

## **Divine King 1061**

### Chapter 1061: Cunning Old Fox

Xu Nian watched the three people coming, and he noticed that Mei Ji was just standing at the back.

In front of her stood two men.

The second in line was a young-looking man, but his Cultivation was not weak, having already reached the Middle Stage Earth Immortal.

His Immortal Body transformation seemed to be halfway complete. As for the one walking at the very front, he was an elder with an immortal demeanor.

This person was dressed in white, and although his hair was entirely white, he didn't look old at all. His back was straight, and his skin was as delicate as a baby's. When he walked, he unconsciously exuded intense pressure.

Most importantly, Xu Nian couldn't discern his Cultivation level, indicating that the other party was at least at the Earth Immortal Late Stage.

"Greetings, Tianbao Pavilion Master!" Liu Bai Ru greeted respectfully as she saw the elder approaching.

Xu Nian was startled. He didn't expect this elder to be the Tianbao Pavilion Master.

Despite being a guest at Tianbao Pavilion, he had never seen the Pavilion Master until now.

Unexpectedly, he encountered him here today.

"Haha, no need to be so formal, Master Liu. Oh, are your injuries healed?" the elder laughed heartily but then showed a look of surprise.

Apparently, he knew about Liu Bai Ru's injuries but hadn't expected them to be healed.

"Fortunately, I happened upon some opportunity that allowed me to recover," Liu Bai Ru replied with a smile.

The elder nodded with a smile, indicating his approval.

"It seems Master Liu has not only recovered from her injuries, but her strength has also returned. Perhaps it won't be long before she breaks through to the Earth Immortal Late Stage," the young man said with a smile.

"Vice Pavilion Master, you flatter me. Everyone knows you're one of the top geniuses in the Tianhen Star Domain, reaching the Middle Stage Earth Immortal at such a young age," Liu Bai Ru said to the young man with a smile.

The young man smiled slightly, clearly pleased by Liu Bai Ru's words.

As for Mei Ji, she ignored Liu Bai Ru and instead looked at Xu Nian as if pondering something.

Xu Nian frowned slightly. Did Mei Ji discover something?

But he had clearly changed his appearance, even his aura, and might go undetected even by someone at the Earth Immortal Peak. How could she possibly notice?

"What is your name?" Mei Ji approached Xu Nian and asked.

"Eh?" Xu Nian was taken aback and replied, "My name is Xu Ping. Sister, you're so beautiful! Is there something you need from me?"

Upon hearing this, Mei Ji instinctively frowned and replied, "Nothing, I just thought your eyes looked like a friend's."

She had initially felt that Xu Ping's gaze resembled Xu Nian's.

But when Xu Nian called her beautiful, she dismissed her suspicions.

Because she knew Xu Nian would never say such things.

Soon, Mei Ji and her companions left.

Xu Nian also breathed a slight sigh of relief.

"Well done, little Ping, you're even flirting with beauties now," Shi Guangxu teased, deliberately placing a hand on Xu Nian's shoulder.

Xu Nian glared at him, making a motion as if to kick him.

Shi Guangxu was so startled he immediately covered his rear, not daring to speak further.

Xu Nian, however, was still in disbelief as he watched Mei Ji's departing figure. That Mei Ji could even suspect him was beyond his expectations.

It seemed this Transformation Technique could change one's aura and appearance, but it couldn't change a person's eyes.

But there wouldn't be many people who could recognize Xu Nian through his eyes alone.

Xu Nian and his group had now arrived at the gates of Guihai City, where Liu Bai Ru presented their invitation.

The guards immediately let them in, showing a respectful demeanor.

All around them were various powerful factions.

Under the guidance of the guards, Xu Nian and his companions soon arrived at the central square of the Guihai family's residence.

At this moment, a considerable number of people had already gathered in the square, most of whom were top figures from the Tianhen Star Domain.

The entire crowd numbered more than three hundred, the majority of whom were at the Earth Immortal stage.

In the Guihai family, Guihai Badao and Guihai Yanshan stood at the road's entrance, welcoming guests.

Recognizing familiar faces, they eagerly went up to greet them.

Xu Nian took one look at the two of them and confirmed they had indeed reached the Earth Immortal stage.

"Master Liu, it's a pleasure to have you here," Guihai Ba Dao said with a joyful smile upon seeing Liu Bai Ru.

He was wearing a red robe, which made him appear particularly festive.

"Congratulations on breaking through to the Earth Immortal stage and marrying a beautiful bride. How could I not come to such a joyous occasion?" Liu Bai Ru said with a smile.

"Haha, breaking through is nothing in front of Master Liu, and my marriage is even less significant. This time, the main event is our Guihai family's Tianlong ceremony," Guihai Badao said with a smile.

Guihai Yanshan also nodded with a joyful expression.

Guihai Tiangong was his son, and naturally, he was very pleased.

Xu Nian remained expressionless, observing the Guihai family's two brothers.

But Shi Guangxu, at his side, could not contain himself and wore a sarcastic smile on his lips.

"Oh? I heard about this. But I'm curious, who is this Master of Young Master Tianlong?" Liu Bai Ru asked with a smile.

"That's a secret for now, but I can tell Master Liu that you know him," Guihai Badao said with a smile.

Liu Bai Ru showed a surprised expression and then awkwardly smiled.

It seemed the Guihai family was playing coy, hinting that this person had a significant background.

"And who might these two be?" Guihai Badao glanced at Xu Nian and Shi Guangxu standing next to the Third Elder and asked.

He had certainly noticed Shi Guangxu's sarcasm but didn't need to hold a grudge against a junior.

"They're both disciples from my Tiande Sect, here to gain some experience," Liu Bai Ru casually replied.

"Truly, heroes come from the younger generation. To have reached the Peak of Tribulation Crossing at such a young age is indeed impressive," Guihai Badao said with a smile.

He also patted Xu Nian on the shoulder as he spoke.

Xu Nian was taken aback, a guarded look in his eyes.

This cunning old fox of the Guihai family was testing him. He clearly felt a trace of Immortal Essence enter his body.

"Guihai Family Master, you're too kind. Compared to Young Master Guihai Tiangong, I am still far behind," Xu Nian said with a maintained smile.

Inside, however, he maintained his composure, using the devouring technique of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast to absorb that trace of Immortal Essence.

"Haha, you're impressive too. Even if not quite like Tiangong, you're still a standout among the younger generation. Alright, Master Liu, please proceed to your seats," Guihai Batian said with a smile.

Liu Bai Ru didn't say more and led Xu Nian and his companions to their seats in the square.

"Second Brother, why did you test that young man just now?" Guihai Yanshan immediately asked through transmission once Liu Bai Ru and her party had left.

Guihai Badao's expression was somber. He shook his head and said, "I don't know. But I felt a trace of our Guihai family's Asura Three Sabers' Sword Intent in him, though it disappeared in an instant. Maybe I was overthinking, but this kid is quite peculiar. The trace of Immortal Essence I entered into his body vanished without a trace."

"Vanished? It seems he might have a unique body constitution!" Guihai Yanshan said.

"Perhaps! It seems the Tiande Sect has picked up a talent. I initially thought we could surpass the Tiande Sect, allowing our Guihai family to enter the top five, but now that seems unlikely," Guihai Badao said, shaking his head, a fierce light flashing in his eyes.

"That may not be true, Second Brother. Look who's arrived," Guihai Yanshan said with a smile.

Guihai Badao looked forward and immediately smiled.

The Master of the Mountain Sea Sect had finally arrived!

Chapter 1062 Elder Yu Mo

As soon as Liu Bai Ru saw the Sect Master of the Mountain Sea Sect appear, a strong murderous intent burst from her eyes.

Even Shi Guangxu, standing beside her, had eyes filled with hatred.

Xu Nian followed their gaze and saw two figures walking from the entrance of the path.

Leading them was a middle-aged man, with a black beard that made his entire appearance look extraordinarily resolute.

However, his eyes occasionally narrowed, giving off a sinister and eerie feeling.

This person's cultivation was not low, having already reached the peak of the Middle Stage Earth Immortal, perhaps just a step away from true Immortal Body Completion.

Following him was a handsome young man, with sharp sword-like eyebrows and starry eyes.

Although he wore a smile, there was a hint of arrogance in his expression.

But it wasn't surprising; this young man looked about the same age as Guihai Tiangong but had already stepped into the Middle Stage Earth Immortal.

Among the younger generation, he counted as an outstanding figure.

"He is the Sect Master of the Mountain Sea Sect, Lin Shanhai, and behind him is his son, Lin Wu," Liu Bai Ru transmitted a message to Xu Nian.

Clearly, despite her anger, she didn't have an immediate desire to make a move.

Xu Nian nodded; it was no coincidence that the Mountain Sea Sect could rank in the top three among the many sects in the Tianhen Star Domain.

You can see this just from the Sect Master and his son.

