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Chapter 2771: God Trapping Prison

Fang Bai chose the direction towards Flying Swan Star, which is the farthest from the main star among the ten stars of the Jade Dragon Star System.

Flying Swan Star is second only to the main star Jade Dragon Star in size, and is an extremely desolate star. Divine Crystals are scarce, and Divine Power is weak here. Additionally, the star houses a prison that detains many Divine Clan powerhouses who have committed numerous crimes, thus it is also referred to as the "Exile Location" by Jade Dragon Star System's powerhouses.

It is said that the prison on Flying Swan Star was established by a Divine King many years ago. It holds over ten thousand Divine Clan powerhouses, all of whom are True God realm powerhouses.

The one who holds the "key" to open the prison is none other than the Starlord of the Jade Dragon Star System, a True God realm low-rank powerhouse named Huang Ji.

Because he governs ten stars, Huang Ji is also known as the "Ten Starlord".

Above the Ten Starlord, there are the Hundred Starlord and Thousand Starlord. Their corresponding realm cultivation levels are True God realm mid-rank and True God realm high-rank respectively.

Typically, a True God realm powerhouse holds a crushing advantage over a Void God realm powerhouse, being able to defeat them in an instant is not an exaggeration.

However, if a True God realm low-rank powerhouse encounters a monster genius like Fang Bai, who possesses an extraordinary ability to challenge higher ranks, then it might be a worthy battle.

Otherwise, Fang Bai, a high-rank Void God realm powerhouse, wouldn't take on the task of hunting Xieying.

When Fang Bai arrived at Flying Swan Star, he realized that it was truly desolate. Flying for one hundred thousand miles, it was difficult to encounter a Divine Clan powerhouse; if he did, they were not seeking opportunities but merely sightseeing.

The prison on Flying Swan Star is located at the coldest northern pole of the star, where it is frozen and snow-bound all year round. The temperature is far colder than any mundane polar region.

Fang Bai thought that regular Void God realm powerhouses likely couldn't survive here long-term, not surprising that only True God realm powerhouses are detained here.

Thinking about a star having gathered over ten thousand True God realm powerhouses, all notorious and imprisoned in a single prison, Fang Bai realized that should they escape, it could inflict a colossal impact on the entire Jade Dragon Star System.

With these thoughts, Fang Bai flew toward the prison on Flying Swan Star.

It is said that as the sole "attraction" on barren Flying Swan Star, the prison is a must-see for every Divine Realm powerhouse who arrives.

True God realm powerhouses tasked with guarding this prison treat it as an "opportunity to get rich". Anyone who wishes to tour the prison can do so for a fee of ten thousand Divine Crystals.

Over time, this became an "unspoken rule", and even the Starlord of Jade Dragon turned a blind eye, never questioning it.

As soon as Fang Bai arrived in the vicinity of the prison, a True God realm powerhouse greeted him with a smile, asking, "Are you here to see the God Trapping Prison?"

Fang Bai was momentarily taken aback, then replied, "Yes!"

The True God realm powerhouse grinned, stretched out his hand to Fang Bai, and said, "Ten thousand White Divine Crystals, feel free to visit the God Trapping Prison."

Fang Bai currently owned countless Divine Crystals; ten thousand White Divine Crystals were trivial for him.

Thus, he transferred ten thousand White Divine Crystals to the True God realm powerhouse, who then guided him into the God Trapping Prison.

The God Trapping Prison covers a vast area, spanning one hundred thousand miles, separated from the outer world by a transparent barrier.

This barrier appears thin like cicada wings but is incredibly resilient; powerhouses below Divine King realm cannot break it, and even a joint effort by ten thousand True God realm powerhouses would not budge it.

As a result, the hundred True God realm powerhouses sent by the Jade Dragon Starlord to guard the place need not worry about the thousand "criminals" breaking out of the barrier.

To "tour" the God Trapping Prison means to stand outside the barrier and observe within through it.

Outside the barrier, one can see every move of the ten thousand True God realm powerhouses imprisoned here, whereas those imprisoned inside cannot see the outside world.

It's said the True God realm powerhouses locked up here committed numerous crimes, and unless pardoned by the Jade Dragon Starlord, they will remain imprisoned until death.

Knowing they are doomed to die here shifts the mentality of some True God realm powerhouses, making them more cruel, tyrannical, and bloodthirsty.

Consequently, intra-prison conflicts occur frequently, resulting in constant falls of powerhouses.

The True God realm powerhouses responsible for guarding the prison couldn't care less about the lives of the prison gods. For them, the prison gods dying out gives them a chance to return to their respective stars and peacefully cultivate, avoiding suffering in this desolate place.

Fang Bai, alone, circled the God Trapping Prison, attempting to infiltrate the barrier with his Divine Sense. Finding it feasible, he scanned each of the ten thousand imprisoned True God realm powerhouses.

Fang Bai carried a faint hope but unexpectedly discovered an odd Divine Realm powerhouse.

This Divine Realm powerhouse was weakly framed, sallow faced, curled up in a corner of the prison, looking inconspicuous, and his power merely at the lowest level of True God low-rank.

However, Fang Bai's sensing was exceptionally sharp; upon recognizing something odd, he repeatedly scanned the Divine Realm powerhouse, ultimately capturing a trace of familiar aura matching Xieying's.

"No wonder others couldn't find Xieying; who'd imagine he'd be imprisoned in here, hiding his original aura? If he doesn't reveal his identity, he may die here without any other powerhouse ever knowing."

Thinking of this, Fang Bai couldn't help but laugh, feeling relieved that his trip wasn't in vain.

Still, Fang Bai's task is to hunt Xieying, and bringing him back to Jade Dragon Star's Starshine Commerce Assembly would be ideal.

But with Xieying currently inside the God Trapping Prison and neither able to go in nor out, what can be done?

"I have a friend imprisoned here. Can you release him?"

Fang Bai straightforwardly asked the powerhouse who had accepted his ten thousand Divine Crystals.

The powerhouse shook his head resolutely, saying, "No way! If Huang Ji the Starlord finds out, I'm as good as dead!"

Fang Bai said, "One hundred thousand White Divine Crystals!"

The powerhouse still shook his head, "Really can't!"

"One million White Divine Crystals!"

The powerhouse hesitatingly said, "Well..."

"Two million White Divine Crystals!"

Seeing the hesitation, Fang Bai knew there was hope and continued to offer more.

After all, his Five Elements Space Ring held tens of millions of White Divine Crystals. If he could retrieve Xieying, regardless of life or death, and deliver him to the Starshine Commerce Assembly on Jade Dragon Star, he could exchange for a True God realm cultivation technique.

In Fang Bai's eyes, a True God realm cultivation technique is worth millions of White Divine Crystals.

Chapter 2772: Law of Heaven and Earth

Finally, Fang Bai spent three million white Divine Crystals to fish Xieying out of the God Trapping Prison.

When Xieying left the God Trapping Prison, he felt inexplicable, not knowing who was kind enough to actually "rescue" him from the prison.

"Who are you?"

When the guard of the prison brought Xieying in front of Fang Bai, Xieying frowned and examined Fang Bai with a look of astonishment.

Fang Bai smiled and said, "Who I am is not important; what's important is that you are now free!"

Xieying, cunning and sly, held a suspicious attitude toward everyone. Seeing Fang Bai being cryptic and unwilling to reveal his identity, his doubts increased, and with his eyes darting around, he cupped his fists to Fang Bai and immediately soared into the sky.

Previously, he had committed a crime while concealing his appearance and aura, and was caught by the Jade Dragon Star System's enforcement squad and thrown into this God Trapping Prison. He thought he could never leave the prison in this life, but unexpectedly regained his freedom.

He did not care why Fang Bai wanted to save him, thinking that as long as he left the God Trapping Prison, he would be able to roam freely, and Xieying's name would soon shake the Jade Dragon Star System once again.

Not long after flying away from Flying Swan Star, he discovered that Fang Bai, who saved him from the God Trapping Prison, had been following behind him.

"What does that sneaky guy want to do?"

Xieying diffused his Divine Sense, enveloping Fang Bai, unclear about why he was tracking him.

However, he was not afraid of Fang Bai making any detrimental moves against him.

He was a True God Realm novice, and Fang Bai was merely a Void God Realm high-rank practitioner, with a huge disparity in power between them. Even if Fang Bai had intentions to harm him, he would be powerless to do so.

Xieying had always been ruthless, and although Fang Bai was considered his lifesaver, if Fang Bai showed even a slight sign of hostility, he would immediately turn and kill him.

When Fang Bai confirmed Xieying's identity, he crushed the Messaging Jade Token, summoning other gods from the nine-way Emperor's Palace to converge towards his location.

Moreover, he had firmly locked onto Xieying's aura, ensuring that no matter how fast or far Xieying fled, Fang Bai could find him.

