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Chapter 1221 Growth Of The Plants Of Sleepscape

Lin Mu quickly fell asleep and found himself in the Sleepscape.

The place looked mostly the same as he had left before, but there were still some chances in it. The biggest one being the tree in front of Lin Mu.

"That's a lot of spirit apples..." Lin Mu was surprised.

The spirit apple tree was covered with spirit apples of both types, the normal ones and the wood energy rich ones. This was unusual, as Lin Mu knew it would only grow a specific amount before the limit was reached and they would need to be plucked.

But now even the newer wood energy rich apples were filling half the tree. Not to mention, all of them were fully ripe.

"Guess it makes sense since I haven't been here in a few months..." Lin Mu remembered the last time he came here was a week before the start of the War in Xiaofan world.

That was almost four months ago, and it was normal for the spirit apples to accumulate to this extent.

This was not the only change in the Sleepscape either though.

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Breathing in the air, Lin Mu felt that the spirit Qi in the air had increased even more. Not just that, but even the concentration of wood spirit Qi had increased.

"Huh?" Lin Mu gazed at the Wood Spirit Tulip and saw that it had change.

Instead of just swaying leaves, it now had a bright flower on top of it. The flower was a deep red in color and released a faint fragrance that filled the entire Sleepscape. If one looked closer, they would even see fine streaks of wood spirit Qi being absorbed into the flower.

"It actually bloomed..." Lin Mu had not expected for they Wood Spirit Tulip to bloom for a while.

While it had certainly grown up fast in the Sleepscape, the sudden change was unexpected, since Lin Mu and Xukong had estimated it would take at least a year or more to do this.

Walking closer to the flower, Lin Mu touched it. He was fully expecting to be slapped, but surprising the Wood Spirit flower didn't respond at all. It continued to sway gently and looked like any normal plant.

Its facade was almost perfect, if not for the fact that Lin Mu sensed the roots of the plant wiggling in the ground, nervously.

"Oh wait! My spirit sense works at its earlier range again!" Lin Mu discovered.

This confirmed his doubt that it really was the Rust Sky World that was causing his spirit sense to be limited.

"I should check more things." Lin Mu went on to test his Qi skills and found that the consumption was back to the earlier level.

"It is the effect of the Rust Sky world, for sure." Lin Mu nodded his head.

He felt like a lot of his doubts were now resolved and a feeling of relief also filled him.

~rustle~

A faint rustling sound attracted Lin Mu's attention and he turned to search for it. The sound had come from none other than the third spirit plant in the Sleepscape, the Purple Sickle Amaranth.

"You haven't changed much." Lin Mu observed the plant. "Hmm... you do have a few more leaves, though. Guess that counts as growth." He noted.

Lin Mu then took a walk across the entire Sleepscape, not finding any other change in it. The size of the Sleepscape was also the same as last time. In the end, he came to a stop before the Spirit apple tree and plucked all the fruits from it.

Holding a half green spirit apple in his hand, Lin Mu pondered for a bit.

~Crunch~

Then in the next minute, he took a deep bite, eating a quarter of the apple in one go. The juices of the spirit apple spread in his mouth, along with a sweet and sour taste. The wood spirit Qi and wood elemental energy too appeared quickly spreading through his body.

His stomach worked quickly at assimilating it all. The wood spirit Qi was simply stored in his Dantian, but the Wood elemental energy was instead guided to his liver, where it was used to refine the organ.

The effect was minuscule, but it was still there, which was better than nothing.

Not to mention, it still filled Lin Mu's belly.

"It would have been good if I could have come to the Sleepscape earlier. I wouldn't have had to be hungry for that long." Lin Mu said to himself.

This was one of the options he certainly had after having run out of all the food in his ring. But Lin Mu didn't do this because of a big reason; he didn't want to accidentally trigger the ability of the Great Slumber bear.

If that happened, when he was already lacking vitality, he might never wake up again. It was a very dangerous condition and it was best he stayed awake. Even though the chance of it happening was very low ever since Lin Mu had gotten control over it, there was no telling what the Rust Sky World's new rules might have on it.

'It was a risk that was best not taken... besides I managed to get the food in the end.' Lin Mu thought to himself.

~Crunch~

Lin Mu took another spirit apple rich in wood element and ate it as well. Without stopping, he ate all of them, leaving only the normal apples for later use.

The effects of the spirit apples were shown soon, as his liver started to get refined again. The increase was very slow, like a snail's pace, but it was something that still made Lin Mu pleased.

"If I keep this rate of progress, I might breakthrough to the fifth treasured organ before I reach the Immortal Ascension realm with my spirit Qi cultivation base." Lin Mu reckoned.

The fifth treasured organ was the body cultivation equivalent of the Immortal Ascension realm and would make Lin Mu stronger, placing him at the baseline for this world.

Chapter 1222 Rest And Comprehension

Lin Mu felt a little comfortable after having eaten all the Wood elemental spirit apples.

This was simply the natural characteristic of the wood element. The wood element was analogous with life and vitality. Without it, life could barely exist and the world would lose their vitality.

Plants were the basic beings that were born from the wood element and belonged to it. There were other beings that were similarly born from the wood element too, or aligned with it.

Overall, the wood element gave one a feeling of freshness and comfort. It was also the most gentle element among them all.

The fire was fierce; the earth was firm; the metal was sharp; the water was ever-changing; the wind was formless, and the lightning was explosive. Such was the aspect of the elements and each hid more among the top.

Lin Mu's comprehension of the wood element grew as he pondered on this and even his compression of the other elements increased very slightly. Reaching the Dao Treading realm allowed one to open up to the Dao and gain comprehension from it.

Even if one only practiced one of the Dao's other Daos could still be sensed from them. After all, all Dao's were born from one and lead to a single path in the end. They were inextricably linked and the closer they were in relation, the easier it would be to understand them.

For example, in Lin Mu's case, his comprehension of other elements increased because they were part of the basics of the world. Each element promoted and suppressed the other elements, forming a cycle.

From this, one could continue on to feel the other elements as well.

Though comprehending other elements like this was not a simple thing. Many cultivators could peer into this, but actually getting any significant gain was difficult. For Lin Mu, this was only possible since he had cultivated the Five Treasured Organs and had used the five elements.

In the many elements, he didn't feel the Lightning and Wind element as prominently as he did the five mortal elements. Which was normal since the five treasure organs correlated with the five mortal elements.

Lin Mu didn't know if there was some other way to integrate the Lightning and Wind Elements into his body as well.

'Perhaps it is the next step in body cultivation... The Lightning and Wind elements are part of the four heavenly elements and are above the five mortal elements. According to that, the Five mortal elements coincide with the 'mortal realm' then the four Heavenly elements should do so with the 'Immortal realm'.' Lin Mu continued to ponder more and more.

