

Divine King 591

Chapter 591 Beast God

Xu Nian saw Little Zhu Yan nod.

His face immediately showed a joyful expression.

It seemed that this trip really hadn't been in vain; he had finally found a lead concerning Yann Xi.

"Then can you tell me where she is? Is she okay?" Xu Nian asked excitedly.

"Sister Yann Xi is fine; she's really nice, and kind and beautiful. But she's always busy with her cultivation. My dad won't even let me see her, so I sneaked out to the outer skirts to play," said the little monkey with a wronged expression on his face.

"Eh? Cultivation? The Red Fire Zhu Yan that took her away is your dad?" Xu Nian asked, surprised.

"Yes, in the whole Demon Beast Forest, only me and my dad's true body are Red Fire Zhu Yans. My dad is a personal guard to the Demon Emperor, and it was my dad who brought Sister Yann Xi back?" the monkey said, eyes sparkling.

Hearing this, Xu Nian understood.

It seemed his guess had been correct; this Little Zhu Yan was deeply connected to the Zhu Yan that had taken away Yann Xi.

The elder by their side, upon hearing the conversation between Xu Nian and Little Zhu Yan, immediately understood what was going on.

"So your sister is that girl?" the elder asked, looking at Xu Nian.

"That's right. Senior, you know of Yann Xi?" Xu Nian asked, puzzled.

"Of course I know her. How could I not know someone who has been taken in as a disciple by Lord Beast God himself, aside from the Beast Emperor?" the elder said with a smile.

"Lord Beast God?" Xu Nian looked surprised.

How had he become even more confused?

Seeing Xu Nian's expression, the elder said with a smile, "If you're looking for Yann Xi, you needn't worry. Not only is she fine, she's doing very well. As for Lord Beast God, he is the true master of our Demon Beast Forest, a supreme being of the highest regard. Sit down, and I'll explain it all slowly."

The elder waved his sleeve, and a chair, completely grown from tree roots, appeared behind Xu Nian.

Xu Nian didn't stand on ceremony and immediately took a seat.

"What exactly is going on? How did my sister become a disciple of Lord Beast God?" Xu Nian pressed.

The elder smiled and continued, "You must know that there are several realms above that of Battle Emperor, correct?"

Xu Nian nodded.

Above the Battle Emperor are six realms in total: Zifu, Cave Void, Harmonization, Wanxiang, Tribulation Crossing, Earth Immortal.

Above the Body Emperor are divided into: Vajra, Heavenly Phenomenon, Heavenly Gang, Heavenly King, Gang Tribulation, Gang Immortal.

Once one breaks through the Battle Emperor Level, it will be an entirely new realm of cultivation.

"Actually, Lord Beast God is a strong being above the Battle Emperor Level, and furthermore, he has reached the Transcendance Tribulation Stage of cultivation," the elder said.

"Tribulation Crossing?"

Xu Nian's eyes widened in sheer astonishment.

What kind of power was the Transcendance Tribulation Stage?

Xu Nian only knew that killing a Battle Emperor was as easy as snapping one's fingers for a master of the Zifu Realm.

Now, he had been told that Lord Beast God was actually a transcendent being at the Transcendance Tribulation Stage.

This time, Xu Nian suddenly felt a chill down his spine.

He had previously thought that after breaking through to the Emperor Level and venturing into the Demon Beast Forest, there wouldn't be any problems.

Even if he couldn't win a fight, escaping wouldn't be difficult.

But now, hearing the elder's words, he wasn't so sure any longer.

A transcendent being at the Transcendance Tribulation Stage was several realms above him.

Such a being was like comparing a Warrior with a Battle Emperor.

"In fact, you shouldn't be surprised. The continent you are on is far more complex than you think, and there are not a few strong beings beyond the Battle Emperor Level. There are very few who can match

Lord Beast God. Therefore, it's a good thing for your sister to have become Lord Beast God's disciple," the elder said, smiling.

"That's right, since Sister Yann Xi came to the Demon Beast Forest, her cultivation has rapidly advanced. She has reached the Peak of Battle King, and I'm no match for her now," Little Zhu Yan piped in.

Xu Nian was astounded.

Peak of Battle King? Yann Xi's cultivation was advancing that quickly?

Didn't that mean she was not far from the Holy Realm?

"Senior, then can you take me to see my sister?" Xu Nian asked the elder.

The elder shook his head and said, "Although I am a Demon Emperor, my status in the Demon Beast Forest is not high, let alone seeing the apprentice of the Beast God himself, it's even difficult to get an audience with the Beast Emperor. I'm afraid I can't help you with your request."

Xu Nian frowned upon hearing this.

"Yes, I haven't seen Sister Yann Xi for a long time either. My dad won't even let me meet her," Little Zhu Yan followed up.

Xu Nian frowned upon hearing this.

It's true that Yann Xi might indeed have been taken as an apprentice by the Beast God they mentioned.

But he was still somewhat uneasy.

Unless he could see Yann Xi with his own eyes.

"Buzz!"

All of a sudden, the elder's body trembled, and his expression became grave.

Xu Nian frowned because he felt a strong soul fluctuation.

"You are Xu Nian?"

The elder suddenly turned to look at Xu Nian and asked.

"Yes, my name is Xu Nian," Xu Nian responded, perplexed.

Hearing Xu Nian's words, the elder's expression immediately turned serious.

He knelt down in front of Xu Nian.

"Senior, what are you doing?" Xu Nian hurried forward to help the elder up.

"Lord Xu Nian, please forgive my earlier disrespect. I did not know that you are the esteemed guest Xu Nian whom the Beast God had instructed us about," said the elder, his face filled with trepidation.

"What? The Beast God knows me?" Xu Nian was even more astonished.

Last time at Dragon Vein Land, those three Demon Saints were the same.

And now this Demon Emperor in front of him acted the same way.

This really left Xu Nian baffled.

"I know you have many questions, sir, but let me first take you to see the Beast Emperor. Then, everything will be explained to you," said the elder.

Xu Nian, although full of mysteries, nodded all the same.

If he wasn't wrong, that strong soul fluctuation just now must have been the Beast Emperor using Soul Transmission to communicate with the elder.

As to why it couldn't have been the Beast God, that was because of Xu Nian's soul level.

Even if the Beast God transmitted a message, he wouldn't have been able to detect it.

Next, the elder was about to lead Xu Nian deep into the Demon Beast Forest.

However, Xu Nian asked the elder to wait a moment.

He went back to Zhao Qingqing's side.

By this time, Zhao Qingqing had also recovered from her previous daze.

But facing Xu Nian again, she seemed somewhat at a loss.

"Go back, it's very dangerous here," Xu Nian said to Zhao Qingqing.

Zhao Qingqing nodded.

Xu Nian then had the elder call upon a Demon Saint to directly escort Zhao Qingqing out of the wild monster forest.

Zhao Qingqing, although somewhat reluctant, also knew the gap between herself and Xu Nian.

It was destined that nothing could happen between the two of them.

After sending away Zhao Qingqing, Xu Nian followed the elder and Little Zhu Yan towards the deepest part of this wilderness.

Xu Nian was curious about the Beast Emperor mentioned by the elder.

He wanted to see what kind of person he was.

And that mysterious and powerful Beast God as well.

Chapter 592: The Super Powerhouse

Soon, under the guidance of the elder, Xu Nian arrived at the deepest part of the Beast Forest.

What Xu Nian hadn't expected was

that, at the deepest part of the Beast Forest, there actually lay a vast complex of magnificent palaces.

These structures were majestic and grand, not the slightest inferior to the Imperial Capital.

Additionally, around the entire perimeter of the palace complex,

there were even powerful Demon Beasts standing guard.

These Demon Beasts wore incredibly tough Beast Armor.

Moreover, the armor was crafted from unusual metals.

Importantly, the soldiers here had Cultivations that were at the very least at Battle King Level.

Among them, there were many who had already transformed into human-shaped experts at Saint Level.

In front of the palace's grand entrance, a man dressed in crimson Battle Armor stood like an Iron Tower.

His expression was stern and indifferent, giving anyone who glanced at him a shiver down their spine.

"Dad!"

The little monkey, upon seeing this tower-like man, immediately cowered and lowered its head.

Xu Nian, however, looked at this man, and it was clear that this Iron Tower-like man was the Red Fire Zhu Yan Demon Saint.

"Humph, I'll settle the score with you later," the Iron Tower-like man glared at the little monkey and then turned his gaze toward Xu Nian.

"Lord Xu Nian, the Divine Emperor has been waiting for you inside the hall for a long time. Please follow me," Red Fire said respectfully.

"Alright!" Xu Nian nodded.

"Old Tree, I'll be back in a moment," Red Fire said again to the elder.

