### The Lord 981

Chapter 981: Friend

After those words sounded out, everyone else fell silent. Facing Great Qin's soldier's murderous words, they did not dare to hesitate; Great Qin would definitely do such a thing, and if they did not quieten down, they would all die here.

Seeing how afraid they were, the soldier coldly harrumphed and said, "Follow me to pay your respects to His Majesty; remember proper etiquette. Don't look at anything or listen to anything. If you enrage His Majesty, even gods will not be able to protect you."

"Yes, yes, yes..." No one in their right minds could refuse, and they could only agree. They felt incredibly anxious and terrified as they lowered their heads and warily follow behind the soldier.

They first had to enter the Great Qin City before entering the Palace. There were palace guards here, who first asked why they were here. The soldier leading them took out a command medallion and explained the situation, and everyone could not help but look around.

There were tall walls everywhere and garrets that seemed to be crafted out of colored glass, giving off precious glows, making them feel quite shocked. Great Qin did not lack money at all; everywhere was incredibly luxurious and extravagant.

They then followed the soldier into the Palace, and they soon heard a lot of talking and laughing. Intoxicating aromas filled the Palace, causing their heart rates to speed up. They could not help but raise their heads and look around.

There were a group of beautiful women sitting under a pavilion as they laughed and talked. All of them were outstanding beauties; any man who looked at them would feel their heart rates speed up, and any woman who looked at them would feel inferior in comparison.

No wonder people said that Great Qin's Palace was splendorous and majestic, with countless treasures and beautiful women as common as clouds. Any of the women here was of the highest quality, and only now did these people realize that those rumors were not exaggerated as well. After all, Great Qin was even more luxurious than the legends; all of those women were top-tier beauties.

"So you're all here as well!" A clear voice sounded. They were quite familiar with this voice, and they could not help but look up, seeing a woman with five or six other women looking at them curiously. This person was the beauty of their university, Xiao Xiyi.

Apart from Xiao Xiyi, there was also Bai Yan, who they hadn't seen in a while. She was the exgirlfriend of their Class President, and they had never thought that they would see her here.

What shocked them even more were the people next to them. Those four women had all been superstars who had millions of fans, and they very rarely would appear together.

Seeing those four women and how close they seemed with Xiao Xiyi and Bai Yan, the group of people felt incredibly confused – what was going on? How did they know each other?

Zheng Dong looked at Xiao Xiyi and felt quite surprised and happy. He smiled as he said, "Xiyi, I never thought I'd meet you here. It's been a while."

Xiao Xiyi lightly smiled as she replied, "I came with my mum a month earlier to Great Qin, but I'm not surprised that you guys are here to be honest."

Hearing this, Zheng Dong and the others felt quite strange; how did Xiao Xiyi know that they would come?

"I'll take them to meet His Majesty!" Xiao Xiyi said to the soldier while everyone was confused.

The soldier bowed and replied, "Yes, thank you Concubine!"

Following this, the soldier left, and everyone understood why Xiao Xiyi was at Great Qin's Palace. This was where Great Qin's Legatee's countless beauties were; only his Concubines could reside here.

Hearing that Xiao Xiyi had become Great Qin's Legatee's woman, many people felt a bit of jealousy, and Zheng Dong's expression became a bit unsightly.

If Zheng Dong said he did not have a bit of interest in this beautiful, kind woman who had helped him before, he would definitely be lying. However, because of the difference in their statuses, he

had never expressed this to her. He had wanted to make his faction powerful and have sufficient strength before expressing his feelings to her.

It was a pity that his dream had been shattered. With Great Qin's unstoppable momentum, they were but a speck of sand in Great Qin's lake, unable to resist being swept away by the current. When he thought of this, Zheng Dong could not help but feel a bit bitter.

Xiao Xiyi understood that everyone now knew her status, and her face became a bit red as she explained, "His Majesty didn't force me; I was completely willing. My mum and my lover both love him, so I could only come here."

Zheng Dong's heart took another heavy blow; he had never thought that Xiao Xiyi had already had a lover. However, those words were quite strange; Xiao Xiyi's mother was called Zhang Hongmei, but hearing that her lover loved Great Qin's Legatee, that sounded quite strange.

"Wait." After all, Great Qin's Legatee was a man, so someone who loved him would ordinarily be a woman. Could it be that Xiao Xiyi was interested in women? Zheng Dong could not help but remember that Xiao Xiyi had always been quite close with their teacher, Dong Suzhen. Could it be that they were lovers and not just close friends?

Now, Zheng Dong understood everything, and his expression became dim as he felt quite bitter inside.

Xiao Xiyi could tell what Zheng Dong was thinking, and she smiled as she comforted him, saying, "Let's go! His Majesty will be quite happy after seeing you all."

Everyone felt quite strange after hearing this; it was as if she meant that they knew Great Qin's Legatee. However, how could ordinary people like them know a major figure like Great Qin's Legatee?

Zheng Dong could not help but ask, "Xiyi, could it be that we know Great Qin's Legatee? How could the leader of a small faction like me know such a grand figure?"

Xiao Xiyi could not help but laugh, saying mysteriously, "Let's go! You'll know when we get there. His Majesty is waiting for you."

Everyone felt quite strange and followed Xiao Xiyi. They could not help but feel quite anxious and nervous because they were about to meet Great Qin's Legatee, the most powerful and terrifying King in the human world.

After walking for a while, they followed Xiao Xiyi into a large hall.

Xiao Xiyi first bowed before slightly smiling and saying, "Your Majesty, I've brought them here to you."

Zheng Dong and the others bowed with their heads low. Even though according to Xiao Xiyi Great Qin's Legatee might know them, he was still Great Qin's terrifying Legatee. If they were not careful, they might die if they offended him. As such, they suppressed their curiosity and did not look up.

"Mm! Long time no see." A familiar voice sounded out from above. Zhang Yue, Zhao Fu's old desk mate, felt incredibly shocked after hearing this and looked up.

Instantly, Zhang Yue felt as if his soul had taken a massive blow. He took a step back as he looked at Zhao Fu in shock. Everyone else also raised their heads, and looking at the person seated above, they also felt incredibly dismayed to the point that they could not form words.

The shy, introverted Zhao Fu in their memories and Great Qin's bloodthirsty, merciless Legatee were actually one and the same person! In actuality, everyone already knew Great Qin's Legatee's name, which was Zhao Fu.

Chapter 982: Secluded Manor

They had never thought that this Zhao Fu and the Zhao Fu they knew would have any sort of connection. After all, there were countless people with the same name.

They could not believe that the shy and introverted Zhao Fu was actually Great Qin's Legatee because their personalities were exactly the opposite. Moreover, Zhao Fu did not say much usually and did not even have much of a presence. If it wasn't for the fact that they had been classmates for almost two years, they would not even recognize him.

They had never noticed or cared much about him, so they naturally would not make the connection that Zhao Fu was Great Qin's Legatee.

The ones who were the most shocked were Zheng Dong and Zhang Yue because they were the most familiar with Zhao Fu. Zheng Dong bitterly laughed inwardly. Back then, he had been telling Zhao Fu to come over to help him and said that he could give Zhao Fu a minor official position. That was simply ridiculous – how could Great Qin's Legatee want a job in a tiny faction? What a joke!

Zhang Yue's expression was not too great either. Back then, he had always thought that Zhao Fu was not doing very well. He understood Zhao Fu's personality; no matter how poorly he was doing, he would not ask others for help.

He had been trying to convince Zhao Fu this entire time to go over to Zheng Dong because then he could at least eat well. He had never thought that Zhao Fu's identity would be so monstrous; all of them could not compare to even a hair on Zhao Fu's body.

Zhao Fu was now wearing a black dragon robe, and he gave off a dignified as he sat on his throne. He laughed as he said, "What is it, old President?"

Only then did Zheng Dong and the others come back to their senses. Now, Zhao Fu was the Emperor of Great Qin, an extremely prestigious identity; how could commoners like them dare to look at him directly? They all quickly lowered their heads, feeling incredibly complicated.

"Your Majesty, you elevate me too greatly. You are Great Qin's Emperor; there is no need to show such courtesy to me," Zheng Dong said as he once again bowed.

