East Palace 41

Chapter 41: Qing Lin (Added for the Alliance Master of the Great Desolate Ancient Emperor)

"What's her background?" Zhang Ronghua frowned."

The Crown Prince introduced her identity. Madam Zhenlie was a first-grade imperial concubine, and her late husband was the Divine Martial General. She had outstanding military achievements and had great prestige in the army.

Ten years ago.

The Divine Martial General led the army to fight fiercely against the Great Shang Dynasty. He fought for seven days and defeated them, thwarting the Great Shang's scheme. However, he died in that battle.

When the news reached the capital, the court was shaken.

He wanted to give her a reward, but he did not have any children, not even a daughter. He had no choice but to give it to his wife, and that was how the name Lady Zhenlie came about.

The Divine Martial Great General was a great general in the army that Emperor Xia valued, and her status was also very high.

When it came to imperial power, Zhang Ronghua knew his limits and did not make any suggestions.

He believed that no one in power would allow anything detrimental to them to happen.

"Prepare the carriage. I want to enter the palace!"

Ma Ping 'an was leading the Flood Dragon Guards. Zhang Ronghua and the others had been busy living until now, so they could take a break.

| Before the matter was settled, it was not suitable to go back. He could attack again at any time. |
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| He hadn't eaten for a day, so he was hungry. |
| He entered the kitchen. |
| As soon as he arrived, Zheng Fugui followed him in.""Cousin, why didn't you call me when you were eating?" |
| "You didn't eat dinner?" |
| "Didn't you come back a long time ago?" |
| "His Highness has been waiting for news from your side." |
| Zhang Ronghua handed over a plate of washed black grapes. He took a banana and peeled it open to eat. |
| "Will something happen?" |
| He ate a black grape faster than anyone else. |
| "You're afraid that something will happen and you're still eating?" |
| "You gave it to me!" |
| Bang! |
| Reward him with a chestnut. |

| He cleaned the watermelon, then gave it half of the watermelon and ate it with a spoon. |
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| "Cousin, did you do this before?" |
| "Some food can't stop your mouth." |
| "We have made such a great contribution this time. What do you think His Highness will reward us with?" |
| Zhang Ronghua rolled his eyes. He was not a worm in the Crown Prince's stomach, so how would he know? |
| He shook his head and continued eating. |
| They waited for an entire night. |
| The Crown Prince entered the palace around midnight and had not returned by dawn. |
| He came out from the corner and yawned. Looking at the rising sun, he guessed in his heart. The Xia Emperor did not agree? No matter how high Madam Zhenlie's status was, there was only one outcome for her when it came to imperial power-death! |
| The morning court session ended. |
| The Crown Prince returned and got down from the carriage, calling him into the Xuanhe Hall. |
| "Last night, after entering the palace to meet Father, I went to her residence and interrogated her, but I didn't get any clues. I could only give her a white silk to send her on her way, and then returned to the |

palace. Today, Feng Zhengyi went to court and looked at the image in the voice recording stone. His expression changed drastically. Other than apologizing to me, he also promised me some benefits. The

| was taken over by my people." |
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| "Almost." Zhang Ronghua looked regretful." |
| "From the start of the confrontation until now, no matter who is the one attacking, or if several people are working together, they will definitely be desperate after losing so much strength." |
| He narrowed his eyes and a cold glint flashed in them. |
| "I'm very curious who this person is!" |
| He changed the topic. |
| "This time, you have made a great contribution. You will be rewarded with a heaven-grade medicinal pill, four manuscripts of the great scholar, and ten thousand taels of silver. You are also about to be crowned. According to reason, the title should be given by the elders." Zhang Ronghua had no objections. |
| He pondered for a while. |
| He then said,"Rising from the blue clouds, it's also a lone Qilin. Let's call it Qinglin!" Take the meaning and soar to the nine heavens." |
| "Thank you, Your Highness!" |
| "I heard from Shuang 'er that you like to drink wine. You haven't finished the Heavenly Jade Brew that the palace sent last time. This time, we've sent another batch." |
| Theng Fugui's eyes were wide onen. Cousin had received so many rewards. Although his contributions |

were not as high as his, he could at least get some, right?