The elder nodded.

Xu Nian then followed Red Fire into the depths of the palace complex.

Before long, Xu Nian was brought to a grand hall at the very heart of the complex.

Inside the hall, Xu Nian saw a middle-aged man wearing a white robe.

This middle-aged man had a robust figure and radiated a strong imperial authority, much more intense than that at Emperor Tianhen Level.

"Xu Nian, you have finally arrived, haha!" Upon seeing Xu Nian, the middle-aged man immediately stood up and let out a hearty laugh.

Xu Nian took a look at the middle-aged man and said, "Greetings, Beast Emperor!"

"Ah, there's no need for formalities with me. You are a distinguished guest personally invited by the Master, and you are also my little junior sister's brother. To call me Beast Emperor seems too distant; I am Long Yun, and my true form is that of a Dark Nether Dragon. If you don't mind, how about calling me Brother Long Yun?" The Beast Emperor said with a smile.

"Dark Nether Dragon? Are you a descendant of the Dragon Clan?" Xu Nian asked in surprise.

The Dark Nether Dragon was considered one of the True Dragons.

Although it might not be of the Taigu Dragon Clan, it still belonged to the real category of the Dragon Clan.

But what Xu Nian hadn't expected was that the Beast Emperor was actually a Dark Nether Dragon.

"Yes, is there a problem?" The Beast Emperor inquired.

Xu Nian let out a sheepish laugh and replied, "Nothing!"

In fact, what Xu Nian was thinking was,

If he were to devour the Beast Emperor's bloodline, to what extent would his Taigu Nether Dragon bloodline increase?

If the Beast Emperor knew the thoughts in Xu Nian's mind, who knows if he would be spitting blood.

"Brother Long Yun, what exactly is going on? Why would the esteemed Beast God suddenly take Yann Xi as a disciple? Isn't Yann Xi a human?" Xu Nian asked with curiosity.

Long Yun merely smiled upon hearing this and said, "Although Junior Sister Yann Xi is human, she possesses the True Phoenix Bloodline within her. That's also the reason why, after you helped her suppress the Curse Power, her Cultivation speed has greatly increased. Now the curse within her has been completely lifted by the Master, and her Cultivation speed is even more rapid. Once the True Phoenix Bloodline within her is awakened, her achievements will surely be boundless."

"The True Phoenix Bloodline? So that's the reason," Xu Nian muttered to himself in astonishment.

No wonder Yann Xi's Cultivation was progressing so swiftly.

Even if it was due to Curse Power, it still shouldn't be possible to reach such a terrifying speed.

"Then how did the Beast God come to know of me?" Xu Nian continued to inquire.

Long Yun gave a slight smile and said, "That's simple, the Spiritual Sense Power of our Master can cover the entire continent, so even if Master doesn't go anywhere, he can still be aware of everything that happens on this continent."

"Spiritual Sense Power covering the entire continent? How is that possible?" Xu Nian murmured in astonishment.

His own Spiritual Sense Power had reached Battle Emperor Level, yet it could only cover a radius of a hundred miles.

But the area of Tianhen Continent was far beyond just a hundred miles, let alone a million miles.

For the Beast God to be able to cover the entire continent, how terrifying must his Spiritual Sense Power be?

"There's nothing impossible about it. At that level of strength, it's not something we can fathom. I've heard my Master say before, upon reaching Earth Immortal Level, Spiritual Sense can even cover an entire planet and grasp Divine Skills like Instant Teleportation," Long Yun said with emotion.

Xu Nian fell silent.

Earth Immortal Experts are that powerful?

The Instant Teleportation here was different from the Space Shuttling that Xu Nian performed using the power of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

There was a fundamental difference between the two.

Suddenly, Xu Nian thought of something.

Since the Beast God could cover the entire continent,

then he must also be aware that he was the possessor of the Nine Dragons Supreme Body.

Perhaps this Beast God valued him so highly also because of his physique.

"Big Brother Long Yun, may I ask what your Cultivation Level has reached among Battle Emperors?" Xu Nian suddenly spoke up.

He was curious about the Cultivation Level of this Beast Emperor, wanting to see just what level he had attained.

"Ha ha, my Cultivation has already reached the Nine-star Realm," the Beast Emperor replied.

"Nine-star Demon Emperor? Doesn't that mean you're about to break through to Zifu?" Xu Nian's eyes widened in astonishment.

He had guessed that this Beast Emperor might be around the level of five or six stars at most, possibly seven to eight stars.

Yet he did not expect him to be a Nine-star Peak Level Demon Emperor.

And considering his true form was a Divine Dragon, how powerful must his combat strength be?

"Zifu? Breaking through to Zifu is easier said than done. The Master once said that if I want to break through to Zifu, I'd have to leave this continent to do it, otherwise it's impossible," the Beast Emperor said with a sigh.

Xu Nian nodded.

Breaking through to Zifu was difficult enough.

Moreover, this world was bound by Heavenly Restriction.

However, Xu Nian didn't need to worry; with the Dragon Vein in his body,

he might be able to break through the Heavenly Restriction of this world by relying on the Dragon Vein.

It was just that these things were still too far off for him, as he had only just stepped into Emperor Level.

"Let's go, the Master wishes to meet you and take you to meet your junior sister," Long Yun suddenly said.

"Eh? The Beast God wants to see me?" Xu Nian was taken aback.

He hadn't expected the Beast God to request a meeting with him.

That was a being far beyond Battle Emperor Level, having reached the Tribulation Crossing Level!

Such an existence, even if suppressed by the laws of this world,

could easily take his life with just the flip of a hand.

But Xu Nian wasn't too anxious in his heart.

After all, he had already met beings like Divine Emperors and Demon Lords.

Tribulation Crossing Stage Level experts, no matter how strong, were still within the realm of mortals.

And so, Xu Nian followed Long Yun towards the deepest part of the great hall.

Chapter 593: Meeting the Beast God

When Xu Nian reached the deepest part of the Demon Beast Forest Emperor Palace, the scene before him made him pause.

There wasn't a tall, majestic building, but a serene lake instead.

Surrounding the lake were all sorts of strange and unusual flora.

Upon closer inspection, he realized these plants were all incredibly rare herbs.

There were Tianlan Flowers, Falling Immortal Grass, and so on.

All of these were rare treasures seldom seen by ordinary people.

Next to the lake, a young, stunning figure was sitting cross-legged.

At that moment, she was in a state of cultivation, oblivious to the outside world.

Dense Spiritual Energy continuously poured into her body, gradually intensifying the fluctuations around her.

Besides this girl, there were no others around.

"Yann Xi!"

Xu Nian, upon seeing the young girl, immediately showed a joyful expression on his face.

Indeed, this beautiful figure was the very Yann Xi Xu Nian had rescued before.

Long Yun, witnessing the scene, also showed a smile on his face.

"Buzz!"

At that moment,

the young girl suddenly opened her eyes, and a strong surge emanated from her body.

That surge flowed and was clearly of the Saint Level.

A golden phoenix vaguely appeared behind her, seeming to soar into the sky, emitting a sonorous cry.

Seeing this, Xu Nian also showed a look of astonishment on his face.

It was indeed the True Phoenix bloodline.

He hadn't expected Yann Xi to possess such high talent.

"Brother Nian! How did you come here!"

At that moment, the girl's excited voice came from the side.

Subsequently, a graceful figure rushed toward Xu Nian.

"Brother missed you, so he came to see you!"

Xu Nian said with a smile.

Yann Xi, with a beaming smile, threw herself into Xu Nian's arms, hugging him tightly.

Xu Nian immediately smelled a fragrant aroma, followed by a softness enveloping him.

"Brother Nian, Yann Xi missed you so much!"

Yann Xi choked up.

"Silly girl, isn't your brother here to see you now!" Xu Nian felt moved in his heart.

In the past, he hadn't received much true affection, so now he cherished every sincere emotion deeply.

Seeing Yann Xi like this also moved Xu Nian deeply.

After a long while, Yann Xi finally let go of Xu Nian.

"By the way, Brother Nian, how did you know I was here?" Yann Xi asked, batting her large eyes.

At this moment, the vision of dead mountains and blood seas in her eyes had vanished, replaced by a pair of golden pupils.

These pupils added a unique charm to her.

"I went to Tianhuang City and met your great uncle. Later, I learned that you were captured and brought to the Demon Beast Forest, so I rushed over," Xu Nian explained simply.

Yann Xi nodded her head.

This whole time, she had been busy with her cultivation.

She had indeed forgotten to visit her great uncle to tell him she was safe.

"By the way, Brother Nian, look at me, I've already broken through to the Saint Realm," Yann Xi said excitedly to Xu Nian.

