

The Immortal's Wine Store

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Jiu Shen visited the Profound Dragon Continent to check his first wine store. Jiu Shen discovered that the street has been renovated. The road became wider and his wine store now had the most prominent location in Beltran City. It must be the doing of the Silveria Imperial Family.

His wine store was surrounded by metal fences, but he didn't recall any store upgrade, so this should also be done by that guy Elyk.

Thinking about him, Jiu Shen shook his head. Elyk was an emperor of a mortal world, but he had no hopes of stepping foot into the Primordial God Realm with his talent. At most, he could become one of the strongest experts in the Profound Dragon Continent.

Jiu Shen entered the metal gates and soon saw a long line of customers waiting outside.

"I heard that Young Miss Hestia and Young Miss Theia are no longer here. I wonder where they are..."

"Yeah. I came here yesterday, but I didn't see the both of them. The guards and waitresses are all new people, but no one still dares to cause trouble here. Those new guys are outer core disciples of the Heavenly Sword Tower! Even their lowest ranking disciples are already very strong!"

Jiu Shen ignored the chattering crowd and entered the store. No one seemed to have noticed him as he directly went inside.

Upon entering, Jiu Shen saw quite a few familiar faces among the crowd of customers on the first floor. He even saw Scar and his group of mercenaries. They were his first customers.

Looking at them, Jiu Shen smiled and continued walking upstairs.

"This must be the new guard of the second floor. Not bad." Jiu Shen muttered to himself when he saw an old man seated with his eyes shut tight beside the door. He could sense that this old man was at the Nascent God Realm. This was the highest level he

could achieve with his talent. However, this was already good enough in the Profound Dragon Continent.

Jiu Shen did not deliberately hide his aura this time, so the old man soon noticed his presence. When he opened his aged murky eyes, he was shocked when he saw Jiu Shen, the legendary sect master of the Heavenly Sword Tower! "S-Sect Master!" He greeted with a stunned look.

Jiu Shen smiled at him and handed him a small bottle. "The store and the sect will need you for tens of thousands of years, so work hard..."

The old man absentmindedly took the bottle and he only came back to his senses when Jiu Shen had finally gone inside. He glanced at the bottle in his hands and saw a bunch of pills lying inside. "These are..." He muttered emotionally.

"Sect Master Jiu Shen!" Elyk exclaimed in surprise when he saw Jiu Shen's figure. He hasn't seen this guy for more than a year. Jiu Shen still had the same mysterious air around him and that calm but electrifying look.

Jiu Shen sat beside Elyk unceremoniously. "Elyk, I will go back to where I belong. During my absence, I hope that your Silveria Imperial Family will become the staunchest ally of the Heavenly Sword Tower, but I think you should create a new offspring soon because I will be taking Dante and Sylvia with me to that place." Jiu Shen said unhurriedly.

Elyk almost dropped from his chair when he heard his words. "Y-You're taking them both with you?"

He knew that Jiu Shen wasn't someone of this world. His mannerisms, his strength, his wisdom, everything about him exceeds the peak of this world. Perhaps the most mortal thing about him was his addiction to wine.

Elyk felt excited but also nervous. Following Jiu Shen was a great opportunity for his kids. They would surely become experts that would exceed the limits of this world, but there was also one problem. He might not be able to see them again...

Jiu Shen nodded his head calmly. He knew that this decision was tough for someone who cared so much about his family like Elyk. "Those two kids have grown so much and it would be a waste if they remain here in Nuar. Don't worry, when I have the resources, I'll create a high-level Teleportation Array Formation, so that they can come back whenever they want." Jiu Shen said while looking at the emperor.

Elyk was silent for a moment before he nodded his head. "You must take care of them, Sect Master Jiu Shen. In return, the Silveria Imperial Family will forever support the Heavenly Sword Tower!" He promised solemnly. This was good for his children and this

was also a good opportunity for the Silveria Imperial Family. With the Heavenly Sword Tower as their greatest support, the Silver Wing Empire would continue to prosper!

"Take this with you, Elyk. A final gift from me." Jiu Shen handed Elyk a box tied up in a ribbon. Elyk wondered what was inside the box, but before he could ask Jiu Shen, the man was already gone.

"He hasn't changed at all..." Elyk chuckled. He then cut the ribbon that tied the box before opening it. Elyk could not help but gasp when he saw the items inside the box. Pills, weapons, resources, and many other precious materials lay inside the box. If you're wondering how so many items were able to fit inside the box, the answer was fairly simple. Space ability! The box was like a small space of its own!

"This... Perhaps I might have the chance to follow my kids..." He muttered with a blank look on his face.

Meanwhile, Jiu Shen who was outside the store chuckled when he saw Elyk's reaction through his spiritual vision. He made those items inside the Spirit World and the resources inside the box also came there. "I'm looking forward to meeting you again in the Primordial God Realm. It might take you hundreds of thousands of years or even millions of years, but I will be there waiting... Goodbye, Elyk."

Swoosh.

Chapter 462: The Passage

Jiu Shen returned to the Crimson Fiend Continent after visiting the Profound Dragon Continent. He immediately went to the lotus building where he saw four individuals watering the spiritual plants. They were Yue Bo, Balmond, Ganda, and Amdiel, the former Elf King.

"Sect Master Jiu Shen!" The four went forward and greeted Jiu Shen respectfully. Although this man didn't announce his strength to the world, the four of them knew his power! The Demon Race and the Alliance, these two superpowers were separated between two continents, but they were forced to ally together because of Jiu Shen. He was the man who stopped the long-standing feud without even doing much.

Jiu Shen glanced at them impassively and said. "Excluding those who have important duties, bring all the 9th-rank Saints and above to the Heavenly Sword Towers' Main Hall. I have something important to tell everyone, so make sure that no one will be absent. I'll give you guys two hours to gather them all."

The four were surprised, but they immediately kept their gardening tools and swiftly moved in separate directions.

When the four of them left, Theia came out of the lotus building and walked towards Jiu Shen. Her beautiful face was filled with complicated emotions. "Is it finally time?" Theia asked as she held his hands.

