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[Chapter 1551 Using Immortal Essence With The Boulder Collapsing Fist](#)

Lin Mu stood far from the base he had established and chanted the calming heart sutra.

He did so for a couple minutes, after which he felt like he was in his optimum condition.

'No better time to do it than now...' Lin Mu said in his mind before focusing on the Apertures within his chest.

Now, both the first and second apertures were fully filled and Lin Mu was close to opening his third Aperture. The only reason he had not done that was due to the fact that he had used the Tri Essence Immortal pill not that long ago and still needed to wait a few more days before using the next one.

Though he only had half the original number of Tri Essence Immortal pills left now. But they were still more than enough to help him open his Third Aperture as well as completely fill it.

Or at least that was what Lin Mu hoped.

But since there was still time before he could do that, he decided to train his control over the Immortal Essence instead.

And the way he was going to do that was to learn how to use the Boulder Collapsing Fist's first form again. After all, unlike Vital Essence, Immortal Essence was something that would be rejected by his body after a short time and would dissipate.

~HUU~

Taking a deep breath, Lin Mu pulled out a wisp of Immortal Essence from his first aperture and guided it to his right arm. This much was not an issue for him and was accomplished with ease.

But this was not enough to use the First form of the Boulder Collapsing fist at all. Thus he pulled out another wisp of Immortal essence from the first aperture. Lin Mu made sure that he could maintain control over them both in his arm, before attempting to draw out the third wisp.

He repeated this process several more times until he had finally gathered ten wisps of Immortal Essence within his arm.

'It's certainly getting harder now.' Lin Mu could tell that if he lost focus even for a moment, all these Immortal Essence wisps would dissipate.

What he now needed to do was to utilize the method of the Boulder collapsing fist and make the Immortal Essence Wisps spin.

"Here goes nothing..." Lin Mu willed all ten Immortal Essence wisps to come close and start to spin.

Having done this during the opening of the Aperture, it wasn't an issue. But once the unique circulation method of the Boulder Collapsing fist was added, Lin Mu realized the difficulty.

When using the Three Apertures Invoking Technique and opening an Aperture, one would rotate the Immortal Essence wisps in a stable orbit making it easier for him to continue to the process.

But in the method of the boulder Collapsing fist, there was no stable orbit. Instead, the Immortal Essence wisps would spin and turn into a Spiral.

And when the Immortal Essence wisps were in the spiral, they would have to continually shift their positions making it quite difficult. With the Vital Essence this was not an issue since Lin Mu simply needed to control them without any resistance from the body.

But in the case of the Immortal Essence wisps, not only did he needed to control them to spin in a spiral, he also had to ensure that the force from his body wouldn't make them lose their positions.

And if he made a mistake during this, getting injured wasn't unusual.

~SHUA~

After a few minutes of work though, Lin Mu managed to get the Immortal Essence wisps to spin. But they were still not at the level he would want them to be at. After all, if it took him a few minutes to prepare the skill, it would be unusable in most battles.

He needed to be able to use it at a moment's notice or he would be caught off guard for sure. Not to mention, with the volatility of the Immortal Essence, he might still get injured if he was interrupted during the use of the skill.

'It's ready...' Lin Mu could feel the momentum of the Immortal Essence within his arm.

It was spinning nonstop and was threatening to burst out of his arm.

"No use in waiting, it's now or never!" Lin Mu raised his hand and punched down at the ground.

Boulder Collapsing Fist: First Form- Impact!

~RUMBLE~

As soon as his first made contact with the bloody soil, Lin Mu felt it disintegrate.

It was a strange feeling and made him think that he had touched a thin wall made out of dust.

"Agh!" And after this momentary feeling, the pain finally spread through his arm.

His skin cracked and shone in gold, his True Gold Body Forging Arts trying to protect him from damage while the energy of the skill transferred to the ground.

With how potent it was, Lin Mu could passively sense it spreading through the ground. In less than a second, it had already covered an area of over a hundred meters. But that was just the surface. Lin Mu couldn't tell how deep it had gone.

~KABOOM~

And after a short delay, it finally happened.

The ground spanning an area hundred meters, directly exploded and shot backwards.

~THUD~THUD~THUD~THUD~

Lin Mu's body was pelted from the stone fragments that were recoiling from the impact and was knocked upwards.

But he didn't dare to close his eyes and observed everything. After all, he needed to know how his skill worked and affected the environment before being able to use it in a battle effectively.

~TREMBLE~

After the initial explosion though, the entire ground directly sank inwards. All the rocks and stones inside it had been pulverized and only soil and sand were left there. Lin Mu fell back into the sand pit he had created and was surprised.

"The effect changed... it doesn't just explode it, but breaks down objects into smaller particles..." Lin Mu analyzed.

[Chapter 1552 New Limits Of The Boulder Collapsing Fist](#)

Lin Mu laid in the sand pit, while his Immortal Sense spread over it and went underground.

He was observing it in detail, wondering how the First Form of the boulder Collapsing Fist had affected it. At first Lin Mu had thought that the skill directly pulverized everything and turned the rocks and stones into sand.

But now that he was observing it deeply, he noticed that there was actually a gradient to it all.

'The size of the particles actually varies...' Lin Mu noticed that the particles at the very top of the surface were big, having cracked roughly. These were also the stones that had pelted him during the initial impact.

After this was the finely pulverized rocks and stones, that had turned into sand. This was the majority of the area and only when Lin Mu went to the deepest part did he noticed the particles getting bigger again.

'Hmm... so the first meter of depth is only cracked but after that the coming parts are directly pulverized. Only the final few meters that are affected by the skills are left bigger, but even then they are still broken.' Lin Mu concluded.

Over all, he could see that 1% of the affected area was left in chunks, 94% was turned into sand while the last 5% was left as bigger particles like gravel.

Having learned all this, Lin Mu now wondered how it related with the consumption of the Immortal Essence.

'Now to try it with varying consumptions...' Lin Mu began the process again.

But this time, he increased the number of Immortal Essence wisps that he used. Instead of ten wisps, he used fifteen wisps!

This made him take longer to prepare the skill, but it was still something he could manage to execute. And when he was finally ready, he punched the ground again.

~KABOOM~

Another sand pit was created by Lin Mu and he quickly got to analyzing it.

What he learned this time though was a bit different.

"The area of the sand pit has increased and so has its depth..." Lin Mu muttered to himself.

If before the area affected was a hundred meters in radius and hundred meters deep, now it was hundred and fifty meters in radius and equally deep.

'The area of effect is in the form of a hemisphere, I see...' Lin Mu noted.

Having observed this, Lin Mu began the process again, but this time he reduced the number of Immortal Essence wisps used. He used five Immortal Essence wisps, finding it a lot faster to be prepared.

