

## **Divine King 1941**

### Chapter 1941: Pushing His Luck

Xu Nian saw the five people flying over, and his gaze became a bit colder.

It was clear that his recent battle had caught their attention; he just didn't know how they would handle this matter.

"Mid-stage Divine-level cultivation? Was it the Gold Attribute Eighth Level Major Dao Truth you used just now?" Great Commander Zhu Heng looked at Xu Nian with surprise. His astonishment deepened when he saw that Xu Nian was only at mid-stage Divine-level.

He originally thought it was a team leader who had broken through, but he didn't expect it to be a newcomer at mid-stage Divine-level.

"Yes, it's the Gold Attribute Eighth Level Major Dao Truth," Xu Nian responded indifferently.

With these words, the whole place was immediately in an uproar.

Eighth Level Major Dao Truth?

Is this guy that powerful?

Among those present, only Zhu Heng was at the Ninth Level of the Great Tao Truth, while the other commanders were all at the Eighth Level.

This guy is at mid-stage Divine-level and can achieve the Eighth Level Major Dao Truth?

This is definitely a rare genius!

When he reaches the peak of Divine-level, what level will he attain?

"Which team are you from? Why have I never seen you before?" Zhu Heng asked in surprise.

Has the Vermilion Bird Camp produced a genius?

The other commanders were equally surprised.

"Reporting to the Commander, he's called Xu Nian, from my team. He just ascended from the Lower Realm ten days ago, and this is his first battle," Li Tie stepped forward and said.

"First battle?"

The whole crowd was astonished.

Just ascended ten days ago?

How is this possible?

Zhu Heng and the other commanders were also shocked.

Isn't a newly ascended person supposed to be at the early stage of Divine-level?

How can he be a mid-stage Divine-level person with Eighth Level Major Dao Truth?

This defies common sense!

Xu Nian felt the doubtful gazes from everyone and had to smile and explain, "Reporting to the Commander, I once consumed a miraculous pill that allowed me to break through to Divine-level while at the Immortal Emperor Realm's Soul Realm, so I began to comprehend Major Dao Truth in the Lower Realm."

With these words, everyone finally understood.

Their gazes at Xu Nian were filled with envy.

Who would have thought this guy had such a tremendous fortuitous encounter?

Zhu Heng felt a little puzzled, but in this world, nothing is impossible, so such things are understandable.

Even so, being able to kill someone at the peak of Divine-level with mid-stage Divine-level cultivation, the cultivation technique must be extraordinary.

"So that's how it is. Since you have the strength to kill the opponent's commander and have made such meritorious achievements, when we return, I will report to the lord and have him evaluate you for commander status. As long as you pass the assessment, you will have the qualification to be promoted to commander," Zhu Heng said.

Upon hearing this, everyone cast envious glances at Xu Nian.

Just ascended, and about to be promoted to commander?

This is sensational!

Even Li Tie was surprised, but in his heart, he was glad to have befriended Xu Nian.

"Haha, doesn't that mean our Vermilion Bird Camp will gain another commander? And a genius commander at that! This is great news!" Second Commander Xie Guang laughed heartily.

"Indeed it is good news. Xu Nian, once you are promoted to commander, we will be brothers," Fourth Commander Liu Yuan added.

"Haha, then congratulations to your camp for gaining such a genius. Brother Xu Nian, I'm Guo Cong, the person in charge of the North Mountain Mining Area. You can call me Brother Guo," Guo Cong immediately approached to befriend Xu Nian.

"Nice to meet you, Brother Guo," Xu Nian replied with a smile.

"Haha, good. If you have any problems in the future, feel free to come to Brother Guo," Guo Cong laughed.

Xu Nian nodded with a smile.

He knew that Guo Cong was just being friendly, and those words were not to be taken seriously.

Moreover, he didn't have anything to ask of Guo Cong.

"Being able to reach mid-stage Divine-level with Eighth Level Realm comprehension just after ascending to the Divine World is indeed genius, but whether one can become a commander is another matter, as commander tests aren't that simple."

At this moment, a cold and somewhat mocking voice rang out.

Everyone turned toward the voice, only to see Third Commander Wei Qing expressing with disdain.

The crowd around immediately changed their expressions, showing fear.

Those who initially wanted to befriend Xu Nian quickly dismissed the idea.

"This Wei Qing is ruthless, fond of killing and beauty. More importantly, he has a deep relationship with the Vice Lord, so everyone in the Vermilion Bird Camp fears him. Even Great Commander Zhu Heng would appease him. Previously, Xiao Wu and others wanted to present your wife to him," Li Tie relayed via soul transmission to Xu Nian.

Xu Nian understood Wei Qing's position in the Vermilion Bird Camp.

However, as long as Wei Qing didn't go after Zhao Yanyun, he naturally wouldn't actively antagonize him.

"Thank you for the reminder, Third Commander. If I really can't pass the commander test, then it's because my abilities are lacking," Xu Nian responded calmly.

"Hmph, as long as you understand," Wei Qing snorted coldly.

He originally wanted to provoke this guy named Xu Nian to see how capable he was.

But unexpectedly, Xu Nian was afraid right away, making Wei Qing look down on him even more.

However, just as he was about to turn and leave, he noticed Zhao Yanyun, who had disguised herself, and his eyes lit up.

Who would have thought that beneath this ordinary appearance was a stunning beauty?

"You, come over here!" Wei Qing said with a charming smile to Zhao Yanyun.

Upon hearing this, Xu Nian immediately frowned.

Li Tie couldn't help but feel something was wrong.

"What for?" Zhao Yanyun instinctively asked without moving a step.

"I told you to come over. Didn't you understand?" Wei Qing shouted angrily, and a powerful divine pressure pressed toward Zhao Yanyun.

Someone actually dared to disobey his order?

All the divine beings around shook their heads in resignation.

This woman is in trouble.

All the women Wei Qing set his eyes on had no good ending.

However, just as Zhao Yanyun felt the immense pressure, Xu Nian suddenly stepped forward, standing in front of her, dispersing all the pressure in an instant.

"Third Commander, she is my wife. If you have any orders, feel free to tell me," Xu Nian responded with a calm face, showing no emotion.

The surrounding Divine-level experts looked surprised.

Is this woman Xu Nian's wife?

This is going to be interesting.

Soon, most people showed expressions of watching a show.

This included Zhu Heng, Xie Guang, Liu Yuan, and Guo Cong.

Clearly, they had no intention of speaking for Xu Nian.

Some even secretly jealous of Xu Nian had schadenfreude expressions.

"Your wife? Then from today on, she won't be. Xu Nian, you are a smart person, don't ruin your future and life over a woman," Wei Qing said with disdain.

He didn't consider Xu Nian at all.

Everyone turned their eyes toward Xu Nian, clearly wanting to see how Xu Nian would choose.

If Xu Nian agreed to Wei Qing, he could never hold his head high in the Vermilion Bird Camp again.

If Xu Nian refused, he would completely offend Wei Qing.

So no matter the choice, Xu Nian would be in a desperate situation.

Li Tie shook his head secretly, indeed a beauty is a curse.

"So, what does the Third Commander mean?" Xu Nian asked with a cold smile.

"Offer your woman to me, and I'll spare your life. Otherwise, today will be your death day, and you won't even have a chance to participate in the commander assessment," Wei Qing threatened with disdain.

Xu Nian was immediately enraged, then laughed.

What a sparing of his life.

It seemed that his continuous concessions only led to further demands.

In that case, he'd carve a path forward.

Chapter 1942: Battle Against Zhu Heng

"What? Are you planning to rebel? Don't think that just because you have the Eighth Level Major Dao Truth you're so powerful; I can kill you as easily as slaughtering a chicken." Wei Qing said disdainfully.

He didn't regard Xu Nian at all.

"Try it and you'll see who kills whom like slaughtering a chicken." Xu Nian sneered, eyes full of contempt.

Initially, he didn't want to cause trouble, but Wei Qing had clearly crossed his line.

Since that's the case, he naturally couldn't tolerate it anymore.

Even if he has to become an enemy to the entire Black Mountain Territory, he must slay Wei Qing.

"Very well, since you're seeking death, I'll grant your wish." Wei Qing shouted.

A long spear instantly appeared in his hand, thrusting forward, stirring heaven and earth, carrying the boundless momentum of the universe towards Xu Nian.

This thrust was incredibly swift, seemingly transforming into a blazing beam of light.

"That's the Light Annihilation from the Third Commander. Didn't expect the Third Commander to use his ultimate move right away, clearly determined to annihilate Xu Nian," the surrounding crowd exclaimed in shock.

Wei Qing coming with such a deadly maneuver, wondering if Xu Nian could withstand it.

Li Tie's complexion was pale, sighing endlessly inside.

This Xu Nian is still too young; why bother over a woman?

Isn't living well enough?

Zhu Heng and others were watching as if enjoying a show.

Even Guo Cong, who used to say to come find him for any matter, stood aside, showing no intention of intervening.

Xu Nian, seeing this speeding light-like thrust, curled the corners of his mouth into a faint smile.

Eighth Level of Light Tao True Meaning?

This level of understanding might not be low, but ultimately it's lacking for Xu Nian.

"Is this all you've got?" Xu Nian smiled contemptuously.

