked amused. "Why did the Dragon Monarch suddenly have the urge to do this? His cultivation already reached the very limits of this current era two hundred thousand years ago. What will a few months of cultivation even do?"

"You had better not investigate this matter or ask the Dragon Monarch about this once he emerges from his 'seclusion'." The Azure Dragon God warned him before he turned around to leave.

As for the Northern Divine Region's sudden grand invasion of the Eastern Divine Region? He barely paid it any attention.

What did the Dragon God Realm have to do with the trouble that the Eternal Heaven God Emperor had stirred up!?

All of the devils in the Northern Divine Region would definitely be exterminated during this war while the Eastern Divine Region would also suffer heavy losses.... As a Dragon God of the Western Divine Region, he would happily enjoy this conclusion where the Western Divine Region could "both have its cake and eat it too".

Chapter 1719 - Blood-soaked Eternal Heaven (1)

The Northern Divine Region ate into the Eastern Divine Region like an audible plague.

The Eastern Divine Region had become far too used to peace. This coupled with their age-old contempt for the Northern Divine Region had made the profound practitioners of the Eastern Divine Region complacent. The words "drowning in disaster" had never even crossed their minds once when the Northern Divine Region had launched their sudden invasion.

The upper star realms, who should have been at the forefront of this fight, had inevitably decided to save their own skins when they found out that the devils would leave them alone if they did not stick their noses into things. They decided to wait for the Eternal Heaven God Realm, who had "instigated everything" to come out and solve this problem. They certainly would not allow themselves to blindly sacrifice themselves for someone else.

However, once this dark "plague" had infiltrated into the heart of the Eastern Divine Region, something which would be happening at an incredibly terrifying speed, they would no longer have enough time to react.

Southern Divine Region, Southern Sea God Realm.

After he received the news, the Southern Sea God Emperor slowly stood to his feet as a strange light glittered in his eyes.

"In the short span of two days, the devils of the Northern Region have occupied over two hundred star realms in the Eastern Divine Region. Heh, they're just like a bunch of rabid dogs."

The one who had spoken those words was dressed in silver robes and sinister malice bled from his eyes.

His name was Nan Feihong and he was one of the Four Sea Kings of the Southern Sea, the "Northern Hell Sea King".

"However, these star realms are all middle or lower star realms, so they haven't really suffered a great loss. I heard that every star realm that has been captured by these devils was practically drowned in blood. This debt of blood..." the Northern Hell Sea King gave a low and mocking laugh as he said, "will land squarely on the shoulders of the Eternal Heaven God Realm."

"Right now, the Eternal Heaven God Realm only needs to take command, marshal the forces of the Eastern Divine Region's upper star realms, and launch a counterattack. Once they do that, slaughtering these devils will only be a matter of time. However, I'm afraid that the reputation of the Eternal Heaven God Realm is going to take a beating as well."

When the Northern Hell Sea King finished speaking, he saw that the Southern Sea God Emperor had simply been muttering to himself in a soft voice. He immediately asked, "My king, do you find something odd in this whole affair?"

The Southern Sea God Emperor looked up before he gave a deep chuckle. "Follow this king to the Eastern Divine Region."

The Northern Hell Sea King's brow immediately furrowed. "Could it be that my king desires... to help the Eastern Divine Region?"

Given his understanding of the Southern Sea God Emperor, the one thing he would not do in this situation was to render aid to the Eastern Divine Region. In fact, he would eagerly cheer on the devils in hope that they'd leave the Eastern Divine Region a tattered mess.

The Southern Sea God Emperor replied, "The Eternal Heaven God Emperor will want to put an end to these rampaging devils as quickly as possible. He will want to reduce the casualties to a minimum, so it's very likely that he is requesting aid from the Brahma Monarch God Realm, Moon God Realm, and Star God Realm... So this presents to us an opportunity that only appears once in a blue moon."

"Opportunity?" The Northern Hell Sea King grew even more puzzled. He took a step forward and whispered, "Does my king want to..."

"There's no need for further questions." The Southern Sea God Emperor turned his gaze toward the north before his eyebrows suddenly sank.

"In fact, the timing of this opportunity seems almost too good to be true."

He could sense that there was something "off" about this opportunity, but nothing in this world could ever exceed the allure of "eternal life".

"It's rare for me to ever be willing to be a shield for someone else." A cold smile flashed across the Southern Sea God Emperor's face. "But since I'm doing it, I might as well go all out!"

When he said those words, a murderous light flashed in his eyes.

Whether he was willing or not was one thing. But as for the person who dared to use him as a tool... how could he let them off lightly?

Eastern Divine Region, Moon God Realm.

