

## The Heavens 931

### Chapter 931: Improving Again

Other than the 22 sheets of rank five talisman paper Ren Huan had given him, Shang Xia had 3 more in his stash. It was something he obtained after killing so many experts from the Spirit Abundance World.

With a total of 25 rank five talisman papers, Shang Xia was finally able to act like a prodigal Talisman Master after reaching the fifth rank...

In the past, his success rate of crafting rank five talismans was in the 30 to 40 percent range. However, his cultivation improved a lot since then and he received tons of inheritances from the Azure Flame World and Spirit Abundance World. His skills improved once again and with so many rank five talisman papers, it was his best chance to craft talismans and learn how much he progressed.

Of the rank five talisman inheritances Shang Xia had, he was best at crafting Abyssal Emptiness Talismans, Substitution Talismans, and Teleportation Talismans. All of them were talisman inheritances he provided to the institution.

After his adventures and many battles, he managed to obtain the inheritances of 3 other rank five talismans. They were the Illusion Talisman, the Concealment Talisman, and the Lava Eruption Talisman.

The Illusion Talisman came from Huang Yu, and it was what he used to pretend to be a third element Martial Dipper Realm expert. Its effects could work on any expert in the Martial Dipper Realm and below and they could hide their cultivation realms as whatever they want.

When Huang Yu used it back then, his fellow companions didn't suspect a thing. Even Martial Void Realm experts couldn't discover anything off about him if they didn't inspect him carefully! It was clear that the talisman was really amazing.

As for the Concealment Talisman, Shang Xia obtained it after killing a Martial Dipper Realm expert from the Spirit Abundance World. He could use it to hide in the void and erase all traces of himself. Even with his powerful divine will, he couldn't sense the person who used it. One had to know that Shang Xia had been strengthening his soul with the Man and Heaven Synergy Chapter since he was in the Triple Command Realm. A treasure that could allow one to avoid being detected by him was definitely not ordinary.

The final Lava Eruption Talisman was the only offensive talisman Shang Xia learned. He obtained it from the Yanlin Clan back in the Azure Flame World, and once it was used, the talisman would transform into a massive river of lava that could harm even Martial Dipper Realm experts.

After evaluation, Shang Xia discovered that it was pretty ordinary in terms of offensive strength. Even though the lava river it summoned was pretty strong, it wouldn't be easy to direct it to harm a Martial Dipper Realm expert.

Using Shang Xia as an example, if someone used the Lava Eruption Talisman on him, not only would it be completely useless, they might even allow Shang Xia to take control of their lava river.

With the exception of newly-ascended Martial Dipper Realm experts, the Lava Eruption Talisman wouldn't be able to really threaten Martial Dipper Realm experts in a head-on battle.

At the very least, Shang Xia felt that the Lava Eruption Talisman was far from comparable to the Illusion Talisman or Concealment Talisman. There wasn't even a need to compare it to the Substitution Talisman or the Teleportation Talisman!

Whatever it was, the Lava Eruption Talisman was still a rank five talisman inheritance. Even though it had limited uses in the hands of Martial Dipper Realm experts, things would be completely different if used against a Martial Extermination Realm cultivator.

In actual combat, cultivators of the same level would rarely use talismans of the same rank to kill their enemies. At best, those talismans would be able to assist them in battle. However, in the hands of lower-leveled cultivators, a talisman like that would probably be able to decide the outcome of any battle!

High-level talismans like those could allow someone to challenge experts who were a little stronger than themselves, and it was what they were normally used for!

After carefully going through every talisman inheritance he knew and adjusting his mental state to its peak, Shang Xia entered his secret chamber and prepared to start crafting talismans.

He had 6 different types of rank four and rank five talisman ink, and there were 25 sheets of rank five talisman papers of different properties. He was using the Purple Bamboo Brush which had reached the level of a high-grade artifact and the White Bone Brush which reached the level of a pseudo-divine artifact after it was repaired with the bones of rank five spiritual beasts.

Lighting a spirit calming incense that was specially produced by the institution to allow one to focus on their task at hand, Shang Xia first picked up the Purple Bamboo Brush. He carefully calculated the spot where he should start. He even calculated the exact strength of his brush stroke. After dipping his brush in some ink and making a few test strokes on a precious ink slab nearby, his brush finally made its first stroke on the talisman paper before him.

He planned to craft an Abyssal Emptiness Talisman, the first rank five talisman inheritance he got his hands on.

The Abyssal Emptiness Talisman could assist one when traveling through the void and it was an amazing support-type talisman. Its use was extremely simple as well and Shang Xia was familiar with its crafting process.

Unfortunately, he hadn't been crafting talismans for a long time. He didn't seem to be performing too well and when drawing one of the runes, he made a huge mistake. He was supposed to push a heavy brushstroke, but he messed up and moved too gently. Every single rank five talisman had high requirements on the infusion of energy and with that mistake, the talisman paper turned to scrap paper.

Placing his brush down, Shang Xia slapped his forehead in a state of annoyance. He ran through the entire process of crafting the talisman in his mind once again, taking note of his mistake. He decided to take a short break before starting again the next day.

On his second attempt, his brush flowed much more naturally. He basically completed it in one go and an Abyssal Emptiness Talisman was formed.

If it was the old Shang Xia who just entered the Five Element Realm, crafting a single rank five talisman would render him out of breath and extremely tired. Even if it was the lowest grade rank five talisman, that would be the case. He would exhaust a lot of mental energy and he would need to meditate for several days in order to restore himself to his peak state.

Now that he was merely a step away from the Six Direction Realm, he had an ungodly amount of inner qi compared to cultivators in the Martial Dipper Realm. Crafting a single rank five talisman was nothing too difficult.

Using a single day to adjust his condition, he quickly started to craft another rank five talisman.

This time, he didn't plan to craft his most familiar talisman, the Substitution Talisman, or the Teleportation Talisman he came up with. Instead, he planned to work on the Lava Eruption Talisman.

The reason he chose it was extremely simple. It was because the Lava Eruption Talisman was easy to craft!

In terms of complicated runes, it was merely a little more complex than the Abyssal Emptiness Talisman.

His attempt quickly proved how accurate his evaluation was. Even though he was crafting it for the first time, he quickly completed the talisman.

Since he crafted one, he decided not to craft another. That was because of how easy it was and how useless it would be for him. He would rather save his talisman paper for the more complicated rank five talismans.

He chose to craft Substitution Talismans next.

He used the only one he had during the battle and crafting a few more of them was necessary as they could protect his life at a critical moment.

A Substitution Talisman was much more complicated than the other talismans. It was even harder to craft than the Teleportation Talisman he came up with. He only succeeded once after attempting it thrice. Actually, he succeeded on his second attempt and he wanted to chase his win but was humbled when he failed his third attempt due to a slight error.

His sense of reasoning eventually suppressed his impulse. He used several days to adjust his state of mind and calmed himself down before restarting his process of crafting talismans. He didn't continue attempting Substitution Talismans. Instead, he decided to start making Teleportation Talismans.

According to Kou Chongxue's arrangements, Shang Xia would have to head over to the Land of Star Origin soon. However, his true goal should be to infiltrate the Spirit Abundance World.

He should meet with Huang Yu in the Land of Star Origin to use him as a guide to enter the Spirit Abundance World, but entering any world requires passing through the heavenly screen. Because of the suppression of the World's Will, one would definitely cause a huge commotion to tear a hole in the heavenly screen. It was extremely likely he would be discovered and someone would try to stop him.

However, things were different now that he could craft a Teleportation Talisman. Based on his tests, his Teleportation Talisman had the amazing effect of bypassing a heavenly screen without being detected. It was definitely something he needed to prepare for his infiltration. The Teleportation Talisman might even be more useful than a Substitution Talisman under such circumstances.

In order to go in and out of the Spirit Abundance World, Shang Xia needed at least 2 Teleportation Talismans.

He might have the experience of crafting Teleportation Talismans, but Shang Xia didn't get complacent. He swapped out the Purple Bamboo Brush for the higher-grade White Bone Brush. The White Bone Brush was much more suitable for crafting Teleportation Talismans, and Shang Xia wasn't stingy either as he swapped out the ink for superior rank five Essence Feather Ink.

The production of Teleportation Talismans was pretty average as he made 2 of them in 4 attempts.

Concealment Talismans came next. It was a talisman purely used for hiding oneself. It wasn't too complicated and despite making it for the first time, he succeeded in 2 tries.

The only talisman he hadn't crafted was the Illusion Talisman Huang Yu got his hands on. The Illusion Talisman didn't refer purely to producing illusions. Instead, it could allow one to show whatever cultivation realm they wished.

The talisman was pretty difficult to craft as its function was fundamentally different from the Concealment Talisman. It could even fool Martial Void Realm experts...

After failing twice in succession, Shang Xia finally succeeded on his third try.

Chapter 932: Restriction Breaking Talisman and True Seal Talisman

Using 15 sheets of rank five talisman paper, Shang Xia crafted 7 rank five talismans.

The success rate couldn't be considered low at all, especially when they considered the fact that Shang Xia was crafting 3 of the talismans for the first time.

As he continued to craft those talismans, his success rate would only increase as he got more proficient in them. Moreover, he still had 10 sheets of rank five talisman papers left.

According to his plan, he wouldn't continue to craft any of the 6 rank five talismans. Instead, he wanted to use them to attempt to make a new talisman he came up with.

The first thing he planned to create was naturally the Five Element Evasion Talisman he had been working on since a long time ago.

Back then, he created a Five Element Evasion Talisman inheritance that consisted of rank three and rank four talismans.

The production of both was fairly simple due to the effects of the talisman. All it could do was to help the user escape.

Actually, Shang Xia had more ideas when coming up with his Five Element Evasion Talisman. The first of which was to combine all five elements into the talisman and transform it into something like his Five Element Movement Art. The second was to continue working on the foundations of his rank four Five Element Evasion Talisman and make it a little more intricate and effective.

After his consideration, he discovered that the first method was too demanding on the skill of the maker. If they could truly master all five elements, crafting the talisman would be a piece of cake. They wouldn't need any special type of talisman paper or ink to craft it either.

With the second method, the barrier of crafting would be a lot lower. Other rank five Talisman Grandmasters would be able to craft it as they would only have to specialize in a single element. They might need to use additional resources to aid in the crafting process and cause the cost of production to increase, but that was about it.

Naturally, if the talisman was crafted using the first method, it would be a lot more versatile and would be harder to deal with. Because of how the talisman crafted with the second method would be too skewed to a single element, its weakness might be targeted if their opponent saw through its intricacies.

After thinking it through, Shang Xia decided to test out both methods. However, it didn't take long for him to discover something interesting.

Going through with the first method, Shang Xia discovered that the requirements were extremely harsh. Only someone like him, who mastered all five elements, could craft the Five Element Evasion Talisman containing the power of all five elements. When he tried the second method, he found it too damn easy!

Anyway, when he was trying out the first method, he only barely succeeded on his third try. He only planned on testing out if it was possible to craft them. As such, he decided to start crafting them according to the second method. It wasn't surprising that he managed to complete the talisman on his first try.

He knew it wouldn't be as difficult as crafting the Metal Element Evasion Talisman with the first method, but he didn't think it would be that easy!

It was much easier even when compared to the Lava Eruption Talisman!

Instead of crafting evasion talismans of the other elements, Shang Xia decided to use his final 6 sheets of rank five talisman paper to craft 2 other types of talismans that he had been thinking about.

Those talismans might be stuff he came up with not too long ago, but he managed to complete a good portion of their deduction during the 3 years he had been in seclusion to eliminate Dugu Yuanshan's soul. All he had to do was to verify everything he thought about.

Of the other two talismans, one of them could be considered a Restriction Breaking Talisman and it was related to his cultivation method. One could argue that it was technically based on everything he learned thus far. Creating it would be a little easier for him, and the moment he was done, he could turn it into a complete inheritance. Moreover, the institution used to possess the inheritance of the rank three Bamboo Void Breaking Talisman. He made some of them in the past and he could build on what he knew to create his new talisman.

The other was called the True Seal Talisman. He gained inspiration from it back when he killed Feng Yezi, but only perfected the theory behind it after exterminating Dugu Yuanshan's soul.

Back when he entered the Four Constellation Realm, Shang Xia's extermination origins were related to the four seasons and he gained the terrifying ability to wear down restrictions and

formations. It was especially so after he entered the grand completion stage of the Four Constellation Realm by comprehending his Temporal Blade. It could sever the life force of others and wear down the lifespan of stuff like restrictions.

With the special properties of the four seasons, Shang Xia already came up with the rank four Restriction Breaking Talisman. Now that he was trying to craft a rank five Restriction Breaking Talisman, he would have an easier time than when he came up with the rank four Restriction Breaking Talisman as he had something to work with.

