

Divine King 461

Chapter 461 Peerless Monster (Additional Update 2)

The Holy Guards could hardly believe their own eyes.

The cultivation of this young man before them was clearly just at the Two-star Battle Saint level, yet he killed a Seven-star Battle Saint as if slaughtering a chicken.

How could there be such a bizarre youngster?

Out of the Eighteen Holy Guards, only seven remained.

Eleven of them had died at the hands of this young man.

"Old Six, Old Five, Old Four, Old Three, the four of you attack together and kill him with all your might," Xu Yi ordered sternly.

These four were at the Eight-star War Saint Level, and to think that not even four of them attacking together could eliminate Xu Nian.

"Yes!"

Hearing his command, the four Holy Guards immediately responded with fierce voices.

The look in their eyes turned intense with murderous intent as they faced Xu Nian.

Xu Nian had killed so many of their brothers.

If they didn't kill Xu Nian, they simply couldn't quell the rage in their hearts.

"Xu Nian, yield your life!" Xu Liu bellowed, and instantly, a sharp sword appeared in his hand. He swung the sword towards Xu Nian to cut him down.

Xu Wu, Xu Si, and Xu San followed closely behind.

Intense killing intent surged through their swords, ready to deliver a fatal strike upon Xu Nian at any moment.

Xu Shier, watching from afar, also breathed a sigh of relief.

With these four making a move, Xu Nian could almost certainly be declared dead.

Otherwise, Xu Nian's terrifying gaze was indeed enough to scare him to death.

"Boom!"

However, just when everyone thought that Xu Nian was doomed, the sword strike from Xu Liu directly cut Xu Nian into two.

But instead of blood and flesh splattering, what replaced it was a cloud of mist.

"A decoy? Not good!" The four Holy Guards were all shocked, a strong sense of foreboding welling up in their hearts.

Especially Xu Liu, who felt a deep chill engulfing him.

"Hmph!"

Just then, a cold snort exploded in his ear.

Subsequently, a figure appeared beside him as if stepping on thunder, jetting lightning.

The terrifying sword only traced a green arc in his eyes, and then his body stiffened on the spot.

"Old Six!"

Xu San, Xu Si, and Xu Wu all widened their eyes in shock.

They saw Xu Liu's body split into halves and drop from the sky.

Surprise was written all over Xu Liu's face as well; he clearly couldn't believe he had been killed by Xu Nian.

Xu San, Xu Si, and Xu Wu held their swords warily, watching Xu Nian.

At this moment, they truly realized how terrifying the young man before them was.

From start to finish, this young man killed with a single strike.

It was truly horrifying.

An Eight-star War Saint, gone with just one slash.

They simply could not fathom how terrifying the strength of this young man could be.

"Attack together, don't give him any chance to breathe," Xu San's eyes hardened as he quickly commanded.

Xu Si and Xu Wu nodded in agreement.

Subsequently, the three of them unleashed their ultimate moves, attacking Xu Nian.

Xu Nian watched the three men coming from three different directions simultaneously.

A mocking smile once again played at the corners of his mouth.

"Boom!"

The other three Talent Phenomena directly manifested around his body.

As the other three Talent Phenomena appeared, Xu Nian's momentum suddenly soared.

"Not good!"

Xu Yi and Xu Er, who were watching the battle from the side, were simultaneously shocked, immediately wanting to intervene.

Yet they were ultimately a step too slow.

One could only see Xu Nian's figure splitting into three, instantly piercing through the bodies of Xu San, Xu Si, and Xu Wu.

"Puchi!"

"Puchi!"

"Puchi!"

The sound of three swords tearing through flesh rang out.

Xu San, Xu Si, and Xu Wu all stiffened in midair.

From their left shoulders to their abdomens, each had a fine sword cut appear.

"How... how is this possible?"

Xu San, Xu Si, and Xu Wu said this simultaneously, then their bodies split in two and fell to the ground.

Meanwhile, Xu Nian's three shadows had merged into one.

He stood proudly in midair with a sword in hand.

Three Eight-star War Saints were killed on the spot.

Xu Er and Xu Yi, who had already darted forward, suddenly stopped in the air.

In just a brief moment, all four Eight-star War Saints were dead.

And all by the hand of one person.

Xu Yi and Xu Er looked towards the proud figure of the youth standing in the distance.

Now they finally understood why the Family Head Xu had sent the Eighteen Holy Guards.

At the same time, they cursed the Family Head Xu for making such a decision.

Because the enemy before them was too powerful.

If the Eighteen Holy Guards made a move, it was simply courting destruction.

Xu Shier was completely dumbfounded as well.

He swallowed hard instinctively.

The fear in his heart had reached its peak.

Although Xu Nian hadn't killed him yet, he could feel Xu Nian's murderous intent locked onto him.

He felt like he was being stared down by an unparalleled Fierce Beast, his heart filled with intense fear.

As for his earlier bravado about toying with Xu Nian's mother in front of him, it was utterly dissipated by fright.

Damn it, toying with his mother in front of this harbinger of death?

Wouldn't that be like courting death with a willful taste for poison?

Xu Nian, holding the Immortal Sword, stood loftily, his gaze looking down on the three below.

He wanted to see if the Xu Family would dare to issue a kill order against him after this battle.

"Xu Er, this kid is very tricky. Let's not hold back and kill him with one strike," Xu Yi communicated to Xu Er through a transmission.

"Alright, I'll attack from the left, you from the right, let's both use our killer moves," Xu Er similarly responded.

Both being of Nine-star War Saint Level, they refused to believe that Xu Nian could withstand their joint attack.

"Attack!"

With a fierce shout from Xu Yi, his figure turned into a swift ray of light, with a Long Spear appearing in his hands, charging straight towards Xu Nian.

On the other side, Xu Er also had a giant axe materialize in his hand.

The axe surged with terrifying Spiritual Energy, slicing straight towards Xu Nian.

Xu Nian, witnessing the two bearing down on him, let a cold smile curl on his lips.

"Buzz!"

The power of Ancestor Vein was immediately fully unleashed.

"Roar!"

A series of dragon roars emanated from Xu Nian's body.

Subsequently, everyone saw twelve Azure Dragons burst out from Xu Nian's body, swirling around him.

The emergence of these twelve Azure Dragons caused Xu Nian's aura to skyrocket to a frightening degree.

"Ten... Twelfth Rank Ancestor Vein Power?"

The attacking Xu Yi and Xu Er were suddenly dumbstruck.

Their hearts seemed to skip a beat.

The highest Ancestor Vein Power in the Xu Family's history was no more than Seventh Rank.

And Xu Nian actually possessed Twelfth Rank Ancestor Vein Power?

Was this some kind of joke?

Xu Shier was so frightened that he plopped down onto the ground.

Damn it?

What in the world!

Was this youth still human?

How much of a boost would Twelfth Rank Ancestor Vein Power provide?

Xu Nian stood with his sword, twelve Azure Dragons converging around his acupoints, behind him four great Talent Phenomenons spanning the ancient Void.

At this moment, Xu Nian was like an invincible sovereign, looking down on all beings!

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Tomorrow night at eight, six more updates together!

Chapter 462 The Limit of Strength

"Clang!"

A sound of metal collision echoed.

Xu Nian's sharp sword directly collided with the huge axe of Xu Er, emitting a crisp sound.

Xu Er was directly repelled by the terrifying force transmitted from the sharp sword.

He, a Nine-star Battle Saint, actually gained no advantage against Xu Nian.

After repelling Xu Er with one sword stroke, Xu Nian did not hesitate and directly swung his sword behind him.

The Green Light Sword Light spread, resembling a galaxy hanging upside down.

At this moment, Xu Yi also attacked, sweeping horizontally with his Long Spear.

The Light from the spear emitted a terrifying Thunder Light, and within this Thunder Light, a strong Power of Destruction was hidden.

Thunderclap Profound Argumentation, Thunder Destruction.

This was one of the Thunder Attribute Profound Argumentations, ranked intermediate.

Xu Yi's comprehension of Thunderclap Profound Argumentation seemed not too high.

It just barely reached the Insight Realm.

However, the power of this sword strike was not to be underestimated.

The Thunder Light Sword Light collided with Xu Nian's green sword radiance, releasing a terrifying sonic boom.

The powerful Sword Qi transformed into a storm that swept the surroundings.

Xu Nian's tiptoes touched the void several times, his body moving as if he were space-jumping.

Creating distance between himself and the two Nine-Star Battle Saints.

He went all out, nearly possessing the combat power comparable to a Nine-Star Battle Saint.

