

Divine King 1041

Chapter 1041 Mixed Element Vajra Ape

Xu Nian, Feng Cheng, and Murong Xue headed towards Ten Thousand Beast Mountain.

As they approached, the pressure from Ten Thousand Beast Mountain came rushing forth.

As for Sun Yuxiang, she chose not to follow Xu Nian but left on her own.

Xu Nian didn't mind; he had only promised to take Sun Yuxiang into the realm.

He didn't want to deal with anything else.

"This is the entrance to the valley, where the giant ape stands guard inside," Feng Cheng pointed to the entrance ahead.

Xu Nian looked at the entrance to the valley, frowning slightly.

At the valley entrance, he felt a powerful aura emanating from inside.

Very strong!

Stronger than Feng Cheng's aura when he unleashed his power.

"An Earth Immortal-level Demon Beast?" Xu Nian's eyes grew serious.

Feng Cheng mentioned earlier that the Demon Beast inside had combat power comparable to a Middle Stage Earth Immortal.

Defeating this giant ape might not be an easy task.

But to rescue people, he would charge through even the eighteen levels of hell.

"I'll go to the valley entrance and take a look. You wait here, and if I signal you to act, then you act," Xu Nian said to Feng Cheng nearby.

"I'm in no mood to act," Feng Cheng said, holding a metal staff.

Murong Xue remained silent but nodded slightly in acknowledgment of Xu Nian's words.

Xu Nian didn't hesitate any longer and immediately turned into a blur as he dashed out.

Heading towards the entrance.

Murong Xue watched as Xu Nian dashed away, instinctively clenching her fist.

Feng Cheng noticed Murong Xue's subtle gesture, showing a hint of surprise on his face.

Could it be that the ice beauty genius from Tiancang Sect had developed feelings for this guy?

If true, it would be interesting.

When the top genius in the Cultivation World couldn't bear it, he'd come to seek trouble with this Xu Nian.

But judging by Xu Nian's talent, give him more time to grow, and who would win or lose is hard to say.

Xu Nian was unaware of Feng Cheng's thoughts and was already near the valley entrance.

Nearing the entrance, Xu Nian realized that the sky above Ten Thousand Beast Mountain was filled with terrifying restrictions.

Touching any of these restrictions would mean instant annihilation.

So entering Ten Thousand Beast Mountain from above was utterly impossible.

Now, this valley was the only entrance.

"Roar!"

Just as Xu Nian was about to enter the valley, a thunderous roar erupted from within.

Instantly, a violent wind rushed towards Xu Nian.

Xu Nian's eyes sharpened instantly.

Evidently, his approach had startled the giant ape.

The roar was so intense it made his scalp tingle.

However, Xu Nian showed no intention of retreating; the Nine Dragons Supreme Body's aura burst forth, accompanied by a dragon roar.

"Roar!"

The roar was equally earth-shattering, dissipating the terrifying storm.

But as Xu Nian dispersed the gust, a massive fist blasted from within the valley.

This fist felt like a mountain crashing down, carrying a world-ending force.

Xu Nian's eyes were as sharp as lightning, and both True Essence and Gang Qi surged within him.

Dragon Energy also surged forth, and Dragon Scale Armor instantly appeared.

"Boom!"

Xu Nian activated the Second Level Domain Gravity Wave and punched.

The next moment, the ground trembled, the air exploded, and space collapsed.

Xu Nian's figure also shot backward like a meteorite.

In the distance, Murong Xue frowned.

Her fingers moved instantly, pointing to the void.

The next moment, a snowflake appeared behind Xu Nian, halting his retreat.

A trickle of blood appeared at Xu Nian's mouth as he turned to Murong Xue and said, "Thank you!"

Murong Xue didn't speak but nodded slightly.

"Stop flirting and just look ahead! That guy is coming out," Feng Cheng said helplessly.

Xu Nian turned towards the valley upon hearing that.

He saw a giant shadow emerge from the dark valley.

The shadow stood five hundred zhang tall, its massive form like a mountain.

As its enormous body emerged, Xu Nian gradually saw its appearance.

It was a massive golden giant ape, its fur entirely gold.

Like silk, it appeared particularly smooth under the sunlight.

"A descendant of the Divine Beast Immortal Vajra Ape?" Xu Nian showed a hint of amazement, staring at the giant ape before him.

"Yes, it's a descendant of the Immortal Vajra Ape, called Mixed Element Vajra Ape, with a strong bloodline concentration, making it a top-grade Divine Beast descendant. It's very powerful, its cultivation level is the same as mine, Peak Early Stage Earth Immortal, but I'm not its match," Feng Cheng said with a wry smile.

Xu Nian nodded.

This creature certainly looked strong, possessing the bloodline of the Immortal Vajra Ape; naturally, its defense was terrifying.

Coupled with its massive size, its strength was exceedingly formidable, and its Demon Essence had transformed into Immortal Essence, its combat prowess was apparent.

While Xu Nian felt serious, the giant ape also fixed its gaze on Xu Nian, seemingly assessing him.

Earlier, Xu Nian's Dragon God's Might naturally caught its attention.

However, the Dragon God's Might had very limited pressure on ape-class Divine Beasts.

"I don't wish to be your enemy nor take any token. I just want to ask, where are the four women you captured?" Xu Nian asked, looking at the giant ape.

The giant ape stared at Xu Nian for three seconds, then replied, "You are human?"

The ape's voice was so loud it painfully vibrated their eardrums.

"Yes!"

Xu Nian replied sharply.

"Those four women are inside my Ten Thousand Beast Mountain. If you want to enter, you must pass my test, this is the iron rule. Defeat me, and you can go find them," said the Chaos Sky Vajra Ape.

Xu Nian frowned slightly.

Since the Vajra Ape said so, it meant Leng Yanran and the others were still alive.

So, as long as he defeated it, he could find Leng Yanran.

"Fine, I'll defeat you," Xu Nian said to the Mixed Element Vajra Ape, his eyes filled with strong battle intent.

The Mixed Element Vajra Ape heard him and raised a human-like smile at the corner of its mouth.

"I'll attack head-on, and you two flank him, just interfere with him," Xu Nian said to Murong Xue and Feng Cheng.

Murong Xue nodded and the next moment produced a delicate sword.

"Alright, I'll help you," Feng Cheng said, inserting his metal staff into the ground.

The ground instantly trembled.

Xu Nian's eyes turned sharp immediately, and he summoned the King Jing Sword to his hand.

"Go!" Xu Nian shouted.

Then he slashed directly.

The Sword Radiance hung like the sky, incredibly sharp.

Simultaneously, he flew out towards the Mixed Element Vajra Ape.

Murong Xue and Feng Cheng also moved, unleashing their attacks towards the Vajra Ape.

In the ape's eyes appeared a hint of mockery, and next, it punched directly.

"Boom!"

Xu Nian's Sword Radiance was shattered instantly without hurting it at all.

Simultaneously, another fist came crashing towards the charging Xu Nian.

Xu Nian's eyes turned sharp as lightning, his figure flickered, transforming into several illusions.

The sword light flashed and Xu Nian's long sword grazed the Vajra Ape's chest fur.

The sword tip sparked against the fur but failed to pierce the Vajra Ape's skin.

Chapter 1042: Fierce Battle

"Such indestructible fur."

Xu Nian exclaimed in surprise.

His King Jing Sword is an Immortal Artifact, and even though it hasn't been activated by Immortal Essence yet, it is still sharper than ordinary Top-grade Spiritual Artifacts.

But now, it couldn't even cut through the fur of this Vajra Ape, which shows just how tough its fur really is.

"Hmph!"

The Vajra Ape let out a cold snort.

In the next moment, it slapped Xu Nian heavily.

Xu Nian instantly fell to the ground, creating a huge crater.

The waves of soil rolled towards the surroundings.

"Cough cough!" Xu Nian climbed out of the pit, his eyes shocked as he looked at the giant ape.

The power of this giant ape was too strong.

It was clearly just at the Peak Early Stage Earth Immortal level.

But its strength seemed to rival the Middle Stage Earth Immortal, even stronger than most Middle Stage Earth Immortal experts.

"Buzz!"

Just at that moment, the giant ape lifted a foot and stomped fiercely towards Xu Nian.

Seeing this, Xu Nian's eyes instantly turned sharp.

But just then, a snowy-white silhouette appeared in front of Xu Nian.

Murong Xue wielded her sharp sword, slashing out with one strike.

In an instant, a thousand miles were frozen.

The Vajra Giant Ape's entire body was frozen, its raised foot suspended in the air.

