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Chapter 621: The top 1000 factions

Today, nearly one-fourth of the arena was packed, with more than 50.000 outer disciples having already sat down in the audience seats ready to watch this faction war.

At the center of the arena, 2 groups were facing each other, while the white-robed Elder Teng stood in the sky overseeing everything silently.

Today's faction war wasn't a normal one, but a war between Peng Chao's faction, a faction ranked in the top 300 in the faction wars, and the newest faction that had managed to enter the top 1000 rankings in less than 6 months!

A tall young man with long black hair was surrounded by 6 more people as he stood at the center of the arena with his back straight, staring at Shun Long's group that was right in front of him with his eyes narrowed.

Shun Long also stared at this young man seriously, but even after a few moments had passed neither of them spoke, as they simply looked at each other silently.

Shun Long knew that this long-haired young man in front of him was Peng Chao, a powerful outer disciple who had reached the peak of rank 8 in the Nascent Soul already.

Shun Long could feel that the aura coming from Peng Chao's body was extremely powerful and unrestrained, much stronger than even some of the rank 9 Nascent Soul cultivators that Shun Long had seen back in the Night star continent!

And yet, this Peng Chao only stared at Shun Long's group silently without saying a word.

In the past 5 months, Peng Chao knew that Shun Long's faction had skyrocketed in the faction rankings, reaching the top 1000 in less than a half a year.

This was a terrifying thing that hadn't happened before in the past, spreading the name of Shun Long's faction throughout the entire Holy sect!

Even those powerful factions at the top 100 rankings had finally started to place some attention to this new faction that was rising through the rankings of the faction wars without a single defeat yet!

What had shocked everyone was that after the first faction war, Shun Long had never fought again in the faction wars, as Liu Mei, Xie Xingyi, Bai Longtian, and Jiang Chen, had all destroyed the enemy factions by themselves.

However, what was even more terrifying was actually the rate of growth that Liu Mei and the rest had.

The long black-haired Peng Chao, stared seriously at the 5 people in front of him, completely ignoring the excited cheers from the crowd that were waiting for the faction war to start.

Peng Chao could clearly feel the powerful auras coming from Liu Mei and Jiang Chen that had reached the peak of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul, while Xie Xingyi and Bai Longtian seemed to be just a step away from that level as well.

In these past 5 months, Liu Mei's and the rest growth of advancement had shocked everyone in the Holy sect, including their own masters!

The biggest bottlenecks for a disciple of the Nascent Soul stage, was firstly, breaking through to the middle stages of the Nascent Soul, and then breaking through to the late stages.

Breaking through to the early rank 4 of the Nascent Soul wasn't too surprising for normal geniuses after they experienced the trials of the sect for the first time, but reaching the late stages so quickly had alerted even the inner court Elders of the Holy sect!

After all, even if a disciple was a genius who took less than half a year to advance from the early rank 4 of the Nascent Soul to the peak of rank 6, reaching the early rank 7 of the Nascent Soul was an entirely different matter altogether.

Unlike the middle stage, breaking through the barrier of the late stage to reach the rank 7 of the Nascent Soul was something that could take anywhere from a year to tens of years of cultivation, but even the most extreme geniuses in the Holy sect would need at least one year to do this.

No one had ever heard of someone doing this in less than half a year's time like Liu Mei and the rest did!

After all, to break through this barrier and reach the late stage of the Nascent Soul not only required a cultivator to accumulate enough qi in their dantian, but the comprehension of their Dao and their spiritual strength also needed to have reached the late stages of the Nascent Soul as well!

Even if Liu Mei and the rest had been cultivating in the courtyards of their respective masters in the inner court and had managed to accumulate enough qi in their dantian for their breakthrough, managing to bring both the comprehension of their Dao and their spiritual strength to the late stages of the Nascent Soul in this small amount of time was practically inconceivable!

Just as Peng Chao and the rest of the disciples among his faction were staring at Shun Long and his group, Bai Longtian and the others were also staring at their opponents seriously, before Elder Teng raised his right hand in the air, silencing the crowd, as he said in a booming voice that reverberated throughout the entire arena

"Shun Long's faction vs Peng Chao's faction. The match will now begin."

Hearing Elder Teng's voice, Peng Chao stared at Shun Long seriously for a few moments, before he opened his mouth and spoke for the first time

"Shun Long, I admit that your faction has been rising extremely quickly, but it's too early for you to fight against my faction. It's time for you to learn that the top 300 factions are in a completely different league from the rest in the top 1000."

Liu Mei and Jiang Chen both narrowed their eyes as they stared coldly at Peng Chao, but the long-haired peak rank 8 Nascent Soul stage expert didn't pay any attention to them, as he turned around and led the members of his faction deep inside the forest behind him.

Some of the members of his faction threw challenging looks at Jiang Chen and the others, but they still followed Peng Chao inside the forest a moment later.

Shun Long didn't say anything as he simply stared at Peng Chao's back for a few moments, before he turned around and led Liu Mei and the rest into the forest behind him.

Chapter 622: Growth

Seeing that the 2 groups had both entered into their respective forests and had taken their positions, Elder Teng spoke again for the second time, his loud voice instantly overpowering the excited cheers of the crowd as he said

"Begin!"

Liu Mei, Xingyi, Jiang Chen, and Bai Longtian, all turned their attention towards Shun Long at that moment, before Xingyi asked with a gentle smile on her face

"Brother Long, should we go with the usual plan?"

Nodding his head, Shun Long said

"Yes, there is no need to change. We will go with the usual battle formation."

Nodding her head, Xingyi had the same smile on her face as her body suddenly blended into the shadows.

At the same time, Jiang Chen looked at Shun Long and simply nodded his head as he said calmly

"Don't worry about that Peng Chao, I'm going to make him suffer.

The top 300 factions are in a different league? Hmph, let's see how long his faction is going to last then."

As he finished speaking, Jiang Chen's aura at the peak of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul exploded out from his body, as Jiang Chen first spread out his soul sense and covered the entire arena, before he sped towards the center of the arena by himself.

Shun Long nodded his head at Jiang Chen as he saw him disappear inside the forest in front of him just like Xingyi did.

At that moment, Liu Mei turned her beautiful black eyes and looked at Shun Long with a brilliant smile on her face as she said

"Then, Long-ge, I'm going on ahead."

Nodding his head, Shun Long looked at Liu Mei who flew for approximately 100 meters forward until she came to a halt, not heading too close to the center of the arena like Jiang Chen and Xingyi.

Closing her eyes, Liu Mei gathered her qi between her hands, causing a pitch-black ball of qi that was filled with the aura of darkness to appear in front of her before it slowly fell on the ground.

The familiar army of the 1000 jade-white skeletons and the 60 black-armored undead knights leading them, along with the enormous Death Eater all appeared around Liu Mei, before Liu Mei allowed them to spread throughout the forest, not allowing anyone to sneak through them!

