

Bottleneck 111

Chapter 111: Nail-Head Seven Arrows Technique

If the opponent is one rank higher than oneself, such as Qi Cultivation compared to Foundation Establishment, the loss of lifespan for the opponent would reduce by at least half. The specific loss of lifespan would depend on the cultivation level of the opponent, with the maximum reduction being half of ones offered lifespan.

As for a bigger gap, such as Qi Cultivation cursing a Golden Core, the loss of lifespan ratio might be even further reduced. Nonetheless, this is still a chilling Forbidden Technique.

After all, one level of Qi Cultivation could exchange for the lifespan of nine levels of Qi Cultivation, which was an incredibly profitable effect!

Liang Sheng was overjoyed at this and was glad that he had decisively killed the opponent. Otherwise, if he had lost some lifespan, it would have been a huge loss for him.

On the other hand, this was simply the most suitable curse technique for him. After all, lifespan was just a number for Liang Sheng. As long as he had time, this number would keep growing.

Moreover, under the Talent of Innocent Foolishness, there were no bottlenecks for any techniques. If he could break through the limit of the Nail-Head Seven Arrows Technique, would the effect become stronger?

After a long time, Liang Sheng's excitement finally calmed down. Fortunately, the opponent was just an incidental cultivator from the secular world with no background. His plan to hide in the secular world did not need to change.

Today's unexpected harvest brought great joy; however, he also learned a lesson: never write a diary in life.

A few days later, Liang Sheng left the capital and returned to Zhou Village on the outskirts of the capital, resuming his previously peaceful life.

At this time, Prince Wei and the King of Anyang had already returned to their territories. Before leaving, Prince Wei shared a piece of good news to Liang Sheng: they had found the Elixir Refinement Spiritual Grass he needed in the East Sun Country.

It was truly a double delight.

After that, Liang Sheng's life returned to its regular routine: cultivation, talisman drawing, pill refining, and practicing curse-imprinting technique. He even spent nine years of his lifespan to practice the Nail-Head Seven Arrows Technique, which was extremely extravagant.

There was no other cultivator like Liang Sheng that could afford to use their lifespan to practice this technique. This method of cultivation was simply enviable.

However, in these several years, his lifespan allowed him to fully master the Nail-Head Seven Arrows Technique, which he could now instantly release.

Under such circumstances, the 31st year of Emperor Wu's reign had unknowingly arrived, and Zhou Nan had once again returned to the mortal world.

Liang Sheng's cultivation level steadily improved and became what it is now:

Name: Liang Sheng

Age: 242

Talent: Innocent Foolishness (Top-Grade)

Techniques: Upper Pure Immortal Scripture (Third Level), Twenty Life-Nurturing Techniques (Sixteenth Level), Nail-Head Seven Arrows Technique (Curse)

Realm: Qi Cultivation Third Level (86%)

Lifespan: 9201

The Nail-Head Seven Arrows Technique had no levels, and it was directly marked as a curse technique. It made him wonder if there would be any change in the annotations when he continued practicing and breaking through the limits?

However, that was something to consider later. This peaceful time continued until the 40th year of Emperor Wus reign when Liang Sheng personally guarded outside the Xigu Pass, preparing to welcome Zhou Nans return.

At this time, Liang Shengs Attribute Panel had a new change, and his cultivation level had progressed further:

Name: Liang Sheng

Age: 251

Talent: Innocent Foolishness (Top-Grade)

Techniques: Upper Pure Immortal Scripture (Fourth Level), Twenty Life-Nurturing Techniques (Sixteenth Level), Nail-Head Seven Arrows Technique (Curse)

Realm: Qi Cultivation Fourth Level (20%)

Lifespan: 9182

During these nine years, Liang Sheng spent another nine years of his lifespan practicing the Nail-Head Seven Arrows Technique. Since he couldnt see any change, he slowed down the practice frequency of the Nail-Head Seven Arrows Technique.

The reason Liang Sheng personally arrived at Xigu Pass was that Zhou Chi had already passed away a few months ago. Liang Sheng was somewhat helpless about this, but for safety reasons, he could only use these old people.

After all, allowing young members of the Zhou family to enter the cultivation market meant dealing with the unknown changes that might come with it. What if their cultivation progressed? How would they handle it?

Therefore, Liang Sheng didn't allow matters to get out of his control. Even if it was troublesome, he wouldn't lose sight of the big picture while focusing on minor things. In any case, it was just about frequently changing personnel.

Subsequently, the white-haired Zhou Nan appeared in the mortal world without anyone following him. As before, Liang Sheng waited for some time before joining up with Zhou Nan.

When Zhou Nan heard that Zhou Chi had died, he was gratified because, after today, he would also enjoy his final days in the mortal world.

Also, this time Zhou Nan brought more things than ever before. In addition to more Qi Refining Pills, there were also many more refining materials and spiritual grass for the Qi Refining Pills.

However, Zhou Nan also brought some bad news: the three Sects and six Orders hundred-year rotation had arrived. This time, Foundation Establishment cultivators from the Upper Green Sect were taking over their duties.

So the manager of Hua Tian Sect communicated in a subtle manner to be careful not to frequent the market and return to the secular world too often in the next hundred years, lest they encounter unnecessary trouble.

Zhou Nan didn't understand the reason, but Liang Sheng immediately realized what was going on: they were worried that Foundation Establishment experts from the Upper Green Sect would trouble the Zhou family.

After all, the market was far from the emperors reach, and the Foundation Establishment cultivators stationed by the three Sects and six Orders were the masters of the market. The manager of Hua Tian Sect was already being merciful by warning him.

In the winter of the 41st year of Emperor Wus reign, Zhou Nan parted with the world. By this time, there were hardly any traces of wild spiritual grass left in the East Sun Country.

Luckily, over the years, Liang Sheng had planted some spiritual grass in the Great Zhou region, which yielded some harvest for him to put a temporary halt to his plans for secular conquests of other countries.

It wasnt that Liang Sheng didnt want to continue conquering other countries and acquire resources, but the 50th year of Emperor Wus reign was approaching. According to the ancestral teachings of Emperor Xuan of Great Zhou, Emperor Wu would have to abdicate by then.

Launching a campaign at this time might lead to some trouble. He could only wait for the new emperor to ascend to the throne before re-evaluating his plans. After all, as time went on and the situation changed, so too would his plans..

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Moreover, now he could barely support himself in the secular world, and due to the presence of the Upper Green Sect in the market, the exchanges with the Immortal Cultivation Market had been temporarily suspended.

Anyway, it was just a hundred years, and he could wait.

Emperor Wus 50th year, Emperor Wu abdicated, and Xuanzong ascended the throne.

In the Imperial Palace Temple, Xuanzong, under Emperor Wus introduction, met Liang Sheng, the Ancestor of the Zhou Family, for the first time.

It was only then that Xuanzong realized why Great Zhou could dominate the four seas and remain undefeated. After all, with such an ancestor, Great Zhou was as stable as Mount Tai.

