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Chapter 831: Closing In

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As Dou Zhong ventured some distance away from where they were hiding, he managed to attract the attention of a Martial Dipper Realm expert.

Ever since they left the hidden valley, Dou Zhong seemed as though he had something on his mind, but he never lost his sense of reason. As such, he didn't venture too far away.

However, he seemed to be down on his luck that day. He didn't find any opportunities despite combing through the surrounding hundreds of miles. He didn't even find a single low-level spiritual herb!

Of course, at his current cultivation level, he might not care about picking those low-level herbs if they appeared, but not finding any was another story altogether.

The real problem came when he was returning to the hidden valley.

Without any warning, a region of space not too far away from him started to collapse, and strong spatial fluctuations rushed in his direction.

Hastily summoning his Extermination Origin Protection Barrier, he circulated his inner qi and sent an attack in that direction. At the same time, he tried to run in the opposite direction. In a state of panic, he failed to judge the proper direction he was running.

With the pressing and folding of space, a bronze book that was pretty thick fell from the cracks and smashed into his protection barrier.

His heart trembled slightly as he kept the book. He didn't care about its contents at the moment as he continued to escape from the spatial fluctuations. Only after getting out of the range of danger, he discovered that he was more than 800 miles away from the hidden valley.

Before he could heave a sigh of relief, the always careful and level-headed Dou Zhong released his divine perception to inspect his surroundings.

The next second, he discovered a terrifying aura that wasn't too far away. Feeling the strong aura wasn't as scary as realizing that the owner of the aura had also located him and had locked on to his location.

The owner of such a powerful aura had to be a Martial Dipper Realm expert, and there was only a single thought left in Dou Zhong's mind. *Run!*

As the Martial Dipper Realm expert was attracted to the region by the collapsed space, he noticed everything that happened when Dou Zhong tried to escape from the spatial fluctuations earlier. There was no way the expert would allow him to easily escape.

"Hehe, junior, leave the bronze book behind and this old man will let you live!" The voice of the Martial Dipper Realm expert rang in Dou Zhong's ears.

Obviously, Dou Zhong wouldn't believe what the other party was saying. After all, who could be sure that the Martial Dipper Realm expert would let him live after he did what he was told? As he felt the terrifying aura closing in, he turned and flew in a certain direction.

Understanding that he was close to 1000 miles away from the hidden valley at that point, trying to return would be pointless. He wouldn't be able to make it in time, but more importantly, he would jeopardize everyone there.

Chu Jia might have said that she would be able to resist the attack from a Martial Dipper Realm expert with the formation she laid down, but that was a mere formation! How many moves would it be able to resist before it completely crumbled?

Fortunately, the Martial Dipper Realm expert was slightly cautious due to the collapsed space earlier. He didn't dare to travel through the void to catch up with Dou Zhong immediately. He could only rely on flight as he chased after the Martial Extermination Realm Dou Zhong. His actions allowed Dou Zhong to find a chance to catch his breath.

Dou Zhong quickly thought of something. The moment he flew out of the region of unstable space, the Martial Dipper Realm expert would be able to catch up and kill him by traveling through the void. If he continued to run around the area, the other party would be forced to fly after him and he would be able to buy a bunch of time.

The Martial Dipper Realm expert quickly realized what Dou Zhong was saying. He sneered softly, "Petty tricks... Let's see how long you can last."

After he spoke, his aura burst forth and tried to disrupt Dou Zhong's divine perception. It managed to suppress Dou Zhong's inner qi as well.

With his heart sinking, Dou Zhong's brain was working in overdrive to think of a way to escape. It didn't take long before his hands started fumbling through the talismans he received from the Talisman Hall before he left for the trip.

He didn't even need to bother with rank three talismans at the moment. Of the rank four talismans he had, he was sure almost none of them would be able to threaten the Martial Dipper Realm expert behind him. However, he discovered that there were 2 rank four talismans he didn't recognize, and one of them was the rank four Teleportation Talisman, and the other was a rank four Five Element Evasion Talisman.

Holding the rank four Teleportation Talisman, he recalled Shang Xia's serious warning about not using it in the Celestial Remains unless he had no other choice.

Even though he never saw eye to eye with Shang Xia since they were students, he didn't dare to play around and ignore Shang Xia's warnings.

Keeping the rank four Teleportation Talisman, he quickly reached for the Five Element Evasion Talisman.

It was a talisman Shang Xia just came up with, and Dou Zhong wasn't actually very confident he would be able to use it to escape from the pursuit. However, the space around him was starting to solidify again after the spatial fluctuations swept through it and the Martial Dipper Realm expert was quickly gaining on him. He had gotten so close that he would be able to grab Dou Zhong soon.

Just as a grin appeared on the Martial Dipper Realm expert's face and was about to grab Dou Zhong, he felt as though the scene before him blurred slightly as his prey disappeared from right under his eyes.

The Martial Dipper Realm expert was shocked, and a look of amazement flashed in his eyes. He didn't feel the slightest spatial ripple when Dou Zhong disappeared, and that meant that the other party didn't travel through space.

That's not possible!

How can a Martial Extermination Realm cultivator disappear from a Martial Dipper Realm expert's divine will without the slightest sign?!

Whatever it was, the truth was displayed right in front of his eyes. The junior in the Martial Extermination Realm who obtained the bronze book vanished!

Still reluctant to accept what had happened, the Martial Dipper Realm expert released his divine will and carefully scanned the area. He searched through the surrounding 100 miles and could only return empty-handed.

Even so, he didn't give up completely. His instincts told him that losing the bronze book meant that he had lost a massive opportunity.

As such, he could only widen his search range...

In a deserted patch of land 500 miles away from the hidden valley, Dou Zhong crawled out from the earth with his face filled with dirt. Using whatever inner qi left in his body to get rid of the dirt and dust on him, he carefully determined which direction he should be traveling in and he flew towards Chu Jia's protection formation.

Obviously, the rank four Five Element Evasion Talisman Shang Xia gave Dou Zhong was of the Earth Element. The effects were exactly as Shang Xia had described. Even if they ran into a Martial Dipper Realm expert, they would be able to escape easily.

After experiencing the mythical Five Element Evasion Talisman, Dou Zhong couldn't help but reach into his Spatial Pouch to touch the bronze book he obtained earlier. He wondered what it could be used for.

"What happened?!" A voice rang in his ears as Sun Haiwei rushed towards him from another direction.

Dou Zhong couldn't help but heave a sigh of relief after seeing who it was. "I managed to obtain a strange bronze book from the void earlier and I was hunted down by a Martial Dipper Realm expert. Fortunately, I managed to escape with the rank four evasion talisman Hall Master Shang gave me."

Sun Haiwei discovered the weak aura around Dou Zhong and understood that he definitely exhausted a huge amount of inner qi. He didn't seem to be in any shape to fly through the air from how wobbly he was. Wrapping him up in her extermination qi, she brought him back to the hidden valley.

"We need to inform everyone else. The Martial Dipper Realm expert might continue looking for me and rush over..." Dou Zhong was using several low-grade essence

crystals to restore his energy, but he didn't forget to remind Sun Haiwei of the danger they were in.

Naturally, she didn't need his reminder. She sent out several transmission talismans earlier and she reassured, "Relax. The rest of them will definitely head back to the hidden valley after learning what had happened. Hall Master Chu and Instructor Liu will also make the necessary preparations. Oh right, do you know who the person chasing you was?"

A Martial Dipper Realm expert stood at the peak of the Azure Ascension World, and the Tongyou Institution had detailed records of famous experts at that level.

Even though the Tongyou Institution's rise came a little later, unless the person was an old monster who had been in hiding a long time ago, the Tongyou Institution would have been able to dig up their information.

"It's..." Dou Zhong wanted to say something, but he felt a chill running down his heart. A mocking voice came through the void the next second. "Hehe... Little junior, looks like you're here. Let's see how you escape this time!"

"Hurry, run!"

Sun Haiwei didn't need his reminder this time either. She rushed back towards Chu Jia and the rest while sending a sword strike into the void to agitate the space around them.

With Sun Haiwei's true strength, she might have been able to cause a small-scale spatial fluctuation, but the area would be greatly constrained. However, the space in the Celestial Remains was truly too weak. The effect she caused was no weaker than if a Martial Dipper Realm expert made a move.

Even so, it wouldn't be possible for them to escape from a Martial Dipper Realm expert if they focused solely on running. Not to mention the fact that Dou Zhong was currently a burden who couldn't fly.

At the critical moment, a whip emerged from the void and wrapped around Dou Zhong's shoulder to pull him away.

Without Dou Zhong dragging her down, Sun Haiwei's speed more than doubled. However, she didn't fly directly towards where she was flying earlier. Instead, she turned and rushed in another direction.

Tens of miles away, Liu Qinglan stared at the Martial Dipper Realm expert who was pressing closer and she yelled, "Mister Han Mo, are you really going to make things difficult for my Tongyou Institution?"

A frosty and hoarse voice emerged from the void. "Hand over the bronze book the brat took earlier and I won't mess with you juniors any longer!"

"Mister Han Mo, you better think this through. There isn't a Holy Land supporting you and if you offend us today, the Martial Dipper Realm experts of my institution might go around looking for you in the future." Liu Qinglan didn't back down.

"Heh, you're just a bunch of flies who lost the protection of your Martial Dipper Realm expert. If I kill all of you now, it doesn't matter if Kou Chongxue or Shang Xia tried to investigate the matter. None of them would know that I did it!" A snort came from the void.

Turning solemn, Liu Qinglan grabbed Dou Zhong and pulled him back and a thick mist appeared behind her and covered their presence.

"A formation?" A strange gasp came from the void. The appearance of the mist caught him off guard and it assimilated into the ball of mist he created earlier.

Rumble...

A deep blast came from the void and the mist that covered a massive area started to churn. No one could tell what happened within.

Chapter 832: Getting Real Close

On the platform in the Ruined Observatory

Kou Chongxues clone stood beside the Hidden Frost Sword that had been stabbed into the ground as he studied the semi-complete Stargazer inheritance.

Even though he was just a clone and didnt have the ability to reach a deep level of understanding, he would be able to imprint the inheritance into his mind. When he merged back with his true body, his memories of the inheritance would also return to his true body.

The most important thing he had to do was to verify what he thought he saw above the Star Observatory with the inheritance. He also needed to record everything that happened next in great detail, especially the fact that the arrangement of stars above seemed to depict a star diagram. That might help his true body complete the inheritance in the future.

While Kou Chongxues clone was studying the inheritance, the Lightning Bird stood on the Starry tree as it continued to bathe in the starlight that was falling.

The starlight seemed beneficial to the Lightning Birds growth, and it remained motionless on the tree. The next second, a slight fluctuation from outside disrupted the peace in the region.

Beneath the Ruined Observatory, Yi Jingxu and Yi Jingzi, along with Shen Baisong, had arrived. They brought several Martial Extermination Realm cultivators with them.

Staring at the multiple restrictions around the Ruined Observatory that were interlinked, Shen Baisong felt his mouth going dry as he mumbled, Im afraid its not going to be easy to shatter or bypass these restrictions, right?

Yi Jingxu also had his brows locked together as he stared at the scene before him. He heard that the experts of the Azure Origin World worked together and sealed the region back then, but he didnt think that they would have gone so far

Yi Jingzi started to laugh the next second. I never heard of anyone from the Azure Origin World obtaining a Stargazer inheritance, but from the sheer number of restrictions here, we can tell how seriously they take this place. There can only be 2 possibilities. The first is that they discovered the

inheritance within or something related to it. As for the other There might be a very important treasure located within!

Shen Baisong couldnt help but add, Could it be the Origin Holy Artifact?

As soon as the words left his lips, he discovered how absurd he sounded and he couldnt help but laugh at himself.

If the Origin Holy Artifact was truly located within the Ruined Observatory, there was no way anyone would work together to seal it. They would most likely have fought each other to the death already.

Even if they couldnt bring the treasure away for some reason, the Ruined Observatory should have been packed with Martial Dipper Realm experts at that point, unlike what they were seeing at the moment.

Shen Baisong added, Whatever it is, we need to get rid of these restrictions in order to get into the observatory

A discouraged look appeared on Yi Jingzis face after realizing he was right.

It wasnt as if they couldnt destroy those restrictions, but it was just too damn troublesome and would use up a lot of time. The longer they remained in the area, the easier for accidents to happen.

