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*Chapter 1361: Manipulated Star Beasts*

Shang Xia had also understood that the region of clam space around a world was related to how powerful the world was.

Streams of chaotic space usually separated the regions of calm space around worlds.

If several worlds wanted to interact with each other, they would either have to establish a safe passage through the chaotic streams, or they would have to create some sort of teleportation formation between the worlds.

During the long exploration stage, high-level experts of the various worlds soon discovered that the stronger the worlds, the more difficult it would be to enter the streams of chaotic space.

As a world continued to grow, they would definitely experience massive battles and invasion attempts. They would interact with many worlds and there would be some who would turn into allies. In the end, those allies would establish a region called a Heavenly Field.

For example, the Essence Xing World and several lower leveled worlds around it established a region called the Essence Xing Heavenly Field.

A Heavenly Field was different from the Heaven Observation Field that contained the Spirit Luxuriant World. The former was a region of space that was formed by an alliance between various worlds, and even though there were streams of chaotic space protecting their Heavenly Field, it wasn't created artificially.

The Heaven Observation Field was different. Other than a separation from the rest of the sea of stars, they also had a spatial barrier protecting it. It stopped anyone outside and prevented its exact location from being found.

The experts of the Essence Ming World and Essence Hong World once tried to look for the Heaven Observation Field, but they were unable to locate it.

Of course, there was another part that differentiated the Heaven Observation Field from a Heavenly Field. There was no Essence World in the Heaven Observation Field and the Star Origin Dao Field filled in the role of an Essence World in there.

Shang Xia had been observing outside the Star Ship along the way and in their time traveling, he noticed that they passed through 2 other weaker chaotic streams of space. That would also mean that they had passed at least 2 weaker worlds.

During the entire process, perhaps it was because of the weaker chaotic streams, the fleet wasn't affected much and the journey was smooth. Shang Xia was able to continue crafting talismans without much impact.

The only time he felt a strong bump was when they entered the chaotic streams surrounding the Essence Xing World.

After a short pause, Shang Xia left his cabin.

There were at least 300 members of the Wanyun Association on board the massive Star Ship, and all of them were in the Martial Intent Realm or higher. In the other Star Ships, there should be 200 or so members of comparable strength. As such, one could see the strong foundations of the faction.

Every single member on the Star Ship had their jobs, and they weren't flustered in the slightest when they entered the streams of chaotic space. It was clear they had everything under control.

Shang Xia walked around the ship and quickly saw Gong Zhuo hurrying over to him.

"True Immortal Shang, is something the matter? Or do you have any instructions for us?" Gong Zhuo seemed a lot more respectful after learning from Zhang Shun that Shang Xia had already reached the level of Returning to the Origin.

Shang Xia chuckled in response, "There's nothing much. It's just that I felt the rush when we entered the stream of chaotic space. I came to see if I could be of any help."

Gong Zhuo seemed to heave a sigh of relief as he laughed, "With your presence, we are a lot more assured of traveling through the streams of chaotic space. However, we have just entered the chaotic streams and it's far from what we will experience deeper in the sea of stars. It's also far from what we are capable of withstanding."

"That is great. If there is anything you need my help with, feel free to ask. Aren't we all on the same boat now?" Shang Xia chuckled and nodded slowly.

Gong Zhuo reacted with a grateful smile. "Actually... I was about to come and ask you to help us with something..."

Seeing the strange look on Shang Xia's face, Gong Zhuo forced a chuckle, "I won't hide anything from you... The streams of chaotic space aren't difficult to deal with. It's the attack from high-level Star Beasts that we are afraid of. The chaotic space affects our senses, but Star Beasts are like fishes in water."

Shang Xia was surprised by his revelation, but he reacted quickly and managed to avoid showing any signs of his shock.

He experienced 2 Star Beast invasions in the past, but both times, he didn't fight them in the chaotic streams of space. He fought them in their nest at best, and he was able to quickly deal with the threat.

Hearing what Gong Zhuo said, it was clear that the threat of Star Beasts in the chaotic streams of space would be even greater. When that happened, even the fleet might be threatened. That was probably why they needed to ask him for help.

"Of course. I will take care of it." Shang Xia agreed readily before asking another question of his own, "Will there be frequent attacks when we are still so close to the Essence Xing World?"

Perhaps it had something to do with how easily Shang Xia agreed, but Gong Zhuo felt a lot more reassured. He continued to walk alongside Shang Xia as he strolled around the Star Ship and explained, "That's not the case. Our Essence Xing Heavenly Field has several safe routes to other worlds, and there would be high-level True Immortals and several squads patrolling to ensure everything is safe by killing Star Beasts they come across. However, we're not traveling through those routes now and strictly speaking, this can be considered a way to sneak across the worlds without being discovered. We only learned about this path after paying a huge price and it wouldn't be as safe as the paths already established."

Shang Xia nodded slowly. It wasn't as though he knew nothing about the streams of chaotic space around the worlds. He heard Song Zhen speak about it before. When Song Zhen traveled around the Essence Ming Heavenly Field, he traveled around those fixed paths which were protected by high-level experts. Of course, he couldn't use them for free.

The Wanyun Association's actions were secret, and even Zhang Shun's presence wasn't revealed to anyone. There was no way anyone knew their plan to establish the 34th continent in the Essence Xing World. As such, the route they took was definitely an unknown one.

As they spoke, they arrived at the deck of the Star Ship. It was located close to the streams of chaotic space around them, and Shang Xia could even feel their impact on the body of the ship. Even the shaking felt a lot stronger when he was standing on the deck compared to his cabin.

Of course, those were no danger to a high-level True Immortal like Shang Xia.

Standing on the deck, Shang Xia could clearly see a layer of light covering the ship.

Behind it, the other 6 Star Ships formed a line as all of them seemed connected to the light glow around the massive Star Ship. It was a massive system that connected them all, and by lining up, they could reduce the impact of the chaotic streams on the Star Ships behind.

Shang Xia and Gong Zhuo stood on the deck without bothering to protect themselves. As he observed everything around him, Shang Xia turned to ask, "Is Director Zhang on the last Star Ship?"

A look of shock flashed across Gong Zhuo's eyes, but he didn't hide anything from Shang Xia like he said. "That is right. Director Zhang said that Star Beasts aren't fools. They have high intelligence, but fortunately, at the end of the day, they are still beasts. They wouldn't choose the middle few ships if they were to attack and the ships with the highest probability of being hit are the first and last. Also... Since the larger the ship, the stronger it will look to them, they would probably attack the final ship."

"Ordinarily speaking, Director Zhang's analysis should convince me." Shang Xia continued, "However... There is something I need to confirm."

"What is it?" Gong Zhuo gasped in shock.

Slowly rising from the deck of the ship, Shang Xia asked suddenly, "What I want to confirm is... If a Star Beast pack can be controlled by someone."

"What?! How is that possible?" Gong Zhuo wanted to ask about how even if someone could control those beasts, why would they be able to locate the fleet that had hidden its tracks? However, he discovered that Shang Xia had already run to the Star Ships before he could react.

All of a sudden, the void above the fourth ship turned calm as a massive Star Beast appeared above their light screen barrier. It opened its mouth and chomped down, crushing the structures of the ship above deck when Shang Xia barely reached the third ship.

#### *Chapter 1362: Star Beast Pack In the Chaotic Void Streams*

It happened so suddenly that Shang Xia didn't feel any sign of it happening before it actually did. He didn't think that the Star Beast would be so terrifying when it appeared, destroying the layer of protection around the fleet and destroying the layer of structures above the deck of the fourth ship. However, the Star Beast didn't seem to be having a good time either.

There should be at least 1 True Immortal on board every Star Ship, and even if there wasn't, they would possess the combat strength of one.

The Star Beast that appeared was attacked on all sides by the experts of the ship, and it was already riddled with injuries. After destroying the structures on the fourth ship, it might have killed many low-level cultivators of the association, but the attacks of the third and fifth ships also arrived.

The Star Beast tried to flee, but it was turned into a sieve as thousands of holes were torn through its body by the incessant attacks of the various experts. Thanks to its massive physique and strong life force, it still managed to run into the chaotic streams.

Powerful auras emerged from the third and fifth ships as they attempted to rush into the streams of chaotic space in order to hunt down the beast.

Before they could rush into the chaotic streams, Gong Zhuo's voice rang in his ears, "Wait, don't give chase! Protect the ship and we cannot disrupt the formation!"

After he spoke, he paused slowly before asking, "Junior Brother Gu, how is it?"

An unsteady aura emerged from the fourth ship, and a voice seemed to be gasping for breath. "I suffered some slight injuries, but it's nothing too serious. I can maintain the formation. If we try our best, we should be able to restore the protection formation to its full might. However... If I have to fight a comparable expert, I might not be able to hold out."

Gong Zhuo's expression turned serious and he muttered in a low voice, "Do your best to restore it. Chongshan and Martial Nephew Lao will continue to keep watch. They will also send a portion of their strength to assist you."

Replies from both the third and fifth ships came quickly.

The next second, True Immortal Gu's voice came from the fourth ship. "Senior Brother Gong, when the beast fled earlier, I noticed someone rushing into the void. It wasn't any of us... Do you know who did it?"

True Immortal Gu was a third tier True Immortal, and he was able to vaguely discover Shang Xia's presence.

Gong Zhuo muttered in a low voice, "You don't need to worry about that. Just restore the capabilities of your ship."

Gong Zhuo thought back to Shang Xia's warning earlier about what would happen if the Star Beast Pack was controlled by someone.

Initially, he thought that Shang Xia thought too much into it and was exaggerating, but from how the beast attacked earlier, it was a real possibility.

A high-level Star Beast had a certain level of intelligence. Even though it was attacked by the experts on the third and fifth Star Ships, it still tried to cause as much damage as it could before fleeing.

If the person ordering the attack on the fleet was merely doing it because they discovered the fleet in the chaotic space, that was still alright. However, if they did it because they were intentionally targeting the Wanyun Association, things might get really complicated.

Gong Zhuo could think about the complications, and it was definitely no problem for Zhang Shun or Shang Xia. From the time everything began, Gong Zhuo didn't receive any instruction from the director at all. Since things had evolved to such a state, he was pretty sure the director did the same thing as Shang Xia and went after the Star Beast.

Before Shang Xia left, he left Gong Zhuo with a specific voice transmission. It was a warning and once he expanded his divine soul, he roared, "Everyone, prepare for battle! Enemy attack!"

A formless spatial fluctuation appeared at the side and crashed into the protection barrier around the fleet.

At almost the exact same time, the protection barrier around the fleet strengthened. The void in front of the fleet, along with the void at the top and bottom, tipped open suddenly. 2 massive Star Beasts that were comparable to the first appeared at the top and bottom of the fleet. Another, which was even stronger than the others, stood in their way.

They launched an attack on their fleet in unison.

With the combined might of all 3 of them, the protection barrier contorted despite being strengthened by Gong Zhuo and the other True Immortals of the Wanyun Association. The barrier was so strained that their situation started to look a little bleak.