Then boldly thrust a sword forward.

As the sword struck, golden radiance surged, containing the ultimate sharp aura of Gold Attribute Tao Truth.

"Boom!"

The Top-Grade Divine Artifact, White Rainbow Spear in Wei Qing's hand instantly shattered, and his entire being was sent flying at great speed by the impact, his chest pierced through by one sword, severely injured.

"Pfft!"

Wei Qing spat out a mouthful of blood, crashing into a distant boulder, leaving a huge crack even in his Top-grade Divine Armor.

"What?" The surrounding crowd was stunned.

Such a scene was beyond anyone's expectations.

Even Zhu Heng, Guo Cong, and others were astonished.

Wei Qing was incredibly horrified at this moment, looking at the crack in the chest of his Top-grade Divine Armor with utmost fear.

To have the Top-grade Divine Armor pierced through, what terrifying destructive power is this?

If it weren't for the Divine Armor blocking most of the force, he might have already been dead.

This Xu Nian's power is too frightening.

"You've reached the extreme of Great Tao Truth?" Wei Qing asked with a face full of shock and anger.

The extreme of Great Tao Truth?

Among the Four Great Camps, perhaps only the Great Commander of Azure Dragon Camp has reached such a level?

How could a newly ascended kid reach this tier?

The surrounding crowd was even more terrified.

The extreme of Great Tao Truth?

Isn't that just a step away from Heavenly Dao?

Many of them haven't even passed the threshold of Great Tao Truth; even if they have comprehended it, it is merely at the First or Second Level.

Reaching Fifth or Sixth Level already places one among the elite.

Yet the extreme of Great Tao Truth is the pinnacle of those below God.

The key is that Xu Nian is only at Mid-stage Divine-level.

"Hmph, didn't you say killing me is like slaughtering a chicken? Now you look like an ant beside me. You dared covet my wife; today you will die without question." Xu Nian snorted coldly.

Then, using the Low Grade Divine Sword in his hand, he slashed out once more.

The sword radiance was sharp, surpassing the previous stab.

As this sword fell, Wei Qing would undoubtedly die.

Wei Qing was utterly shocked, feeling a terror of death at this moment.

"Stop!"

Just then, a figure suddenly appeared in front of Wei Qing, slashing out with a blade, tearing the void, forcefully blocking Xu Nian's sword radiance.

"It's the Great Commander; the Great Commander has intervened," the surrounding crowd exclaimed.

Indeed, the Great Commander couldn't watch Wei Qing be killed.

Xu Nian frowned, but quickly his gaze became fierce.

"You want to get involved?" Xu Nian asked coldly.

Facing the so-called Great Commander, he didn't feel any fear.

"You cannot kill him," Zhu Heng said domineeringly, his eyes also carried a coldness as he looked at Xu Nian.

"Why not, because he's well acquainted with the Vice Lord?" Xu Nian asked.

"Yes, he's the Vice Lord's cousin; you cannot kill him," Zhu Heng replied.

"What if I insist on killing him?" Xu Nian's gaze became sharp.

"Then you can only die." Zhu Heng replied coldly, a hint of killing intent flashed in his eyes.

Xu Nian's eyes instantly surged with killing intent.

No one can stop him today; Wei Qing must die.

"Hmph!"

Zhu Heng snorted coldly, taking a step forward, his figure instantly shattering the void.

With a sudden strike, sword Qi swept across ten thousand miles, directly cleaving towards Xu Nian.

The surrounding crowd retreated.

The Great Commander personally made a move.

He's the strongest warrior of the Vermilion Bird Camp; even among the Four Great Camps, he ranks in the top three.

Could Xu Nian really withstand this?

Xu Nian also sensed a sharp and overwhelming sword Qi.

This sword Qi carried the formidable might of Great Tao.

The comprehension level of Wind Attribute Tao True Meaning was also approaching the limit.

At this moment, as the blade struck, rolling Great Tao Qi was dragged by the blade, pouring down upon Xu Nian.

The terror of this prowess is imaginable.

Of course, Xu Nian was no slouch either, instantly enveloping his Divine Sword with the extreme of Gold Attribute Tao Truth.

A supreme sharpness directly sliced out.

The two terrifying sword Qi instantly clashed, forming a terrifying energy impact.

The frightening energy waves instantly knocked many of the surrounding people to the ground.

The surrounding crowd was stunned seeing such a scene.

Is this the duel of the Peak of Divine level?

Xu Nian actually blocked it?

Xu Nian and Zhu Heng both kept their distance, confronting each other.

"Clang!"

The next instant, they clashed again.

Sword Qi and blade Qi scattered like a raging storm.

This scattered sword Qi and blade Qi left huge trenches on the ground and Divine Stones.

The cuts were astonishingly smooth.

The surrounding crowd watched dumbstruck; the Divine World's land and stones were extremely tough.

A full-force strike only left a shallow mark.

Yet before these two, the scattered sword Qi and blade Qi were so terrifying.

"Clang!"

Another collision.

The two retreated again.

For a moment, there seemed to be an evenly matched stance.

Xu Nian looked at the Low Grade Divine Sword in his hand, now covered entirely with cracks.

Apparently, using a Low Grade Divine Sword to fight a Top-grade Divine Sword of a Divine-level extreme powerhouse was indeed insufficient.

"Your prowess is commendable, but unfortunately, your weapon is too poor. You intend to compete with me with just a Low Grade Divine Sword?" Zhu Heng said coldly.

Admittedly, Xu Nian's strength is genuinely formidable.

Not just the Great Tao Truth, but his Divine Power's quality and quantity were comparable to his.

His cultivation technique, clearly not simple.

Upon hearing this, Xu Nian chuckled, beckoning a Top-grade Divine Artifact into his hand with a gesture.

Then he directly slashed out with a sword.

One Slash Blue Sky.

The next moment Zhu Heng's face changed dramatically, for he could sense a terrifying pressure from this slash.

Zhu Heng resisted with all his might, but was still sent flying by Xu Nian's sword, spewing blood.

The surrounding crowd was utterly stunned at this scene.

Guo Cong and others were also shocked.

But the most horrified was still Wei Qing, realizing that he seemed to have kicked iron.

Chapter 1943: Heavenly Dao Sword God Gang

Xu Nian actually defeated the Great Commander Zhu Heng?

Zhu Heng, the Great Commander, is a Peak of Divine level expert. He's undeniably one of the top three in the Black Mountain Territory, excluding the Lord and Vice Lord.

Yet now he's been defeated by someone who just ascended less than a month ago?

This is going to turn the world upside down!

Zhu Heng, clutching his chest, looked at Xu Nian in shock.

The sword strike just now had definitely surpassed the usual limits of the Great Tao.

Although it hadn't broken through to the Heavenly Dao, the Sword Intent contained within was extremely terrifying.

He seriously doubted that this guy in front of him was just a newly ascended rookie.

If Xu Nian hadn't held back intentionally, Zhu Heng would probably be dead by now.

Even now, he doesn't have the strength to fight anymore.

"Thank you for sparing me." Zhu Heng got up with difficulty and said.

As soon as these words came out, the whole place burst into an uproar.

To spare his life?

Does that mean Xu Nian held back?

Is Xu Nian's strength actually this terrifying?

The crowd around looked at Xu Nian with awe in their eyes.

But Xu Nian ignored Zhu Heng and walked towards Wei Qing.

Guo Cong seemed to want to step forward and say something, but Xu Nian turned and glanced at him.

The latter immediately swallowed his words.

After all, if Xu Nian can defeat Zhu Heng, he can surely defeat him too.

Xu Nian's mercy might not extend to him.

"What do you want? My brother is the Vice Lord, a God-level expert. If you kill me, he definitely won't let you go." At this moment, Wei Qing finally felt scared.

Yet Xu Nian paid no heed to his words.

With one step forward, his figure turned into a stream of light.

In the next moment, the sword light flashed and disappeared, instantly piercing through Wei Qing.

"No!"

Wei Qing had no chance to react before his body was torn apart.

Even in death, Wei Qing couldn't believe he would die here.

The surroundings fell silent.

Everyone was somewhat surprised; Xu Nian actually killed Wei Qing.

This is going to cause a huge issue!

The Vice Lord definitely won't let him off.

The Vice Lord is a formidable Early Level of God expert, far beyond the Peak of Divine level strong people.

No matter how strong Xu Nian might be, he couldn't possibly be a match for a God-level expert.

Yet Xu Nian felt not an ounce of regret.

"Today I, Xu Nian, declare that anyone who dares harbor thoughts about my wife will meet their end without a burial place, whoever they may be." Xu Nian said domineeringly.

Everyone was deeply shaken.

Xu Nian is so protective of his wife.

Zhao Yanyun felt moved upon hearing this.

"Thank you, husband." Zhao Yanyun walked beside Xu Nian, having now restored her unparalleled beauty.

"Why say thank you to me?" Xu Nian smiled slightly.

Zhao Yanyun, hearing this, immediately gave a breathtaking smile.

Her smile was like the first ray of sunshine on the snowy mountains in winter, stunning and striking.

Seeing this, everyone around was deeply moved.

Perhaps only a powerhouse like Xu Nian could have such a beauty as his companion.

...

Afterwards, Xu Nian returned to the Vermilion Bird Camp, continuing to choose seclusion.