| She looked at him eagerly, her eyes almost asking for a reward. |
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| "You silly boy!" The Crown Prince scolded with a smile." |
| The latter rubbed the back of his head. |
| "You will be promoted to vice captain of the Flood Dragon Guards and rewarded with two thousand taels." |
| His mouth was crooked from laughing and he hurriedly thanked him." |
| "Thank you for your hard work. I'll give you two days off." |
| The two of them left. |
| Qing 'Er closed the door of the hall and said with a solemn expression,""Just now, this servant used the Mysterious Heavenly Eye Technique to secretly check his cultivation. He's still at Zongshi realm level 4!" |
| The Crown Prince shook his head." He hid his cultivation. If he was only at the fourth tier of the Grandmaster Realm, do you think he could defeat the sect master of the Heavenly Sound Sect?" There are also the evil spirits? "Why don't you ask me if I'm going to be able to suppress my anger?" |
| "If he doesn't want to say it, even if you ask him, he will still bear a grudge under my pressure. As a superior, he had to know how to use people and not keep staring at small secrets. Moreover, his Zhang family had been passed down for three generations. In addition to what had happened these days, he had used countless methods to defeat the mastermind behind the scenes. He had long left his mark on him and could only follow him until the end." |
| "This servant understands." |
| A bright light flashed in the depths of the crown prince's eyes. He thought to himself, What realm are you at? |

He left the Eastern Palace. Zhang Ronghua was silent. Just now in the Xuanhe Palace Hall, Qing 'er used the pupil secret technique to peek at him and was discovered by him. Was this what the Crown Prince wanted? Or did she make the decision on her own? Without his permission, would Qing 'er dare to do so? His heart was heavy. It seemed like he couldn't hide it for long! Zheng Fugui was still immersed in the joy of being promoted. He noticed that his cousin's expression was solemn. He scratched his head and looked puzzled. "The matter has been resolved. Why are you still not happy? Zhang Ronghua glanced at him. Fools have their own luck. He shook his head and walked home without saying anything. Back at the residence. After washing up, he sat on the bed and took out the heaven-grade pill. The huge medicinal strength turned into a surging torrent that flowed through his body and was refined by the Black Yellow Heaven Opening Art. Boom! The bottleneck was broken, and he made another breakthrough, raising to the seventh level of the Heaven Tier. It wasn't over yet. He changed to the Great Dao Righteous Song and continued to cultivate. His soul power had also reached a critical point, and it took him some time to advance to the late stage of the

Heaven Rank.

| Opening his eyes, he took out four Confucian manuscripts and flipped them open. |
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| It recorded the battle experience and usage of Righteousness Qi in great detail. After reading it, Zhang Ronghua's understanding of Righteousness Qi reached a new level. |
| Thump! Thump! |
| There was a knock on the door, and Zheng Fugui's voice came from outside.""Cousin, I've broken through. Come out quickly!" |
| He got off the bed and opened the door. |
| With an excited expression and a smug look, he said impatiently,"Do you dare to spar?" |
| Zhang Ronghua laughed. Who gave him the courage to challenge him to a Zongshi realm level two? |
| "I'll wait for you in the courtyard!" |
| He didn't even give her a chance to refuse and ran out Chapter 42: Confusion (1) |
| At the Meditation Lake. |
| The two of them stood on the surface of the water, separated by ten steps. |



| carried the power of mountains and rivers. It was majestic and vast, breaking his fist technique and colliding with his fist. |
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| "Not bad!" |
| Bang! |
| Zheng Fugui was sent flying and fell into the lake. |
| He retracted his palm. |
| "You've lost," Zhang Ronghua laughed. |
| He popped his head out of the water with a bitter face." |
| "Cut the crap! At night, I want to eat fish, give me a fishing rod to catch a big fish that weighs more than five catties." |
| He dived into the water and raised the fish he caught."This won't do?" |
| "Use the fishing rod!" |
| With a tap of his foot, he landed at the pavilion. |
| After a while. |
| Zheng Fugui obediently took a fishing rod and stared at the fishing line. He muttered,""Fish, quickly bite the hook" |

He also threw a punch, using only the strength of a second tier Zongshi realm. It was a simple punch that

| He sat on the stone bench. |
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| Zhang Ronghua took out a banana, peeled it, and ate it. |
| "Give me one." |
| Zheng Fugui threw one to him and chewed on the banana. He thought about what happened last night and asked again, "Why were you unhappy when you came back yesterday?" |
| "It's nothing." |

Looking at the lake, Zhang Ronghua fell into deep thought. When he had first entered the Eastern Palace to replace his father, he had only wanted to slack off and take advantage of the situation. He had been trying his best to cultivate and improve his cultivation, which was what he had done.

