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[Chapter 1531 Options To Improve The Sleepscape](#)

~BOOM~

An explosion was heard coming from the Formation pavilion that Lin Mu had built.

Despite the power of the explosion, the building stood steady.

~Sigh~

"Making Great Grade Diamond Mountain Talisman is still difficult..." Lin Mu muttered to himself.

It had been two weeks since he had finished building the Formation pavilion. He had spent this time in making Diamond Mountains talismans and was now trying to improve his success with the Great Grade Diamond Mountain Talisman.

'At least there is some progress...' Lin Mu looked at the three singular talismans that were lying in front of him.

He had made them several thousand times and in that, only these three had managed to be successfully completed. All others had failed and each failure had resulted in an explosion. The Formation Pavilion though did its job and contained all of them inside it while also staying fine.

If anything, Lin Mu's first attempt at construction had shown his skill with it.

'I wonder if there is an occupation related to buildings and construction...' Lin Mu wondered.

~huu~

"Let's take a bit of a break..." Lin Mu stood up and walked out of the building.

He inspected it from the outside and saw that there was no damage to it.

"The formations are all holding up well and the array is stable too." Lin Mu was pleased with his work.

He turned his head and looked towards the Violet Mystic Life Tree. Lin Mu had left the tree to its own devices after planting it here.

"The Immortal Essence in the air has mostly become stable now. There are no fluctuations like before." Lin Mu sensed.

The rise in the Immortal Essence was really good for the entire Sleepscape as the plants and even Lin Mu's beasts could enjoy it. Of course, while they couldn't absorb it directly, they could still gain the passive benefit of the Violet Mystic Life Tree.

The tree could truly be called as heavenly blessing and Lin Mu got to enjoy it all the time now.

In fact, he wondered if his improvement with the Diamond Mountain Talisman might have been due to the Violet Mystic Life Tree too.

'The level of exhaustion is also less, now that I think about it.' Lin Mu continued to gaze at the tree for a moment before flying up to it.

~rustle~rustle~

The tree swayed gently in the air, while its violet leaves with red veins created a pleasant environment around it.

"Let's see if there are any fruits on it..." Lin Mu spread his Immortal sense and covered the entire tree.

He didn't have the same restriction as before now and it was easier for him to check the tree this way.

"Hmm... no fruits. Guess it'll take longer." Lin Mu muttered.

Lin Mu also checked if there was any change to his other plants and only saw a new Immortal Apple growing on the tree. He plucked it as well and stored it in the ring.

Xiao Yin and Xiao Yang had calmed down a week or so ago and were now back to cultivating. They had consumed a lot of energy from the Violet mystic Life tree, so they were simply assimilating it into their cultivation base now.

This was also why they didn't need to absorb Immortal Qi from the air.

"The Sleepscape is still lacking a source of Immortal Qi." Lin Mu saw one of the disadvantages that his beasts now had.

If they were within the Sleepscape, they wouldn't be able to get Immortal Qi easily. And it wasn't like they could absorb the Immortal Essence either.

At least before, Lin Mu had planted the Source Vein of the Spirit stone mine and thus it would produce spirit Qi for the Sleepscape. But now that both Lin Mu and his beasts were at the immortal realm, the spirit Qi wasn't of much use.

The only ones that were still benefiting from it were the Immortal Apple tree, Wood Spirit Tulip and the Purple Sickle Amaranth.

The Immortal Apple Tree was unique in this, as it could actually accumulate the spirit Qi and convert it into Immortal Qi which could be found in its fruits. This was currently the only way of getting Immortal Qi in the Sleepscape.

"I should be able to plant an Immortal Stone Source Vein here too right?" Lin Mu said to himself. 'I did hear that there might be Immortal Stone Mines in the Desolate Blood Battlefield. With how much time has passed, there are certainly new ones that might have developed.' A new thought appeared in his mind.

~SHUA~

A grey orb appeared next to Lin Mu, which was none other than Xukong.

"If you wish to obtain that, I think you'll have to go to the distant areas of the Desolate Blood Battlefield. Chances are that any others might have already been discovered in the areas that are commonly traversed by the people." Xukong said after seeing Lin Mu's thoughts.

"You're right senior." Lin Mu nodded his head. "As for the areas that are distant, Hmm... The Blood Strewn Plains should work. They are quite far and due to the danger they pose, not many cultivators go there." He said after thinking.

Immortal Juo had also suggested this place to Lin Mu, since he knew that many other places in the Desolate Blood Battlefield might have already been cleared of the body cultivation resources.

"I guess, you now have another reason to go there." Xukong replied.

"Indeed." Lin Mu nodded his head. "We'll leave after I cultivate a bit more. I feel like my body can handle another Tri Essence Pill." He stated.

"It should be enough time for you." Xukong had suggested Lin Mu to put a sufficient gap between each time he took the pill.

This was to give his body the time to adapt to its effects and also to not strain it too much. After all, even if he used his stomach to suppress it, there were still minor effects that could arise in the future. It was better to be cautious.

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~HUMM~

The Immortal Essence within Lin Mu's Aperture had now reached a new level, and a resonating hum could be felt from it.

'The two Apertures are almost in a harmony now...' Lin Mu noticed.

He had spent the last few days in using a Tri Essence Immortal pill, and had absorbed all the Immortal Essence from it. This had let to his second Aperture being filled half way now. Lin Mu reckoned that it wouldn't be long before his second Aperture would be full too.

"If I wait around a week, my body should be able to consume another Tri Essence Immortal Pill. That might just be enough for me to fully fill up the Second Aperture and start on the third one..." Lin Mu muttered to himself.

Having done this, Lin Mu stood up and decided to continue on his journey.

"Come on Little Shrubby." Lin Mu called out for his companion.

~SHUA~

A moment later, Little Shrubby appeared in front of Lin Mu having been summoned from the Sleepscape.

"Oh?" And when Lin Mu saw him, he could see some difference. "Did you absorb more Wood Elemental Immortal Qi there?" he asked.

"Yes, I did. I ate the apple that grew on the tree." Little Shrubby replied.

"Ah, no wonder." Lin Mu had sensed the aura of wood on Little Shrubby which was now stronger than before.

