

Divine King 1431

Chapter 1431: Gongsun Siblings

"Are you going out on a mission?"

In the Sky-reaching World, Ji Qingyu looked at Xu Nian in surprise and asked.

Xuanyuan Qingling also furrowed her brows slightly.

"Yes, I'm planning to go out for some training, but I will still enter this Trial World whenever I have time. I came today just to let you know," Xu Nian said with a smile.

"Xu Nian, I heard that the Taichu Immortal Emperor met with you but didn't accept you as a Direct Disciple, saying there was a problem with your cultivation?" Ji Qingyu asked.

"Yes, indeed there were some issues. I want to use this mission to adjust," Xu Nian nodded and said.

"If you're unhappy in Shendang Mountain, you can come to our Immortal Sovereign Hall. I assure you my master will accept you as a Direct Disciple," Ji Qingyu said.

Xu Nian was amused yet helpless upon hearing this.

How could he betray Shendang Mountain so easily?

"Husband, where is this mission taking you?" Xuanyuan Qingling stepped forward and asked.

"To the extreme southern lands. It's an escort mission, so it shouldn't be too dangerous. Don't worry," Xu Nian said with a smile.

He knew Xuanyuan Qingling was worried about him.

"Be careful then. When my cultivation reaches the Immortal King Realm, I'll come to Shendang Mountain to find you," Xuanyuan Qingling said.

"Okay!" Xu Nian nodded.

Then, after chatting with Xuanyuan Qingling for a while, he exited the Sky-reaching World.

The Trial World still had six years to go, so there was no need to rush.

Perhaps the last year is when the real trial begins.

During this period, the main goal is still to enhance his own strength.

After realizing how difficult it was to become a god, Xu Nian finally set his own goal.

And that is to strive to accumulate enough to one day become a god naturally.

Of course, during this period, he also had to try to find a godhood.

In this way, if Xuanyuan Qingling and the others can't become gods naturally in the future, having enough godhoods could allow them to enter the Divine World.

After some simple preparations, Xu Nian directly went to the city of Shunling City, located on the outskirts of Shendang Mountain.

The three members of the Gongsun Family were precisely here.

In Shunling City, inside an inn, three people were gathered at this moment in a fine guest room.

An elder and two youths.

The elder's cultivation was not low, having reached the Early Stage Immortal King Level, exuding the might of an Immortal King with every gesture, his strength was not ordinary.

The young siblings were not weak either, with the brother's strength being slightly higher, having reached the Golden Immortal Middle Stage.

The sister only had a cultivation of Golden Immortal Early Stage.

Judging by their ages, they should only be a few hundred years old.

To reach such strength at this age definitely qualifies them as geniuses.

"Grandpa Ling, we're ten billion miles away from the family. Can we really arrive safely?" The young man asked worriedly.

"Don't worry, Young Master. I've already applied for an escort mission from Shendang Mountain. They will send powerhouses to escort us, and we will definitely arrive safely," the elder said with a smile.

Instead, he was somewhat respectful towards the young man.

"What level will the powerhouses from Shendang Mountain be? Immortal Sovereigns?" the sister asked curiously.

"Miss, with our financial resources, we can't hire Immortal Sovereigns. We'll have to hire an Immortal King Level powerhouse. It should be an Immortal King Peak Level powerhouse," the elder replied with a smile.

"Immortal King Peak? The Sima Family bastards probably won't leave me and my sister alone. Can an Immortal King Peak withstand them?" the brother frowned and said.

"It should be possible. Our return is being done in secret. The Sima Family might not know, and even if they do, they may not guess our route. Don't worry, Young Master, I will deliver you and Miss safely, even at the cost of my life," the elder said.

The young man didn't respond but still looked worried.

The Sima Family had powerful Immortal Emperor experts, as well as three Immortal Sovereign experts.

If the Sima Family really sent Immortal Sovereign experts, he and his sister would almost certainly perish.

"Don't worry, brother. Everything will be fine, and we can finally go home," the sister said excitedly with a smile.

The young man gently patted his sister's head.

But his heart wasn't at ease.

Only he knew the danger of this trip. The Sima Family would never let them go easily, especially his sister.

"Knock, knock, knock!"

At that moment, there was a knock on the door.

"The powerhouses from Shendang Mountain should be here," the elder said with a smile.

Then he waved his hand, and the door opened.

However, when they saw Xu Nian standing outside, their brows furrowed slightly.

"This young man, who are you looking for?" the elder asked curiously.

"You should be the clients for this escort mission, right? My name is Xu Nian, and I'm the one from Shendang Mountain taking this mission," Xu Nian said with a smile.

"Uh?" The elder was stunned for a moment after hearing this, then sized Xu Nian up, his brows furrowing even more.

The young man next to him also frowned deeply.

But the girl curiously scrutinized Xu Nian.

"Are you the Immortal King Peak powerhouse? Why do you look younger than me?" the girl asked curiously.

Xu Nian smiled at the question.

"I'm not an Immortal King, let alone an Immortal King Peak. I'm just a Golden Immortal Middle Stage," Xu Nian responded with a smile.

"Golden Immortal Middle Stage? Oh, that's still a level higher than me," the girl nodded.

The elder and the young man exchanged glances, both filled with doubt in their eyes.

"Xu Nian, young brother, is it just you for this mission?" the elder asked curiously.

"Yes, Elder," Xu Nian nodded.

"Grandpa Ling, didn't you say you issued an Earth-level mission? Could it be you made a mistake?" The young man asked urgently.

"I didn't make a mistake. I indeed issued an Earth-level mission. Could it be that Shendang Mountain made a mistake?" the elder said, somewhat puzzled.

Xu Nian knew this result would happen.

"Elder Gongsun, you didn't make a mistake, and neither did Shendang Mountain. I indeed accepted an Earth-level mission," Xu Nian said with a smile.

"An Earth-level mission? And they let a Golden Immortal Middle Stage come?" The elder was somewhat displeased.

The young man was even angrier, "Is Shendang Mountain making a fool of us? Are they taking advantage of us? No way, I want to settle this with them."

"Please wait, Young Master," the elder hurriedly stopped him.

Although the Gongsun Family was not a small force, compared to a giant like Shendang Mountain, it was no more than an egg hitting a rock.

Moreover, he didn't believe Shendang Mountain would jest with them for no reason.

"Xu Nian, young brother, are you aware of the risk of this mission? Without Immortal King Peak Level cultivation, it's a dead end," the elder looked at Xu Nian and said.

"Of course I know. But since I dare to take on this task, I'm confident I can escort you safely to Tianwu City," Xu Nian said with a smile.

"Nonsense! As a Golden Immortal Middle Stage, what makes you dare to say that?" The young man was furious.

The elder also furrowed his brows, showing a serious expression.

A Golden Immortal Middle Stage, even weaker than himself, was indeed quite ridiculous.

Not to mention, he spent as much as a thousand drops of Fifth-grade Immortal Marrow.

With so many Immortal Marrows, one could hire many Golden Immortals, not just one.

Chapter 1432: Ancient Divine Clan Bloodline

Xu Nian heard the words of Young Master Gongsun, and a faint smile appeared on his face.

Just as he had expected, the three members of the Gongsun Family would certainly not accept him easily.

However, since he had come, he had no intention of going back.

Otherwise, if he were to be sent back like this, wouldn't it be a huge embarrassment?

Moreover, it was the Taichu Immortal Emperor himself who vouched for him, so it wasn't just his reputation at stake.

"Senior Gongsun, I know you doubt my abilities, but I can assure you, as long as it's anyone below the level of Immortal Sovereign, I can guarantee your safety. Even if it's above Immortal Sovereign, if you follow my words, you will not be in any life-threatening danger." Xu Nian said seriously.

"Guarantee our safety below Immortal Sovereign? You probably aren't even my match, yet you dare to boast so." Gongsun Qing said disdainfully.

Old Gongsun Ling did not respond in haste but thought for a moment and asked Xu Nian, "It's not that we don't believe you, but your cultivation is too low, and this journey concerns our lives, we absolutely cannot take risks."

"I understand Senior Gongsun's concerns. If you don't believe me, I can show you something." Xu Nian said with a smile.

After speaking, Xu Nian made a gesture, and a Jade Bottle appeared in his hand.

In the center of the Jade Bottle, a drop of liquid was suspended.

"This is..." The old man's eyes instantly widened.

Although he had never seen this item, he could vaguely guess what it might be.

And Xu Nian, with just a Golden Immortal Realm, was able to possess this item, which definitely indicated his extraordinary nature.

Because many Golden Immortals don't even know of its existence, let alone possess it.

"May I know which Immortal Emperor this young brother is apprenticed to?" the old man hurriedly asked.

"My master is the Taichu Immortal Emperor; this item was bestowed upon me by my master." Xu Nian said.

Upon hearing this, the old man suddenly understood.

So, it turned out to be a disciple of the Taichu Immortal Emperor. No wonder he could possess such an item.

