

## **Divine King 1601**

### Chapter 1601: Shangguan Yao's Recruitment

Soon, Xu Nian followed Li Hongxia to a secluded mountain peak.

It was already nighttime.

A huge bright moon hung in the sky like a silver platter.

The clear moonlight poured down, shining radiantly on the earth.

The moon of the Sealing God Battlefield was much larger than that of the Immortal Realm.

Shangguan Yao stood at the mountain's peak, her white dress billowing in the wind, her black hair fluttering, her aura ethereal like an immortal.

Her skin was fairer than snow, her demeanor transcendent.

At this moment, Shangguan Yao was gazing at the massive divine hall on the peak of Po Suo Mountain in the distance.

The divine hall emitted a soaring holy radiance, ancient, grand, and imposing.

All around the divine hall was an incredibly terrifying deadly presence, these were all emanating from powerful divine forbiddens.

"Junior Brother Xu Nian, you're here?" Shangguan Yao smiled and said.

"I wonder what business Sister Shangguan has with me?" Xu Nian asked with a smile.

Shangguan Yao glanced at Li Hongxia and nodded.

The latter understood and immediately chose to leave.

Xu Nian was somewhat surprised by this; what did Shangguan Yao want to say to him, enough to have Li Hongxia leave?

"Junior Brother Xu Nian, I actually want to collaborate with you." Shangguan Yao said with a smile.

"Collaborate? In what way?" Xu Nian found it peculiar.

"Junior Brother Xu Nian, do you know what's inside the Saint Divine Relic this time?" Shangguan Yao asked with a smile.

Xu Nian shook his head.

He knew relatively little about the Saint Divine Relic, only that it was a relic left by a Top-Grade Spiritual Artifact Goddess.

As for what was inside, he wasn't very clear.

"Please, Sister Shangguan, enlighten me." Xu Nian said.

"This time, there is a godhood in the relic, and it's a Gold Attribute Divine Godhood." Shangguan Yao said.

Upon hearing this, Xu Nian was immediately surprised.

Most of the time, there weren't godhoods in relics. For Shangguan Yao to claim there was one, she must have some definite information.

"How did Sister Shangguan find out about this, and why tell me?" Xu Nian asked curiously.

"This matter was deduced by an Elder of Divine Mechanism from our sect, who sacrificed a lifespan of a hundred thousand years, so it's certain to be true." Shangguan Yao said.

"As for why I'm telling you, it's the premise for our collaboration." Shangguan Yao continued.

"Sister Shangguan means to ask me to help you acquire the godhood?" Xu Nian asked.

"Yes, I know you want to become independent as a god, so you won't refine the godhood, and I know your strength is quite extraordinary. Analyzing your combat capability, you're at least not below the Quasi-Immortal Emperor level, making you the ideal partner." Shangguan Yao said, looking at Xu Nian.

Her eyes were firm and decisive, a very resolute and capable woman.

Xu Nian chuckled, indeed, Shangguan Yao was a person of ability, with a somewhat unique perspective on things.

"Is Sister Shangguan so sure I won't refine the godhood myself? Even if I don't need it, I could give it to someone close to me." Xu Nian said with a smile.

Shangguan Yao laughed and said, "If I weren't confident in this, I wouldn't be standing here. Of course, if Junior Brother Xu Nian has any needs, I can help you acquire the items you desire, but I hope you'll help me obtain the godhood."

"That condition isn't sufficient." Xu Nian shook his head.

If he were someone pursuing Shangguan Yao, he might agree upon hearing her request.

But Xu Nian had no interest in Shangguan Yao.

So, he wouldn't help her acquire the godhood just because of her words.

"I certainly won't let Junior Brother Xu Nian work for me without anything in return. I know there's also something in this relic that you need, an item whose value is on par with the godhood." Shangguan Yao said.

"Oh? Something I need?" Xu Nian was a bit surprised.

"Yes, in this relic, there is a Divine Dragon Tripod, a treasure that artifact refiners dream of. If you had this Divine Dragon Tripod, Junior Brother Xu Nian might even be able to craft a divine artifact in the future, increasing your success rate by half." Shangguan Yao said.

"A Divine Dragon Tripod?" Xu Nian's face showed a look of surprise.

If it's really as Shangguan Yao said, he was genuinely interested in this relic.

He currently had no need for a divine tripod to assist in crafting divine artifacts.

But that didn't mean he wouldn't need one in the future.

His divine fire could melt top-grade artifact materials, even supreme-grade ones.

But without the assistance of a divine tripod, he couldn't fully focus the temperature.

However, with these divine tripods, it would be different; he might indeed be able to craft mid-grade, even top-grade, supreme-grade divine artifacts.

After all, he had both top-grade and supreme-grade divine artifact materials in hand.

Seeing the expression on Xu Nian's face, Shangguan Yao immediately knew he was interested.

"So, Junior Brother Xu Nian, for this relic, I only want the godhood; all the treasures of the Turquoise Pool will be yours." Shangguan Yao said firmly.

Xu Nian pondered for a moment and finally nodded.

The reason he agreed was that none of his women were cultivating the Gold Attribute Law.

Xuanyuan Qingling cultivated the Wind Attribute; Murong Xue needed a Death Godhood.

Tantai Xun Yan also cultivated the Fire Attribute; her Yin Yang Dual Body original self was killed.

Only a Fire Spirit Tree avatar remained.

Zhao Yanyun was also cultivating the Fire Attribute Principle.

As for Han Xiaoxiao, she was also cultivating the Wind Attribute.

So basically, no one needed the Gold Attribute Divine Godhood.

This was the real reason Xu Nian agreed to Shangguan Yao.

And for himself, choosing to refine a godhood to become a god was impossible.

"I wonder how Sister Shangguan specifically plans to cooperate with me? This time, with all the strong ones from the Four Realms emerging, it might not be easy for the two of us to seize the treasures." Xu Nian asked with a smile.

"I've already thought about this; we won't be fighting alone. Our Turquoise Pool will go all out. Also, I've convinced the Earth Immortal Sect and the Immortal Sovereign Hall to assist us." Shangguan Yao said.

"The Earth Immortal Sect and the Immortal Sovereign Hall?" Xu Nian was somewhat surprised.

He didn't expect that Shangguan Yao had managed to enlist the help of two major forces simultaneously.

Along with Shendang Mountain, that's the Four Great Forces.

Which means they had half of the Nine Great Forces on their side immediately.

It seemed Shangguan Yao had been prepared for this for some time.

"If it's just that, it might not be enough. Sister Shangguan, you might as well show your real ace in the hole." Xu Nian said with a smile.

Shangguan Yao laughed and shook her head: "You're indeed as smart as the legends say. Since that's the case, I'll not hide anymore. This is a Mid-grade Divine Sword, containing extremely strong Gold Attribute Divine Talisman power. Once activated, it can kill a Basic-level Immortal Emperor. However, with my strength, I can only activate it once, and it requires some time to prepare. That's why I hope you can help me."

Shangguan Yao took out a divine sword.

This divine sword emanated intense waves of Gold Attribute Divine Pattern.

Xu Nian was immediately surprised.

It was unexpectedly a Mid-grade Divine Talisman Sword.

Engraved upon it were extremely strong Gold Attribute Divine Talismans, which could instantly unleash divine talisman power when activated.

No wonder Shangguan Yao was so confident.

He didn't expect her to have such a powerful secret weapon.

With one strike from this sword, he himself would surely be dead.

Chapter 1602: Hong Xi's Request

Divine Talismans are also divided into grades.

The Divine Power Talisman that Xu Nian controls doesn't even qualify as a Low Grade Divine Talisman.

The Divine Talisman Dagger Xu Nian once owned was a Low Grade Divine Talisman.

The Divine Talisman on the Mid-grade Divine Talisman Sword in Shangguan Yao's hand is of the Mid-grade Divine Talisman level.

When the Divine Talisman reaches above the top grade, it becomes a God Talisman.

For Xu Nian, a God Talisman is a far-off distance.

Compared to ordinary Divine Artifacts, Divine Talisman Weapons have their pros and cons.

The advantage is that Divine Talismans possess the power of Divine Talismans, which can exhibit specific skills. This power is generally very strong.

The disadvantage is that Divine Talisman Weapons cannot give birth to an Artifact Spirit, and thus cannot have their own consciousness like Divine Artifacts.

A powerful Divine Artifact can even fight on its own, but a Divine Talisman Weapon cannot achieve this by a long shot.

"Sister Shangguan, I didn't expect you to have such a trump card. Just this Divine Talisman Sword alone is probably enough to suppress the whole scene, right?" Xu Nian said with a smile.

"This Divine Talisman Weapon was given to me by my master. It happens to have similarities with the Gold Attribute Law I practice, making it most suitable for me. However, to activate the power on this, it requires a large consumption of Mixed Element Immortal Power and Soul Power," Shangguan Yao said.

She didn't hide anything from Xu Nian.

To win over Xu Nian, one must be honest with him.