"Indeed, it's very impressive. I didn't expect your cultivation to be so fast," Xu Nian said with a smile.

Initially, when he taught Yann Xi cultivation, it was merely in the hopes that she would gain some abilities to protect herself.

Yet he hadn't anticipated that she would possess such high cultivation talent.

Upon hearing Xu Nian's praise, Yann Xi's face beamed with joy, as if she had tasted the sweetness of honey.

It must be said that Yann Xi had grown remarkably beautiful over the past two years.

Her skin was like delicate rouge, her eyebrows like willow leaves, and her phoenix eyes were especially enchanting.

Now at eighteen, she would become even more stunning with a few more years.

"Buzz!"

At that moment, a fluctuation transmitted from the surface of the lake.

Then, a figure formed entirely from flowing water appeared in the sight of the three.

This was a middle-aged man, and even though his body was completely created from water, one could still perceive an extraordinary aura of valor and dignity about him.

"Master!"

Yann Xi and Long Yun greeted the figure with respect.

Xu Nian became solemn in front of the figure.

Could this middle-aged man truly be the Beast God?

"Junior Xu Nian pays respects to the senior," Xu Nian said as he followed with a salute.

"Yann Xi, Long Yun, you two go down first. Let me have a private word with Xu Nian," the middle-aged man spoke.

"Yes!" Long Yun quickly responded.

Beside them, Yann Xi's face still showed reluctance, but Long Yun pulled her away.

At this moment, Xu Nian felt somewhat nervous.

He was uncertain what the Beast God wanted to discuss with him.

Even though he knew that the figure before him wasn't the true body of the Beast God, he could still feel an intangible pressure emanating from this watery figure.

This aura was unpretentious, yet it made one dare not relax.

"Is this the presence of a Transcendence Tribulation Stage expert? Even without intent, it still exudes a strong sense of oppression?" Xu Nian mused inwardly.

He truly couldn't imagine if the Beast God before him unleashed his full pressure.

He wondered if he would be directly crushed by the formidable aura.

While Xu Nian was internally admiring the might of the Beast God,

The Beast God was examining Xu Nian and eventually expressed with a sigh, "Worthy of the Nine Dragon Supreme Body, the potential of your physical strength is enormous. You haven't even begun to scratch the surface of it. If it were to reach its full potential, it would surely be world-shattering."

Xu Nian felt a jolt in his heart.

Indeed, the Beast God knew of his possession of the Nine Dragon Supreme Physique.

"Summon your avatar as well," the Beast God suddenly said.

"Eh?" Xu Nian was stunned, showing a hint of wariness on his face.

"Don't worry, I'm merely curious and won't harm you. If I wanted to kill you, you would have been dead a long time ago," the Beast God spoke.

Xu Nian pondered for a moment and then summoned the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar.

The Beast God looked over the Undying Devouring Sky Beast Avatar for quite a while, eventually letting out a soft exclamation of surprise: "Ah, I can't discern what Demon Beast your avatar is. How strange, why have I never seen this Demon Beast before?"

Xu Nian finally exhaled in relief.

It seemed the Beast God didn't know everything.

"Senior, my avatar is known as the Undying Devouring Sky Beast, a special Demon Beast that is extremely rare in the world, so it's normal that you haven't seen it," Xu Nian said.

"It is so; Undying Devouring Sky Beast, what a domineering name. I can feel that the potential of this avatar is not below that of a Divine Beast Bloodline Demon Beast, in fact, it may even be higher," the Beast God said.

His eyes revealed a sense of emotion.

Xu Nian nodded in acknowledgment.

He wasn't worried the Beast God might covet his avatar.

If he came to know the true secrets of the Undying Devouring Sky Beast, perhaps he might entertain such thoughts.

But for now, Xu Nian could sense that the Beast God had no real designs on his Undying Devouring Sky Beast.

Chapter 594: Vast Cultivation World

"Xu Nian, what is the purpose of your cultivation?"

Suddenly, the Beast God looked at Xu Nian seriously and asked.

Xu Nian was stunned; he hadn't expected the Beast God to suddenly ask such a question.

"Elder, the purpose of my cultivation is simply to make myself stronger, to possess enough strength to protect the people I care about, so that they no longer suffer any harm," Xu Nian answered truthfully.

This was indeed his most genuine thought.

Hearing this, the Beast God nodded and said, "This goal can be considered both low and high. On this continent, with your current strength and status, you can already protect your loved ones. However, if we are to aim higher, your strength is far from enough. Even my current strength may not be enough to completely protect a person without them suffering any harm on this continent. Do you understand what I'm saying?"

Xu Nian nodded.

He knew what the Beast God was talking about.

At the Emperor Level, one is indeed among the pinnacle on this continent.

In theory, protecting those he wished to protect should already be entirely sufficient.

But this world is not unchanging; it is full of many unknowns.

Who knows when a sudden disaster might strike, at which time the lives across the entire continent might be extinguished.

What then would an Emperor-level strong man amount to?

That is why Xu Nian had always wanted to become stronger.

However, Xu Nian was somewhat puzzled, why was the Beast God telling him all this?

But the Beast God's next remark made Xu Nian understand his intention.

"Xu Nian, have you ever thought about leaving this continent for another world?" the Beast God asked while looking at Xu Nian.

A person, no matter how talented, if they lack the heart to pursue the strong,

even if their aptitude and comprehension are high, their future achievements are still very limited.

Thus, it was clear what the Beast God's intention was—to see what kind of Tao Heart Xu Nian had.

"I must go to another continent. I have a friend who was taken by the Tiancang Sect, so I need to visit the Tiancang Sect," Xu Nian responded, not concealing anything from the Beast God.

"Oh? The Tiancang Sect?" the Beast God was startled, revealing a look of surprise.

"Elder also knows about the Tiancang Sect?" Xu Nian asked.

Hearing this, the Beast God instantly showed a smile.

"Who doesn't know about the Tiancang Sect? That is a super sect that occupies the entire Tianlan Star Domain. Your friend being taken away means she must be of non-trivial potential. But it will be incredibly difficult for you to see her. First off, even reaching the Tianlan Star Domain is something most Cave Void Practitioners cannot achieve," the Beast God explained.

"The Tianlan Star Domain, the Tiancang Sect is no longer on another continent?" Xu Nian asked, frowning.

Hearing this, the Beast God's face immediately showed a smile.

"Boy, it seems you know too little about the other continent. Since that's the case, let me tell you about it," the Beast God said with a smile.

Xu Nian quickly nodded and listened attentively.

He had always been intensely curious about what lay beyond the Forbidden Sea.

Until now, he had never had any means to learn about the conditions of the other continent.

Now that the Beast God was willing to talk, he was, of course, eager to listen.

"Since you already know about the concept of star domains, then you should already know that the place we are in is a planet," the Beast God began.

Xu Nian nodded.

Other cultivators might not know, but he, long nurtured by the teachings of Emperor Ye Tian, had somewhat understood the world he lived in.

"Since you understand the concept of a planet, then you should know that the entire Mortal World is made up of countless star domains, and these countless star domains contain numerous planets. Some of these planets are teeming with life, others are utterly barren. Among them, some planets have abundant cultivation resources, others are devoid of Spiritual Energy. Because of this, many cultivators will go to planets with denser Spiritual Energy to cultivate," the Beast God continued.

Xu Nian kept listening.

He had not expected that the world beyond the Forbidden Sea was much bigger than he imagined.

This was no longer simply another continent, but a vast universe.

"To facilitate travel between planets, cultivators have constructed Transmission Arrays. Using these arrays, even those who have not reached the Earth Immortal realm can traverse the Void, cross the Star River, and each planet has its indigenous inhabitants who also have many exceptionally talented individuals. Over time, several star regions have been bridged by cultivators, establishing connections. Some remote star systems, due to their great distances, still cannot establish Transmission Arrays, and even an Earth Immortal Expert can hardly cross the Void to reach them," explained the Beast God.

Xu Nian nodded.

He had heard this from Emperor Ye Tian.

The vast universe, with distances between each planet immensely great.

Unless one reached the Earth Immortal realm, they could not traverse the void.

Even Transcendence Tribulation Stage experts could only make brief stops in the Cosmic Void.

In the dark universe, many unknown dangers existed.

Such as black holes, once sucked in,

even an Earth Immortal Expert could not escape.

"So now, how many Great Star Regions are there in the Cultivation World?" Xu Nian quickly asked.

"Knowing about the Cultivation World means you know more than I expected. Yes, currently there are Nine Great Star Regions in the Cultivation World, where five of the star regions are occupied by some super powers, leaving only four Great Star Regions for Loose Cultivators. Among them, the Tianlan Star Domain is occupied by the Tiancang Sect. General cultivators wishing to enter the Tianlan Star Domain must pay a large amount of Spirit Stones," the Beast God said.