But facing two Nine-star Battle Saints still proved somewhat strenuous.

He tried to kill these two men without using the powers of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar or Kun Cave Power.

It would still require some effort.

"Xu Nian, it seems that Nine-star Battle Saint is your limit. You've killed fifteen of the Eighteen Holy Guards. I must say, you are the most terrifying one I've ever seen in terms of talent, mindset, and methods. If you could become part of the Xu Family, uniting the continent would be no problem for the Xu Family, but unfortunately...", Xu Yi couldn't help but express his admiration.

An eighteen-year-old youth possessing such high strength.

Slaughtering the meticulously trained Eighteen Holy Guards of the Xu Family like slaughtering chickens.

Both his mindset and methods far surpassed those of the average adult.

He really couldn't imagine.

What heights this youth could reach if he were allowed to continue growing.

Perhaps one day this youth would look down upon all beings, overseeing the entire land.

Hearing Xu Yi's words, Xu Nian just smiled.

The path was chosen by the Xu Family themselves; since the Xu Family wanted to kill him, they naturally had to be prepared to be slaughtered.

Xu Nian lived a life with a clear conscience.

Neither harboring evil intentions and killing people nor being greatly merciful and pitying the world.

He only wished for the sword in his hand to protect every person he cared about.

Those who assisted him, he respected.

Those who deceived him, he eliminated.

This was the Tao Heart of Xu Nian.

"Where is my mother?" Xu Nian asked coldly.

"Your mother is inside the great hall; she is fine. She belongs to the Xu Family, we won't harm her, but you probably won't get to see her," Xu Yi replied coldly.

His Long Spear waved through the air, with fierce Thunder Light flashing at its tip.

"You are just serving the Xu Family. If you leave, I can spare your lives," Xu Nian said to Xu Yi and the other internally.

"Ha-ha, since we are raised by the Xu Family, our lives naturally belong to the Xu Family. Since our mission is to kill you, unless we die in battle, we absolutely will not leave. Besides, with your strength, it seems you still can't kill us," Xu Yi laughed heartily, his tone also carrying a robust sense of pride.

Xu Er also had a resolute look, staring at Xu Nian like a hungry wolf.

Seeing this, Xu Nian did not say anything further.

For the Eighteen Holy Guards, dying in battle was always more glorious than fleeing.

Of course, not everyone thought this way, such as Xu Shier who was feeling somewhat panicked right now.

He desperately hoped that his eldest and second brothers could kill Xu Nian, this formidable enemy.

As long as Xu Nian was alive, his heart would always be in suspense.

"Xu Nian, you have invaded the Xu Family, your crimes are unpardonable, die!" Xu Yi shouted loudly, swinging his Long Spear.

Thunder Light suddenly rose, and a terrifying thunderbolt roared out like a giant thunder serpent.

The entire person instantly turned into a thunderclap lightning bolt, striking at Xu Nian.

This attack was tremendously powerful, containing the terrifying might of thunder.

On the other side, Xu Er swung his Battle Axe, which enveloped flames like a surging tide.

With one strike, it roared like a fire dragon.

Creating a huge Axe Light, it slashed towards Xu Nian.

Xu Nian stood with his sword, winds whipping fiercely around him.

The sharp sword in his hand trembled incessantly.

To the left was the Thunder Spear Radiance, and to the right was the fiery great axe.

Such a terrifying onslaught, not merely a Two-star War Saint, even a typical Nine-star War Saint couldn't possibly block it.

"It seems I need to reveal some real strength to deal with you," Xu Nian said with a slight smile.

A terrifying combat intention also burst from his eyes.

Then, he was seen slowly raising the trembling Immortal Sword in his hand.

As he lifted his Immortal Sword,

Heaven and Earth were stirred.

The sky suddenly darkened, and dark clouds pressed down.

At this moment, everyone felt a heaviness in their hearts.

A terrifying oppressive feeling weighed down upon them.

"Let me show you my strongest strike, 'Sword Like a Shocking Swallow!'"

Xu Nian shouted loudly, and the sharp sword in his hand instantly chopped down.

He slashed out two Sword Radiance, targeting Xu Yi and Xu Er respectively.

The sky instantly seemed split by two green celestial rivers, the Green Light Sword Radiant slashing diagonally.

Contained above the Sword Radiance was an extremely terrifying and fierce aura.

"Boom!"

The Green Light Sword Radiant collided with the Axe Light.

And exploded upon contact.

Flames surged to the sky.

On the other side, Xu Yi, who had transformed into the Thunder Spear Radiance, also collided with Xu Nian's Green Light Sword Radiant.

The Green Light Sword Radiant and the Thunder Spear Radiance were deadlocked for a moment.

Finally, under Xu Yi's loud shout, the Green Light Sword Radiant directly shattered.

And Xu Yi continued to thrust his spear at Xu Nian.

Although Xu Yi broke through Xu Nian's Sword Radiance, his attack had significantly weakened.

"Buzz!"

The Thunder Spear Radiance pressed directly towards Xu Nian.

In a blink, it reached close to Xu Nian.

"Clang!"

Xu Nian immediately used his sword to block.

The sparkling spear tip struck the blade of Xu Nian's Immortal Sword.

Directly forcing the sharp sword into a crescent bend.

"Break!"

Xu Nian shouted explosively.

He flicked his finger on the blade.

The Sword Qi suddenly burst.

Like a thunderclap exploding from flat ground.

Xu Yi's spear offensive was instantly smashed, his figure blown backward.

Xu Nian also retreated swiftly in this burst of power, a trace of fresh blood spilling from the corner of his mouth.

However, his eyes remained exceptionally sharp, unshaken.

As Xu Yi had said, a Nine-star War Saint was already the limit of his actual strength.

And Xu Nian's purpose in doing this was to see the limit of his own strength.

Having already tested this, the result wasn't too far from what he expected.

Using all his strength, he could indeed battle a Nine-star War Saint.

But facing a Nine-star Body Saint or the Peak of Nine-star War Saint would likely be much more challenging.

"It seems, your strength has peaked, Xu Nian, if you have no other methods, you might fall here today," Xu Yi said, standing with his spear, his voice rumbling like muffled thunder.

Chapter 463: Utmost Devastation

Xu Shier took a deep breath upon hearing Xu Yi's words.

Finally, Xu Nian had been pushed to his limit.

Fortunately, this guy's strength wasn't a bottomless pit; it too had a limit.

From the initial slaughter of a Five-star Battle Saint to the subsequent killings of Six-star, Seven-star, and Eight-star War Saints.

With each death, his nerves were tightened just a bit more.

Now that he heard what his boss was doing, his nerves finally relaxed.

He couldn't wait to see Xu Nian pierced through by his boss's spear.

Then he would feel an immense sense of satisfaction,

Otherwise, the shadow of Xu Nian would never dissipate from his mind.

"You're right, my strength has indeed reached its peak, and it's true I can't kill all of you," Xu Nian said with a smile.

His tone was as calm as still water.

Xu Yi didn't speak, but instead, he had a bad premonition.

Xu Nian was clearly at his limit, yet he displayed such composure.

From his years of experience, if Xu Nian could remain so composed, it only meant that his true limit hadn't been reached yet.

Xu Er, however, lacked Xu Yi's sharp insight.

Hearing this, he thought Xu Nian was at the end of his rope and he sported a disdainful smile.

Xu Nian, who had killed so many of their Eighteen Holy Guards, was finally about to fall.

Xu Nian gathered everyone's thoughts to the bottom of his heart, revealing a faint smile on his lips.

"Indeed, I can no longer defeat you. Let my avatar have a play with you next," Xu Nian said with a laugh.

"Avatar?"

The three people present were all taken aback.

Xu Nian had an avatar?

As they were stunned, from behind Xu Nian, a giant claw reached out from the void.

Following that, a massive body crawled out from behind him.

This was a giant beast covered in black, hard scale armor, exuding a tough and ferocious aura.

Especially those blood-red eyes, which sent shivers down the spines of all present.

"This... this is Xu Nian's avatar? What kind of Demon Beast is this?" Xu Yi, Xu Er, and Xu Shier were all dumbfounded, eyes wide open, staring unblinkingly at the giant beast behind Xu Nian, as massive as a small hill.

A body like a fierce tiger, incredibly thick limbs, razor-sharp claws, a long and resilient scorpion tail, coupled with a pair of vast wings, the scales on the wings as sharp as knives.

This damn thing was not just a Demon Beast; it was a colossal killing machine.

Being assassins themselves, they naturally knew how to take lives.