Jiu Shen pinched her hand softly and nodded his head. "We can't stay hidden here forever. The Primordial God Realm is where we belong and that is where the real stage is! Besides, those kids must experience what life is like in that place. That's the only way they could move forward in their paths of cultivation."

Theia remained silent upon hearing his words. She knew that Jiu Shen had a greater goal in mind, but she didn't remind him. It was still too early to worry about that thing.

"How is Hestia?" Jiu Shen changed the topic and asked Theia in a soft voice.

"She's fine now. She's a tough girl." She answered.

"That's good. Let's go to the sword tower and wait for everyone to convene. I will also prepare the passage that connects to the Primordial God Realm. With my current level of strength, I should be able to create the passage in an hour." After a year, Jiu Shen's cultivation had finally reached the Mystic God Realm! At this moment, his body and cultivation were now at the same level whereas his spiritual power is at the True God Realm!

The two went to the new sword tower and began their preparations. Jiu Shen started making the passage, while Theia brought everyone to the Main Hall to wait for the others.

After less than two hours, an exhausted Jiu Shen came into everyone's view. He slowly floated about five meters above the ground, so that everyone could see him. "Everyone, you've been learning a lot about the Primordial God Realm and we've been preparing you for that place. Now, the time has come for everyone here to go to the Primordial God Realm! Remember, that place is filled with untold dangers and strong experts. I'll give you one last chance to step out of this place if you don't want to go there."

Jiu Shen glanced through the crowd. No one moved an inch from their spots. Their faces were filled with determination. They have been waiting for this moment, so why would they give up now?

Jiu Shen grinned upon seeing this. He then waved his hand and displayed the passage he made earlier. It was a huge Teleportation Array Formation, but this Array Formation was only capable of bringing people to the Primordial God Realm and not vice versa. There must be another Teleportation Array Formation in the Primordial God Realm for that to happen.

Everyone was gobsmacked when they saw the intricately made Teleportation Array Formation. All the other Array Formation they had seen in their lives looked like rubbish

in comparison to this one. They couldn't fathom how an individual could make such a grand creation.

"This is an Array Formation that leads to that place. Elders! Step forward!" Jiu Shen called out the Elders of the sword tower. All Elders were at least Nascent God Realm experts and every one of them immediately stood in front of Jiu Shen in a rectangular formation.

Looking at their nervous and excited faces, Jiu Shen warned them. "This Array Formation requires too many God Stones to activate, so you guys should move fast once I activate the inscriptions."

The Elders nodded their heads solemnly. They nervously waited for Jiu Shen's signal.

"Disciples! Prepare yourselves! You will be following the Elders!" Jiu Shen glanced calmly at the disciples. The young ones abruptly moved in a formation and prepared themselves. They were eager and nervous at the same time. They wondered what kind of world was waiting for them.

After seeing that everyone was prepared, Jiu Shen took out a bunch of God Stones and placed them in the Array Formation. He then activated the inscriptions using his spiritual power.

Om!

The inscriptions of the Array Formation lit up with a bright golden light that almost blinded everyone.

"Go!" Jiu Shen's solemn voice woke them from their stunned states and everyone immediately went inside the passage orderly.

When the last disciple stepped inside the passage, Jiu Shen glanced at the remaining people. They were his strongest subordinates and the Division Heads of the Heavenly Sword Tower.

Jiu Shen turned his gaze towards Theia and asked. "Have you informed those that will remain here in Nuar?"

Theia nodded her head. "I've already informed them. There is an Origin God Realm Elder that will remain to lead everyone. Ice's parents also decided to remain and watch over the sword tower while we are away."

Hearing that, Jiu Shen heaved a sigh of relief. "Let's go. A new world awaits us." He muttered as he stepped inside the passage. The others soon followed after him...

After a few more seconds, the Main Hall became silent.

Chapter 463: Hard Rock City

Jiu Shen slowly opened his eyes.

Ignoring the crowd from the Heavenly Sword Tower, he observed the surroundings using his spiritual vision. Strangely enough, his spiritual vision wasn't working like how it was in Nuar. Jiu Shen didn't become weak, instead, there was a force that prevented his spiritual perception from moving further. This was the restriction from the world itself, meaning, everyone's strength would be much weaker here!

It didn't take long for Jiu Shen to adapt to the changes, but the others found it difficult to adjust themselves to the new environment. However, they didn't panic.

It was nighttime in this place and the sky had three moons of different sizes. Everyone also saw a floating island with three towers sitting on top of it. They had so many questions, but they knew that it wasn't the right time to ask for answers. Besides, they would be living here from now on, so their questions would be answered soon.

"Where are we?" Theia approached Jiu Shen. She checked their surroundings, but she couldn't identify their current location. Her spiritual power was also weaker than Jiu Shen, so the scope of her spiritual vision was limited.

Jiu Shen glanced at the floating island above them and the ruined buildings all over the place. He frowned with an unsure look. "If I remember correctly, there should be a small sect here, but even after using my spiritual vision, I couldn't spot any buildings in the vicinity. Maybe I'm wrong..." He muttered to himself as he walked towards the broken debris.

Jiu Shen squatted down and saw a rusty name plaque. Although some words appeared to be unreadable, Jiu Shen was still able to read the words.

'Blue Wave Sect'

"No... This is the place, but the sect that was supposed to be here was already destroyed. And looking at how aged this rusted name plaque is, this sect has been destroyed for millions upon millions of years." The materials used to build this building were special and it didn't decay that much even after millions of years.

Theia took the rusted name plaque from Jiu Shen's hands. "Blue Wave Sect... This is the sect that built its sect building near the ocean!"

She finally remembered an obscure memory from her past life. This was a peace-loving sect that isolated itself from the eyes of the public. She wondered how the Blue Wave Sect was destroyed. Did it fail to survive the ravages of time or did someone destroy it?

"That's right. This place was once an ocean..." Jiu Shen muttered as he rose to his feet. He then glanced at Ren Shuang and said. "Tell the disciples to build a temporary camp here, while the elders must check the area for any possible dangers."

Ren Shuang nodded his head and immediately informed everyone.

"Theia, I'll find someone and ask for information about the current status quo of the Primordial God Realm. It seems like many things happened when we died..." Jiu Shen didn't know what happened here when they were gone, so it was better to find information first.