Even if the members from Peng Chao's faction wanted to sneak past them, it would practically be impossible to do so with more than 1000 undead creatures that had filled the forest.

Liu Mei's skeletons were no different than an undead army that had instantly filled a large part of the forest itself.

"So this is the Death goddess, Liu Mei? This is the first time I'm seeing her! How beautiful..."

"She is too terrifying! All of those skeletons have an aura at the middle of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul! Even if they aren't as strong as average cultivators at the same level, with 1000 of them

combined, even normal cultivators at the peak of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul will have some trouble breaking past their defenses."

The crowd instantly erupted in discussions the moment they saw this scene.

Unlike the past, the auras of Liu Mei's skeletons had not only grown stronger now that Liu Mei had broken through to the peak of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul, but they were also much more violent and bloodthirsty!

After receiving Little Black's advice, Liu Mei had truly changed the way she acted with her undead creatures, and she no longer fully suppressed them, allowing their violent aura to truly show its full potential!

However, this wasn't the end.

Just as everyone thought that this was the full extent of Liu Mei's powers, Liu Mei finally showed something that she hadn't shown in any of the previous faction wars.

Next to the Death Eater, 2 human silhouettes also appeared, shocking not just the 50.000 outer disciples in the crowd, but even the white-robed Elder Teng in the sky!

"What? Humans? So it's true that the Dao of Death can resurrect humans?"

"No! They aren't alive! They are nothing more than puppets! But how can she control puppets stronger than herself? Isn't her Dao too terrifying?"

Indeed, the silhouettes next to the Death Eater belonged to a black-robed old man and a young woman, both of whom had reached the early rank 8 of the Nascent Soul!

Sitting on the gigantic Death Eater's back, Liu Mei closed her eyes and spread her soul sense around her body, covering the entire arena in the blink of an eye. A moment later, the black-robed old man next to the Death Eater shot forward as he flew towards the center of the arena, while 500 skeletons and 30 undead knights followed after him.

As for the black-robed young woman at the early rank 8 of the Nascent Soul, she actually stood next to Liu Mei with her lifeless eyes staring at the forest ahead.

"Haha, brother Shun, sister Mei seems to be going all-out this time. It seems like Peng Chao's words really angered her and brother Jiang."

Shun Long simply smiled and shook his head as he looked at Bai Longtian who was smiling as he stood next to him, while they could both clearly feel the army of undeads that had appeared just 100 meters ahead.

Indeed, although most of the people in the crowd were shocked, those who had seen the previous faction wars among Shun Long's faction already knew that this was exactly how Shun Long's faction usually fought.

Shun Long would always stay in the back with Bai Longtian 'protecting him' from any enemy attack. After all, Bai Longtian's defense was truly the best one among everyone else in Shun Long's faction.

As for Xingyi and Jiang Chen, they would always attack the enemy faction since their Daos and their attacks were really suited towards offense.

Jiang Chen was truly considered a monster powerhouse in terms of his speed and his offensive abilities that even early rank 8 Nascent Soul outer disciples had failed to stop, while Xingyi's assassination attacks were even deadlier and more unexpected!

As for Liu Mei, she was the only one who had taken the role of both an attacker and defender.

Half of her undead army would attack the enemy faction while the other half would stay behind to protect Shun Long.

In the entire outer sect, only the top 100 factions would now confidently claim that they could easily defeat Shun Long's faction.

As for the rest? Even the arrogant Peng Chao had a serious look in his eyes as he remained in his own part of the forest protected by one young man and one young woman next to him, while the other 4 were all speeding towards the center of the arena just like Jiang Chen and Xie Xingyi!

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At the same time that Jiang Chen arrived at the center of the arena, the 4 people from Peng Chao's had also arrived as well.

Those 4 from Peng Chao's faction weren't weak, as even the weakest 2 of them were actually a young man and a young woman at the peak of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul while the other 2 young men were at the early rank 8 and the middle rank 8 of the Nascent Soul respectively!

Staring at Jiang Chen's figure that was flying towards their own forest, the young man at the middle of rank 8 in the Nascent Soul and the one at the early rank 8 of the Nascent Soul both ignored him almost as if they didn't even see him, as they flew towards Shun Long's side of the forest.

However, the young man and the young woman who were at the peak of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul both glanced at each other at the same time, before they actually moved to intercept Jiang Chen.

Jiang Chen was slightly surprised by this, but he completely ignored the early rank 8 and the middle rank 8 Nascent Soul young men who had entered the forest and were heading straight towards Shun Long's direction, as he turned his attention towards the young man and the young woman who were blocking his path with a mocking smile on his face.

Normally, the faction wars had one offensive team and one defensive team.

However, even if the 2 offensive teams met each other, they usually wouldn't waste their strength fighting with each other and would head directly towards the enemy faction leader.

Otherwise, if they spent all of their strength fighting against the enemy faction's offensive team, they may not have enough strength to deal with the enemy defensive team!

Besides, each faction usually had enough confidence in the strength of their offensive and their defensive teams to deal with the enemy faction's attacks.

This was why Jiang Chen was surprised when he was stopped by the young man and the young woman who were actually at the same cultivation level as him.

"You really think the 2 of you can stop me? Even that guy at the middle of rank 8 in the Nascent Soul wouldn't be able to stop me so easily!"

With the same smirk on his face, a pair of pitch-black wings that were burning with dark red flames sprouted from Jiang Chen's back, as his speed suddenly increased explosively.

This was the second form of the Saint low-grade martial skill, 'Demonic Wings'!

In the past few months, Jiang Chen had already obtained the second form of the Demonic Wings from the Golden Treasures hall, making his speed nearly one-third faster than when he just used the first form of this martial skill.

Most martial skills at the Saint low-grade normally wouldn't provide more than a 40 percent increase even if one had the complete martial skill, so for the Demonic Wings to really provide such a huge boost to Jiang Chen when he just used the second form was nearly unbelievable.

Of course, the only reason why Jiang Chen was able to have such a large increase in his speed when he used the Demonic Wings was thanks to his Demonic Dao and his immortal-grade bloodline of the Demonic Crow of Darkness!

The young man and the young woman from Peng Chao's faction were both startled when they saw Jiang Chen flying straight towards them, but they both took out their weapons and faced him head-on without faltering!

Although Jiang Chen was a genius, the 2 of them didn't believe that they were inferior to him either.

After all, both of them were not only members of Peng Chao's faction, a faction at the top 300 rankings in the Holy sect, but they themselves were also geniuses!

At the very least, since they were in the same level of cultivation as Jiang Chen, the young man and the young woman both believed that they should be able to at least push Jiang Chen back after they joined hands to fight against him.

Unfortunately, their thoughts were quickly shattered in the next moment, as a terrifying, baleful aura suddenly covered Jiang Chen's body.

Jiang Chen didn't even take out his saber as he punched the young man's spear rip and the young woman's dagger with his bare hands!

