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Chapter 321: Foundation Establishment Realm Cultivator Of The Heavenly Note Sect

Everyone was startled to hear Jiang Hao's voice.

Rationally, a Foundation Establishment Realm cultivator couldn't survive after facing two seniors in Primordial Spirit Realm. The most likely possibility for their survival was that the opponents decided to spare them to exploit them further. Maybe they made a deal with Jiang Hao to make him mine in exchange for spirit stones. Once he was no longer useful, they would get rid of him.

Everyone sighed wearily. Could they really not escape this miserable fate?

When the five people came out of the mine, they saw Jiang Hao standing at the entrance. His hands were dirty. He must have been tending to the spirit herbs. Gu Wen looked around for the two seniors from before. He frowned. "Where are they? Why aren't they here?"

"What are you looking for?" Jiang Hao asked. He felt relieved to see them all safe.

If their group reduced in numbers, it would be hard to sell the ores and spirit herbs.

"The two seniors from before. Where are they?" asked Gu Wen. "Did they leave?" They might still have a chance to escape before the seniors came back for them.

"They left," Jiang Hao said.

"Left?" Everyone was shocked. It didn't make sense that they left just like that.

"Yes, they left." Jiang Hao nodded.

He looked at Zhuge Zheng's broken sword. "It seems that Disciple Zhuge's spirit sword is broken."

“Yes.” Zhuge Zheng looked regretfully at the broken sword. It was his last treasure.

Jiang Hao conjured up a spirit sword. “Is this sword suitable for you?” Zhuge Zheng took the sword and tested it. He then nodded. “It’s decent.”

“This is a Golden Core Realm spirit sword. It should be worth around eight to nine spirit stones outside. I can give it to you for a lower price Around 6,500...”

Zhuge Zheng was surprised for a moment, but 6,500 spirit stones for a sword like this was indeed reasonable. The quality of this spirit sword was decent, and its market price would probably be around twelve thousand.

Zhuge Zheng hesitated.

Jiang Hao kindly asked. “What do you think, Disciple Zhuge?”

“I only have around 5,700 spirit stones on me right now,” Zhuge Zheng said awkwardly. Among them, he was probably the poorest.

He had left early and bought pills with the spirit stones he had to advance. He had only earned a few thousand spirit stones recently. It was clearly not enough.

Jiang Hao thought for a moment before nodding. “That will do.”

“Then, Friend Jiang, you can take the jade pendant to our sect in the future and exchange it for two thousand spirit stones,” said Zhuge Zheng.

Jiang Hao received 5,763 spirit stones.

The others found it strange that he, a late-stage Foundation Establishment Realm cultivator, was selling a Golden Core Realm treasure.

Jiang Hao looked at Gu Wen.

Gu Wen knew that Jiang Hao was after his spirit stones. "My treasure is broken, but I still have a..."

Before he could finish his sentence, Jiang Hao conjured up a Primordial Spirit Realm stone seal.

"This is a Primordial Spirit Realm treasure. It can be used by a Golden Core Realm cultivator. I'm willing to sell it for ten thousand," said Jiang Hao.

Gu Wen was different from the others. He hadn't left until the last moment. He was probably the richest among them, besides Jiang Hao. He accepted the stone seal and handed Jiang Hao ten thousand spirit stones.

"Disciple Jiang, you are truly considerate. You knew that I needed a magic treasure."

It wasn't just about how much profit. The treasure suited Gu Wen. When they heard that the stone seal was a Primordial Spirit Realm treasure, they were stunned.

Soon, they figured out what had likely happened to the two powerful seniors.

from earlier. Jiang Hao had probably killed them.

Did he have someone backing him up, or did he possess a powerful treasure himself?

They regretted their decision. If they had known earlier, they wouldn't have entered the mine. They could have found out further about Jiang Hao. However, that was just a passing thought. Some things were best left unknown.

"Do you have any magic robes?" Xia Dong asked.

"And do you have any shields or spiritual-type treasures?" Ding Yu asked.

"I am in need of a compass," Murong Qingqing said.

Jiang Hao shook his head. He wasn't a seller of treasures. "Not at the moment." They were stunned.

Jiang Hao sold the Primordial Spirit Pills and other items he had obtained from the cultivators of the Heavenly Feather Sect. He sold everything that could be sold at a low price. Anything he couldn't sell was worthless.

Furthermore, these people weren't fools. They could guess where these things came from. Buying them meant they were also taking risks. So, selling them at a lower price was reasonable.

In the end, Jiang Hao made a profit of 19,000 spirit stones. Adding the initial 33,000, he now had a total of 52,000 spirit stones. This was the most money Jiang Hao had ever seen in his life.

"Oh, by the way," Gu Wen suddenly said, "There's news about Red Azure tea that you told me to ask about."

"Really?" Jiang Hao felt that 10,000 spirit stones were about to disappear.

"Yes, but the person said he doesn't have Red Azure tea. However, he has a way to get September Spring tea. I wonder if that would work?" Gu Wen asked.

'September Spring tea?' Jiang Hao was stunned. He remembered that Hong

Yuye had mentioned two types of tea leaves: Red Azure tea and September

Spring tea. The Red Azure tea cost around ten thousand spirit stones and the September Spring tea cost around twenty thousand. So even with the profit he just made, it wouldn't be enough to buy it.

"No." Jiang Hao declined and asked him to see if he found anyone with Red Azure tea.

After that, he headed back into the mine with the rooster.

Gu Wen and the others looked at Jiang Hao disappearing into the cave and couldn't believe it. It seemed like they had truly escaped a disaster.

"Good thing I'm an honest person." Gu Wen laughed.

If he had tried to deceive Jiang Hao...

He looked at the treasure in his hand.

"Do you think he has someone backing him up, or does he possess something extraordinary?" Ding Yu asked.

"Or maybe he is hiding his cultivation," Xia Dong said.

The group didn't think about it much. They decided that the less they knew about it, the better.

"An Enlightenment Spring has appeared."

Lan Qian was intrigued.

"An Enlightenment Spring? Does such a thing exist in the Corpse Realm as well?" Yun Qi was curious.

"Yes, and it appeared in the Blood Tide Forest. It's really strange for such a thing to appear in the Foundation Establishment region," said Lan Qian.

“Indeed. The Enlightenment Spring is formed when things gather and resonate with the heavens and the earth, and it comes together as a spring. This means either there’s a powerful individual in the Blood Tide Forest or some special existence has been trapped there,” Yun Qi said.

“In that case, the changes in the Human Yuan Formation from before might have originated from the Blood Tide Forest,” said Lan Qian.

“Blood Tide Forest?” Yun Qi hesitated for a moment and then smiled. “Shall we

go and take a look?”

“We can, but the fifth appearance of the Heavenly Stele Mountain is likely to be in the Soul Ascension region next time. It will be too dangerous to go there,” said Lan Qian.

“I think we should keep a low profile when going to the Blood Tide Forest. What do you think, Senior Sister?” Yun Qi asked.

Lan Qian nodded. “Alright, let’s suppress our cultivation of the Golden Core Realm. But first, we need to go to the Golden Core region. The fifth appearance of Heavenly Stele Mountain might happen there. Once we comprehend again, we can go to the Blood Tide Forest and find the Enlightenment Spring. However, it won’t be easy in the Foundation Establishment region. There is a Foundation Establishment Realm cultivator from Heavenly Note Sect there? We can inquire about his situation and decide if we want to offer our protection.”

“You truly are a compassionate person, Senior Sister Lan. However, the Heavenly Note Sect has killed many of our sect members,” Yun Qi said.

Lan Qian glanced at Yun Qi..

Chapter 322: I’ll Accept This

The appearance of the Enlightenment Spring attracted many people to the Blood Tide Forest, from early-stage Golden Core Realm cultivators to mid and late-stage Primordial Spirit Realm cultivators.

Among them, there were quite a few in the early-stage Primordial Spirit Realm. Many had advanced after entering and obtaining opportunities within five or six months.

Dongfang Ji stood in the Blood Tide Forest and waited after acquiring most of the things he needed. At that moment, he saw a woman dressed in the attire of the Heavenly Feather Sect in the middle stage of the Primordial Spirit Realm.

"Excuse me, please wait a moment," said Dongfang Ji as he landed in front of her. "I'd like to ask you some questions if you don't mind." Liu Li frowned and looked at the man warily. "Is something the matter?"

"I want to ask about a few people from your sect," he said.

"Who are they?" Liu Li asked.

She couldn't see through the man's cultivation realm at all.

"I want to know where Ye Luo and MO Tian are at the moment," Dongfang Ji asked.

Liu Li was astonished.

"You don't want to tell me?" Dongfang Ji's face darkened. He released his aura of the Soul Ascension Realm. Liu Li was terrified.

"No! It's not that I don't want to tell you... It's just that they are already dead." "Dead? Can you tell me what happened?" Dongfang Ji was surprised.