He entered a state of trance and stayed like this for a while. By the time he woke up, he realized it had been three days already.

"I should return to my body, Elder Niji might be concerned." Lin Mu muttered to himself.

Closing his eyes in the Sleepscape, Lin Mu opened them in the real world.

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Talking in a deep breath, Lin Mu felt a lot better than before. The three days of rest had improved his mentality as well as dissipated the stress that had been lingering deep in his mind.

He had after all, been in one tense situation after the other when he was in the Xiaofan world. The duty as the World's ordained weighed on him and the shadow of the Invader loomed constantly.

While leaving the Xiaofan world like that was a little regretful to Lin Mu, it also allowed him to become a little carefree.

"Let's take a look outside..." Lin Mu opened the door and saw that there was a Haima tribe member standing there.

He didn't recognize him, thinking that the man might have been asked to stand guard.

"^(&(*&(" The Haima tribe member was a bit startled and spoke something in his language.

Seeing that it was Lin Mu, he shook his head and thought for a couple of seconds.

"N-noble... Elder Niji... Call..." The man spoke with some difficulty and gestured to the building where Elder Niji lived.

"Ah, I understand." Lin Mu nodded his head.

He had already guessed something like this might happen and went along with the Haima Tribe member.

'If I'm going to stay here a while, I should learn their language... maybe Elder Niji might be able to teach me.' Lin Mu thought to himself.

It shouldn't be that difficult for Lin Mu to learn the language, as he had already learned Dao Script. Xukong had told him that once one knew Dao Script, they could learn pretty much any other language easily with some time. At least this applied to the languages that could be spoken with the normal speech organs. Learning other unique languages such as Beast Tongue and others had extra requirements and might be difficult for normal humans.

By the time he added this task to his list, Lin Mu was already at Elder Niji's residence.

~CREAK~

The stone door opened with a loud creak like always, and Lin Mu entered it.

He was the only one who was allowed free entry into the elder's residence and the other tribe members could only wait patiently outside unless invited.

Lin Mu's spirit sense quickly found Elder Niji in a room upstairs.

"Now that I think of it, I've never actually seen the other parts of this house." Lin Mu recalled.

Talking the stairs to the right, Lin Mu went upstairs and walked down the short corridor, reaching the room in which Elder Niji was located.

~Creak~

This stone door creaked as well, pulling Elder Niji's attention.

"You called for me?" Lin Mu spoke.

"Ah! Noble Lin Mu you are awake. I reckoned you were tired and needed some good rest, so I didn't disturb you before." Elder Niji replied.

"Yes, I was a bit tired. Now I'm better." Lin Mu stated.

"That does seem to be the case. Your complexion looks a lot better." Elder Niji nodded.

"So what is it that you called me here for? Was it something specific?" Lin Mu questioned.

"The Chasm Beasts have appeared."

Chapter 1223 The Long Distance Scout Team And Chasm Beast Sighting

Lin Mu raised his brows upon hearing this.

"When did this happen?" Lin Mu asked.

"The day after we returned." Elder Niji replied.

"So suddenly? We should have spotted some of the early ones, right?" Lin Mu asked in doubt.

"We should have yes, but it seems like the spot of resurgence this time is far from the tribe. The only reason we even know it in advance is because the long distance scout team returned." Elder Niji explained.

"I see... but what's the long distance scout team?" Lin Mu questioned.

"You could say they are our bravest warriors. They've volunteered to patrol the Barren lands to check for the first signs of the Chasm beasts. They set out on their task whenever a Chasm Beast tide recedes and only return when they spot the first Chasm beast again.

Of course, the site of resurgence of the Chasm Beasts can be anywhere in the Barren Lands along the Broken Chasm, but the further one is away from the tribe, the more danger they would encounter.

Thus, the Long distance scout team's work is especially dangerous. Their current leader, Kulo is the second strongest Haima, just below me." Elder Niji answered in detail.

"Oh? That's interesting. I should meet them then, if they are strong, their bodies would be a lot more developed and I might be able to obtain some insights." Lin Mu stated.

"Of course, you'll get to meet them soon. We are going to discuss the matter of the Chasm Beasts anyway." Elder Niji agreed.

Lin Mu then followed after Elder Niji and they went to another building that was located in the central area of the Haima tribe. It was not that tall, but it was certainly the widest building in the Haima tribe.

In some ways, it could also be considered as the Tribe's center.

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Elder Niji and Lin Mu were greeted by the Haima Tribe members waiting for them.

"They are waiting for us." Elder Niji translated.

Entering the building, Lin Mu felt like he had somewhat returned to a council room of his home world. In there, he spotted several Haima Tribe members sitting around, some of them old, and some middle aged.

There were both men and women and even a few young members standing at the back.

Elder Niji walked up to his seat at the head of the circle, while Lin Mu sat next to him.

At first, Elder Niji and the Haima Tribe members discussed amongst themselves and a few even glanced at Lin Mu from time to time. He had already become quite well known in the tribe by now, especially since the warriors who had accompanied them on the last expedition spread the story of his power.

The other Haima tribe members had been interested in seeing him after learning all that, but they couldn't since he was sleeping ever since returning from them. And now they could finally do this.

Lin Mu too observed them and could grasp from their mannerisms that they were talking about him too.

'Elder Niji said the head of the Long distance Scouts should be here too. Which one is he?' Lin Mu's spirit sense wandered around and checked the cultivation bases of everyone.

Surprisingly enough, the average cultivation base here was equivalent to the Nascent soul realm while the weakest was at the core condensation realm. The ones at the core condensation realm were none other than the young members of the tribe.

But the strongest after Elder Niji was a single middle aged man that was sitting on the opposite side. His face had several scars, and so did his body. He wore a different styled armor than the others and even had several patterns painted on it.

'Roughly equivalent to the Dao Shell realm. Certainly strong enough to be the second in the tribe.' Lin Mu soon found the man.

"Noble Lin Mu, the Chasm Beasts will probably start to pour out of the Broken Chasm in about a week's time. If you want to take a closer look at them, now's the right time." Elder Niji suddenly spoke.

"Have they come close to the tribe?" Lin Mu asked.

"A few stray Chasm Beasts were spotted by the outpost scouts just an hour ago. Head Warrior Kulo just informed me of this." Elder Niji replied.

"Good. We should leave as soon as possible, then." Lin Mu was ready.

He had been intending to take a look at the Chasm Beasts from the start. While he had heard quite a bit about them, seeing them and observing them directly was an entirely different experience.

It would also net him the most information.