Being able to be bestowed such a treasure by the Taichu Immortal Emperor was enough to show his remarkable nature.

"Well then, we entrust this journey to you, young brother Xu Nian." The old man said respectfully.

"You are too kind, Senior." Xu Nian smiled slightly.

Gongsun Qing, on the other hand, looked unconvinced. So Grandpa Ling actually agreed?

"Grandpa Ling, why do you trust him?" Gongsun Qing asked in confusion.

He did not understand why Grandpa Ling agreed just after seeing that drop of liquid.

It's just a powerful Immortal Liquid.

No matter how extraordinary it is, so what?

Gongsun Wan'er gazed at Xu Nian with curiosity, pondering what on earth the liquid Xu Nian had just revealed was.

"Eldest Young Master, rest assured, since the Taichu Immortal Emperor sent this young brother, there must be assurance for this journey." Gongsun Ling said with a smile.

Just now, he had already sent a message to the head of Shendang Mountain.

The response he received left him extremely shocked.

The body separation of the Taichu Immortal Emperor had personally appeared to guarantee this task.

Although he still couldn't determine what was special about the young man before him, given that the Taichu Immortal Emperor personally vouched for him, he couldn't possibly offend the Taichu Immortal Emperor's honor.

Plus, Xu Nian had the Divine Power Liquid in hand, with such a hidden ace, indeed there was no need to fear anything below an Immortal Sovereign.

Hearing Gongsun Ling's words, Gongsun Qing still could not understand.

Nevertheless, since Gongsun Ling, who had raised them with his own hands, had made the decision, he had no choice but to respect it.

"Well, we shouldn't have relied on others in the first place. This trip, we might as well be more cautious ourselves." Gongsun Qing said impatiently.

Gongsun Ling looked at Xu Nian with a slight apology.

Xu Nian waved his hand with a smile, indicating that he didn't mind.

"Hello, I'm Gongsun Wan'er. From now on, we will be friends." Gongsun Wan'er said with a smile.

"I am Xu Nian; Miss Wan'er is indeed beautiful." Xu Nian responded with a smile.

"Really?" Gongsun Wan'er immediately felt delighted.

"Of course!" Xu Nian replied.

Indeed, Gongsun Wan'er was quite attractive.

But these were not the most important things. What mattered was that Xu Nian felt a peculiar bloodline resonance emanating from the siblings.

As someone with the Nine Dragon Supreme Bloodline, he could clearly sense how fatally enticing this bloodline resonance was to Demon Beasts.

Especially Shangguan Wan'er, the resonance in her body was even ten times stronger than her brother's.

This was even with the siblings having a seal placed on them; otherwise, they would definitely attract a large congregation of Demon Beasts.

"Oh, is it the offspring of the Ancient Divine Clan?" At this moment, the voice of Wentian Demon Sovereign echoed in Xu Nian's mind.

"What do you mean by offspring of the Ancient Divine Clan?" Xu Nian asked puzzled.

"So-called offspring of the Ancient Divine Clan refers to their ancestors having become a god in the past, later having a child with an Immortal. You must know that after becoming a god, the bloodline becomes a Divine Bloodline, but after many generations, this bloodline gets almost completely diluted."

"These two kids might have a reversion of their ancestral bloodline, especially the little girl whose bloodline has reached one-tenth of the level of a Divine Bloodline."

Wentian Demon Sovereign responded.

"One-tenth?" Xu Nian exclaimed.

"Do not underestimate one-tenth; with just that, once her bloodline awakens, it will be unprecedentedly powerful, bringing her cultivation to great heights rapidly. Boy, even your Nine Dragon Supreme Bloodline might not compare to her." Wentian Demon Sovereign said.

"So formidable?" Xu Nian was slightly taken aback.

Unexpectedly, this girl actually had a Divine Clan bloodline?

No wonder those Demon Beasts were interested in the siblings.

It's likely that the Sima Family also knew of this, so they would never allow these siblings to return to their clan easily.

"Senior Wentian, you mean the siblings haven't awakened yet?" Xu Nian asked curiously.

"Correct, the boy's potential for awakening is not great, but the girl's awakening is possible. Once awakened, she will undoubtedly soar to great heights." Wentian Demon Sovereign said.

Xu Nian nodded.

Unexpectedly Shangguan Wan'er possessed such potential.

"Boy, let me remind you, although I've agreed to let you accompany us, you must not have any interactions with my sister, or don't blame me for ending you."

Gongsun Qing watched Xu Nian chat with Gongsun Wan'er, immediately saying furiously.

Xu Nian instantly understood Gongsun Qing's thoughts.

Clearly, he feared that Xu Nian would intentionally get close to Gongsun Wan'er, making her fall for him.

Yet in truth, he didn't think that way whatsoever, even after knowing about her Ancient Divine Clan bloodline, Xu Nian couldn't care less.

"You can rest assured, I promise to keep my distance from Miss Gongsun." Xu Nian replied with a smile.

"I hope you do as you say. If I find you intentionally getting close to my sister, I assure you I will show no mercy." Gongsun Qing said angrily.

Xu Nian smiled slightly.

He didn't mind Gongsun Qing's threat at all.

Chapter 1433: Immortal Beast Attack

The next day, Xu Nian and the three members of the Gongsun family set off for the far southern lands.

Since teleportation was not possible in this region, they had to travel through the wilderness.

However, Xu Nian and the others were not traveling alone, but with a group of Immortal Realm merchant caravans.

This way, blending in with the caravans could help conceal their presence to some extent.

A gigantic Immortal Ship sliced through the clouds, heading swiftly southward.

Xu Nian and Nangong Ling stood at the bow of the ship.

"Brother Xu Nian, your idea is really good; blending in with a caravan doesn't make us too conspicuous," Gongsun Ling said with a smile.

"It's just some basic concealment techniques. But we can't stay with them forever. Once we reach the Fengyang Lake area, we'll have to travel on our own," Xu Nian replied with a smile.

He often did the same when he was in the Cultivation World.

This could somewhat avoid ambushes from lower-level Immortal Beasts and reduce trouble.

Of course, this method also had its downsides, as it made them a larger target, which could be easily found.

The Fengyang Lake area is where many loose cultivators gather, and several Independent Immortal factions exist there. It won't attract much attention if they separate there.

Moreover, beyond the Fengyang Lake area lies Haohai City.

According to Xu Nian's thoughts, if the Sima family intended to ambush them,

it would likely be in Haohai City, as it was on their inevitable path.

"Yes, that area around Fengyang Lake is indeed rather chaotic. Staying with a merchant caravan might make us more prone to attacks," the elder nodded.

He felt that Xu Nian's analysis was entirely correct.

For someone of such a young age to have such meticulous thinking was truly rare.

"Right now, the most important issue is Young Master Gongsun and Gongsun Wan'er's bloodline. We must find a way to conceal the fluctuations on their bodies," Xu Nian said.

"There's no method at all. I've tried every possible way, but the energy fluctuations from their bloodline simply can't be concealed. Being able to seal them as much as we have now is already quite an achievement," Gongsun Ling sighed.

Were it not for the allure of this bloodline, he wouldn't have needed to take on a mission at Shendang Mountain.

"Elder Ling, I've always been curious. If their bloodline is so important, why didn't the Gongsun family send powerful members to escort them?" Xu Nian asked curiously.

Upon hearing this, Elder Gongsun sighed deeply.

"Brother Xu Nian may not know this, but our family's Immortal Emperor was defeated in a duel against the Sima family's Immortal Emperor. As a result, an agreement was made that no strong members of the family would set foot outside Tianwu City for life," Gongsun Ling explained.

Xu Nian understood upon hearing this.

So, it was because of such an agreement.

No wonder the Gongsun family didn't send any strong members.

In that case, they could only rely on themselves.

"Don't worry, Senior Gongsun, I'll find a way to solve the issue of their bloodline," Xu Nian stated.

"Thank you, Young Brother Xu Nian," Gongsun Ling replied.

Then, Gongsun Ling left.

Xu Nian stood alone at the bow of the ship and waved his hand.

A figure appeared beside him.

It was an exceptionally beautiful woman dressed in a yellow gown.

This woman exuded an aura of arrogance.

"Master!"

As soon as she appeared, she greeted Xu Nian respectfully.

"Ling Feng, have you broken through to the Immortal King Realm?" Xu Nian asked as he looked at Bee Queen Ling Feng.

During this time, Ling Feng had been cultivating in his Chaos Divine Palace.

Xu Nian had also provided her with a large amount of Immortal Crystal Stones.

After several hundred years of cultivation, Ling Feng finally broke through from the Golden Immortal Late Stage to the Immortal King Realm.

She achieved the status of an Immortal King.

"Yes, Master, I've successfully broken through to the Immortal King Realm, and my insight cultivation has reached the Early Stage of Law Manifestation," Ling Feng reported.

Xu Nian nodded.

The true strength of Ling Feng didn't lie in her own power.

