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Chapter 411: Rank 5 Blood Ignition pill

The moment that the pill entered her mouth, Liu Mei could feel a violent type of energy suddenly erupting inside her, immediately filling her entire body!

At the same time, her aura which was clearly at the early rank 1 of the Nascent Soul stage started to rise at an extremely rapid rate.

The black-robed old man, the old woman in red armor, as well as the middle-aged man whose eyes resembled those of a snake's, all looked at Liu Mei with eyes filled with incredulity.

In just a few moments, the aura coming from her body had already reached the peak of rank 1 in the Nascent soul stage, and yet it still showed no signs of stopping!

Early rank 2, middle rank 2, peak rank 2 of the Nascent Soul stage!

In the blink of an eye, Liu Mei's aura had already climbed to the peak of rank 2 in the Nascent Soul stage, but this was still not the end.

Under the disbelieving looks of the people around her, including the 3 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage experts, her aura 'broke through' to the early rank 3 of the Nascent Soul stage, until a few moments later, it eventually stabilized itself in the middle of rank 3.

Although this process seemed as if it had taken a while, in reality, it was completed in practically an instant.

This sudden 'breakthrough' had not only caused the old man in black robes to suddenly stop in his tracks and stare at Liu Mei with a look of wariness as well as shock and disbelief, but the disciples outside the city that were staring at this scene were also unable to believe their eyes, before they immediately exploded in fervent discussions

"How is this even possible? She advanced from the early rank 1 of the Nascent Soul, all the way to the middle of rank 3 in just a few moments?"

"What- What kind of divine pill was that?"

"Wait! Does this mean that if we were the ones who consumed that pill, we would be able to breakthrough to the peak of rank 3... or perhaps even the early rank 4 of the Nascent Soul?"

As one person came to this conclusion, everyone suddenly turned their gaze towards the few rank 3 Nascent Soul stage experts in the alliance, before their eyes finally landed on the red-robed young man who was the only person at the peak of rank 3 in the Nascent Soul stage.

Despite everyone turning their gaze on him all at the same time, the red-robed young man didn't seem to care, as his eyes didn't move an inch from Liu Mei's figure on top of the Death Eater's back.

Finally, after a few moments of silence, he shook his head with a serious expression on his face, before he replied in a thoughtful tone

"It's not like that.

This is not a true breakthrough all the way to the middle of rank 3 in the Nascent Soul.

Rather, it's most likely only a temporary increase in her strength.

That pill probably increased that woman's cultivation to the middle of rank 3 temporarily and it will revert back to its real level after a while.

Of course, such a pill will certainly have immense negative effects, but it is definitely a godly pill in the end."

It was obvious that although the young man didn't know many things about the pill that Liu Mei had consumed, his own knowledge was definitely up to par, and allowed him to instantly guess what was going on.

Indeed, this pill was a trump card that Shun Long had given to Liu Mei, and had exhorted her to only consume it if she was placed in a life or death situation without any other solution.

It was an enhanced version of his rank 4 'Blood ignition pill', and it temporarily increased the cultivation of a rank 1 Nascent Soul stage cultivator, allowing them to even fight against a rank 3 Nascent Soul stage expert head-on!

Of course, such a pill was not only extremely rare and valuable in the cultivation world, but it also had extremely severe negative effects.

The moment that a cultivator consumed this enhanced version of the 'Blood Ignition pill', they would only be able to fight at full strength for at most 3 hours.

3 hours later, they would feel their body lose all of their strength, becoming no different than ordinary mortals.

As for how long this situation would last for, Shun Long had already told Liu Mei that it could last anywhere from half a month to an entire month.

This meant that after consuming this pill, the moment that the 3 hour period was over, Liu Mei would be in a situation where she would be unable to use her own qi for at least half a month until the side-effects of the pill wore off!

Considering that this third test of the Holy sect originally lasted for an entire month and there were still 25 days left until it was over, being placed in a situation like that was extremely dangerous to Liu Mei who would be unable to use her own qi during that period of time.

And yet, this was also the only way for her to pass this third test.

After all, even after breaking through to the early rank 1 of the Nascent Soul stage, Liu Mei knew that she wasn't strong enough to fight against a rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivator head-on.

Even if she went all-out with the Death Eater and her undead army, it would still be impossible for the current her to match a normal rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivator.

However, passing through the third test of the Holy sect wasn't the only reason why Liu Mei decided to take this risk today.

She also had 2 more goals in her mind, which would definitely increase her strength by leaps and bounds if they managed to succeed!

After all, there was one thing that she had wanted to test after breaking through to the Nascent Soul stage, and the 3 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivators in front of her were the best testing subjects for it!

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Chapter 412: A bad feeling

Looking at the white-robed young woman on top of the Death Eater's back whose cultivation had already stabilized at the middle of rank 3 in the Nascent Soul, the black-robed old man smiled sinisterly once again, before he said in a mocking tone, clearly implying that he had already seen through Liu Mei's 'trick'

"Hehe, middle of rank 3 of the Nascent Soul... not bad, not bad at all.

That pill you consumed must have been very valuable... but too bad that this is only a fake increase in strength.

No matter what, a fake increase will never be able to match the power of a real cultivator!"

As he finished his words and having reassured himself that Liu Mei didn't pose any danger to him, the old man no longer held back, as he continued to fly towards her at full speed.

Earlier, he had been a bit apprehensive after seeing Liu Mei's strength rising at such a fast rate, and the same went for the old woman in red armor as well as the middle-aged man with eyes that resembled a snake's, but after seeing her aura stabilize at the middle of rank 3, they all heaved out a sigh of relief.

They weren't afraid that Liu Mei's aura would advance to the peak of rank 3. Instead, they were afraid that with her previous momentum, she would end up advancing all the way to the early rank 4 of the Nascent Soul in one go!

"Thankfully that pill only allowed her to raise her strength to the middle of rank 3. Otherwise, if it was something as exaggerated as the middle stages of the Nascent Soul, even the 3 of us combined may be unable to resist in a head-on fight!

Luckily she is nothing more than an early rank 1 Nascent Soul brat. However, if it was a rank 2 or a rank 3 Nascent Soul cultivator who had consumed it..."

The snake-eyed man nodded his head with a serious expression when he heard the old woman's words, before he turned his attention towards the peak rank 3 red-robed young man outside of the city.

Although he was confident that that person wouldn't dare to attempt to save the white-robed young woman on the monster's back, in case that he actually did try something like that, the snake-eyed man was more than willing to stop him the moment that he steps foot inside the city.

At the same time, seeing the black-robed old man that was once again flying towards her at full speed, a serious look appeared in Liu Mei's eyes.

She knew that she only had 3 hours before the effects of the enhanced 'Blood Ignition pill' wore off and she was placed in a helpless position.

Thus, she had to take care of everything before the 3 hours period was over.

Without wasting any more time, Liu Mei took a deep breath, before she actually sat up on the Death Eater's back!

Closing her eyes, she raised both of her hands in front of her chest, when suddenly, the Death Eater below her feet disappeared!

