

## **Divine King 361**

### Chapter 361 Terrifying Mind

Xu Nian revealed such a calm and serene expression.

Everyone felt a chill in their heart.

Every time, it was with this expression that the Saints were killed.

So now seeing Xu Nian's expression, everyone felt a chilling sensation in their hearts.

"Could he have some powerful techniques left?"

Everyone speculated in their hearts.

But no one dared to be sure.

After all, how could one's techniques ever be completely exhausted?

"Hmph, playing tricks and pretending to be godly, I refuse to believe you truly have any techniques left."

The Tianjian Sect Master snorted coldly.

Then, a Heavy Sword appeared directly in his hand.

He stomped on the floor, and the floor burst open with a huge, deep crater.

His figure reappeared in front of Xu Nian.

The Heavy Sword in his hand swung down, as if it could split mountains and divide water, crushing everything.

It was unimaginable how much power this sword would unleash.

But everyone was certain.

If Xu Nian were really struck by this sword, he would likely be instantly turned into mincemeat.

Xu Nian also felt an intense sense of oppression.

This feeling of oppression came not only from the huge sword in Lei Batian's hands but also from all directions.

Under such terrifying oppression, there was absolutely no way to escape.

"Hmph, my sword is infused with the power of Heaven and Earth, you have nowhere to run, die!" Lei Batian roared.

The giant sword in his hand chopped down directly.

However, just when everyone thought Xu Nian was about to be annihilated,

A miraculous scene occurred.

An invisible Sword Qi burst forth from Xu Nian's body.

With speed so fast, like a flash of light, it rushed towards Lei Batian.

"What?"

Lei Batian was shocked and in horror.

He quickly retracted his sword to defend.

If he continued his attack, his head would be pierced by this Sword Qi.

He certainly did not want to die together with Xu Nian.

"Clang!"

The terrifying Sword Qi collided with Lei Batian's sword face.

The powerful impact instantly sent Lei Batian flying backward.

Lei Batian flew backwards for several thousand meters.

Creating more than a dozen huge, deep craters on the ground, he finally managed to deflect the terrifying Sword Qi.

The deflected Sword Qi grazed past Lei Batian's cheek,

Leaving a bloodstain on his face.

And in that moment, his giant sword cracked open, eventually turning into countless fragments.

Everyone watching was completely dumbstruck.

Was this the Sword Qi that previously killed the Ye Family Saint?

So powerful!

Not only did it send the Seven-star Battle Saint Lei Batian flying,

It even shattered the giant sword in Lei Batian's hand.

Despite the sword being made of rare metals,

It was so fragile under this Sword Qi.

Just how powerful was this Sword Qi?

The surrounding Saints also showed their astonishment.

That terrifying Sword Qi, even they might not have been able to block.

At this moment, rage filled Lei Batian's eyes.

He touched the bloodstain on his cheek, and he was taken aback.

He had almost been penetrated in the head by Xu Nian's terrifying Sword Qi.

If it weren't for his timely reaction, he would have been dead by now.

A Battle King like him was pushed to this point,

Which was something he had never imagined.

Looked at Xu Nian again, he still maintained that calm and unperturbed expression.

"The Tianjian Sect Master indeed has great strength, to catch such fast Sword Qi, truly something ordinary people can't do," Xu Nian said with a smile.

Hearing this, Lei Batian grew more furious.

Xu Nian's praise sounded to him like blatant mockery.

The surrounding people were also too shaken to speak.

Facing so many Saints undaunted.

He killed two Saints.

And pushed a Seven-star Battle Saint to this extent; truly, no one before or after could achieve this feat.

The battle today, regardless of whether Xu Nian was still alive,

his name would surely become a legend throughout the continent.

"Make your move!"

Xu Nian said to Lei Batian with a smile.

Anger was evident in Lei Batian's eyes.

To him, Xu Nian was simply being too greedy.

However, Xu Nian's actions seemed cunning to him.

Previously, Xu Nian had maintained an extremely calm demeanor.

But now he was explicitly asking him to make a move.

Clearly, there was a tinge of intimidation in his words.

Wasn't this tactic just to scare him off?

With this thought, a cold smile appeared on Lei Batian's face.

"Kid, playing mind games in front of me, you're still too green. You asking me to make a move shows that you're uneasy; I guess you've run out of tricks!" the Tianjian Sect Master said with a sneer.

The crowd around them all turned their heads to look at Xu Nian.

Had his tricks indeed run out?

Surely, as soon as Lei Batian spoke, Xu Nian's lips twitched slightly.

But he quickly regained composure and showed an expression of calm, "Sect Master might as well give it a try and see."

The crowd, seeing this, shook their heads.

Despite Xu Nian's good cover-up, the slight twitch of his lips had already revealed a flaw.

It seemed that Xu Nian really was at his wits' end.

"Haha, boy, let's see how long you can keep this act up. Die!" the Tianjian Sect Master roared.

After he spoke, a giant sword phantom immediately condensed in front of him.

"Go!"

Along with the Tianjian Sect Master's roar,

the giant sword phantom rapidly flew towards Xu Nian.

The crowd around shook their heads and sighed.

A young genius had ultimately fallen.

The Tianjian Sect Master sneered continuously, assured that Xu Nian would finally die by his hand.

However, just when everyone thought Xu Nian would truly perish,

a Sword Radiance burst forth in front of Xu Nian.

The Sword Radiance swept through rapidly,

shattering the incoming giant sword phantom and headed straight towards the Tianjian Sect Master.

The Tianjian Sect Master was shocked, hurriedly trying to counter with Spiritual Energy.

Yet, his Spiritual Energy Light Shield could not withstand the terrifying sword.

"Puchi!"

The Tianjian Sect Master's heart was pierced through by the speeding Sword Radiance.

The crowd around was utterly dumbfounded!

Weren't his tricks supposed to be exhausted?

Why was there still Sword Qi?

Could it be that Xu Nian's earlier smile was all a deception?

The Tianjian Sect Master, clutching his chest, kneeled on the ground, his eyes fixated on Xu Nian in disbelief and resentment.

He never imagined that he would ultimately die at the hands of this young man.

Nor had he expected to be deceived by him.

So his earlier anxiousness was just a ruse to lure him into a trap.

What a terrifying schemer!

The Tianjian Sect Master, bleeding from the mouth, eventually fell.

The Sword Qi had shattered his heart; even if he defied the heavens, he couldn't survive.

The crowd stared blankly, utterly at a loss for words.

They had all been deceived by Xu Nian.

Let alone his killing technique, just his grasp on the enemy's mindset alone was enough to send chills down anyone's spine.

The Xu Family Saint gazed blankly.

Was this really the mind of a young man?

Leng Qingfeng, too, had a solemn expression.

He considered himself an old and cunning fox,

but even he had been fooled by Xu Nian.

Such a young man, if allowed to grow, potentially could make the entire Tianhen Continent tremble.

How laughable that the Xu Family had disregarded him.

Leng Qingfeng's look towards the Xu Family Saint suddenly turned scornful and mocking.

Chapter 362 Meeting the Superior

The Tianjian Sect Master fell.

The entire field was utterly silent.

At this moment, the Saints from the Fang and Ye Families had completely lost the will to kill Xu Nian.

What the hell?

One goes up, one dies.

Who knew if this kid had any more terrifying tricks up his sleeve?

That horrible Sword Qi could even kill a Seven-star Saint.

If they went up, it would be suicide!

Freaky!

This kid was just too freaky!

Xu Nian looked at the expressions of the people from the Fang and Ye Families and smiled slightly.

Now three of the Four Great Forces had been dealt with.

Though the other factions had been watching all this time,

they probably had completely lost the will to make a move by now.

But this final remaining force,

the Imperial Family, was the most difficult to deal with.

Xu Nian had in fact been aware of this man in brocade all along.

This man in brocade was very strong!

Xu Nian's Spiritual Sense couldn't probe him at all.

But he guessed that this man in brocade must be at the level of a Nine-star Saint.

As Xu Nian sized up the man in brocade, the latter, who had been still, finally slowly lifted his head to look at Xu Nian.

"The legendary Three Talents Sword Array comprises three Sword Qis, each capable of killing any powerhouse below the rank of a Battle Emperor," said the middle-aged man in brocade, his voice somewhat hoarse.

Xu Nian was startled.

This man in brocade had actually seen through the Formation left to him by Emperor Bai.

The people around also showed surprised expressions.

The Three Talents Sword Array?

So the Sword Qi Xu Nian just unleashed was the Three Talents Sword Array?

Three Sword Qis of the Three Talents Sword Array.

Didn't that mean Xu Nian had already used up all his Sword Qi?

"Senior indeed has exceptional insights, yes, what I just used was indeed the Three Talents Sword Array," Xu Nian said with a slight smile.

