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Chapter 471 – Apocalypse

Countless people had bitter expressions on their faces, and they looked at Su Yan, wondering how he would deal with this.

However, Su Yan had no idea either – they had used up all of their tricks, and even though they had wiped out the terrifying Undead Disaster, he had never thought that Great Qin would possess such a terrifying card up its sleeve.

Seeing that Su Yan didn't know what to do either, everyone else became quite worried. As they watched the Six Paths Demon Images massacre droves of players, they knew that if this continued, they would sooner or later be completely annihilated by the Six Paths Demon Images.

Rather than suffering a total loss, it would be better to escape – that way, at least a few people could survive. If they all died, their factions would be greatly weakened, placing them in danger.

Once a single person started running, others also started to run, and soon, all of the factions decided to run. No one wanted to waste their resources here because they were already destined for defeat.

The massive ocean of players started to collapse, and countless people started to run in terror. In just a short amount of time, the Six Paths Demon Images had already killed tens of millions of players. Now, if they didn't run, all of them would die here.

Seeing this, Su Yan sighed – they had failed yet again, but destroying the Undead Disaster was quite good already.

By now, Su Yan could only give the order for a full retreat. They would have to wait to see if they could find some way to deal with the Six Paths Demon Images. After receiving this order, the ordinary people started to desperately flee.

The massive ocean of players suddenly started to flow the opposite way, and countless people retreated.

However, at that moment, a cold and hoarse voice said, "I said I want everyone in the Heaven Awaken World... to die!"

Zhao Fu, standing in the air, coldly looked at the countless people running away, and he once again slowly raised his hand. The six chains going out from his arm went taut, causing the Six Paths Demon Images to stop what they were doing. They also raised a hand and spread out their fingers, pointing their palms towards the sky.

At that moment, the heavens and earth seemed to go silent, and there wasn't even a bit of sound. Even time and space seemed to pause, causing everyone to freeze.

“Six Paths of Reincarnation... Open!” A ferocious yell, accompanied with a world-ending sound, rang out as everyone in the Heaven Awaken World felt a pain in their ears as they felt an incredibly dangerous feeling.

Boom!!

A massive shockwave instantly exploded out from the eighth region like a wind storm, sweeping through the entire Heaven Awaken World. Countless trees were uprooted, and massive boulders were blown into the sky. Everyone could feel this terrifying power, and their bodies and souls completely froze as if they had fallen into an abyss.

Countless people wondered just what had happened in the northern side.

The eighth region had been reduced to nothing, and all of the trees, hills, and even mountains had completely disappeared.

At the center of the shockwave, the ground had completely collapsed, and lava flowed out, covering everything within 10,000 kilometers. The blood-red star in the sky looked like a blood-red sun that gave off an incredibly intense light.

The Six Paths Demon Images stood in the air and gave off incredible aura flames. Their arms were still pointing towards the sky.

All of the people a part of the player army had been completely annihilated by the shockwave, and nothing from the player army remained. This time, the Qin Resistance Alliance had been completely annihilated without even a single person remaining.

Only now did the Heaven Awaken World’s true crisis begin.

Cuts appeared on the Six Paths Demon Images’ raised hands, and balls of black blood slowly floated up into the sky, turning into a black mist. The mist then started spinning, creating six massive vortexes in the sky.

A boundless chilling intent from the Underworld instantly covered the entire Heaven Awaken World, causing all living creatures to feel incredibly cold, and they felt that a calamity was approaching.

The six vortexes gradually became bigger, and the eerie aura spread within the Heaven Awaken World. Countless beasts ran in terror, but they felt that nowhere was safe.

Countless people looked at the six vortexes with pale faces. They knew that this calamity would cause billions of creatures to die, and in fact, the entire Heaven Awaken World could be destroyed.

“If we knew that such a thing was going to happen, we should’ve stopped the factions in the northern side even if it cost us our lives. Now, Great Qin is going to open the Six Paths of Reincarnation and allow countless ghosts and monsters to invade the Heaven Awaken World. When that time comes, the entire Heaven Awaken World will be destroyed,” an elder from the Ancient Clans sorrowfully yelled.

The other elders of the Ancient Clans looked quite grim as well. They had thought that Great Qin would definitely lose this time, and because of what had happened before, they hadn’t wanted to get involved.

However, they had never thought that Great Qin, when cornered, would actually have such methods, opening the Six Paths of Reincarnation and destroying the Heaven Awaken World.

The square-faced man from the governmental faction roared furiously, "What can we do to stop any of this? Is Great Qin's Legatee completely mad? Is he insane to the point of killing everyone in this world?"

Hearing his words, everyone around him went silent. Now that such a thing had happened, who could stop this?

Could they even negotiate? After all, they had just reached an agreement, but because the northern side's regions had been connected, they had all instantly betrayed Great Qin and tried to destroy it; how could Great Qin's Legatee negotiate?

Within Flower Moon, a lovable-looking woman patted her chest as she said, "Luckily, we didn't continue to oppose Great Qin, or we would've died terrible deaths this time."

However, a traditional-looking woman sighed as she replied, "So what if we didn't? Right now, the Heaven Awaken World is facing destruction, which isn't beneficial to us at all. All of our businesses within the Heaven Awaken World might be destroyed as well."

A young girl with a childish voice agreed, saying, "Great Qin's Legatee probably exploded with anger after seeing the factions that it negotiated with immediately betray Great Qin and want to destroy it. Now, Great Qin's Legatee probably hates everyone in the world, which was why he opened the Six Paths of Reincarnation. Now, we're all doomed."

The other women sighed and nodded before discussing how to deal with this calamity.

The foreign factions had never expected to receive news of an impending apocalypse instead of news of Great Qin being destroyed. Their previous attitude disappeared, and they all felt incredibly worried now.

The six vortexes became bigger and bigger, and soon, they covered everything within 100,000 kilometers. Their terrifying might seemed to cause the air to freeze as if there were billions of evil creatures about to attack.

Six thin long cracks appeared at the center of the six vortexes, and boundless ghostly qi rushed out. The Six Paths of Reincarnation had been formally opened, and an apocalyptic disaster was about to descend.

Chapter 472 - Guardian

"Roarr..."

On the other side of the cracks, countless evil creatures could feel the living aura on this side, and they ferociously roared, their roars deafening.

Even though the cracks were quite long, they were still quite thin, making it impossible for the countless evil creatures to pass through just yet.

Hearing the evil roars from the sky, all of the people in the Heaven Awaken World felt their scalps go numb and their hairs stand on end, feeling that something dangerous was going to happen.

The sky was like a thin curtain with countless monsters on the other side, seeming incredibly ferocious and bloodthirsty, wanting to tear through this curtain and massacre all living creatures on the other side.

“What do we do? What do we do? What do we do?”

Now that a disaster was about to descend, countless people started to panic, not knowing what to do. They absolutely wouldn't be able to defend against those monsters because once the Six Paths of Reincarnation were opened, countless monsters and ghosts would flood in – the sounds they made were already no weaker than the Undead Disaster.

In fact, it was hundreds of times more powerful than the Undead Disaster. In terms of scale, the number of monsters was definitely far greater than the ocean of bones. With the disaster attribute, Great Qin's Skeletons had gradually evolved, and they had been about equal in strength to the players.

However, the monsters of the Six Paths of Reincarnation were different – there were countless different types, and they had all existed for different lengths of time. Those that hadn't existed for long wouldn't be very powerful, but those that had existed for a long time would be simply monstrous.

There would be monsters from Stage 1 to Stage 9 or potentially even those above Stage 9, while players' cultivations had barely reached Stage 1. How could they defend against such a disaster? They could only wait to be massacred.

The Chinese factions weren't the only ones that were powerless; the foreign factions were powerless as well. For all of them, being slaughtered by these monsters were their destiny, and this caused the entire Heaven Awaken World to fall into chaos.

Currently, countless people's hearts were filled with anger, reluctance, hatred, and regret. If they had known things would've turned out like this, no one would've been willing to betray Great Qin because things would've been better than right now at least. However, all regret was useless now.