The 2 peak rank 7 Nascent Soul stage cultivators both stumbled back from the impact the next moment, while their eyes were filled with shock as they stared at the young man in front of them, not even noticing the hints of blood that had appeared on their lips.

Although the young man and the young woman from Peng Chao's faction could clearly sense the terrifying aura around Jiang Chen which came from his Demonic Dao, the 2 of them couldn't believe that they had both been injured after just a single exchange, when the person in front of them hadn't even taken out his weapon yet!

However, Jiang Chen wasn't planning on letting them go.

If they headed directly for the forest behind him, he would allow Bai Longtian to deal with them if they had somehow managed to get past Liu Mei's terrifying undead army and reach Shun Long, but since they wanted to fight against him, Jiang Chen wasn't going to let them go.

Indeed, it only took a few more exchanges for the peak rank 7 Nascent Soul young man and young woman to collapse on the ground unconscious while their bodies were heavily injured before Jiang Chen flew deeper inside the forest ahead of him, heading straight towards Peng Chao's direction.

Jiang Chen could feel that Peng Chao was less than 300 meters away right now, while 2 more people were around him to protect their faction leader.

As for Xie Xingyi, with her Vanishing Shadows unique physique even Jiang Chen himself couldn't sense her right now, but he already knew that Xingyi was most likely approaching Peng Chao as well if she hadn't already reached his location.

"That guy is a monster! Both Ren Li and Ren Jin are at the peak of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul just like him, and yet they couldn't even force him to draw his weapon!"

"That's only natural. Even though Ren Li and Ren Jin can barely be qualified to be called geniuses, Jiang Chen's talent is already above 'normal geniuses' like them. Perhaps only the true monsters of the outer court would truly be able to defeat him at the same level!"

At the same time that Jiang Chen headed deeper inside the forest, the 2 young men from Peng Chao's faction who had entered inside Shun Long's side of the forest both stopped, as a huge army of 500 skeletons and 30 undead knights, as well as an old man at the early rank 8 of the Nascent Soul suddenly blocked their path, making the crowd in the audience seats stare at the scene with endless excitement.

Chapter 624: Senior brother Wong vs Liu Mei

"A puppet?" The young man at the middle of rank 8 in the Nascent Soul stared at the old man standing in the sky leading the army of 500 skeletons and the undead knights with eyes filled with disbelief.

Although the young man already knew about Liu Mei's undead army, the problem that 1000 undead skeletons would pose to 2 rank 8 Nascent Soul stage cultivators like them wasn't that big.

Even Liu Mei's Death Eater wouldn't be anything more than a slightly bigger ant in the young man's eyes, as he was confident to take care of it without any problems.

However, seeing a puppet at the early rank 8 of the Nascent Soul appear in front of them finally made the young man raise his vigilance for the first time in this faction war.

Up to now, their faction had only been slightly wary of Jiang Chen and Xie Xingyi's attacks.

As for Liu Mei?

Although she was definitely strong and her Death Eater had even taken care of an early rank 8 Nascent Soul stage cultivator during their last faction war, in the young man's eyes she wasn't able to stop him if he wanted to charge forward and destroy Shun Long.

"Senior brother Wong, it seems like those people may be a bit stronger than we originally thought. However, it still doesn't matter. Senior brother, you can leave this place to me. I will take care of this old man and this army of skeletons and black knights by myself."

The young man at the early rank 8 of the Nascent Soul cracked his knuckles as he stared at the black-robed old man in the sky and the army of jade-white skeletons and undead knights that had filled the forest below him, before he turned his attention towards the middle rank 8 Nascent Soul stage young man who was standing by his side.

'Senior brother Wong' nodded his head calmly, and a moment later, the 2 young men suddenly shot forward at full speed, one of them flying towards the black-robed old man while the other heading deeper inside the forest.

The young man at the early rank 8 of the Nascent Soul and the black-robed old man both engaged in a fight right in the next moment, while 'senior brother Wong' effortlessly tore a path open through the skeletons and the undead knights as he headed deeper inside the forest.

Of course, how could the skeletons that were still at the middle of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul possibly stop a middle rank 8 Nascent Soul stage cultivator like him? After all, their individual strength was even weaker than normal cultivators at the same level.

As for the black-armored knights, although they were somewhat tougher than the skeletons themselves and their cultivation had even reached the peak of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul instead, there were only 30 of them and only a handful of them were fast enough to block 'senior brother Wong's' path.

Naturally, every single one of them was destroyed without any hesitation, only slowing down 'senior brother Wong' for a couple of seconds before he flew deeper inside the forest!

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At the same time that 'senior brother Wong' broke free from the skeletons' and the undead knights' entanglement and flew deeper inside the forest, on the Death Eater's back, Liu Mei suddenly opened her eyes and looked in the distance ahead of her with a frosty look.

Although her vision was impeded by the dense cluster of the trees that had filled the forest in front of her, she could clearly sense through her soul sense that a figure was rapidly approaching her direction at an extremely rapid speed.

Barely a few moments later, 'senior brother Wong' finally stopped as he arrived just a few meters away from Liu Mei.

Staring at the enormous undead army that was blocking his way, 'senior brother Wong' only threw a glance at the 500 skeletons and the 30 black-armored undead knights on the ground, and after looking at the black-robed young woman who was standing by Liu Mei's side seriously for a few moments, 'senior brother Wong' finally focused his attention on Liu Mei who was still standing on the Death Eater's back as he said in a tone filled with arrogance and contempt

"Step aside! You are too weak to stand in front of me."

Liu Mei stared at the yellow-robed young man who was arrogantly floating in the sky without responding, but the look in her mesmerizing black eyes turned colder as she pointed her left hand forward.

The 500 skeletons and the 30 black-armored undead knights suddenly attacked 'senior brother Wong' all at the same time, as they swarmed him from all directions.

Even an early stage rank 8 Nascent Soul stage cultivator would feel fear seeing this scene of 500 jade-white skeletons at the middle of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul and 30 undead knights at the peak of rank 7 charging at him, but 'senior brother Wong' merely snorted as he waved his right hand, taking out a red sword from his spatial ring.

With just a glance, Liu Mei immediately realized that this sword was a peak rank 3 gold-grade weapon.

In the next moment, flames covered not just the sword itself, but 'senior brother Wong's' entire body, before the flames slowly expanded to engulf the charging skeletons and the undead knights in the next moment.

The skeletons and the undead knights didn't falter or feel any fear as they kept charging forward, while an aura of unrestrained bloodlust and killing intent was coming from their bodies, and in just a few moments, they had been completely submerged into 'senior brother Wong's' flames!

Silence had filled the forest that was now on fire, as the only sounds that could now be heard, was the sound of the skeletons or the undead knights charging forward, or the sound of the trees being burned and slowly turn into ash.

But despite being burned, the skeletons and the undead knights didn't seem to stop their charge. Naturally, how could the skeletons or the powerful undead knights fear death?