"Okay, I am willing to help Sister Shangguan obtain Godhood," Xu Nian said with a smile.

"Then I will rely on Junior Brother Xu Nian, and of course, I will not treat you poorly. As for the Divine Dragon Tripod, I promise to help Junior Brother Xu Nian seize it to the best of my ability," Shangguan Yao said solemnly.

Xu Nian nodded.

After chatting a few more words, the two parted ways.

Before leaving, Shangguan Yao gave Xu Nian two drops of Fire Attribute Divine Power Liquid.

This act made Xu Nian a bit more impressed with Shangguan Yao.

To casually give away two drops of Divine Power Liquid shows that Shangguan Yao is truly magnanimous.

Trust those you employ, and don't employ those you don't trust.

In this regard, Shangguan Yao did exceptionally well.

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Returning to the Shendang Mountain stronghold.

Xu Nian saw a graceful figure standing outside the Shendang Mountain stronghold.

This figure was cool and lonely, giving a sense of being out of place with the rest of the world.

Sure enough, this person was Hong Xi.

Hong Xi, who had shown powerful ambitions in the Cultivation World.

To become stronger, she didn't hesitate to practice the Killing Scripture, cutting off emotions and desires.

Both Hong Xi and Shangguan Yao can be said to be of the same kind.

"You're back?" Hong Xi looked at Xu Nian, with no fluctuation in her eyes.

"Yes, are you looking for me?" Xu Nian asked in surprise.

"Yes, Turquoise Pool sought you out, wanting you to help them seize Godhood? You agreed?" Hong Xi asked.

Obviously, she knew about Shangguan Yao's intentions.

"I agreed, I made a deal with her, mutual benefit," Xu Nian did not hide.

Hong Xi's face still had no fluctuation, as if she wasn't surprised by Xu Nian's answer.

"I came here to cooperate with you as well. I hope you can help me on this Divine Miracle journey," Hong Xi said.

"You want to seize Godhood too?" Xu Nian asked in surprise.

Hong Xi practices the Water Attribute Ice Law.

She shouldn't need this Gold Attribute Godhood.

Sure enough, Hong Xi shook her head and said, "I don't need Godhood, but there is something in this Divine Miracle I need, something very important to me, related to the Killing Scripture I practice. Without it, my cultivation may stop at the Immortal Sovereign Realm."

"Huh? What's going on?" Xu Nian asked in surprise.

"There was a mishap in cultivation, and the murderous aura within me couldn't fully condense, so I must rely on external assistance. In this Divine Miracle, there is Ancient Divine Phoenix Blood Essence that can help me break through this bottleneck," Hong Xi said.

"Ancient Divine Phoenix Blood Essence?" Xu Nian was shocked.

This is truly an ancient wonder.

The Divine Phoenix and Divine Dragon are both incomparably powerful Ancient Divine Beast Bloodlines, generally hard to come by.

Especially the Ancient Bloodline, which is long extinct.

Such essence blood is more precious than Divine Medicine for cultivators.

Unexpectedly, Hong Xi came looking for this.

"Alright, I will help you obtain it," Xu Nian responded.

"What do you need me to do?" Hong Xi asked directly.

"I haven't thought it through yet. If I do, I will let you know," Xu Nian nodded.

Hong Xi nodded, then drifted away.

No unnecessary words, as was always Hong Xi's style.

Xu Nian didn't mind either.

Though he could sense that Hong Xi seemed to grow colder, her emotions and desires didn't seem entirely severed.

At least Xu Nian could sense the glow of humanity still in her eyes.

"I hope she doesn't regret the path she's chosen," Xu Nian thought to himself.

If a person loses their emotions and desires, what meaning does reaching the highest state have?

Xu Nian returned to his domicile.

He sat cross-legged, attempting to cultivate the laws.

Currently, he could only achieve a four-hundred-fold concentration of the Power of Laws.

He is still four hundred times away from the Law Heart Success Realm.

This degree of law concentration makes doubling a very difficult task.

It requires reaching a very high level of Heart Realm and Law Comprehension.

"Buzz!"

Xu Nian calmed his mind, entering an entirely Supreme State of Mind.

The Wind Attribute Red Flame Extreme Point Penetration Law in his heart began deducing over and over again.

In an instant, he could deduce tens of thousands of times.

The concentration of the Power of Laws relies on continuous deduction.

Only in deduction does the Power of Laws improve.

In just fifteen minutes, Xu Nian had already deduced the Wind Attribute Red Flame Extreme Point Penetration Law tens of millions of times.

The countless deductions made Xu Nian's comprehension of the Wind Attribute Red Flame Extreme Point Penetration Law increasingly clear.

This process of deduction is a continuous attempt to find the true path of law operation through practice.

"Buzz!"

With a thought, a wave of Power of Laws gathered around Xu Nian.

The fluctuation of Power of Laws had already reached five hundred times.

"Indeed, there has been an improvement. Let's continue!"

Xu Nian muttered to himself.

Then began to enhance once more.

Meanwhile, far away in a remote valley.

The Divine Demon Avatar is also deducing the Earth Attribute Black Hole Law.

The power of the black hole law around it, with its continuous deduction, also swiftly rose to a five-hundred-fold concentration level following the Wind Attribute.

On the side, Xiahou, the son of the Tianjian Immortal Emperor, already looked utterly dejectedly at Xu Nian.

This guy broke through again, for the damn sixth time.

Damn it, imprisoning me here.

Not only am I unable to get out, but I also have to be repeatedly struck by this guy.

Forget about killing Xu Nian now.

Even if Xu Nian touches this ghost thing, he is no match for Xu Nian.

Xu Nian killing him would be effortless.

So now he doesn't even dare to provoke Xu Nian.

He can only hope Xu Nian ignores him like he is just air.

Chapter 1603: Power of Faith

A night passed quickly.

Xu Nian also awakened from his cultivation.

After this night of cultivation, his mastery over the Wind Attribute Law reached a deeper level.

"Buzz!"

With a thought, a thread of the Power of Laws condensed in his palm.

The density of this Power of Laws actually reached eight hundred times.

"Eh, it's improved so much?" Xu Nian was a bit surprised himself.

Since last night's cultivation, a flash of golden light passed through his mind.

Then he entered a wondrous state.

Then he felt his insight into the laws becoming clearer and clearer.

Now, overnight, his Insight Cultivation broke through to the Law Heart Success stage.

"What exactly was that flash of golden light?" Xu Nian thought in wonder.

He then proceeded to investigate his Soul Space.

Upon investigation, Xu Nian discovered that a thread of golden silk had appeared around his Soul origin.

This silk seemed to be a powerful energy, gradually merging into his Soul origin.

And it was precisely because of the merging of this golden silk that his insight into the laws became clearer.

"What kind of energy is this golden silk? Why have I never seen it before?" Xu Nian was a bit puzzled.

After a round of research, Xu Nian still had no results.

"Buzz!"

However, at this moment, another thread of golden silk rushed over.

Flowing towards his Soul origin.

Xu Nian instinctively felt a sense of vigilance.

What is this peculiar energy?

He attempted to control this power but found it uncontrollable.

Likewise, he couldn't prevent the golden silk energy from merging with his soul.

"Master, Master, what is this energy after all, why is it merging with my Soul origin?" Xu Nian urgently sought help from Emperor Ye Tian.

"Eh, the Power of Faith?" Emperor Ye Tian's surprised voice echoed.

"The Power of Faith?" Xu Nian also showed a surprised expression.

While he had heard before of the Divine Fire using the Power of Faith to continuously strengthen itself,

he had never seen what the real Power of Faith looked like.

Now, unexpectedly, he was generating the Power of Faith himself.

"Why do I possess the Power of Faith, who is worshipping me?" Xu Nian asked in wonder.

"By using your mind to perceive this power, you'll be able to sense where this Power of Faith comes from," Emperor Ye Tian said.

Upon hearing this, Xu Nian did as told and then calmed down to perceive this golden power.

"Buzz!"

Xu Nian's mind instantaneously traversed the Endless Void, arriving at the Heavenly Court of the Cultivation World.

In a giant palace within the Heavenly Court, his divine statue was standing majestically atop the hall.

Majestic and solemn.

Below, surprisingly, there were tens of millions of cultivators kneeling in unison.

Xu Nian could clearly see that as these cultivators kneeled, wisps similar to golden energy aura rose from their heads.

These energies converged into golden threads pouring into the divine statue.

And this energy directly pierced through the Void, flowing into his mind.

"So it was the Heavenly Court of the Cultivation World!" Xu Nian was somewhat astonished.

He didn't expect that the Heavenly Court of the Cultivation World had developed to this extent.

He wondered who had erected a divine statue for him in the Heavenly Court, thus granting him the Power of Faith.

"Having accepted their faith, you must protect them, for this is the cause and effect of the heavens and the earth," Emperor Ye Tian stated.

Xu Nian nodded.

It seemed he needed to find a way to send some things back to the Heavenly Court of the Cultivation World so that the Heavenly Court could be stabilized.

