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Chapter 337: Emergence

Mo Hua was utterly shocked, finding it hard to believe.

The Qian Family Patriarch... just died like that?!

Mo Hua had just mentioned that evildoers would meet their retribution, implying that such actions would invite consequences.

But he had only said it casually.

He hadn't expected that the Qian Family Patriarch would indeed face retribution, and so quickly!

Mo Hua's emotions surged, but what happened next shocked him even more.

After devouring the Qian Family Patriarch, the Pig Demon's dead white eyes began to turn bright red.

Blood started flowing through its body again, demonic energy began to gather, and the dark red scars on its body gradually turned scarlet, even emitting a blinding red light.

Mo Hua's pupils contracted.

This Pig Demon was refining the medicinal power!

Not only was it refining the Life-Transforming Elixir, but it was also refining the blood and qi of the Qian Family Patriarch.

At the same time, a terrifying aura began to gather around the Pig Demon, making everyone tremble and feel as if the natural order was being overturned, bringing about strange transformations!

Mo Hua didn't know what was happening, but he had only one thought at this moment:

Run!
At the same time, the Pig Demon turned its head, its blood-red eyes looking at Mo Hua.
Mo Hua's hair stood on end as he activated the Passing Water Step to its utmost, fleeing madly out of the stone chamber.
He hadn't run far before he saw someone ahead, Yang Jiyong and Zhang Lan.
Zhang Lan and Yang Jiyong appeared at the cave entrance. Seeing Mo Hua's pale face, they were about to speak when Mo Hua urgently interrupted.
"Run!"
The two were stunned and had not yet understood what was happening when they saw a blood-red grotesque pig head appear at the end of the stone steps.
The two were greatly alarmed, "What kind of demon beast is this?"
The Pig Demon's head was stuck at the entrance of the stone chamber, its scarlet pupils turning erratically. It glanced at Mo Hua, shrieked, and lunged directly.
The stone walls on either side were crushed like tofu by its massive body.
The Pig Demon looked cumbersome but was extremely fast, almost catching up in an instant.
Zhang Lan and Yang Jiyong's expressions turned grim. They quickly shielded Mo Hua behind them, trying to hold off the Pig Demon for a moment so Mo Hua could escape.

But the Pig Demon's aura was too terrifying. They were unsure if they could hold it off, their palms

Mo Hua, protected behind them, felt both touched and anxious.

sweating.

He knew that Yang Jiyong and Zhang Lan were no match for this demonic Pig Demon and couldn't stop it at all.

If they forced themselves to resist, at best they would be seriously injured; at worst, they would end up like the Qian Family Patriarch and be eaten by the Pig Demon.

At this critical moment, a flash of insight struck Mo Hua.

He suddenly remembered that there was an array he had set up on the ground.

When the Pig Demon charged, the array hadn't been activated.

Mo Hua pushed his spiritual sense to the limit, quickly locking onto the array amidst the chaotic stone chamber. He found the Earth Fire Composite Array he had laid out.

In less than a breath, Mo Hua combined his fingers, formed a fireball, and unleashed it.

The fireball flew out following Mo Hua's spiritual sense, tracing an arc and precisely igniting the array.

For a moment, the stone chamber fell into a dead silence, as if even sound had been erased.

At the same time, the Earth Fire Composite Array began to collapse!

Zhang Lan and Yang Jiyong witnessed an unbelievable scene.

They saw Mo Hua rapidly form a fireball and activate the array in the corner.

But the array didn't explode. Instead, the spiritual power began to reverse, gradually collapsing and producing intermittent black spiritual energy.

This collapsing spiritual energy, like tiny black daggers, sliced through the Pig Demon's flesh instantly.

First, the outer skin, then the flesh and blood, and finally the bones—all were disintegrated by the reverse spiritual energy, turning into black powder. As the array collapsed, the Pig Demon's right hind leg vanished as if erased by the void. The Pig Demon lost balance and fell, stopping its attack. However, within moments, blood qi gathered at the spot where the leg had disappeared. First, bones formed, then flesh and blood vessels, and finally skin. As the collapsing force disintegrated, the blood and flesh regenerated. Yang Jiyong and Zhang Lan were utterly shocked: "What kind of array is this? What are those tiny black spiritual energies that can disintegrate the body of a second-tier demon beast?!" "What kind of demon beast is this? Why does it regenerate so quickly?!" Seeing them still stunned, Mo Hua couldn't help but slap each of them hard, shouting: "Run now!" The Pig Demon's hind leg, though regenerated, was still obstructed by unsteady blood qi, struggling to get up. If they didn't run now, it might be too late.