It was then that Yi Jingxu muttered softly, Its not that we are out of options

When he saw them looking at him, he continued, Anywhere with an observatory platform would mean that they would be able to see the vast sea of stars. We only need to borrow the power of starlight in order to destroy these restrictions

Starlight? Shen Baisong raised his head to look above him and asked, Do you mean that we need to break a part of the restriction in order to see the stars before we can do it?

Yi Jingxu sighed, I guess thats the only thing we can do now.

With the both of them staring at him in shock, Yi Jingzi brought out a golden blade and slashed at the space above the restrictions.

Rip!

Along with an intense trembling, a patch of restrictions, along with the void, tore apart.

Yi Jingxu quickly reminded her, Be careful! Do not damage the observatory!

When Shang Xia interacted with the Earth Element Fate Dipper Clone that appeared back in the Tongyou Paradise, he discovered that the clone was extremely talkative and had a pretty unruly personality. It might be because the clone had been asleep for far too long and wanted to make up for all the time it had lost.

Now that he was interacting with the Fire Element Fate Dipper Clone, Shang Xia discovered yet another person with a personality problem. The Fire Element Fate Dipper Clone was too confident to the point of arrogance.

He had to admit that the clones Kou Chongxue left behind were truly an interesting bunch. They would leave a strong impression everywhere they went.

Of course, it wasnt time for him to care about them. Instead, he laughed, Of course theres no need to doubt your true bodys strength! Anyway, what are we supposed to do now?

What are you worried about? An expression that showed that everything was under control appeared on the clones face and he grunted softly at Shang Xia.

Shang Xia was basically accustomed to the clones personality at that point and he knew that he should just go along with it. He followed up accordingly, Patriarch Kou, youre not in a rush because youre confident in your strength. However, I havent completely understood your plan and thats why I have my doubts. The members of the Yuanchen Sect are deep in the forbidden region and theyre not too far away. I ran into Huang Jinghan and Pang Jingyun at the edge of the forbidden region and we came to blows. The spatial fluctuations will probably draw over a few more experts

It was then that the Fire Element Fate Dipper Clone turned to look around and he gasped, Hey? Theres something strange about that lady over there.

Shang Xia knew that he was referring to Gong Xinlan, and he quickly added, Yes. She isnt too far from us.

Did you deal with her when you were making your way over? The clone asked in a strange voice.

I was afraid of catching Huang Jinghan and Pang Jingyuns attention and decided to pass her without doing anything. I wasnt confident of killing her without leaving any traces behind Shang Xia replied.

Glancing at Shang Xia from the corner of his eye, the clone mumbled, So You would be confident in getting rid of her if you had to cause a small commotion?

Shang Xia chuckled in response, Shes called Gong Xinlan and shes an expert from the Jiao Continent. She is currently working under the Yuanchen Sect. Shang Xia said something that seemed completely unrelated, but it quickly provoked the clones thinking.

Expert from the Jiao Continent Muttering to himself, Kou Chongxues clone seemed to have thought of something. However, he quickly thought of what to do. He turned to Shang Xia and said, Ill hold her back. You take control of the Stellar Cauldron!

Shang Xia stared at the massive cauldron with a look of doubt. Me?!

The clone didnt even turn to look at Shang Xia again as he responded, Of course youre taking charge of the cauldron! What else did I call you here for? Im just a Fate Dipper Clone and I cant restore my dipper qi! Moreover, youre the only person who can do this. Wenlong cant leave the You Continent, and Fourth Brother Shang is probably weaker than you right now Your cultivation path is unique, and according to what you taught me about the resonance of the five elements, you seem extremely suited to control the Stellar Cauldron. Other than my true body, youre the most suitable person to control it!

Seeing the look of surprise on Shang Xias face, the clone pointed to the cauldron and sighed helplessly, Relax. Its not like you wont benefit from doing so. This fella here has been rotting for more than a thousand years. No one knows how many precious treasures and artifacts it gathered or nurtured. It might have the fate dipper essences you require!

Shang Xia was finally moved as he walked over to the giant cauldron. Alright! Tell me what I should do! Should I pour my dipper qi into the artifact?

You need to enter the cauldron first. The method of using the Origin Holy Artifact is carved into the walls within the cauldron and you need to comprehend it on your own. This granddaddy here will help buy you some time! The clone explained.

Outside the forbidden region, Huang Jinghan raised his head abruptly and stared in a certain direction.

Pang Jingyun immediately got ready to fight after seeing what his Martial Uncle did. He felt as though a great enemy was approaching.

Jiu Du? What are you doing here? Huang Jinghan grunted while staring at a certain location in the void.

Blip's Thoughts

Chapter 833: Opening

This granddaddy here will help buy you some time! Kou Chongxues Fire Element Fate Dipper Clone instructed Shang Xia.

Turning serious, Shang Xia thought of something. Buying me some time? Are you going to

The clone glanced at the edge of the forbidden region and chuckled under his breath. The Yuanchen Sect isnt the only ones here

Shang Xia looked at the opening of the cauldron while standing beside it and felt as though he was staring at an endless abyss. However, he felt a strange power pulling him in and it seemed to be hurrying him to leap in.

Shifting his gaze away, he looked at the back of the clone standing nearby.

Kou Chongxues clone seemed to be making some sort of preparation, and Shang Xia could feel the dipper qi inside the clone expanding greatly. It reached a point that passed the limit of what a Fate Dipper Clone should be able to control.

Clearly, Kou Chongxue left behind a trick or two before leaving in case something were to appen.

Patriarch, what if no one, including me, managed to make our way over? What were you planning to do then? Shang Xia asked all of a sudden.

WIthout turning to look at Shang Xia, the clone seemed to be straining as he replied, Well, youre about to see!

Nodding slightly, Shang Xia felt a lot more reassured and he leaped into the opening of the cauldron.

Crash Crash. The sound of waves crashing about echoed in Shang Xias ears.

When he opened his eyes to look around him, he discovered himself freefalling and tumbling in all directions. He felt a little dazed as he couldnt determine where he was facing at the moment.

However, he quickly snapped back to reality. He circulated his Five Element Art and released his divine will. The next instant, he learned about everything around him.

World origin seemed to reach a state where it was extremely viscous. It was much thicker than dense world origin that had condensed into a mist-like consistency, and Shang Xia felt as though he was submerged in a sea No, a well of world origin.

When he raised his head, he saw a tiny spot of light from the opening of the cauldron that made it look like the mouth of a well.

Splish splash [1]

The sound of rushing water around him grew in intensity and the sounds became a lot clearer. It was then that Shang Xia realized the world origin around him seemed to be resonating with his Five Element Art. The circulation of energy within his body became a lot smoother, and so did the flow of world origin around him.

In just a split second or two, Shang XIa felt almost all the energy he expended during the journey recovering.

Shang Xia recalled the reminder he got from the clone earlier that the way to control the cauldron was carved into its walls. However, no matter how he observed the void around him, he couldnt determine where the walls were.

Maybe it had something to do with his instincts, or perhaps it might be related to his Five Element Art, but along with the gushing of world origin around him, splashes could be heard and five colored light appeared all around him. They eventually formed rows of words, and they turned out to be the manual for controlling the Origin Holy Artifact.

Huh? Am I just supposed to push all the liquid-like world origin gathered in here out? Shang Xia was bewildered, but that was exactly what was written. That was the first step he had to take in order to control the cauldron.

According to the words that formed, the Origin Holy Artifact is connected to the source of world origin for the world. The connection it had was far more complicated than the connection the various Holy Lands and secret regions had with the world. The Stellar Cauldron could directly draw on the world origin of the world unlike the other powers!

In other words, if the person using the Stellar Cauldron was strong enough, they would be able to directly draw on the power of the world! Even though it was a tiny bit of the power of the world, he would possess horrifying strength!

Shang Xia immediately thought about the strength of the Sixth Order existences from the 4 Elysiums, and it was the first time he gained a crude, but nonetheless official, introduction to their strength.

So as long as I circulate my Five Element Art, I can cause a resonance with the liquid world origin around The stronger the resonance, the more I will be able to use the Origin Holy Artifact as a medium to borrow on the power of world origin from the sea of world origin in the Azure Ascension World The more I do that, the more world origin will pour out from the Stellar Cauldron! Shang Xia concluded as he carefully read through the words that formed. After testing it out slightly, he somewhat understood what he should do.

He also realized why Kou Chongxue chose him to take on the task.

After entering the Five Element Realm, Shang Xias Five Element Dipper Qi was extremely useful when it came to controlling world origin. His control over it even reached a point where Kou Chongxue could only gasp in amazement when he observed what Shang Xia could do.

It was especially so when he realized Shang Xia had only broken through recently. As he grew stronger and continued to refine his rank five arts, his control over world origin would only grow stronger. When his Five Element Art reached the large completion stage, he would possess a terrifying control over world origin.

From a certain point of view, Shang Xia himself also had supreme confidence if he was only talking about controlling world origin.

Along with the restoration of his inner qi, Shang Xia decided to place more of his attention on circulating his Five Element Art.

Originally, the world origin liquid that was merely sloshing around and crashing occasionally started to form a massive vortex as he circulated his Five Element Art. The vortex grew larger and larger, and the amount of world origin that was pulled into it increased proportionally.

When ordinary cultivators tried to control the Stellar Cauldron, they wouldnt be able to achieve resonance with their inner qi alone. As such, the effects would be less than satisfactory.

Even existences like Kou Chongxue, who reached the very peak of the Martial Dipper Realm, were barely able to achieve some sort of harmony with the world origin contained in the Stellar Cauldron and work with a part of it. Kou Chongxue might have learned Shang Xias theory of the five elements and borrowed its principles when driving the Stellar Cauldron, but he was merely using someone elses idea at the end of the day. His cultivation path had already been decided a long time ago, and he couldnt achieve what Shang Xia could.

To the current Shang Xia, the vast immensity of the five elements had already reached the allencompassing realm. Even if he only knew a little bit about their capabilities, it didnt mean that the effects wouldnt apply.

Also, when Shang Xia first entered the Five Element Realm, he used 10 fated dipper essences as his foundation. Even though they werent complete fate dippers, the sheer quantity of types of energy he could control was double what Kou Chongxue could do! Compared to those who just entered the Martial Dipper Realm, Shang Xia could be said to be 10 times better!

Even though his Five Element Art wasnt complete yet and he could only change the yin yang alignment of his dipper qi, when he improved further, he would be able to freely switch between the types of dipper qi! Eventually

Anyway, that would only happen in the future. As the amount of world origin around him continued to increase due to their resonance with his Five Element Art, a frightening amount started to churn and be led about by his actions.

Throughout the process, Shang Xia could faintly feel his fate dipper essences reaching a greater degree of fusion in his body.

As the rampaging world origin liquid caused a loud gush to echo through the insides of the Starry Cauldron, the commotion could also be heard from the outside. It was as though the Origin Holy Artifact was trembling in excitement.

Kou Chongxues Fire Element Fate Dipper Clone, who had his back to the cauldron, revealed a faint smile when he discovered the change behind him.

The instant it happened, the members of the Northern Sea Mystic Sect who were making their way towards the Ruined Observatory stopped abruptly.

Lu Wuzi took out his Halo Mirror again, and the scene it depicted changed rapidly. The scene in the forbidden region and its surroundings appeared in it. 2 figures were revealed, but they seemed to have noticed that someone was spying on them. They turned around abruptly and sent 2 frosty rays into the void. The image in the mirror blurred the next second and nothing else could be seen.

Martial Uncle? Yun Lingzi asked carefully at the side.

Lu Wuzi revealed an expression of discomfort, but after a moment of silence, he muttered, Well continue to the Star Observatory!

Chapter 834: Opening Again Hehe

"Did the members of your Yuanchen Sect not discover the Origin Holy Artifact?"

Huang Jing and Jiu Du faced each other at the edge of the forbidden region, and behind them stood Pang Jingyun and Jiu Qi respectively. Both of them remained silent as they stood behind the true experts of their faction.

Huang Jinghan mumbled, "There's no need to worry. Junior Xinlan holds the advantage as she went in earlier."

Jiu Du's gaze swept across the forbidden region and muttered, "Brother Huang, didn't you feel that earlier? The density of world origin around us is starting to rise. I suspect..."

Before he was done, they raised their heads in unison and stared at a certain spot in the void. Pang Jingyun and Jiu Qi didn't seem to feel anything off, but noticing Huang Jinghan and Jiu Du's reaction, they prepared for battle. Who would have thought that both of them would turn to stare at each other with a raised eyebrow after shooting a cold glance into the void?

"Northern Sea?"