At the moment, the Sect Master of the Mountain Sea Sect was chatting casually with the Guihai Family Head, laughing and talking.

Not sure what they were discussing, the Sect Master glanced in Liu Bai Ru's direction, a faint smile on his lips.

Liu Bai Ru, however, clenched her fists, and her murderous intent surged.

But Lin Shanhai seemed to have no intention of provoking Liu Bai Ru, stepping aside.

"I wonder if anyone from the Mu Residence will show up," Xu Nian smiled and asked.

"They will. This time the Guihai Family's Earth Immortal Banquet isn't that simple. I fear it's not just about apprenticeship; there seem to be other motives." Liu Bai Ru looked around and said.

"I feel the same. Even if the Guihai Family gained three Earth Immortals, there is no need to make such a fuss," Xu Nian nodded in agreement.

He also found the Guihai Family's actions somewhat strange, unsure what their real intention was.

"Guihai Tiangong has come out."

At this moment, Shi Guangxu suddenly pointed in a direction and said.

Xu Nian looked towards the direction and indeed saw a tall and straight young man walking from the side of the square.

Guests around nodded their congratulations, to which Guihai Tiangong only slightly nodded his head, exhibiting an inherent sense of pride.

"He really has broken through to the Middle Stage Earth Immortal," Xu Nian said.

The last time he saw Guihai Tiangong, he was merely at the Late Stage of Tribulation Crossing.

Unexpectedly, he now broke through to the Middle Stage Earth Immortal, undergoing significant changes recently.

However, Xu Nian still remembered the grudge of Guihai Tiangong's slash back then.

Back then, he almost died at the hands of Guihai Tiangong.

"So, can you beat him?" Shi Guangxu patted Xu Nian's shoulder and asked.

"Only the fight will tell," Xu Nian responded with a smile.

Hearing this, Shi Guangxu also smiled.

Seeing Xu Nian like this, it meant he was confident.

Perhaps sensing Xu Nian's gaze, Guihai Tiangong looked in Xu Nian's direction.

But quickly looked away, dismissing a peak of Tribulation Crossing cultivator as unworthy of his attention.

Guihai Tiangong walked directly to the entrance of the square.

Just as he reached the entrance, three figures approached from afar.

Leading them was a middle-aged man, with sharp brows and a particularly stern look, emitting an aura of natural killing intent.

This kind of killing intent made one's heart shiver.

Xu Nian was sure this man had killed enough people to pile them into mountains to possess such strong killing intent.

What worried Xu Nian the most was that he couldn't see through this man's cultivation.

This meant this middle-aged man was at least at the Earth Immortal Late Stage.

Behind him were two young men wearing masks.

Their masks were all of purple-gold color, signifying they were assassins at the Early Stage Earth Immortal.

Upon seeing the three arrive, the Guihai Family members immediately appeared excited, hurriedly approaching them with respect.

"These are the people from the Mu Residence. Leading them is the chief of the Mu Residence Assassin Organization, Wei Dong, known as the Iron-faced King Yan. He rarely appears, so it's surprising he's attending this banquet," Liu Bai Ru transmitted to Xu Nian.

"The leader of an assassin organization, no wonder the murderous aura is this strong," Xu Nian muttered to himself.

The threat from this Wei Dong was clearly greater than that from the Tianbao Pavilion Master.

If the assassin organization leader was this strong, who knows how powerful the Mu Residence Lord would be.

Wei Dong and his men, accompanied by Guihai Tiangong, headed directly to the front of the square, sitting in the center.

Meanwhile, the assassins stood behind Wei Dong like Tie Shan.

"It seems the Guihai Family has a significant purpose this time. Wei Dong's presence already indicates everything," Liu Bai Ru transmitted to Xu Nian.

Xu Nian remained expressionless, still observing the surroundings.

He was considering how to cause a scene at the Guihai Family's banquet and still leave unscathed.

Currently, the only threats to him were the Tianbao Pavilion Master and this Wei Dong.

The Tianbao Pavilion Master probably wouldn't act against him, but with Wei Dong, it's uncertain.

The Guihai Family and the Mu Residence seemed to be closely connected, so it's possible they might make a move.

"Ladies and gentlemen, having you here at my Guihai Family is truly an honor for Guihai Badao and the entire Guihai Family. As you might know, the reason for today's invitation is to celebrate our three members stepping into the Earth Immortal Realm. Moreover, it is crucially for the apprenticeship ceremony of our Guihai Family's first genius, Guihai Tiangong," Guihai Badao spoke from the central platform of the square.

The entire venue instantly fell silent, all eyes fixed on Guihai Badao.

"I suppose everyone is curious about who Tiangong's master is. Today, we reveal him: Please welcome Elder Yu Mo," Guihai Badao announced with a smile.

At these words, there was a wave of astonishment.

"It's him!"

Even Liu Bai Ru had a surprised look, not expecting Guihai Tiangong's master to be Elder Yu Mo.

Xu Nian and Shi Guangxu were bewildered.

At this moment, Guihai Tiangong helped an elderly person walk towards the center of the square.

This elder was blind and somewhat hunched, but his momentum was strong.

On him, Xu Nian felt an aura even more threatening than Wei Dong.

"So strong!" Xu Nian muttered to himself, furrowing his brows further.

Chapter 1063: Ancient Sage Sect

"Who is Elder Yu Mo?"

The one who spoke was Shi Guangxu, evidently curious about Elder Yu Mo.

"Elder Yu Mo is a legendary figure in our Tianhen Star Domain, who has been silent for a millennium. Originally, we thought he had ascended or passed away, yet unexpectedly he's still alive," said the Third Elder.

"Silent for a millennium? How long has this old man lived?" Shi Guangxu asked in astonishment.

"Not precisely known, but his age is at least over eight thousand years. It's said that he had stepped into the Earth Immortal Realm a thousand years ago," Liu Bai Ru added.

Upon hearing this, Xu Nian was also somewhat astonished.

An old monster who's lived for eight thousand years?

What is such a person doing appearing now?

Everyone around was surprised by the appearance of Elder Yu Mo; clearly, it's not a good thing for them.

In the past, Elder Yu Mo was known for his merciless and brutal killings.

Now appearing again, taking Guihai Tiangong as a disciple, he surely has an ulterior motive.

"Ladies and gentlemen, surely many of the younger generation present do not know my name, but I believe some of you still do. Today, I'm pleased to take Guihai Tiangong as my beloved disciple and intend to hold a formal disciple ceremony; therefore, I've specially invited you all as witnesses. I will impart all of my lifetime knowledge to him, especially my Yu Mo Saber Technique," Elder Yu Mo's voice was raspy and deep, yet everyone present heard it clearly.

"Such thick Immortal Essence, at least at the peak of the Late Stage Earth Immortal, almost close to the true peak of the Earth Immortal," Xu Nian was amazed inwardly.

Many others showed expressions of surprise, seeming like the old man was recruiting disciples yet actually making a show of strength.

"Disciple greets Master!"

Guihai Tiangong walked before the old man, knelt down with a thud, and performed the disciple ceremony.

"Good disciple, stand up quickly!" Elder Yu Mo said.

Xu Nian noticed Elder Yu Mo's eyes were genuinely blind.

This greatly surprised Xu Nian, as generally, strong individuals like Elder Yu Mo who reached the Late Stage Earth Immortal realm could regenerate lost limbs.

Why couldn't Elder Yu Mo cure his eyes?

Unless his eyes were injured by something akin to the Heavenly Dao Laws.

With Guihai Tiangong's disciple ceremony, applause resounded around the venue.

Guihai Tiangong was also full of excitement, his eyes bright.

He knew today's disciple ceremony was just a cover, and the real purpose of this banquet was yet to come.

"Ladies and gentlemen, I believe everyone has heard of such a legend, supposedly a super sect appeared in the Tianhen Star Domain with numerous sage-level masters. However, this sect vanished overnight. I have been searching for it for the past millennium," Elder Yu Mo said.

"Uh? An ancient super sect? Are you talking about the Sage Sect?" someone in the crowd exclaimed.

Liu Bai Ru and the Third Elder showed expressions of shock.

Elder Yu Mo actually found the ancient vanished sect, the Sage Sect?

"What is the Sage Sect?" Shi Guangxu asked again, looking bewildered.

"The Ancient Sage Sect was the most powerful and oldest sect in our Tianhen Star Domain. Allegedly, this sect had a super Cultivation Technique called the Sage Technique. Once cultivated, its achievements would certainly be above the Immortal Emperor, as long as one remains undying," the Third Elder explained.

"Above the Immortal Emperor? Wouldn't that be Divine Realm?" Shi Guangxu's face showed a shocked expression.

Xu Nian was also surprised; even the Four Great Sects only had Immortal Level Techniques, yet the ancient Sage Sect had Divine-level Techniques.

Beyond the Immortal Emperor is naturally the Divine Realm, and any technique reaching beyond the Immortal Emperor is naturally a Divine-level Technique.