Only then could his faith be safeguarded.

"It seems the Heavenly Court of the Immortal Realm also needs to speed up," Xu Nian mused to himself.

With this Power of Faith, his soul suddenly enlarged significantly.

The distance to breaking through the Mid-stage Immortal Emperor grew closer.

"I didn't realize the benefits of the Power of Faith were so many, had I known earlier, I'd have asked them to erect statues sooner," Xu Nian laughed.

No wonder the Divine Fire wanted to establish its own faith before.

This Power of Faith is indeed a good thing.

Xu Nian got up and walked out of his residence, finding Wu Yuan and others already gathered outside.

"Junior Brother Xu Nian, have you finished your cultivation? I just saw you in retreat and was afraid you'd need a long time," Wu Yuan said sternly.

"What happened, Senior Brother Wu Yuan?" Xu Nian asked.

"The Demon Realm has stormed the mountain," Wu Yuan replied.

"The Demon Realm?" Xu Nian was somewhat surprised.

He hadn't expected that the Demon Realm would be the first to storm the mountain.

"Let's go, and see for ourselves," Tong Yao stepped forward and said.

"Yes, the other major forces have already gone, let's go as well," Wu Yuan nodded.

Xu Nian nodded.

Then, he followed Wu Yuan and the others towards Po Suo Mountain.

As he got closer to Po Suo Mountain, Xu Nian felt a pressure from the depths of his soul.

The entire Po Suo Mountain gave him a magnificent and vast feeling.

It was as if the divine mountain before him carried endless Power of Laws, resembling a massive golden deity statue.

Or like a vast sea of golden elements.

"This is the divine miracle of the Top-Grade God? Such immense celestial pressure," Xu Nian marveled in his heart.

He was now just standing at the foot of the mountain, truly wondering what it would feel like atop the mountain.

Xu Nian reached the foot of the mountain, and by this time, the people from the Immortal Realm camp were mostly present.

Shangguan Yao saw Xu Nian arrive and nodded towards him.

On the other side, Hong Xi also looked towards Xu Nian.

Xu Nian smiled at both of them, then raised his head to gaze at the heavenly ascending ladder on that mountaintop, resembling a dragon.

This Heavenly Ascending Ladder surely has tens of millions of steps.

Stretching from the foot of the mountain all the way to the peak.

At least one hundred thousand zhang long.

And its width was actually hundred meters.

These steps were paved from incredibly hard Divine Stones.

It could be said to be a vast and grand project.

A formidable killing intent permeated the surroundings of the mountain peak.

These killing intents were composed of powerful Divine Forbidden, without Divine Level strength, stepping in would inevitably lead to death.

And at this moment, there were about ten Demon Clan experts climbing the mountain on the steps ahead.

"Buzz!"

As they ascended.

An immensely powerful Gold Attribute fluctuation erupted from above the mountain.

"Whiz!"

A golden sword shot directly down from the summit.

Its speed was as swift as a golden light.

"Indeed, it's the Golden Element Power," Xu Nian murmured to himself in surprise.

Back then, in the storm he encountered, the golden light ball he obtained was also composed of Golden Element Power.

But clearly, this Golden Element Power was much stronger than the Golden Element Power absorbed by his flying knives back then.

"Swoosh!"

A Demon Realm Immortal Sovereign tried to fend off this golden sword.

Yet this sharp sword came terrifyingly quick.

That Demon Realm Immortal Sovereign was pierced directly, his body turning to dust, instantly dead.

"So strong!"

At the foot of the mountain, everyone gasped.

The power of this golden sword was truly terrifying.

Chapter 1604: Po Suo Mountain

"That's the twelfth one."

Wu Yuan looked at the slain Demon Clan expert, a semblance of helplessness on his face.

Xu Nian's expression was also somewhat grave.

The power of this Golden Sword was far greater than he had imagined.

"It seems relying on the Fire Attribute Divine Power Liquid to counteract this Golden Sword might not be enough," Xu Nian reflected to himself.

But fire restrains gold, this logic is absolutely correct.

"The Golden Sword contains the Endless Sharpness principle, which is why its power is so immense," Shangguan Yao said as she walked over to Xu Nian.

"Endless Sharpness?" Xu Nian nodded.

Endless Sharpness is a First-grade Law.

Just like the principles cultivated by Dongfang Ping, it's a highly dominant and fierce principle within the Gold Attribute.

No wonder Shangguan Yao was extremely eager to obtain this godhood.

Perhaps this is a godhood that all practitioners of the Gold Attribute yearn to have.

"Sister Shangguan, what principle do you cultivate?" Xu Nian asked with a smile.

"I have comprehended the Second Grade Law of the Gold Attribute, the Sharpness of Gold," Shangguan Yao replied.

Sharpness of Gold?

Xu Nian nodded.

This Sharpness of Gold is somewhat similar to Endless Sharpness, but its power is not as formidable as Endless Sharpness.

In terms of sharpness, Endless Sharpness is far more dominant.

"Why doesn't senior sister ascend to a god by herself? With your talent, you should have the opportunity to self-ascend," Xu Nian said with a smile.

Shangguan Yao gave a self-deprecating smile.

"I don't have the courage to self-ascend like you do. Self-ascension is too difficult; I once saw a powerful figure from Turquoise Pool cross a Divine Tribulation. That predecessor was the most outstanding disciple of our Turquoise Pool in tens of thousands of years, yet ultimately, he was torn apart by Divine Thunder. That scene is still vivid in my memory," Shangguan Yao said.

The terror of the Divine Tribulation has been etched deeply in her mind.

It cannot be erased and has become a knot in her heart.

With her Tao Heart destroyed, how could there still be a chance to self-ascend?

Xu Nian immediately understood.

The terror of the Divine Tribulation is something he's heard about but hasn't yet witnessed.

It seems when the opportunity arises, he must witness it himself.

"Junior Brother Xu Nian, I have great confidence in you. You are truly a prodigy with an incredibly strong will. If you can self-ascend, I will sincerely bless you," Shangguan Yao said with a smile.

This smile was once again captivating.

"Thank you for your blessing, Senior Sister. I will certainly do my best," Xu Nian replied with a smile.

He must self-ascend.

He had promised Emperor Ye Tian to help find the godhood.

If he were to rely on refining godhood to ascend, he could only stop at the Daluo God Realm.

For him, that is unacceptable.

As Emperor Ye Tian's disciple, how could he bring shame to Emperor Ye Tian?

"Buzz!"

At this moment, a terrifying Gold Attribute fluctuation erupted again above Po Suo Mountain.

And with the eruption of the Gold Attribute fluctuation, four extremely powerful Golden Swords simultaneously burst forth.

They shot directly toward four Demon Cultivators.

However, this time, it seemed that these four Demon Cultivators were prepared.

Among them, one Quasi-Immortal Emperor Level Demon Cultivator in red clothing held a Fire Attribute Divine Power Liquid, channeling the Fire Attribute Divine Power.

Then, an extremely powerful flame burst from his body.

Four strong Fire Attribute Divine Swords immediately shot out.

"Boom!"

The Fire Attribute Divine Sword collided with the Golden Sword.

An extremely terrifying wave broke out.

"Bang!"

In the end, both the Fire Attribute Divine Sword and the Golden Elemental Sword exploded at the same time.

Forming an incredibly terrifying storm.

"Blocked it?"

Everyone showed expressions of surprise.

No one expected this Demon Cultivator expert to actually block the Golden Elemental Sword.

Several experts in the Immortal Realm turned to look at Xu Nian.

Clearly, the method the Demon Realm expert used was exactly what Xu Nian had suggested.

Using Fire Attribute Divine Power Liquid to counter the Gold Attribute Elemental Sword.

Divine Power against Elemental Power, these are two forces of the same level.

Only Fire Attribute Divine Power can withstand this terrifying Elemental Power.

"It seems Junior Brother Xu Nian, your method really works!" Shangguan Yao said, looking toward Xu Nian with evident admiration.

Finding an effective method is not an easy task.

Now, no one in the Immortal Realm has any objection to Xu Nian.

Even Yun Ao and others could only snort coldly, without a word.

"One Fire Attribute cultivator is probably not enough. Even a Quasi-Immortal Emperor Level expert can only absorb the Fire Attribute Divine Power Liquid twice, and one activation is enough to consume more than half of it," Xu Nian continued.

"You're right, it's indeed not enough," Shangguan Yao nodded.

They have calculated.

To reach the summit, they must withstand at least five attacks.

And one Fire Attribute expert can withstand at most three times.

Later, a drop of Divine Power Liquid might only withstand once.

Therefore, relying on one Fire Attribute expert to ascend the summit is almost impossible.

"Junior Brother Xu Nian, our Turquoise Pool is willing to cooperate with your Shendang Mountain. I am a Quasi-Immortal Emperor Level practitioner of the Fire Attribute Law. Although my law's level isn't high, I've also reached the Law Heart Success Realm," a female quasi-immortal from the Turquoise Pool said standing up.