But the more they understood, the colder their hearts felt.

This was the first time they had seen a Demon Beast that seemingly combined the advantages of all other beasts.

The beast in front of them was seemingly born for slaughter.

Such a colossus, a killing machine, was actually Xu Nian's avatar.

The expressions of Xu Yi and Xu Er became grave.

They tried to gauge the Demon Beast's Cultivation, but found they couldn't detect it at all.

Yet the aura exuding from the Demon Beast sent chills through their very cores.

Xu Shier was also petrified.

Xu Nian was already terrifying enough,

And now he had summoned such a fearsome avatar.

How outrageously transcendent!

"How about it, want to try and test the limit of my avatar's combat power?" Xu Nian asked with a smile.

Xu Yi and Xu Er furrowed their brows,

Then exchanged glances, releasing a terrifying power from within them.

One wielded the Thunderclap Spear, thrusting forward,

While the other was bathed in flames, swinging the axe towards their foe.

Xu Nian, witnessing this scene, slightly smiled and rapidly retreated backwards.

At the same time, the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar, with a hint of disdain in its crimson eyes,

Simply swatted at the Flame Axe Light coming from Xu Er with its lethal claws.

As for Xu Yi's Thunderclap attack, it was utterly ignored by the beast.

"Boom!"

Flame Axe Light, under the sharp claws of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar, was instantly smashed to pieces.

At the same time, Xu Yi's Thunderclap Spear struck the Demon Beast's Scale Armor.

It was as if it had crashed into an incredibly hard wall.

Not a single mark was left on that unbelievably hard Scale Armor.

"What?"

Xu Yi and Xu Er were instantly dumbfounded.

Their attacks couldn't break through the defense of this Demon Beast?

Just how terrifying was this Xu Nian avatar's defense?

Especially Xu Yi, his Thunderclap Spear Technique contained the Power of Destruction, yet it couldn't penetrate this Xu Nian Demon Beast avatar's Scale Armor.

How could this be possible?

"Not good!"

As Xu Yi was shocked, a strong sense of crisis surged in his heart.

At this moment, he felt as if his scalp exploded, and a severe chill ran down his back.

Because he saw a huge claw, swinging towards him with terrifying speed.

What chilled his heart the most was that the space around seemed to freeze.

He was completely immobilized in the air.

"What... what's happening?"

Xu Yi was close to going mad.

However, no matter what he did, he couldn't break free from the bindings of the space.

"Bang!"

The giant claw struck down, and Xu Yi was crushed as if by a massive mountain.

The ground cracked open, and dust rolled outwards in all directions.

Xu Er, standing at a distance, was completely petrified.

Xu Shier's legs went soft, and he knelt on the ground.

The nerves that had relaxed were violently tensed to the breaking point, snapping at last with a 'pop.'

As the dust cleared,

the Undying Devouring Sky Beast lifted its dominant claw, and there was no longer any sign of Xu Yi below.

Only a blurred mass of blood and flesh remained.

Xu Er took a deep breath, looking back at Xu Nian and the colossal beast, his eyes filled with intense fear.

Xu Shier's spirit also completely crumbled at that moment.

"Hum!"

Suddenly, Xu Er's body trembled, and his pupils dilated.

An unprecedented fear enveloped him.

"Supreme Third Elder, save me!"

Xu Er cried out loudly while retreating rapidly.

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast's mouth curled into a sinister, human-like sneer.

Then it traced a large arc through the air with its enormous body.

Feather Killing God!

Xu Er's entire body was instantly sliced into two.

The expression on his face was one of shock and terror.

It's a pity that expression would remain frozen forever.

Meanwhile, Xu Shier collapsed completely on the ground.

How terrifying was the mission the Xu Family had given them?

Why had the Xu Family provoked such a Killing God?

The Eighteen Holy Guards, all but him, had been killed by a single being.

If word got out, it would surely shock the entire continent.

Xu Nian, looking at Xu Shier who was on the verge of collapse, revealed a cold smile.

His intention was to let Xu Shier gradually experience the descent of fear.

Let fear completely engulf him and crush his will.

He had long sworn that whoever dared to touch his Reversed Scale, he would make their life worse than death.

Clearly, Xu Shier's will had now totally collapsed, and he was on the brink of madness.

Driving a Saint to madness alive, that must be an extremely rare occurrence in the history of the continent!

Chapter 464 Patriarch Xu

Xu Nian's gaze was sharp and icy as he began to approach Xu Shier step by step.

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast proudly stood behind him.

Its crimson, giant eyes looked down on Xu Shier.

Xu Shier was already terrified to the extreme.

The fear that Xu Nian brought him was simply overwhelming.

Saints are still human.

Under immense pressure, even they could show signs of collapse.

Xu Nian had slaughtered so many strong men before him, all of whom were mightier than himself.

Such tremendous pressure would be unbearable for anyone.

Xu Shier had a look of despair on his face.

He knew he could not escape death.

From the foul language he had used earlier in the forest, with Xu Nian's temperament, there was no way he would let him go.

The fear was that it would be difficult for him even to seek death.

Thinking this, a curved knife suddenly appeared in Xu Shier's hand, and he quickly stabbed towards his own heart.

Rather than begging Xu Nian to spare him, he preferred to end his own life cleanly.

However, just as the curved knife was about to pierce his heart, his entire body seemed to be bound by an invisible force.

The curved knife could not advance even a bit further.

Looking back at the giant beast behind Xu Nian.

The beast's crimson eyes emitted a strong red light.

Clearly, the Demon Beast had used some special power to immobilize his body.

Xu Nian slowly approached Xu Shier, a cold smile hanging on his face.

He snatched the curved knife from Xu Shier's hand and pressed the blade against Xu Shier's face.

"Kill me, please!" Xu Shier hurriedly spoke.

Yet his eyes fixed on the blade in Xu Nian's hand.

"Kill you? Do you think dying is that easy? I've let you live up to now; did you not have any sense of foreboding?" Xu Nian asked with a cold laugh.

A strong killing intent surged already in his eyes.

Hearing this, Xu Shier's spirit trembled instantly.

Indeed, Xu Nian would not let him go easily.

"I am telling you, the Supreme Third Elder of the Xu Family is performing a sealing spell, and once he... ah..."

Xu Shier looked at Xu Nian and threatened.

However, before he could finish his words, Xu Nian had already thrust the curved knife into the most vulnerable part of a man's body.

The unprecedented pain nearly made Xu Shier faint.

"You..." Xu Shier felt an unprecedented sense of humiliation.

Xu Nian had actually attacked his manhood.

Xu Nian gave a cold laugh.

Given the indecent words that this man had spoken earlier, this punishment was nothing.

He liked to toy with women, didn't he?

Then let him experience what it feels like to become a eunuch just before dying.

"Puchi!"

The Sword Light swept across, and blood splattered.

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast released Xu Shier from the Space Binding.

Xu Shier rolled on the ground in pain, his entire body writhing.

The excruciating pain and mental humiliation caused Xu Shier's already near-breaking will to completely collapse at that moment.

"It hurts... hurts... Who am I? Where is this? I want to go home..."

Xu Shier cried out, climbing up from the ground and started running around, the Spiritual Energy inside his body also began dissipating.

He had completely lost his mind.

Driven to madness by Xu Nian.

Seeing this scene, Xu Nian let out a cold snort from his nostrils.

Then, he threw the curved knife.

"Puchi!"

Xu Shier's head was directly severed by the curved knife, and his whole body fell straight down.

Since he had already gone mad, there was no need to torture him further.

The torment that Xu Shier had suffered was enough.

Xu Nian pulled back the Undying Devouring Sky Beast to his Dantian, then turned his attention towards the large hall ahead.

He knew the turmoil was not over yet.

The real danger was still hidden in this grand hall.

Although Xu Shier had not finished his words, the meaning was crystal clear.

In this grand hall, there probably resided an unparalleled strong man.

This powerful individual was likely Battle Emperor level.

And he was sealing his own cultivation, once the sealing ended,

Xu Nian would likely face a huge crisis.

Fortunately, before coming here, Xu Nian had already considered this possibility.

Thus, at this moment, there was not a trace of fear in Xu Nian's heart.

Xu Nian carried a sword as he walked towards the direction of the grand hall.

He could feel himself getting closer and closer to his mother.

The mother-son connection was not just an empty phrase.

"Scram!"

However, just as Xu Nian stepped into the grand hall,

a terrifying yell exploded from within the hall.

At the same time, an immensely powerful energy burst forth from inside the hall.