"Yes, they are dead," Liu Li said. "Senior Sister Ye Luo and Senior Brother MO Tian had a different status in the sect from others, so they carried certain items on them. If something happened, we would detect

their location. However, the moment the treasure sent a warning, they were killed. They died right here in the Blood Tide Forest, so I came to investigate.”

Dongfang Ji’s face darkened. “It seems they were discovered. In that case, I can’t spare you either. If you want to blame someone, blame it on the fact that you are from the Heavenly Feather Sect.”

Liu Li was shocked. She immediately activated her protective treasures. “You!”

“What about me?” Dongfang Ji’s aura erupted, and his power crushed her defenses. “One day, the entire Heavenly Feather Sect will die at the hands of

The End of All Things.”

Boom!

The power crushed Liu Li’s arm. At that critical moment, she escaped into a spatial vortex and disappeared on the spot.

Dongfang Ji watched her disappear and then looked at the Blood Tide Forest.

“Although I’m a bit overestimating my abilities, I’ll accept this.”

Just as he was about to leave, he suddenly sensed a familiar presence. He waited in place for a moment.

After a short while, Mu Qi approached from afar.

He was startled at first, but then regained his composure and appeared in front of Dongfang Ji.

“Senior Brother Dongfang, you are here too?”

Dongfang Ji looked at Mu Qi and noticed signs of a breakthrough. “Junior

Brother Mu, are you here for the Enlightenment Spring too?”

“Yes.” Mu Qi nodded. “I’m just short of a little bit. After that, I’ll wait for some time. If I’m lucky, I’ll break through to the Primordial Spirit Realm in the next few years.”

“Your talent is truly extraordinary, ” Dongfang Ji smiled. “Be careful once you enter. There are formidable existences in the Blood Tide Forest.”

“Formidable existences?” Mu Qi was surprised, but he didn’t ask further. He needed to be cautious.

“By the way, Jiang Junior Brother Jiang is also in the Blood Tide Forest. Have you seen him?” Mu Qi asked.

Dongfang Ji shook his head. “I’ve never met him before. But I heard that he’s with that powerful cultivator and helping him mine. He should be safe. Besides, I heard from the Cliff Master that he has protective treasures, so as long as he’s careful, ordinary Primordial Spirit Realm cultivators can’t do anything to him.”

Xue Yue was killed when she went to find Jiang Hao. Dongfang Ji assumed that the powerful cultivator might have done it. That person hadn’t attacked anyone else, so he might not be a very aggressive person. Moreover, Jiang Hao and the group were selling ores and spirit herbs, which meant that the powerful cultivator had other goals.

Mu Qi found it strange that Jiang Hao was mining. How could he be mining again after what happened in the mine before? He found it strange.

‘Does Junior Brother Jiang have a connection with mining?’

“Go ahead. I’ll be around here. If anything happens, use secret communication to inform me,” Dongfang Ji said.

“Thank you, Senior Brother.” Mu Qi was glad. Having a senior at the Soul Ascension Realm nearby made him feel safe. Many cultivators in the Primordial Spirit Realm had gathered in this place, after all.

In the mine, Jiang Hao continued to dig for ore. After more than half a month of mining, he sensed another summoning.

This time, he could directly go there if he responded. It was the fourth time.

Heavenly Stele Mountain had appeared in this place four times already. It was likely to make two more appearances, then it wouldn’t appear again anymore.

According to Zhuang Yuzhen, Heavenly Stele Mountain would appear six to eight times a year. If they missed the sixth appearance, they would probably miss the opportunity altogether. Therefore, many people wanted to find it.

The main issue was that the distance between the regions like Foundation Establishment, Golden Core, Primordial Spirit, and Soul Ascension was extremely far. In many cases, it took a month just to catch up.

Ignoring the summons, Jiang Hao continued to mine, and soon another blue bubble appeared.

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Sure enough, mining was still useful.

However, not long after, the rooster crowed. He picked it up and left.

He had heard from Gu Wen and the others that the mine was filled with spirit beasts. They had heard that these beasts were dangerous, so they had remained hidden when they were inside.

They were chased by the beasts anyway before they finally found their escape.

However, one thing they could be sure of was that the mine was connected to other places.

Jiang Hao realized that people from the other mines would probably come to this place if they could. In any case, he had to be more cautious.

Jiang Hao was much more careful than before when he went into the mine. Ding Yu had helped him set up some trigger formations. If someone approached the mine, the formations would be triggered, and it would let him know that there was someone nearby.

Jiang Hao had checked these formations, and they were indeed perception formations. However, he didn't know how to set them up.

Jiang Hao only now realized that many people had arrived in the Foundation Establishment region recently. Many Golden Core Realm cultivators and quite a few Primordial Spirit Realm cultivators were gathered around the Enlightenment Spring.

This made him feel anxious. With so many people around, there must be people from his sect and from the Divine Corpse Sect arriving too. He wasn't afraid of being known for mining in the cave, but he was afraid they would realize he had many spirit stones.

The others were worried about the same.

"This is bad. One of my senior brothers, whom I don't get along well with, has arrived. He knows I'm selling ores. He asked if I earned a lot of spirit stones," said Ding Yu.

"What did you tell him?" Gu Wen asked.

He also seemed troubled because of the matter with the Enlightenment Spring. Some seniors might target them here.

"I told him I was working for Senior Shang An and that I gained some insights from him because of the tasks he assigned to me. I told him that was how I advanced to the Golden Core Realm," Ding Yu said.

“Then everything is okay?” Murong Qingqing asked.

“No, he said I should ask Senior Shang An some cultivation questions for him. He asked about the Great Thousand God Sect.” Ding Yu sighed.

He knew nothing about the Great Thousand God Sect, so he couldn’t even make up an answer..

Chapter 323: Should I Go To Heavenly Stele Mountain?

They felt helpless when they heard about Ding Yu’s problem.

Their sects were okay. The people from their sects never resorted to violence even if they disliked someone. If they faced something like that, they would be trying to leave the Corpse Realm as soon as possible.

It was different for Jiang Hao. In his sect, people would readily resort to violence. Within the sect, everyone was safe, but outside, it was the survival of the fittest. The rules were strict inside the Heavenly Note Sect, but once you left the sect, no one cared.

Jiang Hao felt that many people disliked the strict rules within the Heavenly Note Sect, but many others probably liked it because they didn’t have to worry about being killed inside the sect.

When Ding Yu mentioned the Great Thousand God Sect, Jiang Hao was curious. “What’s the question?”

He had come into contact with the Great Thousand God Sect and knew a bit about it. He had also overheard some discussions about cultivation issues.

“It’s about spiritual techniques,” Ding Yu said truthfully. “He said he has a friend who wants to cultivate the Great Thousand Mental Energy Technique and wants to know if it’s possible.”

“Great Thousand Mental Energy Technique?” Jiang Hao was pleased. He happened to know the answer to the question. “Does he want to cultivate the Great Thousand Divine Avatar?”

The others were surprised.

“I didn’t ask about that.” Ding Yu shook his head.

“If he wants to cultivate the Great Thousand Divine Avatar, he must have the Grand Thousand God Sect’s cultivation method. Otherwise, I advise his friend not to attempt it. If you do it wrong, you’ll die,” Jiang Hao said calmly. Everyone was surprised. They had no knowledge about something like that.

Jiang Hao didn’t mind telling them about such matters. He had asked Hong Yuye about it, and she had also explained some things to him.

When Jiang Hao explained it, everyone was stunned. Sometimes there were people in the world with a lower cultivation realm but held higher knowledge about it than others.

“I’ll go find my senior later,” Ding Yu said. “Thank you.”

Jiang Hao nodded. If it weren’t for Gui being here, he would have used the stone tablet to answer their questions. After all, these people were extraordinary in their cultivation and knowledge. Unfortunately, the conditions didn’t allow it.

Jiang Hao thought of using Shang An as an excuse but didn’t know if that would work.

After exchanging some spirit stones, Jiang Hao continued to take care of the spirit herbs. Since many people were concentrating on the Enlightenment Spring, it was much easier to find spirit herbs here.

However, they were too wealthy, and the danger of being discovered was too high. As more and more people came for the Enlightenment Spring, their situation became increasingly dangerous.

The six of them had over a hundred thousand spirit stones combined. If others found out about that, cultivators in Primordial Spirit Realm and even Soul Ascension Realm would rush to kill them.

They also had many treasures with them. Their situation was risky.

Ding Yu went to the forest. There was a Primordial Spirit Realm cultivator in front of him. He was leaning against a tree.

“Senior Brother Che,” Ding Yu greeted respectfully.

“Did you ask your senior for me?” Senior Brother Che smiled.

“I did. I had to pay a price to ask your question, Senior,” said Ding Yu.

“Is that so?” Senior Brother Che stared at him.