"You rescued me, what is your purpose?"

Several thousand miles from Flying Swan Star, seeing Fang Bai still following him, Xieying finally couldn't help but turn around to confront Fang Bai, asking coldly with a sinister gaze.

Fang Bai looked at Xieying's gaunt face, grinned, and said, "I'm very curious...what did you originally look like."

Xieying's expression immediately changed.

He was an extremely clever practitioner, and from Fang Bai's one sentence, he knew his identity had been exposed.

However, how did this Void God Realm youngster whom he had never met know his true identity?

"Who exactly are you?"

Xieying's pupils slightly contracted, asking with a chilling voice, fists already clenched within his sleeves.

Fang Bai laughed heartily and proclaimed, "I accepted the task from Starshine Commerce Assembly to hunt you down...Xieying, if you know what's good, you'd better surrender meekly, lest I take action!"

Xieying laughed aloud toward the sky, his face instantly changing, reverting to his original handsome and fair appearance, surprisingly a handsome and fair-skinned man.

But within that charming exterior lay some cruelty, and when his gaze swept over Fang Bai, Fang Bai felt a piercing chill.

"I should have known you wouldn't be so kind as to rescue me. So there's another purpose! But you, a high-rank Void God Realm, want to hunt me? Do you think that's possible?"

Xieying chuckled, but his mind was already plotting an escape route.

He wasn't foolish, and could tell Fang Bai wasn't an arrogant or reckless person. Since Fang Bai had accepted the task to hunt him, there must be some confidence.

Over the years, Xieying had been pursued by various elite practitioners, yet managed to survive to this day due to his caution and vigilance. Although Fang Bai's realm was a minor realm lower than his, he still wouldn't underestimate this opponent.

"Whether it's possible, we'll know when we try..."

Before Fang Bai finished his words, Xieying had already swung a punch.

The attack from a True God Realm expert covered an area of tens of miles, its force astonishing, blocking all possible retreat paths for Fang Bai.

Xieying had no desire for a prolonged battle; after throwing a punch, regardless of whether it killed Fang Bai, he turned and fled at full speed.

Fang Bai was prepared, and seeing him throw a punch, he immediately summoned the Blood-Drinking Mad Blade to strike, forcibly cutting a safe passage a few meters wide through the surging fist force, then pursued Xieying with the Blood-Drinking Mad Blade.

During his flight, Xieying spread his Divine Sense and discovered Fang Bai in close pursuit, seemingly untroubled by his earlier attack, leaving him shocked.

Although he knew Fang Bai's combat power might not be as simple as it appeared, he hadn't expected Fang Bai to easily deflect a True God Realm attack.

Therefore, Xieying immediately thought of the term "challenge across realms."

In the Divine Realm, practitioners who can challenge across realms are rare, and Xieying never thought he would encounter one.

No wonder this kid dared to accept the task from the Starshine Commerce Assembly to hunt him; he was prepared.

Also, the Divine Artifact in his hand emitted intense Evil Qi and a bloodthirsty aura, seemingly stained with the blood of numerous elite practitioners. The blade carried an ancient aura, evidently not an ordinary Divine Artifact...

"You plan to leave before I even take my leave?"

Xieying flew fast, but Fang Bai pursued closely, both maintaining a certain distance from each other.

Seeing things could not continue this way, Fang Bai put away the Blood-Drinking Mad Blade and drew the Houyi Bow, ready to shoot arrows.

"Shoo!"

"Shoo!"

"Shoo!"

Fang Bai fired three consecutive arrows, finally forcing Xieying to stop.

In the next moment, Fang Bai had caught up to Xieying, once again wielding the Blood-Drinking Mad Blade, engaging him in battle.

Xieying couldn't break free, and furious, he also summoned his Divine Artifact to fight fiercely with Fang Bai.

"If you let me go, I will remember your favor and repay it double in the future!"

After some fighting, Xieying saw Fang Bai's combat power matched his own and grew more courageous as the battle went on. Feeling anxious, he said to Fang Bai.

Fang Bai laughed and said, "You're not a fool, and neither am I. So there's no need to say such things! Let's settle this with our skills!"

Xieying spat in anger, saying, "You choose not to take the olive branch, now you face punishment! Do you really think I can't handle you?"

He performed the Law of Heaven and Earth technique, his figure suddenly growing to ten thousand meters, then lifted a foot to stomp down on Fang Bai.

This stomp was like a small celestial body crashing down, with an immense force far beyond ten million pounds.

Fang Bai gave a "huh", and with a shake of his body, performed the secret technique Law of Heaven and Earth as well, becoming just as large as Xieying, then kicked out his foot.

This kick hit directly at the center of Xieying's descending foot.

Xieying let out a cry of "ouch", feeling an immense Divine Power flowing into his foot, causing his figure to soar high, crashing into a floating boulder drifting in the starry sky.

Chapter 2773: Primordial Spirits Forming a Formation

"Boom!"

Where the boulders splattered, Xieying's figure vanished without a trace.

Fang Bai widened his eyes, releasing his Divine Sense to detect Xieying's aura.

After a few breaths, a pebble the size of a finger was keenly captured by Fang Bai.

"Do you think this way, you can escape?"

Fang Bai laughed long, flipped his right palm, and slapped towards that pebble.

A gigantic palm formed of Divine Power, a hundred feet in size, carrying immense force with a thunderous sound, smacked towards that small pebble.

The pebble sensed the threat, trembled slightly, and transformed back into Xieying's form.

Xieying repeatedly used Divine Method Secret Techniques, but was always countered by Fang Bai. Helplessly, he had to once again summon a Divine Artifact and brace himself to engage Fang Bai in battle.

Their realms differed, yet their combat power was nearly equal. One wanted to flee, the other to hunt down the opponent, both exerting all their strength.

No one knows how long this battle lasted, still without a decisive victory.

"They arrived just in time!"

Fang Bai suddenly sensed dozens of familiar auras approaching, realizing it was the gods of the Emperor's Palace, and his spirit lifted.

Baihua and Linglong, those gods of the Emperor's Palace, though all were only at the initial ranks of the Void God Realm, seemingly unable to participate in battles of such caliber as between True God Realm powerhouses.

But only Fang Bai knew that once he joined forces with them to form a Formation, their combat power could increase by thirty percent.

An increase in power by thirty percent would be enough to change the balance of this battle and defeat Xieying.

Xieying also discovered the Emperor's Palace gods closing in from all directions.

However, he didn't know they were allied with Fang Bai, and those experts, being only at the initial ranks of the Void God Realm, didn't concern him.

The Emperor's Palace gods, in tacit understanding with Fang Bai, upon seeing him battling a True God Realm initial rank expert, knew that this expert was likely Xieying, whom Fang Bai wanted to slay.

So, they exchanged glances, then silently formed a vast Formation around Fang Bai and Xieying, waiting for Fang Bai's command to activate it and attack Xieying.

"Palace Master, when do we start?"

The Lightning Mink, seeing Fang Bai and Xieying's intense battle, couldn't help but shout out.

His shout caused a chill to run through Xieying, making him realize that the dozens of initial rank Void God Realm experts around were all his opponent's allies.

Yet, a mere dozen initial rank Void God Realm experts couldn't alter the battle's outcome, so what was the use of them coming?

If they were dozens of high rank Void God Realm experts, that would pose some pressure.

Just as he thought this, he heard a long cry from Fang Bai, then watched as he magically formed a marvelous Formation with the surrounding Void God Realm experts.

Then, the Formation activated, trapping him inside.

"Damn it!"

Xieying, well-versed in such matters, realized that he had been careless upon seeing the Formation activate.

He immediately wielded his Divine Artifact, rushing at full speed towards the least powerful Emperor's Palace disciple within the Formation.

However, as he moved, the entire Formation trapping him moved accordingly, launching attacks comparable to True God Realm experts from all directions.

In a matter of moments, Xieying fell into a dire situation, being firmly suppressed.

"What will it take for you to let me go?"

Faced with waves of increasingly powerful attacks, Xieying lost his initial arrogance and his tone softened considerably.

Fang Bai laughed and said, "I already told you: either you surrender and return to the Starshine Commerce Assembly with me; or I kill you!"

Xieying shrieked, "No way! If I go back with you to the Starshine Commerce Assembly, I'm doomed!"

Pausing, he viciously said to Fang Bai, "Don't push me too far, or I'll self-detonate and take you all down with me!"

Fang Bai had anticipated this move from him and replied confidently, "Self-detonate if you like, do you think that will scare me? Haha, why not give it a try!"

A powerful expert would never resort to such an extreme measure as self-detonation unless in utter despair, as it would annihilate both form and spirit, leaving no chance for reincarnation.

Therefore, though Xieying threatened self-detonation, he hadn't been pushed to a dead end and wouldn't surrender so easily.

