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When Ren Shuang stepped inside the door, his vision darkened for a moment before he saw the familiar figure of his master.

Jiu Shen stood in front of him with an indifferent expression on his face. "Congratulations on your breakthrough." He said in a calm tone.

Ren Shuang bowed his head and said with respect. "It is all thanks to the master's arrangements. The true essence inside that world is many times thicker than here in Nuar. Failing to breakthrough under that condition would be humiliating."

"Since you have already stepped into the Nascent God Realm, I can be at ease to leave this place in your care. I will take Ice with me to the Divine Beast Continent and we might be gone for a while. Your task is to protect this place and our people while I am away. As for people requesting the aid of our Heavenly Sword Tower, I will leave that for you to decide." Jiu Shen had long since planned on visiting the Divine Beast Continent. With Ren Shuang guarding the place during his absence, he can finally leave without worry.

"I will protect them with my life." Ren Shuang promised with a solemn expression.

Jiu Shen nodded his head when he heard Ren Shuang's words. He then took out a communication crystal and handed it to Ren Shuang as he said. "Use this crystal when there is a crisis that even you can't handle, but I don't think that there is still someone in this continent that could give you that much trouble. However, if that time ever comes, don't hesitate to contact me through this communication crystal."

Ren Shuang glanced at the small crystal in his hand and carefully kept it inside his space ring. He then stared at Jiu Shen with a serious gaze as he said. "Master, I will not allow anyone to bring harm to our people and the sword tower!"

"Good. I will be leaving tomorrow. And remember, the safest place in this world is the wine store." Jiu Shen went towards his bed after saying those words.

Seeing this, Ren Shuang knew that it was time for him to leave the room.

Before he left, Ren Shuang bowed in the direction of Jiu Shen. His mind was occupied with Jiu Shen's last words.

"The safest place in this world is inside the wine store..." Ren Shuang muttered as he walked away.

Jiu Shen patted the face of the little girl who was still sleeping soundly on the bed. This small act of him woke up the little girl.

"St-Stinky human! Why did you wake up this Lord Tiger?!" Ice raised her hands like a claw as she resentfully glared at Jiu Shen. She was dreaming about walking on top of a huge mountain of ice cream, but it was suddenly interrupted by Jiu Shen, so how could she not be angry?

Jiu Shen calmly evaded her claw strikes as he replied in a soft voice. "You will come with me to the Divine Beast Continent. We will be leaving tomorrow morning."

Ice retracted her hands and stared at Jiu Shen with surprise. "Is it finally time?" She asked with mixed emotions.

She had escaped from the Divine Beast Continent with the help of her parents. She had no idea if they were still alive. Although the possibility was abysmally low, she wanted to verify it herself.

She could still remember how her clan members were brutally killed during that day and how powerless she was to stop the massacre.

WhenJiu Shen saw her changing expressions, he immediately carried the little girl and hugged her tightly in his embrace.

Ice tried to suppress her tears from falling out, causing her small body to shiver uncontrollably.

Jiu Shen gently rubbed her back as he said. "Yes, it is time for us to go there. No matter what you see in that place, my door is always open for you."

Ice remained silent when she heard his words. She snuggled into his chest and bit her lips to prevent herself from crying.

"You can no longer drink your milk when we go there, so you have to enjoy it while you are still here." Jiu Shen suddenly said.

His words startled the little girl and she immediately went "ah" as she looked at Jiu Shen with a pitiful gaze.

"Can you not ask those humans to make more than a hundred bottles in advance? No- I mean more than ten thousand bottles. Yeah, ten thousand!" Ice held Jiu Shen's hand while looking at him with big adorable eyes.

"Nope." Jiu Shen replied without a change in his emotions.

Ice pouted and raised her claws, her teeth looking ready to bite Jiu Shen at any moment.

"You will!" She said threateningly.

"Nope."

Ice pounced towards Jiu Shen and opened her mouth wide, but before she could even bite his arms, Jiu Shen stopped her advance with a casual tap of his finger directly on her forehead.

Seeing that she could not bite him, Ice sat desolately on the bed with her arms crossed.

"So stingy... It is just ten thousand bottles. Is that really too much..." She grumbled while refusing to look at Jiu Shen.

"We don't have time to wait for the kitchen staff to make ten thousand bottles of milk, but I can bring the necessary ingredients and make the milk myself on our journey." Jiu Shen said as he patted the girl's little head.

Upon hearing that, the little girl turned towards Jiu Shen with twinkling eyes as she asked expectantly. "Really? Meow."

Jiu Shen nodded his head at her, instantly making the little girl dive into his embrace. "Hehehe! I know that you would say that. Meow."

Jiu Shen smiled at her and fondly rubbed her head, making her hair messy.

To his actions, the little girl merely closed her eyes and enjoyed this moment.

Without his knowledge, Jiu Shen's stone-cold heart was slowly melting as he interacted more with this little girl...

Chapter 282 - Fundamentals Of Alchemy

Jiu Shen called his two personal disciples and also his two alchemy disciples. Since he was planning to leave the Profound Dragon Continent by tomorrow, Jiu Shen thought

that he had to at least inform his students so that they would not be too shocked about his absence.

"Master, why did you suddenly call all of us here?" Can Ye asked Jiu Shen with a perplexed look. His master rarely convenes his disciples, so Can Ye was a bit surprised this time. He was wondering why Jiu Shen had suddenly called them.

Lu Sulan, Jiu Shen's eldest disciple, glanced calmly at her master. She believed that Jiu Shen had something important to tell them, so she waited for him to speak.

The two older men, Fengzi and Li Hongtian stared at Jiu Shen with reverence. They never regretted choosing to become his disciples. Although Jiu Shen rarely taught them Alchemy, every time he does, the both of them would gain great benefits. They had nothing but admiration for their master.

"I will be leaving tomorrow." Jiu Shen replied in a calm manner, but his words made his disciples feel surprised.

Their Heavenly Sword Tower had just gotten their first batch of disciples and their master was already leaving? Where was he planning to go?

"Master, what about the cultivation of the new disciples? Teaching them would be easier with you around." Can Ye said as he looked at his master.

"Master, Junior Brother Can Ye is right. It would not be good if you suddenly leave right after our sect accepted its first batch of disciples." Lu Sulan said with worry.

The two old men merely glanced at Jiu Shen. They weren't as shocked as Lu Sulan and Can Ye when they heard that Jiu Shen was planning to leave. Their master was a peerless cultivator and alchemist. Such an individual was bound to travel into different places to pursue the peak of cultivation. Even with his absence, they could still practice with the notes left behind by Jiu Shen. In fact, it might take them more than ten years to comprehend all the notes that he left to them.