He didn’t believe that his junior was selling ores just to serve someone named

Shang An. So, he made Ding Yu ask about something. He already knew that the Great Thousand Mental Energy technique couldn’t be used. He didn’t know the reason for it. However, it was enough to make his junior admit that someone named Shang An didn’t exist, and he had earned many spirit stones because of which he had lied.

“Senior Shang An wanted to know if your friend was aiming to cultivate the Great Thousand Divine Avatar,” said Ding Yu.

“If he does?”

“Well, he shouldn’t attempt it unless he has the Great Thousand God Sect’s cultivation technique. If he tried it, he might die. That’s what he said,” said Ding Yu.

Senior Brother Che was shocked. He fell silent and seemed to be thinking about something.

“Thank you for the information, Junior Brother. I’ll tell my friend about it. I’ll also help spread the news about the formidable senior here. It might make your life a little easier too,” said Senior Brother Che.

“Thank you, Senior Brother Che,” said Ding Yu gratefully.

It would definitely make their lives easier if people were keeping an eye on them.

The rumors spread quickly. Everyone now knew that there was an expert in this region named Shang An. They also figured out that the previous commotion was because of him, and that the appearance of the Enlightenment Spring was because of him. Shang An’s name made everyone fearful.

This brought a moment of peace for Gu Wen and the others.

In early August, Jiang Hao had been in the Corpse Realm for over half a year. The new summons came again. It meant that the heavenly Stele Mountain was about to disappear from its previous location or had already vanished. The next location had been determined.

Jiang Hao ignored it. He calculated his earnings for this month. Gu Wen and the others had sold quite a few ores, and he had received five thousand spirit stones as his share. He now had a total of fifty-seven thousand spirit stones.

With such a huge sum of money, he considered his expenses. Twenty-four thousand for the rabbit, twenty thousand for the peach tree, and ten thousand for the Azure Red tea. That added up to fifty-four thousand, leaving him with three thousand.

Jiang Hao was speechless.

The huge sum of money would disappear in an instant, but he was surprisingly happy to know that he would have three thousand spirit stones remaining.

Many people had indeed come to the Blood Tide Forest, and the fluctuations of spiritual energy were much stronger than before. Fortunately, no familiar faces appeared, which made Jiang Hao feel much safer.

Half a year had passed, and there were not many people nearby with spirit stones.

If things didn't work out, they could keep the ores and wait for another opportunity in the future.

Another month passed. While Jiang Hao was tending to the spirit herbs, he felt the strong fluctuations of spiritual energy around him. It was very likely that a Soul Ascension Realm expert had arrived. Due to the large gathering of people, and the fact that they were not far from the Enlightenment Spring, Jiang Hao could sense some things with the help of knowledge he had gained from the nameless manual.

However, they hadn't sold many ores this month, and their earnings were only two thousand spirit stones each.

"I think we should leave." Gu Wen looked at everyone.

"I don't have a problem with it. My brother is nearby. I can go find him," said Zhuge Zheng.

"I have a bit of a problem, but I can handle it." Ding Yu smiled.

"I secretly wanted to earn more spirit stones, but it seems that will be difficult now." Murong Qingqing sighed.

"I don't have a problem with it," Xia Dong said.

They looked at Jiang Hao.

"Don't look at me... I just want to continue mining."

However, if he wanted to continue mining, he needed to find a stronger partner. He suddenly felt another summoning.

Heavenly Stele Mountain had appeared for the fifth time.

Jiang Hao hesitated. He could no longer continue mining here. Even if he was in the Primordial Spirit Realm, continuing to mine here would lead to trouble. It was getting dangerous.

However, if he didn't mine or ores, it would lead to a loss. He needed to get more bubbles. Maybe going to Heavenly Stele Mountain was the better alternative if he wanted to continue mining.

Besides, with many people rushing to the Foundation establishment region, Heavenly Stele Mountain would be considerably safer.

'Should I respond to the summons?'

Once he did, he could leave this dilemma behind. He could even show some of his cultivation and then hide and mine for ores.

It did seem like a good choice..

Chapter 324: The Demoness Is Here Again

Feeling the summons again, Jiang Hao began to weigh the gains and losses.

Leaving from here wouldn't have much impact. He could just distribute the items and then inform the others of his departure.

The only thing to be concerned about was the response he might receive.

‘According to Gui, I might be an extraordinary genius. There was already a noticeable reaction even before I reached there. Once I go, there’s a high probability of an even greater impact.’

Jiang Hao thought about it. If the impact was significant, it meant that he would attract attention from others. It would probably be difficult to avoid others.

In the end, he thought it would be safer to stay here. He needed to continue mining.

If he wanted to mine now, he needed to show others that allying with him was beneficial.

Jiang Hao thought of something and asked, “Are there other mines nearby in the Golden Core region around the Blood Tide Forest?”

Everyone understood. It was true that they couldn’t continue mining in the Blood Tide Forest, since many people were gathered here because of the Enlightenment Spring.

However, they could find some other place far away from the Enlightenment Spring and continue their arrangement, especially since five of them were at the Golden Core Realm already.

But the problem was, there were no other mines.

“We haven’t found any information about other mines, but we might be able to ask around,” said Gu Wen.

“What if we don’t find any?” Zhuge Zheng asked.

“Then we can only consider leaving like Senior Shang An and search for opportunities on our own.”

Jiang Hao thought about it. It was indeed the best option.

Even if he continued mining, the risk would be greater.

The best course of action was to leave this place and go to other locations for mining. But before leaving, he needed to make sure if anyone here had the Red

Azure tea.

However, he still didn't have any information about it. The person who had the September Spring was still around, but it seemed that he had left the Enlightenment Spring area and was planning to find Heavenly Stele Mountain.

"You probably should make a decision soon," Gu Wen said.

Jiang Hao was once again faced with a dilemma.

"What's the price?" Jiang Hao asked. "21,000 spirit stones," Gu Wen said.

Jiang Hao felt dissatisfied.

After hesitating for a moment, he said, "I can afford 18,000. Ask him if he's willing to sell it at that price. If not, forget it."

"Alright." Gu Wen nodded. "I'll check the quality of the tea when the time comes. If there's an issue, then I'll tell him to forget about it."

Jiang Hao thanked him. Gu Wen had helped him a lot, even though he saw Jiang Hao at only the Foundation establishment Realm, and he was at the Golden Core Realm.

Jiang Hao preferred to cooperate with people from the immortal sects than demonic sects because disciples from immortal sects were more reliable.

With the matter settled, they began talking among themselves.

“With so many people gathered in the Blood Tide Forest, do you think it will attract Heavenly Stele Mountain?” asked Murong Qingqing.

“Not very likely.” Ding Yu shook his head. “I heard that Heavenly Stele Mountain is actually quite close to our current location. Otherwise, why would people be going there? Besides, compared to the entire Corpse Realm, the

Blood Tide Forest is nothing. Also, that extraordinary disciple is nowhere to be seen.

“I heard something else. It is said that Heavenly Stele Mountain has been sending summons for someone. Everyone claims there is an extraordinary genius here, but they haven’t gone to Heavenly Stele Mountain. I wonder why,” said Gu Wen.

Everyone speculated about where Heavenly Stele Mountain might appear next.

They came here for opportunities. They had no intention of heading to

Heavenly Stele Mountain. It was extremely difficult to reach Heavenly Stele Mountain at the Foundation Establishment Realm, even more so when advancing to the early Golden Core Realm.

Unless it appeared in the Blood Tide Forest, not many people would go seeking it.

Jiang Hao listened quietly. He had no greed for Heavenly Stele Mountain. It would be safer for him not to go there.

For him, the real concern was to find a place to mine.

Three days later, Gu Wen handed a delicate box to Jiang Hao.

“I saw that the person was interested, so I lowered the price by another five hundred. The selling price is now 17,500 spirit stones. The quality is great. I checked it out.”

He took the box and opened it to take a look.

Inside, he saw green tea leaves, which were significantly different from the

Azure Red tea.

There was no fragrance, but there was a flow of spiritual energy on it.

Jiang Hao discovered that the spiritual energy in the tea leaves was hidden within the veins of the leaves, and it was not fixed but flowed like a living spring.

The contained spiritual energy was enormous.

“This is good tea.”

Looking at the tea leaves, Jiang Hao had a feeling that he didn’t even need any

Heavenly Rejuvenation Pills to advance to the Golden Core Realm. Just a sip of

this tea would be enough to advance. But it had to be brewed properly.

This was a tea worth 20,000 spirit stones. He felt reluctant to have Hong Yuye drink it like ordinary tea.

However, since he had already bought it, he suddenly wanted to taste it.

Jiang Hao decided to keep the tea for now and not inform Hong Yuye just yet. Perhaps later, he could acquire the Red Azure tea, and sell the September Spring tea for 20,000 spirit stones.

He gave Gu Wen 17,500 spirit stones. He was left with 39,000 spirit stones.

He was suddenly poorer than before.

