

## **Divine King 1331**

### Chapter 1331: Immortal Realm Map

After receiving a general explanation from the Immortal Level Puppet, Xu Nian finally understood.

It turns out that this Immortal Level Puppet is the greatest reward of this layer.

This Immortal Level Puppet can be activated with Immortal Essence Stones, but they must be Top-grade Immortal Essence Stones.

The Immortal Level Puppet, powered by Top-grade Immortal Essence Stones, can unleash the strength of the Peak of Profound Immortal Realm, making it an extremely powerful Sword Immortal Puppet.

This is undoubtedly an extra Life-saving Talisman for Xu Nian.

Besides that, there are also quite a few Immortal Pills, Immortal Artifacts, and Immortal Level Techniques.

However, there are few Top-grade Immortal Essence Stones, only ten.

"Forget it, I'll find a way once I get to the Immortal Realm." Xu Nian gathered up all the Immortal Instruments and Pills.

These are all Top-grade Immortal Artifacts, and once exposed, they would surely bring disaster.

"Eh? Leng Yanran and Zhao Yanyun, have they all ascended?" Xu Nian looked at his Communication Spirit Talisman.

A heap of messages on it.

Xu Nian felt somewhat helpless.

These were messages sent by the women before they ascended.

Now, the entire Heavenly Court Gang only has Wu Dong and Xu Xin left.

Even Hong Xi had sent him a message before ascending.

Unfortunately, that was seventy years ago.

"Forget it, I'm almost ready to ascend myself." Xu Nian said.

He is now only a step away from breaking through.

As long as he desires, he can break through at any time.

"Sister, I'm fine. I've been trapped here, so now I'm not going back and will directly ascend to the Immortal Realm." Xu Nian transmitted his message.

"Good, as long as you're fine." Xu Xin immediately replied to Xu Nian.

Xu Nian nodded.

Then, without lingering, he sat cross-legged and broke through the Wind Attribute Dimension Cutting Profound Argumentation, reaching the Shattering Void Law.

With the blessing of the Power of Laws, a golden light instantly descended upon Xu Nian.

Xu Nian felt a warm sensation throughout his body, and the energy within him began to surge.

The Green Lotus Seed in his Dan Sea was frantically absorbing the power of the Immortal Light.

Yet there was no change, only the energy on it grew increasingly terrifying.

For three full days, his three avatars completely transformed his body into a Heavenly Immortal Body.

Beside him, Lan Xi was also summoned by the guiding Immortal Light, and first flew into the Demon Realm.

"Buzz!"

In the end, an Immortal Light pulled him, and he finally disappeared from the Immortal Treasure Land.

Thus, Xu Nian directly ascended to the Immortal Realm.

Xu Nian went to the Immortal Realm, while Lan Xi went to the Demon Realm.

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In an extremely desolate Ascension Pool, Xu Nian's figure appeared therein.

The surrounding pressure of heaven and earth suddenly weighed down, making his heart tremble.

Causing him to instinctively feel a bit uncomfortable.

"Is this the Immortal Realm? So desolate?" Xu Nian looked around in surprise.

What appeared before him was a barren land with mountains, devoid of any vegetation.

"Hmm, the spiritual energy around here is also quite peculiar, it seems to contain extremely violent elements, impossible to absorb into the body." Xu Nian remarked in surprise.

He had just attempted to absorb the Heaven and Earth Spiritual Energy.

But found that this spiritual energy was restless within him, surging through his five viscera and six bowels.

If it weren't for his strong physique, he might have needed to suffer some injuries.

Finally, by using the dominance of the Dan Sea Species Green Lotus, he managed to subdue a trace of spiritual energy.

"It seems I have ascended to the outskirts; the Wentian Demon Sovereign previously mentioned that apart from the Nine Great Forces' territories, the spiritual energy in the Immortal Realm is very volatile. Now it seems to be absolutely correct." Xu Nian silently thought to himself.

Even with the domineering Cultivation Technique of the Dan Sea Species Green Lotus, he could only absorb a little, and that too quite slowly.

This speed is not conducive to cultivation at all.

"Better find someone to ask where I am."

Xu Nian retracted the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar and Divine Demon Avatar into the Chaos Divine Palace, and flew towards a chosen direction.

After flying for three whole months, Xu Nian surprisingly hadn't seen a single person.

This left Xu Nian completely astonished.

Just how vast is this continent?

It's important to know that in the Cultivation World, flying from one Star Domain to another only took months.

But now, this one continent is unbelievably vast.

How could Xu Nian not be shocked?

Furthermore, Xu Nian also sensed that Lan Xi was far to his east.

If his guess was correct, that should be the Demon Realm.

At his estimated speed, it would take hundreds of years to reach there.

As for Xu Yu, Black Wind, and Ice Blue, Xu Nian had already dissolved the soul contract with them before ascending.

Thus, they weren't bound by Xu Nian upon ascending.

After two more months of traveling, Xu Nian finally saw people.

But the cultivation of the other party somewhat stunned him.

"Cave Void Stage?"

Xu Nian looked at the two young cultivators before him, feeling a bit bewildered.

Although he had heard that there are cultivators in the Immortal Realm, as it's impossible for everyone to be born at the level of a Heavenly Immortal.

But he hadn't expected their strength to be noticeably lower than he anticipated.

"Greetings, senior." The two, upon seeing Xu Nian, were initially stunned but soon showed respectful expressions.

Being able to travel alone in this great wilderness, they were definitely not inferior to a Transcendence Tribulation Stage strongman.

"Where is this place?" Xu Nian asked.

The two young cultivators exchanged glances, evidently finding the question somewhat naive.

"Senior, have you ascended from the Lower Realm?" asked a slightly older young man.

"Yes, I ascended from the Lower Realm. I have been traveling for five months, yet have not seen a solitary soul." Xu Nian replied honestly.

He did not conceal anything.

"So that's how it is. Then, Senior, you are really unlucky, most people ascend within the Nine Great Forces' Immortal Domains or at least at the edges. But you sadly ascended into this endless wilderness." The older young man chuckled.

"Eh? Endless wilderness? How far is this from the Nine Great Immortal Domains?" Xu Nian asked.

"Senior, this is the most remote edge of the entire Immortal Realm. In the five months you traveled, you merely covered one ten-thousandth of the entire Immortal Realm's map. The Nine Great Immortal Domains are in the very core of the Immortal Realm, where the only suitable spiritual and immortal energy for cultivation resides." The slightly younger youth explained.

At this, a trace of disappointment flashed in the eyes of the two youths.

"So, you mean it's really far from here to the Nine Great Immortal Domains?" Xu Nian inquired.

"Yes, very far. However, you can use a Transmission Array to travel there, although you can't go directly to the Nine Great Immortal Domains in one go. You have to transfer through several cities." The older youth answered.

Xu Nian then continued to converse with them.

Finally, Xu Nian obtained a preliminary understanding of the Immortal Realm.

It turns out that the most central parts of the Immortal Realm are the Nine Great Immortal Domains, each extremely vast.

Of course, outside the Nine Great Immortal Domains, there are more endless wildernesses and billions of small towns.

Due to the violent Immortal Qi in the endless wilderness, cultivation is not possible.

The Nine Great Immortal Domains use Immortal Pools to form massive Spirit Gathering Arrays to sustain the cultivation of formidable beings in the domains.

In these small towns outside the Nine Great Immortal Domains, although they use Spirit Gathering Arrays to filter out the violent elements, the spiritual energy remains extremely thin, utterly incapable of supporting the cultivation of a large number of cultivators.

So in general, these small towns have very few true strong individuals, especially those above the Heavenly Immortal Realm.

Before long, Xu Nian followed the two youths to Qingye City, where they resided.

This city isn't large, about the same as a city in the Cultivation World but with a considerable population.

Totalling more than ten million people.

However, there are very few strong ones, with only three beyond the Heavenly Immortal Realm.

Chapter 1332: Immortal Treasure Pavilion Manager

"Senior, this is Qingye City where we have lived since childhood. It's a small city, and the nearest city is a medium-sized one called Immortal Peak City. The transmission array here can lead you there. If you want to go to the Immortal Domain, you must first go there."

The older youth smiled.

His name is Gu Lin, and he is a member of the Gu Family in Qingye City.

Beside him is his younger brother, Gu Feng.

Qingye City is home to three major families: the Gu Family, the Yu Family, and the Lin Family.

The heads of these three families are all strong cultivators of the Heavenly Immortal Realm.

Among them, the Lin Family is the most powerful and controls the transmission array of Qingye City.

"Which is the nearest Immortal Domain from here?" Xu Nian asked.

"Reporting to Senior, the nearest Immortal Domain from here is the Tianjian Immortal Domain, under the influence of the Tianjian Sect," Gu Lin replied.

Xu Nian nodded.

Among the nine great forces of the Immortal Realm, the Tianjian Sect is the one that leads with the sword.

Who would have thought I'd ascend to this place?

"And what about Shendang Mountain?" Xu Nian asked.

"Shendang Mountain is far away, on the far eastern side of the Immortal Realm, while we are on the far western side. Senior, if you want to go to Shendang Mountain, you must pass through two Immortal Domains, namely the Tianjian Immortal Domain and the Earth Immortal Domain, with the latter belonging to the Earth Immortal Sect," Gu Lin continued.

Xu Nian was instantly a bit distressed.

He hadn't expected himself to be so far from Shendang Mountain.

Oh well, just take it as a chance to travel around this Immortal Realm first.

As for finding the women and going to the Demon Realm to find Xu Yu and the others, that can wait for now.

After all, without sufficient strength, even finding them would be to no avail.

"Does Qingye City have a place to buy and sell Immortal Artifacts? I want to sell some things for travel expenses," Xu Nian asked.