Gong Zhuo rose from the Star Ship in the lead and held a special divine weapon with many joints. He turned into a stream of light and rushed at the strongest Star Beast blocking their path.

With his counterattack, the experts on the other ships also rushed into action. They charged at the Star Beasts that surrounded them.

At the same time, the Star Ships behind quickly closed in on them and formed a strong battle formation.

A loud blast followed along a horrifying scream that seemed to have the ability to tear one's soul into shreds. Gong Zhuo, who was holding his divine weapon, was flung back rapidly. The Star Beast at the very front might have repelled Gong Zhuo, but after

getting a divine weapon slammed into its skull, it shook its head rapidly in an attempt to get rid of the pain it felt. Blood spurted from a wound that Gong Zhuo created with his weapon.

Along with the blast, the entire fleet ground to a halt.

It was also then that Gong Zhuo, whose insides were churning from the impact, heard a distorted cry from the chaotic streams around him. "I got it!"

The voice might be distorted, but Gong Zhuo could recognize Director Zhang's voice.

*Director Zhang personally made a move!*

*There really is someone behind this!*

Even though he was excited, Gong Zhuo revealed a serious expression.

When he heard the yell earlier, he saw a massive pillar tearing through the void, stabbing straight at the powerful Star Beast blocking their path. It entered from the wound Gong Zhuo created and exited from the back.

Under Gong Zhuo's shocked gaze, the body of the strongest Star Beast trembled violently. The void around it turned into a massive region of destroyed space.

Struggling as hard as it could, it failed to free itself and it slowly grew weaker until all its movements stopped.

Once the Star Beast was killed, the rod that stabbed through the Star Beast shrank until it could be seen in the hand of a figure that appeared in the void not too far away.

*True Immortal Shang?!*

Gong Zhuo's eyes widened in shock at Shang Xia's combat strength.

Even though in the eyes of many True Immortals in the Wanyun Association's fleet, Shang Xia merely made use of the opportunity presented by Gong Zhuo to kill the beast, but they weren't high-level True Immortals! They couldn't see what Gong Zhuo could.

Gong Zhuo could tell how powerful that strike was. If he was in Shang Xia's place, he knew there was no way he could have killed the beast even if someone injured it beforehand.

He fought with Shang Xia in the past, and they understood the extent of each other's strength.

Back when they had comparable cultivation, he knew that he wasn't Shang Xia's opponent. Now that Shang Xia reached the level of Returning to the Origin, Gong Zhuo knew that he was way stronger than before.

After observing what happened earlier, Gong Zhuo also took special note of Shang Xia's weapon. The rod that pierced the Star Beast looked oddly familiar to him, and he had a feeling it was a Heaven Supporting Jade Pillar.

With Shang Xia's slaying of the strongest Star Beast, the others that were attacking the fleet at the moment seemed to go crazy as they started to struggle violently in the void.

The beast above the fleet suffered the most serious injuries as it was focused fired by the experts of the Wanyun association, and it was bleeding all over its body. Their violent struggles affected the fleet to some extent, but in their injured state, they didn't last for long. Eventually, its life force was exterminated.

Seeing as its companion was killed the Star Beast that was beneath the fleet started to flee. It plunged into the streams of chaotic space.

With enough time to react, the Wanyun Association's fleet managed to deploy their battle formation again. Along with the True Immortals taking action, the Star Beast that was trying to flee was dragged back from whatever it was running to. Like fish that had been thrown onto shore, it started to flounder and struggle. With the might of the Wanyun Association's fleet aimed at it, it was eventually dealt with.

The Star Beast that was comparable to a third tier True Immortal, could challenge high-level True Immortals because of its powerful physique. Even so, it was taken alive by the fleet.

Only then did Shang Xia reappear on the deck of the first Star Ship. He stared at the struggling Star Beast that was captured alive by the fleet.

At the same time, the light barrier around the fleet reappeared, as Zhang Shun returned with a strangely shaped token in hand. He tossed it on the deck and Shang Xia made out what it was.

"This..." Shang Xia looked at the human-shaped creature that was thrown onto the deck and looked at Zhang Shun.

Unlike him, Gong Zhuo's expression changed slightly and he muttered, "Director, is this..."

*Chapter 1363: Beast Warrior*

"Beast Warrior!" Gong Zhuo gasped. However, he quickly turned to introduce Shang Xia, "They were originally part of a powerful faction that rose to power hundreds of

years ago. Their cultivation system came about as part of a bold experiment, but because some of them died due to old age, their cultivation system no longer progressed. Several experts who were unresigned with their fate continued to delve into how to grow stronger even without their high-level expert ancestors and developed something strange! In the end, their bodies mutated and they became something un-humanlike.

Shang Xia looked at the figure on the deck and frowned. "In that case, did they manage to preserve their soul to be something similar to what we possess?"

"Because of the way they cultivate and the influence they received from the Star Beasts after hanging around them for too long, their souls would start to mutate after they reached the Martial Intent Realm. Even though they possess some sort of human-like clarity, they are greatly influenced by bestial instincts." Gong Zhuo explained as he glanced at the figure on the deck.

Shang Xia pressed his lips together and muttered, "If they are really following a path of cultivation, how can they be affected just by staying around Star Beasts?"

Gong Zhuo opened his mouth, but he chuckled softly eventually.

"True Immortal Shang, you're right..." Zhang Shun, who was standing beside them, spoke. However, he quickly started to ask again, "True Immortal Shang, from your behavior, you don't seem to know much about them. Does your Essence Ping World not experience frequent intrusions by Beast Warriors?"

"Invasions?" Shang Xia raised an eyebrow and was slightly taken aback by the question. "Are Beast Warriors really so powerful as to dare to invade worlds protected by Martial Emptiness Realm Sages?"

Shang Xia thought that those Beast Warriors would at most be able to launch attacks on Star Ship fleets with the cover of the chaotic streams of space. They might be able to affect the plans of several worlds, but he didn't think they possessed enough strength to be able to invade one. However, what Zhang Shun mentioned about them made them seem a lot more powerful than he thought.

Zhang Shun laughed in response, "Even though there are a lot of variations of Beast Warriors, all of them have 1 thing in common. Their souls have mutated because of their interaction with the beasts. Their strength was greater than experts of the same level, and they also had longer lifespans. In the vast sea of stars, there is no lack of cultivators who are dedicated to the path of cultivation. However, there are some who don't wish to die, and there is no lack of those who try to follow their path of cultivation in order to extend their lifespans."

Gong Zhuo added, "True Immortal Shang, you might not know, but Star Beasts are creatures with some sort of hive-mind. Those Beast Warriors are able to control a few

strong beasts with their soul, effectively controlling the rest of the pack. Powerful Beast Warriors control a Star Beast Pack that way. Since they hide in the chaotic streams of space most of the time where even Martial Emptiness Realm Sages can't remain for long, no one is able to discover their presence. If any worlds weaker than an Essence World were to fail to pay attention and have their heavenly screen torn through, it wouldn't be difficult for them to destroy it completely. There are even powerful Beast Warriors that can control more than 10 rank six Star Beasts. They have a record of surrounding and killing a Martial Emptiness Realm Sage in the chaotic streams of space. The only problem with verifying whether that is the truth is that no one has seen it for themselves."

Stroking his chin, Shang Xia had a profound and unreadable expression.

Zhang Shun, who was standing at the side, suddenly asked, "From the looks of it, True Immortal Shang really doesn't know much about Beast Warriors. Your Essence Ping World is really lucky to not be attacked by those monsters..."

To that, Shang Xia only shook his head regretfully. "Those Beast Warriors don't just control Star Beasts, right?"

"Of course not. Even the weakest Star Beasts live in the streams of chaotic space. In order to enter them, the Beast Warrior will have to be in the Martial Dipper Realm at the very least. To mutate their souls to control Star Beasts would mean that they have to be an expert of that level at the very least." Zhang Shun explained.

Raising his eyebrows in shock, Zhang Shun noticed the tone of questioning Shang Xia had. He couldn't help but ask, "From what you say, does your Essence Ping World also have traces of Beast Warriors?"

Shang Xia sighed softly in response. "I'm afraid they have already existed for a long time. However, they managed to hide themselves well and they have become a hidden threat to all of us."

"Oh? What do you mean?" Zhang Shun probed.

Shang Xia had long since noticed the other party's attempt to dig out more information on him, but he didn't plan to hide it. "They have been hiding in the sea. Those Beast Warriors have always been hiding in the depths of the great ocean."

With his tone changing slightly, Shang Xia muttered in a low voice, "Fellow True Immortals, I believe after this ends, it's time for me to return to my world."

"Of course." Zhang Shun and Gong Zhuo exchanged a glance before responding in unison.

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Zhang Shun determined that the attack on the fleet to be something coincidental, instead of a premeditated attack on the Wanyun Association.

Shang Xia might feel a little surprised, but that was the Wanyun Association's fleet. Whatever Zhang Shun said was law. Anyway, he was merely hired help and he knew he shouldn't interfere with their operations.

In the end, they killed 2 Star Beasts, and captured another alive. It was eventually killed in captivity.

Stopping for some time in the streams of chaotic space, they started to reorganize themselves. It was especially so since the fourth ship's structure above deck had been destroyed.

They also had to deal with the massive corpses of the Star Beasts.

Shang Xia watched as they dealt with the corpses and noticed how much the Spirit Luxuriant World wasted back then.

The Star Essence Core of the beast, along with its skin, were the most valuable parts of the beast. After its death, the beast would usually fossilize and become something like a piece of rock. There were still parts that could be used, and perhaps after the use of some special arts, they would be able to leave behind a portion of its worth to be turned into an artifact or some sort of formation.

From a certain perspective, the presence of the Heaven Observation Field provided too much protection for the worlds within it!

After Shang Xia watched them deal with the corpse of the beast, he returned to his cabin to continue crafting talismans.

After he returned, Zhang Shun and Gong Zhuo who were on the fourth Star Ship were discussing something among themselves as they helped with its restoration.

"Did you see how he killed the beast at the very front?" Zhang Shun asked with a serious expression.

"I saw it for myself. He killed it with 1 blow. His move was clean and perfect." Gong Zhuo replied. He thought back to the staff that pierced through the skull of the beast.

"Hmm..." Zhang Shun nodded his head and muttered, "I went to take a look as well. The beast he killed had extremely strong combat abilities. It definitely had the combat prowess of a high-level True Immortal and with the assistance of the chaotic streams, its destructive capabilities would only grow stronger. Even I wouldn't dare to fight it head on. He killed it while I was looking for the Beast Warrior in the void. It's clear that he is even stronger than me!"

“Director...” Gong Zhuo wanted to say something else, but he was stopped by a single gesture from Zhang Shun.

Zhang Shun chuckled softly, “It’s nothing I can’t admit. It is true that I’m weaker than him. Do you really think I will be affected by something like this? Moreover, you also understand... Even though you injured the beast, an injured Star Beast is even scarier than when it’s in perfect condition. Also, True Immortal Shang can be considered a good friend of yours now. He is also helping us to achieve our goal. Isn’t him being stronger a good thing for us?”