No, it wasn't just the Death Eater, even the remaining 43 undead knights as well as the 460 skeletons, all disappeared as well at the same time, immediately dumbfounding everyone who watched this scene.

"Hehe, it's too late to give up now!"

As the old man's words reverberated in the air, he was now less than 200 meters away from Liu Mei.

Raising his left hand, a gust of wind appeared around him, before it turned into countless spiraling wind blades that floated in the air around him.

Originally, he was planning on killing Liu Mei with his bare hands, but seeing that she had given up and had no more skeletons or black-armored knights to protect her, he decided to take care of her with his Dao of Wind.

As the spiraling wind blades appeared around him, the black-robed old man slashed the air in front of him, sending them all flying towards the defenseless Liu Mei!

It was obvious that the old man was determined to take care of her in one strike!

As the wind blades cut through the air however, a black ball of death qi also took shape between Liu Mei's hands at the same time.

At that moment, a dreadful feeling appeared in the old man's heart, and the same went for the old woman in red armor as well as the snake-eyed man, almost as if they had just realized something terrifying!

"It- It's not possible... right?"

The snake-eyed man was the first one to speak, as he stared at the black ball of death qi between Liu Mei's hands that was only growing bigger and bigger with every passing second.

A terrifying possibility flashed through his mind, but was unable and unwilling to accept it.

At the same time, the black-robed old man suppressed the feeling of anxiousness that had suddenly sprouted in his heart, and looking at Liu Mei he then shouted in an angry voice filled with killing intent

"DIE!"

However, just as the spiraling wind blades were just a few meters away from Liu Mei and were about to land on her body, Liu Mei suddenly opened her eyes, before she allowed the black ball of death qi in her hands to fall on the ground.

As the ball of qi fell on the ground, it created what seemed to be a gigantic black hole that exuded endless amounts of death qi.

A familiar, 30m(100ft) tall, enormous black beast, with 4 huge legs and a huge black body suddenly appeared from the black hole, like a giant that was coming out from his cave!

As the enormous body of the Death Eater appeared in the city for the second time, the hundreds of wind blades that the black-robed old man had sent forward all fell upon it at the same time like a torrential rain!

Before the Death Eater had enough time to come out from the black hole, hundreds of cuts had already appeared on its body, leaving behind countless scars.

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A powerful roar filled with hunger and fury sounded from the Death Eater's mouth, and yet, aside from those scars, the hundreds of spiraling wind blades had been unable to deal any real damage to the enormous black beast!

Chapter 413: Making their move

A look of shock as well as fear appeared on the black-robed old man's face when he saw the Death Eater that was emerging from the black hole, almost as if his biggest fear had suddenly become reality.

No, it wasn't just the black-robed old man. The old woman in red armor as well as the snake-eyed man also had similar expressions on their faces, as they involuntarily took a few steps back, opening the distance between themselves and the enormous beast.

Even the disciples that were staring at this scene 5 miles away from the city, including the red-robed young man, were staring at this scene dumbfounded, unable to believe their eyes.

The aura coming from the Death Eater was actually at the middle of rank 3 in the Nascent Soul stage... the same as Liu Mei's!

"How is this possible? Even if that pill augmented her own strength temporarily, the power of her summoned creatures shouldn't change! After all, this is just a temporary increase in strength.

...Don't tell me that their strength isn't actually set, and instead it rises in accordance with her own cultivation level!

If that's the case... isn't this girl actually considered a monster genius as well?"

The more that the red-robed young man stared at the scene in the city, the more dumbfounded he became, while a myriad of thoughts seemed to have flashed through his eyes at the same time.

At that moment, a young woman in red-robos whose cultivation was at the early rank 3 of the Nascent Soul stage appeared next to him, and staring at the scene in the distance she couldn't help asking in a somewhat weak as well as uncertain voice

"Senior brother... doesn't that girl's fighting style look very similar to senior brother Jun's?"

Serious looks flashed through 2 other disciples' faces when they heard this question, before they immediately turned their attention towards the red-robed young man, almost as if they were waiting for his reaction.

The red-robed young man however simply smiled when he heard this before he turned his eyes to look at the young woman who had asked this question and said in an easy-going tone

"Hehe, you are right! At first glance, her style does indeed look similar to Jun Ren's.

However, although it happens to look similar, in reality, there are also many differences as well, whether that is in their true strength or their own cultivation, as well as the way they truly fight!

Hehehe! Don't forget that despite being ranked 8th in our continent, I am definitely among the 1000 strongest people in this third test.

And yet, even I wouldn't dare to fight with Jun Ren head-on.

That person is a true monster!

There is a reason why he was called the undefeated God of War in our younger generation!

Probably in this entire test of the Holy sect, there will be one, or at most two other people who are able to match him in a head-on fight, and all of them will definitely become disciples of the Holy sect without question!

I can confidently tell you that even if this girl was at the peak of rank 3 in the Nascent Soul stage as well, she would still have no chance fighting against Jun Ren in a one-versus-one!"

The young woman who had asked this question, as well as the 2 other red-robed disciples who were close to the red-robed young man and happened to overhear this, all nodded their heads at the same time, as they continued to stare at the scene inside the city.

At that moment however, the look on the red-robed young man's face turned slightly serious as he then added a shocking sentence

"However, if that girl's cultivation was actually reached the peak of rank 3 in the Nascent Soul as well, she would probably be able to enter the top 5 rankings in our continent!

Actually... even the top 3 wouldn't be impossible either! After all, if that terrifying black beast was at the peak of rank 3 in the Nascent Soul, it would probably be able to fight against an early rank 4 Nascent Soul cultivator without losing!"

The moment that the disciples around the red-robed young man heard his judgement, looks of shock immediately covered their faces.

The top 3?

That was really a terrifying notion that these disciples were unable to accept!

And yet, since it was this red-robed young man who had said this, they had no other choice but to accept that it was very likely to be true.

After all, this young man was someone who was ranked within the top 10 in their own continent, and he was the most qualified person here to judge Liu Mei's talent.

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By the time that these discussions had come to an end, the gigantic body of the Death Eater had already completely come out from the black hole, as it let out a powerful roar, as its aura that was filled with tyranny and killing intent swept through the entire battlefield, instantly shaking the hearts of all the criminals inside the city!

The black-robed old man who had sent out the hundreds of wind blades involuntarily took a few steps back, while an obvious look of fear suddenly covered his face.

And yet, this wasn't the end!

Following behind the enormous body of the Death Eater, hundreds of skeletons started to appear from the black hole all at the same time, following behind the 50 black-armored undead knights who were wielding their black greatswords!

It only took a few moments for the 50 undead knights and the 1000 skeletons to arrange themselves in front of Liu Mei, as they all turned their attention towards the black-robed old man who was just 200 meters away from them.

The green and red wisps of ember that were flickering inside their eye sockets, finally made the old man feel a profound sense of fear for the first time today... a fear that seemed to have stemmed from the bottom of his heart.

Liu Mei however wasn't planning on giving the old man even a single chance to try and escape, and raising her left hand, she simply pointed forward.

At that moment, the aura of 1000 skeletons and 50 undead knights at the early and the middle of rank 3 in the Nascent Soul stage instantly exploded at the same time, immediately drowning the entire city!