~BOOM~

And once the skill was ready, he executed it once more, creating another sand pit.

"Just as I thought... the sand pit is half the original size." Lin Mu said to himself.

The sand pit created this time was just fifty meters in radius and equally deep with the particle size gradient changing proportionally.

'So each wisp of Immortal Essence adds about ten meters of area that will be affected.' Lin Mu understood.

He continued his series of tests and spent a couple of days in this.

After he was done with it though, he had learned a few more facts about it. The first thing he learned was his new limits with the immortal Essence.

The first limit was on the number of Immortal Essence wisps he could use.

Lin Mu found out that he could use twenty Immortal Essence wisps at the maximum before he would be unable to even activate Boulder Collapsing Fist. If he went even a single wisp over that limit, the spiral would become unstable and all wisps would dissipate violently.

The only time Lin Mu had done that, he had damaged his arm internally. Thankfully he could also heal it quickly due to his higher body cultivation base.

The second thing he learned was the time needed to prepare the skill also varied. The more Immortal Essence Wisps he added to his arm, the longer it would take. The shortest time was needed with three Immortal Essence wisps, needing only a minute to prepare.

Three immortal essence wisps was also the minimum number to use the first form of the boulder collapsing fist. If he went any lower, the skill simply wouldn't be able to activate as the spiral wouldn't be big enough.

As for the upper limit of the number of wisps, Lin Mu reckoned that it was only his control that was limiting him.

'Theoretically if I can improve my control over the Immortal Essence wisps, there shouldn't be a limit on the maximum I can add. It is merely my body that is not adapted to it which should be fixed when my body cultivation base improves.' Lin Mu reckoned.

The Seventh Stage of the Three Apertures Invoking technique, the Aperture Closing stage was when a cultivator's body would fully adapt to the Immortal Essence. At that point, they would have no need for the apertures and would be able to directly utilize the Immortal Essence and store it within their body.

'But simply increasing my body cultivation by a stage or two, should still increase the upper limit of the number of Immortal Essence wisps I can use.' Lin Mu understood.

The next thing that Lin Mu thought of was, how he could optimize the boulder collapsing fist.

"If I want to use it in battle, I need to shorten the time needed to prepare it..." Lin Mu muttered to himself.

And in order to do that, there was only one method.

"I need to practice more!" Lin Mu said with determination.

He returned to his training and used the skill over and over again, trying to improve his control over the Immortal Essence wisps and reducing the time needed to form the spiral for execution.

Hours tuned into days as Lin Mu was soon lost in practice.

Thankfully, there was still Little Shrubby who could continue the search for the immortal stone mine. Lin Mu had assigned the task to the beast for now, as there wasn't many areas left to search anyways.

[Chapter 1553 Little Shrubby Senses Danger](#)

After three weeks had passed, Lin Mu received a message that made him stop his training. The message had come from none other than Little Shrubby.

"Little Shrubby? What happened?" Lin Mu asked.

"I think I found something. The Immortal Qi concentration here is high." Little Shrubby replied.

"Really?" Lin Mu's interest was aroused. "Is it like before?" this wasn't the first time Little Shrubby was reporting either.

He had discovered other areas that had a higher concentration of Immortal Qi, but they turned out to be some other resource or just some herb that had gathered the immortal Qi in that area.

"I've looked around and there doesn't seem to be any immortal herb. The Immortal Qi also seems to be coming from the ground, and there are a few mountains here too." Little Shrubby explained.

"I see... I'll come over then." Lin Mu replied.

"Alright. Do you want me to come pick you up?" Little Shrubby asked.

"No need. Just stay put and watch out for any danger." Lin Mu replied with caution.

"Okay." Little Shrubby said before Lin Mu flew off.

Thankfully, he had just started today's training session and his energy stores were in the optimum condition.

'Little Shrubby's quite far... that's almost at the border of the zones we had charted out for the Blood Strewn plains...' Lin Mu sensed Little Shrubby's position through their link.

With the systematic division that Lin Mu had done for the area, the only areas that were left in the last few days were those at the very distant parts. The one that Little Shrubby was at was almost at the edge of the Blood Strewn Plains. If one traveled for a few days from there, they would end up in a new area.

Lin Mu flew across the sky at his maximum speed, watching the area for anything suspicious. During the time they were searching the Blood Strewn plains, they had come across a handful of cultivators out of which half were inclined on fighting them.

Though against Lin Mu, that was the same as hitting an iron plate.

They couldn't even do anything and were taken out by him in a few hits. Their spoils had added to Lin Mu's stores as well, thus it wasn't a loss for him either.

'But those were just the weak ones. There is no telling if any strong experts might be here too...' Lin Mu thought to himself.

After fifteen hours of nonstop flying, Lin Mu sensed that Little Shrubby was getting closer.

'Wait a second... this isn't the same location as back then.' Lin Mu furrowed his brows and then saw a red blur approaching from the distance.

~THUD~CRASH~

Little Shrubby came to a stop near Lin Mu, creating long trenches in the ground with his claws.

"I thought you were going to wait there, to watch the area." Lin Mu asked.

"There's someone there!" Little Shrubby replied.

"What?" Lin Mu furrowed his brows.

"I could smell their scent. I wanted to take a look but I sensed danger." Little Shrubby explained.

Hearing this, Lin Mu became very alert.

After all, if there was something that could make Little Shrubby feel danger, it was certainly not normal.

"Could you tell their cultivation base and who they were?" Lin Mu asked first.

"They are human, but their cultivation base is hard to tell. I just sense strong elemental aura from them." Little Shrubby replied.

"Elemental aura? What elements in particular?" Lin Mu questioned, feeling suspicious now.

"Fire, water, wood, metal, earth, wind, lightning... all of them." Little Shrubby answered much to Lin Mu's shock.

"What?!" Lin Mu was not expecting this.

While there were several people that could technically use all these elements with the use of some skills or tools, they wouldn't be on the same level as those that were highly proficient in them. And if Little Shrubby was feeling danger, it meant that they were proficient in all of these elements.

'How's this possible? Is it some old expert passing by?' Lin Mu couldn't help but wonder.

"It's good that you came here. We'll have to be careful..." Lin Mu spoke before getting onto Little Shrubby's back. "Still, we need to take a look first."

"Okay," Little Shrubby wouldn't feel scared as long as he was with Lin Mu.

~WHOOSH~

Little Shrubby broke into a sprint, and turned into a red blur. The master and beast traveled for about half an hour before Little Shrubby spoke again.

"I can smell the scent again. They should be nearby." Little Shrubby informed.

"Alright, this is enough." Lin Mu asked him to stop.

He got down from Little Shrubby and sent him to the Sleepscape.