Yao Yue, Lian Yue, and Jin Yue respectfully bowed in front of a moon-white veil as they gave the Moon God Emperor reports on the chaos in the northern territories.

It had not been long since the devil people had launched their invasion, but they had already conquered three hundred star realms. Everyone had been rattled by just how fast their progress had been.

The Moon God Emperor slowly spoke behind the veil, "They destroyed their own star realms and framed the Eternal Heaven God Realm. They used this 'vengeance' as an excuse to blitz our middle and lower star realms. After that, they seized all who surrendered as hostages but did not attack any upper star realms. This caused the upper star realms to blame the instigator of this entire mess, the 'Eternal Heaven God Realm', and made them unwilling to suffer losses in order to save the middle and lower star realms they already looked down upon."

"It should have been easy to form a unified front when our enemies are devils, but this front fell apart from the beginning of this entire affair."

"To be able to so skillfully manipulate the hearts of man, this is probably the work of that Devil Queen of the Northern Region."

"Framed?" Yao Yue was confused. "But I already confirmed that the cauldron in the image was the Great Void Cauldron. There can be no doubt."

"Lian Yue," the Moon God Emperor said.

"Yes." Lian Yue nodded her head before recounting what had happened to the other two. "Two years ago, in the God Realm of Absolute Beginning, I discovered a trace of the Great Void Cauldron's aura where Honorable Tai Yin had fallen. The Great Void Cauldron should have fallen into Yun Che's hands at about that time."

"But since the incident in the God Realm of Absolute Beginning also involved Zhou Qingchen, there was no way the Eternal Heaven God Emperor would let the loss of the Great Void Cauldron become known to the public. There's also no way that the world would believe that such an important divine artifact would actually fall into the hands of the Northern Divine Region."

"To think that such a thing happened." Shock appeared on Yao Yue's face.

"The scale and ambition of this devil invasion is far more terrifying than you can see right now," the Moon God Emperor said unhurriedly. "It currently looks like they only dare to bully the middle and lower star realms as they claim to wait for the Eternal Heaven God Realm's declaration."

"But the profound arks that 'fled' from those conquered star realms are the most terrifying hidden threat."

"Ah?" Lian Yue's delicate brows knit together. "Is Master worried that the devils of the Northern Region will use the profound arks of those star realms to infiltrate the Eastern Divine Region? That should be exceedingly hard to accomplish. Devils are far too prone to losing control of their auras, so they will be easily exposed. Even if they hide in the depths of these profound arks, their dark auras will still be easily detected. So how can they accomplish any infiltration on a grand scale?"

After a brief period of heavy silence, the figure behind the veil spoke in a very soft voice, "In the end, the most dangerous and terrifying thing in the world isn't something that is unknown. It's something that 'transcends all common sense'."

The three girls looked at each other before Yao Yue said, "All of the Moon Gods and Divine Envoys have assembled in Divine Moon City. We await your command. Preparations at every level of power have also been completed. Once Master gives the order, we can go and retake the northern territories at any time."

The veil raised up and Xia Qingyue slowly walked out of it. Her figure turned translucent before she appeared very far behind the three girls. "This king is going to make a trip to the Eternal Heaven God Realm. No one is to do anything before I return."

The moment she stepped out of her imperial palace, she came to a sudden halt. She said, "Jin Yue, Shui Meiyin possesses the Stainless Divine Soul and she is full of tricks, so she may very well be planning to take advantage of this chaos to escape her captivity. You are to personally watch over her during this period of time."

Jin Yue was taken aback by that command but there was no way for her to reject it. She merely replied in a soft voice, "Yes."

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The atmosphere within the Eternal Heaven God Realm had turned unprecedentedly strange.

News of devils terrorizing the north was being reported at every hour and each wave of news was more shocking than the last. Countless pleas for help were chaotically arriving with every wave.

The devil people of the Northern Region had claimed that this invasion was vengeance against the Eternal Heaven God Realm, so the rest of the Eastern Divine Region was waiting for the Eternal Heaven God Realm to respond.

It had not even been two years since his most beloved son died in the Northern Divine Region. He had even lost the last Untamed Divine Marrow in the Eastern Divine Region. Zhou Xuzi's heart had not healed yet and he was clearly the biggest victim here, but he had suddenly... been framed as the instigator of this devilish plague that had descended upon the Eastern Divine Region.

Zhou Xuzi finally understood where all the previous rumors had been coming from and their reason for framing him, something that he had originally been completely unbothered by.

"The Scarlet Wind Realm has fallen! The Scarlet Wind Realm King is dead and seventy percent of his sect has been destroyed! The other thirty percent surrendered to the devils!"