The leaf like pattern on the back of his ears was also a bit more vibrant now. Lin Mu had allowed Little Shrubby to consume the Immortal apples as he wished, since that was the only way they could cultivate in the Sleepscape for now.

There was plenty of Spirit Qi and Immortal Essence in there, but no Immortal Qi.

'I really need an Immortal Stone mine's Source Vein.' Lin Mu thought.

That was his goal in going to the Blood Strewn Plains as well as obtaining a few more ingredients and resources he might come across. That area was known to have a lot of resources that were good for body cultivation, so Lin Mu was looking forward to it quite a bit.

~WHOOSH~

The master and beast turned into a red blur, running across the Desolate Blood Battlefield.

They traveled for six days nonstop, during which the scenery didn't change much. The same bloody red plains and hills went past them. In fact, they didn't even come across any cultivators in this time, which just showed how vast the place was.

Though they did see several beasts and other strange creatures here.

But Little Shrubby's aura was strong enough to repel most of them and they didn't dare to approach them. As for those that still did, they simply became another corpse in Lin Mu's ring and were kept for a future date.

Though Lin Mu was doubtful whether these beasts were edible for them or not. Little Shrubby still wanted to try and cook them though.

If not for the fact that these beasts still had some materials that were of a good value, Lin Mu wouldn't have even kept them with him.

Around the seventh day though, Lin Mu and Little Shrubby came across a familiar beast.

~BOOM~BOOM~BOOM~

Three flaming rocks spanned an arc in the sky before landing and creating craters.

~GOOOOOOOOO~

A strange creature that was a mix between flesh and rock seemed to be roaring. It had red flames burning on its body while its stony arms banged on its sides.

~SHING~ SHING~

A few weapons stuck the body of the rock creature, but no damage was done.

"Dammit! Just what abomination is this?" A black armored man cursed seeing that his spear was doing nothing.

"This is the second one we've come across, right? How's it so different from the first." A man with a battle axe complained.

He had a scratch on his arm and his sleeve seemed to have been burned as well.

"I know right, they killed the first one we met so easily. This one is several times bigger and stronger." A third man who was holding an iron fan said.

The iron fan in his hand was two feet tall and three feet wide. Fine runes were also carved on each of its blades, showing that it was no normal weapon, but actually an Immortal weapon!

~SHUA~

The man waved his iron fan, and the runes on it lit up. The wind from the fan transformed into several runes that were identical to the ones on the fan. These runes automatically assembled in the air and turned into the shape of a bell.

~DENG~

The bell slammed into the Rock creature and made it take a step back. But despite that, the creature didn't seem to be hurt.

"My Six Instruments Fan isn't enough to break the defenses of this thing." The man with the Iron fan was stunned.

"How do we kill this? None of our weapons are able to get through its defenses." The man in a black armor questioned.

All three of them were in distress and couldn't do much with their strength.

'Hmm... all three of them seem to be at the First Tribulation Stage of the immortal realm. But they still can't kill that rock creature? Its also has a strength equivalent to that of a First Tribulation Stage immortal though.' Lin Mu observed.

"Master, its defense seems to be higher than the one we saw before. It's also thicker in size." Little Shrubby spoke.

"That does seem like it. It's a lot fatter." Lin Mu could see that the current one was at least 50% bigger than the one he had come across. 'They also said that this was the second rock beast of this kind they've come across.' He recalled.

Then in the next moment, Lin Mu seemingly disappeared from Little Shrubby's back and appeared behind the rock creature.

"Who's that?!" the three immortals were confused.

~BOOM~

But then in the next second, their confusion turned into absolute astonishment.

The strange rock creature had exploded into fragments!

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Lin Mu withdrew his hand and looked at the object that was left behind in it.

"He killed it!"

"Who's that?"

"How did he do that?"

The three immortals were left stunned.

To them, Lin Mu had appeared out of nowhere and destroyed the creature they had been having a hard time battling with just a single hand. Not to mention, the attack was so fast they didn't even know how it happened.

But their shock was ignored by Lin Mu, as his interest was on the object in his hand.

'A crystal?' Lin Mu looked at the black and grey crystal in his hand.

It had a swirling energy within it that felt uncomfortable. Just by holding it in his hand, Lin Mu knew that the crystal contained a lot of baleful energy within it.

"Thank you for your help Senior." The Three immortals spoke out loud while cupping their hands.

This brought Lin Mu out of his thoughts and he looked at them. He put away the crystal in his ring for now and decided to focus on the people in front.

"It's nothing." Lin Mu replied. "Though, have you seen more of these rock creatures before?" he asked.

"We've seen three before this, but only fought one." The man in the black armor spoke.

"Only one?" Lin Mu raised his brows.

"Yeah. We managed to avoid two, but one closed off our path and caught us near a crevice. We could only fight and kill it. Though it was not that difficult with the strength of all three." The man with the battle Axe replied.

"It's surprising that we can't estimate its cultivation base." The man with the iron fan stated before closing it. "They have this strange aura around them, that makes it difficult for us to tell." Hearing this Lin Mu was a bit surprised.

'They can't actually sense their strength or estimate it?' Lin Mu had thought that it should have been rather obvious.

While the rock creatures weren't exactly following the normal cultivation path, estimating their strength should have been easy enough.

"They aren't body cultivators. They can't estimate it just from energy density and aura like you." Xukong spoke at this time.

"No wonder..." Lin Mu finally understood.

Having been a body cultivator since the start, Lin Mu had accustomed to estimating the strength of people and other creatures simply from the energy and aura they emitted. But it wasn't something normal Qi cultivators could do often.

They could still use their spirit sense or immortal sense to tell the cultivation base of other paths, but doing it for a strange creature like this rock flesh monster was still quite difficult. Not to mention, it contained volatile energies that could harm the cultivator, so using their immortal sense was still a problem.

Thankfully for Lin Mu, this was not of a concern, and his body's defenses were already strong enough to bear direct contact with Baleful energies. Lin Mu had tested this out earlier, so wasn't that worried.

"Have you also seen them before senior?" The man in the black armor asked seeing that Lin Mu was thinking.

"Yes... just one though." Lin Mu replied.