"Spirit Stones?" Xu Nian asked in surprise.

"Yes, Spirit Stones serve as the standard currency throughout the Cultivation World. Without Spirit Stones, it would be extremely difficult for you to travel around the Cultivation World, even using Transmission Arrays requires a large amount of Spirit Stones," the Beast God explained with a smile.

Xu Nian was surprised.

He had received some Spirit Stones from the Imperial Prince before, never expecting that Spirit Stones were actually the Cultivation World's currency.

"Seems like I will need to collect more Spirit Stones in the future," Xu Nian mused aloud.

"Do you know about how many planets there are in one star region?" the Beast God suddenly asked mysteriously.

"A hundred?" Xu Nian guessed.

The Beast God just smiled and said, "The smallest star region has over a thousand planets, like the Tianlan Star Domain, which contains over three thousand planets. Tiancang Sect disciples are spread throughout the entire Tianlan Star Domain. Therefore, finding your friend might really not be a simple matter."

Xu Nian was stunned.

Over three thousand planets?

Finding one person?

That wasn't merely difficult—it was far more challenging than finding a needle in a haystack.

It seemed he had been too naive in his thinking.

Chapter 595: Bai Tianhan's Strength

Although he was mentally prepared, Xu Nian was still shocked by the vastness of the Cultivation World.

In comparison to the entire universe, an individual is truly minuscule.

"Alright, now that you have a basic understanding of the Cultivation World, you should know that the number of cultivators here far exceeds your imagination, and there are many geniuses among them. Some have even reached the Battle Emperor Realm before the age of ten. So, you should be mentally prepared," said the Beast God.

Xu Nian was stunned again.

Reached the Battle Emperor Realm before the age of ten?

How incredible must one's talent be?

However, when he thought about it carefully, it made sense. The concentration of Spiritual Energy on some planets was dozens of times that of here, so their Cultivation pace naturally far surpassed that of this place.

Some cultivators with heaven-defying talents could indeed achieve this.

"I've said what I needed to say, now let's discuss the matter at hand," the Beast God said.

"The matter at hand?" Xu Nian showed a look of surprise.

It seemed that the Beast God came to him not just for a simple chat but had other motives.

"Yes, since you are the Divine River Palace Master, you should be aware of the existence of the Immortal Treasure in this Forbidden Sea," the Beast God said.

Xu Nian nodded.

He also had some speculation about what the Beast God would discuss next.

He had always wondered why a powerful being like the Beast God would stay in the Lost Land; obviously, he had other purposes.

As Xu Nian had guessed, it was indeed for the Immortal Treasure.

"The Immortal Treasure opens once every hundred years, and there are twelve years left until the next opening. You must know that only those who hold a Token can enter, and a single Token can only bring in two people," the Beast God said.

"What do you mean by this?" Xu Nian asked.

"My meaning is that I want you to join me. I have a Token, and you have two. Together we can enter, and our chances of obtaining treasures will be greater," the Beast God said straightforwardly.

"Uh?" Xu Nian was taken aback.

He hadn't expected that the Beast God wanted to cooperate with him.

"You should know that the charm of the Immortal Treasure is enormous. By then, the entire Cultivation World will definitely send a large number of cultivators here, and they will undoubtedly slaughter each other for the Tokens. Holding two Tokens without sufficient power or backing from a strong force will certainly make you a target," the Beast God explained.

Xu Nian appeared thoughtful after hearing this.

Indeed, as the Beast God had said.

The attraction of the Immortal Treasure was enormous; powerful forces would never let a Token remain in the hands of someone without sufficient backing.

The ones who would hold the Tokens and enter the Immortal Treasure would definitely be of strong power and backed by influential forces.

And with him holding two Tokens, he would most certainly be the first target.

Of course, there were still twelve years until the opening of the Immortal Treasure.

What would happen during these twelve years was very unpredictable.

And after twelve years, what level would Xu Nian's Cultivation reach?

"Senior, please allow me some time to consider this matter," Xu Nian said.

He did not directly agree to the Beast God.

Apart from not knowing much about the Beast God,

his own power was still too weak. It was clearly odd for the Beast God seeking cooperation with him.

"I understand your hesitations, and I won't force you. Besides, it's still early before the opening of the Immortal Treasure. You don't need to agree right now. I just want to let you know, hoping you consider my side before that fellow approaches you," the Beast God said smilingly.

He didn't show any signs of anger for Xu Nian's lack of immediate agreement.

"That fellow?" Xu Nian blinked, showing a puzzled expression.

"Haha, it seems he hasn't approached you yet, but he probably has already hinted at you. Did he ask you to visit the Dark God Island when leaving the Forbidden Sea?" the Beast God laughed heartily.

"Are you talking about the senior from Dark God Island?" Xu Nian appeared surprised.

He had suspected when he heard from Xu Yu and others how powerful the senior who rescued him was.

Now that he heard it from the Beast God, he was sure.

"Exactly, that old fellow. I knew he would seek you out, so I thought of reaching you first, to prevent him from getting there first," the Beast God said with a laugh.

Xu Nian felt a bit embarrassed.

Unexpectedly, the Beast God and the senior from Dark God Island both wanted to win him over.

"Senior, may I ask a question?" Xu Nian pondered for a moment before asking.

"You want to ask why both that old guy and I are seeking you out at the same time?" the Beast God asked with a smile.

Xu Nian nodded.

He was indeed curious.

Although he had demonstrated impressive talent,

with the discerning eyes of these seniors, they must have seen many geniuses not inferior to him.

But that both of them simultaneously sought him out for cooperation indicated that there were other reasons behind it.

"Haha, since you've asked, I won't hide it from you. The sole reason we sought you out is because of your master," the Beast God laughed heartily.

"My master? Bai Tianhan?" Xu Nian was startled.

This master, who had shown him great kindness, was someone he had always highly respected.

But since parting from the Qin Family, he hadn't seen him again.

Xu Nian had always been curious about what kind of person he truly was.

"Yes, precisely because you are Bai Tianhan's disciple, we sought you out. Boy, being his disciple is indeed your greatest fortune," the Beast God said with a smile.

"Uh, my master is very impressive? Senior, do you know to what extent he has reached?" Xu Nian asked.

Regarding the power of Master Bai Tianhan, Xu Nian knew nothing.

Initially, he thought he was a Battle King, later a Battle Emperor, but now it seemed vastly more.

To warrant such attention from a Transcendence Tribulation Stage Beast God and the one from Dark God Island,

his Cultivation must truly be impeccable.

"Haha, it seems your master doesn't want you to know, so we shouldn't say much. You'll discover it yourself later, but remember, your master is very powerful, after all, he is the last member of the Divine Demon Sect and has survived till now, which reflects his strength," the Beast God said.

Hearing this, Xu Nian fell into deep contemplation.

Indeed!

He recalled his master telling him that the Divine Demon Sect was once a super Sect.

Later, it was extinguished by powerful forces, and his master, as the last member of the Divine Demon Sect,

was still alive today, which must mean his strength was not so simple.

But what was the actual level of his master's strength?

Even a transcendent-stage powerhouse held him in such high regard?

Chapter 596: Beast Emperor's Challenge

After chatting with the Beast God for a few sentences,

Xu Nian left the lake.

He returned to the grand hall where the Beast Emperor and the others were located.

Seeing Xu Nian come out, Yann Xi started chatting with him,

relaying the events she experienced over the past two years.

Only after listening to Yann Xi did Xu Nian understand how hard she had worked.

The reason she worked so hard was that she wanted to find Xu Nian when she had grown powerful enough.

Touched by this, Xu Nian's heart was filled with emotion.

Under Yann Xi's questioning, Xu Nian also shared his own exploits of the past two years.

When Yann Xi heard that Xu Nian had been hunted several times, her pretty face showed surprise.

Even though she knew these events were in the past, she couldn't help but feel worried for Xu Nian.

Apart from chatting with Yann Xi, Xu Nian grew even more familiar with Long Yun.

Xu Nian noticed that Long Yun appeared very noble and indifferent in front of his subordinates, radiating majesty.

But in front of Xu Nian, he had no airs about him at all.

Xu Nian knew this was due to the influence of the Beast God.

"Brother Xu Nian, I've heard that your physical strength is very formidable. How about we spar?" Long Yun said with a smile, his eyes brimming with a thick fighting spirit.

Although he was the Beast Emperor, at heart, he was a battle enthusiast.

However, due to his status and position, no one was able to fight against him.

This had always been the most frustrating thing for him.

Now that he had heard about Xu Nian's formidable physical strength, he immediately wanted to spar with Xu Nian.

