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After some calculations, Su Yu realized that he could probably get around 8,000 merit points from this. If he was lucky, he might even get more than 10,000 merit points.

Earning money...seemed to be very easy! He only needed to kill five Skysoars and money would start falling into his lap!

In reality, for many people, this was a feat they wouldn't be able to achieve even after working a lifetime for it. Even an early-stage Cloudbreach cultivator would not dare to guarantee that they would be able to take the five of them down.

And even if such a person did manage to take the five down, they would not receive a gift of 5,000 merit points from Zhang Zhonghe. Su Yu did not mind handing those people to Zhang Zhonghe at all. He was more than happy to exchange them for money.

As for Xia Huyou...he was sure that Xia Huyou was definitely paying close attention to Zhang Zhonghe. Thus, Su Yu was not worried about anything. The Zhang Family wouldn't be able to escape the Xia Family if they decided to try something funny.

As for what Zhang Wu had said after being captured, Su Yu really didn't care. It no longer mattered. The truth would eventually eventually be unveiled now that Zhang Wu was in Zhang Zhonghe's hands.

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Before long, they reached the main city's gate.

After straightening his clothes, Su Yu strode forward with the earthdragon beast's reins in hand and the beast behind him. Under the dark night, his fluttering white outfit made him look incomparably graceful and elegant.

His white outfit was perfectly clean.

During his fight with the two Skysoars, some blood had splashed onto his white outfit. But he had used the blood character to clean himself. At the moment, he looked nothing like the wild and tyrannical warrior he was earlier. The source of this content no/v(el)bi((n))

Beside Su Yu, Zhang Hao had complicated emotions. Cupping his hands together, Zhang Hao said, "Let's separate here. We don't want others to start guessing the relationship between us."

"Take care, Brother Zhang."

Su Yu smiled, "If you're willing, can you help me fan the public opinion in the academy? It has nothing to do with the events today. You must be aware of what the Foreign Students Faculty has been doing recently. Help me fan the hatred of the masses toward the foreign students. Those foreign students should die. They must die. We can't trust anyone except our fellow humans."

"In short, make everyone think that it doesn't matter even if those foreign students die. Make everyone believe that those foreign students have definitely arrived at the Human Realm with ulterior motives."

"But how about Principal Wan's policies?"

Su Yu said, "It's fine. I doubt Principal Wan would care. Those students will be protected within the academy. But outside the academy...who cares?"

Zhang Hao's flickered as he realized something. He nodded and said, "If you're really doing this, you should take along a few of your own people as well. Or you can take along people who appear to be your enemy but are actually your friends. These people can serve as your witness."

"That will be quite dangerous."

"It's fine. If you require my help, I am willing to do it."

Zhang Hao said, "By the way, what happened earlier will be exposed sooner or later. We can try to release some news in advance. You can say that the Martial Dragon Guards were the ones who had dealt with the Zhang Family. Or blame it on someone else. Just insist that the Zhang Family tried to harm you."

"Since that's a branch family of our Zhang Family, it will be normal for the two of us to be enemies."

Su Yu nodded with a smile before waving at Zhang Hao.

The two separated.

There was no doubt that the events of the day would be exposed sooner or later. Just the sharp increase of his total earned merit would invite a lot of suspicion.

"Fatty Xia..."

With a smile, Su Yu muttered, "Fatty Xia was with me. His people defeated the opponents, but I was the one to land the last hit and kill the opponents for the merit points. Would anyone believe this?"

He took out his voice transmission talisman.

After a short while, Xia Huyou was carried over by an old man. While panting heavily, he said, "I was busy! Why did you call me here?"

"Enter the city with me." Su Yu smiled, "As good brothers, we naturally need to enter the city together. We met each other while returning. You even saved me from an attack and gave me a chance to be rewarded with a large sum of merit points. It is only natural that we enter the city together after that."

"..."

Xia Huyou blanked out slightly, but when he realized what was happening, he cursed, "Fuck! Who are you plotting against this time? Your heart is too dark!"

Su Yu laughed, "What are you talking about? I will never plot against a fellow human. I only plot against those I don't consider human. And I don't consider anyone harboring malice toward me human. I am a genius. I am a research genius. My existence will benefit Great Xia. My dearest Prince Xia, I believe you're aware of this. Only by treasuring talent will Great Xia remain standing for a long time to come."

Xia Huyou curled his lips. Those words...were right.

But the issue here was this fellow's tendency to create massive troubles. It was only a matter of time before a mess too big for them to clean up appeared.

Xia Huyou moved on from the topic and asked in astonishment, "You're incredible. Did you do that?"

In truth, Xia Huyou was in the area earlier. But he was not near enough to get a clear look at what happened.

Su Yu...had killed two Skysoars.

The hell?

This fellow was getting a tad bit too scary.

Su Yu said, "You would have been able to do it as well. With so many apertures, what's the big deal with killing some garbage Skysoars?"

"People like us could already be considered ninth-stage Skysoars with sufficient willpower. What's the big deal about killing some garbage warrior with 60 acupoints?"

"..."

Xia Huyou was completely speechless. The mouth of the old man twitched as he flickered and vanished. He decided to stop listening to them. Two Mental Tempering Stage students were claiming that killing Skysoars were easy. Not even a Mountainsea could avoid feeling discouraged after hearing that.

Su Yu didn't mind the old man. Since that person was here with Xia Huyou, he was probably someone directly answering to the Xia Family. This was either a member of the Xia Family or a loyal general under them. When one was in Great Xia, one would not want the Xia Family as their enemy. One would only die a terrible death.

Xia Huyou didn't feel like saying anything else. He hopped onto the earthdragon beast. Su Yu did the same.

The earthdragon beast started running. Before long, they were within the main city. Even at night, the city was still bustling with activity. This main city could actually be considered a city that never sleeps.

Seated atop the earthdragon beast, Su Yu and Xia Huyou were conversing with soft voices.

While chatting, Su Yu did not forget to smear some blood on Xia Huyou's body. Xia Huyou would take the credit for defeating those Skysoars while he would be the one to receive the merit points.

"As for Old Man Zhang Zhonghe, it doesn't matter if he is problematic or not. It is still a good idea to perhaps revise his position for now."

Su Yu smiled, "This is only a suggestion. In any case, the Zhang Family had given our dear Prince Xia a scare. They should receive a punishment, right?"

Xia Huyou grumbled, "Su Yu, you weren't such a big schemer before."

Su Yu smiled, "No. I am only acting in accordance with the circumstances. Also, the academy's environment is not one that a pure-hearted person can survive. You need to either go with the flow or truly learn what survival of the fittest means."

Xia Huyou was left speechless. That was actually true.

In the cultural research academy, one would need to adapt quickly and blend into the existing culture of the academy. Otherwise, one would become an outlier and life would become harder and harder for that person.

One would only be exempted from that if one had a sufficiently strong backer. Otherwise, just go with the flow. The academy was filled with schemers who wouldn't hesitate to plot and scheme for the downfall of their competitors.

Su Yu smiled. He was in a good mood.

He asked, "By the way, have you purchased the blood essence I ordered?"

"I'm still working on it."

"How much would it cost?"

"A few of the blood essence types are quite expensive, especially the celestial dragon blood essence. That is a race comparable to the divines and the devils. They are the kings of the dragon race. To get their blood essence, you need luck. If you're lucky, you can get a drop for a few hundred merit points. If

you're unlucky, the blood essence can be as expensive as a drop of divine or devil blood essence."

"What's your estimated total price?"

"Around 2,000 merit points."

That was expensive.

Su Yu was stunned speechless. After a while, he said, "Come on, just make it 1,900 merit points. Including what I owe you from before, I'll owe you a total of 3,000 merit points. I will pay you back when I manage to get some money. Don't worry. I always pay my debts."

Su Yu would definitely repay some of his debt after getting his money. After all, repaying his debt to Xia Huyou would only allow him to borrow even more in the future. As for his debt to Zheng Yunhui...he would have to wait and see. If he really couldn't find some excess money, he would forget about that debt.

The Pure Source Art was enough as a repayment to the Zheng Family. And it was also a good thing to let the Zheng Family be the ones to spread this art. It would be too risky for Su Yu to actually auction the art out himself as that would attract too much attention to him.

While he was thinking about all sorts of things, he suddenly felt the deceit character showing signs of breakthrough.

What?

Holy shit!

What was the meaning of this?

He was only thinking about some stuff when this character wanted to break through out of nowhere.

At the moment, his blood, lightning, and kill characters had reached the second tier. The saber, break, battle, and deceit characters were on the verge of breakthrough. As for the fire character, it was still not showing any signs of advancement.

Before long, Su Yu would be someone with seven second-tier characters.

The deceit character seemed to be catching up with the older characters quickly. In fact, it had already grown a lot after absorbing the intent of the destroyed Sunmoon characters previously. Su Yu had not expected this character to start its advancement after his battle with the Skysoars.

It was unfortunate that the timing made it seem like he had caused the character to advance due to the schemes he was plotting. He was definitely not that type of person. This character was deliberately making him look bad.

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While Su Yu was on his way back to the academy.

A piece of news started spreading in the capital.

Genius Student Su Yu was attacked outside the main city.

Five Skysoars had attacked. Two were killed on the spot while three were arrested. At present, nobody knew if the attackers were cultists or some other people.

Before long, a second piece of news spread. Those idiots seemed to have attacked when someone from the Xia Family was present. Thus, those people had basically thrown their lives away. How idiotic!

They made the move when there was someone from the Xia Family around? Were they tired of living?

Due to this incident, Xia Huyou, who was relatively unknown before this, gained a little bit of fame. So there was this person called Xia Huyou in the Xia Family? The upper echelons of the city knew that he was Xia Longwu's son, but a lot of people were not even aware of his existence.

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Great Xia, inside a hidden chamber.

An old man was seated silently. Suddenly, his voice transmission talisman vibrated.

"Those fools. Why did they attack while Xia Huyou was there? Absolute idiots!"

The old man was furious. That was too idiotic. Of course, he also knew that those people couldn't be blamed. Xia Huyou's identity was top secret. Very few people knew about him. And even the few cultists who were aware of it wouldn't speak of it to their subordinates.

As far as those people were concerned, Xia Huyou was just a student. They probably believed that they could just kill Xia Huyou during the job.

Alas, disaster had descended upon them. Trouble was coming. If the Xia Family was angered, this would get very troublesome. The old man had not expected that Su Yu would actually travel alongside Xia Huyou.

"Cease all our operations. Go into hibernation mode. Erase all our connections to Zhang Wu's group. Zhang Zhonghe is investigating this matter to clear his own name. Find a chance to get rid of Zhang Wu's group. Don't give them the chance to speak...wait, scratch that. We shouldn't take this risk. The Xia Family might be waiting for us to make a move. Let them be. Even if they talk, it will be pointless. Pull back and stop all our operations for now."

The old man ordered promptly, but he still felt terrible. They had lost five Skysoars. And these were all agents that had stayed undercover for many years. This was a big loss.

"Increase Su Yu's threat assessment. After this failed attempt, he will be much more careful in the future." They would adjust the threat level and allow only those at the Cloudbreach Realm and above to accept the mission about Su Yu. The reward would also be increased by 5,000 merit points. The Xia Family had probably gotten close to Su Yu due to his talent, but it was also likely that the Xia Family was protecting him because they actually believed that Su Yu might be successful in discovering this source soul acupoint.

One order after another was given by the old man.

Su Yu's threat assessment in the cult was raised.

Su Yu would be on high alert after this. Thus, they would need to be generous and raise the bounty for the kid to 13,000 merit points.

Sure, Su Yu wasn't the person who had defeated the five Skysoars, but the old man had to admit that at the very least, this Su Yu was very lucky.

And luck was also a part of one's ability.

Since even five Skysoars had failed to take Su Yu, it could only mean that this wasn't something Skysoars could do. They should move on and let Cloudbreach cultivators attempt it. As for Mountainseas, these individuals were too conspicuous. They weren't suitable for this mission.

"Su Yu will probably hide in the academy for a long time after this..."

That was the message the old man received.

After a short silence, the old man replied, "That's not necessarily true. Wait and see. There is no rush. The source soul acupoint theory has just been proposed. How can there be a result so quickly? People only look highly on Su Yu because of the number of acupoints he has opened..."

No new messages came. The old man was right. There was no rush.

This research project was simply too difficult. Even if Su Yu was a genius, he could very well stay stuck for a decade or so without making any progress.

After thinking about it, the old man said, "Su Yu's father is in the Devil Subduing Army. What race is the Devil Subduing Army facing recently? Try to contact them and get them to capture his father. This will serve as our backup plan. After all, if Su Yu really manages to produce something out of his research center, Great Xia will instantly take control over him and his research center. At this time, our backup plan will come into play."

"Alright."

After giving that last order, the old man exhaled in relief.

In fact, it would also benefit them if Su Yu was successful in the research. After all, the cultists were also humans. And they would also be able to cultivate that acupoint once discovered.

But they absolutely needed to ensure that the Great Xia wouldn't obtain the research results or Great Xia would turn into an even more troublesome opponent.

Chapter 512: Double Wu Acupoint Fusion Art (1)

Great Xia Cultural Research Academy.

Not long after Su Yu's return, news of the attack on him started spreading among the more well-informed students.