"It's definitely Lu Wuzi..."

"I heard that the old ancestor of the Northern Sea Mystic Sect discovered the existence of our Azure Origin World back then with the use of a certain treasure. Could it be..."

"If it's really that treasure, it's something comparable to an Origin Holy Artifact! Even Lu Wuzi wouldn't be able to bring a treasure of that level out easily. Moreover, he shouldn't be discovered by us so easily."

"Is that a fake?"

"Probably... However, it's most definitely an impressive treasure."

Their communication took barely a second, and Huang Jinghan chuckled the next moment, "Anyway, the density of world origin is definitely increasing. Where are the members of the Eternal Palace anyway?"

"They entered another forbidden region and seemed to have discovered something." Jiu Du muttered.

It was then that Jiu Qi spoke up. "There seems to be some transformation in the depths of the forbidden region. The restrictions seem to be recovering with the sudden increase in world origin..."

Pang Jingyun also added, "The world origin pouring out from the depths of the forbidden region seems to be flowing at a certain rate, but we are unable to discover the source..."

Actually, Huang Jinghan and Jiu Du discovered what they had described even earlier.

"Brother Huang, from the looks of it, there are changes happening to the interior of the forbidden region. The little kid from the Shang Clan seems to have overtaken your disciple..." Jiu Du spoke suddenly.

Without a change in expression, Huang Jinghan muttered, "Why can't the disciple of my Yuanchen Sect be the first to arrive?"

With a faint smile on his face, Jiu Du continued, "Brother Huang, stop being delusional. If the disciple of your sect entered, why wouldn't they send a transmission out to you?"

"They might have been held down by some matters and failed to send the transmission. After all, none of us knows what is in the depths of the forbidden region..." Huang Jinghan muttered casually.

The next second, Jiu Du continued, "Oh right, Brother Huang, I heard that the female cultivator you guys accepted was from the Jiao Continent, and she only entered your Yuanchen Sect recently?"

Not a trace of emotion could be seen on Huang Jinghan's face as he replied, "Brother Jiu Du, you seem to know quite a lot."

"Brother Huang, aren't you afraid that she will have other thoughts and will be trying to keep the treasure for herself?" Jiu Du threw out a bomb at him.

With a placid expression, Huang Jinghan mumbled, "Nope."

Nodding slightly to signify his understanding, Jiu Du seemingly believed Huang Jinghan as he turned to say his goodbyes.

It was then when the world origin pouring out from the depths of the forbidden region increased in density yet again. It reached the point where world origin seemed to condense into a small stream that flowed thousands of feet before disappearing into the void.

"Brother Huang, we can't wait any longer!" Jiu Du's voice rang through the skies suddenly.

"Buzz... Clang!"

The wind whistled as Jiu Du drew his sword. Jiu Qi and Pang Jingyun took 2 steps back in fright, and heavy expressions appeared on their faces.

Huang Jinghan stood his ground, but as he heard the ringing from Jiu Du's sword growing more and more intense, he eventually muttered, "Fine..."

It was then that a miraculous scene emerged from the depths of the forbidden region. Space started to fold, but it was unable to hide the five colored light pillar that emerged.

"Oh no! Attack!"

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Outside the hidden valley, Chu Jia shrank the barrier to only cover 5 miles. The entire region outside of that was covered in a layer of white mist as Mister Han Mo was pressing closer and closer to the members of the Tongyou Institution.

"How long can we hold out for?" Liu Qinglan maintained her calm, even though she was enduring the greatest pressure against their enemy.

Chu Jia's voice came from behind one of the hills behind her. "Relax. It's not going to be so easy for him to shatter this grandaunt's formation!"

Despite what she said, Liu Qinglan and the rest could hear how tired she was from her tone.

Her formation might be able to hold a Martial Dipper Realm expert back, but no one knew how long they would be able to hold out for.

Moreover, they were in a pretty barren location and the heaven and earth qi around them was pretty sparse. She couldn't place down any sort of special formation while everything was taking place, and she could only use essence crystals to ensure the formation remained in operation.

"Heh, you even have the guts to call yourself that in front of me..." Liu Qinglan mumbled softly. She might be grumbling, but she didn't remain idle. She worked together with Sun Haiwei as they exchanged blows with the Martial Dipper Realm expert with the assistance of the formation.

Tian Mengzi, who was gasping for breath, stared at Dou Zhong who was focused on restoring his energy the best he could and teased, "Little Dou Zhong, what the hell did you do to anger that asshole out there such that he would want to kill all of us?"

Dou Zhong, who was focused on recovering, opened his eyes and scattered the dust in his hand after he absorbed all the energy from the essence crystal he was holding. He took out his Spatial Pouch and revealed the thick bronze book. "Here. This is what I obtained."

Tian Mengzi stared at the bronze book that was a foot long and 7 inches wide. It was also 3 inches thick and he slowly picked it up from the ground. He felt its weight and realized that it wasn't made from ordinary bronze.

Examining it several times, Tian Mengzi raised his head in confusion. "I can't open it?"

A helpless sigh came from Dou Zhong. "I tried everything I could, and I can't open it either. Maybe, only someone in the Martial Dipper Realm will be able to open the book. Anyway, it fell through the spatial cracks earlier, but it didn't seem to suffer any damage..."

Tian Mengzi didn't wait for him to finish when he tossed the book back at him. "Keep it for now. It's no wonder you would be targeted by that Martial Dipper Realm expert. I'll head out there to help the rest hold him off. You're up next! Hurry up and recover!"

As soon as he spoke, he rose into the air and flew towards the corner of the formation.

Dou Zhong looked at the book in his hand and sighed, "Let's just hope you're worth the risk I took..."

Keeping the book, Dou Zhong suppressed the intense fluctuations in his heart before taking out 2 more essence crystals.

When he was fully focused on circulating his rank four arts, he discovered that the speed at which his inner qi could circulate had increased by 30 percent. It wasn't because of the essence crystals he was holding. Instead, he felt the density of heaven and earth qi in the air increasing.

"What's going on? Do you guys feel that?!" Chu Jia's voice came from behind the hill again.

As a Formation Grandmaster, Chu Jia was extremely sensitive to heaven and earth qi. She quickly discovered the change around her.

Yan Ming burst out from the valley and yelled, "Oh no! There's going to be a tide of heaven and earth qi soon!"

"Quick, retreat! Remain within 3 miles from my formation!" Chu Jia exclaimed.

The trust those of the Tongyou Institution had for each other was high. Liu Qinglan, Sun Haiwei, and Tian Mengzi didn't hesitate when they heard her warning. They didn't bother questioning anything as they quickly retreated.

Obviously, Mister Han Mo wouldn't allow them to get away so easily. He set his sights on Liu Qinglan and he tapped the air before him. Even though his attack was weakened greatly by the mist around him, it managed to shatter Liu Qinglan's Extermination Qi Protection Barrier and slammed heavily into her back.

"Pfft..." A blood mist emerged from her lips, but she could at least resist the injuries she received.

The sudden change in heaven and earth qi couldn't be hidden from the Martial Dipper Realm expert, and he quickly discovered the abnormality. He could see that the formation on the other side was starting to be greatly weakened.

With a trace of joy in his heart, he took a step forward. However, he seemed to have discovered something else the next moment as he turned his head to stare in another direction. He noticed a strange sight appearing from another region of the Celestial Remains.

A curtain of five colored light shot straight up into the void, forming a magnificent sight!

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In the observatory...

The Lightning Bird stood on a branch of the Starry Tree, but it started to flap its wings and cry loudly. It interrupted Kou Chongxue's clone from studying the semi-complete inheritance.

With a look of confusion on his face, the clone turned to stare at the Lightning Bird. He noticed an unnatural fluctuation in the starlight falling from above and the glow that surrounded the Starry Tree became a lot more illusory than before.

"This... What happened?!" The clone approached the tree in confusion. He could feel the falling starlight, but he was unable to make use of it like the Lightning Bird.

"Chirp, chirp!" The Lightning Bird signaled for him to look at the ground below.

When the clone lowered his head to take a look, he discovered that the Star Essence Waterbeneath him was starting to ripple.

It seemed to be flowing elsewhere?

A solemn expression appeared on the clone's face, and he quickly discovered where it was flowing towards. At the same time, a small spatial crack formed not too far away from the platform and Star Essence Water fell into the void from the crack.

When the clone was wondering if it should get rid of the crack, the observatory started to shake as yells of delight came from below.

No longer caring about erasing the spatial crack that was formed, Kou Chongxue's clone stared through the crack and noticed that the restrictions on the outer layer of the Ruined Observatory were starting to crumble. He could also feel the presence of Star Essence Water there.

He seemed to realize where the liquid was flowing to the next moment. However, a loud cry came from behind him, catching his attention again.

When Kou Chongxue's clone raised his head, he heard the sound of gushing water from where the Hidden Frost Sword had stabbed into the platform. A five colored light quickly emerged and filled the space they were in.

Chapter 835: Big Open

Shang Xia didnt know that his actions caused the Stellar cauldron to start pumping world origin into its surroundings, and the massive commotion it caused. The heavenly phenomenon it caused could be seen by the entirety of the Celestial Remains.

That very instant, dozens of Martial Dipper Realm experts who entered the Celestial Remains, and hundreds of Martial Extermination Realm cultivators who came with them stared in the direction of the brilliant five colored light pillar.

Basically everyone with half a brain could link the appearance of the light pillar to the Origin Holy Artifact.

There wasnt just a single forbidden region in the Celestial Remains, and in one of them, Yizhen and Yiyun already met up with Yifeng at an unknown time.

Both of them were holding a formation flag each as they forcefully strengthened the void around them.

Their faces were pale, and from how their hands were trembling, it wasnt difficult to see that they were close to their limits.

Between them was a spatial tunnel that had been forcefully carved out by a powerful being. At the other end, Elder Yifeng of the Eternal Palace slowly retracted an ashy black sword.

There was a void platform directly in front of Yifeng at the moment, and there was a giant stone tablet that was mostly collapsed. Only a third of it remained, and on it was carved the last of 3 words. Marker.

The Elysium Boundary Marker! Its really here! Yifeng released a satisfied laugh as he waved his sleeves to retrieve the shattered pieces. He only left the part that remained.

Senior Brother, what is actually written on the Elysium Boundary Marker? Yizhen couldnt help but ask.

Usually, the name of the Elysium would be carved into the marker.

Yiyun didnt wait for Yifeng to respond. Instead, she yelled, Martial Uncle, when are you coming out? I cant hold on for much longer!

Yifeng ignored the both of them as he sighed to himself, Its a pity The damage is too serious and only a third of it is left It wont be enough to cause a large effect on the Celestial Remains

It was then that the strange phenomenon that Shang Xia created ripped through the Celestial Remains. The density of world origin started to rise rapidly.

The formation flags in Yizhen and Yiyuns hands seemed to be greatly suppressed as the region of space started to press together. Stumbling slightly Yizhen and Yiyun eventually managed to regain control over their formation flags, but the size of the spatial tunnel decreased by a good half by the time they were done.

Yizhen and Yiyun panicked slightly, but before they could say anything, Yifeng gasped in a strange voice, Huh? They actually found the Origin Holy Artifact! They even managed to utilize it to such a level. This is going to be interesting!

Yizhen couldnt contain the panic any longer and he yelled, Senior Brother, if you still act so indifferently, theyre going to snatch the Origin Holy Artifact from us!

Relax, relax Its not that easy to handle the Origin Holy Artifact. If Im not wrong, at least 2 of the 4 Elysiums of our Azure Ascension World should already be there. If Kou Chongxue is the one who obtained the Origin Holy Artifact, a massive battle is going to break out. Why dont we watch from the side? Yifeng chuckled.

Even if youre planning to do so, shouldnt you be getting out of there?! If this keeps up, Yiyun and I are going to be completely exhausted! Yizhen roared.

Yiyuns cultivation couldnt be compared to Yizhen, and she was already so tired that she didnt have the energy to speak.

Fine, fine! Yifeng seemed to finally notice the state they were in. Even though he indicated that he was about to return, he seemed to still be doing something else. The Elysium Boundary Marker might be destroyed, but it should be able to control the entrance. Wait for me to completely seal off the Celestial Remains before anything else.

After he spoke, No one knew how many seals Yifeng imprinted into whatever remained of the Elysium Boundary Marker. Yizhen and Yiyun noticed that after he pressed his hand on the marker, several more pieces crumbled. Yifeng retrieved them before they could fall to the ground.