Over the years, they had relied on their powerful talent, talent, and unorthodox methods to cultivate to the point where their skills were close to the Dao. They had a strong foundation, but as they interacted with each other, especially during their last trip to the Imperial Palace, they met the ancestor and obtained the Black Yellow Heaven Opening Art. It was as if a door had been opened.

Before this, with his status, he would not have been able to come into contact with such a divine power. However, in the imperial palace's arsenal, he had obtained it with his heaven-defying talent and luck. This made him feel reverence in his heart.

Later on, when he escorted Ji Xueyan back to her hometown to pay respects to her ancestors, he first saw the Netherworld Ancient Insect, then Uncle Zhong. Each of them was more terrifying than the last. If it wasn't for his powerful cultivation technique that could restrain the Netherworld Ancient Insect, he would have been devoured by them even if he attacked with all his might.

These days, whenever it was late at night, Ji Xueyan's figure would always appear in his heart. He would think of her beauty, her knowledge, her knowledge, and especially her mesmerizing eyes, making him unable to forget her.

The scene of him using his mouth to detoxify the poison kept appearing in his mind. He knew that this thought was very dangerous. If he did not do it well, he might get himself involved. The more he suppressed it, the more it would rebound. It was fine when he was busy. He focused on his work and did not think about her. Just like now, whenever he was free, he would think of her again. "Did I really fall in love with her?" His body's instinct answered his thoughts. Subconsciously, he took out the jade flute that Ji Xueyan had given him and blew on it. It was a beautiful scene, but there was also a hint of worry and complicated emotions. It was clearly very conflicted. Seeing that his cousin was distracted. Zheng Fugui's eyes lit up as he looked at the school of fish swimming around the hook, not biting the hook. He wondered if he should cheat. What if he found out and asked him to fish again? For a moment, he did not dare to make a move! Grand Tutor Manor. He wasn't the only one who was confused. Ji Xueyan was as well.

After she returned from the old mansion, she did not go to the place. She had been staying at home. On the surface, she was reading books to cultivate her righteousness, but only she knew what was going on.

These days, she realized something very dangerous. She seemed to have fallen in love with Zhang Ronghua. From time to time, she would think of the scene of him using his mouth to help her detoxify.

She Imew that this was not right. It was against etiquette and her upbringing. It was not something a good woman should do, but she could not control herself.

This idea was very dangerous. She was the daughter of the Grand Tutor, the fiancée of the Crown Prince, and the future mother of the Great Xia Kingdom. Once the matter was exposed, the Grand Tutor's face would be completely lost, and her reputation would be ruined.

With the power of the Grand Tutor's Residence, although they could suppress it, they would become a joke. Their lifetime of scandals could never be erased.

Zhang Ronghua and the rest of the family would also be killed.

He could only bury this thought in his heart and not dare to show it.

Sometimes, she also thought, if she was just a girl from an ordinary family, how good would it be? Would she be able to be with him?

However, there were not so many ifs in the world. When they enjoyed the top resources that others envied, they were destined to shoulder this responsibility.

His mind was in a mess. He couldn't read anymore. He put it aside and stroked the zither. He remembered that Zhang Ronghua had played it last time. The corners of his mouth curled up subconsciously and he smiled from the bottom of his heart.

Her expression changed, and she quickly put away her smile. She returned to her noble, cold, and otherworldly appearance. Her confused eyes gradually brightened."He saved me, so I have a good impression of him! But that was all. She didn't like him!"

