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Chapter 911: The Strength of a Sixth Order Pt.4

Xiong Chunyang hadn't personally arrived on the battlefield, but with an attack he sent out, he shattered the rebuilt level of the Divine Capital Pagoda. The situation that finally reversed after they put in so much effort, regressed back to the point where the experts of the Azure Ascension World were barely holding on.

Yang Taihe and Li Jidao were both fighting above the Yong Continent at the moment and since Xiong Chunyang had already attacked Li Jidao, it was very likely he would interfere with the battle between Yang Taihe and his opponent next.

If Shang Xia only revealed his abilities the moment Xiong Chunyang arrived on the battlefield, it would be too late.

Yifeng clearly understood what would happen, and that was why he didn't hesitate to bring Shang Xia into the Elysium to help in the battle.

Kou Chongxue trusted Shang Xia could burst forth with strength in the Martial Void Realm with the Stellar Cauldron, and Shang Xia had a feeling he would succeed. Now, even Yifeng was placing all his hopes on the youngster.

Not caring about what others thought, it was his first time ever trying anything like it. With the situation at hand, the moment he revealed his abilities, everyone from the Spirit Abundance World would learn of him. There would no longer be any chance for him to hide his abilities to catch them off guard! However, if they lost that battle, there was no need to care about anything like that. The Azure Ascension World would be finished and he would most likely be eliminated anyway!

Taking a deep breath, Shang Xia nodded once. He started to circulate his Five Element Dipper Qi to the limit and poured it into the Stellar Cauldron in an unstoppable tide.

Yifeng glanced at the Stellar Cauldron beneath Shang Xia's feet before leaving the Eternal Elysium without looking back.

The exchange between experts in the Martial Void Realm wasn't something anyone could take part in. If Yifeng remained in the Elysium, he might be dragged into the mess.

What was more, Shang Xia had already chosen to help the Eternal Palace. He would be able to obtain the fighting strength of the Martial Void Realm and it might be related to some secret method Kou Chongxue left behind. No matter how crazy Yifeng was, he knew that it would be inappropriate to spy on such things.

However, it wasn't as though he didn't feel anything before he left. World origin from the Eternal Elysium was pulled towards Shang Xia's location and Yifeng couldn't help but feel an ache in his heart.

He's borrowing the power of the Elysium No! He managed to affect the World Origin Source itself!

Yifeng's lips twitched and realized that Shang Xia was drawing upon extraordinary amounts of world origin. Even the world origin the Eternal Palace had been storing for hundreds of years would be affected and in order not to affect his emotions, he decided to leave. After all, what he couldn't see or feel couldn't hurt him!

After leaving the Eternal Elysium, Yifeng thought everything would be fine. However, the next second, he felt as though Shang Xia gained the ability to control the world

As an existence who was second only to Yang Taihe in the Eternal Palace, Yifeng learned about the Martial Void Realm long before Kou Chongxue and Shang Xia. In fact, he might have an even deeper understanding

Looks like we wont be able to hide the plundering of spirituality in the Liang and Shu Continents after this Yifeng muttered to himself. However, he wasnt too concerned as it wasnt time for them to care about such matters. After all, Kou Chongxue had already stepped into the Martial Void Realm and he would definitely learn about it one way or another. There was no need to hide.

It was exactly as Yifeng had expected. The moment Shang Xia started to draw world origin through the Stellar Cauldron, he noticed 3 strong streams coming from the World Origin Source. One came from the Yong Continent, and the others came from the Shu and Liang Continents.

Shang Xia didnt take long to connect the dots. He heard about how the Yuanchen Sect plundered the spirituality of the Jiao Continent in order to create their Elysium, and making the link, the situation with the Divine Capital Sect and the Qing Continent should be similar. From how Yifeng went to the Liang Continent, Shang Xia could guess that the Liang Continent should be where the Eternal Palace had been using He was guessing before, but from the streams of energy, Shang Xia had hard evidence.

However, what was the point even if he learned about it?!

With the calamity they were facing, the Eternal Palace no longer had any plans to hide it!

Is this also because Patriarch Kou advanced to the Martial Void Realm?

Shang Xia had a strange feeling that Kou Chongxues advancement had to do with it. Moreover, Kou Chongxue might have entered the Martial Void Realm differently from the other experts, but that didnt mean that the You Continent wouldnt need an Elysium

For the Tongyou Paradise that barely existed for 20 years to progress into an Elysium, even after the world ascension, they might not be able to fulfill the criteria needed to ascend! They would have to do the same thing and plunder the spirituality from the other continents!

Shang Xias thoughts might be in disarray, but his control of world origin wasnt affected in the slightest.

With the assistance of the Stellar Cauldron, Shang Xia not only gained the strength of an existence in the Martial Void Realm. He was even able to conceal his aura!

Of course, Yang Taihe played a huge part in allowing him to remain hidden.

Even when Shang Xia shifted world origin earlier, he also felt Yang Taihe doing the same. As a Martial Void Realm Ancestor, Yang Taihe could move a lot more world origin than Shang Xia. The process was also a lot more natural for him.

Shockingly enough, Yang Taihe wasnt the only one who pulled world origin from the Yong Continent. Li Jidao was doing the same.

Despite 3 of them drawing world origin at the same time, there were no signs of world origin exhaustion.

With Shang Xia storing up more and more power, Eternal Elysium trembled violently and was also starting to be used up. He seemed to notice something strange as world origin contained in the Eternal Elysium poured into the Starry Cauldron. It was as though a connection had been formed between the Elysium and the Origin Holy Artifact.

Strange fluctuations emerged from the cauldron the next moment as though both sides were interacting with each other.

It didnt take Shang Xia long to guess that the Origin Holy Artifact of the Eternal Elysium had been alerted to their actions.

As the sayings went, Divine Artifacts processed spirituality and Holy Artifacts possessed sentience. Shang Xia couldnt help but wonder what would happen when the Origin Holy Artifacts interacted with each other.

Also, he was curious about the appearance of the Eternal Elysiums Origin Holy Artifact.

What Shang Xia didnt know was that when he started to draw world origin with the Stellar Cauldron and store up his power, Li Jidao who was still fighting out there was extremely shocked!

Shang Xias presence might have been hidden due to Yang Taihes actions, but Yang Taihe was extremely clear about what was happening right behind his true body!

The power of an expert in the Martial Void Realm started to rise rapidly and it didnt seem to stop. There were even times when he thought that Shang Xia was about to lose control of the power he was wielding.

Who would have thought that the youngster before him would possess such amazing tenacity? His cultivation method also seemed really strange as it allowed him to burst forth with greater abilities at the critical moment. Every time Yang Taihe felt the change, he was too shocked for words.

The greater Shang Xia was able to achieve, the more powerful his surprise attack would be. However, the aura Shang Xia possessed was just far too powerful at the moment. Yang Taihe was afraid that if Shang Xia chose to backstab him

In a state of helplessness, Yang Taihe could only risk being discovered by his enemy to address Shang Xia. Young Friend Shang, thats about enough

Huh? Shang Xia snapped to attention with the sudden disturbance. He didnt expect Yang Taihe to speak directly to him in such a respectful tone!

After calming himself, Shang Xia muttered, Ancestor Yang, are you talking to me? The strength of an expert in the Martial Void Realm is unfathomable and Im afraid if I dont store enough strength, I wont be able to help

Yang Taihe responded hastily, No, no Its enough! With your sudden appearance, my opponent will definitely be caught off guard and suffer greatly!

Shang Xia didnt know if he was mistaken, but Yang Taihe seemed a little anxious. It was as though he was also trying to hurry Shang Xia into taking action.

Maybe Maybe the situation out there is getting out of control.

After thinking about it, Shang Xia also realized that he was reaching his limit soon and he muttered, Alright. Ancestor Yang, please tell me when is the best time to attack.

Which part of combat are you the most confident in? Yang Taihe asked.

After thinking for a second, Shang Xia muttered, I should be able to use my divine weapon with the strength of a Martial Void Realm expert and restrain the opponent for a short time

Huh? Yang Taihe was pleasantly surprised. He couldn't hide the joy he felt but he muttered in a low voice, Are you sure? How long can you stop him?

Yang Taihe seemed to understand that his reaction seemed a little too intense and would put unwanted pressure on the youngster before him and he quickly changed his tone. You don't need to be too hard on yourself. If you manage to hold him back for three No, two breaths of time, I will be more than capable of heavily injuring him!

Shang Xia nodded seriously. I will definitely do my best!

Above the heavenly screen, Xiong Chunyang finally made his move as he approached personally. He released an attack through space earlier and immediately placed Li Jidao in a dangerous situation.

He approached the heavenly screen, but he seemed to have placed great emphasis on the battle above the Jiao Continent.

The newly ascended Martial Void Realm expert was enough to make Xiong Chunyang take note of the situation there. If he wasn't mistaken, that person who ascended should be the greatest beneficiary of the world ascension and was the greatest obstacle to their invasion.

If he wasn't able to kill that person, when the world fell under his control, he would be a great threat to the Spirit Abundance World.

However, he wasn't dumb. He might have joined the battle, but he didn't throw himself into the battlefield immediately. Instead, he placed several traps in the void around him to prevent Kou Chongxue from escaping in case the Azure Ascension World was actually invaded so that he could weed out troubles by the root.

As Xiong Chunyang placed his backup measures in the void around the Azure Ascension World to get rid of the Martial Void Realm experts it possessed, another frightening change shocked him. The aura of a sixth Martial Void Realm expert appeared!

Chapter 912: The Strength of a Sixth Order Pt. Final!

After Xiong Chunyang approached the heavenly screen, his first target was none other than Kou Chongxue. He was extremely clear about the situation. Kou Chongxue would be a thorn in the Spirit Abundance World's side as long as he lived.

As such, he chose to deal with the newly ascended Martial Void Realm expert in order to rid his world of all troubles. Once he dealt with the problem, the Spirit Abundance World would be able to complete their invasion with no problem at all!

As for the other Martial Void Realm experts in Xiong Chunyang's eyes, they were nothing but a bag of old bones. Even if they were the ones who put up the strongest resistance, they wouldn't amount to much the moment he arrived.