"Of course, other than the nine major forces, there's a commercial force that spans the Immortal, Demon, and Devil World, called the Immortal Treasure Pavilion. We happen to have a branch of the Immortal Treasure Pavilion here in Qingye City," Gu Lin said.

"Good, then take me there. Here's something for you two as a token for your guidance," Xu Nian tossed over two top-grade spiritual artifacts.

These top-grade spiritual artifacts were casually crafted by his avatar in the Chaos Divine Palace.

Though he was focused on enhancing his cultivation, Xu Nian never neglected his artifact refining skills.

With his current level, crafting low-grade Immortal Artifacts was entirely doable.

"Top-grade spiritual artifacts? We can't accept, Senior. This is too valuable," Gu Lin and Gu Feng were both shocked and waved their hands quickly.

But when they glanced at the two top-grade spirit swords, their eyes burned with desire.

"Take them. I made them casually, and I have many more here. Tell me, you don't even have top-grade spiritual artifacts?" Xu Nian asked in surprise.

He originally thought that in the Immortal Realm, even if each person didn't have an Immortal Artifact, they would at least have top-grade spiritual artifacts.

However, seeing the expressions in the eyes of these two youths, he realized that in their eyes, these top-grade spiritual artifacts must be quite precious.

"Senior, are you an Artifact Master?" Gu Lin and Gu Feng were both taken aback.

Xu Nian nodded.

"Then, Senior, you might not know that in the Immortal Realm, Artifact Masters are highly respected, their status second only to Immortal Essence Masters, followed by Alchemists. In the Immortal Realm, for people like us, even having a mid-grade spiritual artifact is already considered quite good. My brother and I are still using low-grade spiritual artifacts," Gu Feng said.

"I see. What price might a top-grade spiritual artifact fetch here?" Xu Nian asked.

"The currency in the Immortal Realm is the Immortal Essence Stone. A low-grade spiritual artifact can sell for one low-grade Immortal Essence Stone, a mid-grade spiritual artifact for ten low-grade Immortal

Essence Stones, a top-grade spiritual artifact for one hundred Essence Stones, while a top-grade spiritual artifact fetches a thousand. As for Immortal Artifacts, they're not something low-grade Immortal Essence Stones can buy," Gu Lin explained.

Xu Nian nodded.

One hundred low-grade Immortal Essence Stones equal one mid-grade Immortal Essence Stone.

One hundred mid-grade Immortal Essence Stones equal one top-grade Immortal Essence Stone.

One hundred top-grade Immortal Essence Stones equal one top-grade Immortal Essence Stone.

So, the price of a top-grade spiritual artifact is around ten mid-grade Immortal Essence Stones.

For the average cultivator, this is indeed a substantial fortune.

But for Xu Nian, it's insignificant.

Xu Nian had a lot of treasures: forty-five Immortal Artifacts, ten top-grade Immortal Pills, forty mid-grade Immortal Pills, two hundred low-grade Immortal Pills, and some Immortal Level Techniques.

He also had ten top-grade Immortal Essence Stones.

And Xu Nian had two hundred drops of Kunlun's Immortal Liquid, and one hundred seventy-nine drops of Immortal Marrow.

After all, Xu Nian took first and second place in the Immortal Order Competition.

The combined value of these treasures was astonishing.

However, any of these taken out would draw too much attention.

So exchanging them with top-grade spiritual artifacts was the best option.

"Senior, this is the Immortal Treasure Pavilion," Gu Lin pointed to a three-story building ahead.

This three-story building was extremely luxurious, and each brick and tile emitted an immortal light.

It was arguably the most magnificent building in the entire city.

"Senior, we'll not go in," Gu Lin and Gu Feng exchanged glances and hesitated.

"Why?" Xu Nian asked curiously.

"The Immortal Treasure Pavilion isn't a place just anyone can enter. People like us who haven't reached the Heavenly Phenomenon Realm would surely be thrown out," Gu Lin said.

"Right, Senior, the Immortal Treasure Pavilion is selective," Gu Feng added.

Last time, he and his brother wanted to go in to broaden their horizons but were forcibly thrown out.

Since then, they never dared to step into the Immortal Treasure Pavilion again.

"Don't worry, if you come with me, no one will chase you out," Xu Nian smiled.

With that, he walked towards the Immortal Treasure Pavilion.

As soon as they entered, Gu Lin and Gu Feng became extremely excited.

Looking at the rows of hanging spiritual artifacts, they were greatly tempted.

Xu Nian was indifferent. There were hardly any weapons that could catch his eye now.

After all, he had a Divine Artifact in hand.

"Does this Immortal Master want to buy weapons?"

At that moment, a slightly chubby man walked over.

From the moment Xu Nian entered, he'd tried to probe Xu Nian's strength, only to find he couldn't.

He was a peak-level Earth Immortal, and the fact that he couldn't probe Xu Nian meant Xu Nian was at the Heavenly Immortal Level.

He knew the three Heavenly Immortals of Qingye City, but the one before him was unfamiliar.

That meant this Immortal Master came from elsewhere.

So when his subordinates were about to chase the two Gu Family youths away, he immediately stopped them.

"Is he the pavilion master of the Immortal Treasure Pavilion?"

Gu Lin and Gu Feng were a bit surprised.

The pavilion master was personally receiving them.

"Yes, I want to sell some top-grade spiritual artifacts for some Immortal Essence Stones. Does your pavilion accept them?" Xu Nian asked.

"Of course, but they must be appraised by our Treasure Appraiser inside. How many does the Immortal Master wish to sell?" the pavilion master asked with a smile.

Xu Nian waved his hand.

A small pile of artifacts appeared before everyone.

"This..."

The crowd around was dumbfounded.

So many top-grade spiritual artifacts?

There must be hundreds of them?

Gu Lin and Gu Feng were also dumbfounded.

No wonder this senior casually gave them two top-grade spiritual artifacts.

He genuinely didn't care.

Chapter 1333: Exchanging for Immortal Essence Stones

The Immortal Treasure Pavilion's manager looked at a pile of Top-grade Spiritual Artifacts with a face full of surprise.

He had seen many Top-grade Spiritual Artifacts, but had never seen anyone take out so many at once.

Moreover, the momentum with which Xu Nian took out these Top-grade Spiritual Artifacts just now was akin to selling scrap iron.

"Is the Immortal Master an Artifact Refiner?" The manager of the Immortal Treasure Pavilion glanced at these Top-grade Spiritual Artifacts.

He discovered that the quality of these Top-grade Spiritual Artifacts was extremely high, and from the artifact refining technique, they all seemed to be the handiwork of one person.

How could a manager's eyesight not be sharp?

"Yes, these were all refined by me. I wonder if the manager will take them?" Xu Nian didn't try to conceal anything.

After all, there was nothing to hide.

"Of course we'll take them. Go, please ask Master Mo to come over to appraise these weapons. Immortal Master, let's go inside for a moment." The manager of the Immortal Treasure Pavilion said, gesturing with a hand to invite them.

Xu Nian nodded and headed inside.

However, Gu Feng and Gu Lin behind him were stopped.

"They are with me," Xu Nian said immediately.

The manager of the Immortal Treasure Pavilion quickly waved the guards away.

As a result, Gu Lin and Gu Feng followed Xu Nian into the second floor of the Immortal Treasure Pavilion.

Gu Feng and Gu Lin were extremely shocked.

This was the second floor of the Immortal Treasure Pavilion, and those who visited here were all Immortal Artifacts.

Even their clan leader had only been to the second floor once.

If those fellows from the same clan found out they could enter the second floor of the Immortal Treasure Pavilion, they would be insanely jealous.

Looking around at the Immortal Artifacts everywhere, Gu Lin and Gu Feng were incredibly excited.

Even if it was just to indulge their eyes, they were extremely satisfied.

Xu Nian, on the other hand, wasn't very interested, shaking his head repeatedly.

All of these were Low Grade Immortal Artifacts, and compared to his King Jing Sword, they were of inferior quality.

And this scene, observed by the manager of the Immortal Treasure Pavilion, made him even more respectful towards Xu Nian.

Soon, a stunningly beautiful maid walked over.

"Manager, it's all tallied up. A total of 320 Top-grade Spiritual Artifacts, all of superior quality, each priced at 1,200 Low Grade Immortal Essence Stones, totaling 384,000 Low Grade Immortal Essence Stones," the maid said.

"384,000?" Gu Lin and Gu Feng gasped in surprise.

The annual income of their Gu Family was less than a thousand Low Grade Immortal Essence Stones.

Yet the senior in front of them could sell so many Immortal Essence Stones at once.

"Immortal Master, are you satisfied with this price?" The manager asked with a smile.

Xu Nian frowned.

Only 384,000?

Not even enough for one Top-grade Immortal Essence Stone?

"In that case, do you take pills here?" Xu Nian asked.

"We do, is the Immortal Master planning to sell pills?" The manager asked, somewhat surprised.

"Yes, what's the price of the pills here?" Xu Nian continued to inquire.

"The price of Low Grade Immortal Pills here ranges from ten thousand to fifty thousand, and Mid-grade Immortal Pills range from one million to two million," the manager replied.

"Then how much is this pill worth?" Xu Nian took out one pill.

"Ah, this is the most basic Immortal Essence Pill from the Nine Great Immortal Domains, also the most common pill. Since it's from the Nine Great Immortal Domains, it's priced around thirty thousand," the manager said.

Thirty thousand?

Xu Nian nodded, he had two hundred of such pills, which could be exchanged for three million Low Grade Immortal Essence Stones, equivalent to three Top-grade Immortal Essence Stones.

"And what about this Mid-grade Pill?" Xu Nian took out another pill.

"This is a Mid-grade Immortal Pill, the Immortal Dao Pill, also from the Nine Great Immortal Domains, priced at one million five hundred thousand Low Grade Immortal Essence Stones," the manager said.