She calmed herself down and placed her ten slender fingers on the strings. Just as she was about to play the zither, the beautiful and sad sound of the flute came from the other side of the lake.

| "It's him!" |
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| He looked over instantly, and his mind, which had just been adjusted, became chaotic again. |
| He looked at the lake and stared straight at it. |
| Footsteps sounded from behind, and Yue Ya walked over." Miss, Master is calling you over." |
| "Yes." |
| Ji Xueyan replied and stood up. Her face was expressionless, and no one could tell what she was thinking. She walked towards the study. |
| After playing the song. |
| Zhang Ronghua put away the jade flute and turned around. He happened to see Zheng Fugui using his internal strength to control the fishing line and fishing a big fish. He shouted excitedly, Cousin, I caught a fish." |
| He turned around. |
| Their eyes met, and the smile on their faces disappeared They took a step back and said weakly, "Can we start again?" |
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| She wanted him to go fishing again, but there were guests at home, so she had to give up. |



| "You live here too?" Zhang Ronghua asked." |
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| "Aren't you staying at Vermillion Bird Lane?" |
| "The house over there was given to me by His Highness. I used to live with my parents. After this street, 198 is my house." |
| "Fate!" |
| They entered the lobby. |
| The wine and dishes were already prepared. They were all personally made by Madam Lu, and there was a hidden meaning behind them. He sincerely wanted to rely on the Crown Prince. Otherwise, he would not treat them at home, but at a restaurant. |
| After handing the fish to Madam Lu, Lu Zhantang asked Zhang Ronghua to sit on the main seat. Seeing that Zhang Ronghua was insistent and couldn't refuse, Lu Zhantang understood what he meant and sat down. |
| Zheng Fugui blinked, still thinking about the wine."Where's the Heavenly Jade Brew?" |
| When they heard that he had the wine in his hand, the two of them looked over with burning eyes. |
| He smiled. |
| Zhang Ronghua took out four flasks of Heavenly Jade Brew and placed them on the table. |
| They chatted while eating and drinking. |
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The meal was very harmonious and did not end until midnight. Lu Zhantang personally sent them out of the manor and separated them at the entrance. They did not return to the Vermilion Bird Lane, which was close to home. Seeing them return. When Zhang Qin received the news, he thought that something big had happened. He got out of bed and called the two of them to the lobby. "Why are you back now?" Zhang Ronghua explained the situation. "How did you deal with the Nanman Kingdom?" The matter had blown up, and they had all heard about it. He said what he could, but he didn't go into depth. It wasn't good to know too much. "Don't look down on anyone, especially the Crown Prince. He has been in this position for so many years, not only because of the Empress 'support, but also because of his own power. Just like this time, what he wants others to see will naturally be revealed." "I know." "Don't think that Father didn't do as well as you when he was in the Dragon Guards. Father has experienced more things than you. Without any tricks, how could he retire safely? Don't expose everything. Leave yourself a way out. Don't trust anyone. No matter how good power is, it's not as

important as life."

| Zhang Ronghua noted it down and took out two flasks of Heavenly Jade Brew and half of the spirit fruits. |
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| After thinking for a while, he took out a silver note worth one thousand taels. |
| "Don't let Mother find out." |
| Zhang Qin's expression immediately turned bitter, as if he had eaten a fly.""Don't mention it. The last time I borrowed 1000 taels from you, your mother found it before I could warm it up." He entered his room and continued cultivating. |
| The next day. |
| She stayed at home until noon and left after lunch. |
| Halfway. |
| A servant girl stopped them and sized them up. She asked,'Who is Zhang |
| Ronghua?" |
| "Who asked you to come?" |
| "You are? My princess has invited you over." |
| "Who is it?" |
| "You'll know when you get there." |
| He didn't even say his name and wanted to go over himself? Why was her face so big? |

| He pushed her to the side and left with his cousin. |
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| The servant girl stomped her foot angrily." |
| Her words were like a fart, and no one paid attention to her. |
| "Cousin, I want to go for a walk." Zheng Fugui said." |
| Zhang Ronghua stopped in his tracks. His scrutinizing gaze seemed to see through him."Drinking and listening to music in Heavenly Earth?" |
| Sweat! |
| "How is that possible? I'm not that kind of person." |
| "You can walk around, but don't go to Heavenly Earth. If I find out, I'll get First |
| Uncle to hang you up and beat you up!" |
| "Whoever goes is a dog!" "How does a dog bark?" |
| "Woof woof!" |
| She reacted like a resentful wife."Cousin, you're bullying honest people!" |
| Back home. |

Uncle Shi was currently trimming the flowers and plants. Under his care, the flowers and plants in the manor became more and more beautiful, competing to bloom. After greeting him, he lay on the chair and took out the four manuscripts of the great scholar, reading them again.