A terrifying scene that could shock any rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivator suddenly appeared in the old man's eyes!

1000 jade-white skeletons at the early rank 3 of the Nascent Soul were holding the bony white swords in their hands, as they followed behind the 3m(10ft) tall undead knights clad in black armor, as they all rushed towards the old man at the same time!

Seeing this soul-shaking scene, the old man didn't hesitate any longer, as he turned his head around and looked at the old woman in red armor and the man with the snake eyes before he shouted loudly "Quickly! Come here and help me!"

The moment that the old man finished his words, hundreds of wind blades quickly took shape in the air around him, as they all shot towards the army of undead that were rushing towards him without any fear in their eyes.

At the same time, in the alliance of disciples outside the city, the red-robed young man who was at the peak of rank 3 of the Nascent Soul, narrowed his eyes as he stared at Liu Mei's army, before his lips slowly curved up into a smile.

Without saying a single word, he instantly soared to the sky as he flew towards the city at full speed!

The disciples in the alliance around him were stunned by this sudden turn of events, but without any hesitation, they all followed after the red-robed young man, as they flew towards the city as well, almost as if they were competing with each other!

How could they not understand, that with Liu Mei attacking the city by herself, this was their best chance to obtain the Holy sect's token?

It was obvious that even if they did nothing, the white-robed young woman on the Death Eater's back would most likely end up obtaining the token by herself!

At that moment, it would be practically impossible for most of these disciples to even have a chance at getting their hands on it and pass the third test.

Chapter 414: Fighting 3 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage experts

As the red-robed young man flew towards the city at full speed, followed by a bunch of other disciples, the wind blades that the black-robed old man had sent were effortlessly cutting through the air itself, as they beheaded skeleton after skeleton!

In just a few moments, nearly a hundred skeletons had been beheaded or had been cut into half, while another hundred of them had lost at least an arm or a leg!

And yet, by the time that the old man's wind blades disappeared, the skeletons had already covered more than half of the distance between them and the old man and were now less than 50 meters away from him.

At the same time, the skeletons and the undead knights had already spread out, so even if the old man tried to escape, it would be impossible to do so by himself.

The old woman in red armor as well as the snake-eyed man both turned to look at each other at the same time and nodded their heads with solemn looks on their faces, before they instantly flew towards the black-robed old man as well.

They clearly understood that if nothing was done, the old man would certainly end up dead while they wouldn't be able to escape from Liu Mei's army either!

Thus, the only thing they could do was band together and fight!

Seeing the 2 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivators who quickly arrived to back him up, the old man heaved a sigh of relief, before he then said to the 2 of them in a voice filled with confidence

"Don't worry! That pill will certainly have some severe side effects and will only be able to boost her cultivation for a short time! As long as we can defend ourselves until its effects wear off, we will certainly be able to kill her!"

The snake-eyed man nodded his head seriously, and turned his eyes to look at Liu Mei before he said with a greedy look in his eyes

"Right! If she has such a valuable pill, the rest of the items inside her spatial rings will definitely not be too ordinary either."

The old woman in red armor however had a solemn look on her old wrinkled face, as she suddenly turned her attention towards the red-robed young man in the distance who was followed by the rest of the disciples in his alliance, before she said in a hoarse voice

"Enough talking. Take care of these skeletons first!"

As she finished her words, the old woman's body was instantly covered by a layer of thin ice, before almost three hundred icicle shards appeared in the air around her, as they all shot towards Liu Mei's undead army.

The snake-eyed man nodded his head as well, as a green-colored liquid suddenly appeared from his body, slowly moving towards the 50 black-armored undead knights who were leading the remaining 900 skeletons.

Liu Mei's army was only 200 meters away from the 3 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivators, when the old woman's ice shards fell on the skeletons and the undead knights that were the closest to them like an endless barrage.

Guided by Liu Mei's soul sense, the black-armored knights easily blocked the ice shards with their greatswords the moment that they banded together!

Although the ice shards left a thin layer of ice on a handful of the undead knights' swords, this was the only result as almost 100 ice shards were taken care of in a single instant.

After all, although this was an attack created by a peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage expert, it was still an attack that covered a wide area, and it wasn't focused on the undead knights alone, but rather the entire undead army instead!

As the ice shards fell on the jade-white skeletons, 150 of them were obliterated in the blink of an eye, completely unable to withstand the old woman's violent attack.

After all, the difference in strength between the undead knights and the skeletons wasn't just the single sub-rank in cultivation levels. Instead, it was a qualitative difference, similar to the difference of the undead knights with the enormous Death Eater!

And yet, after both the black-robed old man's wind blades as well as the old woman's icicle shards, only one-fourth of Liu Mei's undead army was destroyed, before they finally appeared in front of the 3 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage experts.

The moment that the black-armored undead knights who led the charge however appeared in front of the black-robed old man who was the closest to them, a thick green liquid suddenly emerged from the ground, instantly trapping the 10 undead knights in the lead.

At that moment, Liu Mei suddenly could feel a corrosive effect on her soul sense that covered these 10 undead knights, while even the black armor on the undead knights' chests had started to slowly get affected by the green liquid, letting out sizzling sounds in the air.

At the same time, no matter how much the undead knights tried to get rid of the green liquid that had trapped them, they were unable to do so.

And yet, the remaining undead knights didn't seem to show any fear, as they rushed towards the black-robed old man who was now just a few meters away from them.

The peak rank 3 Nascent Soul expert had a solemn look on his face, as he placed his palms together before he chanted a single word

"Hurricane!"

A gigantic hurricane that spanned for more than 50 meters(164ft) into the sky immediately appeared around him, instantly trapping the first 30 undead knights in the lead, while at the same time it slowly expanded, slowly trapping the skeletons behind them as well.

Unlike the undead knights, under the enormous hurricane's might, the jade-white skeletons were completely unable to resist, as their bodies were instantly swept in the air before they were dismembered, turning into a pile of bones and dust.

At that moment however, the ground suddenly started to tremble, as the old man and the old woman in red armor immediately turned their attention to the previously still Death Eater!

The enormous black beast that was covered by a thick layer of death qi, suddenly rushed towards the gigantic hurricane head-on!

Dumbfounded looks instantly appeared on the faces of the 2 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage experts!

This hurricane was a Saint low-grade martial skill, and yet Liu Mei had chosen to enter inside it by her own volition?

The old man had originally planned to create another hurricane the moment that the Death Eater attacked, but it seems that his previous concerns were needless!

After all, this hurricane was his strongest martial skill.

Of course, although the hurricane blocked the most direct path towards the old man, it was also impossible for someone to enter inside it directly.

Even the young man in red-robos who had just led the disciples of the alliance into the city was shocked by this shocking scene.

Even if it was himself, he wouldn't dare to enter inside that hurricane since that was pure suicide!

Even if he managed to survive the hurricane, he had no doubt that the old woman in red armor and the snake-eyed man, would definitely follow up with an attack the moment that he emerged from it!

Chapter 415: Trap?