During these few days, they had stopped selling the ores and were just observing the situation.

Currently, they were asking around to find out if there were other mines around.

They found out there was one in the Primordial Spirit region.

They couldn't dare to go there.

Seven more days passed, and Jiang Hao thought about what to do.

'The number of people is increasing. I should leave soon. Even if I stay and offer benefits to others, it will be dangerous. More people meant more danger.

Leaving as soon as possible was the best choice.'

With his decision made, Jiang Hao stopped thinking too much about it.

In the afternoon, the rooster crowed, and Jiang Hao walked out of the mine.

The other five were also outside. They were having a difficult time. After coming out of the mine, Jiang Hao stored the ores in the warehouse.

"I'm planning to leave," he said to everyone.

"Where are you going?" Gu Wen wasn't surprised.

The surrounding area was becoming more crowded, and powerful experts kept appearing.

Currently, they were all concerned with the Enlightenment Spring. Once they were done with that, who knew what would happen? Disbanding from this group was inevitable.

"I don't know." Jiang Hao shook his head.

Then they discussed dividing the resources. Jiang Hao told them that he didn't need the ores, but he would appreciate a few spirit herbs to take along.

The others were happy with this arrangement because it was difficult for them to tend to the spirit herbs, and the cost-benefit ratio was not high.

As for the ores, they would have more opportunities to sell them later.

In a few years, when they found an opportunity, they could sell some of the ore for spirit stones. They could even sell it all at once when it was time to leave.

After the five divided the ores, they bid farewell to Jiang Hao.

"Friend Jiang, I hope we meet again soon," said Gu Wen.

Jiang Hao nodded. "See you around."

After leaving the Corpse Realm, they would probably never meet again.

Most of these people came from the western and northern regions.

Those places were too far away, and Jiang Hao wouldn't be able to go there.

With his current situation, it was safer to stay in the Heavenly Note Sect.

They had already agreed on it before. Once Shang An left, they would be free to go their own way.

Each of them would find a trusted sect to seek refuge in.

Jiang Hao was different. He needed to escape alone.

But before he left, he had one final task with the spirit herbs.

After cutting off the Spirit Field, Jiang Hao used his Universe in a Palm technique to seal the entire field. Then he covered it with soil. "You're not mining anymore?" asked a pleasant voice from behind him.

Jiang Hao was surprised. 'Hong Yuye?'

He could never forget her voice.. 'But why was she here so soon?'

Chapter 325: The Appearance Of Heavenly Stele Mountain

As he turned around, Jiang Hao found Hong Yuye standing right behind him.

"Have you gathered enough spirit stones for buying the tea?" she asked.

She waited for his answer.

"Not yet, but there's still time," Jiang Hao said.

“Are you going to buy the Red Azure tea?” Hong Yuye asked with a faint smile on her lips.

Jiang Hao hesitated for a moment. “I will buy the tea that satisfies you, Senior.”

Hong Yuye didn’t say anything else. She looked into the distance. ‘What is Heavenly Stele Mountain like?’

“I don’t know.” Jiang Hao shook his head. He had never been to Heavenly Stele

Mountain.

“In that case, let’s go and see,” Hong Yuye said calmly.

Jiang Hao agreed.

With Hong Yuye by his side, he didn’t need to worry about anything.

Even if Gui saw him, she wouldn’t be able to recognize him.

“When should we set off, Senior?” Jiang Hao asked.

Hong Yuye looked at him. “Set off?”

Jiang Hao couldn’t fathom what the woman in front of him was thinking. Her gaze carried absolute confidence.

In his confusion, he suddenly felt the presence of Hong Yuye’s aura.

It was different from before, but at the moment, he couldn’t put it into words. It seemed that she didn’t prevent herself from being sensed by others during this time.

As Hong Yuye's aura emerged, Jiang Hao once again felt the summoning.

But this time, he could clearly sense that the summoning was not only for him but also for Hong Yuye.

They stood together.

If one of them responded, they would both be transported together.

There might even be a protective force to keep them safe during the process.

Jiang Hao didn't dare to respond. Hong Yuye also stood quietly by his side.

Not long after Gu Wen and the others left, they decided to go their separate ways.

They each wanted to find their own sect or leave this place and seek refuge in the Golden Core region.

However, just as they were about to part ways, the sky changed.

"Look at the sky," Ding Yu said.

They all looked up at the sky and saw a swirling vortex.

It seemed like a summoning. It was intense.

"What's going on?"

Although they had decent cultivation, their knowledge about these things was limited. They had never seen anything like this before.

Mu Qi, who was still in the Enlightenment Spring, looked up at the sky in amazement.

It was his first time here, and he had no idea if this was normal.

At this moment, a powerful expert from the Divine Corpse Sect stood up and looked at the sky in horror.

Heavenly Stele Mountain sending such a summoning was unprecedented.

He had been thinking about causing some commotion here. However, if the extraordinary genius was in this place, he couldn't afford to offend them.

In an instant, all his plans were shattered.

He didn't dare to do anything.

Jiang Hao was also stunned. The commotion caused was simply too big. This was not how he did things usually.

If it weren't for Hong Yuye, he would have left this place.

At Clear Dust Lake in the Corpse Realm, Yun Qi and Lan Qian were exploring the Heavenly Stele Mountain in the Golden Core region.

This time, they wanted to check out the Thirty-Six heavenly Stars and understand more things.

"Senior Sister, they say that all opportunities come from heavenly Stele Mountain. How is it that I haven't gained anything at all? I've come up here three or four times already," Yun Qi said helplessly.

"If you haven't gained any opportunities, shouldn't you ask yourself what you were doing during those times?" Lan Qian asked.

"Haha." Yun Qi looked embarrassed. "I just wanted to see if I could find something from the sixth stone tablet."

"It's your fifth time. The Heavenly Stele Mountain might not appear anymore. Moreover, it's already mid-September, and there's not much time left. We don't have much time," Lan Qian said.

"Alright, this time I'll get close to Thirty-Six Heavenly Stars," Yun Qi said.

At this moment, they arrived in front of a stone tablet.

"Hasn't that extraordinary genius visited this place yet?" asked Yun Qi in surprise as he saw the stone tablet emitting a faint light like before. Was the extraordinary genius uninterested in heavenly Stele Mountain at all?

Although he hasn't gained anything, every time he came up the mountain, he could feel the spiritual energy helping him.

Even if he did nothing except wander around the mountain, he could feel his body and spiritual energy changing.

The stone tablet in front of them suddenly emitted a bright light.

The summoning seemed to increase in intensity. A vortex appeared in the sky.

It was as if the mountain was welcoming the arrival of the genius.

"What's happening?" asked Lan Qian in confusion.

Yun Qi looked excited. “Heavenly Stele Mountain is determined to win this time.”

However, nothing happened after a while. The person must have ignored it again. The light started to fade.

Yun Qi felt a bit disappointed. He had wanted to see the extraordinary genius.

A beam of light shot up from Heavenly Stele Mountain suddenly. Then came the second beam, the third, and the fourth.

At this moment, Yun Qi and the others realized that the stone tablet in front of them also emitted a beam of light.

They understood that each beam of light represented one stone tablet. A hundred and eight beams of light shot into the sky and merged with the vortex.

Everyone at Heavenly Stele Mountain realized something. The mountain was about to move!

“How is this possible?” Lan Qian couldn’t believe it.

This meant that the extraordinary genius wasn’t coming to the mountain, but the mountain had decided to go to them.

What kind of genius was worth such attention from Heavenly Stele Mountain?

At the same time, those who were heading toward Heavenly Stele Mountain saw the beams of light shooting into the sky.

Qing You had wanted to climb up the mountain, but it disappeared. The vortex also disappeared.

Qing You was speechless. ‘What just happened?’

Heavenly Stele Mountain shouldn't have disappeared so soon. Why did it suddenly vanish?

Everyone was puzzled.

Back in the Blood Tide Forest, people saw beams of light appearing in the vortex.

One after another, the beams of light fell from the sky.

Then, a hundred and eight beams of light gathered.

Heavenly Stele Mountain appeared at the place where the light beams fell.

A majestic mountain suddenly rose in front of the people and caught them off guard.

Gu Wen looked at the mountain before him. His eyes were wide in astonishment. "How is this possible?"

Heavenly Stele Mountain had suddenly appeared here!

It wasn't just Gu Wen who was astonished. Everyone in the Enlightenment Spring was shocked.

The appearance of Heavenly Stele Mountain was very unexpected.

Lan Qian looked at the foot of the mountain. She knew where they were.

"Blood Tide Forest... How can this be?"

"Is this the Foundation Establishment region?" Yun Qi was also astonished.

The extraordinary genius was at the Foundation Establishment region?!

If that were true, even as a genius, they wouldn't be anyone remarkable. Their cultivation was too low.

They wondered if the genius' talent was shocking. Maybe that was why the mountain favored them. Even so, this seemed unexpected and unlikely.