"I'll take a look myself from here. It'll be safer." Lin Mu had trust in his ring's skills and knew that he had a better chance at escaping using them.

With Little Shrubby stored away safely in the Sleepscape, Lin M continued the rest of the journey on foot. He didn't fly as it would be a lot more eye catching and he would also be emitting immortal Qi fluctuations.

In order to avoid that, he fully contained the immortal Qi within his body and simply ran using his body's strength.

Taking long strides, Lin Mu traversed the land while keeping his senses sharp. He even activated his Spatial perception just in case, so that he could sense anything that was hidden.

There was no saying what kind of threats would be waiting for him after all.

'Considering the area had high concentration of Immortal Qi, it is quite likely the expert might be there for it too. If it really is an Immortal Stone mine, it is highly unlikely the expert will let go of it.' Lin Mu thought to himself.

After a few minutes though, Lin Mu sensed a wave of energy coming from the distance.

"Huh?" Lin Mu halted in his tracks and realized that there seemed to be some conflict.

He used Phase and sank into the ground, before continuing onwards only to come across a group that was in the middle of a battle.

[Chapter 1554 A Man With Terrifying Skills](#)

~BOOM~

~BOOM~

~BOOM~

A multitude of explosions occurred across the bloody land.

"ARGH!"

"NO!!"

"YOU MONSTER!"

And along with the explosions, the cries of its victims could also be heard.

Several cultivators were injured, with many of them missing one or more limbs. Their bodies were covered in various injuries as well, some were burned, some were cut, some had their skin ripped and more.

"Ahahaha! You all should have listened to me from the start." A man that looked to be in his late twenties spoke.

He wore clothes that seemed to belong to nobility. His outer robes were white, while his inner robes were yellow, contrasting together. But that was not all, as he was wearing several silver and gold accessories too.

On his wrists, one could see two bracelets that had gems embedded in them while on his head one could see a circlet with white gems in them.

His face was young with strong arrogance between his brows. A short trimmed beard dressed his chin, while sharp eyebrows adorned his eyes. His hair was tied up in a bun and a yellow coronet was holding it in place.

Immortal Qi fluctuations could be felt coming from all of the ornaments that the man was wearing, showing that these were all Immortal tools!

Even the robes he was wearing were similar and seemed to be protective immortal robes.

No matter what angle one looked at this person from, they would know that he was of a high status. And while he was displaying wealth, he also had the strength to back it up.

"We brought you here! Why are you doing this to us!?"

"Yeah! We agreed to split the loot in the first place."

"Just let us go, we don't care for it. Take all you want!"

The cultivators that were under his attack, pleaded with the man.

"Hah! You think I don't know your thoughts?" The noble man scoffed. "You all thought you could band together and get rid of me, huh?"

"No! You don't need to do this. You can already take all the loot we got. We don't need any of it, just spare our lives." The cultivators continued to plead though fearing for their lives.

They had already seen the strength of the man, and how he had crippled a few of their companions.

There were around twenty people in their group originally, but with the noble mans attack, five of them had died instantly while half had been weakened greatly having lost tier limbs.

"That is not an option. You think I would let you all go and spread the news about the Immortal Stone Mine? You're joking!" The noble man laughed. "Don't worry though, I'll give you a glorious end." He said before a wave of energy spread from him.

He flipped his palms as seven colored lights could be seen condensing within them.

~BZZT~

First sparks appeared, and arcs of electricity coiled around the purple light. They wrapped around each other before turning into a purple sphere. The sphere shrank in size until it was very dense and about the size of a small marble.

~WHOOSH~

Next, winds spun and compressed around the azure colored light. A moment later, it had turned into an azure colored marble that was of a similar size as that of the purple marble.

~RUSTLE~

The sound of leaves could be heard, as the illusory images of leaves appeared around the man's palm. The leaves came together and condensed around the green colored light, turning into a green marble.

~CLANG~

Then the sound of metal being rung could be heard. What looked like gold dust spun around the yellow colored light and turned into a yellow marble.

~CRACKLE~

Embers appeared from thin air, turning into flames that roiled. They spun around the red colored light, before being condensed into a red marble.

~DRIP~

Water vapor appeared and quickly condensed around the blue light, taking the form of a clear blue marble.

~RUMBLE~

And finally, fine stones wrapped around the brown colored light before become compressed and turning into the seventh and final marble.

The formation of each marble was complex and seemed to be filled with deep profundities, and yet their completion speed wasn't more than a few seconds. Those that had high cultivation base would be able to tell that each marble was condensed from a terrifying amount of elemental energies.

It wasn't even made of elemental Qi, but pure elemental energy!

Having control over just one element like this would be incredibly difficult, but seven was a number that was hard to believe. Perhaps if someone was a chosen son of heavens and had practiced for a million

years, they might be able to reach this level, but considering the age and demeanor of the noble man, it seemed unlikely.

The man had control over the Five mortal and two Heavenly elements!

Even in the Immortal Court, such skills would be considered earth shaking.

But while the creation of the marbles seemed to be impressive, it was just terrorizing for the cultivators who were facing them.

"Now then... Perish!" The noble man said before flicking his palm.

~SHUA~SHUA~SHUA

The seven marbles shot forth, spreading out in a wide area.

~BOOM~BOOM~BOOM~

They exploded as soon as they made contact with their targets.

Each of their explosions was different too. The purple marble exploded into a cloud of lighting, the azure marble turned into a tearing cyclone, the red marble brought forth a great blaze, the green marble turned into vines and leaves, the brown marble turned into pelting stones, the blue marble turned into water that drowned while the yellow marble turned into a flurry of blades.

Even a single of these marbles could be considered a high level skill, and yet there were seven such skills being used at the same time with ease.

Lin Mu was watching all this with a still expression.

But while his face seemed to not express anything, his heart was aflame with rage.

'He.. He has it! HE HAS THE OBJECT OF MY DESIRE!' Lin Mu roared within his heart.

[Chapter 1555 The Eleventh Prince Of The Holy Topaz Dynasty](#)

For a while, the intense unknown desire within Lin Mu's heart had become silent.

He didn't know if it was a temporary thing or if it was prelude to something else. Regardless of it, Lin Mu was pleased since he didn't need to be bothered by it while he was training his skills and searching for the Immortal Stone mine.

He never thought that his goal of coming to the Desolate Blood battlefield was coinciding with the intense desire.

It wasn't until Lin Mu had directly seen the Noble man with his own two eyes did he feel the desire return. And this time around, it was several times more powerful. Lin Mu felt his blood pumping like no tomorrow and his heart throbbed like thunder.

Every being of his being was screaming out to him. Telling him to rip the person apart and take what had been taken from him.