However, almost as if she was oblivious to the red-robed young man's thoughts, Liu Mei didn't stop the Death Eater and instead, she allowed the gigantic monster to step inside the hurricane.

Seeing the enormous 30m(100ft) tall black beast that had actually entered inside the hurricane, a look of joy as well as disbelief and excitement appeared on the black-robed old man's face at the same time, before he turned his head towards the red-armored old woman who nodded her head without any hesitation.

The peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage old woman raised her hands in front of her and gathered her qi, as a pillar of ice that was actually no smaller than the massive hurricane started to take shape in the air in front of her.

The old man nodded his head when he saw this scene, before he sighed out in relief.

This ice pillar was a martial skill at the same level as his own hurricane, a Saint low-grade martial skill!

There was no way for Liu Mei and her Death Eater to survive in the midst of 2 Saint low-grade martial skills, both created by 2 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivators.

Even if the Death Eater's strength was at the same level or even slightly stronger than a peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivator, it was still bound to sustain fatal injuries this time, even if it somehow managed to luckily survive!

As for Liu Mei, her fate would definitely be even worse than that!

It only took a single breath of time for the massive ice pillar to condense itself in the air in front of the old woman.

Snapping her eyes open, the old woman placed both of her hands on the ice pillar's surface, before she sent it flying forward towards the gigantic hurricane as she then shouted in a shrill voice

"DIE YOU LITTLE BITCH!"

The ice pillar shot through the air like a small, flying mountain of ice, heading straight towards the old man's hurricane.

At the same time however, a completely unexpected scene followed that made the old man's expression suddenly change, while his heartbeat had started to rapidly rise at the same time.

An enormous leg that resembled a horse hoof slowly emerged from the midst of the hurricane, followed by a massive black body that was oozing with endless amounts of death qi.

On top of the beast's body was a young woman in white robes with an ice-cold look in her eyes, as if everything that had happened just now was completely inconsequential to her.

"HOW IS THIS POSSIBLE?"

"No way! The old man's hurricane was broken just like that?"

The old man in black robes and the snake-eyed man who was doing his best to hold back Liu Mei's skeletons and the remaining 10 undead knights both shouted out in disbelief at the same time, when they saw the Death Eater's massive body emerging from the hurricane!

It had been less than 2 breaths of time, and yet the Death Eater had managed to pass through the hurricane effortlessly, completely ignoring the Saint low-grade martial skill?!

Even the young man in red-robos who had quickly closed the distance and was almost in front of the city gates by now couldn't help but slow down his speed when his eyes took in this shocking scene.

As soon as the Death Eater stepped out of the hurricane however, Liu Mei saw the huge ice pillar that was flying towards her, destroying the remaining few buildings that were left standing between them in the process.

The aura of death around the Death Eater suddenly exploded, as the enormous beast opened its hideous mouth and directly bit down on the enormous ice pillar that had instantly arrived in front of it without any hesitation.

Crunchhh!

The moment that the Death Eater's teeth chomped down on it, the massive ice pillar was instantly split in half as ice fragments exploded into the enormous beast's mouth!

The 30m(100ft) tall Death Eater was suddenly rooted on the spot, as a sudden hailstorm started to ravage its insides.

The old woman's lips curved up into a sinister smile when she saw this scene, while the black-robed old man and the snake-eyed man both nodded their heads with relieved looks in their eyes.

The old woman's plan had actually succeeded.

At the same time, Liu Mei narrowed her eyes behind her white veil, while she immediately understood what was going on thanks to her soul sense that was suppressing the Death Eater.

The old woman's goal wasn't to use the ice pillar's weight and raw strength to fight the Death Eater head-on. Instead, it seemed that a powerful hailstorm was hidden inside the ice pillar, and the moment that the pillar was actually broken, the hailstorm would suddenly erupt.

Liu Mei's guess was spot on, as this was exactly the old woman's goal.

It was to send the ice pillar flying into the hurricane, and as the ice pillar was destroyed by the gigantic hurricane, the hurricane would then be merged with her hailstorm, immediately trapping Liu Mei inside it.

With the strength of 2 Saint low-grade martial skills augmenting each other, Liu Mei's and the Death Eater's chances of survival would be practically nonexistent!

Even if the enormous beast managed to survive, it would definitely be riddled with countless injuries and wouldn't be too far from death either!

Of course, although the 3 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul experts hadn't expected that the Death Eater's strength was enough to completely ignore the hurricane and walk out of it in just a single breath of time, there was still no way for it to avoid the ice pillar in the end.

However, by opening its mouth and consuming the massive ice pillar directly, the Death Eater had practically jumped straight into its death.

After all, it was an entirely different thing to resist the hailstorm head-on, and to allow it to erupt directly inside its mouth!

Layers of frost started to slowly appear on the Death Eater's body, slowly covering the entirety of the enormous beast's body, while its movements had already completely come to a halt.

And yet, this scene only lasted for a few moments before cracking sounds started to resound incessantly in the air.

Crack.

Crack..

Crack!

Before the layer of frost could completely solidify on the Death Eater's, ice shards started to fall on the ground one by one.

At that moment, the black-robed old man who was the closest to Liu Mei felt a sudden chill on his spine, while he also had the illusion that the Death Eater was smiling mockingly towards him.

However, just as he was about to step back and open up the distance between them, the Death Eater suddenly lunged forward with its mouth open, completely unaffected by the remaining ice shards on its body, and under the disbelieving eyes of the old woman in red armor and the snake-eyed man, as well as the thousands of criminals in the city and the alliance of disciples that had just arrived at the city walls, it immediately swallowed the peak rank 3 Nascent Soul old man, leaving nothing behind.

Chapter 416: One in three chances

The old woman in red armor and the snake-eyed man who were both standing just a few meters away from the old man in black robes, stared at the gigantic body of the Death Eater with blank looks.

Even the red-robed young man who was now less than a mile away from Liu Mei and the Death Eater had also stopped in his tracks, as his gaze was glued on the enormous black beast at the center of the battlefield with a disbelieving expression.

Absolute silence had suddenly filled the small city, as every single cultivator, regardless of whether they were disciples of the alliance or the criminals in this city, all stared at the enormous black beast with looks of fear in their eyes.

No, it wasn't absolute silence.

The sound of Liu Mei's undead knights marching forward could still be heard clearly, bringing a horrifying sense of fear to the remaining criminals in the city.

It only took a single moment for the old woman in red armor and the snake-eyed man to snap out of their reverie, before they immediately moved backwards as they tried to open up the distance between themselves and the Death Eater that was now just a few meters away from them.

However, how could Liu Mei give them such a chance?

From the start, she knew that she had at most 3 hours before the effects of the rank 5 'Blood Ignition pill' wore off!

By then, she was certain that if she hadn't already taken care of every enemy around her and if she hadn't left the city and find a safe place to hide herself, she would definitely end up dead without any questions.

Even if she had taken care of all the criminals in the city, there was no way that the alliance of disciples would let her go.

After all, everyone's goal was the Holy sect's token, and Liu Mei knew that even if it wasn't the old man in black robes who had it in his possession, it would definitely be the old woman in red armor or the snake-eyed man who had it.