It didn't take long for him to arrive at the heavenly screen above the Jiao Continent. When Kou Chongxue was prepared to fight for his life, a powerful aura emerged from the Yong Continent and shocked everyone who was fighting.

Other than Kou Chongxue, the other Martial Void Realm experts of the Azure Ascension World were fighting with everything they had. They barely managed to force the situation into a stalemate with the assistance of the Worlds Will and their Elysiums!

In fact, for Li Jidao and the others, the strength they could draw upon from their Elysiums provided a much greater boost.

No matter how intense the battle, Yang Taihe didn't move too far away from the heavenly screen above the Yong Continent and he was afraid his connection with his Elysium would be cut off and his strength would suffer greatly.

The Worlds Will assistance was also growing stronger with each passing moment, and the battle between Yang Taihe and Lu Pingyuan was getting more intense. Lu Pingyuan was attempting everything in his power to weaken the connection between his opponent and his Elysium.

During their fight, Yang Taihe would accidentally reveal his flaws which would be quickly taken advantage of. Fortunately, he managed to react in time to cover them up to prevent Lu Pingyuan from capitalizing on it.

Perhaps it was due to his fatigue from fighting such a long battle, or Xiong Chunyang's entry to the battlefield might have something to do with it, but Yang Taihe seemed to falter slightly. He was forced back by Lu Pingyuan, but the direction at which he was retreating seemed a little off.

Lu Pingyuan didn't seem to notice as he continued to fight with all his might. He didn't want to give Yang Taihe a second to catch his breath.

Being driven back repeatedly, Yang Taihe maintained his unwavering attitude and he mocked, Fellow cultivator, you have already used the same move countless times. Both of us are extremely clear about each other's techniques, and you're only using your deeper reserves to force this battle to continue. What's the point of doing so much?

Oh. Is that what you think? Elysium Master Yang, why don't you take a look at what's behind you right now? Lu Pingyuan mocked.

Lu Pingyuan might be accustomed to calling the masters of their Elysiums that way, and from how Yang Taihe entered the Martial Void Realm, he probably became one with it. As such, the naming seemed about right.

Yang Taihe remained expressionless as his divine will swept at the space behind him. He noticed his true body that was greatly distorted and looked to be sliced in half.

You're actually able to disrupt my divine will! Yang Taihe's expression changed as he tried to shift his position.

Finally gaining such a great opportunity, Lu Pingyuan wouldn't allow Yang Taihe to do as he wished. He rushed at his opponent and roared with laughter, Haha! It's too late for you to think of returning now! The time to sever the connection with your Elysium has come!

After he spoke, he sent three punches at Yang Taihe in succession.

Every time his punch landed, both sides would tremble violently. After the third fist, Yang Taihe spat out a mouthful of blood. However, he quickly stabilized himself and retreated slightly. With his movement, the distance between himself and the Eternal Elysium increased.

Hahaha! Its time for your Azure Ascension World to fall! Lu Pingyuan roared with laughter. He couldnt care about the backlash he suffered from the attacks earlier and he quickly traveled through space to stand between Yang Taihe and the Eternal Elysium. With his presence, he wanted to cut off the connection Yang Taihe had with his Elysium completely!

In his head, Lu Pingyuan had already seen himself shattering a huge part of his opponents combat strength. When that happened, Yang Taihe would certainly suffer heavy injuries and the winds of battle would change!

What Lu Pingyuan didnt realize was that by drawing closer to the Eternal Elysium, he placed himself closer to the heavenly screen and suffered a greater suppression by the Worlds Will. In his state of excitement, he tried to interfere with the connection between Yang Taihe and the Eternal Elysium, and he felt as though Yang Taihe was growing weaker with each passing second.

Who would have thought that Yang Taihe didnt seem shocked by the sudden turn of events. Instead, a crafty smile appeared on his face.

Fuck! Its a trap!

A cold breeze brushed past his neck and his instincts were telling him that he was in grave danger.

Run! I have to run away right now!

Unfortunately, it was too late.

When he tried to sever Yang Taihes connection to the Eternal Elysium, a seemingly uncontrolled power of a Martial Void Realm expert emerged from under him. The next moment, he was swallowed by a sea of five colored lights.

The whole thing was a set up! They have another Martial Void Realm expert hiding in their world!

That was the thought that appeared in Lu Pingyuans mind the moment the five colored light appeared. It was also what everyone fighting above the heavenly screen thought! Of course, Kou Chongxue and those who already knew what Shang Xia was planning to do were exceptions.

Even though the experts fighting everywhere else had time to process what was happening, Lu Pingyuan didnt have such a luxury!

As Shang Xia borrowed the power of the Stellar Cauldron and the world origin he drew from the continents, the Five Element Ring appeared to restrain Lu Pingyuan.

Knowing that nothing good would come out of being trapped, Lu Pingyuan desperately circulated his inner qi. He didnt care what price he had to pay, but he knew he had to struggle free of the restraints!

It was too bad no matter how hard he tried and how much space shattered around him, he wasnt able to escape immediately!

Rousing his inner qi once again, he knew that another attempt would be all he needed to escape, and he wasnt wrong! However, Yang Taihe wouldnt give him the chance to do so!

Reconnecting with the Eternal Elysium, Yang Taihe launched his counterattack. Like how Lu Pingyuan sent out 3 punches earlier, he released 3 palm strikes to return to favor!

When the first palm landed on Lu Pingyuan's body, the five colored light around him shattered. The moment the second palm landed, Lu Pingyuan was no longer trapped by Shang Xias Five Element Dipper Qi because of how fractured space became. Lu Pingyuan was powerless in the face of the continued assault and one of his arms was shattered completely. His foundations were also affected, but that was about the extent of the injuries he sustained before circulating his inner qi once more. Without the restraint around him, he managed to resist the third palm and he was sent flying into the distance.

Spitting out mouthfuls of blood, he managed to regain his footing while tumbling about in space.

A Martial Dipper Realm expert could split off Fate Dipper Clones to take their place in death and were extremely hard to kill. By that logic, Martial Void Realm experts were even more difficult to slay!

It was a shame Yang Taihe was shackled to his Elysium and unable to leave. If he was like Kou Chongxue who could run about with his true body, he would have followed up and attacked the heavily injured Lu Pingyuan. There would be a possibility to kill him if his true body could move about as he wished.

Alas With Yang Taihe's true body unable to leave the Azure Ascension World, he could only watch as Lu Pingyuan made his escape.

Even so, Yang Taihe was sure that the heavily injured Lu Pingyuan would be unable to take part in the battle among Martial Void Realm experts any longer.

In other words, the number of Martial Void Realm experts they had to deal with was reduced by one!

The sudden change in situation not only shocked those from the Spirit Abundance World. The other Martial Void Realm experts from the Azure Ascension World were also surprised by the sudden shift! Of course Kou Chongxue and Yang Taihe were the exceptions as one of them came up with the plan and the other participated in it!

Even though they were merely trying their luck, they didn't think that Shang Xia would be able to cause such a terrifying effect the moment he took part in the battle!

When Yang Taihe sent out his palm strikes earlier, he could feel exactly how powerful Shang Xias control over space was. After all, it withstood 2 strikes before breaking apart! If Lu Pingyuan didn't fight back earlier and cause large-scale disturbances, he might be restricted for a much longer time!

This youngster

A thought flashed through Yang Taihe's mind and he could tell that Shang Xia had already charged out from the Eternal Elysium. He didn't hesitate to sever his connection to the Eternal Elysium and the continents he had been drawing power from as soon as he emerged.

This youngster Is he afraid that Ill be wary of him and kill him by trapping him in the Eternal Elysium?

Yang Taihe's lips twitched uncontrollably and he eventually forced a smile. Little friend, you don't have to worry. He suffered heavy injuries from my strikes and he has already left! I can't even feel traces of him at the moment!

Shang Xia coughed dryly. Junior never doubted Senior Yang's strength. However, the situation over at Patriarch Kou's side is a little dire. I can only trouble Ancestor Yang to help him out a little!

Yang Taihe nodded and chuckled in response, Of course. We have to be united against our enemies. It's just Cough Cough, cough!

Shang Xia saw Yang Taihe turning pale as the aura around him started to weaken. He couldn't help but worry. Senior

Waving his hand, Yang Taihe muttered, It's alright. I just suffered some minor injuries. I'll head over right now. It's just

Pausing for a second, he turned to the other direction and sighed, Li Jidao of the Divine Capital Sect is still here and I hope you can stay for the time being to assist him if things go wrong. After all, you need to look at the bigger picture.

Shang Xia smiled in response. Of course. Senior Yang, please rest assured. I know what I need to do.

Chapter 913: Spirit Luxuriant World

Strictly speaking, the Divine Capital Sect was closer to the You Continent.

If Shang Xia headed south the moment he left the You Continent, he would pass through the Divine Capital City. He could easily help Li Jidao catch his opponent off guard and deal him a fatal blow.

However, Shang Xia chose to travel through the Bing Continent to bypass the Divine Capital Sect completely to arrive at the Eternal Palace.

Kou Chongxue's request was one of the reasons Shang Xia chose to help the Eternal Palace, but there were other reasons behind his choice. One of them was the fact that Yang Taihe was doing much better when fighting his opponent and had a higher chance of victory, but the other was the fact that the Divine Capital Sect was just too damn close to the You Continent!

Yang Taihe naturally knew the reasons behind Shang Xia's actions, but it was just like he said. Taking care of the bigger picture was something all of them had to do when up against an opponent like the Spirit Abundance World. Shang Xia couldn't possibly act with hostility towards the experts of the Divine Capital Sect at such a time!

However, there was always something he could do about it. As long as he didn't cause any negative impact to the Azure Ascension World, he could choose to do whatever he liked even if it meant providing less help to the Divine Capital Sect.

Bidding farewell to Yang Taihe, Shang Xia turned to enter the other battlefield where Li Jidao and Zhao Wuhen were stuck in an intense battle. Yang Taihe started to head in the other direction to reach where Liu Jingsheng and Kou Chongxue were fighting the 2nd/3rd tier Martial Void Realm Dugu Yuanshan and Xiong Chunyang!