"Be careful," Lan Qian warned. "Regardless of the genius' cultivation realm, we must not provoke them. If anyone targets them, they will be suppressed by the mountain. "

"I don't think it's possible for the extraordinary genius to be at the Foundation Establishment Realm. Maybe they are powerful but just chose to stay in this region. Otherwise, how could they have been able to ignore the summons of

Heavenly Stele Mountain?" asked Yun Qi..

Chapter 326: Witnessing Heavenly Stele Mountain

Jiang Hao looked at the mountain in front of him. He felt nervous.

This mountain contained unimaginable power, and its dazzling aura made it feel vast and majestic. It was a vast expanse, like an infinite starry sky.

"So, this is Heavenly Stele Mountain?"

Jiang Hao finally understood why Heavenly Stele Mountain was the most important place in the Corpse Realm. It was an inherently special existence.

Before, he couldn't understand how Heavenly Stele Mountain would suppress powerful individuals, but now it seemed that it didn't need any special means.

The power concealed within it was enough to suppress everything.

Jiang Hao looked at the woman in the red and white gown beside him and couldn't help but wonder who was stronger: Hong Yuye or the mountain.

It made no difference to Jiang Hao because either of them could crush him without exerting much effort.

Jiang Hao couldn't help but feel anxious. "Senior, isn't this a bit much?" Hong Yuye glanced at Jiang Hao. "You've been cautious for so many years, but have you never thought about doing something great?"

"People will die because of this," Jiang Hao muttered softly.

What kind of strength did he have to amaze the world with a single feat? To truly make an astonishing appearance, he would need to mine for a hundred years.

It would be best if it was in the Heavenly Note Sect's mine.

Hong Yuye didn't look at Jiang Hao. Instead, she gazed at the mountain in front of her. "This mountain is indeed special. Let's go and take a look."

Jiang Hao dared not refuse and could only follow Hong Yuye up the mountain.

However, he was somewhat puzzled about the purpose of Heavenly Stele Mountain's summoning.

Was it really just for him to comprehend the stone tablets? Or was there something else?

No matter what it was, as long as Hong Yuye was with him, he didn't need to worry. He would be safe.

When they reached the path of Heavenly Stele Mountain, suddenly all the stone tablets on the mountain emitted a glow, and then the lights started connecting.

The lights started from the first stone tablet and connected upward. In an instant, all one hundred and eight tablets were connected together.

Immediately, the light from the first stone tablet fell in front of Jiang Hao.

It seemed that with just one step, they could reach the first stone tablet without exerting much effort.

Jiang Hao was shocked. This was probably because of Hong Yuye.

How terrifying was Hong Yuye exactly?

On the mountainside, Gu Wen and the others understood.

The extraordinary genius was in the Blood Tide Forest. The genius hadn't visited Heavenly Stele Mountain, so the mountain had come here.

"How shocking is that genius?" Gu Wen asked.

He himself was also a genius.

Only one Foundation Establishment Realm cultivator from the Astronomical Academy was qualified to enter Heavenly Stele Mountain.

Zhuge Zheng was the same.

Although they were not the most outstanding geniuses in his sect, they were still among the top.

But they had never imagined that there could be someone so extraordinary that Heavenly Stele Mountain would come for them personally.

"I think I know who he is. Truly, there is always someone better than you." Ding Yu was excited.

Encountering such a genius would broaden their horizons.

Everyone looked at Murong Qingqing.

"Don't look at me. There is nothing I can do. What if we offend such an extraordinary genius?" Murong Qingqing shook her head.

"Shall we climb the mountain?" Xia Dong asked.

"It's just that we don't know if we can," Gu Wen said.

Now that all the stone tablets were connected, they were uncertain whether they could climb the mountain.

As the light appeared, the people at Heavenly Stele Mountain also retreated.

Lan Qian and Yun Qi stepped back.

They watched the brilliance of the stone tablets in disbelief.

"Seventy-two Earthly Fiends have connected, and even the Thirty-six Heavenly Stars have also been connected. It's as if the mountain is doing this for the genius," said Lan Qian.

“What a grand scene!” Yun Qi couldn’t help but exclaim. “We had to think of ways to get close to the Thirty-six Heavenly Stars. But for the extraordinary genius, Heavenly Stele Mountain willingly opens up the path! With so many tablets, will the genius be able to comprehend them all?”

“I don’t know.” Lan Qian shook her head. “But an astonishing figure like the extraordinary genius should be different from others. Perhaps just looking at them once is enough for them.”

On the other side, Mu Qi and the others gave up the Enlightenment Spring to head for Heavenly Stele Mountain.

In front of Heavenly Stele Mountain, the Enlightenment Spring was nothing.

The appearance of Heavenly Stele Mountain was a rare thing, which was why some people chose the Enlightenment Spring instead.

However, the mountain was right in front of them now, and they couldn’t let go of such an opportunity.

Mu Qi watched the brilliance of Heavenly Stele Mountain and saw that the extraordinary genius had already started climbing the mountain.

He was also curious about what would happen now.

Jiang Hao followed Hong Yuye and arrived at the first stone tablet. The characters “Moon in the Well” were written on the stone tablet. Wherever Jiang Hao looked, he could see countless branches of spiritual energy.

It seemed that each comprehension would lead to different results.

Without stopping, Hong Yuye responded to the light, and the two of them arrived at the second stone tablet. This time, Jiang Hao felt a vast aura. The characters on this stone tablet read: Water Sky.

Hong Yuye stepped forward. They arrived at the third stone tablet. This time, it said, "Mountain Beyond Mountain."

The fourth stone tablet said, "Outsider."

The fifth stone tablet emitted a strange fragrance.

They arrived at the sixth stone table.

For Jiang Hao, the meaning of the sixth stone tablet was different.

Due to the light, he couldn't see the people around him. It was as if he was isolated. Otherwise, he would have checked if Gui was here.

However, this was good. He wouldn't be exposed this way.

On this stone tablet was written: "With a calm heart and steady mind, you can see heaven and earth."

Hong Yuye didn't stop and continued upward.

Jiang Hao kept looking at the stone tablet, and the words and aura on it were constantly changing.

The higher up he went, the more words there were.

He even found it somewhat incomprehensible, not only the changes but even the words. It seemed that it had gone beyond what was normal.

"These words are no longer normal words. You need to comprehend them to truly understand. To gain opportunities from the stone tablets, you have to start from the hidden words," Hong Yuye said.

Jiang Hao nodded.

In other words, the higher he went, the more difficult it was to comprehend things.

The opportunity became even rarer.

Soon, they reached the Seventy-Two Earthly Fiends.

Jiang Hao could understand the earlier stone tablets, but he gained nothing from the ones afterward.

“Senior, what is our purpose here?” he asked softly.

“Wherever the light connects, that’s where we go,” Hong Yuye said.

“Aren’t we going to stop and comprehend?” Jiang Hao asked again.

If they didn’t comprehend the tables, it would be like just taking a stroll through the mountain without any meaning.

Hong Yuye suddenly stopped and looked at him. “Don’t you like to keep a low profile?” she asked teasingly.

Jiang Hao was speechless.

He didn’t think Hong Yuye was someone who kept a low profile.

They arrived at the Thirty-Six Heavenly Stars.

When Jiang Hao saw the first stone tablet, he found that it didn’t have precise inscriptions. Only when they got closer did some characters slowly appear on it.

“Body technique: Moving Mountains and Seas..”

Chapter 327: It Can Produce Bubbles

“What is this extraordinary genius planning to do?” Yun Qi frowned. “He’s going all the way up without any pause. Is he just here for sightseeing?”

As the extraordinary genius ascended, the light would contract.

Now, the Seventy-Two Earth Fiends had returned to normal. They could now comprehend it properly.

“There’s no point in speculating.” Lan Qian shook her head.

“Senior Sister, you were also paying attention to the extraordinary genius, right?” Yun Qi asked. “Did he pause at any stone tablet?”

They could only rely on the pauses of the light to determine whether he had stopped.

“Forty-ninth tablet,” Lan Qian said. “Shall we go and take a look?” Yun Qi asked.

Lan Qian nodded.

If the extraordinary genius paused at a stone tablet, it meant there was something valuable there.

“I thought he might pause at the sixth stone tablet, but that’s too bad.” Yun Qi smiled.

“What’s special about the sixth stone tablet?” Lan Qian asked.

"It has something," Yun Qi said earnestly. "Six is a number I value. It's special. Unfortunately, the extraordinary genius doesn't recognize its worth. By the way, if I comprehend something from the forty-ninth stone tablet, can I exchange it with you for the contents of the sixth stone tablet, Senior Sister?"

"Sure," Lan Qian said.

"You are truly kind," Yun Qi said with delight.

As the light receded, Gu Wen and the others also arrived at Heavenly Stele Mountain.

They were also curious about what this extraordinary genius was planning to do.