His fame spread throughout the Black Mountain Territory.

Of course, his defeating Zhu Heng and killing Wei Qing shocked everyone too.

However, coincidentally, the Vice Lord was in seclusion, so Wei Qing's death didn't cause much of a stir yet.

No one came to trouble him, so Xu Nian naturally enjoyed the peace.

At the moment, he hadn't entered the Chaos Divine Palace, but stood with his Divine Sword in his courtyard.

Zhao Yanyun entered the Chaos Divine Palace to continue absorbing Divine Origin Liquid.

Xu Nian had already taken his fourth and last Arhat Fruit.

Xu Nian stood with his Divine Sword, sensing the mysteries of the Gold attribute Great Tao around him.

He remained still in the courtyard, like a statue.

He had been standing there for a whole month.

Throughout the month, he maintained this posture.

If anyone were present, they'd surely be puzzled about what he was doing.

At that moment, Xu Nian suddenly moved.

He abruptly opened his eyes, revealing boundless brilliance.

Yet he swung his Divine Sword down.

Sword Qi formed a very thin golden line.

The golden line fell, instantly slicing the courtyard wall in front of Xu Nian in half.

Moreover, it left a ten-zhang deep trench from beneath his feet to the courtyard wall's ground.

The trench was extremely thin, only as wide as a finger.

But its depth was ten zhang.

Remember, this was the Divine World, where the soil's hardness at the Divine level was incredibly formidable.

Previously, when Xu Nian struck with all his might, it might only leave a three-foot mark on the ground.

Now a single sword strike is ten zhang deep, and splitting the courtyard wall, whose toughness was comparable to Top-Grade Artifact Level, with a slit, the destructive power is terrifying.

"Breakthrough? Is this the Sword God Gang formed from the Heavenly Dao Power?" Xu Nian was excited as he saw the destruction he caused.

Once specializing in Heavenly Dao, one can integrate its Power into the weapon, creating a formidable Divine Gang.

Xu Nian's weapon is a sword, thus he employs Sword God Gang.

"With my current Divine Power to deploy Sword God Gang, even a Low Grade Divine Artifact can be easily sliced. If I break through to God-level, with God Power, the Sword God Gang's might will be even stronger," Xu Nian joyfully said to himself.

Just now, his Gold attribute insight finally broke through to the Heavenly Dao level.

He now barely counts as the First-level Heavenly Dao.

His strength has been elevated to a whole new level.

With his current power, an Early Level of God expert, unless they've mastered the Heavenly Dao, he can definitely kill them.

"Breaking through to the Heavenly Dao level really makes one feel the infinite mysteries of the world. What was once called the Law Great Tao is merely basic," Xu Nian said with a sigh.

Now he's at the Heavenly Dao Level.

He can clearly feel his connection to the world.

He can mobilize the immense Power of the World with every move.

This power's strength is far beyond the previous Great Tao.

"Now I'm just at the First-level Heavenly Dao, and this power is already vast. I wonder how terrifying the Peak of Heavenly Dao will be, or the Luo God Heavenly Dao above the Heavenly Dao?" Xu Nian mused to himself.

Compared to this Heavenly Dao Power, his own strength is just a trigger.

This personal strength is too insignificant.

"If my Wind attribute, Earth attribute, Water and Fire attribute, and even spatial attribute can also break through to the Heavenly Dao level, wouldn't I be even stronger?" Xu Nian considered this and immediately let his main body and Divine Demon Avatar continue to comprehend the Wind and Earth attributes.

As for the Water and Fire Heavenly Dao breakthrough, Xu Nian plans to put it aside for now.

"Xu Nian, it's bad news, the Vice Lord has come out of seclusion and wants you to come over."

Just as Xu Nian was about to continue his seclusion cultivation.

Li Tie suddenly sent a message to Xu Nian.

Xu Nian frowned upon hearing this.

However, he still chose to leave his courtyard.

Chapter 1944: Third Lord

In the central area of the Black Mountain Territory, there is a gigantic mansion.

This mansion is located at the center of the four cities in the southeast, northwest, and is extremely grand and majestic.

Xu Nian, led by Li Tie, arrived at the center of the mansion in a large hall.

At this moment, a middle-aged man was sitting in the hall, his sword-like eyebrows sharp and his gaze exceedingly cold and dominating.

From the moment Xu Nian entered the hall, this middle-aged man had been observing him.

Sitting at the main seat, he exuded an incredibly powerful pressure.

His eyes, like a blade, pierced into Xu Nian's body.

"Vice Lord, Xu Nian has been brought," Li Tie said apprehensively, his eyes full of respect.

"Leave now." The middle-aged man spoke.

Li Tie hesitated for a moment but then chose to leave.

Before leaving, he glanced at Xu Nian, seemingly suggesting that Xu Nian should admit his mistakes.

Xu Nian naturally understood Li Tie's thoughts, but he certainly wouldn't do as Li Tie wished.

With Li Tie leaving, only Xu Nian and the Vice Lord were left in the hall.

"I heard you defeated Zhu Heng?" the Vice Lord asked.

"Yes!" Xu Nian replied neither humbly nor arrogantly.

"And I also heard you killed Wei Qing?" The Vice Lord's eyes narrowed slightly, and his gaze towards Xu Nian turned sinister.

"Yes!" Xu Nian continued to respond, neither humble nor arrogant.

"Then are you aware of Wei Qing's relationship with me?" A murderous intention surged in the Vice Lord's eyes.

"I am aware." Xu Nian replied.

"Knowing that, you still dared to kill?" The Vice Lord instantly shouted.

A wave of God-level authority instantly pressured towards Xu Nian.

Xu Nian's form remained unmoved like a mountain, unaffected by this immense pressure.

This scene directly changed the expression on the Vice Lord's face.

"I have said, anyone who dares to have designs on my wife must die, even if it's you, Vice Lord," Xu Nian's eyes stared at the Vice Lord, sharp as sword blades.

The Vice Lord met Xu Nian's gaze, his eyes dark with murderous intent.

"It seems you are quite confident in your strength. Do you think you have the assurance to kill me?" Suddenly, the Vice Lord raised his brow and asked.

"The Vice Lord may give it a try," Xu Nian calmly responded.

"Very well, then let me test your true capability," the Vice Lord coldly snorted.

Immediately, he used his hand as a blade and struck out a Sword Light.

A Sword Light infused with God Power, its power much greater than a typical Peak of Divine-level Strong People.

Even without containing the True Intent of the Great Tao, this strike is stronger than Zhu Heng's full-powered attack.

God Power, how terrifying its might is.

If Xu Nian had faced this blow before his breakthrough, it might have been difficult, but now he has broken through to the Heavenly Dao level.

Xu Nian did not summon a weapon, instead, he used his finger as a sword.

With a flick of his finger, an immense force of the universe's Heavenly Dao instantly merged into his finger.

With one finger, it instantly became the horrifying Heavenly Dao Sword God Gang.

"Bang!"

The Vice Lord's Sword Light instantly exploded.

"What? Sword God Gang? You've broken through to the Heavenly Dao?" Instantly, the Vice Lord's eyes widened, astonished as he looked at Xu Nian.

He himself had not yet broken through to the Heavenly Dao level, even though he was just a hair's breadth away, that tiny bit might take centuries, even a millennium to break through.

Yet the young man before him, records show, had only ascended for a little over a month.

And not long ago, he was seemingly only at Great Tao Truth Ninth Level.

"Does the Vice Lord still think I am not qualified to have a battle?" Xu Nian coldly questioned.

The Vice Lord fell into contemplation.

Xu Nian's breakthrough to the Heavenly Dao, having condensed Sword Dao Divine Gang, if they really fight, he might not win.

Also, it's rumored the cultivation technique practiced by this youth is extremely unusual.

"Haha, I never thought our Black Mountain Territory would produce such a peerless genius; this is truly a cause for great joy."

At this moment, a wild man in black clothing appeared in the hall like a mirage.

"Middle Stage of God?" Xu Nian immediately sensed the dangerous aura on the man.

Xu Nian instantly guessed the identity of the newcomer, who was indeed the Great Lord of the Black Mountain Territory.

This instinctively made Xu Nian feel wary.

The Great Lord's strength is considerable, Middle Stage of God, and it is evident that he has already broken through the Heavenly Dao level, possibly more than First Level.

"Brother Xu Nian, you don't need to be overly tense. My second brother just wanted to test your strength earlier, not truly engage with you," the Great Commander said with a smile.

Xu Nian was stunned upon hearing this, surprised as he looked towards the Vice Lord.

The latter's murderous intent had already receded, his gaze towards Xu Nian became calm.

"My brother is correct, though I am cousins with Wei Qing by family, he has always used my status to show off; I have no real brotherly affection for him," the Vice Lord said.

Xu Nian furrowed his brows upon hearing this, unsure if the Vice Lord was speaking the truth or not.

"Since the Vice Lord is not avenging Wei Qing, then what is the purpose of summoning me here?" Xu Nian asked.

"Haha, this is my intention. Originally, I intended for the Vice Lord to test you before appointing you as the Great Commander of the Vermilion Bird Camp, but it seems there is no need now," the Great Lord laughed.

"No need?" Xu Nian was somewhat puzzled.