"My absence will not bring a big impact to the growth of our Heavenly Sword Tower. Just take this as a test to see what you guys can do without me around. If you are worried about the safety of the sect, then you don't have to be. Ren Shuang will protect this place while I'm gone. And it's not just him. Long Meili will also be here to help you guys." Jiu Shen said expressionlessly. He did not want his people to grow dependent on him. Perhaps this was a good opportunity for them to learn how to become self-reliant.

"But..." Can Ye wanted to say a few more words, but he saw the calm eyes of Jiu Shen becoming colder, so he immediately shut his mouth.

"I'm not here to ask for your permission. I am here to inform you that I will leave. When I go back from that place, I will check the progress of each and every one of you, so make sure that no one will be lazy." Jiu Shen said as he gazed at his disciples.

Hearing this, they could only forcefully nod their heads. They also told themselves to never slack off during their master's absence. They were afraid that Jiu Shen might punish them if he sees no improvements in their cultivation.

"Master, I will be honest here. It might take me more than ten years before I manage to become a Nascent Alchemy God. With the help of your notes, I might be able to shorten it to three to five years, but I definitely can't do it in several months." Li Hongtian said with embarrassment. He was already an old man and with his potential being completely exhausted, it was even almost impossible for him to achieve a breakthrough.

Beside him was Fengzi, and this guy was still an Alchemy Sovereign. Although he was much younger than Li Hongtian, he was still an old man in the eyes of others. With his potential, he can become an Alchemy Saint and as for becoming a Nascent Alchemy God, he wasn't so certain.

Jiu Shen stared at the two old men and took out something from his space earring. It was a small book called 'Fundamentals of Alchemy'.

Seeing this book, the eyes of the two old men shone like stars.

"Written in this book is the very basic of alchemy. I personally wrote this to help you both in your path towards the peak of alchemy. I also added my personal experience inside to make it even simpler for you guys. If you still can't reach a breakthrough with this book in your possession, don't come back to me." Jiu Shen said as he tossed the book to the two old men.

The eyes of these two old fossils instantly went wide with worry when they saw the book falling straight on the ground. They hurriedly caught it with their shaking hands and they only sighed in relief when they saw that it was safe.

"Master, I promise that we can improve significantly with the help of this book." Li Hongtian said excitedly.

"Good. Don't forget to make pills for the disciples of our sect." Jiu Shen said.

"Yes, master." The two old men replied in unison.

"As for the both of you. You will be responsible for observing the growth of the disciples. You have to make sure that none of them will waste our resources." Jiu Shen said as he glanced towards Lu Sulan and Can Ye.

"Yes, master!" They both nodded their heads respectively.

"Leave." Jiu Shen said as he sat down in his seat.

His four disciples bowed their heads before they left the room.

"Ren Shuang."

Swoosh.

"Master." Ren Shuang emerged like a shadow in front of Jiu Shen.

"Bring Theia here." Jiu Shen ordered.

Ren Shuang nodded his head before he vanished like smoke.

"I should bring Theia with me to the Divine Beast Continent. I might not be able to babysit that little tiger alone..."

Chapter 283 - Day Of Departure

"Greetings, master." Theia bowed her head at Jiu Shen. She was suddenly taken by surprise when she heard that Jiu Shen had summoned her since she was supposed to protect the store. Although she was also part of the Heavenly Sword Tower, Jiu Shen had specifically told her that she would remain as a waitress in his wine store, so she was a bit surprised when Jiu Shen made him come to the sword tower.

Jiu Shen nodded his head at her. To this beautiful blonde woman, Jiu Shen did not know, but he always has this feeling of familiarity every time he looks at her. 'I don't recall meeting someone with this appearance during my past life. Perhaps the system gave her a completely different look, just like me...' He thought to himself.

Theia was slightly confused when she felt Jiu Shen's lingering gaze, but she did not feel any discomfort when she saw those clear golden pupils free of any emotions.

"Theia, I won't beat around the bush. I plan to bring you with me to the Divine Beast Continent. We will be there for maybe a long time, so prepare yourself before we depart tomorrow." Jiu Shen said as he looked at her face.

Hearing this, Theia nodded her head without hesitation. "As you command, master."

At this moment, she looked like a peerless and valiant warrior in her knight armor. Her golden hair rippled following her movements.

"That is all I have to say. You may leave the room now." Jiu Shen said in a calm tone.

Theia bowed her head before she excused herself. As she went out, she tried to compare Jiu Shen to the man that she always sees in her dreams. From time to time, she would have these life-like flashbacks. Although it was fragmented, Theia guessed that it might be related to her past life because of how real the scenes looked. However, no matter how Theia did a comparison, there was nothing similar about them aside from their eternally calm gaze.

The next day arrived in a flash, but only a few people were aware that Jiu Shen would be leaving today.

Jiu Shen came to visit his wine store together with Theia and the little girl Ice. All the customers immediately greeted them respectfully when they saw their figures.

"Sect Master Jiu Shen, congratulations to the Heavenly Sword Tower for successfully recruiting its first batch of disciples!"

"Congratulations, Sect Master Jiu Shen!"

Hearing the customers' heartfelt words, Jiu Shen merely nodded at them, his expression remained steady.

Hestia immediately came down from the second to greet Jiu Shen when she heard that he had arrived. She smiled sweetly at the sight of him. "Greetings, master."

"I only came here to take a quick look at things and we will be leaving in a moment. Hestia, we might be gone for a while, so I will leave the wine store in your care." Jiu Shen said as he glanced at Hestia.

Hestia was slightly surprised at his words, but she nodded her head firmly as she promised. "Don't worry master, no one will be able to cause trouble here."

Jiu Shen nodded his head. He then lightly inhaled the store's heart-calming air before he turned around and left. Following behind him were Ice and Theia.

Three streaks of lights flew towards the skies under the admiring gazes of the customers.

"Theia, you have readily accepted when I told you to come with me to the Divine Beast Continent. Are you not curious why we are going there?" Jiu Shen suddenly asked.

Theia was silent for a moment, but she soon replied. "Master even if it's somewhere perilous, I would still come with you." The moment those words left her mouth, she felt slightly embarrassed inwardly, but it was what her heart desired. The moment she had

awoken in this world, she had this weird feeling that Jiu Shen was the only one in this world worthy of her.

"Hmph! I can't believe that the most feared woman in the Silver Wing Empire could actually utter such words. Meow." Ice muttered to herself, but Theia was able to hear it because of her keen senses.