Since it had been seen through, there was of course no point in hiding it.

Now, he indeed had no moves left.

"In fact, according to your previous calculations, the second Sword Qi killed the Tianjian Sect Master, and this third Sword Qi was reserved for me, am I right?" the middle-aged man in brocade said with a smile.

Xu Nian smiled without saying a word, which was as good as admitting it.

The people around were shocked.

It's over?

Had Xu Nian really run out of moves this time?

And now he's about to face such a super strong opponent, isn't that truly the end for him?

The Xu Family looked grave.

The Leng Family sighed helplessly.

Xu Nian's battle today had dazzled the world, but in the end, he still couldn't escape death.

Xu Xin bit her red lips, her heart filled with extreme unwillingness and anger.

She, as his older sister,

was now powerless to protect her brother.

Yet she could only watch as her brother faced this ferocious beast alone.

Her heart was already bleeding.

But at this moment, she could do nothing.

On the other hand, Zhao Qingqing and the Elder from the Wuji Sect were also sighing incessantly in their hearts.

Only seventeen years old, titled as a Battle King, his hands stained with the blood of Saints.

How many in the world could achieve such a feat?

And now such a prodigy was about to fall.

This was truly a case of the heavens being jealous of talent!

Their previous idea of having the Sect Master take Xu Nian as a disciple now seemed utterly ridiculous.

How could their small Wuji Sect contain such a great Buddha?

Chu Lin, however, sneered.

What was the use of being a genius if, in the end, one couldn't escape death?

As long as he lived, his future achievements were bound to surpass those of a dead man!

"Will you go to your death on your own, or shall I do it for you?" the middle-aged man in brocade spoke.

His voice resonated with an authority that brooked no resistance.

Clearly, he also had respect for Xu Nian and wanted to allow him a more dignified death.

The crowd around them sighed even more upon hearing this.

Xu Nian, however, just laughed.

Commit suicide?

No!

He definitely hadn't lived long enough.

How could he possibly commit suicide?

Could it be that after the Three Talents Sword Array was used up, he could only wait for death?

"Senior, as you know, my methods have been exhausted, so I won't be accompanying you in this game anymore. If you don't find it satisfying, I can call some people to keep you entertained," Xu Nian said with a smile.

His smile was harmlessly amiable.

"What do you mean?"

The crowd around them was suddenly stunned.

Could it be that Xu Nian had reinforcements?

The middle-aged man in brocade also paused, not understanding what Xu Nian meant.

"Haha, how marvelous, truly marvelous, Brother Xu Nian, you really have opened my eyes!" Just then, a hearty voice rang out.

Following that, a white figure appeared before everyone's eyes.

Holy Sword Liu Mubai?

Everyone around was taken aback.

This person was none other than the former Sect Master of the Artifact Refining Sect, Liu Mubai.

At this moment, Liu Mubai had already broken through to the Eight-star War Saint Realm.

Upon seeing the newcomer, everyone's hearts suddenly became enlightened.

No wonder they always felt that someone from the Artifact Refining Sect was missing; it turned out to be the former Sect Master.

But even if Liu Mubai had advanced to Eight-star War Saint,

he probably wasn't a match for the middle-aged man in brocade, right?

"Liu Mubai, are you intending to take me on?" the middle-aged man in brocade asked coldly.

A mere Liu Mubai, he hadn't taken seriously.

When Liu Mubai heard the words of the middle-aged man in brocade, he burst into laughter and looked at the man, saying, "Sir, your strength is formidable, how could I be your opponent? I am merely here to watch the excitement. Your opponent will be somebody else!"

After saying this, Liu Mubai laughed heartily and walked to the side of the two Artifact Refining Sect Elders.

Everyone standing around was stunned.

Here to watch the excitement?

There was someone else to be the man's opponent?

The middle-aged man in brocade also furrowed his brow.

A serious look flashed in his eyes.

He had a strong premonition that something bad was going to happen.

The other Saints were completely confused as well.

Could it be that Xu Nian had more help?

"Haha, how can we miss out on such a lively event?" Just then, three more figures appeared in the square.

Their auras were all of the Saint Realm.

The weakest among them was a Two-star Saint, but the strongest was a Nine-star Saint.

As for the other, he was no less powerful, having reached the Seven-star Saint Realm.

The one who spoke was none other than the Nine-star Saint.

"It's it! It has come too!"

The Saints from the various major families, upon seeing the new arrivals, all showed expressions of surprise.

The surrounding crowd was also surprised.

Three more Saints had arrived; were they here to assist Xu Nian?

The middle-aged man in brocade also frowned deeply.

His gaze was fixed on the middle-aged man in red robes.

"Red Bright Fire Fox, you from the Demon Beast Forest are really going to get involved in this?" the middle-aged man in brocade asked coldly.

The man in the red robe chuckled in response.

"What? If the Tianhen Empire is allowed to compete for the dragon vein, then we aren't? Situ Yu, do you really think the Demon Beast Forest is afraid of your Empire?" the red-robed man retorted with a cold snort.

As these words came out, the whole place was thrown into an uproar.

Were these Saints from the Demon Clan?

From the Demon Beast Forest?

Then, it was unlikely they had anything to do with Xu Nian, right?

The middle-aged man in brocade had an icy and angry look in his eyes, but still, he said, "Since you are here to snatch the dragon vein, let's first kill this young man and then compete for it by our own abilities."

After he spoke, the middle-aged man in brocade was ready to make a move on Xu Nian.

"Wait!" However, the middle-aged man in red robes suddenly stopped Situ Yu.

"Red Bright, what do you mean?" Situ Yu demanded.

The Demon Saint named Red Bright laughed and said loudly, "We are not here to snatch the dragon vein this time; we are here to meet your lord."

"Meet your lord?" The people around them all showed looks of confusion.

At that moment, the three Demon Saints moved.

They approached Xu Nian, knelt on one knee, and said loudly, "Your subordinates pay respects to your lord!"

What?

When the people heard the words of the three Demon Saints, they almost thought they had heard wrong.

How had Xu Nian become the lord of these Demon Beasts?

Yet the kneeling of the three Saints from the Demon Clan forced them to believe that everything was indeed real.

Chapter 363 Half-Emperor Senior People

People around were all bewildered.

Not only the Saints from the Fang and Ye Families were stunned.

Even the Saints from Xu Leng's family were shocked.

How had Xu Nian become entangled with the Demon Clan?

And how could he make three Demon Saints kneel before him?

Xu Nian himself was also a bit dazed at this moment.

He too was surprised by the arrival of these three Demon Saints.

Even more unexpectedly, these three Demon Saints actually called him "Lord" and knelt before him.

However, he still guessed something.

Indeed, the leader among the three Demon Saints, a man named Red Bright, spoke, "Lord, you might not know this, but it was General Hei who sent us."

With these words, Xu Nian understood immediately.

The "General Hei" they spoke of was naturally the Black Hou that Xu Nian had subjugated.

He just did not expect that this Black Hou also had a title like a general.

"Rise," Xu Nian said.

"Yes," the three Demon Saints responded immediately.

People around, seeing this, became even more astonished.

The three holy figures of the Demon Clan were so respectful towards Xu Nian.

Upon seeing this, Situ Yu's expression grew even more solemn.

He had never imagined Xu Nian would have ties with the Demon Clan.

With this, his plan to kill Xu Nian had become not so easy.

"Red Bright Fire Fox, he is a major criminal of our Imperial Family. Do you really want to be enemies with our Imperial Family for his sake?" a middle-aged man in brocade clothes angrily said.

"Haha, enemies with your Imperial Family? I'm afraid your Imperial Family has never thought of letting us go. Let me tell you the truth, we have decided to protect Lord Xu Nian. If you really want to make a move, the Demon Beast Forest is willing to fight to the end," Red Bright Fire Fox laughed.

Upon hearing this, Situ Yu's eyes became extremely fierce.

Whether for the dragon vein, or for the Seventh Prince and Ninth Prince, Xu Nian had to die.

But now, he faced obstruction from the Demon Clan's saints.

This made it very difficult for him.

"No, Xu Nian must die!" Situ Yu thought fiercely to himself.

Then, a ruthless look flashed in his eyes.

He waved his sleeve next.

A giant then appeared behind him.

This giant was entirely red, standing at a height of about five meters.

Its skin seemed as if burned red like charcoal, yet it exuded an invincible sense of hardness.

And the aura it emitted was particularly terrifying.

"Is that a Stam Giant?"

People around, seeing the giant appear, expressed their surprise.

The Stam Giant was a special kind of people in Beimo County.

These people were naturally strong, and didn't even need cultivation.

They were born with the strength of the Body Sect level.

Upon reaching adulthood, they were comparable to a Body General, and some even to the Body King Realm.

And if a Stam Giant practiced the Body Refining Technique, they could easily reach the Peak of Body Saint.