Zhao Fu stared and could not help but sigh. Now that his status was so special, he could not return to the times from before. He could not treat them as classmates, nor could they treat him that way. Zhao Fu understood all of this.

Zhao Fu's tone did not change as he said, "We have summoned you all here today, firstly to commemorate our time together as classmates, and also to give out some rewards for the help you have given Us in the past."

Hearing this, Zheng Dong and the others all inwardly sighed. Zhao Fu was no longer that shy and introverted Zhao Fu; that Zhao Fu had disappeared, and he was now Great Qin's supreme Legatee who had unified China and the Midland Continent.

They did not dare to show even a trace of disrespect and respectfully stood there, not daring to even breathe loudly.

Zhao Fu started to give out rewards, mainly to Zheng Dong and Zhang Yue; he did not care too much about the others. Following this, Zhao Fu had people set up a banquet for these people, and of course, they did not dare to refuse.

The banquet was filled with Zhao Fu's old classmates and teachers, but some of them could not be found. Perhaps they had already died or had chosen to go to one of the three other Continents.

Bai Yan disregarded everyone's looks as she nestled in Zhao Fu's arms. Xiao Xiyi was a bit more embarrassed, even though her relationship with Zhao Fu was also quite intimate.

No one had expected for Bai Yan to have long since established relations with Zhao Fu. Looking at her acting all coquettishly in Zhao Fu's arms, they could not help but feel admiration and jealousy.

After all, it seemed that Bai Yan and Zhao Fu's relationship had developed since a long time ago. This meant that Bai Yan was much more important than them; after all, the longer one spent by Zhao Fu's side, the more favored one would become.

Moreover, because Zhao Fu was Great Qin's Legatee, the owner of the Midland Continent, anyone he favored would receive massive benefits.

During the middle of the banquet, a soldier came to report about another person's location. This person was someone who Zhao Fu cared about, and he had kept her in his heart this entire time.

He had met her when he first entered the Holy Light City, and when Great Qin unified a region, all of the factions either relocated or were destroyed. It was Zhao Fu who had helped the Jiang family to relocate.

It was, of course, Jiang Rou. Back then, she had already guessed Zhao Fu's identity and had said that if Zhao Fu was tired, he could go and find her. However, after she had left, there had been no news from her. Zhao Fu had tried to find her through the Flower Moon, but he had only found the Jiang family and heard that she had already left.

Only after Great Qin unified the Midland Continent did Zhao Fu receive some information about her. He had never thought that he would be able to achieve such a thing; he had just wanted to establish a Kingdom, make Great Qin powerful, and perhaps unify China.

However, Great Qin now occupied three Continents and had terrifying strength. It had completely exceeded anything he had expected.

In actuality, Zhao Fu had thought about it before. If he became sick of all of this, he could live with Jiang Rou in a remote valley and live a peaceful life. In actuality, that kind of life was not too bad, and it was the kind of life he had originally wanted to live.

Now that he had received information about Jiang Rou, Zhao Fu felt quite happy and left the banquet. He went through a teleportation channel and arrived at a peaceful valley. There were verdant hills and clear streams with lush trees and grass. The sound of birds and fragrance of flowers filled the air, creating a beautiful scene.

There was a small manor here, next to which were some fields. There was already a figure waiting at the door of the manor. Jiang Rou was just like how she was when he had met her, and she gently smiled.

It had been quite a while since they had last met, and Jiang Rou's aura had become much more mature and resolute. She also seemed cheerier, making anyone who saw her feel happy.

After coming before her, Zhao Fu was not sure what to say. He felt quite helpless, because her position in his heart was quite high, and to be able to see her again, he felt incredibly happy. There were very few things that could make him this happy.

Jiang Rou covered the lower half of her face as she laughed, also feeling quite happy. It had been a few years, yet he still felt this way towards her.

In actuality, the reason why Jiang Rou had not wanted to go and see Zhao Fu was because Great Qin's development had surpassed what anyone could imagine. Zhao Fu controlled the fate of an entire Kingdom and the lives of billions of residents. He could never reside with her in this secluded manor.

Now that the Midland Continent had been unified, Great Qin's people had found her, making her feel quite surprised. After thinking for a while, she decided to meet with Zhao Fu, because this world would belong to Great Qin sooner or later and she would not be able to hide forever.

Seeing Zhao Fu dressed in his black dragon robe, his aura seemed much mightier and dignified. The changes he had gone through over the years were incredibly big, and Jiang Rou had expected this.

Zhao Fu calmed himself down and said sincerely, "Jiang Rou, come with me to Great Qin!"

A few hours later, Zhao Fu departed in disappointment. Jiang Rou said that she had become used to living here and did not want to leave. However, she left him with the same words as before – if he was tired, she would be waiting for him here.

Chapter 983: Whip

After returning to Great Qin, Zhao Fu turned his attention to the development of Great Qin again. This included clearing out regions and constructing the Great Wall, and Zhao Fu felt that there would not be any battles in the near future. After all, attacking the three other Continents across the ocean was quite difficult.

However, they could make preparations first before suddenly exploding outwards, unifying the world.

Another thing that was worth mentioning was that the Clear Sable Sword had also entered the Heaven Awaken World after the real world was destroyed. Through Zhao Fu's continuous slaughtering, it had changed. It no longer gave off an aura of kindness, only a pure killing aura.

Originally, the black eye contained no ill will or good will; it just peacefully looked at you.

Now, it was a blood-red eye that looked at one closely, making one's hairs stand on end, and the feeling it gave off was dense killing intent.

Zhao Fu had already placed this sword into his Sword Mark, and as one of the Ten Great Sword of China, its potential was incredibly great.

After dealing with Great Qin's various matters, Zhao Fu once again left the Legacy Land. He had no idea when the Heaven Domain Boundary would disappear, but once it did, Great Qin would be

revealed to the rest of the world, and Great Qin would have to face the entire Heaven Awaken World.

As such, Zhao Fu cared a great deal about things in the outside world. This was because they determined how the human world would develop after the Heavenly Domain Boundary disappeared.

After going to the outside world, Zhao Fu happened to hear a piece of news, which was that the Grassi world was making a big fuss about building a defensive line to defend against the threat of the mysterious world below theirs. The world below theirs was naturally the human world.

Back when the Celestial Emperor Star and the Nether Emperor Star had descended, those terrifying ripples had caused people to feel a massive sense of crisis, and countless people had become worried about the threat from the world below theirs. They became worried that when the time came, it would not be them invading that world but that mysterious world invading them.

Within the terror and distress, the Grassi factions conducted an emergency meeting. They allied together to build a defensive wall, but after such a long time, there started to be different opinions.

Some people said that they should not be too worried about the world below theirs. After all, the person had awakened two stars, which meant that that person had great potentia. It did not mean that he or she was very powerful. As such, there was no need to be so scared; the Grassi people were not that weak. Even if a person had great potential, in front of true strength, they would still fall. The Grassi world had immense strength.

After entering the Heaven Awaken World for so long, even though they were not very strong compared to the worlds around them, dealing with a world that had only just entered the Heaven Awaken World would be incredibly simple. How could a new world be more powerful than them? There was nothing to worry about.

What they should be doing now was making preparations to invade the world below theirs, just like how the Lantong people had invaded them. They should take this opportunity to take a large amount of land and people to develop their world.

As for the person who had awakened those terrifying stars, how could he be able to resist their entire world? At most, he would be the King of a small Kingdom; dealing with him would be incredibly easy.

It would be best for that person to submit to their world, or else they could just kill him and make the others their slaves.

Back then, most people had been completely startled by those world-destroying ripples, but now that they had come back to their senses, they no longer felt as afraid. Naturally, they did not want to passively build defenses. Instead, they wanted to take the initiative to attack.

However, some people still believed that defending was better because those two stars were simply too shocking, so it would be better to focus on defense.

The two sides could not see eye to eye, resulting in the construction of the defenses stopping.

Zhao Fu felt quite happy about this because Great Qin's strength had already surpassed anything they could imagine. If he could unify the human world, it would not be certain who would be invading who.

Even though the Grassi world had the advantage of time, they were split into different Kingdoms, whereas Great Qin was a single Kingdom, which gave it an advantage in unity.