'Senior brother Wong' merely snorted as he turned his cold gaze towards the few undead knights that had managed to get past his sea of flames and appear in front of him, as he hacked them with his red sword one after the other.

With just a single sword attack, even the powerful undead knights saw their armor crack, while the second attack completely destroyed them.

As for the skeletons, most of them couldn't even get past the sea of flames as they were destroyed before they could even approach 'senior brother Wong'.

In just a few seconds, nearly 100 skeletons and 7 undead knights had turned into ash, but more and more of them kept going forward.

However, 'senior brother Wong' no longer waited for the skeletons or the black-armored knights to attack him, as he turned his attention towards the beautiful young woman on the enormous Death Eater's back.

'Senior brother Wong' clearly knew, that if he really had to deal with all the skeletons and the undead knights, although they wouldn't pose any real danger to him, they would definitely deplete a large amount of his qi.

But his target wasn't this undead army in this faction war, but the leader of the enemy faction deeper inside the forest, Shun Long.

Charging forward like a meteor, 'senior brother Wong' shot towards Liu Mei at full speed, as he waved the red sword in his hand aiming to pierce through her chest.

At that moment however, the black-robed young woman next to Liu Mei suddenly moved, as she took out a small knife from her robes and suddenly thrust it forward toward 'senior brother Wong's' neck.

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The look on 'senior brother Wong's' face suddenly changed as he immediately changed the trajectory of his red sword to clash with the black-robed woman's knife instead.

Although he knew that his sword was longer than the woman's knife, in this scenario, it was clear that the young woman's knife would end up truly piercing his neck if he kept trying to stab Liu Mei!

Even though deaths weren't allowed during the faction wars, in fights between experts, it wasn't uncommon for someone to die when they went all-out!

The sound of metal clashing resounded clearly in everyone's ears before the black-robed young woman was sent flying for a few dozen meters, her body destroying tens of trees in the process until it finally came to a halt.

It was obvious that this young woman at the early rank 8 of the Nascent Soul wasn't a match for 'senior brother Wong'.

Just a single attack had sent her flying for a few dozen meters, and even though there were no obvious injuries on her body, 'senior brother Wong' was certain that her internal organs were definitely shaken right now.

Although the young woman was nothing more than a puppet, even puppets wouldn't be able to move once they were injured too heavily.

However, at the same time that 'senior brother Wong's' sword met the young woman's knife and sent her flying, the enormous, 30 meters(100ft) tall Death Eater also moved, as it opened its gigantic mouth and let out a huge roar before it ran towards 'senior brother Wong' with its mouth still open, almost as if it was ready to devour him!

Feeling the terrifying aura filled with bloodlust, madness, and unrestrained killing intent that was coming from the Death Eater's body, the look on senior brother Wong's face finally changed.

With his left hand that wasn't holding his red sword, he stretched it towards the Death Eater's hideous mouth and shouted angrily

"Saint low-grade martial skill, Flame axe!"

A huge axe that was burning with bright orange flames and was more than 10 meters tall materialized in front of him, before it flew straight towards the Death Eater's wide-open mouth.

The Death Eater's mouth was soon enveloped in flames as the Flame axe entered inside it before it hacked its insides violently.

In less than 10 seconds, the Death Eater's body was filled with countless cuts and holes, while its pitch black but empty insides that were devoid of any internal organs, were clearly exposed for everyone to see, before it finally collapsed on the ground.

"I told you that you are no match for me. You should have retreated while you still could!" Staring at Liu Mei with his arrogant and cold gaze, 'senior brother Wong' spoke in an indifferent tone as he stood in the air, before he suddenly shot forward in the next moment, his sword once again aiming to pierce through Liu Mei's chest.

Even if Liu Mei's puppet, the black-robed young woman wanted to close the gap and block his sword attack again for the second time, she was now more than a dozen meters away and she wouldn't make it in time.

Liu Mei's lips however curved up as she saw this scene, and closing her eyes she simply infused her qi into the collapsed body of the Death Eater below her feet, completely ignoring 'senior brother Wong's' incoming sword attack.

"...What?"

"How is this possible?"

In the next moment, it wasn't just the crowd that was stunned by the scene that followed, but even the white-robed Elder in the sky, Elder Teng, who stared at the Death Eater's body with a shocked look on his face.

The collapsed body of the Death Eater that had been hacked to pieces previously by 'senior brother Wong's' flame axe suddenly started to regenerate at a speed visible to the naked eye, and in just a few seconds, it was actually restored back to its original condition.

Even the yellow-robed 'senior brother Wong' stopped his attack as he stared at the enormous beast in front of him with eyes filled with disbelief.

He had actually used a Saint-grade martial skill that used up more than 30 percent of his qi, just so he could quickly deal with the Death Eater and defeat Liu Mei quickly before he moved towards Shun Long, but the enormous, hideous monster in front of him, had actually regenerated in the blink of an eye while its aura didn't seem to be even a single bit weaker than before!

It was only natural for 'senior brother Wong' to be stunned by this.

Although others didn't know about it and thought that the Death Eater's greatest strength was its unmatched strength, how could Liu Mei not know that the true strength of the Death Eater lied in its regenerative ability!?

As long as Liu Mei fed it with her own qi, the Death Eater would regenerate any wounds and be back in perfect condition!

Of course, nobody else knew about this aside from the members of Shun Long's faction, since this was the first time that Liu Mei's Death Eater had suffered injuries like this in a faction war.

However, 'senior brother Wong's' shock had just begun, as a dense aura of death suddenly erupted from Liu Mei, before a ball filled with death qi appeared in her hands.

Liu Mei allowed the ball filled with death qi to fall on the Death Eater's body that was right below her, and the moment that the ball touched it, the Death Eater's aura started to become even more terrifying!

Although its aura was still at the peak of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul, 'senior brother Wong', the white-robed Elder Teng in the sky, and even the people sitting in the audience seats could all sense how much more terrifying the current Death Eater was.

This was the second form of the Saint low-grade martial skill, Death's Chant.

After she had obtained the second form of this martial skill from the Golden Treasures Hall, Liu Mei knew that once she used it, the Death Eater's strength would explode.

With a cold look in her eyes, Liu Mei stared at the middle rank 8 Nascent Soul stage 'senior brother Wong' in front of her who was now surrounded by her undead army, before she asked him in a calm voice

"You want to defeat Long-ge... just by yourself? Even if I wasn't here, I doubt you would be able to even get past Bai Longtian."

Chapter 626: Fighting Peng Chao

The look on 'senior brother Wong's' face changed as he charged towards the enormous, 30 meters(100ft) tall Death Eater without holding back.

He could clearly feel, from the terrifying aura that was coming from the gigantic beast's body, that the current Death Eater was definitely a threat to him right now.

Seeing 'senior brother Wong' fly towards it, the Death Eater opened its hideous mouth and welcomed 'senior brother Wong's' attack head-on!

