

The Heavens 701

Chapter 701: Sudden Change, Fusion of Worlds

After entering the Five Elements Realm, Shang Xia displayed 2 powerful abilities. There was the five colored light that destroyed Kou Chongxue's formless barrier, and the five colored shuttle that killed a fate dipper clone before it could react. Both were extraordinary, but that didn't mean that Shang Xia possessed high combat abilities in the Martial Dipper Realm.

Tao Gongming was considered slightly average in the bunch who entered, but his cultivation was merely at the second element of the Martial Dipper Realm. He lost a fate dipper clone earlier, and his fighting strength was clearly affected.

Even under such circumstances, Shang Xia knew he wasn't a match for the other party from the exchange they had earlier.

Shang Xia might have refined 10 fate dipper essences, but at the end of the day, they weren't comparable to an Origin Dipper.

The 10 fate dipper essences he had caused the 5 elements he could use to be in slight disarray. Even with the mutual support of the 5 elements, they couldn't compare to a true expert in the Martial Dipper Realm.

There was also the fact that Shang Xia didn't have his own rank five martial art to fully utilize the dipper qi in his body.

After forcefully taking on the strike from Tao Gongming, Shang Xia couldn't care about the unsteady fluctuations of inner qi in his body as he chose to flee.

During the process, Shang Xia discovered a surprising effect of his advancement medicine. His inner organs had been greatly strengthened during his breakthrough!

The most direct benefit of that was what he felt after he received Tao Gongming's strike earlier. A portion of the energy was dissipated when it entered his body and it prevented him from suffering grievous internal injuries.

Tao Gongming didn't expect Shang Xia to escape so decisively. After all, he didn't think he had that much of an advantage during their exchange earlier.

When he thought about how the person was one of those who entered the Celestial Remains before them, he knew that he had to be hiding a huge secret. He understood that with his abilities, it wasn't too possible for him to stop the other party.

He quickly transmitted the news to 2 of the experts he was more familiar with to explain the situation. At the same time, he rushed in the direction Shang Xia disappeared.

Not too long after he told them about his conjecture, a sudden change occurred. It didn't matter if it was Shang Xia who was fleeing, or Tao Gongming who was giving chase. Both of them felt their souls trembling violently.

There was no warning before it happened, but Shang Xia had his guesses when he received the strange feeling earlier. He didn't think too much of it back then as he had just broken through. However, the sudden feeling was countless times stronger. It gave all of them a sense of realization.

The mystical feeling could only be felt with the subtle connection Martial Dipper Realm experts had with the World's Will. Shang Xia immediately knew what had happened when his soul shook earlier. The Azure Origin World and the Azure Spiritual World had begun the final phase of fusion! He wasn't the only one who knew what was happening. Tao Gongming was the same, and so did everyone else.

No matter who it was in the Azure Origin World or the Azure Spiritual World. As long as their cultivation bases were in the Martial Dipper Realm or higher and had a connection with the world, they knew that it was finally happening. Their worlds were finally about to become one.

When the worlds were fusing previously, the spatial barriers had been weakened constantly. The strongest experts of both sides were able to enter each other's world if they wanted to.

Even though that was the case, both worlds couldn't be truly considered to have become one. The spatial barriers might eventually disappear, and the Void Abyss in the Beyond Heavens Pavilion might finally be filled up. However, as long as the World's Will remains independent, the Azure Origin World and Azure Spiritual World will never be considered a single entity.

Feeling the strange resonance with their souls earlier, everyone knew that the wills of both worlds were finally about to complete the last step.

Once it was complete, the Azure Origin World and Azure Spiritual World would cease to exist. What would be left would be a completely new world!

During the process, the surface of the world would undergo a great transformation. The change could be a great blessing, but it could also be considered a disaster to some. As the handful of peak experts in the new world, the Martial Dipper Realm experts had a faint connection to the World's Will and would be able to affect the change to some extent.

That was why every single Martial Dipper Realm expert only had one thought at that moment. They had to return to their factions as soon as they could!

When Shang Xia escaped earlier, he naturally started to run towards the exit.

Even though Tao Gongming had lost track of Shang Xia's presence, he knew that he was headed in the same direction as the exit. He couldn't be bothered with Shang Xia any longer as he knew the most important thing was for him to return to his Suppressing Sun Gate.

The Martial Dipper Realm experts who entered the Celestial Remains no longer cared about what they could obtain. Without exception, all of them headed straight for the exit.

This time, Shang Xia seemed to have gained the advantage.

With the help of his Abyssal Void Shattering Talisman, he was the first to arrive at the spot where he first entered the Celestial Remains.

Throughout the journey, Shang Xia once again confirmed how useful his Five Elements Origin was when it came to assisting his travel through the void.

As the space within the Celestial Remains was weak to begin with, there were spatial cracks everywhere. There were some regions where space had collapsed and those were places even Martial Dipper Realm experts didn't dare to cross. They could only fly carefully around those unless they were like Kou Chongxue who had the assistance of the Origin Holy Artifact.

As Shang Xia made his way out, he discovered he was able to use his Five Elements Origin to suppress those cracks and regions of collapsed space to make his travel easier. With less obstruction in his way, he greatly reduced the time needed.

That was one of the most important reasons he had to be in the Martial Dipper Realm to leave the Celestial Remains anyway.

If everything went according to plan earlier, Shang Xia would have gone to look at the Ten Thousand Needles Pine after escaping from Tao Gongming. From the looks of it now, there was no time to do so.

That was because he learned from Kou Chongxue that the institution was planning something for when the worlds merged. He had to return immediately and grab a hold of the best time to complete their scheme!

There was also the matter of Shang Bo waiting for them outside the Celestial Remains. After all, that would mean that Ji Wenlong was the only Martial Dipper Realm Ancestor back at home.

The spatial barrier at the entrance of the Celestial Remains mainly served the function of stopping people from entering. Leaving was a much easier task.

Of course, that was when Kou Chongxue was present. Shang Xia might have entered the Martial Dipper Realm, but he didn't have the assistance of the tyrannical Patriarch Kou any longer. He could only rely on himself if he wished to force his way out.

If he was slightly worried about how he was going to do it when he just escaped from Tao Gongming, the journey over allowed him to feel a lot more assured of what was going to do.

As soon as he arrived, he shattered a jade pendant Kou Chongxue handed to him earlier. Now that it was broken, Shang Bo, who was outside, would be able to sense the destruction. He would lay down the guiding formation Chu Jia laid down previously and lead Shang Xia in the right direction when he left the Celestial Remains. It could also allow him to avoid the spatial cracks and regions of collapsed space.

Shang Xia didn't hesitate. Raising his Abyssal Blade, he poured his dipper qi into it before slashing mercilessly at the void before him.

A five colored blade light tore through the void and cleaved a deep spatial tunnel that Shang Xia leaped into immediately.

The moment he did, the opening started to restore itself. The next moment, the spatial tunnel he made could no longer be seen and the space regained its previous calm.

When he entered the spatial tunnel, he could feel a strange power locking on him before guiding him in a certain direction.

Shang Xia followed it and flew through the colorful void around him. Throughout the process, he had to remain fully alert. Danger might appear from nowhere, and there were times he would have to make a decision when there were different paths for him to take. Of course, the most important thing he would have to ensure he avoided was the large scale regions where space collapsed on itself.

Luckily, he released his dipper qi and created a five colored light barrier around himself to stabilize the spatial tunnel, making his journey a lot less dangerous than it would have been.

Using yet another Abyssal Void Shattering Talisman, the journey became all the more smoother.

Along with the strange energy that was guiding him away, he could prevent himself from getting lost in the void. The feeling became stronger the further he went, and it eventually became so intense that he didn't have to pay much attention to follow it. He could place a lot more attention on dealing with dangers that would appear suddenly.

No one knew how long had passed when Shang Xia saw a spot of light growing larger in the distance. When he used his full strength to step into the region covered by the light, he felt everything spinning around him. It was as though he broke through some sort of barrier as he appeared in a brand new space.

He immediately released his divine will to look at the area around him.

“Why is it just you?! Where’s Patriarch Kou?! Huh?! You entered the Martial Dipper Realm?!” A voice rang in his mind the next moment.

Shang Xia turned to look at the source of the voice and saw the look of worry combined with a trace of pleasant surprise on his grandfather’s face.

Chapter 702: Who’s In Charge?

Not too long after Shang Xia left the Celestial Remains, Tao Gongming arrived at the spot where he disappeared. Unfortunately, the spot where Shang Xia tore open had already returned to normal.

“He left?!” Tao Gongming frowned. A trace of disbelief flashed across his face and he shook his head slowly, “That’s not possible... With his strength, how is he able to shatter the void and create a tunnel so quickly by himself?!”

“Did he change directions along the way?” The more he thought about it, the more he felt it was possible. However, with the final phase of fusion of both worlds, he couldn't be bothered to give chase.

It was just...

Tao Gongming stared at the empty space before him and nearly cried out in dejection. “It seems... It seems difficult for me to tear a hole through the void to leave...”

That was especially the case after Tao Gongming lost his fate dipper clone and had his cultivation regress by a small level.

Luckily, he didn't have to wait for long. Very quickly, other Martial Dipper Realm experts started to arrive.

Unlike when they forced their way into the Celestial Remains, going out was much easier. As such, those who arrived didn't need to wait for the experts from the Divine Capital Sect or the Eternal Palace.

Soon after, intense spatial fluctuations came from within the Celestial Remains. The same phenomenon would happen from time to time and after 6 great fluctuations, the Celestial Remains finally regained its original calm.

What all of them didn't know was that during the time Shang Xia carved a spatial tunnel out of the Celestial Remains, he didn't cause such a huge disturbance.

Even Tao Gongming who arrived right after him didn't realize that and he merely thought that Shang Xia had run somewhere else.

With everyone's departure from the Celestial Remains, the world origin and heaven and earth spiritual qi started to grow to a much denser level than before. However, the originally clear and pure world origin seemed to become a lot more turbid.

Because of that, the interior of the Celestial Remains seemed to have turned several shades darker. A part of that reason was because of the clash and agitation between world origin and heaven and earth spiritual qi. There was also the destruction caused by the collision between many floating ruins and the damage to multiple forbidden regions. Some parts of the Celestial Remains experienced spatial collapse and the Celestial Remains became a lot more battered than before.

The fusion of the Worlds' Will also caused changes to some of the regions within the Celestial Remains.

In the central region of the Ruined Observatory...

Layers upon layers of restrictions had been laid down by many Martial Dipper Realm experts to seal the area around the Starry Tree.

With the fusion of the Worlds' Will and appearance of turbid world origin, the entire region that had been sealed off seemed to tremble slightly. The leaves on the Starry Tree trembled slightly and eventually, the entire tree seemed to shake. The rustling of leaves could be clearly heard in its surroundings.

A resplendent light appeared from the path of space outside the spatial barrier above the Ruined Observatory and starlight fell directly on the crown of the tree. At the rate they were gathering, the starlight seemed to turn corporeal.

The thin stream of starlight that Shang Xia followed previously rippled continuously under the constant immersion of starlight that came from the cracks between the leaves.

When the ripple finally stopped, the surface of the stream that reflected the vast nothingness previously started to reveal spots of light that flickered in the darkness.

If one were to look at the stream of starlight, one would realize that it didn't reflect the vast sea of stars outside the spatial barrier. Instead, it seemed to reveal some sort of star diagram...

In the depths of the Void Prohibition Zone, the Stellar Cauldron that seemed a little run down when Shang Xia was present started to transform.

Along with the powerful world origin fluctuations that came with the fusion of the Worlds' Will, the Stellar Cauldron seemed to gain a new life.