Of course, that only applied to him.

Now that he was in the Five Element Realm, his Five Element Dipper Qi was also extremely effective when it came to wearing down restrictions. He could harness the power of the five elements, along with the yin and yang properties of those elements. The moment he completed a rank five Restriction Breaking Talisman, it would most likely possess extremely destructive properties even against the grand formations of the large powers!

That was because Shang Xia knew that even the highest quality formations in the Spirit Luxuriant World at the moment were of the fifth rank!

To prepare to craft the rank five Restriction Breaking Talisman, Shang Xia decided to start from scratch. He prepared a batch of rank three and four talisman paper and he planned to craft Bamboo Void Breaking Talismans first. From there, he would come up with the rank four Restriction Breaking Talisman before perfecting the inheritance step by step. It would consist of his cultivation philosophy from the Triple Command to the Four Constellations, and finally to the Five Element Realm.

Shang Xia didn't try to spread his cultivation philosophy in the institution on a large scale because he didn't have too much time to pay attention to anyone who wished to learn. However, he could use other methods like the propagation of his talisman inheritances to gradually affect the way others thought about his way of cultivation!

Speaking of which, there was already the Extremity Yin Yang Battle Formation that the high-level experts could use.

The newest addition to what he used to spread his cultivation philosophy was the Five Element Spirit Gathering Formation, Five Element Spirit Controlling Formation, and Five Element Teleportation Formation.

He also didn't hide his advancement methods where he refined his extermination origins in unison. There was also the matter of his fate dippers but that was another story.

With his new and improved Triple Command Void Breaking Talisman, the Four Constellation Restriction Breaking Talisman, and eventually Five Element Formation Breaking Talisman...

Every single one of them would possess amazing properties and all of them were related to his cultivation one way or another.

If others wanted to comprehend his inheritances, the best method would be to understand and acknowledge the theory behind them. Whatever it was, whenever they used his talismans or battle formation, they would eventually comprehend the meaning behind them.

The development of his inheritance of the Restriction Breaking Talisman started off pretty well. He made some modifications to the rank three Bamboo Void Breaking Talisman and turned it into his Triple Command Void Breaking Talisman. To the current Shang Xia who was a rank five Talisman Grandmaster, modifying a rank three talisman was easy as pie.

The problem came when he was crafting rank four Restriction Breaking Talismans. As it was based on his Four Elements Extermination Origins. It wasn't difficult for him to craft one, but if he had to record it in his inheritance for other rank four Talisman Grandmasters to craft, it would be a little more challenging.

The crafting process was different from other rank four talismans. Other than the requirement of talisman paper, ink, and brush, the Talisman Grandmaster would require the assistance of extermination qi of the four elements. The difficulty of crafting the talisman would reach a terrifying level!

Shang Xia's rank four Restriction Breaking Talisman would definitely become one of the most difficult rank four talismans to craft!

Fortunately, the effects of the talisman were powerful. Compared to what it could do, gathering extermination qi to craft the talisman would prove extremely worth it. Moreover, a rank four Talisman Grandmaster had an exalted status. They wouldn't be the ones personally gathering ingredients or the extermination qi required.

After failing several times when crafting the rank four Restriction Breaking Talisman, Shang Xia quickly got on the right track. The success rate wasn't considered high when compared to his usual success rate when crafting rank four talismans, but that was only because he was a monster. Compared to other rank four Talisman Grandmasters, his creation of the rank four Restriction Breaking Talisman was of an acceptable success rate.

With enough preparation and foundations, Shang Xia finally planned to craft a rank five Formation Breaking Talisman.

If it was any other rank five Talisman Grandmaster, they would have to gather Five Element Dipper Qi in order to start the process...

With the experience on how to use his Five Element Dipper Qi when crafting rank five Five Element Evasion Talisman, his inner qi flowed with practiced ease when he started his attempt. Failing thrice, he eventually completed his first rank five Five Element Formation Breaking Talisman.

With that, he was left with his final 2 sheets of rank five talisman paper. It was obviously not enough to craft his Five Element True Seal Talisman but he tried anyway.

### Chapter 933: Kou Chongxue's Gift

Despite being extremely careful, Shang Xia's final sheet of rank five talisman paper exploded beneath his brush. He had 2 attempts to craft his rank five Five Element True Seal Formation for the first time, but he failed.

There was no doubt about it. Of the rank five talismans he knew or came up with, the rank five Five Element True Seal Formation was one of the most difficult ones to craft!

Even the Teleportation Talisman he came up with after studying the half-complete rank six talisman was a lot less complicated!

Using up all the rank five talisman papers he had and almost all the talisman ink. After restoring his inner qi, he chose to emerge from seclusion.

It had been 3 months since he entered seclusion and the first thing he did when he emerged was to look for Ren Bainian. He handed over the Purple Bamboo Brush and the White Bone Brush for repairs.

A high-grade brush was enough to craft rank five talismans, but that was in the hands of ordinary Talisman Grandmasters. No one could be like Shang Xia and attempt to craft rank five talismans dozens of times. Even when he rotated the use of the brush, they suffered micro-damage to varying degrees.

It was especially so for the Purple Bamboo Brush. It suffered the most and even if it was restored, Shang Xia wouldn't be able to use it to craft rank five talismans in the future.

There was no question about it. What Shang Xia needed was a superior brush that surpassed even the pseudo-divine White Bone Brush. He needed one that reached the level of a divine artifact and was compatible with his crafting methods.

His emergence from seclusion quickly spread across the institution and it didn't take long before the rank four Talisman Grandmasters requested an audience.

Shang Xia quickly learned the situation about the talisman exchange and informed everyone that he would be holding an internal gathering in 3 days. He would share the inheritance of his Evasion Talisman with the Talisman Hall and clear any doubts regarding the art of talisman crafting anyone in the Talisman Hall had.

Naturally, not everyone had the qualifications to attend the internal gathering. Those who could attend were rank two Talisman Masters or above.

After receiving the news, the rank four Talisman Grandmasters of the institution quickly relayed the news and made their preparations.

It wasn't a problem for Shang Xia to hold an internal gathering for the Talisman Hall, but an event as large as the Talisman Exchange would take a lot more time.

Whether it was spreading the news to the rest of the Spirit Luxuriant World or gathering the various powers, even preparing the resources needed would be a massive undertaking. They would need a year or two of preparations before it could happen.

In order to give the Talisman Hall more time to prepare and to ensure that the Talisman Exchange would be held to its best standard, Shang Xia didn't try to push for it to be held earlier. He made the decision for everyone and set it to be held 2 years later.

As the higher-ups of the institution heard about his emergence from seclusion and his plan to hold the internal talisman gathering in the Talisman Hall, Kou Chongxue didn't waste any time and summoned him into the Tongyou Paradise.

As soon as he met Kou Chongxue, the questions came. "When do you plan to head over to the Land of Star Origin?"



Shang Xia hesitated slightly and he didn't respond immediately. Instead, he raised an eyebrow to look at Kou Chongxue. "Patriarch, why isn't your true body here?"

Kou Chongxue glanced at him from the corner of his eye but maintained his indifferent attitude. "You're pretty sharp. You can actually tell that my true body isn't here..."

"From the looks of it, this isn't exactly a clone... It seems like a... hmm..." Shang Xia couldn't quite put his finger on it.

"It's just a projection. Right now, I'm at some other place." Kou Chongxue replied.

Shang Xia was slightly taken aback by his revelation. "Did you really leave our Spirit Luxuriant World?!"

They might have truly become a Spirit World, but because they had just ascended, they were harassed by other worlds all the time. They were walking on thin ice and none of their Martial Void Realm experts dared to head out. They were afraid they would be ambushed by other worlds, causing the Spirit Luxuriant World to weaken considerably, and they were afraid someone might backdoor them while they were handling other matters.

Shang Xia heaved a sigh of relief after seeing Kou Chongxue's projection shake his head.

However, he didn't let it go. He asked curiously, "So where are you right now...?"

"The spirituality of our world became stronger and many new treasures were born. They're located in dangerous or unknown regions and only experts at my level have the ability to obtain them easily." Kou Chongxue's voice rang in his ears...

Shang Xia finally understood what was going on. Those treasures were born after the ascension of the world and experts at Kou Chongxue's level wouldn't give up a chance to collect those of use to themselves. Naturally, obtaining those treasures easily could only be said for those with Kou Chongxue's abilities. If Shang Xia were to try getting his hands on them, it might prove to be an extremely difficult task. If anyone else were to try, they might just lose their lives during their adventures.

Since Kou Chongxue mentioned that those treasures were located in dangerous or unknown regions, they should be places even Shang Xia couldn't enter easily.

The appearance of such places was also a sign that a Spirit World could truly house existences in the Martial Void Realm. In the past, the Martial Void Realm experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World could only wander about outside the heavenly screen or hide within their own Elysiums.

Also, it went without saying that even though those Martial Void Realm experts could venture out into the world, they wouldn't be appearing in front of ordinary cultivators. Their exalted status was a part of the reason why, but as existences who stood at the peak of the Spirit Luxuriant World, the aura they emitted contained the profound mysteries of the world. There wasn't a need to mention ordinary people. Weaker cultivators might lose control of their inner qi when they feel the powerful aura and experience cultivation deviation!

Kou Chongxue entered the Martial Void Realm nearly 4 years ago, and disciples of the institution under the Martial Extermination Realm basically lost all their qualifications to meet him.

Actually, Kou Chongxue wasn't the only one who posed a threat to low-leveled disciples. Even someone like Shang Xia, who was at the peak of the Five Element Realm, might do more harm than good if he appeared in front of the weaker disciples of the institution. That was why he rarely returned to the Shang Clan when he was in the city. He didn't even dare to stay in Hai Min's courtyard for a long time.

That was even after considering his exceptional abilities to restrain and conceal his aura. Looking at Shang Bo, Ji Wenlong, and Yun Jing, one would easily notice that they rarely returned to their clans. They even passed on their position of patriarch to their siblings or juniors. Sun Haiwei left for the Jiao Continent to take over Shang Xia's place while also indulging herself in cultivation. The weakest disciple who went with her was at the peak of the Martial Intent Realm!

As for Gong Xinlan, she was stationed in the Bing Continent to assist Yin Wanxiang. The Lightning Bird had already returned to the depths of the Thousand Leaf Mountain Range and wouldn't appear in front of others unless Shang Xia summoned it. Even Shang Xia himself would rarely see disciples under the Martial Intent Realm for fear of affecting their path of cultivation.

To meet high-level experts, it seemed as though possessing divine sense was the minimum requirement.

... Since Shang Xia knew that Kou Chongxue was wandering the world to get his hands on precious resources by using his tyrannical strength, he quickly followed up with another question, "So... Patriarch Kou, what amazing treasures have you found?"

Obviously, the 'amazing treasures' Shang Xia was referring to were precious items that could catch the eye of Martial Void Realm experts like Kou Chongxue. With their difference in cultivation level, precious treasures to Kou Chongxue were on a different level to what he had in mind!

To that, Kou Chongxue chuckled softly. "Right, that's another reason I called you over."

Shang Xia's eyes widened in shock.

He watched as Kou Chongxue's projection stretched out his hand and felt a strange formless spatial tunnel appearing above it. A cloud-like object that seemed somewhat illusory emerged from it.

Shang Xia's thoughts stirred and he seemed to realize what the treasure in Kou Chongxue's projection's hand was. However, he couldn't help but mutter, "This..."

Kou Chongxue could see that Shang Xia probably recognized the treasure in his hand and he laughed, "Yeah, this is the rank six spiritual treasure, the Heavenly Screen Cloud. It can only form close to the heavenly screen of a Spirit World."

Gasping softly, Shang Xia thought back to the advancement formula. According to the complete formula the Crimson Soul Tablet deduced, the Heavenly Screen Cloud was the main ingredient of his advancement medicine. It was also one of the most difficult treasures to obtain. Who would have thought that a ball of Heavenly Screen Cloud would be sitting in front of him before he even bothered looking for it?

Of course, the reason it appeared so quickly was probably because there were only 5 Martial Void Realm experts scouring the world to look for treasures. They would most likely split those precious treasures evenly without trying to fight over them...

In the future, after the Spirit Luxuriant World matures, finding rank six spiritual treasures like that wouldn't be easy! Even if a portion of it appeared, powers would most likely fight tooth and nail over them.

Sucking in a long breath, Shang Xia reached out to touch the ball of cloud that was sitting in Kou Chognxue's projection's hand. Who would have thought that Kou Chognxue's projection would pull his hand away before Shang Xia could try anything? "Hey, be careful. This might look like a small ball right now, but once the restriction around it is broken, it will return to its original size! It's 10 miles wide!