Once she obtained it she would definitely become everyone's enemy.

"No. Even if it wasn't for the token, I can't allow myself to be defenseless in this place!"

As she steeled her heart, Liu Mei allowed the Death Eater to go all out!

The enormous magic beast looked at the 2 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage experts in front of it, before it immediately went after the snake-eyed man, completely ignoring the old woman in red armor for now.

At the same time, the red-robed young man who seemed to have just returned back to his senses seemed to be hesitating on what to do.

Things had changed much faster than he had originally expected.

As the disciples that were following behind him finally caught up with him, a young woman at the peak of rank 2 in the Nascent Soul stage looked at the enormous monster in the distance before she asked hesitantly

"Senior brother... should we retreat? That... thing has already eaten a peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage expert..."

How could the red-robed young man not understand what this woman implied?

Although he was slightly stronger than the old man in black robes, in the end he was also a peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage expert.

In a head-on fight, it was impossible for him to kill the black-robed old man by himself.

And yet, not only was that woman in white robes able to kill him, but she was also taking on every single criminal in the city, all at once!

After a moment of deliberation, the red-robed young man shook his head firmly before he then said "Giving up will mean looking for another city, or even worse, for someone who has already obtained a Holy sect's token. However, there are only one thousand tokens and one thousand cities in the end!

At the same time, although I am confident in ranking in the top 300 of the people taking the third test, finding someone who has already obtained a token and robbing them will be almost impossible in this world!

It is the same for me, and it is even more so for you guys who have no hope of obtaining one in the first place!"

Almost as if he didn't notice the ugly expressions on the faces of the disciples around him, the young man in red robes then continued

"Trying to obtain this token is our best chance. Although it's not impossible for me to find another one, the same can't be said for any of you.

So if you want to have even a single chance of passing this test, you know what to do!"

As he finished his words, the peak rank 3 Nascent Soul young man didn't give any more explanations before he instantly flew towards the old woman in red armor.

He believed that the disciples behind him clearly understood his meaning.

Although Liu Mei had already killed the old man in black robes and was now chasing after the snake-eyed man, there was still a one in three chances that it was actually the old woman who had the token in her possession!

Additionally, with a peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivator, as well as 2 middle rank 3 ones and more than 10 peak rank 2 Nascent Soul stage cultivators, their hunting speed was probably not inferior to Liu Mei's Death Eater either!

In the end, it would boil down to being nothing else than a matter of luck.

Seeing the disciples of the alliance that had entered the battlefield and were chasing after her like mad dogs, made the old woman's face to instantly turn pale, as she hurriedly fled in the opposite direction, opening up the distance between them.

On one hand it was Liu Mei's skeletons and her undead knights who were fighting the criminals in the city, while on the other hand it was the hundreds of disciples who were finally making their move!

There was practically nowhere for the old woman to run to, and yet she still chose to move towards Liu Mei's army in the end.

Although she already knew that she could fight off the young man in red robes for a while by herself, it was nothing more than a wistful dream if she actually expected to survive against the more than 100 disciples that were following after him as well!

Instead, moving towards Liu Mei's army that was slaughtering the criminals was a much better choice!

At the same time however, Liu Mei who was sitting on the Death Eater's back and was chasing after the snake-eyed man, suddenly turned her attention towards the old woman's direction.

Since the Death Eater had already eaten the old man in black robes, Liu Mei already knew that the Holy sect's token wasn't in his possession!

This meant that it was either on the old woman's hands or in the snake-eyed man's!

However, if it was in the old woman's hands and one of those disciples managed to obtain it, Liu Mei who only had a little more than 3 hours of time to fight would most certainly be unable to chase after that person.

With a serious look in her eyes, Liu Mei had her undead army immediately give up on killing the criminals on the collapsed city walls, as they all moved towards the old woman's direction.

The old woman had never expected Liu Mei to still have part of her attention split towards her while she was still chasing after the snake-eyed man.

Her skeletons and her undead knights were just a few steps away from clashing with the old woman head-on, when suddenly, a pillar of flames appeared from behind the old woman, attacking her and Liu Mei's undead army at the same time, killing more than 60 skeletons as well as 2 undead knights in the process.

Liu Mei immediately turned her attention towards the young man in red robes who was chasing after the old woman, and was obviously the one who had unleashed this attack.

The young man seemed to have felt Liu Mei's bone-chilling gaze and turned to stare back at her for a moment, before he turned his attention towards the old woman in red armor.

He wasn't going to bother with Liu Mei if he didn't have to.

As long as the old woman was the one who had the Holy sect's token on her possession, he would definitely take it before he left the city!

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At the same time, the Death Eater that had already blocked tens of attacks from the snake-eyed man, suddenly let out a powerful roar the moment that it was just a few meters away from him, before it lunged forward once again with its mouth open!

The peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivator had a look of despair in his eyes, before his body was immediately covered with a layer of green liquid, similar to the one he had used to trap Liu Mei's skeletons and her undead knights previously.

However, the enormous beast seemed as if it had a sinister smile plastered on its face while it watched the snake-eyed man vainly struggle to kill it along with himself, before it opened its hideous mouth and immediately swallowed the peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivator!

Chapter 417: The Holy sect's token

The same scene repeated itself for the second time, as another peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivator was swallowed by the gigantic Death Eater, and yet, the visual impact of this scene was no less than the first.

No, it was actually even worse.

Even if one argued that the black-robed old man had been caught off-guard the first time, the look of despair in the snake-eyed man's face this time was obvious to everyone around him, sending chills down their backs.

After all, this was a peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivator!

And yet, despite doing his best to take the Death Eater to the grave along with him, the snake-eyed man's fate was no different than the black-robed old man's, as he ended up inside the enormous beast's mouth altogether.

After staying still for a moment Liu Mei's expression suddenly changed, as she suddenly turned her attention towards the old woman in crimson armor.

The Holy sect's token wasn't in the snake-eyed man's possession either, which meant that there was only one possible target... the old woman in red armor!

The young man in red robes who was killing off the remaining skeletons and undead knights that blocked his way didn't miss the change in Liu Mei's attitude, nor the sudden glance that she shot towards the old woman in red armor, immediately understanding that the Holy sect's token was most likely on her body.

Without wasting a single moment, the young man looked at the old woman who was trying to escape from him and Liu Mei's army as she headed deeper inside the city, before he shouted in a loud voice

"Old bitch, hand over the Holy sect's token! Do it and I will let you live!"

The old woman who was at the peak rank 3 of the Nascent Soul stage could feel that this person was most likely saying the truth, and he wouldn't chase after her as long as she gave up the Holy sect's token in her possession.

And yet, she merely snorted in response before she headed deeper inside the city, without so much as giving the young man's offer even a single thought!

After all, giving up the Holy sect's token was no different from suicide for these criminals who had been placed here by the Holy sect.

Although they wouldn't regain their freedom due to the crimes that they had committed and the number of people that they had murdered, they would still be able to keep their lives if they managed to hold on to the Holy sect's token by the end of the test.