"Ah, I see." The man in the black armor said before turning to his companions. "We should continue now since the obstacle has been eliminated."

"Yes." The Man with the battle Axe said before taking out a couple of stones from his storage pouch. "Please take this as a form of our gratitude."

Lin Mu glanced at the low grade immortal stones and shook his hand.

"There's no need. I acted on my own." Lin Mu replied.

This was actually true, since Lin Mu's goal had been the strange energy within the Rock creature from the start. As soon as he had sensed it, he knew he needed to check it out. This was also why he had attacked so quickly and taken away the black grey crystal.

Even if the crystal contained baleful energies and could not be used for cultivation, it wasn't worthless. In fact, Lin Mu reckoned it could be used in quite a few ways.

'I should see if I can find a few more of these rock creatures. The first one certainly didn't have a crystal like this in its body, which means there's only a few that can form these.' Lin Mu thought to himself.

"Please take this at least, Senior." The Man with the Iron fan didn't seem to be convinced though and handed Lin Mu a small wooden plate.

It was about the size of a palm and had a unique symbol on it. It was of a spear, a battle Axe and a fan. It just so happened that these three immortals used the same weapons.

"What's this?" Lin Mu asked curiously.

"It's a token of our appreciation as well as a free use voucher for our services. We are the Three Arms Mercenary Group." The man with the iron fan spoke.

"Oh? You guys are mercenaries?" Lin Mu found it a bit hard to believe.

From their demeanor and battle sense, Lin Mu found them to be a little too green.

"We... are just starting out." The man in the black armor spoke.

"Yeah, it's been about six months since we made out group. We are trying to get our name out." The man with the battle Axe explained.

"I see..." Lin Mu put the wooden plate away, not rejecting their goodwill.

"If you need us in the future, please don't hesitate to ask for us. We are usually at the Middle Fort city's mercenary association. You can leave your requests there if we are not present there." The man in the black armor spoke.

"Very well... I'll do that in the future." Lin Mu replied, before asking. "Though what are your names?"

"AH! We almost forgot." The man with the iron fan said. "I am Iron Fan Zhang."

"I am Spear Arm Kuji." The man in the iron armor revealed.

"And I am Axe Back Cuno." The man with the battle Axe stated.

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Lin Mu heard the introduction of the three men and found them to be quite unique.

'None of them use their surnames huh... they are either trying to stay independent of their clan name or are hiding it.' Lin Mu thought to himself.

At the very least, Lin Mu could tell that they were all from different clans. They might have been close as brothers, but weren't related by blood.

'I guess they might be worth keeping note of later...' Lin Mu felt a little interested in them.

"May we ask, where you are going through Senior?" Iron Fan Zhang questioned.

"To the Blood Strewn Plains." Lin Mu answered.

"That place?!" Spear Arm Kuji was surprised.

"You shouldn't go there right now. We heard that there's someone slaughtering everyone that gets close to that place." Axe Back Cuno added.

"What?" Lin Mu furrowed his brows. "Where did you hear that?"

"There were several cultivators who were coming from there. They were retreating and didn't even stop when we tried to talk to them. Only a single person seemed to be speaking to himself mindlessly about a killer there." Iron Fan Zhang explained.

Hearing this Lin Mu was intrigued.

'For someone to make several immortals retreat like that... they must be strong.' Lin Mu felt like taking a look.

He had confidence in his defense as well as his ability to escape.

"Alright, I'll keep an eye out for them." Lin Mu stated.

"You're still going there?" Axe Back Cuno replied in shock.

"Just single person killing doesn't mean that one should shy away from a challenge." Lin Mu said before flying up. "Though it might be best if you three retreat. You all need to train a lot more." He said before disappearing.

The three mercenaries were a bit baffled seeing Lin Mu leave just like that.

"Did he really go despite the warning?" Axe Back Cuno asked.

"Yep, he did..." Spear Arm Kuji replied.

"Though with his strength... he might just be fine." Iron Fan Zhang stated. "This is what we need to strive to reach." He added.

"Yes!" Kuji and Cuno replied together.

A few kilometers away from the three mercenaries, Lin Mu had no idea he had inspired them to train harder.

Though he was pleased that he had paused to help them, as he had not only obtained the crystal with the baleful energy but also learned that there was someone killing people at the Blood Strewn Plains.

'For them to kill everyone entering the plains means there is something really valuable there.' Lin Mu thought to himself.

Only a few things could be so valuable that the person desiring it would kill everyone else. After all, this was the Desolate Blood Battlefield, and there were people from many powers here.

Mindlessly killing so many meant that they were bound to kill someone from a strong backing. It would open them up to becoming a target and be pursued for a long time.

'Either they are really confident in their strength, or that the object they have found is really worth the price of offending so many people.' Lin Mu analyzed.

It made him wonder if the reason behind this was an Immortal Stone mine.

"It certainly would make sense for someone to act like that for an Immortal Stone mine, especially if it's a high grade one or better." Xukong chimed in.

"You really think it might be one like that?" Lin Mu asked.

"It is certainly one of the more valid options. If not that, it could be a herb or fruit that is as valuable as that." Xukong replied. "That Immortal Juo did say that the Blood Strewn Plains are rich in body cultivation resources. Considering how that person is killing everyone, we can assume that they too are one, and the technique they use might have turned them blood thirsty." He explained.

"Hmm.... I see." Lin Mu immediately started to think of potential methods that could be used to deal with a person like that.

But no amount of preparation would be good, unless he knew exactly how strong that person was.

"Guess reconnaissance it is first." Lin Mu muttered to himself.

"I'll help you too. I'll still be faster than them." Little Shrubby added.

"Mhmm, that's an option too." Lin Mu rubbed Little Shrubby's head.

The master and beast continued their travels, and during this Lin Mu took a look at the crystal he had obtained from the strange rock creature.

He observed it for a while and confirmed that it did contain a lot of baleful energy. This was also the reason why the rock creature had become stronger than the others.

'Though it's still weak...' Lin Mu realized. 'With the amount of baleful energy that is within this crystal, even killing a third Tribulation Stage Immortal realm expert shouldn't be an issue. But that rock creature was still having a hard time fighting the three mercenaries who were only at the First Tribulation Stage.' He thought deeply.