Parts of rusted metal started to fall from the cauldron and spiritual light danced about the new surface beneath. They seemed to give the lifeless cauldron a new sense of life!

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“What the hell is going on?! What’s happening in the Celestial Remains?! Why didn’t Kou Chongxue come out with you?!” Shang Bo shot off question after question after meeting up with Shang Xia. They didn’t linger around as they immediately shot off in the direction of the You Continent. Along the way, Shang Bo couldn’t help but ask about what happened there.

Even though Shang Bo had somewhat prepared himself for it, he was still taken aback when Shang Xia recounted whatever happened in the Celestial Remains.

“What?! The Starry Tree that can assist one in entering the Sixth Order of the Primary Realm?! The Origin Holy Artifact of the Celestial Remains is called the Stellar Cauldron?!” Shang Bo gasped, bewildered. “Were you guys trapped in an illusion inside the Celestial Remains or something?! God knows how many batches of Martial Dipper Realm experts explored the Celestial Remains and they didn’t find stuff like that! How the hell did you guys run into treasures like them?! Moreover, it’s not just one supreme treasure... You guys found 2 of them! Do you think it’s believable?”

Shang Xia chuckled bitterly, “Grandpa, you’re not the only one in disbelief. Even I find it a little too shocking. Patriarch Kou is basically the main character of our Azure Origin World at this point! He ran into a massive world origin tide in the Void Prohibition Zone and got swept straight up to where the Stellar Cauldron is. Who the fuck can get luckier than that?! Even I, your grandson, had to tag on to his luck to pick up some scraps... Whatever it is, you have to believe it. After all, my cultivation can’t be faked, right?”

With his expression flickering unsteadily, he nodded slowly while Shang Xia stared at him in shock. “Now that you mention it, his luck truly is heaven-defying. Thinking back to the 20-plus years that passed, everything that happened to him was pretty unbelievable. Now that I think about it, everything was just too coincidental. Even I only managed to reach where I am today thanks to him...”

Unlike Shang Xia, Shang Bo had been interacting with Kou Chongxue for close to 30 years. He was much more familiar with the patriarch.

“Grandpa... What should we do now? Will he really be fine in there?” Shang Xia asked.

Glancing at his grandson, Shang Bo snorted, “Didn’t you just say that he’s the main character of our Azure Origin World? Do you think anything will happen to him?” Shang Bo only became a little more serious after he was done. He continued, “Relax. Since he chose not to leave with you, he probably also knows that his life won’t be in any immediate danger.”

Shang Xia mumbled in response, “But Grandpa, I have a strange feeling that things aren’t as simple as they seem. He might have said that he isn’t willing to leave the cauldron, but I feel that he’s trapped in there... Moreover, now that the worlds are finally becoming one...”

Shang Bo thought for a second before he replied, “No matter what, the Origin Holy Artifact isn’t used to kill people. Moreover, as long as he remains in there, even if the Celestial Remains were to crumble, he wouldn’t be harmed in the slightest.”

As long as Kou Chongxue remains alive, they will be able to save him eventually even if he is trapped in the Origin Holy Artifact.

Nodding slightly, Shang Xia knew what his grandfather meant. However, another thought flashed through his mind and he asked, “Grandpa, is the Origin Holy Artifact a divine weapon?”

“Maybe? ... Actually, I’m not too sure either. However, there are rumors that an Origin Holy Artifact is a grade higher than a divine weapon. As the Divine Capital Sect and Eternal Palace are the only factions in our world who established their Elysiums, they’re the only ones who possess an Origin Holy Artifact. We can only throw guesses about since they refuse to say anything.”

When the grandfather and grandson duo were on their way back to the You Continent, the fusion of the Worlds’ Will caused a loud outflow of world origin. The world origin in the Beyond Heavens Pavilion had already increased by 30 percent!

By the time they closed in on the Void Abyss, they discovered that Ji Wenlong had been waiting for them for quite some time.

Deputy Patriarch Yun Jing was also present, and her cultivation had already reached the large completion stage of the Martial Extermination Realm. Yan Su’er the Assistant Head Instructor of the Tongyou Institution who was at the grand completion stage of the Martial Extermination Realm was also present.

Their faces changed when they saw Shang Xia and Shang Bo.

“Where’s Patriarch Kou?!” They asked in unison.

At the same time, Ji Wenlong revealed a shocked gaze as he examined Shang Xia from head to toe. No matter how he looked at it, the youngster’s aura experienced a complete transformation. He could tell that Shang Xia had already stepped through the gates of the Martial Dipper Realm.

However, he couldn’t be bothered with that at the moment as Kou Chongxue’s missing presence was of much more importance.

Shang Xia and Shang Bo could only force a laugh as they explained the situation to the others.

Next, Shang Xia took out the item Kou Chongxue handed over to him and placed it on the table before them. “Patriarch Kou told me to pass this to you guys. It has instructions on our plans for the foreseeable future. He told me to relay the message that all of you Deputy Patriarchs will be in charge of making any decision for the institution till he’s back...”

After hearing what had happened, Ji Wenlong and the others couldn’t believe their ears. Ji Wenlong couldn’t help but grumble at the side, “Right now, things are at a critical juncture. There are too many things we need him to oversee personally, and no matter how important the Origin Holy Artifact is, he can’t possibly dump the responsibility on us and go missing... Is he even treating this seriously?!”

Shang Bo didn’t say a word. After all, he wasn’t exactly happy with Kou Chongxue’s disappearance either.

It couldn't be denied that the Origin Holy Artifact was important, but the Tongyou Institution had many plans to be carried out during the fusion of both worlds. It didn't just concern the future of the institution. The fate of their You Continent and their standing in the new world was tied with it. Was there also a need to mention the fact that the Spirit Abundance World had their sights on the new world and was on the verge of invading?

Everything would require a supreme existence like Kou Chongxue who was practically undefeatable in the Martial Dipper Realm to take charge of matters. He was supposed to command the institution and lead the You Continent into battle. With him around, everyone would possess boundless confidence in the upcoming battles.

To put it another way, Kou Chongxue's position in the Tongyou Institution and in the hearts of everyone from the Tongyou City was irreplaceable. He was their backbone, and their pillar of support!

"Since Chongxue decided to remain in the Celestial Remains, he definitely thought things through. Even though he made the decision to refine the Stellar Cauldron, it shouldn't affect our plans too much." Yun Jing spoke.

She caught everyone's attention, and Shang Xia felt that something was off with the way she addressed Kou Chongxue. However, he seemed to be the only one who found it strange.

Whatever it was, her gaze landed on Shang Xia next. She chuckled, "What's more, even though he might not be here to carry out our plans, we have Little Xia, our new Martial Dipper Realm expert. On the surface, our institution still has 3 Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors. It will definitely be enough to protect whatever we already have after the fusion of the worlds. Moreover, if Chongxue doesn't show his face around for some time, others might be wary and not try anything stupid if they don't know what's going on. It's a type of formless pressure we can exert on them."

Shang Xia suddenly discovered something. When Kou Chongxue wasn't present, it seemed as though Yun Jing was the true leader of the institution!

Chapter 703: Origin Flow!

In the Beyond Heavens Pavilion, Yun Jing started to arrange everyone's jobs in accordance with Kou Chongxue's instructions.

What Shang Xia discovered was that after he entered the Martial Dipper Realm, there were much fewer chances for him to personally make a move.

An expert at the Martial Dipper Realm stood at the peak of the power pyramid in a world like the Azure Origin World. They were no longer chess pieces and instead, had become the chessmasters who were in charge of moving the pieces around. They could finally control their fate.

"When the Worlds' Will fuse into one, there will definitely be a giant wave of world origin emitted. The world origin would probably emerge in a giant tide from the various continents of both worlds, and an Origin Tide might happen in the battlefield between the two worlds. It's the best chance for us to upgrade the Tongyou Mysterious World to the Tongyou Paradise!" Yun Jing explained the situation to the

others. However, she seemed to be doing it more for Shang Xia's benefit as the others present pretty much had a grasp on the situation already.

Shang Xia thought about it for a second and asked, "Another Origin Tide?"

"It's going to be much stronger than last time. That is why we need a Martial Dipper Realm expert to stay in the institution and direct the upgrade." Yun Jing explained with a smile.

Turning to Ji Wenlong, she continued, "Chief Ji, you were originally supposed to be in charge of that. Since the patriarch isn't here, we'll swap the role around. Little Xia, you'll take on that role."

Shang Xia wondered out loud, "Shouldn't Deputy Patriarch Ji be stationed in the Tongyou Mysterious World so that we can unleash our greatest fighting strength the moment we complete the ascension?"

Ji Wenlong's way of entering the Martial Dipper Realm was different from Kou Chongxue, Shang Bo, and Shang Xia. He borrowed the power of the Origin Tide that poured into it when it was brought back from the battlefield between the two worlds to complete his breakthrough to the Martial Dipper Realm. The way he broke through was similar to the experts of the other factions. He wouldn't be able to leave the confines of the You Continent in the future.

Even though the restriction of that breakthrough method was great, it also meant that he could enjoy a large boost to his strength when he remained within the confines of the You Continent.

Ji Wenlong might have achieved a cultivation level of the Martial Dipper Realm, but his combat strength was considered one of the weakest among those of the same cultivation level. However, once the Tongyou Mysterious World completed its ascension to a holy land, his strength would increase greatly.

Yun Jing looked at Shang Xia and chuckled, "Didn't you say that you broke through several days ago?! Have you managed to consolidate your foundation? Have you started working on your rank five martial art or secret art?"

"Oh..." Shang Xia didn't know how to retort to that.

Actually, Shang Xia didn't think that he was weak at all. However, things were exactly as Yun Jing had said. He might be able to fuse his Five Elements Origin, but he couldn't use them in battle. It greatly affected his true combat strength.

He experienced that when he exchanged blows with Tao Gongming previously.

Yun Jing turned to look at Shang Bo and Ji Wenlong and continued, "If the Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors of the Changbai Holy Land make their move, you will have to stop them."

Ji Wenlong muttered, "Relax. They might have been in the Martial Dipper Realm for a long time and it wouldn't be really possible for us to defeat them, but holding them back shouldn't be a problem."

Yun Jing nodded before turning to Yan Su'er. "Right now, we lost a supreme expert in the Martial Extermination Realm... We can only trouble Sister Su'er to take a trip over to the battlefield between the two worlds with me."

Obviously, she was referring to Shang Xia when she spoke about the supreme expert in the Martial Extermination Realm. Back when he was in the grand completion stage of the Martial Extermination Realm, there was truly no one who could match up to him. Of course, she wasn't complaining or anything.

Yan Su'er chuckled in response. She twisted her staff and explained, "Since my Swallow Race has already settled down in the You Continent, I have to head back and close off the matter regardless. Even if all of you didn't tell me to, I would have to make a trip back."

Ji Wenlong frowned slightly in response. "Patriarch Kou isn't able to take part in the battle and all we have to do is to ensure the Tongyou Mysterious World ascends into a holy land. We should just protect whatever territory we can in the battlefield between the two worlds. It's fine if we retreat slightly from several other territories, it wouldn't affect much. You don't have to make a trip over to the battlefield between the two worlds."

Yan Su'er replied, "No, I have to make a trip over. However, it's not necessary for Deputy Patriarch Yun to do so. From what I know, Patriarch Kou also has arrangements for you. Why not take the chance to attempt a breakthrough to the Martial Dipper Realm?"

"That is indeed a possibility. With the situation in the battlefield between the two worlds now, we should be more than capable of controlling a part of the lands with our forces on the Observation Peak. Even though the Changbai Holy Land and other races of the Liao Continent might possess a slightly larger territory than ours, everything else is held by the high-leveled spiritual beasts. If we're only concerned about ascending into a holy land, we should have enough control over the world origin that will emerge during the Origin Tide. There's no need for us to take additional risks. A chance to enter the Martial Dipper Realm is hard to come by and it might not come again easily after we merge into a single world." Shang Bo explained.