"Head Warrior Kulo will accompany us too." Elder Niji stated.

"That's fine." Lin Mu was intending to interact more with the man anyway.

He was interested in the man's experience as a warrior. Even if Elder Niji was the strongest in the tribe, his role was ultimately that of leading the tribe. He wasn't necessarily the best at fighting, that title would be for the head warrior.

Lin Mu reckoned that if he observed and analyzed how the head warrior fought, he might be able to discern some Qi skill or cultivation technique best suited to the Haima tribe. And perhaps he himself might get to learn something new too.

The three of them left the tribe right away and appeared on the surface after a few minutes.

"%&^%E@**" Head Warrior Kulo spoke something and pointed in the distance towards the Broken Chasm.

"Kulo says that they spotted six stray Chasm Beasts wandering there." Elder Niji translated.

"How strong are they?" Lin Mu asked.

"Our average warrior would be able to kill at least one of them." Elder Niji replied.

"So at the Qi refining realm... that should be no problem, then." Lin Mu said.

The three of them started running, and Lin Mu discovered that Head Warrior Kulo was quite fast too. In fact he was faster than Elder Niji, who was stronger than him.

Chapter 1224 The Chasm Beasts

Lin Mu continued to observe Head Warrior Kulo, realizing that he certainly had a way of maneuvering the rough landscape.

'It's almost like a footwork technique, but without any specialized spirit Qi circuits.' Lin Mu thought.

This also gave him the idea of picking a footwork and movement technique for the Haima tribe. From what he could see they already had a natural skill in this, and their agility was good. Adding a footwork and movement technique would be the same as adding wings to a tiger and they might become a lot stronger.

'Though there is still the issue of incompatibility. Hmm... maybe a technique that only utilizes the meridians in the legs might work? It is isolated enough that the interference from other circuits might not be there.' Lin Mu analyzed.

In his ring, Lin Mu quite literally had a library full of skills. These skills encompassed all that the alliance had, even some of the incomplete and damaged skills were there. The patriarchs of the Alliance had gifted him this long before the final battle, but he had yet to get a proper look through it.

"I should search through it, there must be something." Lin Mu muttered to himself.

"@#%&%^\$" Then in the next second, he heard Head Warrior Kulo speak something.

"We halt here." Elder Niji translated.

They came to a stop, and Head Warrior Kulo stood on top of a mound observing the distance.

"@#%&#%@&" The head warrior said something in a low voice.

"He says, the Chasm Beasts are circling something in the distance." Elder Niji stated.

"Circling something? They caught someone?" Lin Mu too climbed up on the mound and gazed in the distance following Head Warrior Kulo.

There he saw some small black figures moving around in circles.

"I thought the Chasm Beasts didn't behave like normal beasts and were aggressive against all prey?" Lin Mu asked in doubt.

"Yes... which is why this is strange. We should be cautious." Elder Niji said with a serious face.

Something that could cause the Chasm Beasts to change their normal behavior was possible extraordinarily. The group of three approached the area cautiously, and Lin Mu finally got to take a proper look at the Chasm Beasts.

The ones in front of them were the size of dogs and were considered the smallest Chasm Beasts. Their skin was furless and had a dark black texture that seemed to be dusty. There were eight of them going around in circles. They had six legs, all of which had three claws on them that were perfect for tearing flesh. Instead of a tail though, they had a ridge on their back that extended outwards from where the tail should have been.

This protrusion was rigid and did not move like a tail. It wasn't that long either being only ten centimeters long. The most eye-catching feature though was their head. Their lower jaw was like that of a crocodile, having fangs that jutted outwards.

But their upper jaw was different, being shaped like a beak and having no teeth on it. The end of this beak was hooked and a sharp metallic glint could be seen on it. The eyes of the Chasm Beasts were an empty black, as if there was no actual eyeball in the sockets.

Their forehead was also broad, propping upwards like a shield.

Glancing at the Chasm beasts though, Lin Mu felt like they were a bit familiar.

'Did I read about them somewhere?' Lin Mu thought to himself but couldn't recall where.

"What's that?" Elder Niji said as he pointed at an object that was lying in the center.

The object shone slightly and reflected a faint light. Lin Mu's eyes focused on it and discovered that it looked like a broken chest plate.

"An armor?" Lin Mu narrowed his eyes.

"#*&%#*^" Head Warrior Kulo spoke something at this time.

"We should take this chance to attack the Chasm Beasts while they are distracted." Elder Niji translated.

"Alright." Lin Mu didn't have any problem.

He too wanted to get closer and sense just how the bodies of the Chasm Beasts were. His spirit sense couldn't reach them from here, and he wondered what mysteries they held within them.

Barely a minute later, Lin Mu and the two were already close to the Chasm Beasts.

~WHOOSH~

The first to attack was Head Warrior Kulo as he leaped up and struck down with a stone spear, directly impaling one of the Chasm beasts.

~GUZAAAA~

A strange roar was let out by the Chasm Beasts and they became agitated. The huffed out black smoke, looking angry, and charged at Head Warrior Kulo. But before they could go any closer, Head Warrior Kulo threw two javelins at them.

~SHUA~ Shua~

The Javelins soared through the air and accurately struck two Chasm Beasts. It went smoothly though their head all the way to the base of their tail.

~BOOM~ BOOM~

The next attack came from Lin Mu as he directly appeared at the back of the Chasm Beasts. Elder Niji and Head Warrior Kulo were shocked at this sudden appearance.

'Wasn't he right next to me a moment ago?' Elder Niji was confused.

They watched as Lin Mu directly punched with his fists. They struck the sturdy backs of the Chasm Beasts and cracked it effortlessly. The two fists were directly buried into the flesh of the Chasm Beasts and ended their life.

Elder Niji got out of his shock as well and killed two more Chasm Beasts with the staff he had been carrying around all this time.

Now only one Chasm Beast was left, and it looked at the humans wearily.

"Wait." Lin Mu spoke. "I want to see what it does." He added.

"We can't wait for long as other Chasm beasts might come soon from their cry earlier. They can sense their kin dying nearby." Elder Niji replied.

"Won't take long." Lin Mu said as he directly used blink and appeared on top of the Chasm Beast.

~THUD~

His weight directly pressed the beast onto the ground, cracking its back.

Chapter 1225 Birth Of The Chasm Beasts And Cracks

The Chasm Beast was in a sorry state after being pressed upon by Lin Mu. It couldn't even let out a cry and faint black gas could be seen coming out of its cracked back.

Even then Lin Mu controlled his weight so that he didn't just flatten the beast and kill it. Thankfully even if he couldn't fly, he could still use spirit Qi to lessen his weight. It didn't count as going against the restrictions of the world and was still possible for him.