After some time, he came to the conclusion that the rock creature might not have fully 'adapted' to the power of the crystal.

This made Lin Mu keep an eye out for any more rock creatures, though he didn't come across anymore even after a week had passed. But he did end up finding two Blood Essence Crystals in this duration.

The Blood Vein compass was always active with Lin Mu, and would point out whenever he was near some place that was rich in baleful energies. This brought the total number of Blood Essence crystals Lin Mu had to three.

Another two weeks passed, after which Lin Mu finally came across a rock creature.

"Wait, Little Shrubby." Lin Mu asked.

~SHUA~

Little Shrubby did a spin and slowed down, allowing Lin Mu to take a better look.

The rock creature in question was even bigger than the one that was attacking the three mercenaries. But that wasn't all, as the Blood Vein compass was going crazy at this time.

"The needle keeps on twitching... it's certainly strong." Lin Mu muttered to himself.

[Chapter 1535 Falling Sky Lance](#)

Lin Mu observed the rock creature that was about seven meters tall.

It had four arms and four legs, but had no eyes other than just a large mouth on its oval body. There were cracks on its body from which red flames were bursting out as well as parts that were made out of flesh.

'Hmm... this one should be at least equal to the Third Tribulation Stage of the Immortal realm.' Lin Mu estimated.

The creature was seemingly wandering around the area, with no obvious goal. Lin Mu couldn't even tell if the creature had any intelligence or if it had any aim.

'Its existence itself is strange...' Lin Mu thought before rising up from little Shrubby.

He let little Shrubby wait there as backup, if he needed it and pursued the creature himself. Lin Mu entered the ground using Phase and got closer to the strange rock creature. He had observed its patterns and knew that it couldn't sense him.

That meant that the creature didn't really have anything like Immortal sense. This gave Lin Mu an advantage and he could ambush the creature.

'Hmm... should I try that? This might be a good choice to test it on.' A technique came to Lin Mu's mind.

~SHUA~

Lin Mu appeared high above the Rock creature and energy fluctuation appeared around him. A second later, the sound of heartbeats could be heard as an aura of heaviness surrounded him.

~huu~

Taking a deep breath, Lin Mu released the control of his weight and instead amplified it!

'Aspects of Heaviness!' Lin Mu activated his Dao Skill.

~BOOM~

With the sudden increase in his mass, Lin Mu descended like a meteor. He kept his legs and arms close to his body, turning into a longitudinal streak of fire.

'I'll have to change robes again...' Lin Mu's robes had already been ignited from the friction.

~GUGA~

The rock creature seemingly heard the noise and 'looked' up despite having no eyes. But unfortunately for it, all it saw was a long fiery streak descending from the sky that was just a few meters away from it.

If one looked from far away, they would think that a long fiery lance was falling from the skies.

~KABOOM~

Lin Mu's mass combined with the momentum of his body shook the very air, and struck the rock creature. It didn't even have a time to cry out before it exploded into bits.

But the process didn't stop just there. Lin Mu was going too fast and his body directly pierced the ground.

The kinetic energy from his body transferred to the ground and made it tremble.

~RUMBLE~

~BOOM~

After a short delay, a loud explosion could be heard as an area of around six hundred meters directly collapsed into itself!

A crater that was nearly a hundred meters was formed and at the center of it one could see an even deeper hole. The hole was a lot narrow, being only a few feet wide.

A minute passed by as the things settled in the area.

"Ugh!" Lin Mu climbed out of the hole, feeling a bit disoriented.

His robes were basically gone and even his body had fine injuries on it. Thin cracks could be seen on his skin which was glowing in a golden light.

"It's still enough to injure me..." Lin Mu muttered to himself.

~WHOOSH~

A second later, a red blur appeared next to Lin Mu.

"Are you okay!?" Little Shrubby asked with concern.

"Yes, I'm okay. I just miscalculated a bit..." Lin Mu replied as he observed his body's state. 'The Aspect of Heaviness is still quite dangerous to use on myself. Though its effects are also quite good...' he glanced at the devastation caused by it.

This was one of the skills Lin Mu had come up a while ago but had not tested it until now.

He could have tested it on plain ground or a mountain, but knew that it would not be a true test. After all, the main target of it should be an enemy. But most humans would be too small for Lin Mu to properly target.

He would need a beast that was large enough for it, or some other object. Thus, when he saw the Rock creature, he reckoned it would be the perfect target for it. Plus, the creature had high defenses and thus it would be good for a piercing attack like the one he had come up with.

'It's good that I didn't use my full power. If I added the other addition I had made, I might have been injured even more.' Lin Mu thought to himself. "I need to improve my defenses even more if I am to use this without having to worry much." He said to himself.

"Since you've made this skill, you should give it a name. It is strong enough to warrant one now." Xukong said with a chuckle.

"Hmm... I'll name it... Falling Sky Lance." Lin Mu stated.

"Falling Sky Lance, a decent name." Xukong acknowledged thought in his mind he was a lot more impressed. 'He combined body cultivation, Qi skills and his Dao skill into one to come up with this. If he can stabilize it more and improve his defenses, the power will be several times more than what it is now.' He reckoned.

Xukong wondered just how much better this skill could get, though he knew that Lin Mu had gotten the inspiration for it from his first Immortal Tribulation.

"I'll need to test it a bit more later. But for now, let's see where that crystal went." Lin Mu spread his immortal sense around and quickly felt the baleful energy. "There it is,"

The black grey crystal had been flung quite far from where the Rock creature had been at. Though Lin Mu was surprised to see that it was fully intact. There was not even a single scratch on it.

'It's quite durable huh... that expands its uses more.' Lin Mu thought.

[Chapter 1536 Reaching The Blood Strewn Plains](#)

Having seen the durability of the Baleful Energy crystal, Lin Mu stored it away.

'I'll test it out a bit more in the Sleepscape. It is durable physically, but what about other methods?' Lin Mu wondered.

Little Shrubby appearance Lin Mu and he got into the beast's back.

"Let's continue." Lin Mu ordered.

~ROAR~

Little Shrubby let out a roar, and the pair turned into a speeding red blur within a second. Days continued to pass and Lin Mu came across a few more Blood Essence crystals. In just five days, Lin Mu had obtained four such Blood Essence crystals.