"Alright. Don't be rude to her. I brought Theia with us because she will be responsible for taking care of you and this includes making your favorite milk." Jiu Shen whispered to Ice.

Hearing this, Ice immediately flashed a flattering smile at Theia as she said. "My beautiful Big Sister Theia, I will be in your care. Hehehe."

Looking at her adorably cute face and those pair of twinkling eyes, Theia's gaze softened.

"This journey might not be too boring..." Jiu Shen muttered in his heart.

Inside the imperial palace, a banquet was hosted by the fourth prince as he had promised. He also brought the people who had helped his group in fighting the demon soldier in the World of Illusion.

The atmosphere was joyous in this banquet and everyone had smiles on their faces as they talked among themselves.

"Why am I even here?" Sylphie muttered to herself as she looked at the smiling faces of everyone inside this hall. She didn't know most of these people, and she could only remember a select few who had done remarkable during the three assessments.

"I didn't think that you are actually in this banquet. It must have meant that you have joined the battle against that demon soldier." The voice of a teenaged young lady surprised Sylphie. She turned her head and saw a girl her age. She tried to recall where she had seen this girl, but Sylphie could not remember.

"You are?" Sylphie asked in an unfriendly manner.

Looking at that face that was full of distrust and unfriendliness, Sylvia chuckled as she answered. "Sylvia Silveria, the fifth daughter of the current emperor of the Silver Wing Empire. It is a pleasure to meet you."

Sylphie's eyes went wide when she heard her introduction and she slightly regretted acting rude in front of her.

"So it is Her Highness the princess. I apologize for my rude behavior. Please excuse me." Sylphie bowed her head before she swiftly left. It was as if she did not want to interact with the princess of the Silver Wing Empire.

"Interesting..." Sylvia muttered with a smile as she stared at Sylphie's back.

Chapter 284 - Divine Beast Continent

The Divine Beast Continent was more than thousands of miles away from the Profound Dragon Continent and even with their flight speed, it would still take them a few days to arrive. However, this was not a problem for Jiu Shen since he had already mastered the arcane power of manipulating space!

With a mere twist of his fingers, Jiu Shen opened a small rift in space that was as tall as a regular door. "Follow me." He said as he gestured for the two ladies to follow him.

Without hesitation, Jiu Shen and the other two stepped inside the small rift in space.

The moment they came out, they arrived in a completely different place. The true essence in the surroundings was way thicker compared to what it was in the Profound Dragon Continent.

Seeing how they were able to easily reach the Divine Beast Continent, Ice was dumbfounded. It took the combined efforts of her parents to make her escape to the Profound Dragon Continent, but it only took Jiu Shen a mere fraction of a second to create an opening in space towards the edge of the Divine Beast Continent.

"I am familiar with this atmosphere. This is indeed the edge of the Divine Beast Continent. The more we go deeper into this continent, the stronger the savage beasts would be. The true essence would also become thicker as we move towards the center." Ice said as she deeply inhaled the fresh air in their surroundings. It was completely different from the slightly foul air in the Profound Dragon Continent.

Jiu Shen looked around and stopped his gaze somewhere. His eyes narrowed as he muttered. "We are still at the outer parts of the continent, but I can already sense a few savage beasts at the Nascent God Realm. This place indeed has a much more abundant true essence and spiritual plant, making it a good place for cultivation."

Theia remained silent and she just quietly followed behind Jiu Shen like a loyal maid.

"Stinky human, my Tiger Clan is located at the central area of the Divine Beast Continent. If you have a map, I can point it out for you." Ice said as he pulled Jiu Shen's arm.

Upon hearing her words, he immediately took out a map that he had drawn beforehand. He was able to draw this map with the help of the system that had given him the map of the whole Nuar. Every nook and cranny of Nuar was already saved in his memory...

Ice grabbed the map in his hand and took a closer look at it. This map was even better than the one that her clan had before it was destroyed by the Lion Clan.

The little girl spread the map on the ground and pointed at a location at the furthest corner of the continent as she said. "From the topography of this land, I can tell that we are in this location. My Tiger Clan is located here. Normally, it would take us at least three days to go there from here, but with your space manipulation, we don't have to worry about that. However, I'm just afraid that the Origin God Realm elder of the Lion Clan might be there, so it would be quite risky to teleport directly in that place. I suggest we travel here first so that we can avoid the highest possible danger."

"Origin God Realm? If it is as you say, then we might as well just teleport directly to your clan." Jiu Shen said in a calm tone as if the mere mention of an Origin God Realm expert was nothing to worry about.

The little girl's eyes went wide upon hearing that. She stared at Jiu Shen as if she was looking at a retard and said. "Are you crazy?! I know that you are strong and you might even be the strongest expert in the Profound Dragon Continent, but the savage beasts here are different. They are more violent and are much stronger compared to their human counterparts. I'm afraid that even you won't be able to defeat that Lion Clan elder."

Hearing those words, Jiu Shen glanced at Ice indifferently and replied. "I have said this before, and I will say it again. No one in this world is capable of defeating me! Not the humans of the Profound Dragon Continent, nor the savage beasts of the Divine Beast Continent, and even not the demons of the Crimson Fiend Continent!"

"Crazy! You are crazy! Meow!" Ice pointed at Jiu Shen with exasperation, but all she saw was Jiu Shen's unchanging expression.

Jiu Shen ignored her and moved his gaze at the distance. 'Since I came to this world, I still haven't had a real battle. Even this so-called expert at the Origin God Realm might not be able to entertain me...' Jiu Shen said in his heart.

In actual reality, Jiu Shen was becoming bored in this world. He even had the thought of just directly moving to the Primordial God Realm. However, he knew that haste would only ruin his only chance at revenge.

Under the dumbstruck gaze of Ice, Jiu Shen casually waved his hand, and the moment he did that, the space ripped open, creating a small passage towards a place that looked like a deserted village. When Ice saw this deserted village, her eyes turned moist and she immediately bit her lower lip as she tried to prevent herself from crying.

"Mother, Father..." She muttered emotionally.

Just then, she suddenly felt a gentle hand rubbing the back of her head. She glanced upwards and saw Jiu Shen's expressionless face.

"Let's go." Jiu Shen said to the little girl as he held her small hand.

Ice nodded her head at him and did not pull her hand away from Jiu Shen's grip.

The three then stepped inside the small passage.

Om!

The rift in space slowly closed after the three of them vanished.

Only the gentle blowing of wind can be heard in the place where they previously stood.