"Haha, Brother Xu Nian, from today onwards, you will be our Black Mountain Territory's Third Lord; how about it? Are you willing?" the Great Lord laughed.

The Vice Lord also glanced at Xu Nian, his eyes unemotional.

Xu Nian was stunned.

Third Lord?

Doesn't this mean his status has instantly surpassed Zhu Heng?

This appointment was indeed unexpected for Xu Nian.

"I understand that Brother Xu Nian might have some concerns, but since we've decided to recruit you, we'll be honest. Our Black Mountain Territory's current situation is not good. Wuwan Valley and Ice Snow Mountain now have at least four or more God-level Experts, and soon we face a challenge from Tianyu Mountain. So, we sincerely invite you to become a lord," the Great Lord sincerely said.

"A challenge from Tianyu Mountain?" Xu Nian was somewhat surprised.

"Yes, Tianyu Mountain is going to select from among thirty-six factions, each must choose three strongest fighters to compete, and the top ten factions will receive Tianyu Mountain's resources, while the bottom ten will face punishment," the Great Lord said.

"What was Black Mountain Territory's previous ranking?" Xu Nian asked.

"Twenty-seventh," the Deputy Commander said.

"That's ninth from last?" Xu Nian was somewhat surprised.

"Indeed, so our Black Mountain Territory is in significant danger. The punishment from Tianyu Mountain is very severe, and it could lead to the complete destruction of the Black Mountain Territory," the Great Commander said gravely.

Xu Nian immediately understood upon hearing this.

The Great Commander hopes he would participate in this challenge, fighting for Black Mountain Territory.

"Alright, I agree to become the Third Lord, but I have one condition," Xu Nian thought for a moment and said.

"Alright, speak your mind!" The Great Commander immediately nodded.

"I want Black Mountain Territory to help me find an Artifact Refining Material called Red Moon Snow Gold," Xu Nian said.

"Red Moon Snow Gold? Such a coincidence?" The Great Commander and Deputy Commander both were startled, then exchanged a glance.

Chapter 1945: Divine Demon Avatar Ascends to Godhood

"Do the two lords know about the Red Moon Snow Gold?" Xu Nian asked in surprise.

Clearly, judging by their expressions, they must have heard of this item.

Now, among the three materials needed to refine a God-level Puppet, he already possesses Tianxuan Golden Sand and Glazed Jade.

What he lacks now is the Red Moon Snow Gold.

If he can get the Red Moon Snow Gold, he can completely refine the God-level Puppet.

Below the Luo God Level, it would be difficult to harm him.

In this way, he would also have a certain degree of self-protection.

"Yes, but the Red Moon Snow Gold is an extremely rare material. We've only seen it before but haven't acquired it," said the Great Lord.

"Seen it? Where did you see it?" Xu Nian asked curiously.

"We once ventured into the ruins of a powerful inheritance, and saw a piece of Red Moon Snow Gold, but in the end, it was obtained by the lord of Ice Snow Mountain, Lu Qingyue," said the Great Lord.

"Lu Qingyue? A woman?" Xu Nian asked in surprise.

"Yes, Lu Qingyue is the only woman in Ice Snow Mountain. Although not the Great Lord, her strength is undoubtedly the first in Ice Snow Mountain, having reached the late stage of God Level. Moreover, she broke through to the Heavenly Dao Level thirty thousand years ago. To know she's only been cultivating for fifty thousand years to date, she's the most outstanding genius of Ice Snow Mountain," said the Great Lord.

"Well, thank you for informing me, Great Lord. Now that I've received news of the Red Moon Snow Gold, the condition is fulfilled, and I'm willing to become the Third Lord of Black Mountain Territory," Xu Nian responded.

Becoming a lord had no downside for him.

Since he had just arrived in the Divine World, he needed a certain influence as a foothold.

All he needed to do now was to focus on cultivation.

"Great, you don't have to call me Great Lord anymore. My name is Song Ren; just call me Brother Song. He's Fang Yu; you can call him Second Brother Fang," Song Ren said, looking excited.

With Xu Nian's addition, their Black Mountain Territory has another hope to rid itself of the bottom ten rankings.

Although the hope was still small, he had no other choice now.

"Alright, Brother Song, Second Brother Fang, I have another request," Xu Nian said.

"By all means, as long as we can do it, we'll give it our all," said Song Ren.

"I want Brother Song to help me find someone. Her name is Leng Yanran, she's my wife. But she ascended to the Divine World before me, and now we are lost," Xu Nian said.

"Alright, leave it to me. However, the Divine World is vast, and finding news of your wife won't be an easy task," Song Ren promptly responded.

Finding someone was no difficult matter to him.

"Brother Song just needs to help search; whether we find her or not depends on fate," Xu Nian said.

Song Ren nodded.

"By the way, how long until the Tianyu Mountain assessment?" Xu Nian asked.

"One hundred years left, which is quite close. During this time, Xu Nian, you don't need to do anything, just focus on cultivation," Song Ren said.

"One hundred years? Alright, notify me when it's time," Xu Nian said and left the main hall.

Song Ren arranged a new residence for Xu Nian at the central mansion.

Xu Nian did not refuse.

Thereafter, Song Ren announced Xu Nian's appointment as the Third Lord.

This instantly shook the entire Black Mountain Territory.

Apart from the Vermilion Bird Camp, the other three camps began to inquire about who Xu Nian was.

When they learned that he was merely a newly ascended New God for just over a month, they all showed astonished expressions.

Of course, some were not convinced of Xu Nian becoming a lord.

However, Xu Nian, after becoming a lord, immediately chose to go into seclusion.

Time flew by, three years passed.

While in the Chaos Divine Palace, Xu Nian spent three thousand years.

Throughout these three thousand years, Xu Nian was seeking breakthroughs in Wind Attribute and Earth Attribute Heavenly Dao.

Yet, he was always just a hair away.

Contrarily, the cultivation of the Nine Infant Avatar successfully broke through to the late stage Divine Level with the aid of the Divine Origin Liquid.

"Forget it, I'll have the Divine Demon Avatar breakthrough to Divine Level first, as for breaking through to Heavenly Dao, I'll worry about that later," Xu Nian murmured to himself.

Then, he walked out of the Chaos Divine Palace.

He began to promote the cultivation of the Divine Demon Avatar to breakthrough.

For his current strength, having the Divine Demon Avatar breakthrough was extremely easy.

"Boom!"

Sure enough, as the Divine Demon Avatar circulated the Ancient Demon Technique, it successfully broke through to Divine Level.

Since he himself had already crossed the Divine Tribulation, the avatar's breakthrough did not need to cross it again.

Soon, a mighty wave of Divine Power resonated through the heavens and earth.

"Is this a Heaven and Earth Phenomenon, Godhood descends? Someone broke through to Divine Level?"

The commotion immediately drew everyone's attention.

Everyone showed curious expressions, wondering who it was.

They believed there was no one below Divine Level in Black Mountain Territory?

Even Song Ren and Fang Yu were startled.

"In that direction is Xu Nian's residence; hasn't he already reached Divine Level?" Fang Yu said with a puzzled expression.

"Let's go, it's best to check it out," Song Ren said.

The two immediately became beams of light and appeared above Xu Nian's residence.

At this moment, in Xu Nian's courtyard, an earth-colored clothed Xu Nian was sitting cross-legged in the air.

Above the Heavenly Dome, an endless surge of Earth Attribute aura rolled in, overwhelmingly heavy.

"It really is him," Fang Yu said in surprise.

"No, this Xu Nian's aura is entirely different from what we've seen before," Song Ren said.

"Indeed, the Xu Nian we saw before was sharp and fierce, and the true form should be a Demon Beast. The Xu Nian we see now has Earth's heaviness and even carries an aura of Ancient Demon," Fang Yu said.

"Brother Song, Second Brother Fang, this is my avatar, which just now broke through to Divine Level. I'm sorry for the disturbance; please pardon me," Xu Nian's Nine Infant Avatar said, appearing before the two.

"I see, it's unexpected that Brother Xu Nian has an Ancient Demon Avatar. This avatar is remarkable, as it naturally ascended to God, with limitless potential for the future," Song Ren smiled and said.

Fang Yu nodded in agreement.

Though they spoke these words, they didn't truly think much of it.

Avatar?

This technique isn't considered advanced in the Divine World.

In their view, Xu Nian's comprehension of two Great Tao methods is a mere waste of time and energy.

It would be better to consolidate one's soul and comprehend one.

Of course, they wouldn't say this in Xu Nian's presence.

"Brother Song overrates me," Xu Nian replied.

Naturally, he guessed what Song Ren and the others were thinking.

Yet, he didn't mind, continuing to follow his heart on his cultivation journey was enough.

"In this case, we won't disturb Brother Xu Nian further. I'll give the order; no one is to approach this place," Song Ren said.

"Thank you, Brother Song!" Xu Nian expressed his gratitude.

Song Ren nodded and left with Fang Yu.

Xu Nian watched the two leave, then turned his gaze back to his Divine Demon Avatar that was beginning to integrate with the Godhood, deciding not to reenter the Chaos Divine Palace, and sat cross-legged in the courtyard, silently guarding the Divine Demon Avatar.

Chapter 1946: Feng Ye Master

At this moment, the Divine Demon Avatar's soul origin was fusing with the Godhood bit by bit.