This person, dressed in red, was also very beautiful.

Of course, compared to Shangguan Yao, she was somewhat inferior.

Her name is Lu Qian, and her strength is second only to Shangguan Yao.

"Good!" Xu Nian agreed without hesitation.

Among the Nine Great Forces, Turquoise Pool is obviously the strongest team.

Cooperating with them is indeed a good choice.

Wu Yuan and the others had no objection.

"Junior Brother Xu Nian, who in your Shendang Mountain is a Fire Attribute cultivator?" Lu Qian asked with a smile.

"That would be me!" Xu Nian laughed.

"Huh? Aren't you a cultivator of the Wind and Earth Attributes, Junior Brother?" Lu Qian asked in surprise.

Clearly, she had reviewed Xu Nian's information.

"As a Divine Craftsman who also controls Divine Fire, how could I not cultivate the Fire Attribute Law?" Xu Nian laughed.

Then, a surge of Fire Attribute Principle Power condensed in his palm.

This Fire Attribute Principle Power emanated an incredibly terrifying temperature.

The concentration of the principles had reached 500 times the usual level.

"Huh? Junior Brother Xu Nian is cultivating three principles at the same time?" Lu Qian asked in surprise.

"It should be four! I also practice a Gold Attribute," Xu Nian laughed.

Four?

Lu Qian, Shangguan Yao, and the others looked utterly shocked.

Just cultivating a single principle to the stage of Law Heart is already challenging.

This Xu Nian had actually cultivated three principles to the Law Heart stage.

Isn't this simply terrifying?

Actually, they didn't know Xu Nian was cultivating five principles.

There's also a Spatial Attribute, which he hasn't revealed.

This is his trump card.

He won't easily show it unless necessary.

"In that case, Junior Brother Xu Nian, how about we collaborate later to challenge this Divine Hall?" Lu Qian said with a smile.

"Sure, I'm honored to cooperate with Senior Sister," Xu Nian laughed.

Lu Qian also smiled.

Extremely appreciative of Xu Nian.

Chapter 1605: Storming the Mountain

"Boom!"

A booming sound echoed once more from the mountain peak ahead.

The Quasi-Immortal Emperor cultivator of Fire Attribute once again activated the Golden Sword formed by Fire Attribute Divine Power Liquid and Gold Element power.

A terrifying energy storm erupted.

The Fire Attribute Quasi-Devil Emperor level demon cultivator almost got shocked to death.

Fortunately, a Quasi-Devil Emperor level demon cultivator beside him timely protected him, shielding most of the force.

Otherwise, this rebound force would have been enough to kill him.

They had already passed through the Golden Sword Array three times.

The next two times, however, could be the real challenge.

Unexpectedly, the demon clan experts seemed to have been prepared long ago.

Another Fire Attribute demon cultivator stood out, continuing to lead the group forward.

They made a vigorous effort to resist, eventually reaching the summit with two drops of Fire Attribute Divine Power Liquid.

Their success immediately spurred many others.

The Netherworld and Demon Clans stepped forward one after another.

Some experts from the Immortal Realm were also eager to try.

Xu Nian and Shangguan Yao were not in a hurry.

Xu Nian had heard from Shangguan Yao that these steps were just the beginning of the trial; there were more challenges ahead.

Thus, even if they reached the mountain peak, it would be impossible to obtain treasures immediately.

The Netherworld Clan took the next turn.

Their methods were rather unique.

They primarily utilized Dark Laws.

When the Golden Sword struck them, their bodies turned into black smoke and dispersed.

These attacks couldn't inflict any substantial damage on the Netherworld Clan experts.

"The Netherworld Clan's techniques are quite strange; their bodies aren't physical, are they?" Xu Nian asked.

"Correct, their bodies are more like energy bodies similar to Soul Energy, so ordinary attacks can't affect them, but passing the steps isn't that simple for them either," Shangguan Yao explained.

"Ah!"

Just then, a Quasi-Netherworld Emperor level expert let out a tragic scream as his body was pierced by the Golden Elemental Sword.

His smoke-transformed body failed, and the Golden Sword killed him outright.

"What happened?" Xu Nian curiously asked.

"Because some Golden Swords in this array are not purely Elemental Power; some involve Soul Attack methods. This guy was unlucky to get hit by one," Shangguan Yao said.

Xu Nian nodded.

The Sword Array indeed contained soul attacks.

It seemed during the challenges ahead, he must exercise extreme caution.

Of course, such soul attacks were still very rare.

No need to worry excessively.

Soon, the Netherworld Clan experts made it directly to the summit.

Next came the Demon Realm.

In the Demon Realm, Ye Siqi naturally led the group.

In addition, there were more than a dozen other Demon Realm experts.

This joint effort by these experts, utilizing Divine Power Liquid, allowed them to force their way through.

The surrounding crowd was in awe of this bold approach.

Being able to have so many experts use Divine Power Liquid at once was indeed a flamboyant move.

Xu Nian wasn't very surprised by this.

From his understanding of Ye Siqi, this was indeed something she would do.

"Let's go!"

After Ye Siqi and her group reached the summit.

The Fuyao Sect, Ten Thousand Beast Mountain, and Haotian Sect united for the challenge.

They used the method Xu Nian had previously mentioned.

After all, this method was the least costly.

Sure enough, with the intervention of three Fire Attribute Principle experts, the five Golden Sword attacks were successfully blocked.

They, a group of more than a dozen, smoothly entered the Divine Hall.

As they ascended to the Divine Hall, Jiang Shengtian even glanced back at Xu Nian below, a hint of disdain in his eyes.

Subsequently, the Chaos Sky Palace, Tianjian Sect, and Immortal Sovereign Hall joined forces, and after losing an Immortal Sovereign Peak level expert, they too successfully reached the top.

Then it was the turn of the Demon Realm and Nether Realm experts.

Since they had the experience of their predecessors, they overcame the challenge more easily.

Soon, more than half of the Four Realms experts below had already departed.

"Shall we set off too?"

Shangguan Yao said.

Xu Nian nodded.

Then, they started walking towards the steps.

However, at this moment, they were not ten but fourteen people.

Because the Earth Immortal Sect had also chosen to join them.

After all, among the Nine Great Sects, only the Earth Immortal Sect was left.

They didn't have any Fire Attribute cultivators, so they could only choose to rely on Shangguan Yao and her group.

Thus, Xu Nian and his group of fourteen began their ascent.

As soon as they stepped onto the steps, Xu Nian felt a terrifying murderous intent.

It was as if an invisible force had locked onto him.

"This must be the Great Formation of the Divine Miracle," Xu Nian sensed the sharp aura.

His gaze turned fierce.

Sure enough, after a few steps.

"Whoosh whoosh whoosh!"

Three extremely terrifying Gold Elemental Swords shot towards him.

Just as Xu Nian prepared to absorb Fire Attribute Divine Power Liquid.

He was stopped by Lu Qian beside him.

"Junior Brother Xu Nian, let me handle this first; if I can't hold up, you can take over," Lu Qian said.

With that, she immediately absorbed a drop of Fire Attribute Divine Power Liquid.

She instantly emitted a terrifying wave of flames.

To Xu Nian's surprise, she had comprehended the Red Lotus Karma Fire Principle.

This was similar to the Fire Attribute Profound Argumentation Xu Nian had comprehended before.

"Buzz!"

Lu Qian activated her divine power, gathering the Fire Attribute Red Lotus Karma Fire Principle to form three terrifying fiery lotuses.

As the lotuses emerged, they shot towards the three Golden Swords.

"Boom boom boom!"

The flame energy exploded instantly.

Shattering the three metallic swords.

A rain of golden fragments fell everywhere.

Standing on the flaming red lotus, Lu Qian exuded an aura sweeping across the world, as if bathing in divine radiance.

"How about it, Junior Brother Xu Nian? How's my strength?" Lu Qian asked with a smile.

"Very strong! I didn't expect Senior Sister Lu Qian to have comprehended the Red Lotus Karma Fire Principle, which is the bane of the Demon and Nether Clans," Xu Nian replied, smiling.

"Junior Brother Xu Nian does know how to talk," Lu Qian chuckled.

Then their group quickly rushed towards the summit.

As they ascended to the halfway point, the Golden Elemental Swords erupted again.

This time, there were six swords.

Lu Qian immediately summoned all her divine power to defend.

"Pff!"

Although she managed to fend off the attack with all her strength, Lu Qian was still shocked and injured by the sharpness of the golden swords.

Fortunately, Shangguan Yao healed her in time, allowing her to recover quickly.

The third time involved twelve swords.

This time, Lu Qian absorbed a second drop of Divine Power Liquid.

She directly conjured a powerful Fire Phoenix to collide with the golden swords.

"Boom!"

A world-shaking boom resonated.

Lu Qian spewed another mouthful of blood.

This time, her internal power was completely depleted.

"Junior Brother Xu Nian, it's up to you now," Lu Qian apologized with a smile.

"Don't worry, Senior Sister Lu, leave it to me," Xu Nian nodded.