"This isn't a good idea, right? Brother Long Yun, you're a Nine-star Demon Emperor. If I were to spar with you, wouldn't that be just asking for trouble?" Xu Nian said with a laugh.

Although he had reached the One-star Body Emperor Realm, and his combat power was comparable to a Three-star Battle Emperor,

facing a Nine-star level Demon Emperor, Xu Nian did not have the arrogance to think he could fight on equal terms.

"No, no, no, don't use Spiritual Energy or Gang Qi. Let's fight purely with physical strength, what do you say?" Long Yun quickly said with a smile.

"Only with physical strength?" Xu Nian was slightly taken aback.

If it were merely a contest of physical strength, perhaps he might not lose to Long Yun.

Even if he was a Nine-star level Dark Nether Dragon.

But Xu Nian cultivated the Divine Demon Refining Body, and he also possessed the Nine Dragon Supreme Body.

In terms of physical strength, Xu Nian was confident he wouldn't lose to the Beast Emperor.

"Alright, they say Brother Xu Nian you are forthright. I haven't had a fight for a long time, and now I can finally stretch my muscles," Long Yun said eagerly.

Seeing this, Xu Nian shook his head helplessly.

It seemed that a love for battle was a common trait among many Demon Beasts.

He too was curious to see just how strong a True Dragon's body could be.

"Come on, this place is too cramped. I'll take you to a more spacious area so we can have a good fight," the Beast Emperor quickly said.

Then, the Beast Emperor led Xu Nian towards a valley.

This valley was very spacious and flat, making it the perfect battlefield.

"Whoosh whoosh whoosh!"

Yann Xi, the Tree-man elder, and the Zhu Yan father and son also followed.

A battle between the Beast Emperor and Xu Nian.

This was bound to be an extraordinary fight.

Even the Guard Zhu Yan was very curious.

He didn't understand why the Beast Emperor held Xu Nian in such high regard, to the point of treating him as an equal.

He really wanted to see what Xu Nian was capable of.

"Yann Xi girl, don't you like your Brother Xu Nian a lot? How come you allowed him to spar with the Beast Emperor? Don't you know that all of us Demon Emperors have been thoroughly thrashed by the Beast Emperor?" The Tree-man elder said with a smile to Yann Xi.

They knew the strength of the Beast Emperor very well.

Even without using any Spiritual Energy, the physical strength of the Beast Emperor was not something they could contend with.

Every time the Demon Emperors sparred with the Beast Emperor, they ended up beaten and lying down for months, not daring to move.

After a while, no one dared to spar with the Beast Emperor anymore.

Yann Xi knew all of this but still allowed Xu Nian to fight with the Beast Emperor.

"My senior brother is indeed formidable, but my Brother Xu Nian is not weak either. Since he dared to agree, I believe he won't lose," Yann Xi said.

But looking in Xu Nian's direction, her gaze still held some worry.

The Tree-man elder chuckled at the scene.

Xu Nian wanted to defeat the Beast Emperor?

That was simply impossible.

Now, he only hoped the Beast Emperor wouldn't be too heavy-handed.

After all, the Beast Emperor's true form was that of a True Dragon, with immense physical strength.

The Guard Zhu Yan also revealed a faint smile.

He too believed that Xu Nian was bound to lose.

He just really wanted to see how many moves Xu Nian could withstand against the Beast Emperor.

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At this moment, Xu Nian and Long Yun stood opposite each other, an invisible aura emanating from their bodies.

This invisible aura clashed together, making the air around them rumble like thunder.

"Brother Xu Nian, if you get hurt by me, don't blame me for being too heavy-handed!" Long Yun said with a light smile, his eyes filled with pride.

How could he, a member of the Dragon Clan, possibly feel that he would lose in terms of physical strength?

Moreover, his own cultivation was far superior to Xu Nian's.

His body had been bathed in Spiritual Energy for years and had become incredibly strong.

Even if Xu Nian had strong physical strength,

how could he possibly be his match?

The only reason he chose to fight Xu Nian was that no one else dared to battle him.

"Don't worry, I won't blame you, provided you can injure me," Xu Nian said with a smile.

Hearing Xu Nian's words, Long Yun's mouth curved into a light smile.

He liked Xu Nian's confidence.

Of course, he enjoyed it even more when that confidence was utterly shattered.

The more confident Xu Nian was, the stronger Long Yun's desire to battle became.

"Then you better watch out."

Long Yun smiled faintly.

Then he stomped down on the ground.

The earth suddenly cratered under his feet.

The ground exploded in an instant.

Long Yun's figure turned into a blur as he rapidly rushed toward Xu Nian.

Long Yun was fast.

Even relying solely on physical strength, his speed was not a bit inferior to a One-star Battle Emperor Expert.

"So fast!"

Xu Nian, watching the swiftly approaching Long Yun, also showed a hint of surprise.

Indeed, the physical body of the Dragon Clan was formidable.

"Whoosh!"

Long Yun's figure moved as fast as lightning, instantly appearing before Xu Nian.

"Take my punch!"

Long Yun shouted loudly and then threw a punch in mid-air.

As the punch was thrown, it was like a dragon roaring.

A terrifying aura pounced toward Xu Nian.

Long Yun's face was full of pride.

With this punch, Xu Nian was doomed not to block it.

After all, he was someone who could fight on par with a One-star Demon Emperor Expert using only his physical strength.

Xu Nian, a One-star Body Emperor, no matter how strong, how could he be his opponent?

"Your form and speed are good, but your punch is too slow."

However, at that moment, a light laughter suddenly rang in Long Yun's ear.

Next, Long Yun saw a phantom flash by in front of him.

Then, a tremendous force came from his abdomen.

His entire body turned into a straight line as he was sent flying backward.

"How is that possible?"

The Tree-man elder and Guard Zhu Yan on the mountain were both stunned and couldn't help but exclaim.

Chapter 597: Who's Dominating Whom?

"Boom!"

The Beast Emperor's figure flew backward for several hundred meters, crashing directly into the mountain wall behind him.

The mountain wall instantly cracked, emitting a dull, thunderous sound.

"What a powerful force."

Long Yun pulled himself out of the crater, looking at Xu Nian with a face full of astonishment.

The Tree-man warriors and Guard Zhu Yan on the mountaintop were also taken aback with shock.

They had originally thought Xu Nian couldn't possibly block that punch.

But the result was Beast Emperor being blasted away by Xu Nian's fist.

It must be said, Xu Nian's striking speed was indeed very fast.

"Brother Xu Nian, it seems I truly underestimated you, that punch just now was really fast," Long Yun said with genuine admiration as he looked toward Xu Nian.

A trace of surprise also appeared in Xu Nian's eyes.

His punch's power was no less than that of a One-star Battle Emperor Expert.

Yet, without deploying any Spiritual Energy for defense, the Beast Emperor managed to take the punch without any issue.

It must be said, the physical strength of the Dragon Clan was indeed terrifyingly formidable.

"You should use your full strength; otherwise, you simply cannot defeat me," Xu Nian said with a smile.

He knew that Long Yun had not used his real strength.

That previous punch was clearly Long Yun probing.

Xu Nian had seized this opportunity, which allowed him to successfully land a hit.

"You've seen through it, but since that's the case, there's no need for me to hold back in battle. Haha, Brother Xu Nian, let me show you the true robustness of the Dragon Clan's physical strength," Long Yun laughed heartily.

With a step forward, his figure burst forth in an instant.

In that previous punch, he had been afraid to use too much force and injure Xu Nian severely, so he only used fifty percent of his power.

Now it seemed that his concerns were entirely unwarranted.

Xu Nian's physical strength was clearly stronger than he had imagined.

Of course, even so, he still did not think Xu Nian was his match.

"Whoosh!"

Long Yun's figure flashed, and he instantly appeared in front of Xu Nian.

"Eh?"

Xu Nian was startled.

This time, Long Yun's speed was actually twice as fast as before.

"Buzz!"

Before Xu Nian's surprise had dissipated, he felt an aura of terror rushing towards his face.

Without a moment's hesitation, Xu Nian quickly crossed his arms in defense against Long Yun's punch.

"Boom!"

A muffled sound echoed.

Xu Nian felt a terrifying force coursing through his arms.

The force was so intense that it made his arms go numb.

And his entire body was sent flying backward rapidly under this terrifying power.

"Haha, how was that for attack speed? Watch the leg!"

Long Yun laughed uproariously as he stomped forward.

His foot stepped directly on air.

The air exploded, and his figure followed the recoil to rapidly catch up with Xu Nian.

He raised his leg for a powerful sweeping kick.

The whip kick swept through the air, creating a terrifying sonic boom, striking viciously towards Xu Nian's face.