Xu Nian was shocked and hastily mobilized all his spiritual energy and Gang Qi to defend.

"Boom!"

However, the force was terrifyingly strong.

The defense formed by Xu Nian's spiritual energy and Gang Qi was shattered in an instant, and his entire body was sent flying backward as if struck by a giant hammer.

He flew a full thousand paces before he managed to stop his body,

whose trail on the ground stretched out for a hundred meters.

"Wah!"

Xu Nian stopped and then spat out a mouthful of blood.

His eyes, filled with shock, looked towards the direction of the grand hall.

"Such terrifying power, is this the suppressed strength of a Battle Emperor level strong man?" Xu Nian murmured in shock to himself.

Although he had entered the gate only for an instant,

He had already glimpsed the scene inside the hall.

In the center of the hall, an old man was sitting cross-legged.

The elder had a youthful appearance but sharp eyes, and his body emitted a terrifying imperial aura.

Behind the elder, there was a restrictive light barrier.

Inside it sat a middle-aged woman who appeared quite beautiful.

Even in just that instant, Xu Nian still recognized her; the middle-aged beauty was none other than the mother he longed for day and night.

Seeing his mother was unharmed, Xu Nian's heart gained a bit of peace.

However, he quickly regained a fierce look in his eyes, understanding that if he wanted to rescue his mother,

he must first get past this elder.

And this strong man would be ten times more terrifying than putting all eighteen Holy Guards together.

"Tap, tap, tap!"

A series of footsteps came.

Hearing this, Xu Nian stared fixedly in the direction of the grand hall.

Then, a white-haired elder appeared at the entrance to the grand hall.

The elder's gaze, filled with killing intent, also fixed firmly on Xu Nian.

As soon as Xu Nian saw the elder, his eyes became extremely vigilant.

Battle Emperor level strong man?

How many stars is this Battle Emperor?

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And while Xu Nian and the elder faced each other,

the grand hall of the Xu Family was filled with people.

Each of these individuals was a high-ranking member of the Xu Family.

In the center of this grand hall, there floated a giant copper mirror.

The image displayed on the copper mirror was the scene of Xu Nian and the elder facing each other.

The scene of Xu Nian slaughtering the eighteen Holy Guards had been seen by everyone present.

No one among the eighteen Holy Guards survived, which was a deadly blow for the Xu Family.

After this battle, the Xu Family would be greatly weakened.

If enemies were to know about this, it could even be a catastrophic blow.

At this moment, Xu Tianhong's brows were tightly furrowed, his expression extremely grave, his heart filled with infinite anger.

"I told you that you would regret this," said Xu Tianxu coldly, his tone carrying a hint of mockery.

However, he was somewhat surprised inwardly, as Xu Nian's performance had far exceeded his expectations.

Chapter 465 Xu Nian Crisis

Xu Tianhong's brow furrowed even more deeply when he heard Xu Tianxu's words.

He and Xu Tianxu were always at odds.

Moreover, Xu Tianxu's talent surpassed him.

Had it not been for Xu Tianxu's personality clashing with that of the three Supreme Elders, Xu Tianxu might have been the Family Head, not him, Xu Tianhong.

Although he had assumed the position of Family Head, Xu Tianhong always held resentment towards Xu Tianxu deep in his heart.

Xu Tianhong's desire to kill Xu Nian wasn't just to prevent Xu Nian from overshadowing Xu Bai and usurping the position of Family Head.

But now, not only had Xu Bai been killed, but the meticulously trained Eighteen Holy Guards had also been lost.

At this moment, his hatred for Xu Nian had reached its peak.

"Ha, such a treacherous and ambitious person. If left alive, he would be a disaster for the Xu Family. Did you not see how cruelly he tortured the Holy Guard just now?" Xu Tianhong retorted coldly.

Those top members around him nodded in agreement.

A Six-star Holy Guard had been driven to madness.

They all felt a chill just thinking about it.

And that terrifying Exotic Beast was utterly horrifying.

The fact that a human possessed such a split form was truly intimidating.

Xu Tianxu, on the other hand, shook his head in disappointment.

Even now, his brother was stubbornly delusional.

Why did Xu Nian kill people so madly?

Was it not because of the heavy pressures exerted by his powerful brother?

When it came to the death of the Eighteen Holy Guards, his brother bore a great deal of the responsibility.

"Brother, I have said what I needed to say. Don't wait for the Xu Family to face a complete disaster before you regret it. It's not because Xu Nian is my grandson that I say these things. I just want to tell you, it might not be so easy to kill Xu Nian," Xu Tianxu spoke up.

"Ha, even Grandfather has taken action. Do you think Xu Nian can still survive? Grandfather is a One-star Battle Emperor Level expert. Even if he suppresses his realm, probably no one in the Saint Realm can

withstand him. Don't forget, the Battle Emperor has truly entered the threshold of Profound Argumentation," Xu Tianhong immediately countered.

The Xu Family's top tiers also nodded in agreement.

Obviously, they felt the same.

Xu Tianxu heard this and said nothing more.

Instead, he turned to look at the floating Xuantian Mirror.

His instinct told him that Xu Nian wouldn't die and would even bring a big surprise to them.

Xu Xin, who had been silently standing behind Xu Tianxu, furrowed her brows tightly.

She technically should not have been qualified to be at such a meeting.

However, after her persistent pleading, Xu Tianxu allowed her to attend.

Seeing the massive force the Xu Family mobilized against her brother.

A strong surge of anger rose in the depths of Xu Xin's heart.

Is this the Xu Family where she had always lived?

Had they stooped to such sleazy depths?

To kill their own substitute, even a Battle Emperor Level expert had been mobilized.

What wrongdoing had her brother committed?

Her fists clenched tightly.

If anything untoward happened to her brother,

She would make these people of the Xu Family regret it, even if it meant her death.

If not in ten years, then in a hundred.

One day, she would erase this family from the world.

But on the other hand, Xu Nian's strength far exceeded her expectations.

Eighteen Holy Guards, all slain by Xu Nian alone.

An eighteen-year-old youth achieving this is absolutely a shocking and extraordinary feat.

Now, she could only silently pray in her heart.

Xu Nian must be alright.

But to defeat a Battle Emperor Level Expert?

Was that possible?

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While everyone in the Xu Family Hall thought Xu Nian was doomed,

the atmosphere in the deepest area of the Xu Family Ancestral Land, the Ninth Safe Zone, had become extremely tense.

Xu Nian and Patriarch Xu had been staring at each other for three full minutes.

Both of their gazes were incredibly sharp.

"Hmph!"

Finally, the elder let out a cold snort.

The sound was like a thunderclap suddenly cutting through an extremely silent night, breaking the quiet completely.

Upon hearing this cold snort, Xu Nian's eyes also gained a sharper edge.

"Is this Patriarch Xu?" Xu Nian muttered to himself internally.

From the moment the elder appeared until now, Xu Nian could not perceive a single weakness in him.

It was as if the elder had merged with heaven and earth, impregnable.

Furthermore, the oppressive aura released by the elder made him feel as if a huge stone was pressing on his chest, making it hard to breathe.

A Battle Emperor Expert, even after suppressing his realm, was still terrifying.

"You kid, by devious means, killed eighteen of my Xu Family's Holy Guards, are you aware of your crimes?" the elder spoke, his tone thick with accusation.

"My mother was entrapped by the Xu Family, who set up the Killing Array and sent the Holy Guards to kill me. Does the Family Head Xu know his crimes?" Xu Nian replied firmly, his tone neither servile nor overbearing.

Upon hearing this, the elder's brow furrowed, and a trace of disdain flashed through his eyes.

"What a clever-tongued, arrogant kid, facing death yet still stubborn? Your mother was a member of the Xu Family. If she made a mistake, how the Xu Family chooses to punish her is none of your business as an outsider, is it? Besides, you also carry the Xu Family's bloodline, if the Xu Family wants you dead, what grounds do you have to resist?" the elder coldly snorted disdainfully, his face starting to show a hint of indignation.

"Indeed, the Xu Family wants me dead and I have no right to resist, even though what flows in me is my mother's blood, which has nothing to do with you. I grew up elsewhere, has the Xu Family ever offered me a shred of help? Now I am an Alien Minister Elder of the Divine River Palace. By killing me, isn't the Xu Family worried about retaliation from the Divine River Palace?" Xu Nian coldly questioned, his tone also filled with intense anger.

Patriarch Xu's eyes narrowed upon hearing this.

He had previously heard that Xu Nian was an Alien Minister Elder of the Divine River Palace.