"How is it so big?!" Shang Xia gasped.

Glancing at Shang Xia, Kou Chongxue muttered, "The larger area it covers, the thinner it gets. The perception of ordinary cultivators wouldn't be able to detect it and with how fragile the cloud is, it might be damaged with a slight touch. Restoring itself would take a long time."

Shang Xia quickly withdrew his arm. He found a larger spirit sealing case from his sleeve and opened it to catch the ball that Kou Chongxue's projection gently threw over. When it was fully contained, Shang Xia kept it carefully. When he was done, he asked again, "Patriarch Kou, you've been adventuring for some time now... If you managed to find the Heavenly Screen Cloud, did you also manage to get your hands on some Earth Essence Milk?"

A smile appeared on Kou Chongxue's projection face as he gestured for Shang Xia to come closer to receive another treasure.

Shang Xia's eyes widened in shock and he hastily took out a spirit sealing bottle from his sleeves. He asked in disbelief, "Did you find it?! You actually managed to get your hands on the most important rank six treasures in your semi-complete rank six advancement formula?!"

Pointing a single finger, another formless spatial tunnel appeared. 3 extremely viscous crystalline drops emerged. Every drop was the size of a fat grape and Shang Xia stored them carefully in the bottle before carefully sealing it.

Finally, Kou Chongxue explained, "Hehe... If you break through to the Martial Void Realm along with the ascension of the world, and are also the person who made everything happen, you will come to learn a lot of secrets our world contains!"

With both treasures in hand, Shang Xia nodded slightly. "Alright, I understand now!"

#### Chapter 934: Ulterior Motive

Shang Xia didn't think that he would obtain the Heavenly Screen Cloud and Earth Essence Milk he needed to craft his advancement medicine so easily!

He even felt as though everything that happened was a mere illusion!

Only after some careful consideration did he realize that everything that happened actually wasn't too surprising.

As the person who led the world ascension and obtained the greatest blessing from the world, Kou Chongxue definitely obtained an ungodly amount of benefits after the Spirit Luxuriant World took shape.

Shang Xia even had a feeling that the Heavenly Screen Cloud and Earth Essence Milk that was extremely important to him seemed like 2 random treasures Kou Chongxue obtained in passing.

Naturally, something like that could only happen right after the world ascended. Rank six spiritual treasures wouldn't be all over the place after several years when they would most likely have been collected by the various experts.

Since he obtained the Heavenly Screen Cloud and the Earth Essence Milk, Shang Xia wouldn't give up the chance to ask about the Four Extremity Spirituality. Even if it meant that he would expose the fact that he already completed the rank six advancement formula Kou Chongxue hoped he would eventually do.

"Four Extremity Spirituality?" Kou Chongxue stared at him with slight confusion.

"What are you talking about? Why are you trying to look for it?"

Shang Xia's expression didn't change and he simply explained, "Patriarch Kou, do you remember the random thought I spoke about the Six Directions when you asked me about the Martial Void Realm?"

Thinking back, Kou Chongxue eventually nodded his head. "Are you talking about the heavens and earth along with the general directions? I might have entered the Martial Void Realm with the blessing of the world, but the idea you gave me was extremely useful. Right... Four Directions... Four Extremity Spirituality?"

"Patriarch Kou, you're a genius!" Shang Xia quickly kissed his ass a little. "Disciple had many interpretations of your advancement formula and felt like the Heavenly Screen Cloud and Earth Essence Milk represents the heavens and earth. Since that's the case, I will most likely have to find treasures related to the Four Directions. Whatever it is, it can be considered an improvement on your advancement formula..."

Grunting softly, Kou Chongxue nodded. "That's not exactly wrong. It seems to make sense. Since that's the case, I'll keep a lookout for the Four Extremity Spirituality or whatever it's called. Do you have other ideas? Go ahead and tell me everything."

Taking away the ingredients to create the main medicine, Shang Xia also had the Starry Fruit. All that was left was the items contained under the secondary medicine section. He would have to gather the Spirituality of the Twelve Months and Six Directions of a Continent!

He didn't quite know what those were, much less how to combine different spiritualities into one!

Regardless, he felt that it was better to keep it to himself for the time being. After all, it had only been 3 months since Kou Chongxue handed him the semi-complete advancement formula. If he easily exposed the fact that he already completed the deduction of the advancement formula, wouldn't he be making his secret overly obvious?

"Disciple plans to hold an internal gathering in the Talisman Hall 3 days later. It will go on for close to a week and I should head over to the Land of Star Origin in 10 days or so." Shang Xia made a smooth transition to what they were talking about.

Falling deep into thought, Kou Chongxue continued, "Alright, I'll be back 10 days later and open the spatial tunnel for you to head over to the Land of Star Origin."

After leaving the secret region in the Tongyou Paradise where he met Kou Chongxue, Shang Xia chose to remain in the Tongyou Paradise to rest. Just like that, 2 days passed.

As a part of the upper echelons of the Tongyou Institution and a rank five Talisman Grandmaster, not to mention the fact that he was an expert second only to the patriarch, Shang Xia naturally had a secret chamber constructed for him in the Tongyou Paradise.

On the third day, Shang Xia finally returned to the Talisman Hall. By the time he appeared in the main hall, every single Talisman Master who had the qualifications to attend the gathering had arrived.

A soft chime rang through the air and the commotion and discussion that were going around ceased instantly.

With the entrance of the main hall slamming shut, Shang Xia didn't waste any more time. He started his lecture.

"Today, I'll be speaking about the Five Element Evasion Talisman!" Shang Xia declared his intention the moment it began. Pausing slightly, his eyes looked around the entire hall. Seeing as everyone was paying attention, he continued, "I came up with this talisman inheritance and after some improvement and perfection, a proper inheritance was produced. However, the lowest grade of this talisman is of the third grade, and at the highest level, you will be able to craft rank five Five Element Evasion Talismans."

Fan Yuanhuim who was sitting at the very front, hesitated slightly before muttering, "Hall Master, there are rank two Talisman Masters in the crowd and if you start talking about crafting rank three talismans... It might be beyond their abilities..."

Lectures given by high-level Talisman Grandmasters to pass down inheritances was different from passing down inheritances through proper records.

If the inheritances were recorded, anyone studying it would be able to look at it repeatedly and learn through whatever was written. However, they might not be able to catch the essence of it no matter how they studied. It was even possible for them to never catch the true meaning of the inheritance in their lifetime! Passing the inheritance down personally through the form of a lecture was different! Shang Xia could speak about his reasoning behind some parts of the inheritance and clear their doubts.

The only issue with holding a lecture to pass down inheritances was the fact that every Talisman Grandmaster would have high requirements to the Talisman Masters they were passing down their knowledge to. In the event where Talisman Masters were to be bombarded with knowledge of things too foreign to them, their dao of talismans might crumble and they would never be able to walk on that path again.

Shang Xia understood the concerns of Fan Yuanhui and the other Talisman Grandmasters, and a smile quickly appeared on his face as he explained, "Please rest assured. Because of the unique way

of crafting, I will be sharing the way to craft the talismans by using external help and it would be possible for rank two Talisman Masters to craft these talismans as well. Moreover, they might be able to use the knowledge and experience to advance into a rank three Talisman Master.”

As soon as Shang Xia spoke, the rank two Talisman Masters weren't the only ones who beamed with joy. Even higher-level Talisman Masters and Grandmasters showed looks of anticipation.

Shang Xia continued, “That's right. It's exactly what you're thinking of right now. Today, the inheritances I'm passing down can be completed with external help, and crafting these talismans isn't difficult!”

The hall broke out into cheers the next moment and people started screaming, “Hall Master Shang, please start the demonstration!”

Lou Zizhang, who was also sitting among the rank four Talisman Grandmasters in the hall grinned, “Looks like it's an opportunity for all of us...”

Shang Xia naturally started his lecture with the most basic rank three Five Element Evasion Talisman. Even though he lowered the requirements of crafting, the effects of the talisman seemed unaffected.

Taking a rank three Five Element Evasion Talisman as an example, as long as one used the powder of a corresponding elemental essence crystal, crafting the talisman wouldn't be too difficult!

Of course, the exact ratio of elemental essence crystal powder needed was secret. Those who received the inheritance could carry out experiments to find out the amount needed, but Shang Xia wouldn't share the exact ratio he used. After all, giving them the talisman inheritance was good enough.

When it came to rank four Five Element Evasion Talismans, purely using elemental essence crystal powder wasn't enough. They would need suitable extermination origins that possessed the properties of the five elements or the help of a Martial Extermination Realm expert who refined that specific elemental extermination origin in order to craft the talisman. Of course, it would be for the best if the crafter already refined an extermination origin related to the elements.

That point alone proved something Shang Xia had always thought about. One's cultivation realm was everything! Only with sufficient cultivation level would one be able to craft powerful talismans!

Shang Xia's explanation of the rank four Five Element Evasion Talisman was very well received by the rank three Talisman Masters and rank four Talisman Grandmasters. After all, the talisman was a way for rank three Talisman Masters to take a step forward on their path of the dao of talismans! For rank four Talisman Grandmasters, they managed to gain a new inheritance and expand their horizons.

One had to know that other than monstrous existences like Shang Xia who could craft all sorts of talismans, ordinary Talisman Grandmasters would only be able to craft a few types of talismans.

With every extra talisman they could craft, the value of their skills would leap up considerably.

After completing a lecture on rank three and rank four Five Element Evasion Talismans, 3 days had already passed. Throughout the lecture, Shang Xia had been crafting those talismans when he was

speaking about them. It was especially so for rank four Five Element Evasion Talismans. He went into great detail during the crafting process and displayed its intricacies to everyone in the hall.

The more he spoke about his talisman inheritance, the more excited he became. He didn't even pause when he started speaking about rank five Five Element Evasion Talismans.

It went without saying that a rank five Five Element Evasion Talisman was different from a rank four Five Element Evasion Talisman. Elemental essence crystals were also needed, but to craft a rank five Five Element Evasion Talisman, mid-grade elemental essence crystals were required. That wasn't all. Throughout the process, they needed dipper qi of whichever element Evasion Talisman they were crafting.

Elemental essence crystals were difficult to obtain in the first place. As more and more people found out about their uses, their value rose accordingly. The price of an elemental essence crystal had already passed the normal price of an essence crystal. It was a difficult task to get their hands on mid-grade elemental essence crystals at that point.

That wasn't even taking into account the dipper qi they required to craft Five Element Evasion Talismans. Just the cooperation between the Talisman Grandmaster and the person who owned the dipper qi alone was a huge undertaking!

One had to know that rank five talisman papers didn't grow on trees either. They were extremely hard to come by. Even with the support of the entire institution and the loot Shang Xia obtained by killing Martial Dipper Realm experts of other worlds, he only managed to get 20 odd sheets of rank five talisman papers in recent years.

How could any other Talisman Grandmaster waste rank five talisman papers by experimenting on them in order to craft Five Element Evasion Talismans?

No... in fact, no Martial Dipper Realm expert would be willing to waste their time to craft a single Five Element Evasion Talisman either. After all, it would be a colossal waste of resources and time.

As such, Shang Xia's rank five Five Element Evasion Talisman inheritance might seem simple, but it was going to be extremely difficult for anyone to follow in his footsteps.

Would that mean that no one could attempt crafting rank five Five Element Evasion Talismans? Of course not!

If a Talisman Grandmaster were to follow the path of the five elements like Shang Xia, they would be self-sustainable and be able to craft Five Element Evasion Talismans without bothering others. With some practice, they would be able to craft those talismans easily!

In fact, that was Shang Xia's ulterior motive when giving the lecture about rank five Five Element Evasion Talismans!

## Chapter 935: Land of Star Origin

The lecture Shang Xia gave in the Talisma Hall lasted 5 days. During that time, Shang Xia went through the inheritance of his Five Element Evasion Talisman from the third rank all the way to the fifth rank.

After the fifth day, Shang Xia stopped his lecture with a bunch of Talisman Masters and Grandmasters who were still itching to learn more along with a dozen or so rank three and four Evasion Talismans of different elemental properties.

As for rank five Five Element Evasion Talismans, he didn't have enough rank five talisman paper to play around with. As such, he decided to craft them in the void with his strange new crafting method by using his dipper qi as ink and his finger as a brush. He made 3 of them during his lecture and every time he completed one, he would awe everyone present in the hall.

One had to know that Shang Xia's Five Element Evasion Talisman wouldn't be weakened just because it wasn't drawn on talisman paper. Its effects remained exactly the same with the only requirement that it would be unleashed immediately.

Back in the Celestial Remains, Dou Zhong managed to escape from a second element Martial Dipper Realm expert with a rank four Five Element Evasion Talisman. The effects of a rank five Five Element Evasion Talisman far surpassed that!