However, Xuanzong didn't become arrogant and forget his roots due to this. Liang Sheng couldn't help but sigh again, wondering why the descendants of the Zhou Family had such excellent bloodlines.

Like Emperor Wu before him, Xuanzong also received a gift: a bottle of Barrier Breaking Pills and an additional semi-magical longsword.

The Barrier Breaking Pills were actually a low-grade version of Qi Refining Pills, which Liang Sheng could easily make several of at this moment.

As for the Semi-Magical Longsword, it was different from the small sword previously crafted by the Grand Ancestor of Dayan; it did not consume the user's life but could be activated with internal energy.

Of course, its power was only slightly stronger than innate, without being too terrifying. It was equivalent to the first time Liang Sheng broke through the innate limit and could kill an innate being.

In the twentieth year of Xuanzong's reign, Emperor Wu passed away. The princes and grandsons of the descendants of the King of Anyang and Prince Wei went to the capital to send Emperor Wu to heaven.

Afterward, the princes and grandsons of the kings of Anyang and Wei's descendants all returned to the capital. Xuanzong's legitimate brothers, the Kings of Chu and Wu, were granted fiefs in the territories of the former Western Spring Country and East Sun Country.

This move attracted the attention of most of the world to the capital. They thought that Xuanzong's big move might cause turmoil in the imperial family, but never expected that it would eventually be handed over peacefully, which made the surrounding small countries even more fearful.

With the unity of the Great Zhou royal family, how could there be a chance for the small countries to rise? From then on, the small countries paid tribute to the Great Zhou more frequently.

What they didn't understand was that with Liang Sheng present and the Great Zhou imperial family's bloodline of attracting fortune and avoiding evil, how could the Great Zhou imperial family cause chaos?

In Xuanzong's 23rd year, Xuanzong suddenly issued a decree to appoint Innate Grandmaster Zhou Bin as Grand General and to conquer the rebellious country of the Later Tang.

This decree had no prior signs. Later, secular rumors said that Xuanzong only wanted to avoid any taboo due to the hierarchy of respect and disrespect and waited three years after the funeral of Emperor Wu to fulfill his ambition.

After all, expanding territory is the greatest temptation for a king.

In fact, Xuanzong didn't start conquering other countries until so late, first because of the hierarchy of respect and disrespect, and second because of Liang Sheng's advice.

Liang Sheng didn't want to make too much of a stir during the time when the Upper Green Sect was stationed in the market, so as not to cause unnecessary trouble.

But the Great Zhou couldn't be without progress. After all, they needed to show the Hua Tian Sect the usefulness of the Great Zhou royal family within a hundred years.

That's why Liang Sheng had this plan now, and the countries Xuanzong was conquering were carefully selected by Liang Sheng personally because there were more Qi Refining Spiritual Grasses.

Liang Sheng hadn't been idle for the past few decades, sending many people to explore the surrounding countries and had already chosen the order of countries to attack.

By the thirtieth year of Xuanzong's reign, the Later Tang was destroyed, and the exposed fangs of the Great Zhou made the surrounding small countries even more terrified.

During this time, there were people who wanted to assassinate, but the innate powers of the Great Zhou royal family made it impossible for them to start.

In the fiftieth year of Xuanzongs rule, Xuanzong abdicated, and Emperor Gaozong ascended the throne.

During Emperor Gaozongs reign, the development trajectory was almost identical to Xuanzongs, with the same respect and avoidance of seniority, waiting for three years after Emperor Xuanzongs death to mourn.

It was only then that Gaozong began to expand and annex territory, reclaiming the land and bringing the bloodlines of King Chu and King Wu back to the capital, with Gaozongs legitimate brothers being granted fiefs in the two countries.

Like Xuanzong, Gaozong also appointed an innate grandmaster as the Grand General to conquer other countries, and the war was still extremely smooth, with Great Zhous territory expanding once again.

Afterward, Great Zhou developed steadily, assimilating the subjects and common people of these conquered countries, and it wasnt until the fortieth year of Gaozongs reign that Liang Sheng finally made a new move.

The hundred years of the Upper Green Sects occupation of the market was finally over!

Chapter 113: Qi-Training Seventh Realm

Great Zhou, Capital Suburb Zhou Village.

After nearly a hundred years, Liang Shengs cultivation level has finally made significant progress. Not to mention anything else, Liang Shengs success rate in refining Qi Pills has already reached 100%.

After all, who in the cultivation world could be like him, not caring about time, only refining one kind of pill, and persevering for over a hundred years?

Furthermore, under the Talent of Innocent Foolishness, his alchemy techniques had no bottleneck. The 100% success rate in refining pills was just a matter of time.

As for the Twenty Health Maintenance Techniques that Liang Sheng cultivated, they all broke through to the seventeenth level within these one hundred years, and his lifespan soared by another 3,600 years.

While he practiced the Upper Pure Immortal Scripture with the help of numerous discounted Qi Refining Pills, the huge quantity made up the difference in their effects, and he successfully broke through to the seventh level. At this moment, his data panel had completely changed.

Name: Liang Sheng

Age: 351

Talent: Innocent Foolishness (Top-Grade)

Techniques: Upper Pure Immortal Scripture (Seventh Level), Twenty Health Maintenance Techniques (Seventeenth Level), Nail-Head Seven Arrows Technique (Curse)

Realm: Qi Cultivation Seventh Level (10%)

Lifespan: 12,682 years

With only the Qi Cultivation Seventh Level, Liang Sheng's lifespan had already exceeded 10,000 years. Who knows what realm one must reach in the cultivation world to achieve this kind of extent?

However, Liang Sheng took a hundred years to reach the Qi Cultivation Seventh Level. Although his cultivation speed was extremely slow, every step he took could be described as steady and stable.

Moreover, Qi Cultivation Seventh Level cultivators should not be underestimated. Based on Zhou Yun's previous description, as long as a Qi Cultivation Seventh Level cultivator is willing, they can establish a small cultivation family in the Immortal Cultivation Market, and they are considered a master in the market.

Therefore, many cultivators who have no hope of breaking through to higher levels would consider establishing a small cultivation family if they want to place their hopes on the next generation.

Thus, even a Qi Cultivation Seventh Level cultivator can protect a small family, so they are considered quite accomplished in the market.

However, at the moment, Liang Sheng didn't care about all this miscellaneous information. He was just happy that he had finally achieved something after nearly two hundred years of cultivation.

Even if he went to the Immortal Cultivation Market now, he would have a little self-protection strength and not be completely defenseless.

Of course, Liang Sheng couldn't possibly rush to the market at this time, as cultivators would mysteriously disappear every year. How could he take the risk now?

Moreover, he had another happy event to look forward to, having waited for a hundred years the Foundation Establishment expert stationed by the Upper Green Sect had finally left the market.

Now, the people of Zhou Village had changed several times over, but the only constant was their worship of the Ancestor Liang Sheng.