Source Soul Research Center.

The people there were also well-connected. Jiang Mu frowned and said, "These cultists are getting more and more gutsy."

"We don't even know if they really are cultists." Su Yu smiled and placated them, "It's fine. Look at me. I'm perfectly uninjured."

Wu Jia was furious, "Junior Brother, we need to tell Teacher and Grandteacher and get them to do something about it. Are we going to let those bastards target you all the time?"

"I'm fine." Su Yu said, "I didn't even notice what happened. All I heard was a crack. By the time I looked over, Xia Huyou's guard had already defeated them."

He sighed and added, "Xia Huyou keeps claiming that he's from a branch family. I honestly can't believe that. He even has a Mountainsea acting as his guard."

Hu Qiusheng had an odd look in his eyes. Was Su Yu really not aware of Xia Huyou's identity? That fellow was definitely not from a branch family. Yet Su Yu was treating that fatty like the fatty was his own grandson. Thus, Hu Qiusheng really wasn't sure if Su Yu knew about Xia Huyou's identity or not. He had yet to receive any news about what had happened during the attack.

After a while, he said, "Just be careful for now. Try to not leave the academy unless absolutely necessary."

"I know." Su Yu smiled, "I'm not planning to go out anymore. By the way, since all of you are here, let's stop talking about this boring topic. I need your help with something."

"There is a plant with three blue leaves..."

"Three blue leaves? Are you talking about the skystar flower?"

Su Yu blanked out. How was she even aware of something like this?

When he looked at Wu Lan in astonishment, her face turned smug as she said, "Why are you looking at me like this? I saw this plant before. It has three blue leaves. Upon reaching maturity, a skystar flower will bloom on it. It's very pretty."

"Do you have a picture of it?"

"I'll try to look for it. I think you can find it in the plant encyclopedia."

Wu Lan ran upstairs. Shortly after, she returned with a massive book. She handed the book to Su Yu and said, "There are 12 volumes of the plant encyclopedia. I've only read a few of them. Take a look. Is this the plant you're looking for?"

Su Yu flipped through the pages before stopping at the page introducing the skystar flower.

The plant in the picture was exactly the same as what he saw in the memory fragment.

But when he checked the location where these flowers could be found, he frowned. The scope was still too large. These flowers could be found in eight prefectures.

They could be found in Great Xia as well, but they could also be found in the nearby prefectures. Great Ming, Great Shang, Great Xia...

Nevertheless, Su Yu was still certain that the hidden treasure would not be too far away from Great Xia as these flowers did not exist in the prefectures that were too far away.

That had narrowed down his search.

He wasted no time and said, "I'm also looking for a tree with watermelon-like fruits on it. These fruits are massive and there are stripes on it..."

After finishing his description, Wu Lan raised her hand like an eager student and hurriedly said, "I know, I know! It's the nine-striped fruit! There are nine stripes on each fruit, right?"

"..."

Looking at the smug expression on Wu Lan's face, Su Yu blanked out.

Amazing. This lass was fighting to answer his question. Did she misunderstand that this was a test or something?

He asked, "Where can these fruit trees be found?"

"Great Ming, Great Xia, and Great Shang."

"Incredible!"

Su Yu praised her.

He then described yet another plant, "There is another tree. This isn't a fruit tree..."

Before he could finish, Wu Lan asked, "Is there any reward for getting all the answers right?"

"..."

Did she think that this was a game?

Su Yu was speechless. But he still flashed a smile and said, "Yes. I will keep asking. The one to get five questions right will be given the opening method of one aperture."

"..."

Everyone looked at him with stupefaction. He calmly said, "This is your employment benefits. Don't look at me like this. As a new research center, we lack money, but we're not poor. To encourage the staff of this research center, I have decided to hold some quizzes every now and then. And those capable of getting the answers right will naturally be rewarded."

Unlike everyone else, Wu Lan exclaimed in excitement, "You're using apertures as the reward? Those are the apertures we can open with our current cultivation level, right?"

"Yeah."

"What are you waiting for? Ask away!"

"..."

Meanwhile, Hu Qiusheng and the others were getting totally speechless. Was she not curious about the origin of that aperture opening method instead? Uhm...yeah, she seemed to lack any curiosity about that. But at this point, even Zheng Yunhui, Hu Qiusheng, and Jiang Mu were paying full attention to Su Yu's question.

Holy shit!

He should have told them earlier about the reward! They would be a lot more enthusiastic in answering him if they had known about it!

With a smile, Su Yu continued, "A fruitless tree that is very tall. It's about seven to eight meters tall with lotus-like leaves..."

"There are three plants matching your description!"

Hu Qiusheng hurriedly answered. But before he could finish, Wu Lan screeched, "I know the answer! Lotus sandal, orchid maple, or cloudleaf wood! Which is it? Are there spots on the trunk?"

"No..." Su Yu answered with a blank expression.

Wu Lan followed up with another question, "Are the leaves blue?"

"No..."

Wu Lan hurriedly said, "Then it's the lotus sandal tree! It can be found in Great Zhou, Great Ming, and Great Shang!"

"..."

Su Yu blinked and looked at Hu Qiusheng, who nodded helplessly. He knew the answer as well, but Wu Lan had not given him the opportunity to answer.

Su Yu asked, "What is the place with all three of these plants?"

"Great Ming."

Wu Lan continued answering before anyone could answer, "I even know a specific place that is not far from Great Xia. In fact, it's not far from your Nanyuan! It's a place called...Starfall Mountain!"

Wu Lan looked incomparably smug as she said, "This is my fourth correct answer. Continue!"

Su Yu had nothing to say.

Holy shit!

He was only casually asking to try his luck. Was he really going to find the place just like this? And that place was the Starfall Mountain!

"Wu Lan, how do you know all that?"

With a proud and happy expression, Wu Lan tried and failed to look humble as she said, "It's nothing special. I love reading about things like flowers and other plants. I always spend my free time reading about these. It's much more interesting than reading about beasts."

In other words, she was telling him to not ask her about beasts. She would not be able to answer anything.

"Is Starfall Mountain big?"

"Very." Wu Lan asked, "Does this count? Do you need to know the actual size of the mountain? I need to look around if you want to know the exact size..."

She was about to run off for an answer when Jiang Mu smiled and said, "The Starfall Mountain has a main peak and six minor peaks. You can reach it after traveling about 350 kilometers south of Nanyuan. That's actually a border region of two prefectures. It has a rough and mountainous terrain. With some wild beasts living there, that's a rather dangerous place. There are also bandits and even some cultists hiding there..."

Wu Lan looked grief-stricken. That was supposed to be her question! That fellow had snatched her question! Su Yu's heart thumped. Cultists? Was it the Divine Skywing Sect? Was it possible that this sect had been based near Great Xia in the first place?

That actually made a lot of sense. After all, the entire sect had participated in the attack against Great Xia. There were so many of them. For their movement to remain undetected, their base of operations was probably not too far from Great Xia.

The Starfall Mountain was a region that was not under the jurisdiction of any prefectures.

Su Yu was quite surprised that he was able to locate the place so quickly.

Incredible.

This research center of his was actually filled with geniuses. Oh, there were two exceptions: Zheng Yunhui who was staring at them blankly, and Wu Jia who looked completely confused. Those two had not been able to get a single word in. How pitiful.

Su Yu asked, "What's the biggest danger there? And what's the danger level?"

At this point, Hu Qiusheng looked at Su Yu in astonishment. He seemed to have realized something. Su Yu was trying to look for a place. And that place was the Starfall Mountain!

Jiang Mu smiled and said, "I'm not too sure, but the danger level there won't surpass the Mountainsea Realm. A Mountainsea level danger is already the highest level of danger classification. Generally, most threats of this level will be eradicated by the various prefectures once discovered."

Su Yu nodded.

Perhaps he could consider taking a trip to this Starfall Mountain.

Seeing that he had stopped asking his questions, Wu Lan gloomily asked, "Are you stopping?"

Quizzes were fun!

And she had only gotten four answers right so far. She still lacked one answer to get her reward.

Su Yu said, "Sure. I'll ask you one more question. One day, you leave on a mission in a team. Someone in the team wants to target you, but they lack the courage to kill you out of fear for your grandaunt. How should you force that person to make a move against you regardless of their fear?"

Wu Lan blinked. That was a very difficult question.

Some of them looked pensive, seemingly having realized something. Nobody said anything.

After a short while, Wu Lan asked, "Is this a treasure hunt or a combat mission?"

"Treasure hunt."

"Produce a great treasure that can tempt all of you. When there are only the two of you, that person will definitely not be able to resist making a move against you..."

But doing so will result in that person getting killed by my backer."

Wu Lan started having a headache. She said, "Make sure your backer is unaware of this mission or make it so that your backer can't touch the killer by providing proof that your death is not that person's proof."

"How should I do that?"

Wu Lan sank into thought again. At this time, Hu Qiusheng said, "As long as there are enough benefits, you don't need to provide any way for that person to deny their participation. They will act so long as there is no one else to witness it. Thus, the benefits offered are the most important. As long as the benefits are attractive enough, killing someone is nothing. As long as there is no witness, who can prove that the other person is the killer?"

Su Yu nodded in agreement. The benefits offered should be large enough.

After thinking about it, Su Yu asked, "What's the most tempting for some people?"

"Well, for the myriad races, the ancient ruins are probably what they want most," Hu Qiusheng answered. "Or something capable of changing the order of the world, such as our source soul acupoint, a method to restore our suppressive force, or..."

He gave a long list of examples.

Su Yu nodded, "What are the consequences if I kill her after that?"

"Watch out for the reprisals of her race, watch out for the anger of the foreign students who might join hands against you out of their shared hatred toward you..."

Hu Qiusheng had a profound smile on his face as he said, "You can take more foreign students with you. Some can be killed while the rest can be roped to your side. It is better to have foreign students serving as your witness than some humans. Just let some of them be the ones to prove that the person who had died deserved it."

"As long as they don't come from the same race, they will have their own agendas. If you can satisfy the benefits of some of them, you will be able to use them to deal with the rest of them. That way you can align the interests of some of them with yours and destroy their unity. It's not that complicated." Follow new chapters at (.)com

Su Yu looked at Hu Qiusheng with a smile. Hu Qiusheng was also looking at him with a smile.

As for Zheng Yunhui, after looking at the two, he looked up at the ceiling.

Was this proper?

These two were openly plotting Xia Qing's death. The only thing that was missing was the mention of Xia Qing's name. Was this really proper?

There were still some girls there.

Weren't they afraid of looking too treacherous in front of these girls?

But when he looked at the two girls...fine. Continue on. The two girls were completely clueless. They were still thinking that Su Yu and Hu Qiusheng were discussing a hypothetical situation.

Before long, Su Yu moved on from the topic and said, "Wu Lan, I will give you a pass. Getting four answers right is actually quite impressive. And you have also provided some thoughts for the final question. You will be given the opening method of one aperture. Keep working hard. If you contribute more to the research center, I won't be stingy with the rewards."

Wu Lan was pleased. She had been rewarded! She felt even more motivated to work harder for the research center.

Su Yu smiled and stopped talking. As for the matter of the attack on him earlier, everyone seemed to have forgotten about it.

They all tacitly agreed to accept the explanation that Xia Huyou had killed the attackers.

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The attack on Su Yu could be considered a major incident, but it also couldn't be considered major.

After all, Su Yu had survived the attack without any injury. Instead, the five Skysoars were defeated. Great Xia was in the middle of investigating the incident while the three survivors had been dragged to the Myriad Race Pit before being executed. Exposed cultists couldn't even be used as bait.

Thus, Great Xia would not keep these cultists around for long and would execute them immediately. Those who had been discovered and not exposed would be kept around as bait to fish out the more important members of the cult.

Su Yu's life returned to normal.

As far as the public knew, the only change was a tiny conflict that had erupted between Su Yu and Zhang Hao.

And the reason for that was the fact that the people who had attacked Su Yu were actually members of a branch family of Zhang Hao's family.

According to the rumors, Zhang Family insisted that those people were merely common criminals who had gotten too greedy instead of cultists. But Su Yu had insisted that they were cultists. That resulted in the death of those people and a punishment to the head of the Zhang Family from his superior.

If the attack was merely a regular robbery, it wouldn't implicate the Zhang Family. But since they were being treated as cultists, it had brought some trouble to the Zhang Family. Even though the family head promptly dealt with them, Su Yu had still complained to Xia Huyou and insisted that those people were cultists.

That was the main reason for the execution of the attackers as cultists.

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Su Yu allowed the rumors to spread.

He did nothing. All these plotting and scheming were not for the sake of killing someone. His sole goal was to grow stronger. After receiving the blood essence he had asked Xia Huyou to gather, he started consuming the blood essence. More pages were activated and more abilities were tested.

Apart from the cultivation methods of the myriad races, Su Yu was also testing the cultivation methods of the human race. Since he had opened a large number of acupoints, most cultivation methods wouldn't pose much issue for him as his opened acupoints would overlap with their required acupoints.

And if he was a few acupoints short, he could easily open them.

With the Body Strengthening Art, opening new acupoints was not an issue for him.

In the blink of an eye, five days passed.

Chapter 513: Double Wu Acupoint Fusion Art (2)

15th of November.

Six days after the research center was founded.