Presently, cultivation in the realm aside from the Four Great Sects and a few who stumble upon extraordinary encounters.

Generally, cultivation is of ordinary Spiritual Formulas, and upon reaching Heavenly Immortal levels, one must find new techniques.

The Four Great Sects due to long-lasting heritage, aided by Immortal Realm sects, have techniques far superior to ordinary Spiritual Formulas, falling into Immortal Techniques category. Some can even be cultivated to the Golden Immortal level, yet few reach the Immortal King Realm.

Let alone techniques at the Immortal Sovereign or Immortal Emperor Realm.

Rankings in the Immortal Realm: Heavenly Immortal, Profound Immortal, Luoxian, Golden Immortal, Immortal King, Immortal Sovereign, Immortal Emperor.

The preciousness of Divine-level Techniques can be imagined.

Though it doesn't entice Xu Nian greatly; he's truly attracted only by the second and third parts of "Dan Sea Species Green Lotus."

"That's not the key to the Sage Sect. Its true strength lies in a Treasure called the Dragon-breaking Stone, said to allow its possessor to rapidly refine the soul without danger, quicker by tens or even hundreds of times," Liu Bai Ru stated.

Late Stage Earth Immortal Realm and Peak of Earth Immortal Realm are all tied to soul refining.

This process is extremely dangerous, and generally, only one in ten Late Stage Earth Immortals succeeds and achieves Great Success in Immortal Soul.

If there really exists a treasure guaranteeing safe soul refinement and boosts speed by dozens of times, it would surely lead to a scramble.

The purpose of this trip by Elder Yu Mo is evidently aimed at the Dragon-breaking Stone.

Xu Nian immediately guessed that Elder Yu Mo encountered resistance at the Sage Sect, or else he wouldn't share such an opportunity.

"Senior Yu Mo, you should talk about the dangers of the Sage Sect," said the Tianbao Pavilion Master.

Following this, everyone nodded in agreement.

Clearly, they are not fools; Elder Yu Mo seeks their help in finding the Dragon-breaking Stone.

It surely involves significant danger, beyond what Elder Yu Mo himself could manage.

"Since all of you wish to know about the Sage Sect, I won't hide it. Regarding the level of danger, I'll just need to tell you the location of the sect's gates, and you'll naturally understand its danger," Elder Yu Mo spoke.

Everyone looked at Elder Yu Mo, curious about the location of the ancient Sage Sect's gates.

Elder Yu Mo cleared his throat and said, "The Sage Sect's gates are deep within Hell Sea!"

"Hell Sea!"

Everyone gasped audibly.

Shi Guangxu also looked dazed.

Xu Nian was somewhat confused. What is Hell Sea?

"Hell Sea is the most dangerous zone in our Tianhen Star Domain because terrifying primordial creatures dwell there. These creatures are powerful and fierce, and the most vital point is that they are numerous; even the Peak of Earth Immortal doesn't dare trespass lightly, and anyone below is sure to perish," Liu Bai Ru explained to Xu Nian.

Xu Nian was also surprised, not expecting such a place existed in Tianhen Star Domain.

Chapter 1064: Clown.

"So, what does Senior Yu Mo mean by summoning us here?" Yuan Ba asked Elder Yu Mo.

"My Master's intention is that, although the Ancient Sage Sect has perished, its foundation is fully preserved. Now that we've found the Sect's location, we should work together to enter the Ancient Sage Sect and seek treasures. As to whom the treasures will ultimately belong, it will depend entirely on individual fates," Guihai Tiangong said.

Everyone around fell silent.

The danger level of Hell Sea is at hell level; it's basically a place from which few return.

But the resources of the Ancient Sage Sect are too tempting, and they're reluctant to give up easily.

Because once they obtain such resources, both they and the Sect behind them will undergo a significant transformation.

"Those willing to participate, send three people from each Sect, and join me in heading to Hell Sea tomorrow morning. Those unwilling may withdraw," Elder Yu Mo said.

As soon as these words were spoken, the crowd was in an uproar.

Sending three from each Sect?

Only the top ten forces have the Earth Immortal Level experts to participate.

As for those ranked lower, without Earth Immortal experts, going is just courting death.

"Sect Leader, let this old one and the two disciples from the Sect go." Third Elder said to Liu Bai Ru.

Liu Bai Ru shook her head and said, "No, this time I will lead the team personally, and I temporarily leave the Sect in the care of the four Elders."

"But..." Third Elder wanted to say something but was interrupted by Liu Bai Ru waving her hand.

"Xu Nian, are you interested in going with me?" Liu Bai Ru looked at Xu Nian and asked.

Xu Nian smiled slightly, pondered for a moment, and then nodded, "Alright!"

Liu Bai Ru saw Xu Nian agree, and her face immediately showed a smile.

"I'll go too!" Shi Guangxu immediately said.

"No, Hell Sea is too dangerous; going there is seeking death." Liu Bai Ru sternly refused.

"It's fine, Xu Nian can protect me, plus he has a spatial magical artifact on him. If there's danger, I can hide in his artifact; there won't be any danger." Shi Guangxu said with a flattering smile.

Xu Nian looked helpless; Shi Guangxu really had no shame, expecting him to protect him.

However, when he met Liu Bai Ru's gaze, he still spoke, "Sister Liu, take him with us; I indeed have a life-saving artifact."

Upon hearing this, Liu Bai Ru no longer objected, and looked at Shi Guangxu warningly, "Then you mustn't run around. If there's any danger, let Xu Nian take you into the spatial artifact immediately."

Shi Guangxu glared at Xu Nian and asked in surprise, "What did you just call her?"

"Sister Liu, why?" Xu Nian asked with a smile.

"She's my aunt, how can you call her sister?" Shi Guangxu immediately objected.

If Xu Nian calls Liu Bai Ru sister, doesn't that make him a generation older?

Shi Guangxu, who never liked to suffer losses, couldn't let it happen.

"I asked him to call me that." But Liu Bai Ru suddenly said.

Shi Guangxu's face darkened instantly.

It's over!

His aunt was also bought by Xu Nian.

Xu Nian ignored Shi Guangxu's resentful gaze and looked around.

By now, many had already withdrawn, essentially those forces that had given up.

However, the top five forces Xu Nian was concerned about had all stayed.

The first-ranked Mu Residence seemed prepared and had brought exactly three people.

The second-ranked Tianbao Pavilion did the same, with Mei Ji among the participants.

As for the third-ranked Mountain Sea Sect, Lin Shanhai and Lin Wu also stayed.

The fourth-ranked Batian Sect did likewise.

The fifth was Xu Nian and his two companions.

The sixth was the Guihai Family, sending Guihai Badao, Guihai Yanshan, and Guihai Tiangong.

Following them were some other Sects that considered themselves fairly strong.

Altogether, there were no more than thirty people.

"Alright, so we'll set off tomorrow morning, rest tonight at Guihai's house," Elder Yu Mo said.

The Guihai Family Master immediately smiled and said, "Everyone, please follow me, the guest rooms are already prepared."

After speaking, he led the way.

Xu Nian naturally followed suit.

Originally, he planned to create a scene at this banquet, but now he dismissed the idea.

With Elder Yu Mo and Wei Dong present, he couldn't stir up any storm and could only temporarily suppress his thoughts.

"Are there really two Transcendence Tribulation Stage planning to enter Hell Sea? Is this a death wish?"

But just as Xu Nian and the others were about to leave, a mocking voice rang in their ears.

This voice didn't conceal anything.

So as the words were spoken, those who were about to depart turned to Xu Nian and Shi Guangxu, showing astonishment.

Among the thirty people present, apart from Mei Ji, only Xu Nian and Shi Guangxu were in the Transcendence Tribulation Stage.

But Mei Ji was protected by the Late Stage Earth Immortal Tianbao Pavilion Master, so there were no problems.

The issue was this time the Tiande Sect, besides the Sect Master, sent two Transcendence Tribulation Stage disciples, causing curiosity.

Xu Nian turned to look at the one who spoke.

This person was none other than Lin Wu of the Mountain Sea Sect.

Xu Nian sneered inwardly, thinking the Mountain Sea Sect would hold off for later, but they were impatient.

Liu Bai Ru's eyes filled with anger, clearly knowing Lin Wu's attack was mainly aimed at her.

"Lin Shanhai, what do you mean? Looking for a fight?" Liu Bai Ru coldly questioned.

"I have no intention against you, not understanding the heart of Sect Leader Liu. Such a dangerous mission, you send two Transcendence Tribulation Stage disciples, don't you know that below Earth Immortal, entering Hell Sea means certain death?" Lin Shanhai said with a sneer, showing no intention of concession.

The surrounding crowd, including Guihai Family, showed no intention of stopping, clearly enjoying the show.

"Hmph, what's wrong with our Transcendence Tribulation Stage? We didn't ask you to shield us from danger, why talk rubbish?" Shi Guangxu immediately pointed at Lin Shanhai and cursed.