"What can you gain from killing me through the Starshine Commerce Assembly?"

When Xieying was about to collapse, he suddenly shouted this question.

Fang Bai replied, "A True God Realm Cultivation Technique!"

Xieying laughed, "A True God Realm Cultivation Technique? I have plenty here! If you let me go, I'll give you a few volumes, how about that?"

Fang Bai's eyes lit up and he said, "Really?"

Xieying said earnestly, "I won't deceive you!"

Fang Bai shook his head, "Considering your cunning nature and many evil deeds, how can I trust you before seeing the True God Realm Cultivation Technique?"

Xieying gritted his teeth, "Stop your attacks first, let me show it to you!"

Thus, the formation led by Fang Bai temporarily ceased circulating, still surrounding Xieying, on full alert, not giving him a chance to break free.

Xieying took out a scroll from his Spatial Divine Ring and unfolded it before Fang Bai, "This is a True God Realm Cultivation Technique, have a look."

Fang Bai's gaze swept over the scroll, sensing the Divine Power waves within the characters, confirming Xieying's claim wasn't false, it indeed was a True God Realm Cultivation Technique, his eyes gleamed brighter.

"Do you have more techniques like this?"

Fang Bai asked.

"Hehe...Of course!"

Xieying, seeing Fang Bai's eyes light up, knew he was tempted and grew smug, saying, "You let me go and I'll give you two volumes of True God Realm Cultivation Techniques; if you forcibly act, I'll destroy all the True God Realm Cultivation Techniques, leaving you with nothing!"

Fang Bai stroked his chin, thinking that to prevent Xieying from destroying the True God Realm Cultivation Techniques, he would have to act swiftly and decisively, convinced he must give his all.

"Alright...I'll let you go...I'll let you go..."

Fang Bai said slowly, his body suddenly quivered, and then Xieying saw seven Primordial Spirits suddenly emerge from within Fang Bai, encircling him.

These seven Primordial Spirits emitted seven different types of Divine Power, with each Primordial Spirit's realm equivalent to Fang Bai's own.

"Seven Primordial Spirits? Could it be a physique imbued with seven Innate Spiritual Roots? What...what kind of physique is this?"

Xieying stared blankly at the seven Primordial Spirits surrounding him, momentarily dazed.

He had traveled throughout the Divine Realm, encountered divine beings with two Innate Spiritual Roots in one body, and heard of godly beings possessing three.

But like Fang Bai, one with seven Innate Spiritual Roots in one body, he had never heard of such a thing.

"You..."

Xieying quickly reacted, realizing Fang Bai was about to act, he was both shocked and furious, and instinctively attempted to destroy the True God Realm Cultivation Technique in his hand.

However, he was ultimately one step too late. Fang Bai, together with the seven Primordial Spirits, joined formation and launched a hurricane-like barrage of attacks, giving him no opportunity to respond or deploy his Soul Severing technique.

Chapter 2774: Sect Leader Tianbei

Xieying was full of depression and annoyance.

Under the attack of Fang Bai and his seven Primordial Spirits, he was completely suppressed and couldn't fight back at all. Let alone destroying the True God Realm Cultivation Technique on his body, it seemed impossible even to self-detonate.

Despite his full effort, he was unable to break through the formation formed by Fang Bai and his seven Primordial Spirits. Moreover, thinking of how Fang Bai attacked suddenly after confirming he possessed a True God Realm Cultivation Technique, it was evident Fang Bai was breaking his promise, which infuriated him.

"You are despicable! You are shameless!"

Despite his extreme anger towards Fang Bai's actions, Xieying was helpless and could only curse him to gain a petty advantage.

His Divine Power was greatly consumed, his combat strength weakened tremendously, and in the ensuing battle, he suffered multiple attacks, his body covered in wounds, blood seeping from his seven orifices.

"I hate it!"

With a tragic scream from Xieying, Fang Bai and his seven Primordial Spirits joined forces, wielding the Five Elements Origin Qi Cauldron, the Blood-Drinking Mad Blade, the Pangu Axe, and the Houyi Bow, delivering the mightiest blow of their lives.

This blow was boundless in power, as if it could even break through the stars.

Though Xieying was at the initial stage of True God Realm, with a robust body, he ultimately couldn't withstand this blow, his body exploded into a mist of blood under the attack of Fang Bai and his eight great Primordial Spirits along with the four extraordinary Divine Artifacts.

"Come on!"

Fang Bai gestured with his hand, grabbing Xieying's Spatial Divine Ring, deciphering the spatial formation within, and with a sweep of his Divine Sense, he was overjoyed.

Inside Xieying's Spatial Divine Ring, there were not only four or five True God Realm Cultivation Techniques, but countless Divine Crystals. He didn't know how this Spatial Divine Ring was hidden when he was captured in the God Trapping Prison, but it hadn't been taken by other strong ones, benefiting Fang Bai for nothing.

Now that Fang Bai had several True God Realm Cultivation Techniques at hand, there seemed no need to go to Starshine Commerce Assembly, but he knew that after completing his task, he could exchange for other good things at Starshine Commerce Assembly, which was an opportunity not to be missed.

Thus, Fang Bai collected his seven Primordial Spirits, used his magical abilities, took a drop of Xieying's blood, and then with Baihua, Linglong, and other gods from the Emperor's Palace, boarded the Starship and headed for Jade Dragon Star again.

"How did you do it?"

When Fang Bai went to Starshine Commerce Assembly to deliver his task, the steward in charge carefully checked the drop of Xieying's blood that Fang Bai brought back, and looked at the extinguished Soul Lamp of Xieying, filled with surprise.

Fang Bai smiled slightly, saying nothing.

The steward of Starshine Commerce Assembly knew Fang Bai must have some powerful methods unknown to others; it was normal for him not to say it, so he said with a smile, "Since your task is complete, you can exchange for the things you want now."

Fang Bai thought for a moment and said, "Previously I wanted a True God Realm Cultivation Technique, but now I want Divine Medicine instead."

The steward of Starshine Commerce Assembly asked, "What kind of Divine Medicine do you want?"

Fang Bai said, "Is there a Divine Medicine that can refine a Creation Pill?"

"Are you talking about the Five-Colored Humanoid Grass?"

The steward of Starshine Commerce Assembly frowned and said, "This Divine Medicine is extremely rare and hard to obtain. Even in the Divine Realm, the number of Alchemists who can refine a Creation Pill is few and far between... Even if you get this Divine Medicine, it would be hard to find an Alchemist to refine a Creation Pill for you, so what's the use of wanting it?"

Fang Bai pointed to his nose and said, "I myself am an Alchemist, capable of refining a Creation Pill, all that's missing now is the Divine Medicine."

"Oh? You are really an Alchemist?"

The eyes of the steward of Starshine Commerce Assembly lit up, sizing up Fang Bai with disbelief.

It was not that he didn't believe Fang Bai, but Fang Bai's Divine Age was too young. As far as he knew, the youngest Alchemist in the Divine Realm was several thousand years old, while this young god was less than one-tenth the normal Divine Age of an Alchemist.

Fang Bai knew he doubted him, smiled widely, and couldn't be bothered to explain.

"If you are truly an Alchemist, you can join our Starshine Commerce Assembly and enjoy the treatment of an Elder of Tribute. By then, let alone a mere Five-Color Human-Shaped Herb, we could even get you ten or a hundred plants."

The steward of Starshine Commerce Assembly looked at Fang Bai with eager eyes, full of enthusiasm.

If Fang Bai truly was an Alchemist, and he could persuade him to join Starshine Commerce Assembly, he would surely win the praise of the Chairman and receive a generous reward.

Hearing this, Fang Bai's heart was also moved.

Starshine Commerce Assembly was the largest commerce assembly in the Jade Dragon Star System, profound and powerful, with numerous strong individuals. If he could join, not only would he be assured of safety, but also the needed resources for cultivation for him and the other gods of the Emperor's Palace would be plentiful.

So after exchanging glances with Linglong, Baihua, and other gods of the Emperor's Palace, Fang Bai decisively agreed.

Of course, to verify whether Fang Bai was truly an Alchemist, the steward of Starshine Commerce Assembly on his own discretion, took out some Divine Medicine and let Fang Bai refine Divine Elixirs on the spot.

Fang Bai's current realm and cultivation level was at the high rank of Void God Realm, and he could refine Divine Elixirs corresponding to that realm.

However, in the view of the steward of Starshine Commerce Assembly, Fang Bai had a light Divine Age and limitless potential. In the near future, he would inevitably advance to True God Realm, and then refining Divine Elixirs used by True God Realm powerhouses would not be too late.

Fang Bai refined a Void God Realm Divine Elixir in front of the steward of Starshine Commerce Assembly.

His refining speed was very fast, and the pill formation rate extremely high, making the steward of Starshine Commerce Assembly extremely excited, feeling that he had discovered a treasure, looking at Fang Bai as if he were a delicious prey, wishing to embrace and kiss him fiercely.