"My lord, the defences of both the Celestial Heaven Realm and the Purple Rainbow Realm have been breached. We have already sent multiple stern orders to the four nearest upper star realms, but none of them are willing to send reinforcements to support or reconquer those star realms!"

"The Nine Maha Realm has been completely conquered by the devils..."

"My lord, the number of devils that have poured out of the Northern Divine Region is at least fifty times the estimate we made yesterday. It is very like... It is very likely that we haven't even seen all of their forces yet. Furthermore, we have already confirmed one thing multiple times. The dark profound powers of these devils show no sign of weakening even after they have entered the Eastern Divine Region!"

"My lord, all of the star realms in the northern territories have descended into complete chaos. Countless profound practitioners and profound arks are frantically fleeing toward the south even as we speak. The central and southern territories are already starting to descend into panic and chaos."

"…"

One side had made ample preparations, while the other side was as scattered as a dish of loose sand.

One side did not fear death while the other side valued their own lives greatly.

But no one had imagined that the Eastern Divine Region, which had enjoyed peace for too long, would actually react in such an incompetent and disorganized manner now that they were faced with a true crisis.

An endless stream of news caused the Eternal Heaven God Emperor's face to grow incredibly dark and solemn, but he had not lost any of his composure.

Below him, the vast army of Eternal Heaven had finished their preparations and there were six Guardians among them.

"My lord, we cannot afford to wait any longer," Honorable Tai Yu said.

Every breath that passed resulted in the sacrifice of more Eastern Region profound practitioners, and this debt of blood... half of it belonged to the devils of the Northern Region and the other half had landed squarely on the shoulders of their Eternal Heaven God Realm.

They could not shake this responsibility even if they tried.

"How many troops have we assembled?" Zhou Xuzi asked.

"Currently, the core forces of one hundred and forty-three upper star realms have been assembled, and all of them are being personally led by their realm kings," Honorable Tai Yu replied. "However,

something strange has occurred. The Holy Eaves Realm stopped responding to our sound transmissions recently."

"Also, the teleportation profound formation has been prepared and the power it contains is enough to transfer everyone here to our northern borders five times."

The Eternal Heaven God Realm specialized in spatial powers. Even if they did not have the Great Void Cauldron, they could still build a long-range spatial profound formation which could teleport large numbers of people in a short amount of time... However, they had undoubtedly expended an incredible amount of resources in this undertaking.

"We really can't wait any longer." Zhou Xuzi muttered under his breath. At this time, his gaze suddenly shifted to the side.

A purple figure instantly drew near and appeared beside Zhou Xuzi. She had moved at such a fast speed that it seemed like she had stepped out of a rift in space.

"Has the Moon God Emperor come to point fingers at this old one as well?" Zhou Xuzi asked in a calm voice.

Even though the messengers had deliberately concealed them, he did not even need a second thought to know that these stricken star realms, these terrified Eastern Region profound practitioners, were definitely... cursing and blaming him with language even more venomous than he had imagined.

Even though these people had just been sincerely praising him and revering him just a few days ago.

This was an all-too normal response, totally human nature.

Xia Qingyue gave a dull laugh before saying, "Your Eternal Heaven lost a Great Void Cauldron and got an extremely large pot in return.[1] This king has hardly even begun to pity you, so why would I come to point fingers at you?"

Zhou Xuzi looked slightly moved. After that, he said, "The Moon God Emperor's discerning eyes truly burn as bright as a torch. I'm just not sure how many eyes the Moon God Emperor has within the Eternal Heaven itself."

"This doesn't seem to be something that the Eternal Heaven God Emperor should be concerning himself with right now." It didn't seem like Xia Qingyue had any intention to refute what he had just said. Instead, she turned the tables on him. "Before this all happened, you disdained to prove your innocence. But now, it's impossible to prove your innocence even if you want. So you have no choice but to obediently carry this pot on your back."

She glanced at the distant grand formation which was radiating a dense spatial energy. Her crescent brows knit together slightly as she said, "More than one hundred upper star realm kings and their sects. You truly do live up to your name as the Eternal Heaven God Emperor. Even though you've been labelled as the sinners who have instigated this devilish plague, you can still mobilize such a huge amount of strength within this short period of time."

"Let this king guess, the coordinates of this new grand teleportation formation you've constructed are..." Her crescent brows knit together once more before she whispered, "set at the borders of the Eastern Region's northern territories."

"That's right." Zhou Xuzi nodded his head.

Xia Qingyue replied, "So you are going to teleport such a large force to the rear of the devils before getting forces from the central and southern regions to assault them from the south, trapping them in a pincer movement. Once you have made your move, all of the devils attacking the Eastern Divine Region will be trapped like turtles in a jar."