Pausing for some time, he added, "Even if the hopes of entering the Martial Dipper Realm aren't large, reaching the grand completion stage of the Martial Extermination Realm isn't too bad either."

Shang Xia was helpless after hearing what was said. They were truly lacking in confidence now that Kou Chongxue wasn't present to take charge of the situation. Otherwise, no one would suggest that Yun Jing attempted a breakthrough to the Martial Dipper Realm at that point in time. Did they really think that the Tongyou Institution had a whole bunch of rank five advancement medicine?

Yun Jing shook her hands and sighed, "There's no need to try persuading me. I know my limits. If it's possible to attempt a breakthrough, I won't miss it."

She turned much more serious the next second. "We'll do whatever I say. We'll continue with the plan."

Shang Xia seemed to understand why the matters of the institution were left to Yun Jing whenever Kou Chongxue was in seclusion or when he was absent.

Back in the Celestial Remains, Kou Chongxue instructed him to relay the message for the deputy patriarchs to take charge of the situation together. However, Ji Wenlong and Shang Bo seemed to take Yun Jing's instructions the moment she said something and they did it extremely naturally.

One had to understand that both Shang Bo and Ji Wenlong were Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors and Yun Jing was only in the large completion stage of the Martial Extermination Realm.

When Shang Xia was planning to leave, he seemed to have thought of something. "Right... What am I supposed to do in the Mysterious World? I don't know how to upgrade the Tongyou Mysterious World into a holy land..."

Yun Jing glanced at him from the corner of her eye and muttered, "Just head back and stay there. Everything has already been arranged. When the time comes, Chu Jia will take charge of the situation. All you need to do is to follow her instructions and do what you have to as a Martial Dipper Realm Ancestor."

Shang Xia finally knew what his job was. Yun Jing arranged for him to head back to the institution to do whatever he was told to do. He was a mere instrument for what was to come. The only problem was that he had to listen to whatever Chu Jia said...

"Wait! Deputy Patriarch Yun, can we talk about this?!"

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The battlefield between the two worlds was created due to the collusion between the Azure Origin World and the Azure Spiritual World. Once the Worlds' Will fused and the worlds became one, the battlefield between the two worlds would naturally cease to exist.

However, as a special region of land that connected to the World's Will of both worlds, it would become the spot where world origin burst forth after the fusion of both worlds. When that happened, a massive Origin Tide would naturally take place.

Because of that, Yun Jing and Yan Su'er led the Martial Intent Realm disciples and Martial Extermination Realm experts of the institution to greatly expand their influence in the battlefield between the two worlds. The Changbai Holy Land and the experts of the 3 other races from the Liao Continent did the same.

The weaker disciples on both sides immediately clashed on the battlefield and the scale of their conflicts expanded so quickly that the Martial Extermination Realm experts were dragged into the battle.

In the Beyond Heavens Pavilion, the Void Abyss had nearly disappeared.

Luo Baixu and Xu Bailing of the Changbai Holy Land had already gathered in the area and they were astonished when they were met with Shang Bo and Ji Wenlong.

"Why isn't Patriarch Kou here?!" Xu Bailing was the first to break the silence. As everyone there knew, he was pretty rash and he was an impatient man.

Ji Wenlong merely raised an eyebrow to return his question with one of his own. "Why the hell does he need to be here?"

The tone of despise in his voice couldn't be hidden.

Xu Bailing's reaction was just like they had expected. He roared with rage, "Ji Wenlong, are you itching to fight?!"

A cold snort left Ji Wenlong's lips and he didn't bother hiding the look of derision in his eyes.

Xu Bailing flew into a fit of rage and had to be quickly held back by Ancestor Luo Baixu. Luo Baixu turned to Shang Bo and asked, “Your Tongyou Mysterious World will definitely take the chance to ascend into a holy land. Is Kou Chongxue going to personally handle the situation there?”

Ancestor Luo immediately touched on the key point.

The ascension of a Mysterious World into a holy land would definitely have to be presided over by a Martial Dipper Realm expert. Moreover, of the 3 Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors known, Ji Wenlong should benefit the most from the ascension. After all, his breakthrough to the Martial Dipper Realm back then was assisted by the Tongyou Mysterious World.

Ji Wenlong’s appearance in the Beyond Heavens Pavilion was a massive flaw in the eyes of the others.

Luckily, the Tongyou Institution came up with a plan the moment Shang Xia and Shang Bo returned from the Celestial Remains.

Shang Bo chuckled softly and spoke casually, “It’s nothing especially important. Patriarch Kou just managed to get his hands on another Origin Dipper and he’s cultivating in seclusion back in the Tongyou Mysterious World.”

His words caused the pupils of the ancestors from the Changbai Holy Land to shrink violently.

If Shang Bo were to come up with any other bullshit excuse, they might not believe it at all. However, they didn’t quite doubt Kou Chongxue’s advancement.

After all, Kou Chongxue’s sudden rise to power 20 or so years ago created a giant anomaly to both the Azure Origin World and the Azure Spiritual World.

“I guess we will have to congratulate Patriarch Kou in advance then.” Luo Baixu said indifferently.

Shang Bo nodded slowly and muttered, “I’ll definitely convey the news on your behalf.”

Chapter 704: Kou Chongxue’s Support

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Shang Xia was naturally extremely unwilling to listen to Chu Jia’s arrangements after he returned to the Tongyou Mysterious World.

They had been interacting for a long time and Shang Xia had a good grasp of her character at that point. The great Formations Grandmaster of the Tongyou Institution was nothing like a teacher of the institution when there were no students around. She was an extremely crafty and unruly bitc... Older lady...

However, Shang Xia could only give in when it came to the ascension of the Tongyou Mysterious World. After all, the bigger picture always came first.

When he finally returned to the Tongyou Mysterious World and located Chu Jia, he discovered that he wasn’t the only one in a bad mood. Her expression was even more sullen than his. The look of disdain on her face when she saw him could be felt miles away!

The Tongyou Mysterious World was split into 3 sectors, namely the lower, middle, and upper sectors at the moment and obviously, Shang Xia and Chu Jia were in the Upper Sector that was the closest to the Beyond Heavens Pavilion at the moment.

As the core of the entire operation, Chu Jia was naturally in possession of the Nine Blossom Jade Formation Disc. It wasn't beneath her feet, and neither did she carry it on her person. Instead, it hovered in the air above her.

From what Shang Xia could detect with his divine will, it wasn't just suspended in mid air. It seemed connected to the space around it and it was fully embedded in place.

Even though it was said that every single holy land was a separate space that depended on the main world by drawing on its world origin, but in fact, it was actually just a way to make up for the world's weakness.

The Nine Blossom Jade Formation Disc above Chu Jia's head seemed to have something to do with how the Tongyou Institution was planning to patch up a leak that might happen during the ascension process.

Both Shang Xia and Chu Jia had been maintaining civility after he arrived, but Chu Jia's gaze never left his body.

Shang Xia was starting to feel uncomfortable by the way she was looking at him and he finally heaved a helpless sigh, "What do you need me to do?"

A massive grin appeared on Chu Jia's face and she looked pretty pleased with herself for winning the 'first to speak loses' game she came up with on the spot. Of course, she didn't answer Shang Xia's question immediately. "Did you enter the Martial Dipper Realm already?!"

Shang Xia felt that she was actually bullshitting as it was pretty obvious whether he broke through or not at that point. He raised his eyebrows and continued, "When do you plan on during the energy from the Origin Tide for us to ascend?"

Chu Jia didn't seem to hear, or care, about Shang Xia's concern. She continued to talk about whatever she felt like. "Patriarch Kou is too biased! He only brought you over to explore the Celestial Remains..."

"How should I expand the space within the Tongyou Mysterious World during the ascension process?" Shang Xia continued.

Ignoring yet another question, Chu Jia roared in anger, "Hmph! I was also responsible for forcing open the entrance to the Celestial Remains. He used a single extermination origin to send me away..."

Only then did Shang Xia start to examine her properly. He gasped once and muttered, "You actually entered the third layer of the Martial Extermination Realm..."

With her eyes widening in shock, Chu Jia growled, "Did you just realize?!"

"Oh! Pretty good! You advanced pretty quickly!" Shang Xia added quickly.

"Hmph! Can you get more perfunctory than that..." Chu Jia was clearly unhappy with his reaction and she seemed to realize something the next moment. Her eyes grew

even wider and she snapped, "Wait a second! How can you talk to me like that?! I'm your teacher!"

Shang Xia was clearly acting like her senior when he praised her earlier.

He couldn't be bothered with her flustered reaction and he couldn't help but think about how her cultivation increased rapidly after they returned from the Manyu Continent. It seemed as though she accumulated a lot during her trip there which allowed her to break through easily.

With her cultivation level at the third layer of the Martial Extermination Realm, she could easily rank within the top ten of the Tongyou Institution.

They continued to mock and throw childish insults at each other before finally stomping away in dissatisfaction. Of course, that interaction wouldn't affect their cooperation when the time truly came to carry out the Tongyou Institution's plan.

Shang Xia's task was extremely simple. All he had to do was to adjust the flow of world origin into the Tongyou Mysterious World and to direct them in a specific flow. He would also have to stabilize the space within the holy land after the ascension was complete.

Finally, and most importantly, he had to continue to strengthen the connection between the new Tongyou Paradise and the World's Will.

The tasks weren't too difficult or complicated. However, only Martial Dipper Realm experts had the ability to do them.

Of course, the Martial Dipper Realm expert carrying it out would also receive great benefits. It would come in the form of a reward from the World's Will.

The creation of any holy land would result in a huge inflow of world origin. It could patch up some of the weaknesses of the world, but in essence, it would prove to be a valuable improvement. As such, the World's Will wouldn't ignore the process.

Seeing as the World's Will was still completing the fusion process, they would be in for a period of peace for some time. Shang Xia could take the chance to consolidate his foundations.

That was one of the reasons why Yun Jing wanted Shang Xia to remain in the Tongyou Mysterious World. He could take the time to cultivate in peace.

What none of them knew was that even though Shang Xia had just broken through and might not have a great control over his own strength, his inner qi wasn't actually unstable.

That was because of the way the five elements mutually restrained each other. His foundations were much stronger than what others might think.

During the time he entered seclusion, he wasn't really trying to work on his foundations. Instead, he had been trying to control his strength a little better.

Of course, Shang Xia wouldn't waste the period of peace he had.

After temporarily separating from Chu Jia, Shang Xia quickly carved out a pocket of space where he wouldn't be disturbed to start cultivation.

That was the first time he had done something like that ever since entering the Martial Dipper Realm. He discovered that his control over space had improved greatly.

Well, he could only do something like that in the Tongyou Mysterious World. If he was outside, doing something like that wouldn't be easy. Moreover, he wouldn't be able to maintain the pocket of space even if he managed to carve one out.

In the sealed space, Shang Xia brought out the Embroidered Cloud Case Kou Chongxue had given him.

It contained some treasures Kou Chongxue thought he could use.

After opening it, the first thing he saw was Kou Chongxue's self made rank five sword art, the Origin Yang Thousand Peak Sword Art. There was also the secret art he practiced, the Tongyou Secret Art.

From those treasures, anyone would be able to see how much importance Kou Chongxue had placed on Shang Xia's development.

Back in the Four Constellation Realm, Shang Xia already knew that he would have to come up with a set of rank five martial arts for himself. He couldn't do what he did in the Four Constellation Realm and come up with it in closed door cultivation. He had to understand and reference what other people had come up with and exchange pointers with fellow experts before finally carving out his own path.