"Come! Come! Come! I'll take you to meet the Sect Leader!"

The steward of Starshine Commerce Assembly, fearing that Fang Bai might turn around and run, tightly held his hand, was exceedingly affectionate, and immediately led him to see the Sect Leader of Starshine Commerce Assembly, Tianbei.

Tianbei's realm and cultivation were equivalent to that of Huang Ji, the Starlord of Jade Dragon Star System, both at the initial stage of True God Realm, and the power of the commerce assembly he controlled was extremely strong. Even Huang Ji, as the Starlord, showed him great respect.

In the Jade Dragon Star System, it was difficult for any strong individual to meet Tianbei, but there were a few identities of strong individuals who were exceptions.

The first was the Starlord of Jade Dragon Star, who was equal to Tianbei in status, position, and cultivation level.

The second was the Pill Master, whose refined Divine Elixirs were more effective for cultivation than Divine Crystals for the strong of the Divine Realm.

The third was the Artifact Refiner, whose refined Divine Artifacts could enhance the combat power of Divine Realm powerhouses.

Therefore, whether Alchemists or Artifact Refiners, they had an extremely high status in the Divine Realm and were respected by various Divine Realm powerhouses.

And the status of Pill Masters surpassed that of Artifact Refiners.

Thus, Fang Bai, under the lead of the steward of Starshine Commerce Assembly, met the Sect Leader, Tianbei, very easily.

"Such a young Alchemist, unheard of!"

When Tianbei saw Fang Bai and learned he was an Alchemist with Void God Realm cultivation, he fixed his gaze on Fang Bai for a long time before saying with emotion.

Chapter 2775: Realm of the True God!

"Sect Leader, just now I overstepped my bounds and promised Alchemist Fang the position of Elder of Tribute in our commerce assembly. What do you think about this matter..."

The steward of the Starshine Commerce Assembly spoke respectfully, his gaze fixed on Tianbei, with a hint of nervousness in his expression.

Though he knew the sect leader was eager for talent, the position of Elder of Tribute was extremely important, and he wasn't certain if the leader would agree.

If the leader refused or only awarded a steward position instead, he would lose face greatly.

Moreover, a young formidable person like Fang Bai usually holds a sense of pride. If the leader offered a lower status, he might leave in anger.

At that point, he would have turned good intentions into bad, losing on both fronts.

Although his cultivation level was comparable to the sect leader Tianbei, one was at the lowest tier of the True God realm, while the other was at the top tier; the difference in their battle prowess was vast.

If they were to go all out in battle, the sect leader Tianbei could slay him within a hundred breaths.

And his position was that of a steward, with a gap of an Elder position between them, showing how significant the difference in combat power was.

Under the hopeful gaze of the steward of the Starshine Commerce Assembly, Tianbei pondered for a moment, then stood up, walked over to Fang Bai, circled around him, and then walked to Qingyou,

patted his shoulder, and smiled with satisfaction: "Qingyou, you did very well, recruiting a rare talent for our commerce assembly!"

His action made Qingyou, the steward of the commerce assembly, feel relieved instantly, then he assumed a surprised and delighted demeanor, saying, "It's what we ought to do, to alleviate the worries of our commerce assembly!"

Tianbei returned to Fang Bai, and with a joyful expression said to Fang Bai, "Alchemist Fang. Now, on behalf of the Starshine Commerce Assembly, I formally appoint you as the Elder of Tribute. What do you think?"

Although he asked this, he already knew in his heart that Fang Bai was willing to follow Qingyou here, which meant he agreed.

Fang Bai smiled and nodded, saying, "I look forward to your guidance in the future, Sect Leader!"

Thus, from this day forth, Fang Bai officially became a member of the Starshine Commerce Assembly on Jade Dragon Star, obtaining a quite large residence for cultivating or refining divine elixirs for the commerce assembly.

Along with Fang Bai came the gods of the Emperor's Palace, who also moved into the Starshine Commerce Assembly.

Since Fang Bai was still only at the Void God realm in cultivation level, and Starshine Commerce Assembly required True God realm divine elixirs, Fang Bai had nothing to do temporarily.

As the Elder of Tribute for the Starshine Commerce Assembly, Fang Bai enjoyed high-standard treatment and received a large distribution of cultivation resources, living a period of peaceful and free times with the gods of the Emperor's Palace.

In order to help Fang Bai advance to the True God realm soon, so he could refine divine elixirs for the commerce assembly, Sect Leader Tianbei spared no expense in amassing cultivation resources on Fang Bai, even gifting him a True God level cultivation technique.

Seeing this, Fang Bai was embarrassed to idle further, so he left a True God realm cultivation technique for the gods of the Emperor's Palace to cultivate on their own while he, with an abundance of cultivation resources and several True God realm cultivation techniques, entered a secluded retreat, striving for a breakthrough to the True God realm during this seclusion.

This retreat was the longest on record for Fang Bai, he wasn't sure how much time had passed; he just knew that he used up all several millions of white divine crystals he brought in.

And the several True God realm cultivation techniques obtained from Xieying, coupled with those gifted by Tianbei, were completely comprehended by him.

On this day, Fang Bai had a realization, knowing his breakthrough was imminent, but suddenly detected fierce divine power fluctuations outside, as if powerful entities were engaged in an intense battle.

Alarmed, Fang Bai worried for the safety of the gods of the Emperor's Palace, so he accelerated the breakthrough process.

"Boom!"

Finally, a powerful surge of aura nearly shaking the entire Yulong City spread outwards from Fang Bai's retreat location.

Fortunately, Fang Bai diligently restrained the shockwave produced during his advancement, otherwise many buildings and strong individuals would have been affected.

"The feeling of True God realm... is wonderful!"

Successfully advanced, Fang Bai slowly opened his eyes, feeling the battle power within him increase severalfold, a smile unconsciously appeared at the corner of his mouth.

From Void God realm to True God realm, his power undergoes a qualitative change, thinking back on the strength of Void God realm fighters, it really is not worth a glance.

Meanwhile, the two True God realm entities battling in the sky thousands of miles high above Jade Dragon Star detected the aura from Fang Bai's breakthrough and paused to observe the situation here.

"Alchemist Fang has advanced to the True God realm. Haha, from now on our Starshine Commerce Assembly gains another True God realm expert."

Among the two True God realm entities battling fiercely, one was Tianbei from the Radiance Chamber of Commerce, while his opponent, with comparable realm, was a quite beautiful-looking middle-aged woman.

If looked closely, the beautiful woman's appearance bore a slight resemblance to Xieying, whom Fang Bai had previously slain.

"Xiemei, you have no chance to kill Alchemist Fang! And I, the sect leader, will not stand by idly, you'd best scram!"

Tianbei forcefully punched the beautiful middle-aged woman back, a sharp look in his eyes.

The beautiful middle-aged woman named Xiemei was Xieying's sister, whom Fang Bai had slain, with her power at the high end of the True God realm initial stage, comparable to Tianbei, and a premier expert in the Jade Dragon Star System.

Upon learning her brother was slain, Xiemei found her way to Jade Dragon Star, after much investigation, learned the murderer was Fang Bai, an Elder of Tribute for the Starshine Commerce Assembly, so she sought him out directly, demanding the commerce assembly hand over Fang Bai.

As the largest commerce assembly on Jade Dragon Star System, Starshine Commerce Assembly held its own pride, and Tianbei, as the sect leader, was also a proud and conceited strong entity of the Divine Realm, how could he be willing to hand over Fang Bai?

Thus, the two sides clashed and broke out into battle, fighting in the starry sky near Jade Dragon Star for ten days until Fang Bai emerged from seclusion, unable to determine a victor.

Ordinarily, in such a battle, the Starshine Commerce Assembly's powerful individuals could join forces to encircle Xiemei, but concerning Tianbei's reputation, he didn't request the assembly's powerful individuals to join, opting to defeat Xiemei single-handedly.

Though Xiemei was vicious and liked to kill, committing many wrongs, she hadn't provoked the Starshine Commerce Assembly, therefore Tianbei also didn't want to create a mortal enemy, as long as she ceased seeking trouble with Fang Bai, Tianbei decided to spare her.

After all, with Tianbei's formidable power, and with a starship waiting at a distance for her, she clearly had additional backing, the Starshine Commerce Assembly almost couldn't possibly detain her.

Seeing Fang Bai successfully break through, and considering that Starshine Commerce Assembly could obtain the divine elixirs he provides in the future, Tianbei became ecstatic and lost his desire to kill Xiemei entirely.

Now he only wished for this venomous woman to roll away as far as possible, not to trouble Alchemist Fang, or else if she angered him, he might indeed resort to using all means to slay her.

Chapter 2776: Let's Die Together!