Xu Nian was stunned.

Such strong icy chill.

Murong Xue's Ice Attribute Profound Argumentation had at least reached the Third Level Domain realm.

Otherwise, it wouldn't be possible to freeze this giant ape.

"Let's go, we need to leave now, this ice cannot hold him for long," Murong Xue said.

Xu Nian nodded and then took Murong Xue to leave the crater.

Appearing on the other side.

Meanwhile, Feng Cheng also started moving.

The metal staff in his hand instantly extended, Immortal Essence pouring out, swinging the long staff heavily against the giant ape's chest.

"Boom!"

The ice shattered, and the giant ape's body was struck hard, causing it to fall backward.

"Bang!"

The giant ape's body hit the ground heavily.

The earth shook with a tremendous roar.

Seeing this, Xu Nian immediately stopped holding back.

The Third Level Gravity Space Domain instantly opened.

Gigantic walls stood up around.

In the next moment, Xu Nian changed the direction of gravity, causing the giant ape to tilt towards the left.

"Roar!"

The giant ape let out an angry roar, clearly infuriated by this series of attacks.

Its arms swayed, smashing directly onto the surrounding walls.

The walls shattered into pieces.

Xu Nian didn't relent, controlling gravity to press down on the giant ape.

The giant ape, under the pressure of gravity, seemed as if it was being struck by a massive mountain.

Letting out frenzied howls, desperately resisting this gravitational restraint, trying to break free from this gravity cage.

Xu Nian's eyes suddenly changed, and an iron chain appeared in his hand.

Indeed, this iron chain was the one Bai Xi Sword Immortal had given him before.

But this time, Xu Nian made a change.

At the end of the iron chain, a hammer was tied.

Xu Nian had tied the Kunlun Hammer to this iron chain.

At this moment, swinging the iron chain, the Kunlun Hammer instantly moved.

"Earth's Fury!"

In the next moment, Xu Nian shouted loudly and swung the Kunlun Hammer directly towards the giant ape.

"Boom!"

The Kunlun Hammer smashed onto the giant ape's chest.

The giant ape's body trembled violently, its feet leaving the ground, flying backward, rolling several times on the ground, creating multiple craters, crashing through several peaks, before coming to a stop.

"Wow, what a strong attack, what kind of weapon is this?" Feng Cheng was shocked.

Xu Nian's strike was incredibly fierce.

Murong Xue was also a bit surprised, such a strike, she probably couldn't withstand it either.

Xu Nian, however, wasn't too surprised.

This iron chain was a specially-made one, clearly weighing tens of thousands of pounds, yet in his hands, it felt weightless.

The Kunlun Hammer swung by it naturally showed a geometric increase in power.

Plus, his Third Level Gravity Waves were integrated into the Hammer Technique, making the power unimaginable.

Xu Nian was only surprised because this giant ape was so strong, even after enduring his hammer strike, it wasn't severely injured.

"Roar!"

Sure enough, the giant ape let out an angry roar, getting up again, its eyes filled with intense rage as it looked at Xu Nian.

In the next moment, a strong golden light surged from its fur.

"Boom boom boom!"

The Vajra Giant Ape started to run, its massive feet not stepping on the ground, but on the void.

The void instantly shattered, forming one black hole after another.

The Vajra Giant Ape's speed was incredibly fast, reaching Xu Nian in the blink of an eye.

"Die!"

The giant ape shouted, its golden fist punched towards Xu Nian.

Like an invincible stance.

Xu Nian's eyes instantly turned sharp, summoning the Kunlun Hammer into his hand.

He swung the Kunlun Hammer, directly smashing towards the giant fist.

"Boom!"

A shocking explosion.

The ground cracked, and Xu Nian was sent flying again, blood gushing from his mouth.

The Vajra Giant Ape also retreated three steps, its feet stomping on the ground, creating one crater after another, shaking the earth and mountains.

Xu Nian steadied himself, his sharp gaze fixed on the giant ape.

Blood couldn't help but seep out from his mouth again.

This strike shook all his internal organs severely.

There's no denying that this giant ape's strength was really too strong.

Even with Third Level Gravity Space Domain, True Essence, and Gang Qi, he was no match for it.

Of course, the giant ape also suffered some damage.

"Roar!"

The giant ape let out a howl, ready to charge again.

Murong Xue's eyes instantly turned razor-sharp, her sharp sword slashing out once more.

Sword Radiance swept out, like icy blades in the air.

The Vajra Ape swung its fist to block, but the Sword Radiance left a bloodstain.

Seeing the mark on its hand, the giant ape was furious.

"Roar!"

The giant ape smashed the ground, leaping up, abandoning the attack on Xu Nian, directly going after Murong Xue.

Murong Xue's face changed too, her toes tapped on the void, her figure retreating.

But the giant ape was too fast, its giant claw swiping at Murong Xue.

In the next moment, it was about to hit Murong Xue.

"How dare you!" Xu Nian was instantly enraged.

In the next moment, his eyes turned red.

A Divine Wheel appeared behind him.

Talent Phenomenon activated, his figure escaped into the void.

Reappearing already in front of Murong Xue.

"Boom!"

Xu Nian threw a punch.

Directly smashing into the giant ape's palm.

"Boom!"

Force exploded, the giant ape's palm was repelled.

Xu Nian stood firm like a mountain.

At that moment, Xu Nian's body emitted intense energy fluctuations.

Carrying a sense of deathly dread.

Indeed, at that moment, Xu Nian directly used the Kun Cave Power.

Now with Xu Nian's physical strength, he could already integrate strong Kun Cave Power.

So with such a burst of Kun Cave Power, the giant ape could barely withstand it.

"Roar!"

The giant ape let out an angry roar, looking at its bloody palm, its eyes shining brightly.

Xu Nian stood empowered by the Divine Wheel, an intimidating aura emanating.

Murong Xue looked at Xu Nian's back in amazement.

Feng Cheng beside was also stunned.

Xu Nian at this moment seemed incredibly formidable.

Chapter 1043: Living Up to You

"How did he just..." Murong Xue looked at Xu Nian, who had suddenly appeared in front of her, and murmured incredulously.

Just now, Xu Nian had definitely appeared out of thin air.

A moment ago, he was several miles away, and the next moment, he was in front of her, taking a punch from the giant ape for her.

If it was just relying on speed, that would be impossible.

"Instant Teleportation!"

The words suddenly popped into Murong Xue's mind.

She found it incredible.

Feng Cheng, standing beside them, was also shocked at the scene of Xu Nian punching the giant ape away.

To launch the giant ape with a punch, how terrifying must that strength be?

Xu Nian, at this moment, ignored the shocked gazes of the others and kept his eyes fixed fiercely on the giant ape ahead.

He was genuinely angry.

This giant ape actually tried to harm Murong Xue.

If he hadn't intervened in time, Murong Xue would probably have been seriously injured at the very least.

This was something Xu Nian couldn't tolerate.

"Roar!"

The giant ape let out a roar, its eyes filled with anger as it glared at Xu Nian.

Only at this moment did Xu Nian give it a sense of danger.

"You're not convinced?" Xu Nian looked at the giant ape and said.

"Roar!"

The giant ape roared again, its roar shaking the heavens.

"Hmph, then I'll beat you into submission." Xu Nian shouted loudly.

The next moment, his figure instantly darted out, moving at an extremely fast speed, seemingly appearing beside the giant ape out of nowhere.

"Boom!"

Xu Nian punched directly at the giant ape's abdomen.

The giant ape's body instantly bent over, and its form was once again knocked off the ground, flying backward.

"This..."

Feng Cheng was dumbfounded.

Is this guy a humanoid monster?

What kind of power is needed in a punch to achieve such an effect?

Murong Xue was also astonished, her expression shockingly incredulous.

The giant ape was in pain at this moment.

How did this guy's strength suddenly increase so much?

However, Xu Nian had no intention to stop, appearing behind the giant ape once more, landing another punch.

"Boom!"

The ground rumbled, and the Mixed Element Vajra Ape slammed into the ground, creating a deep pit.

"So strong!"

Feng Cheng was in a daze.

Is this guy really in the Late Stage Tribulation Crossing?

Since when did guys in the transcendence tribulation stage become so powerful?

Thinking of this, Feng Cheng turned to look at Murong Xue, seemingly acknowledging she was also in the transcendence tribulation stage.

Though quite exceptional, when compared to Xu Nian, she was not as extreme.

"I concede!" The Mixed Element Vajra Ape quickly admitted defeat seeing Xu Nian ready to strike again.