Kou Chongxue also knew that Shang Xia would definitely choose to create his own martial arts and secret art. Even though he couldn't give any pointers when trapped in the Stellar Cauldron, he didn't hesitate to give Shang Xia his years of hard work.

He even recorded things he learned when fighting with other Martial Dipper Realm experts and the contents of what he gave Shang Xia was extremely solid.

Shang Bo and Ji Wenlong weren't stingy either. After Shang Xia read through all 3 inheritances, he discovered that Kou Chongxue was the only one who came up with his personal martial art. Ji Wenlong and his grandfather were practicing stuff they comprehended from Kou Chongxue's Tongyou Secret Art and the Origin Yang Thousand Peak Sword Art.

That was to say, even though Ji Wenlong and Shang Bo managed to comprehend something after entering the Martial Dipper Realm, everything stemmed from Kou Chongxue's techniques.

That point alone could prove how much of a genius Kou Chongxue was. Shang Bo and Ji Wenlong weren't just slightly lacking when compared to him. They were far too lacking...

Whatever the case was, Shang Bo was still a little better than Ji Wenlong. After all, he wasn't restricted to staying in the confines of the You Continent like Ji Wenlong. Because of that, Shang Bo's starting point was actually higher than a good half of the Martial Dipper Realm experts in the Azure Origin World.

What was more, Shang Bo had been in the Martial Dipper Realm for a shorter time than Ji Wenlong.

Flipping through the 3 books that recorded everything the Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors of the Tongyou Institution knew, Shang Xia could only sigh at the institution's lack of accumulations.

A true holy land had hundreds of years of knowledge. They were collected bit by bit by their predecessors and well recorded. Even after the advancement of the Tongyou Mysterious World into the Tongyou Paradise, they had only just laid the foundations of their holy land.

Shang Xia definitely wouldn't be able to come up with his rank five martial arts or secret art in a short period of time.

The reason Kou Chongxue and the rest left behind their experience was so that he could look through them and try to gain some inspiration.

At the end of the day, Shang Xia couldn't follow those inheritances closely. That would only serve to get in his way. Other than that, Shang Xia knew that he had one more way of raising his cultivation and strength directly. That was to refine fate dipper essences of the same element.

Back in the Celestial Remains, Kou Chongxue handed him an Embroidered Cloud Case with all his gains and told him he could use anything he needed.

Slowly opening the case, the first thing he saw were two strands of Primal Yang Copper Fate Dipper Essence.

Shang Xia was surprised, but he understood why Kou Chongxue did it.

Back then, Kou Chongxue needed to use his Primal Yang Copper Fate Dipper to continue nourishing his Hidden Frost Sword. He didn't have time to split off too many fate dipper essence for Shang Xia. Kou Chongxue took some time to create 2 more strands for Shang Xia after learning that it was useful for him.

Once he refined them, he would be able to strengthen the Geng Metal Element in his body.

What Shang Xia couldn't understand was if refining only Geng Metal Fate Dipper Essence would cause an imbalance of his Five Element Origin.

Chapter 705: Way to Grow Stronger

Shang Xia knew that there were only 2 or 3 ways for him to raise his strength after he learned of his advancement formula.

One of them was to refine more fate dipper essences of the same elements, and the other was to develop his rank five martial arts.

Both those methods would lead to a massive increase in strength in the short term. However, there was also something else he could do.

According to the Crimson Taoul Tablet, even if Shang Xia didn't continue to refine fate dipper essences after entering the Martial Dipper Realm, he could borrow the power of the world origin and slowly strengthen his Five Elements Source in his dantian. Eventually, they would grow strong enough and allow him to reach the large completion stage of the Martial Dipper Realm. The only problem with that was that it would take a long time. He would also require a ton of world origin for his daily cultivation.

After entering the Martial Dipper Realm, every cultivation would experience a fundamental transformation. Their lifespan might increase and allow them to live up to 300 years, and they had more than enough time to cultivate and accumulate their foundations.

Of course, cultivating slowly and accumulating strength would only be chosen if there were no other ways to improve. Ordinarily, no one would be patient enough and have the luxury of time to do so.

In the end, there was only one method Shang Xia could use in the short term. When he entered the Martial Dipper Realm, he required 10 fate dipper essences that corresponded to the yin and yang alignment of the 5 elements.

If he hadn't developed his rank five martial arts, he would only be able to refine the exact same fate dipper essences he already had in order to grow stronger. Things would change dramatically once he managed to develop his own rank five martial arts and secret art. Once he did, the fate dipper essences he could refine would no longer be limited to the 10 he used during his advancement.

If he could only refine the Primal Yang Copper Fate Dipper Essence previously, he would be able to refine any fate dipper essence of the Geng Metal Element in order to raise his cultivation after the development.

That would give him a lot more choices to increase his cultivation.

Otherwise, it would take god knows how long for him to gather the same fate dipper essences to reach the large completion stage of the Martial Dipper Realm. As for the grand completion stage... That would be a whole other matter.

After Shang Xia received 2 strands of Primal Yang Copper Fate Dipper Essence from Kou Chongxue, he was extremely excited. He continued to look through the contents of the case.

Kou Chongxue naturally had his guesses about Shang Xia's path of cultivation. The fate dipper essences and Origin Dippers he handed over to Shang Xia were aligned with his guess.

It was a pity... Other than the Primal Yang Copper Fate Dipper Essences, Shang Xia didn't find anything else he could use immediately. Of course, he also had the Vital Jade Marrow Origin Dipper he obtained back then.

In the end, Shang Xia chose 2 Miracle Suspended Dew Fate Dipper Essences which were of the Ren Water Element. He also took a Dark Soil Abyss Fate Dipper Essence of the Ji Earth Element, and a Great Smoke Indistinct Fate Dipper Essence of the Ding Fire Element.

Once he was done with the development of his rank five martial arts and secret art, he would be able to refine the different fate dipper essences to increase his cultivation.

All he had to do at the moment was to keep everything that would be of use in the future.

Dumping all of them into his own sealed spiritual case, he prepared to hand the rest over to Yun Jing along with the extermination qi he gathered in his Spirit Extermination Gourd during his trip to the Celestial Remains.

When he was done, he decided to start refining those fate dipper essences he could. Instead of choosing the Primal Yang Copper Fate Dipper Essences, he decided to use the Vital Jade Marrow Fate Dipper Essence he had more of since he managed to split them off from the Origin Dipper.

Actually, Shang Xia wouldn't experience an obvious or huge increase to his strength unless he refined fate dipper essences of all the 5 elements. Refining a fate dipper essence or two would barely affect his abilities, but Shang Xia decided to do it anyway. That was because he was trying to

use the process to start deducing his rank five martial arts and secret art. He also wished to see if strengthening a single element would affect the balance of his Five Elements Origin in his dantian.

Developing his rank five martial arts and secret art wasn't something that could be done in a short amount of time. He needed to accumulate his knowledge and experience bit by bit, and he had to continue to improve it as he went along.

Luckily, Shang Xia didn't have to go in blind during the development process. He already had a goal in mind.

It was something he realized after seeing his advancement formula back then. It was a feeling he had that told him what he had to do. Once he came up with it, it would fit him perfectly.

Pushing his Five Elements Origin in his dantian, he used the most primitive way to refine the strand of Vital Jade Marrow Fate Dipper Essence he brought out. He wanted to try circulating it through his body in a proper loop.

However, rather than saying it was a process of refinement, it seemed more like a process of assimilation. It was extremely slow, and because Shang Xia couldn't force it to move in a complete cycle through his body perfectly, there would be a risk of the 5 elements entering a state of disequilibrium if he wasn't careful.

Luckily, that wasn't a problem for Shang Xia at the moment. In his dantian, the 5 elements were in a very stable state at the moment. A strand of fate dipper essence wouldn't cause huge waves even if it couldn't circulate around his body perfectly.

Shang Xia couldn't help but heave a sigh of relief. He discovered the real difference he had with other cultivators of the same level. His foundations were much more solid than the others!

Because of that, Shang Xia could try circulating his qi through his body however he liked. He could make improvements along the way. He would also be able to strengthen his control over it the more he familiarized himself when using it.

Indeed... Everything went as he expected. Refining a single strand of fate dipper essence didn't do too much when it came to improving his strength.

However, the effects it had when Shang Xia was refining it allowed him to better control his dipper qi and aura. If anyone were to see him, they would think that he would have fully consolidated his foundations in the Martial Dipper Realm.

The 5 colored light and 5 colored shuttle became a lot easier to use than before.

After he completed the refinement process, he emerged from seclusion to take a look at the current situation.

When he learned that everything was going according to plan and the Origin Tide wasn't close to breaking out yet, he heaved a sigh of relief.

Seeing as there was still time to prepare, he made a batch of offensive and defensive talismans of both the third and fourth ranks to prove support for the cultivators of the You Continent stationed in the battlefield between the two worlds.

The disciples of the Talisman Hall also sent over several rank five talisman papers made with the leaves of the Starry Tree. With the 1 remaining rank five talisman paper Shang Xia received from

Kou Chongxue, he had enough to actually start crafting rank five talismans if he wished. He couldn't help but feel an impulse to craft them.

Now that he entered the Martial Dipper Realm, he could better control dipper qi. At the very least, using his own dipper qi to craft talismans would be much easier than using the dipper qi supplied by other Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors.

Unfortunately, his high-grade White Bone Brush was damaged after his successful creation of the Abyssal Emptiness Talisman back then.

He was hoping that Ren Bainian would be able to fix the brush for him, but with the current situation in the battlefield between the two worlds, Ren Bainian had to provide support. After all, there were only so few Martial Extermination Realm experts in the institution and he couldn't possibly remain idle. As such, Shang Xia had to delay the repair of his brush.

Luckily, the Talisman Hall had the Purple Bamboo Brush that was of the same grade as the White Bone Brush. It would be barely passable when he tried to craft rank five talismans.

It was a pity Shang Xia had only 2 rank five talisman inheritances. Be it the Abyssal Emptiness Talisman or Substitution Talisman, they were merely auxiliary talismans. They were more likely to be used when running away.

After thinking about it, Shang Xia decided that he would have to go all in if he wished to craft a rank five talisman. After all, every chance to craft one was hard to come by. He shouldn't waste the opportunity by using rank four talisman ink and increase the risk of failure. He could only tell the Talisman Hall to start preparing rank five talisman ink.

News also came back from the Beyond Heavens Pavilion that the Void Abyss was basically gone at that point. That meant that the world origin of both worlds was nearly done with their fusion and the only thing left was the merger of their Worlds' Will.

The process would usher in the most chaotic period of time as it welcomed the birth of a new world. It was also the best chance the various powers had to take advantage of whatever was coming. The Tongyou Institution was no exception as they planned to upgrade the Tongyou Mysterious World into the Tongyou Paradise using that chance!

Shang Xia made enough preparations such that he would be able to spare a part of his power to assist Ji Wenlong and Shang Bo if the situation called for it.

After hearing about Shang Xia's plan and battle preparations, Shang Bo gave him a deep stare that seemed to contain some special meaning before telling him to remain calm and focus on his cultivation for the time being. He even reminded Shang Xia to follow the plan.

Shang Xia smelled the stench of a massive conspiracy that was the usual way the Tongyou Institution carried out their plans. The only thing he didn't know was who the fuck Kou Chongxue was plotting against this time.

Since Shang Bo had already spoken, Shang Xia was more than happy to take a chill pill. He wanted to delay the development of his rank five martial arts and secret art because of the upcoming chaos, but it seemed as though there was no need to do so any longer. He immediately brought out a strand of Primal Yang Copper Fate Dipper Essence.