Raising his head to the skies, Yifeng looked exceptionally pleased with himself. It was as though he was a playful kid who completed a massive prank. When he was done, his figure blurred and he retreated through the spatial tunnel.

Yizhen and Yiyun finally retrieved their formation flags as layers of space started to collapse behind them as they ran.

When they finally escaped from the dangerous region, the formation flags in their hand crumbled completely.

Lu Wuzi, and the members of the Northern Sea Mystic Sect, couldnt help but stop again. Raising his head to look at the heavenly phenomenon, he couldnt help but reveal an unsure expression.

Anyone could guess that it had something to do with the Origin Holy Artifact.

Martial Uncle? Yun Lingzi gritted his teeth and asked when he saw the strange look on Lu Wuzis face.

Under everyones look of anticipation, Lu Wuzi hesitated for a second before giving another order that disappointed everyone. Carry on. Our target will still be the Star Observatory!

The members of the Northern Sea Mystic Sect didnt dare to go against his will, and they could only follow behind him obediently.

Once again, Lu Wuzi retrieved his Halo Mirror and tried to observe the situation outside the forbidden region. This time, he didnt try looking at Huang Jinghan and Jiu Du. Instead, he wanted to try looking at the situation within.

If things were like before, there was obviously no way for him to succeed. However, the void within the Celestial Remains became so weak that he was able to see a thing or two.

Indeed As the other Martial Dipper Realm experts of the Northern Sea Mystic Sect noticed a powerful mist appearing above Lu Wuzis head as he utilized his secret art. They discovered a three-legged treasure shrouded in five color light appearing in the mirror.

When Lu Wuzi wanted to take a closer look, a faint ball of light started to expand greatly and fill the entire mirror. The light that emerged was so blinding that it hurt their eyes to look at it.

Lu Wuzi reached out and swiped at the mirror, The blinding five colored light disappeared, and the image in the mirror returned to what it originally was. Clearly, his attempt to observe the area ended in failure.

This time, it didnt matter if it was Qing Pingzi or Yun Lingzi. Neither of them said anything. Instead, they turned to stare at Jian Yingzi, the female Martial Dipper Realm expert who came in with them.

She was afraid of Lu Wuzi, but she couldnt endure the urging she was getting from the others and she whispered softly, Martial Uncle, is that the Origin Holy Artifact

Lu Wuzi remained calm, unlike his usual self. Instead, he grunted once.

Jian Yingzi heaved a sigh of relief and she continued, Since the Origin Holy Artifact already appeared

Before she could finish, she was interrupted by Lu Wuzis sneer. Looks like there are some people who are jumping the gun. They managed to avoid my detection Moreover, the person isnt Huang Jinghan or Jiu Du. It has to be Kou Chongxue! However, I dont care what happens. Let them fight and well deal with it after.

After he spoke, he kept his Halo Mirror before continuing on his way.

Helpless, the members of the Northern Sea Mystic Sect could only follow obediently behind him.

Who would have thought that a gentle light would fill the gray and lifeless void before them? If they didnt recognize it as starlight, they would have thought that the barrier that separated the Celestial Remains from the sea of stars had broken.

The next second, Lu Wuzis expression changed and he yelled, Oh no!

He didnt care about those behind him as he disappeared from his spot.

What happened? Qing Pingzi, whose cultivation level was the lowest among the Martial Dipper Realm experts present, asked.

The moment the words left his lips, a loud blast rang through the air and the space around them started to crumble as spatial cracks formed at a visible speed around them.

Not good The 3 Martial Dipper Realm experts left behind prepared for battle as they got ready to protect the Martial Extermination Realm experts behind them.

However, the battle that was supposed to break out didnt happen. Everything quickly returned to its original calm.

Qing Pingzi, Yun Lingzi, and Jian Yingzi stared at each other in confusion. From how intense the initial fluctuation was, the other party was definitely not weak. They wouldnt have been killed by Lu Wuzi in a single strike.

In that case, what the hell happened?!

When their imagination was running wild, Lu Wuzis cold voice rang through the void. Come over! There are a few familiar faces here

On the platform in the observatory, Kou Chongxues clone stared through the spatial crack and noticed how Lu Wuzi passed through space to attack his target, but Yi Jingxu revealed a circular copper board that blocked the attack.

Even though there were countless layers of restrictions that prevented Kou Chongxues clone from seeing what the copper board was, there was no doubt about it. It was a divine weapon.

The expert from the Northern Sea Mystic Sect possessed an impressive cultivation level. Despite blocking the strike, Yi Jingxu didnt look too good.

When the expert from the Northern Sea Mystic Sect was about to make another move, Yi Jingxu seemed to say something to them and a look of hesitation flashed across the other partys face. He nodded slightly and chose not to continue.

Soon after, he turned around and said something as the other members of the Northern Sea Mystic Sect arrived.

It seemed as though the members of the Heavenly Star Palace, Changbai Sect, and the Northern Sea Mystic Sect were choosing to work together!

A solemn expression appeared on Kou Chongxues clones face and he couldnt help but turn to look at where the Hidden Frost Sword was stabbed into the platform. A good portion of a five colored origin had gathered under the sword and it was about to fuse with the Star Essence Water beneath the Starry Tree.

The next moment, Kou Chongxues clone felt a gaze landing on his back.

When he turned around, he noticed the expert from the Northern Sea Mystic Sect staring straight up at him.

Despite the multiple layers of restriction and twisted space, Kou Chongxues Clone was sure the other party knew his actual position even if he couldnt see him directly.

Lets hope the little kid can act a little faster Otherwise, hes not going to make it!

Chapter 836: Alliance, Alliances Everywhere!

On the small hill in the hidden valley, Liu Qinglan and the other members of the Tongyou Institution gathered 3 miles around the formation Chu Jia laid down.

However, Mister Han Mo was still pressing closer and they were in a precarious situation.

"Didn't... Didn't you say that your formation can hold off the attack from a Martial Dipper Realm expert?" Tian Mengzi looked completely drained and even speaking was a challenge at the moment.

Chu Jia rolled her eyes at him and grumbled, "I never thought things would turn out like this. The world origin in the Celestial Remains is increasing as we speak, but the void is only getting weaker. The earth vein under the hill we're on is growing unstable and we should already be thanking our lucky stars that I can still maintain the formation!"

Tian Mengzi knew that she was telling the truth. He stared at the curtain of world origin that emerged along with the five colored light and he yelled at Mister Han Mo. "Aren't all of you Martial Dipper Realm experts here for the Origin Holy Artifact?! The massive disturbance is most likely caused by the appearance of the Origin Holy Artifact! Why are you still here?! Aren't you going to fight for it? What's the point of messing with us juniors in the Martial Extermination Realm?"

Tian Mengzi was venting his frustration by yelling, and he didn't expect Han Mo to actually respond. "There's only a single Origin Holy Artifact. I know my limits. I'm not stupid enough to go fight with those experts with massive backing. The benefits here are laid out right in front of me. All of you can only blame your bad luck. However, if you're willing to hand the book over..."

"Dream on!" Meng Tianzi roared as he flew into the air. Along with Dou Zhong and Yan Ming, they took over Liu Qinglan and Sun Haiwei who had been fighting for some time now.

All of them were clear. Even if they handed over the bronze book, there was no way Han Mo would let them off now that things had progressed up to that point.

As the void became weaker and weaker, the power of every strike Han Mo made reached an astounding level. Chu Jia found it more and more difficult to resist his assault.

Liu Qinglan and Sun Haiwei couldn't help but forgo their chance to take a break as they returned to take on the attacks.

It was then that the hill started to quake violently and it started to break down. The moment it did, the formation would also crumble.

The next moment, a strange feeling filled the hearts of those from the Tongyou Institution. Han Mo, who could have capitalized on the opportunity to break through the formation, not only didn't try to do so, but he even retreated thousands of feet away. The next second, he turned to stare at the curtain of world origin with a look of terror on his face.

No one knew when, but the curtain of world origin seemed to be growing mighty strong and it even seemed to be getting closer to their position.

What they didn't know was that a strange and majestic power of void locked onto Han Mo earlier. When he tried to locate the source of the energy, he realized that he was unable to feel a thing! It was as if the person or thing exerting the pressure didn't exist!

As an expert in the Martial Dipper Realm, he was extremely confident that he wasn't mistaken earlier when he felt the pressure. Now that he was unable to feel traces of where it came from, he felt that there was only a single possibility. The person who did it earlier had to be far stronger than him!

Could it be... An existence in the Sixth Order of the Primary Realm?!

The absurd thought flashed through his mind.

It was then that several clear cracking sounds rang through the air. When he turned to look, he discovered that the region before him had collapsed and the formation that was stopping him earlier had crumbled.

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In a certain spot of the Celestial Remains...

An expert with white hair and black beard, who sported an elegant appearance brought 2 Martial Extermination Realm experts towards the exit of the Celestial Remains.

"Patriarch, a strange treasure was just born in the Celestial Remains and the world origin is growing stronger by the second. Why are we leaving?" One of the cultivators who was at the third layer of the Martial Extermination Realm couldn't help but ask.

"We're running for our lives right now!" The elder didn't seem too willing to explain. Instead, they increased their speed as they headed straight for the exit.

"But..." The Martial Extermination Realm expert wanted to continue asking, but their companion gently tugged at their sleeves to stop them from speaking further.

All of a sudden, Patriarch Qing He of the Beihai Institution stopped abruptly.

"Yuwen Changqing?" Ancestor Qing He stared at the void and growled in a pretty unfriendly tone.

"Sigh..." A soft sigh came from the void as Yuwen Changqing revealed himself.

"Patriarch Qing He, are you planning to leave?" Yuwen Changqing could obviously tell their intentions when he saw the members of the Beihai Institution.

With narrowed eyes, the aura around Ancestor Qing He turned chilly. "What's the matter? Patriarch Yuwen, are you planning to stop me?"

Yuwen Changqing shook his head and forced a smile. "Patriarch Qing He, I believe you should have realized what happened. Brother Qing, you're not the only one who plans on leaving the Celestial Remains."

"What do you mean?" Ancestor Qing He's expression sank. *Did Yuwen Changqing pull some sort of stunt?!*

Yuwen Changqing seemed to understand what he was thinking of at the moment and a bitter chuckle left his lips. "Patriarch Qing He, please do not misunderstand. I'm not trying to stop you here. You're not the only ones who plan to leave. It's just that... The exit to the Celestial Remains is blocked! We can't leave!"

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The Changbai Holy Land and the Heavenly Star Palace were the few factions in the Azure Spiritual World that didn't submit to the Northern Sea Mystic Sect. However, no one knew why, but they seemed to have reached a cooperative relationship to get rid of the restrictions around the Ruined Observatory.

Yi Jingxu was able to break through the restrictions using starlight with the secret art of the Heavenly Star Palace, and Lu Wuzi could locate the weaknesses in the restrictions. With the 2 of them joining hands, the layers of restrictions around the observatory started to thin at a rapid pace.

"Did you already feel that?" Yi Jingxu asked in a low voice.

Staying silent for some time, Lu Wuzi eventually muttered, "This reminds me of the time when the ancestors of the 3 Elysiums sealed off the space 30000 miles away from the Beyond Heavens Pavilion to serve as the battlefield against the Spirit Abundance World... Oh, there's another ancestor from the Yuanchen Sect now..."

Yi Jingxu sighed, "Is it really the power of an existence at the Sixth Order?"

"No... They should be able to achieve this by using the Origin Holy Artifact as well." Lu Wuzi shook his head and mumbled.

However, Yi Jingxu wasn't fully convinced. He continued to ask, "Is that it? Is it just a possibility that they will be able to achieve something like that with the artifact?"

A look of hesitation flashed through Lu Wuzi's face, but he eventually muttered, "It's really Kou Chongxue..."

Yi Jingxu nodded slowly, as if he was agreeing with Lu Wuzi. From how things were looking, Kou Chongxue was the most likely candidate who would be able to possess the might of an existence at the Sixth Order with the help of the Origin Holy Artifact. "Which means... It's possible that Kou Chongxue had been hiding in the Celestial Remains all along and located the Origin Holy Artifact before everyone else!"

The ray of starlight that was drawn over earlier finally dissipated, but after shattering so many layers of restrictions, drawing over more starlight from the observatory wouldn't be as difficult as before.

After Yi Jingxu spoke, he realized that Lu Wuzi had a look of confusion on his face.

"Senior, this..." Yi Jingxu raised an eyebrow and whispered.