"Alright, these hundred Immortal Essence Pills and twenty Immortal Dao Pills, I'll sell them. Calculate how much," Xu Nian said, waving his hand, and a hundred twenty Jade Bottles appeared in front of the manager.

The manager was shocked.

To take out a hundred twenty Immortal Pills in one go, the scale was indeed astonishing.

Beside him, Gu Lin and Gu Feng were already so shocked they couldn't speak.

In the Immortal Realm, while Immortal Pills weren't considered precious, they were unattainable for them, even the Gu Family didn't have many Immortal Pills.

"A total of thirty-three million three hundred eighty-four thousand, how would Upper Immortal like to be paid?" The manager asked.

"Make thirty-three million into Top-grade Immortal Essence Stones, thirty thousand into Top-grade Immortal Essence Stones, and the remaining eight thousand as Low Grade Immortal Essence Stones," Xu Nian replied.

"Top-grade Immortal Essence Stones?" The manager hesitated.

"What? Can't exchange for Top-grade Immortal Essence Stones?" Xu Nian asked.

He was selling these things mainly to obtain Top-grade Immortal Essence Stones.

After all, Immortal Level Puppets could only be powered by Top-grade Immortal Essence Stones.

So before rushing on the road, he had to stock up on some Top-grade Immortal Essence Stones.

Adding his own ten pieces, he now had a total of forty-three pieces.

As for why he sold pills instead of Immortal Artifacts and Immortal Techniques.

It was because his Immortal Artifacts and Immortal Techniques mostly came from the Immortal Treasure Land.

Whereas the pills came from the Immortal Order Competition.

The Immortal Treasure Land involved Mo Yang the Immortal Emperor, and Xu Nian couldn't guarantee that no one in the Immortal Realm feared Mo Yang's Immortal Essence Secret Technique.

"Of course it's possible, just that there's a condition for exchanging Top-grade Immortal Essence Stones, since they are quite rare in the Immortal Realm, we normally don't allow exchanges," the manager said with a smile.

"Tell me!" Xu Nian demanded.

"We want to invite the Immortal Master to be a guest role at our Immortal Treasure Pavilion. Since you are an Artifact Refiner, we regularly issue Artifact Refining tasks, and once you become a guest role, you can take Artifact Refining tasks at any Immortal Treasure Pavilion in the Immortal Realm, and we'll pay corresponding rewards," the manager explained with a smile.

"Alright!" Xu Nian thought for a moment and agreed.

A guest role was just a nominal title, as long as it didn't restrict his freedom, it was fine.

As for accepting Artifact Refining tasks, it didn't hurt him in any way.

If he chose not to, he wouldn't take them.

"Great, I'll prepare the Immortal Essence Stones for the Immortal Master right away," the manager said with a smile.

Having said that, he quickly left, but before leaving he instructed the beautiful maid to take good care of Xu Nian.

The beautiful maid showed no sign of disapproval and immediately stepped forward to give Xu Nian a massage.

Xu Nian directly asked her to leave; he wasn't interested in such women.

"Senior, you are really incredible, having so many treasures right after ascending," Gu Lin and Gu Feng approached.

Xu Nian smiled slightly.

"When your strength improves in the future, these won't mean much," Xu Nian said with a smile.

Gu Lin and Gu Feng nodded repeatedly.

They secretly vowed in their hearts to cultivate hard and become strong like Xu Nian.

Soon, the manager returned.

"Immortal Master, here are thirty-three Top-grade Immortal Essence Stones, thirty Top-grade Immortal Essence Stones, and eighty thousand Low Grade Immortal Essence Stones, also here is our Immortal Treasure Pavilion's guest role token. Wherever you go, present this token, and you can easily enter any Immortal Treasure Pavilion, and purchases will enjoy a twenty percent discount," the manager said.

Xu Nian nodded.

He collected all these items.

With these thirty-three Top-grade Immortal Essence Stones, he felt more confident crossing the Immortal Domain.

Adding his own ten pieces should be enough to power the Immortal Level Puppet for a long time.

Chapter 1334: A Familiar Woman

"Senior, you're truly impressive, actually becoming an Honored Guest of the Immortal Treasure Pavilion."

Gu Lin said with a face full of admiration.

"The Honored Guest status at the Immortal Treasure Pavilion is very high; usually, very few powerful individuals at the Mystic Immortal Realm can become Honored Guests there. To become an Honored Guest, one must at least be at the Luo Immortal Realm." Gu Lin said.

"So, this Honored Guest status is higher than the shopkeeper?" Xu Nian laughed.

That shopkeeper is only at the Earth Immortal Realm.

"Yes, strictly speaking, the Honored Guest status is higher than the shopkeeper. After all, the shopkeeper only manages this city, while an Honored Guest receives courteous treatment no matter where they go in the Immortal Realm. The shopkeeper gave you the Honored Guest status because you're an Artifact Refiner; otherwise, he wouldn't have been willing to offer it." Gu Lin said.

His eyes showed signs of admiration.

Xu Nian nodded.

As such, this Honored Guest status is indeed higher than that of the shopkeeper.

"Is the senior planning to leave Qingye City?" Gu Lin suddenly asked with a look of disappointment.

"Yes, I'm indeed planning to leave; I need to search for someone." Xu Nian nodded.

"Then, senior will have to go to the Lin Family for the transmission. Recently, the Lin Family seems to have some issues, and they're very strict about managing the transmission array." Gu Lin said.

"Oh? What issues?" Xu Nian asked with curiosity.

"We're not entirely sure, but it's said that the Lin Family's eldest young master was interested in a girl and wanted to marry her, but ended up being killed by her. Now, the Lin Family and Qingxuan Sect are both hunting this girl." Gu Lin said.

"Qingxuan Sect?" Xu Nian was a bit surprised.

"Qingxuan Sect is a small sect in our region. Senior might not know, apart from some of the Nine Great Immortal Domains, there are some small forces that usually depend on the Nine Great Immortal Domains. Qingxuan Sect is one such force dependent on Tianjian Sect, and the Lin Family's young family head is a disciple of Qingxuan Sect." Gu Feng followed up with an explanation.

Xu Nian understood.

Not everyone could join the Nine Great Immortal Sects.

Those who were excluded from the Nine Great Immortal Sects would choose to join smaller forces to obtain cultivation resources.

After all, in the Immortal Realm, the spiritual energy in the wilderness cannot be absorbed.

One can only rely on Immortal Essence Stones, Immortal Liquid, and such resources for cultivation.

But how easy is it to obtain resources?

"What is the Qingxuan Sect Master's strength?" Xu Nian asked.

"Senior, the Qingxuan Sect Master is a peak-level powerful individual at the Profound Immortal Realm. The sect has four Profound Immortals and dozens of Heavenly Immortal-level powerful individuals, making it the most formidable force in our vicinity. The Lin Family controls the transmission array by relying on Qingxuan Sect." Gu Lin said.

Xu Nian understood.

The nearby cities are likely within the Qingxuan Sect's territory, and their Sect Master is probably the strongest among them.

Fortunately, he currently has an Immortal-level Puppet with him; Qingxuan Sect shouldn't pose any threat to him.

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After chatting a little more with the Gu brothers, Xu Nian bid them farewell.

And headed to the transmission array located in Qingye City.

The only transmission array in Qingye City is controlled by the Lin Family Group, and it can only teleport to one place, Immortal Peak City.

Each transmission requires ten low-grade Immortal Yuan Stones.

For cultivators below the Heavenly Immortal Realm, ten low-grade Immortal Yuan Stones are considered a considerable wealth.

So, generally, unless one reaches the Heavenly Immortal Realm, they won't choose to travel far.

Moreover, even those at the Heavenly Immortal Realm without the strength of a Profound Immortal can easily encounter robbers along the way.

After all, some cities don't have transmission arrays, or their arrays are broken, necessitating travel by flying.

There are many bandits in the Immortal Realm, and with the slightest carelessness, one could be intercepted and killed.

Below the Profound Immortal Realm, most face certain death.

Even powerful individuals at the Heavenly Immortal Realm will choose to operate within a small area.

For someone like Xu Nian, about to travel across two Immortal Domains, it's dangerous for even Profound Immortal-level powerful individuals.

"I am now at the Middle Stage of Heavenly Immortal Realm, with strength comparable to the Late Stage of Heavenly Immortal. With three major melded clones, I should be able to rival regular Peak of Heavenly Immortal individuals, but defeating opponents would be challenging." Xu Nian spoke to himself in his heart.

Although his cultivation technique is strong, he has only just entered the Law Realm.

To truly discuss combat strength, it's not exceptionally strong.

But he has an Immortal-level Puppet and the Chaos Shrine.

If he can't win, he can directly hide in the Chaos Shrine; neither Profound Immortals nor Luo Immortals, nor even the Immortal Emperor could harm him in the slightest.

This is Xu Nian's greatest reliance.

Of course, if some extremely powerful individual directly attacks him, he might not have the chance to enter the Chaos Shrine.

Xu Nian arrived at Lin Family's transmission array.

At this moment, the Lin family's transmission array had a long line.

Most of them were merchants from dozens of surrounding cities, delivering goods to various city locations in exchange for profit.

Though it's dangerous, the profit is substantial.

At this moment, Lin Family's people were scrutinizing those conducting transmissions one by one.

According to the Gu brothers, Lin Family's young master was killed, and the murderer is still in Qingye City.

The city gate currently only allows entry, not exit, so whoever wishes to leave can only resort to the transmission array.

"The one who killed Lin Family's eldest young master is likely a Heavenly Immortal hiding their aura; otherwise, with the Lin Family Master's Heavenly Immortal-level strength, finding them shouldn't be difficult." Xu Nian spoke to himself.

"Huh? Two Innate Realm individuals?"

Suddenly, Xu Nian was shocked to find that around the transmission array, two strong individuals of the Heavenly Immortal Realm were hidden.