The strange thing was, Lin Mu still didn't know what was actually taken from him. He couldn't tell from the Noble man either. The only thing he knew was that he needed to kill the man.

A deep feeling within him told that, if he didn't do this today, he would never be able to have a moment of peace after this.

The cautiousness that he had before had disappeared as if it never existed.

Now Lin Mu didn't care if the person in front of him was stronger than him or not. All he cared for was that he would meet his end today.

And with that, Lin Mu rushed into battle.

~SHING~ SHING~

Afternoon Pine and Ocean Raker appeared in Lin Mu's hands while immortal Qi flowed into them, directly amplifying their powers before Sword Intent overflowed from the sword.

"WHO!?" The noble man obviously sensed the appearance of strong Sword Intent, alerting him.

He turned to face the direction where it was coming from, and only saw a golden glow.

"WHAT?" In front of the man, several pine trees were rising from the ground!

~TREMBLE~

The Ground Split apart as seven Pine Trees rose from it. They were made out of immortal Qi and were infused with Sword intent, giving one a feeling of oppression.

"Who dares sneak attack me!?" The noble man shouted before flicking his palm.

~WHOOSH~

His palm glowed in a brown light and shot toward the Pine trees.

~CLANG~CLANG~CLANG~

The brown light directly clashed with the Pine trees, having transformed into an earthen plate that was ten meters wide. It delayed the approach of the Pine trees, and gave the noble man more time to react.

Next he stomped with his feet as an azure light wrapped around them. In the next second, the azure light transferred into two pairs of wings that were now attached to the noble man's feet.

~ZING~

It propelled him at a great speed and he avoided all the Pine Trees that were rushing towards him while ripping the ground. The wings on his ankles flapped at a high frequency, creating a buzzing sound.

~HUMM~HUMM~HUMM~

The man zipped across the air and made several turns before checking who exactly it was that attacking him.

His immortal Sense spread across the area, covering about a kilometer of area.

"Pathetic..." A voice was heard by the noble man.

"WHO!?" he turned to look, but was only met with three arrows that were coming towards him.

Each of the arrow was burning and seemed to contain Fire elemental immortal Qi.

"You think you can use the elements against me!" The noble man was infuriated.

~SPLASH~

He thrust out with his palm that was covered in a blue light. The light expanded and turned into a large palm imprint that was filled with water.

~SIZZLE~

The fire arrows met the water palm and instantly heated it up. Steam rose from the palm, as it bubbled over.

~BOOM~

The palm couldn't contain its shape for long and burst apart. But it also dissipated the fire arrows, effectively blocking the attack.

This was merely the start of the attacks though as ten sword lights slashed at the noble man. They came from all around him, preventing him from flying away like before.

"WHO ARE YOU? SHOW YOURSELF COWARD!" The noble man yelled, feeling furious at it all.

His immortal sense was spread in a kilometer area, but he was still unable to sense the person.

"What pathetic range you have..." A voice spoke within his ears again.

But this time the voice seemed to have come from right next to him.

'How did--' The noble man actually sensed a presence behind him.

It had appeared out of thin air and was certainly not there before.

This time the noble man actually managed to grasp the appearance of his new foe. He only saw a young man, who had a furious face behind him. He was in the middle of an attack and a golden fist was coming towards him.

~BANG~

The fist made contact with the noble man who raised his arm to block it.

~CLANG~

As if a shield had been struck by a war hammer, a sickening clang was heard.

Lin Mu looked at the noble man directly for the first time, seeing that he had actually created a metal shield around his arm.

~SHUA~

After watching for a moment though, Lin Mu disappeared.

The noble man was a bit stunned from all this though. He had never expected him to be ambushed like this and be on the disadvantaged.

"You dare attack the Eleventh Prince of the Holy Topaz Dynasty! Do you know the atrocity you're committing!" The noble man shouted, revealing his identity.

"Doesn't matter if you're a prince. You'll die nevertheless." Lin Mu said, his voice laced with pure fury.

~TREMBLE~

A moment later the ground under the prince parted, as a yellow opine tree condensed out of pure energy rose. Sword intent was gushing out of it, and a few slivers managed to touch the prince.

"Agh!" his legs had only made contact for a mere moment, and it had still managed to cut it. "YOU'LL PAY FOR THIS!" The prince roared.

The cut was just a few centimeters deep, but the pain from it was unlike anything the prince had felt. If it was just a normal cut from a weapon, he might not have felt like this, but this was a cut made by Sword Intent.

It was an energy that would not stay still and continue to damage the enemy until it dissipated.

Though the prince had his own skills too. As he let out a breath and blew on his legs. His breath was of a deep green color, and when it touched his legs, they quickly started to heal.

In just a few seconds, the cuts made by the Sword intent had already disappeared.

"Interesting..." The Prince heard Lin Mu's cold voice again. "Let's see how much more you can do,"

~ZING~

A mere moment after the prince had heard Lin Mu's voice, he sensed a projectile approaching him at a blinding speed. It was very small and if it weren't for the energy emanating from it, he might not have sensed it in time.

"HAAA!" Knowing that he wouldn't have enough time to dodge it, the Prince condensed fire within his hand, turning it into a marble and threw towards the incoming projectile.

The projectile seemed to be like a needle but the energy contained within it was massive.

~BOOM~

It pierced through the red fire marble, and exploded creating a blazing cloud that scorched an area of four hundred meters!

~WHOOSH~

The prince was knocked back from the explosion but wasn't burned, his Immortal robes protecting him from the impact and heat. The wings on his ankles flapped, allowing him to slow down and control his trajectory.

But just as he was starting to gain control over it, he saw ten flaming arrows coming towards him.

"DAMMIT!" Cursing he thrust out his palm several times, creating multiple palm imprint.

~HISS~

The arrows were blocked by the water palms, and burst them apart but one arrow still managed to get through.

~THUD~

But just as it was about to strike his chest, a brown light appeared on it before turning into a rock plate. The plate blocked the fire arrow before breaking as well.

The prince coughed in pain, but kept his eyes open.

By now he had understood that his opponent wasn't someone normal.

'Who is he? And why's he attacking me?' The Prince wondered.

It wasn't the first time he had been attacked, thus he wasn't finding it unexpected. His opponents in the family had already sent several immortals to attack him. Unfortunately they had all met their demise at his hands.

Even if they were of a higher cultivation base than him, they could not survive his skills and power.

"Who sent you! The Fourth Prince? The Seventh Princess? Or even the Second Prince!?" The Eleventh Prince questioned.

But the only answer he received was a golden fist to his face.

~CRACK~

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The prince felt his nose cracking, as tears appeared in his eyes automatically.

The pain from a broken nose momentarily overwhelmed his senses, allowing a few more attacks to strike his body.