Jiu Shen left and trod the place with the memory of his past life. From what he could remember, there was a city one thousand miles north of the Blue Wave Sect. It was a major trading city with millions of people living within.

"I hope Blue Rift City survived..." Jiu Shen muttered to himself as he used his space manipulation abilities to speed up his flight.

Not long later, Jiu Shen saw a small city surrounded by tall walls. "What happened to the vast ocean here?" He was perplexed by the massive changes he saw.

Jiu Shen landed in front of the huge wooden gates and saw a long line of people going in and out of the city. There were more than a dozen human guards dressed in plate armor observing the crowd with hawk-like gazes. These guards were Nascent God Realm experts!

Jiu Shen could just directly fly inside the city, but he didn't want to cause trouble on their first day of return. Besides, his strength wasn't what it used to be, so it was better to be low-profiled. There might be strong experts inside, so it was good to be careful.

"5 God Stones to enter Hard Rock City." A guard said to Jiu Shen in a strict and monotonous voice.

Jiu Shen took out five pieces of God Stones and gave them to the guard. The guards then made way for him after he paid for the entrance.

"Hard Rock City? What's going on? I should find someone and asked what happened during the past millions of years..." Jiu Shen walked around the city to search for a pub. It was the best place to ask for information since everything there can be bought with money.

This city wasn't just inhabited by humans. There were also people from other races. Everyone seemed to be living in harmony despite the massive difference in their looks.

After walking for thirty minutes, Jiu Shen found a pub and entered it. Upon entering, he noticed that this place was quite popular since there were quite a few customers

present. Everyone was busy chatting with their respective groups and no one seemed to notice Jiu Shen.

"One bottle of your best wine..." Jiu Shen said to the old humanoid bartender who was wiping wine glasses using a clean white cloth. This guy had a dark green skin and he was wearing a formal set of clothes. He looked unique and amicable, but Jiu Shen wouldn't be fooled by this.

Jiu Shen already sensed that this old bartender was the strongest among everyone inside this pub. He was a Mystic God Realm expert! This kind of expert could already become an overlord in Nuar, but in here, he was just a bartender.

The old bartender glanced briefly at Jiu Shen before taking out a bottle of wine from the shelf behind him. He then placed the bottle in front of Jiu Shen together with a clean wine glass.

"Sky Jade. 50 God Stones." The old man muttered softly.

Jiu Shen took out a bunch of God Stones and gave them to the old man. He then asked. "Can I ask a question?"

The old man raised his head and stared at Jiu Shen. "My answers aren't free." He answered.

Jiu Shen smiled and took out a small sack filled with God Stones. "I'm not short on money..."

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The old bartender's eyes turned softer when he saw the small sack in Jiu Shen's hands. He then stared at the young human in front of him with a renewed look. "Speak. As long as I know it, I will answer your questions..."

Jiu Shen smiled upon hearing the old bartender's words. "I came from outside the city and I heard that there was a city called Blue Rift City somewhere around here. Do you know anything about it?" Jiu Shen asked calmly.

The old bartender's eyes flashed for a moment. He then look to his left and right cautiously before he answered in a whispering voice. "Young man, don't ask such questions in public again in the future. There is indeed a city called Blue Rift City, in fact, the location of Hard Rock City was once the area where Blue Rift City was located. However, the City Lord of Blue Rift City offended an esteemed personage. He was killed and destroyed along with Blue Rift City."

Jiu Shen wasn't surprised when he heard that. Such things were normal in the Primordial God Realm. Without sufficient strength, you would only be trampled upon by others!

After hearing the answer, Jiu Shen pushed the sack of God Stones towards the old bartender. "One more question, what happened to the Blue Wave Sect?" He asked with an indifferent look.

The old bartender cautiously took the sack of God Stones as he replied. "Young man, since you are generous, I will give you a final warning. The man who killed the City Lord of Blue Rift City was the same person who destroyed Blue Wave Sect. I don't know his real name, but people call him Corpse Lord..."

Jiu Shen was satisfied with the information he received from the old bartender. "Thanks for the information." Jiu Shen nodded at the old bartender before leaving the pub. He decided to stroll around Hard Rock City to get more information.

The city was quite prosperous and most of the establishments around had Array Formations for protection. Some even had ferocious savage beasts as guards!

After looking around for about a day, Jiu Shen ended up arriving inside the city's library. It was huge and had a vast array of books. Jiu Shen quickly went to the history section and search for information related to Blue Rift City and Blue Wave Sect.

He found four books that mentioned them and he quickly read the contents of the books. Jiu Shen discovered that what the old bartender has told him was true. However, there was one additional detail he learned from the books.

The City Lord of Hard Rock City was the same person who killed the City Lord of Blue Rift City! This revelation made Jiu Shen feel a bit contented.

"I should go back and find the others. This place should be safe with the Corpse Lord overseeing things." Although Jiu Shen was still not in his peak state, he wasn't afraid of this so-called Corpse Lord.

Jiu Shen soon left Hard Rock City and directly went to find the temporary camp of the Heavenly Sword Tower. It didn't take long for him to find them since he was familiar with this location.

"Did you find anything?" Theia asked as she looked at Jiu Shen.

Jiu Shen nodded his head calmly and replied. "I did find something. The Blue Wave..." He then told her about what he had discovered.

Theia sighed upon hearing the story. She felt that the Blue Wave Sect and the Blue Rift City were quite pitiful to receive such an ending. "What do we do now?" She asked.

Theia wasn't proficient in handling a sect. She was also not good at conversing with people due to her personality, so she could only ask Jiu Shen for guidance.

"We will rest for now and let the others get familiar with the place first. Once everyone settles down, I will try to communicate with this Corpse Lord and see if he is willing to let us build a building near his territory. If not, then I'm afraid that Hard Rock City will have a new City Lord soon..." Jiu Shen said with a mysterious smile on his face. Theia also smiled upon hearing the confidence in his tone.

A day later, Jiu Shen went back to Hard Rock City to search for the current City Lord who was famously known as the Corpse Lord. It didn't take him long to find the location since the city guards were easily bought by his God Stones.