Su Yu had opened 308 acupoints. After trying out numerous cultivation methods, he found that some of them were able to slightly increase the speed of acupoint fusion. At this point, he had fused four of his acupoints.

If he followed his original speed of one acupoint every three days, he should have fused only two acupoints after a week. But he had actually increased his speed. This proved that some cultivation methods were indeed capable of increasing the speed of acupoint fusion.

"The human race's Acupoint Fusion Art and Fusion Sutra are decent auxiliary techniques. They respectively require 15 and 24 acupoints."

"The flying eagle race's Two Extremes Separation is also decently useful, requiring only 28 acupoints."

"The red toad race's Acupoint Assembly Art is also quite useful, requiring only 22 acupoints..."

Su Yu sank into thought as he evaluated the cultivation methods that could assist with acupoint fusion. There were actually a lot of cultivation methods capable of helping with acupoint fusion in existence.

For example, the Two Extremes Separation and Acupoint Assembly Art could probably be sold for a very good price as they required only a small number of acupoints. They were even better than some of the human race's own acupoint fusion methods.

They could help someone save at least a third of their time when fusing acupoints. But that still wasn't what Su Yu was looking for. It was still too slow. It was not efficient enough. Saving a third of one's time?

This was not enough to satisfy Su Yu. He wanted something capable of completely removing the repelling force. Only something like that was good enough in his eyes. As he thought about all that, a drop of golden blood appeared in his hand.

This was the last type of blood essence he had yet to test. It was the blood essence of the celestial dragon race. This one drop of Infinite Strength blood essence had a shocking price of 300 merit points. Su Yu had purchased three drops of them, spending over 900 merit points.

He knew the dragon language. And he had only received the celestial dragon blood essence not long ago.

"I have tried dozens of cultivation methods. Some have completely no effect on acupoint fusion. Very few cultivation methods are actually helpful. What about the celestial dragon race?"

He consumed the drop of blood essence with no hesitation. With his current physical strength, he could actually start consuming Skysoar blood essence. Infinite Strength blood essence could no longer put much pressure on his body.

Before long, a new page was activated on his book. This signified that the celestial dragon race had killed him in a dream before as well. Even now, Su Yu would still dream of getting killed by the myriad races. But the dreams were a lot more sparse nowadays. He would only get one occasionally.

He returned his focus to the book. A new page had opened.

Celestial dragon race (ninth-stage Infinite Strength)

Racial abilities: Break (activation with blood essence), Dragonsfury (activation with blood essence), Acupoint Flux (activation with blood essence)...

Foundation source art: Celestial Dragon Art (activation with blood essence)

Su Yu inhaled deeply in shock. This was the first time he had seen a race with so many abilities.

There were six of them in total. He did not pay much attention to the subsequent abilities, stopping after noticing the Acupoint Flux ability. Was that an acupoint fusion method?

It was actually a racial ability?

This signified that the celestial dragon race did not need to cultivate this method. They wouldn't even realize that they had such an ability. They would only know that they could fuse acupoints very easily. In their eyes, this was probably a result of their innate talent instead of a racial ability or cultivation method.

The celestial dragon race was actually born with such an ability.

"Acupoint Flux Art..."

Su Yu was getting excited. This was a top 10 race. The human race was the sole exception in the top 10. Apart from the human race, each of the other top 10 races had their own special abilities.

He still had two drops of celestial dragon blood essence. One of them would be used to activate the Acupoint Flux ability. The other would be used to activate the foundation source art, the Celestial Dragon Art.

As a top 10 race, this cultivation method should be quite powerful, right?

At the very least, it should be stronger than the Body Strengthening Art. Perhaps it could even help him open 144 new acupoints.

Su Yu did not hesitate and consumed a drop of blood essence. He was going to activate the Acupoint Flux ability first.

Instantly, he sensed something happening.

Inside his body, 32 acupoints had opened. These were all the acupoints that were more hidden compared to the others. And 9 of them were the acupoints that he had yet to open.

The instant the 32 acupoints opened, a suppressive force appeared in his body. This force was almost undetectable. Su Yu tossed everything out of his mind and started trying to fuse his acupoints.

And the moment he made his attempt, he was overjoyed. The repelling force had reduced significantly. Or to be precise, the hidden suppressive force generated by the 32 acupoints had suppressed the repelling force.

"At least two thirds of the repelling force has been suppressed."

Su Yu was pleased. It was actually amazing that two thirds of the repelling force had been suppressed. This was much better than all the other cultivation methods he had tried before this. With this cultivation method, it would save more than two thirds of one's time when fusing acupoints.

If the original suppressive force was 3, allowing one to fuse 1 acupoint in 3 days, then the current suppressive force would be 1.

But with a weakened repelling force, one would probably take only half a day to fuse an acupoint instead of an entire day. That was because with a weakened repelling force, the process would be easier and require a lower amount of source qi and willpower.

"Very good."

Su Yu was very happy. This was an excellent cultivation method. Previously, he would require around 45 days to finish a stage of Infinite Strength cultivation. But now, he would probably need around half a month.

After about half an hour, the power of the drop of blood essence was finally fully exhausted. Su Yu didn't mind. He was on the verge of fusing his fifth acupoint.

"I need to open nine acupoints to use this method..."

Suddenly, a thought appeared in his mind. He hurriedly gathered a few cultivation methods together and placed them in front of him. After taking a look at them, he muttered, "Of these methods, the celestial dragon race's method requires the highest number of acupoints. And the one with the lowest number of acupoints is the human race's Acupoint Fusion art. One requires 32 acupoints while the other requires 15 acupoints."

When Su Yu looked at the other cultivation methods again, his expression changed. Previously, it was not too obvious, but after using the Acupoint Flux Art, he had discovered that there was a high degree of overlap among all these cultivation methods.

"Therefore, the acupoints capable of suppressing the repelling force are fixed. Some of these acupoints are actually ineffective, but the ones that are overlapping are probably the effective ones."

With that discovery, Su Yu started going through all the cultivation methods he had tried before. He had a gleeful expression, looking like someone who had just discovered something precious. He felt like he had discovered a brand new world.

"A few select acupoints are probably capable of suppressing this repelling force. Perhaps I can try to derive a better art through the Acupoint Flux Art. Generally, 36 acupoints would be the most suitable number for an art. But the Acupoint Flux Art only has 32 acupoints, so there is probably still some room for improvement..."

"And there are probably some unnecessary acupoints in the Acupoint Flux Art as well...Perhaps I can add some of the acupoints from the other methods into this method..."

"..."

Su Yu muttered to himself in mad joy. Not all cultivation methods in existence were perfect.

For example, Hu Qiusheng had once improved a cultivation method by removing an unnecessary acupoint from it. And Su Yu was someone who knew a lot more about cultivation methods than his peers.

After all, he had cultivated dozens of acupoint fusion methods of the myriad races. In the course of cultivating these methods, he had discovered some

well-hidden acupoints that would probably be extremely hard to discover through normal means.

In truth, what he was currently doing couldn't be considered the creation of an original cultivation method. Rather, he was modifying and improving existing cultivation methods.

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After about four hours.

Su Yu had drawn a new acupoint chart on a piece of paper. There were 36 acupoints on the paper. He had been trying to bring all the overlapped acupoints together while testing the other acupoints and removing the acupoints that did not seem too useful.

Ultimately, he was able to create a chart with 36 acupoints. The acupoints of the Acupoint Flux Art were also included in his chart with a few unnecessary acupoints removed.

"According to the convention, 36 acupoints is the perfect number for a cultivation method. With only 36 acupoints, the circulation path will not be too hard to deduce. After all, all the cultivation methods I've used to come up with this chart share similar circulation paths. But...will it be dangerous to try this out?"

Su Yu sank into contemplation. Although he had been very careful when coming out with this chart, this was still the very first cultivation method he had produced.

If there was a mishap and he ended up destroying some of his acupoints, it would be troublesome.

After a while, his eyes flickered.

"Zhou Hao!"

Should he find himself a test subject? He could have Zhou Hao test this new cultivation method for him! Zhou Hao had opened a lot of acupoints as well. Perhaps he would have a lot of overlap with this new cultivation method. Or perhaps he already had all the required acupoints opened. If some of his

acupoints ended up blowing up while trying the cultivation method, well, that would be his business.

In truth, Su Yu was still quite confident in this product of his. But he lacked the courage to actually test it out. If all 36 of the acupoints ended up destroyed, even if he could survive, he would probably be bedridden for half a year.

"Zhou Hao has cultivated the Thousand Mountain Art. Due to the powerful repelling force, acupoint fusion is almost impossible for him. If this cultivation method is effective, it will change his life. And if it works even on a cultivator of the Thousand Mountain Art, it will definitely be useful for anyone else."

In Su Yu's opinion, Zhou Hao was more suited to walk the path of a warrior. Sure, his willpower seemed to have grown slightly, but he was still stuck below the Mental Tempering Stage. That fellow had only been relying on his physical strength so far.

If they were to talk about willpower cultivation alone, even intermediate class students would look down on him. He was really not too talented in willpower cultivation. Or to be accurate, he had started his willpower cultivation too late. Like Su Yu, his willpower was rather tenacious, but it was too weak.

"That fellow is Xia Yuwen's student. He won't leak my cultivation method, right?"

This was another issue Su Yu was worried about.

Nevertheless, it was time for him to have a chat with Zhou Hao. He believed that Zhou Hao was the most suitable test subject. In fact, he could even get Zhou Hao to be the test subject when they found the source soul acupoint in the future. That fellow was truly too talented in terms of opening acupoints.

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According to the rumors, he had only been discovered by Xia Yuwen not long ago. Prior to that, he had never cultivated. He had taken only a short amount of time to open 144 acupoints and complete the cultivation of the Thousand Mountain Art.

Xia Yuwen was a terrible teacher. If Zhou Hao had been sent to a war academy, even if he had to restart his cultivation, it wouldn't take him long to reach the Infinite Strength or even the Skysoar Realm.

But instead, Xia Yuwen had brought him to a cultural research academy, completely wasting his talent. A lot of people felt regretful about this, but they couldn't do anything since this was Xia Yuwen's student.

"If that fellow is really sent to a war academy, he will be the next Huang Teng."

Huang Teng, a genius of Great Xia War Academy. The same genius who had beaten Bai Feng up several times.

This genius had long reached the Cloudbreach Realm. He was no longer in the academy. According to the rumors, this person had gone to the front line to participate in the battles there.

After a while, Su Yu reached a decision to have a chat with Zhou Hao. There was no need for him to take the risk himself. Who knew if he had deduced correctly?

What if some of the acupoints conflicted with each other and blew up as a result? Perhaps he should look for Teacher Zhao for a few simulated test runs first before testing it on Zhou Hao? Yeah, Su Yu was such a kind person. He should definitely reduce the risk for Zhou Hao if possible.

As for Zhou Hao, if he wanted to change his fate, he naturally had to take some risks. It was up to him whether he wanted to do it or not. Su Yu believed that Zhou Hao would most likely agree. That was a person who could be ruthless to himself.

"Since there is a new cultivation method, I need to give it a name."

Su Yu rubbed his chin as he sank into thought. After a while, he grinned in amusement as he muttered, "Let's call it the Double Wu Acupoint Fusion Art. Senior Sister and Wu Lan will be very happy. They will be even more willing to work for free..."

Su Yu was starting to know the two of them better nowadays.

They needed a lot of praise.

They needed a lot of coddling.

They needed a lot of compliments.

They needed to be told how amazing, incredible, and important they were. That way, they would feel good even if they were working for free. As long as they were happy, they would be willing to spend an entire life working for free.

Since a cultivation method that could change the path of human cultivation was named after them, they would probably go crazy from joy. The more Su Yu thought about it, the more he had to resist the urge to laugh.

Was that too mean of him?

Not only was he making them work for free, he was actually making them pay him to work for free. And that was not enough as he was also trying to make them happily do all of that. Sigh. That was really too mean. He almost felt bad for them.

"I'm doing all this for the rise of the human race." Su Yu muttered to himself. He was doing this for humanity. As a researcher, he needed to be firm.

As for the matter that some people were paying to work for free...well, it was fine as long as he himself wasn't the one doing that. What could he do if his senior sister and Wu Lan were happy to do so?

In reality, for a lot of people, having such a monumental cultivation method named after them was something worth an entire lifetime of labor.

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Zhao Li's research center.

Su Yu was there again.

Zhao Li wasted no time. The moment he invited Su Yu in, he shut the door and turned on the formation to forbid all spying attempts.

"Speak. Why are you here."

This kid would never visit him for no reason. And surprisingly, this was what Zhao Li liked most about the kid. Why the hell would he want the kid to visit him for no reason? To fawn on him? What a waste of time. The kid was better off using the time to read a book or cultivate more.

"Teacher, I have a question. What is the level of your physical cultivation?"

"Cloudbreach. Why?" Zhao Li said, "For physical cultivation, one will cleanse their marrows and transform their bones at the Skysoar Realm. At the Cloudbreach Realm, one's source qi will undergo nine transformations. I have undergone eight transformations, so I can be considered an eighth-stage Cloudbreach in regards to my physical cultivation."

He had rarely introduced his physical cultivation as cultural researchers did not care too much about their physical cultivator. Thus, for most people, he was known for his willpower cultivation, a seventh-stage Cloudbreach.