"You truly do live up to your reputation. You didn't make a move for several days, but once you do make a move, it's decisive and merciless. It looks like this devilish plague will very soon dissolve into smoke and ashes. This king does not need to add any more worries to my plate."

Once she finished speaking, Xia Qingyue turned around, as if to leave.

"Is the Moon God Realm not going to provide any assistance?" the Eternal Heaven God Emperor asked.

Xia Qingyue replied, "In the eyes of the world, this devilish plague was caused by your Eternal Heaven God Realm, so if you can solve this by yourselves, you will greatly lessen the blame assigned to you."

"But if the devils are far stronger than expected..." Xia Qingyue glanced to the side as she said those words. "The teleportation is right there and our Moon God Realm will naturally come to your aid. Speaking of which, that was also what that Qianye Fantian said."

"However, news from all over the place has already confirmed one thing. The Northern Divine Region has mobilized many of their upper and middle star realms, but we haven't seen a trace of their three king realms. After all, rulers are always afraid of death, so why would they personally venture out of the Northern Region? I'm afraid that my Moon God Realm and the Brahma Monarch God Realm won't even have a chance to 'intervene'."

On the surface, she made it sound like she was doing this for the sake of the Eternal Heaven God Realm, that she would let them monopolize the glory so they could lessen their blame.

But in reality... neither the Moon God Realm or the Brahma Heaven God Realm wanted to lose any fighting strength.

"Ai." The Eternal Heaven God Realm gave a long sigh of lamentation.

Now that he thought about it, he had completely fallen into Chi Wuyao's trap... the moment he had decided to bring Zhou Qingchen into the Northern Divine Region.

Xia Qingyue left and Zhou Xuzi decided that he would no longer wait for those upper star realms who had yet to respond to his call to arms. He said, "Prepare to be teleported!"

"Tai Yu, stay behind to defend our territory."

"Yes," Honorable Tai Yu replied.

"Royal father!" A young man with sharp brows and dreamy eyes descended from the skies. His white robes fluttered in the air as he landed in front of Zhou Xuzi. His eyes shone with sincere determination as he said, "This child requests to join the battle."

This man was Zhou Xuzi's newly-appointed Eternal Heaven Crown Prince, Zhou Qingfeng. In fact, the ceremony to officially confer this title upon him was fast approaching.

"Qingfeng, you must not," Honorable Tai Yu said. "These devils are extremely vicious and there are far too many strange things about this invasion. As the future crown prince, you must not endanger yourself!"

"No." Zhou Qingfeng lifted his head. There was no fear on his face as he said, "It is precisely because this Qingfeng is the future crown prince that I cannot afford to be timid in the face of this devilish calamity! This is not only a disaster for the Eastern Region, it is also a huge disaster for our Eternal Heaven God Realm. I request royal father allow this child to battle side by side with you. I will share your burdens with you and I won't regret this decision even if I die!"

A few traces of admiration appeared in Zhou Xuzi's eyes. He did not hesitate for long before giving a slow nod of head. "Alright. Qingfeng, you will accompany your father and we will bury these devils in the Eastern Region forever."

"Yes!" Zhou Qingfeng bowed gracefully, his eyes burning with fervor.

Chapter 1720 - Blood-soaked Eternal Heaven (2)

Moon God Realm, Divine Moon City.

Xia Qingyue had just returned from the Eternal Heaven God Realm. The moment she stepped into Divine Moon City, she sensed that something was amiss.

Many of her Moon Guards were currently spreading out and rushing toward the exits of the Moon God Realm.

"What's happening?" Xia Qingyue asked in a soft voice, her eyebrows sinking in consternation.

The voice of their god emperor caused the entire Divine Moon City to grind to a halt. Yao Yue, Lian Yue, and Jin Yue swiftly appeared before Xia Qingyue. Lian Yue anxiously replied, "Master, Shui Meiyin... is no longer in the Moon Prison!"

"!?" Xia Qingyue's eyes instantly turned into chips of solid ice. Her head swivelled towards Jin Yue as she said, "Jin Yue! Didn't this king tell you to keep a close watch over her!?"

Jin Yue's delicate body bent over as she said in a panicked voice, "Master, this maidservant immediately went to the Moon Prison after I received your orders. But when this maidservant reached the bottom of the Moon Prison, I discovered... that Shui Meiyin had vanished without a trace."

"So you're saying that Shui Meiyin escaped before that?" Xia Qingyue suddenly shifted her gaze to the side as she called out a name. "Hengzhi!"

A tall man wearing silver armor swiftly ran towards her. He knelt at her feet and said, "I greet the god emperor."

Yue Hengzhi, the commander-in-chief of the Moon Prison's guards.