It was truly afraid.

This guy's power was too terrifying.

That strange energy, its power was immense.

Upon hearing this, Xu Nian paused, and the next moment he dropped to the ground from mid-air.

Although his body could now bear the Kun Cave Power.

The continuous exertion still caused significant damage to his body.

But defeating the Vajra Giant Ape was worth the price paid.

This creature was too strong, fortunately, it hadn't entered the Middle Stage Earth Immortal.

If it had tempered its body similarly, Xu Nian could have done nothing to it.

Of course, the Vajra Giant Ape wasn't the strongest among Early Stage Earth Immortals.

If encountering someone with a higher understanding of Profound Argumentation, holding an Immortal Artifact.

Using Immortal Essence to drive the Immortal Artifact, the power would be even more terrifying.

At least Feng Cheng didn't possess an Immortal Artifact.

"Are you okay?" Murong Xue flew over from a distance, seeing Xu Nian's pale face, she asked worriedly.

"I'm fine! Just over-exhausted; I'll recover soon." Xu Nian forced a smile and replied.

He was naturally happy that Murong Xue cared about him.

"You've won, you can go in now, but I must warn you, there's an even stronger creature inside with a bad temper. If you anger it, don't blame me if you die." The Mixed Element Vajra Ape said as it sat up from the ground.

"Thank you!" Xu Nian bowed his head respectfully to the Mixed Element Vajra Ape.

This Mixed Element Vajra Ape wasn't actually bad; it acted because of its duty.

But now that Xu Nian had defeated it, it wouldn't trouble them further.

Xu Nian didn't want to be enemies with a Divine Beast Descendant like this.

And the Vajra Giant Ape had clearly exhausted its goodwill by warning him.

Xu Nian didn't immediately enter the depths of Ten Thousand Beast Mountain.

His injuries had not yet fully recovered.

Forcing an entrance into the mountain range would only make things more dangerous.

"Take this!" Murong Xue came up to Xu Nian and handed over a pill.

"What kind of pill is this?" Xu Nian asked in surprise.

"Freak, this is the Putuo Pill, the Healing Holy Medicine of the Tiancang Sect, top-grade among top-grade elixirs, incredibly precious." Feng Cheng said from the side, jealousy in his eyes.

This guy actually managed to get a Putuo Pill from Tiancang Sect.

And it was gifted by the number one beauty of Tiancang Sect.

If Tiancang Sect knew about this, they might want to kill someone out of anger.

Xu Nian was a little surprised too, not expecting Murong Xue to give him such a valuable pill.

"Thank you!"

However, Xu Nian still decided to accept it.

He placed the pill in his mouth.

"Did we really know each other in the past?" Murong Xue asked, now sitting next to Xu Nian as he took the pill, seeming somewhat relieved.

"We did! You left back then because you blocked a sword for me, facing death." Xu Nian answered honestly.

Murong Xue was a bit surprised, she blocked a sword for him?

Why couldn't she remember any of it?

"Do you believe what I say?" Xu Nian looked at Murong Xue with a smile and asked.

"I believe you!" Murong Xue hesitated, then nodded.

"We met because you were chased; you were only in your teens then, poisoned by an arrow. I found you by accident, removed the poison for you, and to divert your pursuers, I left. But when I came back for you, you were gone. I've never forgotten you since. Fate played its hand, and we met again at the Academy, where you still held a jade pendant I had inadvertently left behind, just like this one." Xu Nian said with a smile.

As he finished, a black jade pendant appeared in his hand.

Murong Xue looked at the black jade pendant, her eyes began to grow blurry.

The next moment, she clutched her head, showing signs of pain.

"If you can't remember, don't force it!" Xu Nian hastily said.

Murong Xue, however, with a resolute gaze and a pained expression, said, "One day, I'll remember everything. If what you say is true, I shall not fail you in this life."

Xu Nian was taken aback upon hearing this, then let out a smile.

He didn't expect Murong Xue to say such words.

"Fool, the one who should not fail you is me," Xu Nian mused silently.

These words he didn't speak out loud.

But he swore in his heart to protect Murong Xue for a lifetime, never to abandon her.

Chapter 1044 The Comical Shi Guangxu

Just as Xu Nian's main body, accompanied by Murong Xue and Feng Cheng, was entering the Ten Thousand Beast Mountain, Xu Nian's Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar also emerged from seclusion.

"Did you break through to the Peak of Tribulation Crossing?" Mei Ji looked at Xu Nian who had just stepped out.

"Yes, I just broke through recently." Xu Nian's Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar responded.

During this period, he had been hiding in the Chaos Divine Palace for cultivation.

Now his cultivation had finally reached a breakthrough, achieving the Peak of Tribulation Crossing.

Continuing cultivation would at least attract his Heavenly Tribulation.

This is why Xu Nian decided to leave the Chaos Divine Palace.

"What, you broke through to the Peak of Tribulation Crossing? Oh my god, did you take some aphrodisiacs? Wouldn't this mean I am no longer as strong as you?" Shi Guangxu rushed over, shouting excitedly.

Xu Nian looked speechless.

This guy, does he have to be so exaggerative?

"You speak as if, without my breakthrough, you could have defeated me." Xu Nian said with a smile.

Shi Guangxu's face turned black instantly.

Why tell the truth?

"Where do you plan to go next?" Mei Ji asked.

He knew that Xu Nian, since leaving seclusion, was most likely planning to leave.

"I plan to visit the Guihai Family, and I also want to understand more about this Mu Residence." Xu Nian said with a smile.

The Guihai Family had previously issued a bounty on him, commissioning the Mu Residence to hunt him down.

If this grudge isn't avenged, it'd be unfair.

"I don't stop you from seeking revenge on the Guihai Family, but for the Mu Residence, I advise you to be careful. Its power is strong, and some among them are very formidable." Mei Ji cautioned.

Xu Nian nodded and said, "Don't worry, I know my limits, if I can't win I can always run."

Mei Ji nodded, saying no more.

"I'll go with you." Shi Guangxu hurriedly said.

Xu Nian smiled without refusing.

This Shi Guangxu is quite an amusing guy; it's no harm to have him tag along.

If danger arises, he can be kept inside the Chaos Divine Palace.

Of course, threats to Xu Nian were now very rare.

"Let's go!" Xu Nian dropped a sentence, then flew directly into the void, summoning his ship.

Shi Guangxu naturally followed.

Mei Ji stood below, watching Xu Nian's ship leave, her expression complex.

"I say, Xu, isn't it a waste not to 'eat' such a prime piece of meat?" Shi Guangxu glanced at Mei Ji below, poking Xu Nian teasingly.

"What nonsense are you talking?" Xu Nian glared at Shi Guangxu.

"Don't pretend. Don't think I don't know, Sister Mei Ji has an Innate Charm Body, naturally possessing allure. Which man doesn't desire that? Moreover, Sister Mei Ji's gaze toward you shows a clear interest. Just put in a bit more effort, and she's yours. Yet you choose to leave now, isn't that a waste?" Shi Guangxu said with a lack of respect.

Xu Nian remained silent, his gaze complex.

He and Mei Ji?

Impossible. If he claimed to have no feelings for Mei Ji, that would be a lie.

However, he was sure that his feelings for Mei Ji were purely physical.

In that case, it wasn't true love, just desire.

If it's just desire, then better to let it go.

"You don't understand!" Xu Nian said, looking at Shi Guangxu.

"Stop acting like a love sage. If you like her, sleep with her; if not, just move on. Why so many issues?" Shi Guangxu said openly.

Xu Nian shook his head, reluctant to say more.

Their viewpoints were different, and neither could be deemed right or wrong.

He just chose to stick to his beliefs.

"Boom!"

At that moment, Xu Nian's gaze suddenly turned sharp, and the next moment he pulled Shi Guangxu aside.

Just as Xu Nian moved, his ship was sliced in half by an overwhelming Sword Radiance.

That Sword Radiance almost struck them directly.

Though it wouldn't harm Xu Nian, it was a different story for Shi Guangxu.

That Sword Radiance could kill him.

"Who?" Shi Guangxu erupted in anger, glaring at the surrounding space filled with debris.

"Swish!"

At that moment, five figures rushed over from the distance.

All of them wore golden masks, and their cultivation was all at the Peak of Tribulation Crossing.

"Mu Residence!" Xu Nian spat out two words.

Clearly, these five were assassins from the Mu Residence.

It seemed the Mu Residence's assassins had been lying in wait outside their Tianbao Star, waiting for them to come out.

