

## Villain 71

### Chapter 71: The Majesty of an Empress; Wait and Watch!

The two father and son conversed for a good while, deciding on their plans for the future. At the same time, Gu Lintian asked Gu Changge if he had faced any issues with his recent cultivation, and needed his help. He was a truly meticulous father.

Gu Changge couldn't bring himself to tell his father that his cultivation now depended on hoarding and spending points. As he watched his father's gentle expression, he decided in his heart that he had to work even harder in raising his strength. Although he was strong enough right now, there were many in the world with evil intentions.

What's more? The feeling of absolute might, and having everything play in his hands according to his will could only be described as 'wonderful.'

It was simply incredible!

Before he left his father's hall, Gu Lintian said a few more words to Gu Changge, **"Your mother also missed you quite a lot, so make sure you stop by the Primordial Divine Sect if you have time."**

Gu Changge nodded to him in response, **"Understood, father!"**

Certain memories flashed through Gu Changge's mind at the mention of his mother. Back in the day, his mother was the goddess of the Primordial Divine Sect, while his father was the mightiest elder of the Primordial Divine Sect.

The Primordial Divine Sect had always been on friendly terms with their Ancient Immortal Gu Family. It was a great ancient sect that had stood tall through many epochs, and was also an Immortal Heritage. Its status was no weaker than the many Supreme Heritages of the Upper Realm.

Gu Changge couldn't help but cackle in his heart at these thoughts.

He was a rich second generation with a terrifying background even with the Upper Realm's standards. Even if he was born a waste, no one would dare to provoke him. After all, his mother was notorious for protecting her kid and hiding his shortcomings.

It was only natural that he would grow up as someone who bullied men and women alike.

Of course, anyone familiar with cliches and tropes would know that he was a cookie-cutter villain that could be found anywhere, and didn't have a good end.

**"Soon, that girl, Mingkong, will come here with her father to discuss the engagement between the two of you. Make sure you don't treat her with the same indifference as before — after all, she's your future wife."**

Gu Lintian seemed to remember something suddenly, and said with a solemn expression, **"You used to dislike her for her submissive personality, but her actions in the last half year will certainly surprise you. She's shown the majesty of an Empress already! Mingkong, that girl, is very suitable for you; your Mother and I are quite satisfied with her. If you can get her help in the future, you will definitely hold the world in the palm of your hands, no matter how big it might be."**

**“Father, you can rest assured.”**

Gu Changge couldn't help but freeze for a moment after hearing his words, but soon recovered and responded with a nod. At the same time, a dreamy visage of a divine fairy flashed through his mind.

His fiancée, the fourth princess of the Supreme Immortal Dynasty, Princess Yue Mingkong.

An expression of interest covered his face as he thought about her. At the same time, he wondered if this fiancée of his was the Favored Daughter of Heaven his System prompted him about a while back?

He recalled the information about his fiancée in his mind. The fourth princess of the Supreme Immortal Dynasty was a gorgeous beauty with a terrifying background, and she belonged to a power that stood at the top of the food chain in the Upper Realm. Be it her appearance, talent, background, or anything else, not many women could match her.

From his memories, though, he realized that his Original had no feelings of affection for her. He always treated her with indifference and kept some distance between them, and his attitude towards her didn't resemble what a man should have towards his fiancée. He always felt that as a princess of an Immortal Dynasty, Yue Mingkong wasn't up to par when it came to personality and cunningness.

Other than that, he never did anything untowards her. He never offended her, and there didn't seem to be any animosity between them. And since they were coming here to discuss their engagement, he doubted that it would be to follow through with that bloody 'engagement annulment' trope, right?

Gu Changge couldn't help but be puzzled when he thought about this. In his opinion, a Favored Daughter of Heaven in the Upper Realm couldn't be simple. Be it her background or means, they would be far beyond what the Favored Children of Heaven in the Lower Realm could dish out.

This kind of treatment...weren't perfect wives like her reserved only for the Favored Sons of Heavens?

With his knowledge from all the novels he had read in the past, that possibility wasn't out of the options.[1]

[1: there are two engagement-breaking tropes. One is where the arrogant, genius beauty breaks her engagement with the down and out Protagonist. And the other is where the best-grill (loving, caring, perfect, submissive) develops some guts after meeting the Protagonist and goes to break off her engagement with her villain fiancée.]

The System didn't tell him who the Favored Daughter of Heaven was, so he could only rely on his own knowledge from his previous life to guess. Of course, once he met her in person, he would be able to guess everything. For now, it didn't matter even if his guesses were incorrect.

After leaving his father's place, Gu Changge went straight back to the God-Child Island where he resided. On the way, he felt countless terrifying auras surging around everywhere. Those were the auras that others in his family accidentally released amidst their cultivation.

Each divine island in the Inner Region had its own concealing formation that prevented others from prying inside, but how could those formations truly suppress the breaths of the mighty when they cultivated?

If one looked from a distance, they would see visions of behemoths that could swallow the stars and pluck the moons. It was commonplace here in the Ancient Immortal Gu Family.

If one went a bit deeper, they would come across palaces floating in the sky, shrouded in chaotic mist and Spiritual Qi rumbling everywhere. If they went even deeper, they would reach the Ancestral Land of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family.

The Ancient Immortal Gu Family could only survive through the epochs in the Upper Realm due to those that hid in the Ancestral Land. When a mighty enemy came knocking at their door, the descendants would rush to the Ancestral Lands and dig out those old, monstrous Ancestors who had secluded themselves since unknown eras. Those giants could easily deal with anything.

Over time, the Ancient Immortal Gu Family came to be known as one of the most mysterious existences of the Upper Realm, and even the descendants weren't sure just how deep their background was. That made it even more impossible for the outsiders to know their roots. Of course, no one had the guts to dig out their Ancestral graves to see how far back they could identity themselves.[2]

[2: Imagine a Super-Duper-Ultra-Behemothian-Deity-Collapsing-Heavenly-Rending Giant hiding in one of the coffins down there, and some rando fool digs his grave and wakes him up.]

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Gu Changge's return to the Family caused quite a stir. Many of the Family's members knew that he had gone down to the Lower Realm, but they didn't know where he actually went, or what his spatial coordinates were, nor why he went down there in the first place.

In fact, there were many in the Family keeping an eye on his every move. Although the Ancient Immortal Gu Family appeared to be a solid whole from the outside, on the inside, they were continuously entangled in strife and everyone was looking to one-up the one standing next to them.

Although Gu Changge was the Young Master of the Family, he wasn't yet the future Patriarch — the Elders would be the one deciding whether he would have that position or not.

As a huge Immortal Family, there were countless lineages that dwelled inside the Ancient Immortal Gu Family, and the relationship between the various lineages wasn't all that harmonious. Other than Gu Changge's main lineage, there were four more major lineages in the Ancient Immortal Gu Family, excluding the one that had now declined.

Every lineage wanted to have the position of the Patriarch so they could command all the other lineages, and dominate the Gu Family's endless territory. The rest of the lineages also had their own talented geniuses who were eyeing the position of future Patriarch like greedy wolves.

Of course, although the Family allowed competition, they strictly forbade anything that could result in the death or crippling of someone from the same family. The elders also loved to watch the struggle between their juniors, and it was precisely this competition that kept the Family from turning into stagnant water.[3]

[3: competition makes their kids struggle for stronger might, and that, in turn, brings stronger blood to the ranks of the family. If there's no competition, the younger generation will turn into a bunch of rich kids who only know how to blow their Ancestors' hard-earned dough, and their cultivation won't

improve. At one point, they will become so weak that anyone would be able to come and either: directly obliterate, or turn them into puppets.]

The matter of Gu Lintian's lineage suppressing that one lineage some ten years ago, which resulted in their rapid decline, had caused a lot of waves among the senior management of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family.

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**[At this moment, on the main peak of another lineage of the Gu Family.]**

Ancient trees towered into the clouds, and majestic palaces and magnificent courtyards could be seen scattered around with brilliant glows giving them a gorgeous touch. A number of old people with mighty auras busied themselves in discussing some matters.

**“That brat, Changge, looks much stronger than before after he returned from the Lower Realm— he's already reached the Peak of the Conferred Lord Realm! No genius from the other lineages is his match anymore!”**

An old woman shrouded in divine radiance, with wisps of golden light flashing past her eyes, said in a helpless tone. She was one of the elders of the Gu Family with a terrifying aura and cultivation base.

**“No matter what the problems we have with him, we must accept that Gu Changge's talent for cultivation is truly beyond anyone else in the world! His title of God-Child isn't for nothing. I fear that it won't be long before he breaks through to the True God Realm!”**

The old man sitting next to her added. Although he wasn't from Gu Changge's lineage, he couldn't help but praise his talent. It was naturally a good thing to have such a genius in their Family.

**“It seems that the position of Patriarch will end up in the hands of their lineage once more. That would make them the ruling lineage for three continuous generations...”**

Another old man said with a shake of his head.

**“What a pity that Old Thirteen's lineage has declined to obsolescence. I am afraid that unless the Ancestors of their lineage come out from their seclusion, there's no one in the Family who would be able to help them return or rise again...”**

Right then, another one spoke, and his words made the expressions of everyone around him change. Their expressions showed some fear and unwillingness, and they didn't want to talk much about this matter. What happened some ten or so years ago was a taboo in the Gu Family. It involved a ruthless inner strife that was only known to the higher ups. [n0velu.s̄b.COм](http://n0velu.s̄b.COм)

After all, if the matter came out, it would shake their prestige and they would end up losing all face in front of the outside world. Many cultivators and forces would laugh at them when they found out that such a shameful matter had transpired in their Immortal Family, yet the perpetrators were still sitting at the Family's top without any repercussions.

**“Even if the Ancestors of Old Thirteen's lineage woke up and found out about that event, I doubt they would do anything. Judging from Gu Changge's talent, he will definitely be an extraordinary figure in the future, and there's even a chance that he might surpass the current Patriarch!”**

**“Speaking of which, I must say that Old Thirteen’s lineage sure is pitiful. Not only were they exiled from the Family, but even their cultivation bases were suppressed. By the way, I have recently heard some rumors that are not good for our Gu Family. What’s more? They seem to be related to Change...”**

**“Oh! What happened?”**

**“The little girl from Old Thirteen’s lineage isn’t dead. It’s just that we lost track of her because we didn’t keep a good eye on her, thinking that she would never be able to make a comeback with her talent gone.”**

**“Alas! She’s such a pitiful child. If we had protected her better, something like that would have never happened. Gu Change was so young back then, yet he already had a cruel and vicious heart! Who would have thought that he would attack his own cousin like that...what will become of our Gu Family if it fell into his hands in the future?”**

Another elder of the Family sighed. He had always been brooding over what happened back then, and couldn’t forget it. Of course, it was thanks to the Family’s law that members of the family couldn’t kill each other, or that lineage might not just be exiled from the Family...

**“Land of Forsaken Immortals...I seem to have heard news about that child as well...We have already let her down once, so make sure you don’t let the Patriarch find any trace of her.”**

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Su Qingge and Lin Qiuhan quietly stood inside a grand and magnificent palace. They had already learned the rules of the Gu Family, and knew what not to do, and where not to go.

Gu Change couldn’t help but nod after learning about this matter.

There was nothing more that needed to be said to them, and the issue of their identities had also been resolved.

Naturally, he didn’t bring them to the Upper Realm to keep them around as pretty vases.

Lin Qiuhan had a terrifying talent for Alchemy, so he would send her to an Alchemy Heritage sooner or later. As for Su Qingge? Well, there didn’t seem to be any problem even if he kept her around as his maid.

As the number one beauty of the Eastern Wilderness, she had an enchanting figure and features that were rare to find even in the boundless Upper Realm. Alas! That would be too wasteful if he took into account her sharp wit.

What’s more? Her Fortune Value was even higher than the young geniuses of the Gu Family, and that only added to the problem. She wasn’t as simple as she appeared.

A mighty Yan Ji was more than enough by his side.

**“Qingge, so what is your plan for the future? Back in the Lower Realm, you were always talking about the Upper Realm, but now that we are in the Upper Realm, you won’t even open your mouth?”**

Gu Changge looked at her and said with a teasing tone.

Su Qingge stared at him and said with a weak voice, **“Qingge knew that she couldn’t catch Young Lord’s fancy...do you not want Qingge anymore, Young Lord?”**

Although Su Qingge took great pride in her intelligence, she didn’t know what to do in her current situation. Unlike Lin Qiuhan, who still had an Ancestor in the Upper Realm, she was all alone and had no one. She couldn’t even imagine what would become of her if Gu Changge didn’t want her around anymore.

Even someone as mighty as Old Ming ended up mining stones for those great powers that dwell in the Upper Realm, after all. As for someone with a good face and figure like her? She reckoned that her fate would be far more miserable, and she wouldn’t just end up as a slave who toiled around all day in mines!

### **Chapter 72: Reincarnation of a Demoness; Only Bad Apple in the Ancient Immortal Gu Family!**

As soon as they came to the Upper Realm, Su Qingge was made to witness the horrifying behemoth that was Gu Changge's family. She couldn't help but feel uneasy in her heart over the last period of time. After all, she was merely a woman, and even though she had another soul inside her that would occasionally give her all sorts of ideas, she still couldn't help but feel a little flustered at the situations that came to her mind.

She didn't know what to do if Gu Changge didn't want her. After all, there couldn't be a lack of gorgeous and talented women around someone with an identity as terrifying as Gu Changge's.

She, on the other hand, was a clumsy person who probably couldn't please him much.

Someone like her, who was born in the Lower Realm, meant nothing in the eyes of the people of the Upper Realm — she was very clear about this after her memories merged with more and more fragments of memories from her second soul.

Not just that, she somewhat understood the terrifying status that Gu Changge possessed!

Back then, fear was one of Su Qingge's biggest reasons for surrendering herself to Gu Changge. But after she spent more and more time with her, she started to develop an inexplicable feeling of attraction towards him. Although he was unpredictable — sometimes completely indifferent, even — and looked down on everyone and everything in the world, he still treated her well and spoiled her much.

Once someone moved a woman's heart, she would naturally not want to separate from them.

So now that Su Qingge heard Gu Changge's question, she felt her head buzz, and subconsciously thought that Gu Changge didn't want her anymore.[1]

Of course, it wasn't completely her fault. Any other woman in her place would have probably thought the same.

The only person she could rely on asked her about her plans for the future, so wouldn't that mean that he was preparing to drive her away?

[1: either this bruh forgot about her Bed-Warming-Cultivation-Raising Physique, or she thinks Gu Changge is really a saint who doesn't covet it.]

Gu Changge had only planned to tease Su Qingge somewhat by asking her that question. He didn't need to focus on cultivation like other people, so he was feeling bored, and could only entertain himself somewhat by bullying Su Qingge like this.

In response to his words, however, he saw Su Qingge's eyes redden somewhat. At this, he couldn't help but laugh out loud.