Right now, the cracks were still quite thin, and even though boundless ghostly qi had flowed out, not a single monster had arrived yet.

Zhao Fu expressionlessly raised his hand and grabbed at the air, and the Six Paths Demon Images did the same. Their power caused the entire sky to tremble.

Bang!

A sound similar to glass shattering could be heard as one of the cracks suddenly extended out into countless other cracks before shattering like a mirror, and a gigantic black hole appeared in the sky.

The same happened for the five other cracks, resulting in six black holes that were 10,000 kilometers wide, giving off boundless ghostly qi.

The Six Paths of Reincarnation had been fully opened without any obstacles, and the twisted, eerie laughter of countless monsters filled the entire Heaven Awaken World.

The blood-red sky, the countless monsters, and the eerie and oppressive aura caused the Heaven Awaken World to turn into a purgatory.

“Roarrrr!!!” Suddenly, an incredibly loud and bold dragon’s roar sounded out, shaking the heavens. Everyone in the Heaven Awaken World heard this dragon’s roar.

At the same time, six azure spears of light that were 1,000 meters long and gave off an aura like that of lightning shot out from the sky. In just an instant, the six azure light spears pierced the Six Paths Demon Images’ hearts, causing them to pitifully howl and turn into a black aura before disappearing.

The six black holes in the sky gradually disappeared, and an azure light flashed as the countless monsters streaming out of the holes turned into wisps of azure smoke.

Boom!!!

It was as if the heavens and earth couldn’t withstand this might, and the sky seemed to be torn as countless rays of azure light shot out and an incredibly large figure appeared.

It was a divine dragon of undeterminable size. Its body covered the entire sky, and it had azure, jade-like scales and four claws that looked like they were made of azure steel. There was a pair of beautiful jade-like horns on its head, and the dragon’s head gave off a majestic and domineering aura as the dragon looked down at Zhao Fu.

Under this terrifying might, Zhao Fu’s body completely froze – this divine dragon’s power completely exceeded anything that Zhao Fu could even imagine.

Within his body, whether it was the Nation Armament or the Clan Armament, everything he had was suppressed by a formless energy, making it so that he couldn’t resist at all.

At that moment, Zhao Fu felt as if his body had been submerged in a frozen lake, and his entire body felt icy cold. He felt a deep shock within his heart as he looked at the divine dragon before him.

“Legatee! You’ve gone too far!” The azure dragon looked at Zhao Fu as it spoke with an ancient voice.

Zhao Fu continuously went through the information he had obtained from god Kerr, and he realized what sort of existence this divine dragon was.

“They wanted to destroy Great Qin, so I wanted them to die. How was what I did wrong?” Zhao Fu replied, his voice filled with killing intent as he looked back at the divine dragon.

The divine dragon said, “I wouldn’t have intervened even if you had killed all of them, but you opened the Six Paths of Reincarnation, allowing countless monsters to invade the Heaven Awaken World. This could’ve resulted in the destruction of the Heaven Awaken World, so I had to step in!”

Zhao Fu didn’t say anything because he knew that he had indeed gone too far. More importantly, he knew that he couldn’t fight against the divine dragon – a casual attack from it had killed Zhao Fu’s trump cards, the Six Paths Demon Images, and it had suppressed his Nation Armament and Clan Armament.

It could be seen just how powerful the divine dragon was – in front of it, Zhao Fu seemed far too weak, and he didn’t have the power to resist it at all.

However, the Six Paths Demon Images that Zhao Fu had summoned were only clones, and they were much weaker than the originals. If they had been the originals, they wouldn't have been killed so easily.

Regardless, Zhao Fu didn't have the power to summon the originals, and even if he had summoned the originals, he wouldn't have been able to control them in the slightest. He would've most likely received a backlash because he was still far too weak.

Now, his plan had been completely destroyed, and even though he had expended so much money and resources, he hadn't been able to do anything, making him unable to accept this.

Zhao Fu knew that the divine dragon wouldn't kill him, so he said, "I've indeed gone too far, but if I don't destroy them, they'll gather to destroy Great Qin. Lord Guardian, do you want Great Qin to be destroyed?"

The divine dragon had already realized this, so after falling silent for a few moments, it said, "Legatee, if you no longer do anything that will endanger the Heaven Awaken World, I can promise you that Great Qin won't be destroyed for 100 years. After 100 years, Great Qin should have the power to face all danger."

A smile appeared on Zhao Fu's face – with those words, everything he had done had been worth it. With his power, even after the Heaven Awaken World devoured the real world, he wouldn't have to worry at all.

Chapter 473 - World Energy

"Alright Lord Guardian, I can promise you that. I'll be in your care." Zhao Fu smiled as his attitude completely changed. He was ecstatic to receive the azure dragon's powerful protection because Great Qin would be guaranteed to not be destroyed within 100 years. Even if they gathered hundreds of millions of people, Zhao Fu wouldn't have to worry.

Now that Zhao Fu knew the azure dragon's identity, he naturally understood just how powerful it was. It was a being that could utilize world energy. No one could resist it, and everyone was incredibly weak in front of it.

"Mm!" the azure dragon replied before its indescribably big body disappeared from the sky. Zhao Fu recalled the Chaos Imperial Star, and the blood-red color gradually receded as the world became peaceful again.

Countless people were incredibly confused, not understanding what had happened – hadn't the Six Paths of Reincarnation just been opened, and hadn't the Heaven Awaken World been about to be destroyed? Why had everything suddenly vanished?

Even though they didn't know what had happened, they understood that the calamity was over, so countless people couldn't help but laugh. They all rejoiced that they had survived because the scene of those monsters flooding into the Heaven Awaken World had been simply too terrifying.

The countless factions didn't understand what had happened either. They could only guess that the Six Paths of Reincarnation had disappeared because of that dragon's roar. Because they had disappeared, the Heaven Awaken World was once again safe, and this was something to be celebrated.

The entire Heaven Awaken World was filled with laughing and cheering, and many people sang and danced in the streets. After this matter had concluded, the world returned to normal.

From when the Undead Disaster had begun to now, it had been nearly two months. Thirteen regions had been severely affected, with almost all life being wiped out from all of them. More than 100 million creatures had died during that time, and roughly 200 million players had died.

China's northern side in the Heaven Awaken World became heavily injured, and the number of people in each region drastically decreased. Things were no longer as lively, and the northern side became quite quiet.

There was a great lack of people after that disaster, and this couldn't be made up for in a short period of time. Countless factions almost collapsed, as most of their members had died, and they had lost many resources. This pushed back the development of the northern side's factions by many months.

Only China's northern side had been severely injured, and now that it had fallen behind, it would always be behind. It would always be weaker than the other regions from now on.

However, who could they blame? They were the ones who had caused all of this, so they were the ones who had to suffer the consequences.

This matter resulted in the leaders of ten factions being changed. After suffering such a massive loss, someone had to take responsibility, or there would be a riot.

As for Su Yan, he had disappeared after the matter had settled. No one knew where he had gone, and it was as if he had simply vanished.

The ordinary people were even worse off. After dying, all of their cultivation, equipment, and skills had disappeared, meaning they had lost everything. Now, they regretted participating with their entire being – after fighting for so long, they had suddenly gone back to the beginning.

Now, practically no one dared to mention Great Qin. Whenever it came up in conversation, people would immediately change the topic – it was evident just how terrified everyone was.

Even though the Six Paths of Reincarnation had been closed, who knew when Great Qin's Legatee would go mad again and open those vortexes?

Because the northern side's passages had been opened, Great Qin had stopped issuing Great Qin Writs and Holy Daughter Writs. After all, many people had thought that Great Qin would be destroyed, so if it was going to be destroyed, why would they be stupid enough to join it?

Before, they had only accepted the Great Qin Writ and Holy Daughter Writ under Great Qin's threats and coercion. If Great Qin had really been destroyed, they would have been overjoyed – as such, there had been no point in continuing to issue Great Qin Writs and Holy Daughter Writs.