"Teacher, won't you reach the acupoint fusion stage of the Mountainsea Realm soon?"

Su Yu asked in astonishment, "Why don't you put more work into your physical cultivation and reach the Mountainsea Realm through it?"

Zhao Li rolled his eyes and said, "Who has the time and energy for that? Do you think everyone out there can maintain a similar level of willpower and physical cultivation like me? My physical cultivation is only at this level because my willpower cultivation has been stuck for too many years. Back when I was a ninth-stage Cloudbreach, my body was still at first-stage Cloudbreach."

"And back then, I hadn't even put much effort into my physical cultivation. My fused acupoints are too low in number. I entered the Infinite Strength Realm after fusing only eight acupoints. Without proper acupoint cultivation, it is almost impossible for me to enter the Mountainsea Realm and fuse my remaining acupoints into one."

Su Yu already guessed all that before coming. He had deliberately asked that question. After getting the answer he wanted, he spoke with an unfathomable tone, "Teacher, I have a way to help you reach the Mountainsea Realm through physical cultivation."

"Hmm?"

Zhao Li stroked his beard and asked, "Have you found the source soul acupoint?"

"No."

"How am I supposed to do it, then?"

"With an acupoint fusion method." Su Yu smiled smugly, "A week after its founding, the Source Soul Research Center has released its first result. We have produced an acupoint fusion method."

Zhao Li appeared uninterested. He said, "I already know something like this. Acupoint fusion methods aren't that rare at all."

"Our method is different from those trash methods you can easily find."

Yes. All those methods were garbage for him.

They only provided a tiny bit of increase in speed. But to do so, one needed to open more acupoints. It might not even be worth it. The time spent opening those new acupoints might even be longer than the time one could save with these methods. That was why most people were uninterested in these common fusion methods.

Zhao Li stared at the kid. What confident words. He had cultivated some of the publicly available methods himself. And he had to admit that although these methods weren't excellent, they were still slightly useful. And this kid was looking down on all those methods?

Even those so-called common methods were not that common at all. A regular person would not be able to find one even if they wanted to. Even Su Yu had only obtained his copies from Hu Qiusheng. The Hu Family was powerful enough to gain access to these methods.

"I'm telling the truth, Teacher. After going through dozens of fusion methods, I have created my very own method. This is the only fusion method in existence with 36 acupoints. Every single one of these acupoints is useful. There is not a single superfluous acupoint in this method."

Su Yu looked incomparably smug. That was the first cultivation method he had deduced himself. Although he had honestly only patched several methods together, that was still a showcase of his ability.

Zhao Li was somewhat speechless. He asked, "Are you sure? How's the effect?"

"I've never tried it."

"..."

Zhao Li was getting tired. This damn kid had never even used that method. Why was the kid bragging about it? What was the fucking point? He had plenty of cultivation methods with 36 acupoints. He could also take out a random cultivation method and claim that it was a fusion method. Who would believe it?

If it wasn't for the fact that this kid had been rather reliable in the past, he would have kicked the kid out of his research center long ago.

"I'm telling the truth!"

Seeing the look of disbelief on Zhao Li's face, Su Yu hurriedly said, "This isn't even the draft version. This is the improved version. I already tried a lot of versions. The best version prior to this is the one with 32 acupoints. With that version, I can suppress at least two thirds of the repelling force."

"Really?"

Zhao Li was finding that hard to believe. Capable of suppressing to thirds of the repelling force?

"There is no such cultivation method in the human race or the other races. Of course, there are some races out there with naturally low repelling force, such as the celestial dragon race."

According to Zhao Li's understanding, that was an innate talent. And that was what the celestial dragon race believed as well. They did not view that as a cultivation method. And they didn't have the cultivation method.

This was proof of how terrifying the golden book was. It had actually transformed an innate talent into a cultivation method. That was a feat that required an extremely deep understanding of the celestial dragon race. Perhaps only someone who had dissected tens of thousands of celestial dragons would be able to perform such a feat.

At times, Su Yu couldn't help but wonder if the previous owner of this golden book was someone who had dissected the myriad races countless times. How would this book know so much about the myriad races otherwise?

When Su Yu saw that Zhao Li was still doubtful, he took out a book and said, "I have yet to organize this into a proper cultivation method. I only have a diagram showcasing the acupoints and the circuit linking the acupoints. The

circuit is something I have deduced but never tried before. Can you take a look at it for me?"

"Sure."

Zhao Li did not say anything unnecessary and went deeper into the research center before taking a puppet out.

Su Yu blanked out.

Zhao Li nonchalantly said, "I destroyed the replica we made previously. In truth, the sea of willpower is very hard to replicate. But it's much easier when it comes to acupoints. Recently, I have been forging puppets that can emulate the acupoints in a human body..."

While talking, he dripped a few drops of source qi liquid onto the puppet's head. He said, "Point out the acupoints. All the common acupoints are already present on it. I will try to have the puppet circulate source qi through those acupoints in accordance with your cultivation method."

Su Yu was very impressed. This was incredible. How did Zhao Li come up with something like this? He did not hesitate and started looking at the acupoints present on the puppet.

"Teacher, how many acupoints have you installed on this puppet?"

"312." Zhao Li said, "These are all the acupoints I know, including the cultivation methods that I know but have not cultivated. I can say that these are all the acupoints the academy knows about. I have read almost all the cultivation methods in the academy records."

In fact, the longer one cultivated, the more overlap acupoints one would discover. And out of all the cultivation methods in the academy records, only 312 acupoints had been found. As for Su Yu, he had opened over 300 acupoints.

But since most of Su Yu's acupoints had been discovered through non-human cultivation methods, he actually had quite a lot of acupoints that did not overlap with the known human acupoints.

He was in no rush to point out the acupoints. Rather, he spent some time studying it. After a while, he appeared impressed as a lot of these acupoints

overlapped with what he already opened. But he also noticed that there were at least 20 acupoints on the puppet that he had yet to open.

"Teacher, how many acupoints are there in a human body?"

Zhao Li indifferently answered, "Either 360 or 720. Or maybe 1,080. In the path of cultivation, regardless of whether it is the opening of acupoints, apertures, or the forging of cultural weapons, 36 is the number to indicate the peak of a grade or class.

"This is not a number the human race had randomly decided on. Rather, it was a conclusion derived after countless tests in the past. This is the number that suited the human race the most when it comes to cultivation. A natural law, in a way."

Zhao Li smiled, "The Great Xia Cultural Research Academy has been in existence for hundreds of years. And Great Xia is one of the strongest human prefectures. Even so, we have only managed to gather the locations of 312 acupoints. From this, the human body likely has 360 acupoints in total. Of course, it is also possible that we're frogs in the well and there are a lot of undiscovered acupoints out there."

"Teacher, what do you think about me opening 360 acupoints?" The source of this content no/v(ell)bi((n))

In truth, there were more acupoints Su Yu could open, such as the acupoints required for the third level of the Time technique. Including the new acupoints he discovered from this puppet and the acupoints he discovered from the Acupoint Flux Art, he can probably open 40 new acupoints. That would push his total opened acupoints to about 350.

Su Yu said, "Teacher, after coming out with this new acupoint fusion method, I have been thinking about something. With 36 acupoints, a cycle can be formed. What about 360 acupoints? Can we form a large cycle with it?"

Su Yu continued muttering, "Based on my guesses, perhaps after opening 360 acupoints, all those acupoints will automatically link up and form a new cycle. That will result in the creation of a brand new cultivation method, one that surpasses everything, one that can utilize all 360 of the acupoints in the human body."

Zhao Li was left rather speechless. After a while, he said, "If there is really such a cultivation method, I guess you're the only one that can cultivate it. Remember this. Nobody will be able to help you test this cultivation method out. Why? Because since the beginning of human history, nobody has opened 360 acupoints ever."

Who would actually bother with opening so many acupoints?

Firstly, discovering those acupoints would be difficult. Without his book, Su Yu would only be able to open 312 acupoints even after learning all the cultivation methods at the Great Xia Cultural Research Academy.

Secondly, even knowing the locations of those acupoints, it was still too difficult to open them all. One would probably die from old age before opening them all.

Thirdly, not even a genius would do something like this. Only a lunatic would attempt it. How was one supposed to fuse all acupoints into one at the Mountainsea Realm after opening so many acupoints? The repelling force of all those acupoints would be crazy. In that situation, how was one supposed to even enter the Mountainsea Realm?

Su Yu did not seem to care. He had already opened so many acupoints. Why would he care about opening a few more?

"Well, I'm going to give it a try. But I still don't know 360 acupoints. I'll wait and see, I suppose."

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Su Yu was in no rush. He could first deal with the issue of acupoint fusion. It wouldn't be too late to open more at the Infinite Strength Realm. He stopped talking and hurriedly pointed out 36 acupoints on the puppet. He also gave Zhao Li an explanation of how these acupoints were supposed to be linked.

While controlling the puppet, Zhao Li said, "This is only a replica. I can only confirm that this cultivation method won't kill someone, but it's still hard to judge if it's really useful. I saw your deductions. It seems feasible as I don't see any issues. A truly good cultivation method will give someone a good impression with one glance. Everything will look smooth and logical and nothing will look out of place. This is the intuition of a strong cultivator."

Abruptly, the puppet started circulating source qi through the linked acupoints. A humming sound rang out. The 36 acupoints lit up one by one as the puppet started using the source qi within it.

1, 3, 7...

At the 35th acupoint, it blew up.

Su Yu was dumbfounded.

Zhao Li glanced at Su Yu and warned, "In the future, be careful with unknown cultivation methods. Something like this might happen."

This cultivation method was still imperfect. An explosion had erupted at the 35th acupoint. This signified that there was an issue with the circulation of source qi. But Zhao Li was already impressed that it worked up to the 34th acupoint. This was enough to prove that Su Yu was an exceptional genius.

Just how much knowledge did Su Yu have?

How many cultivation manuals had he read?

Thus, this was an extremely astonishing feat in Zhao Li's eyes. He had simply been hiding his admiration to prevent Su Yu from getting too arrogant. It wasn't like he had expected everything to work at the first attempt.

Creating a perfect cultivation method with 36 acupoints capable of suppressing the repelling force of acupoints in one try. How was that possible? Did the kid think that he was already a god?

The explosion was completely expected. In fact, at the 34th acupoint, Zhao Li was already on the verge of pulling his beard apart. He would probably go crazy if the explosion hadn't happened. Fortunately, an explosion had happened.

Su Yu frowned as he studied the puppet. He couldn't help but lament that Zhou Hao sure was lucky. Yes. Zhou Hao was the lucky person who had avoided using this imperfect cultivation method. Su Yu was certainly not going to try the cultivation method himself.

At first, he was very satisfied with his own deductions. He had intended to let Zhou Hao try it immediately. If it wasn't for the fact that Zhao Li had previously

helped him with his cultural arts, he wouldn't have thought of getting Zhao Li's help.

Thus, he could only praise Zhou Hao's luck. In Su Yu's opinion, Zhou Hao should thank his sense of responsibility and Zhao Li's puppet. Inwardly, Su Yu praised himself for his kindness. Who else would be kind enough to care about the well-being of their test subject like him? Follow new chapters at (.).com

"Teacher, at this point, there is still some repelling force. What do you think is the reason?"

Zhao Li was in no rush. Since the cultivation method had worked up until the 34th acupoint, it could only mean that this method was near completion. It wouldn't be too difficult to complete it.

After checking the puppet, Zhao Li altered the circulation path before installing a new acupoint to replace the one that had exploded. He said, "Give this a try. Also, if you need a puppet like this, you can take one back with you. Remember to not try random cultivation methods in the future. It's very dangerous."

"Thank you, teacher."

Su Yu did not bother asking about the price of the puppet. It was definitely not cheap.

Zhao Li was lacking in terms of merit points. But this old man was not lacking in terms of treasures and materials. If he was willing to sell his warehouse, he would probably be swimming in money.

While testing the new circulation path, Su Yu asked, "Teacher, if this works, you can give it a try. How many of these 36 acupoints have you opened?"

"24."

Zhao Li said, "At the Cloudbreach Realm, it is quite difficult to open 12 new acupoints. At my optimal state, I can probably open an acupoint per month if I'm lucky. I will need at least a year to open all the remaining ones."

"Don't worry about it. Which acupoints have you opened, Teacher? I have around 70 or 80 cultivation methods related to acupoint fusion in my

possession. Apart from this method, I have personally tested all the others. They are safe. You can pick a few suitable ones for yourself..."

"..."

Zhao Li did not feel like saying anything. The hell? How many acupoint fusion methods did this kid know? Around 70 or 80? And all of them could be used? Were there even so many acupoint fusion methods in existence?

"You tried all of them?"

"Yeah."

"You're not dead?"

"..."

Su Yu was speechless. What question was that? Of course he was still alive. He knew what Zhao Li was getting at, but he would only try cultivation methods he was confident in. With the guarantee of his book, he was not worried about those cultivation methods. Up until now, no mishap had happened.

"Teacher, tell me about the acupoints you know first..."

Bang!

Yet another acupoint exploded.

This time, the explosion happened at the 33rd acupoint. Zhao Li ignored Su Yu and checked the puppet while muttering, "One acupoint was linked wrongly. Kid, you sure are lucky to still be alive."