Despite not breaking through to the second tier of the Martial Void Realm, Yang Taihe had countless years of accumulations under his belt. It might not be an exaggeration to say that he reached the

peak of the first tier of the Martial Void Realm and with the assistance of the Worlds Will, he had combat strength comparable to a second tier Martial Void Realm expert.

It didnt matter if they were talking about the strength he possessed or the intricacies of his techniques They far surpassed Liu Jingsheng and Kou Chongxue.

Even though they were far from gaining the upper hand in the battle against Dugu Yuanshan and Xiong Chunyang, they were able to avoid being beaten down badly. They managed to force the battle to a stalemate as they awaited the full transformation of the Azure Ascension World.

Earlier, Yang Taihe attempted to make his way to the battlefield, but he didnt appear directly in the Jiao Continent. He stopped at the Shu Continent as that was how far he could go while drawing on the strength of the Eternal Elysium.

After all, a portion of the world origin the Eternal Elysium drew on came from the Liang and Shu Continents.

As such, Yang Taihe would only be able to maintain his peak combat strength by remaining in the region.

Lu Pingyuans escape wasnt just outside the expectations of everyone present, but it greatly disrupted Xiong Chunyangs plans.

Xiong Chunyang was more than confident of defeating Yang Taihe, Kou Chongxue, and Liu Jingsheng when he was working with Dugu Yuanshan, but defeating them wasnt the problem at the moment! He was racing against the clock as he had to defeat them before the Worlds Will got too strong!

Xiong Chunyang spoke all of a sudden. Brother Chong Xu, Lady Jiang How long are you guys going to mess about?! Are you guys really not interested in this world? Or perhaps Do you have other intentions?

Even though the distance between the continents was greatly shortened above the heavenly screen, that was relative to the distance on land. At the very least, the battle between Martial Void Realm experts didnt extend over to each other.

Xiong Chunyang barely spoke when a cold snort came from the north. Jiang Guannan growled, Distant Exertion King, you seem to think this is easy! Why dont you come over here and fight Zhang Xuansheng?! We can head over to help Brother Dugu. Maybe, if you came over to help us in the first place, we would have already ended the battle!

She easily dealt with his criticism but her words were like knives that stabbed into Zhao Wuhens heart. His expression sank the very next instant.

The sudden appearance of another expert who had the strength of someone in the Martial Void Realm seemed too damn crude. He didnt know how to properly utilize his power. In their eyes, they thought that he was merely a poser!

The thought flashed through Zhao Wuhens mind as he was fighting Li Jidao, but the next second, Shang Xia drew on all the power he could to release the strongest attack he could muster!

With the sudden movement of world origin, Zhao Wuhen discovered the abnormality with Shang Xia. As it turned out, he was right!

It was a shame Lu Pingyuan was sent off the battlefield with the opponents tricky acts!

Zhao Wuhen knew that the odds were stacked against him and wanted to retreat for a moment. However, Li Jidao seemed to have locked on to his aura and there was no way for him to avoid what was coming from both Li Jidao and Shang Xia.

Martial Void Realm experts might be able to draw on the power of divine artifacts or other treasures to strengthen their combat strength, but most of the time, their battles would involve a contest of their techniques and their understanding of cultivation.

Even though Li Jidao stabbed towards Zhao Wuhen with his short swords, everyone was eventually swallowed by a wave of inner qi.

At the same time, Shang Xias divine will also appeared in the mix.

Shang Xia wasnt messing about when he released his attack earlier. After all, he gave it everything he had with the assistance of the Stellar Cauldron and his own divine weapon! Giving it his all, his move was thrown into the battle between the true Martial Void Realm experts. When it arrived, he realized that it was true. He had the power of a Martial Void Realm expert, but he didnt know how to use it!

Shang Xia was helpless, but he couldnt do anything about it. He wasnt a true Martial Void Realm expert at the end of the day. Strictly speaking, he hadnt even reached the large completion stage of the Martial Dipper Realm! When Kou Chongxue borrowed the power of the Stellar Cauldron initially, he had his martial intents at the very least! Shang Xia hadnt fully comprehended any of them!

Well, whatever the case, Shang Xias involvement managed to mess with the opponent slightly. Shang Xia chuckled bitterly to himself.

The next moment, the outcome of the exchange was decided. Li Jidao was forced back into the Divine Capital Elysium, but Zhao Wuhen failed to gain an advantage after that. He even used up a huge amount of inner qi during the process and tumbled backwards through space. When he passed the You Continent, he was nearly heavily injured by the sudden appearance of Kou Chongxue! If not for the fact that Xiong Chunyang interfered, Kou Chongxue might have succeeded.

Zhao Wuhen eventually met up with Dugu Yuanshan and Xiong Chunyang. Too bad for him, he exhausted too much of his energy. He lost 40 percent of his combat abilities. He might be doing a lot better than Lu Pingyuan who was heavily injured, but he was still a burden to the third tier Martial Void Realm experts. After all, Dugu Yuanshan and Xiong Chunyang would have to protect him if any attacks came his way.

Shang Xia might have successfully carried out 2 assists, but there was no way he was dumb enough to go anywhere near the Jiao Continent. He flew about the surrounding continents to poke those fighting in there.

The entire time, Shang Xia split off a portion of his divine will to pay attention to the Divine Capital Elysium in the distance.

Finally, the decisive change happened. The heavenly screen started to transform before expanding rapidly. It was no longer as weak as before, and it seemed several times stronger!

A soft white glow enveloped the heavenly screen as dense world origin emerged from the void. Shang Xia barely took a breath when he felt a good portion of his inner qi recovering. Feeling the power coursing through him, he discovered he became 30 percent stronger than before!

That could only mean one thing. Excitement filled his heart as the pressure that had been building inside him finally eased up. He felt a huge load being taken off him and he even felt like screaming in joy.

Before he could say anything, a boundless will descended. A void that could only be heard and understood by the members of the once Azure Ascension World rang in their minds.

Spirit Luxuriant World!

Chapter 914: Target: Dugu Yuanshan

“Spirit Luxuriant World!”

The moment the name rang in their minds, Shang Xia once again felt the blessing of the World’s Will on him.

This time, the world origin didn’t just target an individual or any singular group. Instead, every single person in the Azure Ascension World... No. Everyone in the Spirit Luxuriant World felt the blessing on them! From cultivators to ordinary mortals, no one was an exception!

The most obvious change was how the cultivators of the Spirit Luxuriant World fighting above the heavenly screen restored their inner qi and returned to their peak state.

If they were to add the assistance of the world and the extra boost some experts received from their Holy Lands or Elysiums, they would be able to fight against 2 experts of the same level with no problems!

That was what was happening in the space around the Spirit Luxuriant World, and Shang Xia didn’t remain idle either! He planned to use the chance to refine his last set of fate dipper essence.

Li Jidao, who was sent flying back into the Divine Capital Elysium during the exchange with Zhao Wuhen earlier, emerged once again. Shang Xia thought that he would have suffered heavy injuries, but Li Jidao actually managed to recover so quickly! He didn’t seem much weaker than before he was struck by Zhao Wuhen.

The World’s Will blessing clearly allowed him to recover with extreme speed. Even though he wasn’t able to restore his combat abilities to his peak state, but it was good enough to maintain his current state! He was much stronger than Zhao Wuhen who needed Xiong Chunyang and Dugu Yuanshan’s help from time to time!

As soon as Li Jidao emerged from the Divine Capital Elysium, he didn’t dally too much. He merely shot Shang Xia a quick glance before heading down south. He passed through the Yong and Jing Continents to arrive somewhere close to the Jiao Continent to take part in the battle between Martial Void Realm experts!

Li Jidao, who was borrowing the world origin from the Yong, Bing and Qing Continents, was greatly weakened when he headed over to fight. His combat abilities were significantly reduced. He was a lot weaker than Yang Taihe who wasn’t too far away above the Shu Continent.

Like Yang Taihe, Li Jidao didn’t join the battle directly. He merely provided support at the side.

With 4 Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World acting together, the Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Abundance World were starting to lose their ground. The situation that had changed several times over tilted to the other side once again!

Shang Xia, who was refining his fate dipper essences with the blessing of the World's Will, was rudely awakened when he recalled Kou Chongxue's reminder.

Under such circumstances, it wasn't time for him to focus on cultivation! At the very least, not in front of so many people!

Actually, Shang Xia benefited greatly from the transformation of the Azure Ascension World to the Spirit Luxuriant World. He was able to develop his rank five arts to an extremely high level that bordered on perfection.

At his current level, Shang Xia didn't need to care about the type of fate dipper essence or its Yin Yang alignment. As long as he refined any sort of fate dipper essence, he would be able to transform it into whatever he wished!

After killing so many experts from the Spirit Abundance World, Shang Xia had gathered more than enough fate dipper essences! That was also why Shang Xia thought of refining his last set of fate dipper essences the moment the World's Will blessing descended. He wanted to push himself into the large completion stage of the Martial Dipper Realm! In fact, that was what his instincts were telling him to do.

Fortunately, Kou Chongxue noticed something strange about Shang Xia and sent a voice transmission over to snap him out of it.

Shang Xia also recalled that his cultivation had been increasing too quickly and his control of his Five Element Dipper Qi wasn't as refined as before. That was why his instincts could sway his state of mind.

Quickly adjusting his condition, Shang Xia gave up his plan to refine his last set of fate dipper essences. He also prepared to involve himself in the battle happening over the Jiao Continent.

The World's Will blessing wouldn't just disappear the next second and there was no actual need for Shang Xia to be in such a rush to refine his fate dippers.

Shang Xia hurriedly left the Yong Continent after reaching his conclusion and headed south to the borders of the Jiao Continent.

The route he took was clearly different from Li Jidao. First, he passed the Jing Continent before turning to the Yu Continent. Finally, he entered the Beyond Heavens Pavilion of the Yang Continent and chose to widen the distance between himself and Li Jidao before preparing to join the chaos.

Shang Xia's actions made it too damn obvious. The only thing he didn't do was openly state how he didn't trust Li Jidao at that point. Earlier, Li Jidao didn't bother reminding him about his strange state when he passed by and if they didn't look too deep into it, they could say that Li Jidao didn't wish to disrupt Shang Xia's cultivation. He could also argue that with Shang Xia's current strength where he possessed power comparable to a Martial Void Realm expert, there was no need for Li Jidao to call him out in terms of cultivation.