It was a pity that even though they had been full of confidence, they had lost pitifully and even almost dragged the entire Heaven Awaken World into disaster. If it hadn't been for the Six Paths of Reincarnation suddenly being closed, everyone would have died without even knowing how.

Now, everyone knew how powerful Great Qin was and what kinds of terrifying cards it had up its sleeve. Now, everyone wanted Great Qin Writs and Holy Daughter Writs to obtain Great Qin's protection and to no longer be threatened by it.

However, it was already too late because Great Qin had already permanently stopped all Great Qin Writs and Holy Daughter Writs.

This caused countless factions to panic because this meant that Great Qin wouldn't accept anyone's surrender, and it now viewed everyone as an enemy to be destroyed.

Countless factions' representatives went to the Ying family's residence in fear and regret, wanting to once again negotiate with Great Qin. But this time, the Ying family rejected all of the visitors.

All of the large factions tried to investigate what had happened – why had the Six Paths of Reincarnation suddenly been closed? What was that dragon's roar? What was the situation in Great Qin right now? These were all important things to be investigated.

They had to find out because they were worried that Great Qin could do something even worse. That way, they would at least know what could stop Great Qin, but no matter how much they investigated, they couldn't find out anything.

As such, the large factions all over the world could only send representatives to express their goodwill. Even China's governmental faction lowered its head and sent people over. The Ancient Clans also wanted to hear about Great Qin's Legatee, and Flower Moon wanted to discuss working together with Great Qin's Legatee. However, they were all rejected.

No matter who went, the Ying family replied the same way – they wouldn't receive anyone!

This tough attitude forced the countless factions to sigh and give up. At the same time, they wondered just what had happened and why Great Qin had suddenly gone so quiet.

In the Heaven Awaken World, Zhao Fu was reclining on a bamboo chair next to a small creek under a leafless tree. He held a fishing rod as he idly fished.

Because it was now late winter, it was too cold to sit on the ground, and there was a blanket on the bamboo chair. After the matter had concluded, Zhao Fu had gone into a period of rehabilitation.

He had looked like a skeleton, and after a few days of recuperation, he had somewhat recovered. There was now more color in his cheeks, and his body had developed its muscles again.

However, if he wanted to make a full recovery, it would still take some time. Zhao Fu had used up too much of his flesh and blood this time, and it would be impossible to recover within a short period of time.

"Zhao, you should taste this; it's so sweet," the Flower Spirit with a little rose on its head carried over a grape-like fruit and said happily.

It was Roserose, one of the Flower Spirits Zhao Fu had taken in a while ago. She and the other two Flower Spirits were sitting on Zhao Fu's shoulders, happily eating fruits.

Because it was winter, the three Flower Spirits were wearing little warm articles of clothing made by Asani, which were much better than the flower petals that only covered their important parts. After receiving those clothes, they had been incredibly delighted.

Chapter 474 - Sky Desolation Azure Dragon

Asani had a good relationship with practically everyone, and she was like by all, making her quite popular.

Zhao Fu ate the fruit that Roserose offered – it was quite sweet and delicious, though he had no idea what it was.

Seeing that Zhao Fu had eaten the fruit that she had offered, she sat back down on Zhao Fu's shoulder and started to play with the other two Fairy Spirits.

They normally stayed in the medicinal garden because they had the ability to reduce the growing time for plants, and the effect was quite great. With Great Qin's support, their strength had reached Stage 2, because their abilities had been strengthened, their job was to speed up the growth of spirit medicines.

Zhao Fu was usually quite busy, so he rarely saw them. This time, the three Flower Spirits had come to find him because most plants didn't grow during the winter. Therefore, even if they stayed around, many of the spirit medicines wouldn't grow.

Because it was winter, the flowers didn't bloom either, so Great Qin didn't have flowers growing everywhere and have the fragrance of flowers in the air. As such, the three Flower Spirits had come to find Zhao Fu to see if he could find a solution to this and make flowers grow again in Great Qin because that was what they loved the most about Great Qin.

Zhao Fu thought about it and decided that this was easily solved – all they had to do was plant more plants that could grow during winter, such as plum blossoms, winter cherry blossoms, camellias, etc...

Even though there weren't many plants that could grow in winter, the ones that were available would be enough. The flowers that bloomed in spring were quite different than the flowers that bloomed in other times because they gave off a clear and cold aura, which Zhao Fu quite liked.

As such, Zhao Fu ordered a few people to plant a few types of plants within Great Qin to resolve this problem.

After this was resolved, the three Flower Spirits were naturally quite happy, and they stayed by Zhao Fu's side and didn't leave, staying here with him as he fished.

Everything had returned to normal in Great Qin. Because its population was now at 2.1 million and Great Qin had 632 villages, Great Qin spawned tens of thousands of people every day.

The four system main cities spawned roughly 2,000 or so people every day, and with these cities and villages, they would have much more people as they went forward.

Now that they had 2.1 million residents, Zhao Fu expanded the army to 400,000 soldiers. 200,000 of them were Stage 1 soldiers while the remaining 200,000's cultivations weren't weak either because they had all consumed Stage 1 Blood God Pills.

After the Undead army had annihilated the eighth region and massacred the four system main cities, Zhao Fu had obtained 400,000 Stage 1 city guards' corpses. Even though they had used 200,000 of them, there were still 200,000 that could be used to boost Great Qin's soldiers in the future.

Great Qin had obtained massive benefits from this ordeal, and what Zhao Fu was happiest about was, of course, the four system main cities. They provided Great Qin with four more City Lords, which greatly boosted Great Qin's battle power.

Moreover, there were also countless pieces of equipment, medicinal pills, and other items. Putting aside everything that Great Qin had obtained from the system main cities, Great Qin still hadn't finished selling the equipment it had taken from the 15 million players because there were simply too much equipment.

It was sad that the equipment on the 170 million players during the latest battle would have been worth 850 million gold coins if each person had five gold coins worth of equipment. This terrifying number was hundreds of times what Great Qin had.

However, Zhao Fu hadn't had the time to collect that equipment before the shockwave from opening the Six Paths of Reincarnation had turned all of the equipment into dust. This was a massive pity, and now that he had calmed down, Zhao Fu felt a pain in his heart.

Zhao Fu had ordered the 400,000 soldiers to be split into four groups that went off in four different directions, and he had them closely look for and destroy any villages within 10,000 kilometers.

They would first control everything within 10,000 kilometers before considering how to take down the entirety of the Forest of Horrors. They had to speed up the plan for Great Qin's restoration because time was running out.

However, Zhao Fu wanted to first destroy Heavenstone City, but he needed to wait until his body had recovered. Now that he had four City Lords, there was no chance of failing, and Zhao Fu had waited for this day for a long time.

Great Qin had opened up paths to 92 other regions, and they started to re-establish their restaurants, Merchant Alliances, and other shops.

Zhao Fu wasn't worried at all about being attacked by the northern side's factions; after all, if they hadn't been utterly destroyed in that last fight, they would've at least been greatly crippled. None of them had much of their forces left, so how could they dare to attack Great Qin?

Now that Zhao Fu had given them a way out, they were all extremely happy, and they didn't dare to do anything dangerous.

Now, Zhao Fu didn't put the northern side's factions in his eyes at all. After dealing with these matters, he would take care of them. In the beginning, Zhao Fu had thought about sparing of them, but they had continuously betrayed him and even tried to destroy Great Qin. How could Zhao Fu let them off so easily?

With the azure dragon's protection, Zhao Fu no longer feared a combined attack from them, so he had canceled the Great Qin Writs and Holy Daughter Writs. Now, Great Qin viewed everyone as an enemy and planned to use force to conquer them instead of mercy.

Also, Zhao Fu knew the name of that azure dragon – it was called the Sky Desolation Azure Dragon. It wasn't a Lord class monster or a King class monster but a type of Guardian Beast.

Its job was to protect this world, so it could use world energy. It was powerful beyond anyone's imagination, and because it was a Guardian Beast, it had stopped Zhao Fu as he was opening the Six Paths of Reincarnation because that could destroy the Heaven Awaken World.