'Their numbers are increasing... which means this area hasn't been explored as well.' Lin Mu noted.

It was a good thing for him, as it meant there were higher chances of obtaining good resources. They also came across a few more beasts and they were quickly killed before being stored in Lin Mu's storage.

Lin Mu recognized all of them as some of them were said to have materials that could be used for making Immortal tools or Alchemical pills. If not that, Lin Mu still had a use for their blood as he could make some Formation Ink from them.

Beast blood was one of the most common ingredients to make formation ink and the blood of these beasts was even more special. Due to the unique characteristics of the Desolate Blood battlefield, these properties had also been transferred over to the many beasts that inhabited this area.

This included the baleful energies that had been adapted by the beasts. It was also reflected in their blood and Lin Mu reckoned it could be used for some offensive talismans.

'The traces of Baleful energies in the blood will enhance the lethality of the talismans.' Lin Mu reckoned.

Most of the beasts he came across were at the second or first tribulation stage of the immortal realm, with only a handful reaching the third Tribulation Stage of the immortal realm and only a single that had reached the Fourth Tribulation Stage of the Immortal realm.

But even that beast didn't seem to be a match for Lin Mu.

This had given him time to test out his capabilities and Lin Mu now knew that the combined strength of Qi cultivation and body cultivation made him equivalent to a Fourth Tribulation Stage Immortal.

And once he added his spatial skills and his sword intent on top of that, he could easily overcome the Fourth Tribulation Stage Immortal realm beasts. Of course, this was a comparison with beasts and not humans, thus there was a difference in the intelligence and strategists.

Beasts in the Immortal realm usually had intelligence that was no less than that of humans, but due to being in the Desolate Blood Battlefield, their intelligence had been affected. While their raw strength had gone up, the intelligence had fallen.

Lin Mu reckoned it had to do with the bloody aura and the Baleful energies that contaminated everything as well.

Having low intelligence meant that using the right strategy could allow one to defeat a beast that might be stronger than them.

The more time Lin Mu spent in the Desolate Blood Battlefield, the more he improved. Both he, and Little Shrubby underwent fights every day, and came across many beasts. Their numbers also seemed to increase the closer they got to the Blood Strewn Plains.

An entire month passed like this, during which Lin Mu's cultivation base stabilized and his proficiency with his skills improved.

Now, the master and beast were standing on top of a tall peak that was over seven thousand meters tall. They gazed at the vast plains that laid in front of them.

"So this is the Blood Strewn Plains..." Lin Mu muttered.

The plains extended all the way beyond the horizon, and several hills were spread among them. But that wasn't all, as for the first time, Lin Mu actually saw rivers and streams in the Desolate Blood Battlefield!

"They really look like rivers of blood... but it actually is water." Lin Mu said as he observed the winding rivers that came from afar.

But that wasn't all, as he also saw several beasts swimming within the rivers too.

"What do you think about some fish for dinner tonight, Little Shrubby?" Lin Mu asked.

"That sounds perfect!" Little Shrubby replied.

"Well then, let's go finish." Lin Mu said before jumping off the peak.

~WHOOSH~

Little Shrubby jumped after him, and the two of them dived straight towards the river below.

~SPLASH~

Lin Mu reached the water first and caused it to splash up nearly a hundred meters.

~SPLASH~

Little Shrubby reached next and created a splash that was even bigger than Lin Mu's.

The two of them quickly looked around and found themselves surrounded.

"Well, that makes it a bit easier. At least we don't have to go look for them." Lin Mu said though, his link.

~SHING~

He then withdrew a long sword from his storage. The sword only had a single edge, but it shone with fierceness.

As soon as the long sword appeared, it resonated with the water around it, making it retreat. It was as if the water was afraid of the blade!

"Ocean Raker!" Lin Mu swung the sword while calling upon its name.

~HUMM~

The sword let out a joyous hum and a long streak of sword light shot from it. The sword light parted the water and split the river in two. All the aquatic beasts that were surrounding Lin Mu and Little Shrubby were terrified in that moment.

But unfortunately for them, they wouldn't even have a chance to resist as Ocean Raker split them apart with the river!

The three hundred meter wide river had now become deeper due to Lin Mu's slash.

"Collect them Little Shrubby." Lin Mu spoke. "You can also consume their Nascent souls." He added.

"YAY!" Little Shrubby summoned his prosthetic hands, which quickly flew around and collected the parts of the river beasts.

In just a couple of minutes, Lin Mu had a small hill of meat ready to be cooked.

[Chapter 1537 Impending Danger](#)

After all the aquatic beasts had been collected, Lin Mu looked at the long sword in his hand.

'Ocean Raker is rather powerful in water huh... it's strength was definitely amplified.' Lin Mu noted.

He had not used Ocean Raker as much after obtaining it, and thought of doing so since he had seen some water. It was safe to say that the High grade Immortal sword was worth its name and rank.

It had split apart tens of Aquatic beasts in a single slash.

Lin Mu tapped the sword gently, making it tremble like a shy cat. He stored the sword away and got out of the river.

~SHUA~

Lin Mu waved his hand and a gust of wind swirled around him, pulling away all the water that was drenching his robes.

'This is really convenient. Wind Dao and Air Dao might be one of the most useful Dao's in terms of convenience...' Lin Mu thought to himself.

It had made him want to learn more about the Storm King's techniques. Right now he just had the Bending Will fists, but Lin Mu reckoned he should be able to get more if he requested for them at the Grand Sky Pavilion.

'Senior Xukong did say they were widely distributed.' Lin Mu thought to himself.

"Should I prepare the dishes?" Little Shrubby asked, having finished his task.

"Yes, do that. We've been traveling nonstop for a few weeks now. Let's fill our bellies up." Lin Mu replied.

"Mmmhmm, I'll make six dishes then!" Little Shrubby quickly set up a large grill, two cauldrons, a flat pan and a steamer.

These weren't the makeshift tools that they used before, but actual proper kitchen tools. Li Mu had bought several of them back in the city, and these were apparently used in large kitchens and were meant to cook food for hundreds of people.