If what they faced was not a Barony Kingdom but a Dukedom, just like the Devil Horn Empire, he wondered what their expressions would be like. In fact, if he was able to unify three worlds, the Grassi world would be completely terrified.

They would only know this in the future. Before, Zhao Fu had been quite worried about the Grassi world, because once the Heavenly Domain Barrier disappeared, the Grassi world would invade the human world to destroy them.

Before, Great Qin would have had no strength to resist an invasion like this, and they would only perish in the end. However, Great Qin had developed incredibly quickly, and it now had terrifying power. Zhao Fu no longer worried about the threat of the Grassi people because it could no longer threaten Great Qin; instead, it was Great Qin who could threaten the Grassi world.

There was another piece of news that made Zhao Fu feel somewhat nervous, which was that seven or eight higher-beings had recently passed by. Such a thing had never happened before.

After all, higher-beings would not run over to such remote regions for no reason, and there were so many of them. Everyone guessed that something big had happened to draw the attention of so many higher-beings.

All of the Kingdoms felt quite apprehensive. No matter what it was, something that could arouse the attention of higher-beings was not something they could get involved in. It was very possible that they would be caught up in the middle and die despite being innocent.

Zhao Fu's emotions became quite heavy. He hoped that these higher-beings were not here for him; after all, a single higher-being could annihilate Great Qin. If there were seven or eight of them, how could Great Qin survive?

However, even though he hoped that it was unrelated to him, Zhao Fu could sense that it had to do with him. When he though this, he sighed and no longer felt as cheerful, and he went about his business of buying Talisman Stones.

"Get out of the way, you peasants!" a wild and arrogant voice sounded out from behind him, followed by a few pained cries. There were some chaotic sounds, and Zhao Fu did not move as a whip flew towards him.

Zhao Fu turned, grabbed the whip, and looked at what was happening behind him. There was a big man riding on a tall horse, using a whip to barbarically whip those blocking the way in front of them, seeming incredibly domineering.

There was a carriage behind him, which was made of metal and looked quite exquisite. It gave off a faint light and looked like a treasure. The horses pulling the carriage gave off violet flames and looked quite extraordinary.

"You're seeking death!" Seeing that Zhao Fu had grabbed the whip instead of dodging, the man drew his saber and rushed over on his horse, chopping towards Zhao Fu.

Everyone else in the surroundings gasped and quickly retreated. They could all see that blood about to splatter in the air; this man was dead.

Zhao Fu frowned and slashed out with a finger, causing a sharp sword light to fly out, slicing the man and horse in half and resulting in blood flying everywhere.

Seeing that Zhao Fu had killed the big man, the expressions of the people around him fell, and they immediately retreated even further away, afraid that they might be dragged into this.

Many of them muttered, "This person is doomed; he dared to kill Bear Mountain Kingdom's Third Prince's subordinate. His entire family is going to be killed, and even our Kingdom would not be able to save him."

"That's right, is this person stupid? What's such a big deal about being hit? If he had just endured it, he would have been fine. However, he opposed them and killed their people; it'd be amazing if this person did not die. Even our Kingdom cannot afford to offend the Third Prince."

"Ai, we can only endure whatever comes at us. Bear Mountain Kingdom is one of the Ancient Stem Domain's twenty Kingdoms, and it's a true Royal Kingdom, not something that a Barony Kingdom like ours can contend with. If we offend them, the entire Grassi world will be doomed."

"Let's stay away from that person and not do anything. After they kill him, we'll just take care of his corpse so as not to enrage the Third Prince. Even an entire Dukedom will perish if they offend him, let alone a Barony Kingdom like ours."

"Such a major figure coming to our place is a disaster; I heard that the Third Prince is one of the most valued Princes, so offending him is equivalent to offending Bear Mountain Kingdom."

"I heard that the Third Prince came to meet with those higher-beings to become a student or disciple of one of them and go to the center of the Heaven Awaken World. That way, he won't have to stay in a poor place like this. With a higher-being supporting them, who in the Ancient Stem Domain would dare to offend Bear Mountain Kingdom?"

"I feel that if the Third Prince becomes the disciple of a higher-being, Bear Mountain Kingdom will become simply too terrifying. It will definitely cause a bloody storm in the Ancient Stem Domain."

"Don't you know? It's not just them; within the Ancient Stem Domain, there are already 20 or so Princes and Princesses who have come, hoping to be taken as a disciple by a higher-being. That would be incredibly good luck; ordinary people like us don't have any hope at all."

"Even these Princes and Princesses, who have incredibly pure bloodlines, extraordinary talents, and the support of Kingdoms might be unworthy of being looked at by those higher-beings, much less us."

There were many discussions going on around Zhao Fu, and after listening to some of them, Zhao Fu had some understanding of what was happening, and he realized that he had caused some big trouble.

The Heaven Awaken World was boundless, and a single world was a Region, while 1,000 worlds formed a Domain. The Heaven Awaken World was split into many Domains, and the Domain that the Grassi world was part of was called the Ancient Stem Domain.

The Ancient Stem Domain was in desolate area at the boundary of the Heaven Awaken World, and most of the worlds it contained were weak and poor. The Kingdoms here were unable to compare to the Kingdoms at the center at all, and this was a matter of their foundation. Those at the center could completely annihilate those at the boundaries; this was no surprise.

As such, countless people who lived in the outer boundaries tried anything they could to join the central area. Only then would they become truly powerful, obtain the strength to protect themselves, and not be casually destroyed.

Under the threat of the central area, the Kingdoms on the boundaries could only act all high and mighty within their own Domains. However, compared to the Kingdoms in the central area, they were nothing.

As existences that stood at the peak of the Heaven Awaken World, countless Kingdoms naturally wanted to form relations with higher-beings. The benefits surpassed anything that anyone could imagine, so they had all sent their talented Princes and Princesses.

A Royal Kingdom had more than ten worlds, and with such strength, they naturally looked down on Barony Kingdoms. As such, nobles from Royal Kingdoms viewed people here as peasants, and they did whatever they pleased, while the Grassi people did not dare to say anything.

Now, Zhao Fu understood the situation. He felt that there was no need to develop enmity with a Royal Kingdom; after all, Great Qin was incredibly weak in front of a Royal Kingdom.

Seeing that one of their people had been killed, a group of men rode over. They were not weak at all, having Cultivations of Stage 5 or 6, and beside the carriage, there were a few Imperial Bodyguards who were even stronger.

Zhao Fu did not want to make any trouble, so he turned into a ray of light and broke through the City's restrictions, flying towards the horizon.

"You killed one of This Prince's people, and you want to run? What a joke!" A man's voice sounded out from within the carriage, his tone cold and mocking as if he did not place Zhao Fu in his eyes at all.

#### Boom!!

A terrifying energy shot out from the carriage, shaking the surroundings. It reached Zhao Fu in an instant, causing him to look quite surprised, and he took out the Death Disaster Sword and slashed out, causing a gray sword light to flash out.

## Bang!!

The two attacks collided, resulting in a massive explosion. The terrifying shockwaves blew out like a wild gale, destroying many surrounding buildings.

Zhao Fu flew back dozens of meters and coughed up a mouthful of blood, his expression quite unsightly. He had used the Great Qin Seal's power, which contained the power of a Marquisate Kingdom, yet he had been much weaker. The power that this person had far exceeded his.

Since he knew this, Zhao Fu did not hesitate and immediately flew in the opposite direction, wisely choosing to run.

"Hahaha..." Cold laughter sounded out from within the carriage as an azure figure flew out from it. He caught up to Zhao Fu in just an instant, slapping down Zhao Fu from the sky with a palm that seemed to contain the force of mountains.

Zhao Fu slammed into the ground like a massive boulder that had plummeted from incredible heights, and the impact caused the ground in a 10,000 meter radius to crack. Many buildings collapsed, and countless people were blasted away by the shockwaves, resulting in many deaths and injuries.

The City Lord of this City's face became pale as he watched from afar. He ordered people to retreat

and had no thoughts of interfering, as this was the Prince of a Royal Kingdom.

After the dust settled, Zhao Fu wiped away the blood from his lips and coldly looked at the azure-

clothed man in the sky.

This azure-clothed man was quite tall and looked incredibly handsome, and he gave off a

prestigious aura. There was also a cold and arrogant air about him, and his aura was incredibly

powerful, many times greater than Zhao Fu's. This was because he had a World Seal, which was

something that could only be obtained by conquering a world.