However, that wasn't actually the case. Li Jidao didn't bother reminding him about his current situation. If he tried to refine his fate dipper essences and was interrupted by an expert from the

Spirit Abundance World, injuries would be the least of his problems. He might even experience cultivation deviation and die!

Whatever it was, Shang Xia was still a Martial Dipper Realm expert at the end of the day. If he was caught off guard, there were many people who could still kill him!

Li Jidao clearly understood what was going on. He might not have attacked Shang Xia directly, but he didn't bother reminding the youngster either. Instead, he allowed Shang Xia to be swayed by his instincts! He clearly harbored bad intentions.

One had to know that Shang Xia just helped him to gain the upper hand over Zhao Wuhen after considering the general situation!

With Li Jidao making it so obvious, Shang Xia had to raise his guard as well. It was especially so when they had completely turned the tides of battle with the Spirit Luxuriant World completely taking shape!

Arriving at the border of the Jiao Continent, Shang Xia didn't recklessly enter the battle where 7 Martial Void Realm experts were fighting. Instead, he started to store energy within the Stellar Cauldron.

With the experience of working with Yang Taihe and Li Jidao to injure their opponents, Shang Xia gained an elementary understanding of the strength he wielded.

He knew that he wouldn't be useless in a battle of such proportions, but he needed to store enough power to even disrupt an expert in the second tier of the Martial Void Realm.

Other than that, Shang Xia also noticed that his divine will became countless times stronger than before. Even with the battlefield in such chaos, he was still able to accurately detect the positions of the 3 Martial Void Realm experts from the Spirit Abundance World!

An idea formed in his mind. He had a feeling he would be able to use his Five Element Dipper Qi that was strengthened by the Stellar Cauldron to lock on to and restrain the person he chose!

As for the Martial Void Realm expert he could choose... It had to be Zhao Wuhen who had been greatly weakened and was far weaker than the other 2!

Shang Xia started to store his energy in the Stellar Cauldron while tracking Zhao Wuhen with his divine will.

Very quickly, Shang Xia noticed what was going on. Because of Zhao Wuhen's drop in abilities, Xiong Chunyang and Dugu Yuanshan were supporting him every time they had excess energy.

Facing 4 Martial Void Realm experts from the Spirit Luxuriant World, Zhao Wuhen was naturally their target of attacks since he was the weakest link!

Shang Xia's presence at the border of the battlefield couldn't be hidden from any of them. The Martial Void Realm experts from the Spirit Abundance World felt his presence the moment he arrived, and for him to not attack immediately, even a fool could tell he was storing his power. The moment he made his move, he would definitely target Zhao Wuhen.

As such, Dugu Yuanshan and Xiong Chunyang were making preparations to stop Shang Xia. Even Zhao Wuhen knew that Shang Xia was most likely gunning for him.

Since that was the case, they would just play along with it and turn the situation around.

Huang Yu's words rang in his mind the next second. *"If you get the chance to kill or heavily injure any Martial Void Realm expert of the Spirit Abundance World, you have to target Dugu Yuanshan!"*

The only problem with that was... Dugu Yuanshan was a third tier Martial Void Realm expert! He was one of the strongest experts the Spirit Abundance World sent over and even if he was caught off guard, Shang Xia wasn't confident he could restrain the other party.

Wouldn't he be a little out of his league if he went for Dugu Yuanshan?

Shang Xia hesitated slightly when Kou Chongxue's voice rang in his mind. "What do you plan to do?"

The experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World also noticed Shang Xia's hesitation and felt that he was up to something strange.

"Disciple is thinking of whether I have the ability to trap Dugu Yuanshan for a moment!" Shang Xia didn't hesitate to share with Kou Chongxue what he was thinking.

The reason they would attempt to restrain an expert of the Spirit Abundance World would be to heavily injure or kill him! The moment that happened, the attempt to invade the Spirit Luxuriant World would fail completely. As such, all of them needed to work together to catch the best opportunity to deal the decisive blow.

Kou Chongxue didn't respond to Shang Xia's decision immediately. Instead, he asked a question of his own. "When the person fighting Yang Taihe was heavily injured, was it because you restrained his movements?"

"Yes."

"Alright, there should be no problem then! We'll target Dugu Yuanshan!" Kou Chongxue spoke decisively.

Chapter 915: Suppressing Dugu Yuanshan

Kou Chongxue didn't question Shang Xia's decision to target Dugu Yuanshan and not the weaker Zhao Wuhen. Instead, he asked about the strength of the restraint Shang Xia could use. After receiving confirmation, he chose to target Dugu Yuanshan as per Shang Xia's idea.

Shang Xia didn't think that Kou Chongxue would be so confident he would be able to trap Dugu Yuanshan. Whatever it was, he stored enough energy in the Stellar Cauldron and had to release it soon.

With the world origin from the newly transformed Spirit Luxuriant World, Shang Xia reached the limit of what he could store a long time ago. He didn't hesitate to pour all the energy contained within into his Five Element Ring before tossing it at Dugu Yuanshan!

A thought flashed through Shang Xia's mind. He seemed to understand why Kou Chongxue agreed to allow him to target Dugu Yuanshan. However, all his attention was placed onto the Five Element Ring at the moment and he couldn't think about much else.

As the Five Element Ring flew through the air, it ignored the spatial fluctuations all around while emitting a tail of five colored lights. It swept through every resistance in its path as it approached the battlefield.

The Five Element Ring seemed to fumble slightly as its target didn't seem fixed, but a divine will suddenly swept past Zhao Wuhen's surroundings.

With Dugu Yuanshan and Xiong Chunyang realizing that Shang Xia had made his move, they also noticed that the five colored light seemed extremely similar to what trapped Lu Pingyuan back then and caused him to suffer heavy injuries, They immediately flew over to protect Zhao Wuhen, their weakest link!

Who would have thought that the Five Element Ring would make a strange shift in space before soaring towards Dugu Yuanshan?"

No one expected their target to be Dugu Yuanshan!

Facing the sudden change in situation, not only did Dugu Yuanshan not panic, instead, a sneer appeared on his face.

As someone who entered the third tier of the Martial Void Realm, Dugu Yuanshan was also one of the strongest experts in the Spirit Abundance World. For them to use him as a method to break out of their desperate situation wasn't just humiliating for him! They clearly didn't know what was good for them!

Being an expert who had years of accumulations in the Martial Void Realm, Dugu Yuanshan wouldn't be dumb enough to let his guard down during a battle like that. He could feel that the Five Element Ring wasn't enough to injure him, but he still roused the Void Qi in his body to scatter the incoming five colored light.

The next second, a strange feeling formed in his heart. Just as he was about to make his move, Kou Chongxue, who had been suppressed by him the entire time, released a powerful sword qi! It quickly shaved away a good portion of the energy he had been circulating!

Liu Jingsheng, who was fighting alongside Kou Chongxue, also chose him as a target. Pulling energy from his Xiangyang Elysium, he threw everything he had in Dugu Yuanshan's direction. The spatial fluctuations that were starting to form around Dugu Yuanshan to scatter the five colored light were quickly quelled.

Yang Taihe intensified his assault on Xiong Chunyang at the same time. He was so engrossed in the battle that he nearly left the border of the Shu Continent.

On the other side, Li Jidao was still hesitant when he saw Yang Taihe risking it all to hold his opponent back. Finally circulating his inner qi to the limit, he also went all out.

With the time they bought, Shang Xia's Five Element Ring arrived above Dugu Yuanshan's head.

"Hmph!" He might not have intercepted it, but their cultivation level was just too far apart. With a soft snort, he decided to focus on dealing with Kou Chongxue and Liu Jingsheng.

With the transformation complete and the Spirit Luxuriant World taking shape, the Martial Void Realm experts there gained greater strength from the assistance of the world.

The experts of the Spirit Abundance World were also suppressed greatly, and they became weaker than before.

Otherwise, there would be no way for Kou Chongxue who just entered the Martial Void Realm to put any pressure on the third tier Martial Void Realm Dugu Yuanshan! Even with his amazing sword art, the difference in pure cultivation was just too large!

The next moment, the Five Element Ring started to spin around his head and a massive palm that shone with five colors emerged.

What useless tricks!

Dugu Yuanshan thought to himself. Earlier, he had seen the palm, and from what he felt, there was no chance he would be threatened by it.

He became even more disinterested in the Five Element Palm and he created a strange spatial screen above him.

The moment the spatial screen was complete, it was shattered by the giant five colored palm!

“What?!” Dugu Yuanshan was greatly taken aback. When he raised his head to take a look, he felt that the spatial screen he created had long since been corroded by the five colored light that made up the giant palm.

He even felt as though he had been trapped in a separate space as the palm continued to call.

That wasn't all. When he felt the space around him being separated, the heavenly screen beneath his feet pulled upwards at a rapid pace. It was as though he would be dragged into the Spirit Luxuriant World the next moment!

“We can't let them succeed!”

Finally, Dugu Yuanshan no longer treated Shang Xia as a useless addition to the battle. Understanding that he had fallen into their trap, he started to struggle desperately. The Five Element Space that barely trapped him started to shatter.

Shang Xia's Five Element Dipper Qi could create a region of separate space and with the assistance of his Five Element Ring, he would be able to trap experts of the same level. He might have done it to Lu Pingyuan, but he wasn't confident at all now that his target was Dugu Yuanshan.

Fortunately, Yang Taihe wasn't the only one assisting him at the moment.

The second his restraint was formed, Liu Jingsheng soared towards Dugu Yuanshan with all his might. He also opened the heavenly screen beneath his feet.

Liu Jidao, who was fighting Xiong Chunyang at the moment, turned back that very moment and sent a palm strike towards Dugu Yuanshan who was struggling free.

With the assistance of the Spirit Luxuriant World and the Divine Capital Elysium, Li Jidao's abilities were raised to the second tier of the Martial Void Realm. In fact, it was very close to the peak of the second tier Martial Void Realm. Dugu Yuanshan wouldn't treat an attack like that lightly and he had to resist!

Because of that, not only did he fail to struggle free from the assault. He was even forced deeper into the Spirit Luxuriant World.