The manor of the Corpse Lord was situated within the central part of Hard Rock City. It was covered by tall walls made of precious high-level stones and the gates of the manor were protected by a team of peak stage Nascent God Realm experts.

"Stay back! No one is allowed to enter the City Lord's manor without an appointment!" One of the guards warned when he saw Jiu Shen moving towards them.

Jiu Shen ignored the warning and continued moving forward in a calm manner. He knew that if acted weakly in front of these guards, he would be ignored by them. The most ideal thing to do here is to show them his might!

When the guards saw that Jiu Shen didn't heed the warning, they immediately surround him while taking out their weapons. Anyone who would dare to ignore the City Lord's guards was not weak, so they immediately chose to take out their weapons.

Jiu Shen merely smiled coldly upon seeing this scene. He could squash these cretins with a wave of his hand, but he did not want to cause too much trouble. The Corpse Lord might be backed by someone, so it was better to remain cautious without more information.

Jiu Shen slowly released his True God Realm spiritual aura and shouted. "Corpse Lord, how about you come out here so that we can have a chat?"

The guards were stunned when they felt the aura of Jiu Shen's spirit force. This human was actually a True God Realm!

Chapter 465: Discussion With The Corpse Lord

Inside the City Lord's manor, an aged figure dressed in gray robes was cultivating with his eyes shut tight. His face was covered in sweat, but he remained unmoved in the exact same spot. Suddenly, his eyes sprung open and there was a look of surprise in his aged eyes as he used his spiritual perception to stare at the situation outside the manor.

"A True God Realm spirit force practitioner! How rare!" The old man muttered with a bit of shock in his tone. He was also a True God Realm expert, but he was a body strengthening practitioner. He might be stronger than most ordinary experts, but his strength was considered nothing on the grand scale. In the eyes of true powerhouses, he was only a slightly bigger bug!

The old man dusted his gray robes after rising to his feet. He then came out of the manor to greet this unexpected guest. When he looked at the visitor, he was stunned when he saw his youthful figure. His aura also seemed to be vigorous, a clear sign that this person had a stable foundation. The eyes of the old man turned serious upon discovering this.

The guards became nervous when they saw the old man walking toward them.

"City Lord!" They greeted the old man in unison.

Jiu Shen sized up the old man from head to foot. He noticed that the old man had a strong physique despite his old age. From this, Jiu Shen concluded that this guy was a body strengthening expert.

"You must be the City Lord of Hard Rock City..." Jiu Shen muttered in a calm voice while looking at the old man's face. This guy had a pair of triangular eyes and his face was covered in wrinkles. The old man's skin was dark red in color, but there was a pale hue to it.

The old man wasn't used to this casual attitude since he had become the City Lord of Hard Rock City, but he still put on a smile as he nodded his head at Jiu Shen. "I am indeed the City Lord of Hard Rock City. Most people also call me Corpse Lord..." He was a bit proud of himself as he introduced himself briefly. Most of the experts he had encountered would feel a bit fearful if they heard his nickname, but this human seemed to be strangely calm even after hearing it. The Corpse Lord felt a bit unnerved by his calmness, but he didn't show it on his face.

"I have something to discuss with you, Mr. Corpse Lord. I hope you don't mind my abrupt visit." Jiu Shen said with an indifferent tone. This old man was already close to his twilight years and if he didn't breakthrough into the next realm, his life would come to an end. This type of person wouldn't cause trouble for Jiu Shen.

Corpse Lord furrowed his eyebrows slightly upon hearing Jiu Shen's words. He was also wary about this human's objectives. He had already experienced countless assassination attempts throughout the years, so he had grown suspicious of every individual he come across. However, the opponent this time was strong or even stronger than him. It was better to remain cautious when facing someone like this...

"This isn't a good place to talk. Come! I will take you to my study." Corpse Lord smiled and gestured at Jiu Shen invitingly. He had his reasons for inviting Jiu Shen to his study. There was a Protective Array Formation there that could trap a True God Realm expert! He was confident that he could trap Jiu Shen if he activated the inscriptions of the Array Formation!

Jiu Shen glanced at the old man for a moment. This deep glance almost made the old man feel that Jiu Shen has seen through his plans, but he heaved a sigh of relief when Jiu Shen nodded his head.

"Alright. Lead the way." Jiu Shen answered calmly. Whatever this old man had in his mind, Jiu Shen was confident that he could escape from it. If there

was really something unexpected, he could just take out the terrifying poison he had in him!

Corpse Lord's smile became wider when he heard Jiu Shen's words. He then led him inside his manor. Not long later, they arrived inside a room with several rows of bookshelves. There was a table with two wooden chairs sitting at the center of the room.

Corpse Lord gestured for Jiu Shen to sit down. "Please take a seat, my friend." He said with a friendly smile.

Jiu Shen looked at the chair with disdain. He then took out his own chair from his space earring.

This move made the Corpse Lord a bit speechless. He also wondered if Jiu Shen discovered the Array Formation inside the room.

Seeing Jiu Shen's impatient look, the old man sat down and asked. "Before we discuss anything, can you tell me your name?"

"Jiu Shen..."

The brief reply made the old man feel a bit uncomfortable.

"Mr. Jiu Shen, what do you want to discuss with me?" The Corpse Lord hid the dissatisfaction in his heart and went straight to the topic. He wanted to see what this Jiu Shen wanted to discuss with him. If this human wanted him to do something too drastic, then he would have to silence him here forever and get his treasures!

Jiu Shen tapped the table rhythmically and replied. "I've come here with a huge group of people. We've lost our territory because of a great war up north. We had no choice but to abandon our territory. I hope that you can allow us to build a building in this location." Jiu Shen took out a map he bought in the city and pointed at the area where the Heavenly Sword Tower was temporarily camped.

The Corpse Lord glanced at the map. The location where Jiu Shen was pointing was the old territory of the late Blue Wave Sect. It had a prime location when the ocean was still present, but it had become a land of desolation now. However, he didn't want to agree right away especially after hearing that Jiu Shen came with a group!