"It has been six months since this king has personally entered the Moon Prison. During these six months, did anyone forcefully break through the thirty-three layered barrier at the bottom of the Moon Prison?" Xia Qingyue said as she looked down at his kneeling figure.

Yue Hengzhi answered with no hesitation, "Absolutely not. If the bottom of the Moon Prison is impacted by even the slightest force, Hengzhi would definitely sense it. Furthermore, the only one who has opened up the barrier at the bottom of the Moon Prison in the last six months is..."

He glanced at Jin Yue before his voice dropped several octaves, "Divine Envoy Jin Yue."

Yao Yue, Lian Yue, and Jin Yue were the three personal maidservants of the Moon God Emperor, so they possessed many special privileges. There was no place in the Moon God Realm which was forbidden to them... and this included the bottom of the Moon Prison.

"Hmph!" The look in Xia Qingyue's eyes subtly changed. At this time, Jin Yue looked up in panic... This was the first time that Xia Qingyue had ever looked at her so coldly and it felt like she had been cast into a cruel icy hell.

"Jin Yue." Xia Qingyue's cold voice contained traces of pain and disappointment. "Just how many benefits did the Glazed Light Realm give you? To think that you'd actually dare to betray this king right under my very nose!"

Jin Yue was greatly shocked by those words. She spoke in a flustered voice, "This maidservant wouldn't dare! This maidservant has never..."

"You still dare to make excuses!?"

Xia Qingyue flung out her sleeve and a beam of purple light smacked into Jin Yue, blasting her into the air.

"Jin Yue!" Lian Yue cried out in great shock as she hurriedly flew to catch Jin Yue.

Yao Yue spoke up in an anxious voice, "Master, Jin Yue has accompanied you for so many years and she has always been most loyal to you. Serving Master is the greatest joy of her life, so she definitely wouldn't do anything to betray Master."

"Shut up!" Xia Qingyue said in a cold voice. "You don't have the power to plead on her behalf."

"..." Jin Yue slowly wiped away the blood that trickled down the corner of her lips. She lay dazed in Lian Yue's arms, her eyes were blurry and swimming with confusion and they glimmered with the light of a million broken stars.

Of the three maidservants closest to the Moon God Emperor, she was the one who had served Xia Qingyue the longest. When she was not the Moon God Emperor yet, they were practically as close as sisters and Jin Yue even thought that Xia Qingyue was the only person she could divulge everything to.

But after Yue Wuya had died and she had been crowned Moon God Emperor, Xia Qingyue started growing distant... She grew so distant that she had even started to become a stranger to Jin Yue.

But... this was the first time that Xia Qingyue had ever attacked her. Compared to the pain her body was feeling, her heart, a heart that Xia Qingyue's image had been engraved into, had shattered to pieces. The pain and sorrow she felt were so deep that they cut through her very soul.

"Master, this maidservant didn't do it." She knelt to the ground once more, her words accompanied by sobbing tears. "Even if this maidservant were to die, I would still never betray Master."

"Oh really?" Xia Qingyue's eyes remained chips of cold hard ice in spite of Jin Yue's distress. "Fine, on account of your long service to this king, this king can take it that you were bewitched by Shui Meiyin's Divine Stainless Soul."

"Do you know why this king wanted to take Shui Meiyin into custody!? The moment her Divine Stainless Soul completely awakens, she will become incredibly terrifying! The devils are currently plaguing the Eastern Divine Region, and now that she has escaped, it is very likely she will join their side! In the future, she will become an incredibly dangerous threat to us!"

"Therefore the crime of letting her escape is so heavy that even if you truly were bewitched by the Divine Stainless Soul... how can I be allowed to spare you!?"

She did not wait for Jin Yue to explain herself. Xia Qingyue coldly pronounced her judgement, "You are to immediately leave the Moon God Realm. From today onward, you are not to take a single step into the Moon God Realm!"

"Master..."

"Anyone who dares to plead on her behalf will share her punishment!"

Lian Yue and Yao Yue bit their bottom lips at the same time. Their eyes swam with confusion and bewilderment but they did not dare to say anything.

Jin Yue's beautiful eyes lost their color. She slowly pressed a hand against her chest as she looked at Xia Qingyue. "Master, this maidservant... is willing to prove my innocence... with death."

"Death?" Xia Qingyue remained unmoved and her voice was as cold and detached as it had been from the start. "You should know that this king will always tie up any loose ends. If you die in front of this king, then your parents, your siblings, and anyone directly related to you will be buried with you... But you can try it if you want."

Jin Yue's body swayed violently. Her delicate and beautiful face, which already evoked feelings of tenderness and pity, turned an even more pitiable shade of white.

"Jin Yue..." Lian Yue called out to her as she slowly shook her head.