At the end of his lecture, he used an entire day to clear any doubts they had about the path of talisman crafting. Resting for one more day, 10 full days finally passed since he met with Kou Chognxue back then. Since he made a promise to Kou Chongxue to head over to the Land of Star Origin, he quickly went to the secret region in order to meet with the patriarch.

This time, Kou Chongxue's true body was present. He was holding a massive bronze book in his hand and when Shang Xia saw it, a look of shock appeared on his face. "You actually managed to get rid of the restrictions on the rest of the pages and fully open the Star Map?"

Shang Xia already knew that the bronze book was also known as the Star Map and that the original name of the Starry Marsh Elysium was the Heaven Observation Elysium. No one knew the reason why it was abandoned, or which faction initially built the Elysium. Shang Xia didn't know, and neither did Kou Chongxue. Even if the other Elysiums knew anything about it, they weren't saying a word to anyone.

Kou Chongxue handed the bronze book to Shang Xia after taking it out and asked, "Guess what is recorded on the second page?"

Lowering his head to look at the open book, Shang Xia discovered that it was actually open to the third page at the moment. There was a strange location recorded on it but he wasn't too familiar with it.

He didn't flip it back to the second page before responding to Kou Chongxue's question. "Since you asked me to guess, that would mean that I probably know the place recorded on the second page... Could it be the Spirit Abundance World?"

Kou Chongxue made a single gesture and flopped the page before pointing at the markings on it. "It's us... The second page of the Star Map records our location in the vast sea of stars!"

Ignoring Shang Xia's shock, Kou Chognxue continued, "I mean, it should have recorded the initial position of our Azure Origin World back then. Because of the fusion of our worlds to form the Azure Ascension World and now that we have progressed to become the Spirit Luxuriant World, our location in the vast sea of stars should have changed slightly."



“Can we actually change positions in the vast sea of stars?” Shang Xia gasped in shock.

Kou Chongxue replied placidly, “There’s nothing strange about that. Everyone’s position in the sea of stars is changing and it’s a matter of how quickly it changes. Usually, it takes an extremely long time for a world to move about the vast sea of stars. It might take hundreds of years to move a little bit. However, our worlds collided back then and a huge transformation happened. Moreover, we ascended to become a Spirit World, and that caused us to shift a lot faster than others.”

Shang Xia thought for a moment before responding. “So... Even after the events that caused our positions to shift in the vast sea of stars, the Spirit Abundance World invaded us twice... Wouldn’t that mean that they have already locked onto us?”

“You can say that.” Kou Chongxue nodded.

Slightly startled, Shang Xia continued, “Wouldn’t that mean that even if their invasion failed, they would be able to spread our location to other experts and cause even more invasions to take place in the future?”

Glancing at Shang Xia, Kou Chongxue laughed, “Yeah, you can say that too!”

Seeing the smile on Kou Chongxue’s face, Shang Xia was extremely puzzled. “But...”

“Well, there are also other Spirit Worlds that are antagonistic with the Spirit Abundance World who came to look for us after confirming that we foiled their invasion to form an alliance with us.” Kou Chongxue explained.

A light flashed in Shang Xia’s eyes. “Patriarch Kou, are you sending me to the Land of Star Origin to look for even more worlds to ally ourselves with?”

“Something like that? It’s one of my goals, but there’s no need to force it if we can’t make it happen. After all, the 4 Elysiums have already started the plan before us. Oh, to be more exact, the 3 older Elysiums have a good head start. After all, they already established themselves in the Land of Star Origin and have a much better understanding of the place.” Kou Chongxue muttered.

Shang Xia nodded to indicate his understanding. “Alright, disciple knows what to do...”

A grin returned to Kou Chongxue’s face and he continued, “Since that’s the case, I’ll construct the spatial tunnel now and send you over!”

Shang Xia seemed to panic as he waved the book in his hand. “Patriarch, wait! What’s recorded on the third page of the Star Map?!”

After entering the Martial Void Realm, Kou Chongxue not only managed to open the second and third pages of the Star Map. He even opened the fourth. However, Shang Xia hadn’t read that far.

Kou Chongxue chuckled in amusement. “I was planning to let you guess what the third page contained after the second page... Well, you don’t seem interested in guessing anyway. The Azure Spiritual World was the world recorded on the third page.”

“What?!” Shang Xia’s eyes widened in shock. “How... How is that possible?!”

“Doesn’t matter if it’s possible. That’s the truth of the matter. I confirmed it with the Northern Sea Mystic Sect and checked with Zhang Xuansheng. The third page truly records the location of the Azure Spiritual World hundreds of years ago.” Kou Chongxue added.

Shang Xia raised an eyebrow in response. “What’s the reason behind the collision between our worlds?”

Initially, Shang Xia had always thought that the Evil Remnants of the Azure Origin World colluded with the Azure Spiritual World to crash their worlds into each other. However, as he grew stronger and interacted more with Kou Chongxue, he understood that the power of a single world wouldn’t be enough to do something like that. They needed the Elysiums of both worlds to act in unison to achieve something on such a large scale.

As both Shang Xia and Kou Chongxue grew stronger, Kou Chongxue understood that even with the strength he possessed, he might not be able to cause a shift in both worlds such that they would crash into each other... He might not have been able to do it alone, but that didn’t rule out the possibility of the 3 original Martial Void Realm experts from trying something like that... After all, both worlds used to be pretty close to each other. However, there was a chance there were other factors in play as well.

“So... As it turns out, we don’t know exactly who caused the collision of our worlds. There might be a foreign power that caused everything to happen and we have no idea who it was?!” Shang Xia asked.

Kou Chongxue nodded solemnly. “At the very least, we don’t have the qualifications to get to the bottom of what happened.”

Flipping the Star Map to the fourth and final page, Shang Xia asked, “So what’s recorded here then?”

Kou Chongxue shook his head and sighed, “I’m afraid we can only learn about which world it is after reconstructing a Star Observatory.”

“Star Observatory? Wouldn’t that mean that we would need a Stargazer?” Shang Xia couldn’t help but ask.

Kou Chongxue responded, “With the support of the 4 Elysiums... Oh, and our Tongyou Institution, the Heavenly Star Palace has started the construction of a new Star Observatory in the Beyond Heavens Pavilion of the Jiao Continent.”

Shang Xia’s eyebrows jumped slightly. “They actually know how to build Star Observatories... Do they have a complete Stargazer inheritance?”

Shang Xia could tell that the Heavenly Star Palace knew about the Stargazer profession and might have even obtained a portion of its inheritance. However, he didn’t know how far they actually progressed.

For them to receive the support of the 5 great powers of the Spirit Luxuriant World definitely meant that they reached a certain level of accomplishment that warranted the support. (Even though the

Tongyou Institution doesn't possess an Elysium of their own, they were considered a great power because of Kou Chongxue's presence alone)

"They only scratched the surface of the Stargazer inheritance. They might not even know more than us. However, we cannot rule out the possibility that they are hiding the true extent of their knowledge..." Kou Chongxue replied.

Shaking his head, Shang Xia finally sighed, "Alright. I guess I will also place some attention on finding a more complete Stargazer inheritance. Patriarch Kou, please assist me and send me over to the Land of Star Origin."

Constructing spatial tunnels in the void was something Shang Xia could also do after entering the Five Element Realm. In fact, once they left their worlds and were no longer restricted by the World's Will, Martial Dipper Realm experts were also capable of creating long-range spatial tunnels in the depths of space.

When the Azure Origin World and Azure Spiritual World took over the crumbling Manyu Continent, many factions relied on their Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors to carve out spatial tunnels to guide them there and back. Of course, their Martial Dipper Realm Ancestors relied on the power of their Holy Lands or some sort of grand formation back then.

In the past, Ji Wenlong was the one who sent Shang Xia over and he borrowed the power of the Tongyou Mysterious World along with its grand formation.

Back then, their worlds managed to discover the Manyu Continent because of certain transformations in the void but that also meant that the Manyu Continent wasn't exactly too far away. Martial Dipper Realm experts had the ability to construct spatial tunnels without facing too many problems.

However, it was clear Martial Dipper Realm experts didn't have the ability to construct spatial tunnels leading to the Land of Star Origin as it was too damn far away. One needed the power of a Martial Void Realm Ancestor in order to maintain the stability of a spatial tunnel that stretched so far.

Kou Chongxue didn't forget to remind Shang Xia again, "When you arrive, you need to link up with Huang Yu as soon as possible. You also need to ensure your safety above all else!"

Shang Xia handed 2 sealed spiritual cases to Kou Chongxue all of a sudden. "Oh, right. There are 2 rank five talismans in here. One of them is the Abyssal Emptiness Talisman and the other is a Five Element Evasion Talisman. If I fail to return after 2 years to attend the Talisman Exchange, hand these over to the Talisman Hall and let them use it to spread our reputation."

"Without you present, wouldn't the Talisman Exchange turn into a huge disappointment?" Kou Chongxue couldn't help but ask.

"Our institution has 4 rank four Talisman Grandmasters and they're enough to handle any ordinary problems that might arise. My presence won't affect too much as the exchange is targeted at low-leveled Talisman Masters anyway."

Kou Chongxue nodded once in acknowledgment before grabbing the void in front of him. His Hidden Frost Sword appeared at an unknown time and he simply slashed in a certain direction as a

massive tear formed before a spatial tunnel constructed itself in the chaotic space revealed by the tear.

Shang Xia looked at the haphazardly created spatial tunnel and stared at Kou Chongxue in disbelief. “Can’t you use a little more effort and create a spatial tunnel that’s a little more stable for your amazing disciple?!”

“Heh. Enough bullshit. Your Five Element Dipper Qi is great at creating or stabilizing spatial tunnels, go deal with it yourself. I’m already being really nice to point you in the right direction and not send you off on your own...” Kou Chongxue sneered in response.

#### Chapter 936: Land of Star Origin Pt.2

On a massive wasteland in the depths of space, a spatial tear appeared in the air, and a five colored light poured out from within. It forced the spatial tear open before turning into a five colored spatial gate.

A handsome young man emerged from the gate and when he stepped foot on the wasteland, the spatial gate behind him seemed to reach its limit as it crumbled rapidly.

A light flashed in the eyes of the young cultivator and a ray of light emerged from his dantian. It entered the fluctuating space after the spatial gate disappeared. Next, he turned to look in a certain direction and chuckled in a low voice, “Since you’ve been here for a long time already, why don’t you show yourself?”

The void hundred or so feet away from the young man started to ripple and a figure eventually emerged. A trace of fear could be seen in his eyes as he mumbled, “Senior, please forgive me. I have no intention of offending you. I was merely passing by and ran into your arrival...”

The young cultivator looked at the middle-aged cultivator who looked pretty intoxicated and fearful as a strange look flashed in his eyes. He muttered indifferently, “Merely passing by? This region of desolate wilderness is tens of miles wide. For you to appear close to where I emerged... Don’t you think it’s too much of a coincidence? Hmm?”

The skinny middle-aged cultivator felt a formless pressure descending on him and beads of cold sweat appeared on his forehead. No matter what, he was a Martial Dipper Realm expert. He didn’t expect the other party to possess such terrifying strength! He quickly stuttered, “Sen... Senior, please, I truly ran into you because of a coincidence! Other than the Star Origin City that is located in the central region of the Land of Star Origin, its surroundings are exactly as what we see. It’s filled with endless wasteland and it’s where the experts of the various worlds would appear when they try to head for the Land of Star Origin. Many cultivators of the Star Origin City would head into the wilderness to offer their services to the experts of various worlds. We can earn a quick buck by doing so, and we might get to form connections with the experts of various worlds. We also hope to run into some opportunities by doing so.”

It was clear it was the young cultivator’s first time in the Land of Star Origin. He didn’t know anything, but it was possible for him to determine that the middle-aged man before him was telling the truth.

Maintaining the frosty expression on his face, the young cultivator continued, "Even if I pretend you're telling the truth, those cultivators who head out into the wilderness to do what you said should possess low cultivation levels. It wouldn't be too suspicious to run into Martial Extermination Realm cultivators. As a mighty Martial Dipper Realm expert, you... Huh? There seems to be a problem with your fate dippers..."

The middle-aged cultivator forced a smile. "Seems like nothing can be hidden from you... Senior, I believe you can see the condition of my body. I was schemed against during my advancement into the Martial Dipper Realm. They did something to the Origin Dipper I used and not only was I unable to fully refine it, foreign fate dipper essences also emerged to cause chaos in my body. I don't even have a tenth of my strength left and I might not even be stronger than cultivators in the Martial Extermination Realm."

Actually, he didn't need to explain anything. The young cultivator had already discovered everything by inspecting his dantian with his divine will.