But rather in her control over the army of Killing Bees.

"How many Killing Bees have you nurtured now?" Xu Nian continued to ask.

"Reporting to Master, I have nurtured a total of 130 million Killing Bees, including three hundred Golden Immortals, eight thousand Luoxians, one hundred thousand Profound Immortals, eight million Heavenly Immortals, and the rest are at the Earth Immortal Realm," Ling Feng replied.

Even though Xu Nian had prepared for this, he still felt a chill.

Three hundred Golden Immortals, eight hundred Luoxians, one hundred thousand Profound Immortals, and eight million Heavenly Immortals?

With these numbers, it would be comparable to some super powerful factions.

Carrying a super strong force with him was truly terrifying.

"What would you need to nurture ten thousand Golden Immortals within a hundred years?" Xu Nian continued to ask.

"Master, the Immortal Crystal Stones you provided me are enough to nurture ten thousand Golden Immortals, but it would take at least a thousand years. If you want to nurture ten thousand Golden Immortals within a hundred years, we're going to need the corpses of powerful Immortal Beasts, the stronger the better," Ling Feng explained.

"The corpses of powerful Immortal Beasts? You mean their corpses can make you grow quickly?" Xu Nian asked.

"Yes, although we're demon beasts, the Immortal Essence in Immortal Crystal Stones, while pure, doesn't get absorbed as quickly as Blood Food. If we could have a large number of Immortal Beast corpses, we could certainly nurture ten thousand Golden Immortals in a short period," Ling Feng said.

"Alright, I'll figure out how to get those Immortal Beast corpses. Besides nurturing those Killing Bee warriors, you must also strive to enhance your own cultivation," Xu Nian instructed.

"Yes, Master!" Ling Feng responded.

Then Ling Feng disappeared instantly.

Three hundred Golden Immortals?

That's already quite terrifying.

"It seems that before figuring out how to seal the bloodlines of the Gongsun siblings, I'll need to hunt some Immortal Beasts," Xu Nian thought to himself.

"Roar!"

Sure enough, on the fourth day of their journey, a terrifying roar from an Immortal Beast sounded not far away.

"Boom!"

Soon after, the defensive Immortal Array on the ship came under attack.

"Not good, it's the Immortal Beast Blood Zheng, and it's at the Immortal King Level,"

someone on the Immortal Ship exclaimed.

The leader of the ship was a powerful Immortal King at the mid-stage.

Upon hearing the roar, he immediately appeared at the bow.

"Roar!"

A giant beast, towering like a mountain, blocked their path.

Its massive body was at least a thousand feet tall.

The gigantic Immortal Ship seemed small before it.

The beast, resembling a leopard, was entirely crimson and had a sharp horn on its forehead.

Surprisingly, it had five tails.

This Blood Zheng was staring intently at the Immortal Ship, its eyes full of greed.

"Immortal Beast Blood Zheng, why haven't you moved aside?" the mid-stage Immortal King shouted in anger.

The might of an Immortal King pressed down on the Immortal Beast Blood Zheng.

"Roar!" But the Immortal Beast Blood Zheng roared back, dispelling the pressure from the mid-stage Immortal King.

The next moment, the Blood Zheng's claws struck toward the Immortal Ship.

"Boom!"

The defensive light shield on the ship immediately showed signs of shattering.

"What's going on? Why is this Blood Zheng intercepting our merchant ship?" the mid-stage Immortal King couldn't comprehend.

This Immortal Beast Blood Zheng was clearly also at the mid-stage Immortal King level.

Facing a Divine Beast mutant of the same level, the Immortal King had no confidence.

But now, he had no choice but to fight.

Otherwise, this Immortal Ship would be completely destroyed.

Chapter 1434: Zhen Shocks the Entire Audience

At the bow of the ship, Gongsun Qing and Gongsun Wan'er also emerged from the cabin.

Gongsun Ling stood guard by their side.

"As expected, once we leave the city, the Immortal Beast attacks immediately." Gongsun Wan'er said with annoyance.

"Sister, don't blame yourself. Once your bloodline awakens, you can change all of this." Gongsun Qing said.

"Really? If so, I should awaken sooner." Gongsun Wan'er said innocently.

"Of course, it's true." Gongsun Qing responded.

Xu Nian heard this and understood.

It was impossible to suppress Gongsun Wan'er's bloodline unless she awakened it herself. This way, she could freely control and restrain her bloodline fluctuations.

"Come over here." Just as Xu Nian was thinking about how to help Gongsun Wan'er awaken her bloodline, Gongsun Qing called out to him.

"What can I do for you, Young Master Gongsun?" Xu Nian approached and asked.

"What's the matter? Didn't you see the Immortal Beast attacking? Shouldn't you be guarding my sister and me?" Gongsun Qing said with some displeasure.

He really didn't think this young man in front of him could be of any help to them.

If it weren't for Grandpa Ling insisting on keeping him, he would have driven him away already.

"Don't worry, this Immortal Beast can't harm you." Xu Nian smiled.

After saying that, he no longer paid attention to Gongsun Qing, instead looking forward to the battle between the Immortal King and the Immortal Beast Blood Zheng.

Gongsun Qing saw this and grew even more angry.

At this moment, the battle had already commenced.

The Immortal King and the Immortal Beast had begun to fight fiercely.

"This Immortal King's understanding seems insufficient, only at the early stage of Law Power, while this Blood Zheng already has perfect mastery of power. I fear the Immortal King won't last long."

Gongsun Ling frowned as he watched the scene unfold.

Xu Nian nodded.

The Immortal King indeed had weaker control over power.

Furthermore, his comprehension was only at the Third-grade Fire Attribute Flame Pillar Law, and the attacks on Blood Zheng left no marks at all.

"Roar!"

Blood Zheng let out a roar, the sound mixed with a strong wave of Law Power.

"Pfft!"

The mid-stage Immortal King captain instantly spat blood, crashing into the Immortal Ship's Defensive Light Shield, shattering it completely.

"What? The captain was defeated?"

The people on the Immortal Ship immediately panicked.

They hadn't expected this Immortal Beast to be so terrifying.

Even the mid-stage Immortal King level captain was defeated.

Now that the ship's Defensive Light Shield was broken, how could they fend off the Blood Zheng's attack?

"Roar!"

Blood Zheng roared again.

Then it raised its extremely sharp claws, slamming them toward the Immortal Ship.

The terrifying claws carried a strong Law Power.

This strike would shatter the entire Immortal Ship to pieces.

Gongsun Qing and Gongsun Wan'er saw this and immediately furrowed their brows.

"I'll handle it!"

Seeing this, Gongsun Ling prepared to take action.

"Let me handle it instead."

However, just at that moment, Xu Nian stepped forward, arriving at the bow of the ship before anyone else.

"Is he courting death? How could a mid-stage Golden Immortal withstand a mid-stage Immortal King level Immortal Beast?" Gongsun Qing couldn't help but curse.

Gongsun Ling remained silent.

Was Xu Nian planning to use Divine Power Liquid?

But if he used it that easily, what would he do next?

"Who is this guy? A Golden Immortal? Is he seeking death?"

"I guess he's a scion out on his first adventure, wanting to make a name for himself, but not realizing the might of an Immortal King level Immortal Beast. He'll regret it when he's smashed to pulp."

"Truly ignorant of what's good for him; even an Immortal King was defeated, what use is a Golden Immortal?"

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The merchants around on the Immortal Ships initially thought a strong expert would take action. But when they saw Xu Nian's cultivation was only at the Golden Immortal level, they became angry.

Clearly, in their eyes, a Golden Immortal facing an Immortal King level Immortal Beast was futile.

Yet Xu Nian seemed not to hear these voices.

Looking at the Immortal Beast Blood Zheng before him, his eyes grew cold.

"In that case, let's make you the first to feed to the Murder Bees." Xu Nian said.

With that, Xu Nian willed a giant black sphere into existence.

Suddenly, it descended.

The next moment, it directly smashed onto the Immortal Beast Blood Zheng.

"Boom!"

A sound of apocalyptic destruction echoed.

The entire ground collapsed, forming a massively deep pit within a hundred-mile radius.

Meanwhile, the body of the Immortal Beast Blood Zheng was already crushed into a pulp.

"This..."

Everyone who had previously mocked Xu Nian for his futile efforts was utterly stupefied.

Gongsun Qing stood by the side of the ship, shocked, staring at the massive pit below, visibly horrified.

Even Gongsun Ling was utterly astonished.

"A First-grade Earth Attribute Black Hole Law, already at the Law Manifestation Great Success Realm?"

Gongsun Ling murmured.

His eyes were filled with endless surprise.

"First-grade Law? Law Manifestation Great Success?"

Hearing this, Gongsun Qing felt as if a storm had raged within his heart.

Also at the Golden Immortal Middle Stage, he had only comprehended Third-grade Laws and was still at the Law Introduction Stage.

Earlier, he'd arrogantly said he wanted to kill Xu Nian?