Jin Yue finally lowered the palm that she was holding to her chest as the tears that she had fought to hold back instantly burst from her eyes. She deeply bowed her delicate head toward Xia Qingyue as she said, "Master, Jin Yue knows that she has... committed a grave mistake. So from now on, I won't be able to stay by Master's side."

"I hope that Master... will always take care of herself"

"..." Xia Qingyue did not reply. She coldly turned around, as if she did not want to take another look at Jin Yue, but it was also as if she did not want anyone else to see her face.

Jin Yue slowly rose to her feet. She gave Xia Qingyue another deep bow before she started to leave in a dazed and dispirited manner.

"Wait," Xia Qingyue suddenly said.

Jin Yue's exquisite body shuddered and she thought that Xia Qingyue had changed her mind. However, the only things she heard were merciless words that shattered her heart even further. "This king does not even want to see a trace of you in this lifetime. Take your entire family and leave the Eastern Divine Region within the next seventy-two hours! Otherwise, don't blame this king for being heartless!"

"..." Jin Yue felt as if her body had been thrust into a cold gale as it swayed violently. She let out a miserable voice that teetered on the edge of despair. "Jin Yue... will obey Master's command."

Jin Yue departed, tears falling to the ground in her wake.

But Xia Qingyue had not even turned around to look at her once.

"Lian Yue." Xia Qingyue's back was facing everyone as she gave an icy command. "Immediately gather troops and sweep the surrounding star regions. I don't care if you have to uproot the ground, recapture Shui Meiyin at all costs!"

"When you're searching for her, remember to spread the news that she has fled the Moon God Realm. Heavily reward anyone who gives us any clues."

"Yao Yue, you are to personally surveil the Glazed Light Realm!"

"Yes, Master." Both Lian Yue and Yao Yue acknowledged their orders.

At this time, the northern territories were being invaded by devils. The moment the situation started going out of control, the Moon God Realm would immediately move out to suppress them. Yet they were now choosing to split off such a big portion of their core forces at such a delicate time, just to find one Shui Meiyin.

However, in the wake of Xia Qingyue's fury and Jin Yue's exile, they did not dare to question her.

At the same time, Xia Qingyue's figure slowly turned diaphanous as she swiftly disappeared from their vision and spiritual senses.

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Shui Meiyin had escaped from the Moon God Realm; this news swiftly started to spread after the Moon God Realm started their wide-scale search. But with the plague of devils upon them, this news only made people glance to the side. It was not significant enough to cause another great wave.

In the Eternal Heaven God Realm, Zhou Xuzi was already standing in front of the teleportation profound formation. He had quietly stood there for more than an hour as he carefully considered all the possible scenarios for the upcoming battle.

When news of Shui Meiyin's escape from the Moon God Realm reached his ear, he paid it no mind.

In the end, he constructed a precise map of the Eastern Region's northern territories in his mind, highlighting the star realms which had been conquered by the devils and visualizing the distribution of the enemy's forces. When he finally opened his eyes, a cold light flickered in them. "Activate the grand formation."

White light erupted from the grand dimensional formation and blanketed an area that was dozens of kilometers wide.

"Tai Yu." Zhou Xuzi sent a sound transmission to Honorable Tai Yu, his deep and heavy voice ringing in his mind. "Be ready for a sound transmission from me at any time. When the time is right, immediately use the Voice of Eternal Heaven to mobilize all of the star realms and profound practitioners in the central and southern territories. Press toward the north with all of your might and cut off those damnable devils."

"Tai Yu understands." Honorable Tai Yu quickly sent a sound transmission back to Zhou Xuzi.

The grand dimensional formation started to violently swirl. Dimensional energy that was far too vast started causing the surrounding space to ripple and undulate like a tsunami.

The only power that could construct such a gigantic grand dimensional formation in the short span of a few days was the Eternal Heaven God Realm.

"Ladies and Gentlemen." The Eternal Heaven God Emperor turned to face all the upper star realm kings as he said, "This disaster occurred because of this me. This old one is greatly heartened to have received all of your support in this time of need."

He did not tell them that he had been framed and made a fool of, because he knew that no one would believe him. If he tried to forcefully prove his innocence now, it would only achieve the opposite of what he desired.

"What is the Eternal Heaven God Emperor even saying? The Eternal Heaven God Emperor is the one who has preserved order in the Eastern Divine Region. You're the hero who quelled the disaster of the Evil Infant, who quelled countless other disasters. Your contributions to the world are immeasurable. How can today's disaster blot out even a fraction of Eternal Heaven's sacred light?" a higher realm king immediately replied.