He was just walking up the mountain as if he was there to take a stroll.

"Jiang Hao should be nearby. Why isn't he coming up?" Xia Dong looked around.

"I think he's probably mining," Ding Yu said. "I bet he really likes mining. I don't think he is only doing it for spirit stones at this point. It seems he really likes doing it."

They didn't know what to make of that, but they didn't go looking for him.

They had their own plans for coming to Heavenly Stele Mountain.

Many people had already arrived at Heavenly Stele Mountain, and everyone was paying attention to the area above. They also wanted to know what the extraordinary genius would do. Heavenly Stele Mountain had appeared for him, after all.

"Moving Mountains and Seas?"

Jiang Hao felt curious. He hadn't cultivated any body techniques so far. He hadn't had time because body techniques required a long while to learn.

He had spent his time on things like the Seven Forms of Heavenly Blade, Universe in a Palm, Seven-Star Sealing Technique, Light and Dust Technique, etc.

He had also spent much of his time making talismans.

He had too many things to focus on. If he added a body technique to his list of things, it would hamper his progress.

Besides, he felt that he was physically strong enough. He had added a lot to his endurance and strength.

Though he couldn't compare to those who specialized in body cultivation, given enough time, he might be on the same level as them.

Hong Yuye just glanced at it and continued upwards.

Each time the extraordinary genius encountered a stone tablet, he would see something. Martial arts, techniques, body techniques, divine abilities, forging, formations, talisman crafting, alchemy, etc.

Jiang Hao was interested in divine abilities and talisman-making.

These inscriptions were definitely not simple, especially for the divine abilities. There was one divine ability called Immovable as a Mountain, which was clearly a defensive ability.

Once he comprehended it, he would be much safer.

Unfortunately, Hong Yuye only glanced at it and continued ahead.

Now, only one stone tablet was left from the Thirty-Six Heavenly Stars. This was the final step to the summit.

If the last stone tablet was the same as the previous ones, the extraordinary genius was really just here for a stroll.

He felt a little regretful.

He was interested in divine abilities and talisman-making, but he hadn't gained anything at all from this stroll.

The divine abilities were for safety, and talisman-making was for spirit stones. Both were important to him.

As for alchemy and formations, he probably wouldn't get anything extraordinary out of that.

He had no experience and no talent in those areas.

The light flickered.

Jiang Hao found himself at the peak of the mountain.

He looked to the left and to the right. The Blood Tide Forest was right below him.

He looked at the middle of the mountain, where the last stone tablet stood. There were no words on it.

'This is a bit different.'

Jiang Hao frowned. This time, he hadn't sensed any special aura within the stone tablet.

Even with his knowledge of the nameless manual, he couldn't detect anything.

It was as if that was an ordinary stone tablet. But was it, really?

Jiang Hao approached the stone tablet and gently grabbed it.

It couldn't be moved.

That was proof enough that this was not an ordinary stone tablet.

Hong Yuye glanced at it. A wooden table and some chairs appeared beside her.

She sat down. "Let's have some tea."

"Huh?" Jiang Hao was surprised.

"Senior, you came up here for tea?" Jiang Hao found it hard to believe.

Hong Yuye smiled. "What do you think I came here for?"

Jiang Hao shook his head. He didn't know why she would bother to come here. She lacked nothing.

She gave away techniques and abilities. Jiang Hao couldn't believe there was anything for her to comprehend.

Finally, he went to the table and began to brew tea.

It should be fine to drink tea here. Aside from the commotion when the mountain appeared, nothing else had happened.

“What kind of tea is this?” Hong Yuye asked when Jiang Hao opened the bag of tea leaves.

“Thousand Snow Flowers,” Jiang Hao said.

These tea leaves had cost him 200 spirit stones.

It was much better than Red Sleeve Fragrance tea.

Perhaps the price for it would go up soon.

Considering his current situation, he could afford tea leaves costing 250 each, but not more than that.

Hong Yuye visited him three to four times a year. She consumed roughly 750 spirit stones worth of tea per year. Jiang Hao felt that he could handle that much.

“I don’t want to drink Thousand Snow Flowers today,” Hong Yuye said.

“Then how about Snow After Spring? Or Red Sleeve Fragrance?” Jiang Hao asked.

The former cost 50 spirit stones, and the latter cost 100 spirit stones. He still had some left.

Hong Yuye looked at Jiang Hao with a faint smile. She was teasing him. “What about September Spring?”

‘September Spring...’ Jiang Hao was stunned.

“Senior...” Jiang Hao felt regretful.

He had bought it too early.

“Just a few months ago, you only had two thousand spirit stones. And now, you can afford September Spring in just a few days...” Hong Yuye smiled. “Inside September Spring tea, there is a self-contained system of spiritual energy, and it has vitality, like a lingering fragrance that never dissipates. Look at the Thousand Snow Flowers in your hand.”

Jiang Hao took out the tea leaves and checked them. He found that there was indeed an additional trace of vitality on them. Fortunately, it didn't affect the tea leaves themselves.

However, he now knew that Red Azure tea and September Spring could affect other tea leaves when they were stored together.

He had no choice but to take the September Spring tea out. ‘17,500 spirit stones gone in a flash!’

This time, he was very careful when brewing tea. He had learned a bit about it. He didn't want to waste any part of the expensive tea leaves.

After a while, the fragrance of tea permeated the air, and a hint of vitality appeared in the surroundings.

He poured two cups of tea.

Hong Yuye lifted her cup and took a sip.

Jiang Hao sat down and also took a sip of the tea.

Instantly, spiritual energy entered his body, and his mind became clear. The cultivation techniques seemed to rotate on their own.

After finishing a cup, Hong Yuye said, “Go and comprehend in front of the stone tablet. Perhaps you can gain something now.”

Jiang Hao didn't think too much about it. Since he was here, he wanted to gain some insights.

He approached the stone tablet and noticed that there was quite a bit of dust on it.

Feeling a bit conflicted, he reached out to wipe it off. But just as he wiped it twice, a purple bubble fell on the ground.

[Divine Ability Fragment +1] Jiang Hao was speechless..

Chapter 328: Preaching and Expounding

Jiang Hao was somewhat astonished as he looked at the purple bubble. He had just wiped off the dust. How was it possible that a bubble had appeared?

In the past, bubbles only appeared when he handled spirit herbs or killed demonic beasts. He had never seen them appear while cleaning something.

'Is it just a coincidence?'

With doubts in his mind, he decided to wipe it again.

He had some concerns. If a white bubble dropped, Hong Yuye would easily notice it. Only blue and purple bubbles would go unnoticed because they had no effect on the body.

White bubbles would enhance his strength, spirit, and endurance. He could sense their effects, let alone Hong Yuye.

Despite his hesitation, his hand reached out to an untouched patch of dust to wipe it off.

He wiped gently.

Nothing happened.

He continued wiping.

Twice.

Thrice.

Four times.

Five times.

Still, nothing.

'It seems like it was just a coincidence.'

Jiang Hao felt regretful.

After that, he continued wiping.

This time, with a single wipe, a blue bubble dropped.

[Spirit +1]

Jiang Hao was taken aback but didn't think much about it. He continued wiping the stone tablet. The tablet wasn't large. It wouldn't take long to get it entirely clean.

Soon enough, a blue bubble appeared again.

[Cultivation +1]

The more he wiped, the more enthusiastic he became.

Indeed, Heavenly Stele Mountain was full of opportunities.

[Cultivation +1]

[Spirit +1]

In just a few minutes, Jiang Hao had wiped the entire stone tablet clean.

He obtained ten blue bubbles and one purple bubble.

It was equivalent to mining for a month.

He had arrived here late.

Jiang Hao sighed in his heart.

Now he knew that the stone tablet was inherently special. Whenever there was dust, cleaning it would produce bubbles.

In the future, he wanted to try wiping it again. He could use the Primordial Heavenly Blade he had and put it near the stone tablet. Maybe having a divine item near might give him more bubbles.

Jiang Hao took out a piece of cloth and prepared to wipe it again. The previous cleaning might not have been enough, and he might get one or two more bubbles.

If it weren't for Hong Yuye, he would have used Daily Appraisal to make sense of the stone tablet.

However, she would sense it if he used it.

Having Hong Yuye around made him feel safe, but it also restricted him.

He was about to continue wiping when he felt someone staring at him.

He turned to see Hong Yuye gazing intently at him. Her terrifying aura was present.

Jiang Hao was speechless.

With a sigh, he had to give up on further cleaning. But there were still 107 pieces left.

If each one gave him ten bubbles...

Even with just five points, it would be enough for him to advance to Soul Ascension Realm.

However, he wasn't sure if he could get this close to the stone tablets. The only reason he had made it safely here was because of Hong Yuye.

If it were just him, he could get close to the Seventy-Two Earthly Fiends. But it would attract a lot of attention.