This time, two white-haired old men entered the backyard of Zhou Village. Now, no one in Zhou Village knew what this symbolized.

One hour later.

Zhou Hua and Zhou Qing were still in a daze, while Liang Sheng stared at them calmly without speaking.

Then, the two of them came to their senses with flushed faces. Liang Sheng's two hundred years of brainwashing education in Zhou Village had already deeply ingrained their devotion to him.

At this moment, they knelt directly in front of Liang Sheng, their faces flushed and excited. Zhou Hua clenched the Black Iron Command in his hand; this was not only the Black Iron Command but also the future of the Zhou Family.

One month later.

Xigu Pass.

Zhou Hua walked resolutely into the foggy cave at Xigu Pass without looking back. Zhou Qing stayed in the small town of Xigu Pass, and would continue to stay there, just like their predecessors, until the end of their lives.

Immortal Cultivation Market.

At this moment, the market manager of Hua Tian Sect had already changed. When the new manager saw Zhou Hua coming with the Black Iron Command, he was extremely enthusiastic after the initial astonishment.

There was no other way; in the past hundred years, the Refining Device Peak Elders success rate in refining weapons had increased, and the performance of the Great Zhou Dynasty in contributing to the sects fortune was highly praised. He had mentioned the mundane worlds Great Zhou Dynasty several times at the sect grand assembly.

In such a situation, who can say otherwise? After all, Great Zhou's contributions are evident, and the previous market manager even mentioned Zhou Nans words as soon as he returned to the sect, and the Elder immediately approved it.

If Great Zhou can make even more progress and provide more fortune, it is not impossible for them to get the Inner Sect disciple quota. After all, the Refining Device Peaks refining achievements in the past hundred years have almost increased by 50% compared to before.

Chen Fengchen, who brought Great Zhou into the Hua Tian Sect, has risen in status and successfully established his foundation ten years ago, becoming a Foundation Establishment expert.

As a result, the Great Zhou Dynasty, a secular dynasty, has also emerged among the secular dynasties controlled by the Hua Tian Sect, becoming a secular royal family that is known to almost everyone in the sect.

Zhou Hua was ready to explain, but when the manager saw the Black Iron Command in his hand, he directly invited him to sit down and have tea.

Your Zhou Family truly has great ambition. In the past hundred years, no one has come here. The sect was a bit strange before, but within a hundred years, you have improved the fortune you contribute to the dynasty twice. It seems that you were not lying before, and that you have always been striving for development, which is indeed admirable.

However, I also have some good news to tell you. The Refining Device Peak Elder has made a promise that if the fortune that Great Zhou contributes can double, then your Inner Sect disciples quota will be directly given by the Refining Device Peak.

Brother Zhou, this is the quota for the Inner Sect disciple, truly a cause for celebration.

The manager said this with some envy, even though he was just an ordinary disciple of the sect, only slightly better than the Outer Sect disciple, only with the Inner Sect disciple it would be more hopeful to establish the foundation..<

Chapter 114: Seventh Level of Qi Cultivation

His predecessor, the previous market manager, had tried to make a breakthrough for foundation building twenty years ago but failed and died. Naturally, he was deeply aware of this.

Cultivation is exceedingly difficult, without enough luck and blessing, everything is challenging.

All Zhou Hua could do was continuously nod, but his admiration for the insightful plans of the Ancestor grew even more. Indeed, the Ancestor was a tactical genius.

From that point on, Zhou Hua began to exchange resources and materials as instructed by Liang Sheng, carefully. The talismans he brought this time were not many since this was his first visit, but everything was watched closely by the new manager of the Hua Tian Sect.

The current Zhou Family was completely different from a hundred years ago. If back then the Zhou Family was a small and ordinary family, Hua Tian Sect didnt pay much attention.

But now, they have made a name for themselves within the sect and have caught the attention of the sect. After all, it was only a matter of time before the Zhou Family had an Inner Sect Disciple.

Under these circumstances, the new manager paid more cautious attention to Zhou Hua than before.

However, at this time, the manager was just paying a bit more attention, not harbouring any hidden intent, so Zhou Hua didnt sense any danger.

A year later.

Zhou Hua took some time out to meet Zhou Qing in the mortal world, while Liang Sheng, as usual, was hiding in the dark.

Still, no one was following them.

Liang Sheng wasnt surprised as this had happened too many times before, but he still took precautionary measures just in case.

There were too many cases in the world where things went wrong at the last moment. At this time, with so much lifespan, if something went wrong due to his carelessness, he would truly regret it.

The small town at the foot of the Xigu Pass Mountain.

Upon hearing Zhou Huas words, Liang Sheng couldnt help but be surprised. He hadnt expected that the excuse he made to facilitate Zhou Nans actions years ago would now become a reality.

But this was good. When he later no longer needed to use the Zhou Family to travel to the cultivation world, having a disciple of the Zhou Family become an Inner Sect Disciple of Hua Tian Sect could be considered as him repaying the cause and effect.

But it seems that now he would need to slow down the expansion speed of Great Zhou a bit. If it grew too quickly, it would indeed make Hua Tian Sect suspicious.

After all, Hua Tian Sect was truly willing to give an Inner Sect Disciple quota to the Zhou Family, which was a testament to how much the Sect liked the Zhou Family for their contribution to the dynastys luck.

Liang Sheng indeed understood the principle of going too far is as bad as not going far enough. But with him planning in the background, the secular world could not go into chaos. Everything would proceed slowly as per his plan.bender

Then Zhou Hua returned to the market again. As the first attempt didnt have any accidents, Liang Sheng gave him many more talismans to exchange for resources.

After that, Liang Shengs life in the secular world returned to its usual rhythm over the next year. But after about half a year, Liang Sheng received another unexpected surprise.

A magical weapon!

At this moment, Liang Sheng saw a long sword with an array pattern appearing in his hand. He almost burst into laughter. The appearance of an array pattern meant that this was a magical weapon.

This was the first time Liang Sheng had refined a real magical weapon, not a half artifact like Grand Ancestor of Dayan.

At this time, Liang Sheng carefully used spiritual power to activate the long sword. Although he only output a bit of spiritual power, a glaring sword light appeared in an instant.

He saw the river in front of him was suddenly cut in half. After a few seconds of the disappearance of spiritual power, the river water fell with a loud noise, splashing countless waves of water, wetting Liang Sheng's clothes.

Liang Sheng could have used spiritual energy to block the water, but this time he wanted to personally experience the splash caused by his magical weapon.

For Liang Sheng, the success rate of weapon refining was lower than that of pill refining. This was because the materials needed for weapon refining were more complicated.

Even disciples of the Refining Equipment Peak of the Hua Tian Sect might not succeed in refining weapons every time. So at this point, Liang Sheng could not help but be delighted when he refined his own magical weapon.

He fancied his artifact sword and couldn't let go of it. Even Liang Sheng himself was uncertain when he would be successful in refining a magical weapon next time.

But just like refining pills, once the first one is done, there will always be a second one. Given time, he would always grow to have a 100% success rate in refining.