"Xu Nian, Shi Guangxu, you've landed on the Mu Residence's wanted list; don't count on surviving." One of the golden-masked assassins spoke.

Upon hearing this, Shi Guangxu was filled with rage.

Xu Nian, however, started to laugh, saying, "Do you believe you can kill me?"

Not to mention five at the Peak of Tribulation Crossing; even five early-stage Earth Immortals might not intimidate him now.

"It's enough, attack!" The assassin wasted no words, directly attacking Xu Nian.

"Xu, you're the one who can fight; it's all on you now." Shi Guangxu quickly said, hiding behind Xu Nian.

Xu Nian snorted with laughter, then focused on the approaching assassins.

A glint of killing intent flashed in his eyes.

"Since you wish to die, don't blame me." Xu Nian sneered coldly.

The next moment, he punched out directly.

"Bang, bang, bang, bang, bang!"

Five consecutive explosions.

All five at the Peak of Tribulation Crossing burst apart, turning into five clouds of blood mist.

"What! That powerful?" Shi Guangxu's eyes widened in disbelief.

How did he do that?

One punch to obliterate five at the Peak of Tribulation Crossing.

"Just using some domain-level applications of Profound Argumentation. Once your Profound Argumentation breaks through to domain-level, you'll understand." Xu Nian explained with a laugh.

"Come on, does it have to be so heartbreaking?" Shi Guangxu couldn't help but curse.

He had cultivated for decades and still hadn't even touched the threshold of the domain level.

And this guy handles domain use like drinking water.

"Xu Nian, are you taking on apprentices?" Shi Guangxu suddenly looked at Xu Nian, eyes full of allure.

Xu Nian instantly took a step back, a sense of dread rising.

"How about you take me as your apprentice; I can warm your bed." Shi Guangxu said with a sly look.

"Scram!"

Without even looking, Xu Nian kicked Shi Guangxu's butt.

Shi Guangxu was sent flying, landing heavily on an uninhabited planet.

"If you're not taking apprentices, no need to get so mad!" Shi Guangxu said with an aggrieved face.

He then flew out from the uninhabited planet once more.

Xu Nian ignored Shi Guangxu and instead looked toward the direction of Guihai Star.

"It seems it's time to pay Guihai Star a visit, to let them understand the consequence of crossing me." Having said that, Xu Nian prepared to board another ship.

"Wait for me!" Shi Guangxu yelled, realizing Xu Nian intended to leave him behind.

Xu Nian found it amusing; this guy really was a living treasure.

Chapter 1045 Black Widow

After Xu Nian swallowed the pill given by Murong Xue, his body quickly returned to peak condition.

Thus, the three of them set off again towards the interior of Ten Thousand Beast Mountain.

"Feng Cheng, why are you determined to get the token from Ten Thousand Beast Mountain? It's said to be a force led by Demon Beasts. With your talent, wouldn't choosing a human force be better?" As they traveled, Xu Nian looked at Feng Cheng and asked.

He knew that this realm represented the Nine Great Forces, and getting a token from any of these forces meant being able to join them.

But why did these people fight so desperately for them, and they were all geniuses?

Even joining a force in the Immortal Realm shouldn't be too hard, right?

"You don't understand. Joining one of the Nine Great Forces isn't hard, but the token represents other things, involving quotas. I chose Ten Thousand Beast Mountain because of its freedom and slaughter, which suits my taste, whereas human forces are full of trickery and deceit, not appealing." Feng Cheng said straightforwardly.

Xu Nian smiled slightly; Feng Cheng was indeed straightforward in character.

Though he thought this kind of personality was quite nice.

"What about you?" Xu Nian turned to look at Murong Xue.

Since Murong Xue had come here, it was naturally for the token.

"I'm looking to get the Fuyao Sect's token. Our Tiancang Sect belongs to Fuyao Sect, so Fuyao Sect is my best choice," Murong Xue replied.

Xu Nian nodded, keeping the name Fuyao Sect in his mind.

However, he was quite curious why it was necessary to join one of the Nine Great Forces to enter the Immortal Realm?

He had asked Wentian Demon Sovereign about this point several times, but Wentian Demon Sovereign never explained.

He even suggested that Xu Nian should try to take a token if he had the chance.

But the most important thing right now was to find Leng Yanran and the others.

"It's said that inside Ten Thousand Beast Mountain, there's an even more powerful demon beast lurking, though its location is unknown," Feng Cheng said.

Scanning the dense forested valley around, they didn't spot anything unusual.

Xu Nian also frowned slightly.

The Vajra Ape had already given them a hard time.

Now there was a stronger demon beast; if it attacked them, they might not be able to withstand it.

"We should try not to engage them. We're not here to snatch the token, and it might not intentionally target us," Xu Nian said.

"But I am!" Feng Cheng looked at Xu Nian with an innocent face.

Xu Nian was speechless.

"Before I find them, even if you see the token, you mustn't act," Xu Nian directly threatened.

Feng Cheng immediately rolled his eyes but said nothing further.

He had seen Xu Nian's strength and knew it was beyond his match.

If Xu Nian wanted to kill him, it would be easy.

Even if he disagreed, he had to agree.

Thus, the three continued deeper into Ten Thousand Beast Mountain.

But just as Xu Nian and the others were about to reach the depths of the mountain, they were stopped by a woman dressed in a black gown.

"Demon Beast?" Xu Nian immediately reacted.

This woman was not human but a demon beast.

Because she exuded a thick aura of demon beast.

Murong Xue and Feng Cheng beside him also appeared solemn.

"Isn't this woman the demon beast the Vajra Ape mentioned?" Feng Cheng said.

Xu Nian and the others thought this was likely.

"Correct, aside from me and that dumb monkey, there's no third demon beast here," the woman said with a chuckle, looking at Xu Nian and the group.

The eyes of Xu Nian and the others all narrowed.

Really?

Feng Cheng's face turned dark, had his mouth been blessed?

He could predict it so accurately!

Xu Nian attempted to probe the demon beast's cultivation but found he couldn't see through it.

This meant the demon beast's cultivation was at least at the Earth Immortal Early Stage.

Whether she was at the Earth Immortal Middle Stage, Late Stage, or even Earth Immortal Peak, he would know only after she acted.

"Senior, we mean no harm and have no intent to snatch the token, just looking for someone. I'm not sure if Senior has seen..."

"Have you seen four women, right?" The woman interrupted Xu Nian's words, looking at him with a playful expression.

Xu Nian's heart skipped a beat; the demon beast had indeed seen Leng Yanran and the others.

"May I ask, Senior, where are they now?" Xu Nian quickly inquired.

"Where are they? They're right here!" The woman stroked her belly and said.

Xu Nian instantly felt a rush of anger, his eyes filled with killing intent.

The next moment, he was ready to act.

The woman laughed softly and said teasingly, "Can't take a joke, can you? Though I'm also known as Black Widow, I only eat men, not women."

Upon hearing this, Xu Nian was stunned.

What did she mean?

Leng Yanran and the others weren't dead?

But Feng Cheng's face was dark as ink.

Not eating women but eating men?

Doesn't that mean he's in danger?

"Relax, I'm not interested in you. I toy with men before eating them, and you don't qualify, but he is somewhat appetizing." Black Widow laughed slyly.

Feng Cheng's face shifted from black to green, then to pale.

Not qualified to be eaten?

Should he be angry or glad?

Hearing Black Widow's words, Xu Nian felt relieved.

Does that mean Leng Yanran and the others aren't dead?

"Senior, could you spare us? We mean no harm," Xu Nian pleaded again.

"I'll let them go, including those four women, but you have to stay with me for a night. How about that?" Black Widow sultrily approached Xu Nian.

"No way!" Murong Xue immediately stepped forward with a sharp look.

Her voice was icy.

Black Widow was notorious for devouring husbands.

She would usually marry a man, and after a stormy affair, she would eat him.

Now she wanted Xu Nian to stay, obviously intending to eat him.

"Oh, you're quite popular, having women protecting you this way," Black Widow teased.

Xu Nian was somewhat surprised; he didn't expect Murong Xue to step forward.

Murong Xue herself felt her behavior was too impulsive, not like her usual self at all.

However, she couldn't bear to see Xu Nian stay; she was even less willing to see him get eaten.

"Is there no other way, Senior?" Xu Nian asked.

"Another way? Yes, if you defeat me, then you can pass, and take the token and the women if you wish. But be aware that if you act, you may all die here," Black Widow sneered.

Upon hearing this, Xu Nian's gaze instantly hardened.