Meanwhile, Su Yu was once again praising Zhou Hao's luck. That fellow had avoided yet another troublesome version of this cultivation method.

While modifying the circulation path, Zhao Li said, "These are the acupoints I have opened. Take a look and see if there are any suitable cultivation methods for me..."

When Su Yu looked at the 24 acupoints, he grinned. Not bad at all. The red toad race's Acupoint Assembly Art would work.

The original Acupoint Assembly Art required 22 acupoints, but Su Yu had removed a few unnecessary acupoints from it, leaving only 18 acupoints behind. All 18 of them overlapped with Zhao Li's acupoints. The 4 that had been removed were useless. In Su Yu's opinion, this method would work even without them.

Of course, that would require a certain amount of work to deduce the way to operate the version with 18 acupoints.

But this was much easier as it only involved the removal of useless acupoints. If even Hu Qiusheng could do something like that, Zhao Li would be fine. After all, there was already a working template with 22 acupoints.

"Teacher, I have a cultivation method suitable for you."

Su Yu was in no rush to get Zhao Li to continue deducing his incomplete cultivation method. Instead, he pointed out 22 acupoints and said, "Teacher, this is a cultivation method I deduced previously. It has 22 acupoints, but I discovered a few superfluous acupoints. Of course, these 22 can work well in a proper system. But if you remove 4 acupoints for the most efficient system, you will have to deduce a new circulation path."

He then allowed Zhao Li to try the cultivation method on the puppet. All 22 acupoints were activated successfully.

Su Yu activated the same cultivation method with his own body as he said, "Teacher, look at this. These 22 acupoints can suppress the repelling force when working together. The effect is decent as it can suppress at least a third of the repelling force. You can try it out."

With a pensive look, Zhao Li said nothing and started making his own deductions based on the original template with 22 acupoints. Soon, he removed 4 acupoints from it. Having done that, he gave Su Yu a deep gaze and exhaled before saying, "You're a genius."

This was a true genius! Through his own deductions, Su Yu was right. This cultivation method would work even after removing the four acupoints. What did that signify?

Since Su Yu was able to pick 4 superfluous acupoints out of 22 acupoints, it could only mean that he had a deep understanding of cultivation methods and acupoints.

Su Yu smiled, "You praise me too much, Teacher."

Zhao Li ignored Su Yu. The original cultivation method was probably something Su Yu had obtained somewhere else. He was sure of that. It was impossible for Su Yu to come out with a completely original method. But the subsequent removal of the 4 useless acupoints was probably something Su Yu had done himself. But the new circulation path had yet to be deduced.

He finally realized something. Su Yu would only try out proper working cultivation methods himself. He would only come here when he encountered incomplete cultivation methods. Knowing the 18 usable acupoints and the original cultivation method, Zhao Li was able to quickly come out with a new version of the cultivation method. Shortly after, he tested it on the puppet. It worked perfectly.

Zhao Li was just about to try it on his own body when Su Yu said, "Teacher, let me give it a try. You're a Cloudbreach. If one of your acupoints ends up exploding, you'll need a few years to recover. For me, I only need a few months."

Before Zhao Li could say anything, Su Yu had activated 18 of his acupoints. Before long, all 18 of the acupoints lit up. Then, a suppressive force appeared.

Su Yu grinned, "Incredible, Teacher. You succeeded in one try. This works. It can suppress a third of the repelling force. Teacher, why don't we name this method the Zhao Acupoint Fusion Art?"

Even if Su Yu was going to spread his acupoint fusion methods, he would not spread the Double Wu Acupoint Fusion Art.

This method with the ability to suppress a third of the repelling force was already one of the best among the ones he knew. It required only 18 acupoints so most people would only need to open a few extra acupoints to use it as the rest would probably overlap with what they already opened.

Just this cultivation method alone would have an inestimable value.

Zhao Li glared at Su Yu before trying the cultivation method himself.

A short while later, he sighed.

He was really getting old.

He had to admit that.

This cultivation method was actually working very well. It had indeed suppressed the repelling force. Since he was a Cloudbreach, it did not manage to suppress a third of the repelling force, but it wasn't too far from that.

Su Yu said, "I have another cultivation method. I can suppress around two thirds of the repelling force. Teacher..."

Zhao Li glared at the kid. Just how many cultivation methods did this kid know? He even had enough to classify them into different classes?

A class with one third suppression, and another class with two thirds suppression? Did this mean that the incomplete cultivation method could very well suppress the entire repelling force?

Stop messing around!

Zhao Li did not think that his heart would be strong enough to take that shock. He was already old. The second cultivation method Su Yu mentioned was naturally the Acupoint Flux Art of the celestial dragon race.

Chapter 516: Classes (3)

Zhao Li said nothing and tried his new cultivation method one more time before saying, "Don't spread your cultivation methods so easily. I suggest that you only spread the one with 18 acupoints. As for the rest, forget about spreading them. Are you tired of living?"

Just imagine it. The Source Soul Research Center had only been founded for a week when the kid started throwing out dozens of acupoint fusion methods. Was the kid intending to crush all the other research centers?

Su Yu scratched his head and said, "But I need someone to test my new cultivation method. I won't dare to try it with my own body. Thus, I need to teach it to someone. I intend to work with Zhou Hao..."

"Xia Yuwen's student?"

"Yeah." Zhao Li thought about it and said, "He is indeed a suitable test subject. He has opened at least 144 acupoints. As someone cultivating the

Thousand Mountain Art, he will definitely rise abruptly the moment he solves the issue of his repelling force."

Zhao Li was very picky when judging others.

The fact that even he was praising Zhou Hao could only mean that Zhou Hao was truly terrifyingly talented.

"Since it's your own cultivation method, I won't stop you from doing what you want with it. Just think things through before doing anything. Do you want to rope him in or let nature take its course?"

Su Yu smiled, "I don't really care. As long as he doesn't leak it or end up turning against me in the future, it doesn't matter if he aligns with me or not."

Zhao Li nodded, "I can sense some thick demonic aura on you. Have you been staying with some demonic beasts recently?"

"Not really. I've been staying with a water elemental and a shadow. They have been protecting me recently, but they're currently in the research center."

Su Yu still knew what he should and shouldn't do. He would not keep the two beasts with him when he was researching these cultivation methods.

"Good. Don't expose everything. Also, don't look for me whenever you have a new cultivation method to deduce. I am not omnipotent."

In fact, Zhao Li was starting to feel that the more he knew about the kid, the more danger he was in. Some of this kid's secrets could really cause a lot of people to die.

Zhao Li sank into contemplation. After suppressing his repelling force, he would probably require half a year to open 12 acupoints. Then, he would be able to cultivate the acupoint fusion method with 36 acupoints. At that time, would he be able to fuse some of the acupoints he hadn't been able to fuse before and enter the Mountainsea Realm?

He would enter the Mountainsea Realm through physical cultivation. Zhao Li's emotions were complicated. That might really be possible. He would finally become a true Mountainsea, not through willpower cultivation, but physical cultivation instead.

Would anyone in his position dare to even imagine being able to reach the Mountainsea Realm?

He said nothing else and continued helping Su Yu with the acupoint fusion method.

Once, twice...

They only needed to get the last few acupoints linked properly, but it still took them a lot of time. After about a dozen failures, they finally reached the 35th acupoint. And next...the 36th acupoint lit up as well.

Su Yu was overjoyed while Zhao Li's emotions turned complicated again. After working on this cultivation method for so long, he was also confident that it would work.

Su Yu...might have really produced a cultivation method capable of removing almost the entirety of the repelling force of acupoints. It might not be able to remove all the repelling force for those in the Skysoar and Cloudbreach Realms, but it was still incredibly effective.

"What is the name of this cultivation method?"

"Double Wu Acupoint Fusion Art."

After thinking about it, Zhao Li laughed, "What a player."

"..."

Su Yu was completely lost. What was that reaction?

Zhao Li had a wide smile as he said, "Not bad, kid. Work hard. If you want, you can even get an upgrade from Double Wu to Triple Wu. Let me tell you something. Wu Yuehua's eldest niece is not bad as well. I really admire that girl. As a cultivator, you still want to find someone who can walk the path until the very end with you. You need someone who can fight and travel alongside you."

And the eldest daughter of the Wu Family had such potential. Su Yu was astonishingly talented, but so was she. She was probably already a Cloudbreach. And she was no ordinary Cloudbreach. Rather, she was a freak

Cloudbreach capable of fighting those at the fourth or fifth stage the moment she entered that realm.

By the time Su Yu reached the Cloudbreach Realm, she would probably be near the Mountainsea Realm. Of those from Bai Feng's generation, she was the only person Zhao Li looked highly upon. She would be a good match for Su Yu.

More importantly, the Wu Family was quite strong as well. Wu Yuehua herself was an eighth-stage Mountainsea while her mother was a Sunmoon. Zhao Li knew that old woman. She was extremely protective of her own. It would be nice for Su Yu to be her family. With the protection of a true Sunmoon, things might also be safer for Su Yu.

Wu Qi was a future Mountainsea. And she also had powerful parents and grandparents. And all of them were still alive. The Wu Family had multiple Mountainseas. That was a fact that Su Yu had completely neglected thus far.

If Wu Yuehua was talented enough to become a Mountainsea, how about her elder brother, who was Wu Lan's grandfather? Since both the Wu sisters were so talented, how about their parents? The Wu Family was one of the most powerful families in Great Xia.

That was a family with one Sunmoon, two Mountainsea cultivators, and three Cloudbreach cultivators...no, including Wu Qi, they had four Cloudbreach cultivators. Excluding Wu Qi, the other three Cloudbreach cultivators were all on the verge of entering the Mountainsea Realm. This was a truly powerful family.

Zhao Li patted the shoulder of the confused Su Yu as he sighed. It was time for the kid to find a backer. Sure, he had his teacher and grandteacher, but he might not be the sole student or grandstudent of them. But he could be the sole son-in-law of the Wu Family.

Work hard, kid!

The kid's future would be set if he could get the two daughters of the Wu Family as his wives. Perhaps the entire family would be his in the future. If he could be the Wu Family's son-in-law, he could probably do whatever he wanted in Great Xia as long as he didn't offend the Xia Family.

That was why Wu Lan had been fine despite how arrogant she was. Nobody could afford to provoke her family.

Even people like Hu Qiusheng and Wan Mingze would stay silent after being shown her nostrils. Why provoke her for no reason? Even Zhou Mingren had been scolded by her a few times. But look at how silent Zhou Mingren had been.

When Wu Yuehua involved herself in the affairs of the multiple character faction, it was rather improper for the Wu Family to get involved. But Wu Qi and Wu Lan were not involved. Thus, provoking them would be the same as provoking the Wu Family.

Meanwhile, Su Yu was completely uninterested in that. Even though he was able to slightly understand what Zhao Li was getting at, he couldn't be bothered to explain himself. He was too busy feeling excited about the completion of this cultivation method. It was time to have Zhou Hao test it out!

Women? Becoming a live-in son-in-law? Stop joking! His father would beat him to death! Sure, he had threatened his father with that before his father left, but he wasn't really going to do it. If he really did that...sure, his father was weak, but his father would still beat him to death.

At the thought of his father, it was Su Yu's turn to have complicated emotions. His father sure was weak. With one punch from him, his father would probably...cough, cough. He should stop entertaining these thoughts.

But his father was really too weak. Imagine only opening 36 acupoints. Su Yu felt like he could open 36 acupoints as easy as a taking walk in the park.

That was too weak.

Maybe he should find some time to visit his father. Perhaps he could give his father a better cultivation method. But for now, he had to first visit Zhou Hao. He was getting impatient to test out his brand new cultivation method.

He could already see the Infinite Strength Realm beckoning at him.

"I'll be taking my leave, Teacher. I need to see Zhou Hao..."

Looking at Su Yu who was rushing out of the research center, Zhao Li didn't know whether to laugh or cry. He said nothing and punched the puppet into pieces before burning the pieces into nothingness.

Suddenly, he snorted after scanning his surroundings. He said, "Wan, stop spying on my place. I already have my formation up. Why are you still trying to pry on me? Do you think I can't sense it?"

A short while later, a burst of laughter rang out, "You misunderstand me."

"Heh."

Zhao Li sneered and said, "It's not like I don't know about the thing you planted in Su Yu's body. Why did you do that?"

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"More like to monitor him."

"There is no need for me to do that." Wan Tiansheng said, "As a genius, he naturally requires more protection. As long as he doesn't go into places he shouldn't be at or enter the area under an Invincible's influence, I can instantly fish him out of trouble. Isn't this good for him?"

Zhao Li didn't deign to give a reply. He started cleaning the room. Suddenly, he asked, "Just what are you planning? Back then, Ye Batian's death was too suspicious. Why are you still being so reckless?"

Ye Batian.

Also known as the fifth principal.

That was someone from the same generation as Zhao Li. As the son of the fourth principal, Zhao Li's relationship with the fifth principal was decent.

Wan Tiansheng laughed, "I'm not doing anything. I'm putting all my effort into training new students, drinking tea, gardening, and living a semi-retired life. Zhao Li, when are you changing your terrible temper? If you want to fix that earth-grade weapon of yours, I can help you with it..."