Under the Talent of Innocent Foolishness, his cultivation of all techniques in the world is slow but unwavering and unstoppable.

After that, during Liang Sheng's excitement, the fiftieth year of Emperor Gaozong's reign came once again. It was time for Zhou Hua to return to the mortal world before dying.

In the fog outside the Xigu Pass cave, Liang Sheng's heart suddenly tightened and his gaze flickered, filled with doubt.

Because Zhou Hua didn't come out alone this time, there was another person by his side. That person was none other than the new manager of Hua Tian Sect.

It turned out that Zhou Hua brought a lot of talismans this time. The manager didn't care at first, but as time went on, he felt that something was wrong.

It can only be said that the much-discussed Zhou Family was really different from the past. Every move they made was watched by the manager, leading to the current situation.

However, the new manager of Huatian Sect in the market area didn't act rashly initially. He waited until today when Zhou Hua had gone in for a while before he suddenly followed.

Zhou Hua, who was halfway through the dense fog in the cave, instantly felt it with the bloodline ability of the Zhou Family to seek fortune and avoid evil. He turned around and planned to return to the market immediately.

But seeing this, how could the manager of Hua Tian Sect not realize that his tracking had failed? Even though he didn't know why his presence was exposed, he knew he had to do something.

He immediately showed up and caught Zhou Hua, then, with him in tow, exited the cave as directed by the Black Iron Command.

As he emerged from the cave and looked at the heavily polluted world of the secular, he couldn't help but frown. But thinking of his suspicions, he resisted and remained composed..

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"Zhou Hua, how did you discover me just now? And why do you have so many talismans? Where did you get them from?"

You better tell me everything, the sect can't control me now, otherwise I would strike, and despite you Zhou family being the secular royal family, their fate wouldn't end well."

At this moment, Zhou Hua was feeling extremely ashamed. He had been careless, thinking that the actions of his seniors were flawless and he would be safe.

But now, he has only caused trouble, bringing such problems to his family. He only hoped that the other party wouldn't really cause trouble for the mortal world. But, if something happened, he didn't know if the ancestor was an adversary to the manager.

Zhou Hua didn't utter a word at this moment. The manager sneered and looked around before looking towards the direction of the capital.

"There is the most aura of the king there, I'll give you one more chance, otherwise..."

Upon hearing this, Zhou Hua became even more pained, but he still remained silent. Seeing this, the manager couldn't help but laugh coldly.

Rejecting a wine toast means you have to drink a punishment wine!

He was just about to grab Zhou Hua towards the direction of the capital, but he saw Zhou Hua suddenly turned pale, blood was streaming out of his seven orifices, and then he died.

Damn it!

He immediately opened Zhou Hua's mouth and looked inside, only to find some powder in his broken back tooth.

Poison!

Instantly fatal!

Upon seeing this, he felt a pang of regret because he didn't fully restrain Zhou Hua earlier in order to question him.

It was just that the more Zhou Hua was like this, the more suspicious he became about the secrets here. Thinking of this, he couldn't help but pant a little.

How could the ordinary mortal world have so many talismans? There must be a big secret!

But just as he was thinking this, suddenly he felt his body turn cold. Before he could react, his consciousness blacked out, and he fell on the ground, lifeless.

Not far away, Liang Sheng coughed at this moment. His face turned pale, then returned back to its normal color. He finally put away the Nail-Head Seven Arrows Technique in his hands.

Luckily, after all these years, he still maintained caution. If he had not fortuitously obtained the Nail-Head Seven Arrows Technique, he would have been in real trouble.

Because, a Qi Refining cultivator can have a maximum of two hundred lifespans. Hence, Liang Sheng just now directly used up his whole two hundred lifespans and cursed the manager to death.

This matter served as a lesson for Liang Sheng. The Cultivation World is a place of continuous struggle, so he must not take things lightly, and remain cautious at all times, going with the flow of changing circumstances.

If he had been careful when Zhou Hua mentioned the personnel change at the Market Hua tian Sect, and given fewer talismans in exchange for resources, would he have avoided the current trouble?

However, thankful that this time he didn't confront the manager of Hua Tian Sect head-on, otherwise, he might have met an untimely end.

At this point, looking at Zhou Hua's corpse, Liang Sheng fell silent. Although Zhou Hua was nearing the end of his lifespan, he died because of him. He composed himself, then quickly searched the corpse, only to find a bag on the manager's body.

Then, he took Zhou Hua's backpack, put his and the manager's bodies together, destroyed their bodies with several fireballs in an instant.

Liang Sheng then hurriedly met up with Zhou Qing and left Xigu Pass overnight. With the Attribute Panel Concealment activated, no one could trace anything on him.

After leaving this time, Liang Sheng is rethinking his future plan of entering the market. Originally, Liang Sheng didn't want to expand Great Zhou's plan on a large scale, it seems that some changes have to be made sooner.

The Manager of Hua Tian Sect has died. He doesn't know if this will implicate the mortal world, but it should not. After all, who could think that a manager at the Qi Refining Ninth Layer would die in the mortal world?

Even if all the innate masters in the mortal world were gathered together, they could not be considered as the adversary of the manager. The idea of someone from the mortal world being able to kill a nine-tiered expert in Qi Cultivation is simply ludicrous.

Liang Sheng had a restless night, and even if given the chance to do it again, Liang Sheng would still resort to killing.

Since the trouble couldn't be resolved, why not get rid of the person creating trouble. Otherwise, with so many secrets on his own, he would be facing endless trouble.

Feeling restless and unable to sleep, he began to sort Zhou Hua's belongings, and the manager's small bag that was left.

The things in Zhou Hua's backpack were still the cultivation resources he needed. After sorting out the backpack, Liang Sheng felt a bit melancholy.

He died because of me after all!

After he composed himself and picked up the manager's small bag for inspection, he found that the opening of the bag couldn't be opened. When Liang Sheng had a sudden idea, he focused his spiritual power on his hand... Surprise!

Chapter 116: Storage Bag

Storage Bag!

Unexpected joy!

At this moment, Liang Sheng was so surprised by this tremendous joy that he was momentarily stunned. He hadn't even thought about having something like this at his current stage. Was it a blessing in disguise?

However, Liang Sheng soon composed himself and started to organize the items inside the bag, only to find more surprises within the surprise.

The storage bag from the manager of Hua Tian Sect's Market was not very large, with only about a cubic storage space. But it was almost filled to the brim with various items.

Liang Sheng took out more than a dozen shiny crystal-like stones and placed them in his palm. They were even more brilliant than diamonds.

Without any surprise, these should be the spirit stones he had never personally seen in the Cultivation World. By comparing their characteristics with what Zhou Yun and others had described, he guessed that these should be the legendary mid-grade spirit stones.

Besides these mid-grade spirit stones, there were also nearly a hundred low-grade spirit stones inside. It was an unexpected fortune.