Xu Nian did not dare to take it lightly and quickly called upon the strength from his waist to launch a punch against the incoming whip kick.

"Boom!"

Fist and leg collided.

An explosive noise burst forth.

Xu Nian felt another intense numbness in his arm.

His figure swiftly retreated, stumbling, nearly falling to the ground.

Long Yun, hit in the leg by Xu Nian's punch, rolled in the air before forcefully landing on the ground.

In this round of attacks, Long Yun held a slight upper hand.

The Tree-man warriors and Guard Zhu Yan standing on the distant mountain peak were stunned by what they saw.

This Xu Nian sustained the Beast Emperor's two moves, ending up with only a slight disadvantage?

This was something even the previous Seven-star Demon Emperor hadn't managed to accomplish.

Yet Xu Nian had done it.

It was clear that Xu Nian's physical strength was truly terrifyingly powerful.

A One-star Body Emperor, and a human at that.

To be able to fight on a physical level like this against a Nine-star Demon Emperor Level True Dragon Demon Beast.

It truly is an incredibly shocking affair.

"Haha, exhilarating, it's been so long since I've felt this exhilarated, Brother Xu Nian, you really surprised me. It seems I truly underestimated you," Long Yun laughed heartily, his eyes filled with excitement.

Xu Nian, however, rubbed his swollen arms, looking at the Beast Emperor before him, a fighting spirit also rising within the depths of his eyes.

The recent exchange had also caused the blood in the depths of his heart to start boiling, bit by bit.

"Hmph, senior brother, if you dare to hurt Brother Nian's hair, I'll go complain to Master," Yann Xi's voice came from above the mountain peak.

Long Yun, upon hearing this, was immediately speechless.

After all, he was her senior brother; even if she sided with Xu Nian, did she have to be so blatantly biased?

Upon hearing this, Xu Nian also found it funny in his heart.

"Brother Xu Nian, did you hear that? I'm offending Yann Xi, my little junior sister, by sparring with you. I hope you can bring me more surprises," Long Yun said to Xu Nian with a smile.

"I won't disappoint you," Xu Nian shook himself.

His fist slowly clenched, and the veins and muscles on his arms instantly bulged.

Xu Nian's eyes also became incredibly sharp.

"Fight!"

With a loud shout from Long Yun, he charged toward Xu Nian once again.

Xu Nian saw Long Yun rapidly approaching and this time did not opt for passive defense.

Instead, he also took a step forward, charging towards Long Yun.

"Good, take my punch!"

Long Yun roared and threw a punch directly.

As his fists swung, a dragon's roar emanated from his body.

Xu Nian knew this was the effect of surging blood.

And the fist wind that hit his face felt like mountains bearing down.

Xu Nian curled his lips into a slight smile, and the punch, already Gathering Momentum, blasted out without any hesitation.

"Boom!"

A loud noise erupted.

The ground under Xu Nian and Long Yun's feet both suddenly sank.

The entire ground collapsed with a thunderous crash.

A terrifying airwave turned into a storm, sweeping across the surroundings.

"Whoosh!"

At that moment, a figure suddenly flew backward in the air.

Everyone on the mountain top was shocked to see this scene,

Because the figure that flew backward was none other than Long Yun.

"How is this possible?" Long Yun was also stunned.

That punch, that exchange.

He felt a terrifying force transmit from his fist up to his chest,

And then violently burst in his chest cavity.

Then his body uncontrollably flew backward.

He didn't understand, how had Xu Nian's strength become so strong, so suddenly?

"Whoosh!"

While Long Yun was in shock,

Xu Nian's figure, like a ghost, appeared directly behind Long Yun.

"What?"

Long Yun was shocked and quickly tried to turn and defend.

But it was all too late.

Xu Nian's knee strike hit Long Yun squarely in the back.

Long Yun's body immediately flew up into the sky.

Xu Nian pushed off the ground and instantly rose above Long Yun.

"My apologies, Brother Long Yun!"

With a cold smirk, Xu Nian followed with a heavy Cannon Hammer on Long Yun's abdomen.

"Boom!"

Long Yun instantly plummeted to the ground like a Meteorite, crashing into a deep pit.

The Tree-man elder and the Guard Zhu Yan on the mountain were dumbfounded.

Was Xu Nian truly dominating the Beast Emperor?

However, Yann Xi, standing aside, was excitedly shouting, "Well done, Brother Nian is amazing!"

"Pfft!"

Long Yun, lying in the pit, spat out a mouthful of blood when he heard her words.

Chapter 598 Long Yun Loses Face

Long Yun lay in the pit, his heart filled with gloom.

Truly, comparisons could be odious.

When he was fighting Xu Nian, Yann Xi had threatened him.

Now that Xu Nian was hitting him, she was applauding.

The gap was simply too huge.

But the surprise Xu Nian had given him was also immense.

His own physical strength was comparable to that of a One-star Body Emperor.

Yet now he was defeated by Xu Nian, a One-star Body Emperor, using pure physical strength.

How on earth had this human youngster cultivated to have such strong physical strength?

Long Yun climbed out of the hole, the previous attack had not caused him any serious injuries.

After all, being a Nine-star Demon Emperor-level True Dragon, how could he be injured by such a minor attack?

"Brother Long Yun, how was it? I didn't disappoint you, did I?" Xu Nian said with a slight smile.

Hearing this, Long Yun couldn't help but show a wry smile.

He had to admit, Xu Nian's body was indeed incredibly strong.

Though right now, the great advantages of a strong body might not be apparent.

But once reaching the Vajra Realm later, the stronger the body, the more terrifying it became.

It was said that warriors of the Vajra Realm had bodies like vajra, immune to ordinary attacks.

In the Heavenly Phenomenon even more so, they could regrow severed hands and arms.

Even the legendary Gang Immortals were said to be able to regenerate from a drop of blood.

It showed just how terrifying the late-stage Body Cultivation warriors were.

"Brother Xu Nian, among all the humans I've seen, you have the strongest body. I must admit, your physical strength is indeed surprising to me. But if you think that our Dragon Clan has been defeated like this, then you are seriously underestimating us," Long Yun said with a light chuckle.

"Oh? Brother Long Yun, you're still holding back?" Xu Nian replied with a slight smile.

"The strongest state of my Dragon Clan is the original body form, followed by the Half-dragon Transformation, while the human form is the weakest. It's impossible to fight in the original body form, but the Half-dragon Transformation is still manageable," Long Yun explained with a smile.

After he finished speaking, a layer of black light began to surge around Long Yun's body.

Then, Long Yun's physique started to change.

He grew several centimeters taller, and a layer of black dragon scales began to grow on his body.

The black dragon scales covered his entire body, tearing apart his clothes.

Those black dragon scales exuded a sensation of being cold and hard.

A long dragon tail also grew out behind him.

His dragon tail, like a steel whip, lashed onto the ground, creating a deep pit.

One could imagine how powerful that dragon tail was.

What would it feel like if it whipped someone's body?

Although Long Yun did not emit any aura at the moment,

his body was radiating a terrifying and violent atmosphere.

This not-so-huge body gave off an intense sense of power.

"The Beast Emperor has actually transformed into the Half-dragon State; it's a scene we haven't seen for many years," Guard Zhu Yan said in amazement.

"Yeah, even that Nine-star Demon Emperor from the past couldn't force the Beast Emperor into this state. Xu Nian has actually pushed the Beast Emperor to transform into the Half-dragon State; his physical strength must be really strong," the Tree-man elder couldn't help but exclaim in surprise.

"Wow, so cool! The Beast Emperor is so strong, and Brother Nian is also very strong," Little Zhu Yan shouted excitedly.

As a Demon Beast, it also had the blood of battle flowing within it.

The fight between Xu Nian and Long Yun made it boil with excitement.

"Hmph, Brother, you're bullying! You can transform into a dragon, but my Brother Nian can't. You've already lost by using the Half-dragon Transformation," Yann Xi shouted, unconvinced.

Long Yun heard this and felt a bit embarrassed.

Indeed!

By using the Half-dragon Transformation, he had already lost.

For a moment, his gaze towards Xu Nian became hesitant.

Yet Xu Nian just smiled slightly and said, "Brother Long Yun, there's no need to feel embarrassed. I too would like to see just how strong the real Half-dragon Transformation state of the Dragon Clan is. Besides, you're not the only one who can transform into a dragon; I can too."

"Eh?"

Xu Nian's statement left Long Yun stunned.

How could a human possibly undergo Dragon Transformation?

Up on the high mountain, Guard Zhu Yan and the others were also shocked, not understanding what Xu Nian meant.

However, what happened next took them by surprise.