Xiemei hovered in the starry sky, looked down, and discovered Fang Bai sitting cross-legged, rapidly consolidating his realm.

"Alchemist Fang? So he's the one who killed my brother!"

Xiemei came to Jade Dragon Star to kill Fang Bai, to avenge her brother Xieying. Now that she knew Fang Bai was here, how could she let him go?

With a long howl, she wielded her palm to force back Tianbei, then turned and turned into a stream of light, flying towards Fang Bai.

"Bitch, you can't run wild here on Jade Dragon Star!"

Tianbei saw Xiemei ignoring his warning and insisting on killing Fang Bai, finally enraging him.

He transformed into a bolt of lightning, swiftly pursuing, while summoning a spear and throwing it out.

That spear was Tianbei's divine artifact. Upon being thrown, it instantly extended to a length of a hundred zhang, containing supreme divine power, breaking through the air and piercing towards Xiemei's back.

Xiemei sensed the threat from behind, snorted coldly, and flung a long sword backward.

The long sword was her divine artifact, also extending to a hundred zhang, meeting the incoming spear.

The two divine artifacts, each with their own spiritual nature, battled in the starry sky, carrying the intent of their masters.

Meanwhile, Xiemei, in that instant, descended above Fang Bai, using her palm as a knife to unleash a divine rainbow, slashing down towards Fang Bai.

Tianbei knew that Fang Bai had just advanced to the True God Realm, and his realm had not stabilized. How could he withstand Xiemei's strike?

If Fang Bai got hit by her slash, he would be severely injured if not dead.

"Bitch, how dare you!"

Tianbei, both shocked and furious, launched a full-force punch at the divine rainbow Xiemei slashed out, trying to stop her attack and save Fang Bai.

However, he ultimately acted a step too late. The divine rainbow, like the Milky Way pouring from the sky, fell towards Fang Bai's head.

Tianbei's eyes widened, praying in his heart for Fang Bai, hoping he could withstand the blow.

"Die!"

Xiemei was confident that this strike could easily claim Fang Bai's life, her lips curving into a smirk of satisfaction.

Just as the divine rainbow was less than ten zhang from Fang Bai's head, Fang Bai suddenly opened his eyes and gently waved his hand upwards.

With that wave, he unleashed supreme divine power, as if swatting a fly. The divine rainbow veered off course, slashing dozens of zhang to the side of where Fang Bai was standing.

"Sizzle!"

Dust flew as the ground was split by the divine rainbow, creating a chasm hundreds of zhang long, unfathomably deep.

The attack of a True God Realm expert was indeed immensely powerful.

"How is this possible?"

Xiemei was greatly shocked to see her full-force strike deflected by Fang Bai.

"Haha... Alchemist Fang is impressive!"

Tianbei was initially dazed by the unexpected result, then burst into laughter.

After Fang Bai's advancement, his strength far exceeded Tianbei's expectations.

However, as Fang Bai was an Elder of Tribute for the assembly, the stronger he was, the more beneficial it would be for the Starshine Commerce Assembly in the future.

"Xieying, is that your brother?"

Fang Bai slightly raised his eyes, coldly looking at Xiemei hovering in the air, and asked icily.

After his advancement, his Divine Sense diffusion range was broader, and his senses doubled in sharpness. He heard the dialogue between Tianbei and Xiemei earlier, unexpectedly learning that the Xieying he had slain had a sister, who also came seeking revenge.

If Xiemei had come to avenge him before his advancement, Fang Bai might have found it troublesome.

But now, having entered the True God Realm and possessing the capability for strong cross-realm challenges, Fang Bai feared no strong opponent of the same realm.

He wouldn't dare say he saw Xiemei as an ant to be crushed at will, but killing her would only take an effort of ten breaths or so.

Xiemei was an extremely smart woman, otherwise, she wouldn't have survived to now.

Failing to slay Fang Bai with one strike and having her attack easily resolved by him, she knew the situation was unfavorable.

The strength Fang Bai exhibited with that casual wave seemed to be on a different level compared to hers; should she recklessly continue, she might not only fail in avenging but lose her life as well.

Hence, without hesitation, she turned and fled towards her starship.

On that starship, she had a dozen or so accomplices. Once she boarded it, its speed in the starry sky would guarantee an easy escape.

"Where do you think you're going?!"

Tianbei, having developed a killing intent towards Xiemei, moved to block her escape.

"Get out of the way!"

Seeing him blocking her, Xiemei shouted with a mix of shock and fury, summoning back her divine artifact and attacking Tianbei, intending to quickly carve a way out.

Tianbei also summoned his spear back and engaged in battle with Xiemei once more.

Xiemei knew once Tianbei entangled her, it was near impossible to break free in a short time. If Fang Bai pursued, she would indeed be unable to escape, urgently sending a long cry towards her awaiting starship.

Consequently, over ten True God Realm strong men flew out from the starship in the distance, waving their divine artifacts to assist Xiemei out of her predicament.

"Calling for reinforcements? You have them, and so do I!"

Tianbei then also let out a long howl, and subsequently, dozens of True God Realm experts flew out from within the Starshine Commerce Assembly, intercepting those several True God experts.

Thus, a melee involving dozens of True God Realm experts erupted in the space outside Jade Dragon Star.

If this battle occurred within Yulong City, it might have destroyed the entire city, but in the vast starry sky, it barely caused any ripples.

Fang Bai consolidated his realm a bit further, then leisurely flew into the stars, watching Xiemei battling Tianbei from a distance, his face carrying a mocking expression.

Xiemei, watching Fang Bai observe the battle, feared he might join in, causing her to panic slightly, diminishing her combat strength considerably.

Tianbei seized her opening, his spear shooting forward. Xiemei couldn't evade and was pierced by the spear.

Xiemei grunted, the spear's residual force driving her tens of thousands of zhang backward, pinning her onto a massive Star Stone.

"Die now!"

Having developed a killing intent, Tianbei showed no mercy. Upon seeing Xiemei struggling to escape under the spear, he launched a punch.

Pinned to the Star Stone, Xiemei's defensive ability was greatly reduced. She knew if hit by Tianbei's punch, severe injury or worse was inevitable.

Even if severely injured, she couldn't escape Tianbei's second or third attack, resulting in her eventual death and annihilation.

Knowing her fate was sealed, Xiemei's eyes filled with blood, descending into madness.

"If death is certain, then let's die together!"

Xiemei, looking at the rapidly approaching Tianbei, cackled, and her aura began violently fluctuating.

"Not good!"

Tianbei sensed the violently unstable aura around Xiemei, recognizing it as a prelude to self-detonation. His face drastically changed, abandoning his spear as he rapidly retreated.

"Boom!"

A thunderous sound shook the starry sky, spreading a violent aura. Facing inevitable death, Xiemei initiated her self-detonation.

Chapter 2777: Recruitment

Although Tianbei retreated quickly, how could he retreat faster than the shockwave from Xiemei's self-detonation?

Watching as the vast starry sky and huge stones shattered into dust under the impact of Xiemei's shockwave, a trace of despair appeared in Tianbei's eyes.

If he formed a defense Qi shield to fully withstand the shockwave, his life might be preserved, but severe injuries would be inevitable.

However, as the Sect Leader of the Starshine Commerce Assembly, Tianbei had made quite a few enemies over the years. If these enemies learned that he was seriously injured, they would definitely seize the opportunity to provoke him.

Even some strong individuals with ulterior motives within the assembly might use this opportunity to overthrow Tianbei and replace him as the new Sect Leader.

Fang Bai wasn't concerned about who became the Sect Leader of the Starshine Commerce Assembly, but Tianbei had caused Xiemei's self-detonation in order to stop Xiemei from attacking him.

Therefore, both emotionally and rationally, seeing Tianbei threatened, Fang Bai couldn't stand by idly.

Just as Xiemei's shockwave was about to engulf Tianbei, Fang Bai appeared in front of him, wielding the Five Elements Origin Qi Cauldron to keep the shockwave at bay.

"Thank you, Alchemist Fang."

Once the shockwave subsided, Tianbei, having narrowly escaped, breathed a sigh of relief and clasped his fists towards Fang Bai, showing a look of gratitude.

Then, he glanced at the Five Elements Origin Qi Cauldron blocking him and Fang Bai, sensing its ancient aura, and exclaimed in admiration, "What a divine artifact!"

Fang Bai smiled faintly and put away the Five Elements Origin Qi Cauldron.

He was not worried that Tianbei would harbor any covetous desire for the Five Elements Origin Qi Cauldron.

Firstly, he had essentially saved Tianbei's life, and Tianbei would surely feel grateful. If he coveted Fang Bai's Five Elements Origin Qi Cauldron and word got out, he would earn the infamy of being ungrateful.

Secondly, Fang Bai had now entered the True God Realm, and although outwardly his realm seemed comparable to Tianbei's, Tianbei no longer held any weight in his eyes. If he wished, defeating Tianbei would only take a few seconds.