It was precisely because of this status that the Xu Family was eager to secretly execute Xu Nian.

If Xu Nian were to die in the Xu Family Ancestral Land, even if the Divine River Palace investigated, there would be no evidence.

"Hmph, kid, spare me the nonsense, today, although I have suppressed my realm, I will not let you leave the Xu Family Ancestral Land alive. Your status as an Alien Minister Elder of the Divine River Palace holds no weight here," Patriarch Xu coldly snorted.

Xu Nian's gaze also instantly turned sharp.

It seemed the Xu Family, except for his grandfather, were all cold, unfeeling, and inflexible individuals.

"Fine, since the Xu Family wants to kill me, then don't blame me, Xu Nian, for being ungracious," Xu Nian coldly snorted as the Immortal Sword once again appeared in his hand.

"Seeking death!"

Patriarch Xu, seeing Xu Nian still wanting to fight back, let out a cold shout.

Then his figure transformed into a blur, appearing directly in front of Xu Nian.

One of his palms rapidly slapped towards Xu Nian's face.

"So fast!"

Xu Nian was shocked and quickly used his sword to block.

"Boom!"

Instantly, Xu Nian spurted blood and was violently thrown backward.

Chapter 466: Destruction Tide

Xu Nian's blood spurted wildly as his figure rapidly flew backward.

At this moment, his entire arm was intensely numb.

The speed at which Patriarch Xu had just arrived was terrifyingly fast, and so was the force of his power.

With his own strength, Xu Nian had absolutely no ability to fight back against the elder.

"It seems that using Kun Hole power against the elder is not going to be easy; it must be a one-hit kill,"

Xu Nian muttered to himself as he retreated.

Kun Hole power was his trump card and had to catch the opponent by surprise.

If used recklessly and the elder dodged with his agile Body Skill, his attack might not actually harm the elder.

Once the elder was on guard, it would be difficult for Xu Nian to harm him with Kun Hole power again.

Xu Nian could continuously draw Kun Hole power from the Black Jade.

However, each time, he could only draw a sliver and use just a sliver.

Thus, while it was an inexhaustible power, the offensive strength was limited.

If it were a pure attack with Kun Hole power,

Xu Nian would not need to dawdle with the elder like this.

He could simply wield his sword and slash at him recklessly.

"Buzz!"

While Xu Nian was retreating,

a terrifying fluctuation arrived.

A chill ran down Xu Nian's back instantly, and a strong sense of crisis surged in his heart.

He could take on the elder's attack precisely because he practiced Divine Demon Body Refinement and possessed the Nine Dragons Supreme Body, making his physical body much stronger than other Body Saints.

However, no matter how tough he was, with such a huge gap in strength, taking a direct hit would likely leave him incapacitated.

Thus, without any hesitation, Xu Nian summoned the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar once again.

"Perish!"

The elder had already made his move, his palm brimming with terrifying Spiritual Power.

That dreadful palm was aimed straight at Xu Nian's heart.

If it connected, Xu Nian's entire heart would be shattered.

However, just as the elder's palm was about to hit Xu Nian,

a massive claw emerged from the void and firmly caught the elder's palm.

"Boom!"

An earth-shattering explosion sounded.

Xu Nian and the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar were sent flying backward, rolling several times on the ground before coming to a stop.

The elder, too, was pushed back a step by the rebounding force of his palm against the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar.

Xu Nian, looking into the sky at the elder who was pushed back only one step, revealed a shocked expression.

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar's intervention had merely pushed the elder back a single step.

The elder's strength was truly formidable.

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar had reached the Seven-star Battle Saint Level, though not yet at the peak.

With its monstrous defense and strength, almost no one in the Saint Realm could rival it.

Yet, this elder had managed to send the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar flying with a single palm strike, which spoke volumes of his colossal power.

"Though the Battle Emperor Level experts suppress their realms, they exert the peak power that can be sustained by Saint Level, and the gap from a Battle Emperor isn't too vast. Therefore, even with their realms suppressed, their strength is by no means comparable to that of a Peak Saint. Moreover, from the start until now, this elder has not even used his Profound Argumentation, young man, you must be very careful," the voice of Emperor Ye Tian resounded in Xu Nian's mind.

Hearing this, Xu Nian's eyes also filled with a deep sense of gravity.

His Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar was only Seven-star. If it reached the Peak Saint, it would definitely be qualified to contend with the elder.

But now there was no chance for that; even if he couldn't win,

For the sake of survival,

For his mother,

He had to keep fighting.

"Roar!"

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast let out a fierce roar, its figure leaping forward in a single stride.

A pair of blood-red eyes stared intently at the elder in the distance.

"Hmph, just a beast, yet you dare to bark wildly in front of me. No matter how strong you are, I will break your bones," the elder coldly sneered, and then he charged at the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

His speed was exceptionally fast, so much so that even Xu Nian's sharp eyesight could only catch a blur.

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast let out an angry roar.

Although its soul was Xu Nian's Soul Fragment.

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast had its own pride.

After Xu Nian devoured a Soul Fragment of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast, his Soul Avatar inherited the Undying Devouring Sky Beast's pride.

At this moment, the elder's words naturally ignited the rage in his heart.

"Buzz!"

The Space Binding Profound Argumentation was activated.

A powerful force of binding pressed fiercely towards the rapidly approaching elder.

At the same time, the sharp claws of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast viciously aimed for the elder's chest.

If they were to connect, even a Battle Emperor Expert would surely die.

After all, the claws of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast were capable of bizarrely tearing through even the rarest metal Battle Armor.

"Eh? Is this Space Power?"

The elder, affected by the Space Binding, felt the strong resistance from the space around him and his face showed a look of surprise.

However, his body was not completely immobilized by the Space Binding.

It was just that his movements had become extremely slow because of this resistance.

"Die!"

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast roared out of its mouth, its claws almost reaching the elder.

However, the elder revealed a hint of a cold smile upon seeing this scene.

"Splash splash!"

The sound of rushing water echoed.

Then a terrifying water column suddenly appeared, bombarding the body of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

"Roar!"

The claws of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast didn't even have a chance to touch the elder before they were blasted away by the terrifying water column.

"Boom!"

The body of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast heavily smashed into the distance, emitting a dull sound.

"Water's Profound Argumentation, Destruction Tide?"

Xu Nian's original body tensed up from afar.

The elder had finally utilized a Profound Argumentation.

What he had not expected was that the elder had actually mastered the Water Attribute Profound Argumentation.

There are three types of Water Attribute Profound Argumentation: Water Healing, Destruction Tide, and Absolute Frost.

The first is a healing art.

It has very weak offensive power.

The second is capable of summoning the power of tides to form a tide.

The third is to condense water into frost, forming a domain of accumulated frost.

It has extremely strong lethal power.

And this elder had mastered the Water Attribute's Destruction Tide, using the power of water for destructive strikes.

"Boy, your avatar has actually mastered the rather rare Space Profound Argumentation, quite surprising indeed, but the level of mastery is just too shallow, at most, it's only at the level of Insight, otherwise, it truly would be troublesome to kill you," the elder said with a light chuckle.

A Water Dragon surged from beneath him, circling around his body.

As the Water Dragon coiled around him, the Space Binding laid by the Undying Devouring Sky Beast upon him was instantly shattered.

The Destruction Tide utilized the gathered strength of water.

This power was immensely vast, enough to overturn everything.

Seeing this scene, Xu Nian's frown deepened further.

If the elder could harness the tide, it would probably become even more difficult to contend with him.

Right now, to him, it felt like adding frost to snow.

Even if he used the Kun Cave Power, he might still find it extremely hard to draw close to the elder's body.

Chapter 467: Success or Failure Depends on This Single Move (Extra 3)

Xu Nian felt a throbbing headache.

Battle Emperor Experts, when suppressing their realms, were already so difficult to deal with.

If they were to exert their full strength, he couldn't fathom their true power.

"Young man, are you scared? Frankly speaking, you can't escape today. The key to escaping the ancestral land is in my hands. If you want to leave, you'll have to kill me. But my Destructive Tide isn't something you can reach, so consider yourself dead today," the old man said with a cold smirk.

Xu Nian's brow furrowed heavily.

The Space Binding Profound Argumentation comprehended by the Undying Devouring Sky Beast had only reached the Insight Realm. It was adequate against ordinary Saints.

However, against the real Battle Emperor Expert before him who had stepped into the Profound Argumentation Threshold, it was utterly futile.

And his trump card, the Kun Cave Power, could only be activated at the very last moment.