Otherwise, he'd be leaving craters everywhere he walked.

When the Chasm Beast was suppressed, Lin Mu used his spirit sense to scan it. At first, he could tell the outer structure and body of the beast, but when it entered deeper Lin Mu discovered that the Chasm Beast had no organs!

It was simply a solid body that seemingly worked somehow.

'Hmm... Its insides are made of out the same dark fog that's in the Broken Chasm, but its outer features are like that of a normal beast. Is this a change that is only triggered under certain conditions?' Lin Mu already made up several hypotheses about the Chasm Beasts.

He then glanced at the Chasm Beasts that were already dead and saw that they were dissipating into a dusty black fog. It looked like something that would come out of the exhaust of a badly maintained truck that had no catalytic converter.

The dead bodies of the Chasm Beasts first shrunk while the outer parts were intact and when they reached the halfway point, they disappeared as well.

"Oh?" It was now that Lin Mu noticed something peculiar.

Instead of just fading into the air, the dusty black fog actually gathered up and flew in the direction of the Broken Chasm.

"Interesting..." Lin Mu muttered.

~CRACK~

Shattering the body of the Chasm Beast under him, Lin Mu killed it and also stored the broken chest plate in his ring to check on later. Then he followed after the Dusty black fog that rose from the dead body. Elder Niji and Head Warrior Kulo also followed after him, feeling a little concerned.

In less than five minutes they reached the edge of the Broken Chasm. Lin Mu's eyes had not looked away from the dusty Black fog at all and soon saw it pour into the Broken Chasm. It merged into the rest of the dark black fog and was like a river returning to the sea.

~WHOOSH~

But just as Lin Mu was observing the fog, a change happened.

The fog started to churn as if a storm was seething within it.

"This is bad! We need to leave now!" Elder Niji said hurriedly. "More Chasm Beasts are about to be born!"

Head Warrior Kulo tightened his grip on the two spears and was ready to act at the first sign of danger.

Lin Mu on the other hand closed his eyes for a moment before opening them again. Spatial perception activated and he peered into the dark depths of the fog. It was then that he discovered something there.

'Just as I thought, there is more to the birth of Chasm Beasts.' Lin Mu thought.

He could see multiple small spatial cracks opening up in the dark fog. They were somewhat similar to the cracks that would appear when a heavenly tribulation descended but was a lot smaller.

Another similarity they held was the fact that these cracks were leaking out a certain kind of unknown energy. The energy mixed with the Dark fog and soon a spherical mass would be condensed around the wisps of this unknown energy.

The spherical masses were of different sizes too, with some being only a meter wide and some being over four meters wide. The spherical masses then started to change shape and condensed.

In less than five seconds they had already taken the shape of a Chasm Beasts.

The whole process from the forming of spherical mass to and formation of the Chasm Beasts took less than ten seconds, showing Lin Mu just how fast it was.

"This is very strange..." Lin Mu wondered where the unknown energy was coming from.

Since there were spatial cracks, there was bound to be something behind it.

'It's certainly not the void behind those cracks... I don't sense them. A minor plane maybe?' Lin Mu guessed.

~RUMBLE~

But just as Lin Mu was pondering on the spatial cracks, the newly born Chasm Beasts within the fog moved.

~GUZAAAA~

A loud roar could be heard coming from the fog. It was the combination of all the Chasm Beasts within it and they were roaring in a unison.

"Alright, let's leave!" Lin Mu said, having seen enough.

Elder Niji and Head Warrior Kulo started to run without a word and Lin Mu followed after them. At the same time, he glanced back from time to time, watching out for any surprises.

Soon the three of them started to leap directly, covering large tracts of land at once. This also allowed Lin Mu to observe the situation behind in a bit more easily.

~WHOOSH~

It was then that he saw multiple Chasm Beasts leaping out of the Broken Chasm. Some were the same dog sized ones as before, but bigger ones were here now too.

"Curses! That's a bad one." Elder Niji noted the largest beast. "It can even kill someone on the level of Head Warrior Kulo." He informed.

"Oh?" Lin Mu had not expected the Chasm beast which was about the size of a bull to be that strong.

In Xiaofan world any beast in the Dao Shell realm was significantly larger. This was another qualitative difference he learned now.

Thankfully that was the largest Chasm Beast among them all and Lin Mu still had the confidence to go against them. The only reason he was not killing them was there was no reason to right now.

After all, more such beasts might be born anytime, and some of them might be a lot stronger than these ones. Lin Mu didn't want to encounter one that could even go against immortals at his current level.

Chapter 1226 Large Scale Tide

Lin Mu, Elder Niji and Head Warrior Kulo successfully managed to escape and didn't need to clash with the Chasm Beasts again. They had run away at the right time and thus the Chasm Beasts didn't attack them.

There were some strange interactions among the Chasm Beasts when they reached the surface. They grunted at each other, as if communicating in some manner. Lin Mu was sure that they had seen them, at least one of them might have, but even then they were not pursued.

'This is different from what Elder Niji said. The Chasm Beasts pursue any creature as long as they sense them. We were clearly discovered and yet they did not do this?' Lin Mu thought to himself.

He wondered what might be the difference this time around, because he doubted the long term records and observations of the Haima tribe might be wrong about something basic like this. He could see them not knowing about the spatial cracks, but this was something anyone would figure out after a while.

Especially the Haima Tribe, who had been clashing against the Chasm Beasts for thousands of years and had devised several methods of avoiding them.

"Elder Niji, have the Haima tribe members seen the Chasm Beasts come out of the Broken Chasm before?" Lin Mu questioned after they reached the outpost.

"Yes, they've done so several times." Elder Niji said.

Lin Mu furrowed his brows and told Elder Niji about what he had noticed.

"This is strange... I'm sure they don't act like this." Elder Niji was surprised.

Head Warrior Kulo also asked what Lin Mu had said and Elder Niji explained to him. Hearing this, though, the warrior had an expression of remembrance on his face.

"\$@^%##&" Head Warrior Kulo said in confusion.

Elder Niji was surprised by his words, and Lin Mu wondered what he said.

"Head Warrior Kulo says that he has seen this before." Elder Niji translated for Lin Mu.

"Really? Can he recall the details about it?" Lin Mu questioned.

Elder Niji nodded his head and explained what Head Warrior Kulo said. After about ten minutes, Lin Mu finally had slightly better understanding of the Chasm Beasts.

Turns out the last time Head Warrior had seen this was nearly a hundred years ago. And in that year a large scale tide of Chasm Beasts had appeared. A Beast Tide of that level was rare, only happened randomly.