“Oh no!” Xiong Chunyang roared when he saw what happened to Dugu Yuanshan. Unfortunately, he was stopped by Li Jidao and Yang Taihe.

As he fought both of them, his attacks were so powerful they forced Li Jidao and Yang Taihe into some sort of stalemate. The Eternal Elysium that appeared earlier, along with the Divine Capital Pagoda, started to turn illusory.

If the Martial Void Realm experts from both factions could return to take a look, they would notice that the space it contained not only shrank at a rapid pace, there were also massive storms kicked up within.

In order to suppress Xiong Chunyang, Yang Taihe and Li Jidao had to endure enormous pressure. They drew so much power from their Elysiums that they were damaged!

With their hard work, Xiong Chunyang was unable to provide support for Dugu Yuanshan.

Who would have thought that Zhao Wuhen would interfere at the very last second? All of them were so caught up in fighting the 2 strongest experts sent by the Spirit Abundance World that they forgot about him!

No matter how much weaker he became, he was still a powerful expert in the Martial Void Realm. At the very least, he was much stronger than Shang Xia, a fake.

Stretching out both his hands, he ripped the void before him and grabbed Dugu Yuanshan’s soldiers before ‘dragging’ him out of the Spirit Luxuriant World.

The Five Element Ring that was hovering above Dugu Yuanshan’s head came into contact with Zhao Wuhen’s hand when that happened.

“Buzz...” Shang Xia’s Five Element Ring started to tremble violently as the Five Element Dipper Qi it contained emerged and formed the Reversed Five Element Ring! They managed to work in unison to stop Zhao Wuhen from pulling Dugu Yuanshan away!

Of course, stopping a Martial Void Realm expert came at a price. Shang Xia spat out a mouthful of blood in the distance as the Five Element Ring suffered some damage.

Whatever it was, he managed to stop Zhao Wuhen from saving his comrade!

The next moment, Kou Chongxue, who had also been preparing to launch a decisive strike, slashed at Dugu Yuanshan!

Unable to struggle free from the Spirit Luxuriant World, Dugu Yuanshan released a long sigh. He brought out his divine weapon which was the massive mountain-like structure and raised it to defend himself.

Clang!

A loud blast rang through the skies as a silver mark was forcefully carved into Dugu Yuanshan’s weapon.

Under the weapon, Dugu Yuanshan, who had half his body poking out from the heavenly screen, was smacked down like a nail. With Kou Chongxue's sword strike, he was forcefully pushed into the Spirit Luxuriant World.

If Dugu Yuanshan was suppressed when he was already above the heavenly screen, the moment he passed through, the suppression could possibly double!

The deeper he went into the Spirit Luxuriant World, the suppression would only increase! In fact, Dugu Yuanshan barely had 60 percent of his fighting strength after he was forced into the world!

The Azure Ascension World was far from comparable to the Spirit Luxuriant World. The pressure it could place on Dugu Yuanshan was far stronger than before.

It didn't matter if it was Kou Chongxue, Liu Jingsheng, or the Martial Void Realm experts from the Spirit Luxuriant World. All of them understood that even if they forced Dugu Yuanshan into the world, killing him would be insanely difficult.

However, the other party had already fallen into their trap. With Dugu Yuanshan trapped in the Spirit Luxuriant World, he couldn't do shit and could only be suppressed by the rest.

Of course, it wasn't as though they didn't pay a price to force Dugu Yuanshan into the Spirit Luxuriant World...

When Shang Xia looked down, the entire Jiao Continent was in tatters. It was most likely going to be destroyed even further, and when that happens, it might not even be comparable to the You Continent of the past.

Chapter 916: Bye Bye, Dugu Yuanshan!

As expected, after Dugu Yuanshan was forced into the Spirit Luxuriant World, the aura he emitted fell drastically. Even though his cultivation seemed to be maintained at the third tier of the Martial Void Realm, his actual strength was anything but. He couldn't even gain the advantage when fighting against the combined forces of Kou Chongxue, Liu Jingsheng, and Shang Xia.

Well... At the moment, Shang Xia didn't seem too impressive. Instead, his presence was a little redundant. When he stopped Zhao Wuhen from saving Dugu Yuanshan earlier, he suffered serious injuries from the backlash after his Five Element Ring was damaged.

As they were currently fighting over the Jiao Continent... Liu Jingsheng was able to draw a large amount of world origin as the Xiangyang Elysium ascended by drawing on the spirituality of the Jiao Continent...

The advantages Liu Jingsheng had were clear!

On the other hand, Kou Chongxue might not be able to draw on the power of an Elysium, but since he wasn't restricted to one, he was able to draw on the world origin of the Spirit Luxuriant World no matter where he was.

As they joined hands, they were able to suppress Dugu Yuanshan as they forced him deeper and deeper into the Spirit Luxuriant World. The closer they got to the surface, the stronger the suppression on Dugu Yuanshan. However, the damage they would cause to the world grew proportionately.

As they fought, mountains collapsed and the earth split open. Massive patches of land crumbled and sank into the ocean while other chunks turned into islands that drifted about. A third of the Jiao Continent had been completely destroyed by then, and before the Spirit Luxuriant World could restore the Jiao Continent, the battle between the 3 Martial Void Realm experts tore the Jiao Continent into shreds.

“If this keeps us, even if we win, the Jiao Continent will cease to exist!” Liu Jingsheng roared. Unlike Kou Chongxue who wasn’t restrained by an Elysium and which continents it was connected to, Liu Jingsheng was a lot more concerned.

If the Jiao Continent was destroyed, the Xiangyang Elysium’s foundations would be greatly affected and so would Liu Jingsheng’s strength.

A frown formed on Kou Chongxue’s face. Clearly, Liu Jingsheng was starting to develop selfish thoughts now that the battle had tilted in their favor and his performance would decline greatly.

The next second, a beam of light tore through the skies above them and entered the battlefield where the 3 Martial Void Realm experts were. A light flashed in Kou Chongxue’s eyes as it flew straight at him before appearing above him.

The next moment, he grew stronger once again. A part of the reason was because they were fighting above the Jiao Continent, but the main reason was because his Stellar Cauldron had returned!

Shang Xia flew over to the borders of the Jiao Continent earlier, but due to his injuries, he wouldn’t be of much help at the moment. As such, he sent the Stellar Cauldron back to its original owner!

The Stellar Cauldron was the Origin Holy Artifact that was born from the Jiao Continent in the first place, and it remained in the Celestial Remains above the Jiao Continent for a long time. It proved to be of great help when world origin was drawn from the Jiao Continent, and sending it back to Kou Chongxue at the moment was like adding wings to a tiger!

With the Stellar Cauldron hovering above them all, Kou Chongxue remained above Dugu Yuanshan as he continued to suppress the other party.

Liu Jingsheng might be having second thoughts, but he didn’t give up on the offensive completely. As they worked together to suppress Dugu Yuanshan, they couldn’t be bothered about anything else.

Just like that, a mighty third tier Martial Void Realm expert from the Spirit Abundance World was forced into a disadvantage by 2 newly ascended Martial Void Realm experts and a Holy Artifact!

During the entire process, Zhao Wuhen and Xiong Chunyang didn’t stop trying to save him. Unfortunately for them, Yang Taihe and Li Jidao were determined to stop them. They went all out against the 2 Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Abundance World, and since Xiong Chunyang and Zhao Wuhen weren’t going to step through the heavenly screen due to the powerful suppression, their rescue attempts were useless!

As the Spirit Luxuriant World had completely taken shape and provided massive support when it came to suppressing Dugu Yuanshan, Kou Chongxue and Liu Jingsheng had one thought left and that was how they would get rid of him!

... Their battle might destroy a good portion of the Jiao Continent and might end tens of millions of lives, but they had to take him down!

Shang Xia left the Jiao Continent after returning the Stellar Cauldron to Kou Chongxue, and from the looks of things, the invasion had basically failed.

Near the border of the Jiao Continent, Shang Xia watched the intense battle between the Martial Void Realm experts and realized they were getting closer and closer. He also saw the destruction they were causing and the number of lives they eradicated.

Staring at the skies above the Jiao Continent, Shang Xia seemed a little unsure of his decision, but he eventually released a long sigh. Turning into a streak of five colored light, he flew back up into the skies above the Jiao Continent.

He quickly arrived close to Kou Chongxue, and even though they had been forcing Dugu Yuanshan closer to the surface of the world, they were still pretty high up in the skies. Shang Xia could feel the fragile space around him and after looking around, he noticed the opening of the Stellar Cauldron.

Because of how much world origin was drawing from the Jiao Continent, there was a massive barrier stopping Dugu Yuanshan from escaping. That barrier was also the reason Shang Xia could get close to them.

After several short conversations with Kou Chongxue, Shang Xia turned into a streak of five colored light and flew into the cauldron.

Earlier, Kou Chongxue needed to split off a portion of his consciousness to control the cauldron. With Shang Xia entering the cauldron, a drastic change happened. World origin that was gathered and used in whatever form seemed to come alive. It started to ripple as the barrier that was stopping Dugu Yuanshan from escaping became several times stronger. The suppression on Dugu Yuanshan even showed signs of strengthening!

Beneath the Stellar Cauldron, Kou Chongxue and Liu Jingsheng were slowly gaining the upper hand.

“Your disciple is truly impressive... He is able to control the power befitting of the Martial Void Realm even though he is only using dipper qi. I believe it’s not something he is able to do just because he had the Origin Holy Artifact, right?” Liu Jingsheng muttered. Shang Xia’s entry to the Stellar Cauldron naturally couldn’t escape Liu Jingsheng’s observations.

Shaking his head, Kou Chongxue chuckled, “I’m afraid you won’t believe me if I tell you that he came up with his path of cultivation on his own... Even I have no idea how special his inner qi is!”

“He actually opened up his own path!” Liu Jingsheng was clearly taken aback. However, he didn’t continue asking about it.

After all, borrowing the power contained within the Origin Holy Artifact to launch attacks that possess the power of a Martial Void Realm expert was a different concept to what he was doing at the moment! With his dipper qi, he was controlling world origin at a level that could hold back a Martial Void Realm expert!