If Xu Nian really intended to kill him, a single finger would suffice to annihilate him.

"Brother, he seems really powerful." Gongsun Wan'er remarked.

Gongsun Qing said nothing, as he was completely at a loss for words.

Xu Nian wasn't just powerful; he was a monster.

"I am Lu Shan, thank you, expert, for your assistance." The mid-stage Immortal King captain stood back up, respectfully addressing Xu Nian.

"No need to thank me; I'm on this ship too, just didn't want my mode of transport to be destroyed." Xu Nian smiled.

After speaking, he waved his hand, collecting the Blood Zheng's body into the Chaos Divine Palace.

"Ling Feng, you can use this body for now. I'll help you hunt more later." Xu Nian transmitted a message to Ling Feng.

"Thank you, Master!" Ling Feng was incredibly excited.

An Immortal King level Blood Zheng Demon Beast?

She had only casually mentioned her request to Xu Nian, not expecting he would so quickly give her such a powerful demon beast's body.

At that moment, Ling Feng felt that recognizing such a master was her great fortune.

Xu Nian didn't know Ling Feng's thoughts. In his view, this Immortal Beast Blood Zheng was far from enough; he needed to hunt even more powerful Immortal Beasts.

"Thank you, expert, for saving us."

Those who had previously mocked Xu Nian also respectfully expressed their gratitude.

Xu Nian's earlier display of strength had thoroughly impressed them.

To them, Xu Nian was a peerless hero who turned the tide.

Xu Nian responded with a dismissive laugh.

For he had never intended to protect them.

"Well, like I said, with me here, you all will remain safe. Do you believe me now?" Xu Nian walked over to Gongsun Qing with a smile.

Gongsun Qing's face turned ashen, and he finally gritted out six words: "I'm sorry, I was wrong!"

Upon hearing this, Xu Nian smiled gently.

He patted Gongsun Qing's shoulder and directly went back into the cabin.

Chapter 1435: Lu Shan's Request

In the following days, Xu Nian lived a very peaceful life.

Most of the time, he would stand at the bow of the ship, engaging in insight cultivation.

Occasionally, there would be immortal beasts attracted by Gongsun Wan'er, and without exception, all of these beasts were slain by Xu Nian.

With Xu Nian's current strength, any immortal beast below mid-stage Immortal King was no match for him.

Fortunately, they were quite lucky, and so far, hadn't attracted any late-stage Immortal King level beasts.

"Buzz!"

With a thought from Xu Nian, ten incredibly sharp swords manifested directly in front of him.

These ten swords, without exception, all contained a very strong Wind Attribute Extreme Point Penetration Law.

"Why is it that my law manifestation has never been able to reach the Perfect Realm? It's said that law manifestation perfection allows one to incorporate both the law power and law domain into the manifestation item, yet I can't even integrate the law power. Otherwise, its power could definitely be at least doubled."

Xu Nian mused to himself.

Incorporating the law power into a law manifestation item is an extremely difficult task.

Not to mention directly integrating the law domain.

"It seems my previous law comprehension was too smooth, which is why encountering a bottleneck now feels so difficult."

Xu Nian mused to himself.

Others encountering law comprehension would face various bottlenecks.

Encountering bottlenecks is normal; like Xu Nian's previous smooth sailing is not normal.

"It's okay, I'll keep comprehending. I don't believe I can't break through." Xu Nian mused to himself.

So Xu Nian continued to try integrating the law power into the law manifestation item.

Of course, the result naturally ended in failure.

But Xu Nian was not in a hurry and continued cultivating slowly.

Time passed in a flash, and a month went by.

This month, Xu Nian still made some gains.

Although his law didn't break through, both the Divine Demon Avatar and his true self had broken through to the late-stage Golden Immortal level.

This also meant his strength had increased significantly.

During this period, Xu Nian also visited Han Xiaoxiao at the Chaos Divine Palace.

However, there was still no sign of Han Xiaoxiao awakening.

But Xu Nian could feel that Han Xiaoxiao's soul was undergoing a transformative change.

In terms of soul strength, Han Xiaoxiao seemed to have surpassed the current Xu Nian.

It should be known that Xu Nian's soul strength had reached the Golden Immortal Peak, and was just a step away from the Immortal King Realm.

Yet Han Xiaoxiao's soul had surpassed his, which was truly astonishing.

However, what specific changes had occurred might not be known until Han Xiaoxiao awakens.

"Brother Xu Nian, you previously mentioned that the use of law power shouldn't just infinitely consume Immortal Essence, but rather analyze all possible movements of the opponent. But how can one precisely control the opponent's trajectory?"

Captain Lu Shan approached with excitement and asked.

"To predict all of an opponent's actions, you need continuous practice and deep comprehension of Heaven and Earth Laws, using the motion trajectory of the law attribute elements to predict," Xu Nian said.

"Using the motion patterns of attribute elements to predict the opponent's trajectory?" Lu Shan fell into contemplation and then seemed to gain some insight.

"Thank you, brother Xu Nian. With your guidance during this time, my law power has greatly improved. Here, this is my treasured Immortal Brew, Drunken Immortal Brew, have a taste?" Lu Shan said with a hearty laugh.

When he finished, he handed Xu Nian a wine jug.

Xu Nian took a sip and immediately felt a flame burning within his body.

This flame eventually turned into a stream of pure Immortal Essence, flowing through his whole body.

"Good wine, this Drunken Immortal Brew is indeed extraordinary," Xu Nian sincerely praised.

"Haha, receiving such praise from brother Xu Nian is truly my honor. I also figured out that you're here to protect that pair of siblings, right? And encountering immortal beasts frequently lately is also because of them?" Lu Shan said with a smile.

"What, brother Lu Shan plans to kick us off the ship?" Xu Nian asked with a smile.

"Of course not, having brother Xu Nian on board makes us safer, and watching you fight is truly my honor. You're so powerful even as a Golden Immortal; I can only imagine how terrifying you would be as an Immortal King," Lu Shan said with a smile.

Xu Nian smiled slightly.

During this time, he had indeed offered Lu Shan quite a bit of guidance.

It's important to note that for loose cultivators like Lu Shan, engaging in insight cultivation without a proper mentor's guidance means the path is extremely difficult.

"Brother Lu Shan, just say what's on your mind, no need to beat around the bush," Xu Nian said with a smile.

He knew that Lu Shan's compliments, gestures of goodwill, and offering of wine surely wasn't for idle chat—there must be a request involved.

"Brother Xu Nian, you're indeed sharp; I won't beat around the bush. I came this time to ask for your help," Lu Shan said with a smile.

"Who do you want me to kill?" Xu Nian asked.

"You see, we are about to pass by Tianque Pass, where there's a group of Immortal Thieves, numbering over a thousand. Their leader is a late-stage Immortal King expert who has reached the Law Manifestation Success Realm. Every time we pass by, we have to hand over a large sum of money, and because of this, we hardly earn anything, sometimes even lose money. This time, we don't have much cargo, so I wonder if I could ask brother Xu Nian to deal with this Immortal Thieves leader for us," Lu Shan said with a smile.

"Are you sure their leader is at the Law Manifestation Success Realm?" Xu Nian asked.

"Yes, before one of our caravan's Immortal King experts fought against him, and what he displayed was indeed at the Law Manifestation Success Realm," Lu Shan nodded.

"Late-stage Immortal King, Law Manifestation Success? Alright, I'll give it a try," Xu Nian thought and then nodded.

Law Manifestation Success, he could probably give it a try.

Law Manifestation Great Success, with his current strength, he truly wouldn't be an opponent.

After all, in terms of cultivation realm, they were a whole grand realm apart.

Even if his law comprehension reached Law Manifestation Great Success, and even with a higher law level than his opponent, bridging such a significant gap would still be very difficult.

"Alright, with brother Xu Nian on our side, we'll surely pass through Tianque Pass safely this time. Besides, we might not even need to engage in a fight, just push him back by making him feel threatened," Lu Shan said with a smile.

"Bring another ten jugs of such wine," Xu Nian said with a smile.

"Ten jugs is too much, I only have three," Lu Shan showed his true nature as a crafty businessman.

"Nine jugs!" Xu Nian said.

"Four jugs?" Lu Shan quickly retorted.

"Cut the nonsense, eight jugs, not one less," Xu Nian said.

"Alright, eight jugs it is!" Lu Shan agreed immediately.

Then with a wave of his hand, eight jugs of wine appeared in front of Xu Nian.

Lu Shan then turned around and ran.

Xu Nian saw this and realized that asking for ten jugs was way too cheap for him.

Chapter 1436: Arrogant Immortal Thieves

Tianque Pass is a treacherous place in the Immortal Realm.

It is said that a single person can hold the pass, against which even ten thousand men cannot breach.

The entire scene of Tianque Pass can be described in one word: majestic.

At both ends of Tianque Pass are two colossal mountain peaks.

The peaks rise tens of thousands of feet high, piercing the Heavenly Dome.