BOOM!

However, aside from being pushed back a little, there were no injuries on the Death Eater's body after receiving the sword attack, completely shocking everyone who saw that scene.

"How is this possible? Even a middle rank 8 Nascent Soul cultivator like 'senior brother Wong' can't harm this monster?"

"It is definitely because of that black aura that appeared around its body! After it appeared, that monster's strength increased by many times! Even 'senior brother Wong' will have trouble if he wants to kill it without using another Saint-grade martial skill now!"

There were plenty of powerful disciples in the crowd who had already reached the late-stages of the Nascent Soul as well, and all of them instantly realized that the current Death Eater's aura was much stronger than it was before, after Liu Mei had used the second form of the Death's Chant.

Even without the Death's Chant, the Death Eater that was at the peak of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul was already strong enough to destroy normal outer disciples who had reached the early rank 8 of the Nascent Soul. Right now, even 'senior brother Wong' would find it hard to damage it without using some powerful martial skill!

Of course, in terms of speed, the Death Eater was still much slower than 'senior brother Wong' himself. However... this wasn't a one-on-one battle to begin with.

The black-robed young woman at the early rank 8 of the Nascent Soul who had been sent flying by 'senior brother Wong' previously didn't seem to have suffered any injuries, as she attacked 'senior brother Wong' as well, instantly putting him into a passive position.

It was one thing to deal with the Death Eater that wasn't any weaker by himself, but once that woman joined hands with it, 'senior brother Wong' understood that things were turning bad.

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Meanwhile, on the other side of the forest, Jiang Chen had already arrived at the forest's depths, only to see a calm-looking young man with long black hair waiting there leisurely, while a young man and a young woman were guarding him from his left and right.

Jiang Chen smiled coldly as his eyes stared at the long-haired young man whose aura had already reached the peak of rank 8 in the Nascent Soul, completely ignoring the 2 people by his side.

This person was clearly the leader of the enemy faction, Peng Chao.

As for the 2 people by his side, one of them was a young man at the peak of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul, while the other one was a young woman who had actually reached the early rank 8.

Staring at the newcomer, Peng Chao didn't seem to be any surprised as he stared at him with a calm smile on his face, but the young man at the peak of rank 7 and the young woman at the early rank 8 of the Nascent Soul started to look at their surroundings with serious looks in their eyes before they both spread out their soul sense around their bodies.

They knew that since Jiang Chen had come here, there was no way that he was alone. Most likely, Xie Xingyi was also here, but the looks on their faces soon changed when they realized that it was simply impossible for them to detect her presence even with their soul sense.

Although the people from Peng Chao's faction didn't take Shun Long or Bai Longtian as threats, they knew that Jiang Chen who had an immortal-grade bloodline and had comprehended both the Demonic Dao and the Dao of Darkness, Xie Xingyi who had a unique physique, and Liu Mei who had comprehended the Dao of Death were all extremely dangerous opponents.

Of course, being wary of them and treating them as powerful opponents didn't mean that they feared them.

It only meant that Jiang Chen, Liu Mei, and Xie Xingyi, were simply worthy to be taken seriously by them.

Jiang Chen looked at the long-haired Peng Chao who was leisurely standing there and was staring back at him with that same calm smile on his face, before his aura at the peak of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul exploded out of his body.

The young man and the young woman next to Peng Chao responded in the same matter barely a moment later, as they let their aura clash with Jiang Chen's head-on!

It was obvious that they weren't willing to lose to Jiang Chen.

Peng Chao shook his head when he saw this scene as he said calmly

"It looks like junior brother Jiang doesn't like to waste time either. Unfortunately, your strength is simply too low right now.

Perhaps, if you had managed to breakthrough to the middle of rank 8 of the Nascent Soul then you would have a chance... but the current you? Unless you are willing to use your immortal-grade bloodline there is no way you can stand in front of me!"

As soon as he finished speaking, Peng Chao's cultivation at the peak of rank 8 in the Nascent Soul exploded outwards, completely overpowering Jiang Chen's own aura.

"Senior brother Peng Chao is right. Even if Jiang Chen is a genius, can he really stand in front of him right now? Even if senior brother Peng Chao was alone, there would be no way for Jiang Chen to defeat him!"

"Still, if Jiang Chen really decided to use his immortal-grade bloodline, Peng Chao will probably be in trouble."

The crowd watched the scene between Jiang Chen and Peng Chao who were facing off with rapt attention, as no one bothered to even watch 'senior brother Wong' who was now barely managing to defend himself against Liu Mei's Death Eater and her undead army any longer.

With a calm look on his face, Jiang Chen stared at the calm-looking Peng Chao as he took a step forward and said in a low voice

"With the Martial Roll of Honor tournament being so close, there is no reason for me to hide it anymore."

The moment that he finished his words, a black veil that looked like it was made by pure darkness itself appeared around his body, before it slowly expanded outwards.

At that moment, the young man and the young woman around Peng Chao, and even Peng Chao himself were all stunned, as a single thought that they didn't want to believe suddenly appeared in their minds.

Chapter 627: Fighting Peng Chao (2)

It wasn't just Peng Chao and his group, but every single person in the audience seats and even the white-robed Elder Teng in the sky who were all staring at the yellow-robed Jiang Chen with eyes filled with shock, as the same 2 words appeared in their minds at the same time

"Unique physique?"

"He really has a unique physique?"

"Impossible! There is no way that Jiang Chen can have a unique physique! This monster has an immortal-grade bloodline, I refuse to accept that the Heavens gave him a unique physique as well!"

"You refuse to believe it? What does it matter if you refuse to believe it or not? There are no qi fluctuations from that veil of darkness coming from his body. What else can it be other than a unique physique?"

There were a few disciples in the crowd who couldn't accept that Jiang Chen had a unique physique on top of his immortal-grade bloodline, but most of them were experienced enough to understand what was going on at first glance, causing their eyes to turn extremely serious.

If one was going to ask the disciples in the crowd who were the 2 strongest people in Shun Long's faction, nearly everyone would either choose Jiang Chen or Liu Mei.

In the past 5 months during the factions wars, it was either Liu Mei, Jiang Chen, or Xie Xingyi who had taken care of the enemy faction leaders, causing the rest of the disciples in the outer court to start paying attention to them.

However, since Xingyi was relying on her Vanishing Shadows unique physique and didn't have any direct fights but was mostly using assassination attacks, it was hard for anyone to determine her true level of strength.

As for Jiang Chen, everyone had already heard that he possessed an immortal-grade bloodline that he had used during the fourth test of the Holy sect almost a year ago.

Among the rest of the outer court disciples in the Holy sect, there were only 3 more people who possessed immortal-grade bloodlines as well, and all of them were monsters at the top 100 rankings of the Martial Roll of Honor.

However, not a single one of them was known to have a unique physique along with their immortal-grade bloodlines!