Comparing them, borrowing the power of the Stellar Cauldron was him acting like a dam that stored up all the power needed before creating an opening to unleash it. Now, he was controlling the flow of water itself!

Strictly speaking, Shang Xia himself might not know the difference at his current level. His act of stopping Zhao Wuhen from rescuing Dugu Yuanshan earlier was him borrowing the power of the Stellar Cauldron. Restraining Lu Pingyuan and Dugu Yuanshan actually belonged to the second category!

As Shang Xia continued to control world origin from inside the Stellar Cauldron, a barrier was slowly formed around the Martial Void Realm experts that isolated them from the rest of the Jiao Continent. Not only did the suppression of Dugu Yuanshan increase, but the shockwaves of their fight were greatly weakened when it propagated around.

Shang Xia's main goal was to protect the Jiao Continent to the best of his abilities. By doing so, he would have saved the lives of countless living creatures!

His actions were quickly noticed by Kou Chongxue and Liu Jingsheng, and without the threat of the Jiao Continent being destroyed, nothing held Liu Jingsheng back anymore. He started to increase the intensity of his attacks and so did Kou Chongxue.

Rumble...

Naturally, Shang Xia could only do so much. Even with his protection, he could only stop the shockwaves from destroying the rest of the Jiao Continent. The central region, where the battle was taking place, suffered irreversible damage. Swathes of land crumbled and sank into the ocean below. The disturbance could be noticed by those outside the Jiao Continent and earthquakes could be felt on the continents that surrounded it.

With the massive impact to the central region of the Jiao Continent, many other regions started to experience some sort of natural disaster despite Shang Xia's best attempts at reducing the impact of the battle. The intense battle also caused every living creature in the Jiao Continent to feel a sense of lingering fear.

Because of everything that happened, living creatures were fleeing the Jiao Continent as long as they had the ability to move.

When Shang Xia entered the Stellar Cauldron, his initial plan was to end the battle as quickly as possible and to protect as much of the Jiao Continent as he could. However, now that he entered, there was no need for him to hold back. With the sheer amount of world origin, he would be doing a disservice to himself if he didn't absorb any. He started to suck in world origin to recover from the injuries he sustained earlier when stopping Zhao Wuhen.

What he didn't realize was that after entering the Stellar Cauldron, he would remain inside for 3 whole years!

His main task during his time in the cauldron was to draw on world origin to suppress Dugu Yuanshan and to prevent him from escaping. However, he only learned that they had defeated him some time ago and were actually using the world origin to slowly wear down his life force before eventually sealing him away!

He learned from Kou Chongxue that after an expert cleaved out their Void Origin, they were extremely hard to kill!

Naturally, controlling world origin to support Kou Chongxue wasn't the only thing Shang Xia had been doing. He not only managed to fully recover, he also managed to stabilize his foundations and refine his last set of fate dipper essences. At long last, he entered the large completion stage of the Five Element Realm!

It was then that the Crimson Soul Tablet which seemed to be sleeping the whole time finally showed signs of reacting!

Chapter 917: Face-off and Negotiations

When Kou Chongxue and Liu Jingsheng once again returned to the space above the heavenly screen, they noticed Xiong Chunyang retreating while covering Zhao Wuhen.

Jiang Guannan and Chong Xu who were fighting on the other side of the world, also seemed to receive the news as they no longer bothered with Zhang Xuansheng. They started to take their leave.

There was no question about it. Dugu Yuanshan had completely disappeared into the Spirit Luxuriant World now that the 2 had reappeared. It didn't matter if he was dead or alive. All that mattered was that the invasion had failed completely!

It didn't matter what methods Kou Chongxue and Liu Jingsheng used, but since they could make Dugu Yuanshan disappear, that would mean that the Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Abundance World who were still present might suffer the same fate.

Even though those from the Spirit Abundance World still had the ability to put up a fight, there was no point in doing so any longer.

As the 4 Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Abundance World gathered in the depths of space after retreating, the 5 Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World also gathered together. Both sides stared at each other across space.

"I can't believe this... We actually failed!" Xiong Chunyang chuckled bitterly while shaking his head. Even though they were separated by an enormous distance, they seemed to be able to communicate as though they were standing in front of each other. "Looks like I will have to congratulate all of you. You managed to defend your world during its ascension... I believe you will receive yet another blessing from your world..."

The experts of the Spirit Abundance World revealed complicated looks as traces of loss and envy flashed across their faces at the same time.

If their invasion succeeded, they would be the ones receiving the benefits. After the Spirit Abundance World fully digested them, there would be hopes of advancing into an even stronger world! When that happened, they would be the ones to be blessed by their world! Even if they weren't able to ascend, they would still receive substantial benefits.

Alas... They might have possessed an advantage when they first arrived, but everything went to shits. They even lost a mighty being at the third tier of the Martial Void Realm!

The loss of an expert at his level would affect the growth and overall strength of their world! In fact, the stability of the Spirit Abundance World might take a huge hit!

Well... As for Lu Pingyuan, he was heavily injured, but he managed to get away. He hasn't fallen, and after lying low for some time in his Heaven and Earth Villa, he would recover. The only problem was... He wasn't the only Martial Void Realm expert in the Heaven and Earth Villa!

After thinking about it, the atmosphere between the 4 Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Abundance World became a little strange.

Speaking of having more than 1 Martial Void Realm expert, that was a luxury the Solitary Peak Heavenly Lake didn't have! As one of the 9 great powers of the Spirit Abundance World, their only Martial Void Realm expert was gone!

The Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World didn't know what they were thinking about, but they exchanged a glance before Yang Taihe spoke. "What's the matter? Now that you can't beat us, you're playing the nice guy with your congratulations? Are you planning to change your approach to how you're treating us?"

Xiong Chunyang chuckled in response. "There's no need for such enmity. After all, the exchange between us was inevitable. It's the survival of the fittest and now that the battle has ended, there's nothing stopping experts at our level from interacting with each other."

Shaking his head, Yang Taihe muttered, "Please excuse our pettiness for not being able to forgive your transgressions. After all, experts from your world entered our world and slaughtered our disciples mercilessly! Because of you, the spirituality of the various continents was affected. About our grudge..."

"Sigh... You guys truly belong to a young world..." Xiong Chunyang interrupted Yang Taihe before he could finish. A casual laugh soon escaped his lips. "It's not like you guys will remain idle after the ascension of your world. Heh, when you guys assaulted a weaker world, didn't you do the same? You might not have destroyed them completely to fuse their world with your own, but I'm sure killing was commonplace. Don't act all high and mighty in front of me. What are you going to do in the future? Are you going to remain the way you are and never grow stronger? Either you grow stronger, or you'll be eliminated. There's no other way about it." [1]

The Martial Void realm experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World fell silent.

When they invaded the Manyu Continent in the past, the Barbaric World was already coming to the end of its lifespan and obtaining their world origin was something that was a massive free for all. None of them gave two shits about the survival about the aboriginals there.

When Kou Chongxue led the experts of the then Azure Ascension World to the Azure Flame World to plunder world origin, they did their fair share of killings. They might be thinking about the survival of their world and might have left the Azure Flame World intact, but that didn't change the fact that they did exactly what the experts of the Spirit Abundance World did.

During the battle earlier, there were countless deaths. Everything was inevitable!

Seeing as the Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World hadn't replied, Xiong Chunyang muttered softly, "Since you guys seem to get it now, let's put down our enmity for the moment. I hope you will release the experts of our world and prevent your newly ascended world from suffering too much damage."

"Impossible!" Yang Taihe didn't need to say anything when Zhang Xuansheng roared. "Our Spirit Luxuriant World isn't a place where you can come and go as you please! Since you took the risk of invading us, you'll have to pay the price of your failure!"

Zhang Xuansheng's blood boiled as he voiced his rejection. The other Martial Void Realm experts around him were in perfect agreement even though they hadn't said anything. It was true that they were thinking too simply about invading other worlds back then, but it was true that every failure had its corresponding price.

The smile on Xiong Chunyang's face disappeared and he spoke seriously. "Everyone, the reason we stopped is not because we can't fight any longer. We just see no purpose in doing so. If you are truly planning to move against cultivators with weaker cultivation, looks like I will have to display my might and accompany you for a few more rounds!"

After Dugu Yuanshan's disappearance and Lu Pingyuan's escape, it was true that the Martial Void Realm experts from the Spirit Abundance World no longer had the ability to invade. However, that didn't mean they could stay there and fight the 5 Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World for fun. After all, it wasn't as though the experts from the Spirit Luxuriant World could do anything to them if they didn't enter the heavenly screen.

Simply put, the experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World were only able to fight their opponents because of the assistance of the World's Will. They were far from comparable when it came to one on one battles.

If the fight really continued, the other side would just be fighting outside the heavenly screen and retreating at will just to fuck with them. The experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World would be the ones who would be disgusted by the drawn-out battles.

"Heh, so what if we continue fighting? Since we're trapped here anyway, you can accompany us and help us hone our abilities!" Yang Taihe snorted suddenly.

It was true that the Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World would be disgusted by their act, but that didn't mean that they couldn't disgust their opponents by being annoying.

One had to say that Yang Taihe's idea posed a massive headache for those of the Spirit Abundance World.

It was true that the experts of the Spirit Abundance World could come up with countless ways to mess with them, but that didn't mean that the experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World couldn't cook up similar ways to retaliate. Moreover, they weren't pushovers anymore and the pressure on the experts of the Spirit Abundance World was huge.

Actually, even if they had to suffer as many losses as they did, if the Spirit Abundance World was able to swallow the newly ascended Spirit Luxuriant World, they would be able to quickly regain their strength. Who would have thought that they would fail in such a spectacular fashion?

To Xiong Chunyang and the rest, the most important thing they had to do was to cut their losses. They had to bring back as many Martial Dipper Realm experts as they could!

Finally, Xiong Chunyang broke the silence. “Fine. Since that’s the case, all of us Martial Void Realm experts shall not take part in this. Everyone else can fight for all we care and they’ll rely on themselves to escape. How about it?”

Chapter 918: Five Element Annihilation Yin-Yang Ring

Above the heavenly screen, the Martial Void Realm experts on both sides reached an agreement. The Martial Void Realm experts of both sides wouldn’t interfere with the escape attempts of those from the Spirit Abundance World.