They saw Xu Nian smile slightly, and then a powerful blood-colored Dragon Scale started to grow on his body.

The blood-colored Dragon Scales gave off a chilling and hard quality, as well as a bloody and fierce sensation.

This feeling instinctively aroused a sense of fear in people's hearts.

"How... how is this possible? How can you undergo Dragon Transformation, and it's the Half-Dragon Transformation of a Blood Dragon at that? Eh, no, that's not right, you can't be considered a Half-Dragon Transformation, at best you're an incomplete version of a Half-Dragon Transformation, what in the world is going on?" Long Yun asked, his face full of confusion.

He just didn't understand.

Clearly this Xu Nian was a human, so how could he undergo the Dragon Clan's Half-Dragon Transformation?

Guard Zhu Yan up on the mountain was also incredibly shocked.

Xu Nian's current appearance filled their hearts with surprise and bewilderment.

Xu Nian smiled faintly.

That's right, the Blood-colored Dragon Energy in his body was definitely not enough to support him through a full Half-Dragon Transformation.

Now he could only change the surface of his body by using Dragon Energy.

As for the Dragon Tail and the internal structure of his body, he was still far from achieving the effects of a Dragon Transformation.

Nevertheless, even so, it significantly enhanced the strength of his body.

"Very surprised? Very curious?" Xu Nian said with a smile.

Long Yun nodded repeatedly.

He really was curious.

"I'll tell you after we fight," Xu Nian said with a light smile.

He then burst forth in an instant.

Xu Nian was incredibly fast, reaching Long Yun in the blink of an eye.

"Boom!"

The Dragon Scale Fist was thrown directly, instantly striking at Long Yun.

Long Yun was suddenly shocked, then a fighting spirit erupted in his eyes as he threw a punch in response.

"Boom!"

The air seemed to explode with a large bang, and the terrifying shockwave blasted outwards.

Then the two exchanged blows dozens of times in an instant.

It was all about the clash of physical strength, with thunderous sounds continuously booming.

The ground beneath their feet was even more so pockmarked with one massive crater after another.

"Boom!"

In the end, after battling for a long time, the two were still evenly matched.

The Half-Dragon Transformation at the True Dragon Level was indeed very strong.

"I'm done fighting, you are a freak, a human who can undergo Dragon Transformation of my Dragon Clan, there's no advantage at all," Long Yun said, waving his hand in the end.

After fighting for so long without a clear outcome, this was the first time he had encountered such a situation.

Xu Nian, however, smiled faintly.

He was feeling sore all over now; if the fight continued, he feared his bones might fall apart.

The Dragon Clan's physical bodies were certainly very strong.

"Brother Xu Nian, how can you undergo Dragon Transformation?" Long Yun asked, still not understanding.

"Want to know? Alright, I'll tell you." Xu Nian said with a sly smile, then the Power of Nine Dragons Supreme surged explosively from his body.

"Bang!"

Long Yun, who was already exhausted, felt like he was being crushed by a mountain—the terrifying pressure forced him to lie prostrate on the ground.

"Dragon... Dragon God Body? How... how is this possible?"

Long Yun was extremely shocked in his heart, and his eyes looking at Xu Nian were filled with utter terror.

It was a suppression deep from the bloodline, and as a member of the Dragon Clan, a sense of fear instinctively emerged.

Seeing Long Yun's defeated demeanor, Xu Nian once again retracted his aura.

However, the look in Long Yun's eyes towards Xu Nian became complicated.

Chapter 599 Attack of the Eighth Prince

Long Yun found himself at a loss for words to describe his feelings at that moment.

If it weren't for his identity, he would have really liked to have a good cry.

A human actually had the body of a Dragon God.

Now that was something, if Xu Nian were to release his oppressive aura.

He feared that even if he used all his strength, it would be greatly weakened.

He wouldn't even feel like raising his hand against Xu Nian.

"I...I, Long Yun, have met the great Dragon God," Long Yun said as he bowed to Xu Nian.

Although it felt awkward, it was indeed the truth.

A truth he had to admit.

Xu Nian's bloodline was indeed many times nobler than his.

At that moment, the guards of Zhu Yan on the mountain were also shocked.

However, they knew that the Dragon Clan had a strict hierarchy.

Such bloodline suppression was inherently natural.

"There's no need for that, Brother Long Yun. Since we know each other, there's no need to be so formal, and besides, I never intended to make distinctions of superior or inferior, we're still equals," Xu Nian said with a smile.

"Alright, since the lord has instructed so, I shall comply," Long Yun responded with a slight smile and stood up.

He also began to have a great liking for Xu Nian.

Although Xu Nian was human, since he had such a bloodline,

he would definitely have a high status among the Dragon Clan in the future, and befriending Xu Nian would bring great benefits.

"Hehe, I told you Brother Xu Nian is the greatest. How about it, senior brother, you're no match for my Brother Xu Nian, are you?" Yann Xi, elated, flew over from a distance and hugged Xu Nian's arm as she spoke to Long Yun.

Long Yun, hearing this, was on the verge of tears.

Yann Xi's ability to tease was simply too strong.

After all, he had witnessed it during the previous fight.

The Tree-man elder and the guards of Zhu Yan also flew over.

Each of them began to look at Xu Nian with immense respect.

Xu Nian's recent fight had earned their respect.

And now that even the Beast Emperor had submitted to him, what reason did they have not to respect Xu Nian?

"Brother Xu Nian, what are your plans next?" Long Yun asked Xu Nian.

He knew Xu Nian wouldn't stay here long, so he wanted to hear Xu Nian's thoughts.

Upon hearing this, Xu Nian's face showed a contemplative expression.

Then he spoke, "I plan to break through to the Battle Emperor Realm here, and then take Yann Xi back to Tianhuang City, after all, her uncle is very worried about her safety."

Yann Xi also nodded her head.

She too missed her uncle.

When she learned that her uncle's hair had turned white for her sake, guilt surged in her heart.

"Break through to Battle Emperor?" Long Yun's attention stayed on the first half of Xu Nian's statement.

He knew Xu Nian practiced Spirit Body Dual Cultivation, and his Spiritual Cultivation had already reached the Peak of Battle Saint.

But breaking through to Battle Emperor didn't seem like an easy task.

"With this, I believe the Spiritual Energy needed to break through to Battle Emperor should be enough," Xu Nian said with a slight smile. He flipped his palm, and a Demon Core appeared in his hand.

This was the Demon Core of the giant snake he had hunted in the Death God Domain.

Xu Nian had kept it exactly for the purpose of absorbing it when breaking through to Battle Emperor.

Now, it seemed, it was indeed time to break through.

Xu Nian knew his breakthrough would definitely trigger the Heavenly Prohibition again.

That would certainly bring about another Heavenly Tribulation.

To make a breakthrough, it was indeed best to choose a place where no one was around.

"This is a Three-star Demon Emperor's Demon Core. Did you kill it?" Long Yun asked in surprise.

"Yes, I killed it with the help of someone else," Xu Nian nodded and said.

The crowd around them all showed expressions of astonishment.

Xu Nian had actually managed to kill a Three-star Demon Emperor while still at a One-star level.

This kind of over-ranking battle prowess was truly extraordinary.

In fact, they did not know that when Xu Nian had killed that Demon Snake, he was still only at Saint Level.

Subsequently, Xu Nian stayed alone in the valley, meticulously absorbing the power of the Demon Core, charging toward the realm of Battle Emperor.

Long Yun and the others didn't go far and retreated to the mountaintop.

They were eager to see what kind of spectacle it would be after Xu Nian's Spiritual Cultivation also broke through to the Battle Emperor realm.

As Xu Nian was frenziedly absorbing the power from the Demon Core,

three figures had already arrived at the edge of the Southern Wilderness County.

These three were walking through the air, their presence simple and unadorned, but the invisible aura they emitted made others unconsciously withdraw.

The leader was a young man dressed in luxurious brocade.

Following him was a middle-aged man built like an Iron Tower and a white-haired old man.

If an Emperor-level strong man were present, they would be extremely surprised.

Because the cultivation of these three was not low, all had reached Emperor Level.

The old man had even reached the peak of Four-star Battle Emperor.

And the Iron Tower man beside him was also quite strong, having reached Three-star Battle Emperor Body Emperor Level.

Even the leading young man possessed the realm of the Peak of Two-star War Emperor.

"Your Highness, it's truly a once-in-a-century glimpse for you to ascend to the peak of Two-star War Emperor just after breaking through to the Battle Emperor level," the Iron Tower man said admiringly to the young leader.

His tone was filled with reverence and envy.

Although he was at Three-star Body Emperor cultivation, against this young man, he could only be defeated.

The young man smiled slightly upon hearing the Iron Tower man's words.