Gong Zhuo nodded after thinking for a moment. However, he hesitated slightly before he continued, “But... Why do I feel like you don’t trust him completely?”

Zhang Shun nodded casually. “I probed him out a few times and his reactions seemed genuine, but he just seems a little too confident.”

“Maybe he’s that way because he has absolute confidence in his strength?” Gong Zhuo said after thinking for a moment.

Zhang Shun nodded, but he shook his head the next moment. Gong Zhuo found his reaction a little strange.

“Let’s just maintain our relationship with him for now. There’s just one thing... I can’t shake the feeling that there’s something strange about the Essence Ping World.” Zhang Shun sighed.

Gong Zhuo replied, “Director Zhang, even if you didn’t say anything, I would have done so. No matter what, he’s a pseudo rank seven Talisman Grandmaster. He’s the only person capable of crafting our Myriad Tinted Cloud Talismans...”

Zhang Shun tilted his head down slightly and instructed, “Since True Immortal Shang killed the fourth tier Star Beast on his own, send the skin and Star Essence Core to him. Oh yes, send him the skin of the other beasts too. Tell him that they are the key ingredient in crafting the special talisman paper to craft Myriad Tinted Cloud Talismans.”

“Director Zhang, isn’t this a little... No matter what, he wasn’t the person who killed the other beasts.” Gong Zhuo revealed an ugly expression as he spoke.

Zhang Shun frowned and snapped at him suddenly, “Don’t be foolish! Don’t forget what the true motive of this trip is! It’s just a few pieces of Star Beast skin. If we can secure the future of our Wanyun Association for the next hundreds of years, what if we give the beast skin to him?! Even if we give him the skin of 30 Star Beasts, it won’t matter!”

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After the goods were delivered, Shang Xia was slightly taken aback. He might have expected them to give him a portion of their gains, but he didn't think they would give him so much. Of the 3 Star Beasts that were killed, they gave him 3 complete pieces of the skin and the Star Essence Core of the strongest beast. That would mean that they only kept 2 Star Essence Cores for themselves.

"True Immortal Gong, I cannot accept this!" Shang Xia said seriously. "The beasts were killed with our combined effort. How can I take so much? This is inappropriate..."

Gong Zhuo expected Shang Xia to reject the treasures, and he simply pushed them over to him once again. He said in a solemn voice, "True Immortal Shang, you know the true goal of our Wanyun Association. If not for you killing the strongest beast, we wouldn't have been able to complete our battle formation to kill the rest. I'm afraid even our main ship would suffer serious damage. If that happens, we will be forced to return empty handed. As such... I feel that this is still too little! Not to mention your skills in talisman crafting... These Star Beast skins are the key ingredient in crafting the special talisman paper for making Myriad Tinted Cloud Talismans."

#### *Chapter 1364: Chaotic Sea of Stars and the Twin Star Pirates*

As they continued their journey in the chaotic streams, the Wanyun Association's fleet ran into 3 more assaults by Star Beasts. They failed to do anything and were quickly dealt with by the experts on board.

Clearly, the rest of the attacks weren't like the first where the pack was controlled by a Beast Warrior.

Shang Xia didn't do anything after getting rid of the first assault. He found it a pity that despite the layers of formations, he was still able to feel the impact of the battle. During intense exchanges, the rocking of the Star Ship would become so intense it was impossible for him to craft talismans. In the end, he decided to simply cultivate.

Since the Crimson Soul Tablet absorbed the world origin of the Essence Xing World, it has been producing high-quality and pure energy. In the short 7 days of cultivation on board the Star Ship, Shang Xia felt his cultivation rising by close to what it would be in a month of ordinary cultivation using the world origin of the Spirit Luxuriant World.

Calming himself down to circulate his inner qi, he discovered it circulated 30 percent faster than before. When he sank into a state of enlightenment, 4 short days were all he needed to obtain a month's worth of ordinary cultivation.

By the time the Star Ship emerged from the streams of chaotic space, another month had passed. Of course, with its exit meant that they had left the Essence Xing Heavenly Field. Nôv(e)B\jnn

Shang Xia finally stepped out of his cabin after a month.

Hearing the news, Gong Zhuo rushed over as quickly as he could. As soon as he arrived, he cried out, "If we actually took the spatial tunnels in the Heavenly Field that led out of the region of space, the journey would have taken 10 days at best. Even if we dally, it won't take more than half a month. It would have been a lot safer too... After all, the high-level experts of our world would clear out the place of any threats."

Shang Xia nodded slowly. His expression sank a little, but he continued to ask, "Does your Essence Xing Heavenly Field possess the inheritance of the Heaven Observation Sect of the past?"

Gong Zhuo clearly didn't think that Shang Xia would ask something like that, and he was obviously taken aback for a moment. His expression changed slightly and he muttered, "Are you talking about the Stargazer inheritance?"

Since Shang Xia brought it up, he didn't beat about the bush. "I heard that Stargazers are able to lock on to regions of space in the vast sea of stars. They should also be able to determine a safe path through the streams of chaotic space. I don't know how true those rumors are, and I wish to verify them."

"Oh." Gong Zhuo raised an eyebrow slightly, "True Immortal Shang, does your world know some things about the Heaven Observation Sect?"

Shaking his head, Shang Xia sighed, "I barely took part in the struggles between the factions and I don't know too much about things like that. The only thing I managed to do is to eke out a living with my understanding in the art of crafting talismans. As for Stargazers... There might be something about them in the Dao Field, but they're acting really arrogant just because they have rank five Stargazers. Heh... They even dare to take advantage of the rest of us!"

As he spoke, the sneer on his face grew wider and wider and his displeasure became apparent.

Gong Zhuo seemed to have thought of something because of his reaction.

*I'm afraid True Immortal Shang clashed with their Grand Stargazers and suffered quite a bit... That is why he hates them so much. That might also be why he was exiled...*

Before Gong Zhuo could respond, Zhang Shun's voice came from the side, "Oh? True Immortal Shang, you actually have beef with the Stargazers of your world's Dao Field... Please, take my advice. If your grudge isn't something that cannot be resolved, it would be best not to clash with them."

Shang Xia's expression darkened. "Director Zhang, it seems like you know something about them I don't. Is there a secret behind being a Stargazer?"

“Haha... Looks like the Dao Field of your world kept everything about being a Stargazer a secret. It’s no wonder you suffered at their hands.” Zhang Shun laughed.

Shang Xia snorted in contempt, and he seemed to be pouting at the side, not willing to respond to that.

Zhang Shun didn’t push it. Instead, he continued, “Of course the various Heavenly Fields have Stargazer inheritances. However, the most orthodox sect with the greatest Stargazer inheritance is the Heaven Observation Sect you spoke about.”

“It’s just that... The Heaven Observation Sect met with a great calamity close to 1,000 years ago. Their sect was destroyed and their inheritance was scattered. In the end, they disappeared completely. Everyone lost the tracks of the last Star Origin Lord and the complete inheritance should be gone.” Zhang Shun concluded.

Shang Xia raised an eyebrow curiously and gasped, “Oh? Star Origin Lord? Lost his tracks?”

Zhang Shun looked at the confused look on Shang Xia’s face and shook his head slowly. “True Immortal Shang, have you heard of the Heaven Observation Field?”

Pausing slightly, Shang Xia muttered after a short moment, “Director Zhang, have you also heard about the Heaven Observation Field? I once heard about it from the members of the Dao Field in my world, and I asked a few more questions because I was curious and...”

Shang Xia didn’t continue. However, Zhang Shun and Gong Zhuo’s imagination made up the rest of the story for them. They felt that they discovered Shang Xia’s secret which caused him to flee to seek refuge in the Star Beast Nest. Clearly, he didn’t gain the advantage in the exchange.

“Hehe...” Zhang Shun chuckled. “It’s said that it was where the last Star Origin Lord of the Heaven Observation Sect fled to. In the past, the Heaven Observation Field disappeared into the sea of stars and no one has found their tracks for more than 1,000 years. No matter how we tried, we failed. It’s even said that many high-level True Immortals were lost while looking for it.”

Shang Xia raised an eyebrow and quickly shot several questions in succession, “Why are so many people trying to look for the Heaven Observation Field? Is it for the Star Origin Lord or the inheritance of the Heaven Observation Sect?”

Zhang Shun didn’t respond immediately. Instead, he asked a question of his own. “True Immortal Shang, I believe you have been keeping that question bottled up for a long time, right? Has there really never been anyone from your Essence Ping World curious about the Heaven Observation Field?”

Hesitating slightly, Shang Xia eventually replied, "It's said that my world used to be a Spirit World. During its ascension, it was said that the Stargazers played a huge role. Also... Hmph, those bastards are the reason I ran off to the Star Beast Nest near your world."

"True Immortal Shang, I'm sure you are clear about the effects of the growth of the world and the help it would bring to your native cultivators. A Stargazer is able to accelerate the growth of a world and you shouldn't underestimate them." Zhang Shun nodded as though he understood everything.

Shang Xia nodded instinctively, but he seemed to snap back to his senses to ask, "Since you already have Stargazers, why are you looking for the Heaven Observation Field?"

"I said it before... The inheritance of the Heaven Observation Sect is the most complete and orthodox. Well, the main reason is because their inheritance reaches up to the sixth rank." Zhang Shun chuckled.

Shang Xia seemed to fall deep in thought and he gasped the next moment, "Wait. Does none of the powers in the various worlds possess a single rank six Stargazer?"

Zhang Shun shook his head and sighed, "Maybe there might be some in ancient Heavenly Fields. However, after the Heaven Observation Sect was exterminated, I never heard of any faction producing a rank six Stargazer. Many people have run into bottlenecks. I have not heard of another rank six Stargazer born since then. The various Heavenly Fields are waiting for the reappearance of the Heaven Observation Field and it's said that they only managed to hide for so many years because of a secret art of the Heaven Observation Sect."

It was the first time Shang Xia heard about the Heaven Observation Field from other high-level True Immortals of other Heavenly Fields. Those secrets were something Song Zhen and the like wouldn't be able to learn, and he seemed to have uncovered some secrets. They clearly didn't think that he was someone from the Heaven Observation Field.

*About the rank six Stargazer inheritance...*

Shang Xia thought to himself.

*Even though the strongest Stargazers in the Heaven Observation Field were of the fifth rank.*

Perhaps there was some truth in Zhang Shun's words about the inheritance being lost. After all, there really wasn't a single rank six Grand Stargazer.

The only problem was that no one knew where to start looking for the rank six Stargazer inheritance.

Shang Xia thought back to the Star Map, and the real Essence Ping World. There was also the Star Origin Lord who was trying to take over the Essence Ping World's Will...

"True Immortal Shang? True Immortal Shang!" Gong Zhuo's voice interrupted his train of thought.

"Oh? Is something the matter?" Shang Xia quickly snapped back to reality and chuckled with some slight embarrassment, "Apologies. I was too surprised by what Director Zhang revealed. True Immortal Gong, you were saying?"