Chapter 285 - Lion Clan

To their surprise, the old headquarters of the Tiger Clan appeared to be deserted. There was not even a single member of the Lion Clan present to guard the area. It was as if they did not care about this place at all.

Looking at the ruins in front of them, Ice clenched her fists tightly as memories from her past flooded her head. Those were happy times before the tragedy happened.

Jiu Shen scanned the place with his spiritual vision and spotted no one near the vicinity.

Dilapidated buildings and broken stones were scattered on the ground. From the looks of it, everyone from the Tiger Clan had perished and not even a single bone remained of them.

A war between two clans is common here in the Divine Beast Continent. The stronger ones will prosper while the weaker ones are devoured. It was the nature of savage beasts to kill and consume their prey!

"Mother, father... Are you guys still alive?" Ice's tears finally slid down to her cheeks. She was worried that her parents were already dead. Although the possibility of them being alive was close to zero, she wants to believe that they were still alive. However, the scene in front of her made her hopes almost shatter.

Looking at the sobbing little girl, the neutral expression of Theia changed. She walked closer to her and hugged her tightly from behind. She offered no words of consolement, but the warmness of her body made Ice feel much better.

Jiu Shen stared at the two ladies and remained silent. Even he wasn't certain whether lce's parents were still alive. After all, it has been long since the Tiger Clan was attacked and from the state of their headquarters, it looked as if no one was able to survive...

Ding!

"The primordial blood of a Savage Thunder Lion is detected by the system. This drop of primordial blood is currently located in the headquarters of the Lion Clan. It is suggested that the host must get this item as an ingredient for his wine recipe. The Savage Thunder Lion is a primordial god beast of the ancient era and its blood contains the secrets about manipulating lightning. Host, you must collect this drop of blood!" The mechanical voice of the system suddenly echoed inside Jiu Shen's head.

"Savage Thunder Lion? To think that the Divine Beast Continent actually has such a treasure..." Jiu Shen muttered to himself. Surprising as it was, his eyes remained calm without a hint of ripple.

Jiu Shen turned his gaze towards the sobbing Ice and said in a calm manner. "You guys wait for me here. I will visit the headquarters of the Lion Clan. Your parents might be locked somewhere in that place. If they are still alive, I will bring them back here, but if they are not, then I will decimate the entire Lion Clan to appease the dead souls of your clan members!"

His tone was indifferent, but his words made the hearts of the two ladies almost leap out of their chests. Does he want to go to the headquarters of the Lion Clan alone?! It must be noted that a super powerful expert at the Origin God Realm was protecting the Lion Clan. For Jiu Shen to say such words, it might sound ridiculously crazy to others, but the two women subconsciously believed that he was capable of doing this...

Ice tried to speak, but her words were stuck in her throat, so she could only cry even more loudly. However, those hopeful eyes were enough for Jiu Shen to know what she wanted to say.

"Theia, I will leave Ice in your hands. Avoid coming in contact with savage beasts while I'm away. As for you, don't worry. I will come back." Jiu Shen said as he patted the heads of the two women.

After saying those words, he waved his hand and ripped the space open.

Om!

His figure vanished and only the small crack in space was left behind.

Looking at this, Ice and Theia prayed for the success of Jiu Shen.

The headquarters of the Lion Clan is located on top of a huge mountain. There were numerous caves dug in the mountain and each cave houses multiple members of the Lion Clan.

Today was just another peaceful day for these lions. The weather was great and their food was abundant. With the strength of their clan, no one dared to wage war against them, so the Lion Clan was able to prosper without a problem.

However, something unexpected happened today. A rift in space suddenly emerged right in the middle of their camp, making these proud lions feel quite surprised.

After that, a tiny human came out from it, making these savage beasts feel even more dumbfounded. What was happening? Did this stupid human accidentally teleported to their headquarters using a teleportation array formation? If it was so, then it was a great problem for them. Who knows if this human would suddenly bring millions of his kind in their headquarters. Their Lion Clan might be strong, but many of them would certainly perish if that happens.

They had to kill this human!

Because of their confusion and shock, this group of lions failed to notice that they still haven't checked the cultivation level of this human. However, why would they care about the power of such a weak and tiny creature?

"So this is the Lion Clan. This supply of meat is enough for my Heavenly Sword Tower for at least three years. Not bad." Jiu Shen muttered as he scanned the huge beasts moving in his direction.

In his eyes, all he could see were giant pieces of meat.

Some of the lions were already at the 9th-rank Saint realm and they were already able to speak, but they could not figure out what Jiu Shen meant about those words.

"Human! How did you come to this place?! Did you not know that this is the territory of our Lion Clan?!" A bigger and intimidating lion stepped forward and asked Jiu Shen in a beastly voice. Its loud voice echoed in all directions.

This lion was actually a savage beast at the peak stage of the Nascent God Realm!

Jiu Shen remained peacefully calm even though he was under the scrutinizing gazes of more than several hundred lions. Anyone else would have already peed their pants in terror if they were in his place.

"Another piece of fat and juicy meat. I'm liking this place even more." Jiu Shen muttered.

Chapter 286 - The Old Lion

The veins of the peak stage Nascent God Realm lion protruded when he heard Jiu Shen's words. He was more intelligent than the other lions, so he was able to understand what Jiu Shen meant.

"You insolent human! You dare barge into our home and even mock my proud Lion Clan?! Roaarr!!" The huge lion emitted a roar in the face of Jiu Shen as if he wanted to see him piss his pants in terror, but to the lion's dismay, Jiu Shen did not even take a step back nor did he flinch at this intimidation. The lion even failed to notice that his spittle had evaporated before it even touched Jiu Shen's face.

With a calm and indifferent expression, Jiu Shen ignored the loud lion and walked straight towards the heart of the Lion Clan's base. He went directly into the cave of their strongest clan member under the dumbfounded gazes of these savage beasts.

"You fucking piece of shit! Where do you think you are going?!" The huge lion morphed into a tall and hulking human and he angrily pointed at Jiu Shen with his slightly shaking arms.

Jiu Shen's calm eyes emitted a cold glow and an ordinary-looking sword suddenly became visible in his hands.

Shing!

No one saw his movements, and the savage beasts only heard the sound of his sword being put back to its scabbard.

Thud!

To the lions' horror, the peak stage Nascent God Realm lion who had transformed into a human had its head severed. The angry expression on his face was still present when his decapitated head fell towards the ground.

Blood spurted out from the neck of the headless lion before his body finally collapsed on the ground dead.