This was the Holy sect's rule and the most important reason why these criminals didn't give up the Holy sect's token to the first person who attacked the city.

After all, if they didn't have the token in their possession, it was very likely that those disciples would fight between themselves and would completely ignore the criminals inside the city.

However, this wasn't the only reason why she refused to give up the sect's token either.

Even if both Liu Mei, and the young man in red robes as well as his group all decided to spare the old woman's life, the next group who attacked the city would definitely not let her go.

Even if they knew that the chances of her being alive and having the Holy sect's token in her possession were close to nil, they still wouldn't spare her life!

Thus, her best chance was to stick to her original plan, and if their group was unable to kill the disciples that attacked the city, then hiding and wait for the one month to be over was the only choice she had left!

At the same time, the young man in red robes had a furious expression on his face when he saw the old woman who didn't even consider his offer.

And yet, despite wanting to go after her, he was unable to completely break free from Liu Mei's army either!

Although the skeletons at the early rank 3 of the Nascent Soul were unable to hold him down for even a single moment, the 20 undead knights who had attacked him all at the same time were a completely different matter.

Although the 3m(10ft) tall black-armored knights were unable to threaten him in the slightest and it was only a matter of time until they were all exterminated under his powerful attacks, the undead knights were still successful in temporarily slowing the peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage young man down.

At the same time, the remaining 20 undead knights as well as the 300 skeletons that were still in perfect condition, all intercepted the rest of the disciples in the alliance that were chasing after the old woman, not allowing a single one to get past them.

More than 300 jade-white skeletons at the early rank 3 of the Nascent Soul stage had attacked these disciples at the same time, and even if the skeletons weren't as strong as the average cultivator at the same level as them, they were definitely strong enough to take care of 100 disciples who were all at the early rank 3 of the Nascent Soul stage or below.

As for those few disciples in the alliance that were at the middle of rank 3 in the Nascent Soul stage, they had their hands already full, fighting against Liu Mei's 20 remaining undead knights.

Even if a single undead knight wasn't as strong as a normal disciple at the same level as them, due to the undead knights not having any long-ranged attacks, with their black armor and their strength augmented by Liu Mei's 'Death chant', they could definitely fight with those disciples head-on without any issues.

In fact, if they managed to get close to those disciples, the undead knights could actually deal fatal injuries if not outright kill them.

"How is this possible? It's not just that enormous black monster, even these knights in black armor are practically as strong as normal cultivators at the middle of rank 3 in the Nascent Soul! Are these really summoned creatures?!"

"Stop talking and take care of them quickly! If we don't do it fast that old hag will definitely get away!"

Indeed, those disciples had never expected Liu Mei's army outside of the gigantic Death Eater that she was riding on to be so strong, that she could simultaneously hold every single one of them down at the same time!

At the same time, Liu Mei had the Death Eater run past these disciples, as she chased after the old woman in red armor!

The old woman was originally feeling elated after seeing Liu Mei's skeletons and her undead knights fight against the disciples of the alliance, giving her enough time to run as far away inside the city as possible.

However, in less than 30 breaths of time, she could feel the ground beneath her feet shaking violently, as the enormous silhouette of the Death Eater appeared behind her, and was only getting bigger and bigger with every passing moment.

"NO! Don't come any closer!!!"

Finally, despair gripped the old woman's heart as she shouted loudly with all of her might.

Liu Mei however wasn't moved by her screams as she allowed the Death Eater to continue chasing after her, coming ever-so-closer to her with every passing moment.

She wasn't going to give this peak rank 3 Nascent Soul expert even a single chance to escape.

Finally, when the Death Eater was just a few meters away from her, the old woman turned around with a sinister look in her eyes, before she shouted loudly

"DIE YOU LITTLE BITCH!"

As she finished her words, hundreds of small and sharp ice shards appeared around the old woman, as they all shot towards the white-robed Liu Mei on the Death Eater's back.

Liu Mei however didn't move from the Death Eater's back, nor did she attempt to dodge the old woman's ice shards.

Instead, the enormous beast that was more than 30m(100ft) tall, opened its gigantic mouth, and sucked in every single one of those ice shards, leaving nothing behind.

However, this wasn't the end.

Without giving the peak rank 3 Nascent Soul expert a chance to unleash another attack, the Death Eater jumped forward with its mouth still open, as it immediately swallowed the old woman in red armor.

The third peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage criminal in this city disappeared just like that!

However, without wasting any more time in this place, the moment that Liu Mei sent her soul sense in the Death Eater's belly and confirmed that there was indeed a token on the old woman's body, Liu Mei immediately had the Death Eater fly towards the other end of the city.

After all, Liu Mei already knew that the red-robed young man had already destroyed 20 of her undead knights, and was now flying towards her location at full speed!

Chapter 418: Perilous condition

As the Death Eater rushed towards the east of the city, the old and already half-destroyed buildings around it started to collapse one by one due to the tremors that its enormous body was causing, leaving only the sturdiest ones of them standing.

It was as if small earthquakes were taking place in the eastern part of the city, as the Death Eater's huge and thick legs flattened everything in its path.

At the same time, barely a minute had passed since the Death Eater had finished its 'fight' with the old woman, when the young man in red robes arrived at the scene.

However, a dejected expression soon appeared on his face the moment he laid his eyes on the scene in front of him.

Contrary to his expectations, the fight between Liu Mei and the old woman hadn't even lasted for even a few moments, giving him no time to catch up to the enormous beast.

It seemed that the gigantic black beast had taken care of the peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage expert as soon as it caught up with her before it immediately left the scene!

The red-robed young man was unwilling to give up just yet and spread his soul sense as far as he could, but even after scanning every single building in the area half a mile around him, there was still nothing to be found.

An expression of anger and killing intent appeared on his face as he stared at the flattened buildings that led towards the eastern part of the city, but in the end he still chose to remain standing without moving from this place.

Although he wanted to chase after Liu Mei since he knew that her 'power-up' was only temporary, and she was bound to return back to her real cultivation at the early rank 1 of the Nascent Soul sooner or later, he also knew by now that the enormous black beast that she was riding on was probably not any slower than him despite its massive body.

At the same time, even if he managed to catch up to Liu Mei, the red-robed young man had no degree of assurance that he could even take the Holy sect's token from her in the first place.

"That monster's strength is definitely stronger than the average peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivator.

Especially when it is augmented by that weird qi, it is probably not much weaker than an average early rank 4 Nascent Soul stage expert.

No, perhaps it's already at that level! It's likely that only monsters like Jun Ren or those who ranked in the top 3 in their continents can probably take care of that black beast in this third test!

Sigh There is no reason to be too fixated on that particular token either.

As long as I am not too unlucky, I will definitely be able to obtain a token myself within the next 25 days.

Heh, let's see how far that woman can go with borrowed strength and if she will be able to successfully hide herself for the next 25 days.

I refuse to believe that she has another one of those pills and that it has no side effects either!"

As the red-robed young man arrived in this conjecture, he continued to stare at the east of the city and the destruction that the Death Eater had caused with a serious look on his face, before he actually flew towards the north.