He then moved directly to the front of the group.

The next two attacks would be the truly fearsome ones.

He had to give it his all.

Chapter 1606: The Terrifying Golden Sword Array

"Hmm, who is the leader of this group from the Immortal Realm? Why haven't I seen them before?"

A puzzled voice came from those in the Demon Realm who still lingered on the climbing trail.

"Indeed, I haven't seen him before. He must be a newcomer. Look at his cultivation; it's only at the Early Stage Immortal Sovereign. He's probably here to broaden his horizons," remarked a startled Immortal Sovereign expert from the Demon Realm.

"His name is Xu Nian. I hear he holds several divine artifacts and even a godhood," a Quasi-Devil Emperor expert skilled in gathering intelligence said.

"Godhood?" Eyes lit up among the Demon Clan experts.

With a godhood and several divine artifacts, isn't that like a walking miniature divine miracle?

Why bother with a divine miracle trek? Just ambush and kill the guy.

"It seems once we head up, we should find a chance to slaughter this human brat. With a godhood in hand, instead of hiding away for refinement, he dares venture out—it's a death wish," a Quasi-Devil Emperor of the Demon Clan laughed.

"Indeed, a rookie like that needs to be taught a lesson," another Quasi-Devil Emperor chimed in.

For a moment, the Demon Clan experts wore an expression of greed.

Xu Nian was as good as theirs.

Xu Nian was oblivious to the fact that he had become prey in the eyes of many Demon Clan experts.

At this moment, he was dedicated wholly to racing to the mountaintop.

As he advanced, a powerful wave of energy erupted from the peak ahead.

"Buzz!"

The Gold Attribute Element Power rapidly gathered.

"Whoosh!"

A total of twenty-four metal swords bore down on Xu Nian.

As they continued to climb, their distance from the array core at the peak grew shorter.

The shooting distance of these metal swords naturally shortened significantly.

This left Xu Nian with much less time to react.

However, Xu Nian had already considered this point; the Fire Attribute Divine Power Liquid already absorbed into his body.

The instant the Fire Attribute Divine Power Liquid entered his body, Xu Nian distinctly felt an incredibly intense heat surging through him.

At that moment, he felt as if he had transformed into the sun.

Even the divine fire within him stirred, drawn by this overwhelming Fire Attribute Divine Power.

Xu Nian's gaze sharpened.

Using the divine fire as a foundation, with Fire Attribute Divine Power as a guide, he then activated the Supreme Temperature Law of the Fire Attribute.

In a flash, an incredibly horrifying temperature erupted from Xu Nian.

Even Shangguan Yao and the others felt an intense stinging sensation, like skin being burned.

Lu Qian was also shocked.

Also practicing the Fire Attribute Principle, she could clearly sense the terrifying nature of the energy erupting from Xu Nian.

"Buzz!"

With a thought, Xu Nian.

A full twenty-four flaming flying sabers coalesced around him.

"Go!"

With a loud shout from Xu Nian.

The flaming flying sabers before him instantly shot out like streams of light.

Colliding with the twenty-four sharp swords.

"Boom!"

The twenty-four metal swords exploded instantly.

In that moment of collision, they were melted by Xu Nian's divine fire's terrifying temperature.

All around, witnesses showed expressions of astonishment.

This was the fourth strike of the climbing trail, known for its incredible power.

Prior Quasi-Immortal Emperor level experts paid dearly in fending off this strike.

Yet Xu Nian stood as steadily as Taishan.

Entirely unscathed by the golden element power.

"So strong—is this the power of divine fire?" Lu Qian mused.

Xu Nian's Power of Laws might not have been the strongest, but the heat of this flame reached terrifying extremes.

This was entirely due to the synergy between divine fire and Fire Attribute Divine Power.

"Very strong. Under the Immortal Emperor, few could fend off such an attack," Shangguan Yao also mused.

She knew Xu Nian was formidable but hadn't expected such strength.

At this moment, she realized she had underestimated Xu Nian.

Below, Demon Clan experts were equally astonished.

Such an attack from an Early Stage Immortal Sovereign, even if using Divine Power Liquid, should not possess that level of power.

For a moment, the Demon Clan experts, who regarded Xu Nian as merely a sheep to be preyed upon, furrowed their brows.

Seeing this, they were relieved; otherwise, they could've suffered greatly.

This fellow's strength clearly exceeded their expectations.

"Xu Nian's strength is formidable. What flame is he using?" a Demon Clan expert asked.

"It's divine fire. It's extremely rare for an immortal to command divine fire," remarked a Quasi-Devil Emperor from the Demon Clan.

Divine fire?

This declaration sent a shiver among fire-attributed demon beasts from the Demon Clan.

They knew the power of divine fire—it was formidable.

Yet this human could control divine fire?

How is that possible?

But the truth was evident, and disbelief wouldn't change it.

"Look, here comes their fifth strike," a Demon Venerable from the Demon Clan announced.

Upturned faces gazed upward.

Now Xu Nian and others were a mere hundred feet from the peak.

Just one more strike to withstand and they'd reach the summit.

"Buzz!"

At this moment, the fifth strike indeed commenced.

A gigantic Elemental Sword of the Gold Attribute soared toward Xu Nian.

The Elemental Sword extended over ten meters, imbued with dense golden element power.

If this sword struck, it would surely be terrifying.

"Why is the sword array's power stronger?" Shangguan Yao and others were shocked.

Others didn't face such a powerful fifth strike; theirs seemed to be a massive, solid sword.

Shangguan Yao was certain; she couldn't block it without the Mid-grade Divine Talisman Sword.

"Junior Brother Xu Nian!" Shangguan Yao hurried forward.

"Don't worry, I can handle it," Xu Nian replied.

Shangguan Yao and the others were stunned.

Was Xu Nian confident he could withstand this strike?

Since Xu Nian insisted, they wouldn't intervene recklessly.

"Whoosh!"

The golden giant sword bore down.

Its intense sharpness could sweep away everyone.

Xu Nian's eyes were stern, and once again, he activated a drop of Fire Attribute Divine Power Liquid.

Again stoking divine fire, but this time Xu Nian didn't form a divine sword with the fire.

Instead, he unleashed the golden Mid-grade Divine Artifact Flying Saber.

Fully infusing the power of divine fire into the flying saber.

"Is that a... Mid-grade Divine Artifact?" Shangguan Yao and the others gasped.

It was unexpected that Xu Nian possessed a Mid-grade Divine Artifact.

The Earth Immortal Sect experts were equally astonished.

"A Mid-grade Divine Artifact!" Demon Clan experts below perked up.

This man actually had a Mid-grade Divine Artifact?

"Boom!"

Amid their shock.

Xu Nian's controlled flying saber clashed with the terrifying golden giant sword.

In the next instant, terrifying energy erupted from the two weapons.

The energy was so intense that the Quasi-Immortal Emperor level experts present felt a chill.

Chapter 1607: Top-Grade Divine Sword

The terrifying collision formed a massive windstorm, stacking up like waves.

However, fortunately, this fluctuation didn't last long.

"Crack!"

A faint cracking sound emerged.

Then everyone saw a thin crack appear on the giant golden sword.

The crack began to gradually expand.

"Snap!"

The entire giant sword exploded completely.

The terrifying golden sword turned into countless golden light points.

The surrounding people were astonished.

Xu Nian actually broke this golden sword.

"Such a strong attack, he actually did it," Shangguan Yao and others were also shocked.

They were all awed by Xu Nian's methods.

The Earth Immortal Sect and Turquoise Pool started to view Xu Nian in a new light.

While Wu Yuan and others could only smile bitterly.

This Junior Brother Xu Nian was about to shine brightly again.

As expected, wherever a genius goes, they become the most dazzling star.

Xu Nian's eyes were sharp at this moment.

He looked at the surrounding golden light spots, and a thought emerged in his mind.

In the next moment, he directly controlled that Mid-grade Divine Flying Saber, starting to madly absorb these golden light spots.

Sure enough, these light spots actually merged into the golden flying saber.

"Succeeded?" Xu Nian was overjoyed.

Unexpectedly, these light spots could actually be absorbed.

In this way, the quality of this flying saber could be enhanced further.

Shangguan Yao and others were also full of surprise.

Was Xu Nian using a divine artifact to absorb this Golden Element Power?

And actually succeeded?

This was something probably no one else had thought of.

As expected, as Xu Nian absorbed, these golden light spots were gradually absorbed completely by Xu Nian's Divine Flying Saber.

Xu Nian's golden Divine Flying Saber exuded an incredibly sharp aura. Although it did not break through to a Top-Grade Divine Artifact quality, in terms of sharpness, it was much stronger than before.

"Let's go up," Xu Nian put away the flying saber and said to Shangguan Yao and others.

Shangguan Yao and the others nodded in agreement.

In the next instant, they swept through this hundred-zhang distance and successfully reached the mountaintop.

Reaching the top, what appeared before their eyes was a massive square.

And in front of the square, there was a huge and magnificent palace.