A terrifying Immortal Thunder Cloud covers the sky over the peaks; those without strength above Immortal Sovereign cannot even fly over.

They can only pass through the narrow line between the peaks.

Thus, due to the unique terrain, a formidable gang of Immortal Thieves has gathered here.

"This gang at Tianque Pass is quite rampant. Any merchants passing through are charged a toll; if they refuse, they're killed outright. Male Immortals are slain on the spot; female Immortals are abducted and toyed with, eventually sold to Xianguan Pavilion."

Gongsun Ling said.

"It's said their leader is only at the Late Stage Immortal King level. Why hasn't any strong force stepped in to eliminate them?" Xu Nian asked curiously.

"You might not know, but the leader of these Tianque Pass Immortal Thieves is very cunning. He excels in a miracle technique, the Paperman Avatar. This method is similar to Body Separation, and essentially no one knows where his true self is hiding. There have been instances where powerful forces attempted to kill him, but shortly after, he reappeared. Over time, no one of power was willing to deal with him anymore." Gongsun Ling said.

"Huh?"

Xu Nian furrowed his brow upon hearing this.

A Paperman Avatar technique similar to Body Separation?

This seems a bit like the Divine Skill of creating soldiers from beans.

Unexpectedly, the leader of the Immortal Thieves has mastered such a secret technique.

It seems Lu Shan is aware of this as well, but hasn't informed me.

In the end, it's the essence of a crafty merchant.

Moreover, the Late Stage Immortal King cultivation the leader displays might only be the strength of his Paperman Avatar, not necessarily his true level.

Xu Nian smirked coldly in his heart.

Regarding this journey to Tianque Pass, he formed his own plans.

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Soon enough, after half a month's travel,

Xu Nian and his companions finally arrived at the so-called Tianque Pass.

The scene before them was indeed astonishing to Xu Nian.

Not for any reason other than the sheer beauty of the sight before him.

Two massive peaks, like two natural barriers, divide heaven and earth.

Between them, a narrow path extends straight to the sky.

Below, an endless expanse of lake glistens, blue as the sea.

Immortal Ships sailed over the lake, stirring up trails of mist, creating a vast, ethereal landscape.

"Such a beautiful place, yet there are Immortal Thieves—it really spoils the scenic beauty!" Xu Nian thought with emotion.

"How beautiful!" Gongsun Wan'er stood at the ship's bow, marveling at the sight before her.

Gongsun Qing, however, had a serious look with tense eyes.

Gongsun Ling stood with a kind gaze.

The surrounding merchants, though, lacked the desire to admire the scenery.

For them, the beauty hid a beast that sucked blood.

"Xu Nian my brother, we'll rely entirely on you soon." Lu Shan smiled as he approached.

Xu Nian smiled slightly, saying, "Brother Lu Shan, why didn't you tell me about the Tianque Pass Immortal Thief leader being known as the Paper Immortal?"

Lu Shan's smile froze on his face.

"Xu Nian my brother, I'm really sorry, I forgot to mention that to you." Lu Shan said awkwardly.

Xu Nian smiled slightly.

Forgot?

Would an Immortal King's memory be so poor?

"Alright, I won't make things difficult for you, but whether I help you depends on my mood." Xu Nian said coldly.

Lu Shan nodded repeatedly, feeling helpless.

He had no choice; Xu Nian's strength surpassed his, and he couldn't do anything to Xu Nian.

Moreover, Xu Nian hadn't charged him any substantial reward, only eight bottles of Immortal Wine, worth less than eight drops of Second Grade Immortal Marrow.

So he couldn't exactly force Xu Nian into anything.

"Okay, Xu Nian my brother, if you're in a good mood, just help me out. I didn't mean to deceive you; if I told you the truth, you'd definitely refuse to help, so I hid it deliberately." Lu Shan said, sounding aggrieved.

Xu Nian remained indifferent.

What Lu Shan said was admittedly true, but the deception was also a fact.

Seeing Xu Nian refuse to speak, Lu Shan had no choice but to abandon persuasion.

At the Tianque Pass, ten figures hovered at the pass entrance.

Seeing the Immortal Ship approach, a smirk appeared at the corner of their mouth.

"Stop!"

The leading man shouted immediately.

The man was bald, tall and robust, exuding the aura of a Mid-stage Immortal King.

As for the others' cultivation, two were at Golden Immortal Level, while the rest were Luoxian.

Clearly, the bald man was the leader of the ten.

"Protector Nie Chuan, I'm Captain Lu Shan, remember me?" Lu Shan walked out with a smile.

"Ah, Captain Lu Shan. Since we're acquaintances, it's ten thousand drops of Fourth Grade Immortal Marrow, and then you may pass." The bald man chuckled lightly.

"Ten thousand drops of Fourth Grade Immortal Marrow? So much? Wasn't it just three thousand before?" Lu Shan was shocked upon hearing this.

The profit from one trip for him was only eight thousand drops of Fourth Grade Immortal Marrow; handing over ten thousand would mean a loss rather than gain.

"That was then, this is now. If you have objections, you don't have to pay, but it's unclear if you can leave alive." The bald Immortal King sneered.

The lackeys behind him snickered in response.

Lu Shan's fists clenched, eyes filled with anger.

The merchants aboard were equally enraged.

The Immortal Thieves had truly grown more rampant.

Their profit margins were already small, yet now they faced exorbitant demands, pure exploitation.

However, facing Lu Shan and the others' anger, the Immortal Thieves reacted with disdain.

Xu Nian stood at the bow, remaining silent with an expression of calm.

"These Immortal Thieves are too excessive, ten thousand drops of Fourth Grade Immortal Marrow - that's already a substantial fortune." Gongsun Wan'er said angrily.

"Wan'er, don't meddle," Gongsun Qing immediately cautioned.

Gongsun Wan'er pouted in response, looking aggrieved.

Xu Nian found this amusing.

"Brother Nie Chuan, could you lower the price a bit? We really don't have that much—will five thousand suffice?" Lu Shan asked.

"Humph, seven thousand, not a drop less, and the women on your ship must stay behind." The bald man said with greedy eyes fixed on Gongsun Wan'er at the bow.

At these words, many women aboard showed signs of fear.

Gongsun Qing also frowned, eyes sharp.

Gongsun Ling's eyes grew serious.

"Brother Nie Chuan, we can't do that; many are travelers. I'll give you ten thousand drops instead." Lu Shan quickly said with a smile.

"Humph, wishful thinking. You have no room to bargain with us. Today, you must hand over ten thousand drops of Immortal Marrow, as well as the women aboard." The bald man said coldly.

His gaze towards Lu Shan was extremely arrogant and disdainful.

Hearing this, Lu Shan's smile vanished utterly.

Chapter 1437: A Million Strong Army

"Nie Chuan, don't be too excessive. If your Tianque Pass Immortal Thieves truly overstep, you might provoke public outrage."

Lu Shan said angrily.

"Haha, public outrage? Do you really think we're afraid? You probably don't know the number of our Tianque Pass Immortal Thieves." Nie Chuan said with a cold smile.

"Aren't you just over a thousand people?" Lu Shan retorted in shock.

"Over a thousand? The last time you passed by here was thirty years ago, right? Now our Tianque Pass Immortal Thieves number thirty thousand. We've swallowed more than ten Immortal Robber Gangs around us, including the Yulong Mountain Immortal Thieves Group and the Beifeng Mountain Immortal Thief Group. So now, the last thing our Tianque Pass Immortal Thieves fear is public outrage." Nie Chuan sneered.

The immortals behind him joined in the mocking.

Thirty thousand immortals?

Lu Shan was shocked; he never imagined that this Tianque Pass Immortal Thieves Group would swallow up more than a dozen thief groups in the area.

No wonder the thieves group is so arrogant and makes such exorbitant demands.

Thirty thousand immortals already equate to a considerable force.

The hunters and Immortal Travelers on the ship also showed shocked expressions.

No one expected the Tianque Pass Immortal Thieves Group to grow to such a level.

They're in big trouble now!

Especially the female immortals, whose faces were pale.

Gongsun Qing and Gongsun Ling also looked solemn.

The current situation was something they had never anticipated.

No matter how powerful Xu Nian is, he can't resist thirty thousand immortals alone!

"Lu Shan, do you still dare to resist now? If you want to resist, I don't mind leading out my thirty thousand brothers for a stroll. They're right in the mountain range caves behind me." The bald man walked over to Lu Shan with a smug look, playfully slapped his face.

Lu Shan was angry but dared not speak.

First of all, Nie Chuan's strength was evenly matched with his. Even if he could defeat Nie Chuan, the thirty thousand immortals would swallow him completely.

Now, even if Xu Nian makes a move, it won't make any difference.

Seeing Lu Shan remain silent, the bald man became even more arrogant.

"Brothers, board the ship and take them!"

The bald man ordered loudly.

"Yes!"

The nine Immortal Thieves immediately prepared to leap onto the Immortal Ship.