~THUD~THUD~THUD~

~CRACK~

Lin Mu gave the man no chance to react as he punched non stop, his fist striking the prince several times on his face and his chest, before finally cracking a rib.

'His fists are like cannon balls... how are they so heavy...!' The prince could not understand it.

The weight Lin Mu's punches was simply from the denseness of his golden body. Normally he would counteract the weight of his body, so that he wouldn't break everything he walked on, but when he fought, he could momentarily let go of the weight control.

This would allow his fists to hit with their true weight.

But even if Lin Mu was heavy hitting and had struck the prince several times, he was not pleased.

'This prince... he's actually a body cultivator.' Lin Mu realized.

He understood this because of the damage he had inflicted on the man.

'If it were any Qi cultivator, they would have already crumpled to the ground. And yet, he's only had a few cracked bones.' Lin Mu was surprised.

His Immortal sense turned into a tendril and tried to probe the prince, trying to see what else he was hiding. It helped that the prince was actually not good with Immortal sense, thus couldn't resist Lin Mu's immortal sense that easily overpowered him.

'His Immortal Sense has barely been refined. Even his range is limited to just a kilometer... he has neglected it.' Lin Mu thought to himself.

This was also the reason why he had called the prince pathetic. The man had power, but he did not develop other aspects of his abilities. This had led to him having weaknesses that could be taken care off.

Lin Mu had paid quite a lot of attention to his Immortal sense, and had refined it quite a lot too. It was after all necessary for a lot of his spatial skills, as well as for formation creations.

At the same time, it improved his proficiency of cultivation and allowed him to control the energies better.

Immortal Sense was one of the core abilities of any cultivator, and yet the prince had not worked on it, giving Lin Mu another advantage.

~SHUA~

Lin Mu's immoral sense quickly drilled into the man's body and revealed the secrets hidden within.

'He's at the Third Tribulation Stage of the Immortal Realm... and his body cultivation is roughly equivalent to that of the Second Tribulation Stage of the Immortal realm.' Lin Mu discovered. 'But his body cultivation... it's strange...' he discovered that the technique the man used to be using for body cultivation was unlike anything he had seen.

Lin Mu couldn't figure out if it was any of the body cultivation techniques he had seen so far since he couldn't even estimate the amount of Immortal Essence within the man!

'His Immortal Essence is isolated... blocked inside his body by those elemental energies.' Lin Mu noticed next.

Within the prince's body the seven elemental energies were flying. These seemed to be the source of his power and how he was using his skills. Lin Mu wanted to take a deeper look at them, but the time to do that had run out.

"YOU! I'LL KILL YOU! I SWEAR UPON MY NAME!" The Prince roared in fury.

~HONG~

Lin Mu sensed the prince's aura spike and quickly retreated. And as soon as he did, and a wave of energy spread out from the Prince's body. The seven elements seemed to have fused together creating a highly unstable mixture that merely lasted a moment before exploding.

~BOOM~

Lin Mu's eyes constricted as he sensed the intensity of the explosion.

FADE!

He directly entered the parallel world to evade the explosion, knowing that Blink wouldn't be enough to get him far enough and entering the ground using Phase was not an option either, as it would be shattered as well.

"The Prince seems to lack some battle experience and was caught off guard, but now he's getting hold of himself." Lin Mu muttered to himself.

The initial advantage he had was now gone, and he would need to fight the prince on his full term.

Lin Mu had also understood that this was not going to be an easy battle, as the prince had actually withstood all of his attacks till now or blocked them. Just that alone was a testament to his skills, as no other cultivator that Lin Mu had fought managed to last against him.

This made Lin Mu wonder if the prince's power was what was behind his desire.

"It brought me all the way here... there must be more to it!" Lin Mu said with fervor.

The desire was still burning within his heart and the urge was only getting stronger. Lin Mu was already using Calming Heart Sutra to keep control on himself by now.

With all this in mind, he flew through the parallel world, getting as far as possible from his initial location so as to avoid the explosion. A few seconds later, the duration of Fade ended and Lin Mu returned to the real world.

His immortal sense immediately spread around and observed the situation.

"It's dangerous..." In front of Lin Mu now stood a devastated land.

The ground had caved in, and a hole that was nearly four hundred meters deep was present. It was equally as wide and parts of it were still burning with some having melted into hot lava!

The power of the attack was on the same level as some of Lin Mu's best skills.

'Sky Falling Lance might be able to exceed this, but aiming will not be easy.' Lin Mu understood.

"You... you're alive?" The Prince had not expected this. "You survived my Seven Elemental Outburst? Impossible!" The man was shocked as well.

~SHING~

Lin Mu didn't miss this chance either though, as a sword struck the prince from the back!

[Chapter 1557 The Prince Flips The Odds](#)

Afternoon Pine had already been infused with a sufficient amount of Immortal Qi as well as Lin Mu's Sword intent, allowing it to function on its own easily.

The double edged sword shone with a yellow light, as its size grew larger from the energy accumulating on it. Pine needles grew on its sides as another skill of it was activated.

~CLANG~

But much to Lin Mu's surprise, the Sword was actually blocked!

"Huh?" Lin Mu raised his brows as he saw the prince holding the sword with his hand.

His hand was blocking the sword's edge, and a yellow energy was covering it too.

"You aren't the only one that's good with metal." The Prince scoffed and swatted the sword away with his hand.

~DENG~

Since Afternoon Pine was just being controlled remotely by Lin Mu's Immortal sense, it was knocked away by the Prince's power.

~SHUA~

But Lin Mu quickly took control over it and returned it to his side.

"I've had enough... You won't live for long now." The prince said as his face turned cold.

~HUMM~

A wave of energy spread out from his body once more alarming Lin Mu.

'This is greater than before,' Lin Mu realized.

At first, he thought that the prince was going to cause an explosion again, but that didn't happen.

"The energy is condensing?" Lin Mu saw the wave of energy stopping after a certain distance.

Instead of spreading more, it stopped there and started to accumulate. In just a few moments, a sphere of pure elemental energies was condensed around the prince.

The seven elements stirred within the sphere.

Water rippled, fire blazed, earth rumbled, metal scraped, wood grew, wind spun and lightning sparked!

"I can't let him continue!" Lin Mu understood.

He directly withdrew Wonder Seeker and pulled on its string. Immortal Qi flowed into the bow as a fire arrow condensed on it. Lin Mu didn't release it right away though, as he let the power accumulate a bit more while the size of the arrow increased as well.

~TWANG~

And when he let go of the string, the arrow had already increased in size by three times!

~SWISH~

It shot straight at the sphere covering the distance in a mere second before striking its surface.

~BOOM~

An explosion happened as a blazing fire blocked Lin Mu's line of sight.

And when it cleared, Lin Mu was surprised once more.