**"Why would I bring you to the Upper Realm if I didn't want you? I would have left you in the Lower Realm if that was the case. You are so cunning on normal days, so why did you turn so muddle headed over something this minor?"**

Gu Changge spoke with a chuckle.

Whether he had feelings for Su Qingge or not, but bullying her surely brought great joy to his heart. Beauty was like a collectible, and the more you had around, the more they would be pleasing to the eye.

Of course, whether they could affect his judgment and reason was a completely different matter.

He only needed a few nice words to coax her.

Su Qingge was stunned for a few moments after she heard his words, and bit her lips while feeling wronged, **"Young Master, you are so annoying..."**

**"By the way, don't you have something to tell me?"**

With that, Gu Changge stared at her with a playful smile and asked. After all, he knew Su Qingge was up to something. Even after so many days, her Fortune Value hadn't stopped increasing, and it had already risen by a lot. Such a strange phenomenon could only mean that she was hiding some Fortuitous Opportunity or something.

Gu Changge guessed that Su Qingge was either the reincarnation of some mighty expert he might or might not have heard about, or she was somehow related to the Upper Realm.

This would make sense from a plot-perspective.

Thinking of this, he waited for Su Qingge's response.

**"Young Master...I am sorry for hiding this from you, but there is something that I haven't told you..."**

Gu Changge's sudden words prompted Su Qingge into raising her gorgeous visage, and she gazed upon his face. His expression dumbfounded her, and she immediately understood what he was talking about.

Either way, she had been looking for an opportunity to tell Gu Changge about that matter...it was just that she didn't know how to start the conversation.

**"Tell me, I am all ears."**

At the same time, he looked at Su Qingge's Fortune Value.

There were 500 Points!

When he first met her, she only had around three hundred, but after coming to the Upper Realm, her Fortune grew wildly. He reckoned that her relationship with the Upper Realm wasn't a simple one.

**"The matter is that from the moment of my birth, I was different from normal newborns. Not only did I know a lot of things right from birth, but I also knew that another 'me' existed in my Sea of Consciousness..."**

Su Qingge carefully arranged her thoughts and explained to Gu Changge.

'Two souls in a single body? That's interesting. It seems that my guess wasn't too far off. Not only was she some mighty figure in her previous life, but she also has another soul.'

Of course, he couldn't have guessed this situation. Could it be that Su Qingge's Fortune kept increasing because she had started to fuse with her other soul?

This explained her peculiarity.

It was for this reason that Gu Changge's luck also kept rising, albeit slowly. After all, Su Qingge belonged to him now.

**"Are your and your other soul's memories shared?"**

Gu Changge asked.

**"We are in a sort of a symbiotic relationship[2], and I can only recall some of her memories. The rest of the memories seem to be sealed by a fog that is slowly dissipating and releasing them."**

[2: the two are very close but can't read each other's mind.]

'Gu Changge isn't someone we can trust, so how could you reveal our greatest secret to him?!'

At the same time, the malevolent voice of her other soul sounded in Su Qingge's mind, but she ignored her.

After all, she was in complete control of their body.

'Seal? That shouldn't be the case. Most likely, her memories are damaged. It's possible that she was some mighty figure in the Upper Realm who had no choice but to reincarnate in the Lower Realm. After that she was destined to end up as the Favored Son of Heaven's woman, as dictated by the plot. After that, her origins would be revealed to not be all that simple, right?'

Gu Changge guessed in his heart after listening to her explanation. Of course, there was a chance that his guess wasn't correct.

**"Young Master, I occasionally dream of an ancient battlefield shrouded in darkness, with all sorts of creatures fighting..."**

**"I dreamed that I had turned into a demoness who was worshiped by many creatures that I have never seen before!"**

Su Qingge trembled at the mention of this.



In those dreams, she resembled an incomparably frightening, ruthless, and bloodthirsty monster who desired to destroy everything!

She has thought that it might have been a nightmare, but as she spent more and more time in the Upper Realm, she experienced more of those visions.

She wasn't stupid, and guessed that either those were memories from her past life, or they had something to do with her other soul.

She had always wanted to tell Gu Changge about this matter as she believed that Gu Changge, who had experienced far more than her, might have a better idea about her situation.

She right now had no semblance to the demoness in her dream.

**"So that's how it is! You don't have to worry about this matter; although I can't tell much, but I do have a few guesses in my mind."**

Gu Changge comforted her with a smile.

His words brought relief to Su Qingge's tumultuous heart.

Gu Changge, on the other hand, felt that it might just be a good thing for her. With two souls in one body, and intelligence that couldn't be rivaled by many, Su Qingge might just reach unexpected heights if she merged with her other soul and memories. At the same time, he will reap massive benefits, too!

As for her being a demoness? He would need to ask his mother as she knew better about these matters, and should have some information. After all, the Primordial Divine Sect was once called the Primordial Demon Sect.

It was only through the continuous effort of its many disciples and elders that it could later change its name from Demon Sect to Divine Sect. Although their acts didn't change much, their new name sounded far more upright. After all, the word 'Demon' didn't hold any positive meaning no matter which corner of the world one went in.

What's more? Gu Changge's inheritance of Devil Arts seemed to have some connection to the Primordial Demon Sect, too. Although there wasn't a direct connection, they weren't strangers to each other.[3]  
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[3: this is referring to his Devil Arts inheritance (and its creator, probably) and the Primordial Demon Sect.]

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Gu Changge left the two girls after explaining some more details to them. Next, he needed to consider how to deal with his affairs in the Family.

His father had already told him that many elders of the Family had been criticizing him behind his back, and the biggest reason for that was the act of bone-digging his Original had committed back in the day.

Although many in the Gu Family fought with each other, they still had a bottomline and made sure not to cross certain lines. Killing members of the Family was strictly forbidden, and all offenders would receive severe punishment.

The Original Gu Changge, who was still a child back then, coveted his cousin's talent and ruthlessly dug out her Dao Bone. Although this matter was suppressed back then, it couldn't be hidden from the elders of the Family.

Although they didn't say anything out loud, their hearts were filled with dissatisfaction towards Gu Changge.

The bone-digging trope...

Gu Changge, as a transmigrator, was naturally more familiar with this trope than anyone else, and he also had to bear its burden since he crossed over into the body of the perpetrator.

'Gu Xian'er, my cousin who was three years younger than me...'

'This bone-digging trope is more difficult than dealing with those useless Favored Kids from the Lower Realm. Of course, if the events are different from the trope that I know of, then it would be fine, but if my cousin has a willow deity behind her, then...'

'I have always asked my father to find her since I can vaguely sense that she is alive due to the Dao Bone that I took from her...unfortunately, my father never found her trace. That must mean there's an expert backing her!'

Gu Changge thought of countermeasures in his heart.

After all, the Favored Children of Heaven in the Upper Realm would definitely be miles ahead of trash like Ye Tian and Lin Chen.

What's more? Many elders of the Gu Family felt guilt towards his cousin, whose Dao Bone he dug out and took for himself, and felt remorse for not protecting her well. They didn't even deign to give him a good look.

Once this matter came out in the world, their Gu Family would end up as nothing but laughing stock, and the members of his Family would certainly not take his side at that time.

As Gu Changge was thinking about these matters, his eyes narrowed and he thought of something.

'According to the Original's memory, that cousin of mine had a grandfather who went to another realm to search for something, and ended up getting trapped there. After that, her parents, who were worried about him, brought along a bunch of people from their lineage and went to rescue him...in the end, she was left in the Family under the care of some of the trustworthy people her parents could trust.'

'Since she and the Original were similar in age, he chanced upon her and discovered her Dao Bone. He immediately coveted it so he could hide his Devil Heart...'

Although Gu Changge didn't claim to be a good person, he couldn't bring himself to do something as heinous as digging the bone of a little girl even younger than him.

Besides, wouldn't it be better to play with her and develop her into one of your trump cards?

After all, that cousin seemed to be cut from the template of a Heavenly Emperor...

Alas! There was no use thinking about the what-ifs.

**"Thankfully, the two sides didn't descend into madness and tried to slaughter each other. After the persuasion of various elders, their side took a step back, and my father also only exiled them from the Family. What's more? There aren't many in the outside world who would dare harm them..."**

**"Now that I know that my cousin is alive and hiding in some unknown land, I reckon that it won't be long before she shows herself and challenges me to have her revenge."**

**"Speaking of which? Am I the only bad apple in the Gu Family? No wonder I was born with a Devil Heart. What an evil curse. My father had to do all that just to cover this Devil Heart up."**

Gu Changge muttered to himself. By now, he had already sorted his thoughts.

Soon, a playful smile appeared on his face. Although his situation seemed troublesome, there were a lot of methods he could use to deal with it.

[VILFIC: The names of the trash are intentionally messed up.]

### **Chapter 73: Abandoned by the World; Peach Demon of the Forsaken Land!**

Gu Changge's ideas weren't all that sophisticated. What mattered the most to him right now was to figure out his cousin's current whereabouts, and also make some preparations in advance. After all, there was a high chance that his cousin was backed by a mighty master, and the other people of the Gu Family were also involved.

For now, he could only command and mobilize some of the forces from his own lineage. As for the other lineages? He reckoned that they would only submit to him after he became the Patriarch of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family. Besides, using the other lineages to figure out the whereabouts of his cousin would only result in more losses than gains, and his subsequent plans will also be affected.

Gu Changge fell into contemplation for a while, and then summoned his retainer who was outside his residence.

**"A'Da."**

**"A'Da is at your command, Young Master!"**

A strong man dressed in black stepped inside with a respectful expression. From his appearance, one could tell that he wasn't human as fine, light blue scales could be seen covering his arms. A'Da had the blood of the Immortal Dragon Clan rushing through his veins, and the Gu Family had raised him from his birth. Unlike the other foreign retainers of the Family, he could enter and leave the Inner and Outer Regions at will.

He was currently at the False God Realm, and could be regarded as one of Gu Changge's confidant.

**"Give this letter to Old Ming and tell him to investigate the matter written inside for me..."**

Gu Changge commanded. As soon as his words fell, a letter written with Spiritual Sense fell into A'Da's hands.

Old Ming was a God King who could be considered a mighty figure even in the Upper Realm, so it would be more convenient for him if he investigated the matter. Before he had gone to the Lower Realm, Gu Changge always instructed A'Da to deal with his matters, but now that he had a strong God King at his beck and call, everything became much easier for him.

**“Understood, Young Master!”**

A'Da received his command to leave, and immediately left for the Outer Region to find Old Ming.

The Gu Family was a behemoth with a territory vaster than one's imagination. To get from the Inner Region to the Outer Region, one had to travel through various Teleportation Formations. If someone accidentally rushed into the Gu Family's territory, they could easily lose their way and spend the rest of their life looking for a way out.

Of course, that is, if the murderous beasts that roamed all over the Gu Family's territory didn't tear apart that person first.

Once A'Da left, Gu Changge called out for his Attributes Panel — he hadn't improved his cultivation by much after returning to the Upper Realm.

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**Host:** Gu Changge

**Halo:** Destined Heavenly Villain

**Weapon(s):** Eight Desolate Demon Halberd

**Identity:** True Disciple of the Heavenly Immortal Dao Palace

**Bloodline(s):** Devil Heart | Dao Bone

**Cultivation:** Conferred Lord (Peak Stage)

**Mystical Abilities:**

**Destiny Points:** 4000

**Fortune Value:** 2000 (Dark)

**System Shop:** Open

**Warehouse:**

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His Fortune Value had risen to two thousand Points without him knowing, and it wasn't a small rise.

Of course, with two thousand Points of Fortune Value in his hand, Gu Changge wondered if he should break through to the Conferred King Realm right away? Once his cultivation rose to the Conferred King

Realm, a sublime change would appear in his body, and his combat power would soar to completely new heights.

It's just that Fortune Value was something ethereal, and he didn't know what the consequences might be. Back when his Fortune Value was near zero, nothing happened to him — neither good, nor bad. After thinking about it for a while, Gu Changge guessed that it might be because of his Dark Fortune.

'System! Since Dark Fortune doesn't exist in the normal seven levels of Red, Orange, Yellow, Green, Blue, Violet, and Purple, could it be an anomaly? What will happen if I lose all of my Fortune Value?'

Gu Changge asked in his mind.

As soon as it heard his question, the System responded, [Host, you don't need to worry about this matter. The concept of Fortune Value is the System's method of calculating rewards and penalties as actual Fortune is illusory and can't truly be quantified. It was converted into these easy-to-understand values so you could comprehend it with ease.]

After all, Gu Changge was a transmigrator with a different thought process from the natives of this world, so he could easily understand the concept of values and numbers.

[As Host is an anomaly, the world has long given up on you. In fact, even if all of your Fortune Value disappeared, it won't impact you in any way. Host, you must have noticed that no matter how much Fortune Value you have, it has no effect on your daily life, the opportunities you can encounter, and the sort...]

[Even if you chance upon a great Fortuitous Encounter and/or Inheritance, you won't be able to increase your Fortune Value. The only way you can earn Fortune Value is by conquering people blessed with great Fortune, or by killing Favored Children of Heaven...]

The System immediately cleared a lot of Gu Changge's doubts with its explanation, so Gu Changge couldn't help but nod in response.

It was no wonder that even though his Fortune Value had reached a level far higher than what Ye Chen started out with, he still hadn't come across some Heavenly Treasure or Opportunity falling into his lap out of nowhere. He could have never imagined that the world would give up on him like this!

So this was the treatment reserved for the villains! If the villains wanted some Fortuitous Opportunity, they had to go to the Favored Children of Heaven.

Of course, Gu Changge preferred to pick ripe fruits instead of searching for opportunities in every nook and cranny of the world. Finding Leeks to reap was the best opportunity in itself.

'So the Fortune Value is nothing more than a reserve of Destiny Points for me? Since it's Fortune Value that I earned by myself, it has an exchange ratio of 10 Destiny Points for 1 Point of Fortune Value?'

Gu Changge was surprised by this realization. His two thousand Points of Fortune Value were like two thousand bricks of gold that he could exchange for wealth at any time. His actual Fortune was an anomaly that couldn't be quantified or displayed by the System.

He felt relieved after this explanation from the System.

In addition to killing the Favored Children of Heaven, he could also raise his Fortune Value by conquering blessed people like Su Qingge and Lin Qiuhan. What's more? He also received a small wave of Fortune Value every single day even without doing anything. This entire System could be called a game of farming — he felt as if he was...rearing pigs!

'Exchange 1000 Points of Fortune Value for Destiny Points!'

Gu Changge no longer hesitated after realizing everything, and immediately exchanged a thousand points of his Fortune Value.

[Ding! Exchange succeeded! Host, congratulations on receiving ten thousand Destiny Points.]

The System's Prompt sounded in his mind, and he immediately saw fourteen thousand Destiny Points on his Attributes Panel.