Everything happened in just a blink of an eye and not even a single lion present was able to witness how Jiu Shen had managed to kill this strong savage beast in just one stroke!

Jiu Shen did not even stop walking when he killed that lion. It was as if killing this savage beast was no significant feat...

All the lions trembled in fear as they watched this human as he slowly walked towards the cave of their strongest elder. None of them were foolish enough to provoke such a terrifying human who was capable of killing a peak stage Nascent God Realm in less than a second...

Jiu Shen suddenly stopped in front of a large cave. He stared straight towards it as if he could see through the interior of this dark cave.

"I know that you have witnessed how I killed that little lion. Do you want to come out on your own or perhaps you want me to help you out?" Jiu Shen's cold voice echoed like a death song in the ears of the lions.

These savage beasts silently recalled when they had provoked such a maleficent character...

"Honored friend, I don't remember our Lion Clan provoking an esteemed person like yourself. Can you please enlighten this old man?" An aged voice drifted from inside the cave as the silhouette of a person came out of it. This person was actually an old man, but the most intriguing thing about him was his muscular figure despite his old age.

"A little brat who is merely more than a thousand years old dares to call himself an old man in front of me?" Jiu Shen said as he glanced at the muscular old man.

The murky eyes of the old man flickered with anger. He tried to hide the killing intent behind that gaze, but how could Jiu Shen fail to notice that with his unparalleled spiritual power?

The old man scanned Jiu Shen's figure, but he could not even sense this human's power no matter how he looked at him. This finally made him feel a sense of threat since it was the first time that he failed to distinguish his opponent's cultivation level.

As an expert at the Origin God Realm, he could see through anyone's strength with just a simple glance, but this human, he could not even sense his power... If he did not see how Jiu Shen had easily dispatched that peak stage Nascent God Realm lion, he would believe that Jiu Shen was just a fool. Now, he finally realized that this guy wasn't as simple as he seemed to be.

"Honored friend, if our Lion Clan has wronged you before, I will apologize on behalf of my clan. I would also offer an additional compensation as a token of my sincere

apology." The old man forced out a smile as he uttered those words. After living for more than a thousand years, he knew when to attack and when to retreat. At this moment, all his instincts were telling him to stay the fuck away from this human.

Jiu Shen revealed an interested look when he heard the old man's words. "Oh? Little brat, what can your clan offer to me?" He asked in a calm tone as he used his spiritual sight to search for Ice's parents. And after merely two seconds, he discovered a small group of savage beasts tide up in the deepest part of the old man's cave.

The old man almost snapped when Jiu Shen called him a little brat, but he held it in when he recalled this human's inestimable power. With a face full of smiles, the old man replied. "Our clan has discovered an Origin-Rank spiritual plant a few months back then. Although we still have not discovered its properties yet, we know that its worth is definitely astronomical. What do you think?"

As he said those words, the heart of the old man bled, but he had to do it to make this human go away from their Lion Clan.

After he sensed that some Tiger Clan people were still alive, Jiu Shen retracted his spiritual sight and turned his gaze towards this old man.

"Origin-Rank spiritual plant... Not bad. I'm short on ingredients for my wine recipe. Little brat, go ahead and take it out for me." Jiu Shen said without batting an eye. He was slightly interested in this Origin-Rank spiritual plant as it might be a good ingredient for his wine.

The old man's body shook, but he controlled his anger from exploding. With a stiff smile, he replied. "Please wait for me here, honored friend."

Chapter 287 - The Chained Tigers

'That fucking bastard! Calm down. I have to calm down! That human's power... I can't see through him. I can only give him that spiritual plant to make him go away. Since my clan failed to learn about its usage and properties, I might as well give it to that guy to play with. If I manage to make those fucking tigers speak about the whereabouts of that Glacial Sovereign Tiger, I might be able to awaken my Savage Thunder Lion bloodline! By then, I will search for this guy and pay back this humiliation tenfold!' The old man shouted in his heart as he went inside his cave of dwelling.

The narrow space became wider and the light coming from the torches illuminated the dark cave. In the furthest corner of the cave was a group of tigers tied up in metallic chains. Their figures bedraggled and pitiful, but their flickering pairs of eyes glowed with extreme animosity when they sensed the arrival of the old man.

The old man chuckled mockingly when he saw their expressions. He then ignored them and went straight towards a different corner. In that section of the cave were dozens of high-level spiritual plants!

The old man stopped and crouched in front of a small spiritual plant with purple leaves. It emitted a gloomy aura when the old man touched it.

"This plant is still so stubborn. Even after I had wiped out its sentient soul, it is still able to recognize me..." The old man muttered as he swiped his hands. The gloomy aura from the spiritual plant vanished after that swift motion of his hand.

He then carefully dug the plant from the soil and placed it inside a small flower pot made from mud. If Jiu Shen was here, he would have slapped the old man to death for handling the spiritual plant in such a rough manner.

After placing the plant in the flower pot, the old man took one last glance at the group of chained tigers before he left the cave.

Outside the cave, Jiu Shen followed the old man with his spiritual sight and he also discovered his small collection of spiritual plants. When he saw the spiritual plant with purple leaves, he was slightly taken aback.

"Grim Hallucination Flower..." He muttered the spiritual plant's name when he saw it. This plant was indeed an Origin-Rank spiritual plant and it grows in places filled with corpses of strong creatures. This Grim Hallucination Flower sucks the yin energy from the corpses to promote its growth, making it develop a strange power of hallucination. It was also because of this that it had gained such a name.

Jiu Shen continued to observe the Grim Hallucination Flower and he found out that it was slowly dying. This did not surprise him since this kind of spiritual plant isn't supposed to be planted in a cave.

"This stupid little lion. He actually planted such delicate flower inside his smelly cave..." Jiu Shen muttered to himself.

Just then, he saw the old man casually digging out the plant and replanting it in a pot made of mud. Jiu Shen's calm eyes grew cold and he slowly stepped inside the cave.

The old man was shocked when he saw Jiu Shen coming inside his cave. He blocked his field of vision and pointed at the spiritual plant he was holding as he casually bullshitted. "Honored friend, this is the spiritual plant that I'm talking about. It has been with me for a few months now and I've been taking good care of it. Look. Its purple leaves are so abundant and healthy. From the looks of it, this thing might even produce

a fruit that might be of help in our cultivation progress, but since I'm not fated with it, I will give this to you."

Jiu Shen ignored his made-up story and snatched the plant from the hands of the old man. He then placed it inside his space earring. The Grim Hallucination Flower was on the verge of dying, and this little brat actually dared to tell him that its leaves are healthy and abundant? Is this brat a retard?