"It's fine!?" Lin Mu saw.

"AHAHAHA! You think a mere attack like that will affect this?" The Prince laughed. "This is merely the start! None that have seen this ability have lived to tell the tale!" he proclaimed.

And just as he said that, a change started to happen within the sphere. The Prince's body glowed with seven lights and the energy started to condense on it.

Wood Energy was the first to condense around his body, forming a robe that seemed to be woven from vines and leaves. It looked to be rather supple and was overflowing with vitality.

Then the Earth energy wrapped around the legs of the prince, forming a thick coating that soon turned into black granite like layer. The layer looked to be incredibly tough and heavy.

Next Metal energy formed a shell around his torso and arms, encasing it in a shining silver armor that also merged with the rock armor on his legs.

Wind energy gathered around his legs and back, forming two azure wings that seemed to be thin like that of a dragonfly. It only had an ethereal form at first, but then vines started to grow from the back of the metal armor.

These were the same vines that had formed the supple robe. They wiggled out from the metal armor and weaved through the wings, forming vein like patterns and giving the wings a solid form.

Then water energy wrapped the wings, giving them a sheen, and continued to spread onwards to the neck and shoulders of the prince. It formed a clasp at the front and flowed down, turning into a long cape.

The cape looked like a waterfall that fell into nothingness, making one feel awed and consumed upon seeing it.

Finally, Lightning and fire raged over the prince's head. The two violent energies clashed with each other and circled around the prince's head before forming a crown on it. The crown had arcs of lightning circling around it at all times while multiple flames burned from its circumference.

"You are fortunate, for you get to see my true strength." The Prince spoke proudly. "Even Immortal Tribulations are nothing in front of my Seven Heaven Divine Armor!" he exclaimed.

Lin Mu watched as the sphere dissipated after the Prince's armor was completed. It was clear that the sphere was there only to give the prince time to prepare his skill.

'Seven heaven Divine Armor... it's fully condensed from Elemental energies... How's this possible?' Lin Mu was confused. 'For him to be able to use a skill like this, he would need to have an elemental affinity to all seven elements.' He reckoned.

"This is not normal, Lin Mu." Xukong spoke at this time. "I cannot sense any Dao insights on the man. And even the Dao Traces on his body seemed to be masked. The skill he is using isn't something that is something he has learned himself." He informed.

"No Dao Traces and no Dao insights?" Lin Mu furrowed his brows.

"For him to be able to condense the elemental energies into a physical form like this, he would need to either have Dao Embryos for all of them, or should have comprehended some Dao insights. But he has none of them. This is something not even Celestials would be able to accomplish easily." Xukong warned.

Lin Mu's expression tensed upon hearing this.

"Looks like I have a tough battle ahead of me, huh... guess this is why I had such a feeling of loss and the burning desire." Lin Mu understood something at this point.

The prince was similar to him, having skills beyond what should be possible.

It was now going to be a battle of equals.

[Chapter 1558 A Weakness](#)

The Eleventh Prince was now truly using his full power and it was very strong.

With the sphere covering him fading away, Lin Mu could feel the sheer amount of power exuding from the prince's body. The armor that he had created was on another level and Lin Mu could tell that it was not simple.

"Sky Thunder Shotel!" The prince called out as a bolt of lightning condensed in his hand.

The lightning transformed and turned into a gleaming Shotel.

Lin Mu looked at the curved weapon and found it to be condensed from a mix of lightning energy and immortal Qi.

'This is different than his armor.' Lin Mu noticed while also staying alert.

"Now then... DIE!" The prince shot towards Lin Mu.

He swung the Shotel, its curved blade slithering around Lin Mu's neck trying to cut it.

~CLANG~

But before it could get within an inch of Lin Mu, Ocean Raker was stuck in front of it. Lin Mu grasped the sword's handle with his right hand and used his left hand to push the blade.

~BZZT~

In the next moment though, an arc of lightning shot from the Shotel and struck Lin Mu.

"ARGH!" Lin Mu felt the electricity coursing through his body, while his muscles tried to resist it.

The electricity tried to make his muscles contract against his wishes, but Lin Mu held on. If it were an immortal Qi cultivator, their bodies might not be able to resist this. But Lin Mu who was a body cultivator as well, resisting this was still possible.

"Hah, you can actually stand this." The prince said as a scowl appeared on his face. "Let's see how long you can last then!"

~RUMBLE~

The power of the Shotel increased as more and more electricity poured out of it, electrocuting Lin Mu.

'I need to break contact!' Lin Mu understood.

Gritting his teeth, he focused on his Aperture and drew out a few wisps of Immortal Essence. Doing this while also being electrocuted was a tough task, but Lin Mu had his earlier training to thank him.

'It's good that I practiced the Boulder Collapsing Fist, or I might not have been able to do this...!' Lin Mu directly infused the Immortal Essence wisps in his arms, amplifying their strength by several times.

"HAAA!" With more power in his hands, he pushed back causing the Shotel to slide off his blade.

~GRIND~

But due to the curved blade of the Shotel, it actually grazed Lin Mu's left hand that he was using to push the Ocean raker. When the Shotel touched his golden skin, it made a grinding sound, as if a blade was being sharpened.

A shallow cut was actually left on the side of his left palm, by the time the Shotel was pushed away.

~HUU~ HUU~

Lin Mu took deep breaths, trying to calm down his heart that was agitated from the recent electrocution. This clash had enlightened him about a weakness of his body.

'Lightning can still affect me like this...!' Lin Mu understood.

It was a side effect of having his golden body. While Lin Mu could resist the lightning from others, it seemed like once it reached the level of the prince, it could actually paralyze him.

His Golden Body made it easier for him to conduct the electricity, thereby making him weaker to it.

Having grasped this, Lin Mu's mind quickly worked to finding a solution for it. He knew that he couldn't change the golden body, but he could very well compensate for the weakness using something else.

'I guess I have to use all my abilities,' Lin Mu made up his mind and teleported to put some distance between them.

The prince who saw Lin Mu disappearing like that was a bit surprised.

"Oh? Was that actual teleportation?" The Prince spoke. "I thought you were simply fast, but I guess I was mistaken."

Lin Mu who heard that raised his brow.

'How did he sense it now? His immortal sense— It's Improved?!' Lin Mu suddenly discovered that the man's immortal sense seemed to be a lot stronger than before.

Not just that, but its range had already increased to reach a five kilometer area. This was not something that would be possible normally, making Lin Mu think that the Seven Heaven Divine Armor was behind it.

"Surprised by my perception? Hahah! This is merely a fraction of what my Seven Heaven Divine Armor can do!" The prince said with pride.

Lin Mu narrowed his eyes, raising the danger level of the prince by another level.