As the Guardian Beast of this world, the Sky Desolation Azure Dragon naturally knew almost everything – Zhao Fu was someone who it paid great attention to, so it knew a lot about him.

It knew that Zhao Fu had killed a god and obtained the demon god's information; it also knew that Zhao Fu had the Heaven and Earth Refining Formation as well as some things that even Zhao Fu didn't know.

Moreover, there were three other Guardian Beasts that guarded four different places.

Even though the Sky Desolation Azure Dragon had 'azure dragon' in its name, that didn't mean that the other Guardian Beasts were the white tiger, the black turtle, and the vermilion bird.

Turning back to Great Qin, the four major roads had begun construction, and Great Qin City was gradually expanding in order to accommodate more residents.

At the same time, Great Qin was constructing a business street to develop its economy – after all, with more and more people, Great Qin had to start operating more like a system main city to look after everyone.

Finally, Great Qin had made the switch over to winter crops and mass-planted them, but the underground city they had constructed had essentially been constructed for nothing.

Chapter 475 – Rock Giant

"Your Majesty, it's time for your treatment," a 16 or 17-year-old Elf girl, with a faint blush on her face, walked over and paid her respects before saying in a small voice – it was Asani.

Asani's healing skills were already quite advanced, and after such a long time, her healing skills had surpassed first-rate and become grandmaster-tier. Because of this, her healing skills had a big effect.

Within Great Qin, only her healing skills were at grandmaster-tier, while others were, at most, only at the first-rate tier. At the same time, her grade was now SSS grade.

Great Qin didn't lack SSS grade corpses – after all, all of the City Lords' corpses and their three Great Generals' corpses were SSS grade. After destroying four system main cities, Great Qin had obtained 16 SSS grade corpses, and Great Qin had also obtained SSS Grade Pills from the Disaster Festival. Now, Great Qin didn't lack SSS grade Orbs at all.

The reason Zhao Fu had given one to Asani was because her performance had been quite good, and he also felt that Great Qin needed a grandmaster-tier healer to deal with some potential problems in the future.

Three other people had also been given SSS grade Orbs, and they had been with Great Qin from the start. They were Blacksmith Wang Dawu, Apothecary Zhang Baishu, and Tailor He Yun.

They possessed support-type professions, but they were no less important than battle professions. This was because they all provided strong support to Great Qin: a blacksmith could forge high-grade equipment, an apothecary could refine high-grade medicinal pills, and a tailor could create high-grade defensive items.

Those three types of items were all important, and Great Qin couldn't lack them. As such, it was important for the people with those professions to have high Grades – high Grades not only increased cultivation speed but also one's comprehension.

Apart from them, Zhao Fu also gave one to Rhode because he was the one who had forged most of Great Qin's Legendary grade equipment. He had contributed a lot, so it was only right to reward him.

Zhao Fu distributed the rest of the Grade Orbs to some other people with support-type professions and some of the Generals and Ministers he was nurturing.

Li Si was still SS grade, and this wasn't because Zhao Fu didn't value him – after all, Zhao Fu believed that giving Grade Orbs to historical figures was good. However, Li Si was a civil official, and other Generals urgently needed Grade Orbs, which was why Zhao Fu hadn't given him an SSS Grade Orb.

However, this wasn't a big deal. When the Heaven Awaken World devoured the real world, Li Si's Fate Seal would be undone, and his Grade would most likely increase.

Of course, if Zhao Fu obtained enough historical figures' Grade Orbs, it was possible that he would raise Li Si's Grade before then.

Following this, Zhao Fu allowed Asani to treat his wounds. Her hands gave off a green light that was filled with the aura of life, and the light covered Zhao Fu's body, causing his injured body to quickly recover.

Zhao Fu also had the Royal Wood Sword, which could heal him a little bit, but that was only because it could provide a large amount of life energy. After all, it wasn't actually giving off pure healing energy. As such, Zhao Fu had to rely on consuming medicinal pills and having Asani heal him.

After the treatment went on for half an hour, Asani stopped and looked at Zhao Fu caringly as she asked, "How do you feel, Your Majesty?"

Zhao Fu spread his senses through his body and found that his body was much better, so he smiled and nodded.

“That’s great!” Seeing that she had been able to help Zhao Fu, Asani happily laughed. She felt that there was great worth in helping others, especially Zhao Fu, who was the ruler of Great Qin. All of them relied on Zhao Fu for their happy lives in Great Qin.

Seeing how happy she seemed, Zhao Fu couldn’t help but smile too, and he said, “Alright, you can return and attend to any matters you need to take care of.”

However, Asani quickly shook her head, indicating that there wasn’t anything urgent.

“Asani! Asani! Asani!” When they saw that Asani was done, the three Flower Spirits happily flew over to play with Asani. Looking at how cheerful they all seemed, Zhao Fu felt a sense of peacefulness within his heart, and he once again sank into his cultivating state.

Time gradually passed, and Zhao Fu’s body recovered with each passing day. Six days later, Zhao Fu had more or less made a full recovery.

Now, it was time to set the plan to destroy Heavenstone City in motion.

Zhao Fu had his Generals gather the army while he summoned Guo Binglin and asked for the latest reports on Heavenstone City. Since he had made the decision to attack, it was best to gather as much intelligence as possible in case things had changed recently.

Zhao Fu looked through the intelligence reports in detail and found that not much had changed in Heavenstone City. The thing that had changed the most was most likely the attitude of the three other City Lords.

The three other City Lords’ attitudes were unclear, and because Zhao Fu was unable to tell if they would help Heavenstone City, he had to make sufficient preparations.

However, he now commanded five City Lords, who would be enough to stall those other City Lords, so this wasn’t a problem. The main problem was the 100,000 Stage 1 soldiers from each of the other main cities. Zhao Fu thought about it and decided to use an isolation barrier to prevent them from helping.

All of the system main cities were tens of thousands of kilometers away from each other, so even if they sent troops, it would take at least a week for them to arrive. By that time, Great Qin would’ve already taken down Heavenstone City.

If they really did dare to come, Zhao Fu would set an ambush and take the opportunity to destroy the three other system main cities and take over all of East Green.

Zhao Fu first gathered his Generals to discuss and determine their tactics before officially setting their plan into motion.

Massive waves of soldiers orderly marched into the teleportation channels, giving off an austere atmosphere. By now, they gave off the majestic might of a nation.

Zhao Fu put on his black cloak and went deep into East Green to look around.

There were many hills and mountains in East Green but not many trees. Because the creeks and lakes were gathered densely, the air was quite damp, and the moss here was quite lush.

Zhao Fu turned invisible and hid his aura as he flew in the sky – he was currently looking for East Green’s super monster.

East Green’s super monster was a key part of this plan. The most powerful monster of the region was usually quite big, such as the Forest of Horror’s Six-Eyed Flood Dragon and Seeping River’s fish monster. Their bodies were at least 1,000 meters long, so it wouldn’t be too hard to find.

Zhao Fu was within the deepest part of East Green, and after looking around, he didn’t find anything. He felt quite surprised and looked around again before finally finding something.

East Green’s monster boss was a Rock Giant. It was roughly 1,000 meters tall, and its body was covered with moss and made of gray rock.

The Rock Giant was currently laying on the ground sleeping, which was why Zhao Fu hadn’t initially noticed it – he had thought that it had been a mountain. Afterward, he had felt that something was off, and after inspecting it closely, he found that the mountain was alive. Only then had he realized that it was a Rock Giant.

Chapter 476 - Fruit of Life

The Rock Giant didn’t move around much, and it spent most of its time in a deep sleep. Only incredibly big shocks would wake it up, which fit perfectly well with Zhao Fu’s plans.

Suddenly, Zhao Fu noticed a two-meter tall tree next to the Rock Giant. Whether it was the branches or leaves, they were all red, and there were nine fruits hanging on its branches.

These fruits were as big as fists, and they looked somewhat like people. They were purple-colored and had a mysterious luster. At a glance, anyone would be able to tell that these were high-quality spirit fruits.