"Insolent, my father is a Sect Master, how dare you humiliate him like this." Lin Wu was furious and about to take action.

Liu Bai Ru stepped forward, her gaze fierce, her presence pressing towards Lin Wu.

Lin Wu, having just stepped into Middle Stage Earth Immortal, couldn't withstand Liu Bai Ru's pressure, retreating several steps.

"Liu Bai Ru, you dare lay hands on a junior, it seems your Tiande Sect is truly in decline." Lin Shanhai sneered, immediately stepping forward as well, counteracting Liu Bai Ru's pressure.

The atmosphere instantly became tense.

"I thought the Mountain Sea Sect Master was someone impressive, but turns out to be a mere clown. Does your Mountain Sea Sect really think Tiande Sect is without anyone?"

At this moment, a chuckle sounded.

Next, everyone saw another Transcendence Tribulation Stage youth emerge from behind Liu Bai Ru.

As the youth stepped out, a strange array pattern emerged on the ground.

This pattern continued to extend, covering an area of ten miles, and everyone within felt a strong killing intent.

"Is this a Top-grade Killing Array, is this youth a Top-grade Array Master?"

Someone exclaimed, and everyone looked at Xu Nian, showing surprise on their faces.

No one expected this youth to be a Top-grade Array Master.

In general, Top-grade Arrays can threaten Earth Immortal Realm experts.

Some powerful forbidden arrays can even kill an Earth Immortal Peak, incredibly terrifying.

Chapter 1065: Tianbao Pavilion Takes Action

Not only were many people present surprised, even Liu Bai Ru was shocked.

This Xu Nian is not only powerful but also an Array Master, and a top-grade one at that.

It's well-known that becoming an Array Master is even harder than cultivation, requiring extremely high comprehension skills.

Lin Wu's expression also changed, and a look of vigilance appeared in his eyes.

This Killing Array gave him a dangerous feeling. If it really came down to a fight, he might not be able to withstand this Killing Array.

This gave him a sense of being slapped in the face.

Standing in the crowd, Mei Ji seemed a bit disappointed, completely dispelling any doubts about Xu Nian.

In her impression, Xu Nian was a top-grade Artifact Refiner, not a top-grade Array Master.

"So, do you still have anything to say? My junior brother, Xu Ping, is a genius in formations, mastering ten types of super Killing Arrays and even involving taboo formations. If it really comes to a fight, I guarantee you'll be doubting your life." Shi Guangxu said arrogantly and sarcastically, staring at Lin Wu with mocking eyes.

The faces of everyone around changed, even the Tianbao Pavilion Master and Elder Yu Mo showed looks of surprise.

If this young man truly mastered taboo formations, it would be a huge threat to them as well.

Lin Wu, however, looked furious but couldn't refute.

"He's a top-grade Array Master, I admit I was wrong, but what about you? Could it be that you're also a top-grade Array Master?" Lin Wu coldly snorted at Shi Guangxu.

He didn't believe Shi Guangxu was a top-grade Array Master. If Shi Guangxu really was, he might as well take a knife to his own throat.

"I'm indeed not a top-grade Array Master, but I'm going to Hell Sea. What's it to you?" Shi Guangxu retorted confidently.

"You..." Lin Wu hadn't expected the other party to speak so boldly.

"What 'you' or not, if you want to cause trouble, just do it directly. Why bother making all sorts of fake excuses here?" Shi Guangxu looked at him with disdain.

"Hmph, scoundrel, do you not know how dangerous the Hell Sea is? You, in the Transcendence Tribulation Stage, going there might drag us all down, could you bear that responsibility?" Lin Wu coldly retorted.

"What a demoralizing remark. If you think I'll drag you down, you can choose not to go." Shi Guangxu once again showed his inherent knack for frustrating others.

Lin Wu's face turned red with anger; this guy was impossibly shameless.

"Is the Young Sect Master Lin implying that those in the Transcendence Tribulation Stage aren't qualified to go to Hell Sea? Does that mean I am also unqualified to go?"

At this moment, Mei Ji's voice rang out from the crowd.

As soon as these words were spoken, everyone turned to look at Mei Ji.

No one expected Mei Ji to stand out and speak on behalf of the Tiande Sect.

It was obvious to everyone that Lin Wu wasn't targeting cultivators in the Transcendence Tribulation Stage, but rather the Tiande Sect, provoking Liu Bai Ru to take action.

Therefore, Mei Ji's intention was clear, to protect the Tiande Sect.

As everyone looked at Mei Ji, they also glanced at the Tianbao Pavilion Master.

The Tianbao Pavilion Master just smiled without any intention of stopping her.

Seeing this, everyone once again turned their focus back to Liu Bai Ru, as if asking when the Tiande Sect and Tianbao Pavilion started working together.

Liu Bai Ru was also a bit surprised at this moment, not expecting the people of Tianbao Pavilion to stand up for them.

Lin Wu's expression was extremely ugly; the sudden intervention of Tianbao Pavilion caught him off guard.

He looked at his father, Lin Shanhai, who shook his head.

So Lin Wu stopped speaking.

"Haha, everyone is going to Hell Sea together tomorrow, so maintaining harmony is the best. Please, follow me." Guihai Badao, the Guihai Family Master, seeing the situation could not escalate into a fight, laughed and spoke up.

Xu Nian looked down upon this, thinking that Guihai Family should have stepped in earlier or later, but it's clear their current stance favors the Mountain Sea Sect.

If it seemed he were to take action against Guihai Family, the Mountain Sea Sect wouldn't stand by idly.

"Then, let's deal with them together!" Xu Nian resolved in his heart, a flash of killing intent appeared in his eyes and then vanished.

The Killing Array he just used was taught to him by Emperor Ye Tian.

In fact, he hasn't fully mastered it; he only released it to frighten people.

The reason he agreed to this Ancient Sage Sect trip was also because of Emperor Ye Tian's request.

According to Emperor Ye Tian, the greatest threat he would face next would be the Heavenly Tribulation of the Nine Level Heaven Forbidden.

This tribulation would be terrifying, so he must prepare well to confront it.

While crossing the tribulation, it's necessary for his true self and avatar to merge and face it together, otherwise, it would be very difficult to overcome this tribulation.

Moreover, before that, he needs to seek more opportunities to strengthen his power.

So this opportunity from the Sage Sect must not be easily missed.

On this, Dao Tian Rat and Emperor Ye Tian had the same view.

Currently, he was just a step away from sensing the Heavenly Tribulation; as long as Xu Nian is willing, he can take that step at any time.

But Xu Nian didn't dare to easily cross the tribulation.

Soon, the Guihai Family arranged accommodations for everyone.

In the courtyard where Xu Nian and others were staying, Liu Bai Ru looked at Xu Nian in surprise and asked, "You really are a top-grade Array Master?"

"He is not only a top-grade Array Master but also a top-grade Artifact Refiner!" Shi Guangxu answered eagerly from the side.

Liu Bai Ru's eyes widened in surprise, revealing a look of disbelief that someone could be both a top-grade Array Master and an Artifact Refiner?

How did Xu Nian manage to cultivate this way?

Xu Nian awkwardly smiled and said, "Sister Liu, there's no need to be surprised, I was just lucky to have encountered some opportunities and apprenticed under a few very powerful masters."

Liu Bai Ru nodded, having no doubt about the truth of Xu Nian's words.

Without a few powerful mentors, who could teach such a heaven-defying disciple?

No wonder Xu Nian disregarded the position of the Tiande Sect Master.

"For this Hell Sea journey, be extremely careful. It seems the Mountain Sea Sect is planning something against us, and even the Guihai Family is ready to collude with them. These useless guys, I haven't even troubled them, yet they are looking for us first." Liu Bai Ru snorted coldly.

Xu Nian smiled slightly and took a bottle of Pill from his pocket, handing it to Liu Bai Ru, "Sister Liu, this is a Nirvana Pill. Eating it should allow you to break through to the Late Stage Earth Immortal in a short time."

"Nirvana Pill?" Liu Bai Ru was full of surprise, not expecting Xu Nian to have such a top-grade Spiritual Pill.

This kind of Pill is the *crème de la crème*, able to help a Middle Stage Earth Immortal accelerate the tempering of their Immortal Body.

But such a Pill is too precious, even the Tianbao Pavilion might not be able to produce one.

Xu Nian actually gave the Pill away?

"I can't take it, it's too valuable..." Liu Bai Ru was about to refuse when Xu Nian interrupted.

"Sister Liu, this Hell Sea mission will be extremely dangerous, I happened to obtain this Pill by accident. By breaking through, you can better protect us, so don't decline." Xu Nian said with a smile.

This Pill was obtained from an Immortal Emperor he killed in a forbidden zone in the Black Corner Domain. He originally intended to keep it, but now it seemed more suitable for Liu Bai Ru.

As for himself, he didn't need such a Pill at all.