Gong Zhuo laughed softly in response. "I was curious and wanted to know why you would bring up Stargazers! Is it because of the passages that were established out of the Essence Xing Heavenly Field?"

Shang Xia nodded and wanted to answer, but they suddenly felt strange fluctuations coming from the void not too far away.

Shang Xia wasn't the only one who was surprised. Gong Zhuo and Zhang Shun were also drawn to the sudden change.

That was actually a method the Wanyun Association used to transmit simple messages through the vast sea of stars.

Looks of joy appeared on their faces.

Zhang Shun muttered in a low voice soon after, "They're here."

Gong Zhuo looked solemn and he nodded slowly, "They're finally here..."

Shang Xia understood that they were probably referring to their alliance mates.

However, from how the Star Ships of the Wanyun Association were gathering together and hovering about the region of chaotic space without going further, it was obvious they were guarded against their allies.

Shang Xia couldn't help but think about the attack by the Beast Warrior right after they entered the streams of chaotic space. Even though Zhang Shun didn't say anything about it, the matter had been at the back of their minds the entire time. Whatever it was, the Wanyun Association wouldn't get careless on matters like that.

Shang Xia had also been thinking to himself about what would happen if the fleet was attacked and he wasn't there.

Without a doubt, the Wanyun Association would still emerge victorious, but the price they would have paid would be far larger. There was no way they would only lose a layer of structures on the fourth ship.

When the Wanyun Association hired him back then, they were planning to use him as a trump card in case anything like that happened. He discovered that Gong Zhuo and Zhang Shun had been concealing his presence the whole time. Even when he fought in the first battle, he only appeared above the Star Ship for a brief moment before Zhang Shun arrived.

Shang Xia decided not to return to his cabin after bidding farewell to Zhang Shun and Gong Zhuo. Instead, he stood at the edge of the vessel to look into the sea of stars.

No one knew how long had passed, but another massive Star Ship fleet arrived in the distance. It closed in slowly on them.

When the distance between both sides was barely hundreds of miles, the other fleet started to slow to a stop.

Both sides maintained a safe distance from each other.

Shang Xia saw several streaks of light coming from the Wanyun Association's fleet as they approached their allies.

Narrowing his eyes, Shang Xia extended his divine soul into the depths of the void. He discovered that the Wanyun Association mobilized 4 people in total. Other than Gong Zhuo and Zhang Shun, the other 2 were at the second and third tier respectively.

Their auras were quickly detected by the other side and they also sent 4 True Immortals. Clearly, both sides sent out 2 high-level True Immortals and 2 other True Immortals. With his divine soul creeping closer, Shang Xia discovered that the other side sent out 2 high-level True Immortals at the fourth tier. The other 2 were in the second tier. Surprisingly, there was a strange resonance between the auras of their high-level True Immortals and eventually, Shang Xia determined that they were twins despite not being able to see their appearances.

He thought about Song Zhen's introductions to the Chaotic Sea of Stars and the more famous Star Pirate groups. The ones meeting the Wanyun Association were clearly a powerful force called the Twin Star Pirates!

That was the name they used to wreak havoc in the sea of stars, and people normally called them the Double Pirates, or simply the Twin Pirates. Whatever it was, it was clear their fighting strength came from their resonance as twins.

It was said that they found a special inheritance during their journey that had been left behind by a pair of twins. The inheritance was complete, and not only were they able to

gain a powerful and unique cultivation method for themselves, they would also be able to display the might of experts stronger than themselves when they worked together. That was how they built up their Star Pirate force.

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The members of the Wanyun Association negotiated something with the Twin Star Pirates, and after an hour, they eventually returned.

“Twin Star Pirates?” Shang Xia asked as soon as Zhang Shun and Gong Zhuo returned.

Glancing at Zhang Shun, Gong Zhuo saw the director chuckling in amusement. “From the looks of it, the Twin Star Pirates aren’t nameless juniors in the Chaotic Sea of Stars. At least True Immortal Shang heard of them.”

There was some part of Zhang Shun that was mocking Shang Xia for being someone who didn’t know much from all the questions he had asked earlier, but Shang Xia didn’t care.

In the eyes of the 2 high-level True Immortals of the Wanyun Association, Shang Xia had already portrayed himself as someone who is deeply infatuated with crafting talismans and didn’t care about anything else.

Shang Xia laughed and quickly threw out another question. “From the looks of it, you guys reached an agreement?”

“It went alright. Our Wanyun Association doesn’t have too many requests. All we want is a piece of land. The rest will belong to them. However... It always pays to be careful. I believe True Immortal Shang also knows that we have been concealing your presence. The Twin Star Pirates failed to detect you earlier so that you can still remain as our hidden trump card.” Zhang Shun nodded slowly.

Shang Xia agreed, “I have already understood your intentions. Please rest assured. I will do my best when the time comes.”

Zhang Shun continued to nod before turning to Gong Zhuo. Both of them seemed to understand each other’s intentions and he continued, “I think you have a general grasp of our target... It is an Essence World, but there seems to be something special about it.”

Shang Xia didn’t say anything as he waited for him to continue.

Zhang Shun quickly added, “The world we are attacking is called the Spirit Dawn World. It’s a Spirit World that is a vassal of an Essence World and our operation is probably going to be a little risky.”

“Probably?” Shang Xia instantly heard the doubt in his voice.

Zhang Shun had long since said that Shang Xia might look like he wasn't as well informed about various matters, but he wasn't as foolish and easily manipulated. In contrast, he was extremely sharp. He might not understand too many things, but he would be able to quickly connect the dots.

“Yes... It's just a probability that we might run into trouble.” Zhang Shun confirmed and explained, “The Martial Emptiness Realm Sage of their Heavenly Field seems to have run into some sort of problem. It's said that he made a mistake during his cultivation, but there are also rumors saying that he went missing while adventuring in some starry ruins out there. Whatever it is, he won't be able to interfere.”

Shang Xia thought for a second before asking again, “Are those really just rumors?”

“Of course not.” Zhang Shun chuckled. “Not too long ago, the Heavenly Field was also attacked by several Star Pirate groups. When its heavenly screen was broken, many True Immortals entered and started a free for all. More than half their world and their world origin were stolen, and they had to call for reinforcements from nearby worlds. Only then did they avoid their world's destruction. Even so, after the ordeal, they wouldn't be able to maintain their status as a Spirit World. They probably already regressed into an Azure World.”

Zhang Shun looked at Shang Xia who was listening carefully to his analysis and laughed suddenly, “From the time the invasion started to the time their reinforcements arrived, the Martial Emptiness Realm Sage never appeared. It was said that after the invasion, many True Immortals went to the Essence World to request an audience with their Sage in order to get someone to maintain order, but they were stonewalled by the superpower. They mentioned something about it not being convenient to meet guests.”

“That seemed to also confirm that the Martial Emptiness Realm Sage wouldn't be able to interfere in any of our matters!” Zhang Shun concluded.

Shang Xia nodded without saying a word.

Gong Zhuo, who was standing beside them, finally spoke up, “True Immortals Shang, have you heard about the other world that was attacked back then?”

Shang Xia looked over curiously, and Gong Zhuo laughed, “The world that was attacked back then was called the Spirit Dusk World. The Piercing Cloud Bandits was the group responsible for the attack. They made a deal with the Chen Dynasty of our world, but they were attacked midway and disappeared. I believe I mentioned something about this to you back then, and you should have also learned something from the members of the Chen Dynasty and Qingling Palace.”

Shang Xia mumbled, "I heard of it, but according to what you said, the details seem extremely complicated. Whatever it is, the party that robbed the Piercing Cloud Bandits might have been sent by the other dynasties. None of them thought they would be double-crossed."

Seemingly thinking of something, Shang Xia asked, "Right, the members of the Chen Dynasty even sent someone to intercept me on the way back. They also wanted to know if I was behind it."

He couldn't help but shake his head.

*Spirit Dusk World, Spirit Dawn World... The times they represented were perfectly opposite each other.*

Zhang Shun and Gong Zhuo exchanged another gaze.

Gong Zhuo was eventually the person to speak, "How is this plan? Can we succeed?"

Shang Xia smiled in response. "I am a guest you invited. I'll follow your instructions. Moreover, even if their Sage appears eventually, he wouldn't target me of all people the moment he appears, right?"

All 3 of them roared with laughter the next moment.

Even though Shang Xia agreed to work with them, he wouldn't let down his guard.

At the very least, he knew that both sides would definitely have something up their sleeves in case the Martial Emptiness Realm Sage really appeared.

Actually, the actions of the Twin Star Pirates and the Wanyun Association might have already entered the eyes of several interested parties. The reason no one bothered them was because they probably wished to use this attack to probe out the remaining strength of the Heavenly Field.

Of course, if everything went smoothly, one could imagine the destruction that would befall the Heavenly Field. The great powers would definitely feast on it!

The reason Shang Xia chose to involve himself in a fierce battle unrelated to him, despite being aware of the potential danger, was not only his desire to truly understand the starry world beyond the Heaven Observation Field, but it was also because he was extremely strong and was assured he would be able to escape.

Shang Xia's crimson soul tablet in his sea of consciousness had undergone certain changes after devouring a third of the World Origin Source.

In the past, Shang Xia couldn't be sure it was the Crimson Soul Tablet that saved him from the danger he ran into. Things have changed. He was confident he would be able to call it out during battle!

The only problem was that he couldn't summon it in the situation they were in. Be it the projection or the real deal, if he summoned it in the Star Ship, he would be exposing his greatest trump card to others!

No matter what, Shang Xia absorbed world origin from many different worlds. From the sheer amount it took alone, there was no way it still had heavy injuries. He wouldn't doubt that it possessed a terrifying might.

In the following days, they would have to travel silently through the void with the Twin Star Pirates.

Both sides had methods to conceal the tracks of their fleets. The Wanyun Association used some sort of combined formation like usual. The Twin Star Pirates used something like a sail. The sails on all 4 of their Star Ships were special treasures that could hide the presence of the ship they were mounted on as it traveled through the void.

Shang Xia noticed how both sides worked together to prepare to attack their target.

Attacking any world, even a Spirit World, was something that could only be done when they held an absolute advantage. It was nothing like how battles were conducted in the Heaven Observation Field. There was no way they would drive their fleets over to the heavenly screen before fighting a huge battle with the other side.

Naturally, the preparation process was extremely complicated. The experts who took part in the invasion came from different places and they had all sorts of skills. Arranging their tasks alone to ensure nothing went wrong was a massive challenge. Just that alone was an amazing undertaking in Shang Xia's eyes.

It wasn't as though Shang Xia had never seen a war between worlds. However, the standard shown by the Wanyun Association and the Twin Star Pirates was something even the Spirit Mammoth World and Spirit Abundance World couldn't match up to.

Watching the entire process of the Spirit Dawn World's invasion, the sense of crisis Shang Xia was feeling grew stronger.

There were barely 10 or so years left before the disappearance of the Star Curtain. The moment the Heaven Observation Field was revealed to the sea of stars, how were they supposed to protect themselves against such sophisticated methods of invasion?