What was even more important was that Zhao Fu just happened to know what sort of fruits they were – they were the Fruit of Life that he had been searching for, which was the main ingredient for the Fate Changing Pill. The Fate Changing Pill was one of the pill recipes Zhao Fu had claimed from the Disaster Festival, and it had powerful effects.

It could cause anyone at A grade or below to increase one’s Grade by one Grade. Combined with the Heaven and Earth Refining Formation’s effects, Great Qin could develop a large number of S grade soldiers.

Looking at that tree, Zhao Fu couldn’t help but feel excited. However, he couldn’t touch that tree just yet, as it was clear that it was quite important to the Rock Giant. If Zhao Fu tried to do anything to the tree, it was likely that he would wake up the Rock Giant.

The Fruit of Life Tree was something that Zhao Fu was determined to obtain, but he would leave it here for now and take it after he set his plan into motion.

Following this, Zhao Fu’s body turned into a streak of light and left the depths of East Green.

After the incident last time, Heavenstone City's defenses had become incredibly tight because Shi Jian knew that Zhao Fu would return sooner or later. As such, he had made all sorts of preparations to prevent anything unexpected from happening.

Shi Jian's greatest weakness was his son, Shi Wen, so if Great Qin was able to control Shi Wen, Shi Jian wouldn't be able to do anything.

Shi Jian seemed to realize this, so Shi Wen was restricted to the City Hall most of the time. He also had one of the two remaining Great Generals, Liu Sheng, protecting him at all times.

Without Shi Wen causing trouble, Heavenstone City's situation started to improve, and it no longer had its foul atmosphere. Many players started to come to Heavenstone City to develop, causing Heavenstone City to become lively and prosperous.

Even though Zhao Fu had been listed as a wanted fugitive by Heavenstone City, with his strength, it was easy for him to sneak in without being detected. However, those listed as fugitives would receive a 30% debuff to their stats. Regardless, Zhao Fu was still incredibly strong.

Zhao Fu completely suppressed his aura and activated Stealther. Zhao Fu first entered Heavenstone City before heading to the City Hall.

After searching around the City Hall, Zhao Fu finally found where Shi Wen was. Shi Jian never could've expected that Zhao Fu would become so much more powerful in such a short period of time, nor he have expected Zhao Fu to have the guts to infiltrate the City Hall.

The City Hall was the central place of a system main city, and no ordinary person would dare to sneak in. Otherwise, that person would die without even knowing how he had died.

Even though Shi Wen had matured and even many of the soldiers' impressions of him had changed, he still had some vices.

Currently, even though it was daytime, he was within a luxurious bedroom rolling around in the bed with three beautiful attendants. The three attendants gasped and moaned while Liu Sheng guarded the door outside, an awkward expression on his face.

Only after seeing Liu Sheng did Zhao Fu find out where Shi Wen was.

Liu Sheng's strength was still at Stage 3, which was nothing to Zhao Fu. After all, Zhao Fu's own cultivation was just a step away from breaking through to Stage 3, and he had countless other powers strengthening him.

However, Zhao Fu still cautiously took out a dagger and slowly snuck to Liu Sheng's side. Because Zhao Fu was an Assassin, doing such a thing wasn't very hard.

"Ahhh..." A loud moan came from within the room, disturbing Liu Sheng's focus and allowing Zhao Fu to successfully come within five meters of Liu Sheng.

At that moment, Zhao Fu's body sprang forward like a cheetah, and just as Liu Sheng instinctively sensed something, it was already too late.

Zhao Fu had already arrived behind Liu Sheng and covered Liu Sheng's mouth with one hand as he gripped the dagger with his other, and he didn't hesitate to slit Liu Sheng's throat, ending his life.

Before, Zhao Fu could only bitterly fight against Liu Sheng, but he was almost a completely different person now. Liu Sheng had become much weaker as well, and he couldn't resist at all.

Following this, Zhao Fu put Liu Sheng's body into his ring before quietly opening the door. Currently, the four people were still romping around on the bed and hadn't noticed anything.

"Mmm... young master, you're so good!" one of the beautiful attendants cried out underneath Shi Wen, her face completely red.

At that moment, three black sword lights shot out, piercing through the three attendants' heads and killing them instantly.

Shi Wen was given a big fright and quickly looked behind him. Without him noticing, a black-cloaked person had appeared in the room.

"Who are..." Shi Wen was about to yell at the person. At the same time, he wanted to call his guards to take care of this person. Back then, Shi Wen had been too drunk, so he hadn't remembered what Zhao Fu looked like. Because of this, he hadn't yet realized that the person in front of him was the person his father had told him to be wary of.

However, before he could finish his sentence, Zhao Fu's body blurred and arrived beside him, knocking him out instantly. He then rolled up the naked man in his bed sheets and prepared to leave.

Before, it had been easy for Zhao Fu to sneak into the City Hall using the Stealther and his Assassin skills, but now that he had to bring another person out, it wouldn't be so easy.

As such, Zhao Fu didn't bother hiding anything – he grabbed Shi Wen and blasted his way out of the City Hall as he flew into the air and starting to fly towards the outside of the city.

This sudden noise caused everyone in the City Hall to feel quite shocked, and Shi Jian immediately noticed something and rushed out of his room. Shi Jian suddenly felt his son's aura disappear, and he looked at the black-cloaked figure speeding off as he roared and exploded out with strength, chasing after Zhao Fu.

Zhao Fu was incredibly fast and looked like a black streak of light as he flew towards the outside of the city. Shi Jian was slightly behind him, but he desperately chased after Zhao Fu.

The distance between them started to close, but Zhao Fu paid no attention to Shi Jian. He merely glanced at him before continuing to speed forwards.

"Return my son!" Looking at the familiar figure in front of him, Shi Jian's heart sank, and he exploded with even greater strength, causing him to speed up.

However, Zhao Fu continued to ignore him and fly forward. The distance between them gradually decreased, when suddenly two people giving off powerful auras stopped Shi Jian.

These two people were Saar and Meng Tian!

Chapter 477 - A Debt is Owed. It is Time to Pay!

Saar was the City Lord of a Basic City, and Meng Tian was the City Lord of a system main city. With their combined strength, they were able to stall Shi Jian – this was why Zhao Fu didn't care about Shi Jian chasing after him, as he had made sufficient plans.

Wang Jian, Wei Liao, and Bai Qi were stationed near the three other system main cities in order to prevent the three other City Lords from helping out.

If there hadn't been a need to prevent the three other City Lords from interfering, Zhao Fu could've gathered all of his City Lords, lured Shi Jian out, and killed him.

This was because Great Qin had six City Lords including Zhao Fu – with six of them against Shi Jian, Shi Jian would definitely lose.

However, that wasn't Zhao Fu's plan because he also wanted to obtain the Fruit of Life Tree.

As such, Zhao Fu continued flying towards the depths of East Green while Saar and Meng Tian continued to block Shi Jian. Feeling their strength, Shi Jian felt quite startled, as one of them gave off the power of a City Lord of a system main city while the other gave off the power of a City Lord of a Basic City. With his own strength, it would be very difficult to escape from them.

"Sirs, it's best that you stay out of this and mind your own business," Shi Jian said with a cold expression. He still didn't know that Saar and Meng Tian were Zhao Fu's subordinates and thought that they were people Zhao Fu had recruited. He had no idea just what sort of strength Zhao Fu possessed by this point.

Of course, Saar and Meng Tian ignored Shi Jian's words and took out their weapons. Their goal was extremely clear.

"Hmph!" Shi Jian coldly harrumphed and took out his large saber and City Lord Seal, and he used his full strength from the very beginning – he had to catch up to Zhao Fu, or his son would be in danger. He slashed out, sending out a massive saber light towards the two people in front of him.

Saar and Meng Tian unleashed their City Lord Seals' power as well and blocked Shi Jian's attack.

The three of them engaged in a massive battle in the air, causing the clouds to swirl and for countless birds and beasts to escape as if a terrifying disaster was about to descend.