**"System, jack me up!"** (add points to my Cultivation)

**[Hum!]**

Gu Changge felt a strange energy wash through his body right after he uttered his command. Brilliant rays of Great Dao gushed out of his limbs and bones, and his Dao Bone released a terrifying hum and a splendid brilliance spread in his surroundings. His Devil Heart was immediately restrained, and didn't make a single peep.

At the same time, the floodgates of the Heavenly Immortal Dao Codex's eighth layer broke open in Gu Changge's mind, and myriad insights and comprehension regarding the Heavenly Immortal Dao Codex merged with his memories.

**[Boom!]**

Gu Changge heard a rumble inside his body, as if a surging river had taken down a dam. A vast quantity of Spiritual Qi rushed through his meridians to his Dantian, and his cultivation broke through the Conferred King Realm!

'I still have six thousand Destiny Points left.'

Gu Changge thought in his mind. At the same time, a hazy figure resembling the incarnate of the Great Dao itself slowly materialized behind him, and released a terrifying aura. The hymns of the Great Dao resonated in its surroundings, and brilliant runes intertwined around it, giving it the aura of an ancient and majestic god looking down on the world.

This was the power contained in the Dao Bone he took from his cousin — it was the Incarnate of the Dao that could suppress everything and anything in its path. For a Young Supreme like Gu Changge, it could be considered to be his strongest trump card.

'As soon as I broke through to the Conferred King Realm, my strength improved by leaps and bounds, and the feeling I now get is completely different in quality when compared to the feel of the Conferred Lord Realm.'

'This feeling...tsk, tsk...'

Gu Changge clenched his fist, and the Great Dao Incarnate behind him imitated his action. At the same time, Gu Changge felt as if he was a mighty sovereign who could bring about Heavenly Punishment to obliterate his enemies!

This was the might that would have originally belonged to his cousin, and Gu Changge was very clear about this. After all, someone else's talent and ability would never truly belong to him. He had to find a way to deal with the issues that were inherent to the Dao Bone as it was right now. He would either need to devour it using the Immortal-Devouring Demonic Art, or he would have to replace it with another Bone or something from the System.[1]

[1: since the Dao Bone didn't belong to him from birth, it will inherently try to reject his body — just like a transplanted organ — and that might cause him severe losses in the long run. Talent and the sort received from the System(s) normally don't have such a restriction.]

But not yet. For now, the Dao Bone could help him achieve some of his goals besides providing him with divine might.

Soon, Gu Changge looked through the System's Shop. After all, he still had six thousand Destiny Points in his wallet, and even a thousand Fortune Value in his reserves. With such massive wealth, he would be foolish not to find a way of increasing his strength and trump cards as soon as possible.

Although the Ancient Immortal Gu Family had a lot of treasures in their stash, Gu Changge felt that their catalog couldn't compare with the System's offerings. What's more? He would need to make contributions to the Family before he could take something from them. Although he was the Young Master of the Family, it didn't mean he could take whatever and whenever — his status only allowed him to choose before the rest. (first dibs)

Other than that, he had already mastered the most powerful treasures of the Gu Family that were suitable for his current cultivation base.

In the end, Gu Changge settled for a Mystical Ability.

[Infinite Immortal Wisdom], worth five thousand Destiny Points.

He already had the [Innate God's Spirit Temple], which brought him at the top among his peers when it came to attainments of the Primordial Spirit's might. Now that he had another powerful Mystical Ability to cultivate his Primordial Spirit, the two would complement each other and raise his power to the next level.

'Exchange!'

Gu Changge immediately exchanged for it, and the records of the [Infinite Immortal Wisdom] surged into his mind. At the same time, he consumed some of his Destiny Points...

**[Hum!]**

In the end, Gu Changge's [Innate God's Spirit Temple's] incarnate[2] rushed out from between his eyebrows, and turned into an majestic Immortal Sword that appeared in his hands. The sword flashed with a dazzling light, and released a murderous aura in its surroundings. It was as if it could cut through thousands of worlds in the Universe!

It was an ultimate soul-killing weapon!

[2: the one who sits inside the Temple and showed itself in the Manhua when he killed the Devil sent by Lin Trash.]

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Many people in the Inner Region of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family felt his surging aura when Gu Changge broke through to the Conferred King Realm. Although there were Formations to stop outside prying, they couldn't stop the oppressive might that erupted from his body like a thunderous wave of Great Dao intent. It was a fundamental change in his existence that couldn't be hidden from the world around him.

**“Changge invites all the Family Elders to the Main Peak for a meeting!”**

After that, Gu Changge's voice resounded in the sky above all the peaks of every lineage that dwelled in the Inner Region of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family, and attracted the attention of everyone. The Elders of the Family — who were busy in their own palaces and courtyards — couldn't help but frown.

'Gu Changge, just what are your intentions? Don't tell me you already can't hold back your desire for the Patriarch's position after making a breakthrough in your cultivation just now?'

Someone shook his head.

'What's the Young Master up to? How could he invite all the Elders to meet him like this?'

Many were shocked by his sudden words.

'Could it be about the position of the future Patriarch?'

Others couldn't help but guess.

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**[In an extremely desolate part of the Land of Forsaken Immortals at this time.]**

Endless mountains covered in a wild atmosphere could be seen rising and falling everywhere. Chaotic mist surrounded everything, and gave the place an extremely ominous look. The terrifying auras of ferocious beasts surged towards the Heavens.

However, if someone looked past all that, they would be shocked and left to wonder in awe.

There was a small village that seemed to have come out of a fairy tale in this desolate and wild land!

The population of the village didn't seem to be large, with under a thousand people living there altogether, but those who lived there weren't simple.

At the same time, an incomparably magnificent peach tree stood at the entrance of the village. Colorful and radiant peach blossoms bloomed on the tree, and all kinds of Dao Truths circulated around it. It was as if the tree had stood rooted on its spot from the beginning of time, and even chaos couldn't move it from its place.

**“Sister Tao Yao[3], I am leaving this place...”** n0vE1us&.c0m



A young girl in blue whispered to the peach tree...

[3: Peach Witch/Demoness/Devil in literal translation, but Sister Peach Witch doesn't sound as good as Sister Tao Yao. Wait, Peach Witch actually doesn't sound all that bad.]

*[VILFIC: The Willow Tree and Bone-Digging Trope will be explained soon since the characters are showing up now.]*

### **Chapter 74: Mysterious Peach Village; Looking For Those With The Surname of Gu!**

There were many rumors about the Land of Forsaken Immortals in the Upper Realm. Some called it an abandoned land, others called it a cursed land, and some even called it a barren wilderness...in short, the Land of Forsaken Immortals was an ominous place for the people of the Upper Realm, and not many were willing to step foot inside.

Although divine lights would occasionally break out in the Forsaken Land, and people could chance upon some opportunities every now and then, most of the region contained more danger than treasures. Those below the Heavenly God Realm couldn't even think about crossing through this ominous region by themselves.

Compared to other areas of the region that were covered by a ferocious aura, the small village sheltered by the towering peach tree appeared incomparably calm — just like a plot of paradise deep in hell.

Of course, the village was named Peach Village, and many eccentric people resided therein.

Right now, Gu Xian'er stood under the peach tree. She was dressed in a blue dress, and looked extremely gorgeous with her heroic spirit and delicate and flawless facial features.

The peach tree was the guardian spirit of the Peach Villain, and even her eccentric and mysterious masters respected the peach tree. Gu Xian'er, however, had a great relationship with the peach tree. When she was young, she used to be a frail, sick girl, but the peach tree's essence cured her.

To her, the peach tree was like a teacher and a big sister.

**“Are you sure you want to leave? You are only in the Saint Realm right now, and that level of cultivation is nothing in the Upper Realm. Those descendants of the Immortals Sects and Dynasties are far stronger than you.”**

The leaves and branches of the peach tree swayed, and a pleasant, gentle female voice fell into Gu Xian'er's ears. Gu Xian'er responded with a resolute nod and said, **“Sister Tao Yao, I must leave this place! I have to find my grandfather, my parents, and the others from my lineage...”**

**“I have been separated from them for so many years, and don't know how they are doing? Back then, my uncle completely suppressed them and exiled them from the Family, so I am worried they might not be living a good life.”**

Rage flared in Gu Xian'er's eyes as she said this. Of course, she understood that even though her lineage was exiled, they were still better than ordinary Families and Races since they came from the Ancient Immortal Gu Family. It's just that their life was certainly not as prosperous as before. Since they had been separated from the Power Center of the Upper Realm, they couldn't bring forth the might of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family, nor could they stand at the top of the world like before.

Besides, revenge wasn't her only purpose.

She still had to find her grandfather and parents, and then work hard to bring glory to her lineage that had fallen into dire straits. She would let her uncle see and have a taste of their success!

'Of course...the most important reason is my good brother from back then.'

Gu Xian'er felt a dull pain in her chest as she thought of this. At the same time, the scene of Gu Change digging out her Dao Bone resurfaced in her mind.

He was too cruel!

When she was young, she would always follow behind him, and cling to him all the time, but he ruthlessly dug her Dao Bone away! Every time Gu Xian'er recalled this part of her memories, she would feel incomparable resentment towards her god-like, heartless brother.

She had to avenge herself.

**"That is hatred between him and you, so you must avenge yourself with your own means."**

The peach tree spoke again.

Gu Xian'er nodded at her words and said, **"Sister Tao Yao, I understand that this is an internal matter of the Gu Family, so neither you nor the other masters will interfere."**

**"It's good that you understand. Still, you don't need to worry too much. Although there are many strong beings in the Upper Realm, the ones that stand at the apex will surely not dare to attack you easily. Although your masters are eccentric people, there aren't many in the Upper Realm who dare to provoke them."**

The peach tree's gentle and pleasant voice sounded again. Of course, she didn't mention herself as her origins were far more ancient and incomprehensible than the rest.

**"I understand that, Sister Tao You! You and the other masters have treated me very well over the years. Not only did you teach me all sorts of things, but you also helped me understand the truth of the world; I can't express the gratitude I hold towards you."**

Gu Xian'er said. At the same time, she couldn't help but feel a burst of warmth surge through her heart.

Different from her heartless brother, her masters in the village made her realize what it meant to have a warm place in the world.

**"I can't help you much since this is your family's internal matter, and the same is true for your masters. At most, they can help you intimidate the big shots from taking action..."**

The peach tree talked a lot today since Gu Xian'er would be leaving soon. At the same time, a peach blossom fell from the many that adorned her body.

**"Take this; it will be able to save you at a critical moment. If someone still recognizes it in the outside world, they will also give me face."**

The peach tree spoke once more.

**“Thank you, Sister Tao Yao!”**

Gu Xian'er's heart was moved as she took the peach blossom. The flower in her hand had seven petals, and each petal appeared to be carved from Immortal jade. They released an extremely ethereal and extraordinary brilliance.

Gu Xian'er naturally had no doubts about its ability since her Sister Tao Yao said that it could save her life, and felt relieved.

Soon, she bid farewell to everyone from the village, and looked towards the direction of the distant-yet-prosperous region of the Upper Realm. Her eyes were full of yearning and heroic spirit.

'Before I left, First Master gave me a knife...they said I should use it to deal with my brother if I can't defeat him fair and square...'

'Second Master gave me a rope that can tie up anything. If I can't defeat my brother, I can use it to tie him up...'

'Third Master...'

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Before leaving, Gu Xian'er kneeled and prostrated before the entrance of the village, loudly knocking her head on the ground.

**“Everyone, I will come back to see you after I've settled my matters.”**

Finished with her words, Gu Xian'er brought along her old servant who had accompanied her from their Family back then, and turned towards the direction of the outside world. At the same time, a ferocious beast with a terrifying aura descended to take her away from the Land of Forsaken Immortals.

Once she left, the group of her eccentric and mysterious masters appeared at the village's entrance and looked at her figure in the distance. All of them had weird appearances. Some were blind, others were dumb, some had broken legs, and others had no arms. At the level of their mighty cultivation, people like them could easily regrow a limb or two, but, for some reason, they didn't.

Either they didn't want to, or they couldn't.

Still, one couldn't deny the fact that all of these people came from shocking backgrounds. They would easily set a storm in the Upper Realm if they ever appeared in the Upper Realm's prosperous regions.

If Gu Changge was here to see all of this, he would definitely curse the dog author and realize that his guess was right on point! The peach village had an extremely terrifying origin.[1]

At this moment, all of these people busied themselves in discussion.

**“The daughter we raised for more than ten years ran away just like that! Just how long will it take for us to see her again...”**

**“This grievance is between her and that brat, so we can't get involved. It's just that I am worried Xian'er will suffer a lot outside since she's a kind and innocent girl. I can't understand how our bunch could raise a disciple with such a weak character...”**

**“Character doesn’t matter! I think Xian’er’s personality is good enough!”**

An old woman with a withered face immediately retorted, and glared at the rest of the people around her.

**“Alas! She was destined to be the darling of the Dao who would receive all the blessings and pampering of the world, but her blessing (Dao Bone) ended up pushing her down a spiral of hatred. I can’t understand how her brother could be so cruel at such a young age, and do something so heinous towards someone like her?”**

**“There’s the reputation and upright conduct of the previous generations of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family on one side, and then there’s a devil like this on another...just what will become of their current generation?”**

The people stood outside the village and conversed with each other; they couldn’t help but worry about Gu Xian’er. Her leave made them feel as if the daughter they raised for more than a decade suddenly decided to leave some day, without telling them when she would return.

They were like parents who couldn’t help but worry about their child.

**“I am afraid she will bring along a man the next time we see her...I can’t help but want to cut that man already!”**

**“This old man just calculated, and this doesn’t seem to be impossible...”**

The blind man in the middle suddenly felt a sharp pain between his legs.

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The Upper Realm was extremely vast, and it could be divided into three regions, namely: ‘the Outer Region, the Middle Region, and the Inner Region.’

The division of the Upper Realm made it seem like a pyramid.

The Inner Region was the most prosperous of the three, with endless territory, and countless major Heritages and Races. All the Supreme Immortal Families, Sects, and Orthodoxies were based in the Inner Region.

The Middle Region — although not as resource-rich as the Inner Region — was also a prosperous region with a vast territory.

The Outer Region, though not as prosperous and resource-rich as the Inner and Middle Regions, was still a place to behold in the Upper Realm. Many Heritages existed in it, and the relationships between the forces were extremely complicated.

[VILFIC: the above sounds nonsensical, so I will put it in simpler terms: the Outer Region is an ordinary town, the Middle Region is a normal city, and the Inner Region is the Imperial City. Although they don’t sound all that great if compared to each other, if they are placed next to the Lower Realm, it would be like comparing a rotten apple full of maggots with an Emperor’s feast with gold leaves scattered over every spoonful.]

The edge of the Outer Region was an extremely desolate place that acted as the junction between the Lower Realms and the Upper Realms. Those who Ascended from the Lower Realm normally arrived in this part of the Outer Region.