This palace was actually several hundred zhang tall, and standing before it, Xu Nian and the others seemed incredibly small.

"What a majestic palace, and there's a terrifying divine power fluctuation emanating from it," Xu Nian couldn't help but marvel.

"Indeed, such a strong divine power fluctuation makes one want to kneel," Wu Yuan added.

Shangguan Yao nodded in agreement.

This palace indeed gave off an incredibly dignified feeling.

"They're all there."

A disciple of the Earth Immortal Sect pointed ahead.

Xu Nian and the others had already seen it, those who came up earlier were now gathered ahead.

It seemed they encountered some obstruction, preventing them from advancing further.

"Let's go check it out," Shangguan Yao said.

Xu Nian and the others followed quickly.

Soon, they reached the gathering place of the crowd.

In front of them was a giant stone.

Embedded in the stone was a sharp sword, exuding an incredibly ancient aura.

It gave off an aura of being indestructible.

Also surged with powerful Divine Radiance.

It was obvious that this was a Divine Sword, and a very high-quality one at that.

"A Mid-grade Divine Sword?" Wu Yuan and others asked in surprise.

Shangguan Yao and the others were also curious.

"Not a Mid-grade Divine Sword, but a Top-Grade Divine Sword," Xu Nian shook his head and said.

"Top-Grade Divine Sword?" The surrounding people were shocked.

This sword was actually a Top-Grade Divine Sword.

"However, this Divine Sword is clearly worn; much of its Divine Radiance has faded, so its quality is only at the Mid-grade Divine Sword level, though among Mid-grade Divine Swords, it's top-tier," Xu Nian continued.

Upon hearing this, everyone nodded in realization.

No wonder they all thought it was a Mid-grade Divine Sword, turns out it's due to wear.

"This Divine Sword should be one of the swords of the owner of this Divine Miracle, here waiting for someone worthy to take it," Tong Yao followed up.

Xu Nian and others all nodded.

But they also realized, this sword might not be so easy to pull out.

Otherwise, people would have rushed to seize it already.

"Let me!"

At this moment, a Quasi-Devil Emperor Level expert from the Demon Realm stepped forward.

Walking towards the giant stone platform.

The people around watched curiously, eager to see what danger this person might encounter.

"Buzz!"

Yet before the Quasi-Devil Emperor Level Demon Clan expert could approach, the Divine Sword on the giant stone trembled slightly.

In the next moment, an extremely sharp sword radiance shot out.

The sword radiance was extremely sharp and incredibly terrifying.

The Quasi-Devil Emperor Level Demon Clan expert was also shocked.

He hurriedly used the powerful Mixed Element Demon Power within him to form a defensive barrier to resist.

"Boom!"

However, his barrier was only able to withstand for a moment before the sword radiance blasted him away.

"Puff!"

The Quasi-Devil Emperor expert tumbled hundreds of zhang away before stopping, spitting out blood from his mouth.

On his chest, a massive sword scar wound.

Shocking to the eyes, deep to the bone.

"What a terrifying sword radiance," the surrounding people drew in a cold breath.

Indeed, this Divine Sword was not easy to take.

"I'll do it!"

An expert from the Nether Realm swiftly darted towards the giant stone.

Seemingly planning to pull it out before the Divine Sword emitted the sword radiance.

But before he could touch the Divine Sword, it emitted another terrifying sword radiance.

"Boom!"

The Nether Realm expert was instantly sliced in half.

"Ah!"

He let out a miserable scream, his body vanishing completely into the air.

Dead?

The surrounding people were in shock.

If it could kill a Nether Realm expert, clearly this sharp sword also contained extremely strong soul attacks.

Demon Emperor, Nether Emperor, one injured, one dead.

This dampened the enthusiasm of many at the scene for this Divine Sword.

Some even wanted to give up on this Divine Sword to go to the palace behind.

But they found that this Divine Sword seemed like a gatekeeper, directly blocking their path.

Anyone who dared to approach the palace would trigger the Divine Sword to launch a sword radiance, killing them.

At this moment, everyone frowned intensely.

If they didn't remove this Divine Sword, they feared they would never enter the palace behind it.

"I'll try!"

At this moment, Zhu Qian from the Haotian Sect stepped forward.

"It's him!" Xu Nian's eyes narrowed.

The surrounding people were also curious.

Zhu Qian's strength was quite formidable; whether he could succeed was unknown.

"Whoosh!"

Zhu Qian walked towards the Divine Sword.

"Buzz!"

As before, the Divine Sword emitted a terrifying sword radiance.

Zhu Qian seemed prepared, the Power of Laws within his body surged in an instant.

He also cultivated the Gold Attribute Law.

At this moment, using the Power of Laws, he instantly condensed a giant golden sword.

The giant golden sword collided directly with the sword radiance.

With a Laws' power of twelve hundredfold, it was quite formidable.

For a time, Zhu Qian actually held off the sword radiance.

Locked in a stalemate with the terrifying sword radiance.

Chapter 1608: Doesn't Seem So Hard After All

"Could he possibly succeed?"

Wu Yuan and the others all looked surprised.

This Zhu Qian actually managed to block the attack from the Sword Radiance of the Divine Sword.

"He failed!" Shangguan Yao, however, shook her head and said.

Wu Yuan and the others were puzzled, how did he fail?

Xu Nian also smiled and nodded.

It was obvious that Zhu Qian's attack already showed signs of defeat.

But that terrifying Sword Radiance remained incredibly solid.

"Bang!"

Sure enough, just as Shangguan Yao finished speaking.

Poof!

Zhu Qian could no longer hold on, the golden giant sword collapsed, and his entire body was sent flying.

Onlookers all around saw this and shook their heads.

It seems this Divine Sword is not so easy to claim.

"Hmph!"

Fuyao Sect's Yun Ao snorted coldly and made a domineering move.

The Mixed Element Immortal Power surged within him, and a sharp sword appeared directly in his hand.

Clearly, the sword in his hand was also a Divine Artifact.

Except it was a Low Grade Divine Artifact!

"Buzz!"

Yun Ao struck first, directly slashing toward the Divine Sword.

At the same time, his body swiftly followed, darting toward the Divine Sword.

The Divine Sword seemed to sense the threat and trembled once more.

It erupted with two bursts of Sword Radiance.

"Boom!"

One strand of Sword Radiance collided with Yun Ao's Sword Radiance, exploding completely.

While the other strand of Sword Radiance slashed straight toward Yun Ao.

Yun Ao was shocked and hastily raised his sword to block.

"Clang!"

It was as if divine and demon forces clashed, producing an ear-splitting sound.

The next moment, Yun Ao was directly forced back, his form flying in retreat.

His steps faltered, nearly tripping over.

"Hmph, a bunch of useless people."

At this moment, a burst of sneers emerged from the crowd.

Then a tall, robust man stepped out from the crowd.

This man had eyes that were surprisingly purple, giving off an extremely eerie feeling.

"It's him!" Wu Yuan and the others looked surprised when they saw him.

Xu Nian was somewhat intrigued.

This person was clearly a powerful figure of the Demon Clan.

However, from the expressions of Shangguan Yao and the others, it seemed this man was very strong.

"Who is he?" Xu Nian asked curiously.

"Junior Brother Xu Nian, since you have just entered the Sealing God Battlefield, you might not know. He is an extremely formidable strongman from the Demon Clan, named Ao Peng. His true form is a Dark Demon Dragon, extraordinarily powerful. His cultivation reached the Quasi-Immortal Emperor Level millennia ago, and as for his insights, he achieved Law Heart Great Success three thousand years ago. Now he probably has reached Law Heart Perfection." Shangguan Yao explained.

"Law Heart Perfection?" Xu Nian also looked astonished.

Unexpectedly, Ao Peng was this strong.

It seems he is indeed one of the formidable contenders in the struggle for this Divine Miracle.

"Buzz!"

Ao Peng made his move, darting toward the Divine Sword.

The Divine Sword still burst forth with Sword Radiance.

But Ao Peng seemed prepared, directly casting a terrifying dark ghostly claw.

"Boom!"

The Sword Radiance completely exploded under the strike of this dark ghostly claw.

"Wow, so powerful!"

Xu Nian immediately showed a look of surprise.

Apparently, Ao Peng's strength was truly formidable.

He actually shattered the Sword Radiance.

The onlookers were also greatly shocked.

"Haha, this Divine Sword is mine." Ao Peng laughed heartily.

He dashed straight for the Divine Sword and grasped it in one go.

"He got it?" The onlookers showed a look of shock again.

Could it be that this Divine Sword is really going to fall into the hands of the Demon Clan?

Yet amidst everyone's doubts, Ao Peng's expression suddenly changed.

He realized that no matter how much force he used, he could not pull out the sword.

"Huh?"

The surrounding crowd was puzzled.

It seems this sword is still not so easily obtained.

"Bang!"

The Divine Sword erupted with a terrifying wave of Divine Power, causing Ao Peng to be instantly blasted away.