In the Cultivation World, spirit stones contain spiritual energy and can assist in cultivation as well as serve as currency to exchange resources. Higher-grade spirit stones have purer spiritual power.

Liang Sheng suppressed the excitement in his heart, resisting the urge to try cultivating with the spirit stones right away. He continued searching through the storage bag and found a jade slip. Putting it on his forehead and activating his divine sense, he was overjoyed.

“True Explanation of Talisman Dao”!

It recorded various techniques on talismans, including low-level talismans such as body purification and heart clearing talismans. This made Liang Sheng a bit eager.

Originally, he was troubled by the lack of talisman techniques from Grand Ancestor of Dayan’s Upper Pure Immortal Scripture. His current Qi Cultivation Seventh Level should allow him to refine slightly better low-level talismans. It was like getting a pillow right when he needed a nap.

With an excited heart, Liang Sheng continued searching. He found some elixirs, such as Qi Refining Pills, as well as other elixirs. The jade bottles even had names on them, such as Detoxification Pills and Clarity Pills, all common elixirs for Qi Refining stage cultivators.

As for the techniques of the Hua Tian Sect, there were none, which left Liang Sheng slightly disappointed. However, he didn’t feel too disappointed. On the contrary, he consoled himself that he didn’t have the energy to practice two techniques simultaneously. After all, his supply of Qi Refining Pills was not enough to support the simultaneous cultivation of two techniques.

As for magical weapons, the manager indeed had some. But when Liang Sheng took them out, he was somewhat disappointed because it was just an artifact sword with a single array, not much different from what he had crafted himself.

It seemed that the manager’s status in the Hua Tian Sect was ordinary. But that was natural, as managers were typically ordinary disciples of the Hua Tian Sect.

Reaching the Qi Cultivation Ninth Layer was almost their limit. Holding the position of a market manager was an opportunity for them to cling to a lifeline. Otherwise, why would they bother with all the miscellaneous tasks in the market?

However, the next item made Liang Sheng’s heart skip a beat. He even rubbed his eyes to make sure he wasn’t seeing things.

Pill formula!

So far, Liang Sheng had only refined Qi Refining Pills, but the manager had several pill formulas and the corresponding refining spiritual grasses.

Detoxification Pills, Clarity Pills...

He glanced at the spiritual grasses inside and felt increasingly eager. There were even one or two complete sets of elixir refinement spiritual grasses, sealed and preserved.

Liang Sheng looked at these spiritual grasses, hoping that such grasses exist in the mortal world. If so... his eyes grew even brighter with anticipation.

This moment of harvest joy diluted his previous frustration caused by his miscalculations. However, he still needed to keep a low profile for the time being.

Once he calmed down, he began to analyze the gains and losses of his actions in killing the manager of Hua Tian Sect's market and checked for any flaws, trying to minimize the losses.

It seemed that he had to make a trip to the Capital. After all, accidents happen, and they catch people off guard. But having an accident at this time could be a good thing as well.

Without sufficient strength, any so-called perfect plan would be nothing but a paper tiger. This experience also served as a wake-up call for Liang Sheng.

Strength, only strength was the most reliable way to protect the Dao. Everything else was auxiliary and could not be overly relied upon.

After reflecting on this, Liang Sheng no longer hesitated. He considered several possible reactions from Hua Tian Sect in the Cultivation World and tried to ensure that all aspects were covered.

He had already reached the Qi Cultivation Seventh Layer and didn't need to walk on a tightrope anymore. All he needed to do was to quietly cultivate and wait. This unexpected turn of events allowed him to break free from the cause-and-effect relationship with the Zhou Family ahead of time.

The Market.

On the first day of the disappearance of the manager of Hua Tian Sect, no one in the Hua Tian Sect's shop paid much attention. After all, who would dare to guess the whereabouts of the manager?

However, seven days later, the disciple clerks in the shop began to feel uneasy, as this kind of situation had never happened before.

Finally, the highest-ranking outer sect disciple under the manager searched the entire market and even ventured into part of the forest, but still found nothing. He then reported it to the sect.

If the manager had to leave for such a long time, he would have made arrangements beforehand, not just disappearing unannounced like now.

So, something had happened!

On the same day, the Hua Tian Sect received the news and immediately sent a Foundation Establishment Disciple to investigate the market. It wasn't because of the manager's importance, as he was just an ordinary disciple after all, but rather to uphold the sect's dignity.

The Foundation Establishment Disciple hurried on his way and arrived at the market on the third day. In fact, he was a familiar face, Chen Fengchen, who had entered the mortal world to liaison with the Royal Family.

After entering the market, he carefully searched the area and found not only the manager missing but also the Zhou Family disciples gone. This result made him look in the direction of the Upper Green Sect's market outpost for the first time..

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Could it be the work of the Upper Green Sect?

No wonder Chen Fengchen thought so. In the past two hundred years, due to the reason that Great Zhou Dynastys luck is dedicated to Hua Tian Sect, the success rate of Refining Device Peaks products has increased by 50% compared to the past.

This means that the cultivation resources exchanged by Hua Tian Sect have also increased significantly, and the hundred years when the explosion of Hua Tian Sect s Refining Device Peak coincided with the Upper Green Sect being stationed in the market, so naturally, they couldnt hide from him.

Now that the market has gone through the rotation of the Three Sects and Six Orders personnel, the fact that Manager of Hua Tian Sect and Zhou Hua have both disappeared is just too obvious.

However, Chen Fengchen didnt act impulsively. He first asked if there was any personal item of the manager present, but everyone shook their heads upon hearing his question.

Seeing this, Chen Fengchen was not disappointed. If it were him, he would not leave his personal items at the station either, he would carry them at all times.

There are countless methods in cultivation, and even a Great Might may not know how many mysterious ways there are. So personal items may put oneself in danger, such as the unpredictable curse technique

Chen Fengchens arrival naturally attracted the attention of the Foundation Establishment Disciples of the Three Sects and Six Orders currently stationed in the market. But after he showed up and exchanged a few words, they didnt interfere any further after understanding what Chen Fengchen was here for.

This matter must not be simple, and Chen Fengchen was both openly and secretly inquiring about the situation at the Upper Green Sect station, how could they possibly speak carelessly?

After all, protecting oneself wisely is one of the survival rules in the Cultivation World.

Thereafter, Chen Fengchen began to search within a hundred miles of the market, but still found no clues, malting him increasingly convinced that it was the work of the Upper Green Sect. It s very likely that the culprit is a master at the Foundation Establishment stage or above, otherwise, this would not have happened so cleanly.

If it was a battle during the Qi Refining stage, even if the opponent had magical weapons, there would definitely be traces of a fight. But up until now, he hasn't found any abnormalities in the surrounding area of the market.

This made him have some guesses, but at the same time, it made him feel at a loss as to how to proceed. After all, there was no evidence at the moment, and with the grudge between the two Sects involved, he had to be extremely cautious.

He did not hesitate at all to immediately use a communication jade slip to send his investigation results and speculations back to the Sect.