This fusion process wasn't actually very long.

Because this Godhood had been condensed by the Heavenly Dao based on Xu Nian's soul origin, the fusion only needed a short 15 minutes.

After the fusion succeeded, Divine Light would descend.

For Xu Nian, this was absolutely a tremendous opportunity.

Xu Nian madly circulated the Ancient Demon Technique and began absorbing this powerful earth attribute Divine Power.

The Ancient Demon Technique was already a top-tier cultivation technique, and with Xu Nian's Divine Demon Avatar having fused with Ancient Demon True Blood, its absorption speed at this moment was in no way weaker than the Nine Infant Avatar's.

The entire absorption process lasted for a full five days and nights.

Xu Nian's cultivation directly rose to Late Stage Divine Level.

And after stepping into Divine-level, the Divine Demon Avatar's physical body had already reached a terrifying degree of strength.

With one punch, his own power was enough to rival the Divine Power of a Peak of Divine level Strong People.

Once the Earth Attribute Heavenly Dao broke through, that power would definitely be extremely terrifying as well.

"As expected, after the Divine Demon Avatar broke through to Divine-level, its strength made a qualitative leap. This is the true Divine Demon Body. Once it reaches God Level, the flesh will become even stronger." Xu Nian muttered to himself internally.

Of course, the strongest aspect was still the Divine Demon Avatar's regenerative power.

In terms of survivability, the Divine Demon Avatar was in no way weaker than the Nine Infant Avatar.

After sensing all of this, Xu Nian once again collected the Divine Demon Avatar into the Chaos Divine Palace.

He planned to let the Divine Demon Avatar continue absorbing Divine Origin Liquid and push its cultivation to Late Stage Divine Level.

At the same time, it would continue comprehending the Heavenly Dao, aiming to break through again in a short time.

The Nine Infant Avatar did not enter the Chaos Divine Palace again, but instead held the Divine Sword and practiced sword in the courtyard.

Xu Nian's sword training was very simple, just one move: Sword Slash!

This Sword Slash had no trace of flourish to it, and looked no different from an ordinary person's chopping strike.

But every slash Xu Nian executed could draw upon Heavenly Dao Power and form a terrifying Sword God Gang.

One sword, two swords, ten swords... ten thousand swords... a million swords...

No one knew how many slashes he swung; it might have been a hundred million, or perhaps ten billion.

Xu Nian had completely fallen into a kind of mad-demon state.

As his sword slashed out again and again, his Heavenly Dao Sword God Gang became ever more fierce.

Originally, one sword could only cleave a Low Grade Divine Artifact, but now he could cut a Mid-grade Heavenly Divine Artifact in half with a single strike.

"Although I haven't broken through to Second-level Heavenly Dao, the power of the Sword God Gang has already reached the First Level limit. It's just a hair's breadth from a breakthrough. With my full-strength sword now, I should be able to reach the One Level Power that Yetian God Emperor mentioned." Xu Nian muttered in his heart.

During this period, Xu Nian had once again sought guidance from Emperor Ye Tian.

He also heard a new term from Emperor Ye Tian's mouth—Ji (Extreme).

According to Emperor Ye Tian, "Ji" was an extremely large unit of measure for quantity.

Among Early Level of God experts, those able to reach One Level Power were extremely few.

Those who could reach One Level Power possessed truly terrifying might.

And now, this sword of Xu Nian's just about reached the degree of one "Ji".

"If I can break through to Second-level Heavenly Dao, I should be able to reach Ten Extremes." Xu Nian murmured inwardly.

Through Emperor Ye Tian's explanation, he also gained a clear understanding of his own power.

Xu Nian put away the Divine Sword and went to take a bath.

During this time, he again sank his mind into the Chaos Divine Palace.

Zhao Yanyun was still in cultivation, but her cultivation had already broken through to Mid-stage Divine-level, and her comprehension of the Great Tao True Meaning should have already reached the Third Level.

Because her Godhood itself contained the Great Tao, she comprehended it very quickly.

Once she completely comprehended all the fragments within the Godhood, her speed afterward would be much slower than naturally comprehending on her own.

This was also the drawback of Refining Divine Status.

However, Xu Nian had previously probed that the comprehension level within Zhao Yanyun's Godhood had already reached Third-level Heavenly Dao; in other words, before Third-level Heavenly Dao, Zhao Yanyun would encounter no bottleneck.

Seeing that Zhao Yanyun was still cultivating, Xu Nian went once more to Song Ren's residence to inquire about news of Leng Yanran.

But just as he expected, there was no news whatsoever of Leng Yanran.

Xu Nian could only return to his own residence again to continue cultivation.

The Nine Infant Avatar was still practicing sword in the courtyard, while his true body and the Divine Demon Avatar were inside the Chaos Divine Palace continuing their Heavenly Dao comprehension.

In the blink of an eye, ten years passed, and within Xu Nian's Chaos Divine Palace, a full ten thousand years went by.

Xu Nian's Wind Attribute and Earth Attribute smoothly broke through to the Heavenly Dao Level and successfully condensed Heavenly Dao Divine Gang.

And his Gold Attribute Heavenly Dao Enlightenment had finally broken through to Second-level Heavenly Dao as well.

"Buzz!"

The Nine Infant Avatar swung down with the Divine Sword in hand.

A terrifying sword howl instantly rang through the air.

The next instant, the walls and ground within the courtyard were sliced apart in a flash.

The sword mark pierced straight down into the ground for a full hundred zhang!

"The power of this sword is about Twelve Extremes." Xu Nian thought to himself in excitement.

For these ten years, he had been in secluded cultivation, and now he finally had a new breakthrough.

As for why he could muster Twelve Extremes of power, it was because Xu Nian's Divine Power had also reached the Late Stage Divine Level Limit, just a step away from the Peak of Divine level.

Xu Nian put away the Divine Sword, feeling completely carefree and at ease.

This feeling of wielding such vast power was incomparably exhilarating.

Xu Nian then probed the Chaos Divine Palace once more.

Zhao Yanyun was still in seclusion, the Divine Demon Avatar had also broken through to Late Stage Divine Level, and his true body and the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar were all in closed-door cultivation.

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast's Space Law had already reached Great Perfection and could break through to Divine-level at any time.

But Xu Nian decided to wait a bit longer.

After all, the Undying Devouring Sky Beast would easily cause a sensation.

Next was the Devouring God Worm, which was only one step away from its complete form; at most three more years, and it would fully evolve into its perfect form.

At that time Xu Nian would be able to forge the Godhood Sword.

With the Godhood Sword, Xu Nian's combat power would rise another tier.

"Third Lord, the Great Lord and the Second Lord are asking you to come to the Grand Hall." At this moment, a voice rang out.

A young Divine appeared outside Xu Nian's residence.

Song Ren and Fang Yu were looking for him?

Xu Nian walked out of his residence and saw this young Divine.

The young Divine saw Xu Nian and immediately bowed respectfully, "I greet the Third Lord."

"What are the Great Lord and Second Lord looking for me for?" Xu Nian asked.

"The Great Lord and the others did not say, only that once the Third Lord goes, you will know." the young Divine said.

"Alright, I'll head over right away!" Xu Nian replied.

With that, he swept toward the Central Hall.

Very soon, Xu Nian stepped into the Grand Hall.

But at this moment, in addition to Song Ren and Fang Yu, there was another person in the hall.

This person was a thin, elderly man whose face always carried a faint smile.

Yet Xu Nian could clearly sense a terrifying aura from his body.

This old man was very strong!

Xu Nian immediately came to a judgment in his heart.

Moreover, Song Ren and Fang Yu's attitude toward him was extremely respectful; it was obvious this old man's background was extraordinary.

"Brother Xu Nian, you're here. Come, quickly pay your respects to Feng Ye Master! He's an important figure from Tianyu Mountain." Song Ren immediately stepped forward and said.

"I greet Feng Ye Master!" Xu Nian glanced at the old man and said respectfully.

But inwardly he was somewhat surprised—this old man was from Tianyu Mountain?

"Interesting, Late Stage Divine Level Limit? This is your Third Lord of Black Mountain Territory?" The old man carefully sized Xu Nian up and said with a smile.

Chapter 1947: Divine Wind Mountain Stream

Xu Nian was glanced at by the elder, instantly feeling like he was being stalked by a predator.

This feeling was very dangerous, stirring a sense of instinctive vigilance within him.

Based on his estimation, the elder in front of him possessed at least the strength of Late Stage of God Level.

If it weren't for a high level of perception, there's no way he would feel such a dangerous aura.

"My elder brother, let me explain, although Xu Nian is just Divine-level, his perceptive depth is very high, already reaching First-level Heavenly Dao, his strength can even rival the Early Level of God," Song Ren explained with a smile.

"Oh? First-level Heavenly Dao? It seems your Black Mountain Territory has produced a genius," the elder said with a smile.

"Indeed, what's most important is Xu Nian has only ascended for ten years, when he first ascended he was only Mid-stage Divine-level, but now he's already broken through to Late Stage Divine Level, with a boundless future," Song Ren laughed.

When they just witnessed Xu Nian's cultivation breakthrough, both he and Fang Yu were quite amazed.

After all, Xu Nian's breakthrough speed was too astonishing.