This was also the place loved by the major forces of the Upper Realm, as all of them could capture free labor that could be used to mine or something, or they could find some good seeds with great talent. After all, if a cultivator who Ascended from the Lower Realm had a reasonably good talent, they could be trained as a force for their Heritage.

Except for a few forbidden regions that no one dared to step foot in, and areas that had thin to no signs of Spiritual Qi, all the parts of the Upper Realm were filled with cultivators.

### **[Xiling State, Outer Region]**

The Void trembled and Old Ming appeared in the sky out of thin air.

‘According to the Young Master’s command, the members of the Gu Family who were exiled back then should have come to the Xiling State...’

Old Ming quickly searched through the region.

The Outer Region was divided into various states with clearly demarcated borders, and each state spanned over millions of miles of territory. Heavenly Gods could easily reign supreme almost anywhere in the Outer Region, and there was no existence comparable to them in this State. As for God Kings? They rarely appeared in the Outer Region.

Old Ming didn’t do anything to hide his aura.

### **[Boom!]**

The terrifying breath of the God King descended upon the region, and immediately alarmed all of the powerful people of the region about the arrival of the aloof and mighty god! The cultivators in the region couldn’t help but tremble in horror.

**“Why is a mighty God King in a place like this? This aura is too terrifying...”**

**“What’s the origin of this Senior?”**

The sudden appearance of such a mighty figure shocked and frightened everyone. Heavenly Gods could already look down on everything and anything in this place, so little needed to be said about beings at the level of God King.

A single thought from such a behemoth could wipe out an entire major city!

Soon, a group of Heavenly Gods with extremely respectful and awe-inspiring expressions rose to the sky. Since a God King had appeared in their Outer Region, he couldn’t be here for nothing.

**“Dare we ask Your Excellency what we can do for you?”**

They asked with a submissive tone.

**“As commanded by the Young Master of my Family, I have come to search for people with the surname of Gu. Do you know where those with the surname of Gu are residing in the Xiling State?”**

Old Ming questioned with a light tone.

**“Those with the Gu surname...”**

Gu Xian'er, who had left the Land of Forsaken Immortals and was currently in a major city, couldn't help but tense up as she heard his words. She had just arrived in the Xiling State in search of the exiled members of her lineage, and never expected she would run into such a situation.

Young Master?

Gu surname?

It had to be her 'dear' brother!

Gu Xian'er gnashed her teeth as the word 'dear' ran through her mind.

**“My Lady...”**

The servant behind her also showed a change in his expression.

**“Why did someone come knocking at our door as soon as I left the Land of Forsaken Immortals?”**

Gu Xian'er appeared calm, but her brows couldn't help but furrow.

She swept her glance at the red bird soundly sleeping on her shoulder. It was the mighty beast she took away from the Land of Forsaken Immortals, and used to hurry over here. Although it was strong, she didn't know if it could contend with a God King.

Worse still? Her old servant was only in the False God Realm.

Could it be that she would need to use the trump cards given to her by her master already?

Gu Xian'er decided to stay quiet and watch just what the heck was going on before she could act...

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## **[FOOTNOTES]**

[1: Gu Xian'er's Trope]

Gu Xian'er's character uses two different tropes from two different novels, namely: the bone-digging trope with the mighty tree as her backer + village in the wilderness with mighty, crippled masters hiding away from the world for unknown reasons.

The bone-digging trope with a mighty tree was used in the novel Perfect World (translated by Pika on WuxiaWorld). The Protagonist of Perfect World was raised in a village in the midst of a wild land, and a mighty willow tree stood at the village's gate. The willow tree was the guardian spirit of the village that had looked after the village since time immemorial. It's also known as Willow Deity.

**[Introduction of Willow Deity by Lord-Ducky from Perfect World fandom:** Willow Deity, an existence so mysterious that even the wiki doesn't know anything about it. All we know is that the amount of times

it's foreshadowed to be the strongest existence ever is ridiculous. Moral of the story is don't f?ck with trees.]

The protagonist of Perfect World was born with a Dao Bone-like blessing in a mighty Clan in the world, but his cousin dug out his bone and stole it for himself. In the end, the protagonist somehow ended up in the Stone Village and was raised there.

### **Chapter 75: Have Her Fall in Love; Slap Yall to Death!**

**“Your Excellency, many people with the Gu surname came to the Xiling State a few years ago, but we aren’t sure if they are the ones you are looking for? They are in the Qingshi Ancient City, and that city also has a God King residing in it.”**

Young Master?

The Heavenly Gods showed even more respect when they heard his words.

Someone who could make a mighty God King refer to them as their ‘Young Master’ had to be someone with a terrifying identity, and could only be from a place like the Inner Region.

**“Qingshi Ancient City?”** *n0velusb.com*

Old Ming nodded. At the same time, his Spiritual Sense expanded and covered many nearby cities, and he quickly found the Qingshi Ancient City. Since it was a command from his Young Master, he would obviously do his best.

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What would an exiled lineage desire the most? Naturally, they would want to return to their Family.

Although Gu Changge had yet to sit at the position of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family’s Patriarch, nor had his position as the next Patriarch been confirmed, that didn’t stop him from doing something as minor as this.

Gu Changge’s plan was simple: ‘find a way to bring this lineage exiled to the Outer Region back to the Family!’

He did all of this because Gu Xian’er was from this lineage, and not because he had suddenly turned into a Samaritan. Once the people of this lineage fell into his hands, he could use them as a threat if he found himself in dire straits.

Although Gu Changge’s plan wasn’t all that sophisticated, it left no loopholes that others could use against him. The people of this lineage would have no choice but to thank him for his magnanimity, and even the Elders of the other lineages would have to keep their mouths shut and let him have his way, even if they knew his plan.

Was Gu Changge doing something wrong?

Obviously not!

It’s just that he suddenly felt ‘guilt’ over his past actions, and wanted to bring back the lineage that was exiled because of him, so they could return to the Family and obtain their past glory.

As for that lineage declining his good intentions?

Gu Changge didn't believe they would do that. Back then, when their lineage was suppressed and exiled, most of the stronger members of their lineage were imprisoned in the Gu Family's dungeon. It would be up to Gu Changge whether he wanted to let them go or not after he became the Patriarch.

Of course, the important point was that the animosity between them had yet to reach a point where it would turn into a blood feud. After all, they hadn't lost any lives back then. At most, they were exiled because of Gu Changge — they could hate him, but they couldn't hate the Gu Family as a whole.

Besides, even they knew that his father had no choice but to do all that for the sake of his son.

What's more? If the other lineages hadn't gotten involved and obstructed them back then, then that lineage wouldn't have just been exiled with their cultivations suppressed.

Gu Changge understood all of this very clearly.

The other lineages of the Family still hoped for the return of that lineage, so that lineage could also compete with Gu Changge's lineage like the others.

The major lineages of the Family had existed for a long time together, yet the younger generation this time gave them such a scandal. The events of the past brought great pain to their hearts. It was good that no Ancestor had come out of the Ancestral Land, or Gu Changge couldn't imagine what would have become of him.

No one knew when the Ancestors buried in the Ancestral Land would wake up and leave their coffins. All of those old fossils had violent temper, and even Gu Changge's father wouldn't be able to stop them unless he dug his own lineage's Ancestors from their coffin.

This was another thorn that stood in his path to becoming the Gu Family's Patriarch, so Gu Changge had already figured out a solution to his problems.

First, he had to solve the dangers hidden inside the Family. To become the future Patriarch, he would only need to lower himself a bit and promise some benefits to that lineage, and that should be enough to help him resolve the animosity they held towards him to a great extent.

As for Gu Xian'er? Gu Changge also had some plans for her.

He recalled the past from around a decade or so ago, and remembered the little girl who was cut from a Heavenly Emperor's template following after him all the time. He felt that it would have been quite great if they were still like that.

Unfortunately, the Original had already f!ck3d it up for him, so he had to find a method to resolve the hatred between them. After all, there was a life and death feud between the two of them, and it could only be solved if one of them died.

Unless...she could somehow forgive him?

Gu Changge felt that wasn't too realistic.

Who could forgive someone who dug out their bones?



He couldn't be sure if that was viable unless he met Gu Xian'er first. For now, the situation between them was that either he killed Gu Xian'er, or Gu Xian'er killed him.

Killing her was troublesome, and he might not even be able to go through with it.

Of course, Gu Changge would have no issues if it was a fair, one-on-one battle to the death, but he was worried that the monster standing behind Gu Xian'er wouldn't give him that chance. The Gu Family wouldn't want to see something like that either.

His current strength wasn't enough to take over the Gu Family without a shred of resistance from the other lineages.

Gu Changge wasn't sure if his [Great Dao Treasured Bottle] would work against Gu Xian'er. Back then, Ye Liuli and he were in the Lower Realm, so it was far easier for him to deal with her.

As for Gu Xian'er? Her backing certainly couldn't be worse than Ye Liuli's, and they were also in the Upper Realm now. Things will take a turn for the worse if his identity as the inheritor of Devil Arts was exposed before the one backing her.

The Immortal Dao Heritages of the Upper Realm deeply resented Devil Arts, and the number of their Ancestors who had lost their lives at the hands of Devil Arts inheritors couldn't be estimated.

Still, Gu Xian'er was a girl, so Gu Changge reckoned that she might not be as troublesome to deal with as he thought. After all, he wasn't foreign to dealing with ladies.

From the Original's memories, Gu Changge already knew that she wasn't too old, and should be at the age where girls started to develop their initial feelings of love and affection. He might not be at the top in other things, but his charm surely couldn't be doubted.

If he couldn't kill her, or enslave her, then he could make her fall in love with him!

That would be interesting, and he calculated that the feasibility of such a method wasn't all that bad.

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**[Boom!]**

Old Ming followed the command left to him by Gu Changge, and went to find the people of that lineage.

With a God King in their ranks, they could easily strut around in these lands as the local emperors.

The members of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family hadn't fallen to the point where outsiders dared to bully them.[1]

[1: if they were related to a boi protagonist, they would be living a pitiful life and any random Lu, Bu, or Chu would have been able to bully them.]

Gu Xian'er secretly followed Old Ming. She wanted to know just what her good brother was up to after they hadn't seen each other for a decade or so.

The informants of the Gu Family in the Xiling State soon passed the information about everything that transpired back to the Gu Family in the Inner Region.

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### **[Ancient Immortal Gu Family, Upper Realm's Inner Region]**

Brilliant rays pierced through the clouds in the sky above the Main Peak. Many members of the family — including the Elders and Young Geniuses of the other lineages — could be seen standing together. Their terrifying auras surged towards Heaven, as if they wanted to bring down the world itself.

It wouldn't be an exaggeration to say that the people gathered here on the Gu Family's Main Peak could easily set off a storm in the outside world with just a stomp of their feet.

They held exalted identities, and could easily alter the happenings in the outside world. One command from them, and the world wouldn't dare move to the East if they wanted it to go to the West.

Many God Kings and Sacred Realm powerhouses appeared not too far away from the Main Peak as well. Unfortunately, they weren't qualified to set foot on the Peak, and could only watch the proceedings from afar.

Right now, Gu Changge's tall and dashing figure was clad in white robes. Although his face showed indifference, it did nothing to conceal his elegance and handsomeness. The women from the various lineages couldn't help but sneak a peek at him every now and then, with their eyes full of brilliance. The Gu Changge in front of them was completely different from the indifferent and aloof man they used to see before.

He resembled an Immortal untouched by the filth of the mortal world!

Gu Changge's father also arrived at the scene. His features were shrouded by a hazy brilliance, and he sat on the head's seat like an ancient god who was looking down on plebeians — his aura alone left many breathless.

Since his son had summoned all the Elders, he would naturally need to appear and support his son. What's more? He was also curious about Gu Changge's intentions.

Right now, many Elders of the Family were staring at Gu Changge with a strange expression as they wondered just what medicine this brat was going to sell them now.[2]

[2: what flowery words he would use to trick them like a salesman.]

Behind them stood the Young Geniuses of their lineages who were also famous and respected in the outside world (just like Gu Changge).

**"Now that everyone who should have arrived is already here, I will begin. First of all, I am honored to see all of the Elders gather here today at my request."**

Gu Changge said with a light smile. Right now, he was not as indifferent as he used to be, and his words were like a breath of fresh air. The Elders who understood his nature, however, didn't fall for his facade.

They frowned and couldn't help but think, 'Who would give a damn about you if you weren't your Father's son?'

Gu Changege couldn't care less about their thoughts, and continued speaking, **"The reason I gathered everyone here today is to discuss a major matter with all of the Elders; I believe that it is about time that we decide on the position of the future Patriarch!"**

Gu Lintian, who was sitting at the head's seat, was taken aback by his words, but he soon smiled. As expected of his son! He was direct and didn't mince his words.

Of course, the most important thing was that he also wanted this matter to be settled as soon as possible. Why was it that Gu Changege, the Young Master of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family, wasn't it's future Patriarch?

To be honest, Gu Changege himself felt ashamed over this matter. After all, in the eyes of the outside world, his status as the Young Master meant that he was the future Patriarch of his Family!

Still, Gu Lintian couldn't figure out how Gu Changege would go about dealing with this matter. He didn't think his son was a reckless man, and reckoned that he wouldn't do this if he wasn't confident in his means.

The most important matter was that he must not reveal his Devil Heart.

[...]

The entire Peak turned dead silent, and many of the Elders couldn't help but change their expressions.

Had they heard him correctly?

Did Gu Changege really call them here to discuss this? Did he forget that many Elders were still enraged at him over what he did back then, and there was no way they would give him any support?

He was simply asking for trouble.

The people in the surroundings couldn't help but shake their heads.

**"Changege, I think we shouldn't be this hasty about this matter. The position of the future Patriarch holds great importance, and it can't be decided so arbitrarily. We have to responsibly consider a lot for our Gu Family before deciding on something this important."**

Of course, it was impossible for them to say that Gu Changege wasn't good enough to shoulder such a great responsibility.

Right then, another Elder also added, **"We need to make long-term considerations before discussing the position of the future Patriarch, so you don't need to say more, Changege..."**

**"The position of the future Patriarch can't be decided so easily!"**

Except for the few lineages that were close to Gu Changege's lineage, all the others expressed their disapproval and tried to stall the matter.

They would stall this matter as long as they could!

Gu Lintian's face sank as he watched the scene in front of him. This bunch of Elders sure were audacious. No matter what, Gu Changege was already far beyond his peers in the Gu Family — the strongest among

the others was only in the Conferred Lord Realm. Who else would be qualified for this beside Gu Changge?

Gu Changge wasn't surprised at their reaction, and waved his hand towards his father to dispel his worry. The smile on his face showed no change, and the people in the surroundings still found his appearance to be like a spring breeze.

**"I have gathered the Elders here to tell everyone that it's happening, not to ask for your opinion or a discussion on this matter. Of course, you are free to disagree, but don't I just have to beat your juniors one-by-one to receive your approval?"**

**"Isn't that written in the Family's law? In every generation, the position of the future Patriarch is handed to the strongest member of the Family, so you can't say I am breaking any law of the Family by doing this."**

**"Since you are unwilling to accept me as the future Patriarch, then don't blame me for bullying the weak."**

Gu Changge said with a light smile and continued.