Even in the long history of the Haima Tribe, such a large scale tide was only witnessed 13 times.

This gave Lin Mu a guess about what it might be related to.

'If the Chasm Beasts acting like that is really the early signs of a large scale tide like that, then we need to get ready for it.' Lin Mu thought.

He expressed his concern to Elder Niji and the man was shocked. Head Warrior Kulo also felt like it might really be the case as Lin Mu had said. Besides, even if it was not so, they would much rather spend some extra resources and take the precaution rather than waiting for the large scale tribe to arrive.

"I'll get the warriors to prepare. If a large scale tribe is really coming, then we need to reinforce the defenses of the tribe." Elder Niji spoke.

"Even more than the current level?" Lin Mu asked, as he knew that finding the tribe and entering it was quite difficult.

"Yes. Every time there was a large scale tide like this, a few Chasm Beasts managed to enter the tribe. They either smelled us out, or stumbled across a fissure that took them to the peripheral caves of the tribe." Elder Niji explained.

"I see... then I'll help you with it then." Lin Mu said. "I'll set up some formation arrays before that." He offered.

"Formation arrays? You can make formation arrays?!" Elder Niji was surprised once again.

The Haima tribe certainly had the information about formation arrays and knew how powerful they could be. After all the many kingdoms and empires were protected by them. Some of them had even seen the people that were exiled here use them a few times before.

"Yes, I can. While I can't guarantee they will hold up against a bigger Chasm Beast, the ones on the level of head Warrior Kulo should be unable to get in." Lin Mu stated.

"That should be enough." Elder Niji nodded his head.

He'd take anything at this point. In fact, just knowing that a large scale Chasm Beast tide was coming in advance was a great benefit to them. They could easily reduce the injuries and victims in the tribe with it.

Upon returning to the tribe, Elder Niji quickly gave out orders and mobilized the entire tribe. Head Warrior Kulo also gathered the warriors and went around to set up some preliminary barriers around the possible entrances of the tribe.

Another part of the tribe members were tasked with the duty of ensuring they had enough supplies to last for the duration of this tide. While they certainly had enough food in the form of Stone Flesh Mushrooms, there was still the issue of water.

There was enough water in the tribe right now and they could take more from the underground spring, but if the incoming tide caused tremors and damaged the aquifer that supplied the spring, things would become tough for the tribe.

Thus, the tribe members started filling up the reservoir in one of the areas as well as all the vessels that they had. They wanted to have enough saved in reserve so that even if the spring dried up later.

While the tribe did all this, Lin Mu returned to his residence. He needed to make a few components first before he could deploy the Formation array after all.

"For an area this big, I'll need quite a lot." Lin Mu realized it was his first time setting up such large scale a formation array.

They didn't know how much time they had, thus Lin Mu started his work without a pause.

Chapter 1227 Earth Fixing Array

About six days had passed since the day Lin Mu discovered a possible large scale Chasm Beast tide that was about to come.

The Haima tribe had already stocked up on the supplies and the warriors had also increased the physical defenses as much as possible.

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In his residence, Lin Mu finished drawing the last set of runes and stretched his arms.

"This should be enough... if not, I can probably use some of the extra items from the ring." Lin Mu muttered to himself.

Storing the components in the ring, Lin Mu went out to meet Elder Niji.

"I've gotten it ready." Lin Mu spoke.

"Ah! You can start making the formation array then." Elder Niji said anxiously.

The scouts on the outpost had already sent several reports of Chasm Beasts appearing in the distance. This only increased the possibility of the Large Scale Beast tide and had all but confirmed it now.

"Are all the preparations ready? Because once I set this up, getting out of it would be difficult." Lin Mu asked.

The formation array Lin Mu was intending to make was called as the Earth Fixing Formation Array.

It was a large scale defensive array and was rarely used in the Xiaofan world. The reason being that it restrained entrance and exit and also had some strict requirements to make. The main one being that the area where it is being deployed needed to be mostly free of all elements other than earth.

This was perfect for the Barren lands as the area was desolate and barely any plants grew here. Water was also not abundant around this time and there was obviously no source of natural fire here.

One could see why this was not used much in the Xiaofan world before. There were very few areas that fulfilled these condition making the array less useful. But now that very array was proving to be the best.

"The tribe is ready, noble Lin Mu. You can start as soon as possible." Elder Niji confirmed.

"Alright, I'll get to it then." Lin Mu said before leaving the residence.

He went around the tribe, placing several components of the array. The components varied from simple formation flags to complicated restriction plates. Lin Mu planted them according to the shape of the tribe's territory and also carved several runes into the wall, connecting them.

The Haima tribe members were very curious about what Lin Mu was doing. They knew that it was something being made to protect them, but it was a new thing for them to witness. The children followed after Lin Mu, watching him work and even the adults came to do the same from time to time.

Lin Mu drawing mystical runes was magical to the Haima tribe people and they wondered how it was all done.

The whole process took about two days, even though Lin Mu worked non-stop. But once it was done, the array needed little to be activated.

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Everyone in the tribe heard a strange buzzing sound coming from everywhere. They could hear it coming from the walls, the floor, and even the ceiling of the tribe.

~RUMBLE~

Then the entire ground shook, as if a quake was imminent. This terrified the tribe members and they started shouting, but the guards calmed them down quickly. They had already been informed that some unusual things might be happening and that they would be safe.

Lin Mu on the other hand, stood on top of the outpost along with Elder Niji and Head Warrior Kulo.

"This is... stunning..." Elder Niji and Head Warrior Kulo were stunned.

All around them, a brown colored energy swirled and flowed. This covered a vast tract of area and seemed to be coming from the very earth upon which they stood. The brown energy moved and condensed around the borders of the Haima tribe.

~HUALA~

The streaks of energy turned solid, turning into walls. At first, it looked like the Haima tribe had gained a boundary wall on the surface. But then this wall started to rise and curve.

"Align!" Lin Mu continuously drew runes in the air, controlling the array and guiding its formation.

The walls continued to rise and soon started to bend in a certain direction. Minute after minute passed as Elder Niji and Head Warrior Kulo watched the wall grow tall. After five minutes, the wall was already tall enough to compete against the hills!

Ten minutes later, it was twice as tall as the hills!

"Merge!" It was at this time that Lin Mu sent the final command through runes.

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The tops of the walls that had turned as tall as a small mountain, came together, joining at a central point. Now if anyone looked at it from the outside, they would think that it was a normal mountain.

~phew~

"There we go..." Lin Mu let out a breath of relief.

The whole process hat taken a lot of spirit Qi to complete. After all, Lin Mu was doing this alone when the array was supposed to be set up in a large group. If it were not for his large spirit Qi stores, he might have initiated the starting process, but he wouldn't be able to guide it to properly cover the entire tribe.