After hearing the explanation, the young cultivator maintained his expressionless face. "One has to say that you're still pretty damn lucky. You were able to complete your breakthrough even under such circumstances!"

"Yeah..." Even though he was feeling extreme anguish about his situation, he didn't refute it.

The next moment, the young cultivator changed the topic. "You said that people who came to the Land of Star Origin for the first time would usually appear in the wasteland around the city. What do you mean by that?"

Slightly surprised, the middle-aged cultivator quickly replied, "Exactly! The Land of Star Origin might be considered a transit point for many worlds and wouldn't mind revealing its position in the vast sea of stars to welcome experts of the various powers, but they still have some sort of protective measures. Anyone who comes for the first time probably hasn't received the recognition of the Star Origin City. As such, they won't be guided directly to the city. They can only appear in the wilderness around the city. After you enter the city for the first time and report to the Transfer Department, you will be able to send yourself directly into the city when you come in the future. You can also use the grand formations made by the Transfer Department to enter other regions or even worlds that welcome outsiders."

"Hm..." The young cultivator seemed to fall deep into thought. "The Land of Star Origin doesn't seem to just be a public region in space... It seems to also be some sort of transfer point!"

"Exactly, exactly!" The middle-aged cultivator replied hastily.

"You said that people like yourself would stay in the wilderness to welcome newcomers to the city in order to earn a quick buck? What do you mean by that?" The young cultivator asked again.

Lowering his body slightly, the middle-aged cultivator quickly explained, "Junior has been mingling about the Star Origin City for dozens of years and I know everything here like the back of my hand. It's said that the Star Origin City has been under the control of the Star Origin Lord for

hundreds of years, possibly longer! However, there are countless powers who established themselves in the city. On the surface, there seem to be all sorts of rules implemented in the city, but every power has their own way of doing things. Outsiders who come for the first time would usually be taken advantage of due to their lack of knowledge. Even with outstanding cultivation, one wouldn't be able to gain an advantage with it. It's good to have a guide who knows about the city as it can save you a lot of trouble..."

The young cultivator stared at the other party with a smile that didn't really seem like a smile. "Oh? So... You're telling me you can save me a lot of trouble if you guide me into the city?"

Even though the middle-aged cultivator couldn't tell anything from the other party's expression, he seemed to be able to hear the meaning behind his words. He lowered himself once again and muttered, "Senior, please give me a chance."

"What do you want in exchange?" The young cultivator asked suddenly.

"Huh?" Not knowing how to respond, the middle-aged cultivator seemed a little taken aback.

The young cultivator was pretty patient and he repeated himself, "I wish to know what is usually given in exchange for services like yours in the city."

"Essence crystals! The Land of Star Origin uses essence crystals in exchange for all sorts of treasures and spiritual herbs!" The middle-aged cultivator responded quickly. How could he not understand what the other party was saying at that point? His tone changed suddenly and he continued, "Of course, you can trade trades with others instead of using essence crystals. After all..."

Before he could finish, the middle-aged cultivator saw the other party chucking something at him and he hastily reached out to grab it.

"Is this it?" The young cultivator asked.

Looking at the pure crystal that exuded dense energy, the middle-aged cultivator felt a lot more relieved that he wasn't dealing with a broke bum. "Senior, this is precisely a low-grade essence crystal."

Realizing that the young cultivator could bring out essence crystals, he was most likely not from some desolate region. In that case, their interaction in the future wouldn't be too difficult.

The young cultivator put on an expression that showed that he was deep in contemplation. He seemed to understand the reason why essence crystals appeared back in his home world and the reason the various powers were collecting them.

Not bothering to retrieve the crystal, the young cultivator muttered, "Oh yeah, there's no need to call me your Senior. I'm from the Shang Clan back in my world and you can just call me Young Master Shang."

It didn't come as a surprise that the young cultivator who appeared was Shang Xia.

He hadn't entered the Six Direction Realm, but his powerful Five Element Origin was able to keep his aura concealed. No matter how hard the middle-aged cultivator tried, he could only feel that

Shang Xia was extremely powerful. He was unable to see through the young man before him, but after thinking back to how the other party opened the spatial gate, he felt that everything was pointing to the fact that the youngster was an Ancestor in the Martial Void Realm.

After hearing what Shang Xia said, the middle-aged cultivator revealed a look of joy. Now that the other party told him his name, he was most likely going to hire his services. “Greetings, Young Master Shang. My family name is ‘Luo’, and I’m the seventh member of my family. You can call me Luo Qi.”

Shang Xia didn’t bother about the authenticity of his name and he nodded slightly. “Luo Qi, how should we make our way over to the city?”

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With Luo Qi leading the way, they started to travel in the direction of the Star Origin City.

Shang Xia might have a way to travel at a much quicker speed, but he wanted to understand more about the situation in the city. After all, the Star Origin City was a transit hub that was connected to multiple worlds!

Not to mention the fact that Luo Qi seemed to mistake him as a Martial Void Realm Ancestor and wasn’t hiding anything from him. Shang Xia was extremely satisfied with the other party’s deferential attitude. After all, that would allow him to learn more about the Star Origin City.

Maybe because of the essence crystal Shang Xia had already given him, but it might also be because of the fear he had of the ‘Martial Void Realm’ Ancestor before him, Luo Qi seemed to want to leave a good impression. Along the way, he introduced everything he knew about the city and even spoke about the power structure in the city. Shang Xia gained a basic understanding of the situation in the Star Origin City which consisted of powers gathered from the various worlds.

Seeing a majestic city appearing in the distance, Shang Xia asked suddenly, “Luo Qi, you mentioned that the Star Origin Lord controls the city. What do you know about the Star Origin Lord?”

Luo Qi was stunned by the sudden question. After some time, he shook his head and chuckled bitterly, “Seni... Young Master, the Star Origin Lord is an existence high above me. He’s too mysterious and someone like me won’t be able to come into contact with him. I haven’t seen the Star Origin Lord, and I never heard anything about the Star Origin Lord showing up in public. It’s the same for everyone I know. All of us don’t possess the qualifications to know about Senior Star Origin Lord. All I can say is that of all the powers in the Star Origin City, none of them ever disrespected the Star Origin Lord.”

Shang Xia thought for a second and continued, “If the Star Origin Lord is as mysterious as you say, how is he able to maintain his control over the city? He can’t possibly rely on his prestige to keep everyone in check, right?”

Luo Qi replied quickly, “He has the Star Origin Guards!”

Shang Xia didn’t need to ask further as Luo Qi quickly made the introductions. “It’s said that the Star Origin Guards were made up of 7 kids who followed the Star Origin Lord in the past. Their purpose is to maintain control of the city. The 7 camps were initially led by the original members of the Star Origin Guards, but the position of commander might have changed several times. The

leader of the Star Origin Guards is chosen among the 7 commanders, and that has been the way they operated since they were established.”

“How strong are the 7 commanders?” Shang Xia asked.

Shaking his head, Luo Qi sighed, “All I know is that in the past hundreds of years, no matter how much the position of the leader rotated, none of them were weaker than the Martial Void Realm. Their leader has always been the strongest among the 7...”

Shang Xia nodded inwardly. At the same time, he thought to himself, *That would mean that all 7 camps are led by Martial Void Realm experts... Their collective strength has already surpassed any Elysium even in the Spirit Abundance World. It's no wonder they have the ability to establish themselves as the transit hub between the various worlds. It's also not surprising that the Star Origin Lord can maintain control over the city even without showing himself for hundreds of years...*

Chapter 937: Bandits?

Even though the city walls of the Star Origin City appeared in the distance, they were still extremely far away. Shang Xia and Luo Qi were still hundreds of miles away.

After asking many questions regarding the Star Origin Guard, Shang Xia swept his gaze across his surroundings and asked casually, Are there usually so many people waiting to be guides for people who arrive at the city for the first time?

Stunned for a good second, Luo Qi eventually replied, Of course. However, I do not know how many people there are exactly

Are you familiar with your fellow cultivators who choose to act as guides? Shang Xia continued asking.

Luo Qi shook his head in response. Im operating alone and I might know a few other people, but we are mere acquaintances. We dont really have much of a relationship with each other

After he spoke, he could tell that Shang Xia didnt ask that question for fun. He hesitated for a moment and inquired, Young Master Shang, is there a reason youre asking?

Shang Xia merely smiled without responding.

Luo Qi could only remain puzzled by his response.

The next moment, several streaks of light emerged around them and crossed tens of miles to surround them.

Luo Qi couldnt help but look at the 2 experts standing before them. He took a step forward and asked, What do you think youre doing? Do you know who youre obstructing right now?

Luo Qi truly sounded shocked. He didnt understand the meaning behind their actions, and at the same time, he wanted to warn them not to act without thinking.

The most confusing part about the entire thing to Luo Qi was the fact that they had the guts to confront a Martial Void Realm expert!



As soon as the words left his lips, the experts before him sneered, Oh? Isn't this Luo Qi, an ex-member of the Star Origin Guards? Now that you no longer have your Star Robes, how dare you act all high and mighty in front of me? Who gave you the courage to do something like this?

Shang Xia's eyebrows twitched slightly. He looked at Luo Qi with a little more interest.

As though realizing the real problem, Luo Qi couldn't help but turn back to look at Shang Xia.

The person who was mocking him earlier snorted once before he continued, What's the matter? Do you really think you're so lucky to run into a Martial Void Realm expert in the wilderness? Hehehe come on, if not for us, I'm afraid you're going to be scammed big time. The person behind you is a Martial Dipper Realm expert who has some sort of treasure to hide his aura. There's something wrong with your brain alright. It's no wonder you couldn't even see the problem with your Origin Dipper when you refined it back then. You truly are blind! Hahaha

Those surrounding Shang Xia and Luo Qi started to roar with laughter as they stared at him with barely concealed traces of mockery.

You Luo Qi was enraged as his face flushed red. The next moment, his expression changed slightly and he coughed violently. His aura started to fluctuate unsteadily and it was clear he aggravated his injuries.

The stronger his reaction, the worse the laughter became.

It was especially so for the expert who stood before him. He couldn't help but retrieve a Jade Ruler while chuckling. Pointing it at Shang Xia, he waved it about before and noticed it shining. An inch lit up, and eventually, a second inch appeared. After the fifth inch lit up, it slowed down greatly. However, it continued to extend and closed in on the end of the sixth inch.

That was the Opportunity Measuring Ruler and it could discern a cultivator's aura to discern their true cultivation level.

The light that lit up on the ruler displayed one's cultivation level. Every inch represented a major cultivation realm and despite nearly 6 inches of the ruler being lit up, it hadn't reached the sixth inch. That would mean that Shang Xia's cultivation had not reached the Martial Void Realm!

Don't you see this? The person behind you is merely in the Martial Dipper Realm! The expert in the lead showed the ruler to Luo Qi.

Taking 2 steps forward aggressively, Luo Qi growled, So what?!

As he spoke, the fluctuations around him that seemed to calm down a little earlier became even more intense. His hands started to tremble as he clenched them into fists.

Earlier, the cultivator on the other side seemed to have some reservations before confronting Luo Qi. When he saw how Luo Qi started coughing violently and was nearly unable to catch his breath, he didn't seem concerned any longer. He sneered, Heh Is that it? Isn't it just a Martial Dipper Realm cultivator? What a joke. Luo Qi, you're a disgrace to the Martial Dipper Realm. You might as well smash your head into a wall somewhere and kill yourself! That way, you won't embarrass the Star Origin City any longer!

Luo Qi, who eventually regulated his inner qi, wiped the perspiration dripping from his forehead before staring at them coolly. It doesn't matter if I'm a disgrace to the Martial Dipper Realm, or if I'm

blind. Since I chose to be his guide today, I'm responsible for bringing him to the city. I hope all of you can show me some respect and allow me to pass today.

Shang Xia, who had been standing behind Luo Qi, glanced at him casually. His expression didn't betray his feelings and it was as though everything that happened before him wasn't related to him in the slightest. He didn't even seem to care that they were surrounded by the other group and the fact that they seemed to be there for him.

Show you some respect? The cultivator who spoke earlier snorted in disdain. Luo Qi, if you still had your Star Robes, all of us would definitely allow you to do as you wish. However, you don't have them anymore. Why the hell should we care about what you say? If you know what's good for you, hurry up and scam. We might even give you a portion of what we get our hands on. You can also be a part of us that way. Oh, why don't you be in charge of luring experts who haven't reached the Martial Void Realm over to us from now on? We'll definitely give you a share of the loot!

Before waiting for Luo Qi's reaction, the other cultivators who surrounded them roared with laughter. That's a good idea! It's just another person in our ranks anyway! He's a cripple who might not even be able to beat cultivators at the Martial Extermination Realm like us!

You can't say that. If he manages to bring a few more easy marks over, it's not impossible for us to actually give him a portion of loot.