"I'd suggest you not go too far!" Zhao Fu felt somewhat enraged as he spoke coldly.

Zhao Fu did not want to cause any trouble and had chosen to leave, but the azure-clothed man's

actions made him feel quite angry. Zhao Fu's temperament was not very good anymore, and he

would not endure such a thing.

The azure-clothed man stood in the air and condescendingly looked at Zhao Fu as he laughed and

said, "Even if This Prince goes too far, what can you do about it?"

Boom!

After speaking, the azure-clothed man turned into a ray of light and once again punched out with

terrifying power towards Zhao Fu.

At that moment, Zhao Fu dodged to the side, causing the azure-clothed man's punch to hit the

ground. A massive explosion sounded out as a 100 meter deep, 1,000 meter wide hole appeared.

This attack was incredibly terrifying and contained immense killing intent.

Chapter 985: Little Stinkbug

Zhao Fu started to feel quite angry, and seeing that the Great Qin City's City Lord Seal was not enough, he released the Six Paths Demon Images' power. A massive wave of ghostly qi spread out,

its cold aura causing the surrounding temperature to fall by ten or so degrees.

"Oh? So it's a little stinkbug from the Death Race," the azure-clothed man stood above the crater and said somewhat condescendingly after sensing the ghostly qi.

Zhao Fu was still wearing his cloak – he still kept his identity a secret when outside.

In response to the azure-clothed man's provocations, Zhao Fu directly slashed out an enormous sword light that seemed to be able to cut a mountain in half.

The azure-clothed man started to become more serious. He drew a violet-red saber and vigorously slashed out, slashing Zhao Fu's sword light in half. It turned into countless sword lights as it disappeared, resulting in a massive gale spreading out.

"Little stinkbug from the Death Race, This Prince will show you our Devil Race's power today!" Facing Zhao Fu's power, the azure-clothed man coldly harrumphed and once again attacked.

He slashed out, causing thousands of azure saber lights, containing immense power, to fly out. The countless saber lights were like a massive tide that could tear apart the sky, and the sounds they gave off were incredibly shocking.

Zhao Fu's expression became serious as ghostly qi erupted out of his body, forming six gray orbs that were each one meter wide. They gave off a bone-chilling coldness and a terrifying aura.

As the countless saber lights flew over, Zhao Fu stretched out his hand, and the six gray orbs flew out. Six monstrous explosions sounded out as a massive explosion containing boundless ghostly qi rippled out, causing the saber lights to be destroyed.

At that moment, a figure suddenly appeared behind the azure-clothed man, causing his expression to slightly change. He slashed out with his saber, causing a blinding saber light to slash out horizontally.

# Clang!!

The sword and saber clashed as sword qi and saber light flew everywhere, slicing apart everything around them.

After blocking Zhao Fu's attack, the azure-clothed man coldly laughed, "You want to harm This Prince with such pitiful strength? What a joke! Don't kid yourself into thinking that This Prince does not know that you're the King of a Marquisate Kingdom. In front of This Prince, you still need to kneel down and submit!"

"Snake Murder!" the azure-clothed man roared as an azure-coloured aura exploded out. His power became many times more powerful as a massive snake's head appeared, giving off an immense aura as it bit towards Zhao Fu.

Zhao Fu was startled and countless ghostly blocked in front of him, but he was still sent flying thousands of meters, even crashing into a mountain and causing it to collapse.

"Cough, cough..." Zhao Fu continuously coughed up a few mouthfuls of blood within the rubble. A savage look appeared on his face as the Great Qin Seal continuously trembled within his body, and the Ghostworld Pearl emerged on Zhao Fu's chest.

In the end, Zhao Fu had still underestimated the azure-clothed man's power. Now, he completely released the Great Qin Seal and the Six Paths Demon Images' power.

#### Boom!!

The sounds of nine dragon roars and six demon gods sounded out, piercing through the sky and causing the heavens and earth to dim. Clouds started to swirl as a terrifying aura flowed out of Zhao Fu's body. A black and gray aura simultaneously appeared around him.

The ground around him could not withstand this power and continuously collapsed as arcs of lightning around him, and shocking sounds could be heard.

The people watching in the distance, the King and Ministers of this Kingdom, did not dare to get involved. These two people were stronger than them, and the Kingdoms standing behind them were stronger as well.

They could not afford to offend either of these two people. They felt quite bitter and could only watch as these two people destroyed their territory.

Feeling the terrifying aura from Zhao Fu, the azure-clothed man's expression changed. Only now did he sense that Zhao Fu's aura was of a higher grade than his; it was an Emperor's aura, and the ghostly qi was also superior.

"Who are you?" Thinking about what Zhao Fu's true identity could be, the azure-clothed man's expression became quite unsightly, and he was forced to stop because he was afraid of making trouble. His Kingdom could act domineeringly, but if it offended an Empire, they would be doomed.

Now, it seemed that the other person's status was not ordinary at all, and the azure-clothed man could not help but feel regretful. However, it did not seem like this person would be willing to negotiate, so killing intent appeared in the azure-clothed man's eyes; only by getting rid of this person would he be able to prevent any future problems.

Killing intent also appeared in Zhao Fu's eyes; this azure-clothed man had to die. He gripped his Death Disaster Sword and gave off a terrifying aura as he rushed at the azure-clothed man.

Just as the two of them were able to engage in a massive battle, a will similar to the will of the heavens swept through this area. The heavens and earth seemed to freeze, and this power was so terrifying that no one could stop it. Everyone felt as weak as an ant, and it felt as if their bodies and souls had been dealt a big blow.

Everyone present looked incredibly shocked as their bodies immediately froze, and it was as if they had fallen into an icy cavern. They did not dare to move at all, and this included Zhao Fu and the azure-clothed man. Under this will, they felt terror within their hearts, and even their souls were trembling.

"This is the will of a higher-being!" This terrifying strength made it difficult to even breathe, and it was as if the entire world was trembling under this will.

The will swept through this area and stopped on Zhao Fu's body. Zhao Fu felt as if his heart was being gripped by a large hand, and his body continuously trembled in fear. Even his blood seemed to become cold; this was the true power of a higher-being, and Zhao Fu felt like a grain of sand in an ocean.

"Hurry up and run, Zhao Fu!" the golden dragon's voice sounded out in Zhao Fu's mind.

With the golden dragon's help, Zhao Fu was able to pull himself out of that immense terror, and he desperately ran in the opposite direction, not daring to stop at all.

Looking at Zhao Fu running away, the azure-clothed man wanted to chase after him, but under that will, his body could not move at all. He felt incredible terror; even with a World Seal, it was completely useless. The higher-being was in a completely different realm.

City Lord Seals and other kinds of Seals only gave power, whereas the path of Cultivation required one to comprehend the Dao of the Heavens and Earth step by step. This strength was far greater than what Seals could give.

The will observed Zhao Fu and paused for a moment before it was retracted. Everyone present felt as if a massive weight had been taken off them, and their bodies were drenched with sweat.

After seeing Zhao Fu disappear, the azure-clothed man coldly harrumphed. However, he remembered his goal this time, breathed out, and calmed himself down. He thought to himself, hoping that the higher-being would take a liking to him.

Zhao Fu desperately ran, not daring to look back at all. That strength was simply too terrifying, and it was the first time he had experienced such power and felt such terror.

Only after returning to the human world, with the Heavenly Domain Barrier serving as protection, did Zhao Fu's rapidly beating heart gradually calm down. He found that his hands and feet were incredibly cold, and his body was covered with cold sweat. It seemed that he would have to venture out less in the future.

Chapter 986: Disciple

The golden dragon within Zhao Fu's body was also quite shaken and said, "That higher-being seemed to only have interest in you and did not have any ill-intent, or else the both of us would have died there."

Hearing this, Zhao Fu nodded; this was the truth. If the higher-being had not wanted him to escape, no matter how hard he tried, he would not have been able to run away. In front of absolute power, Zhao Fu was incredibly weak and powerless.

Zhao Fu would not be able to leave the human world for quite a while – that higher-being remained close to the Grassi world, making it incredibly dangerous. If he was really here for Zhao Fu, it was possible that Zhao Fu could die without even a speck remaining.