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Staring behind her, Liu Mei actually heaved out a sigh of relief when she saw that the red-robed young man wasn't chasing after the Death Eater.

Although she was certain that that person wasn't strong enough to match the Death Eater's power head-on, Liu Mei also knew that she only had a little more than 2 hours until the effects of the 'Blood Ignition pill' wore off and her cultivation returned back to the early rank 1 of the Nascent Soul.

Thus, she had to find a safe place for herself as quickly as possible instead of fighting against the red-robed young man.

The land continued to quake as the Death Eater ran towards the east at full speed, passing through mountains and rivers in the process, before finally, an hour later, a lush forest appeared in the distance ahead of Liu Mei.

At first glance, this forest seemed to span for hundreds if not a thousand miles, and it was definitely the best place for anyone to hide themselves if they wanted to wait until the end of the third test.

Without any hesitation, Liu Mei had the Death Eater enter inside the forest, while at the same time she observed her surroundings, as she looked for a place to stay.

Half an hour quickly passed like this, and just as Liu Mei arrived in front of a small river, mocking voices filled with fury, lust, greed, and killing intent appeared in her ears all at the same time.

"Xie Xingyi you bitch, did you think that you could escape from us so easily? Against 4 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage experts, even you are completely incapable of escaping!"

"Hehehe, little beauty there is no reason to look at us like that! Give up the Holy sect's token and I will allow you to live a little longer."

"Hahahaha! That's right. As long as you are willing to serve the 4 of us brothers tonight, we will indeed allow you to live a little longer!"

The moment that she heard these words, Liu Mei was stunned for a moment, as the face of a gorgeous young woman with pale blonde hair and beautiful emerald eyes appeared in her mind.

"Xie Xingyi?"

As the figure of the young woman in green robes that she and Shun Long had seen outside the Heaven's Dome city flashed through her mind, Liu Mei hesitated for a moment, before she finally ordered the Death Eater to go towards the origin of those voices.

Chapter 419: Meddling in other people's business

As the Death Eater moved towards the direction of those voices, the ground beneath its feet had once again started to shake as the gigantic beast ran through the forest.

Despite its enormous body, even without the augmentation of Liu Mei's 'Death Chant', the Death Eater's speed was definitely not inferior to an average peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivator,

and in just a few moments, Liu Mei had already arrived at the place where the origin of those voices was coming from.

At that moment, as the last tree that was blocking her vision disappeared, a shocking scene appeared in Liu Mei's eyes.

A gorgeous young woman dressed in green robes was standing at the edge of an 80m(260ft) waterfall, while 4 men dressed in different clothes had surrounded her from every direction, not willing to give her even a single chance to escape.

Liu Mei only needed a glance to recognize this young woman who was most likely related to the guild master of the Pale Moon guild in the Silver sword city as Xie Xingyi.

It was indeed the same kingdom toppling beauty that she and Shun Long had seen from afar before the first test of the Holy sect started.

This was also part of the reason why Liu Mei decided to take the risk and come to this place, despite having less than one hour left until the effects of the Blood Ignition pill wore off and the side effects to start kicking in.

After all, be it Xie Xingyi's facial features or her last name, she was definitely related to Xie Rong.

Although Liu Mei had already adopted this habit from Shun Long and would more often than not decide against putting herself into danger to help strangers, Xie Rong was an acquaintance and she had definitely showed some goodwill to Shun Long in the past.

However, contrary to the first time that Liu Mei had seen Xie Xingyi, the stunning young woman was in a much worse condition this time.

Blood had stained the corner of her lips red, while her qi was clearly almost entirely depleted, bringing her on the verge of death.

Even if she wanted to escape, it was very likely that Xie Xingyi didn't even have enough qi to even move, which was why she was placed in such a perilous condition.

Of course, the moment that Liu Mei appeared, Xie Xingyi and the 4 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivators who had surrounded her, all turned their attention towards the white-robed Liu Mei on the Death Eater's back at the same time!

After all, how could the 5 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivators not notice the commotion that the Death Eater had caused before arriving in this place?!

Originally, these people had thought that some kind of early rank 5 magic beast was living in this forest and was alerted by their fight, but the moment that they noticed the decaying aura of death around the Death Eater's body, serious expressions appeared on their faces.

Although none of these disciples knew the Death Eater's origins, they could sense that despite its cultivation being at the middle of rank 3 in the Nascent Soul, it was definitely not going to be an easy opponent for them.

As for the young woman that was riding on its back, she was most likely going to be troublesome as well.

A young man in luxurious purple robes was the first one to take a step forward as he looked at Liu Mei, before he shouted in an imposing voice

"No matter who you are or what you are doing here, I suggest that you mind your own business and move along. This woman is our prey, so unless you want to fight all of us at the same time, leave this place right now!"

How could this person not understand that Liu Mei had intentionally come to this place after hearing their voices?

She most likely overheard the matter of the Holy sect's token that is in Xie Rong's possession which immediately drew her attention!

However, with 4 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivators in their midst, how could the purple-robed young man's group be afraid of a single middle rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivator like Liu Mei?

Although he wanted to avoid fighting her if possible, considering that they knew nothing about Liu Mei including her combat strength or any possible trump cards that she may have, his group had no reason to be afraid of her either!

Looking at the purple-robed young man who had spoken just now, Liu Mei immediately recognized him barely a moment later.

This person's name was Hua Ping and he was ranked 17th in the Heaven's Dome city's House of Rankings.

Knowing that chatting with these people was useless, Liu Mei didn't waste any time as she had the Death Eater immediately lunge forward towards the 2 people that were the closest to her.

The enormous black beast had a sinister smile on its face as it jumped forward with its mouth open, ready to devour the 2 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage experts in front of it!

Shocked looks appeared on Hua Ping's and the other disciples' faces when they saw the enormous beast's sudden attack, before they all shouted at the same time with voices filled with anger and killing intent

"DIE!"

The 4 peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivators all unleashed their own attacks at the Death Eater without holding back, as their combined attacks shook the entire forest.

Sword and saber slashes, as well as powerful water arrows and wind blades all flew through the air, until they landed on the Death Eater's enormous body filling it with cuts and injuries!

And yet, the gigantic beast didn't seem daunted despite its injuries nor did it seem to feel any pain, as it continued forward towards the 2 men that were the closest to it with saliva dripping from its ugly mouth.

Horried looks flashed through the 4 young men's eyes when they noticed that despite their combined attacks, the Death Eater didn't stop its advance, and instead, it actually seemed even hungrier than before.

The 2 young men that were the closest to it immediately jumped away from each other in fright, but the gigantic monster wasn't any slower than them either.

Unable to completely dodge the Death Eater's attack, the first young man was split in half, as his bottom half ended inside the Death Eater's mouth!

Chapter 420: Saving Xie Xingyi

Sounds of bones being chewed and gnawed on resounded in the silent forest, accompanied by the young man's terrified screams as he suddenly lost the bottom half of his body.

Barely a moment later, a green wisp of smoke left the young man's body, and without any hesitation, it flew in the distance as far away from the forest as possible!