Earlier when he came to Qingye City, two strong individuals of the Heavenly Immortal Realm were hidden.

Moreover, each of their strengths was not weak; one was at the Middle Stage, and the other at the Late Stage of Heavenly Immortal.

"These two should be members of Qingxuan Sect, right? Is the culprit in this area?" Xu Nian spoke to himself.

Thinking of this, Xu Nian began investigating along the queue.

Upon checking, Xu Nian's pupils immediately constricted.

It really is!

Standing fifth in front of him was a girl who had concealed her cultivation. She appeared to only be at the Transcendence Tribulation Stage, but she was, in reality, at the Early Stage of Heavenly Immortal Realm.

And this person seemed to have sustained some injuries, her Immortal Essence chaotic within.

It was precisely due to her fluctuating aura that occasionally leaked a trace of Immortal Essence, exposing her cultivation.

Otherwise, Xu Nian probably wouldn't have found it.

"It seems Qingxuan Sect disciples have already discovered her, preparing for capture." Xu Nian shook his head.

Apparently, the girl was unaware she had been exposed.

However, Xu Nian was not inclined to intervene.

Helping her would offend Qingxuan Sect.

Xu Nian wasn't a saint.

Soon, the girl was up.

"You, step over here." A Lin Family disciple pointed at an empty space in front of the transmission array.

"Why? Isn't it enough to check for True Essence fluctuation?" The girl asked in confusion, her eyes instinctively showing vigilance.

Xu Nian saw this scene and chuckled.

"Her alertness is not bad." Xu Nian spoke to himself.

The place the Lin Family disciple pointed to was indeed sly, where a low-grade Immortal Array was located.

If the girl steps in, she would be trapped by the formation.

By then, she'd be entirely at their mercy.

"However, this girl seems somewhat familiar." Xu Nian looked at the girl's appearance and demeanor, certain he hadn't met her before.

But her eyes were reminiscent of someone.

A girl he once had an intersection with.

Chapter 1335: Reunion with Luo Bing

"If you're told to go, then go, why so much nonsense?"

The leading guard commander of the Lin Family immediately reprimanded.

This guard commander was a formidable Earth Immortal Realm expert.

At this moment, his sharp eyes were fixed on the woman.

The other guards were also closely watching the woman, looking very serious.

The woman immediately sensed something was wrong and without hesitation swung her sword.

The Immortal Essence turned into incomparably sharp Sword Qi, directly beheading the Lin Family's guard commander.

Then she swiftly darted towards the city.

"Don't let her escape."

At this moment, two Heavenly Immortal Realm experts also realized the fish had not taken the bait, and they no longer concealed themselves, soaring into the sky and swiftly blocking the woman's path.

The woman frowned instantly when she saw the two Heavenly Immortals appear.

However, Xu Nian was astonished as he looked at the woman.

He had already recognized the woman's identity.

Yes, it was indeed the woman Luo Bing he met on Penglai Island in the Tianhen Continent.

Although Luo Bing had changed her appearance, the aura she burst out when she attacked just now was unmistakable.

The ethereal and unattainable aura was unique to Luo Bing back then.

To speak of it, he had some entanglements with Luo Bing.

Back then, Luo Bing asked him to help her take revenge by killing the Sea Demon King, promising to marry him if successful.

However, after Xu Nian killed the Sea Demon King, Luo Bing reneged.

Naturally, Xu Nian did not force her and did not take it seriously.

He just didn't expect to meet her here today.

It seemed she had just ascended to the Immortal Realm not long ago.

"Luo Bing, you can't escape. Hand over the Bi Yu Immortal Manual and come back with us to the Qingxuan Sect, and we can spare your life," said the leading late-stage Heavenly Immortal coldly.

Xu Nian instinctively furrowed his brow.

Bi Yu Immortal Manual?

It seemed this pursuit by the Qingxuan Sect of Luo Bing wasn't simply for some Lin Family young master.

It made sense; the Lin Family young master was just an ordinary disciple of the Qingxuan Sect.

Even if the Qingxuan Sect cherished him greatly, it couldn't possibly deploy two Heavenly Immortals instantly.

"The Bi Yu Immortal Manual was left by my master. You killed my master, and now you want to force me to hand over the manual? I will never agree," Luo Bing shouted angrily.

With that, she swung her sword without hesitation, slashing towards the middle stage Heavenly Immortal expert.

This sword's power was extremely strong, already matching an attack of a middle stage Heavenly Immortal.

And this was while she was injured; otherwise, it would be even stronger.

The middle stage Heavenly Immortal expert was also startled, hastily mobilizing Immortal Essence to form a shield for defense.

"Bang!"

The Immortal Essence shield shattered, and the middle stage Heavenly Immortal expert was sent flying.

The people watching the scene were somewhat surprised.

An early stage Heavenly Immortal could actually suppress a middle stage Heavenly Immortal?

Xu Nian was also continuously astonished.

The Sword Qi Luo Bing wielded was extremely sharp, and her Immortal Essence was somewhat special, likely related to the Bi Yu Immortal Manual.

"Humph!"

The late-stage Heavenly Immortal snorted coldly, his figure instantly charging over.

A sword thrust out, its power extremely strong.

It contained very powerful Power of Laws.

Although Luo Bing could defeat a middle stage Heavenly Immortal, that was her limit; how could she be a match for a late-stage Heavenly Immortal?

She hurriedly raised her sword to block.

"Clang!"

A terrifying Sword Qi instantly struck Luo Bing's sword blade.

"Puff!"

Luo Bing was sent flying, blood spurting from her mouth.

"Bang!"

Luo Bing's body crashed into a nearby house.

Demolishing the entire house.

Her aura instantly withered, her face pale, and her internal Immortal Essence even more chaotic.

Due to severe injuries, her appearance returned to its original state.

Revealing that stunningly beautiful face, though it still had blood on the corner of her mouth.

"She's so beautiful, what a pity!"

The surrounding crowd shook their heads.

But none dared to help.

After all, the Qingxuan Sect was after her; offending the Qingxuan Sect was not survivable in this region.

"Humph, no one can escape from Qingxuan Sect's pursuit," snorted the late-stage Heavenly Immortal as he approached Luo Bing.

"Am I going to die? Master, I'm sorry, after all, I didn't fulfill your wish to bring glory to the Bi Yu Immortal Manual," Luo Bing said despondently.

The next moment, she was about to choose to self-destruct her Dantian.

However, just as she was about to mobilize all her Immortal Essence to self-destruct.

"Slash!"

A cold light flashed instantly.

The late-stage Heavenly Immortal expert approaching Luo Bing suddenly found himself decapitated, even his nascent Immortal Embryo being seized by a youth.

"Huh?"

Luo Bing's pupils shrank instantly, her eyes filled with horror.

The people watching were wide-eyed as well.

A late-stage Heavenly Immortal expert was actually killed in one move?

Who dared to attack a disciple of the Qingxuan Sect?

Not far away, the middle stage Heavenly Immortal expert was also shocked by this scene.

The next moment he was about to flee.

Xu Nian gave a cold snort, slashing out with his sword.

The middle stage Heavenly Immortal attempting to flee towards the Transmission Array was immediately cut in half, his body completely annihilated.

"Who are you, daring to kill a disciple of my Qingxuan Sect?" the Immortal Embryo of the late-stage Heavenly Immortal expert in Xu Nian's hand shouted angrily.

Xu Nian sneered.

Mobilizing his Immortal Essence, he instantly annihilated the soul of the late-stage Heavenly Immortal expert on the Immortal Embryo.

"This nascent Immortal Embryo is quite good," Xu Nian said with a smile.

Ordinary Immortals cannot devour Immortal Embryos.

Only Demon Cultivators and Devil Cultivators can devour them, but Xu Nian's cultivation of Dan Sea Species Green Lotus is without concerns.

With this Immortal Embryo, his cultivation could further advance.

Of course, breaking through to late-stage Innate would require at least ten more like this one.

"He actually killed two disciples of the Qingxuan Sect; this is going to cause big trouble."

Some people shouted in surprise.

"Yes, the Qingxuan Sect definitely won't let them go; they're doomed."

Someone else echoed.

The crowd was amazed at Xu Nian's audacity.

Slaying disciples of the Qingxuan Sect's Heavenly Immortal, the Qingxuan Sect couldn't possibly sit idly by.

Now, in the influence range of the Qingxuan Sect, a huge storm was about to be stirred up.

"How is it? Can you stand up?"

Xu Nian, however, paid no attention to the panic of the crowd and walked up to Luo Bing.

"I can!"

Luo Bing looked at the youth before her, never expecting to meet him here.

Even less expecting to owe her life to him once again.

Back then, she broke her promise and didn't fulfill her pledge.

Unexpectedly, he bore no grudge and saved her life.

Luo Bing stood up, hesitated, but ultimately said, "Thank you for saving me, about that matter back then..."

"I said, I don't need you to fulfill any promise, I'm just helping you for its own sake, and besides, didn't I gain the Evil Extermination Sword Array thanks to you?" Xu Nian said with a smile.

He didn't hold that matter in his heart.

Otherwise, he wouldn't have saved her.

Luo Bing felt slightly relieved hearing Xu Nian's words.

"Anyway, I still have to thank you." Luo Bing said.

"Let's go, leave here first," Xu Nian said with a smile, then gestured to the people around.

The Lin Family disciples didn't dare stop them at all.

Even with such turmoil, they didn't dare to interfere.

Even the thoughts of many around were in panic after witnessing the event.

Xu Nian and Luo Bing walked away, watched and whispered by everyone.

The Lin Family Master could not help but remain silent, unable to stop them.

Chapter 1336: Late-stage Heavenly Immortal

Immortal Peak City, within an uninhabited courtyard.