Of course, the stronger Xu Nian was, the better it was for their Black Mountain Territory.

"Only ascended for ten years?" the elder's face showed a hint of astonishment.

His gaze towards Xu Nian became even more interesting.

"Boy, are you willing to join our Tianyu Mountain?" the elder suddenly asked.

Song Ren and Fang Yu both were taken aback, the elder was actually trying to usurp right before them?

However, they didn't dare have any complaints.

After all, the elder's strength and status were not something they could afford to offend.

As for joining Tianyu Mountain, it would absolutely be an incredible opportunity, they themselves would agree without hesitation.

For a moment, they felt a bit regretful.

"Thank you for the senior's kindness, I still choose to remain here." However, what none of them expected was that Xu Nian actually declined.

"Boy, you better think clearly, joining Tianyu Mountain, do you know what that means for you?" the elder immediately inquired.

"I do know, but I still choose to stay in Black Mountain Territory," Xu Nian replied resolutely.

Song Ren and Fang Yu were a bit surprised, but inside they breathed a slight sigh of relief.

Because if Xu Nian really agreed to the elder's offer, this time their Tianyu Mountain assessment would stand no chance.

Because the requirement for Tianyu Mountain's assessment is at least three participants, if Xu Nian leaves, they would have to find a leader weaker than Xu Nian, which would undoubtedly lead to their defeat.

"Alright, everyone has their own aspirations, since you've decided, I won't force you, but I hope you won't regret your decision later," the elder said.

Xu Nian smiled without saying a word.

Of course, he wouldn't regret it.

What he needed was just a place to cultivate, not a large force.

Through this period of understanding, this so-called Tianyu Mountain was just one of many third-rate forces.

Such a force, in Xu Nian's view, was no different from Black Mountain Territory.

"Senior, since Xu Nian brother doesn't wish to, let's discuss the Divine Wind Mountain Stream issue," Song Ren promptly shifted the topic.

"Alright, I'm here this time for the Divine Wind Mountain Stream issue, at the Divine Wind Mountain Stream, someone has discovered a Split Wind Divine Butterfly, this butterfly's Demon Soul is one of the main materials for refining the Top-Grade Heavenly Divine Artifact Split Wind Sword, but with just my power, I can't delve deep into the Divine Wind Mountain Stream to kill it, so I plan to seek the assistance of your Black Mountain Territory, Wuwan Valley, and Ice Snow Mountain, after the success, I will reward each of you with a Mid-grade Heavenly God Pill," the elder said.

"Mid-grade Heavenly God Pill?" Song Ren and Fang Yu's eyes lit up.

Heavenly God Pill to them was already quite a rare treasure.

Let alone Mid-grade Heavenly God Pill.

Xu Nian was also a bit surprised, Mid-grade Heavenly God Pill, this elder was really generous.

"Senior, what is the strength of this Split Wind Divine Butterfly?" Xu Nian asked.

"The strength of the Split Wind Divine Butterfly has reached Peak of God level, but don't worry, I'm also a Peak of God level expert, by then, you just need to form a God Array and assist me from the side, I'll deal with killing it," the elder said.

"God Peak?" Xu Nian was a bit surprised.

No wonder from the start he felt the terrifying aura from the elder.

Turns out it was already at God Peak, just unsure of the depth of perception of Heavenly Dao level.

"If that's the case, of course, we're willing to help, when does the senior plan to set off?" Song Ren asked with a smile.

They didn't need to act directly, just form a God Array to assist and they could obtain a Mid-grade Heavenly God Pill.

To them, it was certainly a chance delivered to their doorstep.

Xu Nian, however, furrowed his brows slightly, feeling something amiss.

"Alright, I plan to go to Wuwan Valley and Ice Snow Mountain next, if you agree, ten days later, go to the entrance of Divine Wind Mountain Stream, I'll be there waiting for you," the elder said.

After speaking, he vanished into thin air.

"Brother, this is definitely a good thing, if we can obtain the Mid-grade Divine Pill, our strength can definitely improve a level, then it's more likely we can escape being among the ten lowest," Fang Yu said excitedly.

"Indeed it's a good thing, but Wuwan Valley and Ice Snow Mountain people will also participate, they too will get some Divine Medicine, but decisions made by Feng Ye Master we cannot interfere with," Song Ren was also somewhat excited.

Mid-grade Heavenly God Pill?

If he could consume this pill, perhaps he could break through to Late Stage of God Level.

Xu Nian stood aside, without a word.

"Xu Nian brother, why are you silent?" Song Ren seemed to notice Xu Nian's strangeness.

"Nothing, I just feel something is amiss, is Divine Wind Mountain Stream that dangerous?" Xu Nian queried.

"It is somewhat, Divine Wind Mountain Stream is long surrounded by powerful Divine Wind Blade, but these blades pose some threat to Divine-level experts, to God-level, they pose no threat at all, Feng Ye Master must value this Split Wind Divine Butterfly greatly to offer such a high reward," Song Ren explained.

Xu Nian nodded, such explanation did make sense.

But he still felt something was not right.

"Forget it, if there's any danger, I'll just retreat into the Chaos Divine Palace," Xu Nian murmured to himself.

He planned to participate in the task this time.

After all, the Mid-grade Heavenly God Pill was still somewhat attractive to him.

With the Mid-grade Heavenly God Pill, he could completely rely on this pill to break through to God-level.

Moreover, this task Ice Snow Mountain people would also participate.

By then, Lu Qingyue would also go.

Xu Nian also wished to take this opportunity to see if he could exchange Red Blood Snow Gold from Lu Qingyue.

Quickly, it was the tenth day.

Xu Nian and the others arrived at the entrance to the Divine Wind Mountain Stream as agreed.

The elder was already waiting there for a long time.

Besides the elder, there were six others there.

All of them were without exception at the God-level.

Chapter 1948: Breaking Through the Divine Wind Mountain Stream

Six gods, including two female celestials.

Both female celestials are quite attractive; one is relatively petite and appears gentle and virtuous.

The strength of this woman is not high; her cultivation is only at the Early Stage of God.

The other has a tall and slender figure, and her appearance is obviously more captivating than the petite female celestial.

Her exquisite face is not stunning but enough to enchant many men.

Especially her almond-shaped eyes, which reveal a sharp Sword Qi.

Xu Nian can almost determine the identity of this tall woman.

She should be Lu Qingyue, the one he's looking for.

Seemingly noticing Xu Nian's gaze, Lu Qingyue looked at Xu Nian, her delicate brows slightly furrowing, with a wary look of repulsion in her eyes.

Song Ren, standing nearby, naturally noticed this, smiled slightly, and transmitted his voice to Xu Nian, "Brother Xu, Lu Qingyue is very repulsed by men. Your stare might have already made her hostile towards you."

Song Ren naturally knows Xu Nian is after the Red Moon Snow Gold, not lusting after Lu Qingyue's beauty.

After all, he knows Xu Nian has a wife whose beauty is in no way inferior to Lu Qingyue's.

"I realize that, Brother Song. Do you think if I offer conditions to exchange Red Moon Snow Gold, she will agree?" Xu Nian asked transmission.

"Very difficult. As far as I know, Red Moon Snow Gold is an essential treasure for refining water attribute weapons, and even many Luo God Level weapons require it. Besides, the Heavenly Dao that Lu Qingyue cultivates is precisely the water attribute," Song Ren said.

Hearing this, Xu Nian fell silent.

It seems asking Lu Qingyue for Red Moon Snow Gold will be somewhat challenging.

However, even with difficulty, he plans to try.

After all, during these years at the Chaos Divine Palace, he also takes time to study Artifact Refining.

Currently, his Artifact Refining skills can produce Mid-grade Heavenly Divine Artifacts.

Perhaps after a while, he should be able to break through to the Top-Grade Heavenly Divine Artifact level.

By then, as an Artifact Refiner of Top-Grade Heavenly Divine Artifacts, he might be able to impress Lu Qingyue.

For now, he can only seek suitable opportunities and make plans.

At this moment, Xu Nian shifted his gaze to the other four God-level experts.

Among the four gods, there's an elder whose strength seems strong, having reached the Late Stage of God.

Since Xu Nian and the others arrived, he has been meditating with his eyes closed on a giant rock, not even opening his eyes when they arrived.

Regarding the elder, Xu Nian instinctively feels some caution.

Besides the elder, there's a divine being with a crocodile head and human body, also at the Late Stage of God.

Xu Nian is not surprised by such peculiar divine beings.

Having been in the Divine World for so long, Xu Nian is now aware that these divine beings inherently look like this, and perhaps that's their original form in their world.

This category of divine beings, apart from having a more robust physique than humans, generally possesses some so-called special abilities.

Such abilities are usually strong, akin to the talent divine ability of a Divine Beast.

This crocodile-headed divine being reaching the Late Stage of God is already very powerful.

Besides these two in the Late Stage of God, there's a middle-aged man in the Middle Stage of God and a youth in the Early Stage of God.

"The crocodile-headed monster, Lu Qingyue, and the Early Stage of God are all from Ice Snow Mountain, whereas the elder, the Middle Stage of God man, and that woman are from Wuwan Valley," Song Ren transmitted to Xu Nian.