But that was something that was a normal serving to Lin Mu and Little Shrubby.

"Xiao Yin, Xiao Yang, you two come out too." Lin Mu called the twins.

~SHUA~

A second later, the twins appeared in front of Little Shrubby.

They had grown a little from before and seemed to be a few inches longer now.

"Oh? Are you two close to a breakthrough?" Lin Mu could feel a strange aura surrounding them.

He narrowed his eyes and used Spatial perception, finding the fine disturbances in the spatial fabric around them. Just by merely being there, the two were affecting it!

"You two really are close to a tribulation!" Lin Mu was surprised.

What surprised him more though, was the fact that it was the tribulation that was trying to approach the twins rather than the other way around.

After all, the twins had a lot of lifespan left and would not be forced to take the Immortal Tribulation.

They weren't even four years old after all!

But despite that, Lin Mu could tell that the Immortal Tribulation seemed close for them. Though he couldn't exactly guess what kind of Immortal Tribulation it would be.

"Senior Xukong, can you take a look? I don't think they should be having an Immortal Tribulation this early, should they?" Lin Mu questioned.

He was a bit concerned, thus chose to awake Xukong.

"Hmm?" Xukong quickly took a look and realized that things were indeed a bit strange with the twins. "This is quite unusual..." he confirmed.

Xukong tried to figure out what might be the reason for it, but could not.

'This shouldn't happen usually... are they going to trigger that kind of a Variant?' Xukong wondered.

Xukong knew that there were many variants of Immortal Tribulation and Lin Mu had already seen a few himself. Even his own first Tribulation as a variant tribulation and one of the most dangerous ones.

But Xukong could tell that the one that the twins were going to have was unlike anything they've seen so far.

"This does not look good." Xukong spoke after thinking for a bit.

"Is there an issue, senior?" Lin Mu asked with concern.

"Yes... The Immortal Tribulation the twins are going to have will certainly be a variant Immortal Tribulation. But... the effects its having already seem to be a bit too much for even a variant." Xukong replied.

"How dangerous will it be, senior?" Lin Mu could already tell from Xukong's tone it was not going to be simple.

"Either on the same level as your Meteoric Earth Immortal Tribulation or even stronger." Xukong said in a serious tone.

Hearing this, Lin Mu felt anxious. He looked at the twins, that didn't seem to be aware of the impending danger.

Their full attention was on the food that Little Shrubby seemed to be cooking, as well as on the pile of corpses nearby.

'The Saintess should know more...' A thought appeared in Lin Mu's mind.

He had not talked to the Saintess ever since entering the Desolate Blood Battlefield, but she had said that she'll be following after him.

'Hopefully she can hear me...' Lin Mu thought and took a deep breath.

"Saintess, are you there?" Lin Mu called out.

Lin Mu waited for a couple of minutes, but received no response.

"The twins are going to have a breakthrough and it does not seem to be good, Saintess." Lin Mu spoke again.

This time, Lin Mu waited for five minutes, but still received no response.

"Strange... is she too far? Or is she not here at all?" Lin Mu wondered.

His brows furrowed while his worry increased.

"Let me take a look," but just a few seconds later, he heard the calming voice of the Saintess.

He turned around and saw her materialize from thin air.

She was still wearing her veil, but Lin Mu found something to be different about her. As for what it was, he couldn't place his finger on it.

"Yes," Lin Mu gestured to the twins, who were entranced by the smell of the food.

The Saintess spread her senses over them and was surprised.

"This... Why are there traces of Transcendent Tribulation on them?!"

[Chapter 1538 An Incoming Transcendent Tribulation](#)

The Saintess observed the Twins carefully, not wanting to make a mistake. Her senses were sharp and Lin Mu could feel her entire demeanor change.

If before he felt like he was watching a calm sea, now it was like a sea that had sprouted several twisters above it!

Five minutes passed like this before the Saintess withdrew her senses.

"Looks like the records are still lacking." The Saintess spoke.

"What's happening Saintess?" Lin Mu questioned.

"The Yin Yang Twin Serpents are having a breakthrough and are thus attracting a tribulation. This shouldn't have happened since they are still very young, but then again their birth itself is a miracle.

I don't think we can fully follow the records that are in my sect. My understanding of the Yin Yang Twin Serpents may not be accurate now." The Saintess answered.

"Then if they are having a tribulation, why are there such spatial disturbances around them?" Lin Mu asked next.

"Their tribulation won't be just any Immortal Tribulation. It will be on the level of a Transcendent Tribulation." The Saintess replied, shocking Lin Mu. "Both of them will be having their breakthrough at the same time, as I stated in the record and their tribulation were fused. This might be why the incoming tribulation has turned into a Transcendent Tribulation instead of a normal one." She explained.

Hearing this Lin Mu furrowed his brows.

'What's worse having two variant Immortal tribulations or a single Transcendent Immortal Tribulation?' Lin Mu couldn't help but wonder. "What should we do then? Can we weaken it?" he asked.

"No... if it really is going to be a Transcendence Immortal Tribulation, weakening it won't be possible. No tribulation attenuation array will work against a Transcendent Immortal Tribulation. We can only wait for it and let the Twin's pass it." The Saintess replied.

"Can't you help? You are a Celestial right?" Lin Mu questioned.

"No, I can't. This is something the twins need to get through on their own. It is necessary for their growth. And while I would not have preferred for them to have a Transcendent Immortal Tribulation, now that they are having one, we'll just have to let it happen." The Saintess answered with a little sadness in her tone.

Lin Mu pursed his lips and looked at the twins.

He went silent for a bit before speaking again.

"If Xiao Yin and Xiao Yang are really as strong beasts as you've said, then I believe in their capabilities. I believe they can get through this." Lin Mu stated.

Being the master of the twins, Lin Mu could sense their emotion through the link. And right now, they didn't seem to be afraid at all.

In fact, there was no thought of the Tribulation on their mind.

Lin Mu knew the twins were sensitive and could sense danger. But right now since they were not reacting, he reckoned the twins were not really feeling any threat from the incoming Transcendent Tribulation.

'He might have greater faith in the Ancestral Serpents than me...' The Saintess thought to herself, while a smile appeared under her veil. "We'll observe how it goes. Chances are, we are simply thinking too much." She said.