Naturally, they also had one drawback: their race was rare.

They were slow thinkers, and even if they reached the Peak of Body Saint, they could easily be enslaved by the Imperial Family.

And the Stam Giant before them had obviously reached the Peak of Body Saint.

That meant, this time the Imperial Family had deployed two Peak Powerhouses.

Xu Nian and others, seeing this scene, were all taken aback.

The Imperial Family was indeed formidable, to still have this up their sleeve.

It seemed meant as a precaution against unexpected events.

With this, Xu Nian's side had only one Nine-star Demon Saint.

They couldn't possibly stop the Imperial Family's advance!

In a moment, everyone began to feel deeply moved.

They originally thought that Xu Nian's situation would take a turn for the better.

But they did not expect that the Imperial Family would still be one step ahead.

In the end, Xu Nian could not escape his fate.

"Stam, take action!"

Situ Yu no longer hesitated, directly issuing the command.

He feared that if too much time passed, something unexpected might occur.

"Roar!"

Upon hearing the command, the Stam Giant immediately let out a thunderous roar.

Then, its massive body leapt up, fiercely stamping towards Xu Nian and the others.

The giant body almost obscured the sun, and the aura it emitted made everyone around shiver with fear.

However, when the Red Bright Fire Fox witnessed this scene, it simply smiled slightly.

It exchanged a glance with Xu Nian.

The latter's face remained utterly impassive.

On the other side, Situ Yu also began to muster his power, preparing to take advantage of the Stam Giant's attack. As soon as the giant attacked, he would make his move to kill Xu Nian once and for all.

But just when everyone thought Xu Nian and the others would be crushed by the Stam Giant's attack,

A majestic force that no one expected crashed down from the sky.

Then, everyone saw the leaping Stam Giant crashing to the ground like a meteor.

"Boom!"

An earth-shattering noise.

The ground formed a massive crater.

"What?"

Situ Yu, who was ready to act, was suddenly stunned.

"Half... Half-Emperor's might?"

Everyone felt this terrifying pressure and looked up at the sky.

They saw a middle-aged man with black hair and wearing a black robe standing in the air.

It was this black-haired middle-aged man who had punched the Stam Giant down.

"Half-Emperor Senior People!"

Everyone's Saints were stunned.

A Half-Emperor Senior Person had unexpectedly appeared.

Including Situ Yu, who also furrowed his brows.

Half-Emperor Senior People, although only 'half-Emperor,'

But anyone associated with the word 'Emperor' was beyond the league of Saints.

Thus, Situ Yu dared not act rashly.

If the other party wanted to kill him, he could certainly do it in an instant.

"Senior, as a Half-Emperor, you must surely be aware of the 'Emperor Pact'. Your coming here, I'm afraid, is quite inappropriate?" Situ Yu struggled momentarily but still addressed the black-haired man in the sky.

Anyone associated with the word 'Emperor' must adhere to the 'Emperor Pact' and cannot act at will.

Otherwise, they would face collective opposition.

Obviously, the appearance of this Half-Emperor Senior Person already violated the 'Emperor Pact'.

"Hmph, 'Emperor Pact'? That thing doesn't work on me," the black-haired man said, his voice as authoritative as a resounding bell.

"It doesn't work? As an Emperor-level strong man, you must be restricted. Are you intending to breach that?" Situ Yu's eyes were sharp as he loudly retorted.

"Hmph, little boy, are you seeking death by speaking to me in that tone? Let me tell you the truth, I am not bound by the 'Emperor Pact,' so even if I kill you, there would be no constraints on me from the 'Emperor Pact,'" Black Hou said coldly, his tone filled with dissatisfaction.

"That's impossible. Every Emperor-level strong man would be bound by the 'Emperor Pact' the moment they step into the Half-Emperor stage. It would automatically appear in your mind. You cannot possibly be outside of its constraints, unless..." Situ Yu hurriedly countered.

But he paused midway through his sentence, suddenly struck by a realization.

"Ha ha, little boy, you guessed right," Black Hou laughed heartily.

Upon hearing this, Situ Yu's face drastically changed, and he murmured, "Impossible, absolutely impossible!"

The surrounding Saints also realized something, their expressions drastically changing.

However, the black-haired elder simply sneered and turned his head toward Xu Nian.

He knelt midair and loudly said, "Subordinate Black Hou pays respects to the master!"

"Boom!"

A clap of thunder exploded in everyone's minds on a clear day!

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The onlookers were shocked to their core.

A Half-Emperor strong man was actually calling Xu Nian master?

And knelt down in the sky?

Unless they saw it with their own eyes, even if they were beaten to death, they wouldn't believe it.

The Xu Family members were stupefied.

A protector of such strength was actually by Xu Nian's side.

The surprises Xu Nian brought to them were truly one bigger than the other.

Of course, the person with the ugliest expression right now was Situ Yu.

He could never have imagined that this Half-Emperor strong man before him was actually Xu Nian's Spiritual Pet.

The Imperial Power Challenge had a binding effect on Emperor-level strong men.

Whether Holy-level strong men had just broken through to the Emperor Level or were at the Half-Emperor stage,

there would be a contract that would automatically appear in their minds.

The content of the contract was as follows.

Battle Emperor Level powerhouses are not allowed to easily strike at strong men below Emperor level.

Otherwise, they will face severe punishment.

However, there is one exception.

That is the Battle Emperor Level Spiritual Pets.

As long as their masters have not reached the Battle Emperor Level, and the Spiritual Pets have,

then the contract will not restrain the Battle Emperor Level Spiritual Pets.

Only when the masters also reach the Battle Emperor Level will the Spiritual Pets fall under the restraint.

But such a situation is almost impossible to occur.

Because ordinary Spiritual Pets find it very difficult to surpass their masters in cultivation.

Unless this master has a powerful force behind them.

Otherwise, the stronger the Demon Beast, the prouder they generally are.

It's very difficult to bow their heads to someone weaker than themselves.

So, when the people saw that this Half-Emperor Level Demon Beast was actually Xu Nian's Spiritual Pet,

they all found it incredibly unbelievable.

Xu Xin was also stunned beyond belief.

Not until this moment did her hanging heart completely let go.

With a Half-Emperor strong man protecting Xu Nian, nothing would happen to him.

"Master, should I just kill this man?" Black Hou came before Xu Nian, pointing to the distant Situ Yu and said.

His tone was thick with disdain.

It was as if he wasn't talking about a Peak Saint Powerhouse, but just a weak chicken.

Upon hearing this, Situ Yu's face changed immediately.

If this Half-Emperor strong man really made a move, Situ Yu feared he would not be able to escape death today.

The onlookers were also filled with emotion.

Just now, they thought Xu Nian was unable to escape death.

But now, the tables had turned, and it was Situ Yu's life that Xu Nian controlled.

It was truly unexpected.

The Saints from the Fang and Ye Families were also trembling in their hearts.

They feared today they too would not escape death.

"Let them go."

However, just when everyone thought Xu Nian would let the Half-Emperor Senior start a massacre,

Xu Nian spoke directly.

The onlookers were all stunned, including Situ Yu, who looked at Xu Nian with confusion.

He didn't believe Xu Nian would let them go.

Was he showing mercy?

Impossible!

From Xu Nian's decisive actions earlier, it was clear he was far from a merciful person.

So why would he suddenly hold back?

"You really let us go?" Situ Yu asked in astonishment.

Xu Nian let out a cold laugh, "Go back and tell your masters, whoever wants to seek revenge can come find me, but if they dare to lay a finger on anyone close to me, even if you're from the Imperial Family, I will turn your world upside down."

Situ Yu was taken aback.

"Alright, I will deliver the message," Situ Yu replied.

"Now get lost!" Black Hou bellowed.

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Situ Yu's body trembled, and he quickly stowed away the Stam Giant.

Then, he turned into a streak of flowing light and left.

Upon seeing this, the people from the Fang and Ye Families dared not tarry and immediately turned into streaks of light that vanished into the horizon.

The crowd around watched the Saints flee in panic, feeling a myriad of emotions.

Even up to this moment, they still felt like everything that had happened was just a dream.

Too astonishing, and utterly surreal.

A youth, who killed three Saints.

Warded off the Four Great Forces.

Such feats of battle, truly unprecedented and likely never to be replicated.

"Master, why let them go? Wouldn't it be better to just kill them?" Black Hou questioned, unable to understand.

The Demon Saints and the Artifact Refining Sect Elders were all puzzled.

Xu Nian had already killed so many people, even if he let these go,

these forces would likely not spare him anyway.

Instead of letting them go, it might be better to just kill them.

Upon hearing this, Xu Nian just smiled.

Killing these Saints would be meaningless.

They were all acting on orders, and unless he dealt with their masters behind the scenes, the pursuit would not cease.