Next to him, Feng Cheng and Murong Xue also felt a surge of battle intent.

"In that case, I'm sorry for the offense," Xu Nian shouted, the next moment darting forward.

Wielding King Jing Sword, he slashed towards Black Widow.

Black Widow laughed and turned into a phantom.

Sword Radiance struck the ground, creating a chasm.

Yet, Black Widow appeared at the side, completely unharmed.

"Such speed!" Xu Nian exclaimed.

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"Hmph, the strength of your sword is decent, but the speed is far from enough. If this is all you've got, you'll likely end up being devoured by me today," Black Widow said, licking her lips.

Xu Nian's eyes were solemn, and at the next moment, his pupils shrank abruptly.

Because he saw Black Widow's figure appear in front of him like a ghost.

A hand like a sharp blade thrust toward his heart.

Xu Nian's expression changed instantly, and he swiftly retreated backward.

Black Widow's hand strike did not hit him, but the sharp aura on the edge still touched him.

A blood-red Dragon Scale Armor immediately surged over Xu Nian's body.

The sharp Sword Qi struck the Dragon Scale Armor, creating brilliant sparks.

Xu Nian was sent flying by this terrifying force.

Looking down, he saw that his Dragon Scale Armor on his chest had been corroded into a hole.

"This Sword Qi is poisoned!" Xu Nian was shocked, not expecting the Sword Qi of Black Widow to contain deadly poison.

Just now, if he hadn't promptly used the Dragon Scale Armor and allowed his skin to come into contact with the Sword Qi, he would have been poisoned.

On the side, Murong Xue and Feng Cheng were also shocked. Poisoned Sword Qi?

"Haha, my true form is the most poisonous Black Widow spider, and since I've walked the path of cultivation, how could I forsake my poison? So I've already integrated my poison into my True Essence. Now, as I reach the Middle Stage Earth Immortal, I've incorporated the poison into a new Immortal Essence. Although your Battle Armor has an exceedingly strong defense, my poison, catalyzed by Immortal Essence, has potent corrosive properties capable of melting even top-grade spiritual artifacts, rendering your physical body unable to resist," Black Widow laughed heartily.

Xu Nian's face immediately showed astonishment.

Black Widow's cultivation was already much higher than theirs, and now her Immortal Essence contained extremely potent poison.

How could this duel be fought?

"You two back away first, let me duel with him. If you join the battle, you'll only be poisoned." Xu Nian didn't turn his head but said to Murong Xue and Feng Cheng.

If Black Widow's Immortal Essence were not poisonous, they might have been able to assist from the side.

But now, with the poison in the Immortal Essence, a slight misstep would lead to poisoning.

This poison, catalyzed by Immortal Essence, is challenging to withstand for anyone below Late Stage Earth Immortal.

Only those whose bodies have completely transformed into Immortal Bodies might resist this fearsome poison.

Murong Xue and Feng Cheng, hearing this, reluctantly chose to retreat.

Xu Nian's eyes also turned sharp, contemplating strategies in his heart.

Since this adversary's Immortal Essence is poisoned, close combat must be avoided.

"Kid, today you can't escape, obediently enter my chamber, then wait to be devoured by me," Black Widow laughed heartily and instantly transformed into a remnant shadow dashing toward Xu Nian.

"Buzz!"

Xu Nian's eyes focused, and with a thought, the surrounding gravity instantly changed.

Shifting to the left side.

Black Widow's originally lunging figure was directly destabilized by this gravitational pull.

At this moment, a strong Sword Intent surged in Xu Nian's eyes.

The King Jing Sword in his hand swung without hesitation.

The Sword Radiance slashed through the air, tearing the space.

"Did it hit?" In the distance, Feng Cheng and the others showed anticipation.

Xu Nian's strike was potent, containing the Second Level Dimensional Cutting Profound Argumentation, even infused with a trace of Wind Extreme Speed Profound Argumentation.

The Sword Radiance was about to strike Black Widow.

At this moment, a cold smile appeared on Black Widow's lips.

Eight spider legs emerged from her back, one of which, like a sharp blade, struck toward Xu Nian's Sword Radiance.

"Clang!"

A sound like clashing fine iron resonated in the air, like the hum of a great bell.

"What?" Xu Nian's face changed instantly.

Black Widow actually used her spider leg to intercept his Sword Radiance?

Just how hard are her spider legs?

Moreover, once her spider legs appeared, Black Widow stood firmly on the ground.

No matter how much Xu Nian altered the gravitational direction, her body did not tilt in the slightest.

"Haha, Third Level Gravity Space Profound Argumentation Domain, kid, no wonder you could reach here at the Late Stage Tribulation Crossing. You truly are a genius, but you probably didn't expect it, did you? I have already reached the Middle Stage Earth Immortal and begun tempering my Immortal Body. The first thing I tempered was my spider legs. Now my spider legs are harder than top-grade spiritual artifacts, comparable to Immortal Artifacts, and you cannot break through them," Black Widow laughed heartily.

Xu Nian was utterly shocked.

Black Widow had actually tempered her spider legs.

Doesn't that mean Black Widow's body is already in a Half-Immortal state?

How could this battle be fought?

He, at Late Stage Tribulation Crossing, no matter how powerful, is not a match for this Half-Immortal bodied Black Widow!

"Is it possible I really have to fall here today?" Xu Nian frowned slightly.

He considered using the Kun Cave Power, but it might not necessarily defeat Black Widow.

Black Widow was too strong.

Murong Xue and Feng Cheng in the distance were also shocked.

The Ten Thousand Beast Mountain actually placed such a formidable opponent here, how many of the younger generation could obtain the Token of the Ten Thousand Beast Mountain?

Especially Feng Cheng, now he was somewhat relieved he hadn't defeated the Vajra Ape earlier.

If he had ventured in alone, he would have long become prey to the Black Widow.

"Kid, prepare to die!"

Black Widow laughed and then spat out a spider silk.

This spider silk flew straight toward Xu Nian.

The spider silk was extremely fine and dashed towards Xu Nian as if it had eyes.

Xu Nian's eyes were fierce, and he slashed the King Jing Sword toward the spider silk.

However, his sword strike, hitting the spider silk, could not cut through, but was instead glued by the silk.

"Not good!" Xu Nian was instantly alarmed and wanted to abandon the sword and escape.

However, the spider silk split at that moment, forming a web that instantly enveloped Xu Nian.

Xu Nian struggled, trying to break free from the web, only to find that the more he struggled, the tighter it became, making escape impossible.

"Xu Nian!"

Murong Xue and Feng Cheng in the distance were startled, shouting anxiously.

"Stay back!" Xu Nian shouted, but he could not free himself from the web's constraints.

"Don't struggle, this web is also tempered with Immortal Essence. You can't break it, just give up," Black Widow retracted her spider legs and walked slowly toward Xu Nian.

Her gait was extraordinarily seductive, her eyes filled with triumph, as if she were admiring her prey.

Xu Nian was in a panic, yet helpless.

He tried using Kun Cave Power, but still could not escape.

"Senior Wentian, how long do you plan to watch the show?" Xu Nian asked irritatingly through transmission.

"Haha, kid, you finally remembered me. How's it, losing to a woman? Why not just give in to her first, enjoy a bit, and then I'll step in!" Wentian Demon Sovereign's voice echoed.

Xu Nian was speechless.

Chapter 1047: Wentian Demon Sovereign Takes Action

"So, have you decided to submit to me?" the Black Widow had already stepped in front of Xu Nian, eyeing him with an amused look.

Xu Nian was chatting with Wentian Demon Sovereign at the moment.

"Senior Wentian, please think of a way, help me; if you don't, I'm going to die." Xu Nian said in exasperation.

He truly had no solution now.

The Black Widow's power was too strong; he had no means at all.

"Why hurry, you won't die; the Black Widow won't eat you before you share her bed." Wentian Demon Sovereign's voice continued to sound.

The voice conveyed a teasing tone.

Xu Nian cursed in his heart, this Wentian Demon Sovereign was always like this.

Always had to make fun of him before lending help.

But what could he do being weak himself? If Wentian Demon Sovereign didn't help, he could do nothing but continue pleading: "Senior Wentian, please stop joking; if I really share a room with this Black Widow, I wouldn't even know how I died. You've seen it; her Immortal Essence contains deadly poison. Even if she doesn't eat me, I would be poisoned to death."

"Kid, scared now? Who told you to provoke such a strong figure; if it weren't for me, wouldn't you have been tricked here today?" Wentian Demon Sovereign's voice rang again.