The Heavenly Star Palace and the Northern Sea Mystic Sect might have their disagreements, but Yi Jingxu and Lu Wuzi weren't strangers. One could say that they knew each other quite well.

Because of that, Yi Jingxu was feeling a sense of unease when he saw Lu Wuzi's reaction.

A serious look appeared on Lu Wuz's face as he brought out his Halo Mirror again. Dipper qi around him fused into the mirror...

A total of 4 different types of dipper qi rushed into the mirror and the surface of the mirror started to ripple continuously. Eventually, the image of a long sword that was stabbed into the middle of the platform was revealed.

At the same time, he saw a five colored light that was surrounded by a wall of world origin.

There was a short tree that emitted a faint starry glow, and there seemed to be a spiritual bird standing on it.

Beneath the short tree was a small lake of crystalline liquid, and stars seemed to shimmer in them. The next second, a figure that was staring straight back at him through the mirror could be seen.

"Kou Chongxue?! How is he in the observatory?!" Yi Jingxu seemed to groan in fright.

Almost every single Martial Dipper Realm expert present took part in the battle against the Spirit Abundance World back then and all of them had seen Kou Chongxue's tyrannical might.

They were absolutely certain that none of them would be his opponent even if they worked together.

"No! That's not Kou Chongxue!" Lu Wuzi seemed to be sure of something and he started to yell in excitement. "That's a Fate Dipper Clone! That's just Kou Chongxue's clone!"

Lu Wuzi seemed to have discovered a massive opportunity before turning to look at Yi Jingxu and Shen Baisong who were standing a little further away.

His gaze lingered on Shen Baisong for a short moment and quickly returned as he discovered that there was a look of confusion on Yi Jingxu's face.

"That sword... That sword in the observatory should be the Hidden Frost Sword, right? Why would Kou Chongxue leave his weapon there?" Yi Jingxu seemed to be muttering to himself, and he revealed a perplexed expression. "It's a shame... The

Stargazer inheritance my sect has isn't complete. Otherwise... Whatever it is, the sword is definitely really important!"

For Lu Wuzi to reach his current level of cultivation, his instincts and wariness were naturally of a frightening level. By the time Yi Jingxu had spoken, he also felt a similar thought running through his mind.

"We will have to shatter the restrictions as quickly as possible to take a look at the observatory then!" Lu Wuzi exclaimed before raising his mirror. This time, he slashed at his wrist and dropped 3 drops of essence blood onto the reflective surface of the Halo Mirror.

At the same time, Yi Jingxu could feel the awkwardness Shang Baisong was feeling and he turned around to address the junior, "I believe you should also have felt the strange spatial lock earlier. Our guess that Kou Chongxue is hiding in the Celestial Remains should be correct and he's most likely plotting against everyone here. If that's the case... If you feel like you're placed in a bad spot due to your alliance, feel free to just be a bystander..."

"Shut up! There's no need for all this rubbish talk. Over there!" Lu Wuzi interrupted him all of a sudden and he pointed at a sealed spot that was barely hundreds of feet away from the observatory. It was where he felt the weakest point of the restrictions were. The moment they shattered the restriction there, they would be able to weaken the rest of the restrictions by more than 80 percent!

Yi Jingxu seemed extremely confident in Lu Wuzi's Halo Mirror. The moment Lu Wuzi pointed it out, he pushed the power of starlight to the limit as he started to grind away at the restriction in the location.

The next second, Lu Wuzi's expression changed drastically. "Oh no. Retreat... No, run!"

A sword light suddenly emerged and started to stir up all the sword qi contained in the restrictions around the observatory. They rushed out like water out from a broken dam and swallowed the region.

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Inside the Stellar Cauldron, Shang Xia realized that during the process where he borrowed the power of the Origin Holy Artifact to control world origin, his potential was slowly being unlocked. Every single time he completed a cycle of his Five Element Art, he discovered that he was able to draw on more world origin from the Azure Ascension World through the Stellar Cauldron.

The world origin curtain that emerged from the opening of the cauldron was growing stronger and more majestic the more he circulated his Five Element Art.

That wasn't all. Shang Xia could clearly feel that the time taken for him to complete one cycle of his inner gi circulation was shortening at a rapid pace.

There was once during the process when he felt that someone was spying on him again, but he didn't know if it was because of the layers of restriction around the forbidden region that made the

feeling ever so weak, but he simply roused a portion of world origin to get rid of the presence looking at him through the void.

According to Kou Chongxue's instructions before he entered, all he had to do was to push world origin out of the cauldron. With the assistance of the Origin Holy Artifact, Shang Xia did just that and caused the cauldron to tremble continuously.

As time slowly passed, the world origin in the Celestial Remains rose to an unbelievable density while the space contained within it weakened considerably.

Those who first noticed the change were naturally the Martial Dipper Realm experts present. It was especially so for Huang Jinghan and Jiu Du who were right outside the forbidden region.

"What the hell is Kou Chongxue doing?!"

That was the exact thoughts Huang Jinghan and Jiu Du were thinking.

Both of them seemed extremely sure that the person controlling the Origin Holy Artifact in the forbidden region was Kou Chongxue.

They might have seen Shang Xia entering the forbidden region earlier, but in their eyes, Shang Xia was a mere junior of the Tongyou Institution and his job was probably to give Kou Chongxue the opportunity to activate the Origin Holy Artifact.

Neither of them even considered the possibility that Shang Xia was the source of all the disturbance! After all, in their eyes, it was simply not possible!

As for Gong Xinlan who entered even before Shang Xia, it was even less possible for her to be causing the commotion.

"We can't let this go on!" With his sword drawn, Jiu Du turned to Huang Jinghan and muttered, "Brother Huang, what do you think? Are you willing to carve a spatial tunnel into the forbidden region with me?"

Jiu Du might be asking Huang Jinghan to join hands with him to force their way into the forbidden region as it would make their task a lot easier, but there was another meaning behind his question. For them to do what they wanted would mean that Huang Jinghan would have to forsake Gong Xinlan who entered earlier.

Shwing...

With the Yuanchen Sword drawn, Huang Jinghan's attitude was clear.

A roaring laughter emerged from Jiu Du's lips. "Alright! This old man here will open up a path! Brother Huang can stabilize the space around us with your Yuanchen Sword from behind!"

After he spoke, a majestic strike landed on the void before them. It might be filled with restrictions, but they were nothing in the face of raw power. He forcefully carved a path through the twisted space straight into the forbidden region.

Chapter 837: Transfer?

On the platform in the Ruined Observatory, Kou Chongxue's clone stared at the void that was filled with sword qi with a tense expression. Instead of heaving a sigh of relief, his expression remained solemn.

Kou Chongxue's clone noticed that there was a strand of sword qi sealed in the platform when he arrived, and that was the reason he was able to pass through the restrictions with the Lightning Bird back then.

Back when Kou Chongxue opened up a secret path into the observatory with a slash of his sword, it shaved off a lot of the restrictions around it and became an area of weakness.

Lu Wuzi's Halo Mirror lived up to its name and easily managed to find the location of the path. However, he didn't know that it was where Kou Chongxue's sword qi remained when he carved the path out back then. That wasn't all. He also hid another strand of sword qi in case anything went wrong.

When Yi Jingxu followed Lu Wuzi's instructions in an attempt to destroy the restrictions with starlight, he managed to activate Kou Chongxue's sword qi.

The sword qi might be powerful, but Kou Chongxue's clone knew that it was far from capable of harming Lu Wuzi, Yi Jingxu, and the rest.

After all, the sword qi his true body left behind was something he did so casually. A good portion of the power it contained was actually used up when the clone and the Lightning Bird entered the Ruined Observatory previously.

Indeed... After the sword qi emerged, Lu Wuzi's scream filled the air.

"Kou Chongxue!"

His yell was so powerful that the sword qi started to tremble, and so did the space around him. The hidden sword qi might not have injured Lu Wuzi, but it caused such a massive disturbance that no one had the guts to approach the region.

Of course, everything that happened merely delayed the inevitable.

What Kou Chongxue's clone didn't know was that the sword qi earlier might not have killed Lu Wuzi or Yi Jingxu, but that didn't mean everyone was perfectly alright. Lu Wuzi and Yi Jingxu blocked a good portion of energy that came from the sword qi, but Jian Yingzi from the Northern Sea Mystic Sect who had the lowest cultivation of the Martial Dipper Realm experts present was still injured by the sword qi. Her foundations weren't affected, but she had no choice but to split off a Fate Dipper Clone and sacrifice it in order to remain perfectly alright. A Martial Extermination Realm cultivator behind her was slain by the powerful fluctuations that resulted.

Qing Pingzi looked to be in a sorry state as well, and a trace of lingering fear filled his heart. However, his injuries didn't seem to be too heavy. Instead, the 2 Martial Extermination Realm disciples behind him were killed by the rain of sword qi.

Compared to those 2 Martial Dipper Realm experts, Yun Lingzi was in a much better state. He was perfectly alright, and he managed to protect those behind him.

The Heavenly Star Palace didn't manage to escape unscathed either. However, they were in a much better state compared to those of the Northern Sea Mystic Sect. Yi Jingzi and their Martial

Extermination Realm disciples stayed really far behind. They were able to react quickly. Despite their quick reactions, Yi Jingzi suffered slight injuries when she tried to protect the disciples behind her.

Compared to those 2, the Changbai Holy Land could basically be said to be really blessed. Because of Shen Baisong's inferior strength, he knew that he wouldn't be able to help them. Also, due to the alliance the Changbai Holy Land had with the Tongyou Institution, he was stuck in a pretty awkward situation. In the end, he chose to stay behind. When the sword qi appeared earlier, he had more than enough time to respond. No one from the Changbai Holy Land suffered any injuries. The only person who was affected was Shen Baisong, and he merely used up a little energy when protecting the Martial Extermination Realm cultivators of his faction.

On the platform, Kou Chognxue's clone stared at the curtain of world origin that could be seen in the distance, ignoring those below for a moment. He saw it growing larger and larger, and he couldn't help but mutter to himself... That kid is really amazing... He actually managed to control world origin to such an extent. I'm afraid even my true body won't be able to do something like this... Well, he better hurry up... Man proposes, but God disposes. My true body made a lot of plans, and we can't fumble at the last step! This granddaddy here and the dumb bird can't stop the experts from the Northern Sea Mystic Sect and Heavenly Star Palace! Especially now that they're boiling with rage and will stop at nothing...

"Chirp!" A loud cry came from behind and the Lightning Bird seemed to also have noticed the danger. It glided down from the Starry Tree and stood on the clone's shoulder again. It seemed as though it would face the enemies with the clone.

"Hehe... Good bird!"

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Back in the hidden valley... Actually, the valley was no longer there as the entire region was experiencing large-scale collapse.

"Run!" Liu Qinglan yelled the second Chu Jia's formation crumbled. Even though that was what she yelled she flew straight at Han Mo who had barely snapped back to reality.

She was the Head Instructor of the Tongyou Institution, and everyone who was present at the moment could be considered her student. At the same time, she was the strongest Martial Extermination Realm expert among all of them. She could only choose to sacrifice herself to hopefully buy them some time to get away.

However, she was up against a Martial Dipper Realm expert... How much time would she be able to buy...?

"I'll hand it over!" Dou Zhong roared, stunning Han Mo who was about to kill Liu Qinglan with a single slap. The energy in his palm was redirected as he simply shoved Liu Qinglan away. "Let everyone leave. Otherwise, you'll never get the book!" Dou Zhong continued as he took a step forward. He held the book in one hand, and he got ready to destroy it in case anything happened.

To that, he was met with a sneer from Han Mo. "Brat, did you forget how the book fell from the void? Do you really think you can destroy the book with your abilities? Or do you think that you will be able to destroy the book if all of you work together?"

Sucking in a cold breath, Dou Zhong growled, "Even if I can't destroy the book, can't I send it into a region of shattered space? Whatever it is, you won't be able to get it!"

"Oh? Is that so?" Han Mo grabbed at the void beside him and 4 ice walls appeared to trap Liu Qinglan. The cold frost produced from his dipper qi reached for Liu Qinglan as it corroded the barrier around her. She was protecting herself with all her might, but it seemed like it wouldn't last for long.

His tone turned chilly and he growled, "If you want her to live, hand the bronze book over to me like a good boy. Otherwise, this lady here is definitely going to die!"

"You can't hand it over! The moment you do, everyone will die!" Liu Qinglan screamed, but the ice walls seemed to be blocking her voice from reaching Dou Zhong and the rest.

A frosty smile appeared on his face and he sneered, "Everyone, have you thought it though?"