However, there was another point in their agreement. Zhang Xuansheng and the others only gave the Martial Dipper Realm experts of the Spirit Abundance World half a day to run. After all, they couldn’t allow the spatial tunnel to remain for too long.

The Spirit Abundance World was a world several times stronger than the current Spirit Luxuriant World at the end of the day. Not only do they possess some level of inheritance for the Martial Void Realm, but the number of experts at that level far outnumbered that of the Spirit Luxuriant World. It was extremely possible for them to send another powerful expert over!

The experts of the Spirit Abundance World tried to fight for more time as the spatial tunnel outside the heavenly screen was finding it hard to keep up with the experts who had already gathered there. When the experts of the Spirit Abundance World charged out of the Spirit Luxuriant World, things would only become more crowded.

Unfortunately, there was no more room for compromise. They would rather continue fighting than allow the spatial tunnel to exist for a longer period of time.

Finally, Xiong Chunyang and the others could only agree to the terms. That meant that any Martial Dipper Realm expert of the Spirit Abundance World who failed to escape within half a day would be forsaken!

Since their negotiations were done, the Martial Void Realm experts on both sides started to disappear. They hid themselves from view, but from the powerful auras around, it wasn’t hard to understand that they were watching each other closely.

Hiding in their respective Elysiums, the Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World, with the exception of Kou Chongxue, experienced strong fluctuations in the aura they emitted.

They were using the blessing of the world to further improve their cultivation.

As for the reason behind Kou Chongxue’s lack of response to the blessing... He already used up most of its effects to enter the Martial Void Realm!

After his experience, he achieved a state of sudden enlightenment. The ascension of a world truly had the ability to allow one to further comprehend the dao and lengthen their path of cultivation!

The road of cultivation could be said to be split into 2 different paths. The first was for generations upon generations of cultivators to continue building on and improving the way of cultivation. They would use their hard work to pave out a complete method to advance. The second was through the

assistance of the world. With the second method, the experts who stood at the peak of the world would be able to see the path ahead and gain the qualification to take another step forward.

Assistance of the world came in many forms, and one would usually take a long time to comprehend anything that would lead to an improvement. They could also hope for some special opportunity for enlightenment to descend, but that wasn't a reliable method. The best way would be to assist the world in its advancement, like what Kou Chongxue and the rest did.

With that method, Kou Chongxue could be said to be the greatest beneficiary of the World's Will blessing.

During the world ascension, Kou Chongxue managed to comprehend the secrets of entering the Martial Void Realm and in the future, he might be able to come up with a part of the advancement formula for those wanting to step into the same level. Even though he might not be able to come up with the complete advancement formula, it was much better than nothing. Compared to the other Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World, he definitely gained the most!

Yang Taihe and Li Jidao, who had been stuck in the first tier of the Martial Void Realm for an unknown amount of time, might be able to improve once again to reach the second tier after receiving the blessing from the World's Will... Zhang Xuansheng, who just stepped into the second tier might also gain enough for him to solidify his foundations and grow a lot stronger. No matter what, Zhang Xuansheng would still be the strongest expert in the Spirit Luxuriant World for the foreseeable future. Liu Jingsheng entered the Martial Void Realm too recently and wouldn't be able to reach the second tier. However, his improvement would definitely be significant. He might even be able to peer into the next level if he was fortunate enough.

All 4 of them might have gained a lot, but when compared to Kou Chongxue's method of ascension, they might as well not bring it up!

They only managed to push themselves into the Martial Void Realm with the help of their Elysiums, and they didn't take the right path!

If there weren't anything special that happened, it was likely they wouldn't be able to take another step forward in their path of cultivation. Even with the blessing from the World's Will, they would at most be able to take a tiny step forward.

Due to the limited abilities of the strength of their Elysium, their presence alone would greatly limit the future of their disciples. Kou Chongxue was a completely different case. Even though he helmed the Tongyou Institution and rose much later than them, he would be able to improve the advancement formula as he grew stronger and produce Martial Void Realm experts in the future. In the future, they would greatly surpass the 4 Elysiums!

Of course, with the strength Kou Chongxue obtained, even if the other Martial Void Realm Ancestors were unhappy about it, they couldn't do shit!

It wasn't as though they didn't try to look for other methods of entering the Martial Void Realm for the future of their sects, but even if they drew on the experience of those who advanced with the 'correct' method, it would most likely lead back to Kou Chongxue and the Tongyou Institution.

Actually, as a powerful Martial Void Realm expert from the Spirit Abundance World, Dugu Yuanshan most likely also had a way to advance. However, it wasn't quite possible for them to ask

him about it after what they had done. During the process of suppressing him, they could only continuously observe the way he circulated his inner qi and hoped to gain some inspiration.

Dugu Yuanshan might have been suppressed by Kou Chongxue and Liu Jingsheng while assisted by Shang Xia, but everyone knew that without some form of help from Zhang Xuansheng and the others, they wouldn't have succeeded so easily.

As such, Kou Chongxue and Liu Jingsheng didn't forget to call the others over to question Dugu Yuanshan now that he was sealed.

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With the Martial Void Realm experts no longer fighting and the Spirit Luxuriant World completely taking shape, the conversation between Yang Taihe and Xiong Chunyang entered the ears of every single expert in the Spirit Luxuriant World.

The moment they heard the news, the Martial Dipper Realm experts of the Spirit Abundance World started to flee with all their might. They attempted to make their way out of the heavenly screen.

In contrast, the experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World seemed to have received a substantial boost in both morale and strength. They started to group together to kill the foreign experts.

To the experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World, every foreign expert was like a moving treasure chest. Even if they were as poor as beggars, the fate dipper essences that could be gathered after they were slain were extremely valuable!

Even though the outcome of the battle was basically set, the situation became even more chaotic.

As the Martial Dipper Realm experts in the rest of the world broke out into chaos, there was only a single peaceful region and that was in the Jiao Continent. Not only was there no Martial Dipper Realm expert from the Spirit Abundance World present, but even the experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World didn't dare to take a single step into that place.

That was because the moment they did, they would feel an immense pressure pressing down on them. They would find it hard to breathe as their inner qi would be greatly restrained. It was a feeling that could only be felt when one met an expert who was far stronger than them present.

Other than the Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World, what no one else knew was that there was actually 1 Martial Dipper Realm expert still within the borders of the Jiao Continent.

Shang Xia, who still remained in the Stellar Cauldron, wasn't actually paying attention to Dugu Yuanshan who had been sealed beneath the earth. Instead, his attention was on the Crimson Soul Tablet that was filled with writings once again.

Martial Intent: Five Element Annihilation Yin Yang Ring...

Chapter 919: Twin Void Marsh, Five Peaks Ridge, Millstone Mountain, Three Footed Peak

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Time passed in the blink of an eye and the Spirit Abundance World's invasion ended more than 3 years ago.

Since the time the world started its ascension, many things have changed. Even though the 'Jiao Continent' was referred to by the same name, it was far from what it was...

Due to the battle between the 3 Martial Void Realm experts, the Jiao Continent had been torn to shreds.

In the time that passed, the world gradually recovered and if they only considered the surface area of the Jiao Continent, it was much larger than right after the invasion. Unfortunately, the intense energy fluctuations and chaos made it a place not many people would want to hang around in.

The terrifying aura surrounding the continent was starting to weaken as time passed, and there were people who were returning gradually. It was especially so for weaker experts as they couldn't feel the frightening energy in the air.

The energy that was contained in the Jiao Continent was extremely interesting considering the fact that only experts in the Martial Extermination Realm or above could feel its presence. It didn't affect the lives of anything under the Martial Intent Realm at all...

Due to the strange properties of the energy shrouding the region, many strong experts found it a challenge to enter. They used all sorts of methods to enter the Jiao Continent. Risking their lives, they wanted to get to the bottom of the strange energy it contained.

The more the terrifying energy weakened, the more people set their sights on a massive marsh contained inside the Jiao Continent. Many explorers who ventured into the Jiao Continent in the past called it the Twin Void Marsh. No one knew where the name came from, much less the reason behind it.

A year after the experts of the Spirit Abundance World left, the marsh was discovered. Back then, no one had the guts to step foot into it.

With the exception of the dangers that could be seen on land with the massive craters and giant abyss carved into the earth where lower-leveled cultivators might fall and die, there were regions of twisted space and spatial cracks that would catch one off guard. If someone ran into a region like that, their bodies would be torn to shreds before they knew what was happening.

Of course, there were some cultivators who were as lucky as they were ballsy. They managed to find an opportunity in the marsh and their cultivation soared. Another layer of mysteriousness was added to the Twin Void Marsh just like that.

2 years after the experts from the Spirit Abundance World left, Martial Intent Realm experts started to venture into the Twin Void Marsh and there were even Martial Extermination Realm experts who sealed their cultivation in order to explore the region.

3000 miles away from the core region of the Twin Void Marsh stood a strange mountain ridge... It was 50 or so miles across, and the mountain peaks across the ridge were weirdly around the same height. The ridge looked like 5 massive pillars that stabbed deep into the ground, and there was a massive mountain in the middle of the 5 pillars that stood taller than any of the other 5. The entire ridge was eventually given the name 'Five Peaks Ridge'.

If anyone stood at the bottom and looked up, they would realize that the middle peak looked strangely like a circular pillar that was split into 2 different levels. There was a clear distinction

between each level and it greatly resembled a grindstone. It was eventually given the name of Millstone Mountain.

As the Five Peaks Ridge and the Millstone Mountain were massive, one would be able to see it the moment they stepped into the Twin Void Marsh.

3 years after the experts from the Spirit Abundance World left, cultivators finally made their way to the top of Millstone Mountain.

At the very top lay a flat region where 3 strange Greenstone hills met. They were called the Three Footed Peak by those who discovered it. The terrifying energy that shrouded the Jiao Continent was starting to fade and even Martial Extermination Realm experts were able to travel through the Jiao Continent without the strong feeling of oppression. They were the ones who arrived at the top to discover the Three Footed Peak.

When they tried to climb it, not a single expert at their level could do it. They couldn't even climb 3 feet up the Three Footed Peak!