"I knew you were around, that's why I dared to make a move!" Xu Nian hurriedly said pleasingly.

"Hmph, this time it's an opponent not too strong; if faced with a powerful adversary, I wouldn't be able to save you. I'm currently in the state of a Divine Soul; I don't want to fall into a coma like that Divine Emperor for you." Wentian Demon Sovereign said with ill temper.

"Does that mean, senior, you are confident in dealing with this Black Widow?" Xu Nian said happily.

"There's a way; this Black Widow's body has entered Half-Immortal Body status. Attempting a breakthrough with the body is impossible, only through a Soul Attack. With my Soul Power launching a Soul Attack, I should be able to hurt her." Wentian Demon Sovereign's voice sounded.

"Well, what are we waiting for?" Xu Nian quickly said.

"Kid, go out first and chat with this Black Widow, let her relax her guard. When I tell you to relinquish control of your body, you immediately do so, and I'll initiate the Soul Attack." Wentian Demon Sovereign said.

"Alright!" Xu Nian agreed without hesitation.

He wasn't worried about Wentian Demon Sovereign taking over his body because if he intended to do so, he could have done it long ago, why wait until now?

Xu Nian returned to his senses, looked at the Black Widow in front of him, and said with a smile: "Submitting to you isn't impossible, but I want to know the whereabouts of those four women, just for some mental comfort before I die."

"Seems those four women are indeed important to you; fine, then I will tell you the whereabouts of the four women." The Black Widow said with a smile.

She wasn't worried about Xu Nian escaping.

Because under her web binding, no one below Middle Stage Earth Immortal could break free.

"The four women you are looking for are now inside the core of Ten Thousand Beast Mountain, where there is an Immortal Pool. They are trapped inside the Immortal Pool, unable to get out." Black Widow said with a smile.

"Why confine them?" Xu Nian hurriedly asked.

"This is the order of a certain dignitary above us. He's taken a liking to the four women, wants us to help them ascend and bring them before him." Black Widow said with a smile.

Killing intent surged in Xu Nian's eyes.

Someone in Immortal Realm has taken an interest in Leng Yanran and the others, planning to imprison them and send them to Immortal Realm?

What a person of the Immortal Realm!

To dare target his family.

"Well, have you given up?" Black Widow sneered.

"Who is this person?" Xu Nian asked coldly.

"What does it matter to you, you are going to die here anyway. Even if you miraculously survive from me, that dignitary is not someone you can contend with. He has quite a reputation in Immortal Realm, not someone a young brat like you can deal with." Black Widow sneered, with a mockery in her eyes.

"Tell me who he is; when I get to Immortal Realm, I'll slaughter him." Xu Nian's eyes were filled with anger.

"Hah, courting death, that's all I'm saying, now just come with me!" Black Widow sneered.

She finished speaking and was about to drag Xu Nian away with the web.

In the distance, Murong Xue and Feng Cheng's expressions also changed, ready to make a move the next moment.

But at this moment, Xu Nian's aura suddenly changed.

A terrifying and dense killing aura erupted from Xu Nian's body.

"You...who are you?" Black Widow's face changed; she could feel the essence change in this young man's soul aura, as if he had completely transformed into someone else.

"You are not worthy to know my name, die!" Xu Nian said in an aged and domineering voice.

In the next moment, a chilling soul wave erupted from Xu Nian's body.

Black Widow's face drastically changed, trying to flee from Xu Nian quickly.

Yet it was too late; Xu Nian's pupils turned black in an instant, like two flames burning.

"Ah..."

Black Widow instantly clutched her head, letting out a heartbreaking scream.

Murong Xue and Feng Cheng in the distance were showing extremely shocked expressions.

Black flames burned in Xu Nian's eyes.

Directly burning the web into nothingness.

Gray Dragon Eye.

Under the stimulation of Wentian Demon Sovereign's Soul Power, it displayed incredibly terrifying abilities.

Black Widow's soul was now being burned by a blazing black flame.

"I beg you, spare me, spare me!" Black Widow pleaded in pain.

"Hah, evildoer with countless sins, death is too lenient!" Xu Nian snorted coldly.

Then the flame in his eyes intensified instantly.

In the next moment, Black Widow's entire body transformed into a gigantic black spider.

"Even if I die, I will perish with you..." Black Widow roared in anger.

She was about to charge at Xu Nian.

But as she prepared to attack, Xu Nian showed a sliver of a smile on his lips.

Murong Xue and Feng Cheng from afar saw the enormous spider fall directly to the ground, lifeless.

"Dead?" Feng Cheng was shocked.

Murong Xue also had a shocked face.

Xu Nian's body shook, relinquishing control of his physical body back to himself.

Looking at the giant spider lying in front of him, his eyes also showed a hint of shock.

Though he lent his body to Wentian Demon Sovereign just now, he saw everything.

He just didn't expect his Gray Dragon Eye to be so terrifying under Wentian Demon Sovereign's Soul Power stimulation.

"Kid, I've settled this spider for you. I should go rest now; this action consumed too much of my Soul Power. If you don't compensate me later, I'll burn you." Wentian Demon Sovereign's voice echoed in Xu Nian's mind.

Xu Nian smiled bitterly, but his heart was resolute: "The junior will surely give sincere filial respect to the senior, repay the senior's lifesaving grace."

Yet as his words fell, he received no response.

Chapter 1048: Rescuing Four Women

After slaying the Black Widow, there was no longer any obstruction within the Ten Thousand Beast Mountain.

After collecting the Black Widow's body, Xu Nian led Murong Xue and Feng Cheng towards the deepest part of the Ten Thousand Beast Mountain.

The reason for keeping the Black Widow's body was that her eight spider legs had been tempered to form an Immortal Body.

They could completely be used as artifact refining materials, integrating into weapons.

The eight spider legs could be used to forge dozens of top-grade Spiritual Artifacts.

Xu Nian didn't need them himself, but they would greatly enhance the battle strength of the Heavenly Court Gang.

As they progressed, they finally reached the deepest part of the Ten Thousand Beast Mountain.

In this depth of the mountain, there was an Immortal Pool shrouded in a layer of mist.

A rich Immortal Qi emanated from it.

However, surrounding the Immortal Qi was a transparent barrier.

Through this barrier, Xu Nian saw the four women sitting cross-legged by the Immortal Pool, focused on cultivation.

Clearly, they were trapped and couldn't get out of the barrier.

Suspended above the Immortal Pool was a red mark.

This mark seemed like both a character and a strange rune.

The existence of this rune was maintaining the barrier.

If his guess was correct, this rune should be the Token of the Ten Thousand Beast Mountain.

"That is the Ten Thousand Beasts Seal, possessing it grants the qualification to enter the Ten Thousand Beast Mountain," Feng Cheng explained.

He eyed the mark with intense desire.

Xu Nian, however, had no interest in that mark; he only wanted to break through the barrier and rescue the four women.

"Step aside, let me see if I can cut through this barrier," Xu Nian said.

Murong Xue and Feng Cheng immediately stepped aside.

Xu Nian directly summoned the King Jing Sword and struck the transparent barrier with one blow.

The sword light was fierce, cutting through the sky.

However, when his Sword Radiance struck the transparent barrier, it only rippled and failed to break it.

"How strong is this barrier?" Xu Nian's expression changed.

He didn't expect that a strike containing the Second Level Dimension Cutting Profound Argumentation could not penetrate the transparent barrier.

Unwilling to give up, Xu Nian attacked again, this time not using swordsmanship but directly punching the transparent barrier.

The entire transparent barrier shook violently like a water wave, yet it did not shatter.

Xu Nian was amazed that even his Gravity Fist infused with Third Level Space Profound Argumentation couldn't shatter the barrier.

Murong Xue and Feng Cheng were equally surprised.

They had witnessed Xu Nian's attacks before, yet now he couldn't break the barrier.

This showed just how strong the barrier was.

"What should we do?" Xu Nian became anxious.

If he couldn't break the barrier, he couldn't rescue the four women.

All his previous efforts would have been in vain then.

"Let me try!"

Just as Xu Nian was at a loss, Murong Xue suddenly spoke up.

"Huh?" Xu Nian looked at Murong Xue with a puzzled expression.

Murong Xue's strength might not surpass his own; what method could she have to break the barrier?

"Before I left, the Sect Master left me a Sword Qi, originally intended for use at Fuyao Lake. But now, since you need it, it should be put to use," Murong Xue said.

"That's probably your life-saving tool, isn't it? If you use it up..." Xu Nian frowned.