"Alright, then I'll accept it." Liu Bai Ru nodded and accepted the Nirvana Pill.

"Xu Nian, quick, do you have any Pills to help me enhance my strength? Give me one?" Shi Guangxu hurriedly smiled and asked.

Xu Nian just smiled, and with Shi Guangxu's face full of anticipation, replied, "No!"

Shi Guangxu's face instantly darkened with fury.

Chapter 1066: Heading to Hell Sea

"Dad, how did Tiande Sect align with Tianbao Pavilion? It's clear Mei Ji is protecting Tiande Sect. If they hadn't intervened, Liu Bai Ru would have been enraged, and we would have had every reason to simply kill her," Lin Wu said excitedly.

This time's setback left him feeling quite unwilling.

Especially Tiande Sect's two disciples, one of whom is a top-grade array master, and the other is just a rogue.

He now wishes he could cut down these two guys.

So what if he's a top-grade array master, his personal strength is lacking, and as long as he doesn't have time to set up formations, he can be easily slaughtered.

As for the other guy, he can crush him with just one finger.

"It's indeed unexpected for Tianbao Pavilion to get involved this time, but don't worry, the Tianbao Pavilion Master hasn't stated a clear stance. If we decide to act, they may not necessarily help Tiande Sect," Lin Shanhai pondered for a moment and said.

"If Tianbao Pavilion doesn't act, this time we must ensure that old lady from Tiande Sect doesn't return alive. But speaking of her, the old lady does have some charm. It's said that she hasn't experienced a man yet. I wonder what it would be like to try her," Lin Wu said with a sneer, a lustful gleam in his eyes.

"You won't know until you try. She might be wilder than those young girls," Lin Shanhai sneered.

Lin Wu burst into laughter upon hearing this.

The father and son have often indulged in such things together, so they have no qualms discussing such topics.

"For this trip to the Hell Sea, I will slaughter those two brats. As for Liu Bai Ru, it'll still depend on you, Father," Lin Wu said with a light smile.

"You don't need to handle those boys yourself. You can have people from Batian Sect test them first. If that fails, it's not too late to act personally. As for Liu Bai Ru, leave her to me," Lin Shanhai said with a smile.

"What you say is absolutely right, Father. Anyway, Tiande Sect is doomed this time," Lin Wu sneered, his eyes full of smugness.

Lin Shanhai also sneered repeatedly, his eyes full of amusement.

While the father and son of the Lin family were plotting against Tiande Sect, within the courtyard of Tianbao Pavilion, the Tianbao Pavilion Master and two others were also discussing matters.

"Mei'er, why did you suddenly speak up to help Tiande Sect?" the Tianbao Pavilion Master asked with a smile.

Mei Ji is his adopted goddaughter, whom he has always treated like his own daughter, so his love for Mei Ji is no less.

"Yes, Sister, I remember you had no dealings with Tiande Sect. Why the sudden intervention?" the young man asked with a smile.

He has always considered Mei Ji as his own sister and has always doted on her.

"Reporting to godfather and elder brother, it was just a feeling at the moment. I felt that young man named Xu Ping from Tiande Sect reminded me a lot of my friend," Mei Ji explained.

"Oh? The one you said saved your life, named Xu Nian?" the Tianbao Pavilion Master asked with a smile.

"That's him!" Mei Ji nodded.

"Last time, I was in seclusion and didn't get to meet him. I originally wanted to see what kind of young man earned such high praise from our Mei Ji. Even the Mu Residence Lord hasn't received such praise from you, Mei Ji," the Tianbao Pavilion Master said with a smile.

Mei Ji blushed upon hearing this.

"Yes, Sister, when are you bringing him to meet your brother? If he's really that good, I'll support you, and the Mu Residence Lord won't dare do anything to our Tianbao Pavilion," Li Anshan joked with a smile.

His name is Li Anshan, and he is the Vice Pavilion Master of Tianbao Pavilion.

He had been traveling for some time and recently returned.

Upon hearing about Xu Nian's deeds, his curiosity was piqued.

To know that his sister, who had countless pursuers since childhood, never showed any interest toward any man.

Not even towards Murong Jun, the so-called number one in Tianhen Star Domain.

Yet she mentioned Xu Nian's name several times, which naturally aroused Li Anshan's curiosity.

"Godfather, elder brother, I was indeed impulsive this time. But I think we should help Tiande Sect. The Mountain Sea Sect father and son are ambitious. Once they grow stronger, their next move might be against our Tianbao Pavilion," Mei Ji said, her pretty face flushed, quickly changing the topic.

"Indeed, Lin Shanhai and his son are certainly no good people. Originally, I didn't plan on getting involved in their grudge with Tiande Sect, but now, thinking about it, our lips are at stake without our teeth. Recently, the Mountain Sea Sect has grown close to the Guihai Family and is flirting with the Mu Residence. If we ignore this, there really may be no place for our Tianbao Pavilion in Tianhen Star Domain," Li Tiangang said.

This visit to the Guihai Family revealed a lot. It seems a significant upheaval will soon occur in the Tianhen Star Domain, and at that time, Tianbao Pavilion might not be spared.

"So, Father, do you mean to ally with Tiande Sect?" Li Anshan asked after some thought.

"Not only ally with Tiande Sect but even Batian Sect we must win over. We definitely can't sit and wait for death," Li Tiangang stated.

Both Li Anshan and Mei Ji nodded. This journey to the Hell Sea is likely even more dangerous than they had imagined.

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It was a sleepless night.

Almost all factions were discussing and each harbored sinister intentions.

Time passed quickly, and in the blink of an eye, it was morning.

Early in the morning, the Guihai Family gathered everyone.

Soon, Xu Nian and the others boarded a giant ship.

This was a large top-grade spiritual artifact capable of traversing the void, carrying thousands of people.

Besides Xu Nian and his companions, there were also hundreds of servants and maids aboard.

Xu Nian frowned slightly. These servants and maids were all of low strength. Their journey this time might likely be a one-way trip.

However, Xu Nian didn't intervene; life and death are in destiny's hands, and whether they survive depends on their own fortune.

All thirty-plus people boarded, and the giant ship began its voyage.

As the ship started, it instantly transformed into a stream of light, shooting into the void.

The giant ship cruised through the void, its surface shielded by a formation light shield.

Even when encountering meteorites or celestial bodies, it could pass through them effortlessly.

The starry sky swiftly retreated. Standing on the deck looking at the vast void, Xu Nian was filled with emotions.

The Mortal World is vast like this, so what of the Immortal, Demon, and Devil World?

And above the Three Realms, what kind of brilliant, immense spectacle is the Divine World?

Xu Nian couldn't imagine nor could he visualize it, only knowing he would find out once he went.

"Everyone, the Hell Sea is quite far, and we'll be on this giant ship for about a month. There are over a thousand rooms on the ship, so feel free to choose. Of course, if you want to stargaze on the deck, that's fine too. But don't fight, as this ship can't withstand duels of your strength," Guihai Badao said with a smile.

People all around chuckled, dispersing on their own.

Xu Nian also intended to leave, but just then, a figure blocked his way.

Chapter 1067: Who Is Really Naive

Xu Nian looked at the figure in front of him, frowning slightly.

The visitor surprised him somewhat because he wasn't familiar with this person, or rather, he had no contact with them at all.

This person was one of the two outstanding disciples of the Tiande Sect, a female disciple named Gu Xiangxiang.

Gu Xiangxiang had short hair, and being a woman who practiced Body Refinement, her figure appeared particularly well-proportioned and alluring.

As for her appearance, it wasn't outstanding, but she could still be considered a beauty.

After all, women of the Earth Immortal Level, even if their looks were lacking, would exude a unique charm.

However, Xu Nian didn't think being approached by a stranger was a good thing.

"What is it?" Xu Nian asked, showing no hint of a smile.

He clearly recalled the disdainful expression on this woman's face when she first noticed his cultivation level was at the Transcendence Tribulation Stage, so he had no favorable impression of Gu Xiangxiang.

"There's nothing specific, just admiration for Junior Brother Xu. I've always admired Array Masters but never had a chance to interact. When I saw Junior Brother Xu was actually a Top-grade Array Master yesterday, I admired you deeply and wanted to be friends." Gu Xiangxiang smiled as she spoke, her eyes filled with a seductive allure.

"A beauty trap?" Xu Nian thought amusingly to himself.

He's no fool. At their level of cultivation, their minds would not be easily swayed by simple matters.

This Gu Xiangxiang claiming to have taken a liking to him just because he's an Array Master—how could that be possible?

However, Xu Nian wasn't planning to expose Gu Xiangxiang now. He wanted to see what her real motive was.

"Senior Sister Gu is very interested in formations?" Xu Nian asked with feigned interest.

Seeing Xu Nian take the bait, Gu Xiangxiang's lips curled into a subtle smile, though her eyes betrayed a momentary contempt.