Even now, his spirit Qi stores barely stood at 20%.

"You made an entire mountain?!" Elder Niji was stunned.

He knew that there was going to be a defensive layer around the tribe, but an entire mountain was not something he had guessed at all.

"It looks like a mountain, but it will be tougher than the normal rocks around the area. And it's not just on the surface, the underground area of the tribe has also been reinforced.

Now if any Chasm Beasts breach the underground, they would be detected by the array and killed by it. The entire area around the tribe is now a spike trap." Lin Mu said, much to their shock.

The Haima Tribe members below were also wondering why the walls had turned darker in color.

Chapter 1228 Changes In The Haima Tribe

The effect brought on by the Earth Fixing Array was soon witnessed.

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Lin Mu waved his hand and a translucence window appeared in the air. Elder Niji and Head Warrior Kulo were intrigued by it as it looked quite different from anything before. Then in the next moment, the plain white scene in the window changed to that of the outside.

"Is that the area outside the array?" Elder Niji recognized.

"Indeed. This way we can observe what is happening outside without needing to go there ourselves." Lin Mu confirmed.

The Earth Fixing Array had basically buried the Haima Tribe even deeper into the ground with the new mountain on top of it. This meant that they could not see anything and there was only a faint light from the swirling runes here.

Elder Niji and Head Warrior Kulo watched the window and saw a few Chasm Beasts on it. These were the common Chasm Beasts that were small and were roughly equivalent to a core condensation realm cultivator.

They were like the ones that Lin Mu had killed earlier.

Currently, these Chasm Beasts were wandering aimlessly, but had soon come close to the border of the Array.

"Seems like we'll get to see the defenses of the array first hand." Lin Mu spoke.

Elder Niji and Head Warrior Kulo watched intently, not wanting to miss anything. A minute later, the Chasm Beasts eventually stumbled into the protected area of the Earth Fixing Array.

~SHING~ SHING~ SHING~

Several spikes automatically rose from the ground, piercing the Chasm Beasts. The process was very fast, and it didn't stop. More and more spikes rose until the Chasm Beasts were basically shredded.

The array then detected that the intruders were dead, thus the spikes started to change. They first widened at the top, before joining and covering the corpses of the Chasm Beasts. Then they retreated into the earth, pulling the corpses with them.

Once they were gone, the ground looked as natural as always, with no sign that a few beasts had just died here or that hundreds of spikes had appeared. It was the cleanest scene of slaughter.

"Amazing." Elder Niji praised.

Even Head Warrior Kulo was stunned to see something like this. They were worried a little upon hearing that spikes would be attacking enemies. After all, the appearance of spikes will make the area look 'unnatural' thus attracting attention.

This was the one thing they were trying to avoid. But now that they saw that the spikes were rather 'smart' they were relieved.

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But then a few seconds later, they saw something else. Black dusty smoke automatically rose up from the earth where the Chasm Beasts had died. This was the same smoke they released when their bodies dissipated.

Lin Mu raised his brow, as he had not expected the smoke to be able to escape even after being restrained by the array.

'Certainly need to learn more about them.' Lin Mu thought.

With the little demonstration done, Lin Mu decided to return to the Settlement below. He needed to rest and recover after all.

"Noble Lin Mu, will we be able to watch the exterior area like this in the tribe, too?" Elder Niji asked.

"Yeah, I'll make some observation mirrors. You should be able to use it effortlessly then." Lin Mu replied.

Since the Haima tribe members couldn't use formations, Lin Mu didn't teach them the method of operating the array. If they could do that, making a window like Lin Mu did would be as simple as waving a hand.

But now Lin Mu needed to make a secondary tool for them to be able to do the same.

'It shouldn't take much though.' Lin Mu reckoned.

After returning to the tribe, Lin Mu first recovered his spirit Qi for two days and then made the mirrors that he had talked about. The mirrors were simple and were made out of spirit glass that was inscribed with the linking formation that allowed one to use the observation feature of the Earth Fixing Array.

Lin Mu made several such mirrors just in case. Two would be used by Elder Niji and Head Warrior Kulo and a few extra would be kept as spare. This was Lin Mu's first time making them and there was no saying if they would break.

Plus, the Haima tribe members were also using items like these for the first time, so there was always a chance of them making a mistake and breaking the mirrors.

With the mirrors in their hands, Elder Niji and Head Warrior Kulo now had the new task of watching them all day.

'This is so much better than letting the scouts observe from the outpost. A lot safer too. We can prevent our people from dying.' Elder Niji was very grateful.

In times of large scale Chasm Beast tides like this, staying alert was very important, thus they always had someone keeping an eye on the Chasm Beast. That was a dangerous job and only a few did it.

But now they could do the same thing while staying within the safety of their tribe.

The other members of the Haima Tribe soon got used to the Earth Fixing Array and its changes. They were told to stop expanding the underground area of the tribe for the time being and to simply focus on other tasks like growing food.

Besides, it was not like they could continue to dig with how tough the walls had become. A few of the workers who were working at the time of the Earth Fixing Array's activating simply broke their tools.

The other tribe members soon learned about the new rules about what they could and could not do during this time period.

Thankfully there wasn't much of a change than their usual life so they had no issues.

Now the only thing they wondered was just how long this Large Scale Chasm beast tide would last. From the past records, the period varied greatly between four months to over a year.

No one knew how long it would take and in the blink of an eye two months had passed since the large scale Chasm Beast Tide arrived.

In this time, several small changes had happened in the Haima Tribe. Excluding the new rules that were to be followed, the people of the tribes found a few new things to do in their time of 'seclusion'.

But among these tasks, there was one that greatly interested everyone. This was the task of attending the class organized by Elder Niji.

In this, they would learn about the Chasm Beasts and how they actually behaved. While each and every person in the tribe knew about Chasm Beasts, their understanding of the Chasm beasts varied a lot.

Only the warriors and older members of the tribe actually knew about them in detail. There were in fact, many members of the tribe who had never actually left the tribe and stepped onto the surface.

This was the theme since many years ago, the Haima tribe members would be born in the tribe and die in the tribe without even seeing the sky.

It could be perceived as a very bad life, but over the many generations, they simply knew nothing else. Even the warriors who went out on the surface felt a lot more comfortable underground in the tribe.

But with the observation mirrors Lin Mu made, Elder Niji could now show the Chasm Beasts to the rest of the tribe.

Every day, they would father in large numbers and watch it in a wide circle while Elder Niji talked about the beasts. He taught them the different sized Chasm Beasts and what their strengths were like.