Indeed, he was the Eighth Prince.

After absorbing Heavenly Lightning, his strength had reached the peak of One-star Battle Emperor.

Later, he received a treasure gifted by his ancestors from his father the emperor.

With that treasure, he quickly advanced from One-star Battle Emperor to the Peak of Two-star War Emperor.

Able to attract the Second Level Heavenly Restriction, his current Battle Emperor strength could compare to ordinary Four-star Battle Emperors.

"You know, I don't understand why my father the emperor places so much importance on this Xu Nian. He's just a One-star Body Emperor. I could obliterate him myself; why bother sending your highness personally?" the Iron Tower man spoke again.

"You're wrong about that. If you underestimate Xu Nian, you might well end up being defeated by him. Xingchenzi made that mistake before and hence died by Xu Nian's hand," the Eighth Prince cautioned.

He knew that for Xu Nian to reach such a high level of cultivation at his age, he must possess extraordinary methods.

Otherwise, he wouldn't have survived until now.

Therefore, he didn't underestimate Xu Nian at all.

"The emperor has this time asked Your Highness to intervene, which seems to be a test of your intentions, Your Highness. If you successfully accomplish this task, it's likely that the emperor will be reassured to pass on the imperial throne to you," the old man, who had been silent so far, finally spoke.

The Eighth Prince laughed lightly.

The imperial throne?

That was utterly within his grasp; what he wanted was not just that.

"Xu Nian, just wait, soon all the secrets you possess will belong to me," the Eighth Prince sneered.

Then his figure continued to move towards the direction of Tianhuang City.

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"Buzz!"

At the same time the Eighth Prince was rushing toward Tianhuang City,

Xu Nian was completely immersed in his cultivation.

He held the Demon Snake's Crystal Core in his hand, frantically absorbing the power within.

Huge and furious Spiritual Energy surged incessantly into Xu Nian's body,

flowing through his meridians and pooling into his Dantian.

Xu Nian's Dan Sea began to churn violently.

The area of his Dan Sea kept expanding, and the ocean made of Spiritual Energy within it rolled and roared deafeningly.

"Boom!"

With a loud blast,

the Demon Core in Xu Nian's hand shattered.

The Spiritual Energy inside had been completely drained by Xu Nian.

Xu Nian sat cross-legged in the valley, his body like surging waves.

A powerful aura continuously emanated from him,

spreading out like a storm in all directions.

Lights radiated from Xu Nian's body, flickering on and off.

"Just a bit more!" Xu Nian muttered to himself.

Immediately, he operated the Green Lotus in his Dan Sea, desperately absorbing the Spiritual Energy around him.

"Boom!"

Finally, with a sound as loud as a grand bell, Xu Nian's cultivation broke through the shackles of the Holy Realm,

reaching the Battle Emperor Realm.

"Buzz!"

Xu Nian abruptly opened his eyes, and a sharp gleam burst forth.

Instantly, the Heaven and Earth Spiritual Energy was stirred, causing the surrounding mountains and earth to tremble as if they were about to split.

"Such a strong aura; it seems that Lord Xu Nian has indeed broken through to the Battle Emperor Realm," expressed the Tree-man elder, unable to help his astonishment.

"Yes, the intensity of this aura is on par with a Peak Three-star Battle Emperor, and Lord Xu Nian has just broken through to the Battle Emperor Realm but already possesses such formidable strength; it's truly inconceivable," exclaimed the Zhu Yan Guard in surprise as well.

From watching the earlier battle, he had developed a strong respect for Xu Nian in his heart,

and now seeing Xu Nian's aura right after breaking through to the Battle Emperor level, he was even more astonished.

"I now finally understand why Master values Brother Nian so highly; not only is his physical body terrifying, but his Spirit Cultivation is also extraordinarily dreadful. It's really unimaginable that someone could achieve such great success in Spirit Body Dual Cultivation," Long Yun couldn't help but admire.

He, too, was amazed by the aura emanating from Xu Nian at this moment.

"That's right, my brother Xu Nian's talent is the fiercest in the entire world," Yann Xi said with a joyful face,

as if Xu Nian's breakthrough made her happier than her own breakthrough to the Battle Emperor level.

Long Yun and the others smiled at Yann Xi's words, but deep down, they agreed with her.

Indeed, Xu Nian's talent could be considered the foremost in this continent.

"Buzz!"

At that moment, yellow sand scurried across the ground.

A rolling mass of dark clouds began to approach from afar.

It was already nighttime, and the rolling clouds quickly obscured the sky.

"Rumble!"

A thunderous roar could be heard,

flashes of lightning flickered within the dark clouds,

as if numerous Thunder Dragons were tumbling inside.

The oppressive force descending from the sky enveloped the entire Demon Beast Forest.

The Demon Beasts in the forest were so terrified that they were prostrating on the ground.

Their eyes were filled with fear and horror as they looked up at the clouds of tribulation above.

For these Demon Beasts, this momentary Heavenly Tribulation felt like the end of the world, instilling a profound terror in their hearts.

"What a terrifying aura; it's one thing to attract Heavenly Tribulation upon breaking through to Battle Emperor, but for it to be this fearsome..." Long Yun couldn't help but exclaim in shock.

Several elderly guardians and Guard Zhu Yan were also shocked to the core.

Facing such a Heavenly Tribulation, even they wouldn't dare to confront it.

The mere aura emanating from the dark clouds above filled them with the intense scent of death.

"This must have reached the fabled Third Level Heavenly Prohibition Tribulation," Long Yun spoke again.

"Third Level Heavenly Prohibition Tribulation? No wonder the aura is so terrifying," the Tree-man elder exclaimed in surprise.

Looking at Xu Nian, their expressions turned to surprise and concern.

The Third Level Heavenly Prohibition Tribulation wasn't simply one more bolt of lightning than the Second Level Heavenly Restriction Heavenly Tribulation.

It meant that the power of the Heavenly Tribulation had escalated to a whole new level.

The might of this Heavenly Tribulation would be utterly frightening.

With Xu Nian facing such a terrible tribulation, it was doubtful that he could withstand it.

Hearing the words of Long Yun and others, Yann Xi's eyebrows knitted together in an instant, her gaze filled with concern as she looked at Xu Nian.

At that moment, Xu Nian had already stood up.

He, too, felt the difference in the tribulation clouds gathering above his head compared to when he had broken through in his Body Cultivation.

The oppressive force from this Heavenly Tribulation was clearly much stronger than before.

"Could it be due to the overlay of Spirit Body Dual Cultivation that such a terrifying Heavenly Tribulation has been drawn?" Xu Nian speculated to himself.

The Third Level Heavenly Prohibition Tribulation.

Xu Nian had never experienced it before.

He didn't know if he could withstand it.

"Crack!"

Just then, the tribulation clouds in the sky finally converged.

A terrifying bolt of lightning, like an Electric Snake, tore through the sky and thunderously plummeted down, slamming fiercely toward Xu Nian.

"Holy crap!"

Standing at the summit, Long Yun, and others cried out in alarm at the sight of the lightning descending from the sky.

The purple Heavenly Thunder was as thick as an arm and contained unspeakably terrifying power.

Such a horrendous bolt of lightning induced fear in them just by watching.

And this was only the first of the Heavenly Tribulations.

The sight of the purple Heavenly Thunder also brought a look of surprise to Xu Nian's eyes.

He hadn't expected the first lightning strike to be so fearsome.

Having originally planned to withstand the lightning with his physical body, Xu Nian didn't hesitate to activate the Blood-colored Dragon Scale Armor.

He summoned all the Gang Qi in his body, gathering it in his arms.

"Earth Fist!"

Xu Nian yelled loudly.

He struck the terrifying lightning with all his might.

"Boom!"

A thunderous explosion echoed.

The horrendous Spiritual Energy collided with the lightning.

The purple light exploded in an instant, illuminating the entire valley as if it were daylight.

"Bang!"

And Xu Nian was sent flying backwards in an instant.

Blood spewed from his mouth, and the Blood-colored Dragon Scales on his right arm were scorched black.

"Brother Nian!" Yann Xi cried as she saw the scene unfold before her.

If Long Yun hadn't stopped her, Yann Xi might have charged down herself.

The Vermilion Bird Guards and Tree-man elders also had looks of utter horror in their eyes.

Such a terrifying Heavenly Thunder, even a One-star Battle Emperor Level warrior would fear, not to mention a Three-star Battle Emperor, would likely face dire consequences against such a bolt of terror.

And this was only the first; two more even more frightening ones were to follow.

"Dammit, are you trying to kill me, you old heavens?"

Xu Nian climbed out from the pit, looked at his charred arm, and felt utterly frustrated inside.