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Corpse Lord didn't know if Jiu Shen was threatening him when he said that he came with a group. If this human came with a group, it was possible that this force would attack him if something happens to Jiu Shen. That means, he had to abandon his plans to deal with him. He could only choose to approach this situation in an amicable manner to prevent the group behind Jiu Shen from declaring war. As an expert who has lived for millions of years, he had developed a cautious personality.

'I have to gather information about this man's group first. It would be dangerous if there's another strong expert behind him.' Corpse Lord muttered in his heart.

Jiu Shen remained calm as he waited for Corpse Lord's reply.

"To tell you the truth, that area is under my jurisdiction. However, I love making friends, so I will compromise and sell that piece of land to you at a discounted price. What do you think?" Corpse Lord handed the map back to Jiu Shen and looked at him with a light smile.

'Once I find out the overall strength of this guy's group, I'll decide what to do then...' The old man muttered in his heart. This Jiu Shen was so nonchalant that it made him feel that he was facing someone older than him. In fact, it felt like he was a child in front of an elder.

Jiu Shen took the map and kept it inside his space earring. This Corpse Lord was quite shrewd. Jiu Shen had already discovered the Array Formation hidden in this study and if this old man decides to activate the inscriptions, Jiu Shen had multiple ways to deactivate it. Corpse Lord's answer somewhat surprised him since most overlords of a region would be angry when a part of their territory will be taken by someone.

'This brat knows how to use his brain. Not bad...' Jiu Shen chuckled in his heart.

"That would be great. Unfortunately, my group fled in a hurry and we couldn't bring many resources with us, but I have something that might take your interest." Jiu Shen said with a mysterious tone. He didn't have many God Stones with him, so he could only take out his wines. Wines that could enhance physique were not rare in the Primordial God Realm, but Jiu Shen's wines are unique. The effect of drinking his wine was similar to consuming high-level resources. He knew that Corpse Lord would be in love with them!

Corpse Lord revealed a look of interest. Of course, he didn't buy Jiu Shen's tale about the war or something. He had been here for millions of years, but he heard no mention of wars in the nearby locations. However, he didn't expose Jiu Shen's lie.

"Oh? I wonder what Mr. Jiu Shen is talking about?" Corpse Lord wondered what this human had brought with him for him to be this confident. If it's something valuable, he didn't mind taking it as payment.

Jiu Shen smiled and take out a bottle of Sword Divinity Ardent Spirit. This wine could enhance someone's Weapon Intent and it could also strengthen one's physique.

Jiu Shen pushed the bottle towards Corpse Lord.

The old man furrowed his eyebrows when he saw the bottle on the table. It wasn't something he had expected, but looking at Jiu Shen's indifferent look, he decided to check the contents of the bottle. He took the cork and saw a scarlet liquid inside. The fragrant wine aroma invaded his nostrils like a stream. It smells great! He thought.

"Mr. Jiu Shen...this is?" Although Corpse Lord liked the fragrance, he was confused about what was special about this wine.

Jiu Shen grinned when he saw the expression of the old man. "Try it and you will know..." He answered with great confidence.

Corpse Lord slightly frowned, but he still grabbed the bottle. He then took a light sip of it and...

"This..." His old eyes widened like saucers. He could feel a slight improvement in his physique after that small sip of the wine. Furthermore, there was also something that

made him feel stunned. He could feel that his Weapon Intent was somehow stimulated by the wine!

Corpse Lord drank a few more mouthfuls of the wine until he was satisfied. The results also shocked him even more! This wine could enhance his body's strength and also improve his Weapon Intent! Only a few resources were capable of doing this! He knew that this was a treasure!

Corpse Lord sighed as he put the bottle back on the table. He knew that he was defeated in the negotiation when he saw the strange smile on the human's face. "You surprised me, Mr. Jiu Shen. Alright, give me five hundred bottles of this wine and the land is yours."

Jiu Shen shook his head calmly. "You've tried the wine yourself, Corpse Lord, so you should know its value. I can give you one hundred bottles at most for that desolate land."

Corpse Lord felt a bit speechless at the counter offer. It was five times lower than he offered, but he knew that Jiu Shen was already being generous. The land he wanted to get also didn't have anything of value, so to get a hundred bottles of such precious wine was already a great bargain for the old man. The old man revealed a look of defeat as he sighed. "Deal!"

He then took out an old parchment paper from his space ring and gave it to Jiu Shen. This was the title of the land and he was now giving it to Jiu Shen. "This is the document of ownership for that land. Take it." He said with a bit of reluctance.

Jiu Shen took the parchment before he grabbed a box from his space earring. Inside this box were a hundred bottles of Sword Divinity Ardent Spirit!

"Here's one hundred bottles of Sword Divinity Ardent Spirit." Jiu Shen pushed the box to the old man.

Corpse Lord took the box with a hint of expectation. 'I wonder where he got these from...'

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After the two reached an agreement, they both stood up with satisfied expressions. Although Jiu Shen felt a bit regretful that he couldn't kill this old man, he was still pleased with the exchange.

"It's a pleasure to do business with you, Corpse Lord. I won't stay here for long since I still have many things to do."

Corpse Lord let out a smile as he said. "I hope there would be more exchanges between us next time, Mr. Jiu Shen. The doors of my manor will always be open for you..."

Corpse Lord couldn't wait to drink the wines he got from Jiu Shen, so he didn't bother to make him stay for long. He was stuck at the early stage of the True God Realm. This batch of wine might help him reach the next stage!

Jiu Shen merely smiled at his words. He then left the manor under the guidance of Corpse Lord.

When the guards saw Jiu Shen being guided by the City Lord with a friendly smile, they became curious about this human's identity. The City Lord was known for his fearsome reputation and they couldn't believe that he was talking amicably with someone.

"You can visit here any time, Mr. Jiu Shen." Corpse Lord said while looking at Jiu Shen's face. Until now, he still couldn't discern the thoughts of this man. This was dangerous since they were now neighbors. However, he had to take this risk since the wine presented by the other party was too valuable for him.

Jiu Shen waved his hand without saying a word. He then left with calm and steady footsteps.

Corpse Lord stared at his figure, his thoughts unknown. When he could no longer see Jiu Shen's shadow, he glanced at the guards standing before him and said. "Don't block him the next time he comes here."