But after a few weeks, Elder Niji had run out of things to teach about the Chasm beasts. While the tribe members still liked to come and watch the beasts wander, it was not that useful.

Even children had mostly learned about the Chasm Beasts now and some could even recite Elder Niji's words from memory.

Instead of simply reverting back to their usual duties, Elder Niji decided to do something else. Under the books provided by Lin Mu, he started to teach the clan about the world of cultivation and the basics that one needed to know if they were to live in the outside world.

Elder Niji too learned some things from Lin Mu as he couldn't figure out all things on his own and needed some help to understand.

Lin Mu found his efforts to be commendable and he could see that Elder Niji was definitely one of the smartest people he had met. While he might be restricted by his environment, the drive to learn was still there.

There was a reason why he was the one who had become the Elder of the Haima Tribe.

As another two months passed by, Lin Mu realized that perhaps he should take a different path in finding a solution for the Haima tribe. This was the solution for them to be able to cultivate and be able to control the spirit Qi and use Qi skills.

Of course, Lin Mu was still unable to come up with a proper cultivation technique for the people of the Haima tribe, but he reckoned that there was still something they could learn to do.

Thus, he taught Elder Niji the method to sense the spirit Qi within them and around them. This was one of the most basic exercises that compromised of a breathing method taught to children in cultivation sects and clans.

It was harmless, and pretty much anyone could practice it.

Chapter 1229 A Calm Tribe And An Impatient Egg

The addition of the basic breathing techniques in the daily life of the Haima Tribe brought about a profound change.

The Haima Tribe people could be seen meditating everywhere.

It barely took a week for everyone to learn the technique, and this was only in terms of reach. Learning the technique itself took barely an hour for every individual. Upon learning it, they continued to practice it.

The more they did so, the better they felt. It was as if their body was refreshed and a 'weakness' was washed away.

A mere hint of this 'refreshing' feeling was all it took to get the Haima Tribe hooked to it. So much so that they much rather mediate than do other unnecessary tasks like talking and or playing.

In fact, if it were not for the fact that they had duties that they absolutely needed to do, the entire tribe might just mediate all day.

It was a strange scene for Lin Mu to witness. The tribe which had been anxious with the large scale beast tide all this time, was now in a very calm state. One wouldn't be able to tell that they were close to danger at every movement and would think that their lives were always peaceful.

Observing all this actually gave Lin Mu insights into himself and his understanding of the world. He sat on the roof of his residence and observed the entire tribe before him. His eyes could perceive everything clearly, and the distance didn't matter at this point.

Several thoughts were currently going through his mind.

'The way the Haima tribe achieved this state is very unusual... what's even more usual is that they were able to achieve this meditative state for the entire tribe. It would be fine if a fraction of individuals were attenuated to mediating like this, but the entire tribe?

That's not normal.' Lin Mu thought.

He had seen the top sects and clans of the Xiaofan world. They too taught their children something similar to this. While their meditative and breathing techniques might vary and some might even be better than this, the end goal was still the same.

The goal was to achieve a peaceful and focused state that was optimum for cultivation. There were different levels to this too, with some only faint into it and some in a complete trance.

Lin Mu himself could achieve this easily with the Calming Heart Sutra and the Severing heart sutra. But the majority were unable to even reach the halfway point to trance. They could only rely on some external resources or enlightenment to achieve that.

Those who could enter this state had a better sense of their self and their bodies. This allowed them to grasp the energies and finally allowing them to sense the spirit Qi within them as well as around them.

'What's the difference that the Haima tribe has that the other great powers don't have?' Lin Mu pondered on next.

To him, the Haima tribe was in a worse state than even some of the villages of the Xiaofan world. They had a lack of things that could not be explained in a few words. They didn't just lack in terms of resources, but also thinking, experience and knowledge. "Wait..." It was at this time that Lin Mu realized something.

'If they can enter this deep state even with a basic breathing technique, then perhaps it is because of the same things they lack?' Lin Mu wondered.

With the lack of things to stimulate and entertain them, the Haima Tribe didn't have that many things to think about. Of course, they did have their own games, songs and stories, but compared to the vast amount of it that was available to the commoners of Xiaofan world, it was minuscule.

Even something as a basic variation of food was something that the Haima Tribe lacked. While they had plenty to eat, it was greatly limited. From what Lin Mu had seen so far, the Stone Flesh Mushrooms were highly nutritious, but they were also the only staple of the tribe.

A few other plants did grow around the Barren Lands, but they were very rare. In fact, the only other crop that the Haima Tribe grew in their tribe other than Stone Flesh Mushrooms was a type of grass that could be woven into threads.

This was the very same grass from which the clothes that Elder Niji wore came. And considering how only one person wore clothes made from it showed the rarity of it. The grass barely grew and even when it did, only a handful of strands of fiber could be taken from it.

With the production levels of the grass, it would take over a decade or more to make enough fabric to wave the clothes that Elder Niji wore. And even then, these clothes weren't that durable and would deteriorate over the years.

Perhaps this was the reason why only the elder of the tribe was given the chance to wear them. And the reason why it became a sign of authority.

'The absence of these things perhaps allowed the Haima Tribe to become a lot more focused naturally. Since they don't even know the existence of such things, their minds won't wander and they would become a lot more calm.

Perhaps this is what the old experts say about severing the secular ties and avoiding the mortal indulgences. They would taint the mind and weaken their mentality, hindering their cultivation in the process.' Lin Mu understood even more.

He continued to learn more while days continued to pass and his insights developed as well.

But that wasn't all Lin Mu did. He also focused on his own cultivation. More and more Wood energy rich spirit apples would grow on the tree in his Sleepscape, allowing him to slowly progress the refinement of his liver.

With his stomach satisfied and sufficient vitality stored in it, Lin Mu didn't need to worry about entering the Sleepscape or sleeping anymore.

There, he would continue his practice and learning. At the same time, it was a method for him to wait for the people he cared about; mainly Xukong and Little Shrubby.

Both of them were in a dormant state now, and Lin Mu had no idea when they would wake up.

'Considering how much Little Shrubby taxed his bloodline and the source of the Vitality reversal technique, it might take at least a year before he wakes up again.' Lin Mu reckoned as he observed the large seen in front of him.

Whenever he came to the Sleepscape, he would take out the seed that Little Shrubby had become and talk to it. There was also the fact that the seed absorbed the spirit Qi in the Sleepscape naturally which Lin Mu thought would help it open earlier.

Thus he took it out regularly, just like one would water plants.

But for Xukong's condition, Lin Mu was entirely helpless. He had tried talking to him through their shared mental space but was unable to do that. It was as if there was a solid wall standing in between the two minds.