"No thanks." Zhao Li sneered, "We don't see eye-to-eye. I don't need your charity. Your heart is not in the right place. Today, you can give me this help.

Tomorrow, my family's Source Qi Secret Grotto might be yours. I won't accept your help. The grotto will remain mine. And the academy will forever owe me a big favor. A day will come when I come knocking to have this favor returned."

"Are you doing this for Su Yu?"

"That's none of your business." Wan Tiansheng laughed, "Sure. Do whatever you want. You're too stubborn. I don't know why you would think that. I'm not that kind of person. I was sincere when I offered my help. Fine, enjoy staying in the Cloudbreach Realm."

"Heh."

Zhao Li merely sneered. Cloudbreach? He was going to reach the Mountainsea Realm through physical cultivation soon! That would be a nice slap to Wan Tiansheng's face. Then again, that fellow was too shameless. He probably wouldn't feel that slap.

After a while, Zhao Li shouted impatiently, "Piss off already."

There was no reply. After a short while, Zhao Li sighed helplessly. That old bastard was too strong. He didn't even notice that fellow leaving. He was still too weak.

In the past, he felt like the Cloudbreach Realm was pretty good. But recently, he kept getting the impression that he was getting too old. That shouldn't be the case as a Cloudbreach could be considered strong even at the Allheaven Battlefield.

Chapter 517: Completed Cultivation Method (1)

Mental Tempering Garden.

Su Yu did not bother trying to hide his whereabouts. While the sky was still bright, he went straight to Zhou Hao's residence.

On the way, he met some familiar students and exchanged some simple greetings with them. He was still as friendly as ever, acting as though the recent rumors had not affected him at all.

When some people noticed Su Yu knocking on Zhou Hao's door, they grew suspicious. Had these two joined hands? They had cooperated not long ago.

These two had probably reached an agreement before the tournament for the slots. After all, they wouldn't have worked so well together during the fight against Zhan Hai.

They had fought each other in a bitter match during their first match. But they were able to join hands right after that? These two were truly hard to understand.

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The others had no idea what Su Yu was thinking, nor would he try to explain himself to everyone. They could think what they want.

As for Zhou Hao, he was even less concerned about the thoughts of others. When he opened the door and saw Su Yu, he frowned.

He took a step backward and sniffed at the air for a bit before saying, "You killed someone."

Su Yu raised his brow. Was this person a dog or something?

"No. I didn't. I only got some blood splashed on me recently."

How many days had it been? How was this fellow still able to sense it? His senses were way too sensitive. Zhou Hao did not argue. Since Su Yu was denying it, so be it.

"Do you have a business here?"

"Yeah."

Zhou Hao said nothing and walked back into the building. Su Yu followed inside. He didn't really care if anyone saw him entering Zhou Hao's residence.

"Would your teacher punish you for seeing me? He will probably find out since we're doing it so openly."

Zhou Hao sat down and gazed at Su Yu before nonchalantly saying, "My teacher is a lot more tolerant than you think."

"I find that hard to believe."

Zhou Hao did not bother saying more. If Su Yu refused to believe him, so be it. Xia Yuwen and Su Yu were enemies. It was normal for Su Yu to view Xia Yuwen as a terrible person. But Zhou Hao personally thought that Xia Yuwen was a decent person. They both had different points of view so he was not interested in changing Su Yu's mind.

"Why are you here?"

Zhou Hao was quite speechless to see Su Yu sitting down before pouring himself a cup of tea. They weren't that close. And this wasn't his home. Had he forgotten?

After pouring himself a cup of tea, Su Yu wasted no time and said, "Do you want to become a warrior or a cultural researcher?"

"It doesn't matter. I only need strength."

That was Zhou Hao's answer.

Su Yu nodded, "Which of the two paths do you think can help you grow rapidly?"

"The path of warriors."

"Do you want to enter the Infinite Strength Realm?"

Zhou Hao looked at Su Yu and gloomily said, "With the Thousand Mountain Art, I can't fuse my acupoints. But it doesn't matter. I am opening the acupoints of the War God Art. I already have 168 acupoints. I won't take long to finish opening the acupoints of the War God Art."

Su Yu was quite surprised. He asked, "You opened 24 new acupoints?"

They had first fought about a month ago. This fellow had actually opened 24 new acupoints since then. On average, he was opening an acupoint every two days.

"Yeah."

"You're trying to enter the Infinite Strength Realm with the War God Art?"

"Yes."

"The War God Art has 108 acupoints and a fusion of only 12 acupoints to enter the Infinite Strength Realm. Don't you think that it's too weak?"

Zhou Hao frowned and said, "No. The number of acupoints fused does not determine one's strength."

"With more acupoints fused, you will have a better foundation. Since you're someone capable of fusing more acupoints, why settle with a weaker option?"

Zhou Hao felt somewhat gloomy. He said, "But I can't fuse any acupoints with the Thousand Mountain Art. And the only other heaven-grade cultivation method my teacher knows is the Sky Sundering Saber, but that's not something he can teach. He does not have the Xia Family's permission."

It was that simple. Did Su Yu understand?

Su Yu started inciting, "Stop joking. Your teacher definitely knows other heaven-grade cultivation methods. He's simply unwilling to teach you. If even someone like me has a few of them, how can a Cloudbreach of the Xia Family not have more heaven-grade cultivation methods?"

"..."

Zhou Hao stared at Su Yu without saying anything. He did not like to talk, but he wasn't an idiot. This was a very obvious attempt to incite disharmony between him and his teacher.

Su Yu smiled, "Don't look at me like this. Your teacher is my enemy. Isn't it normal for me to talk badly about him?"

He moved on and said, "Let's get to the point. I'm here to get your help in testing a new cultivation method. With this cultivation method, you can even fuse the Thousand Mountain Art's acupoints. There is no need to doubt the effect of this cultivation method. The circulation part of this method is probably fine, but it is still experimental. We have not tried it on a human body yet. If you agree, you will be the first human to use it."

Before Zhou Hao could say anything, Su Yu, "I am certain that you will agree. Thus, I need to lay out my terms. Firstly, you are not allowed to teach anyone this cultivation method. Secondly, you need to agree to test a second cultivation method if you agree to this test. Thirdly, you can't use this

cultivation method against me, my friends, or those close to me. If you agree, you can get this cultivation method. If not, forget it."

Zhou Hao stayed silent.

After a while, he said, "I can agree to the first and second terms. As for the third term, if my teacher tells me to make a move against you..."

Su Yu smiled, "Sure. We'll change it. You can only act against me. I'm not afraid of that. I'll be blunt. You're not enough against me. Since you're aware that I had just killed some people, you should be aware of the identities of the ones I had killed. If you wish to seek death, I won't stop you."

After a short silence, Zhou Hao nodded in agreement. Su Yu found the promise of a person like Zhou Hao to be believable. This person was ruthless and fearless, but he lacked shamelessness.

Of course, if all this was an act by Zhou Hao, then Su Yu could only admit defeat. It was only one cultivation method. If it was really leaked...so what?

Su Yu couldn't be bothered to say more. He looked around and said, "This place is not safe. Let's talk at my research center. I don't want anyone to eavesdrop on our conversation."

"Sure."

Zhou Hao stood up, not bothering to even ask why his place wasn't safe. He also didn't bother to ask about the efficacy of the cultivation method and the potential backlash he could suffer when testing it. [Read latest chapters on novelbin\(.\)com](http://novelbin(.)com)

If he gained the ability to fuse his acupoints, he would be able to speedily increase his strength and enter the Infinite Strength Realm. If he could make his advancement with the powerful Thousand Mountain Art, he would be stronger than even those cultivating heaven-grade cultivation methods.

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Before long, the two walked out of the building together. They encountered others on their way, but Zhou Hao did not care. He followed silently behind Su Yu.

Su Yu himself was not too bothered as he joked, "Your teacher is probably already aware of this by now. Maybe he's plotting your death right this moment."

Zhou Hao stayed silent.

"Boring. Whatever. What's your teacher's communicator number?"

"Why?"

"Just give me the number. Am I supposed to kill him through a communicator or something?"

"..."

Zhou Hao had nothing to say. He gave the number. Su Yu took out his communicator and called the number.

An overcast voice answered, "Who is this?"

"Hello, Teacher. I'm Su Yu."

"..."

After a short pause, Xia Yuwen asked, "Yes?"

"The Source Soul Research Center has developed a cultivation method capable of assisting with acupoint fusion. We might even be able to allow those cultivating the Thousand Mountain Art to fuse their acupoints. I am planning to test this out on Zhou Hao. But before I start, you need to pay us 5,000 merit points to cover a part of the expenses for the test. Additionally, Zhou Hao will not be allowed to teach anyone what he learns from us. I need your agreement."

Xia Yuwen snorted coldly, "You have a big appetite."

Su Yu said, "Teacher, it's really not that big. If Zhou Hao really manages to enter the Infinite Strength Realm with the Thousand Mountain Art, you know how strong he can be. At the ninth-stage Infinite Strength Realm, the current top 100 students, such as Di Feng, would be nothing before him. Zhou Hao would be able to kill someone like that with two or three punches."

"Consider this as well. Your current reputation is quite bad for holding back your own student. An expert cultivator wishing to be the next prefect is so selfish that he doesn't even care about his own student. Do you really think that you can gain the support from the people of Great Xia?"

"Teacher, look further. Even if you're an Invincible, that alone wouldn't be enough for you to gain followers. No matter how strong you are, there are plenty of Invincibles around. Why should I follow you? If you really manage to become the prefect, I can simply leave Great Xia. A talented individual will be welcomed everywhere. That is what many people think. Are you going to kill all the talented individuals who are refusing to bow? Can even Invincibles do as they wish?"

"Currently, your student is stuck at the Great Strength Realm. He might even be forced to seek his advancement with the War God Art. That is a waste of time and will also reduce his strength and potential. Teacher, for 5,000 merit points, you will get an expert who can fight many battles for you in the future. Is this not worth the investment?"

"..."

Xia Yuwen stayed silent for a while. Finally, he said, "If he really manages to break through, I'll pay you."

"Teacher, if you pay now, you only need to pay 5,000 merit points. If you want to wait until the breakthrough is complete, the price will increase to 10,000 merit points since you won't be taking any risks. Make your choice."

"Of course, you can also choose to not pay. Zhou Hao is a very good test subject. If you don't pay, I'll still work with him. But if you pay, you will gain the reputation of a teacher willing to solve his student's problem. If you refuse to pay, I will get the full credit. I'll become Brother Zhou's family. If he ends up beating you to death in the future, I hope you won't blame him."

"..."

Hearing that, Zhou Hao looked at Su Yu gloomily. But he still refused to talk.

Chapter 518: Completed Cultivation Method (2)

Xia Yuwen was furious. He coldly said, "Are you threatening me?"

"You misunderstand me, Teacher." Su Yu feigned innocence, "I'm only going to tell my Brother Zhou that his teacher isn't as good as he thought. He even told me that his teacher is a good man and I shouldn't talk badly about you. Can you believe that? But I understand. He is too naive, hence his misunderstanding about your true nature..."

"Hmph!" Xia Yuwen snorted coldly and said, "Su Yu, it's not too good for your tongue to be too sharp."

"Teacher, learn to be more open-minded if you're going to be the future prefect. Why is it a bad thing to have a sharp tongue? Don't tell me that Great Xia only requires combatants? Do you not need negotiators? Do you not need economists? Do you not need administrators who can manage the populace for you? You only need fighters?"

"If you really think that...I'm afraid you won't be able to become the next prefect. Do you think all the upper echelons of Great Xia are dumb? They will let you become the prefect just because of your strength? If you become the prefect with this mindset, Great Xia will drop from a top three prefecture to the bottom rank.

"Teacher, I make a lot of sense, right? Even after you injured my teacher so badly, I did not declare a blood feud against you. I'm even offering to help your student with his advancement. Don't you think that someone like me is very suitable as an advisor or something like that?"

"If you manage to become the prefect in the future, just give me Administrator Hu's position. I'll be happy with that. In fact, that's a great idea. You should understand that talents are very hard to come by. If you are willing to show appreciation toward talent, you will be able to strengthen your reputation. You need to have the breadth of mind to take even an ex-enemy under your wing and trust them with heavy responsibilities."

Su Yu sighed and said, "In my opinion, the main reason for your recent defeats is the lack of an advisor. Teacher, focus on recruiting some talents. Don't spend all your time fighting. If you're trying to imitate Prefect Xia, you should imitate all aspects of him instead of only certain aspects. Even Prefect Xia has someone like Administrator Hu by his side."

"..."

Xia Yuwen was furious. He coldly said, "Deal. 5,000 merit points for Zhou Hao's advancement. Su Yu, there is no need to provoke me. This is only a transaction. Zhou Hao will not owe you anything."

"Yeah, yeah." Su Yu said, "In that case, let's end the talk here. I am aware that this is a transaction. I have never expected him to owe me anything. But remember that he is not allowed to leak this cultivation method. Teacher, you should be aware that all cultivation methods are patented in the Human Realm. If someone spreads my cultivation method without permission, I can sue that person. I doubt you want to ruin your own reputation for a cultivation method, right?"

After a short pause, Su Yu added, "I get it, your reputation is already terrible, but you still care about it, right?"

"..."

"Su Yu, stop challenging my patience."