Naturally, bloodlines were only activated extremely rarely, but it was a fact that they were still a trump card that one could use during a life and death situation, making them extremely dangerous.

Possessing an immortal-grade bloodline along with a unique physique, was definitely something that even the peak geniuses of the Holy sect would be paying serious attention to from now on.

"Jiang Tianfang's son... what kind of monster is this kid? How come he is following this Shun Long?"

Even the white-robed Elder Teng couldn't believe what he was seeing as he stared at Jiang Chen with a deep look in his eyes, before he turned his attention towards the calm, short-haired young man at the depths of the forest who was leisurely standing there with Bai Longtian by his side.

Shun Long simply sat cross-legged on top of a large rock with his eyes closed, while Bai Longtian was standing next to him, not seeming too worried that someone would manage to get past Liu Mei's defenses and attack Shun Long.

In the last 5 months, this had only happened once during the last faction war, and Bai Longtian only had to intervene once before the Death Eater ran towards him and destroyed the enemy early rank 8 Nascent Soul stage cultivator who had managed to sneak past Liu Mei's undead army to sneak attack Shun Long.

Of course, the question that Elder Teng had in his mind was the same question that every single person in the audience seats was thinking about as well, as they all stared at Jiang Chen at the center of the arena who seemed like a god of darkness!

Why was Jiang Chen following Shun Long? With his level of talent, even the top 10 factions would definitely accept him.

Unfortunately, it didn't look like Jiang Chen was going to answer them as he kept walking towards Peng Chao one step at a time, as the veil of darkness around his body started to turn even thicker.

Peng Chao now had a serious look in his eyes as he stared at Jiang Chen, before he took out a large azure sword from his spatial ring.

Peng Chao had thought that even if Jiang Chen was strong, there was no way that he would be strong enough to fight against him, but after seeing the veil of darkness that had started to appear around him, this thought instantly vanished from his mind, causing him to look at Jiang Chen seriously.

He already knew that Jiang Chen was probably strong enough to fight against the second strongest member of his faction, 'senior brother Wong' head-on. Even if Jiang Chen lost against 'senior brother Wong', Peng Chao believed that Jiang Chen wouldn't be much weaker.

However, now that he had revealed his unique physique, Peng Chao understood that Jiang Chen's strength was most likely not much inferior to his own.

The young man and the young woman standing at Peng Chao's sides both stared at Jiang Chen solemnly as well, as they tightly held their weapons.

Jiang Chen however completely ignored them as he waved his sleeve, taking out a large, golden saber from his spatial ring and holding it with both hands.

This was Jiang Chen's star-rank weapon!

Holding his golden saber tightly, Jiang Chen infused his qi inside it, causing the mysterious patterns on the golden saber's surface to lit up one after the other, before an incomparably dark aura erupted from inside the saber.

This aura that seemed to be almost identical to the veil of darkness coming from his body seemed to have instantly strengthened the darkness around Jiang Chen by another fold, making it even denser than before.

Peng Chao who had been staying still and was waiting for Jiang Chen to make his move so he could counterattack suddenly felt a shiver run through his body, as a deep sense of danger appeared in his heart.

He could sense that Jiang Chen's current aura was now extremely terrifying, making even a peak rank 8 Nascent Soul stage expert like him feel fear!

There was no way that Peng Chao would keep waiting until Jiang Chen took the initiative to attack him.

The look on Peng Chao's face turned serious as he held his azure sword in front of him and infused his qi inside it, before he slashed it forward barely a moment later, as he shouted

"Saint low-grade martial skill, Sea-splitting sword!"

Jiang Chen stared coldly at the gigantic sword slash that was flying towards him and looked like it could split a sea apart, before his calm yet cold voice resounded throughout the entire arena

"Kingdom... of Darkness!"

Chapter 628: Jiang Chen's Kingdom

The veil of darkness around Jiang Chen abruptly started to churn before it expanded even further, covering not just Jiang Chen's body, but completely submerging Peng Chao as well, along with the young man and young woman who were standing by his side.

In the blink of an eye, a large part of the forest had been completely submerged into darkness, turning into Jiang Chen's Kingdom!

The outer court disciples in the audience seats were instantly thrown in disarray the moment that Jiang Chen's figure disappeared into the darkness along with Peng Chao and the other 2, before anxious shouts soon filled the arena.

"What happened to Peng Chao's group? What is this black dome of darkness? Is this thing Jiang Chen's unique physique?"

"What kind of physique is this?"

"Who won? Elder Teng, let us see the fight!"

Some of those disciples even tried to send their soul sense inside the arena to peer into Jiang Chen's Kingdom of Darkness, but before their soul sense could even approach the black dome that had appeared inside the forest, Elder Teng snorted coldly as he instantly suppressed those disciples' soul senses.

It was common knowledge that no matter what happened, no one would ever try to meddle with a fight in the arena, whether that was a personal fight or a faction war!

Of course, although those disciples in the audience seats wouldn't dare to truly interrupt the fight, sending their soul sense to observe the fight was no different than challenging Elder Teng's bottom line, causing the white-robed Dao King to personally take action against them.

After all, if even one of them had any intentions to secretly attack Jiang Chen or Peng Chao and his group through their soul sense, Elder Teng would be the one responsible.

After taking care of the disciples in the audience seats, Elder Teng turned his attention towards the black dome of darkness below him.

He immediately understood that this was something created by Jiang Chen's unique physique, and without any hesitation, he jumped inside it as well.

Although Elder Teng's vision was fully suppressed inside Jiang Chen's 'Kingdom of Darkness', the white-robed Dao King didn't fight against it, and instead, all he did was just quietly spread out his soul sense to find out where Jiang Chen and Peng Chao's were.

At that moment, Elder Teng 'saw' through his soul sense the gigantic sword slash that Peng Chao had previously created, as it tore through the darkness almost effortlessly, as it kept flying towards the unmoving Jiang Chen!

Although Peng Chao and his group, and even the white-robed Elder Teng had their vision impeded inside the Kingdom of Darkness, how Jiang Chen not see what was going on in here?

Seeing the sword slash that was flying towards him, Jiang Chen had a serious look in his eyes as he clenched his right hand tightly, before he swung his golden saber towards it at full strength!

At the same time, the darkness around Jiang Chen started to quickly gather around his golden saber, forming the image of an enormous saber made of darkness that was more than 10 meters(33ft) tall, and a moment later, the enormous saber actually collided with Peng Chao's 'Sea-splitting sword'!

BOOOOOOM!

A heaven-defeating explosion could be heard from the center of the arena the moment that the saber and the sword collided with each other, while even the darkness inside Jiang Chen's 'Kingdom of Darkness' had started to spread outwards.

The crowd in the audience seats only saw a ripple in the outer-most layer of the Kingdom of Darkness, before the veil of darkness soon returned to normal.

Despite the huge explosion that had happened, it was obvious that Jiang Chen's Kingdom was still unaffected!