Both fleets traveled through the sea of stars and continued to make all sorts of preparations. A month passed in the blink of an eye.

Even Shang Xia had no idea which part of the sea of stars they were in, but he managed to produce a few more rank six talismans.

With the preparations of both sides reaching an end, Shang Xia received news of the Spirit Dawn World from Zhang Shun and the Essence Ling Heavenly Field where it was located. Naturally, the information of the Essence Ling World came along with it.

One day, when Shang Xia was reading the introduction on the experts of the Essence Ling World, Spirit Dawn World, Azure Dusk World, and other worlds in the Heavenly Field, he felt the fleets slowing to a halt.

Before he could leave his cabin, Gong Zhuo walked over with a solemn expression and explained the situation.

“True Immortal Shang, we have reached the edge of the chaotic streams of space around the Essence Ling Heavenly Field.”

## **Splitting the Heavens #Chapter 1366: Correct use of the Myriad Tinted Cloud Talisman - Read Splitting the Heavens Chapter 1366: Correct use of the Myriad Tinted Cloud Talisman**

*Chapter 1366: Correct use of the Myriad Tinted Cloud Talisman*

Above the deck of the largest Star Ship, Shang Xia and Gong Zhuo stood side by side. They looked at one of the smaller Star Ships of the Twin Star Pirate preparing some sort of mysterious ritual.

Shang Xia had never seen the smaller ship. It appeared suddenly and it was probably something the Twin Star Pirate had been hiding among themselves.

Shang Xia had always been curious. He hadn't seen a single ark since they set off, but in order for the Wanyun Association and the Twin Star Pirate to attack a Spirit World, they definitely needed one.

However, be it the Wanyun Association or the Twin Star Pirates, both sides hid their trump cards really well. He felt that it was pretty impressive they managed to hide it from his senses despite him not emerging from the ship.

Seeing the small golden pagoda-like structure on the small ship and the True Immortal who was doing something on it, Shang Xia's gaze turned a little weird.

Gong Zhuo introduced excitedly at the side, “That's the Stargazer of the Twin Star Pirates. The small ship is created to act as a Star Observatory. He's trying to use some

sort of special method to determine the exact location of the Spirit Dawn World and a safe path to it.”

Shang Xia was slightly taken aback, and he eventually muttered, “So that’s how they use their technique... I really learned something this time. I didn’t think that Stargazers would possess such abilities!”

Gong Zhuo’s eyes widened slightly and he chuckled hoarsely in response, “Apologies... I didn’t explain it well. The Stargazers don’t have that ability. In fact, even rank five Stargazers wouldn’t be able to peer past the streams of chaotic space. The reason they could do so is because of the special art the Twin Star Pirates possess! One of them is working from within the Essence Ling Heavenly Field!”

“Twin... Don’t tell me those Stargazers there are also...” Shang Xia gasped.

Gong Zhuo nodded slowly. “That’s right. The Stargazer there has a twin, and not only did his twin reach the Martial Void Realm, but he is also a Stargazer. He has been hiding in the Essence Ling World for some time now, and he should be somewhere near the void around the Spirit Dawn World. They’re using the secret art to discover each other’s presence and to find their way around. Rather than say they’re locating the world... We can simply say that they’re locating each other.”

Shang Xia was flabbergasted, but he couldn’t help but praise, “To be able to think of something like that... It really is a special method never thought of before!”

Gong Zhuo agreed. “The Twin Star Pirate merely used their inheritance. Since their Stargazers are also True Immortals that’s how they managed to establish themselves in the Chaotic Sea of Stars!”

“To be honest, if not for the fact that the Twin Star Pirates have a strict requirement for their members to all be twins... They might have grown even stronger! At the very least, they would be comparable to the massive pirate groups out there.” Gong Zhuo sighed.

Even without Gong Zhuo mentioning the matter, Shang Xia could pretty much guess that the members of the Twin Star Pirates were twins.

Even though they seemed to be limiting their growth, their sense of unity far surpassed any other pirate groups out there.

The special part of the Twin Star Pirates was the strange Star Ship that could act as a Star Observatory, but Shang Xia was too lazy to evaluate that.

In his eyes, it was true that the True Immortal using it was a rank four Stargazer. However, their skill was far too inferior in his eyes.

Shang Xia might not be a Stargazer, but he had always observed when Yan Ming, Xin Lu, and Yuan Qiuyuan did their work. Those were Stargazers and Grand Stargazers he was talking about! Looking at the Stargazer of the Twin Star Pirates mucking about, Shang Xia felt that he was really pretty bad at his job. He raised an eyebrow when he saw how Gong Zhuo was watching so intently.

From their reaction, Shang Xia could guess that the Wanyun association didn't have a Stargazer inheritance of their own.

With how the high-level True Immortals of the Wanyun Association had been interacting with each other, the art of stargazing was pretty rare in the sea of stars outside the Heaven Observation Field. The worth of a Stargazer was a lot higher than he had expected.

The Twin Star Pirate's Stargazer used 3 days to complete his task, and Shang Xia was naturally unwilling to stand beside Gong Zhuo to watch them the entire time. Actually, he wasn't really interested after an hour.

Even if True Immortals had a lot more patience and endurance than normal people and after 3 whole days, the Twin Star Pirate's Stargazer looked a lot worse for wear.

He didn't waste his efforts though. After Shang Xia completed a Five Element Teleportation Talisman with his new brush, Gong Zhuo sent news that they locked on to a general direction and were about to enter the Essence Ling Heavenly Field.

Shang Xia arranged the things in his cabin and started to adjust his condition by meditating quietly.

It didn't take long before an intense tremor rocked the Star Ship. Even though the impact was greatly reduced by the light barrier around the fleet, the shaking still surpassed the time when they entered the chaotic streams of space of the Essence Xing Heavenly Field.

Clearly, the path they chose was even more remote and dangerous than when the Wanyun Association left the Essence Xing Heavenly Field.

Thankfully, their luck wasn't too bad. They didn't run into any Star Beast attacks along the way. They might have felt a strong impact when passing into the region of chaotic space, but the ships weren't damaged. The time they spent traveling was also pretty short.

Just a few days later, everything started to calm down as they entered the Essence Ling Heavenly Field.

According to the information sent by the Twin Star Pirates, there should be another world in the region called the Azure Geng World.

In order to prevent being discovered and allow the news to reach the Spirit Dawn World, the Wanyun Association and the Twin Star Pirates had to pass through the region quietly.

Throughout their journey, nothing strange happened. Actually, even if they were discovered by the Azure Geng World, things would be fine. No one would mess with such a powerful fleet, and they wouldn't be able to pass down their information that quickly.

In less than half a day, they arrived around the Spirit Dawn World.

Shang Xia stood on the deck of the ship once again, and he noticed 11 Star Ships spreading out in different directions around the Spirit Dawn World. The only ships left were 1 from Twin Star Pirate and the massive Star Ship Shang Xia was on.

In a serious voice, he turned to Gong Zhuo. "This..."

Gong Zhuo looked at the other ships that moved in the other directions and explained, "In order to seal off the Spirit Dawn World, we have to spread out in all directions. This is also to block off reinforcements from reaching them."

"If they're stopping the backup from coming... Are we..." Shang Xia raised an eyebrow. He guessed as much, but he needed confirmation.

"That's right. Our ships' main goal is to shatter the heavenly screen that protects the Spirit Dawn World!" Gong Zhuo nodded.

Shang Xia couldn't help but ask, "Are we going to charge at them just like that? Didn't we make all sorts of preparations?"

"That's to prevent any accidents from happening. Actually, we don't have much time. The other powers of the Essence Ling Heavenly Field might be preparing a counterattack. We need to end this quickly. We have to leave before the other worlds descend on us. If we are held back, the situation will quickly spiral out of control and the consequences will be too dire to think about." Gong Zhuo continued to explain.

Shang Xia felt that there were definitely changes he wasn't aware of, which was why they suddenly changed the plan into a direct siege. From the looks of it, Gong Zhuo was also unwilling to tell him anything more.

After thinking for a moment, Shang Xia frowned, "Did they already discover us?"

He thought that the experts of the Azure Geng World might have discovered them and sent out a transmission when they were nearby earlier, but he didn't expect Gong Zhuo to shake his head and sigh, "That's not it. True Immortal Shang, there's no need to

worry. We don't have a plan to risk our Wanyun Association for this. As long as we end the battle quickly, there will be nothing to worry about."

After he spoke, he turned to leave. Even though the battle was imminent, there were other things he had to do.

The Star Ship started to accelerate, and there were 4 Star Ships that would fly straight into the heavenly screen of the Spirit Dawn World. With them bearing down on their target, there was no need to hide their presence any longer.

Shang Xia suddenly thought of another possibility. Since the Twin Star Pirates had a spy placed in the Essence Ling Heavenly Field, there was a chance the Martial Emptiness Realm Sage suddenly made a reappearance.

Since they were still willing to take the risk to attack the Spirit Dawn World, Shang Xia felt that they either had enough reassurance to take on the Sage, or the Sage wasn't actually in the Essence Ling Heavenly Field and was only starting to rush back.

No matter which possibility it was, Shang Xia knew that they couldn't hold back any longer.

The 4 Star Ships ordered themselves 2 by 2, and they became faster and faster until streaks of light hundreds of miles long were drawn behind them. Even if the Spirit Dawn World were made up of idiots and didn't possess any defenses, they would definitely have discovered their presence.

When Shang Xia thought of what he should do, he suddenly felt something and he turned to look around. He saw a rainbow mist covering the Star Ships as they continued to forge ahead.

*Myriad Tinted Cloud Talisman!*

Shang Xia knew that it was the talisman he had made for them, but he didn't think that the Wanyun Association would use it so decisively. In fact, they activated 4 of them to cover all 4 ships!

## **Splitting the Heavens #Chapter 1367: Breaking The Barrier - Read Splitting the Heavens Chapter 1367: Breaking The Barrier**

*Chapter 1367: Breaking The Barrier*

Since he learned how to craft the Myriad Tinted Cloud Talisman, Shang Xia created more than 10 of them. A good portion of them went to the Wanyun Association.

Shang Xia might have seen Shen Chongshan use it, and he used it himself when he ran into trouble back then and didn't wish to reveal his identity, his understanding of the talisman paled in comparison to the Wanyun Association.

Now, the Wanyun Association was showing him the correct way to use the talisman as he noticed how the effects of the talisman fused completely with their protection barrier around the Star Ships.

Thinking about their floating city, Shang Xia realized that since the city was countless times larger than the Star Ship, it made sense that they were able to escape from a behemoth like the Chen Dynasty.

He extended his divine soul to notice spatial fluctuations in 5 different directions. Those ships seemed to be advancing at the same time and were even stronger than the massive Star Ship he was on.

Other than that, there was another ship behind the main ship of the Wanyun Association that was traveling closely behind them and was pouring energy into them without a care in the world.

If Shang Xia wasn't mistaken, the ship that was supplying them with energy was the last ship of the fleet and it was also the ship Zhang Shun personally took charge of.