If Xu Nian ordered their deaths,

then they could easily become like rabid dogs, biting wildly.

Instead of that, it might be better to let them carry a message back.

That way, if they sought vengeance, they would only come for him, sparing the people by his side from being involved.

Sometimes, killing cannot solve every problem.

Moderation is key!

Especially now that Xu Nian's personal strength was not yet sufficient to instill fear in others.

So, if someone targeted his family, he would be powerless to stop them.

This was something he had to consider.

"Sister, are you alright?" Xu Xin approached and asked with concern.

"I'm fine!" Xu Nian replied with a gentle smile on his face.

In fact, the Xu Family stood by without taking action.

He had seen it all.

However, Xu Nian held no resentment towards this, only some disappointment.

He believed that after this battle, the Xu family members would definitely start taking him seriously.

They certainly wouldn't treat his mother lightly.

"Sister, how is mother doing now?" Xu Nian asked a question he had long wanted to know the answer to.

"Mother is fine. At my request, the Family Head has transferred her from the dungeon to a separate residence, though I can only see her once a month," Xu Xin replied.

Having been raised by her grandfather outside of the main family, she especially longed for her parents.

She was overjoyed when her mother was brought back to the family.

It was a pity that she could only see her once a month.

It was also her mother who had told her of Xu Nian's existence.

Xu Nian nodded upon hearing Xu Xin's words.

And then turned to look at the Saint from the Xu family approaching.

"Go back and tell the Family Head Xu that the Artifact Refining Sect Master will pay a visit soon. If any harm comes to my mother during this time, I trust the Xu Family is well aware of the consequences," Xu Nian said coldly.

The Xu Family Saint frowned.

Xu Nian's identity was that of the Artifact Refining Sect Master, not admitting himself as a member of the Xu Family.

Clearly, he was dissatisfied with their previous inaction.

But thinking of Black Hou by Xu Nian's side, he couldn't muster any anger.

He could only nod and respond, "Very well, the Xu Family awaits the Sect Master's grand arrival."

Hearing this, Xu Nian scoffed coldly.

"Sister, won't you come back with us?" Xu Xin asked, her brows knitted in concern.

"No, I have some things to take care of. I'll come to the Imperial Capital to find you once I'm done," Xu Nian said with a smile.

A hint of disappointment flashed in Xu Xin's eyes, but she nodded anyway.

Xu Nian felt a warm feeling in his heart seeing this.

Xu Xin's presence brought him the long-missed warmth of familial affection.

So, from the moment he recognized Xu Xin, he had another person in his heart to protect with his life.

As for returning to the Xu Family, now was not the time.

Heading to the Imperial Capital now would be tantamount to seeking death!

Chapter 365 The Realm of Terror (2 more updates)

In a secluded forest.

Xu Nian stood upright on the surface of the forest's lake.

The calm, mirror-like surface of the lake reflected Xu Nian's tall figure.

The atmosphere around was exceptionally serene and peaceful.

A whole month had passed since the battle outside the Demon Emperor's Tomb.

The various factions had long since departed.

The Artifact Refining Sect Elders and others had already returned to the Artifact Refining Sect.

The Black Hou, along with the three Demon Saints, had returned to the Demon Beast Forest, seemingly to meet with the king of the Demon Beast Forest.

Xu Nian wasn't interested in this.

He had said before that he did not constrain the Black Hou's freedom, so whatever the Black Hou did, Xu Nian did not inquire.

As for Chen Wudi and the others, they were led back to the Commandery City by Chen Tiansheng.

Now that Chen Tiansheng had broken through to the Semi-Saint Realm, it should be no problem for him to take back control of East Field County.

The Fang Family shouldn't trouble them any longer.

After all, Xu Nian had taken all the blame upon himself.

If the Fang Family sought revenge, it would be him they would find first.

As for Xu Nian, after this battle, he ventured alone into the wilderness forest.

The gains from this battle were immense for him.

Not to mention the Demon Beast Crystal Core of the Emperor Scorpion.

Just the storage rings of those Saints had all been collected by him.

The wealth contained within could only be described as immense.

With the aid of the resources in these storage rings, as well as the power of the Demon Beast Crystal Core,

Xu Nian's cultivation broke through directly from a Four-star War King to the realm of a Seven-star War King.

His Body Cultivation was even higher, terrifyingly reaching the Eight-star Body King Realm.

Xu Nian, at this point, was an invincible existence among those below Saints.

Even Semi-Saint Experts were not necessarily his opponents.

However, he still had no confidence in facing a true Saint.

After all, the true terror of a Saint lay in their realm.

The Saints he had easily slain before were all with the aid of Formation power.

To truly slay Saints with his own power was absolutely impossible.

Of course, if Xu Nian broke through to Unity of Heaven and Man, it would be a different story.

Once he reached the Heavenly Human Unity Realm that only Saints could attain, he could fight a One-star Saint.

But despite a whole month of enlightenment,

Xu Nian still hadn't truly stepped into the Heavenly Human Unity Realm.

"Hum!"

Xu Nian opened his eyes, which sparkled with light.

His handsome brows were slightly furrowed, indicating another failure.

"I always feel like I'm missing something; what exactly is Unity of Heaven and Man?" Xu Nian muttered to himself.

With the support of his Dragon Bloodline, his comprehension of heaven and earth had increased a lot compared to before.

Standing on the ground, he could sense the pulsation of the earth.

Standing on the lake water, he could feel the fluctuations in the deep waters beneath the lake.

Even the wind blowing against his body, he could sense the rhythm of its gusts.

Yet he couldn't attain the legendary Unity of Heaven and Man.

He still had no clue what exactly constituted that state.

But he also knew that rushing would get him nowhere.

There were those among the Peak Battle Kings who had struggled with enlightenment for a dozen or even dozens of years without success.

Even with the aid of his Dragon Bloodline, it would probably be hard for him to comprehend it within a mere month.

However, this month of enlightenment was not in vain.

Now, Xu Nian's control over force had reached a very high level.

At this moment, standing on this lake,

He had not used a trace of Spiritual Energy.

He simply relied on his understanding of force to keep himself suspended above the water surface.

Not only that, he was now using his Gravity Ring.

He had set up an area of gravity around himself that was a hundred times greater than normal.

Even if Xu Nian weighed only 140 pounds, under a hundred times the gravity, that would be a massive 14,000 pounds.

Xu Nian relied solely on his control of force to levitate such a heavy object above the water's surface.

It was evident how strong his mastery over force was.

"Swish!"

Just then, a black shadow shot out from the grass behind Xu Nian at an extremely high speed.

It was an Eight-star War General-level Thundering Leopard.

This Demon Beast was incredibly fast, moving like a streak of black lightning.

The young leopard had been lurking behind Xu Nian for quite some time.

Xu Nian had detected it early on.

However, he had paid it no mind.

He didn't expect that the leopard would finally lose its patience.

With the speed of the Thundering Leopard, its sharp claws, as keen as daggers, reached straight for Xu Nian.

As Xu Nian felt the looming threat behind him, a slight smile appeared in his eyes.

"Hum!"

In the instant before the Thundering Leopard's claws could touch the back of Xu Nian's head,

Countless Wind Blades appeared out of nowhere.

They instantly shredded the black Thundering Leopard into over a thousand pieces.

And Xu Nian, he didn't even turn his head,

Nor did he use a trace of Spiritual Energy.

Even a typical Peak Battle King powerhouse would not have been able to do it as effortlessly as Xu Nian.

The pieces of flesh fell to the ground.

With a flick of his sleeve, Xu Nian sliced them clean.

Over the past month, powerful Demon Beasts had continually tried to attack him.

And those that attacked him ended up as his meals.

Thus, aside from the significant increase in his combat techniques,

His grilling skills had also improved dramatically over the month.

Every time he grilled meat, Black Wind and Xu Yu would watch him eagerly.

Speaking of these two fellows,

Their Cultivation had increased quite a bit during this period.

After devouring the flesh of many Demon Beasts, their strength had soared.

Additionally, Xu Nian hadn't even spared the body of the Emperor Scorpion.

Thus, Little Xu Yu's Cultivation had now reached the Seven-star War King level.

Although Black Wind had a Divine Beast Bloodline, it was not as pure as Little Xu Yu's.

Nevertheless, it had reached the Seven-star War King level as well.

And of course, there was the Purple King Vine.

The Purple King Vine had now attained the Four-star Battle King Level.

So, it may seem like Xu Nian was traveling alone,

But including Black Gold, he had a total of four Battle King-level powerhouses.

With such strength, he could traverse East Field County with complete ease,

Since Saint-level powerhouses were not a common sight.

"Swish swish swish!"

At that moment, the sound of several objects whizzing through the air came from not far away.

Xu Nian's gaze sharpened, and in a flash, he merged silently into the shadows.