Before he could fully refine it, a massive battle broke out in the battlefield between the two worlds around where the Origin Tide was about to erupt. The battle was so intense that it affected the Tongyou City, and it even dragged every existence in the battlefield between the two worlds into it.

It was also at that moment when the world origin that had accumulated in the battlefield between the two worlds decided to burst forth, barging through the spatial tunnel and flooding into the Tongyou City.

Chapter 706: Controlling the Origin

Close to the Void Abyss in the Beyond Heavens Pavilion, the Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors of the Changbai Holy Land and Tongyou Institution came to blows. With them finally taking action, it signaled the final phase of the fight for world origin in the battlefield between the two worlds.

However, the battle in the Beyond Heavens Pavilion wasn't as spectacular as everyone thought it would be. Shang Xia was also slightly stunned when he saw them fighting.

Before the Origin Tide broke through the spatial tunnel to enter the Tongyou City, Shang Xia had been focused on refining his fate dipper essence and working on his rank five martial arts and secret art.

The instant the Origin Tide arrived, Chu Jia activated the connection to the Tongyou Mysterious World and sucked in a huge portion of the world origin that came from the Origin Tide.

Even so, the amount of world origin was far too large. It filled the city, causing the density of world origin in the surroundings to rise rapidly.

Such a sudden increase of world origin didn't bring the slightest benefit to experts below the Martial Extermination Realm. In fact, it would cause them great harm!

"Hey! Don't you have any way to deal with this?! Try to reduce the amount of world origin pouring into the city!" Chu Jia roared at Shang Xia.

Actually, she could easily increase the power of their formation in the Tongyou Mysterious World to suck in more world origin, but that would require a lot more resources and effort. Seeing how idle Shang Xia was, a wave of irritation rose in her heart. She decided to make things difficult for him instead.

She was even prepared to push the formation to its limits to deal with the issue in the city when Shang Xia admitted that he wouldn't be able to do anything about it. In fact, she even thought of whatever sarcastic remark she wanted to throw Shang Xia's way when that happened.

Unfortunately, she was bound to be disappointed. The words barely left her lips when she discovered a five colored light filling the lands. It disappeared the next second as though it was never there in the first place.

When Chu Jia turned to look, the world origin that filled the Tongyou City had been cleared!

That wasn't all. Almost all the world origin that was pouring out from the spatial tunnel that was connected to the battlefield between the two worlds were directed into the Tongyou Mysterious World without the formation doing extra work. Only a tiny bit of world origin leaked out.

If not for the fact that Chu Jia saw what happened earlier, and could feel the slight twist of space around the spatial tunnel, she would have thought that everything earlier was an illusion.

How... How did he do that?!

Chu Jia couldn't help but ask herself. The world origin doesn't seem to be sucked into the Tongyou Mysterious World. Instead, it seems to be directed over by some invisible force!

Chu Jia turned to stare at the spot where Shang Xia was cultivating in the Tongyou Mysterious World. When she yelled at him earlier, she naturally wasn't standing in front of him. Instead, she knew that he would be able to hear her wherever he was.

Because of the exchange between the Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors in the Beyond Heavens Pavilion and the sudden burst from the Origin Tide, Shang Xia didn't continue hiding in the pocket of space he made. Even though a good portion of his consciousness was on refining the Primal Yang Copper Fate Dipper Essence and developing his rank five arts, he was still able to deal with matters concerning the Tongyou City.

From the looks of it, dealing with the overflowing world origin needed nothing more than a flick of his wrist.

What he could do with a simple gesture was something Chu Jia would need a considerable amount of effort to do. Even if she had the assistance of the grand formation from the Tongyou Mysterious World, she wouldn't have been able to deal with the massive overflow of world origin as cleanly as Shang Xia did.

The more that was the case, the more annoyed Chu Jia became. She felt a fire burning in her heart and thought that Shang Xia made it look so easy on purpose just to make her feel inferior.

"Hmph! What's so great about that?! Isn't it just because he entered the Martial Dipper Realm?! In the future, I'll also..." Chu Jia grumbled softly. However, she suddenly revealed a look of disdain as she raised her chin haughty. "This grandaunt here is his teacher anyway. Why should I be annoyed at him?"

After gaslighting herself, Chu Jia seemed to have thought of something and she yelled at Shang Xia again, "We might have a strong foundation right now, but ascending to a holy land isn't as simple as it seems. You're in charge of expanding the space here so that I can save a portion of the formation's strength!"

Shang Xia just stepped through a new level of understanding of his Five Elements Origin and a good portion of his attention was placed on developing his rank five arts. He was interrupted by Chu Jia's loud yell, but he was too lazy to think if she was doing it on purpose. He didn't wish to mess around and get into a verbal battle with Chu Jia because of the matter and a five colored light quickly surrounded his body. The world origin that had been devoured by the Tongyou Mysterious World started to spread around into different spots as indicated by Chu Jia. They were used to expand the space it could contain.

What Shang Xia didn't know was his casual attitude when handling matters in the Tongyou Mysterious World caused Chu Jia endless shock. She gnashed her teeth in irritation and pouted to herself.

“He’s actually able to control so much world origin! That would mean that he reached an unbelievable level... For him to also send it so accurately to the various spots in the Mysterious World also shows that he can cover the entire space with his perception...”

“What’s more, he actually has a lot of energy left over!”

The easier Shang Xia made it seem, the more annoyed Chu Jia got. As such, she wanted to come up with even more ways to mess with him and she yelled again, “Hey! You have to stabilize the newly expanded space within the Mysterious World! You’ll ensure the stability while I continue to expand the space in our Mysterious World with the grand formation!”

Stabilizing space wasn’t as easy as purely expanding it. Moreover, With Shang Xia’s actions earlier, world origin had been directed to every spot of importance. All Chu Jia had to do was to focus on expanding the space and it wasn’t too difficult. It would be much more efficient when she used the power of the formation to do so.

Shang Xia would have to be greatly involved in the process if he wished to stabilize the greatly expanding Tongyou Mysterious World.

“Hey, great Formation Grandmaster, do you really have to do this?” By that point, Shang Xia knew that she was doing it on purpose. She was making things difficult for him, but he couldn’t deny that it would be useful for the ascension of the Tongyou Mysterious World. She probably just wanted him to show a little bit of weakness so that she could feel better about herself.

Chu Jia’s giggle came from the highest point in the upper sector of the Tongyou Mysterious World, “Wow! Looks like everything is different now that our great Ancestor Shang Xia has entered the Martial Dipper Realm. I don’t think we need to use the formation anyway! You can just complete the ascension process yourself!”

Shang Xia’s eyelids twitched unnaturally and he felt extremely uncomfortable when he heard the way she was addressing him.

However, her words made sense. Shang Xia was only using a part of his consciousness to deal with the tasks she had given him. He managed to do it without many problems, and if he had been fully involved in the process, Shang Xia felt that he might have been able to do everything himself.

Of course, he was thinking too simply. He completed the tasks one after another, but ascension to a holy land wasn’t as simple as it seemed. He might have expanded the space earlier, but Chu Jia’s formation provided massive support as it dealt with everything else that came with it.

At the end of the day, he had just entered the Martial Dipper Realm. He hadn’t completed the development of his rank five arts, and he was unable to withstand the huge consumption of energy required during the ascension.

However, that brought his attention to another matter. In the future... Would it actually be possible for him to carve out a holy land on his own?!

“Hey! What are you thinking about?! Didn’t you hear what I said?!” Chu Jia’s resentful cry rang in his ears again and interrupted his train of thought.

“Oh! Huh? Sorry, I thought of something related to my rank five arts. What were you saying?” Shang Xia replied.

Just like he expected, Chu Jia was no longer as snappy after his explanation. She quickly continued, “I was saying that you seem extremely talented when it comes to manipulating the tide of world origin. Even Patriarch Kou might not be comparable to you when it comes to how well you use your dipper qi...”

Shang Xia couldn't help himself as he gasped, “Wow! I didn't think that you would actually praise me to my face!”

“Scram! Don't act sarcastic with me!” Chu Jia immediately snapped, returning to her original state.

Pausing for a second, she tried not to get even more annoyed with Shang Xia before muttering, “You better not blame me for not warning you... You better not flaunt your talent in front of others. Even in the institution, it's best not to go around and show off to the others. It's fine if the Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors and Deputy Patriarch Yun Jing know about your achievements...”

Shang Xia heard the sincerity behind Chu Jia's warning this time and he replied seriously, “Many thanks for Teacher Chu's reminder...”

“Heh...”

Who would have thought that Chu Jia would snicker softly after hearing what he said. “Damn fellow... You sound even more sarcastic when you're trying to act all serious.”

What the fuck did I do?!

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Back in the Celestial Remains, Shang Xia received pointers from the bossman himself. When the Origin Tide erupts and world origin poured into the city, Kou Chongxue told Shang Xia that he should try to withstand the Origin Tide with his physical body.

He personally confirmed that it was a way for Martial Dipper Realm experts to temper their physique.

Shang Xia obviously wouldn't doubt him. He situated himself directly in the path where world origin would enter the Tongyou Mysterious World and it wasn't long before he discovered that Kou Chongxue was right. The only problem that he might have was that the effects weren't as good as he expected.

Shang Xia's physical body was far sturdier than Kou Chongxue had expected. Trying to improve further posed a great challenge.

Standing in the way of the world origin tide, Shang Xia discovered a piece of good news, and a piece of bad news.

Good news was, Shang Xia discovered something he forgot when coming up with his rank five martial arts and secret art.

Now that he realized it, he would be able to progress much quicker than before. At the same time, his rank five arts would be much more refined when he created it.

With the good news out of the way, the bad news was also of a pretty huge significance. Even though his Crimson Soul Tablet wasn't fully restored, it was no longer sucking up world origin!

Chapter 707: Twists and Turns

Shang Xia discovered the changes to his Crimson Soul Tablet when he entered the Martial Dipper Realm back in the Celestial Remains. However, because of the situation he was in, he couldn't pay too much attention to it.

Up until the moment world origin poured out from the spatial tunnel leading to the Tongyou City and Chu Jia assigned him task after task did he realize that the Crimson Soul Tablet wasn't taking the opportunity to absorb any more world origin.

One had to know that the world origin contained in the Origin Tide was extremely pure. After all, it was overflowing due to the merging of worlds.

As Shang Xia used the opportunity to temper his body, he wanted to seize the opportunity to allow the Crimson Soul Tablet to restore itself. Unfortunately, it didn't seem to show any interest in devouring the world origin around him.

After entering the Martial Dipper Realm, Shang Xia discovered that he managed to gain a little more control over the tablet. It was much better than when he was in the Martial Extermination Realm.

When he tried to control it to absorb world origin earlier, the Crimson Soul Tablet ignored him completely. It didn't seem interested in world origin any longer.

Shang Xia had a feeling that the Crimson Soul Tablet underwent some sort of transformation when he broke through to the Five Elements Realm. The change caused it to no longer have an appetite for world origin any longer.

From the feeling he was getting, the Crimson Soul Tablet no longer found world origin 'tasty', for the lack of a better word.

If it doesn't absorb world origin any more, how am I supposed to fix it?!

Shang Xia's joy from comprehending the basis of his rank five arts when he was refining the Primal Yang Copper Fate Dipper Essence earlier dissipated after thinking about it.

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When he was using the flow of world origin to temper his body earlier, he seemed to have discovered something else about his rank five martial arts. His heart, lungs, spleen, kidney, and liver throbbed slightly under the constant pressure.

Connecting the dots, Shang Xia recalled that there were 2 parts to his advancement medicine.

Those were the locations he applied the external paste to, and that would mean that he couldn't just consider the flow of dipper qi in his dantian. He also had to connect it to his 5 major organs!