Who would have thought that the next second, the Celestial Remains started to shake violently? Even a Martial Dipper Realm expert like Han Mo stumbled as the ice walls around Liu Qinglan shattered due to the shifting space.

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In the forbidden region, Gong Xinlan was carefully making her way forward. She could tell that she was closing in on the true secret contained in the forbidden region, but the sense of unease in her heart grew stronger by the second. It was especially so when she saw the five colored light pillar earlier. It seemed to appear right in front of her, and the density of world origin around her skyrocketed the next moment.

She was a cultivator from the Jiao Continent, and even though she was taken in by the Yuanchen Sect as a disciple when she was young, she had never left the Jiao Continent before entering the Martial Dipper Realm. There was no need to talk about physically stepping into the Yuanchen Sect. She hadn't even seen her martial brothers and sisters!

However, she had to admit that the Yuanchen Sect did everything in their power to help her before she entered the Martial Dipper Realm. Regardless of the type of spiritual herb, or advancement medicine, she received everything she could possibly require for cultivation. They even helped her to eliminate her enemies and take revenge for her family!

When everything was finally done, she stepped into the Martial Dipper Realm and left the Jiao Continent for the first time. For the first time, she entered the Yuanchen Sect and saw her fellow disciples, but there seemed to be an invisible barrier between them.

As Gong Xinlan matured, she gradually understood something. Other than one's parents, no one would help someone unconditionally. Anyone who does so definitely has a hidden agenda in mind.

What was more, she discovered that throughout her growth, she was treated like a massive tool. There was someone guiding her and telling her everything she needed to do, as though she was nurtured for a specific purpose.

Back then, everything aligned with her interests and she didn't think too much about it.

It was like how she entered the Martial Dipper Realm this time. Actually, she hadn't been a Martial Dipper Realm expert for a long time. However, the Yuanchen Sect sent her a bunch of treasures that could be used to break restrictions and protective treasures. From that very moment, she discovered she had been thrown into a precarious situation.

The only thing she didn't expect was that she would be used as a tool to enter the forbidden region to look for the Origin Holy Artifact!

Fortunately, she was pretty lucky. She might have slowed down as she ventured deeper into the forbidden region, and she might have run into many dangerous situations, her luck was great. She never actually reached a point where her life was threatened.

Just as she felt that she was about to reach her destination after breaking through the layers upon layers of restrictions, she felt a tyrannical sword qi behind her ripping through the restrictions without a care in the world.

Turning pale with fright, she turned her head abruptly only to be greeted with a majestic sword qi tearing through the void before it was swallowed by the terrifying spatial fluctuations caused by the activated restrictions.

The protective treasures on Gong Xinlan exploded one after another as she was struck by the spatial fluctuations.

"What's going on?! They will definitely suffer a massive backlash if they try to forcefully break through the restrictions. Are those people outside going crazy?!" Gong Xinlan cried in fright. She only hoped that she would be able to protect herself under all the chaos that would happen.

The next second, she seemed to realize something. The sword qi that appeared earlier was tyrannical and majestic, but it wasn't from her Martial Uncle, Huang Jinghan!

If it wasn't Huang Jinghan, who could unleash such a powerful strike?!

Could other powers have already entered the forbidden region and were fighting with Huang Jinghan and Pang Jingyun? Did the sword qi smash into the forbidden region because Martial Uncle Huang failed to block it?

The thought flashed through her mind, but another powerful sword qi arrived next and shattered the final strand of hope she had.

Jiu Du's sword qi tore a path into the forbidden region, and Huang Jinghan took the opportunity to carve out a spatial tunnel through the path that had been sliced open before forcefully stabilizing the space around the tunnel. Obviously, the spatial tunnel that was created that way wouldn't last for

long. However, it wouldn't be a problem for Jiu Du and Huang Jinghan to step through it. During the process, the space around would only become more dangerous.

Whatever it was, Jiu Du and Huang Jinghan didn't care any longer. They felt that locating the Origin Holy Artifact was the most important thing they had to do as they had to interrupt Kou Chongxue's plans. They could no longer bother with anything else, including Gong Xinlan's safety!

Jiu Du continued to slice at the space before him, and Gong Xinlan happened to be in his way.

With a loud cry for help, Gong Xinlan noticed that Huang Jinghan didn't even spare her a second glance as he continued to slash away at the space around him to assist Jiu Du. With his Yuanchen Sword drawing a nice arc before him, another segment of the spatial tunnel was created.

In order to dodge Jiu Du's sword, Gong Xinlan could only risk it all and jump into one of the regions of shattered space around her. She was instantly swallowed into the void as she disappeared completely.

"Such a shame... The kid is really too slow..." Huang Jinghan mumbled to himself. He truly found it a pity. After all, the Yuanchen Sect invested too much in her. Even though she was a mere tool, discarding her so easily couldn't help but leave a bad taste in his mouth.

Jiu Du obviously managed to hear his sigh, and he roared with laughter, "Your Xiangyang Holy Land managed to ascend to become the Xiangyang Elysium. Now, you have a Sixth Order Ancestor in charge of things. The little lass definitely made some contributions in the past, but now, she's completely useless. Brother Huang, there's no need to feel bad about it. Moreover, it's easier for us to carve out the spatial tunnel now because she destroyed most of the restrictions in the way. It doesn't matter if she dies! She helped enough!"

Huang Jinghan sighed softly again before forcing a chuckle. "You're right. Whatever it is, she was merely a step away from breaking through all the restrictions..."

"Brother Huang, what's with your attitude right now? Even if that woman from the Jiao Continent doesn't die today, your sect will still kill her eventually. If you let her live, you might even bring yourself some trouble in the future. It's best for everyone that she dies here today." Jiu Du sneered.

Turning to look at Jiu Du from the corner of his eye, Huang Jinghan growled, "Brother Jiu Du, stop messing around. Why are you so hesitant to make the final move and open up a path to the treasure? Are you getting cold feet?"

"Hehe..." Facing Huang Jinghan's mockery, Jiu Du didn't respond directly. Instead, he asked another question of his own. "Of course. I'm waiting for you to recover so we can work together!"

Seemingly having guessed something from Jiu Du's expression Huang Jinghan released a soft snort. "Hah... Alright then!"

They released their moves in unison. A majestic sword qi was accompanied by a profound sword qi as they ripped through space.

The final layer of restrictions was torn apart, and the platform in the void was revealed. A five colored waterfall of world origin could be seen above the platform, along with a three-legged cauldron that was trembling violently.

Of course, that wasn't all. There was a Fate Dipper Clone standing before the giant cauldron.

"Origin Holy Artifact!"

"Kou Chongxue, it's really you!"

Jiu Du and Huang Jinghan yelled one after another.

However, they didn't attack immediately. Instead, they acted as though they were about to face a great battle. They even subtly stood closer together.

Looking at the clone, they discovered that it looked really illusory and weak, as though it would fall over from a light breeze.

However, they didn't dare to take it lightly. After all, there was a sword qi hovering before the clone. It was a sword qi that struck fear in their hearts!

"Hehe... The both of you came really early!" The clone raised his head to look at them, and there was a brilliant smile plastered onto his face.

The sword qi around him was unleashed, and a portion of it rushed into the spatial tunnel behind them.

Chapter 838: Sending It

At the core of the forbidden region, Kou Chongxue's Fire Element Fate Dipper Clone was the final line of defense Kou Chongxue left behind for Shang Xia.

He sealed a strand of sword qi in the clone, and it was clearly a lot stronger than the sword qi he sealed back in the Ruined Observatory.

Due to the sheer power it possessed, Kou Chongxue wasn't able to store it in a treasure. He could only risk it all and store it inside his Fate Dipper Clone.

Clearly, his Fire Element Fate Dipper Clone wasn't capable of storing the energy completely and he could only choose to enter a deep slumber beneath the Stellar Cauldron. It could only borrow the power of origin from the Origin Holy Artifact to prevent the sword qi from destroying its body.

Only when Shang Xia arrived to awaken the clone did it start to carry out its original purpose.

In the instant Huang Jinghan and Jiu Du forced their way into the forbidden region, Kou Chongxue's Fire Element Fate Dipper Clone released the Origin Yang Sword Qi at its peak state.

The mighty Origin Yang Sword Qi filled the area in an instant and ripped into the spatial tunnel. However, it was so powerful that there was a split second where the spatial tunnel seemed to widen under its strength.

Huang Jinghan and Jiu Du were also peak-tier swordsmen of the Azure Ascension World, and they had to bear the brunt of the blow. However, it seemed as though they had expected as much. They avoided the sword qi the moment it was released, and they didn't hesitate to step into the regions of shattered space beside them.

One had to know that Huang Jinghan and Jiu Du had already seen the Origin Holy Artifact. Even if they hid in the space around them, they were still stuck in the depths of the forbidden region! The moment the spatial tunnel they created earlier was destroyed, no matter how strong they were, they would be swallowed by the chaotic space that was created by the sword qi.

From the looks of it, the 2 of them had their fates sealed!

However... The instant Kou Chongxue's Origin Yang Sword Qi emerged, another powerful sword qi that was comparable to it appeared from inside the spatial tunnel.

Unlike the Origin Yang Sword Qi that contained the will to sever everything, the sword qi that just appeared gave off a completely different feeling. It wasn't even close to Jiu Du's majestic sword intent, or Huang Jinghan's profound sword qi. Instead, it emitted an aura that seemed to allow it to burst forth with an even stronger power when confronting absolute danger.

No one knew when, but another peerless swordsman arrived in the spatial tunnel made by Jiu Du and Huang Jinghan.

With the whistling of air and explosions ringing out in the void, a soft voice rang in the ears of Jiu Du and Huang Jinghan. "Many thanks for opening the spatial tunnel. I helped you guys block a good majority of the energy in his strike, and let's call it even."

"Yifeng! It's really you!" Huang Jinghan and Jiu Du discovered the presence of the third person in the spatial tunnel some time ago, and they seemed to have guessed who it was.

That was why they dodged earlier when facing Kou Chongxue's Origin Yang Sword Qi. They were plotting against the other person within the spatial tunnel! When they moved to the side earlier, they only stopped close to 40 percent of the energy contained in the strike in order to prevent the spatial tunnel from truly collapsing.

Every single one of the 4 Swordsmen of the Azure Origin World was gathered at the core region of the forbidden region at the moment, and even with 3 of them working together, they barely managed to stop a single strand of sword qi the other left behind.

Even if Kou Chongxue had reached the peak of the Martial Dipper Realm and was considered the strongest individual under the Sixth Order, he wasn't able to deal with the 3 of them when they worked together.

With the Origin Yang Sword Qi shattered and the spatial tunnel preserved, Yifeng from the Eternal Palace revealed himself. Huang Jinghan and Jiu Du, who managed to escape from the rest of the sword qi earlier, also reappeared. They stared at the illusory figure standing before the cauldron.

In front of them was a messy screen of space caused by the exchange earlier.

That was the final barrier separating them from the Origin Holy Artifact.

"Kou Chongxue, you really arrived before us!"

"I am truly curious... What the hell are you up to?"

"Heh, this spatial screen can't stop us!"

Yifeng was the last to speak and with a strange laugh, he slashed at the spatial screen before him. He seemed to be forcefully resisting the spatial fluctuations as he stepped onto the platform with the Origin Holy Artifact.

"Crazy bastard..." Huang Jinghan snapped as he waved his sword and did the same.

Jiu Du shook his head, but he followed closely behind.

With the Origin Holy Artifact right before them, everyone revealed a solemn expression.

"Kou Chongxue, all of us are old friends here. Aren't you going to show your face?" Jiu Du yelled as soon as he arrived on the platform.

Facing his questioning, there wasn't a single response from the cauldron. Instead, another fierce wave of world origin emerged.

"Is he already refining the Origin Holy Artifact?" Huang Jinghan raised an eyebrow in suspicion.

The weird look on Yifeng's face disappeared some time ago, and he quickly muttered, "That doesn't seem like it. He seems to be using the Origin Holy Artifact to do something..."

"What are we still waiting for? Are we going to just stand here and watch?" Jiu Du growled.

A sinister smile appeared on Yifeng's face again and he sent a slash towards the cauldron. A strange laughter emerged and he muttered, "Since we don't know what we have to do, all we need to do is to fuck with him such that he can't do anything too!"

"Damn it! That's the Origin Holy Artifact we're talking about!" Huang Jinghan roared. However, he raised his sword and swung it at the cauldron in an attempt to suppress it so that it wouldn't be able to escape.