'So it's not just an increase in strength, but also an increase in senses.' Lin Mu thought to himself, as his gaze went to the crown that the prince was wearing.

It didn't take him much to realize that the crown was different than the rest of the armor.

'The crown must be behind it. There's no other reason why it would be used. If it was meant for defense, a helmet would be a better fit than a crown in protecting the head.' Lin Mu reckoned.

~huh~

Taking a deep breath, Lin Mu got his thoughts in order and prepared a strategy.

'I need to slow him down first.' Lin Mu saw the prince rushing towards him at a great speed.

The wings made out of wind and vines flapped at a high frequency, making them look like mere blurs. It was similar to the wings of a dragonfly that were hard to see when they were flying.

The prince slashed out with the Sky Thunder Shotel, sending forth an arc of lightning that split the air apart. It crackled like coals in a forge and made the hair on one's body stand up.

"Doesn't matter if you can use teleportation if I can get you before that!" The prince said while a wide smile appeared on his face.

The arc sped through the air and looked like it would reach Lin Mu effortlessly.

But just before it could, Lin Mu spoke.

"True Earth Heart Dao Embryo!"

[Chapter 1559 Earthen Armament Aspect: Great Shield Form](#)

~LUBDUB~LUBDUB~LUBDUB~

The loud sound of a heartbeat could be heard as an eight sided object appeared in front of Lin Mu.

Any immortal that saw it would be able to figure out that it was none other than a Dao Shell. After all, they had seen many Dao Shells themselves, and even if the shape of this Dao Shell was a bit unique, it was still easy to identify.

What was different about it though, was the object that was within it.

The eleventh prince watched the Dao Embryo that looked like a heart within the Dao Shell. It was throbbing nonstop, and the beats were only getting louder.

The heart was made out of rocks and soil and was emitting dense energy. The energy rapidly spread over the Dao Shell, as rocks started to grow and cover it. The rocks grew larger and also took a condensed shape.

In just a few moments, the entire Dao Embryo was covered, having changed its shape. It had eight sides like before, but its size had increased by several times. But that wasn't all, as on the bottom sides of the object, three long spikes were extending.

The grew to about a meter long each and were in line with the rest of the body.

"Earthen Armament Aspect: Great Shield Form!" Lin Mu chanted.

~BOOM~

Just as the great shield had taken form, the arc of lightning finally struck it, creating a loud boom. Sparks flew as the lightning tried to penetrate the rock shield. But with Earth being able to resist the lightning, it simply couldn't pass.

And even if one considered the sheer destructive ability of the Lightning, it couldn't overcome the toughness of the shield.

"What!?" The Eleventh prince was surprised by the turn of events.

He had thought that he had grasped Lin Mu's weakness, but now a mere shield had blocked it.

"This won't work again!" The prince said with anger and directly slashed at it with his Sky Thunder Shotel.

~DENG~

The Shotel banged against the surface of the great shield, unable to even put a scratch on it.

"I should be the one to say that," Lin Mu replied before grasping the shield from the back. It actually had a large handle on its back that Lin Mu could grasp with his hand.

Of course, with the size of the shield, it would seem a bit unwieldy, but to Lin Mu the weight was nothing. Though the shield did protect him entirely. It was after all, over four meters tall and three meters wide!

And if one counted the spikes at its bottom as well, it was over five meters tall.

~CRACK~

Lin Mu grasped the shield and exerted a downward force on it causing the spikes to be buried into the ground.

~DENG~DENG~DENG~

The prince continued slashing at the great shield, unable to do anything to it.

"You think this shield will be enough to protect you? Hah, you're dreaming!" The prince jumped over Lin Mu, intending to attack him from the back.

~BANG~

But before he could finish the jump, he was slapped away by the same shield!

Lin Mu effortlessly swung the shield around as if it were a feathered fan and whacked the prince away. He had put his entire weight behind the swing, causing the prince to be a bit disoriented.

'It works better than I thought...' Lin Mu had actually come up with the shield a long time ago.

It was around the same time when he had used the Earthen Armament Aspect: Great Sword Form in the battle against Gu Yao.

This was the second form he had made, and it was the Great Shield form. The defense of this shield was the greatest that Lin Mu had below the Immortal Strengthening scripture.

But the two techniques had different uses. Even if the Immortal Strengthening Scripture's first technique Sky Prop had the best defense, it would leave Lin Mu immobile. It was not a technique that was meant to be used in moving combat but rather to endure a targeted attack.

The Earthen Armament Aspect: Great Shield Form though, was Lin Mu's solution for it. Not only could it resist lightning with ease, it also had better defense than his own body. After all, it was being powered directly by the Dao Embryo and tapped into the Dao Traces of Earth!

This increased its power to another level, that could even resist immortal level attacks.

Thankfully, Lin Mu's affinity to the earth was highest, which also boosted his power with this Dao Skill. Adding Lin Mu's monstrous physical strength to it, the shield could be used like a melee weapon too, as he had done just now.

~SHUA~

Lin Mu didn't intend to let the prince have any rest though as he directly blinked next to him.

~BANG~

Raising the shield, Lin Mu slammed it into the man's back.

"UGH!" The prince's body was rattled and sent flying into the distant hills.

"Huu... is this it for him?" Lin Mu muttered, but didn't lower his guard.

Even if the impact of the attack was great, Lin Mu hadn't sensed the prince's vitality weakening yet.

"AAAAAAAHHHHH!" And just as he had thought, the prince rose back from the hill while screaming.

His body though, was gleaming in a green light.

Lin Mu narrowed his eyes and saw the injuries of the prince healing rapidly.

'The wooden robe that was formed... it seems to have a healing effect.' Lin Mu grasped another one of the prince's abilities. 'This makes it difficult...'

But it only meant that the prince's tenacity was going to be higher as well.

"I'll crush your body!" The prince roared in anger as flames gathered around his hands. "Volcanic Head Hammer!"

The flames condensed into a large war hammer, its head looking like the mouth of a volcano.

~HUMM~

The wings behind the prince flapped at a great speed, as he rushed towards Lin Mu at a blinding speed. The hammer curved through the air, and lava spurted from its mouth as it slammed into the Great Shield.

~BOOM~

[Chapter 1560 A Crushing End](#)

The collision of the Volcanic Head hammer and the Great Shield was as explosive as the eruption of a real volcano.

Lava spurted everywhere, while a loud booming sound filled the area. The very air trembled while the skies shook.

"Ugh!" Lin Mu was able to hold up against the attack, but was pushed back from the sheer force of it.

No damage was done to it, but he needed to use a lot of strength to block the hammer. Not to mention, there was lava spraying everywhere and even Lin Mu was covered in it.

"How do you like that!" The prince laughed seeing that Lin Mu was affected by his attack.