Even a Prince with a World Seal could force Zhao Fu into using his full strength; it seemed that he had to keep a lower profile in the future.

Even though Great Qin feared nothing in the human world, there were people much more powerful than him in the wider world. There were countless faction more powerful than Great Qin in the Heaven Awaken World; within the Heaven Awaken World, Great Qin was only a grain of sand.

After calming himself down, Zhao Fu put his attention back on important matters, such as clearing out regions and constructing the Great Wall.

What Zhao Fu did not know was that not too long after he ran, an extremely terrifying aura had descended, causing the heavens and earth to darken. All wind ceased as everything fell deathly silent.

A figure suddenly appeared in the sky. It was a drunken-looking middle-aged man with messy hair and a dirty face, and he was dressed quite sloppily. He held a wine bottle in his hands, a hazy look in his eyes as he looked at the direction in which Zhao Fu had run off.

After seeing this middle-aged man, the people around him felt excited and afraid. They bowed as they said, "We greet the Sovereign!"

'Higher-being' was a colloquial term used to refer to peerless experts, but of course, people could not address them as such. Typically, they were formally addressed as 'Sovereigns.'

The Third Prince felt quite surprised and excited tidied up his clothes before coming before the middle-aged man. He bowed, saying, "This lowly one, the Ancient Stem Domain's Bear Mountain Kingdom's Third Prince, greets Senior!"

The drunken-looking middle-aged man nodded before pointing in the direction that Zhao Fu had run off in and saying, "Do any of you know who that person is? And which world he comes from? This Sovereign is quite interested in him and wants to go to his world to take a look."

The Third Prince's expression fell. That person's identity was already quite mysterious; he had a pure Sovereign Bloodline, and now a higher-being was interested in him. This was simply incredible. If the higher-being took him as a disciple, destroying the Bear Mountain Kingdom would be all too easy.

When he thought of this, the Third Prince immediately replied, "This lowly one does not know about that person. However, Senior, would you be willing to take me as a disciple? It would be my glory to become your disciple, and my Imperial Father would…"

"Alright, let This Sovereign know when you've found his information. Tell that boy that if he performs well, This Sovereign can introduce a good master for him."

The drunken-looking middle-aged man cut off the Third Prince's words and said something that made him incredibly shocked. This higher-being actually wanted to help that person find a master. That person was most likely also a higher-being; if that happened, he would be doomed.

The Third Prince hurriedly said, "This lowly one's talent is not bad either, and I'm also the Prince of a Royal Kingdom. In the future, it's likely I'll become the Crown Prince. Senior, please take me as a disciple."

"Hahaha..." The drunken-looking middle-aged man loudly laughed before his figure slowly disappeared, and everything returned to normal, leaving behind the Third Prince with a pale face. It was evident that this higher-being had no interest in him at all.

At the same time, the Third Prince became determined to kill Zhao Fu. On one hand, he had already offended him, and Zhao Fu's threat was simply too great. He had to kill him before a higher-being could find him, or else the Bear Mountain Kingdom would be finished.

He also felt a sense of bitter resentment; he had begged the higher-being to take him in as a disciple, but the higher-being had completely ignored him. And yet, the higher-being was willing to go out of his way to find that person a master. This was simply too frustrating and unfair.

Hearing the higher-being's words, everyone else now knew that Zhao Fu was someone to curry favor with. They absolutely had to find him because there was now a connection between him and a higher-being. Helping a higher-being would bring unimaginable benefits.

However, even though they were quite excited, they did not dare to show it because the Third Prince was not someone who they could afford to offend.

One week later, Zhao Fu went to the Dark Demon world. There was not much for him to do in the human world, as Great Qin's focus was just clearing out regions and building the Great Wall. The faction in the Fish Scale world was also developing nicely, but the Night Dynasty's development in the Dark Demon world was relatively slow.

The real world of the Dark Demon world was going to be destroyed soon, and the countdown had already begun. Luckily, they were not able to open up the Heavenly Domain Barrier, or else an invasion from them would have been even more dangerous than an invasion from the Fish Scale world. After all, they were more powerful and savage. Adding on the fact that they would not die true deaths yet, they would be incredibly difficult to deal with.

Now that their real bodies were going to be brought into the Heaven Awaken World, there was no need to worry about them recklessly attacking the human world; this was quite good.

The Night Dynasty City was now a Level 6 Capital City and just needed three Capital Cities to establish a Kingdom. It had 850 City Lords, 600 million people, and 60 million soldiers. In total, it controlled 280 regions.

It was now the largest faction in the Southern Continent of the Dark Demon world, but it was still much weaker than Great Qin and the faction in the Fish Scale world.

Zhao Fu was now considering whether or not the Night Dynasty should establish a Kingdom. It now lacked three Capital Cities, and Great Qin would be able to provide the EXP required to allow it to establish a Kingdom.

Zhao Fu's original plan was to not bestow the title of King on anyone or have any vassal states. After all, this would only negatively affect Great Qin in the future, and with Zhao Fu ruling over Great Qin, everyone wholeheartedly submitted. However, in the future, things might be different.

Moreover, the current generation was incredibly loyal to Zhao Fu, but the loyalty of future generations could not be guaranteed.

If Zhao Fu made people Kings and created vassal states, it would weaken the internal affairs of Great Qin. If those vassal states became too powerful, they could turn around and destroy Great Qin, or Great Qin might fall into internal conflict. Zhao Fu did not want to see this at all.

As such, Zhao Fu was not very keen on establishing vassal states, even though there were many benefits. After all, the Night Dynasty was about to establish a Kingdom, so Great Qin would have two Kingdoms, providing it more Corps, more population, and more soldiers.

In actuality, Zhao Fu had already decided that the Night Dynasty could establish a Kingdom, but Great Qin would conquer the Night Dynasty in the future in order to make it an inseparable part of Great Qin.

Zhao Fu chose to use the three Cities of the three Dynasties it had destroyed before to use as Capital Cities and then distributed Great Qin's EXP to those three Cities. Soon, the Night Dynasty would be able to establish a Kingdom.

The alliance in the Southern Continent that the Night Dynasty was the leader of had already cleared out most of the weaker factions in the area. There was no more 'meat,' and Zhao Fu did not want to continue developing slowly like this.

Since there was no more 'meat,' they could only turn on each other. Zhao Fu's first target was naturally the Demon Path Sect. Even though the two factions were quite close, they were still two separate factions and had not been united.

Chapter 987: Demoness

The Demon Path Sect now had 540 Cities and controlled 200 or so regions. It had around 300 million people, and it was considered a large faction within the Southern Continent.

If they could devour the Demon Path Sect, such a big piece of meat, the Night Dynasty's strength would take a big step forward. Right now, it was the best target for the Night Dynasty because Mo Yao'Er and two of the Ancestors were already controlled by Zhao Fu.

All that was left were the Sect Master, a few Ancestors, and the Elders who held power. If he could control them, the Demon Path Sect would naturally belong to the Night Dynasty.

Zhao Fu had many ways to control people, such as brain bugs. It was a pity that their Cultivations were too high, making it impossible for brainbugs to enter their brains. Only if they did not resist would the brain bugs be able to take over their bodies.

However, there was a simple method, which was to gather all of their higher-ups and capture them together, using might to force them to submit.

If they were willing to submit, Zhao Fu would naturally spare them. However, if they were not willing to submit, Zhao Fu would heavily wound them before wiping away their souls, making it so that there were no obstacles for the brain bugs to control them.

Just Zhao Fu alone would be enough to deal with the whole grape. Zhao Fu had this confidence because he had the Great Qin Seal.

There was an even simpler and cruder method, which was just to invade the Dark Demon world with Great Qin's forces. With Great Qin's power, it would be quite easy to take over the Dark Demon world's Southern Continent incredibly quickly, and the benefits would be quite great.

However, Great Qin did not have the power to break through the Heavenly Domain Boundary, and they had not taken down the Northern Continent. Whenever Great Qin's forces went to the Northern Continent, they had to act stealthily. The Northern Continent was right opposite the Dark Demon world's Southern Continent.