'Is this what Senior Xukong felt when I was in an unnatural state of the Nine divine heart sutras?' Lin Mu wondered.

Still, there was nothing he could do to predict how long it would take for Xukong to wake up. At least for Little Shrubby Lin Mu could directly check him with his spirit sense, but doing that for Xukong was simply impossible.

Xukong's avatar was surrounded by a shell of dense spatial energy of the ring and even coming within a hundred meters of it would destroy everything.

If it were not for the fact that Lin Mu couldn't take this energy out of the ring, he might have a weapon that could easily tear apart worlds. But then it would also be a weapon that would kill him upon using it.

~rustle~

While observing the space inside the ring though, Lin Mu suddenly felt something moving.

"Huh?" His attention wandered before it finally came to settle on a moving object.

Perhaps moving was a little understatement, as the object was simply trembling in one place.

"The egg's moving!" Lin Mu's eyes went wide.

The Grey egg had been developing steadily ever since it consumed all the Yang Energy from Gu Yao's hideout. Lin Mu had only checked on it a couple of times ever since coming to the Land of Exile since there wasn't much to do.

But when he checked it last time, he was sure it wasn't moving like this.

~shua~

The grey egg appeared in his hands and Lin Mu took a closer look at it.

"It's vitality is a lot greater than before." Lin Mu could instantly tell upon touching the egg.

The vigorous vitality was almost overflowing and perhaps if it weren't for the shell, it would have already spilled out.

But that wasn't all that Lin Mu felt. He also felt something more.

"That's a heartbeat!" Lin Mu could now hear pronounced heartbeats coming from the egg.

They were like the low sound of drums, as if someone lightly tapped on them. Even if it was low, it could still be heard audibly.

Lin Mu could feel the heartbeats getting louder and louder with the vitality intensifying too.

~tak~tak~tak~

Then a few moments later, he could hear a tapping sound coming from the egg.

'It's trying to break out.' Lin Mu understood.

He quickly left the Sleepscape and returned to his body in the real world.

If the egg hatched in the Sleepscape, Lin Mu didn't know if there would be any accidents, thus he wanted it to do that in the real world.

Chapter 1230 Uncertainty And Precaution

Lin Mu sat up from the bed and quickly took out the egg from the ring.

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It continued to shake nonstop as if it would explode. Lin Mu furrowed his brows as he didn't quite know how to deal with this. The behavior of the egg was not what a normal beast egg would have at all.

Lin Mu had read about a few strong beast eggs in the memoirs of the Lost Immortal.

This was an entry in which the Lost Immortal was traveling a vast sea. He chanced upon a small island there and found a nest there. Unfortunately for him, the nest belonged to a Dragon!

Just as he figured that out and wanted to escape, the solitary egg in the nest hatched. An energy, stronger than the Lost Immortal's leaked out from the egg, making the man freeze in his steps.

And when he turned to look at the egg, he saw a moist head peeking out of the egg. The vertical slits-like eyes on the head glanced at him like he was prey and made him afraid.

The Lost Immortal forced his body to run and the infant dragon also rushed out of its egg. Breaking it apart, the infant dragon that was the size of a giant bull pounced on the Lost Immortal.

'But even that Dragon egg wasn't as restless as this... just how restless would the beast inside it be?' Lin Mu wondered.

Thinking of the Haima Tribe people living nearby, Lin Mu's brows furrowed even more. He left the residence and appeared in the yard outside.

"At least this area is still in the outer boundary of the tribe. I'll inform Elder Niji to secure the area just in case." Lin Mu muttered to himself.

He took out one of the mirrors he had made and quickly sent a message through it. While the Haima Tribe people couldn't use spirit tools, the mirrors Lin Mu had made didn't really need spirit sense to control.

As for his current case, he was only sending a one sided message which would appear on the other mirror without the other party needing to do anything. Lin Mu didn't just stop at this either, he quickly set up a small defensive perimeter around the residence.

He didn't know what kind of a beast would be coming out of the egg after all. It had gestated for a very long time and it was certain that it would not be a normal snake beast. Even Xukong had told him so.

Taking the experience of the Lost Immortal as a warning, Lin Mu decided to prevent the beast from running away somehow. He wasn't afraid that the beast would be able to do anything to him, but there were others that could be easily hurt.

While Lin Mu could forcefully restrain the beast, there was no saying if it would get hurt because of his strength. So it was best to use a lighter hand.

'I don't know if the beast would listen to me either.' Lin Mu thought to himself.

He had already intended to tame whatever beast that came out of the egg, but making the imprint would still need the best to first be calm. And it certainly didn't seem to be calm right now.

Lin Mu set the egg down and sat next to it, watching its every movement. He also tried to use his spirit sense to probe the egg and see its internal condition but found it to be the same as before, impervious.

Second after second passed by and Lin Mu only got more nervous. The Haima Tribe people living near Lin Mu's residence were already ordered to get some distance away from there. Elder Niji had evidently acted quickly especially seeing the anxious tone of Lin Mu.

"Why were we told to leave our houses Guard Zuni?" One of the Haima Tribe members that lived around Lin Mu's residence questioned one of the guards.

This was something that never happened, so the members of the tribe were very confused. From what they could see, there was no apparent danger either.

"I don't know either, Elder Niji ordered us to do so." The Guard named Zuni answered.

Many residents had the same question and they all looked toward their houses. The more time passed, the more confused they became. Some even wondered if Chasm beasts had entered the area or something.

The guards went to ask Elder Niji after seeing the growing concern among the people.

"Elder Niji, can the people return now? Nothing seems to be happening." One of the guards asked.

"Not until noble Lin Mu specifically tells us. Otherwise it is dangerous to go there." Elder Niji replied.

He was standing on the roof of his residence and gazing in the direction of where Lin Mu lived. There was now an opaque glassy dome covering the area, making it impossible to see what was going in within.

"But what is the cause of the danger? The people of the tribe are worried. Can we at least tell this to them?" The guards asked.

They weren't minding the order itself, but rather the reason for it. If they knew the reason, they wouldn't worry that much.

"I don't know either." Elder Niji shook his head. "Noble Lin Mu simply informed me that we need to urgently evacuate the people around his house since something dangerous might happen soon." He explained.

"Noble Lin Mu said so?" The guard was surprised.

They had thought the order came from the Elder himself, but it was not so. The guard walked forward and looked in the direction of Lin Mu's residence, noticing the opaque dome covering it.

"When did that appear?" the man was confused having not seen it since he was standing in the doorway before.

~SHUA~

But then in the next moment, he was stunned by a short burst of light.

~KACHA~

A cracking sound was accompanied by the light, surprising everyone. But the next scene simply left them shocked.