He found that the Righteousness Qi had reached a bottleneck. If he could break through, the quantity would ClouD1e. An hour later. A carriage stopped at the door, and a servant girl helped Princess An He out of the carriage. "Is this the place?" "This servant has inquired, this is the place." "Knock on the door. Mind your manners." "Lord Zhang, are you home?" The servant girl came forward and knocked on the door." Uncle Shi opened the door and glanced at them."You are?" "This is Princess Anhe. She is looking for Lord Zhang." He moved aside and waited for them to enter before closing the courtyard door and bringing them to the backyard.

Zhang Ronghua had already completed his breakthrough, and his Righteousness Qi had reached a new level. With his current level, he was comparable to an ordinary Confucian scholar. He put away the four

At this moment.

manuscripts and realized that his Righteousness Qi had only increased rapidly because he had read a lot of books and had a deep knowledge. He stood up from the reclining chair and stretched his body. Cousin wasn't around, so he didn't have much fun. Footsteps sounded. Looking at Princess An He who was walking in from outside, he frowned and wondered why she was here. Was he here to denounce her? At the thought of this, he kept an eye out and responded to all changes with the same approach. Uncle Shi brought them closer and tactfully left. "Is there something the princess is looking for me for?" "My men were a little rude just now. Don't take it to heart, Commandant Zhang." Princess Anhe looked apologetic." "I won't." "It's not convenient to talk here. Can we change places?" "Please!"

When Zhang Ronghua entered the hall, Princess Anhe asked her servant to guard outside and closed the door. Seeing her action, she became even more cautious and quietly took out the voice recording stone.

A man and a woman were alone in the same room. There was nothing wrong with being careful.

"Princess, you can speak now." Seeing that the situation was set and Zhang Ronghua had no way to turn the tables, Princess Anhe smiled malevolently and pointed at him angrily."It's you! It's all because of you! My entire life has been ruined by you." "The matter of Crown Prince Feng Yi is already very clear. It was you who was indecent. If you abide by the rules, have manners, and know etiquette, even if something happened to him, you would be innocent.." Chapter 44: Exterminate the Weed (6:30 AM) Princess An He was furious, and the fire in her belly burned. Not only did she have a bad reputation, but she also became a joke in the upper circles. Even her family was being pointed at by others, and they were even the subject of discussion after tea. She shouted If you hadn't interfered, would I have ended up like this?" Pa! Pa! Zhang Ronghua didn't want to spoil her. A princess who had no power and was hated by others actually dared to disrespect him. He took a step forward and appeared in front of her. He used two big pockets and ruthlessly knocked her to the ground. "You are the one who caused us to be in this state today. It has nothing to do with anyone else." "I'll fight it out with you!" Princess An He had gone completely mad. She lost her rationality in her anger. She got up from the

ground and clawed at his face with her teeth.

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The door shattered and she was sent flying by Zhang Ronghua's kick. Even the servant girl outside was knocked to the ground.

Without waiting for her to get up from the ground, he walked up to her, grabbed her collar, and lifted her up.

So what if she was a princess?

At home, your parents spoil you, and others revere your status. But in front of him, it's all bullshit.

Not to mention the fact that he was now the crown prince's favorite, just based on his own strength, he was not someone she could provoke. She violently whipped him with her big breast pocket.

When it stopped.

Princess An He was knocked unconscious. Her face was swollen like a pig's head, and she looked completely different from before.

This was not the end. Zhang Ronghua knew better than anyone else the principle of being bitten by a snake.

If she didn't come out to provoke him, they would have minded their own business. But now, they had to be uprooted.

Although the case of Crown Prince Feng Yi and the others was over, and Madam Zhen Lie was dead, they could be included as accomplices and take the opportunity to get rid of her family.

He threw her on the ground and returned to his room to change into the dragon robe.

He carried them out and just as he left the courtyard, he happened to meet Zheng Fugui, who had just returned. This silly boy was smiling like a honeydew. Every cell in his body was smiling.