Although he clearly knew that it was dangerous, the peak rank 3 Nascent Soul cultivator had still abandoned his body in the end, and flew away using his Nascent Soul alone.

In practically an instant, a peak rank 3 Nascent Soul cultivator had been forced to abandon his body and survive solely with his soul.

Hua Ping and the other 2 cultivators at the peak of rank 3 were left dumbfounded as they stared at the scene in front of them, not knowing what to do next.

They had clearly pushed Xie Xingyi to an inch of her life, expending a lot of their qi as well as their trump cards in the process, and yet someone else was coming here in the last moment to steal their spoils?

The hungry Death Eater however didn't give the 3 young men any time to think over their options, as it jumped forward, this time heading straight for Hua Ping.

A look of hate appeared on his face as Hua Ping stared at the gigantic monster that was moving towards him as well as the white-robed young woman that was sitting on its back, before he shouted in a decisive tone

"Retreat!"

Without waiting for a response from the other 2 people in his group, the purple-robed Hua Ping immediately turned around and fled directly, as he headed for the entrance of the forest.

The other 2 young men in his group had unwilling looks on their faces, but in the end, they still chose to retreat as well while undisguised looks of hate and killing intent were plastered on their faces.

Although they didn't want to retreat and would rather fight the gigantic black beast to the death, they had already expended more than 70 percent of their qi while they were chasing after and trapping Xie Xingyi.

At the same time, the enormous 'magic beast' seemed to be even stronger than what they had originally estimated, able to kill a peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage expert almost instantly!

They knew that even if the 3 of them joined hands and decided to go all out, their chances of killing Liu Mei were definitely not any higher than 20 percent at most.

Watching these people leave with hateful looks in their eyes, Liu Mei didn't chase after them, and instead, she stopped the hungry Death Eater right in its tracks.

She could feel the hunger coming from the beast's soul as it was ready to devour the 3 remaining peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage experts, but she still used her soul sense to suppress the Death Eater's hunger before she turned her attention towards Xie Xingyi.

Liu Mei then stood up from her sitting position, as she slowly floated towards Xie Xingyi's direction.

The gorgeous young woman in green robes had a mesmerizing smile on her face as she looked at the white-robed young woman that was standing in front of her, before she bowed slightly with some difficulty. Then, taking out a small, golden token from her green robes that were stained with mud and blood, she handed it to Liu Mei before she said with that same smile on her face

"This is the Holy sect's token. I hope that you won't make it too difficult for me."

As she handed the Holy sect's token to Liu Mei, Xie Xingyi closed her eyes and waited for death to come.

Although she knew that the 4 men from earlier would most likely not have the guts to rape her considering that this was the Holy sect's test and the sect was most likely monitoring the test, she still didn't want those people to obtain the token from her. This was even more so for the purple-robed Hua Ping whom she found utterly detestable.

As for Liu Mei, it didn't matter if she did it to obtain the Holy sect's token from her, in the end, she still nearly killed one of those people while forcing the other 3 of them to retreat.

Of course, Xie Xingyi wasn't naive enough to think that whoever took the Holy sect's token from her would allow her to live.

After all, showing mercy to your enemy and letting them return to take revenge on you in the future, was no different than being cruel to yourself.

Taking the golden token in her hands Liu Mei examined it carefully before she actually placed it back in Xie Xingyi's own hands barely a moment later.

Then, with an equally mesmerizing smile on her face that could capture the hearts of both men and women alike, she lifted her white veil and looked at Xie Xingyi before she asked in a curious voice

"Are you related to madam Xie Rong?"

A stunned expression appeared on Xie Xingyi's face when she heard this question, while at the same time she involuntarily opened her previously closed eyes.

Seeing how Liu Mei had not taken the Holy sect's token from her and had instead asked her this question, caused tempestuous waves to rise in Xie Xingyi's heart.

At the same time, as she opened her eyes, Xie Xingyi was stunned when her eyes took in Liu Mei's peerlessly beautiful face, but suppressing the shock in her heart, she nodded her head in response before she asked in a tone that was obviously unable to hide her disbelief

"Do you know my elder sister?"

"Sister?"

This time it was Liu Mei's turn to be shocked when she heard Xie Xingyi addressing Xie Rong as her sister. After taking a more careful look at Xie Xingyi's facial features, Liu Mei actually nodded her head lightly.

Indeed, her blonde hair and her bright emerald eyes as well as her facial features, despite being different at the same time, they still greatly resembled Xie Rong's.

Although Liu Mei had originally guessed that Xie Xingyi just happened to be from the same 'Xie family' as Xie Rong, after a few moments of thought, she realized that it was very likely for the 2 of them to truly be blood-related sisters in the end.

After all, Xie Rong was a beauty as well.

Even if she paled ever-so-slightly in comparison to Liu Mei and Xie Xingyi, she was definitely a stunning beauty in her own right.

Finally, a few moments later, Liu Mei had a serious expression on her face as she seemed to have made up her mind as she kept staring at Xie Xingyi.

Knowing that she didn't have too much time until the effects of the 'Blood Ignition pill' wore off, which would place both her and Xie Xingyi in a passive position if they ended up in danger, Liu Mei closed her eyes for a moment, before she suddenly opened them again barely a moment later and said seriously

"Let's find a place to hide for now.

Otherwise, if any peak rank 3 Nascent Soul stage cultivators find us, we will definitely be in a lot of trouble."

Although she was stunned for a second, Xie Xingyi didn't refuse and simply nodded her head in response, before she saw Liu Mei holding her right arm and soaring in the sky, until they both sat on the enormous black beast's back.

The reason why she didn't refuse was because, not only did Liu Mei seem to know her elder sister somehow, but she also didn't seem to want to take her Holy sect's token from her.

Additionally, Xie Xingyi was in her most vulnerable state right now.

If Liu Mei really wanted to kill her, she would have no way to resist even if she went all out.

At the same time, Xie Xingyi didn't feel any hostile intentions from the peerlessly beautiful young woman in front of her either, finally lowering her final mental barrier and allowing Liu Mei to take her along with her.

15 minutes later, Liu Mei found a small, isolated cave inside the forest, covered by many tall trees and bushes.

Then, under Xie Xingyi's shocked eyes, she had the Death Eater spit out the complete corpses of the old man in black robes, the snake-eyed man, and the old woman in red armor, before she allowed the enormous undead monster to disappear.

A huge black hole that was exuding large amounts of death qi slowly appeared on the ground, before the gigantic Death Eater entered inside it and disappeared in front of Liu Mei and Xie Xingyi.

Without any hesitation, Liu Mei then threw the 3 corpses inside the cave, before she and Xie Xingyi also entered inside.

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At the same time that Liu Mei and Xie Xingyi had hidden themselves inside the cave, Shun Long had already arrived at the north of the city, staring at the colossal fight that was taking place

between the golden-robed young man, 'Senior brother Qiong' and his group that was fighting against the black-robed young woman's group.

The moment that Shun Long arrived at the scene, he could feel 3 pairs of eyes that were suddenly focused in his direction, like 3 hungry magic beasts that were staring at a defenseless beast that had suddenly stepped into their territory.