"Yes, City Lord!" The guards nodded their heads seriously.

The old man then went back to the manor...

Jiu Shen did not return to the camp immediately. That was because he received a new mission from the system.

Ding!

Mission Details: Search for a new location to build another branch store.

Mission Rewards: x3 Fruits of Cultivation

Jiu Shen smiled after reading the new prompt. He then used his spiritual perception to search for the best spot in Hard Rock City. After looking for a while, Jiu Shen selected an area near the city's main entrance.

The traffic there was great and the location was ideal for his new branch store.

"This place it is then!" He muttered before disappearing from his spot.

Jiu Shen arrived in front of an old building. This was a restaurant, but it only had a few customers.

Jiu Shen entered the building and because customers were rare in this place, he was immediately spotted by the owner. The owner was a demi-human with a boar's head. He looked shabby in his common-looking clothes. The interior of the building was unexpectedly clean. The furniture and ornaments inside looked aged, but still eye-catching. Overall, the restaurant was not too bad.

"Welcome! What would you like to order?" The boar-headed owner greeted Jiu Shen with a lifeless look.

Jiu Shen glanced calmly at the owner. He could sense the weak true essence coming from this guy. He was only at the Origin God Realm and it was quite surprising that he had survived long in this place with his strength. "I don't want to order anything, but I plan to buy this place. Give me a price." Jiu Shen stated with an overbearing tone.

The owner was a bit surprised when he heard Jiu Shen's words. 'Is this guy new here? Doesn't he know that this restaurant is under the protection of Boss Serek?' The owner thought to himself.

"This... Although I own this restaurant, I still have to talk with Boss Serek about this..." The owner felt a bit embarrassed as he said this. Boss Serek was connected to the City Lord, so he didn't dare go against this man.

Jiu Shen furrowed his eyebrows when he heard this. It looks like he found an unreliable owner. "Tell me where I can find this person." Jiu Shen uttered in a calm voice. He didn't want to waste any more time. He couldn't wait to get his hands on those three Fruits of Cultivation!

The owner felt a bit nervous when he saw the indifferent expression of the human before him. He seemed to not care about Boss Serek's reputation. Is he confident in himself or is he just a fool?

"Uh, I-" Before the owner could answer, he suddenly heard a loud series of footsteps outside the restaurant. From the vibration of the ground, there seemed to be more than a dozen individuals coming.

When he heard these familiar footsteps, the owner's expressions turned incredibly ugly.

"Someone is actually looking for me?" A loud and deep voice came from outside the restaurant. His voice carried a strong sense of suppression and power!

Jiu Shen smirked as he turned his head. "It looks like I don't have to waste my time looking for you..." Jiu Shen muttered while looking at the group who had entered the restaurant. This group was of the same race. They had thick and strong arms and tall muscular figures. These people only had one eye, the most distinctive trait about them.

These guys were from the Balkan Race. A race that is widely known for their inherent battle skills and ferocious personalities. Only a few dared to cause trouble for them...

The group of Balkans frowned when they saw the nonchalant smile of the small human before them.

The tallest and most muscular among the group stepped forward and walked towards Jiu Shen with a ferocious glint in his eyes. "I didn't think that a tiny little human like you would actually dare to act arrogantly in my presence." He released his peak stage Mystic God Realm aura to scare Jiu Shen.

However, the human remained unmoved as he stood there with the same indifferent smile.

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Serek furrowed his eyebrows when he saw that Jiu Shen was unaffected by his fearsome aura. He couldn't help but take this human seriously.

"Oh? Not bad! You're quite strong for a human..." He praised Jiu Shen. The other Balkans behind him also changed their perception of Jiu Shen.

Jiu Shen remained silent when he heard his praise. He only looked at Serek with the same nonchalant gaze.

Serek felt uncomfortable when he saw Jiu Shen's expressionless face. As a subordinate of the City Lord, he never experienced being looked down upon by others. Jiu Shen's indifferent gaze seemed as if he was looking at a group of juniors.

Serek didn't want to embarrass himself in front of his subordinates, so he stepped forward with great momentum and released his aura to the fullest extent! Everyone around him turned stiff when they sensed the overwhelming aura that covered the entire building.

Jiu Shen frowned when he saw this. He didn't want to waste too much time with this brainless muscle man, so he briefly summoned his Heavenly God Realm aura. When his spiritual power reached the True God Realm, he could now summon his Heavenly God Realm aura for a much longer time. However, Jiu Shen didn't want to always

depend on this since it could only scare weaker experts. Furthermore, it consumes too much of his spiritual power.

Thud!

Everyone inside the building dropped to the ground after they sensed Jiu Shen's aura. They looked at the silver-haired human with horrified gazes.

"Sir...you are..." Serek was also affected by the aura and he was still having a hard time collecting himself. 'That strength! It seems to be greater than the City Lord's power! Who is he?!' He cried out in his heart.

"I don't want to waste my time with you people. I want the ownership of this restaurant transferred to me!" Jiu Shen muttered coldly as he glanced at everyone one by one. His gaze lingered on Serek, making the guy almost collapse from nervousness.

"I- I... S-Sure! No problem at all! Hey, pig! What are you waiting for?! Give the land title to this gentleman! Quick!" Serek immediately shouted to the boar-headed owner.

"Ah- Yes! Yes! Yes!" The boar-headed owner quickly rose to his feet and grabbed a piece of parchment from his space ring. He then handed it to Jiu Shen with shaking hands. Although he felt a bit reluctant to give it to Jiu Shen, he couldn't do anything since even Serek was powerless against him.

Jiu Shen kept the parchment in his space earring and saw the sad expression of the boar-headed owner. He then stared at Serek and said. "You will be responsible for compensating the losses of this guy. If not, I will tell Corpse Lord about it..."

"Ah... You know the City Lord?" Serek was surprised, but when he saw the cold expression of Jiu Shen, he immediately nodded his head. "Yes! Yes! I will compensate him! Don't worry!"

"Good! Now, all of you can scam out of my sights!" Everyone scrambled to the exit with haste when they heard Jiu Shen's words. No one dared to stay here anymore after what had happened earlier. They could never forget that overbearing aura he released!