Xu Nian and Luo Bing both sat cross-legged on prayer mats.

At this moment, Luo Bing's internal injuries had mostly healed.

This courtyard was temporarily rented by Xu Nian.

After all, having offended the Qingxuan Sect, it was not advisable to stay at an inn.

After ten days of recuperation, Luo Bing's Immortal Essence had fully stabilized.

She had almost returned to her peak condition.

"Thank you!" Luo Bing gratefully looked at Xu Nian.

If not for Xu Nian, she would have self-destructed by now.

"Tell me what happened?" Xu Nian casually asked.

He had saved Luo Bing purely because they were old acquaintances and hailed from the same place.

He had no ulterior motives.

After reaching the Heavenly Immortal Realm, appearances were no longer as important.

Any woman could transform into a stunning beauty.

"I ascended to the Immortal Realm twenty years ago. After ascending, I accepted a Master, Master Azure Jade. My Master was an Early-stage Profound Immortal expert and practiced the Bi Yu Immortal Manual. However, the Qingxuan Sect Master coveted my Master's cultivation technique and pursued us multiple times."

"Three years ago, my Master died at the hands of the Qingxuan Sect Master to protect me. I've been hiding in Qingye City, quietly cultivating, but unexpectedly encountered that damned young master of the Lin Family. The eldest young master of the Lin Family wanted to force me to marry him. In anger, I killed him, not knowing he was also a disciple of the Qingxuan Sect," Luo Bing said angrily.

Xu Nian understood.

It seemed that Luo Bing's twenty years since ascension had not been easy.

"What exactly is the Bi Yu Immortal Manual? Why does the Qingxuan Sect Master covet it so much?" Xu Nian curiously asked.

"The Bi Yu Immortal Manual was created by an individual known as the Bi Yu Immortal Emperor. After ascending, he left his cultivation technique in the Immortal Realm, which my Master inadvertently obtained and practiced. Somehow the Qingxuan Sect Master found out and has been pressuring my Master to hand over the technique. However, he doesn't know that the Bi Yu Immortal Manual can only be cultivated by women," Luo Bing explained.

Xu Nian nodded.

To be created by an Immortal Emperor, the technique was undoubtedly extraordinary.

"What do you plan to do next?" Xu Nian asked.

"I want to join Tianjian Sect. Only by joining can I have the opportunity to kill the Qingxuan Sect Master," Luo Bing replied.

"Tianjian Sect? Seems difficult to enter, isn't it?" Xu Nian remarked.

"Yes, Tianjian Sect recruits new members every ten years. Three years later is the next recruitment period. As long as I get there, I'm confident I can pass the test. But with my current strength, I fear I won't be able to reach Tianjian Immortal Domain before getting caught by Qingxuan Sect," Luo Bing responded.

"Then come with me," Xu Nian proposed.

He was heading to Tianjian Immortal Domain anyway.

"I have nothing to repay you with," Luo Bing said.

Xu Nian smiled: "If I really wanted something from you, I wouldn't have healed you for ten days. Killing you and taking your belongings would be easier, don't you think?"

"If you don't mind, I'm willing to repay you with my body," Luo Bing hesitated before saying.

"Alright!" Xu Nian laughed.

Luo Bing was taken aback, but ultimately clenched her teeth and removed her dress.

However, the scene she imagined where Xu Nian would pounce didn't happen. When she opened her eyes again, she saw Xu Nian had already left and was trying his sword outside the courtyard.

Luo Bing's expression became complex as she watched the young man wield the sword in the courtyard, tears suddenly streaming down.

On her journey, aside from her Master, no one else had treated her so well.

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While Xu Nian and Luo Bing rested in the small courtyard.

In Qingxuan Sect, within the Elder's Great Hall, an elderly man sat cross-legged.

In front of him stood two middle-aged men dressed in Qingxuan Sect attire.

"Master, both Sixth and Fifth Junior Brothers were killed. This is the image reported by the Lin Family. You were in closed-door cultivation earlier, so we didn't dare disturb you." One youth explained.

After speaking, he displayed an image in the hall.

The image showed Xu Nian wielding his sword to slay Qingxuan Sect disciples.

"This person's strength should be at Late Stage of Heavenly Immortal Realm, daring to kill my Qingyan's disciples, courting death!"

The elderly man on the main seat was furious, strong killing intent erupted from his eyes.

The pressure of the Early-stage Profound Immortal directly oppressed the two disciples at the Peak of Heavenly Immortal Level, making it difficult for them to breathe.

Although Early-stage Profound Immortal and Peak of Heavenly Immortal Level are just one realm apart, their powers are worlds apart.

"The most important thing is, this woman named Luo Bing was also taken by him. They should be in Immortal Peak City now, Master, should we go there?" The other middle-aged man continued.

"No rush. I'm currently crafting the Heavenly Thunder Talisman. Once it's completed, we'll go together. This time we must not let Luo Bing escape, otherwise if the Sect Master blames us, we'll be in serious trouble," the elderly man said.

"Yes, Master! With you taking charge, this time Luo Bing definitely won't escape," the two middle-aged men immediately praised.

"You may go," the elderly man said.

"Yes, Master!"

After acknowledging, the two men left.

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Three months passed in the blink of an eye.

During this time, Xu Nian continually studied the Wind Attribute Shattering Void Law.

Now, he could be considered thoroughly entry-level in the Shattering Void Law.

Simultaneously, the Earth Attribute Power and Gravity Space, as well as spatial attribute's Space Folding and Space Tear, all crossed into the Law Realm.

After all, his two avatars were continually cultivating in Chaos Divine Palace.

One day outside is a hundred days inside.

Three months equaled twenty-five years in Chaos Divine Palace.

These twenty-five years were enough to greatly enhance Xu Nian's strength.

"Buzz!"

Xu Nian swung a sword.

On a large rock in the distance, a deep sword mark instantly appeared.

This was on a Black Dragon Stone, a highly durable material in the Immortal Realm.

An Early Stage Heavenly Immortal expert couldn't leave any marks on it.

Even a full-force strike from the Peak of Heavenly Immortal could only leave a shallow sword mark.

The sword mark Xu Nian made was a full foot deep, indicating how powerful the attack was.

"Xu Nian, did you break through to the Late Stage of Heavenly Immortal?" Luo Bing approached, surprised.

"Yes, I've just recently broken through," Xu Nian nodded.

He had absorbed the Immortal Embryo of that Late Stage Heavenly Immortal expert from Qingxuan Sect, together with a hundred drops of Kunlun's Immortal Liquid, achieving the breakthrough to Heavenly Immortal Realm.

Reaching the Late Stage of Heavenly Immortal Realm, Heavenly Immortals can condense Immortal Embryos.

However, Xu Nian discovered his soul didn't merge with the Immortal Embryo but rather integrated into the Chaos Green Lotus Seed.

Which meant Xu Nian's Immortal Embryo was merely a seed.

"Have you begun condensing your Immortal Embryo?" Luo Bing asked in surprise.

"I've started, but it will still take some time before it fully forms," Xu Nian replied.

He wasn't lying; the Chaos Green Lotus Seed was indeed his Immortal Embryo.

He had already infused a hundred drops of Immortal Marrow into the Chaos Green Lotus Seed.

But Xu Nian felt that the Chaos Green Lotus Seed hadn't completely formed yet.

For others, twenty drops would suffice.

Yet for Xu Nian, a hundred drops weren't enough.

The Chaos Green Lotus Seed felt like a bottomless pit.

This made Xu Nian instantly feel a shortage of Immortal Marrow.

Because he had two avatars needing Immortal Marrow.

The Immortal Marrow he had wasn't nearly enough.

"Seems I need to find a way to get more Immortal Marrow," Xu Nian thought to himself.

Chapter 1337: The Might of the Immortal Level Puppet

"Master, it's here. I've already had someone investigate, and these two haven't left Immortal Peak City. They've rented a courtyard in the city and have been hiding inside. It took me quite a bit of effort to find them."

Chen Linsan pointed to the courtyard ahead.

Standing beside him was an old man and his fellow disciple brother.

"Very well, you go in first, I'll stay hidden just in case they try to escape. Kill the man outright, leave the woman alive, cripple her cultivation and perform Soul Search," the old man said coldly.

"Alright!" The two middle-aged men said.

Murderous intent surged in their eyes.

Just a late-stage Heavenly Immortal and an early-stage Heavenly Immortal.

How could they possibly escape from their grasp?

If it weren't for the Sect Leader's meticulous instructions regarding this matter, they felt the master needn't come personally.

"Be cautious with everything," the old man reminded again.

"Rest assured, Master," Chen Linsan replied.

Then he and his disciple brother swiftly headed toward the courtyard.

"Brother, you handle the woman, I'll deal with the man," Chen Linsan transmitted to his disciple brother beside him.

"Alright, quick and decisive, go straight in with the kill," said the middle-aged man beside him.

"Rest assured, between the two of us as Peak Heavenly Immortals, slaying them is a piece of cake," Chen Linsan laughed.

With that, the two headed straight for the residence of Xu Nian and Luo Bing.

"Not good! Someone's coming."

Xu Nian was inside the room, attempting to absorb the Immortal Marrow, when suddenly a Sword Radiance pierced through the air from outside.

The Sword Radiance was extremely sharp, penetrating the wall directly, aiming for his abdomen.

Xu Nian's sharp instincts allowed him to swiftly dodge, his form turning into a streak of light, evading the sword.

Reappearing, his form was already in the courtyard.

At this moment, Luo Bing also noticed the commotion and burst out from her room.

Xu Nian looked at the two suspended in the sky, a hint of chill erupting in his gaze.

These two were not weak; both were already Peak Heavenly Immortals.

And they attacked straight away, clearly showing Qingxuan Sect was determined to kill them.

"Are you from Qingxuan Sect?" Xu Nian asked.