Hua Tian Sect's reply also confirmed his thoughts, telling him that he could come back first and wait for the Elder of Refining Device Peak to personally inquire about the process before making a decision.

At this moment, the one in Hua Tian Sect who cared most about the Great Zhou was none other than the Refining Device Peak Elder. Chen Fengchen saw the message and immediately returned to the sect.

As for Zhou Hua's disappearance, Hua Tian Sect was not really concerned. After all, cultivators are high above, their vision is too high to look down upon.

It's like when an ant in your house is carrying your leftovers and accidentally gets crushed to death, would you go and apologize to the queen ant?

The most urgent matter right now is to guard against the Upper Green Sect and figure out what their intentions are. Do they really want to provoke our Sect?

Once this matter is settled, it is not too late to go to the secular world. Moreover, when the Great Zhou Royal Family hears how much the Sect cares about them, they will probably be moved to tears and grateful.

In short, Upper Green Sect, what do you want?

Capital City.

Zhou Village in the Capital Suburb.

The current estate master of Zhou Village received the summons from Liang Sheng and immediately put down his work, went to the backyard to listen to the Ancestors instructions.

However, he didnt expect to see his dying Ancestor, which shocked him so much that he stood still, at a loss of what to do.

How could the Ancestor of Zhou Village, who was like the stabilizer of the village, be so weak? At this moment, Liang Sheng forced a weak smile.

You have arrived? What I want to tell you is already written here. When Im gone, dont be sad. Birth, aging, illness, and death are the norm in the human world. Its already extremely fortunate for me to live this long.

You must guard Zhou Village well, be a good shadow, as long as you are cautious with the Zhou Family Bloodline, Zhou Family will not perish.

Hearing this, the Estate Master of Zhou Village couldnt help but shed tears, looking at Liang Sheng and whispering softly, Ancestor

Whats there to cry about? Take these things and leave. Remember my instructions, dont act recklessly, you can do well.

Zhou Village Estate Master looked at the Ancestor, struggled for a moment, but ultimately followed his words out of habit for all these years.

He picked up a few pieces of paper and a small sword in front of Liang Sheng, turned around and walked out of the door, just about to close the door when he saw the Ancestors body suddenly burst into flames, instantly turning him into ashes, while the seat he was sitting on remained intact.

Ancestor!

The shocked Zhou Village Estate Master quickly ran to the ashes. At this moment, his face was filled with disbelief, but the reality was that the Ancestor had passed away!

After a long time, he wiped away his tears and picked up the written message left by the Ancestor on the table, unable to help but gasp.

The Zhou Village Bloodline was actually the Dark Vein of the Great Zhou Royal Family?

One could only say that Liang Sheng's scheming was too meticulous. Besides the two brothers who were sent to the Immortal Cultivation Market knowing the secret before they left, no one else in the Zhou Family knew.

For a short while, amid the impact of the Ancestors death and the revelation of the royal bloodline, he gazed in the direction of the Imperial City.

In the letter, it was mentioned that one month later, when Emperor Gaozong abdicates, he would take the small sword and wait at a certain location outside the Imperial Palace, and then, he would naturally find out more.

The calmed-down estate master of Zhou Village carefully put away the ashes of the Ancestor, then bowed to the ashes.

Ancestor, rest assured, I will inherit your will and do well as the Dark Vein of the Zhou Family Royal Bloodline.

Not far away, Liang Sheng saw this and nodded. With his cultivation level, the moment Zhou Village Estate Master turned around, he had already replaced the condemned prisoner who was disguised with the Ancestors seat..

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Now that Zhou Village had been settled, it was time for the Great Zhou Palace.

That night, Gaozong heeded Liang Sheng's call and immediately entered the Grand Temple to pay respects to his ancestors. He was also inexplicably astonished, but his admiration for Liang Sheng had long since been ingrained in his soul.

Therefore, he had no hesitation and, following Liang Sheng's instructions, personally wrote down the dictated content. The more he wrote, the more amazed he became.

No wonder the ancestors could live so long, it turned out that the Zhou family had an immortal destiny, and now was the crucial time for that destiny.

Thinking of this, he listened more carefully, ensuring there were no problems with what he wrote. After finishing, he looked complex but excited.

The next day, the Capital was shaken again.

In the fiftieth year of Gaozong's reign, he abdicated the throne to the Crown Prince, who was then known as Emperor Jing.

On the night Emperor Jing entered the Grand Temple, Gaozong handed a silk pouch to him. That night, he summoned all the officials and announced in front of them that he would enter the Imperial Mausoleum, and nobody should bother him unless he died.

Then Gaozong entered the Imperial Mausoleum, becoming completely secluded from the world.

As for Emperor Jing, holding a bunch of Barrier Breaking Pills and Gaozong's silk pouch, he was full of pride. It was unbelievable that immortals existed in the world, and as long as the Great Zhou continued to expand, the descendants of the Zhou family could also become immortal.

There was no trace of Ancestor in the silk pouch. Liang Sheng had completely erased his existence from the Zhou royal family.

One month later, Emperor Jing, according to the contents of the silk pouch left by Gaozong, met with the Zhou Estate Master outside the palace. Upon their first meeting, they confirmed that they shared the same origin.

The power of their bloodlines and the small sword in the hands of the Zhou Estate Master required no further explanation. That night, they held a secret conversation for a long time, and the next day the Zhou Estate Master returned to the outskirts of the capital, as if nothing had happened.

The next day, the Great Zhou court was shocked. The Great Zhou was about to expand its territory again and inherit the ancestral spirit to strengthen the Great Zhou Dynasty.

In the first year of Emperor Jings reign, Innate sect Master Zhou Yuan was appointed as Grand General to attack the rebellious country Later Song. The army was assembled within a month and set off for Later Song mightily.

Emperor Jings actions were completely different from those of the previous Emperors abdication, but Gaozong was still in the Imperial Mausoleum and did not bother about worldly affairs.

With Gaozongs attitude, the court naturally had no more scruples. Civil and military ministers, noble families, were all at this moment preparing for the battle to further advance in the war.bender

One year later, in the mortal world, the Great Zhou waged war against Later Song. The Great Zhou army was invincible, with the fastest record of conquering a city in just ten days.

Within just one year, Later Song fell, and the Great Zhou once again stood at the top of the mortal world. Emperor Jing then led a magnificent journey to Mount Kunwu to worship the heavens and ancestors.

Xigu Pass.

The town at the foot of the mountain.

At this time, Liang Sheng had already regained his youthful appearance. He exhaled softly, his heart relaxed, knowing the cultivation world had not been visited for a year since his last encounter with the Nail-Head Seven Arrows Technique and the death of the Hua Tian Sect manager. They did not suspect the secular world.

As long as the Great Zhou continued to attack other countries, waiting for the dynasty luck to soar again, Hua Tian Sect would definitely send someone to connect with the Great Zhou imperial court.