Another important matter was that after conquering the Southern Continent, Great Qin would face the retaliation of the entire Dark Demon world. Great Qin would not have enough strength to deal with such a thing. It had not even unified the human world yet, so how could Zhao Fu start a war between worlds? After thinking about it, he decided to give up on this method.

As for how to gather all the higher-ups of the Demon Path Sect, this would be quite simple. This was because both factions were quite close, so they naturally trusted each other, and Zhao Fu also had the help of Mo Yao'Er and the two Ancestors.

Zhao Fu immediately went and arranged a grand banquet. With the help of the mysterious faction, the Night Dynasty was about to establish a Kingdom, requesting the major figures from the Demon Path Sect to come and celebrate. With the reason being establishing a Kingdom, they were forced to come.

After hearing that the Night Dynasty was about to establish a Kingdom, the Demon Path Sect was naturally quite shocked. Currently, only one Kingdom had been established in the Dark Demon world, and the Night Dynasty would become the second. The Night Dynasty had incredible potential; after all, the Demon Path Sect was still quite some way away.

The key thing was the mysterious faction helping them. The Demon Path Sect did not have such a faction helping them, and they could not help but feel amazed that the mysterious faction could help even with establishing a Kingdom.

"Dad, you and all the Ancestors have to go this time. Maybe you'll be able to gain connections with that mysterious faction and they might help us officially establish our Sect," Mo Yao'Er said with a charming smile.

Now that Mo Yao'Er was cultivating the Six Desires Celestial Art, her aura had become incredibly powerful, and she was on the level of the Ancestors. Moreover, she had an important status and held a lot of power.

What was key was that she gave off a demonic energy that could enchant almost anyone. Essentially the entire Demon Path Sect was infatuated with her, and everyone viewed her as the number one Demoness in the Dark Demon world. Any man would go mad to have her.

The two other Ancestors suggested, "Now that the real world is going to be destroyed, we need to truly face the Heaven Awaken World. Only by making more connections with the outside world will we be able to benefit.

"Moreover, now that the Night Dynasty is going to establish a Kingdom, it will become many times more powerful. We can deepen our relationship with the Night Dynasty and obtain more benefits."

After hearing this, none of them felt any reason not to go, so they decided to give the Night Dynasty some face. After arriving at the banquet, all of the dishes had already been prepared. There were colorful lights everywhere, and the scene was quite lively. Ye Cang and the Demon Path Sect's people sat within a large hall.

Most of the higher-ups from the Demon Path Sect had come, and only a small portion of them had remained at the Demon Path Sect.

The Demon Path Sect Master cleared his throat and smiled as he raised his wine cup, saying to Ye Cang, "Back then, I was blind and underestimated you; who would have thought you would achieve such great things? You've risen from being someone who no one knew about to someone whose name resounds across the whole world; this shows your extraordinary abilities. I will drink this cup to punish myself, and I hope you and Yao'Er will marry soon."

This was the first time he had personally seen Ye Cang. Sensing his powerful aura and given his status as the ruler of the Night Dynasty, the Demon Path Sect Master was naturally quite courteous to Ye Cang, and this was only more so after hearing from his daughter that she controlled Ye Cang.

However, he did not know that Ye Cang had long since died, and it was Zhao Fu controlling his body and controlling the Demon Path Sect Master's daughter.

The Demon Path Sect Master raised his cup and gulped down the wine in one gulp. However, Ye Cang only calmly smiled back and did not respond, causing the situation to become somewhat awkward.

The Demon Path Sect Master's smile froze, and he inwardly felt a bit angry. He was the Demon Path Sect Master and took the initiative to show his goodwill to Ye Cang, yet Ye Cang seemed to dismiss it. He was not giving him face at all.

Also, wasn't Ye Cang under Mo Yao'Er's control? It should be Ye Cang desperately trying to curry favor with him instead; how could something like this happen? The Demon Path Sect Master felt that something was off and had a slight bad premonition, and this premonition was immediately proved correct.

Ye Cang calmly smiled as he said, "Apart from the joyous matter of the Night Dynasty about to establish a Kingdom, we also hope that the Demon Path Sect will join the Night Dynasty and become part of it. I will preserve the Demon Path Sect; I hope everyone from the Demon Path Sect will be willing to submit in order to prevent any hurt feelings."

"Ye Cang, you're simply dreaming; how could the Demon Path Sect join the Night Dynasty? It should be the Night Dynasty joining the Demon Path Sect." The Demon Path Sect Lord looked quite furious as he slammed his palm on the table and stood up, glaring at Ye Cang.

The Demon Path Sect Ancestors also stood up, looking at Ye Cang with ill-intent.

Sensing these changes, everyone else also stood up with serious looks on their faces. The Night Dynasty's people did not back down either, and the two sides looked at each other with a hint of savageness.

The lively atmosphere instantly cooled and became quite hostile. Both sides started to feel quite antagonistic; the feeling of drinking together like brothers was completely gone.

"Hmph, I never thought the Night Dynasty would have such a goal. The Demon Path Sect will absolutely not agree. We won't be staying to drink any longer. All Demon Path Sect members, we are leaving immediately," the Demon Path Sect Master said furiously and flicked his sleeve as he turned to leave. He felt quite confused; why had things turned out so differently to what he had expected?

Chapter 988: Try and Run

Just as the Demon Path Sect's people were about to leave this banquet, Ye Cang laughed and said, "You have no other option but to submit to the Night Dynasty."

The Night Dynasty's people exploded out with powerful auras as they looked at the Demon Path Sect's people, ready to attack at any moment.

The Demon Path Sect Master suddenly loudly laughed and said, "Ye Cang, you're too young. Did you really think we came without any preparation? This time you've made a big mistake in burning bridges. In the future, I will ally with other factions and destroy the Night Dynasty. We're leaving!"

The Demon Path Sect's people took out jade pendants that gave off blinding white glows that surrounded them. Those jade pendants were escape items that could instantly teleport people 1,000 kilometers away.

However, a large formation appeared beneath the ground, and a powerful sealing energy locked the area down, causing the Demon Path Sect members' teleportations to fail.

The Demon Path Sect Master's expression fell, and he turned to look at Ye Cang, who was lightly smiling at him. He coldly harrumphed and said, "You think you can stop us like this? The Demon Path Sect's 300 or so City Lords aren't weak at all. The Night Dynasty only has 400 City Lords present."

"Really, now? You can try and run if you want," the cloaked Zhao Fu walked out from behind Ye Cang and said slightly condescendingly.

The Demon Path Sect members' expressions became grim. They feared this cloaked figure greatly, because he was from that mysterious faction. He was unimaginably powerful and had been able to defeat the Vile Dynasty's Legatee in just a few blows.

"Sir, our Demon Path Sect does not want to offend you; please do not interfere in our personal matters. Moreover, our Demon Path Sect is more powerful than the Night Dynasty; if you are willing to help our Demon Path Sect became an official Sect, we will surpass all of your expectations and become a more suitable faction than the Night Dynasty."

The Demon Path Sect Master knew how terrifying this mysterious person was, so he hurriedly spoke, hoping that he would not interfere. At the same time, he tried to convince him that the Demon Path Sect was superior to the Night Dynasty so that he would help them instead.

Zhao Fu could not help but laugh. The Night Dynasty was now completely controlled by Great Qin; it was completely different to what the Demon Path Sect Master thought.

"Hurry and run!" Seeing this, the Demon Path Sect Master understood and immediately gave the order to escape. Now, their only goal was to leave; he hoped at least 80% of them would be able to make it back.

Boom! Boom! Boom...

Explosions sounded out in their surroundings as powerful auras burst forth like cyclones. The Demon Path Sect members exploded out with their full power, about to fly off and return to the Demon Path Sect before allying with other factions to attack the Night Dynasty.

However, at that moment, an aura like that of a thousand mountains suddenly appeared and suppressed their surroundings, and even space itself started to distort.

Everyone present, whether they were from the Night Dynasty or the Demon Path Sect, looked at that mysterious cloaked figure in shock. Their bodies could not move at all, and they were completely suppressed by this terrifying aura.

"This person's simply too monstrous!" Everyone thought the same thing, because this person's aura completely exceeded anything they could imagine. Even their world's World Protector was not as strong at him. What they did not know was that Mo Qi had nearly been killed by Zhao Fu twice.