**"Don't tell me that might alone doesn't make one worthy — in this world, might alone makes right! Since I am stronger than your juniors, then it's only natural that I am more worthy than them."**

The entire Peak turned pin drop silent!

In the very next moment, the Young Geniuses standing behind the Elders exploded. Their faces turned livid and they couldn't bear such humiliation.

Gu Changge's words were simple, but he was too damn arrogant!

To put it simply, he was saying: 'either I slap you all to death, or you can kill me...oh, wait! You trash can't beat me.'

### **Chapter 76: Yall Envy Me for Having a Good Father; He has Void Talent!**

The Main Peak was so quiet that one could hear a pin drop!

Gu Changge's words stunned everyone, and even Gu Lintian, the mighty Patriarch of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family, was no exception to this. He never expected Gu Changge to utter such arrogant words.

No, this couldn't be described as just 'arrogance' anymore. He clearly despised everyone and looked down on them; he didn't put the rest of the Gu Family's Young Geniuses in his eyes!

Gu Changge's expression showed complete indifference that was in line with his remarks. He showed the onlookers what it meant to look down on others. n0velUsB.c0m

Gu Changge had a simple and straightforward idea: 'the Young Geniuses of the Gu Family might be afraid of him, but would they still not dare to fight against him if he egged them on?'

Since they were afraid of losing their qualifications to compete for the position of the future Patriarch by getting a beating from him, he would only need to gather them together and taunt them in their face.

This way, they would certainly want to fight against him to prove who the strongest of the Gu Family's younger generation was. Surely, they wouldn't compromise on that.

**"Gu Changege, aren't you so arrogant just because you have a good father?"**

A tall and heroic youth couldn't bear it anymore, and stepped forward with a livid face. He had a burly physique shrouded by a golden brilliance that resembled an armor carved from Immortal Gold — clearly, he cultivated an extremely terrifying Body Cultivation Art.

He was a genius famous in the outside world, and not many could contend against him!

Gu Changege swept a glance at him, and said with an unchanging expression, **"You are the son of the Fourth Uncle, and your name...you are Gu Chenxing, right? Do you dare say that again?"**

Gu Chenxing was taken aback by his words, and his rage flared. He was also a direct descendant of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family, so how could he not dare repeat mere words?

**"Why wouldn't I dare? Gu Changege, aren't you so arrogant just because you have a good father?"**

Gu Chenxing repeated himself with rising rage.

If Gu Changege's father wasn't the Patriarch of the Gu Family, would Gu Changege even be allowed to stand in this place after what he did back then? He would have long been exiled to who knows where!

Gu Changege smiled at his words.

**"I like what you said; I know all of you envy me for having a great father, but how is that my fault?"**

His words gave everyone another shock, and Gu Chenxing also showed a dull expression. Many of the Elders were dumbfounded, too. They had seen shameless people, but they had never seen such refined and eloquent shameless people. No wonder he committed such a heinous act!

**"Changege..."**

Gu Lintian coughed slightly. Although Gu Changege's words brought great comfort to his heart, saying those words in front of everyone would make it seem that he, the Patriarch of the Family, was biased in Gu Changege's favor.

**"I will repeat my words: I have gathered the Elders here to tell everyone that I will be taking the position of the future Patriarch, not to ask for your opinion or a discussion on this matter."**

**"Now, my beloved brothers and sisters from the Family, either you take action against me and prove your ability right now, or take a U-turn from three miles away when you see me in the future! How is the offer? If you are afraid, then just get out of here."**

**"The position of the Gu Family's future Patriarch isn't for trash like you!"**

Gu Changege's expression showed a perpetual calm.

[VILFIC: dam that's cold!]

**"Grandfather..."**

**"I can't stand it anymore! Let's do it! Gu Changge, don't think you can bully us! Who do you think is afraid of you?!"**

**"This guy is too much!"**

Their faces flushed.

How could he utter such arrogant remarks with such a calm face?

Gu Changge's expression could be said to be the greatest taunt. They wouldn't be so angry if he was simply uttering arrogant words — the problem was his damned expression that showed his indifference and disdain towards them as if it was only to be expected!

This angered them so much that their spleens hurt, and intense rage flared up in their hearts.

They were also from the Ancient Immortal Gu Family, and they were also Young Geniuses who had the qualifications to look down on others and strut around in the world unhindered. Who had they not fought? So how could they admit that they were inferior to someone?

So what if Gu Changge was mighty?

They usually avoided him for reasons, but now, he was stepping over their heads! Could they still back down? The time and effort they put into their cultivation would amount to fart if they did that!

Many of the Family's people couldn't help but show helpless smiles. On ordinary days, the Elders would tell them to avoid getting into conflict with Gu Changge at all costs. They couldn't fight him right now when the position of the future Patriarch had yet to be handed down to someone.

After all, the Family's rules were clear: *'The strongest of the younger generation would become the future Patriarch.'*

Gu Changge's strength was naturally high above theirs. He had shown a terrifying talent and shattered uncountable records from his childhood.

He held many titles such as: *'Heavenly Talent, Incarnate of a True Immortal, God-Child, and so on.'*

It was a fact that everyone recognized Gu Changge's talent and might, and it stood to reason that everyone in the Gu Family ought to be happy at his existence.

Alas! The incident of the yesteryear ruined Gu Changge's impression in the eyes of the Gu Family's senior management. He was already so ruthless at such a young age, so there was no way he could be a good choice as the Family's future Patriarch.

If they could have it their way, they would make it impossible for Gu Changge to become the Family's future Patriarch!

Gu Changge caused infighting in their Family, and didn't consider the overall situation and the Family's best interest, so how could they have a good impression of them?

The Ancient Immortal Gu Family had hundreds of millions of people if they counted all the lineages, collateral family members, their dependent forces, and foreign retainers. What would become of them if someone like Gu Changge got to hold the reins of the Family?

They couldn't imagine the outcome!

Although Gu Changge was an extremely outstanding Young Supreme famous in all directions of the Upper Realm — and he was the first one who came to mind when the Supreme Heritages and Mighty Figures mentioned the Ancient Immortal Gu Family — his great image outside was maintained for him by the Family.

After all, he represented the face of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family in the outside world.

Now that they heard such provocative words from Gu Changge, they couldn't help but get enraged, and blue veins could be seen popping out on their foreheads.

Even they didn't like Gu Changge's expression.

Wasn't he telling them that they didn't dare let their younger ones fight against him because they — the Elders — were afraid of Gu Changge?

Of course, there wouldn't be a problem if he only kept that to his heart, but now that he said it out loud, he was tearing all face.

As Elders of the Family, their every move could determine the situation in the outside world, and right now, there were even a lot of people of their Gu Family watching from the sidelines.

Could they bear it?

Not to mention that they couldn't afford such massive loss of face, even the young'uns standing behind them will suffer a deep setback. If they let this matter be and took a step back, then the losses would outweigh the gains.

'It's the first time I have seen Gu Changge using such means. If he didn't come up with it himself, then I would have believed that the Patriarch was the one guiding him from the shadows...'

'But looking at the Patriarch's expression, it seems even he was shocked by his actions, so he's certainly not the one who came up with this. It seems that Gu Changge no longer cares about maintaining facades with the rest of the family, and is finally revealing his hidden desires...'

'Today's battle seems to be inevitable, but that's fine as well! We can take this opportunity to probe Gu Changge's innate talent. Although he has always shown the Dao Bone as his innate talent, it is nothing more than a facade to hide the truth...'

These thoughts went through the minds of various Elders.

They had long been puzzled about this matter — just what was Gu Changge's innate talent?

So many years had passed since his birth, yet no one knew about it. It was because of this that many of the Elders developed certain guesses in their hearts, and that was another reason they weren't willing to see the position of the future Patriarch fall into Gu Changge's hands.

**"Since Changge has said so, you should try competing with him."**

Immediately, an old man said with an unsightly expression, and glared at Gu Changge as if he wanted to swallow him.

**"Changege, everyone here is from the same family, so make sure you don't overdo anything..."**

**"If something happens to my grandson, this old man will go to the Ancestral Lands and plead with the Ancestors to deal with your father and son..."**

Many other Elders also showed expressions of warning. They were worried that Gu Changege wouldn't show mercy, and might seriously injure their young'uns.

After all, everything was happening within the Family's rules, so they couldn't say much.

Still, there was no one in the younger generation of the family who could be Gu Changege's match.

His might couldn't be denied!

Where else could they find a mighty Conferred King who had barely reached his twenties?

Thinking about this, they realized that they were the only ones who knew that Gu Changege had broken through, and the other Heritages and Orthodoxies had yet to get the news. Of course, it could also be that the news just hadn't traveled far enough yet.

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**"Please rest assured, Elders! Changege will certainly not go too far. It's just that all of you have been stopping me from taking the position of the future Patriarch for a while, so that..."**

**"It has put me in a really difficult situation."**

Gu Changege shook his head with a sad expression.

The faces of the Elders couldn't help but stiffen, and they cursed the scheming bastard in their hearts. It was obvious that he was going to use this opportunity for revenge.

**"I won't bully you, so all you can come at me together. I will suppress my Cultivation down to the Conferred Lord Realm...of course, I can suppress it to the Saint Realm if that's what you want."**

Gu Changege calmly said as he stared at his breathless and livid cousins who glared at him with fiery eyes. Of course, it would be a bit troublesome for him to deal with them without exposing too many of his aces if they really asked him to suppress himself to the Saint Realm.

Still, he wasn't worried about that. After all, all of them were also Young Geniuses famous all over the world, and none of them were useless flowers raised in a greenhouse. They would obviously not take this provocation well.

Sure enough, as soon as the Young Geniuses heard his words, they almost exploded out of rage. Even his female cousins, who would have graceful, fairy-like bearings on normal days, couldn't help but spew fire from their eyes as they grit their teeth and desired to bite his neck off.

**"You are too much! Gu Changege, I will teach you a lesson today!"**

Sword-like brows, starry eyes, and an awe-inspiring bearing...Gu Changege immediately recognized him as his Sixth Uncle's son, who was at the pinnacle of the Saint Realm, and possessed an extremely mighty Innate Talent that gave a massive boost to his physical strength.



Gu Changge simply straightened his body, and stood with his hands behind his back. Keeping his body upright, he kicked out, and his kick immediately set off waves in the Void in front of him.

**[Puff!]**

The Young Genius, who was rushing towards him, felt his knees soften and fell to the ground like a beaten dog without any ability to get up.

**“How did this happen...”**

He showed a face full of confusion, and couldn't understand how Gu Changge kicked him to the ground even though he was standing so far away from him? No matter how great the difference between them, this shouldn't be possible.

Just like him, everyone else around him also showed shock at the scene in front of them.

**“If I am not wrong, the Void just fluctuated, right?”**

**“This is the Void Talent...”**

**“So it turns out that Gu Changge was hiding the Void Talent all this time!”**

Many Elders were left in shock at the realization, and massive waves surged in their hearts. Void Talent, just like the Temporal Talent[1], was an extremely terrifying Innate Talent, and not many in the Upper Realm's long history were born with it.

After all, these were two abilities that went against the Heavens![2]

They never imagined that Gu Changge would be hiding such a talent!

No, he might not even be hiding it. After all, Void Talent couldn't be perceived unless someone watched its holder use it in front of them.

The Elders of the Family couldn't help but show complicated emotions. At one point, they had suspected that Gu Changge was born with a Devil Heart, so he was using the Dao Bones to cover that atrocity. It seems that their suspicion was completely off the mark.

'It seems that Changge came across quite a few opportunities down there.'

Gu Lintian was also surprised, and soon showed a smile. After all, Gu Changge's Devil Heart was the greatest threat to his life. But now, he had another terrifying talent to hide its existence.

He felt even more reassured now.

At the same time, Gu Changge glanced down at his cousin who was slowly getting back up on his feet.

**“It's just a friendly contest, so why are you getting down on your knees, brother? Even if you want to apologize, there's no need to kneel in front of me — I can't accept such kind intentions from you.”**

Saying that, he kicked out once more.

His cousin, who hadn't even gotten up completely, couldn't help but widen his eyes as he flew backwards and fell unconscious as soon as he fell. It won't injure him badly, but he would need to stay in bed for a while.

The veins on the foreheads of the Elders moved even more violently as they watched this scene. In the entire Ancient Immortal Gu Family, only Gu Changge had the guts to do something like this right in their faces.

**“All of you should attack me together, and stop wasting my time. There's no way you will win against me in a one-on-one spar.”**

**“The position of the future Patriarch is at stake, and there's no way you will be able to take it away from me like this!”**

Seeing that he had achieved his purpose, Gu Changge turned his gaze towards the rest of the Young Geniuses, and taunted them with a slight smile on his face that hadn't changed throughout their meeting...

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[1: talent to control time. Space-Time Talent when?]

[2: if you can control time and space, you are essentially a god who can travel to the future or the past, and change reality as you see fit.]

### **Chapter 77: Prodigal Brat Turning Over a New Leaf; Blessing!**

Gu Changge's remarks easily provoked everyone, and everyone's rage flared. Now that it had come to this, they could no longer give a damn about whether their actions would be moral or not. They were also arrogant and proud Young Geniuses of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family, and it was because they were arrogant and proud that they could no longer bear Gu Changge's taunts.

All of them took action together, and showed their terrifying Mystical Abilities to besiege Gu Changge.

In their view, everyone should live in harmony as all of them were from the same family and grew up together. It was true that they bowed their heads and didn't dare provoke Gu Changge on normal days, but that didn't mean he could bully them like this. n0ve!Us&.c0m

Not only that...he just knocked someone down to the ground, and had the audacity to tell the victim that he didn't need to apologize to him! His actions almost made that cousin's father pass out.

If Gu Changge's father wasn't the reigning Patriarch of their Family, his uncles would have surely given him a severe lesson to make him understand what it truly meant to bully the weak, without caring for whatever punishment they might have to receive afterwards.

**[Hum!]**

Everyone shot out together, and all sorts of Mystical Abilities and Treasures manifested on the Main Peak. Brilliant runes intertwined together, and a hazy brilliance permeated the surroundings, turning into mighty attacks. There were powerful Dharma Incarnates, invincible divine fists, and indestructible bodies...

A long whip flew towards him, a rain of swords fell upon him, and flashes of sword light flew across the sky to cut him to pieces. If all of those weren't enough, then even splendid, terrifying beasts appeared out of nowhere and pounced at Gu Changge. Even many mighty Conferred Kings would show a change in their expression if they were besieged by so many attacks at once.

As the Young Geniuses of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family, they could naturally not be compared to any random Lu, Shu, or Bu from the younger generation of ordinary Heritages. Many of them were already in the Conferred Lord Realm, while all of them were well-known in the outside world for their unparalleled might.