The old man was horrified when he discovered that the spiritual plant in his hands had actually vanished. He didn't even see how Jiu Shen had snatched it from him, and by this time, he was finally able to realize the massive difference in their power.

'Is he also an Origin God Realm expert or could it be that he is a...' The old man became even more horrified as he thought of a possibility. The eyes he used to look at Jiu Shen also changed into that of respect and fear.

"Honored friend, I have honored my promise. Could you now please leave our Lion Clan? I would be extremely grateful to you and I promise that our Lion Clan would be your eternal friend." The old man hastily said when he saw Jiu Shen's unchanging expression.

"Brat, you seem to be hiding a few little kids in here." Jiu Shen said as he pushed the old man away with one hand. He then walked inside the cave under the alarmed gaze of the old man.

'He actually managed to push me away with just one hand... Who the fuck is this guy?! I don't recall provoking such an impressive individual...' He muttered in his heart as he watched Jiu Shen walked inside the deepest parts of his cave. He could not even do anything to stop this crazy human from entering his territory...

The group of chained tigers heard a series of footsteps. They immediately glared hatefully at the darkness, but when they spotted the unfamiliar face walking towards them, they became confused. That old lion was very unfriendly and it never allowed anyone else to go inside his cave of dwelling, so who was this human?

The severely injured tigers stared at Jiu Shen warily. They could not sense any hostility from this man, but they did not remove their gazes from him.

"It's good that some of you are still alive. I have come here under the guidance of a Glacial Sovereign Tiger, so don't be tensed. I will help you escape from this place." The human's calm words made the chained tigers dumbstruck.

At this moment, Jiu Shen saw the emotional gazes of two tigers among this group when he mentioned about a Glacial Sovereign Tiger. Seeing this, he heaved a sigh of relief...

Chapter 288 - Jiu Shen's Unparalleled Might

The old lion overheard Jiu Shen's words and at this moment, he realized that this guy must have come to this place to save these tigers.

The old man revealed a look of anger. He summoned his remaining courage as he channeled his true essence. Since it has come to this, is there still anything to worry about? He still needed those tigers to find the whereabouts of that Glacial Sovereign Tiger.

"You damnable human! You dare go back on your words! I'll fucking kill you!" The old man shouted hoarsely as he stared at Jiu Shen with an enraged look. He then morphed into a huge golden lion with numerous sparks of lightning flowing around it!

Rooaarrr!

This mighty lion's ear-splitting roar fell into deaf ears in front of Jiu Shen. He did not even seem to care about it as he casually destroyed the chains that locked the poor tigers in place.

"Filthy human! You have greatly angered me! So what if you are strong?! I am an Origin God Realm savage beast with the noble Savage Thunder Lion bloodline! Roaarrr!" The enraged lion glared at Jiu Shen with menacing eyes. He then lunged towards him, intending to strike its sharp claws at Jiu Shen's defenseless back!

An ordinary-looking black sword suddenly appeared in Jiu Shen's hands. The plain-looking sword emitted a dazzling radiance as it slowly revealed its true appearance. Archaic patterns and the intertwining dragons can now be seen on this sword.

This is Jiu Shen's Baleful Dragon Sacred Sword. A super-powerful weapon that he got from the system after scamming it...

Jiu Shen swiftly turned around and lifted his sword to block the claw of the lion.

Claang!!

Sparks flew in midair as the lion's claw and Jiu Shen's sword clashed. The ground beneath their feet caved in after that one exchange!

The old lion took a step back as it continued to stare warily at Jiu Shen. He could sense a strong draconic power coming from the sword in that human's hands. If not for his Savage Thunder Lion bloodline, he would have already succumbed to its terrifying aura!

The injured tigers could not believe that this human who had suddenly saved them was actually such a strong expert!

"Savage Thunder Lion bloodline? I get it now. So that drop of blood that the system was talking about was within you all along... In that case, there is no use in letting you live anymore..." Jiu Shen muttered nonchalantly as he glanced at the lion.

The old lion growled threateningly at Jiu Shen upon hearing his words. He then summoned his lightning powers and aimed them towards Jiu Shen.

Several dozen streaks of lightning hurtled like golden serpents towards Jiu Shen.

The injured tigers who saw this scene felt their bodies going numb. This was the power that subdued all of them. They did not even have the power to resist and could only wait as the lion tied them in chains.

Zap! Zap!

Facing this, Jiu Shen casually brandished his sword as if a child swinging his toy. The serpent-like streaks of lightning vanished after coming into contact with Jiu Shen's sword. In just an instant, he destroyed all the lightning bolts aimed in his direction!

The old lion revealed a shocked look on its beastly face when he saw how Jiu Shen had easily destroyed his attack. With just one sword strike, all of it was gone...

Jiu Shen did not remain idle after that. He lifted his sword and slashed it down in a quick manner! This sword attack produced a keening sound as an invisible wave of violent air tore through space and lunged towards the dumbstruck old lion!

Rumble! Rumble!

The mountain where the headquarters of the Lion Clan was located experienced a frightening earthquake after Jiu Shen released his strike! All the Lion Clan members were startled and they could not help but stare at the base of the old lion. The old lion's cave of dwelling was now a total mess! The mouth of the cave was covered with huge boulders and rubbles, a telltale that it had experienced the most amount of damage.

When the cloud of dust settled, all the lions finally saw the figure of Jiu Shen who was holding a black heavy sword in his hands. Behind him was a group of injured tigers looking at his back with respect and admiration.

"This... What happened?" A lion asked in panic after witnessing this scene. However, no one was in the mood to answer his question.

Jiu Shen unsummoned his sword and walked towards a pile of rubble not far away from him. He gave it a kick, causing this small pile of rubble to turn into dust...

After that, a severely injured lion finally came into everyone's view. Its huge head was covered in blood and there were multiple lacerations on its body.

The bloodied old lion revealed a look of horror when he saw Jiu Shen looking at him with a calm expression. This was the first time he had revealed a look of despair after being unrivaled for more than a thousand years.

"Hu-Human, I admit that your strength is greater than mine and I don't regret dying in your hands, but please allow me to have one final request before you kill me." The old lion spoke in a calm tone as it stared at Jiu Shen.

"Oh?" Jiu Shen's expression remained unchanged, but he allowed the old lion to continue speaking.

"You came here to save the remaining members of the Tiger Clan, so you must have already planned to kill everyone in my Lion Clan. The massacre of the Tiger Clan has nothing to do with them and it is because of my greed that I ordered them to attack the Tiger Clan. They are innocent, so please don't kill them." The old lion pleaded in a calm voice.