Even if the other party did not send anyone, the Zhou family could still contact the cultivation world through Mount Kunwu Nine Ding. After all, these situations had already been told by Gaozong to Emperor Jing.

Emperor Jings trip to Mount Kunwu was not for contacting the cultivation world but to personally confirm the existence of the Nine Ding Big Array underneath it.

He probably would still have doubts if he did not see it with his own eyes since he cautiously inherited the bloodline of the Zhou family. He might accelerate the assimilation with Later Song after this Mount Kunwu ceremony, and then raise an army again.

The Zhou family must obtain the Inner Sect Disciples quota from the Hua Tian Sect. How could younger generations miss the opportunity won by their ancestors?

At this moment, Liang Sheng took a sip of wine. This year, no one from the Hua Tian Sect appeared, which meant he was almost completely safe.

His plans over the past year were somewhat complicated, but he had no impatience since patience and caution were the key to success.

However, there was still one last flaw in his plan: Gaozong, who was now staying in the Imperial Mausoleum.

Thinking of this, Liang Sheng did not hesitate and directly disappeared into the night, determined to accompany Gaozong for a few more decades until his natural death.

If any unexpected events occurred suddenly, and someone from the Hua Tian Sect in the cultivation world appeared halfway, then he could only act accordingly, and apologize if there was no alternative

He could only feel sorry.

This was still only a possibility in the secular world, but in the cultivation world Liang Sheng could not even imagine.

Although the Nail-Head Seven Arrows Technique was unbelievably strong in his hands, he had no time to complete the curse when facing cultivation experts.

As a person, one must be steady!

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Great Zhou, Emperor Jing's thirtieth year.

Emperor Gaozong stayed alone in the imperial mausoleum, and passed away peacefully in his sleep. In accordance with his last wish, Emperor Jing buried him directly in the mausoleum without holding a large funeral, so as not to burden the people and waste resources.

After that, Emperor Jing observed three years of mourning, not resorting to weapons or war, which made neighboring small countries breathe a sigh of relief, with some even feeling fortunate that Gaozong died well.

This was not surprising given the attitude of those small countries; this was mainly because Emperor Jing of Great Zhou was a ruthless person, even more so than previous rulers of the dynasty.

During the thirty years since Emperor Jing ascended the throne, he extinguished three small countries, including the Later Song. Jing was actually prepared to move on to the fourth country, but had to reluctantly give up halfway due to the death of Emperor Gaozong.

When he reached fifty years old, Emperor Jing completed the conquest of four nations and withdrew from his position. Just like his ancestors before him, he passed the throne to the crown prince.

At this time, the new emperor ascended the throne and took the title of Emperor Danzong.

Fifteen years after Emperor Danzong, Great Zhou swallowed another country, making its national strength unprecedented. Not only neighboring small countries but also nations faraway started sending emissaries to the Great Zhou dynasty to pay tribute.

At this point, Great Zhou's power was overwhelming!

Xigu Pass, a small town at the foot of the mountain.

Not many people lived in the small town. As evening approached, women began to call their children home for dinner. The hardworking men only had hearty smiles, pouring a glass of water and wine to relieve a day's fatigue.

Although Great Zhou's national strength was thriving, they still needed to work, but they had enough food and clothing. Even during the New Year, they could afford some fabric to make new clothes for their wives and children.

This was already a prosperous era.

At this moment, in the forests of Xigu Pass, Liang Sheng was almost one with the forest, hiding outside of the thick fog-shrouded mountain cave, undetectable by anyone.

Since Liang Sheng severed his identity as the Zhou family's "ancestor" by now, sixty-four years had passed. Throughout these years, the Hua Tian Sect had never sent anyone, and Liang Sheng gradually relaxed, but he did not completely let down his guard.

However, with so many years gone by and an ample supply of Qi Refining Pills and spirit stones, Liang Sheng's cultivation had no bottlenecks under the Talent of Innocent Foolishness, and his cultivation level had once again improved. Even the distance to the Qi Cultivation Ninth Level was finally within reach...

Name: Liang Sheng

Age: 426

Talent: Innocent Foolishness (Top grade)

Techniques: Upper Pure Immortal Scripture (Eighth Level), Twenty Life-Nurturing Techniques (Seventeenth Level), Nail-Head Seven Arrows Technique (Curse)

Realm: Qi Cultivation Eighth Level (61%)

Lifespan: 12,407

From the moment Liang Sheng crossed over, more than four hundred years had passed; this mortal world was no longer the same place, and only he remained constant, immortal among men.

Liang Sheng's sudden arrival at Xigu Pass this time was not a whim. It was because the Zhou family had finally taken that step.

Previously, Liang Sheng had instigated Emperor Gaozong's ancestral teachings, saying that once Great Zhou destroyed five more countries, an immortal destiny could be expected. With Emperor Danzong now achieving this great feat, he finally decided to set off for Mount Kunwu and strike the Nine Ding.

Danzong's bloodline ability of seeking fortune and avoiding evil faintly told him that it was auspicious!

Considering the circumstances, Liang Sheng naturally didn't hesitate and set off to Xigu Pass before the Great Zhou, suspecting that today might be the day to completely resolve his entanglement with the Hua Tian Sect's manager.

However, based on previous estimates, it would take Emperor Danzong of Great Zhou about three days to reach Xigu Pass, and the Hua Tian Sect would still need some time to send people to the mortal world.

Liang Sheng was silently waiting with his eyes closed, but suddenly opened them at midnight, looking somewhat puzzled towards the thick fog outside the cave.

Has the Hua Tian Sect's people arrived so soon?

At this moment, an acquaintance was already standing there. Liang Sheng hid in the dark, holding his breath, feeling that the person was familiar, and after a long time, he remembered who the other person was.

It was Chen Fengchen, the Hua Tian Sect's cultivation disciple that Liang Sheng had first met back then.

At that time, Liang Sheng was still in the innate realm and couldn't see through Chen Fengchen's realm. Now, although he had reached the Qi Cultivation Eighth Level, he still couldn't see through the other's realm.

Moreover, according to the time, it could be confirmed that the other party had lived for more than two hundred years and should have passed the Qi Cultivation Realm, at least reaching the Foundation Establishment level of cultivation.

As for the Golden Core Realm, absolutely impossible.

Even within the Hua Tian Sect, cultivators who reach the Golden Core Realm are equivalent to peak masters. How could they be sent to the mortal world to deal with the Great Zhou dynasty?

However, even so, the fact that a Foundation Establishment Stage cultivator was sent to negotiate with the mortal world showed the importance the Hua Tian Sect placed on the Great Zhou.

What Liang Sheng did not know was that the Hua Tian Sect's importance to Great Zhou was one of the reasons, but the other reason was the fear of someone shamelessly causing trouble along the way. That's why the Hua Tian Sect sent Chen Fengchen.

Over the past sixty-five years, the friction between the Hua Tian Sect and the Upper Green Sect had grown increasingly intense. It began with only small frictions between the outer sect disciples, but the Hua Tian Sect had lost a manager who had only barely reached Foundation Establishment.