After everyone left, Jiu Shen communicated with the system. "I want to set this place as the next branch store."

Ding!

Checking location!

Location approved!

You received x3 Fruits of Cultivation!

Do you want to build the branch store now?

Jiu Shen took the three Fruits that suddenly appeared out of nowhere. He then stuffed them inside his space earring.

"Build the branch store now." Jiu Shen enveloped the area around the building using his spiritual power to prevent anyone from seeing anything. With his True God Realm spiritual power, no one in Hard Rock City would be able to see what was going on inside.

Initializing!

A few moments later, Jiu Shen saw the old building collapse under a mysterious power. After the building collapsed, everything turned to dust and then disappeared!

The scene was magical and even Jiu Shen who was a Heavenly God Realm in the past was fascinated with what was happening in front of him.

Celestial God-rank materials appeared out of thin air and slowly formed the structure of a new building. A few breaths later, furniture and ornate ornaments appeared inside the building one by one. A few Heavenly God-rank spiritual plants also took shape inside jade pots that covered almost every corner of the building. Soon, a pond that was almost the size of a lake and a garden emerged outside the building. The structure was almost the same as the branch store in Morlon City, but the ones here were much larger and more precious!

A huge shadow of a creature can be seen in the depths of the pond. It was currently unknown what type of creature it was since it was hidden in the deepest part of the pond.

Meanwhile, the garden was filled with Supreme God-rank spiritual plants and a few Heavenly God-rank spiritual plants.

Jiu Shen stepped out of the newly erected store and saw the changes that happened outside. He was stunned when he saw the vast array of high-level spiritual plants.

"I don't know if this is good or not..." Jiu Shen muttered to himself. He realized that things would become troublesome from now on. Just the spiritual plants within the garden alone were already enough to attract a huge crowd of experts in this place. When he saw the huge pond, his eyes widened like saucers.

"Crystal Lake... This is water from Crystal Lake! Goddammit!" Jiu Shen cursed when he discovered the pond water. It was a type of water that was only found in Crystal Lake. A place that was tightly guarded by dragons!

Suddenly, Jiu Shen felt a violent tremor as a gigantic silhouette came out of the pond. When the huge figure emerged, he was speechless. "No way..."

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It was a huge tortoise with a dragon-like head and thick metallic shell. Its pair of large eyes were gazing at Jiu Shen with a proud and ferocious look.

Looking at this figure, Jiu Shen muttered in shock. "Green Dragon Tortoise!"

This was an ancient savage beast that lived with the dragons in Crystal Lake! With its dense dragon bloodline and almost unrivaled power, this creature was at the very top of the food chain! An adult Green Dragon Tortoise could reach the Heavenly God Realm! And the one in front of Jiu Shen was such a being! This was a fully grown Green Dragon Tortoise!

The aura of a Heavenly God Realm powerhouse can be felt from the beast!

The huge tortoise slowly morphed into its human form. It turned into an old man holding a walking cane. His gentle-looking face was covered in wrinkles. The old man had a pair of sage-like eyes that seemingly contained rich knowledge and experience. His back was slightly hunched, but he stood stable like a mountain.

"Master!" The old man greeted Jiu Shen with an electrifying archaic voice.

Jiu Shen who was once recognized as the fourth strongest in all realms quickly calmed himself. He nodded his head at the old man.

"What is your identity?" Jiu Shen asked the old man. The system had already summoned four individuals to serve him. The first ones were Theia and Hestia, followed by Ren Shuang, and then this old tortoise. All of them had stories of their own, but so far, only Theia and Hestia have recovered their memories. There was no inclination that Ren Shuang has remembered his past life. As for this old man, Jiu Shen wondered if he could remember anything.

The old man glanced at Jiu Shen with a calm look and answered. "I can only remember my name. It is Atlas..."

Jiu Shen already expected this answer, so he wasn't surprised. He wondered how the system chose the individuals that would serve him, but all of them seemed connected to his past life. Maybe he would get his answers soon...

"Atlas, your duty is to protect this place, but you will only come out during dire situations. Do you understand?" Jiu Shen felt happy that he now had a Heavenly God Realm

subordinate. Although Atlas was only an early stage Heavenly God Realm powerhouse, it was enough to deter many experts!

Atlas nodded his head in understanding. "Yes, master." He then morphed into his true form and dived back into the pond, causing the precious Crystal Lake water to splash violently.

Jiu Shen noticed that the new branch store was barricaded by tall golden fences. He even discovered a Protective Array Formation inscribed on the ground with a rank that he couldn't identify! He guessed that this was at least a peak Heavenly God-rank Protective Array Formation!

After reveling in the shocking sights, Jiu Shen glanced at the new branch store. The building was designed like a coiling thunder dragon.

The building only had two floors, but the first floor could already serve thousands of customers based on its size. As for the second floor, Jiu Shen has yet to check what was there.

"I should check the second floor..." Jiu Shen went to the second floor. When he entered, he was surprised to discover a vast empty hall. There were ten stone statues standing in every corner of this hall. All of them were holding a sword and a shield, looking like valiant warriors.

At the center of this hall was a maroon meditation mat with golden edges. "Is this a cultivation room?" Jiu Shen muttered to himself as soon as he entered the hall.

Jiu Shen sat cross-legged and entered a meditative state. He began cultivating and soon discovered that his Seamless Deity Physique was stimulated! It means that he could cultivate in this hall! The cultivation speed here was also many times faster than the most abundant cultivation holy land that he had been to!

"Great!" Jiu Shen laughed at this discovery. Now, he no longer needed to rely so much on the resources given by the system! Inside this hall, he could slowly increase his cultivation!

"There are some ancient array inscriptions inscribed in this hall... Strange... Wait... this is... It can hide from the eyes of the heavens?! That means I no longer have to deal with that annoying God Eye of Extermination! Wonderful!" Jiu Shen laughed like a madman. With the Ancient Array Inscriptions inscribed in this hall, his cultivation would have no bottleneck and no tribulation lightning!

Jiu Shen hurriedly grabbed the three Fruits of Cultivation he got as a reward from the system and a few other resources he had accumulated over time.