"Should I be building the rank five art with my dantian as the core with support from the 5 major organs?" Shang Xia thought to himself. "If that is the case, the frame of my rank five martial arts is basically created. The process of developing it would be much easier than before."

Shang Xia had a feeling that even though the Crimson Soul Tablet only existed in his sea of consciousness, it might actually turn into an actual treasure after he fully repaired it.

The only problem was that it was no longer willing to absorb world origin. The cracks that existed inside wouldn't restore itself and Shang Xia's hope of finding out more about the treasure was dashed. At the very least, it would be far in the future.

There was also a need to mention that he relied greatly on the Crimson Soul Tablet. If he was unable to fix it, how was he supposed to use it during the advancement to the Sixth Order of the Primary Realm?! How was he going to deduce his advancement formula in order to grow stronger?! That didn't just apply to the Sixth Order of the Primary Realm. There might even be realms higher than that!

Most importantly, the Crimson Soul Tablet held the greatest secret of how he managed to cross over into the world. No matter what happened, Shang Xia felt that he needed to get to the bottom of it.

From the looks of it now, all he could do was to try to repair the tablet and use it to keep growing stronger in order to uncover the truth.

Because of those reasons, Shang Xia fell into a deep trance. It was something he didn't experience often, but he was eventually awakened by a yell from Chu Jia.

"Hey! Don't blame me for not reminding you, but we're about to become a holy land soon!"

"Huh?" Shang Xia stared in Chu Jia's direction with a look of shock on his face.

Only then did he realize that the space in the Tongyou Mysterious World had increased by more than 3 times!

Even though they were pretty far away from each other in the currently ascending Tongyou Mysterious World, Chu Jia seemed to be able to detect the look of shock on Shang Xia's face and she quickly transmitted her voice over to explain, "The amount of world origin far exceeded our expectations. That is why we took a lot less time to complete the upgrade!"

Actually, their expectation was based on the fact that there would be a lot of world origin wasted as they wouldn't be able to fully direct it into the Tongyou Mysterious World.

Obviously, the Tongyou Institution made preparations for the outflow of world origin. So did all the other border continents who would be affected by the Origin Tide. However, Shang Xia's ability to control world origin was way too disgusting. No one expected him to be able to direct 99 percent of the world origin into the Tongyou Mysterious World.

Also, with his assistance, Chu Jia didn't have to worry about controlling the formation to deal with the overflowing world origin. She used the full power of the formation to expand the space within the mysterious world in preparation for its ascension.

Even though that was the case, it couldn't be denied that Shang Xia's action greatly brought forward their plan.

"Will this affect what we are supposed to do?" Shang Xia asked. That was what he was truly concerned about.

“Our main goal is to complete the upgrade and become the Tongyou Paradise. Even if we affect some parts of the plan, they have to deal with it one way or another!”

Even though she was somewhat reassuring him when she replied, her tone changed at the end and she didn't forget to blame Shang Xia. She snorted accusingly, “It's all your fault!”

“...” The fuck did I do?

Yun Jing and the other experts in the battlefield between the two worlds didn't expect the Tongyou Mysterious World to complete its transformation so quickly, and neither did Ji Wenlong and Shang Bo. Of course, neither did Luo Baixu and Xu Bailing of the Changbai Holy Land think the Tongyou Institution would succeed so rapidly.

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When Yun Jing and Yan Su'er personally entered the battlefield between the two worlds back then, the battle between the Tongyou Institution and the members of the Azure Spiritual World immediately reached its climax. They weren't just fighting for territory in order to gain a larger portion of world origin. They were also vying for land as that would directly affect the size of their continents after the new world was formed.

Halfway through their battle, the Origin Tide erupted and world origin poured everywhere. A portion went towards the Tongyou City through the spatial tunnel and due to the absorption by the Tongyou Mysterious World, along with Shang Xia's amazing assistance, the world origin that was flowing towards the Tongyou City seemed to be pulled over with amazing gusto. World origin that came out from the Origin Tide rushed over in a massive stream.

Even the Martial Intent Realm disciples who were in battle could feel the change.

Of course, the sudden rapid pull of world origin brought about an intense reaction from those of the Azure Spiritual World.

Yun Jing and Yan Su'er might not know what was going on, but they could only work together to protect the institution's interest. Obviously, they weren't going to lose what they fought so hard for.

Who would have thought that the disciples of the institution who had been guarding the outskirts would send an urgent report back to them? From what they learned, the spiritual beasts in the battlefield between the two worlds seem extremely worked up and have started a large scale beast tide. Moreover, a large number of them managed to enter the spatial tunnel during the Origin Tide eruption earlier.

Chapter 708: Turn of Events

When the battle in the battlefield between the two worlds reached their peak, the experts of the institution who were tasked with guarding the spatial tunnel suddenly relayed the news that a huge amount of spiritual beasts had charged into the You Continent.

The battlefield between the two worlds existed for close to 30 years at that point and it contained a huge number of spiritual beasts.

Those spiritual beasts possess tyrannical strength and could threaten experts from both the Tongyou Institution and the Azure Spiritual World, allowing them to survive undisturbed in their territories. That was one of the reasons they hadn't been culled, but the other reason was because the Tongyou

Institution and experts from the Azure Spiritual World had been holding each other back the entire time.

Now that Yun Jing and Yan Su'er received news of the spiritual beasts charging through the spatial tunnel into the You Continent, their hearts sank.

They weren't actually concerned that the sudden influx of spiritual beasts would result in a beast tide and cause great destruction to the You Continent. Instead, they were more worried about the reason the beasts were escaping. After all, those spiritual beasts were extremely sensitive to impending dangers.

One had to know that those beasts had never been willing to leave the battlefield between the two worlds.

For them to charge towards the You Continent without a care in the world, that could only mean one thing. The battlefield between the two worlds was about to crumble!

It was something they had all expected when they learned that the Worlds' Will were fusing. After all, once the new world was formed, the spatial barrier would no longer exist. Naturally, the battlefield between the two worlds would also disappear.

The only problem was that everything was happening far earlier than they had expected!

What was more, from the news they received, the number of beasts that were charging out had surpassed their original estimates. Spiritual beasts who were supposed to be closer to the Azure Spiritual World actually charged into the spatial tunnel leading to the You Continent!

Whatever it was, the escaping beasts showed everyone that the battlefield between the two worlds was about to disappear.

Yun Jing and Yan Su'er stuck to the plan. They immediately relaxed the pressure they were putting on the experts of the Azure Spiritual World and they called for a retreat to protect the territories they owned. They prepared to retreat from the battlefield between the two worlds at any time.

The movements by the experts of the Tongyou Institution were quickly made known to the members of the Changbai Holy Land and the Three Great Races of the Liao Continent. They even managed to learn of the movements of the spiritual beasts into the You Continent.

They rejoiced when they heard what had happened. With the Tongyou Institution retreating, they tried to press their advantage. They attacked with renewed vigor as they prepared to take back the territory they had lost.

They clearly weren't expecting Yun Jing and the others to be prepared for their assault. Those from the Tongyou Institution didn't seem to care about the effects of the beast tide as they charged into the You Continent. Instead, they were ready for the Azure Spiritual World's counterattack. As a result, the Three Great Races of the Liao Continent and the Changbai Holy Land suffered considerably.

Even after countless tries, they discovered that the Tongyou Institution wouldn't budge an inch. They really didn't seem to care about the effects of the beast tide on the You Continent.

"The spiritual beasts have escaped and the battlefield between the two worlds is on the brink of destruction. Looks like we don't have to care about what's going to

happen next.” Yun Jing said after gathering Yan Su’er, Liu Qinglan, Ren Bainian, Liu Zhiyuan, Shang Lubing, Bu Jingshuang, and the others.

Yan Su’er seemed a little worried, “Will nothing really go wrong with so many spiritual beasts entering the You Continent?”

“Relax. There will probably be some small hiccups along the way, but they wouldn’t be able to cause serious damage.” Yun Jing nodded solemnly.

Liu Qinglan didn’t bother with the beast tide and asked directly, “When will we be retreating from the battlefield between the two worlds? Everyone out there is basically at their limit. They won’t be able to hold on for much longer.”

Yun Jing raised her head to stare at the skies above the battlefield between the two worlds and muttered softly, “That’s not up to us...”

The Void Abyss that was high above the battlefield between the two worlds was just about to disappear, and the battle between the Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors of the Tongyou Institution and the Changbai Holy Land was still ongoing.

Unlike the advantage the Tongyou Institution held in the battlefield between the two worlds, Ji Wenlong and Shang Bo were being tramped on pretty badly by the Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors of the Changbai Holy Land.

If not for the fact that Luo Baixu and Xu Bailing had their own considerations and didn’t dare to use their full strength, they would have already crossed the Void Abyss and appeared in the Beyond Heavens Pavilion above the You Continent.

The most obvious fact that both sides hadn’t gone all out was the pavilion standing tall beside the Void Abyss. Despite the Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors of both sides exchanging heavy blows, the pavilion didn’t so much as tremble.

According to the Tongyou Institution’s agreement with the Changbai Holy Land, the battlefield between the two worlds would belong to the faction whose Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors managed to gain the upper hand. The Tongyou Institution’s advantage in the battlefield between the two worlds and the additional world origin they managed to draw over to the You Continent had nothing to do with the battle happening up there.

The region of space that had been nurtured with world origin for so many years would be a top-tier blessed land no matter where it went. It would be more than enough to last hundreds of years so that the later generations would also be able to make use of it.

“Hehe... The ascension of the Tongyou Mysterious World and the escaping spiritual beasts... There will definitely be more to come. Hey, why do I feel like Patriarch Kou is biting off more than he can chew?” Xu Bailing suppressed Ji Wenlong with a heavy blow before chuckling happily.

They might have been fighting the entire time, but they knew what was happening down at the You Continent and Liao Continent.

Ji Wenlong snorted in disdain, “Our Tongyou Institution has our reason for doing what we do. Why do we need to give you an explanation?”

Luo Baixu and Xu Bailing were more than happy to gloat in the Tongyou Institution's misfortune since the spiritual beasts charged into the You Continent. In fact, even Ji Wenlong and Shang Bo were merely suppressing the worry in their hearts.

The ascension of the Tongyou Mysterious World happened far quicker than they had expected. Along with the situation with the spiritual beasts, Ji Wenlong and Shang Bo weren't just feeling surprised any longer. They were starting to worry.

Of course, if there was one good thing going for them, it was the speed and quantity at which world origin was being sucked into the Tongyou Mysterious World. It proved to the Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors of the Changbai Holy Land that Kou Chongxue was personally carrying out the advancement of their Mysterious World.

If he wasn't there personally, no one could explain how perfectly world origin was being directed into the Tongyou Mysterious World. They couldn't explain how the ascension could happen so much quicker than expected either.

Precisely so, neither Xu Bailing nor Luo Baixu dared to threaten Ji Wenlong or Shang Bo's life despite the advantage they held.

Not everyone could survive under Kou Chongxue's sword, and not many would wish to have a taste of his strength.

Shang Xia's presence might have managed to fool the others, but it brought great shock to Ji Wenlong and Shang Bo.

With their understanding of Kou Chongxue's abilities, they were sure that even the man himself wouldn't be able to control the flow of world origin so intricately.

Could there possibly be another Martial Dipper Realm Ancestor in the Tongyou Mysterious World?!

Other than Chu Jia and the formation she laid down, there shouldn't be another way to control world origin in the You Continent.

They wondered if Shang Xia was truly behind it all, and how much energy he would have left after accomplishing his task.

The sudden influx of spiritual beasts from the battlefield between the two worlds would definitely cause a wave of chaos in the You Continent.

Luckily, they had some form of preparation. A huge portion of the power of the You Continent was concentrated in the Tongyou City at the moment. If the Tongyou City wasn't run over, the institution could still accept the consequences if other regions were affected.