Saar and Meng Tian weren't proactively attacking. Instead, they focused on defense because their main task was to stall Shi Jian so that Zhao Fu could carry out the plan.

Zhao Fu quickly flew into the depths of East Green. Looking down at the soundly-sleeping Rock Giant, Zhao Fu smiled and took out a small stick of incense that looked like it would only burn for three minutes. It had five colors and gave off a dreamy fragrance.

This was Dream Incense, and it had powerful effects that could cause even the super monsters of each region to fall into a deep sleep. It was a pity that once those who fell asleep suffered immense pain, they would wake up; otherwise, Zhao Fu would've been able to use this to kill the Rock Giant.

Zhao Fu lit the Dream Incense and held his breath because if he breathed in the incense, he would also fall into a deep sleep.

Zhao Fu didn't have much time, so he acted quickly. He first placed the burning Dream Incense next to the Rock Giant, and after breathing in the incense, the Rock Giant fell into an even deeper sleep.

Afterward, Zhao Fu took out a sturdy iron cage and placed it beside the Fruit of Life. He threw Shi Wen in and locked the cage before using a few chains to bind the cage to the Rock Giant. The cage and chains were incredibly strong, as they were made out of a few Legendary grade materials, and they could even take a full-force blow from a City Lord.

Zhao Fu smiled – it was now time to dig up the Fruit of Life Tree. The Fruit of Life was a rare Stage 6 spirit fruit, and they were even harder to find than ordinary Stage 7 spirit fruits. They were extremely precious, and Zhao Fu had never thought that he would obtain some here.

As such, Zhao Fu was incredibly careful as he dug up the Fruit of Life Tree and put it inside his Disaster King Ring.

After Saar and Meng Tian had stalled Shi Jian for a while, they acted according to the plan and left. Of course, Shi Jian wouldn't chase after them, and he instead headed in the direction that Zhao Fu had disappeared in.

By now, the Dream Incense's smell had disappeared, and Zhao Fu went into stealth, hiding his aura. Zhao Fu had originally thought that after the Dream Incense's smell dissipated, the Rock Giant would wake up because of the Fruit of Life Tree's disappearance.

However, Zhao Fu had found that this wasn't the case – the Rock Giant continued in its deep slumber, and it seemed that the Dream Incense's effects didn't end as soon as it stopped burning. Unless there was some sort of external shock, it seemed that those who fell under its influence would never wake up.

Zhao Fu hadn't expected this at all, and if he had known that this was the case, he wouldn't have used up all of the Dream Incense. He would've been able to use it at least twice more, but it was too late now.

Even though the Rock Giant was still deeply slumbering, Zhao Fu wasn't worried. He drew the Sin Dragon Sword and flew above the Rock Giant because Shi Jian had nearly arrived.

Shi Jian stopped some distance away and stood in the air as he furiously looked at the scene in front of him.

The black-cloaked figure standing in front of him gave off a powerful aura with his sword drawn. His blood-red eyes under the hood seemed to be looking at him mockingly, and Shi Jian's son was locked within a cage next to the Rock Giant.

From the black-cloaked figure's gaze, it was clear that he wanted him to fight with the Rock Giant. In order to save his son, he would have to fight the Rock Giant.

“Sir, don’t you think this is a bit too shameless?” Shi Jian coldly looked at Zhao Fu. He knew that this day would come, but he could never have expected that this person would become so powerful. Just his aura alone was no weaker than his own, and he also had a Nation Armament and Clan Armament.

“Shameless?” Zhao Fu coldly laughed, “Could it be that if you do evil, I have to do good?”

Hearing this, Shi Jian felt quite furious, but he quelled his anger and said, “Before, it was Heavenstone City that was in the wrong. However, Heavenstone City has paid a great price, and only ten or so of your people were killed, while tens of thousands of my Heavenstone City’s soldiers and residents died. I believe that this matter should end here; Heavenstone City will no longer make any trouble for you.”

“Hahaha...” Hearing Shi Jian’s words, Zhao Fu laughed loudly and said, “I don’t think you understand the situation; it’s Great Qin making trouble for you. Even though ten or so people died, they all belonged to Great Qin. A debt is owed. It is time to pay!”

After speaking, Zhao Fu raised the Sin Dragon Sword and sent his power into it, preparing to awaken the sleeping Rock Giant.

“Wait!” Shi Jian quickly cried out.

Zhao Fu paused and looked at Shi Jian as he asked, “What more do you have to say?”

Shi Jian deeply breathed in, calming himself down as he said, “I can give you some compensation to resolve this matter between us. I’ll do my best to fulfill your demands!”

Since his son had fallen into his enemy’s hands, Shi Jian had to compromise. He hoped to use compensation to resolve this crisis. After all, he knew that the enemy had made great preparations. It wasn’t just his son and him who were in danger but also all of Heavenstone City.

Chapter 478 - Thousand Meter Rock Pillar

“Whatever I want... could you give Heavenstone City to me?” Zhao Fu coldly laughed before asking.

“Absolutely not!” Shi Jian immediately refused; how could he just give out a system main city like that? How could he face the soldiers and residents who trusted and respected him so much?

Moreover, Heavenstone City was something that had developed for a long time, and it had taken great efforts to establish it. How could Shi Jian be willing to just hand it over to someone else?

If he lost his city, he would just be someone with Stage 4 cultivation. If he encountered a City Lord, even if it was a City Lord of a Basic City, he wouldn’t be able to defeat him.

When that time came, anyone who wanted to kill him would be able to do so easily, and he would have no way of protecting himself.

Zhao Fu knew that things would turn out like this, and since Shi Jian wasn’t willing to compromise on this, what else could he offer? Zhao Fu didn’t bother saying anything else because there was nothing that Shi Jian could offer him except the system main city.

As such, Zhao Fu sent his power into the Sin Dragon Sword, causing it to give off a terrifying green light. There seemed to a dragon swimming up and down the blade of the sword, and seeing this, Shi Jian was quite startled and wanted to stop him. However, it was too late.

The Sin Dragon Sword gave off a massive sword qi that smashed against the Rock Giant, resulting in a muffled explosion. The sword qi swept out like a berserk wind, causing some cracks on the surface of the Rock Giant's body.

Zhao Fu had used his full strength in this attack, but because the Rock Giant's defense was too solid, he was barely able to deal any damage to it.

Rumble...

A massive earth-shaking sound could be heard as the slumbering Rock Giant furiously roared, shaking the heavens. No one would be happy to be so rudely disturbed from one's slumber – the Rock Giant felt a massive pain, shocking it awake, and started to climb to its feet.

Zhao Fu completely hid his aura and activated the Stealther, making it seem as if he had suddenly disappeared. No one would be able to detect his presence.

Shi Jian was both startled and furious, and he quickly rushed towards the Rock Giant because the cage that his son was in was bound to the Rock Giant's body.

"Hah!!!" Knowing that time was of the essence, Shi Jian loudly roared and used all of his strength as the large saber that he gripped with both hands gave off an incredibly sharp saber light as he slashed out with it.

Boom!!

Space itself seemed to explode as a massive azure sword light slashed towards the cage. However, even though the cage was covered with cracks after striking the cage, it didn't show any sign of breaking open. That cage had been able to withstand a full-powered hit from him!

Shi Jian felt quite confused, but he knew that the cage was already badly damaged. All it would take would be another hit to destroy it.

However, just as Shi Jian wanted to attack again, the Rock Giant fully woke up.

"Roarrrr!!!!" The Rock Giant once again gave off a terrifying roar because that azure sword light had also hit it due to how close the cage was to it. After suddenly suffering two massive attacks, the Rock Giant came completely infuriated. Before it had even fully stood up, it swatted its hand towards Shi Jian.

The massive rock hand gave off a terrifying power, and just by traveling through the air, it created a massive sound, forcing Shi Jian to dodge.

After its attack missed, the Rock Giant had fully stood up.