Surprised by this information, Xu Nian exclaimed, "Ice Snow Mountain has two in the Late Stage of God?"

Both the crocodile-headed monster and Lu Qingyue are in the Late Stage of God, and according to Song Ren's statement, Lu Qingyue's strength seems to surpass that of the crocodile-headed monster.

"Yes, Ice Snow Mountain has two at the Late Stage of God, and Wuwan Valley also has one. The elder's strength is also considerable, seeming nearly equal to Lu Qingyue," Song Ren sighed slightly.

Upon hearing this, Xu Nian finally understands the plight of the Black Mountain Territory.

The current situation of Black Mountain Territory can be said to be precarious.

Both the strength of Wuwan Valley and Ice Snow Mountain are far superior to that of Black Mountain Territory.

"Late Stage Divine Level? Does your Black Mountain Territory have no one else? How could they bring someone from the Late Stage Divine Level here?" The one who spoke was precisely the crocodile-headed monster.

"Hmph, this is the new lord of our Black Mountain Territory," Song Ren immediately retorted.

Though not matching the strength of the crocodile-headed monster before him, Song Ren's momentum was not inferior.

"A new lord? It seems your Black Mountain Territory has truly fallen into decline, choosing someone from the Late Stage Divine Level as their lord," the crocodile-headed monster chuckled.

The others also curiously scrutinized Xu Nian, their eyes all tinged with disdain.

Facing the disdainful eyes of everyone, Xu Nian's face showed no expression.

However, Song Ren and Fang Yu were somewhat angry.

"Enough, he was invited by me, and you need not quarrel anymore. Here is the formation you need to master; familiarize yourselves with it. Three days later, we will enter the Divine Wind Mountain Stream," Feng Ye Master spoke, settling the matter.

No one dared to voice any objections.

They all began to familiarize themselves with the formation given by Feng Ye Master.

Xu Nian also received his Jade Scroll and started familiarizing himself with the formation.

This is an exceptional combined God Array that blends defense and attack.

It requires nine God-level experts to form the array and collectively execute attacks and defense, named the Nine-star Radiant Array.

The array is mystical, but each person only needs to familiarize themselves with a small portion, and mastering the method of execution is enough, so it's not difficult to learn.

It only takes a day.

Xu Nian was already quite proficient in formations, so he fully grasped all the execution techniques of this array in just half a day.

Originally, his own strength could not support the array's operation, as he has not yet birthed God Power.

But Feng Ye Master apparently considered this point, specifically weakening his part substantially. Essentially, the portion he was responsible for was light.

Xu Nian was naturally pleased with this arrangement, as the less effort he exerts, the lower the risk he bears.

Quickly, three days passed.

Everyone fully mastered the operation of this array.

The nine of them even jointly executed it a few times; although the first attempt failed, the subsequent ones succeeded perfectly.

Feng Ye Master was extremely satisfied with this.

"Good, since it's a success, let's set off," Feng Ye Master said.

He then led the way towards the Divine Wind Mountain Stream.

Xu Nian and the others did not hesitate, all followed suit.

The location of the Divine Wind Mountain Stream lies at the junction of Wuwan Valley, Ice Snow Mountain, and Black Mountain Territory.

It is a ravine perpetually shrouded by fearsome divine winds.

No one knows from where these Divine Wind Blades come; their power is strong enough that anyone below the God-level finds survival within very difficult.

Yet, for God-level experts, such wind blades pose minimal threat.

"Buzz!"

As soon as Xu Nian and the others entered the Divine Wind Mountain Stream, they heard terrifying Wind Roar.

The fierce wind instantly swept over them, slowing their speed.

"Swish!"

An invisible Wind Blade grazed past Xu Nian and the others, striking the mountain wall beside them.

It instantly left a sword-like mark on the mountain wall.

This mark was a full foot deep, showing considerable power.

Chapter 1949: Shield Technique Advancement

"Swish!"

Another wind blade sliced through the air.

This attack headed straight for Xu Nian, moving so fast that there was no chance for Xu Nian to dodge.

Xu Nian didn't hesitate and directly took out a God-level low-grade shield.

This was something he had crafted in his spare time.

"Clang!"

The wind blade slammed onto the shield, producing a sound like an explosion.

Xu Nian's entire body paused, emitting a rumbling noise like a mountain collapse.

"The force is immense; although it lacks One Level power, it's not far off," Xu Nian muttered to himself.

From having directly endured the attack just now, Xu Nian could roughly judge the power of the wind blade.

The divine-level experts on the side watched with disdain as Xu Nian used a shield to block the wind blade.

Is a tiny wind blade truly in need of a shield for defense?

"Swish!"

At this moment, another wind blade swept toward the middle-stage God from Wuwan Mountain.

The middle-aged man in the middle stage of godly power simply used his hand as a blade, slicing out a hand chop that instantly shattered the wind blade.

"First-level Heavenly Dao?" Xu Nian quickly assessed the man's real strength.

Earlier, this middle-stage God expert's casual chop should be around Four Extremes of power.

If his guess was correct, this middle-aged man's strength should be similar to Xu Nian's, and at full capacity, he could likely reach above Ten Extremes.

If it came to a clash, Xu Nian felt confident he could hold his own in a fight.

As for those late-stage God experts, their strength would likely be at least Twenty Extremes or even higher.

The middle-aged man blocked the wind blade and didn't forget to cast a glance at Xu Nian.

There seemed to be a hint of boasting in his manner.

Xu Nian naturally didn't mind it.

"Xu Nian, don't pay them any heed; just do whatever you think best and protect yourself," Song Ren quickly communicated to Xu Nian.

"Mm-hmm, I will, Brother Song," Xu Nian replied with a smile.

His goodwill towards Song Ren increased noticeably.

After this, everyone continued forward.

As they proceeded, the wind blades they encountered grew more frequent.

Xu Nian endured several attacks in succession, but he managed to block them all using the shield.

While employing the shield, Xu Nian gradually familiarized himself with its usage, redirecting force, and became more adept at utilizing shield techniques.

Initially, Xu Nian had to bear the recoil with his body, but later, he learned how to completely redirect this rebound force, reducing the wind blade's damage to almost zero.

Xu Nian's development caught the attention of Lu Qingyue and Feng Ye Master.

However, Feng Ye Master only took a glance and indifferently shifted his attention elsewhere.

In his view, the shield technique was nothing more than clever tricks.

But Lu Qing Yue cast a meaningful look at Xu Nian.

She could clearly see that when Xu Nian first used the shield, he was quite inexperienced in his handling.

Yet as he blocked the wind blades a few times, Xu Nian quickly became proficient at using the shield.

This improvement seemed small, but to achieve it was rather difficult.

Therefore, she was sure that this young man was quite insightful.

Moreover, being late-stage Divine-level and able to block the wind blade solely with a shield was no ordinary feat.

Other gods stood tall and fundamentally looked down on this young man, so they missed this point.

Xu Nian was unaware he had caught Lu Qing Yue's attention.

At this moment, his mind was mostly absorbed in studying the use of the shield.

He discovered the shield's application was surprisingly intricate, akin to swordsmanship; besides defense, it could also be offensive.

Smashing, leaning, sticking, and collapsing were all attack techniques for the shield.

If truly unleashed, the shield's offensive power would also be quite strong.

Redirecting force was just the basics.

"Swish!"

Another wind blade came slicing.

Xu Nian began attempting to use the shield to counterattack.

This time, Xu Nian employed the Collapse Shield!

"Boom!"

A thunderous crack sounded.

The wind blade exploded right upon contact with the shield.

The terrifying impact reverberated through the surrounding air with a loud bang.

"What's going on? Blocking a wind blade creates such a loud noise?" The crocodile-headed monster instantly objected.

The others were also repulsed, feeling that Xu Nian made a big fuss over a minor defense.

Yet Lu Qing Yue displayed a hint of surprise on her face: "That fellow is using the shield like a hammer?"

Clearly, she had already discerned Xu Nian's intent.

Xu Nian disregarded the opinions of those around him, continuing to immerse himself in studying shield techniques.

From then on, Xu Nian consistently utilized the shield to impact these wind blades.

Whether smashing, slashing, or collapsing...

Every action resulted in explosive sounds.

Those guys initially disliked it but gradually grew accustomed.

However, Lu Qing Yue was repeatedly surprised by Xu Nian's rapid progress.

Every time, he improved!

Now she could sense that with one Collapse Shield, Xu Nian could unleash Four Extremes of power.

This was without utilizing any Heavenly Dao power.

If Heavenly Dao power was incorporated, the power would likely be even stronger.

Xu Nian was also very pleased with his progress.

He didn't expect this visit to Divine Wind Mountain Ravine could hone his shield techniques.

But soon, Xu Nian's training opportunity ended.

Because they had arrived at the depths of Divine Wind Mountain Ravine, which was the lair of the Split Wind Divine Butterfly.

"Everyone, be careful; the Split Wind Divine Butterfly is deep inside. I can sense its presence; this creature is strong, beware its attacks," Feng Ye Master suddenly spoke.

Upon hearing this, everyone became serious.

Xu Nian and the others began activating the formation magic, ready to operate the formation for defense at any time.

"Screech!"

Just then, a piercing scream sounded.

Followed by an immensely terrifying wind blade shooting out from the depths of the ravine.