However, just as they were about to fly onto the Immortal Ship, a magnificent Immortal Essence Wave erupted from it.

In the next moment, the nine disciples, including two Golden Immortals, were all shattered into pieces.

The bald man's expression changed instantly, and he shouted, "Who?"

Xu Nian was seen walking through the air, approaching the bald man.

"Golden Immortal Late Stage? Kid, are you looking for death, dragging everyone on the ship with you into the grave?" The bald man looked at Xu Nian, who was only at the Golden Immortal Late Stage, and his eyes filled with disdain.

The people on the Immortal Ship changed expressions upon hearing this.

They knew Xu Nian's capabilities, but no matter how strong he was, he couldn't withstand thirty thousand Immortal Thieves.

Lu Shan also approached Xu Nian.

"Brother Xu Nian, you'd better escape quickly. The situation has drastically changed; it's no longer advisable for you to act." Lu Shan advised.

Earlier, he wanted Xu Nian to intimidate the Tianque Pass Immortal Thieves Group, trying to find a way to drive away that leader's Paperman Avatar.

But now that the thieves group has grown so much, how could they be scared off by just Xu Nian?

So at this moment, Xu Nian's move doesn't help; it makes things worse.

"Brother Lu Shan, just watch from the sidelines and help me protect that pair of siblings on the ship. Leave the rest to me." Xu Nian said with a smile.

"But..." Lu Shan wanted to say more.

But he found that Xu Nian had already stepped out.

Lu Shan had no choice but to return to the Immortal Ship and activate the Defense Array.

"Kid, it seems you really don't know what the word 'death' means?" Nie Chuan said coldly.

"Enough with the nonsense, bring out your leader and the thirty thousand brothers behind you, or you might not even get a chance to speak." Xu Nian replied with a cold smile.

"Arrogant kid, since you're seeking death, I'll grant your wish." The bald man snorted coldly.

He then punched a large bell on the distant mountain wall.

"Dong!"

The bell resounded.

In the next moment, thousands of figures flew in from all directions of the mountain peaks.

These figures gathered together, densely packed, instantly covering the entire sky.

Tens of thousands of figures hovered in front of Tianque Pass, their imposing presence overwhelming.

"So many people!"

Above the Immortal Ship, the merchants and Immortal Travelers were stunned.

Earlier, when they heard about tens of thousands of Immortals, they only thought it was a significant number.

But when these tens of thousands of Immortal Thieves stood before them, they truly felt the terrifying oppression.

In the center of these Immortal Thieves, a man sat on a magnificent chair.

He had the aura of an Immortal King descending.

The Gongsun siblings watched this scene, dumbfounded.

Ten thousand strong army?

How will Xu Nian resist?

Even Gongsun Ling was worried.

Though Xu Nian had Divine Power Liquid, how many could he kill?

"It's over, it's over. We're all doomed, and it's all his fault!"

"Yes, he acting on his own killed the Immortal Thieves, causing us to accompany him in death."

"It's all because of him, such a conceited guy! They want women, give them women. If they want Cheng Hero, why drag us into it?"

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People on the ship started to speak in fear.

All at once, most were blaming Xu Nian.

Lu Shan was also desperate, unsure of what to do.

"Nie Chuan, what's going on?"

The man seated in the chair asked, his voice filled with terrifying authority.

Late Stage Immortal King.

People on the Immortal Ship frowned.

This person must be the leader of the Immortal Robber Gang.

"Report to the leader, this individual provoked our Immortal Robber Gang, killed nine of our brothers, and said he intended to annihilate our entire gang." The bald man quickly responded.

He then looked at Xu Nian with a sneer, his eyes filled with contempt.

"Oh?" The Immortal Robber Gang leader looked at Xu Nian, his brows slightly furrowed.

Golden Immortal Late Stage?

He thought a powerful enemy was coming, but it's just a Golden Immortal.

However, as he looked into the Immortal Ship at Gongsun Ling and Lu Shan, his expression improved slightly.

Otherwise, he would be inclined to hang Nie Chuan up and beat him.

"Are you the leader of the Immortal Robber Gang, Paper Immortal?" Xu Nian asked, looking at the man leading.

"Yes, I am! Kid, are you the one boasting about annihilating my Immortal Robber Gang?" the Paper Immortal asked disdainfully.

"I indeed said that, but if you agree to let us pass, I can spare your Immortal Robber Gang." Xu Nian responded calmly.

"Spare us?" The Paper Immortal sneered.

"Leader, this kid is too arrogant. We must tear him to pieces, and leave none of those on the Immortal Ship." Bald Nie Chuan hurriedly said.

The people on the ship panicked upon hearing this.

People quickly shouted, "Leader, he is him, and we are us. We didn't speak those words, leader, please only target him and don't implicate us."

"Yes, leader, this kid is too cocky, kill him."

The people on the Immortal Ship shouted, desperately trying to dissociate themselves from Xu Nian.

Gongsun Qing looked complicated, seemingly wanting to say something but was stopped by Gongsun Ling's glance.

Hearing this, the Paper Immortal looked at Xu Nian and said, "It seems they won't help you. Do you think you alone can resist my thousand-strong army?"

"Who said I'm alone?"

Xu Nian sneered.

After he spoke, a yellow-clothed beauty appeared before him.

"Two people?" The Paper Immortal sneered.

Yet in the next breath, his smile froze.

Above, countless figures appeared in the sky.

These figures were orderly and covered the sky, numbering as many as several million.

"This..."

The people on the Immortal Ship watching the million-man army descending were completely stunned.

Chapter 1438: The Paper Immortal's Strength

"Where did these people come from?"

The people on the immortal ship were dumbfounded.

A million strong army!

This is just terrifying, isn't it?

"It must be a space-type Immortal Artifact or Divine Artifact," Lu Shan said in shock.

He was equally taken aback.

"Space-type treasures? So he carries a million troops with him? All these people are above the level of Heavenly Immortal, and there are Profound Immortals, Luoxian, and even Golden Immortals, my goodness, where did he get so many people?"

Gongsun Qing and Gongsun Wan'er were also stunned.

"These seem to be Demon Cultivators, could it be..." Gongsun Ling seemed to have thought of something, his gaze falling on Ling Feng beside Xu Nian, and he suddenly realized.

Not only them, but even those Immortal Thieves were shocked stiff.

Especially the bald Immortal King, who was even more dumbfounded.

The ten-thousand-strong army he had been so proud of was now crushed by this young man.

You have ten thousand, while he has a million.

The gap is incredibly shocking.

The leader of the Paper Immortals frowned slightly, his gaze sharp, finally landing on Ling Feng beside Xu Nian.

"A Killing Bee Queen, no wonder he has such an army," the Paper Immortal noted, his eyes sharp.

"So it's a Killing Bee, no wonder!" The bald Immortal King said immediately.

"Slap!"

The Paper Immortal slapped the bald Immortal King right in the face, instantly sending him flying.

"It's all because you offended someone you shouldn't have, now all my hard-earned foundations are going to be ruined by you." The Paper Immortal scolded angrily.

The bald Nie Chuan did not dare to show any dissatisfaction, his heart filled with terror.

Xu Nian watched this scene with a cold sneer.

The Paper Immortal then looked at Xu Nian and said with a smile, "Little brother, why don't we just call it quits, you go your way, and we'll all be safe, how about that?"

The people on the immortal ship were overjoyed at these words.

Gongsun Qing also breathed a sigh of relief.

"I already gave you a chance earlier, but you didn't agree. Now it's too late," Xu Nian said with a smile.

"Don't push it. Even if you have a million troops, I can still kill you," the Paper Taoist said angrily, immediately threatening.

"You can try, attack!" Xu Nian sneered.

Ignoring the threats of the Paper Taoist completely.

Upon hearing this, Ling Feng immediately commanded the million Killing Bees.

The Killing Bees all transformed into human forms and launched the attack on the Immortal Thieves.

The next moment, the entire Tianque Pass turned into a war zone.

"Ah!"

Screams filled the air, and bodies continuously fell from the sky.

The vast majority of them were Immortal Thieves.

Because there were simply too many Killing Bees, and their strength was quite substantial.

The people on the immortal ship watching this scene were utterly dumbfounded.

Even Lu Shan was completely stunned.

At that moment, he finally understood how powerful Xu Nian really was.

Gongsun Qing was also incredibly shocked.

"Young Master, never become an enemy of Mr. Xu in the future, someone like him is not someone we can afford to offend," Gongsun Ling said.

Gongsun Qing did not speak, but he was extremely unwilling in his heart.

Can't afford to offend?

Is it really that exaggerated?

"Brother Xu Nian is really powerful," Gongsun Wan'er genuinely admired.

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The Paper Taoist looked at the sky, watching the continuous fall of his companions' bodies, his eyes blazing with anger.

The next moment, his gaze directly locked onto Xu Nian.

"Boy, courting death!"