When he saw his cousin, he was like a mouse that had seen a cat. He hurriedly retracted his smile.

Noticing the two people in his hands, a servant girl and a pig head, she asked curiously,""Who are they?"

He threw the two of them on the ground.

Zhang Ronghua took out a voice recording stone and handed it to him. He ordered, "Hand them over to His Highness and call Ma Ping 'an over. I'll wait for them at Prince Ping Zhi's mansion."

Prince Pingzhi was the father of Princess Anhe!

Zheng Fugui didn't dare to delay. He kept the Voice Recording Stone and rushed to the Eastern Palace with them.

Looking at the sky, his eyes shone.

He had helped the Crown Prince so much and foiled the mastermind's countless methods. If it wasn't for him, he would have fallen for the trap the last time at the Tenth Prince's residence. No matter how many trump cards he had, he would have been defeated. With his intelligence, it was impossible for him not to guess his intentions. If he chose to stand by and not let Ma Ping 'an bring people over, he would have been defeated.

On the surface, with his identity as a captain of the Flood Dragon Guards, he could not touch a Regional King.

He would move his family away and then exterminate them. It was fine if he did not stay in the capital city of Great Xia The world was huge With hig

cultivation, it would be too easy for him to find a place to settle down. At that time, he would focus on cultivating and not be disturbed by these external objects. He didn't want to walk on this road unless he had to. After all, their roots were here and they had lived here for so many years. Unless it was necessary, no one would choose to leave their hometown. He slowed down and waited for Ma Ping 'an and the others. The Crown Prince's reaction was faster than he had imagined. When Zheng Fugui arrived at the Eastern Palace, he handed the voice recording stone to him. After looking at it once, he made a decision. He ordered people to capture Princess An He and the others on the spot and send them to Nether Prison. He then had him and Ma Ping 'an lead a battalion of Flood Dragon Guards towards Prince Pingzhi's manor. They met up halfway. Zhang Ronghua smiled. The Crown Prince did not disappoint him. He came faster than he had expected. "His Highness asked us to listen to your orders," Ma Ping 'an said." "Let's go!" A group of people hurried towards the Prince's mansion.

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| The guard at the door panicked. Before he could go in and report the news, he was knocked to the ground by Zheng Fugui's punch. The Flood Dragon Guards rushed forward like wolves and tigers, taking them down roughly. |
| A group of people barged into the Imperial Residence. |
| Hearing the commotion in front of him, the Prince of Pingzhi rushed over from the backyard with his men. He looked at Zhang Ronghua with a gloomy face and said,"What does the Crown Prince want to do?" "Take him down!" Zhang Ronghua said coldly. |
| "Who dares?" |
| Bang! |
| She kicked him in the face, causing him to fall to the ground. Even his front teeth were broken. |
| Seeing that Daren had already made his move, the Flood Dragon Guards did not delay any longer. They charged forward fiercely and took them down. |
| On the way back. |
| "Have you vented your anger?" asked Ma Ping 'an." |
| "I'm not angry. She picked the soft persimmon to pinch. In her eyes, I'm that soft persimmon." |
| "Guess how she will take revenge on you?" |

"It's not that simple. I think he wants to get rid of everyone related to me. She has no power and no influence, and her reputation is also bad. She probably used her own body to frame me for molestation and take the opportunity to get rid of me."

"No wonder you're a lieutenant, you're a lieutenant, you're a deputy, you're a true, you're a guesser, you're a true, you "re a true, you're a true, you're

| true, you're a true, you're a true, you're a true, you"' |
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| "Your Highness is waiting for me?" |
| "You guessed it again." |
| Zhang Ronghua didn't say anything else and brought them back to the Eastern Palace. |
| The Crown Prince was not in the Xuanhe Hall but in the Shangvven Hall, the place where he usually practiced calligraphy and rested. He pointed to a chair at the side and said,"Sit." |
| "It's my fault for not being considerate and letting you suffer." |
| "I didn't expect her to be so crazy!" |
| "This will not happen again in the future. If you suffer any grievances, you must inform me immediately. I will make the decision for you." |

Zhang Ronghua nodded.