Jiu Du rose into the air, and he unleashed his sword art as well. Not only did he plan to sever the curtain of world origin around the artifact, he wanted to stop it from spewing out world origin altogether.

They acted one after another. One of them was in charge of suppressing the Origin Holy Artifact, and the other directly attacked it. The last one tried to sever the connection between the treasure and the world origin source.

As Yifeng's sword was about to land, he felt the space around him freezing completely. Even though the distance between his sword and the cauldron didn't change, no matter how he tried to push it further, it failed to advance a single inch. There seemed to be multiple layers of space between his sword and the cauldron preventing them from coming into contact with each other.

Yifeng felt a subtle change in the space around him, but no matter how hard he looked, nothing was visibly different.

He suddenly thought of the others and he turned to look at them. Huang Jinghan seemed to be giving it his all as he tried to suppress the cauldron, and Jiu Du's sword was also trying to reach the curtain of world origin in an attempt to sever it.

They looked to be in the same situation as him. Their target was right in front of them, but no matter how hard they tried, they failed to reach it.

Everything happened in the blink of an eye, but the 3 Martial Dipper Realm experts felt as though an eternity had passed.

It didn't matter if it was Yifeng, Huang Jinghan, or Jiu Du, all of them realized that they had already left the space they were in earlier.

"Kou Chongxue, what the hell do you think you're doing?!"

Never once had they doubted themselves. From the time they arrived, they thought that the person in the cauldron controlling the Origin Holy Artifact was Kou Chongxue!

None of them would believe that anyone other than Kou Chongxue had the capabilities to do something like that under the Sixth Order of the Primary Realm!

Yifeng continued to try to tear through the space around him, but he didn't care about hitting the cauldron any longer. Instead, he only wanted to escape from the region of sealed space he was in.

Huang Jinghan also wielded his Yuanchen Sword with everything he had. He no longer cared about suppressing the Origin Holy Artifact. Instead, he only planned to stabilize the space around him such that he wouldn't be thrown about randomly in the region of space. However, his attempts seemed completely futile.

Jiu Du still tried to sever the connection between the Origin Holy Artifact and the gushing world origin. In his eyes, they were the cause of everything. The moment he destroyed their connection, they would be able to escape their predicament.

Jiu Du was on the right track, but the problem was the fact that he couldn't touch the world origin before him no matter how hard he tried!

"Spatial banishment... Is he planning on kicking us out from the Celestial Remains?" Huang Jinghan finally gave up and shifted his focus to protecting himself instead.

"The Celestial Remains is about the crumble. What's the point of kicking us out? Even if he sends us into the chaotic void, we have our respective Sixth Order Ancestors out there to rescue us!" Jiu Du also gave up after trying many times.

Unlike the 2 of them, Yifeng was still trying to slash at the space around him. He didn't seem to care that his attacks weren't working.

"Crazy asshole..." Huang Jinghan couldn't help but sigh when he noticed Yifeng's actions.

"Hehehehehehe... Kou Chongxue, where the hell do you plan to bring us?!" Yifeng released another bout of strange laughter. He seemed to have guessed something as he directed his question to the cauldron not too far away.

Huang Jinghan and Jiu Du were shocked by his sudden yell, and a strange thought flashed through their minds. They stared at each other and saw the look of surprise in each other's eyes.

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On the platform in the Ruined Observatory...

When the 3 swordsmen were trying their best to strike at the Origin Holy Artifact, Lu Wuzi and Yi Jingxu finally shattered the barrier formed by the spatial fluctuations caused by Kou Chongxue's remnant sword qi before arriving at the platform.

The sea of stars was revealed above them as resplendent rays of starlight fell on them. It bathed the Starry Tree while replenishing the Star Essence Water that gathered beneath it.

They stared at the Hidden Frost Sword that was stabbed into the platform and Kou Chongxue's Fate Dipper Clone beside it. There was also the Lightning Bird who was standing on the clone's shoulder.

At the same time, there was a rolling aura beneath the sword. There was a five colored ball of world origin gathered there, and from the sheer volume, it seemed as though it would erupt the next second.

"Kou Chongxue, just what the hell are you up to?!" Yi Jingxu frowned and asked the clone. He seemed utterly confused.

"I don't care what he's up to. All his preparations are going to waste today!" Lu Wuzi yelled as he took another step towards the center of the platform with his Halo Mirror in hand.

Behind the 2 of them, the experts of the Northern Sea Mystic Sect, Heavenly Star Palace, and Changbai Holy Land quickly ran over.

Under their gaze, Kou Chongxue's clone slowly pulled out the Hidden Frost Sword that was stabbed into the platform.

Lu Wuzi, who had taken a step forward on the crowded platform earlier, subconsciously took a step back and stood side by side with Yi Jingxu.

Chapter 839: YEET

On the platform in the Ruined Observatory...

Kou Chongxue's clone slowly pulled the Hidden Frost Sword out from the platform.

Li Wuzi and Yi Jingxu felt as though they were about to face a terrifying enemy.

Under the mocking gaze of Kou Chongxue's clone, the world origin that had been gathering beneath the sword erupted.

A mighty pillar of five colored light burst forth from the ground below. Kou Chongxue's clone seemed to become one with the Hidden Frost Sword in the middle of the pillar of light and borrowing its power, he pierced through the void and tore through the Celestial Remains. He disappeared into the sea of stars...

Behind him, the pillar of light followed closely behind. Of course, the clone wasn't the only one to disappear. The Lightning Bird on his shoulder went along with him.

"Spatial tunnel! It's a spatial tunnel leading to another world!" Yi Jingxu understood what happened immediately. There was a trace of fanaticism in his voice and it made him seem a little crazy as he yelled, "Kou Chongxue found another world! There's the Origin Holy Artifact too... Hahaha! I got it! He plotted against all of us and wanted to bring us all over! Hahaha! What a good plan..."

"Well, we can just shatter the spatial tunnel..." Lu Wuzi spoke, but before he could complete his sentence, he felt his body rising into the air.

He tried his best to escape the formless barrier that wrapped around him, but to no avail.

"It's too late!" Yi Jingxu was also rising into the air, but he didn't struggle at all. He chuckled bitterly in response, "It's no use. Kou Chongxue already used the Origin Holy Artifact to send the entirety of the Celestial Remains into the spatial tunnel. It's a pity we realized too late!"

"What's the point of doing something like that?!" Lu Wuzi also stopped struggling. His instincts told him that continuing to struggle would place him in a dangerous situation.

"Yeah... That's what I wanna know too..." Yi Jingxu muttered.

By then, he discovered that the world origin that was pouring out from the platform under them had already formed a massive vortex.

Lu Wuzi, who was beside him, along with the members of the Northern Sea Mystic Sect, Heavenly Star Palace, and Changbai Holy Land, were spinning around the vortex as they slid into the center.

Even though the vortex didn't seem like it was expanding, there was no doubt about it. It was swallowing the space contained in the Celestial Remains.

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When the hill Chu Jia was on crumbled, so did everything in its surroundings. The space that surrounded it was no longer stable, and chaotic streams would appear from time to time.

Han Mo trapped Liu Qinglan earlier as he wanted to use her life to threaten Dou Zhong to hand the bronze book over.

Helpless, Dou Zhong could only make Han Mo swear that he would release Liu Qinglan before handing it over.

Realizing that he could control the entire situation, Han Mo decided to release the suppression around Liu Qinglan. [1]

After Liu Qinglan regrouped with Dou Zhong, Chu Jia, and the others, Dou Zhong tossed the book towards Han Mo. He also indicated to everyone else that the moment the other party showed signs of going back on his word, they were to use Shang Xia's Five Element Evasion Talisman to escape.

The second he tossed the book, a giant space vortex appeared around them.

It sucked away the book the moment it appeared, towards the center of the vortex.

With a cold snort, Han Mo raced for the book that was flying away from him. However, his expression changed the next second. He no longer cared about the book that he was close enough to touch, and he released his fate dippers in an attempt to run from the vortex.

Unfortunately, he soon discovered something that nearly caused him to break down and cry. He was trying to fly away from the vortex, but the space around him was being pulled back continuously. He was unable to control his body as he was dragged back into it.

The 6 Martial Extermination Realm experts from the Tongyou Institution had been dragged over way before him, along with the bronze book.

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The spatial vortex that formed could be seen by everyone in the Celestial Remains. No matter where it was, everyone felt the space around them being swallowed up before a region of chaos remained.

In the platform in the forbidden region containing the Stellar Cauldron, the vortex grew larger with the continuous infusion of world origin.

Pang Jingyun, Jiu Qi, and the others had long since been dragged in as well. That included other experts who merely came over to investigate what was happening. Not a single one of them could escape!

Perhaps it was due to their overwhelming strength, but Huang Jinghan and the others weren't completely swallowed by the spatial vortex. However, they were unable to fully escape from its attraction and they merely spun around the Stellar Cauldron.

"Kou Chongxue, where the hell are you sending us?!"

"Brother Kou, since we can't fight back anymore, why don't you come out and meet us anyway? All of us are filled with doubts we would like to discuss with you!"

"Kou Chongxue, are you working with those from the foreign world?! Are you planning to betray our Azure Ascension World? Have you chosen to forsake the Tongyou Institution you spent tens of years on?"

"..."

No matter how hard they screamed, no reply came from the cauldron. Instead, the world origin stream coming from inside the cauldron just grew stronger.

"Kou Chongxue, we can only blame ourselves for falling for your schemes today! Right now, More than half the Martial Dipper Realm experts in our Azure Ascension World are in the Celestial Remains! The moment we disappear, do you think the Spirit Abundance World won't discover what happened?! Once they launch a second attack, our Azure Ascension World will definitely fall!"

Huang Jinghan and Jiu Du stared at Yifeng who just spoke with incredulous expressions. They didn't think that the crazy fellow would actually say something that made so much sense.

Yifeng continued, "This daddy here doesn't really care what you're thinking about, but you should know that if our Azure Ascension World no longer exists, everything you're planning to do will fall through!"

"Are you done?" An annoyed voice came from inside the cauldron. Finally, they received their first reaction!

As they continued to spin around the Origin Holy Artifact, they discovered that they were getting closer and closer to it.

The illusory clone who ran into the cauldron earlier finally returned, and he looked a lot better. He was no longer see-through, and he grunted, "Fuck, you're noisy as hell. Are you going to shut up?"

"Brother Kou, no... Our esteemed Patriarch Koyu, what the hell are you really up to?!" Huang Jinghan was the first to speak now that the clone had appeared.

With a smirk, Kou Chongxue's clone started bullshitting immediately. "Oh... As you can see, I'm opening up a spatial tunnel to send all of you into another world for a nice holiday!"

"What kind of world is it? How did you find it?" Jiu Du asked.

Under such circumstances, Jiu Du wasn't afraid that Kou Chongxue was lying. After all, there was nothing anyone could do anymore and all they wanted was to gain more information from him.

With a soft chuckle, Kou Chongxue explained, "Relax. I won't send you guys into a Spirit World. Otherwise, what's the point? As for how I found this world... I wasn't the one who found it. Instead, the position of the other world had been locked on to by the Star Observatory contained in the Celestial Remains. Now, I'm just borrowing the power of the Origin Holy Artifact to send all of you there."

"You're actually insane!" Yifeng cried all of a sudden. However, for him to say something like that wasn't actually too convincing.

Huang Jinghan stared at Yifeng with a raised eyebrow before he continued, "If we attempt the transfer to another world, there is no way the space contained in the Celestial Remains can withstand the pressure. If the spatial tunnel crumbles along the way, how many people do you think will die?"

Kou Chongxue's clone didn't lose his smile as he explained, "Brother Huang, why do you think the Celestial Remains weakened so suddenly in recent years?"

Huang Jinghan was shocked, but Jiu Du quickly spoke up, "Did you absorb the spatial origin of the Celestial Remains?!"

Kou Chongxue's clone nodded lightly and resumed his explanation. "Like what you have felt earlier, there's an invisible barrier around you. It can ensure that all of you reach the Beyond Heavens Pavilion of the other world safely."

"Even so, how would we know the strength of experts in the other world?! Do they have existences in the Sixth Order?! Even with so many people, their heavenly screen

isn't for show! It should be enough to stop all of us from entering!" Huang Jinghan voiced his doubts.

Jiu Du added, "Brother Kou, your actions are too reckless. It's still possible for you to stop the spatial transfer right now!"