With Xu Nian's current control over force, his movements were impossible to hear—

Not even causing a disturbance in the flow of the air.

Without Spiritual Sense, one could not possibly detect his presence.

Soon, three figures dressed in black robes rapidly approached from the distant woods.

And they all landed on the clearing where Xu Nian and the others were.

These three individuals had no simple Cultivation levels; they were all at Marquis Level.

Two One-star Battle Kings and a Two-star Body King.

They might seem powerful to others, but in Xu Nian's view, they were mere ants.

Yet, Xu Nian was somewhat perplexed; he felt a sense of familiarity with the aura of the three, as if he had encountered it somewhere before.

However, after probing with his Spiritual Sense, Xu Nian was sure.

He had never seen the faces of these individuals before.

But the following conversation between the three made Xu Nian's expression turn grave.

Chapter 366 Mysterious Meteorite (3 Updates)

"Ah, where exactly did that meteorite fall? Why haven't we found it after searching the entire forest?" one of the men in black spoke.

"Meteorite?" Xu Nian was taken aback.

He had been here for a month.

And had not noticed any meteorite falling, had he?

But soon, the leading man in a black robe resolved Xu Nian's confusion.

"That meteorite fell to this place ten years ago, and has since been covered by soil and vegetation. Finding it is not easy, but that meteorite is likely to contain Divine Iron, so we must find it," the Black Robed Man answered.

"Yes!" The other two Black Robed Men immediately responded.

After speaking, they transformed into three shadows, each dashing off in different directions.

Each held an object resembling a compass in their hands, seemingly used to search for that meteorite.

Xu Nian watched the three men leave.

Only then did he step out from behind a large tree.

A contemplative expression appeared on his face.

Meteorite?

Divine Iron?

No wonder these three were so secretive in their search for the meteorite.

So, it turns out that the meteorite contained Divine Iron.

Divine Iron is naturally a material for refining Spiritual Artifacts.

This kind of material stands above exotic metals.

In the imperial market,

A piece of Divine Iron the size of a soybean could sell for an astronomical price.

The amount of Divine Iron in a meteorite would certainly be no small matter.

"Interesting, my Meteorite Iron Hammer can no longer keep up with the pace of my cultivation, and I'm indeed short of some good Artifact Refining Materials. If I can find this meteorite, that would be perfect," Xu Nian said to himself with a smile.

He had already roughly guessed the identities of these three men.

If he was not wrong,

They should be from the Desolate Hall he encountered at Ice Dust Lake.

Initially, he thought these men were only active within Southern Wilderness County, yet they had come here.

But what puzzled him was how they knew that a meteorite with Divine Iron had fallen here ten years ago.

"I want to see what exactly you are up to," Xu Nian said with a slight smile.

With that, he turned into an afterimage and silently followed the leader of the three men.

He wanted to see what these men's undisclosed intentions were.

Over the next three days, Xu Nian quietly followed these three men.

The three of them continuously used the compasses in their hands to search for the meteorite.

Eventually, they stopped at a huge basin.

"This is it; this basin must be the crater created by the fall of the meteorite,"

The lead Black Robed Man stood in the air, looking down excitedly at the vast basin below.

A look of surprise also unwittingly appeared on Xu Nian's face.

Through his Spiritual Sense, he discovered that the basin was a full three kilometers in diameter.

Its shape was a perfect circle.

Although it had been covered by plants, its outline was still clearly visible.

"What size would the meteorite need to be to create such a basin?" Xu Nian thought in amazement.

Normally, as meteorites fall from the sky, they generate terrifying temperatures due to friction with the air and are usually melted.

So when they hit the ground, they become very small; being the size of a human head is already considerable.

But for a meteorite to create such a huge basin, the size of the stone must be extraordinarily large.

Xu Nian hardly dared to imagine a meteorite of this magnitude.

Xu Nian extended his Spiritual Sense towards the center of the basin.

Indeed, a massive black-and-red stone was buried deep in the center of the basin.

The stone was spherical, with a diameter of about three meters.

Such a massive meteorite—Xu Nian had never heard of anything like it.

However, just as Xu Nian's Spiritual Sense reached into the meteorite, he was stunned.

God damn it, Divine Iron?

Inside the meteorite wasn't any damn Divine Iron at all, but a curled-up giant beast.

Oh, no!

It was a cub!

Xu Nian had never seen a cub of such immense size.

The cub was covered in black scale armor, its shape very much like a gigantic tiger.

But what was bizarre was that this cub actually had the head of a dragon and a pair of wings on its back.

There was also a dark red horn on its forehead.

An aura of terror emanated from it.

Xu Nian had never seen such a special Exotic Beast before.

Most crucially, the heart of this Exotic Beast was still beating.

Which meant it wasn't dead.

And the so-called meteorite wrapped around it was actually its eggshell.

"What kind of Demon Beast is this? It actually flew in from beyond the heavens and didn't even shatter its eggshell when it landed on the ground?" Xu Nian asked himself in shock.

The Exotic Beast before him was very strange.

It had come from beyond the heavens and hadn't hatched for ten years.

During these ten years, it had continuously absorbed the Heaven and Earth Spiritual Energy.

Now, the aura it exuded was exceptionally terrifying.

It probably would have strength unmatched by any Saint upon its birth.

A Demon Beast born with power on par with Saint Level—

Xu Nian was hearing about this for the first time.

Even True Dragons were incredibly weak at birth, at most comparable to fighters at the Battle Sect Level.

It was evident just how terrifying this slumbering Exotic Beast was.

"How did it end up here?"

However, just at that moment, the voice of Emperor Ye Tian resonated in Xu Nian's mind.

"Eh? Your Majesty, do you recognize this Exotic Beast?" Xu Nian promptly asked, surprised.

"Boy, how could I not recognize this Exotic Beast? It is none other than the legendary Undying Devouring Sky Beast," Emperor Ye Tian answered.

"Undying Devouring Sky Beast? What kind of Exotic Beast is that?" Xu Nian wondered.

But just from the name, he felt a terrible sense of dread.

Undying Devouring Sky Beast, strong enough to devour even the heavens—how powerful must this Demon Beast be?

"This Undying Devouring Sky Beast is born of heaven and earth itself, its power incomparable even by the Dragon Clan. It possesses terrifying abilities, able to devour everything in its path. As it grows, it often consumes the planet it's on, and even the surrounding sun and moon will be completely devoured by it," Emperor Ye Tian began to explain.

"What? It can even devour the sun and moon?" Xu Nian's face displayed an expression of utter horror.

He finally understood just how fearsome this Undying Devouring Sky Beast truly was.

If it awoke, wouldn't their very planet be doomed?

Kill it!

He mustn't let it grow.

Xu Nian said to himself.

If such a terrifying Exotic Beast grew, they would all be doomed.

"Boy, save your effort; didn't you notice the words 'undying' in its name?" Emperor Ye Tian saw through Xu Nian's thoughts and snorted coldly.

"Undying? Does it truly never die?" Xu Nian said, not believing it.

"That's right, it truly is undying. Even if the Undying Devouring Sky Beast is killed, it can use its unique power to turn itself back into a beast egg and be reborn. This is why, in fact, there is only one Undying Devouring Sky Beast in the entire world. The one you see is just the cub it revived itself into," replied Emperor Ye Tian.

Xu Nian was astounded.

There really were undying creatures in this world?

Then wasn't their planet definitely finished?

"Boy, you really are damned lucky! You actually encountered it!"

Yet, just when Xu Nian thought his luck had run out, Emperor Ye Tian's words completely baffled him.

How was it lucky that their planet was nearly doomed, yet Emperor Ye Tian said he hit the jackpot?

Chapter 367 Clone Plan (4 More)

"Hmph, boy, your memory is really poor. Have you forgotten that you have a treasure in your hands?" Emperor Ye Tian scolded.

"Are you referring to the pearl I obtained at the Chen Family Ancestral Land?" Xu Nian was stunned for a moment before he replied.

"That's right, the Immortal Profound Pearl. Haven't I told you? The Immortal Profound Pearl is used to create avatars. I also told you not to rush into creating an avatar. Wait until you find a suitable body. What could be more suitable than the body of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast right now?" Emperor Ye Tian said, his tone even carrying a hint of excitement.

Waves of emotion rolled through Xu Nian's heart.

After hearing what Emperor Ye Tian had said, he was shocked at the strength of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

If he could really transform the Undying Devouring Sky Beast into his own avatar?

Wouldn't that mean he would have an additional Undying Body?

And an extremely powerful Undying Body at that!

That must be something many people wouldn't even dare to dream of!

"But this Undying Devouring Sky Beast is so powerful, I'm afraid I'm no match for it!" Xu Nian voiced his doubts.