"Yes... let's watch it." Lin Mu agreed. "How long till the food is done, Little Shrubby?" he asked, next.

"Just a few more minutes." Little Shrubby replied.

"Alright, we'll have a good meal. That'll prepare us for whatever's coming." Lin Mu was not discouraged at all.

The Saintess simply watched as Lin Mu went to assist Little Shrubby in cooking. The Twins were also watching the food being cooked, and were clearly interested in eating it as well.

While watching all this, a thought came to the Saintess's mind.

'If the Yin Yang Twin Serpents undergo a Transcendent Tribulation here, the plane's walls will certainly be torn apart. Those immortals will certainly notice if that happens... they've already been searching for me...' The Saintess pondered.

"Guess there is something I can do after all..." The Saintess said to herself before raising her hand and pointing it towards the sky.

~HUMM~

A couple of seconds later, it was as if the wind had stopped blowing and the clouds had disappeared. An eerier silence spread in the area, making Lin Mu a bit unnerved. He looked around to sense the changes and then saw the Saintess in the middle of something.

"What are you—" Before Lin Mu could finish asking though, he felt a wave of energy spreading out from the Saintess.

The energy was invisible, but Lin Mu could feel it clearly. It spread to beyond the limits of Lin Mu's immortal sense and continued onwards. He immediately switched over to Spatial Sense and directly used his eyes to look in the distance.

Since the Blood Strewn Plains were mostly flat, Lin Mu could see over a hundred kilometer away with just his eyes. This allowed him to 'see' the energy covering the area. It seemed to be forming a thing membrane around it all.

Its radius seemed to be over a hundred kilometers, possible even more than two hundred kilometers.

"Celestial Sylph Arts: Sky Parasol." The Saintess seemingly chanted.

~SHUA~

In the next second, a pattern appeared on her palm.

The pattern was circular and was composed of several runes. One of these runes lit up and flew out of her palm, transforming into something that Lin Mu couldn't recognize. It directly rose into the sky and turned into a thin ray of light.

~HUALA~

And when it reached a certain height, it 'exploded' covering the entire area in its traces.

It merged with the membrane that had been formed far away and formed a dome.

If one looked at it from afar, they would think that a giant parasol had appeared in the bloodied lands!

The Parasol didn't last long though, as a few seconds later it faded into nothingness.

But Lin Mu could tell that it hadn't truly disappeared. It had merely turned into an invisible construct!

[Chapter 1539 Sky Parasol](#)

Lin Mu witnessed the entire series of actions that the Saintess had taken.

But it had left him confused as to what they were.

Still Lin Mu could think and guess what it was. Looking at the 'Parasol' that was covering the area, the first thought that Lin Mu had was a protective dome of some kind. This led him to believe that this was something that the Saintess had done to protect the twins.

'But didn't she say that no Tribulation Attenuation array could weaken a Transcendent Immortal Tribulation?' Lin Mu wondered.

He watched as the Saintess lowered her hand and turn towards him.

"That should prevent others from spying on us and noticing the Twins." The Saintess spoke.

"Spying on us?" Lin Mu realized that his initial guess was indeed wrong. "What's the purpose of this 'Parasol'?" he directly asked.

"A Transcendent Immortal Tribulation is not something that can be hidden easily. Its might is also great and it can easily affect the walls of a world." The Saintess replied.

"Yes... The Spatial Fabric is indeed being affected around the Twins." Lin Mu muttered.

"That is merely the start. Once the Transcendent Immortal Tribulation appears, it wouldn't be surprising for the wall between this plane and the void to be broken. Spatial Fabric will be torn apart as well exposing the void directly to this plane." The Saintess said. "This will allow the other Transcendent Immortals to know about the Transcendent Tribulation. They will certainly not sit still and will come to take a look." She explained.

Hearing this, Lin Mu fully grasped it.

'Of course, the appearance of a Transcendent Immortal Tribulation means the potential appearance of a Transcendent Immortal, there is no way the ruling powers of this world will ignore that. They will want to see who else is rising in power.' Lin Mu thought to himself.

"The disappearance of the Violet Mystic Life Tree is already hot news, the Transcendent Immortal Tribulation will only turn it into a blazing fire." Lin Mu muttered.

Hearing this, the Saintess seemingly furrowed her brows but she didn't inquire about the said tree.

"The Sky Parasol will prevent others outside of this plane from noticing the Transcendent Immortal Tribulation. But those within the plane will still see it. Though I doubt they will dare to approach it." The Saintess father explained.

"I see... that is good. We do not want others taking an interest in the twins." Lin Mu nodded his head.

"For now, you can rest easy. We still have some time to go till the Transcendent Immortal Tribulation arrives." The Saintess informed Lin Mu.

"Alright, we'll prepare ourselves in this time." Lin Mu stated.

He returned to assisting Little Shrubby while the twins were now looking at the Saintess.

It was evident that her actions had actually managed to pull the twins' attention from the food to the Parasol.

The Saintess though looked at her palm and the pattern that was on it.

'I've used up one of the imprints for this. Condensing them in this world is already hard, I'll have to be prudent with others. I won't be able to use my Celestial skills here without that.' The Saintess thought to herself before clenching her hand.

The pattern on her palm disappeared as if it were never there.

She then waved her other hand and created a set of table and chairs from water vapor that turned into cloud.

The only difference this time was the fact that the clouds were now red.

'The Aura of blood, death and decay has tainted everything in this land... The baleful energies are also plentiful.' The Saintess thought.

She took a seat at the table and tapped the table lightly.

~tack~

A ripple went through the table and chairs made out of cloud upon doing that.

The ripple traveled to the edges of the furniture and then returned back. But when they were returning, they also changed the color of the clouds.

From their bloody red color, they turned back into cotton white color.

The Ripple gathered back at the point where the Saintess had tapped her finger and from there rose a single black droplet.

The Saintess watched the black droplet for a few seconds and identified it.

"Hmm.... The Baleful Energies haven't gone past that level... they are still weak enough to be handled." She muttered.

After that, she brought her finger towards the black drop, lightly touching it with her nail.

Her fingernail changed color at that moment, turning into a vibrant green color!