Jiang Chen stood at the center of the arena with his clothes tattered, but his expression was still calm as he stared at Peng Chao's group that was less than 20 meters away from him.

At that moment, the expression on Peng Chao's face suddenly changed.

Although he couldn't see anything through the dense darkness around him, he could clearly sense the powerful explosion as well the moment his 'Sea-splitting sword' had met with Jiang Chen's saber, but his Saint low-grade martial skill had actually failed to seriously injure Jiang Chen!

Peng Chao was certain that if Jiang Chen had been critically injured, the Kingdom of Darkness would have disappeared by itself, or at least, Elder Teng himself would have intervened to save him.

However, it was obvious that neither of the 2 had happened.

Just as Peng Chao was about to fly upwards and escape out of the area that Jiang Chen's Kingdom of Darkness covered, he suddenly sensed danger from both sides, as 2 enormous black fists made from darkness itself attacked him from both his left and right, sealing all paths of retreat.

The young man and the young woman next to him seemed to have sensed the sudden attack as well, but even after joining hands, the 2 of them had only managed to block one of the fists before they were sent flying, while blood had had started to flow from their lips.

It was obvious that both of them had been seriously injured after they blocked Jiang Chen's fist of darkness.

Peng Chao also understood that the 2 of them had been injured, but in his eyes, this was only natural.

Inside this Kingdom of Darkness, Jiang Chen's strength wasn't inferior to even his own.

How could the 2 of them block his attack and be unharmed?

Even Peng Chao knew that he would have a hard time blocking this fist head-on.

Peng Chao simply shook his head as he clenched the azure sword in his hand tightly and placed his full attention in the battle in front of him. He was confident that as long as he retreated out of the area that Jiang Chen controlled, he would be able to get the advantage then.

Sensing the second fist that had now appeared by his side, Peng Chao's aura at the peak of rank 8 in the Nascent Soul exploded outwards without holding back.

He could clearly understand that Jiang Chen wasn't holding back either, as the power behind this fist was truly enough to seriously injured and even kill a normal peak rank 8 Nascent Soul stage cultivator like him if he wasn't careful!

Waving his hand, Peng Chao slashed his azure sword, as his sword met Jiang Chen's fist head-on!

BOOOOM!

A second explosion sounded from the dome of darkness inside the forest, making the crowd in the audience seats turn even more frantic as? they couldn't see what was going on.

Everyone could guess that Jiang Chen and Peng Chao were both going all-out, but aside from Elder Teng, no one else could see what was going on!

Inside the dome of darkness, the moment that Peng Chao's sword met Jiang Chen's fist of darkness, Peng Chao's expression suddenly changed, as a sense of lethal danger sprouted in his heart.

Peng Chao could feel all the hair on his body standing up at the same time, almost as if death was approaching him from behind as well.

This had nearly caused Peng Chao to almost give up defending against Jiang Chen's attack, as he nearly turned around to meet the attacker behind him as well.

However, the moment that he slashed his azure sword forward, Peng Chao suddenly sensed a cool sensation on his neck, making him suddenly freeze where he stood.

At the same time, the indifferent voice of a young woman behind him entered his ears, as she only said 2 words

"You lose."

Chapter 629: Will you participate?

Jiang Chen's lips curved upon seeing this scene before the darkness around him started to disappear, allowing the crowd in the audience seats to see what was going on inside the forest.

The crowd was stunned once they saw the young man and the young woman from Peng Chao's faction that were lying on the ground clearly injured, while Peng Chao himself was standing still at the heart of the forest while a small silver dagger was placed on his neck.

Xie Xingyi was standing behind him with an indifferent look on her face, almost as if she was waiting for Peng Chao to speak, while the white-robed Elder Teng simply shook his head without saying anything.

As a powerful Dao King, how could he not have noticed what had happened a few moments ago?

As soon as Peng Chao used the azure sword in his hands to block Jiang Chen's fist of darkness, Xie Xingyi's body suddenly emerged from the shadows behind him, as she then pointed her silver dagger towards his neck.

This had happened so quickly that even a peak rank 8 Nascent Soul stage cultivator like Peng Chao had been unable to dodge.

"I give up."

Peng Chao's somewhat unresigned voice resounded throughout the forest, as he then turned around and stared at the peerlessly beautiful blond-haired young woman who was standing behind him.

Xie Xingyi nodded her head calmly and retracted her silver dagger from Peng Chao's neck, before her body disappeared into the shadows.

Peng Chao shook his head and ignored Xie Xingyi, as he turned his gaze towards the yellow-robed Jiang Chen who was standing a few meters away from him and said with a jeering tone

"Jiang Chen, is that all you have? Do you not even dare to fight against me by yourself? What's the point of having a unique physique if you are a coward?"

Jiang Chen had a contemptuous look in his eyes as he stared at Peng Chao, as he turned around and left without even responding to him, leaving behind a dumbfounded Peng Chao.

"WHOOAAH! Peng Chao really lost! He actually admitted defeat!"

"I want to know what happened inside Jiang Chen's dome of darkness! As soon as it disappeared, Peng Chao was just standing there with Xie Xingyi's dagger right above his neck! Isn't Xie Xingyi just at the middle of rank 7 in the Nascent Soul? How can she ambush Peng Chao like that?"

"If she joined hands with Jiang Chen, even Peng Chao will have trouble defending against their attacks. Her unique physique is also terrifying! I heard that even soul sense can't detect her that easily."

Shun Long's lips curved up once he heard the loud discussions among the disciples in the crowd, as he opened his eyes and stared at the forest ahead of him.

At the same time, the middle rank 8 Nascent Soul cultivator from Peng Chao's faction, 'senior brother Wong' -who had been bombarded by the attacks from Liu Mei's Death Eater and the black-robed young woman at the early rank 8, as well as the dozen remaining undead knights and 300 skeletons- seemed to have also heard those discussions, as he and Liu Mei stopped fighting at the same time.

And yet, the robes on 'senior brother Wong's' body had been tattered and on the verge of collapse, while his body seemed to have been filled with countless sword wounds.

It was obvious that he had been wounded greatly during his fight with the Death Eater just now.

As for the Death Eater itself, the enormous 30 meter(100ft) tall monster didn't have any obvious wounds on its body, and neither did the black-robed young woman that was hovering in the air by its side.

Turning her attention to the other side of the arena, Liu Mei saw the white-robed Elder Teng in the sky who waved his hand, attracting everyone's attention, before he declared in a loud voice that reverberated throughout the entire arena

"Faction war:

Winner, Shun Long's faction!"

Shun Long smiled as the loud cheers of the crowd in the audience seats exploded in his ears, either discussing Jiang Chen's Kingdom of Darkness or Xie Xingyi appearing behind Peng Chao forcing him to admit defeat.

"Brother Shun, it seems like brother Jiang really went all-out this time."

Bai Longtian said with a smile on his face, but it was obvious that he had actually expected that already.