Right now, he couldn't even get close to the old man. He probably wouldn't have the chance to deliver a killing blow,

before the old man had played them all to death.

It seemed he had underestimated the strength of a Battle Emperor Expert.

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Inside the grand hall where the Xu Family resided,

seeing that ancestor who rode the Water Dragon, every elder from the Xu Family showed a look of awe in their eyes.

This was a rare learning opportunity.

Even though they lived with Battle Emperor Level experts all year round, they rarely witnessed Battle Emperor Level experts take action.

Now, seeing true Profound Argumentation,

how could they not be excited?

"Is this the Water Attribute Destructive Tide? It's truly powerful, both in defense and attack, it can be described as flawless," someone among the Xu Family's higher-ups praised.

"Yes, with the ancestor using Profound Argumentation, Xu Nian, even with his terrible avatar, won't be able to withstand it. Now, he is really doomed," someone else added.

The inside of the grand hall buzzed with discussions.

Everyone around admired the ancestor's power and also believed Xu Nian was undoubtedly doomed.

Xu Tianhong watched this scene and sneered looking at his younger brother, Xu Tianxu.

"How about it, Tianxu? Do you still not think the ancestor can kill Xu Nian? Even though your grandson is strong and has many methods, the ancestor is, after all, at Battle Emperor Level, a being who has truly stepped into the Profound Argumentation Threshold. As someone at the peak of Saint, you should understand the gap between having and not having entered the threshold of Profound Argumentation," Xu Tianhong said lightly with a laugh.

Xu Tianxu's brow furrowed, his eyes also filled with gravity.

He knew that what Xu Tianhong said was right.

Entering the threshold of Profound Argumentation and not entering it were indeed two different realms.

Only by entering the threshold could one wield the true power of Profound Argumentation and truly feel its strength.

Xu Nian had only reached the Bright Mirror Level and had not stepped into the Profound Argumentation Threshold.

Challenging the ancestor with the Destructive Tide Profound Argumentation was undoubtedly a pipe dream.

But he didn't believe Xu Nian would be defeated so easily.

He always felt Xu Nian would bring them unexpected turns.

"Grandpa..."

Standing behind Xu Tianxu, Xu Xin, with a worried expression, tugged at Xu Tianxu's sleeve. Her pretty face was filled with tension.

She definitely didn't want Xu Nian to suffer any mishaps.

"Rest assured, Xu Nian will be fine," Xu Tianxu comforted helplessly.

Upon hearing this, Xu Xin just nodded and said no more.

But her fists were clenched tightly.

Xu Tianxu also quietly sighed.

Although he comforted Xu Xin in this way, it was also a way of consoling himself.

His own grandson was in battle, and yet he was powerless.

This feeling made him feel very unwilling and angry, but also helpless.

Now, he could only pray for a miracle to happen.

Beside him, Xu Tianhong saw every expression on Xu Tianxu's face and a cold smile appeared on his lips.

Looking once again at Xu Nian's figure in the copper mirror, a trace of contemptuous killing intent flickered in his eyes.

"Xu Nian, you killed my grandson, don't think you can leave here alive today."

Xu Tianhong sneered inwardly, his eyes as cold as a hungry wolf.

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At this moment, inside the ancestral land of the Xu Family, Xu Nian looked at the elder who was standing on the Water Dragon in the sky. His gaze was especially solemn.

At this moment, he was discussing strategies with Emperor Ye Tian.

"Empress, what should I do now? Directly using the Kun Cave Power might not kill him, and he will definitely keep me at bay. Then it will be difficult to kill him," Xu Nian asked anxiously.

"Kid, killing him outright of course won't work. Your previous detection has been too strong. Even if you hold a butcher's knife, the opponent's strength is too formidable, and you won't be able to injure him. You only have to narrow the gap between you and then find the right opportunity to deliver a fatal blow," Emperor Ye Tian responded.

"How should I narrow the gap?" Xu Nian pressed.

This was a matter of life and death, and his combat experience was limited.

He could only ask Emperor Ye Tian for more advice.

"Hmph, have you been scared silly, boy? Haven't I taught you the Earth God Devouring Sky Secret Technique? So far, you've only used the First Level. There are eight more levels that you haven't executed. Now is the perfect time to execute the Second Level," Emperor Ye Tian said coldly.

"Earth God Devouring Sky?" Xu Nian's eyes lit up.

How could he have forgotten this secret technique?

Emperor Ye Tian was right.

This Earth God Devouring Sky had nine levels, and he had only used the First Level.

He had yet to deploy the Second Level.

If he did deploy it, he would be able to significantly close the gap with this old ancestor.

Then he could find the opportunity to use the Kun Cave Power and deliver a fatal blow to the elder.

Thinking this, Xu Nian's eyes suddenly emitted a strong gleam.

"Kid, don't celebrate too soon. With your current strength, deploying the Second Level requires about 15 minutes to gather energy. During this time, you can only let your Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar withstand it. After absorbing it, you will also only maintain the Second Level for 15 minutes. Moreover, if the elder forcibly interrupts you during the process, then you will truly be doomed," Emperor Ye Tian said.

Xu Nian nodded gravely.

15 minutes?

It seemed the time was indeed pressing.

"Kid, are you ready to face death? This old bone of mine hasn't been in action for a long time. Today, let you truly experience the power of the Destructive Tide before you die," the old man said with a cold laugh.

Then he waved his sleeve, and two Water Dragons surged out from beneath him.

The Water Dragons roared—one charging towards Xu Nian's true body.

The other targeted the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar.

The Water Dragons contained terrifying power.

Xu Nian frowned, immediately transforming into a bolt of lightning to dodge.

On the other side, the Undying Devouring Sky Beast took a step forward.

It opened its massive jaws and swallowed one of the Water Dragons.

"Boom!"

The Water Dragon exploded inside the Undying Devouring Sky Beast's stomach, causing it discomfort.

However, the Undying Devouring Sky Beast did not hesitate, flapping its wings and charging towards the elder.

Meanwhile, Xu Nian's true self sat down cross-legged in the distance.

He began activating the Earth God Devouring Sky.

As the Earth God Devouring Sky was activated, a massive force began to surge from beneath the ground, converging towards Xu Nian.

Success or failure hinged on this!

Chapter 468 Space Blade

Xu Nian, in his original form, sat on the ground, driving the Earth God Devouring Sky.

The Power of Earth surged like an overturning river and sea, crazily drilling into Xu Nian's body.

A fire-red force, like a coiling dragon, penetrated Xu Nian's meridians.

And with the constant influx of the Power of Earth,

Xu Nian's body seemed to be coated with a layer of fiery red glow.

The Second Level of Earth God Devouring Sky also absorbed the Power of Earth.

However, there's a fundamental difference between the Second Level and the First Level.

This difference lies in the fact that the Power of Earth absorbed in the Second Level originated from three thousand meters below the earth's surface.

Below three thousand meters are the magma layers, where the Power of Earth is completely mixed with the power of magma.

The fire attribute power contained within is incomparably terrifying.

This is also why the power Xu Nian is absorbing now is fiery red, not earthy yellow.

"Buzz!"

The temperature around Xu Nian rapidly soared.

And the power within him boiled intensely.

If one looked closely, they would see Xu Nian's skin was as red as burning coal, extremely red.

On the other side, the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar had already engaged in a fierce battle with Patriarch Xu.

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar directly countered Patriarch Xu's Water Dragon attack with its powerful physical body.

"Boom!"

Patriarch Xu swept his sleeves, directly pulling out two huge Water Dragons to bombard the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar.

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar's eyes also emitted a bizarre, enchanting glow, and its wings were directly covered with a layer of transparent, formless power.

It cut directly towards the surging, huge Water Dragon with its wings.

"Bang!"

One Water Dragon was forcibly shattered by the wings of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar.

But the other Water Dragon solidly struck the chest of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar.

The colossal body of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar was instantly blasted away, crashing into a distant hill.

The hill crumbled, and dust filled the sky.

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast climbed out from the pit, its pair of blood-red eyes looking at Patriarch Xu with a bloodthirsty gaze.

If one were to look closely, they would find a trickle of fresh blood from the corner of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast's mouth.

Yes, even with such formidable defense, it was injured.

If it were a Nine-star Body Saint Expert encountering such a fierce Water Dragon bombardment, they would have already perished.

Patriarch Xu, seeing that the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar could still rise, also revealed a hint of surprise.

"What kind of monster is this, to have such abnormal defense?" Patriarch Xu muttered to himself.