Thus, Fang Bai was fearless about revealing the Five Elements Origin Qi Cauldron to any strong entities on Jade Dragon Star.

"I also must thank the Sect Leader for the favor of your obstruction earlier!"

Fang Bai laughed as he spoke to Tianbei.

Tianbei chuckled wryly, "Actually... without my obstruction, Xiemei wouldn't have been able to hurt you, right?"

When Fang Bai blocked the shockwave from Xiemei's self-detonation, Tianbei realized that his previous actions against Xiemei were entirely redundant.

Even if he hadn't acted, Xiemei might already have been slain by Fang Bai.

He looked at Fang Bai, who nodded with a smile, feeling intensely shocked. He hadn't expected Fang Bai's combat power to be so immense after advancing to the True God Realm.

Although Fang Bai had blocked Xiemei's shockwave using the advantage of the divine artifact, without strong power, how could he wield such a powerful artifact?

Besides, before his advancement, Fang Bai could already hunt Xieying, who was a realm higher than him, suggesting his combat power was already comparable to the True God Realm. After this advancement, his combat power surpassing the initial stage of the True God Realm was only natural.

Understanding that Fang Bai's combat prowess greatly surpassed his own, Tianbei decided to show Fang Bai more respect in the future.

The dozen True God Realm powerhouses who came with Xiemei escaped hastily aboard the starship after leaving behind a few lives. The strong entities of Starshine Commerce Assembly gathered around Tianbei and Fang Bai instead of pursuing them.

"Let's return to Yulong City! I want to throw a grand banquet to celebrate Alchemist Fang's advancement to the True God Realm!"

Tianbei waved his hand grandly, leading the divine beings of Starshine Commerce Assembly back to Yulong City.

Apart from the divine beings of Starshine Commerce Assembly, those from the Emperor's Palace were also pleased upon learning of Fang Bai's advancement to the True God Realm.

Their pleasure was due to Fang Bai being able to refine the Divine Elixirs they needed now that he had reached the True God Realm, genuinely recognizing the role of the Elder of Tribute.

Meanwhile, the divine beings of the Emperor's Palace were purely happy for Fang Bai becoming stronger.

That day, Starshine Commerce Assembly hosted a grand banquet to celebrate Fang Bai's advancement.

Tianbei personally invited influential figures from Yulong City, even Huang Ji, the Jade Dragon Starlord, honored the occasion by attending.

Huang Ji came due to Fang Bai's status as a True God Realm Pill Master, unaware that Fang Bai's true battle strength had reached a level that even Tianbei revered.

Ignoring combat prowess, Fang Bai's identity as a True God Realm Pill Master alone was enough to make him a focus of attention.

Among the many strong divine entities attending the banquet, arguably, the one with the most complex feelings was the Jade Dragon Starlord Huang Ji.

In recent years, Starshine Commerce Assembly had rapidly expanded its strength, to the point of disregarding him as the Starlord. The assembly hadn't paid the tribute that should have been given to the Starlord Mansion in years.

Though Huang Ji was secretly annoyed, he had no choice but to maintain amicable relations with Starshine Commerce Assembly on the surface.

He felt like a coward in his role as Starlord, so he trained hard in secret, hoping to surpass Tianbei in strength and teach him some lessons, making Starshine Commerce Assembly understand the rules.

However, as his strength improved, so did Tianbei's, especially now that the assembly possessed Fang Bai, a True God Realm Pill Master, causing him further unease.

With a True God Realm Pill Master, Starshine Commerce Assembly would never lack True God Pills, aiding Tianbei's future advancement possibly faster than his own.

Huang Ji attended the banquet not genuinely to give Tianbei face but to meet Fang Bai, hoping to find a chance to draw Fang Bai to the Starlord Mansion.

However, upon arriving at the banquet, Huang Ji was surprised to find Tianbei had seated Fang Bai at the same table as them.

By convention, Fang Bai as the Elder of Tribute, ranked lower than them, should have sat with other elders, but Tianbei's arrangement carried extraordinary significance.

Huang Ji believed Tianbei's wisdom wouldn't allow any mistakes in banquet arrangements; certainly, Fang Bai's capability had reached a level that commanded Tianbei's respect, prompting such an arrangement.

Thus, Huang Ji became even more eager to recruit Fang Bai.

Yet, every time Huang Ji probed Fang Bai during the banquet, Tianbei would timely interject, defusing the attempt.

He understood that Tianbei was guarding against him, preventing any chance for in-depth interaction with Fang Bai.

Huang Ji felt both angry and helpless.

"If you have time, please visit the Starlord Mansion as a guest!"

Following the banquet, Huang Ji extended an invitation to Fang Bai in Tianbei's presence.

Fang Bai agreed with a smile.

"This Huang Ji, he comes with ill intent! I can see he's eager to recruit Alchemist Fang!"

After Huang Ji left, Tianbei gathered with a few trusted confidants and spoke angrily and nervously about the matter.

Over the years, the Starshine Commerce Assembly had heavily invested cultivation resources in Fang Bai, hoping he would advance to the True God Realm soon. Fang Bai's departure would mean not only wasted resources but also a blow to the morale of the assembly's divine beings.

However, Fang Bai's current power seemed far superior to his own, and if Fang Bai wished to leave, he could not stop him.

Chapter 2778: Yaojian

Tianbei was not afraid of Fang Bai leaving the Jade Dragon Star; what he feared most was Fang Bai being drawn into the Starlord Hall.

On the Jade Dragon Star, the Starlord Mansion ostensibly governed everything, but in reality, the massive entity of the Starshine Commerce Assembly existed independently of the Starlord Hall.

Tianbei understood that a battle between himself and Huang Ji was inevitable, to determine whether the future of the Jade Dragon Star was dictated by the Starshine Commerce Assembly or the Starlord Hall.

Tianbei was also aware that Fang Bai had become the pivotal factor in the power struggle between the Starshine Commerce Assembly and the Starlord Hall; whoever Fang Bai supported would have the final hope of victory.

Therefore, Tianbei was extremely anxious about Huang Ji's attempt to win over Fang Bai, fearing that Fang Bai might turn to the Starlord Hall.

But Tianbei's worries were clearly unnecessary.

In the following period, Fang Bai mostly focused on consolidating his realm and then refined some Divine Elixirs for the Starshine Commerce Assembly.

He seemed to have forgotten about Huang Ji's invitation.

During this time, Huang Ji also sent people to the Starshine Commerce Assembly to invite Fang Bai to a banquet, but Fang Bai politely declined with various reasons.

Seeing this, Tianbei felt relieved and respected Fang Bai even more.

In fact, with Fang Bai's power, he could be not only an Elder of Tribute in the Starshine Commerce Assembly but also the Starlord of the Jade Dragon Star.

The reason Fang Bai continued to stay with the Starshine Commerce Assembly was simply to repay the Assembly for their previous help to him.

The Starshine Commerce Assembly provided Fang Bai with a large amount of Divine Crystals and gave him several Void God Realm cultivation techniques, which facilitated Fang Bai's advancement.

And since Fang Bai valued loyalty, he naturally wanted to give ample return to the Starshine Commerce Assembly.

However, after advancing to the True God Realm, Fang Bai knew that to achieve another breakthrough, he needed to leave the Jade Dragon Star System and head to a higher-level star system to find higher-grade Divine Crystals to aid in his cultivation.

Therefore, even though the position of the Jade Dragon Starlord was within reach, Fang Bai had completely lost interest.

Fang Bai also had no intention of interfering in the conflict between the Starshine Commerce Assembly and the Jade Dragon Starlord.

He stayed with the Starshine Commerce Assembly for several years, refining a large number of Divine Elixirs for the Assembly while receiving countless Divine Elixirs and Divine Crystals for himself.

Fang Bai kept a small portion of these Divine Elixirs and Divine Crystals for himself, distributing the majority to the other gods in the Emperor's Palace to encourage diligent cultivation.

Several years later, Fang Bai felt that he no longer owed anything to the Starshine Commerce Assembly and thus expressed his intention to leave to the Assembly's Sect Leader, Tianbei.

"Alchemist Fang, won't you stay for a while longer?"

Tianbei had anticipated Fang Bai's desire to leave, so he was not surprised, merely feeling a bit regretful.

After all, over the years, Fang Bai had refined a large number of Divine Elixirs for the Assembly, nurturing numerous strong individuals, and even Tianbei's own cultivation had advanced significantly thanks to Fang Bai's Divine Elixirs, bringing him close to breaking through to the mid-stages of the True God Realm.

And in the covert struggle with the Starlord Hall, the Starshine Commerce Assembly had gained the upper hand. Now Tianbei was confident he could defeat Huang Ji and no longer worry about the Starlord Hall threatening the Assembly's existence.