The expressions of the tigers behind Jiu Shen changed, but they offered no words or suggestions. They remained silent as they waited for Jiu Shen to answer the old lion's final wish.

Chapter 289 - The Old Lion's Regret

Jiu Shen glanced at the old lion with an indifferent expression as he replied in an eerily calm voice.

"When you planned to destroy the Tiger Clan, you should have prepared yourself for the possible destruction of your Lion Clan. Little brat, greed begets death."

Jiu Shen snapped his fingers and pointed at the sky as he channeled his true essence. Countless wisps of black flames covered the sky, making it looked like a huge dark cloud.

The old lion's expression changed into that of regret and sorrow. He could still not believe that his proud Lion Clan would one day face such a terrible enemy. Perhaps it was retribution for his greed...

"My proud Lion Clan! This useless one apologizes for implicating you all in this mess!" The old lion shouted as he glanced at the lions with regret. His huge body shook as blood continuously leaked out from his deep wounds.

'Oh wait. If I use this power, there would be nothing left of them. How could I get the Savage Thunder Lion's blood this way?' Jiu Shen recalled the black flames and coughed dryly.

Seeing this, the old lion thought that Jiu Shen felt its heartfelt words, so he immediately said. "Thank you honored friend for being lenient."

Upon hearing that, Jiu Shen stared at the old lion as he was looking at an idiot. "What are you saying? I just remembered that if I use my flames on you little brats, not even an ash would remain, so how could I eat your tasty lion meat that way?"

Huh?

The old lion opened his mouth but before he could even speak, he suddenly felt his consciousness slowly fading. Only Jiu Shen's expressionless face and his words lingered inside the old lion's head before he died in a blink of an eye.

No one saw how Jiu Shen killed the old lion, but if an expert who trained his spiritual soul was here, he would have noticed the strong fluctuations of spiritual power in the body of Jiu Shen.

At this moment, Jiu Shen turned his calm gaze to the remaining Lion Clan members. He then attacked them using his spiritual power.

Thousands of invisible bullets shot towards the lions within the mountain. They could not even utter a howl of despair before their bodies collapsed on the ground dead with no signs of life...

The eyes of the tigers behind Jiu Shen flashed with fear when they saw how those strong enemies died in just a second. This mysterious human merely glanced at them and they all died just like that... Just who was this human?

"Wait here for a moment. I'll just retrieve a few things here." Jiu Shen said to the tigers as he walked towards the corpse of the old lion.

He placed his hand on the old lion's head and injected his true essence inside the body of the lion. The beast's body slowly became dry as Jiu Shen sucked the remaining blood on its body.

After doing that, he then refined its blood to get the pure Savage Thunder Lion bloodline...

Looking at this seemingly demonic sorcery, the tigers had the urge to run, but they forced themselves to remain at their spot. They knew that this human was their savior, but he was just too scary that they did not even dare to let out a fart.

In just less than a minute, what remained in front of Jiu Shen were three drops of purple-gold blood. These drops of blood were the pure Savage Thunder Lion's blood!

"To think that it only has this pitiful amount of god blood." Jiu Shen shook his head.

He then placed the three drops of blood inside a small tube before he put it inside his space earring.

Just then, Jiu Shen suddenly remembered the old lion's collection of spiritual plants inside his cave of dwelling. He then turned his head at the huge boulders covering the entrance of the cave and moved closer to it. He gave it a light tap of his finger which instantly turned the huge boulders into dust!

The eyes of the tigers almost popped out of their sockets when they saw this. Even with their significantly stronger bodies, they could not do that with such ease...

Jiu Shen plucked the spiritual plants from the ground and placed everything inside his space earring. He was planning to replant these spiritual plants inside the Spirit World. They would grow fast in that world with its abundant amount of true essence. The only thing he was worried about was the Grim Hallucination Flower.

"Hm..." An idea suddenly came into his mind.

"If I put some of these lion corpses in one place and plant the Grim Hallucination Flower there. Hmmm... Not bad..." Jiu Shen muttered to himself as he stepped out of the cave. If only the lions could have heard that Jiu Shen was actually planning to use their corpses as fertilizer for a spiritual plant, it would have been fun to see their reactions...

When the tigers saw Jiu Shen emerged from the cave, they immediately walked towards him and bowed their huge tiger heads with respect as they said. "Many thanks to the esteemed senior for saving us. We will never forget this."

Jiu Shen scanned the tigers and discovered that all of them were actually at the Nascent God Realm. It would be a good idea to bring them to his Heavenly Sword Tower.

When that thought came into his mind, he immediately devised a plan on how he could convince this group of tigers to come with him.

"We already resigned ourselves to death, but senior has given us a new lease in life and because of this, we decided to come with senior and serve you for the rest of our lives..." A tiger stepped forward and said.

Hearing this, Jiu Shen who was still planning his next course of action was pleasantly surprised. It looks like he no longer needed to convince them...

"We can talk about this after you guys meet that little girl." Jiu Shen said in a calm tone.

Two of the tigers revealed a look of excitement when they heard Jiu Shen's words.

Jiu Shen did not wait for their reply as he waved his hand and opened a rift in space.

Chapter 290 - Reunion

"Big Sister Theia, do you think that stinky human would be able to defeat that Origin God Realm lion? I've seen that old man's power with my own eyes and no one in our Tiger Clan was even able to put up a fight against him. That stinky human even dared to go alone in their headquarters! Truly tired of living." Ice asked the woman beside her. Although Jiu Shen was very strong and was someone with great ability, she was still worried about Jiu Shen this time. After all, she had witnessed what had happened to her Tiger Clan in the hands of the Lion Clan.

Theia stared at the little girl with her calm eyes and replied in a firm tone. "There is no one in this world who can defeat my master!"

Ice was speechless at her reply but the absolute confidence that Theia displayed when she uttered those words was genuine.

After not less than two hours, a rift in space suddenly emerged in front of the two women. Their eyes lit up when they saw it and the both of them calmly waited for Jiu Shen to step out of the rift.

Jiu Shen saw Ice and Theia scanning him from head to foot. They both sighed in relief when they saw no obvious injuries on his body, but before they could even speak, eight people suddenly came out of the rift.

These eight people were emitting a dense beastly aura and it was obvious that they were savage beasts in the Nascent God Realm since only the savage beasts at that level could transform into humans.

Theia calmly stared at this small group of people. She already expected that it was no difficult feat for Jiu Shen to defeat the Lion Clan, but she still felt slightly surprised at the fact that it merely took him less than two hours to rescue these people...