By then, those with better senses could guess that the Three Footed Peak wasn't actually uninhabited. They also discovered that in the years that passed, not a single expert from the important Holy Lands, Elysiums, and the Tongyou Institution could be seen in the region.

Those who could think of something like that started to feel an urge to leave. They might not be planning to leave the Jiao Continent completely, but they were sure as hell not going to remain anywhere near the ridge.

There might be people who had guesses as to what was going on, but that didn't stop the Three Footed Peak to continue attracting people. As news of the Three Footed Peak started to spread, there were even more experts who came to try their luck. There were even rumors going around that the Three Footed Peak possessed a massive opportunity for those who could climb it. It was said that anyone who managed to lay claim to that opportunity would be able to step into the Martial Dipper Realm easily. In fact, there were even legends going about that one could enter the Martial Void Realm if they successfully climbed it!

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Shang Xia, who had been in seclusion for 3 years, finally opened his eyes and awakened from his deep slumber.

"I thought that it was over after they suppressed Dugu Yuanshan... They threw me the task of continuing to seal him here... Motherf... 3 more years passed and the more I think about it, the more I feel like I've been scammed by Patriarch Kou and Liu Jingsheng!"

"The Divine Soul of a Martial Void Realm wouldn't be exterminated so easily! It has only been 3 years, but all my attention was placed on grinding it down while keeping him sealed! Whatever... It looks like a success anyway." Shang Xia mumbled to himself as he got to his feet in the Stellar Cauldron. He released his aura as a massive gong filled the cauldron. Intense shockwaves started to fill the space contained within as

the earth around the cauldron started to rumble. It brought about loud cries from outside.

“What?!” A trace of confusion flashed across Shang Xia’s face as he quickly extended his divine will. He quickly discovered what had happened.

“This... Twin Void Marsh?! Five Peaks Ridge?! Millstone Mountain?! Three Footed Peak...” Rubbing his chin slowly, Shang Xia mumbled to himself, “Interesting... Looks like they’re taking this as a land of opportunity...”

Chapter 920: Grand Completion Stage of the Five Element Realm

Strictly speaking, the Twin Void Marsh had already become the land of opportunities in the Jiao Continent. To cultivators in the early stages of the Martial Extermination Realm and below, it was truly somewhere they could change their destiny.

Due to the battle between the Martial Void Realm experts and the fact that Dugu Yuanshan had been sealed, a portion of world origin lingered in the Jiao Continent. With Shang Xia’s Five Element Dipper Qi and the Stellar Cauldron, along with the remnant Void Qi left behind, a bunch of strange and precious resources were born in the Twin Void Marsh.

In the 3 years that passed, Shang Xia maintained his position to strengthen the seal on Dugu Yuanshan, but during his time, the 5 Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World would come from time to time. They wanted to learn more about the Spirit Abundance World from him and things related to cultivation in the Martial Void Realm.

Because of his role, and Kou Chongxue’s presence, Shang Xia managed to benefit from their conversations.

By the time Dugu Yuanshan had been sealed, he had long since been heavily injured by Kou Chongxue and Liu Jingsheng. However, the Martial Void Realm Ancestors of the Spirit Luxuriant World were afraid that he would recover his strength while being sealed and other than questioning him, they would strengthen the seal to prevent him from trying to escape.

If not for the fact that the Spirit Luxuriant World had already consolidated its foundations and the 5 Martial Void Realm Ancestors had too many things to take care of, they wouldn’t actually leave Shang Xia alone to take care of the sealed Dugu Yuanshan.

Even with the combined might of the Martial Void Realm Ancestors and the Stellar Cauldron, Shang Xia took 3 whole years in order to fully exterminate Dugu Yuanshan’s Divine Soul and integrate his void origin into the World Origin Source that was connected to the Jiao Continent. One could see how tenacious the life of a Martial Void Realm expert was.

After devouring the void origin of a third tier Martial Void Realm expert, the Jiao Continent received a huge boost to its greatly damaged self. In fact, it might have grown even stronger than before the battle happened.

Shang Xia might have used 3 years to grind Dugu Yuanshan’s soul down, but that didn’t mean that he didn’t gain any benefits from it. He managed to consolidate his foundations after refining his tenth set of fate dipper essences and gained a lot more...

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When he entered the large completion stage of the Five Element Realm in the past, he experienced a complete transformation. The changes didn't just allow him to increase his combat power by several percentage points. Instead, it allowed him to become at least twice as strong!

One had to know that even when Shang Xia refined 90 fate dipper essences back then for a total of nine sets, he had yet to produce a single fate dipper. Speaking in terms of cultivation realms in the Spirit Luxuriant World, he was barely at the first element of the Martial Dipper Realm.

Even earlier, when he refined his seventh set of fate dipper essences back in the Azure Flame World, his combat abilities were comparable to Yifeng, Lu Wuzi, and experts at their level. After his eighth set, he was confident he could win against them in a one on one battle. When he returned to the then Azure Ascension World to face off against the invading Spirit Abundance World, he completed the refinement of his ninth set of fate dipper essence and could change the outcome of a battle between Martial Void Realm experts with the assistance of the Stellar Cauldron...

However, everything that happened and the extent of his strength was within acceptable range to other cultivators.

The same couldn't be said when he completed the refinement of his tenth set of fate dipper essence. In terms of cultivation realms in the Spirit Luxuriant World, it could be said that he jumped from the first element of the Martial Dipper Realm to the fifth element, but his true strength reached a terrifying level. In fact, if he wanted to stop Kou Chongxue's sword strike he unleashed after reaching the grand completion stage of the Martial Dipper Realm, it wouldn't be too difficult.

That was Kou Chongxue they were talking about! Shang Xia was only at the large completion stage of the Five Element Realm! He hadn't touched on the grand completion stage when he just completed the refinement of his tenth set of fate dipper essence during the drawn-out battle with Dugu Yuanshan!

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In the years that he used to exterminate Dugu Yuanshan's soul, consolidating his foundations was far from his greatest gain. Instead, he managed to fully comprehend his martial intent to step into the grand completion stage of the Five Element Realm!

Back when they sealed Dugu Yuanshan, the Crimson Soul Tablet in his mind finally reacted.

Due to the massive amounts of world origin Kou Chongxue and Liu Jingsheng drew during their battle, a lot remained in the Jiao Continent even after the battle. With the reawakening of the tablet, Shang Xia drew on the world origin that was left in order to complete the deduction of his rank five martial intent!

Actually, he already had a pretty good idea of what his fifth martial intent should be after his rank five arts reached his current level. After all, he managed to develop his Five Element Seal well...

Using the Crimson Soul Tablet was just a way to confirm his deduction and to ensure his martial intent was perfect.

With the infusion of world origin from the Spirit Luxuriant World, words quickly appeared on the different faces of the Crimson Soul Tablet.

Five Element Realm, Grand Martial Intent: Five Element Annihilation Yin Yang Ring

Prerequisite Secret Arts: Five Element Art

Prerequisite Martial Arts: Five Element Seal

Essential Medium: A strand of World Spirituality

Essential Secret Art: Five Element Void Art

Ability: Eradicate the power of another world

Martial Intent Evaluation: Leave nothing behind!

Shang Xia couldn't help but feel like everything was too coincidental when he saw the rank five martial intent that had been deduced by the Crimson Soul Tablet.

Eventually, he realized that it wasn't a coincidence as much as it was the most suitable method of cultivation for him. Back when he was stationed there to grind away Dugu Yuanshan's soul, he didn't object as it allowed him to properly comprehend his martial intent. After all, destroying Dugu Yuanshan's soul was pretty much eradicating the power of another world...

Kou Chongxue might be curious, but since Shang Xia's actions concerned his path of cultivation, he saw no reason to stand in the youngster's way.

Without a doubt, Shang Xia's martial intent was related to his divine weapon, the Five Element Ring. However, after he fully comprehended his martial intent, he might no longer need his weapon to unleash it.

Throughout the process, Shang Xia's comprehension of his Five Element Art had already reached an extremely high level. Even though there was still room for improvement, it wouldn't affect his comprehension of his martial intent.

As for the World Spirituality that was an essential medium... Shang Xia wasn't lacking in any of them. It didn't matter if it was the world origin he plundered from the Azure Flame World or the blessing of the world after he assisted its ascension or after he protected it from being invaded... He had plenty of World Spirituality.

The only thing that was new was the Five Element Void Art. Like his Lightning Collection Blood Art, Man and Heaven Synergy Chapter, or the Four Seasons Samsara Soul Locking Talismans he required to comprehend his past martial intents, it was something he was seeing now that the Crimson Soul Tablet had completed its deduction. Moreover, it wasn't as though he didn't touch on it at all.

From his Five Element Space to the Five Element Teleportation Talisman, and even the various formations that required the power of the five elements... Everything could be said to be a part of his Five Element Void Art!

Therefore, comprehending his martial intent didn't prove to be too difficult.

With the Five Element Void Art being the only thing he needed to comprehend, there wasn't too much stopping him from completing his martial intent.

... In the years he spent grinding away at Dugu Yuanshan's soul, he didn't just eradicate a strand of power from another world.

With almost every criterion fulfilled, Shang Xia rapidly comprehended the Five Element Annihilation Yin Yang Ring. Because of that, the destruction of Dugu Yuanshan's soul sped up

drastically. Otherwise, 3 years would be far from enough to get rid of a third tier Martial Void Realm expert like Dugu Yuanshan!

Everything pointed to the sheer power of Shang Xia's Five Element Annihilation Yin Yang Ring. He comprehended his martial intent some time before Dugu Yuanshan's soul was completely eradicated, and in order to test it out, Shang Xia decided to forgo the power of the Stellar Cauldron and stop drawing on the power of the world for the time being. He unleashed his martial intent on Dugu Yuanshan and learned that it could pose a threat to Martial Void Realm experts!

That was something even Kou Chongxue couldn't do when he entered the grand completion stage of the Martial Dipper Realm!

When Shang Xia was thinking back to the gains he made in the 3 years of grinding down Dugu Yuanshan's soul, a massive flying ship appeared above the Twin Void Marsh. It flew straight for the Five Peaks Ridge before landing at the very top of Millstone Mountain.

Releasing his divine will, Shang Xia was shocked to discover several familiar faces disembarking the ship.