Xia Yuwen's voice was frosty.

"Fine, fine, I apologize." Su Yu apologized indifferently and said, "Teacher, I'm sorry. I shouldn't have said all that. Honesty can be offensive to the ears at times. I guess you don't appreciate honesty. Forget it, then. But I really need to say one last thing. Teacher, that was a really bad move. The single character faction is clearly related to Great Zhou. You are trying to be the next prefect of Great Xia. How can you collude with them? Are you not afraid that Prefect Xia would cut you down after leaving seclusion?"

"Your actions are the same as inviting a wolf into your house. Sigh, how do you not know something this simple? And Vice Principal Xia had actually not reminded you about that. Perhaps he never cared about you? Or he was simply confident in the generosity of Prefect Xia and Great Xia King? But I doubt Great Xia King enjoys having Great Zhou meddle in our affairs. Even outsiders can see this. Are you the only one who is still unaware of this? Teacher, that must be an act right? You must be plotting something against Great Zhou, right?"

"..."

Xia Yuwen hung up. This person was too annoying.

Su Yu grinned and turned around to look at Zhou Hao. "See, your teacher is actually quite nice toward you. He agrees to pay so that you don't need to owe me a favor. Don't feel bad. Don't hold back if you need to make a move against me in the future. I certainly won't hold back. If there is a need to kill you, I'll still do it."

Zhou Hao remained silent.

After a while, he said, "Since my teacher is paying, you should be paying me a salary for testing your cultivation method as well."

"..."

Fuck!

Su Yu was stunned. This fellow...had learned to bargain? Su Yu suddenly felt like someone was challenging his entire worldview.

Zhou Hao calmly said, "Normally, people will be paid to test new cultivation methods. Your cultivation method is top secret and can benefit me, so I should have done it for free. But that changes since my teacher is paying for it."

That made a lot of sense. Su Yu couldn't even argue against that.

After thinking about it, he nodded, "That makes sense. Alright, I will teach you the Pure Source Art as the payment. But you're not allowed to teach anyone what you learn from me. Can you agree to that?"

"Sure."

Zhou Hao did not ask about the Pure Source Art, but from its name, he could guess its purpose. It should be a decent cultivation method.

Su Yu said, "If you leak my cultivation methods, I will kill you. I will kill you openly and Great Xia won't even punish me for that. I hope that you can understand this."

Zhou Hao said nothing. Whatever.

He did not enjoy talking to Su Yu as he wasn't too good at talking. If a day arrived when they needed to face each other, he would just fight it out. What was the point of talking so much?

...

Finally, they arrived at the Source Soul Research Center.

At this point, Su Yu sighed again. Earning money sure was easy. As long as he found the right person and used the right method, money would come. Xia Yuwen was cold and arrogant, but he was also wealthy.

Thus, it was very likely that one would be able to get some money from him. Of course, one needed a proper reason to ask for money to avoid being cut down. Asking for money without a proper reason was the same as robbery. If there was a proper reason, it would be an exchange of benefits.

Su Yu stepped through the door.

Inside the living area, Zheng Yunhui and Xia Huyou were playing a card game. There was also Zhao Ming there. Su Yu was completely speechless. These three were complete freeloaders.

When Xia Huyou saw Su Yu, he grinned, "What is this fellow doing here? Is he ready to become your lab rat?"

That was very easy to guess. After all, Su Yu had gotten dozens of cultivation methods over the past few days. Was he finally going to test them out on someone?

"Yeah." Su Yu said nothing else to Xia Huyou and said, "Zheng Yunhui, go activate the formation to prevent any eavesdropping."

Zheng Yunhui blanked out slightly before asking, "Did you produce a new cultivation method?"

If it was an existing cultivation method, there wouldn't be a need to be so cautious.

"Yeah."

They all stared at him. Stop messing around. It had only been a few days. They then looked at Zhou Hao with sympathy. Dang. Su Yu sure was cruel. He was having his test subject try the new cultivation method only after working on it for a few days.

Well, it didn't concern them since Zhou Hao was going to be the one to test it. Initially, Zhou Hao did not feel anything about this. But when he saw the gazes of sympathy, as though they were looking at a corpse, he started to feel uneasy. This felt somewhat uncomfortable.

Zheng Yunhui was blunt, "Su Yu, this fellow might be your rival, but he is still a good test subject. It isn't good to kill him just like this, right? Even if he manages to survive this, he will still take a long time to recover after losing a few acupoints. That will only delay your research."

Su Yu grinned and said, "It's fine. If he ends up dying, you can be the next test subject."

"..."

Zheng Yunhui shut his mouth. Was this fellow dreaming? Did this fellow think that he was stupid?

With an awkward cough, Zheng Yunhui said, "Forget about me. But the war academy definitely has a lot of good test subjects. They also have a lot of students who are not afraid of death. As long as you pay, you can easily find professional test subjects."

Su Yu ignored Zheng Yunhui and started going downstairs. While walking he said, "Just turn on the formation."

"Sure."

Xia Huyou and the others stood up and asked curiously, "Can we take a look?"

A new cultivation method! It wasn't too surprising for someone to come up with an experimental cultivation method. Just plot out a few dozen acupoints and randomly link them together and something like that would qualify as a new cultivation method. It didn't matter if one would die cultivating something like that.

Thus, they were not surprised to hear that Su Yu had created a new cultivation method. They were only wondering if Zhou Hao would lose all his acupoints after testing this new cultivation method.

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Before long, everyone was gathered in the underground room.

When Wu Jia saw Zhou Hao, she first snorted. But soon, her face lit up with delight. She believed that her junior brother was intentionally doing this as a form of revenge. She greatly approved of not waiting to take one's revenge.

Yes, there was no need to wait. Just let Zhou Hao be the test subject. Zhou Hao deserved it since he was stupid enough to agree.

Meanwhile, Wu Lan had her head raised arrogantly as usual. With a frown, she asked, "It has only been a few days. Are you sure this cultivation method will work? Nobody cares if Zhou Hao dies, but wouldn't that delay our progress?"

Xia Huyou smiled, "There's no harm in giving it a try. Su Yu has gathered a lot of cultivation methods during the past few days. He himself has tried some of them. Perhaps there are some issues with the first cultivation method he created. As someone with so many acupoints, I reckon Zhou Hao can survive even if a few of them blow up during the testing. You guys should stop scaring him."

"..."

Inside the laboratory, Zhou Hao's head was lowered as he maintained his silence. He could hear what they were saying. The room wasn't soundproof. Could they all shut up? He was not worried at all before this. But now...he was starting to feel anxious.

Su Yu also found himself speechless. He said, "Stop talking. It will be fine. Also, Zhou Hao might not even be able to use the cultivation method directly as there is no guarantee that he already has all the required acupoints opened."

Su Yu then handed an acupoint chart to Zhou Hao and asked, "How many of them have you opened?"

After taking a look at the chart, Zhou Hao answered, "26 of them. I still need 10 acupoints."

"What?" Su Yu frowned, "How long do you need to open them all?"

"At least 20 days."

"By cultivating non-stop?"

"Yes."

Su Yu was somewhat speechless. Outside the room, the others were speechless as well. This was a big blow to their confidence. Explore [uptodate stories at novelbin\(.\)com](http://uptodate.storiesatnovelbin.com)

Fuck!

Just by cultivating non-stop, this fellow could open so many acupoints in 20 days?

But Su Yu was not satisfied. He said, "Fatty-cough, cough. Huyou, get me five earthly source fruits. With these fruits, he can open his acupoints faster."

"..."

Xia Huyou stared at Su Yu in astonishment. His face turned solemn as he asked, "Are you serious?"

Chapter 519: Completed Cultivation Method (3)

Zheng Yunhui had consumed something similar as well, courtesy of Liu Hong. These fruits cost 500 merit points each.

Each fruit could help with the opening of an acupoint or two. But it was too expensive. For 5 fruits, they needed to pay 2,500 merit points. Since Zhou Hao needed 20 days to open those acupoints without any help, the value he could generate daily through cultivation would be the equivalent of 125 merit points. To put that into perspective, one could only get 100 merit points from killing an enemy low-stage Skysoar.

"It's fine. His teacher will be paying for it."

Su Yu wanted efficiency. He did not care about money. He couldn't wait 20 days. That was too long. In fact, this was the very reason he had asked for money from Xia Yuwen.

Zhou Hao remained silent.

Xia Huyou sternly asked, "Have you really created a proper cultivation method?"

Su Yu would be crazy to do this to a random cultivation method. Would he waste thousands of merit points and let Zhou Hao cultivate it if it was a random cultivation method?

"Stop wasting time."

Su Yu rolled his eyes and said, "It's not like you need to pay out of your own pockets. I only need you to get the fruits for me. This fellow usually cultivates without external help, so the fruits will probably be very effective on him. By spending only 2,500 merit points, he might be able to finish opening all the acupoints by tomorrow morning."

Shortening 20 days to 1 day by spending 2,500 merit points for 10 acupoints. No matter how one looked at it, this was a loss. Even a Sunmoon would look at Su Yu like he was crazy upon hearing about this.

But in Su Yu's mind, 20 days were too long. Knowing if this cultivation method worked 20 days in advance was far more important than 2,500 merit points. Xia Huyou had nothing else to say. He called a number and said something to the communicator.

The faces of the others on the underground floor turned solemn. They all realized that this was not a joke. This was a serious attempt. Su Yu was not doing this to mess with Zhou Hao. There really was a cultivation method.

After ending the call, Xia Huyou said, "The fruits will be delivered shortly. Su Yu, can I take a look at the cultivation method?"

Su Yu looked at everyone in the room and nodded, "All of you can see it, but I need to make this clear. None of you have the right to spread this cultivation method. If I find anyone leaking it, this will be the last time we work together.

"Also, if this cultivation method really works, I will probably not teach it to any outsider. I have a few weaker versions of this method so those will be auctioned off for money which we can use to continue our research."

When the others heard that, their faces turned solemn. So Su Yu was taking this so seriously?

Xia Huyou did not say anything and snatched the acupoint chart from Zhou Hao's hand and looked at it. After a while, he frowned, "36 acupoints? Isn't

this...too much? For auxiliary cultivation methods, only the top-tier ones will require 36 acupoints."

"Exactly. This is going to be a top-tier product." Su Yu confidently said, "If it works, it will be able to suppress all repelling force of acupoints. It will make acupoint fusion easy. You will be able to fuse three to five acupoints easily per day. Even if you cultivate the Sky Sundering Saber, you can complete the first stage in three days. In a month, you can reach the ninth stage."

"..."

Xia Huyou looked at Su Yu like he was looking at a madman.

Holy shit!

Did this fellow think that the Sky Sundering Saber was some garbage cultivation method? Xia Huyou himself had spent a long time cultivating this method. Up until now, he had only fused 15 acupoints. He still needed some time to fuse the final acupoint.

This fellow was claiming that he could complete the fusion and reach ninth-stage Infinite Strength Realm in a month?

Su Yu ignored Xia Huyou's gaze and said, "I also suggest that all of you switch your cultivation methods. Pick a heaven-grade method to cultivate. In the past, a lot of people avoid heaven-grade methods because of the difficulty when fusing acupoints. But with our acupoint fusion method, you will gain a lot of strength if you cultivate heaven-grade methods. If you don't have one, you can look for the Xia Family. It's not impossible for you guys to get one from them."

"..."

They stared at him in stupefaction. This fellow was making it sound so easy. Did they not need time to open new acupoints?

Xia Huyou was not worried about that. He said, "If there is really a way to reduce the repelling force, it won't be too late to open new acupoints at the Infinite Strength Realm. You can reach the ninth-stage Infinite Strength Realm first and slowly open and fuse the acupoints for your new cultivation method before entering the Skysoar Realm. The end result is the same."

But was Su Yu telling the truth? Xia Huyou was doubtful.

At this time, Wu Lan asked curiously, "Did you deduce this cultivation method yourself?"

"You can say so. I have a few experts helping me, but the data you guys gathered have been very helpful in giving me a lot of inspiration. I've decided. If the cultivation method works, I will name it the Double Wu Acupoint Fusion Art to thank my senior sister and Wu Lan for their great contributions. This is a cultivation method that can alter the trajectory of humanity..."

The two girls were stunned.

Double Wu Acupoint Fusion Art!

The others were dumbstruck. Dang! Was there a need for that?

Wu Jia exclaimed in joy, "Junior Brother, are you really calling it that?"

"Yeah."

"Junior Brother, you're too cute!"

Wu Jia was overjoyed, while Wu Lan was completely stunned.

Big Sister, Grand aunt...I...I have created a new cultivation method! A cultivation method that would alter the trajectory of humanity! I...have successfully left my name in the annals of history!

She was completely stunned. She didn't even know what she was thinking anymore. The only thing she knew was how amazing she was. This research center was the place that had changed her fate.

Nobody would say that she could only rely on the Wu Family anymore. Nobody could deny that she was a genius! A cultivation method she created had changed the trajectory of humanity!

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The others were too busy to worry about what she was thinking. Before long, Xia Huyou's people arrived with the delivery of five earthly source fruits.

Su Yu wasted no time and tossed the fruits to Zhou Hao before saying, "Start opening acupoints. If you need more source qi, we can get you into a grotto as well."

"This is enough."