"It's okay; rescuing people is more important," Murong Xue replied.

She then approached the transparent barrier without looking at Xu Nian again.

The next moment, an overwhelming Sword Intent emanated from her body.

"Buzz!"

A piercing sword sound rang out, followed by Murong Xue pointing with her two fingers.

The Sword Radiance passed through her Sword Point and struck the transparent barrier.

The transparent barrier instantly surged and shattered into pieces the next moment.

"Huh?"

The four women, originally cultivating, abruptly opened their eyes.

When they saw who had arrived, their faces immediately showed joyful expressions.

"Xu Nian!"

Leng Yanran and Zhao Yanyun both exclaimed in surprise, joy evident on their faces.

Han Xiaoxiao also had a startled expression; she never expected Xu Nian to appear here.

Only Xu Xin had a content smile on her lips.

"Are you all okay?" Xu Nian asked, relieved to see the four women safe and sound.

"We're fine, but how did you get in? What about the Black Widow? Didn't she target you?" Zhao Yanyun urgently asked.

"Yeah, little brother, that Black Widow was formidable; if she discovered you, you guys would..." Xu Xin also said anxiously.

"It's okay; the Black Widow has already been killed by us." Xu Nian replied with a smile.

"Eliminated?" Xu Xin and the others showed expressions of astonishment.

That was a Middle Stage Earth Immortal level Demon Beast, yet Xu Nian had killed it.

Doesn't that mean Xu Nian's strength was comparable to the Middle Stage Earth Immortal level?

Han Xiaoxiao, who had just reached the Middle Stage Tribulation Crossing, was the strongest among them, but now the gap compared to Xu Nian was substantial.

"Oh, Murong Xue, why are you here?" Leng Yanran suddenly looked at Murong Xue in surprise.

Murong Xue was originally a student of Qinglin Academy, and as the Dean of Qinglin Academy, Leng Yanran naturally knew Murong Xue.

"Do you know me?" Murong Xue asked as she looked towards Leng Yanran.

"She... this is..." Leng Yanran turned to Xu Nian, surprised.

She was aware of the feelings between Xu Nian and Murong Xue, and initially thought Xu Nian had found Murong Xue.

But it seemed that Murong Xue couldn't remember anything.

"Her memories have been completely sealed by the people from the Tiancang Sect, so she forgot everything about the Tianhen Continent," Xu Nian explained, a trace of bitterness on his face.

Leng Yanran was taken aback, then looked at Murong Xue with sympathy.

Although the relationship between Xu Nian and Murong Xue made her feel a bit of jealousy, Murong Xue was Xu Nian's first love.

This was indelible; if there was an intruder, it was her who became the third party.

So concerning Murong Xue, she could only choose acceptance.

But she didn't expect Murong Xue to forget everything.

"Have you met me before?" Murong Xue once again asked Leng Yanran.

She was now very curious about her past, wanting to recover her previous memories because only then did she feel like a complete person.

"Not only have I met you, but I can also be considered your former instructor. Back then, you all studied at my Academy, but during a mission, you were taken away by people from the Tiancang Sect, and there was no news of you after that," Leng Yanran explained.

Murong Xue's eyes were complex; could what Xu Nian said be true, had she really known him in the past?

"If you can, return to the Tianhen Continent and take a look; your father is still in Tianhai City, and he misses you dearly," Leng Yanran suggested.

"Father?" Murong Xue's gaze became even more complicated.

Xu Nian said nothing but resolved in his heart.

Once this realm journey was over, he'd take Murong Xue back to the Tianhen Continent.

This might help her break through the memory seal.

Chapter 1049: Rival in Love, Fang Long

Next, after Xu Nian briefly communicated with the four women, he decided to take them into the God King Tripod.

After all, their skills were still too weak, and it was difficult for Xu Nian to take care of them if they stayed outside.

Leng Yanran and her companions also willingly entered the God King Tripod, not wanting to burden Xu Nian.

As for the Immortal Pool filled with Immortal Qi, it was naturally taken into the God King Tripod by Xu Nian.

Besides being used to help Leng Yanran and the others in cultivation, it also served to support the growth of the Seven-colored Bodhi Tree.

Having collected the Immortal Pool, the Spirit Talisman Token was then given to Feng Cheng by Xu Nian.

Feng Cheng was naturally delighted.

He hadn't expected that Xu Nian would give him the token of the Ten Thousand Beast Mountain.

However, Murong Xue received nothing.

This made Xu Nian feel a bit guilty.

After all, Murong Xue had contributed the most to breaking the restriction in the end.

Not only did she give Xu Nian a Healing Holy Medicine before, but she also used up the Sword Qi left to her by the Sect Master.

It could be said that this time, she not only gained no benefits but also suffered significant losses.

"You don't need to thank me, I did all this willingly. If you really feel guilty, how about accompanying me to the Tianhen Continent?" Murong Xue saw through Xu Nian's thoughts and said.

Xu Nian was stunned; he hadn't expected Murong Xue to ask him to accompany her.

Anything that could help Murong Xue regain her memory, he would do without hesitation.

So even without Murong Xue's request, he would have done it.

Now that Murong Xue had requested it, Xu Nian felt even more joyful.

At least he has now gained Murong Xue's trust.

"Accompanying you to the Tianhen Continent is something I should do, so it can't be considered a repayment. How about this? I'll go to Fuyao Lake with you and help you obtain the token from Fuyao Lake?" Xu Nian said to Murong Xue.

Murong Xue was a bit surprised; she hadn't expected Xu Nian to offer his help.

This made Murong Xue fall silent.

She had already experienced the dangers of Fuyao Lake; with her abilities alone, it was nearly impossible to obtain the token.

And now that she had used up the Sword Qi bestowed upon her by the Sect Master, the chance of obtaining the token was even slimmer.

If Xu Nian helped her, there might be a glimmer of hope.

"I'll go too. I've already obtained the token from Ten Thousand Beast Mountain, and I have nothing else to do, so I'll treat it as repayment for you helping me get the token," Feng Cheng said with a smile.

Xu Nian looked at Murong Xue and continued to persuade, "Let's help you obtain the token, then we'll head to the Tianlan Continent together. If there is danger, we can always retreat."

"Alright!" Murong Xue nodded after a moment's contemplation.

Seeing Murong Xue agree, Xu Nian smiled.

Though Murong Xue had lost her memory, her personality was exactly the same as before.

Though she appeared cold, her heart was fiery warm.

Anyone who could enter her heart would be cherished dearly by her.

This was also why she once shielded Xu Nian from a sword.

Thus, once again, Murong Xue, Feng Cheng, and Xu Nian set off, heading toward Fuyao Lake.

Meanwhile, as Xu Nian and the others headed to Fuyao Lake, a young man arrived at Fuyao Lake.

The two youths originally guarding Fuyao Lake immediately showed a guarded expression upon seeing the young man.

"Fang Long, why are you here at our Fuyao Pond instead of competing for the Chaos Sky Palace's token?" Su Zhan looked at the suddenly appearing young man and questioned.

He was the sect mate who had been verbally wounded by Murong Xue before.

The young man appearing before him was Fang Long, the second young talent of the Chaos Sky Sect.

Fang Long was incredibly powerful, becoming the second genius of a Great Sect like the Chaos Sky Sect, so his strength was certainly formidable.

However, Su Zhan knew that ever since the last Sect Competition, Fang Long had been infatuated with Junior Sister Murong.

So it was no surprise that he came here to seek Murong Xue.

"Su Zhan, I mean no harm. I'm just here to see Junior Sister Murong and perhaps assist her in obtaining the token from Fuyao Lake," Fang Long said with a smile, although his tone carried an air of arrogance.

"Hmph, Junior Sister Murong is not at Fuyao Lake, and even if she were, she wouldn't meet you. Fang Long, I know you like Junior Sister Murong, but I'd advise you to give up. Junior Sister Murong is favored by our Sect Brother Jiang Shengtian. Do you think you can compete with Jiang Shengtian?" Su Zhan snorted.

Many liked Murong Xue, even Su Zhan had feelings for her, but he knew he was not worthy.

Although Fang Long was stronger than him, Su Zhan still believed Fang Long was unworthy, so he naturally resented Fang Long for trying to win Murong Xue's heart.

"Su Zhan, you'd better not use Jiang Shengtian to intimidate me. Matters of the heart require mutual consent. Even if Jiang Shengtian is stronger, Xue'er might not even fancy him. One day, I will surpass Jiang Shengtian," Fang Long retorted sarcastically.