The black drop made contact with her green finger nail and seemingly fizzed.

"Corroding Qi and Decaying Qi... Mostly corroding Qi though." The Saintess analyzed the composition of the baleful energy droplet.

The droplet fizzed for a couple more seconds before being dissipated by the Saintess. Her fingernail turned back to the normal color and no trace of her actions were left.

Lin Mu hadn't noticed the Saintess's actions either. Only seeing that she had made another set of table and chair.

'Guess she just prefers sitting on that.' Lin Mu had now taken that as a characteristic thing for her.

It was the same style of table and chair and they were attached together too.

'At least she's staying here in person.' Lin Mu was pleased with that.

With the Saintess being there, Lin Mu felt strangely calm. He hadn't even noticed it consciously, but he certainly felt a lot more easy now.

The anxiety about the Twin's breakthrough was there no more.

Soon, the food was ready and the feast began.

Lin Mu and Little Shrubby divided up the portions first, and Lin Mu offered some to the Saintess as well.

Next, he took out a portion for the twins, letting them enjoy cooked food for the first time. Before this, they had only had corpses and other forms of energies for a meal.

Lin Mu and Little Shrubby too began eating, intending to stuff themselves to the limit this time.

[Chapter 1540 The Tribulation Arrives](#)

~HAA~

Lin Mu stretched his body upon finishing his meals.

Only empty plates and trays were left next to him, as even bones had been eaten up by Lin Mu and Little Shrubby.

The same could be said for the twins, as they were snakes in the first place. They were creatures that swallowed their prey whole, leaving nothing behind. And in the case of the twins it was even more exaggerated as their capacity for consumption was a lot higher.

They had already consumed hundreds of corpses before in the Land of Exile, but most of them were not even on the level of immortals. But now they had consumed the corpses of several beasts that were at the immortal realm.

It had certainly given them a lot of energy and they were now in the middle of digesting it all.

Though Lin Mu could somewhat guess that the twins might be able to eat even more, and this was not their limit.

'They might have similar consumption like me...' Lin Mu thought to himself.

He wondered if he could test it later, but doing that would need a lot of beast corpses. He'll wait till the right opportunity presented to him. Lin Mu often had clashes with beasts anyway and would often keep a lot of the corpses.

It was only a matter of time before he got to test it out.

Lin Mu observed the spatial disturbances around the twins and saw that they had increased by a slight amount.

'It's certainly progressing...' Lin Mu thought and wondered how long it would take.

At the very least, he could guess that it won't be longer than a few days.

"Let's prepare for all that I can in this time..." Lin Mu decided to be in the best state he could.

He first assimilated all the energy from the food he had consumed and replenished all his immortal Qi. Then he set up a few formations in the area to help support him, if there was ever a need. These formations weren't necessarily to be used for the Twins, but rather for anyone else that might appear.

After all, even with the Saintess's help, there was no telling what other situation could arrive.

Not to mention, Lin Mu needed to defend himself from the Transcendent Immortal Tribulation too. Its mere aftershocks could kill the newer immortals and while Lin Mu was confident of bearing then, it was still better to be prudent.

Thus he set up as many defensive formations as he could, employing the skills he had improved in setting up the formation pavilion in the Sleepscape.

About six days passed like this while the fluctuations on the Twins got stronger. On the seventh day, the fluctuations had gotten really strong and Lin Mu was a bit anxious.

"Is it going to happen finally?" Lin Mu wondered.

"It can happen soon." Xukong replied.

"Very well then... Little Shrubby wait in the Sleepscape." Lin Mu first sent Little Shrubby to safety.

There was no place safer than the Sleepscape for the beast right now as even if he was an immortal, he didn't have the skills to evade like Lin Mu nor the defenses. Little Shrubby had no objections either and entered the Sleepscape quickly.

Once that was done, Lin Mu retreated a few kilometers away, letting the Twins do their thing.

The two were coiled up together and seemed to be in a trance. It was clear that they had grasped the upcoming breakthrough and were preparing for it on their own terms.

"They'll be fine." Lin Mu affirmed to himself.

"They are not panicked at least. That's a good sign." The Saintess's voice could be heard.

Lin Mu turned and saw the Saintess standing beside him.

"The Ancestral Serpents are very strong on their own, and their bloodline is one of the top bloodlines for sure. I doubt they would be in trouble against even a Transcendent Tribulation. After all, even if we don't have information on that, the bloodline should have alerted them already." The Saintess spoke.

"Let's hope that's how it is..." Lin Mu looked at the twins, observing the fine changes in the space around them.

The two had no idea what kind of Transcendent Tribulation the twins will be having, and thus needed to be alert at all times.

Minute after minute passed by, which soon turned into hours.

The intensity of the spatial disturbance increased with this, and eventually reached a point where Lin Wu could see the Spatial Fabric being affected.

~RUMBLE~

Finally, it was as if the space couldn't bear it anymore and started to weaken!

A rumbling sound was heard coming from the skies, stunning all those that had heard it. The pressure exuding from the sound was enough to stir the hearts of all, informing them that great danger was approaching.

"It's here..." Lin Mu muttered but then noticed something else. "Wait... it's not just the sky..."

The Saintess narrowed her eyes, sensing the abnormality too. Her senses were spread around the area and had accurately picked up the changes.

"Wind Dao?" The Saintess said in surprise. "Thunder in the sky and Wind from the Twins?"

Hearing the words of the Saintess Lin Mu observed it again and sensed that the spatial tears were happening not just in the sky but around the twins too.

"The Spatial Tears in the sky and the rumbling means a Lightning Tribulation, but the tears around the twins... that's a Wind Tribulation?" Lin Mu asked.

"Yes... that's how the Wind Tribulations usually are. Wind element is one of the Four Heavenly Elements and can thus manifest from the space directly for tribulations. Just like how the Lightning Tribulations arrive from another dimension, the same can be said for the wind tribulation." The Saintess explained.

Hearing this, Lin Mu's brows furrowed.

"If both of these Tribulations are appearing at the same time, then what about the Transcendent Tribulation?" Lin Mu asked in doubt.

"That... is yet to form." The Saintess said, her expression under the veil turning stern.