Now, Zhao Fu finally saw the Rock Giant's full form. Its body was indeed 1,000 meters tall, and its head seemed to poke into the clouds. Because its body was made of massive rocks, it looked quite crude, but one could roughly tell that it had a humanoid body and face.

Right now, this face was furiously staring at Shi Jian. It then suddenly realized something and turned to look elsewhere, and it found that the Fruit of Life Tree had disappeared.

Immediately, the Rock Giant's anger rushed to unimaginable heights – it had been rudely woken up from its slumber, suffered two massive blows, and now the tree that it had been guarding had disappeared.

“Human! I'll slaughter you!” The Rock Giant voice boomed before the Rock Giant clenched its fist and punching towards Shi Jian.

The rock fist brought with it unimaginable power, and a powerful aura of suppression covered Shi Jian's entire body, making it difficult for him to dodge. He had wanted to explain, but the Rock Giant hadn't given him an opportunity to do so.

Bang!

Shi Jian could only take out his City Lord Seal and condense an azure hemisphere to block the Rock Giant's attack.

Seeing that yet another of its attack hadn't hit the other person, the Rock Giant furiously raised both of its fists, which looked like small mountains, as it smashed them down towards Shi Jian.

Shi Jian had no choice but to retaliate. He looked at the cage that was hanging from the Rock Giant and could only roar as he slashed out a 1,000-metre long azure saber light.

Bang!

The mountain-like fists collided with the thousand meters long sabre light, resulting in a gigantic explosion and causing a wild gale to rush out.

The Rock Giant leaned back because of the explosion and took a step back before being able to stabilize its body – clearly, the azure saber light was a bit stronger.

As the Rock Giant was regaining its balance, Shi Jian took this opportunity to rush towards the Rock Giant and came beside the cage. He slashed the cage open and took Shi Wen, who was unconscious, in his arms. He didn't hesitate to immediately run, turning into a ray of light.

“Roarr!!” Seeing that Shi Jian was trying to run, the Rock Giant went berserk with anger and deafeningly roared as it smashed its palms onto the ground.

Boom!!

A gigantic explosion rang out, causing the ground to split as a thousand meter tall rock pillar suddenly burst forth from the ground.

This gave Shi Jian a great shock. He wanted to dodge, but it was already too late. In order to protect Shi Wen from being hurt, Shi Jian could only use his own body to protect him.

Bang!

Shi Jian's body flew up like a sandbag and was launched thousands of meters into the air by the rock pillar.

“Argghhh!” Shi Jian coughed up a large mouthful of blood, and his body was wracked with pain as blood dyed the front of his clothes.

Bang!

Another massive sound rang out as the Rock Giant kicked off from the ground, leaving two massive footprints on the ground as it leaped up into the air and attacked Shi Jian again.

“Hahhhh!!” Shi Jian once again roared. He knew that if he didn’t struggle for his life with all he had, he would die here. The City Lord Seal gave off a massive amount of azure light, and Heavenstone City’s City Heart continuously trembled, causing everyone in Heavenstone City to notice that something was off.

The 100,000 soldiers could sense that their City Lord was in danger, and they immediately wanted to go and save Shi Jian.

If anything happened to the City Lord, Heavenstone City would fall, as the City Lord Seal was the core item of the city. One of the Great Generals had remained in the city to defend against anyone who wanted to attack, but they were now faced with a tough decision: were they to defend the city or save the City Lord?

They had to save the City Lord because if the City Lord Seal fell into someone else’s hands, they would lose Heavenstone City anyway. After all, the City Lord Seal contained far too much power.

Chapter 479 - 80,000 Soldiers

After thinking for a short while, Yue Linping made the decision to take 80,000 soldiers to help the City Lord, and he left 20,000 soldiers behind to defend the city.

Of course, it was impossible for only 20,000 soldiers to defend the entire city, so Yue Linping also gathered some residents to help defend the city. He also gave out quests to players to help.

In total, there were 200,000 residents and 600,000 players who were willing to defend. With such a massive number, Yue Linping felt quite at ease, so he took the 80,000 soldiers and headed towards where the City Lord Seal could be detected.

At the center of the region, Shi Jian roared out as the City Heart’s power continuously entered his body through the City Lord Seal, causing him to erupt with an even more terrifying aura and for an azure aura flame to burst forth around him.

Facing the attacking Rock Giant, Shi Jian raised his saber with one hand and sent his power into it, causing it to shine with a resplendent azure light. The light dyed the entire sky an azure color, and a terrifying saber light flashed around the saber, causing the clouds to swirl and for a dangerous aura spread.

Boom!!!

Shi Jian slashed out towards the Rock Giant, seeming to split the heavens and the earth with this strike. A massive azure saber light flew out, bringing with it an extraordinarily powerful saber wind that threatened to cut everything in its way to pieces.

The Rock Giant was quite startled and immediately used its arms to block in front of it. Its arms gave off a gray-black light, creating a strong defense.

Bang!

A massive sound rang out as the ground trembled, and the Rock Giant was slashed down to the ground, creating a massive crater. At the same time, a long gash appeared on the Rock Giant's chest.

This gash was quite long but not very deep. If a normal boss monster had been hit with that attack, it would've been heavily injured. However, the Rock Giant wasn't injured very heavily – this showed just how powerful its defense was.

“Roarrrr!!” After suffering this massive attack, the Rock Giant on the ground furiously roared, its heart filled with rage. It stretched out its hand and pointed towards Shi Jian as he tried to escape.

Boom!!

The Rock Giant clenched its hand into a fist, and a formless energy exploded out, causing countless massive boulders within 100 kilometers to rise into the air. They then shot towards Shi Jian like cannonballs, giving off a powerful aura.

Facing such a terrifying attack, Shi Jian was forced to stop. He gripped his large saber as he deeply breathed in, and his eyes shined with an azure light as he roared, “Chaos Ruins Saber!”

Boom! Boom! Boom!

As Shi Jian slashed the countless boulders to pieces, the Rock Giant's body gave off a large amount of a gray-black aura. It used all of its strength as it leaped up from the ground and heavily punched towards Shi Jian.

After unleashing a powerful attack to repel the incoming boulders, Shi Jian was unable to dodge. After all, he was holding his saber with one hand and carrying Shi Wen with the other.

Some would've said that Shi Jian should've placed Shi Wen by the side as he fought the Rock Giant – that way, he wouldn't be forced into such a passive position. However, that wouldn't have been possible – the battle with the Rock Giant covered such a great area that Shi Wen could've been killed by the shockwaves. Moreover, Shi Jian was certain that the black-cloaked figure was still around somewhere, so if he let go of Shi Wen, he could once again kidnap him.

As such, Shi Jian could only block with his saber, which gave off a large amount of azure light to defend.

Bang!!

The gigantic fist struck Shi Jian, causing his body to fly out like a sandbag. As he flew, he kept his arm wrapped tightly around Shi Wen to prevent him from falling down.

The Rock Giant landed back on the ground and immediately attacked Shi Jian again, and their battle continued.

The three other City Lords detected the terrifying shockwaves coming from the center of the region, and their expressions became grim. They didn't know what was happening, but they knew it wasn't good.

Following this, they received requests for support from Heavenstone City's General, Yue Liping, who asked them to help Heavenstone City and save Shi Jian.

After hearing this, the three City Lords' hearts sank – the day had finally come. The karma that they had sown before had come back to bite them.

The three City Lords were quite hesitant, and they first thought about it and told the soldiers to wait for orders. They decided to take a look at the situation at the center of the region before making a decision.

The three people turned into rays of light and left their system main cities, but soon, each of them was stopped by another person.

Feeling the auras coming from the people in front of them, the three City Lords felt quite worried. This was because the people in front of them were City Lords as well, and they had never seen these people before – they were most likely City Lords from other regions.

Just what was going on? Why had City Lords from other regions become involved as well?

The three City Lords felt incredibly shocked, and they understood that the situation wasn't as simple as it seemed. One of the City Lords looked at the person in front of him seriously and asked, "Who are you, sir? Why are you stopping me?"