Fang Bai replied, "The Starshine Commerce Assembly faces no more threats here in the Jade Dragon Star System, but I need more and higher-grade Divine Crystals and other cultivation resources to advance to a higher realm, so I feel it's better to leave."

Tianbei knew he couldn't persuade him to stay, so he sighed and said, "Since Alchemist Fang is determined to go, I won't try to stop you. However, please stay a few more days until I prepare some cultivation resources for you to take on your journey, for your future cultivation needs."

Fang Bai knew that once he left, on the long road through the starry sky, it was uncertain when he would reach the next star system, so it was wise to carry some cultivation resources, thus he didn't decline.

Three days later, Fang Bai and the other gods of the Emperor's Palace departed Jade Dragon Star aboard a starship, with Tianbei and the gods of the Starshine Commerce Assembly watching them off as they sailed into the depths of the starry sky.

Fang Bai's destination this time was the Anlan Star System, billions of miles away from the Jade Dragon Star System.

According to Tianbei, the Anlan Star System was much larger than the Jade Dragon Star System, composed of over a hundred celestial bodies, and its Starlord, known as the "Hundred Starlord," possessed mid-stage True God Realm cultivation.

Fang Bai did not intend to challenge the Starlord of the Anlan Star System, but instead sought to find higher-grade Red Divine Crystals there, surpassing the White Divine Crystals.

It was said that the divine power contained in one Red Divine Crystal was a hundred times that of a White Divine Crystal, making it the best resource for aiding the cultivation of True God Realm powerhouses.

The starship carrying Fang Bai and the other gods sailed through the endless starry sky at high speed, consuming Divine Crystals at an alarming rate.

Fortunately, Fang Bai had brought plenty of Divine Crystals, and they encountered several crystal zones along the way, from which they gathered a lot of Divine Crystals. Later, they also encountered several Star Pirate Groups, which they annihilated, capturing a massive amount of Divine Crystals.

In this manner, there was no shortage of power for the starship's voyage.

However, as their journey through the starry sky extended, the Divine Crystals they obtained externally became fewer and fewer, while their consumption grew larger as their strength advanced.

Therefore, the Divine Crystals in Fang Bai's Five Elements Space Ring began to diminish at a visible rate, and soon they were about to run out.

Fortunately, one day, they encountered another starship, and the strong individuals on that ship were also searching for Divine Crystals in the starry sky, just like them.

Upon meeting, Fang Bai and the leader of the other starship communicated and learned that not far ahead, there was a zone rich in Red Divine Crystals.

"As I understand, the crystalline zone ahead is rich in reserves, but along the way, there are many Star Pirate Groups, and within the zone, there are many lurking Starry Sky Behemoths... Both the Star Pirate Groups and the Starry Sky Behemoths have always been seen as two great evils in the starry sky by the Divine Realm's strong individuals. Brother, since we are both here to collect Divine Crystals, why not join forces? This way, we might have a better chance of gathering Divine Crystals! What do you say?"

The starship leader, named Yaojian, said to Fang Bai.

"All right."

Fang Bai pondered for a moment and agreed.

With Yaojian leading dozens of strong individuals from the Divine Realm, many of whom were True God Realm, and with Yaojian himself being close to mid-stage True God Realm, not much weaker than Fang Bai, and Fang Bai could tell they were not evil people, he was willing to befriend them.

"Great! Brother Fang, please all come aboard my starship!"

Yaojian, with a forthright personality and a love for befriending strong individuals from the Divine Realm, after chatting with Fang Bai for a bit, felt that this young powerhouse was quite congruent with his own temperament and worth befriending.

Thus, Fang Bai stowed his starship and, with Baihua, Linglong, and other gods of the Emperor's Palace, flew over to Yaojian and the others' starship, merging into one. Their numbers exceeded a hundred.

A collaboration of over a hundred Void God Realm and True God Realm powerhouses, in a star system like Jade Dragon, was undoubtedly a formidable force not to be underestimated.

Yaojian laid out divine fruits and wines on the starship, dining and drinking with Fang Bai and the other gods of the Emperor's Palace, while the starship continued flying forward under the control of two Divine Realm powerhouses.

As they approached the red crystal zone mentioned by Yaojian, all the powerhouses on board heightened their vigilance and were on full alert.

Because they knew that this area was frequently haunted by Star Pirate Groups, and if they encountered one, a fierce battle would be unavoidable.

Chapter 2779: Canyon

As Yaojian expected, when they were still several thousand miles away from the red crystal zone, a group of space pirates indeed appeared in the starry sky ahead.

This space pirate group was composed of two starships, each carrying about a hundred powerhouses. What made Yaojian and the others uneasy was that nearly half of them were True God Realm experts.

In Yaojian's view, no matter in terms of numbers or overall strength, this space pirate group formed an absolute advantage over them.

"First time here, and we encounter such a powerful group of space pirates. We're doomed this time!"

Yaojian looked at the two rapidly approaching starships of the space pirates, his face slightly pale, murmuring to himself.

He said this and glanced at Fang Bai and the other gods from Emperor's Palace, only to find that not only were they not afraid, but they seemed eager, as if full of anticipation.

"You're... not scared?"

Yaojian asked curiously.

He had already prepared to hand over some Divine Crystals as "passage money," hoping that their appetite wouldn't be too large, otherwise they'd have to fight desperately.

"Scared?"

Fang Bai looked at the two starships opposite, a slight contemptuous smile tugging at the corners of his mouth, and said, "Although they have more True God Realm experts and greater numbers, if we fight hard, we may not lack a chance of winning!"

Yaojian scratched his head, really unable to figure out how this battle could be fought to achieve victory.

Fang Bai said, "I'll go kill their chief, my subordinates can handle the space pirates on one of their starships. As for the pirates on the other ship, you'll deal with them... if you can withstand them for several dozen breaths, we can win!"

Yaojian glanced at Fang Bai, then used Divine Sense to sense the strength of the opposing chief, unsurely said, "The opposing chief's combat power seems slightly stronger than mine. Are you... sure you can kill him?"

He knew Fang Bai was a True God Realm powerhouse, but the initial stage of the True God Realm had just stabilized. Even he himself wasn't necessarily a match for the opponent's Starlord, how could he defeat the opponent?

He thought Fang Bai was too young, and said such big words when excited on impulse.

Fang Bai smiled and said, "Yaojian Bro, don't underestimate me! Now, let me show you my strength!"

With that, he led dozens of gods from Emperor's Palace, flying off Yaojian's starship and towards one of the space pirate ships.

The powerhouses on the opposite space pirate ship saw them, let out a burst of laughter, then over a hundred powerhouses flew out, wielding Divine Artifacts toward the gods of Emperor's Palace.

"These small fries, leave them to you!"

Fang Bai's figure moved faster than lightning, piercing through over a hundred space pirates straight to the starship behind them.

On the deck of that starship stood a burly, bearded man, who was the chief of the two space pirate ships, Canyon.

Fang Bai's target was Canyon.

The space pirate group powerhouses, who had rushed close to the gods of Emperor's Palace, were about to attack, but suddenly found their surroundings transformed. Those who understood the Array Path immediately knew they were trapped in a formation.

"A small formation can block us?"

"Wait until I break out of the formation, I'll kill you!"

"Kill all the men, capture the women as companions!"

"Haha... well said!"

"Charge!"

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The over a hundred space pirates trapped by the formation created by gods from Emperor's Palace shouted and attacked all around, trying to break free.

However, they quickly realized that no matter how they attacked, the formation showed no signs of collapse. Instead, the surroundings constantly changed, sometimes into Corpse Mountain Blood Sea Killing, sometimes into Knife Forest Jianyu, affecting their minds.

Thus, over a hundred space pirates were stuck in the formation created by the gods of Emperor's Palace, rushing back and forth, wasting Divine Power but unable to break it.

Meanwhile, Fang Bai and the space pirate group's chief Canyon were engaged in battle, fighting evenly, neither able to gain the upper hand in a short time.

"Very good!"

Seeing this, Yaojian let out a long sigh of relief, realizing that Fang Bai's team was stronger than his own team.

And Fang Bai's combat power seemed not to be inferior to his own, realizing he had underestimated Fang Bai before, thinking he was exaggerating.

He recalled Fang Bai said that as long as they held out for several dozen breaths, they would have a hope of victory, guessing Fang Bai might have some powerful backup, thus he became invigorated, wielding a blood-colored giant sword, vigilantly watching another rapidly approaching starship.

When that starship drew near and the hundred powerhouses aboard charged over, Yaojian didn't rashly fight with them. Instead, he waved the blood-colored giant sword and shouted, "Brothers, activate the starship's Defensive Array to repel the enemy!"

In the Divine Realm, almost every starship is equipped with a formation to defend against potential external attacks.