Since Murong Xue wasn't here, there was no reason for him to linger, and he prepared to leave.

However, Su Zhan cunningly said, "Recently, Junior Sister Murong has been acting strange. Rumor has it that before she joined the Tiancang Sect, she had some entanglements with a fellow named Xu Nian. I have intel suggesting a young man named Xu Nian has entered the Realm Domain. Earlier, Junior Sister Murong left suddenly, likely to search for this Xu Nian. Fang Long, if you think Junior Sister Murong is yours, would you allow some rustic boy to overshadow you?"

Fang Long had stopped midway and cast a fierce gaze at Su Zhan.

"Su Zhan, I advise you not to play tricks. Your cunning is far from sufficient to orchestrate something like a 'murder by manipulation.' But you're right; how dare some rustic boy harbor desires for Junior Sister Xue'er? That's reckless beyond measure," Fang Long growled with killing intent.

"I harbor no designs of 'murder by manipulation.' I'm merely informing you. Whether you wish to act is your decision. But I must remind you, Junior Sister Murong seems to value that boy highly. Consider this advice well; the rest is up to you," Su Zhan said.

With that, he adopted a stance signaling Fang Long to leave.

Upon hearing this, Fang Long's eyes filled with more killing intent.

Murong Xue values a fellow named Xu Nian highly?

Just this alone made Fang Long's anger surge uncontrollably.

He could tolerate Jiang Shengtian as a rival.

But for some rustic boy to dare lay claim to Junior Sister Xue'er was a deep insult.

"I must see which weary fool dares defy caution so recklessly. I'll make him understand there are people he couldn't even dream of reaching," Fang Long uttered with killing intent and prepared to leave immediately.

Yet before he could leave, he sensed three presences flying in his direction.

Chapter 1050: Fang Long's Arrogance

"Swish, swish, swish!"

Three streaks of light flew directly to the shore of Fuyao Lake.

"Junior Sister Xue'er!"

Fang Long's eyes instantly lit up. He hadn't expected Murong Xue to return at this time.

But he quickly noticed that there were two other men beside Murong Xue.

It was well known that Murong Xue rarely stayed with male disciples from other Sects, even within her own Sect, it was rare.

However, now Murong Xue appeared with two young men, which could not help but arouse his suspicion.

He knew Feng Cheng, a madman who only cared about fighting.

When it came to matters of love, he was practically indifferent.

Even if he had feelings for Murong Xue, she would not fall for a madman.

However, the young man on the other side looked unfamiliar.

His cultivation was only at the Late Stage Tribulation Crossing Level.

"Could he be that Xu Nian?" Fang Long mused to himself, his eyes filled with hostility.

No matter if this young man was Xu Nian or not, a mere Late Stage Tribulation Crossing individual was not qualified to be with his Junior Sister Xue'er.

On the other side, Su Zhan also looked over with a strange expression, clearly surprised by the appearance of Xu Nian and his group.

"Junior Sister Xue'er, you're finally back. I came here specifically to find you," Fang Long quickly stepped forward and said with a smile.

Murong Xue frowned, looking at Fang Long coldly, "What does Senior Brother Fang want? If there's nothing, please leave, and in the future, don't call me Junior Sister Xue'er. We are not familiar."

Murong Xue's attitude was extremely cold.

In fact, she didn't even know why she suddenly found Fang Long's manner of address so repulsive.

Previously, she would have ignored such remarks indifferently, but today she felt extremely opposed to it.

Hence, her attitude toward Fang Long was extremely indifferent.

Fang Long froze, not expecting Murong Xue to speak to him with such a cold attitude.

This made him feel a wave of embarrassment.

"Fine, Xue'er... oh no, Junior Sister Murong, I mean no harm. I came here to help you acquire the Token of Fuyao Lake," Fang Long continued to ingratiate himself with a smile, not flipping out immediately.

"No need, I can handle it myself. Thank you, Senior Brother Fang, please go back." Murong Xue said dismissively, walking past Fang Long without even glancing at him.

Fang Long's face turned ashen, feeling extremely humiliated.

Feng Cheng walked by with a mocking smile hanging on his lips, his eyes full of ridicule.

Even though Xu Nian displayed no particular expression, his heart was very satisfied.

Without looking closely, it was clear that Fang Long was a suitor of his Xue'er, and as someone who cherished Murong Xue deeply, Xu Nian couldn't help but feel pleased seeing his rival suffer a setback.

However, just when Xu Nian was about to pass by Fang Long, Fang Long abruptly grabbed his arm.

"What do you want?" Xu Nian frowned and asked.

"What do I want? Kid, who are you? What are you doing here?" Fang Long questioned coldly.

He was simmering with anger and since he couldn't vent it on Murong Xue, he could only take it out on this guy.

"Who I am is none of your business," Xu Nian replied coldly.

He had no good feelings about Fang Long in the first place, and with such an attitude directed at him, there was no way he would show him any courtesy.

"None of my business? Kid, do you know who you're talking to?" Fang Long was instantly furious.

He accepted Murong Xue's indifference, but for this mere Late Stage Tribulation Crossing guy to also speak to him in such a manner, how could he not feel enraged?

In the next moment, he was about to strike and disable this guy's cultivation.

"Stop!"

Murong Xue turned and shouted coldly, looking at Fang Long with a face full of anger.

"Junior Sister Murong, I'm just trying to help you find out this person's origins. Your kind heart is easily deceived by some people. This person's background is unclear, and it would be best to let me interrogate him." Fang Long replied.

"Enough, Fang Long, Xu Nian was invited by me to help break the restriction at Fuyao Lake. He is my guest, not an unknown person. If you dare to disrespect him again, don't blame me for being unkind." Murong Xue immediately replied, her eyes icy with hostility.

Fang Long frowned deeply, turning to look at Xu Nian.

So this guy really was Xu Nian.

In the distance, Su Zhan and the female disciple also looked at Xu Nian with an amused expression.

Clearly, they all knew that Fang Long would definitely cripple this young man named Xu Nian next.

And when that happened, Junior Sister Murong would undoubtedly grow to despise Fang Long utterly.

By then, Junior Sister Murong would only belong to their Senior Brother Jiang Shengtian, with no one else posing a threat.

Sure enough, Fang Long's gaze at Xu Nian grew increasingly hostile.

"So you're Xu Nian. I've heard you're full of nonsense, deceiving the kind-hearted Junior Sister Xue'er, intending to lay hands on her. I originally wondered what sort of character you were, but it turns out you're nothing but a measly ant with mediocre strength." Fang Long sneered, looking at Xu Nian with growing disdain.

"Fang Long, you call others ants, but you're no better. Murong Xue has told you to leave three times now, yet you persist like a mangy dog. Were you born in the year of the dog?" Feng Cheng couldn't help but interject with a cold laugh.

"Feng Cheng, what does this have to do with you? Believe me, I'll tear your mouth apart!" Fang Long erupted in fury, looking towards Feng Cheng.

"Go ahead, don't think I'm afraid of you, Fang Long. Every disciple in the Chaos Sky Sect is of poor character. Don't mind me telling you, Wu Changchuan and Ye Tianyuan have already been slayed by me. Dare to slander me? I don't care what Sect you're from!" Feng Cheng sneered.

Fang Long's eyes burned with killing intent at these words.

In the Four Great Sects, everyone knew that Wu Changchuan and Ye Tianyuan were his henchmen.

As the saying goes, even if you beat a dog, you must consider its owner. For Feng Cheng to show such blatant disrespect, not even the Reincarnation Sect would be able to protect him.

"Seeking death, if you're all seeking death, then I shall oblige. First, I'll kill you, Feng Cheng, then deal with you afterward." Fang Long was furious and was about to release Xu Nian and strike Feng Cheng.

However, just as he let go, Xu Nian swiftly grabbed Fang Long's arm.

"What are you doing?" Fang Long was stunned, not understanding the guy's sudden madness.

He was ready to spare his life and let him live a little longer, yet this guy, instead of trying to escape, chose to grab him.

"You're called Fang Long, right? You want to make a move, fine, but before you do, let me emphasize a few points. So when you die, you won't miss these words," Xu Nian sneered.

Fang Long was immediately enraged at these words.

Xu Nian, however, continued with a cold smile, "First, Xue'er is not for you to call. She is my beloved, only I can call her that, you cannot!"

"Second, who is really the ant, you'll find out soon enough."

"Third, Wu Changchuan and Ye Tianyuan were killed by me."

Xu Nian's words were resolute, and Fang Long's face grew even darker and more sinister.