"Normally, when an Undying Devouring Sky Beast is reborn, it will choose to do so on an uninhabited Mortal World planet or a very weak one, because the time before they break out of their shell is when they are weakest. If someone were to kill their soul and take their body while they are asleep, that would be the end of them. And right now, there's still some time before this Undying Devouring Sky Beast hatches, so this moment is an excellent opportunity for you," Emperor Ye Tian explained.

Upon hearing this, Xu Nian's eyes lit up.

If that was the case, then it was indeed worth a try.

His Spiritual Sense was now comparable to that of a One-star Saint.

With the aid of the Heavenly Gang Pearl, his spiritual sense could match that of a Two-star or even Three-star Saint.

It should be possible to kill the soul of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast, especially since it was still in deep slumber.

"There it is, hurry, dig it out."

Just then.

Members of the Desolate Hall further away had also located the meteorite.

They began to excavate the meteorite.

Xu Nian did not stop them.

The eggshell of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast was as hard as some extraordinary metals.

With the strength of these three people, it was impossible to break the shell.

Xu Nian was also not worried that they might wake the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

Emperor Ye Tian had told him that before the Undying Devouring Sky Beast had fully accumulated its strength, it would absolutely not awaken.

And right now, there was still some time before the beast's strength was fully accumulated.

So even if they dug it out, it wouldn't hinder Xu Nian's plans in the slightest.

On the contrary, it would save Xu Nian a lot of effort.

Soon, the three people unearthed the giant egg from the ground.

However, they found it impossible to lift the giant egg, no matter how hard they tried.

"Damn, why is it so heavy? Even with the strength of all three of us, we can't move it. How are we supposed to take it back?" one Black Robed Man couldn't help but curse.

They had used all their strength, but they couldn't move the meteorite at all.

Moreover, they discovered that they couldn't even put the giant rock into their storage rings.

This really gave them a headache.

Even the leading Black Robed Man furrowed his brows.

Suddenly, he took out a sharp sword and struck directly at the meteorite.

"Clang!"

A metallic tremor rang out.

Not a single mark was left on the surface of the meteorite.

The three men looked at each other in dismay.

They couldn't move it, couldn't stash it away, and couldn't break it.

What should they do?

Xu Nian stood in the shadows, his heart filled with amusement.

These three were truly comical.

After all this fuss, they found there was nothing they could do with this piece of meteorite.

They still believed it was a real meteorite up to this moment.

"You stay here and keep watch; I'll go notify the master to deal with this," the leading Black Robed Man suddenly said.

Then he was about to leave.

How could Xu Nian possibly let them leave this place?

If his guess was correct, the master mentioned by the Black Robed Man was probably a Saint.

Once a Saint's Spiritual Sense conducted an investigation,

the secret of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast would also be exposed.

So he absolutely could not let such a thing happen.

"Buzz!"

The Purple King Vine instantly burst forth from the soil, tightly binding the three men so they could not move an inch.

All three were greatly surprised, staring at the Purple King Vine with shocked expressions.

A plant-based Demon Beast?

And a Four-star Battle King Level plant-based Demon Beast at that?

How could this be?

While the three were shocked, Xu Nian slowly emerged from the shadows.

Looking at the three men wrapped up like seeds,

a slight smile appeared on his face.

The reason he didn't kill these three men

was that he knew that they all had Soul Marks placed on them.

Once they were killed, that Soul Mark would notify the owner of the mark.

In that case, their location would be exposed.

"Who are you? Why did you ambush us?" The leading man looked Xu Nian over.

When they saw that Xu Nian was actually a youngster, they all showed an expression of surprise.

"If I'm not mistaken, you are people from Desolate Hall, aren't you?" Xu Nian said with a smile.

The expressions on the faces of the three changed.

The leading Black Robed Man immediately asked, "How do you know, and who exactly are you?"

Xu Nian smiled and said, "I wonder if you've ever heard of Xu Nian?"

"You're Xu Nian?" The three men's eyes widened upon hearing this.

Now in the Tianhen Empire, who didn't know about Xu Nian?

The events that occurred in the Demon Emperor's Tomb had long since spread throughout the entire Tianhen Empire.

Almost everyone knew that Xu Nian not only killed three Saints but also had a Half-Emperor Level fighter as a servant.

The three members of Desolate Hall revealed a look of utter despair on their faces.

They never expected that they would encounter this harbinger of doom right here.

"Speak, what is the purpose of your journey from Southern Wilderness County to East Field County?" Xu Nian said, looking at the leading Black Robed Man.

"Hmph, Xu Nian, don't bother trying. We will not speak. If you have the guts, then kill us!" The leading Black Robed Man coldly snorted.

He had already figured that Xu Nian wouldn't dare to kill them and his tone became arrogant.

"Is that so? I believe you'll come to your senses," Xu Nian said with a slight smile.

The purple vines binding the Black Robed Man instantly tightened.

The Black Robed Man immediately let out a miserable scream.

All his bones were broken.

As a Two-star Battle King, he had no chance to resist before the Four-star Battle King Level Purple King Vine.

The two followers at his side saw this and their complexions turned even paler.

However, Xu Nian no longer paid them any attention.

Right now, the most important thing was to deal with the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

After subduing the Undying Devouring Sky Beast, it wouldn't be too late to slowly interrogate them.

Therefore, Xu Nian slowly walked towards the giant egg of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

The giant egg before him was pitch-black, with a rough surface that made it seem no different from a stone.

No wonder these three men from Desolate Hall had mistaken it for a rock.

Chapter 368 Undying Devouring Sky Beast

After summoning Black Wind and Xu Yu,

Xu Nian placed his hand on the giant egg.

At this moment, he could clearly feel the heartbeat of the Immortal Devouring Sky Beast's heart inside the egg.

Xu Nian concentrated his energy and spirit and directly released his Spiritual Sense into the interior of the giant egg.

This time, he was going to carry out a Soul Attack on the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

Since this process required his undivided attention, he had summoned Black Wind and Xu Yu.

To stand guard for him.

"Buzz!"

The power of the Spiritual Sense was released, and his potent Spiritual Sense plunged deep into the giant egg.

With Xu Nian's probing Spiritual Sense, he could clearly feel the terrifying aura of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

Moreover, as time passed, this aura continued to strengthen.

It probably wouldn't be long before the Undying Devouring Sky Beast would awaken.

"Don't hesitate, go straight into its Sea of Consciousness, kill its soul, and then use the Immortal Profound Pearl to occupy its flesh, and seize its body. With your strength, it's simply not possible," Emperor Ye Tian's voice echoed in Xu Nian's mind.

Xu Nian immediately immersed his entire spirit into the giant egg, infiltrating the Undying Devouring Sky Beast's Sea of Consciousness with his Spiritual Sense Power.

"Boom!"

The Sea of Consciousness of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast was naturally open.

That's why they were born at the Saint Realm.

Furthermore, the core of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast's soul, like humans, was the Mud Ball Palace—not a Demon Core.

The instant Xu Nian intruded upon their carcass, he felt as if he had entered a world vast as the sea of mist.

"What a vast Mud Ball Palace; this is practically like a world itself," Xu Nian muttered to himself.

The Mud Ball Palace of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast stretched endlessly; all around were illusory Soul Powers with no end in sight.

Such a colossal Mud Ball Palace was something Xu Nian had never seen before.

Xu Nian continued deeper into the Mud Ball Palace.

After two hours, he finally saw the Soul Origin of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

But when he saw the Soul Origin of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast, he was stunned.

The Soul Origin of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast was exactly like its physical form.

But its size was immense.

The entire body sprawled out there, tens of feet high.

One could hardly imagine how big it would be if it stood up.

Moreover, the aura emanating from this Soul Origin was also extremely terrifying, unmatched by an ordinary Saint.

"Such a strong soul, can it really be killed?"

Xu Nian couldn't help but wonder.

The Soul Origin of the beast in front of him was definitely equivalent to the soul strength of a Saint at their Peak.

And currently, his soul strength was only comparable to a Three-star Saint.

There was a huge gap.

However, the only good news was that the giant beast's Soul Origin was still asleep.

"Kid, you only have one chance; you must shatter this Soul Origin in one strike, otherwise once it awakens, it will be you who gets devoured," Emperor Ye Tian's voice sounded.

Xu Nian's brow furrowed deeply.

Only one chance.

That was going to be difficult.

With the Soul Origin of the beast before him being so powerful, killing it with one move seemed difficult!

"No matter what, I have to do this, so let's just try and see," Xu Nian resolved with gritted teeth, and then a hammer formed from the concentration of Soul Power appeared in his hand.

Ten Thousand Divine Hammer Technique!

This was Xu Nian's most powerful Soul Attack technique.

If this strike couldn't kill the Soul Origin of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast, then there was nothing else he could do.

"Buzz!"