His Water Dragon contained the Power of Destruction from the Destruction Tide, yet this Xu Nian Avatar managed to withstand a hit and didn't die.

"Roar!"

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast let out a fierce roar, flapped its wings, and its form once again turned into an afterimage rushing towards Patriarch Xu.

Upon seeing this, Patriarch Xu's eyes also flashed with a fierce light.

"Since you are bent on seeking death, then I shall fulfill your wish. Water Sword, Dishui Zhan Tian," the elder shouted violently.

Then, ten water swords condensed from water appeared out of thin air around him.

These water swords hovered around him, containing terrifying power, the fluctuations on them horrifyingly palpitation-inducing.

"Go!"

With one command from the elder,

The dozen water swords instantly sliced through the void, stabbing towards the rapidly approaching Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar.

The Undying Devouring Sky Beast, sensing the terrifying incoming water swords, also flashed a fierce light in its eyes.

It did not dare to slack in the slightest,

Hurriedly using its wings to form a Cross Formation to block.

"Bang bang bang!"

Suddenly, those water swords all smashed into the scale armor of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast's wings.

The scale armor shattered, and a mist of blood filled the air.

The avatar of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast was sent flying backwards rapidly by the terrifying force of the water swords, rolling several times on the ground before coming to a stop.

By now, the beast's wings were bloody and blurred, with much of the scale armor broken.

Even a bone within one wing was shattered by the power contained in those water swords.

"Damn, the power of the old Undying Destruction Tide is too strong, impossible to defend against," cursed the avatar of Xu Nian's Undying Devouring Sky Beast inwardly.

It had been less than 15 minutes since his true self had begun absorbing the Earth God Devouring Sky.

He had to attract all of the old Undying's attention within these next 15 minutes.

Otherwise, if the elder managed to interrupt him, all his plans would be shattered.

"It seems if I want to last 15 minutes, I must use that maneuver. So be it, I have no other choice," the eyes of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast suddenly turned steely, a firm resolve shining within.

"Humph, boy, you still want to resist? Fine, I'll send you off for good, first I'll deal with your avatar, then kill your true self. Don't think I don't know what your true self is up to, mere child's play. In the face of absolute power, all your tactics are futile," Xu Tiangong said coldly.

As a Battle Emperor Expert, he naturally held his own pride.

How could he not be aware of Xu Nian's true self's actions?

He simply disdained to intervene.

Hearing this, a cold smirk flashed in the eyes of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

Luckily, this elder was somewhat arrogant. If he had forcefully targeted the true self,

his avatar of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast really wouldn't be able to stop him.

"Since you're so arrogant, I'll let you taste the consequences of your arrogance first," the corners of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast's mouth curled into a cold smirk.

Next, a fiery red light burst forth from the eyes of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast's avatar.

A terrifying yet powerful wave of energy emanated from his body.

"Hum!"

Xu Tiangong immediately sensed something wrong with the surrounding space.

However, a hint of disdain flickered through his eyes.

A huge wave, hundreds of feet high, rose behind him.

"Experience the wrath of the Water God!" the elder shouted, and the giant wave crashed fiercely towards the direction of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

A sharp coldness flashed through the eyes of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

A strong fluctuation burst forth from his wings.

The long-awaited Space Blade finally coalesced at this moment.

This was the most powerful killing move of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast so far, the Space Absolute Killing Blade.

However, Xu Nian's control over the Space Blade was not yet mature.

But using all his power, he could still perform it briefly.

"Hum!"

As soon as the Space Blade appeared, it instantly transformed into an invisible force and streaked out.

The terrifying giant wave was directly pierced by the Space Blade.

"Boom!"

The giant wave exploded and instantly dispersed.

And that huge blade streaked directly towards the elder.

The elder was alarmed, a deep sense of danger surging in his heart.

Without hesitation, a water dragon suddenly surged from his palms, fiercely colliding with the invisible blade.

"Boom!"

The water dragon and the Space Blade collided, creating a terrifying booming sound.

"What?"

However, to the elder's surprise, his fully concentrated water dragon couldn't stop this invisible blade.

Still, the impact of the water dragon delayed the assault of the Space Blade.

The elder dodged, and the Space Blade grazed his cheek.

The incredibly sharp Cutting Force still left a bloody mark and cut a strand of his hair.

Chapter 469: Domineering Move

Xu Tiangong was truly shocked.

His Destruction Tide had actually failed to block that Space Blade.

The power of the Space Blade just now was terrifyingly great.

Had it not been immature, he, a Battle Emperor Level expert, might have capsized in the gutter.

When he looked again toward the distant Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar, his gaze became extremely grave and angry.

But at this moment, the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar felt helpless.

This Space Absolute Killing Blade was its strongest move, yet using it had nearly drained all its strength.

It had only left a shallow wound on the old man, proving that this Battle Emperor Level fighter was incredibly strong.

Its Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar was ultimately no match.

Fortunately, the time it had been stalling for was almost sufficient, and its true body was about to complete the absorption of the Power of Earth.

"Kid, it seems you're at the end of your strength. Your aura has decayed. That last strike must have cost you quite a lot of energy," the old man said with a smile.

He had been worried Xu Nian might launch another attack that threatened him.

Now it seemed he had worried too much.

This young man, no matter how formidable, definitely couldn't threaten him, a Battle Emperor.

"Kid, you've dragged this out long enough; it's time to send you on your way," Xu Tiangong said with a cold laugh, a killing intent emerging in his eyes.

"Buzz!"

A strong current began to surge beneath the old man, followed by the emergence of a colossal Water Sword in front of him.

The fluctuations contained within this Water Sword were far more terrifying than any previous attack.

"Even the Patriarch has used this move; isn't that 'Sword Like Still Water' from 'Upstanding as Water'?"

In the hall outside the Xu Family, someone couldn't help but exclaim.

"Indeed, it's 'Sword Like Still Water.' This move was created by the Patriarch when he broke through to the Battle Emperor level. Its power is immense. Xu Nian's avatar may have a strong physique, but it definitely can't block this sword strike," an Elder of the Xu Family responded.

Xu Tianhong, upon seeing this scene, also revealed a smug smile in his eyes.

Xu Nian would still not be able to escape by a thread.

He had personally experienced 'Sword Like Still Water,' and not even he could block its power.

Xu Nian was bound to die.

Thinking this, Xu Tianhong couldn't help but cast a glance at Xu Tianxu.

Seeing the latter's serious face, his cold smile became even clearer.

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The Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar also felt the terrifying fluctuations from the sword.

It knew this sword could kill it.

Because the power of this Water Sword was absolutely the most terrifying attack it had ever seen.

"Die!"

The old man shouted loudly.

The Water Sword hanging in front of him then shot out violently toward the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar.

The Water Sword was fast.

As it cleaved through the void, the whole space seemed to tremble.

The terrifying Power of Destruction pressed down on Xu Nian's Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar, forcing its huge body to sprawl on the ground, unable to move.

"Ha ha, it's over!" the old man said, laughing loudly as he watched the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar being oppressed by the great sword on the ground.

"It's probably not as simple as you think!"

However, at that moment, a cold voice sounded.

Then everyone saw a massive molten lava giant hand emerge from the ground in front of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast, directly grabbing the colossal Water Sword.

"Boom!"

The giant Water Sword exploded.

The molten lava giant hand was also shattered by the explosion of the sword's force.

"What? 'Sword Like Still Water' was suddenly broken through?"

In the Xu Family Hall, those watching the scene in the copper mirror were all shocked.

Xu Tianhong, the Family Head of the Xu family, his expression turned gloomy in an instant.

And Xu Xin, standing beside him, let out a deep sigh of relief.

For that instant, he truly thought Xu Nian's avatar was about to be killed.

They were all somewhat surprised at this moment.

What was this sudden lava giant hand all about?

Inside the Xu Family Ancestral Land, Xu Tiangong's white eyebrows creased, his eyes dark and piercing.

He was staring intently in another direction.

Meanwhile, Xu Nian's real body was approaching, as he walked on air.

His body was bathed in terrifying lava flames.

Red flames shone on both his body and hair, giving off an intensely hot feeling.

His skin looked as red-hot as magma, making one feel its intense heat at a single glance.

His right arm, in particular, was covered with red Dragon Scale Armor.

He looked like an unparalleled War God who had emerged from hell.

"Hum!"

Xu Nian took a step, and the air around him instantly ignited.

The terrifying temperature caused the surrounding space to distort slightly.

And within a hundred-meter radius around Xu Nian, the rocks were melting little by little.