"This disaster is a disaster that is afflicting every member of our Eastern Divine Region! How can we allow the Eternal Heaven God Realm to bear it alone? Those cowardly and useless star realms in the northern territories... We'll settle our debts with them after we've exterminated these devils!"

"Given the strength gathered here today, we'll definitely be able to get rid of all of these lowly devils within the next ten days!"

Even though the Eternal Heaven God Realm had become the main culprit for this incident, their divine might and sacred reputation, things which had existed for hundreds of millenia, were things that could not be shaken.

Six Guardians, thirty Eternal Heaven elders, more than one hundred and forty higher realm kings and the core fighters of their realm.

When they added him, Zhou Xuzi, into the mix, they had nearly two hundred Divine Masters, thousands of Divine Sovereigns, and a vast amount of Divine Kings and Divine Spirits... There were also some profound artifacts which were radiating incredibly shocking auras in their midst.

Just as the Moon God Emperor had said, the Eternal Heaven God Realm had not made a single move over the last few days, but now that they were finally springing into action, they were prepared to turn the tables on the invading devils.

"Once we pacify the chaos caused by these devils, this old one will personally give all of you, and the Eastern Divine Region, an explanation."

Once he finished speaking, Zhou Xuzi waved a hand. "Activate the formation! Move out!"

Dimensional power was released as wave after wave of the Eastern Divine Region's elite forces were directly teleported to the borders of the northern territories—which placed them squarely behind the invading devils.

In less than thirty minutes, all of their forces had been teleported over.

The Eternal Heaven God Realm immediately returned to its usual peace and quiet.

However, no one ever discovered that there was something a little odd about this peace.

Not long after the Eternal Heaven God Emperor had departed, three bent and crooked shadows emerged from a patch of darkness at the borders of the Eternal Heaven God Realm. Three figures split up and flew in different directions before vanishing into the darkness yet again.

A dense white light erupted from a point along the northern border of the Eastern Divine Region. A grand dimensional formation appeared out of thin air and a large number of people emerged from it. The aura radiating from them was exceptionally powerful.

Zhou Xuzi and Zhou Qingfeng were the last to emerge from the profound formation.

The area around them was incredibly quiet. In fact, it was so quiet that it was a little eerie and they did not catch sight of any devils.

"My lord, how do we proceed from here?" A Guardian asked as he released his divine senses to sweep the area around them.

Zhou Xuzi stretched out a hand and a gigantic projection appeared in front of him. A map of all the star realms in the Eastern Divine Region's northern territories was displayed on that screen and the star realms conquered by the devils were dyed black.

He tapped his finger in the air, causing dozens of bright dots of light to appear on the screen. "We will launch our attack from these fifty starting points, every squad will take three star realms and we'll completely cut off any path of retreat that these devils have... There's no need to concern yourself with the state of the star realms, devote all of your strength and attention to wiping out the devils."

"Once the Voice of Eternal Heaven rings out across the heavens, we will have encircled them from both the north and the south, and they'll be in desperate straits then!"

The Eternal Heaven God Emperor's voice was incredibly low and heavy.

There were quite a few Divine Masters among the invading devils, but no one had seen any of their king realms in action. Even though he was inwardly sneering with contempt, he was still glad that he did not have to fight them.

"The Eternal Heaven truly does live up to its reputation of being supremely skilled at using spatial energy. What a fantastic encirclement strategy. Let me first congratulate you on your success."

A woman's voice rang out from behind them and it was as gentle as a light breeze but as seductive as a devilish moan.

Zhou Xuzi's eyes suddenly went cold as everyone else spun around simultaneously.

A woman quietly floated in the skies to the north of them a few kilometers away... No one had sensed when she had appeared in that place, and this included Zhou Xuzi.

"Devil Queen!" The projection flickered out of existence as Zhou Xuzi turned around. He stared at Chi Wuyao before he gave a dry laugh. "This old one was actually under the impression that you didn't have the courage to step out of the darkness."

The two words "Devil Queen" caused the expressions of the Eternal Heaven Guardians and the highrt realm kings to dramatically change.

She had appeared alone, and no other auras could be sensed around her.

Boooommbzzzz!!

All six Eternal Heaven Guardians prepared to attack as they released their Eternal Heaven divine power at the same time. Thunder and lightning roiled the heavens as the sky threatened to collapse under their divine might.

"Don't make any sudden moves." Zhou Xuzhi raised a hand to stop them.

An incredibly frightening array of strength was arrayed on one side, and Chi Wuyao seemed to be facing them alone.

But Zhou Xuzi had only faced Chi Wuyao twice in his life and each time he had taken a big loss... Even though there seemed to be a massive force arrayed against her alone, he remained completely on edge and he felt as if thousands of mountains were weighing down on him.