As for the Thirty-Six Heavenly Stars, he couldn't even get close to them.

'If I could clean them every time I come up here...'

He didn't dare to imagine.

This idea was quickly dispelled when he suddenly remembered that the other stone tablets didn't have as much dust.

Jiang Hao sat cross-legged in front of the stone tablet. The effect of the tea leaves was still present. Due to the appearance of blue bubbles, he had failed to notice it.

Jiang Hao closed his eyes and his consciousness extended to the stone tablet.

He didn't feel anything.

But he could clearly sense his own strength.

His condition was excellent, so Jiang Hao began to comprehend the Hong Meng Heart Sutra.

At that moment, he forgot about everything else and fully circulated the Hong Meng Heart Sutra.

He felt that his condition was better than ever before. It was even better than when he used the Clear and Pure Heart ability.

Could it be the effect of the tea?

Jiang Hao couldn't tell and could only continue his comprehension.

After some time, he felt his state elevate once again.

The surrounding transformed into a starry sky as his cultivation technique circulated. It allowed him to perceive the changes in the Hong Meng Heart Sutra more profoundly.

Jiang Hao devoted all his attention to it.

Meanwhile, Hong Yuye, who was still sipping tea, looked at Jiang Hao and waited calmly.

After some time, a faint light appeared on the stone tablet and shone upon Jiang Hao.

Immediately, an outline started to emerge from the stone tablet.

It was a silhouette of a sitting figure. Then, the apparition began to change.

Hong Yuye didn't pay much attention to this and continued sipping her tea.

At the 49th stone tablet, Yun Qi and Lan Qian were still trying to understand the words.

Lan Qian gave up after a short while because she couldn't comprehend anything.

It seemed to be an issue of her cultivation realm that made it difficult for her to gain any insights.

On the other hand, Yun Qi was absorbed in his comprehension.

After some time, he opened his eyes.

"Did you gain some insights?" Lan Qian asked.

"It's a secret technique. I felt— " Yun Qi frowned— "I feel like I was forced out "

"Forced out?" Lan Qian was puzzled.

At that moment, the writing on the stone tablet suddenly disappeared. This sudden change puzzled Lan Qian.

It was the first time she had seen the words disappear quite so suddenly. Then, an outline appeared which depicted a figure meditating cross-legged.

“What is that?” Yun Qi asked.

“It might be related to that extraordinary genius,” Lan Qian said.

Previously, everything had disappeared. They had assumed there was no change because of the genius. But now, they began to see that everything had changed.

Yun Qi stared at the outline. It seemed like the figure within the outline moved. The fingers changed, and an inexplicable aura appeared around them.

Yun Qi got lost in it with just one glance. He felt that the person was deducing something.

His unmovable cultivation realm suddenly showed some fluctuations.

At that moment, a few words flashed in his mind. It was the origin of all opportunities on Heavenly Steele Mountain.

Lan Qian also sensed it.

It wasn't just them. All the other stone tablets also underwent changes. The writing disappeared, and outlines appeared.

Gu Wen and the others looked at the stone tablets and felt as if they were observing each other's cultivation. However, it also seemed to blend with their own cultivation techniques.

Regardless, they all understood one thing. This was an opportunity.

Once all the stone tablets changed, a vibrant aura started to emerge from them.

This vitality centered around Jiang Hao and began to spread. Flowers bloomed around him.

Hong Yuye gazed at the stone tablet as if trying to see through it.

It was only when the floral fragrance wafted over that she withdrew her gaze. She sipped her tea. The surroundings became lush with vegetation, and flowers blossomed.

This scene played out on the entire stone tablet.

Yun Qi sat cross-legged and looked at the figure outlined in front of him. He was captivated. It was too powerful.

He felt that some hidden mistakes and inexplicable problems were being resolved. This opportunity was simply unimaginable.

The genius was cultivating, and his power was expounding and fixing mistakes in all their cultivation!

It was no wonder Heavenly Stele Mountain had opened up the Thirty-Six Heavenly Stars and implored him to observe it.

Lan Qian's cultivation level showed signs of loosening, and she was about to break through to the early stage of the Soul Ascension Realm.

All of this was merely because she had watched it for a short while.

Gu Wen and the others watched for a while and felt uneasy. If they hadn't already advanced, this would have perfected their cultivation.

They wouldn't have had to start over.

Fortunately, their ascension wouldn't be too long, and there was still room for recovery..

Chapter 329: Blocked

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Mu Qi looked at the stone tablet and felt that his body had reached its peak condition. He was quite fortunate because it wasn't time for him to advance yet. This allowed him to refine his cultivation even better.

His previous visit to Heavenly Stele Mountain only granted him divine abilities. But now, he was receiving corrections for his cultivation. It was as if he was listening to a powerful expert's preaching. There were no dazzling lights or any sound, just an ordinary stone tablet. Yet, it brought them unparalleled opportunities.

For a moment, the entire Heavenly Stele Mountain fell silent. Everyone sat in front of the stone tablets and just watched the figures depicted on them. It felt as if they were enlightened about their own cultivation methods. At that moment, they all forgot about everything else.

Ten days later, Qing You arrived at Heavenly Stele Mountain once again.

"What's going on? How could Heavenly Stele Mountain suddenly disappear?" She arrived quickly because she met Senior Brother Gu Cheng on her way. Otherwise, with her cultivation at the middle stage of the Golden Core Realm, it would have taken her a long time to reach here.

"I don't know. I only heard that Heavenly Stele Mountain suddenly appeared in the Blood Tide Forest. But when I went up, I heard about the extraordinary genius," Gu Cheng said.

"An extraordinary genius? Is Heavenly Stele Mountain here for that genius?" Qing You found it hard to believe.

"Let's go up and ask. I just don't understand why it's so quiet here." Gu Cheng frowned.

“Right... Not only here but the Blood Tide Forest as well.” Qing You nodded.

The silence worried her. This was not normal.

The two of them cautiously headed up Heavenly Stele Mountain and soon arrived at the location of the first stone tablet.

As they came closer, they were astonished.

Under the first stone tablet, many people were sitting cross-legged as if they were in the midst of practicing their cultivation. There were numerous Foundation Establishment and Golden Core Realm cultivators. There were even some demonic beasts. All of them were in such a state.

What could make all these people behave like this?

They looked at the first stone tablet and were immediately drawn into it. Without realizing it, they sat down and started to comprehend it and became part of the crowd.

Jiang Hao was circulating the Hong Meng Heart Sutra. As his condition was unexpectedly good, he continued with it. Now, he had a much better understanding of the Hong Meng Heart Sutra.

He ceased cultivation when he felt that it was enough.

When he opened his eyes, he remembered that he was originally here for enlightenment but ended up cultivating.

“Finished?” Hong Yuye asked.

Jiang Hao turned to look at her. She was still here, but her tea seemed to have finished.

“Senior, I was unable to comprehend anything.”

At present, he had only slightly strengthened his cultivation. If he had to face MO Tian again, he would probably be able to go against him in direct combat in this state.

Hong Yuye gazed at the stone tablet. "Let's continue making tea."

Jiang Hao added water to the tea leaves. The tea was too expensive to waste. He decided to take the used tea leaves back home and see if the spirit beast would want to eat them.

"Senior, when are you going to comprehend the stone tablet?" Jiang Hao asked. Once Hong Yuye was done, he could wipe the stone tablets again for bubbles.

"Comprehend?" Hong Yuye smiled. "There is no time for that."

"No time?" Jiang Hao was puzzled.

He suddenly felt that Heavenly Stele Mountain was about to disappear. It was time to descend the mountain.

'It's over already?' Jiang Hao found it somewhat hard to believe.

"It's already October," Hong Yuye said.

'October? Half a month has passed?' Jiang Hao was surprised. He hadn't felt the time pass by so fast.

He thought it had only been one night.

Jiang Hao felt a bit regretful. Did that mean he couldn't wipe the stone tablets anymore?

He looked at the stone tablet in front of him. He hadn't wiped it for over ten days. There should be dust on it.

Hong Yuye drank her tea and got up.

"Let's go down the mountain."

Jiang Hao was reluctant. There was something he was quite curious about.

"Did Heavenly Stele Mountain appear here just for you, Senior?"

"Of course not. Heavenly Stele Mountain is not that simple. When you cultivated in front of this stone tablet, the tablet reflected your figure. In simple terms, Heavenly Stele Mountain has carved your name here," said Hong

Yuye.

"Carved my name?" Jiang Hao felt anxious.

"It won't affect you keeping a low profile if that's what you're worried about," said Hong Yuye with a smile.

Jiang Hao breathed a sigh of relief. As long as there was no danger, it was fine. However, he was still curious why Heavenly Stele Mountain hadn't carved her name here instead.

Just as he was about to ask, Jiang Hao noticed disdain on Hong Yuye's face.

She did not attempt to conceal it, so Jiang Hao easily noticed it.