"What a strong aura, how does this boy possess such a terrifying presence? What kind of secret technique is this?" Initially thinking little of Xu Nian's capabilities, it wasn't until this moment that Xu Tiangong truly realized how much he had underestimated him.

He now felt threatened by the aura emanating from Xu Nian.

The crowd inside the Xu Family Hall, watching Xu Nian's flame-enshrouded figure, stood dumbfounded.

Just how many tricks did Xu Nian have up his sleeve?

Following the Xuantian Mirror, they could feel just how frightening Xu Nian's aura really was.

"Boom!"

Just as the people of the Xu Family were shocked by Xu Nian's sudden surge in strength,

Xu Nian made his move.

There was a loud sound of an explosion.

In an instant, Xu Nian appeared before Patriarch Xu.

"So fast!"

Patriarch Xu was startled, his palm instantly gushing out a stream of water with a strong wave, slapping towards the quickly approaching Xu Nian.

Without the slightest hesitation, Xu Nian's right hand, empowered with the terrifying power of magma, smashed violently towards the elder.

Right from the start, Xu Nian used a killer move.

Dragon King Fist Third Style, Dragon King Destruction.

He didn't have much time; he had to fight quickly and decisively.

"Roar!"

The dragon roared.

Wrapped around Xu Nian's arm wasn't a green dragon but a flame dragon.

It was much more powerful than the Dragon King Destruction he had performed before.

"Boom!"

There was a thunderous explosion.

Water and Fire Power collided.

The terrifying might instantly burst forth.

A powerful ring of energy burst open from their palms.

The distant hall was directly collapsed by the vibration of this terrifying power.

Xu Nian's figure was also blown away by the force.

However, his eyes were firmly fixed on the direction of the hall.

As the hall collapsed and dust filled the air, a figure came into Xu Nian's view.

A beautiful middle-aged woman was seen slumped on the ground.

She was surrounded by a layer of protective barrier, and it was this barrier that had kept her from being injured by the collapsing hall.

The moment Xu Nian saw the figure of this middle-aged beautiful woman, his eyes reddened with emotion.

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The middle-aged beautiful woman also raised her head at this moment.

When she saw the figure of the young man in the distance, she recognized that this young man was her son.

Her face was full of surprise.

Her eyes quickly moistened.

"Son!"

Xiuxue watched Xu Nian's figure, her expression extremely excited.

It had been several years since she had seen Xu Nian after returning to the Xu Family.

She was constantly worried about Xu Nian's safety.

Later, when she heard that Xu Xin had met Xu Nian, and that Xu Nian was still alive and well, she felt much more at ease.

However, her longing for Xu Nian had never stopped.

Unexpectedly, she had finally met Xu Nian here today.

Although Xu Nian was bathed in flames at this moment, Xiuxue recognized him at a glance.

However, Xiuxue quickly discerned the scene before her, and her heart instantly tightened.

Was Xu Nian fighting with Patriarch Xu?

"What...what is happening?" Xiuxue could hardly believe her own eyes.

How old was Xu Nian?

How could he possibly be a match for Patriarch Xu, who had lived for hundreds of years?

It looked to be a battle to the death.

Was she going to witness her son die before her eyes just after seeing him?

Xiuxue's heart tightened, and she wanted to break through the restriction.

However, this was a restriction set by a Battle Emperor Expert. How could she, a person without any cultivation, break it?

So all she could do was watch helplessly.

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Patriarch Xu had retreated nearly thirty zhang before stopping his movement.

His eyes were filled with astonishment.

Xu Nian had actually caught his palm strike without falling into disadvantage?

This was far beyond his expectations.

"This child is so crafty. Only eighteen years old, and he already possesses so many techniques. If a few more years pass, would I not be his opponent?" Xu Tiangong thought to himself.

He felt increasingly that this young man's talent and potential were terrifyingly great.

"Xu Nian, your potential really far exceeds my expectations. I really did not expect that an eighteen-year-old could one day fight me to a draw. You are the most terrifyingly talented youth I have ever seen.

How about this, as long as you swear to loyally serve the Xu Family, not only will I not kill you, but I can also support you as the head of the Xu Family," said Xu Tiangong.

"What?"

The people inside the Xu Family Hall, upon hearing this, all showed shocked expressions.

The Supreme Third Elder actually wanted to recruit Xu Nian.

Hadn't their previously convened meeting unanimously decided to kill Xu Nian?

Xu Tianhong clenched his fists even tighter, his face reddening.

If Xu Nian really agreed, wouldn't that mean his future position would be inherited by Xu Nian?

Moreover, Xu Nian had killed his favorite grandson. It seemed that the Supreme Third Elder had no intention of pursuing the matter.

How could he accept this?

And wouldn't this mean that he had lost to Xu Tianxu?

Inside the ancestral land, trapped within the restriction, Xiuxue also showed a surprised expression.

Was the Patriarch really saying he wanted her son to be the Family Head?

Had she heard wrong?

Although she did not care whether her son was the Family Head or not, it meant that as long as Xu Nian agreed, his life would not be in danger.

Of course, she knew her son's character very well.

Getting him to agree would probably be impossible.

Indeed, upon hearing this, Xu Nian merely laughed.

"Do you not think it's a bit late to say this now? From the moment I entered the Xu Family, all I felt was indifference, cold-bloodedness, and ruthlessness, like a family devoid of any emotions. Do you think I would ever covet becoming the head of such a family? From the moment you tried to kill me, it was destined that I and the Xu Family would be irreconcilable," Xu Nian replied with a cold laugh.

With that, the Immortal Sword appeared in his hand.

Patriarch Xu's brows furrowed upon hearing this.

Xu Tianhong inside the Xu Family Hall sighed in relief.

He had truly feared that Xu Nian might agree, and if that happened, he, as the Family Head Xu, would have no place to put his face.

Xiuxue was also struck by a sense of helplessness.

It was just as she thought; her son would never agree to such a request.

But thinking of Xu Nian being enemies with the entire Xu Family, she started to worry deeply for him.

"Mother, do you believe in your son? If you do, then support me. I will show you how your son will topple this arrogant and ruthless family," Xu Nian said, seemingly discerning his mother's thoughts.

Xiuxue was stunned, and then, with tears in her eyes, nodded heavily.

Her son had grown up.

He had become a man capable of standing tall on his own.

She believed that her son could indeed do what he said.

But thinking of the hardships her son had endured over the years, a strong pang of heartache surged through her.

"Hmph, arrogant and ignorant youngster, I, Xu Nian, have stood for a thousand years, what kind of calamity have I not faced? How could a junior like you shake me? Since you refuse to submit to the Xu Family, then you must not be spared," the elder snorted coldly.

Following that, he grabbed into the Void, and a Water Sword condensed in his hand.

Then, the entire person swung his sword, charging towards Xu Nian.

The sword carried a powerful Water Attribute Profound Argumentation Wave.

A single slash created an immense Sword Radiance, possessing boundless power.

Xu Nian, seeing this scene, did not confront it head-on.

Instead, he stepped on flames, transforming his figure into an afterimage, quickly closing in on the elder while dodging his attack.

Occasionally, he slashed at the unavoidable Sword Radiance.

The intense Flame Power collided with the Sword Radiance formed by the Water Sword, creating plumes of white mist.

Soon, Xu Nian reached the front of the elder.

"Seeking death!"

The elder snorted coldly.

While swinging his sword at Xu Nian, his other hand conjured three Water Dragons, attacking Xu Nian from different angles.

Xu Nian swung the Immortal Sword, with the Flame Power surging on its blade.

He continuously countered the elder's Sword Radiance and the Water Dragon's attacks.

If he were hit by any of the attacks, he would be completely defeated.

And then, a massive disaster would await him.

Xu Nian and the elder tangled in battle.

People in the Xu Family Hall showed surprised expressions.

Xu Nian could actually hold up against the Patriarch for so long?

Xiuxue was also astonished.

Her son had become so powerful?

"Boom!"

A Water Dragon struck Xu Nian's Immortal Sword.

Instantly, Xu Nian was sent flying backward.

The terrifying power still made Xu Nian involuntarily spit out a mouthful of blood.

"Ha ha, your secret technique must have a time limit, right? Your momentum is already decreasing; boy, you're done for," the elder laughed heartily.

He stepped into the Void, chasing after the retreating Xu Nian.

"Perfect opportunity!"

Xu Nian, seeing the elder pursuing him, a sharp gleam flashed through his eyes.

The power of the Kun Cave within him began to stir, merging into that fearsome volcanic force.