"Since you know we're from Qingxuan Sect, boy, hand over the woman behind you," Chen Linsan sneered.

Xu Nian and Luo Bing both turned chilly in their gaze.

Indeed, it's Qingxuan Sect.

It seems Qingxuan Sect hasn't given up.

"What if I don't hand her over?" Xu Nian asked.

"It doesn't matter, hand her over or not, today you must die. Daring to kill my Qingxuan Sect disciples has put you on the path of no return," Chen Linsan said coldly.

His tone was lofty, filled with an air of judgment.

Xu Nian merely sneered.

Killing their Qingxuan Sect disciples means the path of no return?

Do they truly consider their Qingxuan Sect invincible?

"Then there's no point in negotiating, let's fight," Xu Nian said, the King Jing Sword appearing in his hand, eyes sharp.

"Arrogant!" Chen Linsan was furious, seeing Xu Nian still dared to fight him.

The next moment, he swung his sword at Xu Nian.

This strike carried an extremely strong Thunderclap Law Power.

It was exceptionally domineering!

However, Xu Nian sneered, his body flashing.

Then he stabbed out with his sword, piercing through Chen Linsan's abdomen directly.

"This..."

Chen Linsan's body stiffened, looking at Xu Nian with utter disbelief.

He was pierced through the abdomen by a single sword from an early-stage Heavenly Immortal?

"Brother!"

The brother in the sky was shocked, bewildered by this scene.

Immediately attacking Xu Nian, attempting to save his disciple brother.

Yet Xu Nian gave him no chance, pulling the sword out, then instantly extracting Chen Linsan's Immortal Embryo, shattering his soul.

"Give my disciple brother's life back!" The brother shouted, Immortal Essence surging.

Xu Nian sneered, his form turning into a fleeting shadow once more.

The brother's body exploded in mid-air the next moment.

His Immortal Embryo too was seized by Xu Nian.

Luo Bing, witnessing this scene, was shocked, her mouth agape.

Slaying two Peak Heavenly Immortals in succession?

Is this Xu Nian really an early-stage Heavenly Immortal?

"It seems the over a hundred drops of Immortal Marrow weren't wasted. Now my strength is such that slaying Peak Heavenly Immortals requires only one move, unless it's a Sword Immortal at the Peak of Heavenly Immortal Level that might need more moves," Xu Nian mused to himself.

His Chaos Green Lotus Seed, after absorbing over a hundred drops of Immortal Marrow.

The energy contained within is already extremely terrifying.

Regarding the quality and reserve of Immortal Essence, his Immortal Essence is entirely on par with, if not stronger than, a Sword Immortal at the Peak of Heavenly Immortal Level.

The so-called Sword Immortal is one who condenses sword-shaped Immortal Embryo.

This type of person's Immortal Essence is extremely sharp.

They're almost invincible at the same level.

Just like Luo Bing, she walks the path of Sword Immortal.

Her Bi Yu Immortal Manual is also a Sword Immortal Technique. Because of this, the Qingxuan Sect Master covets her.

"Not good!"

The old man guarding outside the courtyard's expression changed instantly.

In just a moment, his two disciples' soul jades shattered consecutively, indicating his two disciples were killed.

"Could there be a Profound Immortal Realm expert inside?" The old man's form flashed, appearing in the courtyard.

Seeing the two corpses on the ground, his eyes immediately turned scarlet.

Those were disciples he highly regarded.

Now, they were killed right in front of him?

"Boy, was it you?" The old man glared at Xu Nian angrily.

"Profound Immortal Realm expert?" Xu Nian was momentarily stunned.

He didn't expect there was indeed a Profound Immortal expert present.

Earlier, his soul had also probed the surroundings without discovering the old man's existence.

It could only mean this old man was of the Profound Immortal Realm.

"Brother Xu Nian, he's Qingxuan Sect's Third Elder, Master Thunder-fire, with Profound Immortal Realm early-stage strength, you must go quickly," Luo Bing hurriedly said.

Then she attempted to shield Xu Nian.

Xu Nian chuckled, stepping forward.

"Indeed, I did it," Xu Nian smiled.

"Boy, you're seeking death!" The Qingxuan Sect Elder roared, striking at Xu Nian with his palm.

The palm contained extremely potent Thunderclap Law Power.

Though still entry-level in Law, this strike with the Profound Immortal Realm's enhancement was immensely powerful.

"Kunyuan Sword Technique, Slash!"

Xu Nian wasn't to be outdone, slashing out with a sword.

The terrifying Sword Radiance instantly pierced the air.

"Boom!"

Thunderclap Power collided with Sword Radiance.

It managed to halt the old man's advance.

But Xu Nian was also shaken three zhang away by this powerful backlash.

"Oh, such formidable Sword Qi, are you a Sword Immortal?" Master Thunder-fire looked at Xu Nian in amazement.

The Sword Qi Xu Nian used earlier didn't contain any Law Power, yet its force was substantial.

A person capable of wielding such Sword Qi could only be a Sword Immortal.

Xu Nian was equally surprised.

Profound Immortal Realm experts are indeed strong.

This Kunyuan Sword Technique is currently his strongest attack, a single sword enough to annihilate a Sword Immortal at the Peak of Heavenly Immortal Level.

But against the old man, it merely blocked his normal attack, without causing any harm.

"Boy, regardless of whether you're a Sword Immortal, daring to kill four of my disciples, you must die today," the old man roared.

He then clenched his fist, the terrifying Thunderclap Law instantly empowering his fist.

The next moment, he charged at Xu Nian's abdomen with Thunderclap momentum.

With one punch, a Peak Heavenly Immortal would be sure to die.

"No!" Luo Bing shouted urgently.

Xu Nian remained calm and composed.

"Pssh!"

At that moment, a Sword Light directly pierced the old man's abdomen.

"A Sword Immortal at the Peak of Profound Immortal Level?"

The old man looked with disbelief at the suddenly appearing Immortal Level Puppet.

His eyes filled with extreme unwillingness.

A Sword Immortal at the Peak of Profound Immortal Level actually ambushed him?

Chapter 1338: Another Breakthrough

"Xu Nian, who is this?"

Luo Bing looked at the immortal level puppet in front of her and asked in surprise.

"He is an elder from my sect." Xu Nian thought for a moment and explained.

The appearance of the immortal level puppet is no different from a human, and coupled with the restrictions on its surface, without the strength of the Luoxian Realm, it's impossible to see through the true nature of the immortal level puppet.

Thus, the immortal level puppet is naturally regarded as a strong expert at the peak of the Profound Immortal level.

And Xu Nian's immortal level puppet is a Sword Immortal puppet as well.

It's almost invincible under the Luoxian.

So how could this Qingxuan Sect Elder be a match for the immortal level puppet?

"Xu Nian, fortunately, I happened to be nearby. When I received your message, I came immediately. If it happens again, I may not be able to save you next time." The immortal level puppet cooperated with Xu Nian and said.

"Thank you, Martial Uncle." Xu Nian replied respectfully.

"Alright, I'm leaving now. Take care of yourself." With that, the immortal level puppet disappeared from the spot.

In reality, it returned to Xu Nian's Chaos Divine Palace.

And Luo Bing believed it to be true.

"A Sword Immortal at the peak of Profound Immortal level, Xu Nian, your Martial Uncle is amazing." Luo Bing said admiringly.

"My Martial Uncle is indeed amazing." Xu Nian nodded.

However, he felt a bit of heartache.

Just now, that single strike consumed a third of his top-grade Immortal Essence Stones.

At this rate, ordinary people really can't afford the consumption.

"Seems like I should avoid using the Sword Immortal puppet unless necessary." Xu Nian mused to himself.

Even though he had thirty-three top-grade Immortal Essence Stones.

It's still not enough to withstand such consumption.

"But this time the gains are substantial too, acquiring two heavenly immortal peak-level immortal embryos and one early-stage profound immortal embryo. Such a vast amount of energy should be enough to fully form my Chaos Green Lotus Seed." Xu Nian thought to himself.

Once the immortal embryo forms, he will successfully break through to the peak of Heavenly Immortal.

By then, as long as it's not a Sword Immortal, even an early-stage Profound Immortal, he has a chance to fight.

"Xu Nian, you're also very impressive. To kill two Heavenly Immortal peaks while at the late-stage Heavenly Immortal, there are probably not many in the entire Immortal Realm with such strength." Luo Bing said genuinely with emotion.

Xu Nian smiled.

When the Profound Immortal wanted to kill him earlier, Luo Bing actually wanted to hold the opponent off and let him escape.

It seems that Luo Bing is quite loyal and righteous.

"Luo Bing, how far are you from the middle stage of Heavenly Immortal now?" Xu Nian asked.

"Uh, I'm just a step away from the middle stage of Heavenly Immortal, should be able to break through within two years." Luo Bing replied.

"I have ten Kunlun Immortal Liquids, after absorbing them, you should be able to break through to the middle stage of Heavenly Immortal." Xu Nian said.

"Uh? Ten Kunlun Immortal Liquids? So many?" Luo Bing said, shocked.

Xu Nian chuckled, how could ten Kunlun be considered many?

In order to break through to the late stage of Heavenly Immortal, he had absorbed a hundred Kunlun.

Now, these Immortal Liquids are not very useful to him unless the quantity is extremely large.

With these Heavenly Immortal peak and early stage Profound Immortal embryos.

He doesn't need these Immortal Liquids now.

"But Xu Nian, you killed the Third Elder of the Qingxuan Sect, they definitely won't let you go. Don't bother with me." Luo Bing said.

"Don't worry, I know what I'm doing. You go break through to the middle stage of Heavenly Immortal first, then we'll be on our way." Xu Nian said.

Luo Bing hesitated for a moment, finally nodded, returned to her room, and began absorbing the Immortal Liquid.