"Will you submit? Based on your past friendship with the Night Dynasty, we will not mistreat you. However, if you are not willing to submit, I can only refine you into puppets." Zhao Fu's voice gave off a powerful might, shaking the souls of those present.

Facing this mighty pressure, everyone desperately resisted, but they were unable to break free at all. Let alone 300 City Lords, even thousands of City Lords would not be able to resist.

No one responded, stubbornly trying to resist Zhao Fu's might, and Zhao Fu did not bother saying anything either.

#### Boom!

Another explosion sounded out as boundless gray aura flooded out of his black cloak, flickering like a gray flame. An extremely cold aura spread out, causing the temperature of the surroundings to fall.

The pressure became many times greater, and everyone was unable to withstand it anymore. They felt as if their bodies had been hit by a massive hammer and coughed up large mouthfuls of blood as they collapsed to the ground.

Everyone present sank into despair. Facing this power, they felt like a small boat in a massive sea. This strength was simply too terrifying; how could this person have such immense power? Everyone now looked at Zhao Fu with gazes filled with terror.

Whether they were the Demon Path Sect's people or the Night Dynasty's people, everyone felt that even if they were all combined, they would not be a match for that person. Destroying them all would take but a few minutes.

"I'll ask you once more, will you surrender?" Zhao Fu's voice once again sounded out, crashing into everyone's hearts like massive waves.

Everyone looked towards the Demon Path Sect Master, who was feeling quite hesitant. In front of this kind of absolute power, he was unable to resist at all; they had completely fallen into that mysterious faction's hands.

Facing how powerful that mysterious faction was, the Demon Path Sect Master sighed. However, thinking about the Demon Path Sect being destroyed like this, he hesitated.

"Dad, don't worry, Owner won't truly destroy the Demon Path Sect because I will become the new Sect Master of the Demon Path Sect! You won't have to worry about the future of the Demon Path Sect."

Mo Yao'Er's supple body twisted and turned as she walked out, an infatuated look on her face as she leaned into the arms of the black-cloaked figure and spoke to the Demon Path Sect Master.

Everyone looked incredibly confused; none of them could believe that this woman, who could enchant the masses, would actually call that cloaked figure 'owner' and look so infatuated. Just how had that cloaked figure done this? All of them would dream of having such charm.

"Sect Master, we should surrender! You don't know just how powerful they are. If they truly attack, even the Dark Demon world would be in danger," the two Ancestors also said.

Now, everyone understood why Ye Cang would dare to do such a thing; even the core members of the Demon Path Sect had already joined them.

After thinking for a while, the Demon Path Sect Master decided that it would be best for his daughter to take the position of Sect Master. At least that way they would have a chance in the future, and it would be better than being destroyed. As such, he nodded and agreed.

Zhao Fu controlled Ye Cang to stand up and grin as he accepted the surrender of the Demon Path Sect. Everyone from the Night Dynasty looked incredibly delighted while the Demon Path Sect Master's expression became dim. Ye Cang then went to the Demon Path Sect to officially take it over.

Following this, he made Mo Yao'Er the new Sect Master and made some other slight changes. This allowed everyone from the Demon Path Sect to breathe out in relief, as the changes were not very big. Their rights had not been taken; it was just that there was a new Sect Master.

However, Mo Yao'Er was the daughter of the Sect Master, and because it was likely for her to have become the new Sect Master anyways, there was no one who did not approve. Devouring the Demon Path Sect had concluded perfectly.

Chapter 989: Hundred School of Thought Contending

The Night Dynasty had 850 City Lords, 600 million people, and 60 million soldiers, controlling 280 regions. The Demon Path Sect had 540 Cities and controlled 200 regions, and it had around 300 million people.

Now that the two of them had fused, the Night Dynasty now had 1,390 Cities, 900 million people, around 500 regions, and 90 million soldiers.

With this kind of strength, Zhao Fu turned his attention to the other factions. Compared to some of the factions in other Continents, the Night Dynasty was still too weak and needed to continue to develop.

If Zhao Fu could unify the human world, he could turn to the Fish Scale world or Dark Demon world. The faction in the Fish Scale world was developing quite well, but the Night Dynasty was still too weak in the Dark Demon world. As such, Zhao Fu had to put more effort in developing it. More importantly, Zhao Fu planned to attack the Spirit Light world after conquering the Dark Demon world. After all, Great Qin had a weapon that could suppress the Spirit Light race, which was the Primogenitor Statue.

Currently, there were two factions next to the Night Dynasty, and they were Zhao Fu's next targets. One of them was a player faction made up of a few Dynasties and a few small factions, and the other was a system faction.

The player faction had a total of 900 City Lords and 80 million soldiers, while the system faction had 700 City Lords and 70 million soldiers. All of them were essentially Stage 1 soldiers.

If the two factions were combined, they would be stronger than the Night Dynasty in terms of both City Lords and soldiers. it was no problem to face a few hundred City Lords by himself, but if he had to face tens of millions of soldiers, that would be quite difficult. With enough people, he could be exhausted until he was killed or forced to run.

It would be quite difficult for the Night Dynasty to challenge these two factions by itself, so Zhao Fu thought of a plan, which was to ally with another faction to attack these factions.

There had always been conflict between players and system main cities, and if they allied with the player faction, it would be easier to deal with the system faction.

However, the key thing was whether or not they would be willing to work together with the Night Dynasty. Moreover, such a big matter of taking over the Demon Path Sect was not something that could be hidden. This was a great threat to them, and they might choose to ally together to attack the Night Dynasty.

This was not a simple matter, so Zhao Fu returned to Great Qin first to talk with his various subordinates.

During this time, the Hundred Schools of Thought continued to receive the official acknowledgement of Great Qin. Great Qin gave them all sorts of benefits, allowing them to establish their schools or sects and take in students in order to disseminate their ways of thinking and culture.

The 'Hundred Schools of Thought' were a reference to the various ideological groups during the Spring and Autumn Period, Warring States Period, and Qin and Han Dynasties. According to the 'Han – Yi Wen Zhi,' there had been 189 Schools in total.

Later records indicated that the 'Hundred Schools of Thought' actually contained over 1,000 Schools. However, there were only around 100 that had great impact and had become quite famous. Summed up, there were only twelve major Schools.

With Zhao Fu's personal ideologies, he would never dismiss all other Schools of Thought in favour of Confucianism; he would not allow the weakly Confucianist ideologies to pervade Great Qin.

Zhao Fu acknowledged that studying was good, but he did not want Great Qin to become a nation that focused on studying. If that were the case, Great Qin would gradually decay and lose its vigor. Great Qin's martial spirit would disappear and become like the Song Dynasty, being bullied by all sorts of other powerful factions.

Zhao Fu had intended to restore the 'Hundred Schools of Thought Contending' state from the Spring and Autumn Periods, with all sorts of ideologies clashing. This would promote new ways of thinking and cause old ways of thinking to perish, causing Great Qin to continue moving forwards.

This was the most important thing to Great Qin because ideologies were the soul of a nation and determined the path of a nation.

Of course, these Schools and Sects had to submit to Great Qin and be loyal to Great Qin. They could not proclaim any rebellious ways of thinking; any Schools or Sects that had ill intentions would not be allowed to remain within Great Qin.

The Schools and Sects that submitted to Great Qin would be encouraged and promoted. Zhao Fu wanted to restore the scene of the 'Hundred Schools of Thoughts Contending,' but he also listed a few as forbidden Schools and Sects.

They were the Buddhist Sect, School of Confucianism, and School of Mohism. Currently, Great Qin was hunting down anyone from those three Schools or Sects. Zhao Fu would never show mercy to any of his enemies.

Apart from these three Sects and Schools, there was another incredibly important School, which was the School of Vertical and Horizontal. Su Yan and Zhang Heng had already been added to Great Qin's hitlist, but now that they had escaped to other Continents along with the rest of China, Zhao Fu could not do much to them.

In actuality, within the Hundred Schools of Thought, the School of Confucianism was the largest School. This was because after the 'Hundreds Schools of Thought Contending,' the Han Dynasty had dismissed the other Schools and revered only the Confucians, resulting in Confucian thinking dominating throughout China. The Buddhist Sect was also a large Sect that had thousands of years of history with countless followers.