Ice stared at the eight individuals who were standing behind Jiu Shen with respect. She spotted two familiar figures among them and she immediately ran straight towards the two as warm tears slid down her cheeks.

"Mother! Father!" She cried out as she hugged the two people tightly.

"You have grown up by a lot my precious daughter. Look at your cheeks, they are so full now and chubby now. Hahah." Ice's father said as he gently caressed his daughter's face. The smile on his face was wide as he looked at his daughter.

"My little girl, it's good that you are fine." Her mother said with a gentle smile.

The family of three chatted after their reunion. Jiu Shen also signaled for the rest to give space for Ice and her parents.

"Esteemed senior, we can't thank you enough for saving us. We no longer have our possessions with us to repay this lifesaving grace, so we can only offer the remainder of our lives to serve you." The six tigers bowed solemnly at Jiu Shen. They were proud creatures and they would never submit easily to someone. Even the old lion of the Lion Clan failed to make them submit to him, but these tigers knew that Jiu Shen was different. They were also convinced about his power and it was definitely a good idea for them to serve him, not just to repay his grace, but also because of the chance they saw within Jiu Shen.

Jiu Shen took out a chair from his space earring and unceremoniously sat on it. He then leaned on the chair before he turned his gaze to the six tigers in front of him. With the six of them including Ice's parents, his Heavenly Sword Tower will have eight guardian beasts at the Nascent God Realm! Not even the Alliance has that much number of experts at that level!

"Since you have already decided that, I have nothing else to say. Don't worry. You won't be miserable under my command." Jiu Shen said in a calm voice.

The six tigers were not surprised about Jiu Shen's confirmation, but they still felt a bit excited at the thought of following this strong senior.

"Esteemed senior, thank you so much for accepting us!" The tigers emotionally said as they bowed at Jiu Shen.

"There is no need to thank me. And just call me Sect Master when we go back to the Profound Dragon Continent." Jiu Shen said indifferently.

The tigers nodded their heads in acknowledgment.

"My precious daughter, how did you meet that esteemed senior? From his aura, I am certain that he is a human, but are the humans of the Profound Dragon Continent really that strong?" Ice's father Baili Feng asked as he stared curiously at his daughter. He had been to the Profound Dragon Continent a few times in his life, but during his visits, he was certain that there were no humans who were as strong as Jiu Shen.

Ice's mother Baili Fei was similarly curious. They had seen how strong Jiu Shen was and she was also interested in knowing how her daughter met this mysterious human.

Ice put on a smug look as she told them about her story. "Jiu Shen, that stinky human is one of the strongest experts of the Profound Dragon Continent. When I first met him, I thought that he was just an ordinary wine seller, but he was actually able to see through

my identity with one glance. By then, I knew that he was not just a wine seller. He also healed my wounds and allowed me to stay inside his store to recuperate my wounds. During my stay in his store, I discovered that the wines he was selling were not as simple as they seemed to be. They were actually capable of enhancing one's true essence!"

"What?! You mean he could make a wine with similar effects to spiritual fruits?" Baili Feng exclaimed in surprise. Baili Fei was also shocked to hear that and she could not help but gasp in surprise.

Ice nodded her head. "Indeed. However, the most mind-blowing thing of all is not the wines he sells, but his store. It is..."

The family of three chatted for a long time that they failed to notice that a few hours had passed by. However, no one bothered them since it has been a long time that they were separated.

Theia walked behind Jiu Shen and put her hands on his shoulder as she said. "Master, let me massage your shoulders."

Jiu Shen did not decline the offer and allowed Theia to do as she pleased. He also closed his eyes as he sorted his mind.

'I already have the Fragrant Luminous Clan and the Blue Fire Lotus. With the addition of the Grim Hallucination Flower, I only need a few more ingredients for my wine recipe. I should stay in the Divine Beast Continent for a little bit more time and collect more ingredients here.' Jiu Shen thought to himself. He was already close to getting the appropriate amount of ingredients for his wine recipe. By then, he could complete the mission given by the system.

In the Profound Dragon Continent, inside the Heavenly Sword Tower.

Long Meili was secretly observing Sylphie from afar.

The banquet hosted by the fourth prince was still not over. More and more guests arrived at the imperial palace and a few people from the older generation even went to congratulate the new disciples of the Heavenly Sword Tower.

"Why did that girl even come to this sort of gathering when she is not even planning to interact with people?" Long Meili muttered to herself when she saw Sylphie standing on the terrace alone.

Sylphie glanced at the joyous atmosphere inside the banquet hall and shook her head. "I have been to this kind of gathering when I was still young, but I don't enjoy it anymore. It only makes me remember about my family..."

"Maybe I should go back to the Heavenly Sword Tower." She muttered to herself as she went inside the banquet hall. She did not want to leave without informing the host. It would be disrespectful to do that, so she searched for the fourth prince.

Sylphie spotted the fourth prince talking with a few older individuals who seemed to be great figures from their gestures and mannerisms.

"Your Highness, congratulations for becoming a disciple of the Heavenly Sword Tower!"

"Your Highness, my son has also passed the three assessments. I hope that you could take care of him."

Facing this group of elders, Prince Dante smiled as he chatted with them. He did not look awkward at all when he conversed with these important people. As a prince of the Silver Wing Empire, he had interacted with a lot of bigshots.

Just then, he suddenly saw Sylphie walking in his direction. From how she was looking at him, he guessed that she had something to tell him, so he excused himself from the elders and walked towards Sylphie.

"Hello, fellow disciple! How may I help you?" Prince Dante asked in a friendly manner. This girl left a big impression on him because of her pitiful appearance during the assessment. He did not look down on her because of that, instead, it made the fourth prince admire her for successfully passing the three assessments despite her circumstances.

Sylphie was slightly embarrassed to tell the fourth prince that she wanted to leave the banquet when it had just started not long ago.

"I suddenly feel unwell, and I hope that you would not mind if I go back to the Heavenly Sword Tower to rest." She said as she looked at him.

The fourth prince was slightly surprised to hear that, but he still nodded his head at her. "Oh, no problem at all! Be careful on your way back to the sword tower."

Sylphie nodded in understanding. "Thanks. I will leave now."

After that, she turned around without looking back. The fourth prince stared at her figure and he suddenly felt a foreboding sensation when Sylphie has walked out of the banquet hall. "I think something bad will happen to her. I must now allow anything to happen to my fellow disciples!" He muttered fiercely as he called a few people to come with him.