| The Crown Prince handed over the words he had written. On it were four large words," Glory, splendor, and wealth." It was majestic and had the demeanor of a great family. It also carried dignity. |
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| "Thank you, Your Highness!" |
| He placed the paper on the table. The ink was still wet. |
| "I want to enter the palace and learn how to handle government affairs from Imperial Father." |
| Send him out of the Eastern Palace. |
| When he returned to the back hall, Shuang 'er waved her hand and gestured for him to come over. |
| "What's the matter?" |
| Shuang 'er smiled mysteriously and said," The value of the game is over She brought him to the storeroom. |
| A luxurious carriage pulled by seven Divine Heavenly Dragons stopped at the entrance of the Eastern Palace. This was Ji Xueyan's carriage. |
| Yue Ya helped her out of the car. |
| 'Greetings, Miss Ji! " Ma Ping 'an cupped his fists and bowed." |
| "Is His Highness here?" Ji Xueyan asked. |
| "Her Highness just went to the palace and Qing er is still there. I will inform her now." |
| He received the news. |

The Green Girl came up and bowed before bringing her to the Xuanhe Hall, where guests were welcomed. "On the way here, I killed a fox demon on the way. Its body was stained with some stench. Arrange a place for me to bathe." Qing er brought her to Shang Wen Palace Hall. It was quiet here and no one disturbed her. She got someone to prepare the bathtub and bath water before leaving.. Chapter 45: The Tricks of Fate (1) In the palace. Crescent Moon frowned and pouted. She was indignant and seemed to be very unwilling. She made a fist gesture and all that fox demon's fault. If not, miss, your body wouldn't be contaminated with the stench." Ji Xueyan stretched out a slender finger and poked her forehead. She shook her head gently, ""'1 didn't expect this fox demon to be so powerful and have such a detestable innate ability." "This servant will help you change your clothes." He walked forward and stopped beside her. He unbuttoned his clothes, revealing his snow-white skin. It was like a piece of jade, sparkling and flawless, but also like a piece of art. It was really too perfect. The blush was so intoxicating that even Yue Ya was infatuated." Miss, you have a good figure."

" You, this girl!"

| She entered the bathtub and enjoyed the warm water. She closed her eyes comfortably and lay on the bathtub. "Miss, do you eat spiritual fruits?" |
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| "Is there anything on my body?" |
| "No! I'll go get some from Shuang 'er." |
| "Mind your manners." |
| Yue Ya nodded and jogged out of the palace. She closed the door and went to look for Shuang 'er. |
| In the storeroom. |
| Zhang Ronghua looked at the two baskets of spiritual fruits in his hands and looked at her suspiciously, waiting for an explanation. |
| Shuang 'er smiled sweetly, revealing two dimples. ""The spiritual fruit can't be kept for a long time. It's best to eat it before the water and spiritual energy run out." |
| "Good things come in pairs. How about a few more flasks of Heavenly Jade Brew?" |
| "The ten jugs His Highness gave you, have you finished them so quickly?" On second thought, he guessed that she probably sent some home. |
| He took two flasks of Heavenly Jade Brew and handed them over. He blinked mischievously and said,""Am I good to you?" |
| "Yes." |
| "Then can I ask you something?" |

| Zhang Ronghua put away the Heavenly Jade Wine and left decisively. |
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| Shuang 'er curled her lips and snorted. |
| When he reached the rear hall, he happened to bump into the crescent moon. "What are you doing?" |
| "It's you!" |
| Yue Ya remembered and said with a smile ???? wants to eat spiritual fruits. I'll get some from Shuang 'er." |
| Zhang Ronghua nodded and left after chatting for a while. |
| Ji Xueyan's purpose for coming here this time should be related to the recent events. It represented the Grand Tutor's attitude. He didn't need to do anything. He just needed to send a signal to the outside world. |
| He shook his head. |
| He didn't think about it anymore, and his good impression stopped there. |
| Just as he was about to leave, he remembered something. The words bestowed by the Crown Prince were still in Shang Wen Hall. Without thinking much, he walked over. |
| He pushed open the door. |
| Zhang Ronghua was dumbfounded as he looked at the familiar figure in the hall. He could recognize her even if she turned into ashes. She was like a lazy kitten lying on the bathtub. Under the hazy mist, she looked like a fairy in the world, adding 30% charm. Her crystal clear skin was extremely attractive under |

the water droplets. It made a calm heart feel as if it had taken a perfect tonic.