A thought flashed through his mind all of a sudden. He wondered if there was something special about the last ship for Zhang Shun to personally protect, and the possibility of it being a disguised ark entered Shang Xia's mind.

He felt that it was a real possibility!

Of the 4 ships that were flying straight at the Spirit Dawn World, the Twin Star Pirates probably also had a Spirit Ark among them. There was no way they could possess more than 1. It didn't make sense for the Wanyun Association to attack the Spirit Dawn World with the Twin Star Pirates if only their allies had a Spirit Ark, and that would mean that they most likely had their own.

Shang Xia turned to stare at the ship beside him. It was a massive Star Ship from the Twin Star Pirates, and if his conjecture was correct, both ships behind them were disguised Spirit Arks.

What Shang Xia found to be a surprise was the fact that even though both Capital Star Ships were storing energy to break through the heavenly screen, the Twin Star Pirates seemed a little weaker. However, there was something interesting about the energy they stored.

The experts of the Spirit Dawn World who had discovered their actions also launched a ferocious counterattack.

From what Shang Xia could see, 7 powerful vortexes appeared above their heavenly screen, drawing all the energy around them.

At the same time, many smaller spots appeared beneath the heavenly screen and Shang Xia felt that those should be the Star Ships the various powers of the world managed to scramble. Their main goal was to probably stop the charge of the 4 ships.

As the battle was about to reach its climax, a burst of profound light appeared in the depths of the sea of stars.

Not long after, several other light spots appeared, but many of them gradually disappeared after some time.

The charge of the Wanyun Association and the Twin Star Pirates' Capital Star Ships weren't affected in the slightest. Instead, they were getting faster and faster as the distance between them and the world shortened to around 200,000 miles.

Looking behind the ship, Shang Xia had a feeling the Star Ships that appeared were probably those sent out by the Spirit Dawn World and were intercepted by the other ships as they returned.

He wasn't surprised that they were swept away so easily. If the alliance between the Wanyun Association and the Twin Star Pirates couldn't even deal with those patrol ships, they should just forget about their invasion and go home and cry to their mothers.

Entering the 200,000 mile range, they quickly ran into the attacks of the Spirit Dawn World.

Earlier, the powerful vortexes appeared as the 7 great Elysiums of their world were drawing on their world origin. 7 pillars of light emerged from those vortexes before fusing together to rush at the very first ship.

Standing on the deck, Shang Xia stared straight at the pillar of light that had formed which was comparable to the size of half the ship.

The pillar of light contained an immense might, and even though they were thousands of miles apart at the moment, Shang Xia felt his scalp tingling as though a calamity was about to befall him.

Extending his soul into the depths of the ship, he felt that the only thing that could stop the pillar of light from destroying them all was the Wanyun Association Fleet's ability to wield Seventh Order energy.

Shang Xia was no stranger to Seventh Order energy. The might of the pillar of light had already reached that level and he knew the only thing that could stop it was an attack of the same level!

What caused his heart to sink was when he felt the energy still gathering within the ship. Its aura was growing steadily, but it was too slow!

Shang Xia pinched his glabella instinctively and felt the Crimson Soul Tablet thumping in his sea of consciousness.

As soon as he felt it, a wave of calm washed over it. However, he also forcefully suppressed whatever the tablet planned to do.

It was then that Gong Zhuo's voice came from behind him, "True Immortal Shang, you are calm indeed... When I first saw an attack of this caliber, I was unable to stay as collected as you."

Shang Xia didn't turn his head while chuckling, "I'm alright... I just believe that your Wanyun Association won't waste the lives of everyone on your Capital Star Ship."

As soon as he spoke, the pillar of light crashed into the ship.

Shang Xia and Gong Zhuo felt a searing pain in their eyes as the loud blast nearly deafened the both of them.

That wasn't all. An even stronger shockwave followed, and the massive Star Ship was stopped in its tracks for a good second. In fact, it showed signs of being pushed back and eventually, it did. Shang Xia had to take 2 steps back to stabilize himself, but Gong Zhuo looked a lot worse.

Shang Xia heard some small pops coming from the interior of the ship, as though it was about to shatter the next moment.

Despite taking the attack, Shang Xia could feel that they were still gathering more energy. It also showed no signs of being released.

They were still waiting to unleash their Seventh Order energy at the Spirit Dawn World!

With the blazing light slowly weakening around the ship, Shang Xia could see the other ships continuing to rush forward. They had already advanced thousands of miles.

Gong Zhuo's sigh came from behind him the next moment. "Damn... Just this hit wasted your efforts to craft 2 Myriad Tinted Cloud Talismans..."

"It only takes 2 of them to stop an attack that contains Seventh Order energy?" Shang Xia gasped while turning around in shock.

Gong Zhuo chuckled in response, "Of course not. The formation of the Spirit Dawn World barely managed to control Seventh Order energy. Moreover, the blast blew a massive hole in the ship that had to be fixed. The Myriad Tinted Cloud Talisman is the

core of our Wanyun Association, and as long as we have enough of them, we can reactivate the Myriad Tinted Cloud Protection Formation any time we want. Earlier, when we took that blow, we activated 2 of them. They're like peak-tier rank six protection formations that weakened the impact."

"I see..." Shang Xia nodded slowly, As it turned out, the Wanyun Association didn't tell him the full extent of the talisman's use as it could also be integrated into a formation, but that was to be expected.

Gong Zhuo could sense what Shang Xia was feeling and he laughed at the side, "True Immortal Shang, please understand... Actually, the formation is like the talisman. It's a secret of my Wanyun Association. After our senior Talisman Grandmaster created the Myriad Tinted Cloud Talisman, he expanded on it to create the Talisman Formation."

Shang Xia laughed in response, "True Immortal Gong, there is no need to explain. I naturally understand that we have to keep some things a secret. If I was in your shoes, I would have done the same."

Gong Zhuo revealed a soft smile and nodded.

Turning to the Spirit Dawn World, Shang Xia asked, "Their attack will come again. How are you planning to stop it this time? You can't take another hit like that, right?"

Both of them stared at the heavenly screen that was less than 150,000 miles from them. Even though they started moving again after the pillar of light faded, they were still thousands of miles away from the next ship. The Star Ship of the Twin Star Pirates was probably supposed to take the next hit. Nôv(e)B\jnn

"The Spirit Dawn World might not be able to launch the next attack..." Gong Zhuo laughed suddenly.

Seeing the confused look on Shang Xia's face, Gong Zhuo merely gestured for him to take a look.

When Shang Xia looked back at the Spirit Dawn World, he noticed another pillar of gray light. However, it didn't come from the Spirit Dawn World. Instead, it was shot from the Twin Star Pirates' ship.

The pillar of light shattered the void as soon as it appeared, and it exploded when it was thousands of miles away from the Spirit Dawn World's heavenly screen. It turned into a huge ball of energy that scattered all over the heavenly screen while also conveniently blocking the 7 huge vortexes.

"Is it that simple?" Shang Xia frowned and looked at Gong Zhuo.

If they could stop the other side's attack by blocking their sight, it would be too much of a joke...

A mysterious smile appeared on Gong Zhuo's face and he muttered softly, "Of course that's not everything the Twin Star Pirates can do. Just sit back and watch!"

## **Splitting the Heavens #Chapter 1368: Our Chance Has Come! - Read Splitting the Heavens Chapter 1368: Our Chance Has Come!**

*Chapter 1368: Our Chance Has Come!*

Shang Xia saw how the gray pillar of light was weakened by at least half as it surrounded the heavenly screen of the Spirit Dawn World. It became a thin layer and only managed to block off their sense of sight and perhaps their divine soul that would try to extend out of their world to locate the fleet. However... They were still in the enemy's home ground, and the Spirit Dawn World definitely controlled the surrounding hundreds of thousands of miles of space.

In Shang Xia's eyes, even the Spirit Luxuriant World that had barely ascended for tens of years could lock onto their targets easily as long as they were within 300,000 miles of the world. The Spirit Dawn World would definitely be no different. The Twin Star Pirates' actions were useless in his eyes.

However, from how confident Gong Zhuo looked, along with the trace of anticipation in his eyes, Shang Xia couldn't help but feel that something was wrong.

*Is the technique really so mystical?*

He suddenly recalled something and asked, "Is this because the Stargazer of the Twin Star Pirates hiding in the Essence Ling Heavenly Field is right inside the Spirit Dawn World?!"

"Hah!" Gong Zhuo roared with laughed, "I knew we wouldn't be able to hide it from you! That's right. The Twin Star Pirates' skills have something to do with the hidden Stargazer, but that's not all..." He paused for a second before he sighed helplessly, "If the Spirit Dawn World had their own Stargazer inheritance... They wouldn't be able to do this so easily."

"What are you talking..." Shang Xia hadn't finished when he was interrupted by a pillar of light that emerged from the gray screen above their world.

When he turned to look, he discovered that the Spirit Dawn World gathered enough energy to launch another attack with Seventh Order energy, and it was aimed straight at the ship of the Twin Star Pirates rushing at the very front.

Too bad for them, the Twin Star Pirates seemed to have seen it coming as they teleported a short distance in the void.

It was originally a dangerous move, and Shang Xia actually suspected they were rushing to their deaths by teleporting in a battle of such intensity. With how close they were to the Spirit Dawn World, as long as any True Immortal made a move, they would be able to disrupt the void and cause the Star Ship to shatter to pieces.

However, their seemingly suicidal move wasn't disrupted at all. To be more exact, the True Immortals of the Spirit Dawn World didn't discover their reckless actions.

Shang Xia frowned and watched as the pillar of energy missed. It eventually scattered all around. Other than forcing the other 2 ships to move to the side and causing the giant Star Ship to pause slightly, it failed to cause any damage.

"Is a Stargazer able to detect the weakness of a world? Or has there always been a blind spot in the Spirit Dawn World's grand formation? Could the hidden Stargazer have found both the weakness and the blind spot, waiting for a time when it was safe for them to teleport before communicating with the Twin Star Pirates with their special skill?" Shang Xia guessed. "Of course, to dare to do something like that, the Twin Star Pirates definitely prepared more. At the very least, the quality of their Star Ship is definitely out of the ordinary to be able to withstand the strain from teleporting through the void..."

If not for the fact that they were preparing for battle, Gong Zhuo would have clapped and praised Shang Xia. Unfortunately, it was time for them to be serious.

The Spirit Dawn World wasted a chance to attack their enemies, and the Star Ships arrived within 100,000 miles of their world.

Soon... The Capital Star Ship of the Twin Star Pirates closed the distance and slammed into the heavenly screen.

No one knew if it was intentional or not, but the heavenly screen of the Spirit Dawn World suddenly increased its defenses at the very last second, trapping half the body of the Star Ship outside.

Even though its appearance seemed to shock the Spirit Dawn World, the Capital Star Ship of the Twin Star Pirates actually became a sitting duck for the attacks of the experts of the Spirit Dawn World due to how it was stuck in the heavenly screen.