Because it definitely was not a coincidence that she had appeared at this exact time, in this exact place!

"This queen is only a weak woman in the end, so where would I find the courage to personally step into the fearsome tiger's den that is the Eastern Divine Region?" Chi Wuyao's voice was soft and cottony, and when the Divine Masters in Zhou Xuzi's party heard it, they felt their bodies go numb. All the Divine Sovereigns and Divine Kings felt their vision go blurry as they unconsciously withdrew their profound energy into their bodies.

"Hmph!" Zhou Xuzi let out a soft snort, but he was busy clearing the hearts and minds of his party. The profound practitioners who had lapsed into a small daze shuddered as cold sweat drenched their bodies.

The image of Zhou Qingchen's miserable death floated into his mind as Zhou Xuzi slowly curled his hands into fists. He forcefully restrained the wild rage that threatened to seize him, but his voice was growing deeper. "Get all of your lackeys from the Soul Stealing Realm to show themselves. Hiding a part of your strength will only earn you ridicule!"

Chi Wuyao pursed her lips before she started laughing softly. Her smile was ripe with meaning as she said, "The Eternal Heaven God Emperor's bad habit of being overly suspicious really hasn't changed at all. This queen's cute children aren't here right now. They're in a place... that will really 'surprise' you."

"?" Zhou Xuzi frowned deeply.

Chi Wuyao calmly turned her eyes toward them. As she faced this incredibly frightening array of force, this aura which could suppress everything, no fear appeared on her face. On the contrary, her smile grew even deeper. "To think that you managed to assemble such a large amount of strength and create such a frightening grand dimensional formation in this short amount of time. The Eternal Heaven God Realm truly is outstanding."

"However." She gave a languid sigh before speaking in that soft and sultry voice of hers. "Since you've moved such a large amount of force out of the Eastern Divine Region, what exactly would happen... if you weren't able to instantly move it all back?"

When she finished speaking, the grand dimensional formation which had just completed its job started to violently shudder. After that, it exploded into fragments of shattered white light which filled the air.

"!!!" This sudden bizarre change caused Zhou Xuzi's expression to dramatically change.

The foundations of this grand dimensional formation existed in the Eternal Heaven God Realm. Its sudden collapse meant only one thing... The main formation that was located in the Eternal Heaven God Realm had been destroyed!

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The Eternal Heaven God Realm.

An earth-shaking explosion rang out from three different directions.

After that... a dark aura rushed toward the sky. It felt so gloomy and sinister that it sent chills down the spines of all those who felt it.

At this time, the grand dimensional formation that had teleported Zhou Xuzi and his army to the northern borders of the Eastern Divine Region collapsed and exploded under a terrifying barrage of black energy beams.

At the same time, the grand dimensional formations that connected the Eternal Heaven God Realm to the other king realms and important regions of the Eastern Divine Region were destroyed by a sudden explosion of darkness.

All of this had happened far too suddenly, there was no warning at all.

These main dimensional formations had existed for hundreds of thousands of years and every single one of them was incredibly sturdy. No normal power could destroy them.

However, the ones who had destroyed these main profound formations just so happened to be the three most dreadful existences in the Northern Divine Region—the Yama Realm's Three Yama Ancestors!

The Eternal Heaven God Realm was violently rocked. Countless figures flitted into the air as they rushed towards the explosion of dark energy.

Furthermore, in the center of the Eternal Heaven God Realm, a place that even an Eternal Heaven elder could not casually approach, a dark figure materialized out of thin air.

Yun Che!

No one knew where he had come from or when he had arrived.

Even the Eternal Heaven Guardians who had stayed behind had not detected any strange people or auras.

A gigantic bell lay in front of them. That was another divine artifact left behind by the gods. When the Eternal Heaven Realm became a king realm, they changed its name to the "Eternal Heaven Bell".

The "Voice of Eternal Heaven" which allowed the Eternal Heaven God Realm to project anyone's voice across the entire Eastern Divine Region was produced using this bell.

He placed a hand on the Eternal Heaven Bell as he used dark profound energy to forcefully activate its power. His lips curved up into a smile that was as dark and sinister as demon's.

"Children of darkness, dance wildly!"

The Eternal Heaven Bell thundered in the air as it transmitted that dark and horrific devilish voice to every corner of the Eastern Divine Region, causing it to resound in all of the skies above the Eastern Divine Region.

Upon hearing that the devilish voice that seemed to have crawled up from the abyss, the entire Eastern Divine Region seemed to suddenly grow murky and oppressive.

Countless Eastern Region profound practitioners raised their heads in shock and terror. At this moment, dark eyes which had been waiting in the darkness sprang to life as an infinite amount of malice glowed within them.