Although it involved Great Zhou, a secular dynasty that the Refining Equipment Peak Elder had become increasingly fond of, the Hua Tian Sect had discreetly hinted at the Upper Green Sect, without making any drastic moves since they had no direct evidence and only suspicion.

If it proceeded this way, there would be no significant incidents between the two sects for the sake of appearances. However, thirty years ago, the Refining Device Peak Elder successfully refined a spirit tool again, further enhancing the strength of the Hua Tian Sect.

At first, the Refining Device Peak Elder's power fell short during the process of refining the spirit tool, and it seemed that the attempt would fail. However, the sudden surge of luck from the Great Zhou dynasty brought the spirit tool back to life at the last moment, rejuvenating its spirit and forming a soul for the spirit tool..

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Great Zhou!

At that time, the Refining Equipment Peak Elder had already made up his mind that when Great Zhou contacted the Hua Tian Sect again, he would personally give an Inner Sect disciple quota to Great Zhou, which they deserved.

Not only that, the Refining Equipment Peak Elder also gave out five ordinary disciple quotas, showing how much he appreciated the Great Zhou Royal Family.

This time, no one opposed the proposal of the Grand Elder during the Sect Grand Assembly because his success in refining spirit tools was the greatest contribution to the Hua Tian Sect in recent years.

Let alone a single Inner Sect disciple quota, even if there was another one, no one would care. However, the Grand Elder had been refining weapons previously, so he was not aware of the market situation.

After hearing the report, he couldn't help but frown and said, "Upper Green Sect's behavior, are they not putting our Hua Tian Sect in their eyes?"

Great Zhou is the most important affiliated dynasty of our Hua Tian Sect in the Mortal World, and we must not let the Upper Green Sect destroy the foundation of our Sect."

Although the Grand Elder was somewhat unprepared, he knew the priorities and did not intend to directly confront the Upper Green Sect. However, when his words were passed down, how the disciples below thought about it was not something he could control.

Cultivation requires good fortune. Even the Qi Refining stage has bottlenecks, and those with weak fortune may not be able to overcome them in their entire lives.

Being helped by a distinguished person is undoubtedly one of the best fortunes. So, in order to please the Refining Equipment Peak Elder, in the past ten years, there have been occasional frictions between Hua Tian Sect disciples and Upper Green Sect disciples.

By now, the friction has gradually escalated, and some anger has been ignited between the two sides. Of course, it is still far from the point of a sect war.

However, in the Three Sects and Six Orders, the disharmony between the Hua Tian Sect and the Upper Green Sect has become the consensus in the local Cultivation World area in recent years.

So, when Chen Fengchen came to the Mortal World this time, he wanted to show the importance attached to Great Zhou and his vigilance against the Upper Green Sect.

In case a Qi Refining disciple is sent to take the Great Zhou children in for further cultivation and has a conflict with the Upper Green Sect, he was afraid of causing further disturbances, how could he explain it to the Grand Elder?

However, Liang Sheng was unaware of all these causes and effects. At this moment, he felt only relief in his heart. He was fortunate that he didn't have a fluke mentality back then, which would have severed the cause and effect with Great Zhou.

If Chen Fengchen had come to the Mortal World earlier, Liang Sheng might have sent Gaozong to the afterlife paradise immediately, because his involvement with the Great Zhou Royal Family absolutely could not be known to the Cultivation World.

It is not wise to treat cultivators as fools. As long as they know of the existence of such an ancestor in the Great Zhou Royal Family, they might suspect that the manager's death had something to do with Great Zhou.

In this case, Liang Sheng's safety could not be guaranteed. However, fortunately, everything went well, and no major mistakes were made. Liang Sheng tensed his nerves again, reflecting on his previous so-called tightrope walking behavior and determined not to take such risks in the future.

While Liang Sheng was reflecting, Chen Fengchen looked around. Now that he was in the Foundation Establishment Realm, he could completely isolate himself from the worldly pollution. Seeing that the Great Zhou Royal Family had not yet arrived, he simply sat on the ground waiting for them to come.

When Emperor Jing of Great Zhou arrived at Xigu Pass with the young members of the Zhou Family three days later, the forest of Xigu Pass had already been sealed off by the Imperial Army, and no one was able to enter the mountain anymore.

Emperor Jing and the Zhou Estate Master personally led the ten young members of the Zhou Family up the mountain. These children were not very old but had a calm demeanor. However, their eyes couldn't help but reveal some curiosity.

Emperor Jing and the Zhou Estate Master walked silently. They didn't know how many turns they had taken and how many mountain roads they had passed through before they finally reached the heavy fog outside the cave.

"Immortal!?"

At first glance, they both saw Chen Fengchen. After all, with such a demeanor, standing aloof from the world and unlike ordinary people, they didn't sense any danger due to their bloodline ability. Emperor Jing couldn't help but courageously ask a question.

"Is it the Immortal Master on High?"

"Great Zhou Royal Family?"

Chen Fengchen had already sensed them coming up the mountain. At this moment, he had a smile on his face and was extremely friendly, because this was the Great Zhou Royal Family highly praised by the Grand Elder.

"Don't be nervous. I am here on behalf of the Sect to fulfill the promise. Your Zhou Family has one Inner Sect disciple quota, and also, the Sect appreciates your hard work and has decided to add five ordinary disciple quotas."

Though Emperor Jing was the emperor of Great Zhou, he was still somewhat breathless in front of Chen Fengchen. However, hearing this, a flash of surprise and joy passed through his eyes, and he couldn't help but exchange glances with the Zhou Estate Master.

An unexpected joy!

Emperor Jing and the Zhou Estate Master hurriedly pushed the ten children forward, but they were still thinking about who should get the six quotas.

Since these ten children were the best of the younger generation of the Zhou Family, it was understandable that they couldn't decide for a moment. Chen Fengchen naturally understood what was going on when he saw this.

He was a resolute man to begin with, or else he wouldn't have seized the opportunity to climb to the position of Refining Equipment Peak Elder two hundred years ago and now achieve Foundation Establishment.

“Forget it. I’ll take all ten children, but four of them might not be within the previous quotas and may only become Outer Sect disciples.”

“Thank you, Immortal Master!”

At the news, Emperor Jing and the Zhou Estate Master rejoiced greatly. No matter who became an Inner Sect disciple, it would depend on their own fortune.

Chen Fengchen then encouraged Emperor Jing and highly praised the achievements of Great Zhou, hoping that they would continue their efforts.

After that, he gave them a bottle of Qi Refining Pills, a half magical weapon, and two Black Iron Commands as a reward for the Great Zhou.

Since magical weapons cannot be used by mortals, half magical weapons can be barely used by innate cultivators. The half magical weapon Chen Fengchen brought out was not a half magical weapon that needed the consumption of the Grand Ancestor of Dayan’s essence blood to drive; it could be activated with internal energy. The only difference between it and a slightly more common magical weapon was that it had no array patterns and was a little weaker in power..