Shaking his head, Kou Chongxue's clone laughed, "It's not possible to stop the transfer any longer. All of you better start gathering your strength to break a hole in the heavenly screen! Anyway, you won't have to worry that you will be hunted by the experts on the other world. When the time comes, my true body will be on the other side to help break the heavenly screen from the inside."

Yifeng stopped with his strange noises at the side and gasped suddenly, "Wait. Is your true body already in the other world?! Who's in the cauldron?!"

Huang Jinghan and Jiu Du's eyes widened in fright. They seemed to connect the dots as a look of disbelief appeared on their faces.

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When Kou Chongxue used the Origin Holy Artifact to open a spatial tunnel to the other world to send everyone there, the Celestial Remains that existed for god knew how long started to vanish.

As the World Origin Source in the Azure Ascension World had been drained considerably, different types of catastrophes started to wreak havoc on the various continents. The Jiao Continent suffered the most as the Celestial Remains used to be right above it.

Also, with the disappearance of the Celestial Remains, the protection above the Jiao Continent was gone as meteorites slammed into the continent, causing large-scale destruction.

The second the Celestial Remains disappeared, 4 figures that emitted blinding origin light appeared in the Beyond Heavens Pavilion. The light around them was so bright and piercing that no one dared to look at them directly.

"Spatial Transfer?!"

"Kou Chongxue brought a good portion of Martial Dipper Realm experts away from the Azure Ascension World to threaten us! How dare he!"

"Is he staking it all on this? Does he think he will be able to figure a way out of this?"

"If he manages to succeed and returns, have you thought of how we should deal with it?"

"The threat from the Spirit Abundance World will be greatly reduced... Actually, it might be completely dealt with!"

"This matter has already left the scope of anything we can control... He... He's done it..."

"Let's wait and see!"

As sighs rang through the air, the 4 supreme existences who truly stood at the peak of the Azure Ascension World revealed looks of helplessness and a trace of worry.

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Above the Beyond Heavens Pavilion of the Jiao Continent, a massive hole was left in the heavenly screen because of the disappearance of the Celestial Remains. Meteors would shoot into the land from time to time and cause widespread destruction.

However, after the meeting of the Sixth Order Ancestors earlier, the heavenly screen started to repair itself. After some time, the massive hole that was there started to shrink. Even so, it couldnt fully close up.

That was because the presence of a Holy Land or Elysium was needed to cover it up. They were used to patch up weaknesses in the heavenly screen, and it was no different for the Jiao Continent.

Their existence that sealed up the weaknesses of the world was also the reason why the Worlds Will accepted their presence even though it would drain the World Origin Source.

After the disappearance of the Celestial Remains, the heavens above the Jiao Continent would be revealed, and from a certain standpoint, it was a type of opportunity for some.

Unfortunately, the opportunity was sealed off by the Sixth Order existences of the 4 Elysiums the moment it appeared.

The Martial Dipper Realm experts from the various factions came next to inspect what happened in the Beyond Heavens Pavilion above the Jiao Continent.

When they saw that the Celestial Remains had disappeared and the Ruined Observatory was the only thing left. Those who arrived were greatly taken aback.

Many of them tried to take a closer look, but they discovered that there was a strange spatial barrier around the platform. Despite many of them joining hands, they couldnt even cause it to tremble.

Eventually, there were some experts who discovered the abnormality. The experts of the 4 Elysium, didnt come!

Only then did the Martial Dipper Realm experts from the various factions discover what was going on. The Martial Dipper Realm experts from the Elysiusm might not have been able to arrive earlier than them as they were basically of similar cultivation levels. However, for them to already know what had happened and for an indestructible seal around the observatory to be put in place would mean that the Sixth Order Ancestors of their Elysiums had made a move!

Obviously, the Elysiums learned of what happened earlier than the others, including the disappearance of the many Martial Dipper Realm experts. In fact, they might be the ones who caused it!

Rage filled the hearts of many experts who arrived, but after thinking about the strength those Elysiums possessed and the might of an expert in the Sixth Order of the Primary Realm, they could only choose to swallow their rage.

If there was something fortunate about the entire matter, it would be that the 4 Elysiums could no longer sit back and do nothing with so many Martial Dipper Realm experts going missing. They couldnt allow the rest of the Azure Ascension World to break out into a full blown panic either. As such, a Martial Dipper Realm expert from each of the Elysiums finally showed up to explain the situation to the others.

A foreign world?

Spatial transfer?!

Looks like the Elysiums knew about this matter

The seal around the observatory had to be done by them! It has to be the key for the rest to return successfully!

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Even though there were many points that couldnt be properly explained and everyone still had doubts in their minds, there wasnt much they could do about it. Many people wondered why there werent any signs that pointed to it happening or any explanation before. For so many Martial Dipper Realm experts to disappear at once, it seemed like a targeted kidnapping scheme! The strength of the various factions in the Azure Ascension World would be greatly diminished, and there might even be internal conflicts happening in many factions due to the disappearance of their Martial Dipper Realm experts. Because of that, there might even be some powers that might disappear from the face of the earth!

No matter how doubtful they were, with the Sixth Order Ancestors backing up their point, no one dared to challenge their prestige. They could only choose to silently accept the explanation.

There might be certain factors in play, but be it intentionally or intentionally, the Elysiums didnt out Kou Chongxue as the culprit behind the entire matter. The Tongyou Institution seemed to be a part of the victims in the matter.

Even though the Elysiums chose to hide the matter for Kou Chongxue, many higher-ups in the institution had some thoughts as to what was going on.

At the very least, the rumors of Kou Chongxues disappearance and his actually empty cultivation grounds, along with Shang Xias abnormal behavior after breaking through the layers of restrictions to gain access to the forbidden cultivation grounds Oh right, there was also the matter where he prepared so extensively for their journey to the Celestial Remains Everything connected and Shang Bo felt that his suspicions werent unfounded.

After Shang Bo returned to the Tongyou Institution from the Beyond Heavens Pavilion above the Jiao Continent, he quickly relayed everything he saw to Ji Wenlong and he also voiced his suspicions.

The arrangement the Tongyou Institution made in the You Continent didnt seem to change on the surface, but in secret, they recalled a portion of their Martial Extermination Realm experts and any Martial Intent Realm disciple who possessed great potential. They were all deployed back to the Tongyou City.

Fortunately, the situation affected the entire Azure Ascension World. Every single faction was rearranging their forces and consolidating their strength. They locked down the news of whatever happened to the Celestial Remains and their high-level experts, and the 4 Elysiums provided a powerful suppression when it came to any leakage of the news. As such, it didnt cause too much of a stir.

Of course, the disappearance of so many Martial Dipper Realm experts couldnt be hidden for long. With so many hearts wavering, undercurrents reached a torrential state. It wouldnt take long for the Spirit Abundance World to possibly learn about it.

After the disappearance of the Celestial Remains above the Jiao Continent, Shang Xia was conversing with Kou Chongxues Fire Element Fate Dipper Clone in a certain region of space.

This old mans true body already guessed that you would have the ability to use the Origin Holy Artifact. However, he didnt think that you would be able to activate it to such an extent! Hehe I believe the Sixth Order Ancestors of the Elysiums should be pretty confused at the moment

There was a look of schadenfreude on his face as he snickered, Hehe, theyre probably going crazy suspecting everything now. They should be wondering where an existence comparable to my true body popped up from before joining hands with me to make this happen.

Shang Xia was feeling the change in his body after pulling world origin from the Azure Ascension World with the Stellar Cauldron, but he maintained the smile on his face as he replied, Did you not think of what would happen if I wasnt capable enough to do what I just did?

Theres not too much about that. Its just that the spatial tunnel that was created might crumble along the way and wouldnt be able to transport everyone to the Azure Flame World. Kou Chongxues clone mumbled.

Azure Flame World? So, the world were going to is also an Azure World Shang Xia nodded slightly. After a short pause, he continued, What do you mean the spatial tunnel would crumble half way? Wont a lot of people die?

A chuckle left Kou Chongxues clone the next moment. Those over there will probably make a move to save a few of them

Of course, they would only be able to save a portion of those who would fall into the void. Many of them would have their souls and bodies exterminated after being thrown into chaotic space.

Silence descended between them the next second.

Only after some time did Shang Xia break the silence. Your actions would bring the entire Azure Ascension World against us The entire You Continent would be affected, and the Tongyou Institution would become public enemy number 1

Hehe No it wont. The clone looked exceptionally pleased with himself and he continued, Those fellows might even cover up what I did for me!

With a serious look on his face, Shang Xia turned to ask, Is this what Patriarch Kou told you to tell me?

Maintaining the smile on his face, Kou Chongxues clone chuckled, Were really close to the Azure Flame World. You can go ask him yourself.

Staying quiet for some time, Shang Xia eventually shifted the topic. Whats the collective strength of the Azure Flame World like?

How would I know? My true body wouldnt transmit information from the Azure Flame World to me. However The clone released a hoarse laugh before his tone changed again. ... However, if hes

not certain that he can successfully scheme against them, he wont attempt a spatial transfer to send experts over.

In the past, he got an explanation from Chu Jia. Now, he was getting one from Kou Chongxues clone. He seemed to understand the spatial transfer a lot more. If they were only sending a single person over, the process would be much less complicated. All they had to do was to mark out the position of the world in the sea of stars before starting the transfer.

However, what Shang Xia and Kou Chongxue did was completely different. They were sending hundreds of Martial Extermination Realm cultivators and dozens of Martial Dipper Realm experts to a foreign world! Other than the position of the world, it would be best if there was someone there to receive them. If they could create a stable spatial tunnel, they would be able to send a bunch of people accurately to the foreign worlds location.

Shang Xias voice sank, and he muttered with slight disbelief. We are about to be thrown into a proper world here!

Unlike the expedition to the Manyu Continent which was a mere fragment of a Spirit World and on the verge of destruction, they were about to enter a world that was on the same level as their Azure Ascension World!

Nope. Were not just planning to enter another Azure World. Were robbing them! The clone muttered.

It was true that they were both Azure World, but there were still differences between the Azure Ascension World and the Azure Flame World.

The Azure Origin World and the Azure Spiritual World of the past were also Azure Worlds. After their fusion and the infusion of the world origin from the Manyu Continent, they managed to reach a level where they were about to ascend into the realm of a Spirit World.

Azure Ascension It was a name the world had given itself due to its reluctance to fail at the very last moment during the world ascension.

That might also be the reason why Kou Chongxue chose to enter the Azure Flame World after finding it.

Shang Xia might know nothing about it at all, but he was pretty confident that they would be able to infiltrate it easily. Kou Chongxues wasnt a part of his consideration though. After all, the Azure Ascension World was an existence that was at the peak of all Azure Worlds. They were only inferior of Spirit Worlds at their current level!

In one of the ordinary Martial Worlds in the Azure Flame World

The surface world seemed secluded from worldly affairs and was relatively peaceful, but ever since a foreign expert barged into their world years ago, a chain reaction started. It didnt end even till that day.

The foreign expert was extremely powerful and he defeated countless famous experts in the Azure Flame World the moment he arrived. After he was done, he barged into the world.

Because he was ostracized by the Worlds Will, his strength had been greatly restrained. Many experts of the Azure Flame World worked together to defeat him, but he still managed to get away in the end.

The factions of the Azure Flame World tried to form teams to hunt him down, but the foreign expert seemed to have learned his lesson. He wouldnt meet more than 2 native cultivators of the Azure Flame World at any one time, and it was extremely difficult to find his tracks. There were even times when they fell for his schemes.

In recent years, there were at least 3 Martial Sages who had fallen victim to the mysterious and powerful foreign expert. If they counted those who were defeated by him, the number would be in the dozens.

It wasnt as though the peak-tier existences of the Azure Flame World didnt try to communicate with the other party. They tried to eliminate the hostility between both sides, but that was only because they had no other choice. Unfortunately, the foreign expert who arrived seemed to have a strong sense of exclusion when facing the native cultivators of the Azure Flame World and wasnt willing to interact much with them.

Who would have thought that one fine day, fragments of broken land, debris from shattered structures, crumbling mountains, and water that seemed to come from nowhere would appear in the Beyond Heavens Pavilion of the Azure Flame World? They fell from the sea of stars and slammed straight into the Azure Flame World.

The strange happenings immediately alerted the various martial factions of the Azure Flame World, and many Martial Sages appeared in the skies above the Azure Flame World. They tried their best to intercept the threat coming their way. To their surprise, they quickly discovered that there were streaks of light flying their way. They were foreign experts who were charging straight for the Azure Flame World!