Of course, that was what they said on the surface. Even if they didn't wish to accept the consequences, there was nothing they could do about it.

The current Tongyou Institution sucked the power of the You Continent dry at that point. They couldn't actually spare any more effort to deal with the beast tide.

Well... The real problem they were worried about was actually how the other powers outside the You Continent would react. Naturally, that included the Changbai Holy Land...

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With the imminent ascension of the Tongyou Mysterious World to the Tongyou Paradise, Xuan Lu and Yun Lu were standing in the air above the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range while staring in the direction of the Tongyou City.

“Are you sure you wish to make a move?” Xuan Lu couldn’t help but ask.

Staring into the air above the Tongyou City, Yun Lu noticed the slight sparkle that would appear once in a while as heaven and earth spiritual qi gathered. He growled, “Of course I am! Senior Brother, there’s no need to try to dissuade me. If I don’t take revenge for what happened back then, I will never be able to calm my heart and my cultivation will never recover.”

Strange lights flashed in Xuan Lu’s eyes when he stared in the direction of the You Continent but he eventually spoke, “You need to be careful. Kou Chongxue hasn’t shown himself and I have a feeling something weird is going on. Luo Baixu and Xu Bailing are clearly also worried about something. Otherwise, they would have long since broken through the defenses of Ji Wenlong and Shang Bo. After all, those 2 have barely entered the Martial Dipper Realm...”

Yun Lu chuckled sinisterly, “Since all of us have our concerns, we’ll just have to muddy the waters a little! Kou Chongxue offended god knows how many people in order to deal with matters regarding the You Continent. I wonder how many of them are prepared to hit them at this critical moment. I’ll make the first move and get the ball rolling!”

Xuan Lu growled in a strict tone despite hearing what he said, “No matter what, you can’t go too far. You must not stand out too much in case Kou Chongxue sets his sights on you. If that happens, I might not be able to help you in time!”

“Senior Brother, rest assured. My true body is unable to leave our Ji Continent and I won’t be in any serious danger. For him to remain so low-key despite what is going on outside, it would mean that he wouldn’t care about anything else as long as we don’t affect the ascension of the Tongyou Mysterious World. My guess is that as long as no one directly interferes with the ascension, Kou Chongxue wouldn’t care too much about it. That’s the key to my plan.”

Xuan Lu immediately understood that Yun Lu wasn’t going in blind and he quickly asked, “What do you plan to do?”

“Senior Brother, look! Our chance has arrived!” Yun Lu pointed in the direction of the You Continent and chuckled.

Staring over, Xuan Lu saw the world origin starting to distort as it poured into the Tongyou Mysterious World.

His expression changed drastically. “Is that... Is that a Beast Tide?! The spiritual beasts of the battlefield between the two worlds have rushed out... No! They’re escaping! The battlefield between the two worlds is about to crumble!”

Yun Lu released yet another sinister chuckle.

Glancing at him, Xuan Lu muttered, “You can go, but use your discretion wisely. Our Ji Continent isn’t very stable at the moment and Junior Sister Hua Lu is the only person defending our White Deer Paradise. We still need to suppress those who are harboring bad thoughts against us...”

When he was done, his figure disappeared. He clearly only sent a projection over to speak with Yun Lu.

Chapter 709: Exchanging Blows Through the Void

The ascension of the Tongyou Mysterious World had already disrupted many plans they made. The sudden appearance of the spiritual beasts from the battlefield between the two worlds just made it worse.

Shang Xia didn’t even have time to mock what was going on as it happened too quickly. Eventually, he sneered, “Damn it! Chu Jia, you spoke too soon.”

“Why the hell do you care about that now?! The beast wave will definitely cause great damage to the You Continent and shouldn’t you be thinking of how to keep our losses to a minimum? Otherwise, our You Continent will be filled with holes by the time the fusion is complete!” Chu Jia snapped.

Shang Xia asked after thinking for some time, “Aren’t we prepared for it?! This shouldn’t cause too much pressure on our Tongyou City, right?”

“Those high-level spiritual beasts aren’t stupid... They won’t go all out and risk their lives in order to attack our city. And you’re right. We took some precautions and the city is ready for battle. Even if a Beast Tide happens, we’ll be able to hold out for some time.” Chu Jia muttered.

“That’s great!” Shang Xia heaved a sigh of relief and he felt a lot more relaxed.

He didn’t hide his emotions at all. Chu Jia, who controlled the Tongyou Mysterious World with her formations, clearly felt his shift in mood. She couldn’t help but add, “... Can you actually use your brains a little? Even if our Tongyou City can’t be destroyed by them, how large is our You Continent? If they trample across it recklessly, we won’t be able to return to our peak state even after tens of years of accumulations. It will definitely affect our institution’s plans to revive the You Continent in the long run!”

Shang Xia seemed to have not heard her as he stared in the direction of the spatial tunnel with an unwavering gaze. It was as though he could see past the spatial barrier of the Tongyou Mysterious World and he muttered to himself, “There seem to be a lot of beasts coming out... Did Deputy Patriarch Yun and the others do something in there to cause the Origin Tide to erupt with greater intensity? Is that why a greater portion of the beasts were forced out into our You Continent?”

“You guessed it...” Chu Jia’s voice came again. “Just a moment ago, I received news from Deputy Patriarch Yun that the number of beasts that emerged from the battlefield between the two worlds far exceeded our expectations.”

Of course, the Origin Tide affected the communication between those in the battlefield between the two worlds and those in the Tongyou City. However, Yun Jing and the others could send a report to

Shang Bo and Ji Wenlong. From there, they sent a report back to the Tongyou Mysterious World. As a result, the person who first received the news was Chu Jia who was in control of everything rather than Shang Xia, their new Martial Dipper Realm expert.

Along with the influx of spiritual beasts, the flow of world origin was also affected. If Yun Jing and the others' actions could impact 30 to 40 percent of the flow of world origin into the You Continent, the escaping spiritual beasts did the rest of it.

Even with Shang Xia's heaven-defying ability to control world origin, there was a limit as to how much world origin the Tongyou Mysterious World required during the transformation into a holy land.

Now that a lot more world origin was emerging due to the appearance of the spiritual beasts, more world origin was pouring into the Tongyou Mysterious World. The amount was nearly double. Shang Xia and Chu Jia definitely had to do something about it. After all, more world origin didn't mean that they would benefit more. Instead, the Tongyou Mysterious World might be overstuffed when that happened.

Letting too much world origin leak into the You Continent wasn't a good idea either. After all, those spiritual beasts would follow the flow of world origin and if too much flowed about the You Continent, those beasts would rampage about without a care and turn the continent into their backyard.

"What do we do now?! Do you have a plan or not?!" Chu Jia asked. Like Shang Xia, she could similarly see the situation outside the Tongyou Mysterious World.

Unfortunately, she was in the Martial Extermination Realm at the end of the day. She was nearly omnipotent in the Tongyou Mysterious World, but she couldn't do a thing outside of it.

Shang Xia seemed to have thought of something and he wondered out loud, "Wait! Couldn't the spiritual beasts of the battlefield between the two worlds not leave?"

Chu Jia didn't know why Shang Xia would ask something like that but after getting over her surprise, she explained, "That might be the case. However, with the spatial barrier thinning around the battlefield between the two worlds, the connection between it and the worlds became stronger. The change allowed the beasts to gradually get used to our continent. Don't forget, you brought back a Mutated Rain Swallow from the battlefield between the two worlds. From that moment, the institution realized the problem. Because of that, we knew that the spiritual beasts within would eventually emerge during the fusion of the worlds. We just didn't think it would happen so soon..."

Shang Xia nodded and continued, "Since those beasts are rampaging about as they run, it's clear they're not exactly adapted to our You Continent. They were forced out of the battlefield between the two worlds because of the imminent collapse of the battlefield between the two worlds."

Chu Jia seemed to understand that Shang Xia might have guessed something from the way the beasts were moving. "What are you trying to say?"

With a smile on his face, Shang Xia pointed out, "Look. The world origin increased by several times along with their escape. Don't you think that something is wrong with that?"

“Oh! Are you saying that even though those beasts are escaping from the battlefield between the two worlds because of world origin?!” Chu Jia was sharp indeed. She understood what Shang Xia was driving at the moment he spoke.

“That’s right. These beasts might be following their instincts to leave the battlefield between the two worlds, but their emergence also brought about another wave of world origin. They definitely didn’t know how vast the world was outside the battlefield between the two worlds and the world origin that they are used to living with would dissipate bit by bit now that they emerged. As time passes, the rate of dissipation would only increase and if they fail to get used to their surroundings in a short period of time, they might go crazy and die due to the sudden change of environment.” Shang Xia muttered.

Chu Jia’s heart sank, but she quickly discovered how casually Shang Xia was speaking. Raising an eyebrow, she muttered, “Stop messing with me. Also, a small portion of the spiritual beasts have charged into our Tongyou City.”

“Actually, it’s really simple. Right now, those spiritual beasts are unwilling and most likely unable to leave the tide of world origin at the moment. All we need to do is to direct the extra world origin away and the groups of spiritual beasts will definitely follow. When that happens, the threat of a Beast Tide will be greatly reduced.” Shang Xia explained.

“Directing world origin away in order to lead the beasts...” Chu Jia nodded after thinking about it for a second. “That works! However, where are you planning to direct them... Oh? Are you going to send them to the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range?”

Shang Xia sighed helplessly, “Is there anywhere else better than the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range?”

“But... But... The Thousand Leaf Mountain Range is close to a thousand miles away!” Chu Jia stuttered worriedly.

A smile appeared on Shang Xia’s face. “Our amazing Teacher Chu, it seems like you don’t have a good understanding of a Martial Dipper Realm expert’s power...”

Chu Jia’s tone changed immediately when she heard the contempt in his voice. “Hmph! What’s so great about being in the Martial Dipper Realm?! Don’t piss me off, scram!”

Shang Xia could only apologize to appease the little ancestor.

Only then did Chu Jia speak again, “Right. This is a crucial time for our Tongyou Mysterious World to upgrade to a holy land. Do you still have the ability to split off a portion of your strength?”

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In the air above the northern part of the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range, Ancestor Yun Lu could feel what was going on thousands of miles away in the Tongyou City.

After Xuan Lu's spiritual projection left, Yun Lu prepared to open a spatial tunnel to bring him towards the You Continent. This time, he wished to steal a portion of world origin escaping from the battlefield between the two worlds.

That wasn't all. He planned to stir the Beast Tide and cause huge damage to the foundations of the You Continent. However, he seemed a little hesitant to step into the You Continent because of how he lost a Fate Dipper Clone back then.

Before he could actually take action, the situation outside the Tongyou City changed again.

From what he could tell, the world origin that had been gathering in the Tongyou Mysterious World was directed by an extraordinary power. It turned into a stream that slowly flowed towards the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range.

Along with the movement of world origin, the spiritual beasts who were rampaging about quickly discovered what was going on. They started to follow the stream of world origin into the mountains.

Throughout the process, the high-leveled spiritual beasts felt that something was off, but they couldn't do a thing about it. After all, they could control world origin to a certain extent themselves. They were also the ones who brought about a large amount of world origin from the battlefield between the two worlds into the You Continent. Despite that, no matter how hard they tried to change the flow of world origin around them, it wouldn't budge.

Whenever they tried to control the world origin around them, they would feel an even stronger power pushing it in the southern direction. No matter how much energy they circulated to try to direct the world origin away, their power was like a droplet of water in the sea.

What was more, those high-level spiritual beasts possessed a high level of intelligence. They could feel a sense of threat from the Tongyou City before them. Moreover, the aura of a Martial Dipper Realm Ancestor couldn't be hidden when Shang Xia directed the world origin to flow towards the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range. His presence was one of the most important reasons those beasts were willing to leave.