The powerful Soul Power converged upon the hammer in Xu Nian's hands.

Soon, the hammer, formed by the power of the Spiritual Sense, was enveloped in a terrifying and heart-palpitating vibration.

Xu Nian's eyes instantly became sharp.

"Ten Thousand Divine Hammer Technique!"

Xu Nian shouted loudly, and the giant hammer in his hand ferociously slammed down upon the Soul Origin of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast before him.

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"Boom!"

A thunderous boom shook the heavens.

A terrible aura blasted outward.

Cracks instantly appeared on the Soul Origin of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

Was it a success?

Xu Nian's expression lit up with joy.

But it quickly froze.

Although the Soul Origin of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast had cracked, the spread soon halted.

The entire soul hadn't shattered.

Furthermore, at this moment, the Undying Devouring Sky Beast opened its eyes and stared deathly at Xu Nian.

"Hum!"

A wave of terrifying oppression surged over him.

"This is bad; the Undying Devouring Sky Beast is awake," Xu Nian tensed inside.

He hurriedly tried to retreat explosively.

"Human, you're seeking death!"

But just then, a thunderous roar from the Undying Devouring Sky Beast came.

Next, Xu Nian saw a terrifyingly huge paw swiping fiercely at him.

With this paw smack down, his Soul Origin would surely disperse.

Xu Nian panicked, hastily retreating backward at full speed.

"Boom!"

The massive paw struck down.

Xu Nian had dodged,

but the horrific power of the paw still sent him reeling backward.

Xu Nian's Soul Body flew backward a full three thousand yards before barely coming to a stop.

His body also became even more ethereal.

"Damn, so powerful, how can I compete?" Xu Nian cursed inwardly.

Now that the Undying Devouring Sky Beast had awakened, killing it was no longer possible.

Escaping with his life was also uncertain.

"Human, you have disturbed my rest and injured my Soul Origin; today I will devour your soul," the Undying Devouring Sky Beast bellowed with a roar.

Its colossal body then surged forward rapidly.

In a flash, it appeared in front of Xu Nian, and with a swipe of its paw, it directly seized Xu Nian's soul.

Xu Nian had no chance to react; he was gripped by the soul of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

With just a bit more force, his soul would be completely crushed.

If Xu Nian's soul were to be crushed, he would likely become a living dead.

"Human, you have disturbed my rest and injured my Soul Origin; today you shall become my snack!"

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast raged.

After speaking, it was about to toss Xu Nian's soul into its mouth.

Xu Nian felt immediate despair.

If he were devoured by the Undying Devouring Sky Beast, his Soul Power would become the beast's soul nourishment.

If that happened, he would truly die.

"Hum!"

But just at this moment, a black sword flew rapidly through the air.

It instantly sliced off the massive paw of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

Thus, Xu Nian was saved.

"Who!"

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast was shocked, staring intently at the entrance of the Mud Ball Palace.

Right at that moment.

A stunningly beautiful woman dressed in black, with a face that could topple empires, walked in from outside the hall.

A strong and majestic aura radiated from her.

Even the formidable presence of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast couldn't help but tremble.

"Divine... Divine Emperor? Impossible, how can you be in the Mortal World?" The Undying Devouring Sky Beast stared with its eyes wide.

Its eyes filled with incredible horror.

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Chapter 369 The Second Avatar

Xu Nian watched the woman approaching in a black dress, and couldn't help but stare in awe.

Beautiful!

She was truly too beautiful.

Her face could only be described as flawless.

Especially her exquisite figure, which could no longer merely be called superb; it was the most beautiful work of art in the human realm.

And her aura, which was cold yet majestically imposing.

It added an indescribable aesthetic to her.

However, Xu Nian dared not look any longer.

Because the gaze of the woman in the black dress was harshly fixed on him.

Indeed, this person was none other than Emperor Ye Tian.

Who else in the world could compare to Emperor Ye Tian in perfect beauty and demeanor?

"Thank you, Your Majesty, for saving my life," Xu Nian hastily expressed his gratitude.

Emperor Ye Tian seemed not to hear him.

Instead, she turned her head and coldly said to the Undying Devouring Sky Beast, "Vile creature, surrender now!"

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast, looking at Emperor Ye Tian, suddenly had a fierce glint in its eyes.

"You are not the true Divine Emperor, you are just a residual soul, haha, I was almost fooled by you. While you still possess some of the Divine Emperor's majesty, it is far too weak," the Undying Devouring Sky Beast laughed heartily.

Hearing this, Emperor Ye Tian's brows slightly furrowed.

Clearly, the Undying Devouring Sky Beast had struck a nerve.

"Hmph, even if I am only a residual soul, you are no different. I can still kill you," Emperor Ye Tian retorted coldly.

After speaking, she once again condensed a black sword in her hand.

"Devouring you, my Soul Power will surely be greatly replenished. I'm quite eager," the Undying Devouring Sky Beast said with a greedy look.

It then pounced towards Emperor Ye Tian.

"Court death!"

Emperor Ye Tian let out a cold shout.

Then she swung the sharp sword in her hand towards the soul of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast used its agile body to continuously dodge.

Emperor Ye Tian's sharp sword kept slashing down.

Each stroke of the sword contained a terrifying Soul Attack.

The fearsome Sword Radiance tore one sword mark after another on the ground.

However, it failed to injure the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast appeared to be roaming around, constantly trying to close the distance to Emperor Ye Tian, seeking to inflict a heavy blow on her.

Xu Nian stood on the side, watching the battle.

He was completely unable to intervene in a clash of this level.

To join in would only be to court death.

What surprised him was that Emperor Ye Tian had come out to help him at this moment.

Clearly, even with her power, dealing with the Undying Devouring Sky Beast was not an easy task.

"Swoosh!"

At that moment, the wings of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast fluttered behind it, and its speed surged.

It rapidly swooped towards Emperor Ye Tian.

Its sharp wings sliced through the air like sword blades, slashing towards Emperor Ye Tian.

Emperor Ye Tian was somewhat caught off guard.

She hurriedly dodged to the side.

But she was still grazed by the wings on her shoulder.

Though they were only Soul Bodies.

The pain from a soul injury was much greater than that from a physical injury.

Emperor Ye Tian's figure suddenly became faint, clearly heavily wounded by the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

"Haha, you are just a residual soul, and your Soul Power is at most similar to mine. Moreover, this is my territory. I can continuously replenish my Soul Power while you can only be gradually worn down," the Undying Devouring Sky Beast laughed haughtily.

Watching this, the gaze of Emperor Ye Tian grew even more greedy.

Of course, it wasn't coveting Emperor Ye Tian's beauty, but the Divine Origin within her.

That was what would truly nourish it.

Xu Nian's brows furrowed deeply.

He hadn't expected that Emperor Ye Tian would also have difficulty dealing with the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

Emperor Ye Tian's expression was ice-cold, her eyes sharp.

"Die!"

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast burst into laughter and then once again swung its wings toward Emperor Ye Tian to attack him.

This wing attack must be a unique technique of its own.

The power was incredibly vast.

However, this time Emperor Ye Tian didn't intend to dodge.

He saw a strong light emanating from the sword in the hands of Emperor Ye Tian.

Then Xu Nian saw Emperor Ye Tian slash with his sword.

"Puchi!"

The wings of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast were directly severed.

"No... Impossible, your soul power cannot be strong enough to sever my wings."

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast crashed heavily to the side, expressing shock.

But Emperor Ye Tian's expression remained ice cold.

His body emitted a faint black ghostly light.

At this moment, Emperor Ye Tian's aura was obviously several times stronger than before.

"Is this the effect of a secret technique? A secret technique that strengthens the soul?" Xu Nian thought to himself, astonished.

Emperor Ye Tian actually used a secret technique.

"It's over," Emperor Ye Tian softly uttered these words.

Then the black sword in his hand slashed toward the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

"No, I will fight you with all I've got!"

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast, unwilling to accept defeat, roared and charged at Emperor Ye Tian.

However, Emperor Ye Tian faced the danger unafraid, simply slashing calmly with his sword.

A flash of black ghostly light passed, and the soul origin body of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast was immediately split into two by this sword.

Ultimately, it transformed into soul fragments.

Emperor Ye Tian's body also softened, the black ghostly light dispersed, and her body became extremely ethereal.

At this moment, she resembled a candle in the darkness.

As if it could extinguish at any moment.

"Lady Empress, are you alright?" Xu Nian quickly went forward and asked.

"I'm fine. Quickly take out the Immortal Profound Pearl, tear your soul, and absorb these soul fragments of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast. Its memories contain powerful inheritance memories," Emperor Ye Tian urgently said.

Xu Nian's heart tightened.

He hadn't expected Emperor Ye Tian to do so much for him.

But Xu Nian hesitated no longer.