Yet, her smile became even more enchanting, her beautiful eyes twinkling as she said, "Yes, I've always wanted to learn about formations but had no one to teach me. I wonder if Junior Brother Xu could teach me?"

"Learning about formations requires talent." Xu Nian replied with a smile.

"Does Junior Brother Xu think I have the talent?" Gu Xiangxiang coyly rubbed against Xu Nian.

"Whether you have the talent, we have to see to know. How about letting Junior Brother have a look?" Xu Nian said with a lecherous grin.

"Alright, but there are too many people here, it's embarrassing. Let's go to the room!" Gu Xiangxiang giggled as she spoke and then pulled Xu Nian towards the cabin room.

Xu Nian naturally did not refuse, following Gu Xiangxiang into the cabin with a smile.

Mei Ji, watching from afar, felt a wave of disappointment, dismissing the doubts she had about Xu Nian.

In her impression, Xu Nian was a righteous person, not one to be swayed by beauty.

Whereas this one called Xu Ping was so easily enticed, a far cry from Xu Nian.

Thinking this, she decided not to dwell on it further, returning to her room to meditate.

"Tsk tsk, Xu Nian is living quite the charmed life, to have a lady offer herself like that," Shi Guangxu clicked his tongue and said.

"I'm just afraid Gu Xiangxiang has ulterior motives." Liu Bai Ru said with a frown.

She was a bit disappointed in Xu Nian's behavior too. In her mind, Xu Nian shouldn't be someone easily beguiled by beauty. How did he so easily take the bait today?

"Auntie, don't worry, Xu is more cunning than a monkey. If Gu Xiangxiang is indeed using a beauty trap to seduce him, she might end up crying her eyes out." Shi Guangxu replied dismissively with a smile.

He then sighed enviously, lamenting why such good fortune never happened to him.

While Shi Guangxu was feeling wistful.

In a corner of the deck stood two young men.

One was Lin Wu, and the other was Yuan Tianming from the Batian Sect.

"Senior Brother Lin, it seems this Xu Ping isn't much, falling for it so easily. I thought it would be a bit more challenging." Yuan Tianming mocked.

"I apparently overestimated him. Who knew Xu Ping was such a lecher, but that's fine, it saves me much effort. The rest depends on how Gu Xiangxiang administers the Demon Transformation Powder into him." Lin Wu sneered.

"Rest assured, Senior Brother Lin, at least Gu Xiangxiang is at the Earth Immortal Realm. Even though Xu Ping is an Array Master, with no defenses, he's no match against Gu Xiangxiang. Once this Demon Transformation Powder enters his body, he'll go berserk, enter a demonized state, and by then, the people on the ship won't tolerate him. Even if Liu Bai Ru wanted to protect him, she couldn't," Yuan Tianming laughed.

Lin Wu also smiled, his eyes full of ridicule.

He seemed to see Xu Ping being killed, with Liu Bai Ru reduced to a plaything under him and his father.

"I'll go practice now. Tell me the good news later," Lin Wu said with a grin.

"No problem, just sit back and enjoy the show, Senior Brother Lin. During this trip to Hell Sea, please take good care of me," Yuan Tianming smiled.

Lin Wu chuckled and walked away without responding.

Yuan Tianming nodded and bowed him off, bearing no resentment inside.

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At that moment, Xu Nian had already followed Gu Xiangxiang into a room.

The room was warded, able to block any Spiritual Sense, essentially preventing any spying.

As soon as Gu Xiangxiang entered, she struck Xu Nian in the abdomen.

In the next moment, Xu Nian collapsed to the ground.

"Senior Sister Gu, you..." Xu Nian looked at Gu Xiangxiang with shock, enduring severe pain.

Gu Xiangxiang sneered at Xu Nian, saying contemptuously, "It seems you're not just lustful but also naive. Did you really think I would fancy you? Being a Top-grade Array Master is impressive? Killing you is a piece of cake for me."

"Then why did you seduce me?" Xu Nian continued to question.

"Because someone wants you dead, Xu Ping. When you're down in the underworld, you need to weigh your worth. Not everyone is for you to covet," Gu Xiangxiang sneered.

With that, a Jade Bottle appeared in her hand, and upon opening it, a peculiar fragrance wafted out.

"This is Demon Transformation Powder. Once consumed, you'll become a madman recognizing no kin, and by then Liu Bai Ru won't be able to save you. Don't glare at me; I've sealed your Zifu with Immortal Essence. Even if you know formations, you can't execute them, so even if you want to resist, you can't," Gu Xiangxiang sneered, approaching Xu Nian.

In the next moment, she was about to pinch Xu Nian's jaw and pour the Demon Transformation Powder from the Jade Pendant into his mouth.

But just then, Xu Nian suddenly lashed out like lightning, grabbing Gu Xiangxiang by the neck and lifting her up.

Gu Xiangxiang struggled, yet she found herself bound by an invisible force, unable to move, and could only stare at Xu Nian with wide eyes.

"You..." Gu Xiangxiang exclaimed in shock.

Xu Nian laughed lightly, sneering, "It seems the naive one is you. Did you really think your charms could seduce me?"

Hearing this, Gu Xiangxiang's face changed instantly, a wave of fear surging within her.

Chapter 1068: Subduing Gu Xiangxiang

Gu Xiangxiang would never have imagined that the Xu Ping in front of her was just deliberately taking the bait, nor did she expect that Xu Ping's strength would be so formidable.

She had no power to resist in front of him at all.

Isn't he a Top-grade Array Master?

Clearly, he didn't use any array, so how could he have such strong strength?

Is this pressure from the Space Profound Argumentation Domain?

How can there be such a strong domain power?

Many questions flashed through Gu Xiangxiang's mind, and finally, she could only draw one terrifying conclusion.

This Xu Ping is hiding his strength, not only is he a Top-grade Array Master, but his own strength has probably surpassed the Early Stage Earth Immortal.

"Figured it out yet? Now clear on how charming you really are?" Xu Nian looked at Gu Xiangxiang, whose expression kept changing, and said playfully.

Gu Xiangxiang's eyes were filled with fear as she looked at Xu Nian; this guy was too terrifying.

He knew about her schemes from the start; everything earlier was just him toying with her.

Thinking of this made Gu Xiangxiang feel a chill in her heart.

"You... Who exactly are you? Why have I never heard of someone like you in the Tiande Sect?" Gu Xiangxiang said with a face full of terror.

The guy named Xu Ping was too scary, and his mindset was not something she could contend with.

It's likely that he has been lurking in the Tiande Sect all this time, only showing his flair today; otherwise, with such a person, he would've already gained some fame in the Tianhen Star Domain.

"You better worry about yourself; how to survive from me is what you should be considering now." Xu Nian said with a cold sneer, looking at Gu Xiangxiang.

"You want to kill me? I'm the genius disciple of the Batian Sect and also the fiancée of Tian Yuanming, the Young Sect Master of Batian Sect. If you kill me, they definitely won't let you go." Gu Xiangxiang said.

"Tian Yuanming's fiancée? Tian Yuanming is really broad-minded, letting his fiancée come to seduce, isn't he afraid of running into trouble?" Xu Nian murmured with a smile, his eyes roaming over Gu Xiangxiang.

Gu Xiangxiang's face suddenly changed, and she subconsciously swallowed hard.

If Xu Ping really did something to her now, she couldn't resist, and by then, Batian Sect might no longer harbor her.

Xu Nian naturally saw through Gu Xiangxiang's thoughts, with a light smile on his lips.

"Don't worry; I'm not interested in you. With your looks, I'm not impressed." Xu Nian coldly laughed and said.

Gu Xiangxiang's face turned ashen, trembling with anger, but she still felt somewhat relieved.

However, in the next moment, her face instantly went pale.

Because she found Xu Nian had an extra Jade Bottle in his hand, exactly the Demon Transformation Powder she had brought out earlier.

"You think this Demon Transformation Powder is really that magical?" Xu Nian held up the Demon Transformation Powder with a playful look and said.

"No... Don't do this, I'll do whatever you want, just please don't make me take the Demon Transformation Powder." Gu Xiangxiang said in horror.

"Anything?" Xu Nian said with a smile.

"Anything, as long as you spare me, even if you want my body, I can give it to you now." Gu Xiangxiang said eagerly, her eyes filled with terror.

Deeply afraid that Xu Nian would pour the Demon Transformation Powder down her throat.

For once she consumed the Demon Transformation Powder, she was sure to die.

Looking at the frightened Gu Xiangxiang, Xu Nian's eyes were filled with mockery.

"Didn't you say I wasn't qualified to covet you?" Xu Nian asked with a smile.

"Yes, absolutely yes, it's me who's unworthy of you, please, spare me." Gu Xiangxiang said with a crying voice, her eyes extremely fearful.

Xu Nian then sneered disdainfully, realizing how low Gu Xiangxiang would go to stay alive.

"Tell me, who prompted you to do this? We have no grievances, so there's no need for you to harm me, is there?"