Xu Nian didn't hesitate either and directly entered the Chaos Divine Palace.

Inside the Chaos Divine Palace, Xu Nian took out an immortal embryo at the peak of Heavenly Immortal level.

Then he began trying to absorb the immortal essence within the embryo.

The immortal essence inside the embryo was extremely pure, almost no different from that of Immortal Marrow, even more robust.

So most cultivators don't dare to absorb the power in the immortal embryo.

After all, if they absorb too much, their own immortal embryo might explode.

But Xu Nian didn't have to worry about that.

His Dan Sea Species Green Lotus is extremely overbearing, devouring a few immortal embryos is not a difficult task for him.

The Dan Sea Species Green Lotus started operating.

The extremely pure energy from the immortal embryo transformed into golden immortal essence, flowing through Xu Nian's meridians into his dantian.

Ultimately converging on the Chaos Green Lotus Seed in the Dan Sea.

The Chaos Green Lotus Seed emitted golden light, flickering, containing extremely terrifying energy.

This energy far exceeded the total energy of a typical peak-level Heavenly Immortal.

Soon, an immortal embryo of the Heavenly Immortal peak level was completely devoured by Xu Nian.

Yet the Chaos Green Lotus Seed didn't have much change.

Xu Nian didn't hesitate and continued to take out the second immortal embryo at the peak of the Heavenly Immortal level and started devouring it.

Three more days passed, and Xu Nian finally devoured the second immortal embryo at the peak of the Heavenly Immortal level.

At this moment, the Chaos Green Lotus Seed finally began to change.

"Hum!"

The soul of Xu Nian fully integrated with the Chaos Green Lotus Seed.

The Chaos Green Lotus Seed grew to be twice as large as before.

"I should be in the middle stage of the late-stage Heavenly Immortal now, with a little distance to the peak of Heavenly Immortal." Xu Nian thought.

"I wonder if devouring this early-stage Profound Immortal embryo will make me reach the peak of Heavenly Immortal." Xu Nian mused.

So he took out the early-stage Profound Immortal embryo again.

This devouring took nearly a month.

Because the early-stage Profound Immortal embryo was incredibly pure and had vast energy.

"Boom!"

As Xu Nian finished devouring the early-stage Profound Immortal embryo, his cultivation finally broke through from the late stage of Heavenly Immortal to the peak of Heavenly Immortal Realm.

At this moment, the Chaos Green Lotus Seed within him, although still un-budded, Xu Nian could feel.

The Chaos Green Lotus Seed was not far from budding.

Once it buds, he estimates his cultivation could reach early-stage Profound Immortal.

"With my current strength, I shouldn't have a problem fighting an early-stage Profound Immortal, but I might still be slightly lacking against a Sword Immortal at the early-stage Profound Immortal level. Of course, in a life-and-death fight, the outcome is uncertain." Xu Nian mused contentedly.

This Dan Sea Species Green Lotus Decision truly is incredibly overbearing.

Compared to the cultivation method of the Sword Immortal, it's more pure and domineering.

"Hum!"

Xu Nian's figure appeared in the outside world.

Walking out of his room, he found that Luo Bing had already emerged.

"Xu Nian, I made a breakthrough, I've reached the middle stage of Heavenly Immortal, now even against a regular late-stage Heavenly Immortal, I have the strength to fight." Luo Bing said happily.

"That's great, now that it's so, we should be on our way." Xu Nian smiled.

Luo Bing nodded repeatedly.

The Tianjian Sect Recruitment is still two years away.

By then, his cultivation at the middle stage of Heavenly Immortal should be even more stable.

This way, his chances of passing the assessment will also be greater.

"Both of you, please stop."

Just as Xu Nian and Luo Bing were about to leave.

A figure appeared in their courtyard.

Xu Nian and Luo Bing instinctively felt a bit wary.

Chapter 1339: The City Lord of Immortal Peak City's Invitation

The newcomer was a middle-aged man, dressed in white, looking like a refined scholar.

As for his cultivation level, it wasn't particularly high or low.

Peak of Heavenly Immortal Level.

At least for Xu Nian, he could easily kill him instantly.

"I am Li Yuanxian, City Lord of Tianfeng City," the man in white introduced himself with a smile.

"Greetings, City Lord Li. May I ask what brings you to us?" Xu Nian asked.

"Since that's the case, I'll get straight to the point. I'm here today mainly to ask for your help with a task, and of course, I will offer appropriate rewards for you both," Li Yuanxian said with a smile.

"What kind of help?" Xu Nian asked curiously.

"There's an Azure-water River a thousand miles outside of our Immortal Peak City. In the river dwells a giant serpent. This snake demon has repeatedly attacked our city's soldiers, killing hundreds of people from Immortal Peak City. We hope that you can join us in hunting down this snake demon," Li Yuanxian explained.

"What level of strength does this snake demon have?" Xu Nian asked.

"Mid-stage Profound Immortal," Li Yuanxian replied.

"Mid-stage Profound Immortal? That's comparable to a Sword Immortal of the same level. If it possesses a bit of the Divine Beast Bloodline, its strength wouldn't be any less than a late-stage cultivator in the Profound Immortal. With our strength, we might just be serving as its food," Xu Nian laughed.

"Indeed, just the three of us wouldn't be enough. Do you think you could ask your elders from your sect for help?" Li Yuanxian asked.

Xu Nian understood.

Li Yuanxian's intention was not to recruit him.

But rather, he was interested in his Sword Immortal Puppet.

In his view, the Qingxuan Sect's Third Elder and two disciples were presumably killed by Xu Nian's so-called sect elder.

After all, the Sword Immortal Puppet's strike, capable of slaying the Qingxuan Sect's Third Elder, was the Sword Qi of a peak-level Sword Immortal.

This was why Li Yuanxian mistook the Sword Immortal Puppet for Xu Nian's sect elder.

"That might disappoint you, City Lord Li. My martial uncle has already left Immortal Peak City, and even if I wanted to ask him for help, there's no way," Xu Nian replied.

"That's truly unfortunate, but no matter. As long as you lend your hand, besides us, I've also recruited two early-stage Profound Immortal experts. With them around, there shouldn't be any issue," Li Yuanxian said with a smile.

"Uh, early-stage Profound Immortal experts? They wouldn't be from the Qingxuan Sect, would they?" Xu Nian asked.

"Of course not. These two are specialized mercenaries from the Immortal Realm, unassociated with the Qingxuan Sect," Li Yuanxian replied.

"Mercenaries?" Xu Nian was somewhat surprised.

"Xu Nian, mercenaries in the Immortal Realm are similar to the profession of mercenaries; they rely on tasks distributed by various forces to earn rewards. Generally, these individuals don't want to be restrained by powers but wish to acquire resources. Their levels vary, and even some formidable Immortal Emperors started as mercenaries," Luo Bing explained.

So they're mercenaries from the Immortal Realm.

Xu Nian understood immediately.

Whether in the Immortal Realm or Mortal World, there are always individuals unwilling to be constrained.

Thus, such a profession naturally emerged.

"City Lord Li, what kind of reward can you promise us?" Xu Nian continued to ask.

If the reward was low, he wouldn't be interested.

"Given the risk involved in hunting a mid-stage Profound Immortal beast, how about a total of ten top-grade Immortal Essence Stones for both of you combined?" Li Yuanxian proposed.

"Ten?" Xu Nian's eyes lit up.

Those ten top-grade Immortal Essence Stones were quite a fortune.

Previously, he used over a hundred Immortal Pills to acquire thirty top-grade Immortal Essence Stones.

Now, he only needed to assist in hunting a mid-stage Profound Immortal beast, and they weren't even the main force—this deal was very profitable no matter how it was viewed.

"Alright, I'll take on this mission," Xu Nian said with a smile.

"Here's the deposit. Whether or not the task succeeds, I'll give you the remaining six stones afterward." Li Yuanxian waved his hand, and four top-grade Immortal Essence Stones appeared in front of Xu Nian.

"Good!" Xu Nian nodded.

"Then, ten days from now, I'll wait for you both at the city gate," Li Yuanxian said without further words.

After speaking, he disappeared.

Watching Li Yuanxian disappear, Xu Nian immediately set up restrictions again.

"Xu Nian, are you really going to join City Lord Li in hunting that mid-stage Profound Immortal snake?" Luo Bing asked.

"Yes, this hunt is in the outskirts. It's a perfect opportunity for us to leave Immortal Peak City. I've already checked the map, and there are three cities nearby, none too far away. The furthest is only fifty thousand kilometers, which we can reach in ten days with our flying speed," Xu Nian explained.

"You mean we won't use the Transmission Array to avoid Qingxuan Sect's pursuit?" Luo Bing asked.

"Exactly, if we use the Transmission Array, we'll be closely monitored by Qingxuan Sect. No matter where we go, we can't shake them off. But if we go to the wilderness, it's a completely different situation. With a change in appearance, they might not be able to find us. And I think the identity of a mercenary might even be useful to us," Xu Nian said.

Luo Bing understood.

Indeed, the Qingxuan Sect wouldn't rest after losing an Elder.

Using the Transmission Array would definitely attract their attention.

Thus, traveling through the wilderness—with three cities nearby, altered appearances and demeanors—it would be very difficult for the Qingxuan Sect to locate them.

"However, this hunt for the mid-stage Profound Immortal snake is still dangerous, and I feel this matter isn't so simple. The reward Li Yuanxian offers seems a bit too high. After all, finding two additional early-stage Profound Immortal experts shouldn't necessarily cost ten top-grade Immortal Essence Stones," Luo Bing said.

"Exactly, I think the same. There might be something Li Yuanxian is hiding from us. But it doesn't matter; if things go south, we'll simply run away. I still have some means of protection," Xu Nian said with a smile.

If Li Yuanxian purely wanted him to kill a snake, there wouldn't be a problem.