He was puzzled. However, it was better not to ask about it.

Hong Yuye prepared to leave the mountain.

Even if Jiang Hao was reluctant, he had no choice but to follow.

He could only wait for another opportunity in the future. He didn't know if Heavenly Stele Mountain would summon him again.

They instantly appeared at the foot of the mountain. Hong Yuye disappeared after that. She didn't leave any words of advice.

Jiang Hao felt uneasy. Hong Yuye always at least threatened him before she left. This time, she said nothing.

After he came down, many people also left Heavenly Stele Mountain.

He sensed the people, so he didn't linger around.

With only a few months remaining, he decided to find a new cave to mine in.

Moreover, he might encounter Heavenly Stele Mountain again and perhaps could go up to clean the stone tablets again.

Jiang Hao raised his cultivation to display the peak of the Foundation Establishment Realm.

If he displayed his Primordial Spirit Realm and someone in Soul Ascension Realm found him, he wouldn't be able to defend himself.

Besides, he was not their enemy.

However, he hadn't traveled far when he met two people. One had surpassed the Primordial Spirit Realm, while the other seemed to be at the middle stage of the Primordial Spirit Realm. There was something strange about them.

Jiang Hao didn't pay too much attention and left quickly.

But even after he changed direction, the person appeared in front of him again.

Jiang Hao's heart sank. He was being targeted.

"Hello, Seniors," said Jiang Hao in greeting. He had no choice.

"Are you Jiang Hao from the Heavenly Note Sect?" Lan Qian asked.

They had come down quite early and just happened to see Jiang Hao on the way.

Yun Qi couldn't recognize him, but Lan Qian had seen him once before.

"Who are you, Seniors?" Jiang Hao braced himself.

He could sense that the woman in front of him had a slight fluctuation in her aura. It was highly likely due to her recent advancement. As for the man beside her, he looked like he was in the middle of the Primordial Spirit Realm, but his spiritual aura extended from him and intertwined with the surrounding spiritual energy. It seemed like he was far beyond the Primordial Spirit Realm.

They were hiding their cultivation realms. When facing such strong experts, he didn't know if he could flee..

Chapter 330: Mining Again

The appearance of these two people made Jiang Hao uneasy.

Their strength was beyond his imagination.

Fortunately, he still had the Thousand Miles Teleportation Talisman and the golden rings.

If they made a move, he would escape.

“We are disciples of the Divine Corpse Sect. I’m Yun Qi, and this is my senior, Lan Qian,” Yun Qi said with a smile. “You don’t have to worry. We just want to ask you some questions.”

“If you’re afraid, you can leave,” Lan Qian said.

“Seniors, it is an honor for me to be able to answer any questions you have,” Jiang Hao said politely.

‘Divine Corpse Sect...’

He recognized them. So, these people were disciples of the Divine Corpse Sect who were at the heavenly Note Sect. One of them seemed to be in the middle stage of the Primordial Spirit Realm but was comparable to Shang An in aura. was she Gui?

Jiang Hao felt anxious. He hadn’t expected to find Gui so quickly. If there was a call for gathering right now, he would be in trouble.

“I heard that the Human Yuan Formation underwent a major change before in the Blood Tide Forest,” Lan Qian said.

“Yes.” Jiang Hao nodded.

“Can you tell us about the general situation there?” Lan Qian asked.

Jiang Hao roughly explained the recent incidents in the Blood Tide Forest. He told them about the appearance of a terrifying aura, the mine collapsing, and finally the vortex.

“What was the source of this... disturbance?” Yun Qi asked.

“The Enlightenment Spring,” Jiang Hao said.

“How did you manage to leave from there?” Lan Qian asked.

“A senior warned me about it,” Jiang Hao said.

He mentioned Shang An and that he was helping that senior with mining in the cave.

“Shang An? Where is he now?” Lan Qian asked. “He left, so the mining work also stopped.”

“Did he make you mine for free?” Yun Qi asked. “Well...” Jiang Hao hesitated for a moment. “He did give me some spirit stones.”

“How much did he give you?” Yun Qi asked.

The two fell silent. It seemed that they were both trying to analyze Jiang Hao’s words.

However, they didn’t delve deeper into the matter. They were just curious, and they knew someone in the Foundation Establishment Realm was here from Heavenly Note Sect. So, they sought him out.

“A thousand five hundred is not a small amount. Where are you planning to go now?” Yun Qi asked.

“It’s not safe to carry spirit stones on me, so I wanted to get away from here as soon as possible,” Jiang Hao truthfully said.

Yun Qi laughed. 'Does he really think a thousand five hundred spirit stones were a lot?'

It wasn't a big amount, but people might assume he had more and might target him. It was understandable that he wanted to get away.

There was also a possibility that he was lying when he had much more than a thousand five hundred spirit stones. Yun Qi didn't mind.

"Mining is actually quite lucrative, isn't it?" Yun Qi glanced at Lan Qian. "Senior sister, let's stay here and mine as well."

"I am not staying here and digging in a cave." Lan Qian shook her head.

"Me neither, but there's someone here who can mine, right?" Yun Qi glanced at Jiang Hao. "Stay here and help us mine. I'll take forty percent of the earnings."

Senior Sister will take forty too. You can have twenty percent of the income. As for selling the ores, we'll handle it. I'll buy any excess at a low price. How about

"You don't need to worry about your safety," said Lan Qian.

It wasn't like Jiang Hao could refuse. "Of course. Thank you very much, Seniors." He hesitated. "Twenty percent is already a lot for me." Twenty percent was too much. It made him feel unsafe.

"Twenty percent isn't that much," Yun Qi said as they walked ahead. "You can try to save up and buy a Heaven Rejuvenation Pill. In a few years, you can advance to the Golden Core Realm."

Lan Qian didn't say anything. It seemed like she didn't care much about it.

Jiang Hao felt that they were extremely wealthy.

Shortly after, they arrived at the entrance of the mine.

“Is there anything special about this mine?” Lan Qian asked.

“There are some peculiarities.” Jiang Hao told her what he knew. He explained the use of the rooster.

“Space peculiarities?” Yun Qi was curious. “What does it look like after the change? Have you been inside?”

“Some people did go inside. They said they were chased by demonic beasts. Occasionally, they heard human voices, but they didn’t know what was being said,” Jiang Hao said.

“Forget it... let’s not make things complicated. Let’s just mine,” Yun Qi said.

Jiang Hao took a hoe and entered the mine once again.

It felt strange. He thought he was going to escape. Unexpectedly, he was back here again.

Although his share seemed to be less when compared to the other two, it was actually a lot more than before.

Previously, the earnings were divided among six people. So, he had gotten less than twenty percent of the income.

Now, with only three people, twenty percent was quite a lot.

It was already early October, and there were about three more months left.

Jiang Hao checked his interface.

[Name: Jiang Hao]

[Age: 26]

[Cultivation: Late Stage of Primordial Spirit Realm]

[Cultivation Method: Heavenly Sound Hundred Revolutions, Hong Meng Heart

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[Divine Ability: Nine Revolutions Death Substitution (unique), Daily Appraisal,

Clear and Pure Heart, Reappearance of Hidden Spirit, Divine Might, Revival of

Withered Tree]

[Lifeblood: 84/100 (can be cultivated)] [Cultivation: 86/100 (can be cultivated)] [Divine Abilities: 2/3 (cannot be obtained)]

‘Already over eighty?’

At this rate, he might reach a hundred points soon even if he couldn’t go to Heavenly Stele Mountain again.

‘If I can accumulate eight to ten points a month, it will be quite high after three months. However, I would still need to go back to advance to the next stage.’ Jiang Hao was delighted.

Even if he had to return to advance, he didn’t mind. It was a step closer to becoming stronger.

By surpassing the late stage of the Primordial Spirit Realm, he would be on par with Manlong.

He could face Manlong head-on with that kind of power.

After returning, he could also extend the seal on Bai Ye to make it last longer.

However, he needed to hide from Gui at any cost. Fortunately, he had wiped away all his traces.

The Universe in a Palm left no trace after being used. Otherwise, it would have been dangerous.

Jiang Hao began mining. This time, there were no spatial fluctuations. Although he didn't understand why, it was a good thing.

Jiang Hao didn't go out of the mine except to deliver the ores. He didn't even know what was happening outside.

"What has happened?" Jiang Hao was surprised.

It had been a month, and this had never happened before. It made him feel uneasy.

He turned to look at the rooster.

He was stunned. The rooster was fast asleep.

"Does it not sense any changes while sleeping?" Jiang Hao couldn't believe it. But soon, he saw that the rooster showed signs of spiritual energy fluctuation. This was a sign of a breakthrough. 'It's trying to advance?'

Jiang Hao was taken aback. Without saying a word, he picked up the rooster and the ores and prepared to leave the cave.

As soon as he had walked a little distance away, he noticed that the mine had changed.

The path he had come from had disappeared..