"This is nothing. I've bathed in a volcano before." Lin Mu replied without caring much.

While it looked terrifying to be covered with Lava, Lin Mu's defenses were easily able to hold up again it. Even his words were true, as Lin Mu had indeed bathed in lava before. Not to mention, Lin Mu had literally poured molten gold over himself in order to cultivate the True Gold Body Forging arts.

Heat was something he could tolerate a high level of.

"Impossible!" The Prince was astounded by this.

One must know that the lava wasn't just normal lava, but one infused with pure fire energy. But Lin Mu had affinity to fire as well, along with his cultivation base being higher than before.

~SHUA~

Having withstood the impact, Lin Mu directly blinked away, making the hammer crash to the ground.

~DENG~

It struck the ground and cracked it further, making it tremble. The prince tried to recover from it and wanted to attack again. But before he could do that though, he suddenly felt strange.

An unknown energy covered his body as well as the hammer, alarming him.

"Aspect of Heaviness!" Lin Mu chanted as the True Earth Heart throbbed like thunder.

~THUD~THUD~THUD~

In the very next second, the legs of the prince dug into the ground, while the Volcanic Head Hammer almost slipped out of his hands.

"What... is this..." The prince felt like he had a mountain weighing down on his body.

What was strange was that he felt the same effect on every inch of his body and not as if he was carrying something.

Lin Mu watched as his second Dao Skills was affecting the prince.

'This is indeed very taxing...' Lin Mu thought to himself.

He was now using both his Dao skills in unison, causing his energy consumption to be very high. Not to mention, Aspect of Heaviness was several times more exhaustive than the Earthen Armament Aspect.

Its usage and power also varied on whom it was used on.

The best effectiveness was when Lin Mu used it on himself, and the worst effectiveness was when he used it on others. But of course, this could be somewhat offset by simply using more energy which was what he was doing right now.

In order to slow down the prince, Lin Mu was draining his energy stores constantly.

"Let's finish this then..." Lin Mu said as he blinked next to the prince and slammed the great shield over his head.

~DENG~

The eleventh prince felt like his his brain was shaking and the weight on him increased even more.

"Aspect of Heaviness!" But Lin Mu didn't intend to stop here.

He used the Dao Skill on the Great Shield!

~BOOM~

"AAAAAAHHHH!" The prince now truly felt like there was a mountain on his back which may as well be true.

The great shield was heavy on its own, and easily weight a few tens of tons being made from highly condensed rocks. And the the weight of these rocks was further multiplied by the Aspect of Heaviness which had a higher effectiveness on it than on the prince.

"GET... OFF... ME....!" The prince said between his breaths.

He was now lying flat on the ground, being pressed by both his weight and the great shield.

Lin Mu watched as the prince suffered, a strange sense of contentment filling his being. But at the same time, his heart was telling him to go further; that this was not enough. The person had stolen from him and needed to suffer more.

The rage filling Lin Mu only increased more as he directly climbed onto the Great Shield.

Then with a cold voice he spoke, "Aspect of Heaviness!"

~KACHA~

Now that Lin Mu was using the Dao Skill on his body too, the weight on prince was deadly. Even Lin Mu was feeling the brunt of it, and was holding on by gritting his teeth.

His eyes were trained on the prince as his head was sticking out from the side of the shield.

What was worse was that the inner robe made out of wood energy was actively healing him while the weight was constantly breaking his bones. The man was stuck in a cycle of healing and breaking, causing him to feel unending despair.

Lin Mu knew that the wood energy would keep on healing him, thus he needed to trap the man somehow. And the current situation was the result of that thought. With the prince being crushed under him, while he could still live, he wouldn't be able to move and his healing ability was restrained.

"Why... are... you... doing—" The prince felt the weight cracking his bones.

~CRUMBLE~

Before the man could finish his words though, the ground underneath him collapsed, making him dig deeper.

~KACHA~

The fall impacted the prince greatly directly shattering his ribs.

Lin Mu still stood on the shield, not fazed by the fall.

The man couldn't speak now and his body was flattened by half. If it weren't for the fact that he was an immortal, he would have already died from this.

"Suffer more..." Lin Mu muttered, his tone sharp.

He watched as the cycle of crushing and healing continued, exhausting the man's energy stores.

Lin Mu had a good reason to do this too.

If he killed the man right away, he would be able to escape with his Nascent soul. Plus there was always a chance the man had other life saving measures that might activate on his death.

Thus to prevent that, Lin Mu wanted the man's energy to be fully exhausted so that he would have little to spare at the end.

Plus he had trapped the man such that the healing would continue non stop. Lin Mu had already noticed that the prince actually didn't have an active control over it. Once the Seven heaven Divine Armor was enabled it seemed to be working in its own.

Lin Mu didn't know how accurate his guess was, but so far it seemed to be working.

The man's energy stores kept on draining as the Seven Heavens Divine Armor was taking it nonstop. On some level it was similar to Lin Mu's own skills in the past.

'They also used to take it without stopping until I finally learned to control them and my cultivation base increased.' Lin Mu thought to himself.

This gave him several ideas about what it might be that was stolen from him, though he was still doubtful about it.

After a while, Lin Mu could sense the Prince's vitality starting to fall as well.

"Time to finish this..." Lin Mu withdrew the Ocean Raker and held it over the prince's head.

~SLICK~

Then with a single push, the sword stabbed into the man's brain coming out cleanly from the other side.

As soon as Lin Mu felt like the man was dead though, he moved and used another skill.

"Meld!" Lin Mu directly froze the space around the corpse of the prince.

~SHUA~

A few seconds later, a Nascent soul tried to wiggle out of the dead body.

But as soon as it did, it was trapped the space around it being locked in place.

"NOOO!!! THE HOLY TOPAZ DYNASTY WILL NEVER FORGIVE YOU!" The Prince's Nascent soul cried like a vengeful spirit.

"I'll see when it comes to it." Lin Mu nonchalantly said before bringing his fingers together.

~RIP~

Spatial fabric was moved, and twisted, directly tearing the Nascent soul apart.

"AAHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH!" a blood curdling cry was let out by the soul before it turned into nothingness.

~THUD~

Having done that, Lin Mu too collapse on the ground feeling incredibly exhausted.

"That... was..." Lin Mu felt more tired than ever before.

Having used multiple skills, as well as the Two Dao skill that to on several targets made his body tired out really fast. It wasn't just physical fatigue either, as even his mind was tired from the great focus it had taken for him to use them all.

Not to mention, the fine planning he had to do on the go. If Lin Mu had lost focus, he would have made a mistake that might have cost him his life.

He had already seen the prince's power and knew that in pure offense, he might even be greater than him.

But now... he was dead.