He directly used his soul power to manipulate the Immortal Profound Pearl.

The Immortal Profound Pearl was a peculiar treasure; although it was material, it could penetrate the shell just like soul power.

So very quickly, the Immortal Profound Pearl appeared in the soul hand of Xu Nian.

"Quick, split your soul! This process is extremely painful, but you must endure," Emperor Ye Tian instructed.

Xu Nian clenched his teeth.

He immediately began controlling his soul to split.

Soul splitting was an extremely painful thing.

It was just like tearing the soul alive into two halves.

"Ah..."

Xu Nian's screams of agony echoed throughout the Mud Ball Palace.

The intense pain nearly made him faint.

However, he still persevered firmly.

After two hours, Xu Nian finally emerged from this torment.

The soul split into two.

One part returned to his main body.

The other part directly merged into the Immortal Profound Pearl.

As Xu Nian's soul merged, the Immortal Profound Pearl began to change.

It actually started to transform into a new Xu Nian, forming a new soul origin.

At that moment, Xu Nian realized he was gradually beginning to integrate with the body of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

"What a strange feeling, is this what it feels like to have a doppelganger?" Xu Nian muttered to himself.

At this moment, he could clearly feel the squeezing sensation of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast curled up inside the shell.

He could also feel the vast power contained within the body of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

"First merge these soul fragments, I need to rest for a while," Emperor Ye Tian saw this scene, and finally put her mind at ease, turning into a black light, she returned to the abdomen of Xu Nian's main body.

And Xu Nian began trying to merge the soul fragments of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast floating around him, bit by bit, into his new soul origin.

From then on, Xu Nian had gained an additional life.

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"Cough, cough!"

Xu Nian's true self opened his eyes and couldn't help but cough a few times.

At that moment, he felt an extreme sense of weakness.

His entire being was as if drained of strength, and his Spiritual Sense Power had weakened significantly compared to before.

He knew this was the aftereffect of soul splitting.

Now that his soul had split in two, it had formed two independent souls.

Each could have its own independent thoughts.

In other words, he could now be considered as having become two people.

Of course, these two 'hims' shared thoughts, just as they shared all senses, such as hearing and vision.

Therefore, whether it was the true self or the avatar, both were him.

With sacrifice comes reward; as the soul avatar continued to merge with the Soul Fragments of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast,

Xu Nian could clearly feel that many new memories had appeared in his mind.

Some of these memories came from ancient times, all from experiences of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast, and the important parts for him were left within the Soul Fragments as talent inheritance.

When Xu Nian merged with these Soul Fragments, these memories also became Xu Nian's memories.

Among them, what excited Xu Nian the most was the Undying Devouring Sky Technique.

This was the Combat Technique cultivated by the Undying Devouring Sky Beast, and it was incredibly powerful.

It could be said to be no less than his Divine Demon Refining Body Technique, even surpassing the Divine Demon Refining Body Technique.

"The avatar still needs some time to merge with the Soul Fragments, and it will take at least ten days before it can break out of its shell. During this time, the avatar will stay inside the eggshell," Xu Nian mused to himself.

He then summoned the God King Tripod.

He took the massive 'meteorite' and placed it within the God King Tripod.

Since there was a living creature inside, naturally, it could not be placed in a storage ring.

As for its terrifying weight, that naturally posed no issue for Xu Nian.

After all, the Undying Devouring Sky Beast had already become a part of him; lifting it became much easier.

The three people in the Desolate Hall were astonished to see Xu Nian actually storing away the 'meteorite.'

Their faces all revealed surprise.

They had seen the weight of the meteorite; it was at least several million jin.

How could Xu Nian so effortlessly store away such a massive stone?

"Now it's your turn to talk!" Xu Nian walked up to the Black Robed Man in the lead and asked with a smile.

He wasn't actually too interested in the Desolate Hall.

He just vaguely felt that there must be some ulterior motive for the appearance of the Desolate Hall here.

That's why he thought of interrogating the three men.

"Hmph, I won't talk, I'd rather die than say anything, but let me warn you, your good days are over; your doom is coming soon!" the leading Black Robed Man huffed disdainfully.

Seeing this, Xu Nian let out a cold laugh.

This Black Robed Man sure was tough-minded; it seemed he couldn't get anything out of him.

With a thought,

the Purple King Vine's tendrils instantly pierced the heart of the Black Robed Man.

The Black Robed Man's pupils constricted, and then he was breathless.

Not only that, but the Spiritual Energy within his body was also completely devoured by the Purple King Vine.

The other two Black Robed Men were stunned by this scene, and a strong chill emerged from the bottom of their hearts.

"It's your turn!" Xu Nian turned his head to look at the remaining two Black Robed Men.

Their spirits trembled even more.

The look in Xu Nian's eyes made them feel as if they were falling into an abyss.

"We'll talk, we'll tell you everything," one of the Black Robed Men quickly said, his eyes filled with fear.

The other Black Robed Man was nodding incessantly.

They had also witnessed Xu Nian's methods.

Two terrifying Battle King Level Demon Beasts, and one plant-based Battle King Demon Beast.

In addition to Xu Nian himself,

they dared not even think of escaping.

Now they could only beg Xu Nian to spare them.

"Speak, what are you doing in East Field County?" Xu Nian asked.

One of the Black Robed Men heard this, pursed his lips, and then said, "We received orders from our superior protector that there's a meteorite in this forest, containing Divine Iron. We were just tasked with finding the meteorite, sir, please spare us."

"Orders from a superior protector? How did your superior protector know there was a meteorite here?" Xu Nian asked sternly.

"Our protector had once been to this place and witnessed the meteorite fall with his own eyes. At that time he wanted to take the meteorite away but realized that it was immovable, so he guessed there must be Divine Iron within. This time he sent us to find the whereabouts of the meteorite and to inform him once we found it," another Black Robed Man said.

Xu Nian nodded.

That made sense.

The protector they mentioned had found the meteorite and wanted to take it away.

But since he could neither break it nor move it, he inferred the presence of Divine Iron.

Indeed, only Divine Iron could possess such a terrifying weight.

"So what is this about your Desolate Hall claiming the entire continent as yours? Your entering East Field County this time must be for more than just this meteorite, right?" Xu Nian asked with narrowed eyes.

"This..." The two Black Robed Men suddenly began to stutter.

They exchanged glances, seemingly hesitant.

Seeing this, Xu Nian knew they were hiding something.

"If you're not willing to talk, that's fine. I'll let my Purple King Vine ask you," Xu Nian said with a faint smile.

The vine that had finished absorbing their leader's energy turned towards the two Black Robed Men.

The two Black Robed Men were scared out of their wits.

The Purple King Vine asking questions?

This Purple King Vine hadn't reached the incarnation stage; how could it possibly talk?

Clearly, Xu Nian intended for the Purple King Vine to kill them!

"We'll talk, we entered East Field County actually to target... you, to take your dragon vein and other secrets," one of the Black Robed Men hastily said.

Xu Nian immediately began to laugh upon hearing this.

So the Desolate Hall had come for him.

They wanted his dragon vein and secrets?

It seemed the Desolate Hall truly was courting death.

No wonder the Black Robed Leader refused to talk earlier, because he knew that speaking meant death.

"So how many of you came in total? And what are your strengths?" Xu Nian asked with a smile.

"Apart from us, there are thirty-six Battle Kings, as for Holy Level experts we don't know, but I'm aware of at least three," another Black Robed Man said.

Thirty-six Life Battle Kings?

Three Saints?

The Desolate Hall truly regarded him highly.

To deploy so many to kill him.

They likely knew that he was separated from the Artifact Refining Sect and the Black Hou, planning to eliminate him when he was alone.

"Sir, you may not know, but the orders we received from above are to capture you alive. Those thirty-six Battle Kings can form the Thirty-Six Heavenly Gang Array, which even a Saint would find difficult to resist. You'd do well to be cautious," one of the Black Robed Men said.

"Capture me alive? What do they want to do?" Xu Nian expressed surprise.

"They want to enslave you, to turn you into one of the Desolate Hall's own!" another Black Robed Man quickly interjected.

"Ha ha!"

Xu Nian burst out laughing, yet his eyes flashed with killing intent.

These people from the Desolate Hall truly had the gall to think about enslaving him.

However, what the next Black Robed Man revealed drastically escalated his murderous intent.

"Right, the superiors also said to take down the Dean of the Qinglin Academy to draw you out. They are probably on their way to Qinglin Academy right now," a Black Robed Man quickly said.

They knew that having leaked the Desolate Hall's secrets, they could not go back.

Now they could only hope that Xu Nian would spare them, so they desperately disclosed everything they knew.

Xu Nian's fists clenched tightly, his eyes brimming with boundless killing intent.

The Desolate Hall actually dared to target Leng Yanran?