The experts of the Spirit Dawn World were enraged by the sudden invasion, and they had half a mind to rush at the Star Ship to blow it to shreds. Unfortunately, as they were running at the Star Ship, a miserable cry rang through the Spirit Dawn World. "Oh no! Hurry and run, my Elysium..."

*Boom...*

A dull blast rocked the Spirit Dawn World and the fluctuations slowly spread to the void around it.

The Star Ship that was stuck in the heavenly screen was torn to shreds instantly. At the same time, a hole was torn because of it and world origin started to pour out from the gap. As world origin streamed out of the hole, it started to expand.

True Immortals of the Spirit Dawn World who were surrounding the ship started to back away immediately, but there was 1 who was closest to it being swept away without a trace. 2 others managed to struggle free, but they looked to be in a very sorry state. It was highly likely they suffered heavy injuries.

Other than the True Immortal who died and the 2 who suffered injuries, no one knew how many Martial Dipper Realm and Martial Extermination Realm cultivators died during the blast. All they could see was a massive heavenly phenomenon created during the deaths of many experts. From the extent of the heavenly phenomenon, one could only imagine how much losses the Spirit Dawn World suffered.

*However... The deaths of those experts didn't mean shit!*

The interior of the Spirit Dawn World was what suffered the greatest damage!

What the Twin Star Pirates' Star Ship crashed into earlier was a giant vortex above the heavenly screen when it arrived, and it went without saying that the Elysium was directly below it! When it crashed into the vortex, the Elysium also suffered great damage.

The Elysium True Immortal was killed instantly by the massive impact, and the grand formation that could gather Seventh Order energy was also no longer able to operate smoothly.

Naturally, the destruction of an Elysium wouldn't just cause so little damage.

With the destruction of the Elysium, countless cultivators were killed or suffered heavy injuries.

700 miles around the sect turned to dust instantly, and the foundations of the sect that had accumulated for a long time dissipated.

With the Elysium's origin energy pouring out into the rest of the world, the World Origin Source that was connected to it also started to tremble. Disasters swept across the continent. Earthquakes, avalanches, volcano eruptions, and others took place one after another, causing massive loss of life. The foundations of the continent were greatly affected and it even caused the surrounding continents to weaken.

The invasion posed a massive threat to the world, and the Elysium's destruction dealt a huge blow to the Spirit Dawn World.

As the other 3 ships closed in on the world, Shang Xia saw the layer of gray light above the heavenly screen rolling about.

"The heavenly screen is used to protect the world from external threats, and the Spirit Dawn World is no exception. The Twin Star Pirates have already gotten used to attacking worlds and the layer of gray light not only covered their vision. It also blocked off their external defense system! Those defense systems were directed out of the world, and they couldn't be used within. With the destruction of the Elysium and the torrential world origin pouring out of it, those defense systems were torn to shreds!" Gong Zhuo started to explain what happened, starting with the gray light the Twin Star Pirates released earlier. He seemed to be in a great mood.

In the depths of space behind the 3 Star Ships advancing towards the Spirit Dawn World, spots of light appeared and disappeared one after another. The Star Ships that had been recalled by the Spirit Dawn World were destroyed one after another.

Shang Xia nodded slowly at Gong Zhuo's explanation. At the same time, he looked at the Spirit Dawn World and burned everything that was happening into his mind.

The fate of the Spirit Dawn World might one day befall the Spirit Luxuriant World.

From the intelligence provided by the Wanyun Association, the Spirit Dawn World was still a level higher than his Spirit Luxuriant World. It had been growing for a much longer time.

Shang Xia took the opportunity as a way to prepare for any invasion by external powers, and as he continued to watch, the Spirit Dawn World was thrown into a mess. Its defenses were made a mess by the escaping world origin.

Even though both sides hadn't fought in an all-out melee, the Spirit Dawn World had already lost several experts. 2 were killed and at least 2 more were injured.

The Spirit Dawn World had 19 True Immortals in total. With the casualties they suffered, the number who could fight didn't exceed 15.

The defense systems that suffered heavy damage were completely destroyed when the layer of gray light disappeared. The 3 Star Ships that were rushing at the Spirit Dawn World reappeared in their sights, but they were only 50,000 miles away at that moment.

After getting past their initial shock, the Spirit Dawn World quickly reorganized themselves. The remaining 6 Elysiums completed their battle formation and launched another attack at the Star Ships.

The rainbow colored light around the massive Star Ship had been broken from the last strike, and in the eyes of the Spirit Dawn World, it no longer had a way to protect itself.

Unfortunately, they could no longer wield Seventh Order energy with the loss of an Elysium!

Unleashing their third attack, the pillar of light became a lot thinner than before.

The Star Ship that Shang Xia suspected the Wanyun Association had disguised as a Spirit Ark where Zhang Shun was, appeared before the massive Star Ship to block the pillar of light.

The Talisman Formation that was activated by a Myriad Tinted Cloud Talisman blocked the shot. The Star Ship was not harmed in the slightest.

At the same time, Shang Xia could feel that the energy of the Star Ship he was on had reached the limit of what it could be.

Zhang Shun's Star Ship also detected the change as they quickly moved out of the way.

Under Shang Xia's shocked gaze, a sharp point sitting at the bow of the ship shot out at a terrifying speed. The next moment, another vortex above the heavenly screen was destroyed as another hole appeared in the heavenly screen. It didn't restore itself as quickly either.

Gong Zhun nearly jumped in joy when he saw what happened as he yelled, "This is it! It's time to attack the Spirit Dawn World!"

#### *Chapter 1369: Returning*

Without a doubt, the Wanyun Association used Seventh Order energy in their precious strike.

Even though it destroyed an Elysium like what the Twin Star Pirates did, it did far more damage to the Spirit Dawn World.

The destruction of the Elysium meant that the Elysium True Immortal was definitely killed, but it also damaged the connection of the Elysium to the World Origin Source, causing even more world origin to leak out!

With the extent of damage it caused, nearly half the continent crumbled. The Free True Immortal who relied on the spirituality of the continent to advance would also suffer heavy injuries.

Looking at the strike from the Star Ship, Shang Xia could determine that it struck near the center of the world. That also meant that they hit close to the core strength of the

world. After all, any faction that could establish themselves there would definitely be one of the strongest!

According to what was shared with him, the Elysium they struck was most likely the First Dawn Sect, the strongest faction of the Spirit Dawn World. They had a third tier Elysium True Immortal, and an expert at the level of Returning to the Origin. Their fifth tier True Immortal was the only expert at that level in the Spirit Dawn World, and he most likely relied on the spirituality of the central continent to ascend.

With the destruction of the First Dawn Elysium and half the continent, their fifth tier True Immortal would be weakened by at least a third!

The number of experts beneath the Martial Void Realm who died couldn't even be counted. They suffered such catastrophic damages... That wasn't even counting cultivators who died on other continents.

Because of the destruction, their morale took a huge hit, causing them to fumble slightly when planning their counterattack.

More importantly, due to the damages they suffered, the World's Will was weakened. If the invaders were to enter their world, they wouldn't be suppressed as strongly as before.

With 5 Elysiums, the Spirit Dawn World could no longer muster enough strength to make any significant counter attacks. The giant holes that had been created in the heavenly screen failed to restore itself even after a long time, and the continents of the Spirit Dawn World were revealed to the greedy vultures circling right outside.

The Wanyun Association's ships and the Twin Star Pirates' ship were barely 30,000 miles around the Spirit Dawn World at that point. Whatever weak defenses they still had couldn't even shake the defensive barrier around the Star Ships.

Several tens of smaller Star Ships the Spirit Dawn World managed to activate from within rose past the heavenly screen and tried to meet the invaders, but Shang Xia quickly discovered powerful fluctuations coming from the 2 Star Ships behind his own.

When he turned around, those suspected Spirit Arks had already produced a massive spatial vortex within themselves. 5 smaller mid-sized Star Ships that looked completely new appeared from within. They rushed at the haphazardly gathered Star Ships from the Spirit Dawn World.

The 3 main ships didn't pause after that as they continued to rush at the largest gap that had been torn in the heavenly screen.

As they closed in on the world, they were finally met with the counterattack from the True Immortals of the Spirit Dawn World.

Facing the first wave of defenders which consisted of at least 5 True Immortals with 1 high-level True Immortal among them, Gong Zhuo simply activated another Myriad Tinted Cloud Talisman.

Colorful clouds appeared around the Capital Star Ship of the Wanyun Association as runes lit up all over the body of the ship. The runes resonated with the colorful around it and those clouds carefully wrapped up the ship in a layer of protection.

With the combined attack from the 5 True Immortals of the Spirit Dawn World, the colorful cloud around the ship was slowly torn apart, and the Star Ship slowed slightly. However, that was everything they could do.

The rolling clouds eventually gathered again, covering up the part that had been torn apart. Even though the Star Ships slowed, it continued to travel towards its target.

Before anyone else could react, Gong Zhuo rushed towards the enemy.

The timing he chose was perfect. The True Immortals who launched their attacks on the ship were recovering when Gong Zhuo's weapon came crashing down on the high-level True Immortal.

The Spirit Dawn World's high-level True Immortal was no weakling. Even though he was caught slightly off guard, he reacted quickly. He retreated among his fellow experts so that if Gong Zhuo were to rush in to fight them, he would be quickly surrounded.

Gong Zhuo was no Star Ship. He didn't have strong defenses and even if he activated another Myriad Tinted Cloud Talisman, he wouldn't last long under their combined assault.

However... Gong Zhuo's real goal wasn't to fight them! He was only there to buy some time.

Shang Xia noticed his intentions, but he suddenly felt a strange energy pulling something back to the Star Ship he was on. He thought back to the Twin Star Pirates' special techniques and the sharp point that had flown out to smash an Elysium earlier.

When he was wondering if they were in any danger, a massive object flew out from beneath the heavenly screen.

Shang Xia's eyes widened in shock. The sharp point that destroyed an Elysium actually returned!

He was even more shocked by Gong Zhuo's sneaky intentions. When he rushed out earlier, he made them reposition themselves in a way such that 3 of them had their backs to the gap in the heavenly screen formed by the sharp point. He was clearly using

it as a trap as the True Immortals of the Spirit Dawn World had no idea a part of the ship that had been shot out would be able to return.

Gong Zhuo, who was prepared for it, raised the divine artifact in his hand. 2 of the True Immortals around him quickly retreated for fear they would become his target, giving him a chance to retreat.

The others were about to give chase in order to deal a heavy blow on Gong Zhuo, weakening their attackers, when their eyes went wide as they looked behind them fearfully.

Those 3 weren't useless fools. Noticing danger coming from behind, they quickly made their preparations.

As they didn't know exactly how strong the blow was coming from behind them, all 3 made different preparations. Other than 1 of them who used a talisman that was like the Teleportation Talisman Shang Xia made, the others tried different methods. 1 tried to run, while another activated a defensive talisman.

The person who tried to run was the high-level True Immortal and as he looked back at what was coming, the blood drained from his face.

The other who used the protection talisman seemed extremely confident in its defense. He also shattered several protective jades that created some sort of protection formation around him. Soon after...