Shun Long nodded his head with a calm look on his face when the ground beneath his feet started to tremble, as the enormous Death Eater appeared in the distance ahead, tearing down the trees that blocked its path.

Liu Mei was the first one to return next to him, followed by Xie Xingyi's body that appeared from the shadows a few moments later, and lastly, Jiang Chen.

"Brother Long, we won." Xie Xingyi said in a slightly proud tone as she looked at Shun Long with her stunning green eyes, while Jiang Chen nodded his head calmly, but there was the same look of pride in his eyes as Xingyi's.

Faction wars were extremely important to every faction in the sect, not just for the rewards that the factions obtained from the Holy sect every month, but for their faction's prestige as well.

To Jiang Chen and the rest, their faction was no different from their own home by now.

Just as Shun Long was about to speak, a white blur tore through the sky as it appeared in the air above them barely a moment later.

The white-robed Elder Teng handed Shun Long his sect identifying token that he had taken from him before the faction war had started, as the white-robed Dao King stared at the group of 5 outer disciples below him with a bright smile on his face and said

"Congratulations!"

Shun Long and the rest all bowed and cupped their hands at the white-robed Dao King in front of them.

After staring at Liu Mei, Xie Xingyi, and Jiang Chen for a few more moments, Elder Teng looked at Bai Longtian deeply for a while as well, before he turned his gaze towards Shun Long.

At that moment however, the white-robed Dao King was stunned when he realized that he couldn't probe Shun Long's cultivation at all, almost as if there wasn't even the slightest amount of qi coming out from his body, making him furrow his brows.

"I can't detect this kid's cultivation? How is this possible?"

Although this thought appeared in his mind, Elder Teng didn't show it in his expression as a smile appeared on his face as he looked at Shun Long and asked curiously

"Shun Long, do you plan to participate in the Martial Roll of Honor tournament? I am sure that many people are curious about your current strength. 5 months ago, I remember that you were at the middle of rank 4 of the Nascent Soul. Hehe, even I am curious to find how strong you have become by now."

Chapter 630: The top 1000?

Hearing Elder Teng's question, Shun Long cupped his hands at him before he said

"Elder flatters me. However, you are right. All of us will participate in the Martial Roll of Honor tournament a month from now. As for whether we will manage to reach the top 1000 or not, that will be slightly more difficult."

"The top 1000?" Elder Teng asked in a disbelieving voice as he stared at Shun Long with an incredulous gaze.

It was obvious that Shun Long had no idea how strong the people in the top 1000 rankings in the Martial Roll of Honor really were, making the white-robed Elder Teng simply shake his head and smile ruefully at him.

Even Peng Chao who was a peak rank 8 Nascent Soul stage cultivator wasn't even close to the top 1000 rankings in the Martial Roll of Honor. After all, even the weakest person in the top 1000 rankings was, at the very least, an extremely powerful rank 9 Nascent Soul stage cultivator, while some of those monsters at the very top of the rankings were even rumored to have exceeded that level.

Although Shun Long and Jiang Chen were both rumored to have immortal-grade bloodlines, they could only use their bloodlines for a limited amount of time and most disciples usually wouldn't even use their bloodlines during the Martial Roll of Honor tournament in the first place.

"The top 1000 is too difficult for you right now, but I still have faith that you can reach it in the next 3 or 4 years if you are lucky enough. As long as you reach the peak of rank 9 in the Nascent Soul

and you deepen your comprehension in the Dao of Space, I believe you will even have a chance to enter the top 500 rankings as well!"

Elder Teng then threw one last look at Liu Mei and the others and nodded his head towards them, before he turned around and soared in the sky above the arena.

He understood that for a faction that had 4 personal disciples of the inner court Elders as its members, it was only a matter of time until it started to make waves within the Holy sect.

After today, now that Shun Long's faction had entered the top 300, apart from those strongest factions at the top 20, every other faction within the sect would start paying attention to them.

After all, in Elder Teng's eyes, it wouldn't be more than 10 years until Shun Long's group managed to challenge some of the factions at the top 100!? In the eyes of a peak-stage Dao King who had lived for tens of thousands of years, 10 years were nothing more than a single cultivation session.

Shun Long then turned his attention towards Jiang Chen and the rest and said

"Let's go back to the Golden Treasures Hall first. There is less than a month left until the Martial Roll of Honor tournament begins."

Liu Mei and the others all nodded their heads as they followed Shun Long out of the arena.

As their group left the arena, the eyes of the 50.000 outer court disciples in the audience seats were almost all focused on the yellow-robed Jiang Chen!

For an outer court disciple to have both an immortal-grade bloodline and a powerful unique physique, there was no doubt that his name was going to spread throughout the outer court, attracting the attention of plenty of powerful outer court disciples!

Of course, the reason why Jiang Chen had decided to reveal his Eternal Darkness unique physique today wasn't a spur of the moment decision.

Jiang Chen had already talked with Shun Long about this matter the night before. It wasn't just him, but Bai Longtian as well who was also planning to reveal his unique physique during this faction war... of course, that was only if 'senior brother Wong' had managed to get past Liu Mei's undead army and reach them.

Jiang Chen knew that even with his current strength, as long as he didn't use his immortal-grade bloodline of the Demonic Crow of Darkness and if he didn't reveal his Eternal Darkness unique physique, it would be almost impossible for him and Xingyi to defeat Peng Chao.

After all, Peng Chao wasn't just a peak rank 8 Nascent Soul stage cultivator, but he was also someone ranked within the top 2000 in the Martial Roll of Honor rankings.? His strength was said to be above most peak rank 8 Nascent Soul stage cultivators, and was even nearing the strength of some of the outer court disciples who had stepped into the early rank 9 of the Nascent Soul as well.

Even though he was ranked among the weaker outer court disciples in the top 2000 and was near the bottom of the rankings, Peng Chao was still strong enough to destroy a normal faction at the top 1000 all by himself.

With this thought in mind and since everyone knew that the top factions would become increasingly stronger as they move up in the faction rankings as well, Shun Long understood that Jiang Chen revealing his unique physique was going to happen sooner or later.

Besides, since they were all going to enter the Martial Roll of Honor tournament a month later, there wasn't much point for Jiang Chen to keep his unique physique hidden any longer unless he wasn't planning to fight at full strength.

However, even with his unique physique and his immortal-grade bloodline, Jiang Chen knew that his chances of entering the top 1000 rankings in the Martial Roll of Honor were still going to be extremely low.

Sometime later, Shun Long's group arrived in front of a huge, luxurious building, that had its 2 golden doors wide-open, as countless outer disciples were coming and going from its entrance at all times.

With a smile on his face Shun Long stepped past the entrance as he entered inside the Golden Treasures Hall, while Liu Mei and the rest all followed behind him.

Jiang Chen, Bai Longtian, and Xingyi, all had excited looks on their faces, as they all knew the reason why Shun Long had come to the Golden Treasures Hall today!