Though Yaojian's starship wasn't large, its Defensive Array was not weak. Once activated, a light shield enveloped the entire starship, blocking the attacks of over a hundred space pirates.

However, the biggest drawback of a starship's Defensive Array is that it consumes a lot of Divine Crystals.

Once the starship formation is activated, nearly every moment requires a large amount of Divine Crystals to maintain the formation's circulation.

When Divine Crystals are exhausted, the formation disappears, leaving only desperate combat, inevitably leading to casualties.

However, Yaojian was confident, believing that relying on the Divine Crystals carried by his dozens of brothers and sisters would endure for several dozen breaths should not be hard.

His only concern was the opposing strength. Combined, they might break the Defensive Array.

Thus, in the starry sky of tens of thousands of miles radius, over three hundred Void God Realm and True God Realm powerhouses launched into a large chaotic battle.

"Kid, join our space pirate group, how about I make you a deputy chief?"

The space pirate group's chief Canyon, battling Fang Bai, initially thought dealing with a newly entered True God Realm kid would result in a sweeping victory like a breeze. Unexpectedly, he couldn't prevail, and Fang Bai seemed to be getting stronger as the fight progressed.

This surprised him greatly, fearing the outcome of such continued fighting would be uncertain.

Thus, he suddenly entertained the idea of recruiting Fang Bai, lest this attempt end in loss, with himself paying the price.

"Deputy chief?"

Fang Bai sneered at this, saying coldly, "Let me tell you, I don't even care about your chief's position!"

Canyon felt a surge of anger in his chest and raised an eyebrow, saying, "What do you want?"

Fang Bai said, "I originally planned to kill you, but if you know the situation, leave behind your two starships and all the cultivation resources of your members, maybe I can spare your life!"

"Bullshit! I'll smash you!"

Canyun became furious, raising his Divine Artifact to strike Fang Bai with all his might.

His Divine Artifact was a black long staff, growing a hundred feet when striking Fang Bai, bringing down Supreme Divine Power with a mighty, heart-stirring force.

Fang Bai glanced disdainfully at the long staff, raised his Blood-Drinking Mad Blade from below, and counter-slash out.

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"Clang!"

Two divine artifacts collided fiercely in the starry space, sparking dazzling, eye-catching flames.

Fang Bai had a cold smile on his lips, his body unmoving.

However, Canyon's face changed dramatically, his body quickly recoiling, and he struggled to hold onto his long staff, almost letting it fly out of his hand.

A single strike determined superiority.

Canyon's battle strength was clearly inferior to Fang Bai.

Before Canyon could stabilize himself, Fang Bai's Blood-Drinking Mad Blade transformed into a giant beam, producing a "whoosh" sound as it sliced through the air, quickly pursuing and arriving in front of Canyon.

Canyon was greatly shocked, waving his long staff to form a wall of staff shadows, attempting to block the incoming blade beam.

But he knew this seemed impossible, so he formed a protective shield around himself as a precaution.

"Buzz!"

The hundred-foot-long bloody blade beam shimmered brightly in the starry space, then forcefully broke through the dense staff shadows and slashed onto the defense qi shield surrounding Canyon.

The qi shield vibrated violently, and in the next moment, it collapsed and disappeared.

"Ah!"

A scream echoed from Canyon's mouth, blood splattered, and half of Canyon's body was almost severed by the blade beam.

In less than ten breaths of combat, Canyon was severely injured, losing more than half of his fighting strength.

Other members of the Star Pirates Group, seeing their leader severely injured, felt terrified, losing their fighting spirit, and looked at Fang Bai with fear in their eyes.

The Yaojian faction and the gods of the Emperor's Palace all cheered.

They understood that since Canyon, the leader of the Star Pirates Group, was severely injured, the group would lack leadership, and their confidence and willpower would likely be shattered, possibly causing them to collapse and flee.

In other words, they had already secured victory in this battle.

Yaojian was shocked even more, not expecting Fang Bai to be so powerful that he quickly resolved the battle.

"Could Brother Fang's true realm and cultivation level be at the mid-level of the True God Realm?"

Yaojian wondered in his heart.

As expected, the members of the Star Pirates Group, led by Canyon, had no intention of fighting after Canyon was severely injured and showed signs of collapsing.

But those members trapped by the Emperor's Palace Gods' formation had no escape.

"Don't... please don't kill me, I'll give you all the cultivation resources I have!"

The severely injured Canyon knew that if Fang Bai acted again, he would undoubtedly die, begging for mercy immediately.

"Brother Fang, don't spare him! Canyon is brutal and vicious, always seeking revenge, and has shed the blood of many Divine Realm strongmen. Just despising him would earn us the support and praise of the Divine Realm strongmen. Why not take advantage of it?"

Before Fang Bai could speak, Yaojian had flown over from the starship and shouted loudly.

Perhaps worried that Fang Bai might show mercy, Yaojian hadn't reached them yet, and his long sword was already unsheathed.

The sword light flashed like lightning, instantly piercing Canyon's qi sea area, taking away all of his life force.

"Huff..."

Looking at Canyon's corpse floating in the starry space, Yaojian sighed lightly and then apologized to Fang Bai, saying, "Brother Fang, I acted in a hurry, fearing you might spare him. Please forgive me!"

Fang Bai waved his hand, saying, "Well, he's killed. Actually, even if you hadn't acted, I might not have spared him."

He glanced around the starry space and saw that most of Canyon's subordinates had fled, and said, "The Star Pirates Group has been defeated. Let's clean up the scene, distribute the cultivation resources, and prepare to move on!"

With a casual gesture, the spatial divine ring left behind by Canyon was already in his hand.

As the leader of this Star Pirates Group, Canyon's spatial divine ring surely stored a large quantity of divine crystals; this was beyond doubt.

In this battle, Fang Bai was the most meritorious, and it can be said he single-handedly saved everyone, so he took Canyon's spatial divine ring with Yaojian's full approval.

Fang Bai took one of the Star Pirate ships into his Five Elements Space Ring and left the other to Yaojian.

The members of the Star Pirates Group trapped by the Emperor's Palace's gods' formation were allowed to leave after they obediently handed over their spatial rings, which went to the Emperor's Palace gods.

Yaojian received one starship, and such a ship could be exchanged for a huge amount of divine crystals, making it a significant gain. Therefore, Yaojian and his subordinates were deeply grateful to Fang Bai.

After this battle, Fang Bai vaguely became the leader of this group of Divine Realm strongmen, and Yaojian began to look up to Fang Bai as their leader.

Later, their starship was attacked by another Star Pirates Group, but Fang Bai acted again and swept through them.

"Up ahead is the Fiery Flame Crystal Zone!"

When the gods' divine senses scanned the "sea of fire" hundreds of miles ahead, Yaojian said.

Actually, that "sea of fire" was just the fiery red glow emitted by the Red Divine Crystals, illuminating an area of tens of thousands of miles, seemingly like a sea of fire.

Fang Bai's divine senses penetrated the Fiery Flame Crystal Zone ahead and discovered multiple divine power fluctuations inside the zone, guessing that there may be other strongmen mining divine crystals there.

However, Fang Bai had already decided that as long as the other strongmen did not provoke them actively, they would not interfere in the mining of divine crystals, ideally staying out of each other's way.

The starship stopped at the edge of the Fiery Flame Crystal Zone. Yaojian left some subordinates there to guard the starship, while he, alongside Fang Bai and other gods, cautiously flew into the crystal zone to explore further.

At the edge of the Fiery Flame Crystal Zone, although there were some red divine crystals, their quantity was sparse, and their quality was not very good. Therefore, Divine Realm strongmen aimed to delve deeper into the crystal zone to mine better quality red divine crystals.

After venturing several hundred miles into the crystal zone, they encountered a group of several dozen Divine Realm strongmen forming a crystal mining team. Both sides merely exchanged glances and then went about their business.

"Here it is."

Fang Bai sensed keenly and, upon seeing a massive starstone tens of miles in diameter, said to Yaojian and the other gods, "This starstone contains plenty of divine crystals, and their quality is decent. Let's spread out and begin mining."

Normally, divine crystals exposed in the starry sky lead to divine power easily dissipating, which is why some strongmen prefer searching for divine crystals encased within starstones.

Divine crystals wrapped within starstones harbor more divine power and offer greater cultivation aid to strongmen.

Fang Bai and the other gods were indeed after these divine crystals.

Yaojian glanced at the large starstone pointed out by Fang Bai, initially skeptical of the existence of divine crystals within. However, seeing Fang Bai's confident demeanor, he commented, "Let me see!"

He swung his long sword, crisscrossing sword qi, and slashed onto the starstone. The "whoosh, whoosh" sound rang out as large chunks of starstone fell away.

Soon, beams of red light emitted, revealing divine crystals within.

The divine crystals were densely packed together, surrounded by starstone, resembling enlarged pomegranate seeds.