Seeing Gu Xiangxiang in such extreme fear, Xu Nian lost interest in teasing her further and directly got to the main point.

"It's Lin Wu. He asked me to do this. He wanted me to feed you the Demon Transformation Powder so the strong ones on the ship would kill you. Also, he plans to make a move against Liu Bai Ru." Gu Xiangxiang said quickly, as if grabbing a lifeline, trying to shift all the hatred onto Lin Wu.

"It was indeed him!" A trace of killing intent emerged in Xu Nian's eyes.

As soon as the killing intent appeared, Gu Xiangxiang felt a chill in her heart.

Such a tangible killing intent!

This kind of tangible killing intent can only be formed by having killed countless people.

How terrifying is this guy?

Gu Xiangxiang thought, deeply regretting provoking Xu Nian.

"Why are you helping him? Even if your Batian Sect is inferior to their Mountain Sea Sect, there's no need to follow his orders, right?" Xu Nian continued to ask.

This matter clearly had some strange aspects, with Lin Wu able to command the disciple of Batian Sect, there must be other factors involved.

"Lin Wu threatened us, saying that their Mountain Sea Sect has already made agreements with the Guihai Family and the Mu Residence. Once they enter the Ancient Sage Sect and find the Dragon-breaking Stone, everyone besides their three forces must die. But they promised that as long as our Batian Sect surrenders, we would be spared." Gu Xiangxiang said.

Upon hearing this, Xu Nian's eyes grew even darker.

Indeed, there is a huge conspiracy involved.

The Guihai Family and Mu Residence were just trying to use everyone's strength to open the doors of the Sage Sect, but once inside, they probably had no intention of letting any other forces leave alive, including the Tianbao Pavilion.

"What a sinister plan!" Xu Nian thought to himself.

The Mu Residence, Guihai Family, Mountain Sea Sect, plus Elder Yu Mo, these Four Great Forces joining hands made it impossible for the other forces to resist.

No wonder Batian Sect wanted to align with the Mountain Sea Sect.

"This is all the Guihai Family's conspiracy; we are also helpless. Please let me go, okay? If you feel angry, I can serve you once." Gu Xiangxiang pleaded for mercy.

Nonetheless, Xu Nian's eyes flashed with a hint of disgust.

But letting Gu Xiangxiang go wouldn't be that easy.

Xu Nian put away the Demon Transformation Powder and then took out a red pill, stuffing it into Gu Xiangxiang's mouth.

After swallowing the pill, Gu Xiangxiang looked at Xu Nian nervously and asked, "What did you make me take?"

Xu Nian waved his sleeve, releasing the Gravity Pressure, and coldly said, "It's the Life-or-death Pill. Within three months, if you don't have my antidote, your whole body's True Essence will run wild, eventually leading to your body exploding to death. If you want the antidote, you must obey me."

"Life-or-death Pill?" Gu Xiangxiang's eyes widened in shock, never expecting Xu Ping to do this.

Yet a small sigh of relief filled her heart, as Xu Ping's words implied she wouldn't be in immediate danger.

But of course, this was only temporary; if there were no antidote within three months, she would still die.

"This servant is willing to follow master's orders, not fearing death." Gu Xiangxiang immediately knelt and said.

However, Xu Nian's eyes flashed with a hint of ridicule, and he directly ordered, "After returning, keep an eye on Lin Wu for me. Report any news immediately. If I find out you're hiding something, you should know the consequences. Now, get out!"

"Yes!" Gu Xiangxiang nodded immediately and then fled from Xu Nian's room as if she had seen a ghost.

Chapter 1069: Truly an Idiot

"How is it, Junior Sister? Did that guy take the Demon Transformation Powder?"

As soon as he saw Gu Xiangxiang walk out, Yuan Tianming immediately stepped forward to ask.

In his view, for Gu Xiangxiang to deal with a guy who hasn't even reached the Earth Immortal Realm should have been a piece of cake.

When Gu Xiangxiang heard Yuan Tianming's question, she was instantly filled with rage.

She fiercely glared at Yuan Tianming. If it weren't for his rotten idea, she wouldn't be in such a predicament.

If Xu Ping had done something to her, it might have been better, but Xu Ping didn't even spare her a glance, and now getting the antidote seemed like climbing to the heavens.

And all of this was because of Yuan Tianming's lousy idea. Now every time she saw Yuan Tianming, she thought of him as a useless waste.

Otherwise, why send his own woman to seduce another man?

"Hmph, what do you think? I advise you to give up on dealing with Xu Ping, or don't blame me if you end up dead." Gu Xiangxiang sneered coldly, without explaining further, just dropping these words before leaving directly.

Yuan Tianming was bewildered, what was going on?

Could it be she failed?

It seemed like she failed.

But why did Gu Xiangxiang's attitude change so drastically?

Could it be they pretended to act but ended up genuinely involved?

Thinking of this, Yuan Tianming suddenly felt a tightness in his heart, feeling as if a green hat had appeared on his head.

If it weren't for them acting but ending up real, why would Gu Xiangxiang suddenly speak in favor of Xu Ping?

"Bitch, damn it!" Yuan Tianming cursed angrily in his heart.

The look in his eyes toward Gu Xiangxiang's retreating figure turned extremely venomous and resentful.

If this got out, he would become the biggest joke in the Tianhen Star Domain.

Just then, Xu Nian walked out of the room.

Yuan Tianming immediately glared at Xu Nian, his eyes filled with intense killing intent.

Xu Nian saw Yuan Tianming's expression and immediately knew what had happened.

Presumably, Yuan Tianming had misunderstood and thought he had done something to his fiancée.

Seeing Yuan Tianming's angry expression, Xu Nian smirked lightly.

Suddenly, a wave of strong mischievous glee washed over him as he looked down to adjust his clothes, then put on a satisfied expression.

This action immediately made Yuan Tianming explode in anger.

If it were an ordinary day, Xu Nian's action would be quite normal, but now doing this in front of Yuan Tianming was nothing but provocation.

"Boy, what exactly did you do to Xiangxiang?" Yuan Tianming stared at Xu Nian with bloodshot eyes.

"Oh, nothing much. Sister Xiangxiang just asked me for some array questions, and I taught her hand in hand. Why?" Xu Nian answered naturally, feigning innocence.

But as he spoke, he deliberately emphasized the words "hand in hand."

Yuan Tianming was utterly enraged, now completely convinced that the guy had done something unspeakable with Gu Xiangxiang.

"You adulterous couple, I'll kill you both!" Yuan Tianming shouted angrily. In the next moment, the immortal essence within him surged, and his fist, carrying a terrifying immortal essence wave, attacked Xu Nian.

Seeing this, Xu Nian displayed a slight sneer in his eyes.

Indeed, Yuan Tianming was exceedingly easy to anger. Watching the oncoming punch from Yuan Tianming, Xu Nian didn't dodge or avoid it.

"Courting death!"

Seeing Xu Nian not dodging, Yuan Tianming's heart was instantly filled with scorn.

An Array Master who neither took the initiative to distance himself to use arrays nor avoided him but allowed him to get close was indeed asking for it!

Yet, in the next moment, he was dumbfounded.

He saw Xu Nian lightning-fast intercept his punch directly.

Yuan Tianming felt like his fist had collided with an immovable mountain, and the immortal essence on his fist dissipated instantly.

"Ho... how is this possible?" Yuan Tianming was shocked beyond words, not expecting this guy to be able to withstand his punch.

Wasn't he at the Peak of Tribulation Crossing Cultivation?

Wasn't he a Top-grade Array Master?

How could he withstand his punch, and without even using True Essence?

"Too slow, too weak. Is this your strength?" Xu Nian sneered, looking at the astonished Yuan Tianming and mocking him.

In an instant, Yuan Tianming's heart filled with anger again, and he was about to strike once more. However, he found himself unable to move at all.

Third Level Gravity Space Profound Argumentation Domain!

The pressure from three gravity directions directly immobilized Yuan Tianming.

Surprised beyond belief, Yuan Tianming finally understood what was happening.

The guy in front of him was far more than just a Top-grade Array Master; he was terrifyingly powerful in his own right.

Reflecting on Gu Xiangxiang's words, he finally comprehended her previous implications.

Gu Xiangxiang was not willing; she wasn't even a match for this guy.

"Help..." Yuan Tianming dared not hesitate and immediately tried to call for help.

However, Xu Nian directly grabbed Yuan Tianming's mouth and poured the bottle of Demon Transformation Powder into it.

Yuan Tianming's expression instantly turned to fear, realizing what the guy had forced him to ingest.

But it was already too late. The blood in his body began to boil, his veins started to swell, and his eyes turned blood-red.

"No..." Yuan Tianming roared, his immortal essence and True Essence began to rampage.

Originally, his immortal essence was only half converted, and both his immortal essence and True Essence were unstable.

Now, affected by the Demon Transformation Powder, the two forces clashed, and Yuan Tianming started to lose his mind completely.