Now that they were enraged and joined forces together, they naturally brought out their mightiest offensive power to suppress Gu Changge and slap him in the face. That's what they desired, and it was also just what Gu Changge wanted.

The Void around him trembled, and, with a buzz, his figure blurred. Gu Changge's face still showed a calm expression — his figure, however, disappeared from his spot at breakneck speed. He was so fast that no rune could touch as much as the edge of his sleeves.

One had to accept the fact that the power of the Void was extremely mysterious and mighty. Unless one had an extremely tyrannical Innate Talent that helped them move at godly speeds, or they possessed some divine Movement Technique, they would never be able to catch up to Gu Changge.

As soon as Gu Changge disappeared from his spot, a group among the Young Geniuses felt that their offensive had failed, and that there was something fishy going on.

Gu Changge wasn't stupid, after all — he would never take the combined attack of them all. His cultivation was suppressed to the Conferred Lord Realm, so he would certainly take the route that allowed him to easily take them down...

Right in the next moment, Gu Changge's figure appeared behind everyone. At the same time, the Void released terrifying fluctuations as blinding light shone above them, and a golden palm appeared in the sky. The palm kept enlarging, and one could even see extremely clear palm lines and fingerprints that made it look like the hand of a mighty god.

It released deep and vast fluctuations in its surroundings.

Naturally, it was a Mystical Ability of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family known as [Heavenly God's Palm].

**“Fall.”**

As if responding to Gu Changge's indifferent command, the golden palm suddenly fell from the sky, bringing along a terrifying momentum. It was as if it could destroy the stars, and pluck the sun and the moon.

**“Nooo! Back down!”**

A group among the Young Geniuses reacted quicker than others. They knew the might of the [Heavenly God's Palm], and weren't willing to take its attack head on, so they immediately retreated. Alas! Gu Changge already saw through their intentions. With an unabated smile still on his face, he uttered, **“[Heaven and Earth Lock]!”**

**[Hum!]**

A terrifying force of confinement surged from the Void, and oppressive force of suppression filled every inch of space in front of him. This was the power of his Void Talent.

**[Puff!]**

The giant, golden palm fell with a bang and everyone's expressions changed. Some showed disbelief, while others resisted desperately. Alas! They could only take Gu Changge's palm attack head on, and spew blood as their blood and Qi went into disarray.

Although Gu Changge's ability couldn't confine them forever, it was enough to hold them down for long enough. All of them lost within a moment. Their faces paled, and their heads hung low as an aura of gloom surrounded them.

Adding salt to their injuries was the fact that all of this happened when Gu Changge had his cultivation suppressed to the Conferred Lord Realm, and wasn't 'a mighty being bullying the weak.'

Even still, none of them could contend against him.

Although they knew that there was a gap between them and Gu Changge, they never thought it would be so wide. Even though they were unwilling to accept this reality, it was still a fact that it was a one-sided beating.

Gu Changge obviously wouldn't let them off with just this. His figure blurred, and he kicked them all to the ground with simple and swift whips of his legs.

He shook his head, and said with a tone full of regret, **"You sure are embarrassing! I gave you the opportunity to gang up on me, and even allowed you the first shot, but you didn't make full use of it. Do you still think you can compete with me for the position of the future Patriarch like this?"**

His remarks pierced their hearts like a sharp blade, and their skin turned bright red in shame. They were livid and unwilling, but the facts didn't care for their feelings.

Even together, they weren't his match!

What could they do now that this fact was haunting them? They didn't have skin as thick as him, so could they put the blame on him?

At the same time, the Family members who were watching the debacle from the surroundings couldn't help but take a deep breath; they were shocked!

As the Young Master of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family, Gu Changge's strength was, of course, above his peers as he was the face of the Gu Family in the outside world. But only now did they realize that they had underestimated him even still.

He was so strong when he was suppressing his cultivation to the Conferred Lord Realm, so how freakish would he be if he were to go all out?

Sure, there were many Young Geniuses in the Upper Realm who shone as bright as the stars, but they had no doubt that Gu Changge was the brightest star among them!

They all turned silent!

The surroundings turned dead silent once again!

All the Elders of the Family felt their faces twitch as they watched Gu Changge easily suppress and beat down their Young Geniuses as if he was toying with toddlers. Their faces were as dark as the bottom of a burnt pot, and they didn't know what they could say at this moment.

Everything happened too fast!

In particular, they received a chance to gaze upon Gu Changge's clear ruthlessness. It was one thing if he just beat down their grandsons, but this demon didn't show mercy to their jade-like, delicate granddaughters, who resembled fairies on a normal day, either. This bastard trampled them down all the same, and they could see tears pool in their eyes.

He didn't give a damn about anybody. He was ruthless, unfeeling, over the board, and a bully!

Yes, he was a damn bully!

They couldn't help but be pissed off at him!

'Changge's strength has improved by a lot recently.'

Gu Lintian didn't feel that Gu Changge had done anything wrong. On the contrary, he felt comfortable watching his son dominate everyone. After all, Gu Changge had always treated everyone except for his closest relatives like this.

To him, most of his troubles would be resolved as long as Gu Changge got the position of the future Patriarch, and that was all that mattered.

**"My honorable Elders, do you have any more objections?"**

Gu Changge's expression still showed no change as he turned towards the Elders, and asked them slowly.

He didn't believe they could say anything else now. Today, he beat down all the Young Geniuses from every lineage right in front of everyone, so there was no way anyone among them would dare bring up the position of the future Patriarch in front of him.

As for the Elders? No matter how thick their skin might be, they would no longer be able to stall this matter anymore. The longer they tried to stall him from getting his rightful position, the greater the shame they would need to bear.

Right then, several Elders who were close to Gu Changge's lineage stood up smiles and said, **"Changge, you are so mighty already! We have never had any objection to you becoming the future Patriarch, after all, you represent the face of our Gu Family in the world."**

**"The stronger you are when you go out in the world, the stronger our Gu Family will be! All the other Heritages and Races of the Upper Realm already have their heirs, so how can our Gu Family's Young Master not sit at the position of the future Patriarch? Wouldn't we become a joke in the eyes of the world if this matter got out?"**

**“This old man thinks that there is no one more suitable for this position other than Changge. This old man won’t feel well if Changge isn’t accepted as the future Patriarch of our family...”**

Another Elder added with a dignified expression.

**“That’s not what you said before...”**

The Elders with downcast faces couldn’t believe this old man’s shamelessness...

Everyone, however, was an old fox, and they understood that they couldn’t put off this matter anymore. They sighed in their hearts, and wondered just what would become of their Ancient Immortal Gu Family in the future after they handed the reins to Gu Changge?

After all, since times immemorial, all the lineages of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family had lived in harmony. Although there were occasional feuds and competition, those were only at the level of cursing each other for a while before they went back to normal as if nothing happened.

What happened more than a decade ago truly hurt their unity. Although it hadn’t damaged the Gu Family’s roots by much right now, the impact it would have on their future couldn’t be estimated yet.

If a Family wanted to stand Immortal and reach higher grounds for eras to come, they would need to absolutely get rid of infighting!

**“Forget it! This old man is going into seclusion soon. As for what happens to our Family in the future...you can deal with it yourself...”**

**“Lintian, you are the one in charge of our Gu Family right now, and you are also in the prime of your life...make sure you don’t abdicate your position without reason, and enter seclusion out of nowhere.”**

Many of the Elders were disheartened and left disappointed. Instead of seeing Gu Changge take over as the Patriarch and get command of everything, they hoped that Gu Lintian could continue to serve as the Patriarch as long as possible.

Gu Changge couldn’t help but shake his head as he heard their words. Did these Elders really think he was playing, and that the Ancient Immortal Gu Family would be brought to its ruin if they handed it over to him?

Alas! There was nothing wrong with their thoughts if he took into account his Original’s nature. After all, the Elders only wanted the best for their Gu Family.

Gu Changge couldn’t just tell them that he had a change of heart now, so their worries were unfounded, right? He wasn’t stupid, and knew that as the Young Master of the Gu Family, he had to first find a way to bring the Gu Family to newer heights.

Only some brain-dead freak would want to ruin their family.

What he did today was purely to bring the Family out of their outdated thoughts and beliefs.

Those Family members who were watching the scene from outside the Main Peak couldn’t help but show emotional expressions. What happened today truly made them marvel at everything in their

hearts. After all, Gu Changge's strength had already reached a point where not even the Elders could do anything to hinder his steps.

With that, he was now truly the Young Master of the Gu Family. Although the title didn't change, the power he held in his hands was at a completely different scale.

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Right then, the disheartened Elders who were about to leave stopped in their tracks. They had just received news from their informants through voice transmissions...news about the happenings in the Xiling State of the Outer Region of the Upper Realm.

Old Ming's movements couldn't be concealed from them. Their Gu Family's enormous influence spread all over the Upper Realm, and they had eyes in every corner of the world. Although they spent all of their time in the world, they weren't blind to the events in the outside world.

**“Changge, are you planning to bring back that lineage?”**

One of the Elders stopped in his tracks and asked with disbelief. They never thought they would hear that Gu Changge would send someone to bring people of that lineage back! Over the years, they had always been worried that Gu Changge might do something to slaughter that lineage, so they had kept their eyes locked on his every movement.

But now, this reality stunned them all for a moment, and they felt as if they were watching their prodigal brat turn over a new leaf.

**“Elders, you don't need to worry about that matter anymore. Back then, Changge was young and ignorant, and did something heinous. As for this grievance? Changge will resolve it himself, and won't involve the rest of the Gu Family.”**

Gu Changge also restrained his expression after hearing his words, and said with a deep expression. His expression full of seriousness stunned all the Elders.

‘Did the sun rise from the west today?’

They couldn't help but ask themselves that question.

**“Can we trust your words, Changge? You wouldn't be tricking us and waiting to do something else, right?”**

The Elders stared at him with clear expectation in their eyes.

Gu Changge replied with a nod, **“Changge knows what to do.”**

**“Good, good, good!”**

**“Since you say so, we will also believe you, Changge.”**

It was rare for them to see Gu Changge with such an expression, so they couldn't help but feel happy. If their prodigal kid really turned over a new leaf, then that would be a blessing for them!

## **Chapter 78: Blame the Devil Heart; Full Control Over Myself!**

The people around the Main Peak started to disperse after the position of the future Patriarch was settled.

There were countless Immortal mountains and islands in the Gu Family, and only those with high ranks in the Family were allowed to step foot on the Main Peak from the various lineages. Now that Gu Changge had become the future Patriarch, they had to announce the matter to everyone inside the Gu Family, and the forces that were affiliated with them!

A matter as major as an Immortal Heritage selecting their heir could easily cause a sensation in the Upper Realm. Now, Gu Changge was the true Young Master of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family, and no one could point a finger at him.

**“Congratulations, Young Master!”**

**“Young Master will lead our Gu Family to greater heights and an even brighter future!”**

Many members of the Gu Family visited Gu Changge to congratulate him. In any case, Gu Changge’s position as the future Patriarch was now set in stone. The terrifying might he showed at that time amazed everyone in the Gu Family. Even if they didn’t mention anything else, Gu Changge’s strength and talent alone were unparalleled.

He deserved the position of their Young Master!

Gu Changge accepted their gesture with a nod. All of this was within his expectations, except for the attitude of the Elders. He couldn’t help but feel touched. This unity and magnanimity was one of the reasons the Ancient Immortal Gu Family could stall tall through eons! n0VelusB.com

Although there were minor conflicts and frictions among the members of the Family, overall, they lived in harmony. They were completely different from the families he read about in the novels from his previous life, all of which were lost in deep struggles and infighting that wouldn’t stop unless one side died.

All of the Elders of the Gu Family put the Gu Family’s interest above everything else. It was because of this that they didn’t say or do anything when he, someone from the younger generation, stepped over their heads and arrogantly refused to give them any face.

This brought great surprise to Gu Changge. But he felt that it wasn’t all that impossible. If a family was full of scheming people trying to pull each other down, would it still be able to stand tall through the winding river of time? They would have long been ransacked and obliterated.

Since they had handed over the future of the Gu Family in his hands, he would naturally do his best and make them flourish even more.

Of course, he was only the Young Master right now, and the entire Gu Family was still in the hands of his father.

**“Changge, follow me.”**



Gu Lintian said to Gu Changge with a gentle expression after everyone dispersed from the Main Peak. At the same time, a brilliant rainbow appeared under his feet, and he disappeared into the sky, leaving Great Dao lotuses blooming in his wake. He had gone back to the palace where he usually cultivated.

**“Understood, Father!”**

Gu Changge nodded and followed. He knew that his Father had many questions for him, but he had already planned his words and actions. He was prepared for anything that came his way.

Soon, the two stood face to face in the Patriarch’s Hall.

**“Changge, did you carefully consider the decisions you made today?”**

Gu Lintian mulled over his words, and then asked in a warm voice. He felt relieved now that the position of the future Patriarch was settled, but he knew Gu Changge’s nature far too well. Unless it involved a threat to his interests, he would have never bothered with the position of the future Patriarch so early.

It was for this reason that Gu Lintian wondered if Gu Changge had encountered some difficulty which prompted him into taking these actions?

Gu Changge nodded to him in response, and said, **“Of course, this Child carefully thought about his actions. The position of the future Patriarch had to be settled, and it’s a matter that couldn’t be dragged out for long.”**

**“Secondly, Father, you must have guessed my intentions if you are wondering about why I want to bring back Thirteenth Uncle’s lineage.”**

**“What happened back then was all my fault, and that incident left a thorn in the hearts of many people in the Family. If I hadn’t resolved that matter, the others in the Family wouldn’t accept me as their Young Master so readily.”**

**“I decided to take advantage of today’s incident to give face to the other Elders so we could ease the friction inside the Family. This will also help me become the Young Master without any more opposition.”**

**“Besides, Father, haven’t you always felt guilty over what happened to Thirteenth Uncle’s lineage back then? One of the reasons I brought them back was to relieve those feelings of guilt in your heart.”**

Gu Changge explained calmly. Of course, he wouldn’t say he wanted to use them to threaten Gu Xian’er. Some things were better left to one’s imagination. Although he was selfish, he still kept the Gu Family’s overall situation and interests in his mind.

Gu Lintian was momentarily stunned after hearing Gu Changge’s words, but then a smile emerged on his face, and he said, **“Changge, it’s good that you are thinking like that. I indeed feel sorry towards Brother Linxuan...”**

**“Still, you don’t need to bear this burden alone. Your Thirteenth Uncle and the others won’t let the matter rest so easily. Back then, it was I who took the shots at their lineage, so when they return from the world they are trapped in, I will make sure to protect you even if I have to lower my face or something...”**

The Gu Linxuan he mentioned was Gu Xian'er's father. Back then, the two competed for the Patriarch's position, but in the end, Gu Lintian came out at the top by a small margin.

His words touched Gu Changge's heart, and he couldn't help but feel moved. There was no need to say much as he already considered Gu Lintian to be his own father.