With that said, the Paper Immortal's figure appeared directly in front of Xu Nian, slapping down with a palm, imbued with immense Law Power.

Xu Nian sneered coldly.

A sharp sword appeared in his hand, and he slashed down with it.

The Paper Immortal was split in half by Xu Nian's sword.

The Paper Immortal, cut into two halves, transformed into two split paper avatars.

"As expected, it's a paper avatar, Paper Immortal, you should use Law Manifestation, otherwise with your skill you cannot kill me," Xu Nian looked to the sky, saying with a smile.

"Whoosh!"

A silhouette darted over from afar.

It was another Paper Immortal.

Although Xu Nian could not tell if the Paper Immortal in front of him was the real body or an avatar, he guessed it was still a paper avatar.

Given the character of the Paper Immortal, he would never easily show his true form.

"I didn't expect a mere Golden Immortal Late Stage like you could reach the level of Law Manifestation, and it's a First-Grade Law," the Paper Immortal remarked.

He began to regard Xu Nian with a more serious demeanor.

Xu Nian's strength was somewhat beyond his expectations.

"Come on, let me see just how strong a Late Stage Immortal King is," Xu Nian smiled.

With that, the sword in Xu Nian's hand suddenly turned incredibly sharp.

"Humph, then I will show you, some gaps cannot be bridged," the Paper Immortal snorted coldly.

Soon after, a vine appeared in his hand as well.

The next moment, he clashed with Xu Nian.

The two exchanged tens of thousands of blows in an instant, the sword and the vine continuously intersecting in mid-air.

Their forms vanished directly into the air.

"So fast, is this the strength of a Late Stage Immortal King? How powerful!"

"Indeed, it's one thing for the Paper Immortal to be so strong, but that Xu Nian, who is only at the Golden Immortal Late Stage, can actually fight the Paper Immortal like this, it's truly unbelievable."

Lu Shan was also dumbfounded.

Although he knew Xu Nian was strong, seeing such a battle, he was still shocked.

Even he couldn't keep up with such a rapid pace.

If Xu Nian really wanted to kill him, it would probably be just a matter of one move.

"Boom!"

A loud explosion.

Their weapons collided, creating a powerful impact.

The backlash directly knocked them apart.

The lake beneath them exploded instantly, forming thousand-foot waves.

"Huh, my Law Manifestation Sword couldn't cut through his vine?" Xu Nian said with some surprise.

His sword was forged through the Extreme Point Penetration Law, even Top-Grade Immortal Armor was like paper in front of it.

But the Paper Immortal's vine had been through so many clashes without a single cut, how is that possible?

Could it be...

"Haha, that's right, the law I comprehend is the Wood Attribute Second Grade Law, Wood Hardening. Your First-Grade Law might be sharp, but my law has already reached the Law Manifestation Great Success Realm, plus the integration of my Undying Power into the vine, you simply can't cut through it," the Paper Immortal laughed heartily, saying.

Xu Nian, hearing this, frowned.

Law Manifestation Great Success?

Wasn't it said that his law was only at the Law Manifestation Success?

How did it become the Great Success Realm?

On the immortal ship, Lu Shan's face also changed at that moment.

Law Manifestation Great Success?

Did the Paper Immortal break through again?

In that case, wouldn't Xu Nian be in danger?

"Boy, your strength is indeed formidable, and having a Killing Bee Queen as a Battle Pet indeed makes you a prodigy, but your cultivation is ultimately lacking. If you were at the Early Stage Immortal King, perhaps I couldn't do anything to you. But now, you must die!"

The Paper Immortal shouted loudly.

The next moment, dozens of vines suddenly surged out from the lake, instantly wrapping around Xu Nian.

No matter how Xu Nian struggled, he could not break free from the vines' grasp.

The people on the immortal ship seeing this scene were instantly in shock.

Chapter 1439: Breakthrough in Battle

"Brother Xu Nian!"

Gongsun Wan'er exclaimed in surprise.

Gongsun Qing and Gongsun Ling also frowned tightly.

"In the end, Xu Nian still lost." Lu Shan shook his head and sighed, his eyes full of guilt.

If it weren't for his outdated intelligence, Xu Nian might not have died.

"Grandpa Ling, hurry and save Brother Xu Nian." Gongsun Wan'er looked at Xu Nian, completely entangled by vines, and pleaded with Gongsun Ling.

"Wan'er, it's useless. I'm no match for this Paper Immortal either; he has to rely on himself." Gongsun Ling said helplessly.

He indeed had no way out.

Even Xu Nian wasn't a match for this Paper Immortal, so how could he possibly win?

But thinking of Xu Nian having the Divine Power Liquid, he couldn't help but feel reassured.

As long as Xu Nian uses the Divine Power Liquid, there's still a chance to escape.

At this moment, Xu Nian was struggling, trying to break free from the vines, but was unable to.

The more he struggled, the tighter the vines constricted.

"It's useless. My vines manifested by the Wood Hardening Law, you cannot break free. Already during our fight, I was secretly manifesting these vines. Boy, you're still too inexperienced." The Paper Immortal sneered coldly.

Xu Nian's eyes were heavy.

He found that it was just as the Paper Immortal said.

No matter how he tried to use the Law Manifestation to break the vines, he couldn't leave a mark on them.

"Boy, it's over. You destroyed my Stealing Immortal Team, but it doesn't matter. I will peel away your soul, extract the Emperor Bee Queen's Soul Mark, and replace you as the queen's master. This way, I can have a much stronger force, so I must thank you for delivering such a great gift." The Paper Immortal said with a greedy look in his eyes.

With a paper avatar and the army of the Emperor Bee Queen, as long as an Immortal Emperor doesn't appear, not even an Immortal Sovereign can handle him.

This would make his position in the Immortal Realm even more secure.

Hearing this, Xu Nian's eyes turned extremely cold.

However, he couldn't move at all, and even his Immortal Essence began to flow sluggishly.

"No, I can't let this continue, or I really might fall here." Xu Nian thought to himself.

As his Immortal Essence slowed, his ability to condense the Law Manifestation would also slow.

By then, he would be at the mercy of the Paper Immortal.

"I must break these vines." Xu Nian thought to himself.

But now, what could he use to break them?

"The Law Manifestation isn't sharp enough! It must be sharper. Sharpness—if I can incorporate the sharpness of the Law Power, its sharpness would increase greatly. By then, breaking these vines would be no problem." Xu Nian thought to himself.

But he had been comprehending for a long time and couldn't incorporate the Law Power into the Law Manifestation.

How could he achieve it now?

"No choice, I'll fight to the end!"

Xu Nian thought to himself.

At this moment, he began to mobilize all his Immortal Essence, and the Chaos Green Lotus Seed within him began to shine brilliantly.

Xu Nian closed his eyes tightly, entering a completely selfless state.

Everything around him vanished.

The sky vanished.

The mountains vanished.

The lakes vanished.

Xu Nian became completely immersed in the Law Manifestation.

While urging the Law Power, he gradually began to condense the Law Manifestation.

"Merge, merge, merge into it!"

Xu Nian shouted in his heart.

He forcefully pressed the Law Power into the Law Manifestation.

Both the Law Power and the Law Manifestation emitted a strong force of resistance.

"Merge for me!"

Xu Nian shouted furiously, forcibly pressing the two forces together.

"Haha, still trying to condense the Law Manifestation? It's useless; your Law Manifestation can't break my vines. Give up on that idea." The Paper Immortal laughed heartily.

The people on the Immortal Ship saw this and shook their heads.

Xu Nian was defeated!

There was no hope left.

Gongsun Qing and Gongsun Wan'er also frowned tightly.

Gongsun Ling was puzzled; why hadn't Xu Nian used the Divine Power Liquid yet?

Did he really plan on dying just like this?

"Boom!"

But just when everyone thought Xu Nian was about to lose.

A terrifying wave emanated from Xu Nian.

In the next moment, the vines around Xu Nian were cut apart by a sharp sword.

"What?"

The Paper Immortal was shocked to see this scene.

His vines were actually cut?

How was this possible?

But when he saw the Law Sword in Xu Nian's hand, everything became clear.

"Incorporated the Law Power into the Law Manifestation? He broke through?" The Paper Immortal exclaimed.

The Law Sword in Xu Nian's hand was covered with strange markings, containing an incredibly terrifying sword aura.

This sword aura sharply increased the ferocity of the entire Law Sword.

Xu Nian held the Law Sword, his eyes fierce to the extreme.

He looked at the Paper Immortal and said, "The one who should die is you!"

After saying this, Xu Nian slashed out.

The next moment, a terrifying Sword Radiance tore through the Heavenly Dome.

"No!"

The Paper Immortal let out a scream, instantly using vines to form a shield.

However, the entire shield was cut into two by Xu Nian's Sword Radiance, and the Paper Immortal himself was also split in half by the sword.

"Xu Nian, I will remember you, and one day, I will kill you."

The Paper Immortal left a message before dying.

Then his body cracked, transforming into two sheets of paper.