Seeing how the beasts surrounding the Tongyou City were starting to make their way towards the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range, Yun Lu couldn't help but feel disappointed. However, he soon noticed the flow of world origin and joy filled his heart.

"To be able to direct such a large amount of world origin... A Martial Dipper Realm expert is definitely behind this. Looks like Kou Chongxue couldn't help it but make his move." Yun Lu might have his reservations, but when he looked at the large amount of world origin getting closer, a sneer quickly formed on his lips. "It's a sin to give up the treasures in front of me. Since you chose to send them over, I won't stand on ceremony!"

After he spoke, he reached out and grabbed at the space before him. A giant spatial tunnel was created and formed a connection to the incoming world origin.

Even though the spatial tunnel was created, Yun Lu didn't have the guts to split off another Fate Dipper Clone to enter the You Continent.

Of course, Yun Lu's actions wouldn't go unnoticed. The moment he made his move to construct the spatial tunnel, the disturbance alerted the other Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors paying attention to the situation.

"Hehe. I didn't think that Yun Lu would be the first to take action." Luo Baixu chuckled softly.

"It's not surprising. Back then, he suffered huge losses in Kou Chongxue's hands. It's not strange for him to make the first move. Moreover, he seems a lot more careful this time. He knows his limits and chooses to remain within the Ji continent. He doesn't dare to split off another Fate Dipper Clone to cross the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range..." Xu Bailing snorted as though everything was as they had expected.

Unlike the Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors of the Changbai Holy Land who still seemed relaxed when fighting them, Ji Wenlong and Shang Bo were trying to maintain their expressionless face. Even so, their heart was burning with anxiety.

It was obvious Yun Lu was taking Shang Xia to be Kou Chongxue.

The moment they came to blows, the illusion would crumble. Shang Xia's identity and his cultivation at the Martial Dipper Realm would be instantly revealed!

Chapter 710: Still Fighting Mate

Yun Lu had already made up his mind that he wouldn't be crossing the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range no matter what happened. Of course, as an expert who relied on the Changbai Holy Land to break through, his true body would never be able to leave the confines of the Ji Continent.

Originally, he could do what he did before and send a Fate Dipper Clone over to the You Continent with combat abilities at the Martial Dipper Realm. Because he didn't do that and merely projected his attack over, his strength was greatly reduced. It gave Shang Xia a great opportunity.

Even though Shang Xia could deal with his actions, he didn't choose to come to blows with Yun Lu.

When the spatial tunnel appeared close to the world origin flow, it was supposed to suck up a huge amount of world origin. Unfortunately for him, before that could happen, the flow of world origin split up and so did the rushing beasts.

Those spiritual beasts didn't attack each other because of their survival instincts. When they were escaping from the battlefield between the two worlds, they wouldn't fight one another as that would only affect their chances of survival.

Now that the pressure of imminent death was no longer there, not even the high-leveled spiritual beasts could suppress the instincts of those under them. They were in a new environment, and world origin was dissipating around them. They could do whatever they wanted!

During the process of pushing world origin to the south, Shang Xia already detected signs of it happening.

However, due to the pressure of a Martial Dipper Realm Ancestor and the power of the world origin tide, those beasts were still suppressed so heavily they didn't dare to fight among themselves.

Everything changed when Yun Lu attacked. Of course, as a fellow Martial Dipper Realm Ancestor, Shang Xia detected his interference the moment he made his move. He also determined the other party's intentions instantly. Like the War of the Tongyou Mysterious World back then, Yun Lu was trying to steal world origin!

Shang Xia reacted decisively. Before Yun Lu's spatial tunnel could connect, he split the flow of world origin into 2 large streams. As the flying spiritual beasts followed one of the streams, the creatures running on land followed the other.

They were still directed towards the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range, but because of the additional pressure Shang Xia was exerting on them, he managed to prevent the beasts from going out of control. At the same time, the flow of world origin avoided Yun Lu's spatial tunnel.

Everything looks like a giant coincidence, but in the eyes of the various Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors, nothing could be hidden. Shang Xia's control over the flow of world origin was utterly amazing and it was near perfect!

"Amazing! That's absolutely marvelous!" Xu Bailing commended several times in a row. He couldn't help but add, "Kou Chongxue's control over world origin actually reached such a high level! It's just too great..."

Shang Bo and Ji Wenlong didn't react on the surface and seemed as calm as could be. It was as though everything that was happening was nothing out of the ordinary. However, their hearts were thumping in fright when they thought about how close Shang Xia was to exposing himself.

Yun Lu, who was on the other side of the mountain range, revealed a solemn expression. At the same time, he felt that his decision to not send a Fate Dipper Clone over to the You Continent was the smartest thing in the world.

Of course, he wouldn't give up that easily. The space beside him twisted and a figure who greatly resembled him appeared. Even so, the aura he emitted was completely different from Yun Lu.

Now that he created a Fate Dipper Clone, they could both make their moves at once. They would try to open 2 spatial tunnels across the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range to intercept the streams Shang Xia created.

At that moment, Yun Lu had the initiative when making his moves and Shang Xia was in the passive state. There was no way Shang Xia was in an advantageous position.

Now that Yun Lu was making another move with his Fate Dipper Clone, 2 spatial tunnels appeared in mid air and started absorbing a horrifying amount of world origin.

Shang Xia didn't take long to react. Those streams of world origin split again, and the flying spiritual beasts were split up into 2 groups according to the sizes. They split off and quickly skirted around the spatial tunnel that was created.

As for the beasts running on land, Shang Xia split them up according to their diets. Carnivores, omnivores, and herbivores were separated as they turned into 3 groups that were led by individual

streams of world origin. They continued to rush towards the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range, but in 3 different directions.

Even though he split the flow of world origin into even smaller streams, he was still able to control them to a certain extent.

One had to know that the Tongyou City wasn't exactly a uniform distance from the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range. There were parts of the mountain range that were more than a thousand miles, but there were also parts that were separated from the Tongyou City by hundreds of miles.

Of the spiritual beasts that were following the stream of world origin, the flying beasts were the fastest. In just a short amount of time, they already made it more than halfway to the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range.

In the Beyond Heavens Pavilion, Luo Baixu, who was a man of few words, sighed, "We have always said that Patriarch Kou's sword art is terrifying and none of us paid attention to his ability to control world origin. Looks like his cultivation improved once again. I wonder how deep his understanding of the Martial Dipper Realm truly is... This is truly amazing... Even I have no choice but to admit that I am no match for him."

"Senior Brother, you..." Xu Bailing's expression changed and he stared at Xu Bailing in shock.

Xu Bailing wasn't the only one who was in a state of disbelief. Shang Bo and Ji Wenlong couldn't believe what they were hearing either.

Kou Chongxue might be a top-rate expert in the Azure Origin World and possessed a sword art so powerful that it caused others to tremble in fear, but Shang Bo and Ji Wenlong both heard him admit that Luo Baixu of the Changbai Holy Land also possessed unfathomable strength. It was even said that they were somewhat comparable in strength.

Because of several considerations Luo Baixu had, he never went around flaunting his strength. Facing the tyrannical Kou Chongxue, he would choose to exercise forbearance. As long as Kou Chongxue didn't go too far and affect the foundations of the Changbai Holy Land, he would accept it.

As such, Kou Chongxue reminded those from the Tongyou Institution time and time again never to provoke Luo Baixu.

Even after Ji Wenlong and Shang Bo entered the Martial Dipper Realm, Kou Chongxue's reminders didn't stop. He warned them to maintain a certain level of respect to Luo Baixu as the man was comparable to himself. He wasn't confined to the Changbai Holy Land either and could move freely throughout the worlds.

According to what Ji Wenlong and Shang Bo knew, Luo Baixu might have taken several steps back when dealing with Kou Chongxue, but he had never commented on their difference in strength. After all, they had never truly gone all out in a fight. He never thought that he was inferior to Kou Chongxue in any way.

Now that Luo Baixu admitted that he was no match for Kou Chongxue, everyone was taken aback. Ji Wenlong and Shang Bo even felt that things were getting somewhat absurd.

They knew that the person directing the flow of world origin wasn't Kou Chongxue at all! It was Shang Xia, who had just broken through to the Martial Dipper Realm!

That was exactly why they found it so unbelievable.

Luo Baixu might be admitting that he was inferior to Kou Chongxue without knowing who was truly behind the events happening below, but that meant that Shang Xia's control of world origin had already reached a level that could amaze powerful experts at the level of Luo Baixu and Kou Chongxue!

Things had to be made very clear. Shang Xia was a newbie in the Martial Dipper Realm who had broken through less than a month ago! They might all be in the Martial Dipper Realm, but they were obviously split into different levels.

Experts like Kou Chongxue and Xu Bailing were considered true peak-tier experts! They held an extremely high position among Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors of both words!

To be able to receive their praise was like receiving a confirmation of one's status in the world!

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Of course, Xu Bailing wasn't the only one who was shocked by 'Kou Chongxue's' abilities.

There were countless eyes on the You Continent at the moment and the Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors of the various factions were starting to feel a sense of fear creeping in their hearts after they observed how 'Kou Chongxue' exerted such perfect control over world origin.

Even though 'Kou Chongxue' didn't exchange blows with Yun Lu who was actively causing trouble at the moment, everyone who had their attention on the You Continent at the moment didn't think that it was anything out of the ordinary. Even Yun Lu was of the same belief. All of them felt that 'Kou Chongxue' was merely practicing his control of world origin because of an increase in his cultivation base.

"Hmph! Since all of you are not willing to make a move, go ahead and watch as the Tongyou Mysterious World becomes the Tongyou Paradise!" Yun Lu snorted once. However, he seemed unwilling to give up.

He pushed himself to his limit and so did his Fate Dipper Clone. 4 spatial tunnels were created above the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range and one of them was directed at the world origin stream that was directing the larger flying spiritual beasts. The others went towards the streams that led the ground beasts.

As world origin got closer to the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range, 'Kou Chongxue's' control over them would weaken considerably.

On the contrary, Yun Lu, who was pretty close to the mountain range, would be able to control world origin with greater ease.

That was why he had the guts to create 4 spatial tunnels at once to snatch world origin from 'Kou Chongxue'.

The next second, an unbelievable scene played out in front of everyone who was paying attention to the You Continent. The streams of world origin leading the ground beasts split once again. This

time, they were separated by size! The stream of world origin once again avoided the spatial tunnel created by Yun Lu.

Even though the streams of world origin were hundreds of miles away from the Tongyou City, Shang Xia was actually able to effectively control them to split once again!

That wasn't just shocking anymore. In fact, everyone could only describe it as a godly ability!

One had to know that from what everyone was observing, 'Kou Chongxue' was merely splitting off a part of his consciousness to control the world origin streams! He was also directing the ascension of the Tongyou Mysterious World to the Tongyou Paradise!

Where... Where do his limits lay...

That was the same thought that appeared in the minds of those keeping an eye on the You Continent.

Luckily, or unluckily, Shang Xia seemed to have reached his limit. Seeing as they were getting close to the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range, the various beast races were also actively splitting themselves up.

After controlling the streams of world origin leading the ground beasts to split, Shang Xia didn't seem to have enough energy to deal with the stream of world origin leading the larger flying beasts. He could only watch as the spatial tunnel connected and absorbed a huge amount of world origin.

The next second, a loud cry rocked the skies. A ray of lightning appeared above the stream of world origin seemed to cover half the You Continent. It eventually dissipated to reveal a pair of outstretched wings. Silver lightning gathered around its body and it eventually became a thick lightning bolt that struck the spatial tunnel, blasting it into nothingness.