Bai Qi coldly looked at the City Lord in front of him and said, "No one is permitted to interfere in Great Qin's business. You are forbidden to pass!"

Those words made the City Lord feel quite angry because this was his region, while a City Lord from another region was preventing him from passing through. These outsiders were not taking them seriously at all.

However, the City Lord realized that this person had most likely been waiting here for some time, which meant that he knew that he would try to interfere. Seeing the other side so prepared made him feel quite unsettled.

The City Lord knew that the two others had most likely been stopped as well, but what sort of faction could command three City Lords? Could it be that Heavenstone City had offended an incredibly powerful Legatee?

After sensing the incredibly powerful shockwaves coming from the center of the region, the three City Lords felt quite hesitant – did they really want to enter these muddy waters?

However, Heavenstone City was one of East Green's system main cities, and once it was destroyed, all of East Green would be severely affected. Their overall strength would weaken.

After thinking about it, the three City Lords decided to not participate because there was a City Lord in front of each of them, and they were prepared. It was likely that they would just be stalled there and

wouldn't be able to do much to help the situation. Since they couldn't do anything, they weren't stupid enough to jump into those muddy waters.

Heavenstone City was doomed, and they were unable to change its fate at all.

Facing the people blocking their way, the three City Lords could only coldly harrumph and return to their own system main cities.

Moreover, they also found that they were unable to teleport to Heavenstone City; there seemed to be some sort of energy blocking them off. As such, even if they wanted to help, they wouldn't be able to.

On the other side, Yue Linping led 80,000 soldiers towards the depths of East Green. The feeling of uneasiness he was feeling became stronger and stronger, and he was right – they were about to face an ambush of 400,000 soldiers.

Chapter 480 – System Main City

Of course, Yue Linping had no idea what they were about to encounter – all he wanted was to reach the center of the region and save Shi Jian.

Half of the army of 80,000 was on horses, and the other half traveled on foot. System main cities typically had 30,000 Cavalrymen, and they kept 40,000 warhorses, which was why they were able to have 40,000 soldiers on horses.

They were unable to use teleportation channels to reach the center of the region because Zhao Fu had long since set up an isolation barrier. Because of this, they could only hurry over using horses.

Swish, swish, swish...

As the army of 80,000 stepped into a flat area, Great Qin's soldiers, who had been lying in wait, shot out an arrow rain that seemed to cover the sky. The dark mass of arrows descended towards the arriving soldiers, and the arrows were simply innumerable.

Under the massive aura from these arrows, all of the soldiers' hearts chilled, and their hairs stood on end.

"Hurry and form a shield wall!" Yue Linping quickly yelled.

The countless soldiers quickly acted, raising their shields, and the soldiers without shields quickly moved towards those who did.

Chi, chi, chi...

The countless arrows tore through the air and poured down like a torrential rain. Even though the system main city soldiers had formed a defensive wall, there were far too many arrows, and they had come too suddenly, resulting in many of the soldiers dying.

Under this terrifying arrow rain, blood splattered everywhere, and a gory stench spread out. Those who were hit were usually hit by many arrows, giving them a pitiful death.

Because the warhorses were quite big, though they had some simple armor, they were unable to resist the countless arrows, so many of the warhorses were killed as well.

After suffering this surprise attack, in just an instant, a quarter of the system main city's soldiers had died.

Swish, swish, swish...

Suddenly, the sound of the air being torn could once again be heard. However, these weren't normal arrows but ballistae bolts and spears.

The ballistae bolts and spears had a massive amount of strength, and they were perfect for breaking through shields. However, their targets were Stage 1 soldiers, so ordinary ballistae and ballistae bolts wouldn't be enough. As such, Great Qin had used Stage 1 Ballistae, which were created out of Blue grade materials.

Bang, bang, bang...

The ballistae bolts and spears smashed against the defensive wall with an immense amount of force, making the Shieldbearers feel as if a massive wild beast had charged over. It was fine to defend against one, but against an entire horde, it was simply too difficult to defend.

One of the Shieldbearers was smashed to the ground, and following this, the defensive wall crumbled. Once this happened, countless ordinary arrows once again filled the air.

Chi, chi, chi...

The countless soldiers still wanted to resist, and countless sword lights and saber lights were shot out. However, they were unable to defend at all, and they were pierced by countless arrows.

At the same time, the system main city soldiers once again lost another quarter of its forces.

Seeing this, Yue Linping could only give the order to retreat. Now, let alone saving their City Lord, it would be difficult to keep their own lives. Yue Linping had never thought that the other side would be so powerful – they had at least 400,000 soldiers, of which 200,000 were Stage 1.

The other soldiers understood the situation and didn't hesitate to turn and run.

On another side of the area of the flat area, 80,000 Cavalrymen were gathered into ranks, riding on their large and powerful Black Forest Horses. They held their spears as they looked ahead, giving off an incredibly dangerous aura.

"Charge!!" As the order was given out, the countless Cavalrymen rushed forwards like arrows shot out of bows. The rumbling of the countless horses galloping sounded like thunder, and Great Qin's Cavalry flooded towards Yue Linping.

By now, most of the system main city's warhorses had died, so most people were running away on foot.

Seeing this scene, Yue Linping's heart sank – it was impossible to outrun warhorses, so Yue Linping could only order the soldiers to stop retreating and to gather again. The Shieldbearers were to form a shield wall while the other soldiers were to support them.

Very soon, under Yue Linping's orders, the surviving soldiers formed a shield wall, but the countless Cavalrymen showed no hesitation as they raised their spears, sending their power into them and causing the spearheads to shine with a cold light.

Boom!!

A massive sound rang out as countless Cavalrymen smashed against the shield wall like a black flood.

The black flood only paused for a slight moment before breaking through the shield wall. Once an opening appeared in the middle, the rest of the shield wall collapsed.

Great Qin's side already had a numerical advantage, and their equipment was also slightly better than the system main city's soldiers'. Moreover, the system main city's soldiers were already injured from the previous waves of attacks, so the Cavalrymen were able to easily break through.

Once the shield wall broke, the rest of Great Qin's soldiers, who were camped around Yue Linping's soldiers, also charged.

Now, the system main city's soldiers not only had to face the Cavalrymen but also countless Infantrymen from two other sides. As such, Yue Linping could only once again give the order to retreat to save as many soldiers as possible.

However, how could Great Qin soldiers allow them to escape? Great Qin's soldiers charged up, and Great Qin's countless Archers blocked their path from behind, making sure they had no place to retreat to.

The battle concluded very quickly.

The ground was completely dyed red with blood, and the stench of blood was especially striking. Countless bodies and pieces of equipment were scattered everywhere, and even though Yue Linping had Stage 3 cultivation, under the combined attacks of seven or eight Generals, he was killed in the end.

The 80,000 system main city soldiers all died, as very few were willing to surrender. Despite knowing that they would die, they were determined to fight to the end rather than surrender.

Fortunately, Great Qin didn't pay much of a price, with only around 1,000 casualties and injuries.

Now, their job was to take care of the corpses and equipment before heading towards the system main city.

The battle at the center of the region continued – Shi Jian and the Rock Giant were both covered with wounds, but it was clear that the Rock Giant held a great advantage. Its body had powerful defenses, and with how big its body was, it was very difficult to injure it.

Meanwhile, Zhao Fu remained hidden and continued to spectate this battle.

Boom!!

An azure sword light rushed to the sky, bringing with it a powerful sword qi that berserkly cut everything within ten kilometers. The trees, the boulders, and the ground were left with cuts and gashes.

Shi Jian desperately attacked the Rock Giant, and an azure sword light blasted the Rock Giant's massive body backward.

After the Rock Giant crashed to the ground, the entire world seemed to tremble. There was now a deep gash on its body, and some green liquid flowed out – it seemed that the Rock Giant had been injured quite seriously this time.

The berserk Rock Giant wildly roared and unleashed all of its power, causing a gray aura flame to burst forth around its body. It suddenly blurred before disappearing.

Shi Jian was incredibly shocked, and he had never expected the Rock Giant to explode with such speed.