The crowd around shook their heads and sighed.

To acquire this Divine Sword, it seems only by gaining its approval can it be done.

"Buzz!"

Next, Ye Siqi made her move.

However, her result was similar to Ao Peng's.

She managed to block the Sword Radiance of the Divine Sword but couldn't pull it out.

Hong Xi also tried, and Xu Nian was surprised that she also blocked the Sword Radiance attack.

Unfortunately, she too couldn't pass through.

"Let me try!"

Shangguan Yao finally couldn't hold back and decided to step up.

The people from the Immortal Realm were somewhat curious.

Shangguan Yao was the most likely to succeed.

After all, Shangguan Yao had cultivated the Gold Attribute Law as well.

"Whoosh!"

Shangguan Yao darted forward, her movements as graceful as a startled swan.

The Sword Radiance burst from the Divine Sword as usual.

Shangguan Yao's gaze was sharp, gathering the Power of Laws six thousand-fold, clashing directly with the terrifying Sword Radiance.

The Sword Radiance exploded instantly, the process was effortless.

"So strong!"

The surrounding crowd exclaimed in surprise.

Shangguan Yao's strength was indeed formidable.

She had gathered the Power of Laws to the six thousand-fold level.

Xu Nian also admired her in his heart; if it weren't for her damaged Tao Heart, perhaps ascending to godhood on her own would be her best path.

"Whoosh!"

Shangguan Yao landed gracefully in front of the Divine Sword.

She extended her slender white fingers and grasped the Divine Sword.

As she held the Divine Sword, it burst into a humming resonance.

"Could it be she will succeed?" Everyone was amazed.

Previously, when others held it, there was no such humming sound.

"Buzz!"

Shangguan Yao exerted her strength, and the Divine Sword actually moved.

The surrounding onlookers were even more astonished.

However, to everyone's surprise, the Divine Sword only floated three inches up before returning to its original position.

"Failed?" Everyone looked astonished.

Wasn't it about to succeed just now?

How could it fail again?

For a moment, everyone looked puzzled.

"Whoosh!"

Shangguan Yao flew back and shook her head at Xu Nian.

Obviously, she felt a bit disappointed at not being able to pull out the Divine Sword.

"Junior Brother Xu Nian, you should try." Wu Yuan said to Xu Nian.

"Yes, Xu Nian, you should give it a go too." Shangguan Yao added.

Hearing this, Xu Nian thought for a moment and walked toward the platform.

"Huh, an Early Stage Immortal Sovereign dares to step up, courting death!"

A strong figure from the Demon Realm immediately scorned.

The power from the Netherworld had a similar disdainful gaze.

Since when could just any Tom, Dick, or Harry make a fool of themselves on stage?

This guy will probably be hacked to death by the Sword Radiance.

"It's him; I hope he gets struck to death by that Divine Sword." Jiang Shengtian revealed extreme anger in his eyes at the sight of Xu Nian.

Yun Ao, Zhu Qian, and others all coldly snorted.

They had all failed, so how could Xu Nian possibly succeed?

Ye Siqi from the Demon Clan wore a complicated expression.

This guy might actually perform a miracle, who knows.

Ignoring the mocking eyes of the crowd, Xu Nian walked straight toward the Divine Sword.

"Huh, why isn't the Divine Sword releasing Sword Radiance?" someone in the crowd wondered aloud.

Others also appeared puzzled.

Xu Nian was almost at the Divine Sword's presence.

Why was there still no movement?

Amidst everyone's confusion, Xu Nian finally reached the Divine Sword.

He grasped the Divine Sword and gently pulled it.

He directly pulled the Divine Sword out of the stone.

"This..."

Everyone present was dumbfounded.

The whole place was frozen in shock!

Then, they all heard Xu Nian mutter to himself, "It wasn't that hard after all."

Poof!

Everyone felt a strong urge to cough up blood.

Chapter 1609: Clash of Factions

Everyone felt an urge to beat Xu Nian to death.

That guy got the advantage and still pretends to be cool.

It's really infuriating.

Shangguan Yao and the others were also incredibly surprised.

Though they thought in their hearts Xu Nian might create a miracle.

But they didn't expect that Xu Nian would make a miracle like this.

"Looks like our Junior Brother Xu Nian is truly something else, huh." Lu Qian said with a smile, shaking her head.

Shangguan Yao also looked helpless.

If Xu Nian had taken the divine sword by laying hands on it, perhaps no one present would object.

But now Xu Nian easily obtained the divine sword, these people might not be peaceful.

Yun Ao and Zhu Qian exchanged a glance, their expressions shocked as well.

The divine sword actually recognized Xu Nian directly as its master?

"We can't let him just get the divine sword." Yun Ao said.

"Right, absolutely not." Jiang Shengtian quickly echoed.

Zhu Qian also expressed agreement.

Moreover, the Demon Realm and Netherworld Realm were also restless.

"Junior Sister Ye, let's act too. This divine sword can't fall into the hands of someone from the Immortal Realm." A strong Demon clan member spoke out.

Other strong Demon clan members also expressed their agreement.

However, Ye Siqi remained silent.

What was the use of it not falling into the hands of the Immortal Realm?

Could she still go up and snatch it herself?

Not to mention whether she could, she promised Xu Nian to help him.

And even if she attacked Xu Nian, Xu Nian could control her body in an instant.

She hardly had a choice.

"Xu Nian, you used despicable means to obtain the divine sword, you will surely anger the creator of the divine miracle. I advise you to hand over the divine sword." Yun Ao stepped forward and said.

"Yes, despicable people aren't worthy of owning the divine sword at all." Zhu Qian followed suit.

At this, the crowd instantly became uproarious.

Apparently, they didn't expect people from the Immortal Realm to target Xu Nian.

This made the people from the Demon Clan and Netherworld Clan laugh broadly.

The people from the Immortal Realm like Wu Yuan clenched their fists, eyes furious.

Wasn't it supposed to be a united front?

How come the Demon Realm and Netherworld Realm haven't even tried to seize it, and you're already jumping ahead?

And angering the creator of the divine miracle, what kind of clumsy excuse is this?

Even the Immortal Sovereign Hall and Tianjian Sect people found it hard to watch.

Xu Nian held the divine sword, and his eyes sneered.

He had long known that Yun Ao and others would target him, but he didn't expect them to be so impatient.

"Isn't it just that you want to seize the divine sword? Just go ahead and make your move then." Xu Nian said coldly.

Facing Yun Ao and Zhu Qian, he showed not a hint of fear.

"Hmph, Xu Nian, do you think you can resist so many of us by yourself?" Yun Ao sneered coldly.

Apparently, Xu Nian's arrogant words had angered him.

Zhu Qian and others all had sharp glances, as if they wanted to tear Xu Nian to pieces.

"Yes, our Demon Realm absolutely does not allow anyone to use underhanded means, angering the creator of the divine miracle." That fellow named Ao Peng from the Demon Realm also stood out and said.

As he took the lead, the Demon Realm people all gazed unfavorably at Xu Nian.

"Xu Nian is not alone. If you want to kill Xu Nian, you'll have to get past us." Shangguan Yao immediately flew to Xu Nian's side, expressing her support for him.

"Us as well!" Wu Yuan and people from the Earth Immortal Sect gathered around Xu Nian.

The three forces of Tianjian Sect, Chaos Sky Palace, and Immortal Sovereign Hall opted to support Xu Nian too.

The two sides instantaneously stood opposed.

For the moment, only the Demon Realm hadn't expressed a stance.

"Junior Sister Ye, let's set our position too." A strong Demon Realm member said.

"Sure!" Ye Siqi nodded.

Then she walked out, heading to Xu Nian's side.

"Junior Sister Ye, you've gone the wrong way." That strong Demon clan member hurriedly panicked.

Thinking Ye Siqi had chosen the wrong direction.

But amidst the bewilderment of Demon Realm people, Ye Siqi spoke firmly: "Xu Nian is my friend. Whoever dares touch him, my Demon clan will be irreconcilable with him."

With that, Ye Siqi thrust the divine artifact Ghost Slash directly into the ground.

The frightening mixed element magic power shocked instantly.

Suddenly, everyone was stunned.

They even doubted their ears.

The people from the Immortal Realm also looked shocked.

Even the Demon clan themselves looked confused.

What's going on?

The Demon clan publicly supporting someone from the Immortal Realm?

Aren't the immortal and demon realms ever irreconcilable?

How could Ye Siqi become friends with Xu Nian?

Yun Ao, Zhu Qian, and others exchanged puzzled glances.

This situation was entirely unforeseen for them.

Their original goal was to make Xu Nian the target of everyone's arrows.

But now both major camps, Immortal and Demon, are supporting Xu Nian.

Even with the two major camps, Demon Realm and Netherworld Realm, this battle is unlikely to break out.

After all, no one wants a major confrontation here before entering the divine miracle.

"Saying I'm using despicable means, don't you know the divine sword automatically recognizes its master?" Xu Nian sneered.

Holding the divine sword, he slashed out a blow.