Alright, let the chief make the decision!

Yeah, yeah! Let the chief make the decision!

All of them started to chime in with sarcastic sneers. The chief they referred to was the old expert who was standing in Luo Qi and Shang Xia's way.

Seeing as the situation was taking a turn for the worst, Luo Qi couldn't care about his chaotic flow of inner qi and he growled, Aren't you afraid of alerting the Star Origin Guards?

As soon as they heard the words Star Origin Guards, all of them choked on their words. Eventually, a light cough broke the awkward atmosphere.

The old cultivator who was apparently their chief took several steps forward. The cultivator who had been mocking Luo Qi the entire time bowed slightly to allow the elder to pass.

Their chief hadn't said anything from the start, and he seemed to be watching the entire thing play out from the sidelines. His attention had been on Shang Xia who didn't seem the slightest bit panicked.

Fellow cultivator, please. The elder didn't even bother to look at Luo Qi. Instead, he half-heartedly cupped his fists in Shang Xia's direction. I believe you know the situation you are in right now. There are a bunch of us and as long as you leave your treasures behind, we won't have any trouble. We never planned on killing anyone. I hope you can make things easier on yourself and hand all your valuables over. At the very least, both sides won't embarrass ourselves today.

Luo Qi wanted to say something, but he felt a hand pressing against his shoulders the next second.

Shang Xia patted Luo Qi's shoulders and a grin finally appeared on his face. Is this a robbery? I think that such behavior isn't allowed in the Star Origin City, right? All I want to know now is if all

of you were robbed by me instead, or if you were captured by the Star Origin Guards, what will happen then?

The chief's expression sank and he growled, Are you planning to refuse a toast, only to be forced to drink a forfeit?

Luo Qi, who had turned his body slightly because of Shang Xia earlier, spoke, If you retaliate against those who try to rob you and kill them, you won't be held accountable for their deaths! If they are captured by the Star Origin Guards, punishment for robbing someone will cause their cultivations to be crippled and chased out of Star Origin City!

Luo Qi's gaze swept across the bandits who surrounded them and he growled, Since all of you know that I was once part of the Star Origin Guards, you should know that I know the punishment of anything you might try to do!

Luo Qi understood that it was possible for Martial Dipper Realm experts who got lucky and stumbled upon the Land of Star Origin. However, he felt that Shang Xia didn't come to the Land of Star Origin by chance!

Those who surrounded them might not know, but Luo Qi saw how Shang Xia tore open space to arrive. The sword qi that accompanied him back then was definitely something unleashed by someone else, that someone being a horrifying expert in the Martial Void Realm!

In other words, Shang Xia might be a Martial Dipper Realm expert who had been hiding his aura the entire time, but there was most definitely a Martial Void Realm Ancestor backing him up! The reason he could enter the Land of Star Origin was also because of that Ancestor!

Those reasons were why Luo Qi had the guts to confront the bandits surrounding them. He believed that Shang Xia was no simple character either.

The experts surrounding them were intimidated by Luo Qi's sudden outburst and they didn't dare to look directly at Shang Xia.

However, rage appeared on their chief's face and an angry light flashed in his eyes. What are you guys standing around for?! Hurry up and make your move! We need to deal with this before the Star Origin Guards are alerted!

As soon as he spoke, he took action. His aura burst forth and a protection barrier made of dipper qi appeared around him. He was actually an expert in the fourth element of the Martial Dipper Realm!

As soon as he made his move, his 6 companions also leaped into action. Even though 4 of them were in the Martial Extermination Realm, all 7 of them managed to deploy a battle formation to surround Shang Xia and Luo Qi.

This! You're imitating the Star Origin Guards battle formation! Luo Qi discovered it the moment it was unleashed.

Hmph, annoying fly. A sharp light flashed in the eyes of the chief and he started to lead the battle formation to suppress Shang Xia.

All of them no longer took Luo Qi seriously as he was a joke in the Martial Dipper Realm. Not even the Martial Extermination Realm bandits cared about him.

Heh, all of you are still afraid of the Star Origin Guards at the end of the day. Shang Xia sighed and spoke casually.

Luo Qi might not understand Shang Xia's reaction, but he didn't seem to care about his chaotic inner qi at the moment. Even if he had to forcefully activate his abilities, he wanted to go all out and fight against the bunch of bandits.

None of them expected Shang Xia to release his inner qi the next moment as a profound, yet unfathomable, aura filled the region. Dipper qi emerged from his body and dyed everything around them with five colored lights.

Shang Xia might not be a Martial Void Realm Ancestor, but he was clearly different from ordinary Martial Dipper Realm experts!

The energy contained in their battle formation couldn't even touch Shang Xia when it was shredded to bits by the five colored dipper qi that emerged.

The Five Element Dipper Qi around Shang Xia didn't stop there as it continued to spread into the surroundings. The battle formation was torn to shreds.

Fear was the only thing left in the eyes of the bandit chief and the scream that left his lips made him seem like a little bitch. Run Run away!

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The battle formation the 7 of them deployed was clearly of much higher quality than the standard 5 man battle formation the experts of the Spirit Luxuriant World used.

However, what really attracted Shang Xia's attention was the fact that the battle formation could integrate the strength of both Martial Dipper Realm and Martial Extermination Realm experts. That point alone was something the battle formations in the Spirit Luxuriant World couldn't replicate.

To be able to do something like that... The battle formation seemed comparable in quality to Shang Xia's Extremity Yin Yang Battle Formation.

From what Luo Qi said earlier, Shang Xia learned that the battle formation was actually something they were imitating from the Star Origin Guards. If they could display such might even though it was a mere imitation of the real battle formation Shang Xia wondered how strong the actual battle formation would be.

An urge to observe the true battle formation appeared in Shang Xia's mind.

Of course, the most pressing matter at hand was to deal with joint attacks from the 7 bandits. With the exception of their chief who was at the fourth element of the Martial Dipper Realm, there were 2 other Martial Dipper Realm experts. The other 4 were in the Martial Extermination Realm.

With the combat capabilities produced by the battle formation, nearly no existence under the Martial Void Realm was their match. They used it to defeat many opponents in the past and even managed to kill some high-level experts in the Martial Dipper Realm. That was why they were so confident in the first place.

It was a shame their target this time was Shang Xia, an expert at the peak of the Martial Dipper Realm who couldn't be measured with any sort of common sense.

Facing their combined attack, Shang Xia didn't dare to be careless. He decided to go all out and unleash his Five Element Annihilation Yin Yang Ring. His cultivation level at the grand completion stage of the Martial Dipper Realm was on full display and even without the Five Element Ring in hand, the Five Element Dipper Qi that emerged from his body was still terrifyingly strong. In the face of overwhelming strength, their cheap tricks were useless. Nothing stood in his way!

The name 'Five Element Annihilation Yin Yang Ring' was enough indication of what it could do. With the power of the Five Elements, it annihilated anything in its path. On the outside, it exuded the strength of the five elements and had the ability to seal away other people's dantian. The inner workings of the Five Element Annihilation Yin Yang Ring was even more terrifying. It could disrupt one's cultivation and completely eradicate their existence.

Their battle formation crumbled the moment he unleashed his Five Element Annihilation Yin Yang Ring. The communication and cooperation between them were also sealed away by Shang Xia's Five Element Dipper Qi.

The 3 Martial Dipper Realm experts desperately tried to resist, but the moment they came into contact with Shang Xia's Five Element Dipper Qi, they felt it surrounding them to turn them into a massive cocoon. The next moment, another powerful strand of energy that contained the power of destruction emerged and tunneled its way into their dantian.

Their dipper qi was melted away with ease no matter how hard they tried to resist. The aura they emitted fell along with their rapidly regressing cultivation level.

Their cultivation regression wasn't a simple matter of having their inner qi eaten away for the time being or having some Fate Dipper Clones destroyed. If those happened, they would eventually be able to restore their cultivation if they could take some time to recuperate. However, their Fate Dipper Origin was being eroded by the foreign qi at the moment and they would never be able to return to their original level.

Of the 7, the Martial Dipper Realm experts were desperately trying to resist and their cultivations were falling quickly. However, they had the ability to slow down whatever Shang Xia was doing to them. The Martial Extermination Realm cultivators weren't so lucky. Their cultivations were crippled almost instantly.

Realizing that they were in deep shit and they were no match for the other party at all, the chief screamed in agony again, "We have to run! We fell for their trap! Hurry... We need to get away!"

The Martial Extermination Realm cultivators were no longer able to escape at that point and of the remaining Martial Dipper Realm experts, the 2 weaker ones managed to get dozens of feet away before they were pressed into the ground by Shang Xia making a simple gesture in the air.

The only person who managed to get out of Shang Xia's Five Element Dipper Qi range was the chief. He started to run in the direction of the Star Origin City with a violently fluctuating aura.

At his level, Shang Xia could easily get rid of all of them if he wanted to. However, he didn't stop their chief from escaping and instead, he stared into the distance with a trace of anticipation on his face.

As the chief got tens of miles away, a Star Curtain emerged from the ground below. Unable to react in time, the chief slammed directly into it.

“You guys... No, you can’t...” In a state of panic, he cried out in shock and fright.

“Hmph, even without the Star Robe, someone from the Star Origin Guards will always be a part of us. Not to mention the fact that Brother Qi is my, Wu Heng’s, sworn brother. Fu Yuanheng, it’s not the first time you and your lackeys have done this in the wilderness! Your actions brought extremely negative effects to our Star Origin City and I had my eyes on you for a long time now. This time, I caught you in the act and the evidence gathered is more than enough! If you have anything else to say, you can go ahead and speak in the Star Origin Prison!”

The Star Curtain that appeared suddenly crashed down on Fu Yuanheng, sealing him up. Several specks of starlight also condensed to form shackles around his entire body while the other end of those shackles landed in the hands of the expert wearing robes seemingly made of starlight.

When the Star Curtain emerged earlier, Luo Qi, who was still in a state of shock, gasped in fright and muttered to himself, “Star Origin Guards!”

Shang Xia’s voice rang in his ears suddenly. “Looks like it’s someone you’re familiar with....”

Complicated emotions flashed across Luo Qi’s face, but he quickly became a little more excited. “He’s a good brother I made in the Star Origin Guards. If not for the fact that they arrived on time, that guy would have gotten away. We have to take care of the problem at the root whenever we face threats like these...”

The last part of his sentence seemed to be said intentionally.

In response, a chuckle left Shang Xia’s lips. He stared at the 3 experts clad in Star Robes flying over and he mumbled, “They probably arrived a long time ago...”

Luo Qi, who went up to welcome them, was slightly stunned. He didn’t show a shred of emotion on his face and he didn’t turn to look at Shang Xia either. Instead, he sent a voice transmission to Shang Xia and Shang Xia alone. “Are you sure?”

The smile on his face remained, but Shang Xia didn’t respond. The 3 of them were really close and they brought Fu Yuanheng with them. By that time, Fu Yuanheng had been sealed completely. Even his sense of hearing and sight were gone.

“Brother Luo, how have you been?” The 3 of them quickly landed. The person in the lead was tall and lanky, and his squarish face sat on a pretty thin neck. He couldn’t help but stare at Luo Qi from top to bottom to examine the extent of his injuries.

Luo Qi roared with laughter the moment he saw the person in the lead. “I’m fine! Fortunately, Brother Wu appeared in time. Otherwise, that person would have been able to escape! He might look for revenge in the future...”

Wu Heng laughed casually in response, “There’s no need to worry about it. He will never have a chance like that in the future. Now that he has fallen into our hands, the best he can hope for is to spend the rest of his life in the Star Origin Prison. He will have to live a life worse than death!”

Wu Heng’s expression sank suddenly as he continued, “Brother Luo, there’s something else we need to talk about. Do you think our Star Origin Guards aren’t taking care of you well enough or do

you not think of me as your brother any longer? Why did you risk your life to enter the wilderness to become a guide for others? Don't you know how dangerous this is?"

Luo Qi wore an embarrassed expression, but he didn't want to lower his head and admit anything. Instead, he merely thanked them again and again.

The Star Origin Guard behind Wu Heng sneered in a mocking tone all of a sudden. "Brother Heng, can't you see? Luo Qi hasn't given up. He's still planning to look for an opportunity to restore his cultivation in the wilderness. Hmph, he's still dreaming! Luo Qi, you might have retired from the Star Origin Guards and might not be able to fight experts in the Martial Extermination Realm, but you are still a Martial Dipper Realm expert! Why can't you just calm yourself down and cultivate for several years? The essence crystals you earned as a Star Origin Guard should last you a hundred years or two... You might even outlive the likes of us! Why aren't you content with what you have?"