If Li Yuanxian had any other intentions, he wouldn't be spared.

"By the way, keep these two top-grade Immortal Essence Stones and the Heavenly Thunder Talisman. Absorb the Immortal Essence Stones directly and try to break through to the late-stage Heavenly Immortal. As for the Heavenly Thunder Talisman, it should be able to severely injure an early-stage Heavenly Immortal, keep it for protection," Xu Nian said with a smile.

He handed the top-grade Immortal Essence Stones and Heavenly Thunder Talisman to Luo Bing.

This Heavenly Thunder Talisman belonged to the Qingxuan Sect Elder, who couldn't use it because the Immortal Level Puppet acted too swiftly.

Xu Nian found out he had actually made three of them.

Now, these three Heavenly Thunder Talismans were quite handy as defense tools.

"N-n-no, Xu Nian, these are too valuable, you should keep them for yourself," Luo Bing quickly declined.

A top-grade Immortal Essence Stone is immensely useful not only to Heavenly Immortals but also to Profound Immortals, even Luoxian or Golden Immortals.

Xu Nian was giving her a top-grade Immortal Essence Stone?

"Didn't he just say earlier that we need to complete the task together? Naturally, the Immortal Essence Stones will be split between us. As for the Heavenly Thunder Talisman, I have three of them, and I'm only giving you one," Xu Nian insisted, placing it into Luo Bing's hands.

Luo Bing hesitated, but eventually accepted it.

"Xu Nian, I will definitely repay you in the future," Luo Bing said.

"Alright, I'll wait for you to repay me," Xu Nian replied with a smile, not minding at all.

Chapter 1340: Azure-water River Hunt

Ten days later, Xu Nian and Luo Bing arrived at the gate of Immortal Peak City.

At this point, there were already four people at the city gate.

Besides Li Yuanxian, there were two fiercely-eyed young men.

An overwhelming scent of blood emanated from them, clearly indicating they were the type to lick blood off the blade.

Their eyes were full of disdain as they looked at Xu Nian and Luo Bing.

In addition, there was a middle-aged man wearing battle armor.

The man's face was resolute, his gaze firm.

He stood silently behind Li Yuanxian, his eyes cold as if devoid of emotion.

"Brother Xu Nian, you are here. Let me introduce you, these two are the famous Immortal Hunters Zhao An and Zhao Yun, the Zhao brothers. Both of them are masters at the early stage of Profound Immortal. This time, they will be the main force in hunting the Snake Immortal." Li Yuanxian chuckled.

Xu Nian cupped his hands in greeting.

"Hmph, City Lord Li, these are the helpers you've mentioned, one at the peak of Heavenly Immortal and another at the middle stage. We are dealing with the Demon Beast at the middle stage of Profound Immortal level, and you've brought two burdens. Aren't you just adding to the trouble?" the elder Zhao An said.

"Exactly, City Lord Li. This time, we're hunting a Snake Demon at the middle stage of Profound Immortal. Not to mention us at the early stage, even cultivators at the middle stage will find it hard to survive. If not for relying on that Guiyuan Sword Formation, we wouldn't have taken this task. What can they do?" Zhao Yun chimed in.

Xu Nian instinctively frowned.

These two at the early stage of Profound Immortal were truly arrogant.

However, it made sense; generally, in such activities, bringing two Heavenly Immortals indeed provides little help.

"Please, calm down, you two. This time, we're mainly relying on the Guiyuan Sword Formation. As long as we can hold that Snake Demon steady, my Guiyuan Sword Formation can immediately slay the beast. Every person adds a bit of strength, moreover, Brother Xu Nian's skills are not weak." Li Yuanxian said.

"Hmph, let's hope he doesn't become a drag. Not to mention there's a just a flower vase." Zhao An snorted coldly, rolling his eyes at Luo Bing.

"Rest assured, even if there is danger, we will handle it ourselves without needing any assistance from you two." Xu Nian retorted sarcastically.

"Hmph, I'm afraid you'll disrupt our plan, who would save you? Wishful thinking." Zhao Yun immediately sneered.

Luo Bing on the side was also filled with anger.

Li Yuanxian acted as a mediator, trying to smooth things over.

Even though Xu Nian found the two slightly arrogant, he didn't harbor much anger.

Just as he said, if he faces danger, he won't need their rescue.

If they face danger, he wouldn't save them either.

"By the way, who is this?" Xu Nian pointed at the cold man behind Li Yuanxian and asked.

"He is my bodyguard, also at the peak level of Heavenly Immortal. Furthermore, he has cultivated the Body Refining Technique, which makes his body quite strong, mainly to protect me and ensure the Guiyuan Sword Formation is completed." Li Yuanxian replied.

Xu Nian nodded, casually glancing at the man who stood like an Iron Tower.

This man's physical body was indeed powerful.

Much stronger than ordinary peak-level Heavenly Immortals.

But compared to his Divine Demon Avatar, the difference was not just a little bit.

Even his Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar was far superior.

Now, both his Divine Demon Avatar and the Undying Devouring Sky Beast had reached the late stage of Heavenly Immortal.

In terms of physical body or strength, they had greatly enhanced.

"It seems that in the Immortal Realm, Divine Demon Refining Body is still rare." Xu Nian murmured to himself.

"By the way, City Lord Li, what kind of formation is this Guiyuan Sword Formation?"

On the way, Xu Nian asked Li Yuanxian.

"This Guiyuan Sword Formation is a mid-grade Immortal Array, albeit incomplete, but its power is extremely formidable. Given enough time, even cultivators at the middle stage of Profound Immortal level cannot withstand my strike. It's precisely because of this Guiyuan Sword Formation that I have the confidence to hunt this Snake Demon." Li Yuanxian laughed.

Xu Nian understood.

Apparently, Li Yuanxian's real reliance was on this Guiyuan Sword Formation.

In an Immortal's hand, a Low Grade Immortal Array is also quite powerful.

At least a Low Grade Immortal Array is enough to kill cultivators at Heavenly Immortal level.

Mid-grade ones can threaten experts at Profound Immortal level.

Therefore, Li Yuanxian dared to boldly target a Demon Beast at middle stage of Profound Immortal level.

The group of six headed deep into the wilderness.

In the wilderness, it's generally impossible to absorb Immortal Qi from heaven and earth.

They can only rely on Immortal Essence Stones.

Of course, generally only for travel purposes, consuming little Immortal Essence.

Just one Low Grade Immortal Yuan Stone is enough for them to travel for ten days.

Soon, the six of them arrived at the shores of the Azure-water River, a thousand miles away from Immortal Peak City.

This Azure-water River was extremely vast.

It was ten miles wide, and its length extended up to a hundred miles.

Moreover, it was bottomless.

The entire lakeside was lush green, hence the name Azure-water River.

"This Snake Demon resides at the lake bottom. This snake is extremely vicious; its true form is an Azure Blood Phoenix Crown Snake with potent venom. Just a touch is deadly even for late-stage Profound Immortal, so everyone, be cautious," Li Yuanxian cautioned.

Xu Nian didn't speak; instead, he exercised his Immortal Soul to probe towards the lake bottom.

To his surprise, after just ten meters below the surface, his Immortal Consciousness vanished.

"This lake is peculiar; it can devour Immortal Consciousness," Xu Nian remarked.

Upon hearing this, the Zhao brothers looked at Xu Nian as if he were an idiot.

"Apparently Brother Xu has ascended from the Lower Realm. The lakes of the Immortal Realm are not ordinary; they have highly corrosive Ruishui River, ordinary fresh-water lakes are extremely rare. Therefore, when Immortal Consciousness enters the water, it will be corroded by it." Li Yuanxian explained.

"What if someone falls into it?" Xu Nian inquired.

"If someone falls into it, they can use Immortal Essence to envelop themselves temporarily to survive, but the consumption of Immortal Essence would be rapid, so generally no one fights in the lake, which is why it's challenging to hunt beasts there," Li Yuanxian elaborated.

Xu Nian comprehended.

This highly corrosive Ruishui River makes battling in the lake akin to courting death.

Unless there is a large disparity in strength.

Otherwise, when beasts dive into the lake, they cannot be easily dealt with.

"So, we must lure the Snake Demon out of the lake surface?" Xu Nian speculated.

"Yes, once it emerges, we'll use talismans to seal the lake temporarily, blocking its retreat. At that point, Brother Xu Nian can collaborate with the Zhao brothers to drag it over and stall it for a moment," Li Yuanxian responded.

"All right!" Xu Nian agreed.

Then he motioned for Luo Bing to retreat to a distance.

This battle was too perilous for her.

She deemed it unnecessary to participate.

"Brother Xu Nian, be careful."

Luo Bing nodded, not hesitating, and flew to a distant spot, watching quietly.

She knew that if she joined in, it would only burden Xu Nian.

As a beast at the middle stage of Profound Immortal could easily wipe her out with a mere spark of Immortal Essence.

The Zhao brothers sneered at Xu Nian, then disregarded him.

They evidently considered Xu Nian's presence unnecessary.

"Action!"

Zhao An declared directly.

Zhao Yun nodded promptly, a long spear appearing in his grip.

Instantly, a formidable aura of thunder surged around him.

The thunder erupted into a magnificent blue brilliance, entwined on the long spear, immensely powerful.

"Blast!"

Zhao Yun thrust his spear towards the lake surface.

The terrifying thunder instantly transformed into countless Electric Snakes, striking the water.

In a flash, the entire Azure-water River erupted in dazzling light.

"Roar!"

A deep roar echoed from the depths, resonating with hearts and inciting fear.

"Here it comes!" Zhao An hastily warned.

Gripping his long knife tightly.

Zhao Yun similarly clutched his long spear.

Braced for a formidable foe.

Xu Nian sensed a vast surge of power rushing from beneath the lake towards their direction rapidly.