In an instant, a terrifying Sword Radiance tore through the ground of the plaza.

In the next moment, the plaza grounds bore a ten-zhang long sword mark.

This was built with hard Divine Iron slabs, generally, even Low Grade Divine Artifacts struggle to leave a mark on it.

Yet Xu Nian could slash out a ten-zhang sword mark with one blow.

It's too terrifying!

The Demon Realm and Netherworld Realm also frowned.

If they really fought, they would probably not have much advantage.

"Since it automatically recognizes its master, the Demon Realm will acknowledge Brother Xu Nian's greatness." Ao Peng was also a clever person.

Immediately his words took a turn.

"We of the Netherworld Clan also acknowledge." A strong Netherworld Clan member nodded.

"You guys!"

Yun Ao, Zhu Qian, and others were furious.

Both the Netherworld Clan and Demon Clan camps had given up, what could they use against Xu Nian?

Now they've split from the Immortal realm camp, it's hard to merge back with them.

In this way, not only did they fail to target Xu Nian, they made themselves lose prestige within the Immortal realm camp.

It's simply a case of trying to steal a chicken and ending up losing the rice.

"Senior Brother Yun Ao, if you still think I used despicable means, why don't we have a contest?" Xu Nian sneered and said.

Yun Ao's face looked embarrassed.

He wasn't afraid of Xu Nian, in usual circumstances, he would unhesitatingly accept Xu Nian's provocation.

But now he had more important things to do.

If he suffered too much loss because of Xu Nian, it would be totally counterproductive.

"Hmph, Xu Nian, enjoy your moment for now. I hope you won't be too arrogant." Yun Ao snorted coldly.

Swiftly, he flicked his sleeves and headed toward the Divine Hall doorway.

Zhu Qian and others also gave Xu Nian a furious glare, then followed Yun Ao to leave.

Xu Nian sneered incessantly.

As he had guessed, Yun Ao wouldn't dare to confront him head-on at this time.

"Haha, Junior Brother Xu Nian, you're really amazing, actually made Yun Ao suffer." Wu Yuan laughed heartily.

"Indeed amazing, even the flower of the Demon realm expressed support for you." Zheng Yan laughed, teasingly.

Xu Nian smiled helplessly, turning to look at Ye Siqi.

The latter coldly glanced at Xu Nian, then left with the strong Demon clan members.

Xu Nian smiled helplessly.

Indeed, Ye Siqu still bore great resentment over his control of her body.

Chapter 1610: The Test on the Plaque

"Junior Brother Xu Nian, you really are full of surprises. Even Ye Siqu publicly supports you."

Shangguan Yao walked over to Xu Nian with a smile, expressing her surprise.

Xu Nian shook his head helplessly.

She had been observing the expressions of Xu Nian and Ye Siqu, and their glances just now were enough to reveal a deep story between them.

In the end, Ye Siqu's eyes showed a hint of resentment and anger, but without a trace of killing intent.

Such a look usually only appears towards a nemesis.

Could it be that Ye Siqu has feelings for Xu Nian?

"Sister Shangguan, please don't tease me. Previously, I competed with Ye Siqu for a Divine Medicine and accidentally fell into a space rift. Later, I brought Ye Siqu out of the space rift, effectively saving her life. She promised to help me in the Divine Miracle; it's as simple as that," Xu Nian said with a smile.

Everyone around suddenly understood.

However, Shangguan Yao smiled, thinking that things between Xu Nian and Ye Siqu were not as simple as Xu Nian said.

After all, even if Xu Nian helped Ye Siqu, Ye Siqu wouldn't show such an expression simply to repay him.

Hong Xi also glanced at Xu Nian intentionally or unintentionally but soon looked away.

Xu Nian did not mind this either.

Afterwards, everyone gathered at the entrance of the giant palace.

The palace's doors were forged from an unknown metal, giving an indestructible yet heavy feel.

"The palace doors seem to be made of solid Divine Iron; such a piece of Divine Iron is definitely very rare," Qian Hao from Tianjian Sect couldn't help but say.

Xu Nian nodded in agreement too.

The palace doors were indeed made of Divine Iron.

If used for artifact refining, it could create hundreds of Divine Artifacts.

Xu Nian even had the urge to dismantle and take the palace doors away.

"Seems like entering this palace won't be easy," Wu Yuan couldn't help but say.

Everyone nodded in agreement.

Xu Nian's expression also became more serious.

Engraved on the palace doors were powerful Divine Patterns.

These patterns seemed to be a type of defensive array pattern.

Even attacks from Immortal Emperor Level experts might not break through this door.

"Could it be that the owner of this Divine Miracle is also a Divine Craftsman, a female Divine Craftsman?" Xu Nian said, surprised.

To use Divine Iron for doors and engrave powerful Divine Patterns on them.

Previously, Shangguan Yao mentioned there was an Artifact Refining Divine Dragon Tripod inside the palace, which made Xu Nian suspect that the owner of this Divine Miracle was a Divine Craftsman.

"It's indeed possible," Shangguan Yao said.

These words left everyone around looking surprised.

If the owner of this relic is a Divine Craftsman, then the owner must be extremely wealthy.

For a moment, everyone around showed expressions of delight.

"So, how do we open the palace doors?" someone curiously asked.

"Let me do it!"

A Quasi-Immortal Emperor Level expert from the Demon Clan wielded a giant axe, swinging it to unleash a terrifying Axe Light.

However, his attack dissipated directly upon hitting the palace door.

"Huh?"

Everyone around was surprised.

Can the palace doors absorb attacks?

"Buzz!"

As everyone was amazed,

a powerful energy fluctuation erupted from the palace doors, and the next moment, a terrifying Axe Light shot out from them.

"Boom!"

The Axe Light headed straight for the Demon Clan expert.

The power was even stronger than the Axe Light he had just struck.

The Demon Clan expert promptly summoned a shield to defend.

"Bang!"

The next instant, the Demon Clan expert was sent flying along with his shield, blood gushing from his mouth.

Everyone looked shocked.

Did the palace doors actually reflect the attack and even amplify its power?

"Seems like the palace doors can't be forcibly opened," Chen Han said.

Xu Nian and others nodded in agreement.

The palace doors were engraved with powerful Divine Patterns capable of absorbing and reflecting back the attacker's power.

In a sense, the palace doors were a powerful defensive artifact.

"There should be a way to open these doors; let's look for it," Xu Nian said.

Shangguan Yao and the others nodded and began searching around.

Ye Siqi and the others also started observing the entire palace.

"Look over there!"

At this moment, an expert from the Immortal Realm pointed at the plaque on the palace doors.

That's when everyone noticed the plaque inscribed with the words "Divine Hall."

However, the word "Heaven" on the plaque was missing a horizontal stroke at the bottom.

The three characters exuded a powerful sharp aura, along with a terrifying divine power fluctuation.

"Are we supposed to fill in that horizontal stroke?" someone asked.

"Perhaps that's really it," someone immediately followed up.

"Let me try!" a Netherworld Venerate from the Netherworld said.

The next moment, he struck with a sword.

This sword strike also contained the Wind Attribute Dimension Cutting Law.

"Boom!"

However, the sword left no mark on the plaque.

Seeing this, everyone revealed a look of surprise.

Such a sharp sword, and it didn't even leave a mark?

How hard is this plaque actually?

"This must be a Mid-grade Divine Iron, leaving a mark would be no easy task," Xu Nian said.

"Indeed, even an Immortal Emperor cannot manage it," Qian Hao added.

"Let me try!"

Ye Siqi stepped forward immediately.

She wielded her Ghost Slayer and struck a shallow mark on the Divine Iron.

However, the next instant, the shallow mark bizarrely healed itself.

"It can heal?" everyone looked astonished.

"Junior Brother Xu Nian, try using the Divine Sword you just obtained," Shangguan Yao suggested.

Xu Nian nodded.

He wielded the Divine Sword he had just obtained.

Then activated the Red Scorching Extreme Point Penetration Law.

He struck with the sword, with sharp sword light.

The next moment, the sword carved a deep mark on the plaque.

This Divine Sword was indeed incredibly sharp.

With just one slash, its attack power could be more than doubled.

"Did it work?" everyone showed expressions of surprise.

Everyone was quite pleased.

But the next moment, the mark Xu Nian made began to heal.

"Huh, what's happening?" everyone looked puzzled.

Xu Nian was equally surprised.

Even his attack was ineffective?

"No, it can't be this simple. The owner of this Divine Miracle wouldn't have left such a straight-forward challenge to merely make us leave a sword mark," a Quasi-Immortal Emperor from the Sword Sect in the Immortal Realm said.

Everyone agreed with this statement.

There had to be something more they hadn't comprehended.

Xu Nian looked at the other characters on the plaque.

He sensed that these characters all contained a powerful Sword Intent.

"Embedded within this plaque is a sword move; we're probably meant to use this sword move to leave a mark," Xu Nian said.

"A sword move?"

Upon hearing this, everyone turned to look at the plaque.