"Hehe, Brother Liu is right! I'm just not content being an ordinary cripple..." Luo Qi chuckled. He seemed to think of something next and he continued, "Oh, right, look at me, I completely forgot to make the introductions! This is Young Master Shang whom I ran into in the wilderness. Young Master Shang, these Star Origin Guards were my fellow Star Origin Guards when I was back in the service. This is Brother Wu Heng, and there's Brother Liu Chengyu, and Brother He Yupeng."

Shang Xia nodded at them as his gaze lingered on their Star Robes.

The Star Origin Guards didn't seem too interested in Shang Xia. Even with Luo Qi's introduction, they merely glanced at him and nodded once before looking away.

It might have something to do with their status as Star Origin Guards, and the fact that Shang Xia was no Martial Void Realm Ancestor. He might have gotten rid of their battle formation on his own and displayed his frightening abilities, but they didn't think too highly of him.

Luo Qi could tell what they were feeling at the moment and he laughed awkwardly, "Since Brother Wu and the others are here, you can handle everything... Since I ran into Young Master Shang, I shall finish my task and finish being his guide."

Wu Heng swept his gaze across those downcast cultivators before turning to Shang Xia. "Alright, you should head out first. There's no need to worry about them. They won't be having a good time..."

"Young Master Shang?" Luo Qi turned to ask.

With a smile on his face, Shang Xia muttered, "Many thanks!"

Heaving a sigh of relief, Luo Qi continued to bring Shang Xia in the direction of the city. However, the moment they could move, they saw several streaks of starlight falling in the distance before a white-browed elder flanked by 4 Star Origin Guards appeared.

Luo Qi froze. A light lit up in his eyes when he saw the person who appeared and he hastily greeted, "I greet the captain and fellow experts!"

The 3 Star Origin Guards beside the white-browed elder smiled at Luo Qi while nodding slightly. The final guard looked the youngest, and he opened his mouth slightly as though wanting to say something.

A frown appeared on the white-browed elder's face when he saw Luo Qi. "Little Qi, why are you here?" He turned to look at Shang Xia after addressing Luo Qi and his gaze turned a little frostier. Eventually, he turned back to Luo Qi and sighed, "Are you really so unwilling to give up?"

Staying silent for a moment, Luo Qi eventually mumbled, "Captain, I still wish to try it out..."

The white-browed elder didn't try to dissuade him. Instead, he sighed, "If you run into any trouble in the city, feel free to look for me."

Wu Heng and the others also ran over quickly after noticing his presence.

"Captain!"

The white-browed elder stared at them with an expressionless face. "Have you dealt with the matter?"

"Yes!" Wu Heng replied with a smile on his face.

Turning around, the white-browed elder got ready to leave. Seeing that, Luo Qi took several steps forward and yelled, "Captain!"

The white-browed elder paused and turned to look at him again. "What is it?"

Luo Qi revealed a hopeful look and he nearly stuttered, "Captain, if... If... If I am able to restore my cultivation to a normal state, your promise to allow me to return to the Star Origin Guards..."

"Pfft..." Liu Chengyu was about to burst out laughing when he saw Wu Heng shaking his head silently.

Of the Star Origin Guards who appeared with the elder, 2 of them revealed looks of shock. They seemed flabbergasted at Luo Qi's resolution, and the youngest Star Origin Guard who looked a little excited to see Luo Qi earlier lowered his gaze suddenly. No one knew what he was thinking about.

"Captain..." There was a trace of pleading in Luo Qi's voice as he asked.

The white-browed elder turned to leave abruptly, but his voice rang in Luo Qi's ears. "Of course, I will keep my word. As long as you truly restore your cultivation, I'll honor the promise."

As the Star Origin Guards left with the white-browed elder, Luo Qi stared at their leaving figures and yelled, "Many thanks, Captain! I am grateful to every one of you!"

Shang Xia looked at Luo Qi who was waving with all his might even though the Star Origin Guards had left. He asked suddenly, "Why are you so adamant about returning to the Star Origin Guards?"

Luo Qi's arms paused for a moment. His voice was filled with desolateness as he muttered, "It's just a way for me to get rid of this feeling of depression..."

Shang Xia nodded in response. Soon, he continued, "Why do I feel like the Star Origin Guards seem to possess similar cultivation to those bandits?"

"Even if their cultivation realms seem the same, they are miles apart. Even with the imitated battle formation, they will never be able to match up to the Star Origin Guards." Luo Qi turned to stare at Shang Xia before revealing.

With a smile on his face, Shang Xia chuckled. "Is it because of the Star Robes they are wearing?"



Hesitating for a short while, Luo Qi eventually nodded. “Not everyone can receive a Star Robe. Other than the Star Origin Lord who can make the decision, one can only own a Star Robe after they receive the acknowledgment of the Guard Captain and Commander. Even the captains of the various camps only possess the authority to recommend candidates...”

“That captain...”

Luo Qi replied quickly. “Captain Qu also holds a post as the Deputy Commander of the Fourth Camp. His relationship with the Commander is pretty good and the Commander even owes him a favor!”

Shang Xia finally understood what was going on. “How are Star Robes created anyway? How can they possess such magical properties?”

Luo Qi wasn’t surprised by Shang Xia’s question. “I’m afraid only the Star Origin Lord knows...”

“How would you address the Star Origin Lord? Also, what level has he reached in his cultivation?” Shang Xia followed up.

Shaking his head, Luo Qi mumbled, “We address him as the Star Origin Lord. As for the lord’s cultivation level... It’s not something people like us have the qualifications to look into.”

Chapter 939: Superior Worlds, Spirit Words, Azure Worlds

“The Star Origin Guards are split into 7 camps and every one of them contains 7 squads with 7 Star Origin Guards each. Every expert in the squad has the qualifications to receive a Star Robe. Among the Star Origin Guards, they have a total of 343 Star Robes. The lowest cultivation one needs to own a Star Robe as a Star Origin Guard is the Martial Extermination Realm. The individual cultivation level of anyone in the Star Origin Guard can range from the Martial Extermination Realm to the Martial Void Realm.”

“If we consider the Star Robes alone, it can be considered a high-grade artifact. Even though it’s pretty special, it can only provide a limited boost to one’s combat strength. The true benefit of the Star Robes is the ability to deploy the Star Origin Guards’ special battle formation. The lowest requirement of a battle formation is for 7 Star Origin Guards to be working together. That is also why a squad consists of 7 guards. It’s possible to deploy the battle formation without 7 experts, but its might would drop considerably.”

“Also, there has to be an expert in the Martial Dipper Realm or higher in every squad. They would take on the role of the captain and the moment the battle formation is deployed, the squad would be able to fight any existence under the Martial Void Realm.”

“The full battle formation consists of an entire camp, with all 49 members of the Star Origin Guards taking part in the battle. Even if a Martial Void Realm True Immortal

isn't available to take on the role of the leader of the formation, they will still be able to challenge a Martial Void Realm expert. I might not have seen it before, but since the establishment of the Star Origin City, a full 49-man battle formation has been deployed more than once!"

"In a full battle formation, if a Martial Void Realm True Immortal takes the lead, even I have no idea what level of power they will be able to achieve. However, there are legends that since the establishment of the Star Origin Guards, commanders of each camp are made up of True Immortals. However, those are mere rumors. In the ranks of our Star Origin Guards, there has never been a time when all 7 Camp Commanders were made up of True Immortals. Right now, among the 7 Camp Commanders, it's said that 3 of them are True Immortals in the Martial Void Realm. The rest are experts at the peak of the Martial Dipper Realm. Comparing the collective strength of our current Camp Commanders to the Camp Commanders of the past, they are actually slightly above average..."

"..."

After Luo Qi's lengthy explanation and revelation, Shang Xia gained a better understanding of the power structure of Star Origin City.

Perhaps the 2 of them had built up some sort of trust and recognition for each other during the confrontation earlier, but Luo Qi answered Shang Xia's question honestly. He didn't reveal the true secrets of the Star Origin Guards while describing everything he could in detail. That allowed Shang Xia to gain a much deeper understanding of their power.

Of everything they described, Shang Xia was particularly interested in their Star Robes. It seemed to be the core secret of their battle formation and with the boost from the robes and their battle formation, the Star Origin Guards gained the capabilities to control the city.

It was a pity those secrets were things the Star Origin Guards would never share. There wasn't a need to mention Luo Qi. Even the captain they ran into earlier, or the Camp Commanders, wouldn't know the secrets. Perhaps, only the true Guard Commander knew the secret of the robes.

In the hundreds of years that passed, it wasn't as though there weren't any Star Robes that had been damaged or completely destroyed. As long as it wasn't completely destroyed, they would be able to repair those robes. If one's Star Robes were verified to be completely destroyed by their enemies, they would be able to get another one. Whatever it was, there were only 343 Star Robes in the Star Origin Guards. There was never an extra one, or any less.

According to Luo Qi, the materials required to craft Star Robes were extremely rare. It was the reason they couldn't expand the Star Origin Guards at all. Not even another squad could be formed.

There were some people who suspected that the Star Origin Lord was the only person who controlled some of the key materials required to craft the robes. Even if the production method was leaked, no one would be able to craft them.

The Star Robes might be a high-grade artifact, but that didn't mean that it possessed a fixed level of strength. It would adapt to the user's cultivation level and even though the robes looked the same, its uses would be completely different in the hands of a Martial Dipper Realm expert compared to a Martial Extermination Realm expert.

As for the Star Origin Guards Battle Formation, other than the fact that it required users to be wearing Star Robes, ordinary Star Origin Guards only knew a portion of how the battle formation worked.

Luo Qi mentioned that he knew a portion of the battle formation, but he made an oath never to leak it. Even if information about it was leaked, other people wouldn't be able to deduce the entire battle formation anyway.

Shang Xia chuckled in amusement, "So... How did those 7 come up with an imitation of your Star Origin Guards Battle Formation then?"

Luo Qi was taken aback by his question and he failed to find his words.

Shang Xia continued laughing. "Right. When your ex-comrades came to capture them, why didn't you mention the battle formation?"

Luo Qi didn't answer him directly. Instead, he asked a question of his own. "Wait. You said that Wu Heng and the others arrived before those bandits surrounded us. Are you serious?"

Seeing the serious look on Luo Qi's face, Shang Xia understood the impact his answer would bring about. However, there was no point in hiding anything. He replied honestly, "Yes."

Luo Qi's expression sank and he fell silent for some time as he continued to lead the way towards the city.

Shang Xia didn't say much either. He followed behind Luo Qi quietly.

They might have formed a certain level of trust for each other, but at the end of the day, they knew each other for less than a day. Shang Xia's reminder was a favor to Luo Qi, but he didn't plan on interfering too much in the matters of a stranger.

After entering the city, Shang Xia discovered that even though the walls were massive, there didn't seem to be too many defenses stopping cultivators from entering and leaving.

Now that Luo Qi had returned to a place he seemed more familiar with, and adjusted his mental state, he finally regained some of his initial optimism. A smile returned to his face and he chuckled, "Young Master Shang, now that we have arrived in the city, what are your plans?"

"What do people who come here for the first time choose to do?" Shang Xia replied.

Luo Qi didn't seem fazed at his question. He quickly responded, "That will depend on what type of people they are. If they have some sort of foundation, they will definitely head over to the Star Relay to set their coordinates. In the future, there will be no need to arrive in the wilderness or use some risky method to send themselves over. As for those without proper foundations, or those who are slightly weaker... It would be advisable not to leave coordinates from the Star Relay."

Shang Xia couldn't help but capture a portion of what he was trying to say. "What do you mean by foundations?"

“I saw the entire process of your arrival in the wilderness and if I’m not mistaken, there should be a True Immortal who assisted you in getting here. As such, you’re definitely not someone with no foundations. Weaker cultivators who arrive in the Land of Star Origin without the backing of a Martial Void Realm Ancestor, might come from a pretty backward world. As such, they shouldn’t leave their coordinates in the Star Relay. After all, the moment the location of their home world is revealed, they might be invaded by stronger existences. They might become culprits who caused the destruction of their homeland...” Luo Qi explained.

Shang Xia’s eyelids jumped slightly. “Do you mean to say that the Star Relay isn’t located in the city? Will recording my coordinates cause my world to be easily discovered by others?”

“Of course, the location of your world wouldn’t be leaked easily. The sea of stars is vast and there are all sorts of people who possess a vast array of skills. Is there anyone who can say with absolute certainty that they would be able to keep the coordinates of their world hidden perfectly? The Star Relay is connected to the various worlds to allow the smooth transfer to and fro. It also serves to protect the actual coordinates one transfers to, but whenever anyone heads over for the first time, the members of the Star Relay will still provide you the same reminder.” Luo Qi sighed.