He shook his head, and replied to Gu Lintian, **"Father, you don't need to say anymore. This matter started because of me, so it's only right that I bear the hatred alone without implicating anyone else. Besides, I was the one who persuaded you back then, and you did all that for me..."**

Gu Lintian fell silent after listening to his words, and a complicated feeling rose in his heart. Gu Changge, who had always been indifferent and ruthless, suddenly said such words, so he couldn't help but have mixed feelings in his heart.

How good would it have been if Gu Changge wasn't born with the Devil Heart?

**"Change, why are you suddenly saying such things? Are these your true thoughts?"**

Gu Lintian's expression turned serious as he said these words, and he stared at Gu Changge with deep eyes that showed visions of the Universe's destruction, fall of ancient gods, and such. He was like a Heavenly behemoth who stood at the pinnacle of the Upper Realm, with an unfathomable majesty.

Now that he turned serious, his oppressive aura appeared as if it could destroy the world and tear open the dome of Heaven!

**"Father, you must be wondering why I suddenly did all of that, right?"**

Gu Changge nodded with an incomparable calm.

Gu Changge's current performance and actions weren't all that different in the eyes of the outsider — if one considered his past temperament — but to his close relatives, he was a completely different man.

It would be better for him to say some words sooner rather than later.

Right then, he asked his father with a soft tone, **"Father, you do know that I have a demonic nature, right?"**

**[Om!] OmO**

As soon as Gu Changge's words fell, his eyes turned pitch black, and a deep, cold, and emotionless demonic aura spread around him.

'This demonic nature is too heavy...this damned Devil Heart...'

Gu Lintian sighed in his heart, and immediately locked the surroundings of his Island and palace to prevent anyone from detecting Gu Changge's devilish aura.

He understood Gu Changge's meaning.

**"The rise of my cultivation base is increasing my control over my demonic nature..."**

Gu Changge calmly explained.

Of course, these words were said at random as he already had full control over his demonic nature. Still, since he had a Devil Heart, he could use it as a scapegoat for everything.

**"You used to be dominated by your demonic nature, right?"**

Gu Lintian felt depressed when he heard Gu Changge's words. In his opinion, the current Gu Changge must feel deep remorse over his past actions, and his conscience must be condemning him all the time.

Alas! The Devil Heart was too weird and ethereal, and even he couldn't find any solution to do something about it.

Gu Changge's ability to now control his demonic nature showed that he had been working hard on restraining himself over the years. Since he was dominated by his demonic nature, it was only natural that his temperament would become like this.

**"Father, you don't need to worry about the Devil Heart affecting my reasoning and nature. What's more? It's existence helped me hone my Primordial Spirit and will..."**

Gu Changge continued, and didn't forget to blame everything on the Devil Heart.

**"You have suffered much over the years."**

Gu Lintian said with a sigh, but soon, joy filled his heart. The greatest knot in his heart was finally resolved, after all.

After that, Gu Changge bid him farewell and took his leave.

An expression of worry masked his face on his way back. He couldn't help but wonder if he had crossed over to this world long ago, but his mind had been dominated by his demonic nature right from the moment of his birth?

Did he finally awaken his reasoning and memories of his past life because of the System?

'System, did you cross over with me?'

Gu Changge questioned the System.

[That's correct, Host!]

'How long has it been since I crossed over to this world?'

[Twenty-one years, Host!]

The System's response stunned Gu Changge — it was as he thought.

'Why didn't you turn on earlier then? Why didn't you help me awaken the memories of my past life sooner? I wouldn't be in such a troublesome situation if you had done that...'

Gu Changge couldn't help but question.

[Host, do pardon me! I used up all of my energy when we crossed over, so I had been accumulating energy for the past twenty-one years.]

The System responded.

[Also, Host, please don't worry about your identity. The System's features were decided according to the Host's situation at the moment of initialization.]

[If the Host were a waste when the System initialized, then the System would have turned into a Waste's Counterattack and Life Altering System.]

[As for your Devil Heart? Its hidden dangers were also resolved by the System at the time of initialization, so you don't need to worry about it either, Host!]

'I never expected you to be so thoughtful, System. As expected of a transmigrator's Golden Finger...'

Gu Changge couldn't help but praise.

He felt relieved now that he knew his own history.

The greatest hidden danger to him was the Devil Heart, and it had already been resolved. Back then, his Original's mind was completely dominated by the Devil Heart, but the System's initialization had solved that trouble for him.

It was also because of the System that his memories from his past life were unaffected. Indeed, for him, watching the memories of his Original who was dominated by the Devil Heart was like watching a movie — a movie starring an indifferent and cruel protagonist.

It's just that he couldn't run away from the sins of his Original. After all, those were acts committed by his body.

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Gu Changge habitually opened his Attributes Panel after returning to his God-Child Island.

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**Host:** Gu Changge

**Halo:** Destined Heavenly Villain

**Weapon(s):** Eight Desolate Demon Halberd

**Identity:** True Disciple of the Heavenly Immortal Dao Palace | Young Master of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family

**Bloodline(s):** Devil Heart | Dao Bone

**Cultivation:** Conferred King (Initial Stage)

**Mystical Abilities:**

**Destiny Points:** 1000

**Fortune Value:** 1000 (Dark)

**System Shop:** Open

**Warehouse:**

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The entire Attributes Panel had a brand-new look. There was the [Infinite Immortal Wisdom] listed under his Mystical Abilities, and Young Master of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family listed in his Identity information.

‘Even if I try to nurture a world using the fragments of the World Seed, my current strength wouldn’t be able to put it to any good use, so I should save it for later.’

Gu Changge decided to put off this matter for now. After that, he took out the [Deity-grade Soul Nourishing Jade].

**“Yan Ji...”**

Yan Ji, who was dressed in red and sitting cross-legged inside the void, immediately turned into a wisp of crimson smoke and appeared from the [Soul Nourishing Jade].

**“Young Master...”**

Her voice sounded cold yet pleasant to the ears. As soon as she appeared, an expression of confusion appeared on her face as she wondered why she was in an unfamiliar place. Just one glance at her magnificent and majestic surroundings was enough to let her know that the Heritage this place belonged to had a deep and terrifying background.

She had spent all of her time cultivating her Primordial Spirit over the last period of time. Either way, because of the restrictions of the [Spirit Nourishing Jade], she couldn’t sense the world outside the Jade, so she didn’t know that Gu Changge had already returned to the Upper Realm.

Gu Changge looked at her and said with a slight smile, **“There’s something I need you to do for me.”**

**Chapter 79: I Desire Your Body; Reality Different From Imagination!**

**“Young Master, you don’t need to be polite with Yan Ji — you can give me your command without any hesitation.”**

Although Yan Ji was still confused about their whereabouts, she still hurriedly responded to Gu Changge after hearing his words. She had already been feeling guilt and unease over not having any way to repay Gu Changge’s favor, so now that she heard Gu Changge’s words, she couldn’t help but heave a sigh of relief.

She didn’t think she was worthy of having someone with Gu Changge’s identity take care of her without getting anything in return.

**“It’s nothing big, actually. Before that, let me help you reconstruct your body.”**

Gu Changge said with a smile, and looked at Yan Ji’s somewhat transparent figure. After all, Yan Ji was a Great Sacred Realm master at her peak, so Gu Changge would feel more at ease if he could have someone as mighty as her around to take care of some matters that couldn’t be divulged.

He wasn’t worried about Yan Ji betraying him. When they were in the Lower Realm, he already got to experience her nature, and believed that she was a person who could be trusted.

'Reconstruct my body...'

Yan Ji's scarlet pupils trembled as she heard his words, and a dazed expression appeared on her face. She had always wondered when the day would come when she would be able to reconstruct her body. No matter how she thought about it, she believed that it would take her a long time to see that day.

Back when she woke up and found herself in the wildernesses of the Lower Realm, she decided to not even think about this matter anymore, and could only wait and wait and wait.

At the time when she took Ye Chen in as her disciple, the thought to have him help her find some Heavenly Treasures to reconstruct her body had indeed crossed her mind. Alas! Ye Chen was simply too weak, so she could only kill her ideas in the cradle. In the end, she decided to just repay Ye Chen's grace for awakening her by teaching him until the day her remnant spirit dissipated.

But fate was strange, and she somehow ended up with Gu Changge.

The dream that was once unreachable to her was something that Gu Changge could help her achieve with a mere few words. This massive shift in fortune brought great unease to her heart for a while, but then she felt blessed. If Ye Chen hadn't misunderstood her due to his unfounded suspicions, and ended the relationship between them, then she would still be in the Lower Realm, waiting for the day she would disappear.

With that said, she wondered if she was in a dream right now?

'Why is Young Master Gu so good to me?'

Yan Ji's ruby eyes shone brightly and stared at Gu Changge without blinking as this thought crossed through her mind. Helping her once could be explained as generosity, but how could his act of helping her again and again for nothing be explained?

What's more? Gu Changge had an esteemed identity, and he was the Young Master of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family. She was sure that they had also already returned to the Upper Realm. After all, judging from the luxurious decorations in the palace, and the surging Spiritual Qi that seemed to be flooding her surroundings, plus the brilliant light from the treasures...No ordinary power could bring out something of this level.

Just her surroundings were enough to show the grandeur and horror of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family's deep heritage.

She couldn't help but be startled.

Yan Ji was not stupid, so she couldn't help but have these thoughts. Just why was Young Master Gu going this far for her? Had he taken a fancy to her strength? Or was he interested in her background and past?

That couldn't be! There was no shortage of talented and mighty people in the Ancient Immortal Gu Family. Although her origin was relatively special, it meant nothing in front of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family.

As for him fancying her? She didn't quite believe that. Although Yan Ji was confident in her appearance, the one in front of her was the Young Master of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family who wouldn't lack

beautiful women willing to stand at his beck and call. Just one sentence from him would be enough to make innumerable favored daughters of Heaven send themselves to his bed.

This left Yan Ji confused.

Was he doing it purely out of the kindness of his heart? No matter how she thought about it, that couldn't be the case. After all, a Young Master like Gu Changge would have to be an extremely ambitious and ruthless person who would only do something if it brought him some benefit.[1]

[1: this is her thinking in a general term as people from such massive families can't be kind and gentle with outsiders. They eat, sleep, and speak benefits.]

**“Young Master’s kindness to me is already as heavy as a mountain, so let’s forget about reconstructing my body. Yan Ji wouldn’t know how to repay your favor anymore...”**

Although Yan Ji was extremely excited about rebuilding her body, she still shook her head and refused. She had her own morals, and wouldn't accept his grace unless she had a way to repay Gu Changge.

Gu Changge wasn't surprised by her response. There would be something wrong with Yan Ji if she readily accepted his offer.

His face still showed a slight smile, and he asked with an expression of intrigue, **“Why? Shouldn’t reconstructing your body be a good thing? This should have been your plan and goal all along, right? Or do you not feel well achieving something so big if it doesn’t bring along a sense of accomplishment?”**

He chuckled and teased her.

His words stunned Yan Ji, and she couldn't help but feel somewhat indignant. What did he mean by saying that she didn't feel well because there wasn't any sense of accomplishment in achieving that?

Unfortunately, she couldn't bring herself to say anything right now.

Had she followed Ye Chen, she would have never been able to have a chance to rebuild her body, but after she joined Young Master Gu's side, only a few words from him were enough to help her reconstruct her existence.

Sure enough, some people were born different and couldn't even be compared. What some pursued all their lives, others were born with that in the palm of their hands — everything was within their reach. This reality complicated her mood even more.

In fact, a part of her was worried about Young Master Gu despising her somewhat since she once stood at his opponent's side, but, in reality, Gu Changge didn't care about all of that, and she understood this well.

This had moved Yan Ji's heart much.

**“Don’t worry, I have my own reasons for helping you rebuild your body, so you can accept my help without thinking so much into it.”**

Gu Changge said with his unabated smile.

'Women, once their hearts were moved, couldn't let go.'

This sentence was true, whether it was in his past life, or in this world.

Of course, the reason he subdued Yan Ji was because he took a fancy to her Fortune Value.

Would you kill a chicken after getting its egg, or keep it around to have it lay even more for you?

The answer to that question was obvious.

What's more? Yan Ji was a mighty master. Right now, the strongest person Gu Changge could command was Old Ming; the Gu Family would never send retainers who were too powerful to serve the younger generation, or they wouldn't be able to grow...

Gu Changge required strong retainers.

**"Then, what are Young Master Gu's reasons?"**

His words gave birth to curiosity in her heart, so Yan Ji couldn't help but want to know.

**"What's there to ask about such a simple matter? It's because I desire your body..."**

Gu Changge stared into her beautiful eyes and said with a chuckle. His words stunned Yan Ji, and her head buzzed.

**"Young Master Gu, you are so annoying. Please don't say that again..."**

Yan Ji glared at him with some anger. She had never expected such an answer from Gu Changge. To begin with, what kind of answer was that? He desired her body, so he wanted to help her reconstruct it?

Yan Ji felt her heart thump faster and faster. If some random fool had said this to her, she would have slapped that person with her frosty palm without hesitation. But when Gu Changge said that to her, her head buzzed and her face burned.

He must be joking!

How could Young Master Gu desire her? That couldn't be possible!

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**[Outer Region of the Upper Realm, Xiling State.]**

Gu Xian'er hid and watched the proceedings in secret. The little bird on her shoulder had already grown in size, and chased after the old God King Realm figure dressed in black, while carrying Gu Xian'er and her servant on its back. The words of the old man were enough for her to guess that he was a servant sent by her good brother.

He had a God King as his servant!

It showed just how well her good brother was living over the past decade, and just how monstrous his authority had gotten. Gu Xian'er couldn't help but clench her hands, and resent Gu Changge even more, as these thoughts crossed through her mind.



She worked hard and arduously cultivated in the Peach Village, but even after receiving guidance from several mysterious and mighty masters, she was only in the Saint Realm right now. He, on the other hand, could easily obtain resources and power while sitting in the comfort of his home, and she reckoned that his cultivation was even more unfathomable than she had imagined.

‘No, I will not give up! Sister Tao even said that she had never seen someone with a foundation stronger than mine. I can’t be weaker than Gu Changge! I will take back everything he stole from me in the future!’

Gu Xian’er clenched her hands, and followed the old man in black in front of her. She had a lot of treasures on her that could hide her presence, so she wasn’t worried about the old man discovering her.

What she wanted to know was why Gu Changge sent the old man to find her lineage? Did he want to slaughter them all? Gu Xian’er bit her lips as she thought about this, and gnashed her teeth as a hateful expression appeared on her flawless, delicate visage.

‘My dear brother, I never thought you wouldn’t let me go even after so many years...’

But soon, she suppressed the rage and hatred in her heart.

‘With me here, no one can touch my family!’

Gu Xian’er proclaimed in her heart.