After running for a while, they heard the Pig Demon's roar again—it had stood up.

to run out of the cave.

Yang Jiyong and Zhang Lan snapped back to their senses, immediately using their body techniques

Everyone's hearts trembled. Yang Jiyong decisively picked up Mo Hua, tucked him under his arm, and grabbed Zhang Lan, running forward. Being a Foundation Building cultivator, his speed was much faster than Mo Hua and Zhang Lan. Within a few breaths, they reached the cave entrance. There were already people outside. Elder Yu, Chief Supervisor Zhou, and Old Master An were all there. They had followed the bell's signal to the cave entrance. Before they could find the exact location, they heard the vibrations and roars from inside the cave. Not knowing what was happening, they could only wait at the entrance. Seeing Mo Hua and the other two looking terrified and pale, Chief Supervisor Zhou frowned and asked: "What happened?" Yang Jiyong was about to speak when Mo Hua grabbed his sleeve. Mo Hua took a deep breath and only said, "Run!" Chief Supervisor Zhou and the others looked at each other, "With us Foundation Building cultivators here, even if it's the Qian Family Patriarch, we can still put up a fight..."

Mo Hua shook his head, "The Qian Family Patriarch was eaten. Not only should we run, but all the

cultivators searching the mountain must retreat from the deep mountains immediately!"

Mo Hua's voice carried deep fear. That Pig Demon was too terrifying. Its aura felt both familiar and strange to Mo Hua. Familiar because its aura was similar to the collapsing force of the array, seemingly containing the power of the Dao of Heaven. Strange because this aura was completely opposite to the collapsing force, more like an unending regenerative power. Mr. Zhuang once said, where there is life, there is death. If the collapsing force of the array was a force of disintegration, then this Pig Demon was a force of regeneration! Reborn from death, it had clearly died but was revived again. Mo Hua felt a chill in his heart. He didn't know how powerful this Pig Demon was, but his long experience with arrays and the inexplicable fear rising within him told him that if they didn't run now, they would all perish in the Pig Demon's maw! Everyone was shocked by his words. The Qian Family Patriarch... was eaten?! That cunning, powerful Qian Family elder, who could retreat even when besieged by several early Foundation Building cultivators and Dao soldiers, was eaten by this Pig Demon?! Chief Supervisor Zhou didn't hesitate, decisively saying, "We retreat!" At this moment, there was another loud noise from the cave.

It seemed the Pig Demon was crashing around, shattering the stone walls, and its increasingly bloody and terrifying aura emanated from the cave entrance.

No longer hesitating, they immediately retreated.

Yang Jiyong grabbed Zhang Lan, while Elder Yu carried Mo Hua on his back.

As they retreated, they passed through various camps, spreading the word:

"Deep mountains in upheaval, possible great disaster, all cultivators must evacuate immediately!"

The deep mountain's silence was broken in the dead of night. After a brief panic, the cultivators searching the mountains began to orderly evacuate.

An hour later, including Mo Hua, all cultivators gathered at the foot of the deep mountain.

This was the boundary between the deep mountain and the inner mountain. A few steps more and they would be in the inner mountain, relatively safer.

Elder Yu put Mo Hua down, and everyone breathed a sigh of relief.

At this moment, a sudden change occurred in the deep mountain.

In the darkness, a column of blood qi shot into the sky, the mountain peak collapsed, and a massive, bloody Pig Demon emerged, its horrifying roar tearing through the night.

Not only Mo Hua and the others saw this.

At this very moment, cultivators far away in Tongxian City sensed it, looking up to see the sky-reaching column of blood qi.

The ferocity and malevolence of that aura shook all the cultivators' hearts.

Some elderly Demon Hunters trembled in disbelief, their voices quivering with fear:

"This is... a Great Demon..."

Standing beside Mo Hua, Elder Yu saw the Pig Demon's current form, felt its aura, remembered the ancient tales of Demon Hunters, and instantly felt like he had fallen into an ice cellar, exclaiming:

"A Great Demon has emerged..."

Elder Yu's face turned deathly pale, "But how... how is this possible..."