Shang Xia nodded in response. He agreed with what Luo Qi said about being careful. However, he quickly spoke about something else. “Right. Anyway, wouldn’t that mean that one would have to be in the Martial Void Realm in order to make use of the Star Relay effectively?”

Luo Qi added, “Young Master Shang, you probably come from a Spirit World. The World’s Will of a Spirit World is able to provide some shielding to prevent unwanted guests from entering. There’s no need to be a Martial Void Realm expert.”

Realizing that the members of the Elysiums in the Spirit Luxuriant World probably already set up their coordinates in the Star Relay, Shang Xia could only nod silently to himself. From what he was saying, the experts of the various Elysiums probably didn’t need their Martial Void Realm Ancestor to send them over personally every time. All they had to do was use some essence crystals to activate the void guidance of the Star Relay to send them over.

Also, the experts of the Elysiums probably couldn’t travel back and forth easily. After all, the consumption of essence crystals was massive! To be exact, the essence crystals required to activate the relay were high-grade essence crystals. No matter how rich they were, it was just too damn expensive!

Fortunately, they had the support of Martial Void Realm Ancestors. In the past, there was no way they would have revealed the existence of the Azure Origin World or Azure Spiritual World. They probably left the coordinates of a certain region close to their world and their Martial Void Realm Ancestor would bring them back when the time came. Even if anyone spied on their coordinates, they wouldn’t be able to find the location of their worlds.

Now that they had become the Spirit Luxuriant World, they were finally qualified to leave their actual coordinates in the Star Relay.

Thinking back to what Kou Chongxue said when he sent him over, Shang Xia recalled that he had a very important task he needed to take care of. He spoke suddenly, "Brother Luo, do you know which worlds have publicly opened up their coordinates in the Star Relay?"

Staring at Shang Xia with a strange look, Luo Qi eventually muttered, "As of right now, there are only 2 Superior Worlds that provided their coordinates openly in the Star Relay. As for Spirit Worlds and Azure Worlds... There are 4 Spirit Worlds and 6 Azure Worlds in total. Of course, there are definitely experts of other worlds present and some coordinates have been discovered. Only those who left their coordinates would know where it leads to. If anyone tries to send themselves over, they will have to prepare themselves in case they are thrown into a dangerous region."

"What do you mean by Superior Worlds? Are they even better than Spirit Worlds? Also, what are the 4 Spirit Worlds? What about Azure Worlds? Do they actually have the courage to openly leave their coordinates there? Aren't they afraid of being invaded?" Shang Xia threw out several questions in rapid succession.

Chapter 940: Star Relay!

In the past, Shang Xia learned a little about the Land of Star Origin from Huang Yu. However, Huang Yu wasn't someone who hailed from the Star Origin City anyway and was also a Star Origin Guard.

With Luo Qi leading the way again, the 2 of them made their way over to the Star Relay.

Because it was Shang Xia's first time in the Land of Star Origin, neither of them tried using any movement arts. They strolled along the street with everyone else as Shang Xia admired the sights.

With a local like Luo Qi leading the way, Shang Xia quickly learned a lot about the city.

Shang Xia learned that not only did many experts leave behind their coordinates in the Star Relay to many different worlds, but there were 2 'Superior Worlds' that seemed to outrank Spirit Worlds. He didn't stop inquiring about them. "What is the actual term for those Superior Worlds?"

Luo Qi hesitated for some time as he tried to think about them. Eventually, he shook his head and sighed, "Apologies... I don't remember."

"You don't remember? What do you mean? Does it have something to do with your resignation from the Star Origin Guards?" Shang Xia gasped.

Luo Qi shook his head and sighed, "I... I don't think so. Their worlds seem to be able to shield themselves and hide from the memories of lower-leveled cultivators..."

"Lower-leveled cultivators?!" Shang Xia gasped. He stared at Luo Qi in shock. The other party's fate dippers might be in a mess and might not even be comparable to a strong Martial Extermination Realm expert, but no matter what, his cultivation was at the Martial Dipper Realm. However he looked at it, a Martial Dipper Realm expert shouldn't be considered a 'lower-leveled cultivator', right?!

Luo Qi noticed the look in Shang Xia's eyes and he could guess what he was thinking. He couldn't help but force a smile. "Perhaps in the eyes of those from the 'Superior World', our cultivations are truly nothing out of the ordinary..."

"How can ordinary cultivators from those 'Superior Worlds' recall their world then?" Shang Xia mumbled to himself. He was feeling a vague threat from the discovery of a world even stronger than their Spirit World, and he didn't really expect Luo Qi to know the answer either.

Luo Qi seemed to have thought of something and he quickly added, "Oh right, Ancestors in the Martial Void Realm should be able to learn the names of those worlds... Their memories wouldn't be affected either. I heard this from my Captain back then..."

Shang Xia raised a single eyebrow. Luo Qi was actually quite reliable from their interactions.

Whatever it was, they arrived at the Star Relay after walking for some time. The Star Relay was a massive region and when they arrived, they could detect a formless barrier above them. From the time they stepped foot in the Star Relay, Shang Xia already felt no less than 3 powerful auras sweeping over him.

Luo Qi explained, "As the Star Relay is connected to multiple worlds and lots of coordinates in the void, spatial fluctuations here are really common. No matter how confident they were in the stability of their grand formation and strength, the Star Origin City had to take precautions. The Star Relay is located in a special region and the defenses were extremely strict. Everyone who enters or leaves will be subjected to checks to ensure they won't pose a threat to the Spatial Formation in the Star Relay. I can also tell you that other than ordinary checks, the Star Origin Guards will do their own probes. Because the methods of the Star Origin Guards are pretty special, Martial Dipper Realm experts might not be able to detect it... Young Master Shang, please don't be offended by it."

Shang Xia nodded in response. However, his expression seemed a little weird. According to what Luo Qi said, there should be 2 different powers inspecting him. However, he clearly felt 3 different probes!

Shang Xia didn't know if it was because the 2 of them were receiving special attention or if there was a hidden third party Luo Qi didn't know about around the Star Relay. However, he felt that no matter what it was, it wasn't time to tell Luo Qi anything.

"The Star Relay is guarded by 3 squads of Star Origin Guards all year round and those who are in charge of protection of the Star Relay are extremely strong. The minimum cultivation of the Star Origin Guards in charge of protecting the Star Relay is at the Martial Dipper Realm. One of the squads here will definitely possess a Martial Void Realm expert as their captain..." As Luo Qi was speaking, a trace of envy flashed in his eyes.

Originally, he had a chance to enter the squad responsible for protecting the Star Relay. However, his fate dipper messed it all up and he couldn't even maintain his position in the Star Origin Guards.

With a thought surfacing in his mind, Shang Xia asked, "Would that mean that the Martial Void Realm expert here is one of the 3 strongest Camp Commanders?"

Luo Qi's mouth opened slightly and he didn't know how to respond for a moment. He coughed softly, "My introduction wasn't the best... There might be 3 Martial Void Realm experts among the 7 Camp Commanders, but that doesn't mean that every Martial Void Realm expert in the Star Origin Guards is willing to take on the role of the Camp Commander. Even though the Camp Commanders of the third, fifth, sixth, and seventh camps aren't Martial Void Realm True Immortals, it's said that there are 2 more Martial Void Realm experts in the first and second camps respectively and they chose to take on the role of captains. They rejected the roles because they said it would delay their cultivation..."

"That would mean that there are at least 5 Martial Void Realm experts in the Star Origin Guards." Shang Xia nodded to himself. Once again, his understanding of them grew a little deeper.

"That's the current situation..." Luo Qi explained.

The next moment, an ordinarily dressed woman appeared in front of them before sweeping her gaze across Luo Qi. She seemed to recognize his past identity but her attention quickly turned to Shang Xia. "Young Master, is there something you would like to do here?"

Shang Xia turned to look at Luo Qi for a moment and chuckled, "I'm here to look for someone!"

Even though she looked pretty 'ordinary', she was still an expert in the Martial Extermination Realm. A look of realization formed on her face. "There have been several people who gathered at the Star Relay earlier in the day. They seem to be waiting for someone. Young Master, are you the one they are waiting for? Oh... I wonder how I should address you?"

"Won't we know if I'm the one they're waiting for if we head over?" Shang Xia grinned. "You can call me Shang Xia. Young lady, how should I..."

A chuckle left her lips. "You can call me Lin Li. Young Master Shang, please follow me!"

After she spoke, she turned around to lead the way. Shang Xia shot Luo Qi a look to tell him to keep up.

Running behind him, Luo Qi asked in a low voice, "Young Master, do you already have an appointment?"

Luo Qi was feeling slightly anxious at the moment. If Shang Xia really had an appointment with someone in the Star Relay, the person he was meeting up with might have a good understanding of the city. When that happens, he would no longer be needed as a guide!

The main reason Luo Qi chose to act as a guide was to look for a way to restore his cultivation to a normal state and return to the Star Origin Guards. However, that wasn't all. As a high-level cultivator, he needed tons of cultivation resources. Even if he couldn't grow stronger, he needed to ensure his cultivation didn't regress. If he was able to obtain enough cultivation resources in the city, he wouldn't have to lower himself and act as a guide for newcomers to the Land of Star Origin!

Shang Xia understood his worries and he laughed with amusement, "Relax. We chose to meet in the Star Relay because of orders from our respective seniors. We'll go our separate ways after meeting up. I will still need to be my guide in the city."

Luo Qi heaved a sigh of relief after hearing what Shang Xia said. However, he couldn't help but become a little curious. *Young Master Shang clearly has a Martial Void Realm True Immortal supporting him, and the person he is meeting will probably be comparable in status... Why would their respective Martial Void Realm Ancestors require them to meet in the Star Relay?*

The Star Relay was a transit point for the various worlds and the reason the Star Origin City could control such a region wasn't just because they were conveniently located. Instead, it was because of their terrifying strength!

Even with their power, Star Origin City would never look down on any Martial Void Realm True Immortal. Regardless of their cultivation level, combat abilities, and where they come from, Star Origin City would always treat them with a certain level of respect and caution.

Even though Shang Xia was merely meeting someone, Luo Qi could tell that he had a certain task to complete.

If a single Martial Void Realm Ancestor could cause the city to act a little cautiously, what would happen if several Martial Void Realm Ancestors joined hands?

Luo Qi's first reaction was to notify the Martial Void Realm True Immortal from the Star Origin Guards. However, he quickly recalled that he was no longer a part of them and he probably didn't have the qualification to meet even the most ordinary of Star Origin Guards. There was also a need to mention that he was Shang Xia's guide at the moment and he couldn't leave whenever he wished.

Luo Qi's gaze lingered on Lin Li who was leading the way. She might not be a Star Origin Guard, but she had worked in the Star Relay for some time. He wondered if she knew about the implication behind Shang Xia's meeting with others.

When Luo Qi's thoughts were running wild, Lin Li led everyone to a majestic-looking ring-shaped hall that was made with massive stone pillars.

Turning her body slightly, Lin Li chuckled, "Young Master Shang, those fellow cultivators are in there. You can go ahead and see if they're the ones you're looking for."

Shang Xia wasn't in a rush to enter the hall. Instead, he chuckled and asked her another question. "Young Lady Lin, aren't you going to follow me into the hall?"

Lin Li shook her head in response. "My apologies. The Void Hall is a place where only Martial Dipper Realm experts have the qualifications to enter."

"Oh." Shang Xia grunted once before asking yet another question. "From my observation, there should be 3 other halls like the one before us. Could these Void Halls be places where cultivators use to send themselves off to various points in space?"

"Young Master Shang, you are sharp indeed. Other than one of the Void Halls that was created by one of the Superior Worlds, the others can be used by anyone. However, anyone who passes through the entrance of a hall has to be in the Martial Dipper Realm. If a Martial Extermination Realm cultivator wishes to enter, they would have to use talismans or protective treasures. Of course, they can also enter with the



protection of a Martial Dipper Realm expert. Only then will they be able to be transported through the void. Cultivators under the Martial Intent Realm will never be able to withstand the chaotic space when traveling through the void and even with higher-levelled experts protecting them, they will still be unable to complete the journey.” Lin Li might have noticed it was Shang Xia’s first time in Star Origin City and also had Luo Qi to act as his guide, but she still gave him the best explanation she could.

“Many thanks, Young Lady Lin!” Shang Xia bowed slightly before walking into the Void Hall.

In the distance, Shang Xia saw 4 familiar-looking faces as they seemed to be chatting about something. From the looks of it, they were pretty cordial with each other.

Actually, when Shang Xia entered the hall, all 4 of them noticed his presence and turned to look at him in unison.

A smile appeared on Shang Xia’s face and he quickly gave his greetings. “Senior Lu Wuzi, Senior Yifeng, Senior Jiu Du, Senior Huang Jinghan... Have you been well?”