A sharp point brushed past him, and the defensive formation he just activated turned to nothingness.

The high-level True Immortal who tried to dodge might have tried to protect himself the best he could. But with the sharp point that contained Seventh Order energy brushing past him, he was sent flying like a rag doll. He managed to keep his life because of his strong cultivation, but that was about it.

Only the expert who activated the teleportation talisman managed to remain unscathed.

*Thump...*

A dull thud rang across the Star Ship as the sharp point reattached itself.

How could Gong Zhuo give up a chance to beat a drowning dog? He turned around and rushed at the experts of the Spirit Dawn World, targeting the high-level True Immortal like he did before.

Shang Xia chuckled softly. The moment the sharp point returned, Shang Xia could determine that the Seventh Order energy the ship gathered had been used up.

The Wanyun Association's Capital Star Ship's strike actually consisted of 1 going out, and 1 returning.

... Shang Xia could feel the Star Ship gathering energy again after the sharp point returned, and this time, it was much faster than before.

He was intrigued, but he soon thought of something. He turned back to look into the void and noticed that the Star Ships of the Wanyun Association had returned from sealing off the Spirit Dawn World.

His attention was drawn back to the battle after hearing a miserable shriek. He saw a burst of energy causing a heavenly phenomenon above the heavenly screen of the Spirit Dawn World. The high-level True Immortal actually died under Gong Zhuo's assault!

Looking at Gong Zhuo, Shang Xia could tell that he wasn't exactly in the best of state either. His divine weapon was nowhere to be seen and he looked to be in an extremely sorry state. He might have killed the high-level True Immortal of the Spirit Dawn World, but he took the last ditch strike of his opponent head-on. He was surrounded by 3 other True Immortals and he looked like he wouldn't be able to hold out.

What Shang Xia found strange was that even though Gong Zhuo was in a sticky situation, he didn't call for Shang Xia's help.

He might be suspicious, but he couldn't watch as Gong Zhuo was surrounded and killed. He was about to rush out, but he saw Gong Zhuo tossing out 3 talismans in succession at his opponents. Under Shang Xia's shocked gaze, Gong Zhuo escaped from their encirclement while they were flustered dealing with the effects of the talismans.

"True Immortal Shang, fortunately, you didn't reveal yourself!" Gong Zhuo gasped as he noticed Shang Xia concealing his aura again.

## **Splitting the Heavens #Chapter 1370: Breaking the World - Read Splitting the Heavens Chapter 1370: Breaking the World**

*Chapter 1370: Breaking the World*

Shang Xia hadn't joined the battle, but from what he observed from how they prepared the battle, to the tactics and special arts they unleashed, he felt that there was actually no need for him to join them.

He had taken part in many invasions and he also defended his world multiple times, but comparing it to what he was experiencing, he had been a joke.

Even up till that point, he had no idea how many hidden cards the Wanyun Association had.

It was like what happened with Gong Zhuo. Even after killing a high-level True Immortal on the other side, he managed to shake off 3 enemies and return to the Star Ship. Even when he saw Shang Xia, he seemed glad Shang Xia didn't reveal himself to save him.

He might have hesitated to take action earlier, but after hearing Gong Zhuo's reaction, he seemed to have made some connections. However, he looked slightly confused and asked, "What's the matter? True Immortal Gong, don't you know how dangerous the situation was?"

"Haha! Don't I have the talismans you made? I have absolute confidence in them." Gong Zhuo praised before speaking softly, "Also... Unless absolutely necessary, Director Zhang and I hope you don't show yourself..."

Shang Xia looked at the spiritual lights appearing in the distance. 1 of the mid-sized Star Ships the Wanyun Association sent out was finally destroyed. He mumbled, "What exactly does Director Zhang want me to do? Or perhaps... Who does he want me to protect?"

He turned to look in another direction and saw 2 Twin Star Pirates holding back 3 True Immortals of the Spirit Dawn World.

Gong Zhuo noticed Shang Xia's gaze and sighed sternly, "True Immortal Shang, you don't need to guard against them... If anyone really has ill intentions, my Wanyun Association will step up to stop them. What Director Zhang wants you to do is to break the world!"

"Breaking the world?" Shang Xia frowned. It wasn't that he didn't know what it meant, but he was curious why Zhang Shun would pass him such an important task.

Gong Zhuo continued, "True Immortal Shang, you should have some way to avoid the suppression of the World's Will, right?"

A profound light flashed through Shang Xia's eyes instantly. He didn't reply immediately. Instead, he awaited Gong Zhuo's explanation.

Glancing at Shang Xia, Gong Zhuo decided to state everything truthfully. "Yes. We know that about you, at least. Even if the Phoenix Cry Sect didn't say anything about it, the Yang River Sect didn't have many concerns telling us. Also, the Yang River Sect is on the south of the Yu Dynasty. It's not too far away from the territory over the sea. We would trade with them from time to time and we heard about the Spirit Ark the Cloud Piercing Bandits were supposed to deliver to the Chen Dynasty. The time you appeared in the Earth Star, along with the assassination of the Qi Dynasty's envoy, allows us to make a guess. It seems like your abilities are really extraordinary."

Shang Xia revealed a smile that didn't seem like a smile, "Just a guess?"

Gong Zhuo remained serious and he continued, "That's enough. After all, how many fifth tier True Immortals are out there? Which one of them isn't watched by a bunch of people? To be able to avoid the attention of high-level True Immortals means that they would either be protected by great powers like the dynasties, or someone not from our world."

Shang Xia nodded. He felt that there was nothing to hide at that point and laughed, "Is that how Director Zhang decided I was his man?"

"Our luck hasn't been great. The only thing that seems fortunate is that the attack on the Spirit Dusk World several years ago raised the guards of those in the Essence Ling World. After they regressed into an Azure World, other worlds have been sending True Immortals there to patrol frequently and to restore the heavenly screen. The defenses of the Spirit Dawn World were reduced as a result, allowing our attack to go a little smoother." Gong Zhuo nodded and explained.

"Isn't that a good thing?" Shang Xia raised an eyebrow in response.

Gong Zhuo's sigh quickly came. "Yeah, but because of that, news of our invasion probably already reached the various worlds of the Essence Ling Heavenly Field because of their heightened alert."

A look of realization appeared on Shang Xia's face. There were definitely True Immortals from the Spirit Dawn World sent to the Azure Dusk World, and the moment their invasion started, they were definitely affected due to the damage caused to the World Origin Source. As such, they would be able to feel the threat even though they were far away and call for help.

It was especially so if those sent out were from different factions. It could be explained if 1 of their factions was attacked and they became weaker, but for all of them to experience the same thing could only mean that the Spirit Dawn World was under serious threat!

Shang Xia understood why the various Star Ships that went to seal off the space around the Spirit Dawn World started to gather again.

The moment they tore a hole in the heavenly screen, their invasion attempt should be known throughout the Heavenly Field. As such, there was no need to seal off the space any longer and the various Star Ships quickly gathered to hasten the progress of their invasion so that they could leave as soon as possible.

"Is he serious? Is he really going to get me to break the world?" Shang Xia confirmed once again.

Before Gong Zhuo could say anything, a deafening blast came from behind. The Talisman Formation created with the activation of the Myriad Tinted Cloud Talisman was torn to shreds as dozens of Star Ships, along with 3 True Immortals, rushed at them. Even the runes along the body of the ship dimmed as it suffered great damage. The ship was only protected by a thin protection barrier and Gong Zhuo started to panic. "Director Zhang is holding back the only fifth tier True Immortal of their world. The suppression of the Spirit Dawn World is still very strong, even if it weakened slightly due to the damage to their World Origin Source. We don't know the situation of the Twin Star Pirate hiding in their world or if he's still alive. The fourth tier True Immortals of the Twin Star Pirates are also going all out and I will be doing the same soon... That is why we can only leave it to you!"

Gong Zhuo cupped his fists at Shang Xia and gave him a profound stare before turning to rush out to meet the 3 True Immortals in battle.

The other Star Ships of the Wanyun Association and Twin Star Pirates finally arrived and the other experts quickly joined the battle.

They might have gained an advantage at the start of the battle, but as the battle dragged out, the experts of the Spirit Dawn World were starting to gain the advantage from the assistance of their World's Will.

Shang Xia was flabbergasted by their ability to hold on. They destroyed 2 Elysiums and killed at least 5 True Immortals. At least 3 others suffered heavy injuries and more than a third of the True Immortals of the Spirit Dawn World were placed out of commission. Shang Xia didn't understand how the situation would tilt back in their favor.

Unfortunately, that was exactly what happened.

Of the 10 Star Ships that were released from the Spirit Arks, 4 of them had already been destroyed. 3 others were greatly damaged and fell through the heavenly screen. Only 1 of them remaining 3 continued to fly through the void as 2 others were at risk of falling.

There were only 5 main Star Ships left of the 7 that came back to reinforce them. The reason for the destruction of the 2 was because they stood before the Spirit Arks to prevent them from being damaged.

The Twin Star Pirates lost a first tier True Immortal who was also a Stargazer. His twin, another first tier True Immortal who was left, had his combat strength dropped by half. He could only remain on the Spirit Ark to hold out against the brutal counterattack.

Other than them, a pair of second tier True Immortal twins stopped the assault of 3 True Immortals of the Spirit Dawn World, but from the looks of it, they were barely holding on.

Over at the Wanyun Association, other than Gong Zhuo and Zhang Shun, there were 4 other True Immortals. However, Shang Xia only detected 3 of them.

Zhang Shun was fighting the Spirit Dawn World's fifth tier True Immortal. Even though the expert from the Spirit Dawn World was weakened by the damage to the World Origin Source, Zhang Shun was still suppressed by the World's Will.

The Twin Star Pirates' high-level True Immortals had combat strength greater than a fifth tier True Immortal when working together. However, they were also suppressed by the World's Will and they were unable to gain an advantage while fighting a high-level Elysium True Immortal.

If not for the talismans Shang Xia crafted for the Wanyun Association in recent years, and for the fact that they were using it without holding back, their losses would be far greater!

It was true that Shang Xia was the only person who could do something at that point.

*No... Actually, the Wanyun Association is still holding back!*

Shang Xia could feel that the Star Ship he was on had already stored more than half the energy required to unleash another strike with Seventh Order energy.

With the energy they gathered, it wouldn't be a problem for them to shoot out the sharp point on their ship again.

However, with the loss of 2 Star Ships, the Wanyun Association's battle formation was greatly weakened. They were gathering energy a lot slower and unless they were willing to give up the main offense on their main ship, they wouldn't fire out the sharp point that couldn't return...

When Shang Xia was thinking to himself, they managed to store more than 60 percent of the energy required to release the attack.

The next second, he saw the Wanyun Association's determination. The sharp point was shot out with terrifying power once again and slammed into another vortex above the heavenly screen.

"True Immortal Shang..." Gong Zhuo yelled as loudly as he could, but Shang Xia could hear that he was tired from fighting the True Immortals of the Spirit Dawn World.

No longer hesitating, Shang Xia turned into a streak of light that rushed into the world.