Seeing this, Xu Nian immediately removed the Gravity Space Domain and, in a deliberate act, allowed Yuan Tianming to punch his chest, spewing a mouthful of blood while flying backward.

However, during his flight back, a light smile appeared on Xu Nian's lips.

"I... will... have... your... life..." Yuan Tianming, even more insane now, prepared to charge towards Xu Nian again.

"Stop!"

At this moment, a loud shout came from afar, and then Liu Bai Ru appeared in front of Xu Nian and, with a wave of her sleeve, sent Yuan Tianming flying.

Other Earth Immortal Experts, alarmed by Yuan Tianming's outburst, came rushing out.

"Liu Bai Ru, what are you doing?" Yuan Ba was immediately enraged upon seeing his son being sent flying.

"What am I doing? See for yourself what's up with your son!" Liu Bai Ru said with a cold laugh.

Yuan Ba immediately looked towards Yuan Tianming.

"Roar!"

Yuan Tianming let out an angry roar and charged toward Yuan Ba, his immortal essence surging, instantly erupting.

Yuan Ba was shocked, had he gone astray?

Facing his attacking son, Yuan Ba was left struggling to cope.

Lin Wu, who had stepped out of the room, also looked astonished.

He naturally saw that Yuan Tianming had taken the Demon Transformation Powder, but wasn't that supposed to be taken by the one called Xu Ping?

How did it end up in Yuan Tianming's body?

Thinking of this, Lin Wu immediately looked towards Xu Nian.

Xu Nian, of course, noticed Lin Wu's gaze and waved at him with a smile.

Lin Wu's pupils shrank instantly, realizing in a moment that his plan had failed.

Simultaneously, from another location, Gu Xiangxiang watched the deranged Yuan Tianming, devoid of sympathy and even showing a hint of disdain.

He had already been warned, and he still went to provoke that guy.

What an idiot!

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"Roar!"

Yuan Tianming continued to roar and launched relentless attacks on Yuan Ba.

Because Yuan Tianming was in an insane state, his Immortal Essence was rampaging fiercely.

Even Yuan Ba, whose cultivation was one rank higher than Yuan Tianming, could not subdue him without harming him.

"Tianming! I'm your father, wake up!" Yuan Ba shouted angrily.

However, Yuan Tianming remained unrecognizable towards anyone.

Xu Nian saw this scene and shook his head with a light laugh.

He had heard from Gu Xiangxiang earlier that once the Demon Transformation Powder was consumed, there was no cure.

Even if it could be stopped, only an Earth Immortal Peak strong person whose soul was completely transformed could save him.

But none of those present were such a strong person, so Yuan Tianming was beyond saving.

"Yuan Sect Leader, will you act yourself, or shall we? This Spiritual Ship can't withstand his commotion any longer," Guihai Badao said from a distance.

With these words, the others stepped forward one after another, their intent clear.

If you don't take action, we will.

Yuan Ba was filled with a strong sense of unwillingness, but there was nothing he could do.

With a fierce look in his eyes, his Immortal Essence surged as he slapped Yuan Tianming's head with his palm.

Yuan Tianming's body trembled immediately, his eyes blank, and in the next moment, he fell down.

Yet at the moment he fell, his consciousness actually became clear.

However, it was too late; his soul had already shattered.

He never thought that he would end up like this.

"Ming'er!" Yuan Ba roared in anger, the pain of personally killing his own son immeasurable.

"No matter who it is, I will tear them to pieces," Yuan Ba shouted angrily and then turned his gaze to Xu Nian.

"It's not my doing. I had just come out, and your son attacked me insanely. As someone at the Tribulation Crossing stage, I couldn't harm him even if I tried," Xu Nian quickly said.

With those words, suspicion immediately appeared on Yuan Ba's face.

He felt that Xu Nian's words were not without reason.

As someone at the Peak of Tribulation Crossing, even if he knew formations, a formation couldn't make someone lose their mind, and there were no traces of a formation around.

"He has been poisoned by the Demon Transformation Powder."

At this moment, Gu Xiangxiang stepped out from the crowd and spoke.

"Demon Transformation Powder?"

The faces of everyone around changed.

No wonder Yuan Tianming went crazy; it turns out he was poisoned by the Demon Transformation Powder.

"Xiangxiang, how do you know it's the Demon Transformation Powder?" Yuan Ba immediately asked vigilantly.

Since his son was poisoned by the Demon Transformation Powder, it meant someone had harmed him.

With this thought, he looked at Xu Nian again.

Among the crowd, Lin Wu frowned, having a bad feeling about this.

"I once saw Lin Wu and Tianming together, and he took out this Demon Transformation Powder," Gu Xiangxiang said, pointing at Lin Wu.

With this, everyone immediately looked at Lin Wu.

Lin Wu's face also changed; he hadn't expected Gu Xiangxiang to accuse him suddenly.

"Lin Wu!" Yuan Ba, too, instantly became furious, glaring at Lin Wu.

"You're spitting blood. The Demon Transformation Powder was originally in your hands, and just now you and Xu Ping went into the room together. Many people saw it. Who can guarantee that it's not you and Xu Ping conspiring to harm Yuan Tianming?" Lin Wu wasn't easy to deal with and immediately retorted.

Hearing this, Yuan Ba looked at Xu Nian again.

Obviously, Lin Wu's words also had some merit.

Moreover, he knew his son was close to Lin Wu.

Xu Nian hadn't expected Lin Wu to say that; Lin Wu was indeed clever. This way, his suspicion increased instead.

"Master, don't listen to his nonsense; he threatened us before to deal with Xu Ping, but the elder brother refused, and he held a grudge, also saying he wanted to take me for himself," Gu Xiangxiang said, pointing at Lin Wu again.

Yuan Ba hesitated, his brow furrowed tightly.

He didn't know whom to believe at this moment.

Lin Wu's eyes narrowed, staring fiercely at Xu Nian.

He had thought Xu Nian would be easy to deal with, but now he realized this guy was a tricky character.

Although his strength was lacking, his scheming was definitely not inferior to his own.

Just Gu Xiangxiang's counter-accusation showed that clearly.

As for Yuan Tianming's death, in his view, it must have been Gu Xiangxiang who did it.

"It seems I really underestimated you. To have Gu Xiangxiang under your thumb, I truly admire that," Lin Wu sent a voice transmission to Xu Nian.

"Thank you for the compliment, but this time your scheme failed. Next time I hope you'll come up with something smarter," Xu Nian replied with a smile.

Lin Wu let out a cold snort, his eyes filled with killing intent.

"Alright, Yuan Sect Leader, we also regret your son's death. We will continue to investigate this matter and ensure justice for your son, but please do not act on your own, or don't blame us for being impolite," Guihai Badao said.

Yuan Ba squinted his eyes, looking angrily at Guihai Badao.

This Guihai Badao, far inferior in strength, was so arrogant, relying on the Guihai Tiangong and Elder Yu Mo behind him.

Give his son justice?

He doubted these people cared about his son's life or death.

However, he knew it wasn't the time to make a fuss when the culprit was still unknown.

If he found out who it was, he would surely tear them to pieces.

"Hmph!"

With a cold snort, Yuan Ba left with Gu Xiangxiang.

He intended to continue investigating the matter, with Gu Xiangxiang as one of the involved parties and his currently trustworthy clue.

Xu Nian, seeing Yuan Ba leave, also breathed a sigh of relief.

Though he didn't fear Yuan Ba, if they really fought, his disclosed strength would make him a primary target of the Guihai Family and the Mu Residence.

That was a scenario he wasn't willing to see.

"Are you alright?" Liu Bai Ru, seeing blood at the corner of Xu Nian's mouth, asked worriedly.

"I'm fine!" Xu Nian smiled.

Although he said that, his face was somewhat pale.

Of course, it was all an act; Yuan Tianming couldn't possibly hurt him.

The blood was forced out by himself.

Liu Bai Ru, seeing Xu Nian's complexion, was still a bit worried.

Those observing Xu Nian from afar also ceased doubting and turned back to their rooms.

Only Shi Guangxu smiled, thinking Xu Nian's performance was too convincing.

If not for knowing Xu Nian well, he might have been fooled.

"This kid is indeed interesting, pretending to be gravely injured without actually being hurt," the Tianbao Pavilion Master said with a smile from a corner of the Spiritual Ship where he had been watching the drama.

"Father, why do you say he isn't hurt?" Li Anshan asked in surprise.

In his view, Xu Ping should be seriously hurt.

Mei Ji also looked in surprise at the Tianbao Pavilion Master.

The Tianbao Pavilion Master smiled and said, "This guy is extremely clever, aware others are watching him, so he feigned severe injury when his physical body is as strong as a top-grade Spiritual Artifact. Yuan Tianming couldn't hurt him at all."

"As strong as a top-grade Spiritual Artifact?" Li Anshan's expression changed.

Mei Ji's heart raced too, surprised by the strength of this guy's body.