"These resources should be enough to help me reach the early stage of the True God Realm for my physical body and true essence..." He muttered with expectations in his eyes. He was closer to recovering his past strength!

Jiu Shen began devouring the resources and not long later, he stood up with a satisfied look on his face.

Early stage True God Realm!

"Now, let me check those stone statues..." Jiu Shen went towards the stone statues and observed them one by one. He noticed that each statue had different faces. There was also something strange about them. It was as if they had a life of their own!

"Are they Soul Puppets?" Jiu Shen muttered to himself. Soul Puppets are the creation of an extinct sect. The puppets are made using countless precious resources and are powered by the souls of Supreme God Realm powerhouses! That means that if Jiu Shen's guess was correct, he would have ten strong subordinates!

"How do I activate these things?" Jiu Shen looked around the cultivation hall and it was then that he noticed a small black ring sitting on top of the meditation mat.

Seeing this, Jiu Shen smiled and went to pick it up. He then put the ring on his finger and activated the inscription on the ring...

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The array inscriptions on the ring lit up with a bright golden light. Jiu Shen then felt a connection with the ten stone statues inside the hall. He could sense that each of these stone statues had souls sleeping inside of them, and the ring in his hands was the key to awakening these things!

Not long later, the stone statues suddenly cracked and revealed their forms. They became more human-like except for their lifeless and vacant eyes. Only those who were proficient in Array Formations and those with strong spiritual power would be able to notice that these guys were Soul Puppets!

The ten Soul Puppets had souls controlling them, so Jiu Shen didn't need to give them a very detailed command as to what they needed to do. They were like humans! The only nonhuman thing about them was their bodies since they were made from precious resources.

"Master!" The ten Soul Puppets greeted Jiu Shen in monotonous and cold voices.

Jiu Shen stared at the Soul Puppets that emitted the auras of Supreme God Realm experts with an expectant look. With Atlas and the Soul Puppets, he became more confident in achieving his goal.

"You and you there. The two of you will guard the entrance of this building. You, the one at the leftmost corner, and you at the center, you both will guard the store..." Jiu Shen gave his instructions to the Soul Puppets. As long as he had the ring with him, the Soul Puppets would continue to work for him endlessly! They didn't require energy or any resources. This was the most terrifying thing about them!

There were only two Soul Puppets who didn't have to do anything. Jiu Shen decided to let them look after the Heavenly Sword Tower. As for Atlas, he was Jiu Shen's trump card!

"Now that the new branch store has been made, I should quickly go back and inform the others. The store still needs some workers..." Jiu Shen went back to the temporary camp of the Heavenly Sword Tower together with two Soul Puppets. They followed behind Jiu Shen with cold and emotionless faces.

Before he left the branch store, he asked the Soul Puppets to not allow anyone to step inside. Soon, many experts would be attracted by the spiritual plants in the garden. Even the pond water would attract their attention...

Jiu Shen arrived at the temporary camp in just a few minutes. His arrival surprised everyone since he came back with two strangers.

"Who are they?" Theia whispered to his ears as she curiously stared at the two Soul Puppets standing behind Jiu Shen. She couldn't sense the strength of the two men and there was something about them that made her feel suspicious.

"I'll explain later, but don't worry. They are on our side. Anyway, I've got the land title for this piece of land. You can take a few Elders with you to get construction materials from Hard Rock City. Have them create a new sword tower. Also, let Hestia select twenty trustworthy female disciples. I need them for the new branch store..." Jiu Shen was in a bit of a hurry. He only had a little bit of time before the store would attract the attention of others.

Theia nodded her head solemnly when she sensed the urgency in Jiu Shen's voice. She then left and quickly told everyone about his commands.

The Elders immediately left with some disciples. They were headed to Hard Rock City to buy construction materials. Jiu Shen also sent a Soul Puppet to go with them to prevent any troubles from happening. After that, Hestia selected twenty female disciples to come with Jiu Shen to the new branch store.

"Theia, stay here and watch over everyone. I will also leave this guy here to protect you guys from harm. He is a Supreme God Realm expert, so everything will be fine." Jiu Shen hugged Theia gently as he whispered those words.

"Alright, but I will stay with you once the construction of the new sword tower is finished." Theia muttered in a soft voice.

Jiu Shen nodded his head as he stroked her golden hair. "I will wait for you..."

After saying goodbye to Theia and the others, Jiu Shen went back to the new branch store together with the twenty selected female disciples. The young ladies revealed excited and expectant gazes as they followed behind Jiu Shen.

Meanwhile, inside the City Lord's manor.

Serek stood before the City Lord with a respectful look. He then bowed at the City Lord as he greeted him. "Greetings, City Lord!"

Corpse Lord glanced impassively at Serek. He then asked with a slightly impatient voice. "Why did you come here to meet me? Didn't I tell you not to disturb me during this time?"

The City Lord was in the middle of consuming the Sword Divinity Ardent Spirit that he got from Jiu Shen, but this guy suddenly came here to disturb him. If not for his value, Corpse Lord would have beaten up this fellow...

"City Lord, I came back with a piece of important information. I discovered a dangerous individual in Hard Rock City!" Serek reported in a grave tone. Jiu Shen's overwhelming aura was still fresh in his mind!

Corpse Lord furrowed his eyebrows, but his face soon relaxed as he muttered. "Let me guess. This man has long silver hair and he is a human. He wears plain white robes and has an expressionless face."

Serek was stunned since this description fit perfectly with the man in his mind! Could it be that the City Lord knows of his identity?

"City Lord, you know this guy?" Serek could not help but ask.

Corpse Lord nodded his head. "Yes. His name is Jiu Shen. He came here a while ago to buy a piece of land from me. Oh, right... Since you are here. I want you to investigate the group located in this area. Just observe them from afar and if they notice your presence, leave immediately..." The City Lord handed a map to Serek and pointed at the location where the temporary camp of the Heavenly Sword Tower was located.

"But that man... his strength is..." Serek wanted to say something, but the City Lord cut him off.

"Just don't mess with that Jiu Shen..."

The old man then left hastily after saying those words. Serek could only shake his head helplessly upon seeing this.