"Still a paper avatar?"

People on the Immortal Ship frowned at this scene.

Just how many paper avatars does this Paper Immortal have?

Where on earth is his true self?

However, Xu Nian was not surprised by this at all.

He knew that killing the Paper Immortal was practically impossible.

But now, this Paper Immortal avatar shouldn't appear again.

After all, with just an avatar, the Paper Immortal couldn't kill Xu Nian, who could integrate Law Power into the Law Manifestation.

"Did we win?" Gongsun Wan'er asked in confusion.

"Sort of!" Gongsun Ling replied.

He initially thought Xu Nian would use the Divine Power Liquid.

But to his surprise, Xu Nian chose to break through temporarily.

At this moment, Xu Nian was likely only a step away from the Middle Stage of Law Perfection.

People on the Immortal Ship were also greatly shocked.

They never expected that Xu Nian would eventually repel the Paper Immortal.

Is this guy really just at the Golden Immortal Level?

Thinking of how they previously wanted to distance themselves from Xu Nian, they felt uneasy.

Xu Nian ignored their shocked gazes.

Instead, he looked up at the battle in the sky.

The battle had now ended.

The ten thousand Thief Immortals were almost all killed.

Now the Murder Bees were dealing with the Thief Immortals' corpses.

Clearly, the corpses were good nourishment for the Murder Bees.

"How many died?" Xu Nian asked Ling Feng.

"Less than five thousand." Ling Feng responded.

Xu Nian nodded, then retracted Ling Feng and the Murder Bees into the Chaos Divine Palace.

On seeing this scene, everyone on the Immortal Ship swallowed hard.

A man carrying a million Immortal Weapons with him.

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Amidst the chaos.

Nie Chuan looked at the Paper Immortal's clone that had been slain by Xu Nian, his expression becoming extremely grave in an instant.

Run!

Bald Nie Chuan didn't hesitate, immediately turning into a stream of light to escape.

Xu Nian's mouth curled into a cold smile.

With a wave of his finger, a sword of law flew out of nowhere, annihilating him instantly.

A mid-stage Immortal King was helpless in front of Xu Nian.

The people on the Immortal Ship were all amazed.

Xu Nian turned out to be this powerful.

With Nie Chuan's death, the battle at Tianque Pass also came to an end.

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"Brother Xu Nian, are you guys really not coming with us?"

Lu Shan said with regret.

Originally, Lu Shan had thought that with a powerhouse like Xu Nian on board, the journey would be worry-free.

But unexpectedly, Xu Nian proposed to leave.

"No, we're afraid of being set up." Xu Nian laughed.

Lu Shan's face immediately turned black.

"Brother Xu Nian, I know you have grievances, but it was something I couldn't help. How about this, these one thousand pots of Drunken Immortal Brew are my apology!" Lu Shan quickly said.

He then sent the thousand pots of Immortal Wine to Xu Nian.

"Then I won't be polite." Xu Nian waved his hand, and the Immortal Wine was collected into his storage ring.

The taste of this Immortal Wine was good, and recently he had become somewhat fond of its flavor.

Then he left the Immortal Ship with the three members of the Gongsun family.

"Brother Xu Nian, why aren't we going with them?" Gongsun Wan'er asked confusedly.

"Because the people on the ship already know Mr. Xu's secret about the Emperor Beehive. Although they might not all have ill intentions, it's good to be cautious." Gongsun Ling said.

Gongsun Wan'er nodded her head.

Then she looked at Xu Nian again and asked, "Brother Xu Nian, what's the level of your current Insight Realm? You even defeated that Paper Immortal."

"I guess it's at the Law Manifestation Small Perfection." Xu Nian laughed.

Now he could already integrate the power of law into the Law Manifestation Item, but not into the Law Domain.

So it could only be considered as Small Perfection, not Great Perfection.

"Law Manifestation Small Perfection?"

Gongsun Qing, listening to these words, instantly felt a bit numb on his scalp.

He still lingered at the Early Stage of Law.

While Xu Nian had already reached the Law Manifestation Small Perfection Realm.

This gap, let alone a few hundred years, he might not catch up even in a thousand.

"Wow, really amazing." Gongsun Wan'er exclaimed with admiration.

"Actually, you can also become powerful. As long as the Ancient Divine Clan bloodline within you awakens, you could become a formidable force." Xu Nian said with a smile.

"Huh?"

Gongsun Ling and Gongsun Qing were taken aback at Xu Nian's words, looking at him in astonishment.

Seeing their expressions, Xu Nian burst into laughter: "You don't have to look at me like that. I've known about her bloodline for a long time."

Gongsun Ling and Gongsun Qing exchanged glances, both exceedingly surprised.

Xu Nian had actually perceived the true origin of the Gongsun family's bloodline.

This was the most confidential matter of their family.

Previously, in the mission, they had only indicated a special bloodline, but now Xu Nian had uncovered its true origin.

"So the young master knows, I wasn't trying to deliberately hide it from you before." Gongsun Ling said, slightly apologetically.

"Rest assured, Senior Ling, I understand the significance of the Ancient Divine Clan bloodline, so I can empathize. However, the most crucial thing now is figuring out how to awaken Gongsun Wan'er's bloodline completely." Xu Nian said.

"Awakening the bloodline is easier said than done. In the history of the Gongsun family, only one person has awakened, and that ancestor lived tens of thousands of years ago." Gongsun Ling shook his head and said.

"However, someone with such a rich bloodline like Miss Gongsun has never been seen in the family's history." Gongsun Ling continued.

Xu Nian nodded.

Awakening the Ancient Divine Clan bloodline was indeed no easy task.

He had previously asked the Wentian Demon Sovereign, but the Wentian Demon Sovereign didn't know.

As for the master of Emperor Ye Tian, she was currently in seclusion, so Xu Nian couldn't disturb her.

So for now, all he could do was wait.

"Let's keep moving forward. Ahead is Feixian City; let's rest there for a while." Xu Nian said.

"Alright! Coincidentally, Wan'er's uncle lives in Feixian City. He's the City Lord, and we can stay at his place for a while." Gongsun Qing said.

Gongsun Ling also nodded.

Staying in Feixian City was relatively safer.

"Great, finally, we won't have to keep traveling." Gongsun Wan'er immediately got excited.

Thus, the group of four headed directly to Feixian City.

Feixian City belonged to the territory of the Turquoise Pool.

And Turquoise Pool had always been a special existence among the Nine Great Forces.

Because Turquoise Pool only accepted female disciples, with many beauties, it was always known as the Fairy Immortal Domain.

Of course, the male immortals could still enter these outer cities of the Immortal Domain.

The reason Xu Nian wanted to rest in Feixian City was actually to inquire about Murong Xue.

After all, Murong Xue had gone to cultivate in the Turquoise Pool.

Originally, Murong Xue could have joined Fuyao Sect under the Netherworld Cold Immortal Emperor, but due to Xu Nian's relationship with the Tiancang Sect, she ultimately chose the Turquoise Pool.

Now, a hundred years have passed; Xu Nian knew nothing about her current situation.

It was a good opportunity to inquire about her.

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After paying eighty Mid-grade Immortal Origin Stones,

Xu Nian and the others smoothly entered the interior of Feixian City.

Feixian City was far stronger than Xu Nian had imagined; he found the people on the streets mostly had cultivation bases above Profound Immortal.

Heavenly Immortals were rare.

Even the once-scarce Immortal Kings could occasionally be seen here.

"Feixian City is a bustling Immortal Realm trade city, hosting one of the three major branches of the Immortal Treasure Pavilion, the Immortal Realm's top commerce guild, so many immortals come here." Gongsun Ling introduced.

Immortal Treasure Pavilion?

Xu Nian had previously interacted with the Immortal Treasure Pavilion.

The Immortal Treasure Pavilion was indeed the largest commerce guild in the Immortal Realm.

Unexpectedly, Feixian City had a branch of the Immortal Treasure Pavilion.

"Feixian City is really lively." Gongsun Wan'er felt excited inside.

Although she had been cultivating for many years, she had rarely interacted with the outside world, still maintaining the innocence of a young girl.

Seeing all kinds of things, she was curious about everything.

"Whoosh, whoosh, whoosh!"

At this moment, a series of graceful figures rushed from afar.

All of them were dressed in white dresses, like ethereal fairies flying swiftly over Xu Nian's head.

There were a dozen or so women.

These women were also at the Luoxian Realm, led by three Golden Immortals.

However, from their expressions, they seemed urgent, as if something important had happened.

"Why are they in such a hurry? Isn't it said that flying is not allowed in the city?" Gongsun Wan'er asked in surprise.

"They are disciples of the Turquoise Pool, apparently encountered something urgent, no good, they're flying towards the City Lord Mansion." Gongsun Qing immediately furrowed his brows.

City Lord Mansion?

Xu Nian's gaze became slightly solemn; it seemed that this trip to Feixian City might not be as peaceful as he had imagined.