Great Qin's Sect and School destroying operation had caused the other Sects and Schools to feel quite afraid. Luckily, they had chosen the right side, or else they would have been hunted down like this as well.

There were many players within Great Qin who hoped that Great Qin would stop hunting down people from the School of Confucianism and Buddhist Sect. Great Qin had become hell for such people; anyone who was a part of those Schools or Sects would either be heavily punished or directly killed.

The Schools and Sects that had escaped to other Continents had been incredibly furious, criticizing Zhao Fu and saying that Zhao Fu's actions were even more tyrannical than the First Emperor of Qin's back then. They were capable of enraging the heavens and offending all humanity.

Zhao Fu did not say anything in response. Zhao Fu did not want any such thinking to pervade Great Qin, even if they were good.

Most students in the Rising Qin Academy could be said to belong to the Confucian line of thinking. However, it was a modified Qin-Confucian branch.

Zhao Fu wanted the Qin Confucianist ideology to replace the mainstream Confucianist ideology. As for the Buddhist Sect, Great Qin would only receive it after unifying the world; for now, they would suppress the Buddhist Sect. The School of Mohism did not actually have many people; it only merely flourished a bit during the late Qing Dynasty.

However, Great Qin absolutely could not allow the School of Vertical and Horizontal to continue to exist; there was no room for discussion. The School of Vertical and Horizontal had to die, as they were simply too dangerous.

There was another Sect that Zhao Fu listed as a forbidden Sect, which was the White Lotus Sect. Even though it had partnered with Great Qin before, the core of its ideologies were too dangerous.

Zhao Fu did not want them to cause the people to stage uprisings every time there was a disaster. With the White Lotus Sect's ability to stir up public sentiment with falsehoods, it was easy to rile up a large group of people.

No one would accept a Sect like this, so almost every Dynasty had listed them as a forbidden Sect, and Great Qin was no exception.

There were still many people from the White Lotus Sect, but given the help they had provided each other, Zhao Fu did not kill them. Instead, he planned to change them into a new intelligence organization.

Chapter 990: Three Major Intelligence Organizations

Zhao Fu had already thought of a name for them, which was the White Sect, and he would make them one of Great Qin's three major intelligence organizations.

The first was Eternal Night, which Great Qin had created, and Zhao Fu was the leader of it. That organization specialized in assassinations. The second was Flower Moon, which was one of the most ancient factions. Its leader was Xiao Yueyin, and they were adept in business.

The third was the White Sect, which also had over 1,000 years of history. Its leader was called Ye Qiuye, the Holy Daughter of the White Lotus Sect. They were adept at bewitching and inciting the masses.

Each of these three organizations had other things that they were proficient in. If Zhao Fu could use them well, they would be a great help to Great Qin and would complete Great Qin's intelligence network.

As for the Night Dynasty's matters, after discussing with his subordinates, Zhao Fu had come up with a complete plan.

The first thing to do was to disseminate information that the Night Dynasty was about to establish a Kingdom and complete its ultimate goal. It did not hope for any battles or to cause any unnecessary deaths. They would not attack fellow Dark Demon people, and they were willing to sign a Contract to maintain the peace within the Southern Continent. The Contract would last for two years and would be signed seven days later.

Even in the human world, no one would take such a thing seriously, and in the Dark Demon world, this was a massive joke. After all, the Demon Race was incredibly savage and prized only strength; none of them cared about morality or virtue.

Through the information that the Night Dynasty had released, everyone understood that after the Night Dynasty had devoured the Demon Path Sect, its strength had greatly increased, and it was preparing to establish a Kingdom. As such, it just wanted to silently develop for two years and did not want to participate in any battles or have anyone slow down its development.

Everyone inwardly cursed at the Night Dynasty for being hypocritical and laughed at it. However, the factions around the Night Dynasty let out a sigh of relief, because if the Night Dynasty did not attack them, they would be safe.

As such, they did not care why the Night Dynasty was doing this; the factions near the Night Dynasty were all quite willing to sign the Contract, but they had to wait seven days. It was only seven days, so everyone felt that waiting a bit would not cause much harm.

The first day passed peacefully, but during the second night, there was no moon or stars in the sky. The air was quite cold, and the Night Dynasty started to move out.

One group stealthily headed towards a group of system main cities. There were 200 or so City Lords in total, and they simultaneously attacked the dozens of City Lords there. After killing all of the City Lords, they started to massacre the residents.

However, they kept some people alive and said to them, "Either submit to our player faction or wait to be destroyed by us. No one here can stop us anymore."

Instantly, the system side was infuriated, and countless City Lords gathered together to discuss what to do about this. After all, there was already great enmity between the player faction and system faction, and now that the other side had launched a sneak attack, most of the system faction wanted to retaliate.

Of course, some people raised suspicions as to whether or not this was really done by the player faction. After all, there was definitely a motive behind this attack.

The Night Dynasty was quickly trying to establish its Kingdom, construct its Great Wall, and integrate the Demon Path Sect, so how could it have the time, effort, and resources to launch an attack like this? Right now, this area only had three major factions: the Night Dynasty, the player faction, and the system faction.

If they ruled out the Night Dynasty, then the only possibility left was the player faction; there was no one else to put the blame on.

However, why would the player faction attack at a time like this? There had been quite a period of time since they had last fought, so the system side could not understand this.

Following this, the player faction sent a message stating that this was not done by them and that they had nothing to do with it. This made everyone feel even more suspicious. If it was not the player faction, it could only have been the Night Dynasty.

The Night Dynasty was trying to establish its Kingdom and had offered to sign peace Contracts, so it was not very suspicious. This made the system faction feel quite troubled.

This was especially so because the faction that had attacked them were all players and asked them to surrender. However, the player faction said that they did not do this; were they being framed?

Since that was the case, was it the Night Dynasty who had framed them? However, the Night Dynasty was just going about its own business, trying not to make trouble. It had just devoured the Demon Path Sect, so why would it attack others so quickly? They could not understand what was going on.

However, if their system faction attacked the Night Dynasty, they would not be a match for the Night Dynasty, and it would be the player faction that benefitted the most.

Could it be that the player faction were making it seem like the Night Dynasty was framing them? This was quite possible.

Out of the three factions, the Night Dynasty was the most powerful and the greatest threat to the others. Moreover, the two years of peace was just a stalling tactic; after becoming truly powerful, it would lay hands on the other factions.

It was possible that the player faction had considered all of this and wanted to ally with the system faction to resist the Night Dynasty while they still could and delay its development. Only then would they truly be safe. Only an idiot would allow the Night Dynasty to peacefully develop for two years.

After discussing for a while, the system faction decided to ally together with the player faction to defend against the Night Dynasty.

However, at this moment, a shocking piece of news arrived: the Night Dynasty had brought its massive army to attack, stating that the system factions had suddenly attacked the Night Dynasty's Cities and caused severe damage to dozens of Cities.

This caused the system factions to panic; when had they attacked the Night Dynasty? By now, their heads were completely addled and still did not know what was happening.

"Gather the army!" There was no time to think, and facing the incoming Night Dynasty army, the City Lords hurriedly prepared for battle.

Both armies soon faced off against each other on a plains region. Ye Cang gave off a terrifying and furious aura as he stood in the air, saying coldly, "You system factions are simply going too far. The Night Dynasty originally did not want to fight for the time being, yet you launched a sneak attack against us and said that our Night Dynasty was trash."

"Wait! We didn't attack your Night Dynasty!" the system City Lords had grim expressions as they hurriedly replied.

The Night Dynasty had brought 900 City Lords and 80 million soldiers. The Ancestors' and Ye Cang's auras were incredibly powerful, far greater than those of ordinary City Lords. The system faction was far inferior in terms of top-tier battle power, and they did not have an advantage in any other area either.

"Hmph! Your people said so themselves!" Ye Cang coldly harrumphed but did not rashly attack.

The system City Lords suddenly thought about the faction that had attacked them. Even now, they were not sure who had done this. However, hearing that the Night Dynasty had also been attacked, they felt even more confused.

After hearing that the Night Dynasty had gathered its forces to attack the system faction, the player faction didn't know what was happening either. However, what they did know was that the Night Dynasty would definitely be much less defended at this moment and that it would be a great opportunity to attack. Such an opportunity would not present itself again.