Zhou Hao licked his lips in excitement. He had heard about the earthly source fruit before. He had actually obtained five of them at once. Clearly, Su Yu had high hopes for this cultivation method. All his unease from before vanished. Su Yu would not joke around after paying such a big price.

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When Zhou Hao started cultivating, Su Yu wasted no time and sat down cross-legged to cultivate as well. He was trying to open more acupoints. After cultivating the Body Strengthening Art, his acupoint opening speed had been very fast. Both of them had incredible source qi absorption speed.

The others looked at the two in stupefaction. Zhou Hao's speed was understandable as he had consumed an earthly source fruit. But..what the fuck was up with Su Yu? What a terrifying monster. A freak with over 300 acupoints was indeed scary.

With the two monsters cultivating together, the surrounding source qi was quickly exhausted, forcing them to use a large amount of source qi liquid. This was the basic resource a research center should have, and Xia Huyou was the one who had supplied all these essential resources.

One hour, two hours...

Everyone stayed silent. When they were bored, they would go out for a walk. Nobody said anything as they waited.

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15 hours later.

Zhou Hao opened his eyes.

Five earthly source fruits had been consumed.

At the same time, Su Yu opened his eyes. It had been 15 hours. After using a large amount of source qi liquid, he had opened 2 additional acupoints. At the moment, he had opened a total of 310 acupoints.

If he could cultivate in a grotto, his speed would increase. But for now, he couldn't be bothered to go there as the grotto could be inconvenient since there were too many people there.

"Done?"

"Yeah." Zhou Hao was excited. "The earthly source fruits are very useful. The first fruit alone helped me with three acupoints. The remaining fruits were less effective."

Xia Huyou and the others rolled their eyes.

Fuck!

They had all consumed earthly source fruits before. Generally, one would be happy with two acupoints after consuming their first fruit. This fellow had actually opened three.

Su Yu said, "Don't waste any time. Try the cultivation method."

"Sure." Zhou Hao said nothing else. He had already seen the acupoint chart. It was no willpower text, but with all the acupoints opened, he did not need a willpower text to know how he should link these acupoints.

To clearly show the effect, he allowed his acupoints to light up brightly.

One...two...

Everyone's heart thumped nervously. The first barrier was the circulation. If the circulation was smooth, they would be faced with the second barrier: the actual effect of the cultivation method.

About an hour later, Zhou Hao was sweating profusely. He had yet to complete the process of linking all 36 acupoints.

Since this was his first attempt, it wasn't exactly an easy process. Circulating source qi through a new path was not easy at all.

Su Yu said, "Be patient. Slow down a bit and focus on circulating your source qi."

Zhou Hao said nothing and kept trying. After another half an hour, 36 acupoints lit up with a rumble.

"Done!"

Everyone was overjoyed. They had yet to see the effect of the cultivation method, but linking all the acupoints alone was already a great achievement. That was enough to prove that this was a working cultivation method.

"Start fusing your acupoints. Use this cultivation method to suppress the repelling force."

Su Yu wasn't too surprised. He was quite confident that these acupoints could be linked. Since it was now confirmed that the cultivation method was safe to use, he was relieved. He could try it out himself as well. Unfortunately, he had yet to open all 36 of the required acupoints so he still needed to wait.

"Sure."

Next, 16 different acupoints on Zhou Hao's body lit up. That was the acupoints for the first stage of the Thousand Mountain Art. Two acupoints started coming together. But before they were even near each other, a repelling force erupted and pushed them apart.

Right that moment, a powerful suppressive force erupted from a different 36 acupoints. Instantly, the two acupoints came together. That wasn't a complete fusion yet, but that was clear proof that the repelling force had been suppressed. Now, only time was required for the two acupoints to finish the fusion. The source of this content no/v(ell)bi((n))

A deafening silence descended. Each of them saw that clearly. The powerful repelling force had been suppressed.

Gone.

Sounds of heavy breathing rang out in the room. They were incomparably shocked. This was not supposed to be possible!

Chapter 520: Genius Researcher (1)

Silence.

Shock.

Only sounds of heavy breathing could be heard.

They had all witnessed it with their own eyes.

The massive repelling force had vanished.

Zhao Ming, the strongest individual in the room, had his eyes and mouth wide open in stupefaction. Was he dreaming? This must be a dream, right? Yeah, he was probably too tired. That was why he was dreaming about something so ridiculous.

As for Xia Huyou and the others, they were so shocked they didn't even know how to express it anymore. Nothing could express what they were feeling.

Suddenly, Xia Huyou gravely said, "Seal this place."

He looked at Su Yu and the others before solemnly saying, "This matter is of utmost importance. Su Yu, I'll..."

At that moment, a commanding aura actually started appearing on this son of the prefect. This matter was too big. He could not allow this cultivation method to leak. That would create a lot of trouble.

In fact, the moment news of this cultivation method spread outside the Human Realm, it might even spark a massive war. The myriad races would not give up on trying to weaken humanity and snatch this cultivation method. It would be acceptable if the cultivation method would only remove a small portion of the repelling force. But this fellow had...removed all of it! This was too terrifying.

Su Yu appeared indifferent. He smiled, "It's not that bad. To be blunt, the number of acupoints you can open still depends on your talent. Some people only have the potential to open 36 acupoints. If you let someone like that cultivate this method and use all his potential on it, what's the point? That person will take longer time opening acupoints than fusing acupoints."

Something like this was only useful for geniuses. It was meant to save the time of geniuses.

Xia Huyou was still unable to calm himself. He said, "I'll be blunt as well. The future of humanity has always been reliant on these geniuses. And this cultivation method will benefit a lot of geniuses."

Those who were only capable of opening 36 or 72 acupoints never had much chance to enter the Mountainsea Realm anyway. But for those capable of opening 108 or 144 acupoints, these were the future Mountainseas and Sunmoons.

With this cultivation method, even if these people did not switch to a better cultivation method, they would still save a lot of time. And that was only considering the time they would save at the Infinite Strength Realm. What about the Mountainsea Realm?

This cultivation method might even be useful for Mountainseas. And anything greatly useful for Mountainseas would be a big deal. The human race would gain a large number of Mountainseas in a short amount of time.

Su Yu said, "It's not that crazy. I know you're worried. But I doubt this thing will be this helpful to Mountainseas. With only 36 acupoints, it wouldn't be able to suppress the massive repelling force of Mountainseas. Sure, it will still help, but it wouldn't completely remove the repelling force."

"But—"

Xia Huyou wanted to keep arguing, but Su Yu waved and said, "I won't be disseminating this method."

"But..."

Xia Huyou looked at everyone. Finally, his gaze stopped at Zhou Hao. He announced, "Before long, the Xia Family will perform an in-depth investigation on all of you. Since Su Yu has allowed all of you to learn this cultivation method, I believe you are aware of the significance behind this method."

Su Yu smiled and asked, "So are you telling the Xia Family this?"

Xia Huyou sank into silence. After a short moment, he nodded, "Yes. Su Yu, I know what you mean. You believe that this won't leak if only the people here

know about it. Letting the Xia Family know might escalate this matter. But...I am duty-bound to let them know about this.

"Not only that, but I wish to teach my father and second granduncle this cultivation method as well. Of course, we won't teach anyone this method without your permission. You will still have full control over it."

He could no longer be bothered with hiding his identity. This matter was too important. He had not expected this. He really hadn't. A research center that seemed like a joke had produced such a shocking result in only one week.

Su Yu smiled, "Sure, I won't stop you. But if you do this, the multiple character faction's debt to Marquis Xia will need to be erased as the payment."

"..."

Xia Huyou stared at Su Yu. That was a debt of 300,000 merit points.

Erasing it just like that?

"Sure."

He nodded, "But if we have to erase the debt, we need the right to teach this method."

"Su Yu smiled, "The right to teach it? Nope. You can only teach it to the ones from the main branch. Nobody else can learn it. I can only give you partial rights for this cultivation method. Of course, you can do what you want after I die. You can even take credit for the creation of this method. I don't care. But as long as I'm alive, you can't teach it to anyone outside of the main branch without my agreement."

Yes, he would only agree to give the Xia Family partial rights for the cultivation method. Getting full rights for only 300,000 merit points? Dream on!

After a short silence, Xia Huyou nodded, "My father or second granduncle might talk more about this with you. Let's set this aside for now."

He then looked at the others. Hu Qiusheng was from Administrator Hu's family. He could be trusted. Wu Jia was Su Yu's senior sister. Not trusting her was out of the question. Wu Lan was from the Wu Family, a powerful and influential family local to Great Xia.

Zheng Yunhui...well, this fellow looked completely dumbstruck. Xia Huyou shouted, "Zheng Yunhui, if you dare to leak this, I will have your grandpa personally take your life!"

"..."

Zheng Yunhui felt wronged.

Fuck!

He hadn't even said anything! Why was he being shouted at?

He was only displaying his shock to them. He was only busy thinking that the 20,000 merit points he had spent to join this research center was the best investment ever. One ought to remember that even the 20,000 merit points had been earned with Su Yu's help. He was busy praising his own incredible talent in investment.

He had practically gotten such an amazing cultivation method for free, even with the limitation of teaching it to anyone else. Furthermore, Su Yu had also promised to let the Zheng Family have the Pure Source Art.

Looking at Su Yu, Zheng Yunhui's eyes were shining brightly. How was this a human? This was money in human form! No, this was a tree that could grow money on it! Xia Huyou moved on to Jiang Mu and Zhou Hao.

He said, "My father is Xia Longwu."

The two said nothing.

Xia Huyou's usual friendly expression was nowhere to be seen. With a frosty voice, he said, "I don't know what Su Yu is thinking. I don't understand why he trusts the two of you..."

Su Yu curled his lips. What a stupid thing to say. He didn't really trust those two that much either. He simply didn't care if this cultivation method was leaked. In truth, this was something that could increase the strength of humanity as a whole. But for Su Yu himself, it was merely an auxiliary cultivation method.

It wasn't something too miraculous. And it would not benefit those above the Mountainsea Realm. It would not encroach upon the realm of Invincibles.

Mountainseas were experts. They could be considered hegemony. But they were not strong enough to determine the direction of the Myriad Realms. Only Invincibles were capable of that.

Thus, this cultivation method could be important, but it wouldn't be so important that it would drive the Invincibles crazy. A genius would still be able to enter the Mountainsea Realm even without this cultivation method. It would only allow them to enter that realm a few years in advance.

That was naturally not Xia Huyou's thought. He solemnly said, "The two of you need to be aware that just because Su Yu trusts you does not mean that I trust you. It also doesn't mean that the Xia Family trusts you. It's not that we don't want humanity to get stronger, but some things can't be spread easily. A lot of variables need to be taken into consideration before we do that.

"Why do the War Shrine and Knowledge Seeking Realm keep so many cultivation methods to themselves? I believe all of you understand why. Humanity is not truly united. We have some parasites among us."

"Apart from that, the myriad races are also staring at us hungrily. They don't want to see us grow. They don't want us to get the strength to dominate the Myriad Realms. Therefore, they will constantly disturb our peace and obstruct our growth. If we really need to fight, the human race is not afraid of them. But releasing something that should increase our strength only to lose more strength is not worth it."

"The powerful races like the divines and the devils are afraid that we will grow too strong. Every now and then, they will find some excuse to suppress us. It's not that we don't want to strike back, but we also need to consider the consequences. There are a lot of things that can't be done just because we want to do it."

With a stern tone, Jiang Mu said, "We understand that. But we have not expected to be allowed to see something like this so easily."

He was really very surprised. Wasn't Su Yu a tad bit too generous? He was showing them this cultivation method so easily? Updated from [nôvelb\(i\)n.c\(o\)/m](http://nôvelb(i)n.c(o)/m)

They didn't even know what to feel anymore. They were touched, but they were also feeling rather helpless. This fellow should have hidden a part of the

cultivation method, right? Why did he show them everything? They fully understood Xia Family's worries.

Zhou Hao looked at Xia Huyou and Su Yu before giving a simple reply, "Not going to spread it."

"..."

That was the only thing he had to say. He honestly didn't know what else he could say.

Xia Huyou was feeling very helpless. Su Yu was the creator, not him. That bastard Su Yu should have been more careful with something like this, right? Why was he exposing his cultivation method so easily?

Xia Huyou was so infuriated he felt like he was getting a heart attack.

Su Yu completely ignored the furious Xia Huyou. He looked at Zhou Hao and asked, "How do you feel? Was all the repelling force suppressed?"

"Not all, but the remaining force is negligible."

"Indeed." Su Yu sighed, "The repelling force will only grow stronger at the Skysoar, Cloudbreach, and Mountainsea Realms. The power of 36 acupoints won't be enough to suppress the repelling force of a Mountainsea. That will require at least 72 acupoints. What a pity. I doubt I can produce one with 72 acupoints."

"..."

Silence, yet again.

Xia Huyou and the others stared at Su Yu. They were on the verge of getting a collective heart attack.

Big Brother.

Grandpa.

Please. Was he actually looking down on this cultivation method?

Was this bastard done showing off?

Suddenly, Wu Lan said, "If we're not teaching it to anyone, do we still announce the name of this cultivation method to the public?"

"..."

Xia Huyou was going crazy. Was that even the point? Why was she worried about something like that?