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### **[In the sky ahead of Gu Xian’er.]**

Old Ming didn’t know someone was secretly following him. He had only come to this place on the order of his Young Master, and his only job was to find the people of the Gu Family to bring them back to the Inner Region of the Upper Realm.

As for what the Young Master didn’t order? He couldn’t care about those.

Before long, Old Ming found the majestic ancient city where the Gu Family’s lineage resided. The city was extremely lively and awe-inspiring, with various Families, Sects, and innumerable cultivators in the millions residing and moving about.

Suddenly, he showed a gentle smile, and got rid of his arrogant aura. Although he was sent by his Young Master, he reckoned that it would be better for him to not show any arrogance here. After all, the Gu Family lineage that now resided here was once one of the most powerful lineages of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family.

### **[Boom!]**

Soon, his God King aura descended upon the ancient city below him. At the same time, Old Ming’s clear voice resounded throughout the city.

**“At the command of the Young Master, I have come looking for those with the surname of Gu!”**

He believed that his words would be enough to convey his message to the ones whom it concerned.

**[Boom!]**

Right after Old Ming revealed his mighty aura, the entire ancient city went into chaos, and all the cultivators inside it were shocked.

How come a mighty God King came to their place? [n0veluSb.c0m](http://n0veluSb.c0m)

And why was he looking for the people with the surname of Gu?

The cultivators knew that their ancient city was indeed controlled by those with the Gu surname, and that they were the absolute overlords of this place. Now, they wondered just who the God King in black might be, and why he appeared here out of nowhere?

Also, who was this Young Master he was talking about?

Everyone in the city was shocked, and they felt that something big was about to transpire.

At this moment, several strong and dignified old men looked towards the city's periphery from inside their magnificent complex of buildings.

'I never thought Gu Changge would come for us after so many years of peace and tranquility! But how come he only sent one God King to deal with us? Is he looking down on us, old bones?'

They showed an expression of rage and gloom. After all, as long as they heard the words 'Young Master' and 'Gu surname', they could easily tell just who the other party was talking about.

For that reason, they subconsciously thought that Gu Changge had sent someone to murder them.

'Has the situation in the Family degraded to such a point already? Are the other Elders no longer around, or does Gu Changge no longer give a damn about their existence?'

'I never thought that after protecting us and stalling Gu Changge for so many years, the other Elders finally can't do anything against him! It seems that today's the day we...'

Their expressions turned ugly as they made different guesses.

At the same time, the voice of the old man outside the city sounded once more, **"The Young Master has sent this old slave to pick all those with the Gu surname to bring them back to the Family!"**

They were left in a daze the moment they heard his words. How come reality turned different from their imagination?

He was here to bring them back to the Family?

What was going on?

They had been in exile for so many years, and now someone was here to take them back to the Gu Family...they had to accept that this was something they had never expected, so they couldn't help but be shocked...

**Chapter 80: Very Pretty; But Aren't You Cold?**

All of the exiled Gu Family members were left in a daze. They were prepared to fight off the old man, but the old God King's words turned out to be completely out of their expectations.

**"Could there be a conspiracy?"**

**"What if he's pretending to be here to bring us back to the Family, but after we leave with him, he will secretly put us to death in some corner of the Upper Realm?"**

The people of the exiled Gu Family lineage showed puzzled expressions, and couldn't help but frown. They wondered just what Gu Changge was plotting. n07elU5b.c0m

**"I want to see just what medicine this Gu Changge is selling now."**

**"Yeah, no matter how inflated his guts, he wouldn't dare attack us in the open like this."**

Although they were excited about returning to the Family, they weren't stupid. They couldn't help but feel that there was a conspiracy hidden behind this action.

**[Buzz!]**

Within moments, the people of the Gu Family's exiled lineage appeared from their residences and flew out of the city. Although their cultivation bases were sealed, and they couldn't bring out the true might they held at their peak, they still showed a deep majesty that came to them naturally after living at a high position for a long time.

The cultivators and creatures of the entire ancient city were shocked when they watched the scene. The Upper Realm's Outer and Inner Region were simply too far apart, and there were more planets and realms between them than there were grains of sands beside in an ocean.

It was because of this that few had associated those with the Gu surname in this city to the monstrous behemoth known as the Ancient Immortal Gu Family.

This was an incredible realization!

**"Were you sent by Gu Changge?"**

A middle-aged man with a flat expression and prestigious aura stared at Old Ming and asked.

**"This old slave was indeed sent by the Young Master. The Young Master will be the one taking charge of the Ancient Immortal Gu Family, and I have come at his command to bring everyone here back to the Family."**

Old Ming responded. This was what Gu Changge had told him to say.

To be honest, Old Ming didn't know for sure why this lineage of the Gu Family was exiled all the way out here. After all, he couldn't even enter the Gu Family's Inner Region, and was nothing more than a mere servant. Still, he did indeed hear some rumors about what happened a decade or so ago, but that matter was a taboo in the Gu Family. For that reason, he made sure to not think about it, or utter anything regarding that matter.

**"He will take charge of the Family in the future? Heh! So he doesn't consider our lineage a threat to himself anymore?"**

The middle-aged man sneered. Could an omnivore really turn over a new leaf and eat leaves?

The others also remained calm, and didn't show much excitement at his words.

Old Ming spoke up again, **"The Young Master has said that he will give justice to your lineage. As for whether you believe it or not, it doesn't matter to him. Although the Outer Region of the Upper Realm is vast and comfortable, can it compare to the Family's domain? The Young Master indeed wants to bring you back. Other than that, he said that he might also consider letting go all of his Uncles who were locked in the Family's dungeon back then."**

Of course, every word Old Ming said was prepared by Gu Changge, and he, himself, didn't have the guts to utter such words of taboo related to the Gu Family otherwise.

'Can a devil like him really turn over a new leaf and know how to correct his mistakes?'

The middle-aged man was taken aback by Old Ming's words, but couldn't get rid of his skepticism.

He couldn't believe that someone like Gu Changge could have uttered those words.

As for there being some other conspiracy?

He wasn't all that worried. Although the Gu Family had innumerable members, he believed that only someone like Gu Changge would have the thoughts of killing someone from the same family. [and since the other members were still around, Gu Changge shouldn't have the guts to take such drastic actions.]

The other members from the lineage couldn't help but be confused right now, and discussed the matter in suppressed voices. It was the continuous suppression from Gu Changge's lineage that had forced them all the way out to the Outer Region of the Upper Realm.

After they lived in the Outer Region for a while, they had gotten used to it, but if they had to be honest, then the Outer Region was a desolate land where even birds wouldn't want to shit. Of course, that was their opinion, and to them, returning to the Family was something they were very willing about.

It's just that they couldn't figure out why Gu Changge was doing this all of a sudden now?

'Wait, all of this must have been forced by the other Elders of the Family! Otherwise, they would never let Gu Changge take charge of the Family with his ruthless nature.'

Soon, this thought crossed their mind, and they sneered. This made more sense. Gu Changge wanted to take charge of the Gu Family in the future, but the Elders refused to accept him as the future Patriarch. In the end, with no other way, he was forced to come up with such a compromise to get the agreement of the Elders.

They could return to the Gu Family, while Gu Changge would get the position of the future Patriarch!

Old Ming didn't know their thoughts, nor did he know about the intricacies of the Gu Family's internal matters. Gu Changge, on the other hand, had long expected these people to have such thoughts and guesses, and prepared his (Old Ming's) words for him.

**"Everyone will obviously know the truth when all of you return to the Family. What good will showing such suspicions right now even do?"**

**“Surely, you wouldn’t be thinking about letting the Elders’ compromise go to waste, right?”**

The middle-aged man and the others were moved when they heard his affirmation, and could barely hold back their excitement.

Once they returned to the Gu Family, Gu Changge wouldn’t dare to attack them at will unless he went insane and no longer cared about the others in the Family, and wanted to tear it apart from its roots.

Gu Xian’er, who was hiding somewhere and watching all the events, was left rooted on her spot in a daze. Everything that happened was completely different from her expectations. She had thought that the old man in black was here to kill the people of her lineage, but when he said that he was here on Gu Changge’s orders to pick them up to bring them back to the Ancient Immortal Gu Family, she was stunned just like the rest.

Subconsciously, she also thought that there was a conspiracy!

But when she got closer to the scene, she saw the gentle and polite expression of the old God King, and found that he didn’t seem to be faking his expression.

Just what had happened in their Ancient Immortal Gu Family?

Since when did Gu Changge become so kind?

Could someone like him really send a servant to do something like this?

She couldn’t believe something like this to be real. Her beloved elder brother was a cruel and indifferent man who probably couldn’t wait to kill her and everyone in her lineage.

She could see that it was all thanks to the Elders of the Family that her lineage was doing so well in the Outer Region over the past, and it had nothing to do with Gu Changge.

‘I want to see just what kind of concoction Gu Changge is selling now! He can’t be this kind for no reason.’

‘For now, I can’t show up. Since everyone is alright, I can leave in relief.’

Gu Xian’er decided not to show up, but also didn’t leave right away. Only when all of the people of her lineage left did she also quietly leave the ancient city. Before she left the Peach Village, one of her masters had given her a token and asked her to go to the Heavenly Dao Immortal Palace to find its Great Elder.

The Great Elder of the Heavenly Dao Immortal Palace could be said to be the Upper Realm’s most terrifying existence, but he owed her Master a favor from long ago.

The Heavenly Dao Immortal Palace was a famous Ancient Immortal Heritage of the Upper Realm, with a deep history. Many Dynasties, Noble Families, and Immortal Heritages would send their descendants to cultivate in the Heavenly Dao Immortal Palace.

It was said that the Heavenly Dao Immortal Palace was related to True Immortals from the most ancient time of the Upper Realm, and possessed many Immortal Scriptures and Inheritances.

Her cultivation base was still too weak, so she had to work hard if she wanted to challenge her good brother to regain everything!

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**[Inner Region of the Upper Realm, Ancient Immortal Gu Family.]**

Gu Changge was on his God-Child island right now. The entire island was covered by an Isolation Formation that could stop the prying of anyone from the outside. No one except for him could enter his Island without permission.

An ethereal figure sat cross-legged in a pond surrounded by celestial mist, and filled with Spiritual Qi and divine brilliance.

The water of the pond glittered with brilliant rays of light. Red flames swirled above it, while black, red, and gold rays of light mixed together to create an extremely breathtaking scene. Innumerable other colors also shone brightly in the surroundings, giving birth to a rainbow with infinite colors.

All kinds of rare materials such as Divine Herbs that had matured for hundreds of thousands of years, Sacred Ingredients, Spiritual Liquids, and the like kept turning into streams of divine Qi before pooling together into the pond.

The entire place looked like a plot of land that had come right out of a fairyland!

If an Alchemist were to see the scene at this moment, they would surely feel their heart's ache, and curse Gu Changge for wasting such Heavenly materials in such a way. Just a small piece of any item here required massive resources and hard work to find in the outside world. Even grabbing them for a high price at an auction wasn't easy.

Soon, the visions receded, and a terrifying and majestic aura started to permeate the surroundings. First came the aura of the Sacred Realm, and then the aura surged and broke through to the Great Sacred Realm in one go!

**[Splash!]**

Accompanied by the sound of water splashing around, Yan Ji walked out with surprise and stars in her eyes.

**"Young Master!"**

A smile bloomed on her face as she immediately found Gu Changge standing not too far away from her, and called out to him in her cold-yet-joyous voice.

Gu Changge nodded to her with a slight hint of appreciation in his eyes.

**"Not bad."**

He hadn't wasted all those resources. Her body was perfectly reconstructed, as if she were a fairy from the Ninth Heaven, and he couldn't find a single flaw in her appearance. Her flesh glistened like Immortal jade, while wisps of golden-red flames jumped above her hair.

The only words Gu Changge could use to describe her were 'charming' and 'flawless!'

**“Young Master Gu, do I look good?”**

Yan Ji spun in front of him at the same time as she asked. A bashful expression could be seen on her face, after all, this was the first time she showed herself in flesh and not as a remnant spirit.

Gu Changge smiled, and replied, **“You are very pretty.”**

Yan Ji’s smile showed even more happiness as she heard his response, and even her eyebrows jumped in joy.

**“But don’t you feel cold?”**

Gu Changge continued, and asked.

**“What?”**

His words stunned Yan ji, but she soon realized what he meant, and reacted. She had just reconstructed her body, and was no longer a remnant spirit, so there was obviously nothing covering her figure after she reconstructed her body.

Not only was she completely naked right now, but she even spun around right in front of Gu Changge without a thread covering her body!

Her face turned as red as a tomato, and she squatted and curled like a cooked shrimp.

At the same time, Yan Ji saw Gu Changge’s playful expression and felt even more ashamed.

It was too shameful!

Still, Gu Changge had no intention to tease her anymore. He took out a white robe and put it around her. He would have other opportunities in the future, but for now, he needed her to take care of some matters. With her strength of the Great Sacred Realm, she could explore certain places for him.

**“Thank you, Young Master!”**

Yan Ji wasn’t an ordinary girl either. She had cultivated for countless millennia, so she soon calmed down. Still, she felt her face burn a little.

**“I want you to go outside and take a look at the Land of Forsaken Immortals. Go and see if there’s any special place hidden in the depths of that land. Make sure to contact me if something comes up.”**

**“Take this [Domain Traversing Talisman] with you. Use this if you come across an opponent you can’t deal with. Make sure you don’t hesitate in using it — your life is the most important!”**

Gu Changge said with a warm tone, and gave her the [Domain Traversing Talisman] that he took out from the System’s Warehouse. This thing could help her escape at a critical moment.

Of course, that was only possible if she didn’t come across some unfathomable ancient monstrosity.

The [Domain Traversing Talisman] could easily break through barriers and spatial restrictions, so it would be able to help her escape danger.

From his investigations, he found that Gu Xian'er seemed to be in the Land of Forsaken Immortals. If he considered the tropes and cliches, then the Land of Forsaken Immortals indeed made sense. After all, it was a place no one dared to go to, so it must be hiding great opportunities hidden behind the veil of its great danger.

With Yan Ji's cultivation of the Great Sacred Realm, it won't be hard for her to travel through the Land of Forsaken Immortals, so she could help her investigate Gu Xian'er's background. He could make better plans to deal with her once he figured out her backing.

As for sending someone from the Gu Family?

Leaving aside the fact that Gu Changge's current authority wasn't enough for him to command the Great Sacred Realm masters of the family, but there were countless eyes keeping track of every movement made by those masters.

If he sent someone to the Land of Forsaken Immortals, many would want to know why he did that? Just what was his purpose? He was sure many Elders would immediately connect it to Gu Xian'er.

Gu Changge didn't want to ruin the prestige he had just built in the Gu Family with his own hands.

**"The Land of Forsaken Immortals? I see. Please rest assured, Young Master! You can leave this to me..."**

Yan Ji nodded and took the [Domain Traversing Talisman] from him. Since Gu Changge had commanded, she would surely get the job done.