This wind blade was not the invisible one from before but a massive green blade spanning ten zhang (about 33 meters).

The speed of this blade was astonishing, and its power was much greater.

This wind blade's attack level approached Twenty Extremes.

This wind blade charged right at the group of nine.

The others' faces changed sharply, and they activated the formation one after another.

The formation surged, star radiance instantly formed into a Nine-star Radiance.

The Nine-star Radiance condensed into a light shield.

"Boom!"

The wind blade hit the light shield, causing it to shake a few times before it shattered completely.

Seeing this, Xu Nian and the others rejoiced.

This formation is powerful!

"Screech!"

Yet before they could celebrate, another terrifying shrill sound came through.

This time, all of Xu Nian's group covered their ears, yet felt immense pain.

Blood flowed from their ears, and they felt as if their very souls were being torn apart.

"This is the Split Wind Divine Butterfly's sonic attack, which harms the soul. Everyone, protect your mind," Feng Ye Master promptly cautioned.

Everyone around focused on guarding their minds against the dreadful sonic attack.

Xu Nian also activated the soul heart method of the Nine Infant Avatar, fortifying his mind.

Immediately his head became much clearer.

Yet in his heart, he was still secretly amazed by the Split Wind Divine Butterfly's power!

Chapter 1950: Feng Ye Master's Strength

"Boom!"

At the same moment when Xu Nian and the others blocked the sonic attack.

Two more terrifying wind blades swept over, forming a cross shape, immensely powerful.

At least reaching the frightening level of eighty extremes.

If Xu Nian had to block it himself, he wouldn't be able to withstand this blow.

Even with a shield of God King level, it would likely shatter him with serious injury.

This power is too strong!

However, Xu Nian and the others had no other choice but to activate the formation again, forming a light shield.

"Boom!"

This time the light shield was directly shattered, and all nine of Xu Nian's group were blown away, spitting out a mouthful of blood.

"Too strong!" Xu Nian was shocked in his heart.

Is this the power of the peak-level Split Wind Divine Butterfly?

This Split Wind Divine Butterfly is not even a true Divine Beast, just has a hint of Divine Beast Bloodline.

If it were a real Divine Beast, this strike would have been enough to kill Xu Nian and his companions on the spot.

"Humph, beast!"

Finally, Feng Ye Master took action, a divine sword appeared in his hand and he slashed it out.

In an instant, it tore through the long sky, rushing straight into the depths of the mountain canyon.

Extremely terrifying, its speed even more horrifying.

This strike, at least a hundred extremes!

"Boom!"

A world-shaking loud noise.

"Screech!"

Suddenly an angry scream echoed from the depths of the mountain canyon.

Then a massive figure sped forth from the depth, like a beam of light, finally stopping in front of everyone.

Only then did everyone see it was a blue butterfly.

The butterfly's wings were gigantic, its eyes full of rage and ice-cold.

"You're courting death!" the Split Wind Divine Butterfly spoke human words, extremely furious.

Immediately, its wings flapped, turning into countless wind blades shooting violently toward Xu Nian and the others.

These wind blades had at least several thousand strands, each with a power nearing twenty extremes.

Xu Nian and the others could only form a formation again to block.

The wind blades collided with the light shield, exploding like a torrential rain.

The light shield wavered under such attacks, ready to shatter at any moment.

Meanwhile, Feng Ye Master was also suppressed by these dense wind blades.

However, Feng Ye Master was no pushover, using his own God Power to form a strong wind shield defense, blocking all those wind blades.

"Slash!"

Feng Ye Master let out a cold hum, his figure suddenly turning into a ray of extreme light.

Speed skyrocketed, rapidly heading towards the Split Wind Divine Butterfly to kill.

The Heavenly Wind Attribute Tao erupted, forming a terrifying impact.

"Fourth-level Heavenly Dao?" Xu Nian's heart was shocked.

Was this Feng Ye Master's comprehension of the Heavenly Dao actually at four levels, with this strike at least unleashing two hundred extremes of power?

Two hundred extremes!

This power was definitely world-destroying.

It seemed the Split Wind Divine Butterfly also sensed the terror of Feng Ye Master's strike, and immediately activated all its God Power, connecting with its own Heavenly Dao True Intent.

However, this Split Wind Divine Butterfly's Heavenly Dao level seemed clearly weaker, probably the peak of third-level Heavenly Dao.

"Boom!"

Two immense forces collided, and the exploding sound was extremely frightening.

The entire canyon's rocks were burst by this terrifying sound.

The aftermath from the two powers even turned rocks into powder.

Xu Nian and the others naturally were blown away, but fortunately, they were standing behind Feng Ye Master and weren't much affected by the terrifying aftermath.

Witnessing this strike, everyone displayed looks of amazement.

"Boom!"

The massive body of the Split Wind Divine Butterfly slammed against the cliff wall, causing the entire wall to shatter.

Bloodstains appeared in many places on its body, clearly with heavy injuries.

Everyone around watching this scene showed looks of amazement.

Too terrifying!

Is this the battle of peak God-level experts?

"Roar!"

The Split Wind Divine Butterfly let out an angry roar.

Its massive body turned into a human form, but with a pair of wings on its back.

The next moment, the Split Wind Divine Butterfly dashed toward Feng Ye Master.

Its speed was several times faster than before.

Xu Nian and the others couldn't even see the Split Wind Divine Butterfly's figure clearly.

Seeing this, Feng Ye Master also burst out with terrifying speed, engaging in battle with the Split Wind Divine Butterfly.

The dreadful impacts continuously tore apart the surrounding canyon walls, ripping the entire canyon into severalfold space.

"Form the formation, trap him, I want to unleash the final blow." Feng Ye Master suddenly transmitted a message to the nine people.

Upon hearing this, the nine people all fully activated the formation.

Their purpose of forming was to assist Feng Ye Master in forming a death blow.

So at this moment, they all contributed all their power, forming a terrifying formation.

Nine-star Radiance shone in the sky, forming an extremely strange Array Plate in the void.

The Array Plate's power was strong, the accumulated power certainly no less than two hundred extremes.

With such a strike, even if it couldn't kill the Split Wind Divine Butterfly, it would certainly cause it great suffering.

"Buzz!"

Finally, the Nine-star Radiance Array Plate completely condensed.

A terrifying radiant beam was formed within the Array Plate.

The beam violently shot out, directly charging towards the Split Wind Divine Butterfly.

With a speed so fast, it nearly reached the speed of light.

The Split Wind Divine Butterfly, originally battling Feng Ye Master, was suddenly ambushed by this terrifying strike.

Immediately blinded with rage, it immediately forced Feng Ye Master back, blocking with all its might.

"Boom!"

The Split Wind Divine Butterfly mobilized its own power to clash with the light beam.

Instantly, a terrifying collision.

For a moment, they were deadlocked together.

And at the moment of stalemate, Feng Ye Master had already begun to unleash the final blow.

At this moment, Feng Ye Master's Top Grade God Sword emanated a tremendously terrifying aura.

Feng Ye Master poured all his God Power into the long sword, the sword's aura igniting the Heavenly Dao Wind Power.

Forming an incomparably terrifying impact.

"Wind's Finale, Absolute Extinction!"

At the sound of Feng Ye Master's shout, he stabbed with the sword.

Following the Sword Radiance formed by the divine sword, it turned into a rapid light, instantly piercing through the Split Wind Divine Butterfly's head.

The Split Wind Divine Butterfly had no chance to resist, it was killed in one strike.

This scene left Xu Nian and his nine companions stupefied.

"What a terrifying sword, its power must have reached three hundred extremes." Xu Nian muttered to himself.

Just a moment ago, Xu Nian had a feeling of heart palpitations.

He could be sure that even with the Supreme Dragon Robe's protection, he would be shaken to death with one blow.

The speed of this strike was such that even if he wanted to hide in the Chaos Divine Palace, it would be too late.

Which meant, in front of him, this Feng Ye Master could definitely kill him and his Nine Infant Avatar in one strike.

Three hundred extremes, too terrifying!

Compared to his own full-force strike, which only reached twelve extremes, Feng Ye Master's strength was incredibly frightening.

"Is this the gap?" Xu Nian muttered to himself.

And he could be sure, Feng Ye Master wasn't even the strongest among the God level.

Feng Ye Master was only four-level Heavenly Dao, there were definitely geniuses at five-level, six-level, even nine-level among those God strongmen.

Thinking of this, Xu Nian felt a chill down his spine.

This moment, he decided he must refine a God-level Puppet as soon as possible.

Because only then can he have a life-saving skill.

"Boom!"

The Split Wind Divine Butterfly fell.

Everyone was in a daze, among them even the Female Sword God Lu Qingyue was shocked.

Clearly Feng Ye Master's strength overwhelmed her.

However, after unleashing this strike, Feng Ye Master also showed an extremely weak expression, directly sitting cross-legged in mid-air, swallowing a Divine Pill to start recovering from his injuries.

Xu Nian and the others didn't know if Feng Ye Master's current weakness was real or fake, perhaps this was just his guise to test them.

Of course, it might be genuine.

But not a single person dared to make any move against him.

After all, a thin dead camel is bigger than a horse, even if Feng Ye Master was very weak, his dying counterattack could also take a few people from Xu Nian's group away.