| One was not enough. He needed at least ten to soar to the sky. |
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| No, even the sky couldn't block it |
| Gulp! |
| He subconsciously swallowed his saliva. At this moment, he was really lost in thought. |
| Even though he had seen it the last time, it was only limited to his lower abdomen. It was different from now, where most of his skin was exposed to the air. |
| Ji Xueyan didn't think too much about it. This was the Eastern Palace, and it was a forbidden area in the rear hall. Without the Crown Prince's orders, no one dared to trespass. She thought that Yue Ya had come. She still closed her eyes and said lazily,"Come over." |
| She took off her noble disguise and looked like a big sister next door with a little more earth aura. |
| When she saw that there was no movement behind her, she felt that someone was staring at her and subconsciously turned around to look. |
| Time stopped at this moment! |
| Their eyes met. Zhang Ronghua wanted to leave quietly and not disturb her, but she turned around at this moment. |
| They stared at each other, and the atmosphere was strange. |
| He came back to his senses. |
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No matter how smart and rational a person was, there would be a moment when they lost their rationality.

Ji Xueyan was one of them. If it was before, she would definitely not have screamed in fear when she encountered such a situation in the Eastern Palace. If she attracted the attention of the surrounding Flood Dragon Guards, the consequences would be unimaginable.

But now, her fiery red lips began to open, and she subconsciously wanted to cry out.

Zhang Ronghua reacted very quickly. If she called out, she would really run away.

He slapped his right hand behind him and closed the palace door with his palm. His movement technique was beyond his level, even more exaggerated than teleportation. He appeared in front of her with only one thought. He had to cover her mouth and not let her scream.

He pressed his left hand on the back of her head and covered her mouth with his right hand.

It was very soft in his hand. He did not care to feel it. His anxious heart relaxed and he hurriedly said,"I didn't do it on purpose!"

Ji Xueyan had calmed down. Her reaction just now was instinctive. She knew that she could not make this matter known. Otherwise, her reputation would be tarnished and Zhang Ronghua would die. She had a good impression of him. Although she did not want to admit it, this was the truth. She did not want anything to happen to him.

She looked at him coldly, indicating that she could take her hand away.

He retracted his hand and pointed at the words on the table." His Highness just gave me a set of words here. The ink was not dry yet, and he was in a hurry to enter the palace. I sent him outside the Eastern Palace, and then Shuang 'er called me over. When I was done and was about to leave, I remembered that the words were still here, so I came back to get them. I didn't know you were bathing here."

"Turn around!"

| Zhang Ronghua did as he was told. Seeing him turn around, Ji Xueyan quickly came out and put on the clothes at the side as fast as she could. |
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| "Look at me!" |
| He turned back to look at her. |
| Ji Xueyan's expression was serious as she solemnly instructed,""Don't tell anyone what you saw just now. It will rot in your heart forever! You're a smart person. If you leak some information, you should know what the outcome is." |
| "I know!" |
| "Hurry up and leave before the crescent Moon returns!" |
| Zhang Ronghua responded and turned to leave. Ji Xueyan's voice sounded again," "Stop!" |
| He looked at her suspiciously. |
| He followed her gaze and forgot the words on the table. He quickly walked forward and put away the words. He opened the door and left. There was no one around, but he felt guilty and quickly left. |
| She had not done anything, but she was still very flustered and uneasy. |
| When he arrived at the back hall, he happened to see Yue Ya, who was returning with the spiritual fruit. She was bouncing and shaking her head, smiling like a flower. The latter stopped and sized him up suspiciously. "Eh? |
| Why are you walking so fast?" |

Zheng Fugui's voice came from the front and waved at him.""Cousin, come over quickly!"

Zhang Ronghua had never felt that his cousin was so good, nor did he feel that he was so silly. He was obviously cute, so he resolved his embarrassment. His expression did not change,"I have something to do!"

He left in two steps.

Yue Ya didn't think too much about it. He was a captain of the Flood Dragon Guards, so it was normal for him to handle missions. He took the spirit fruit and walked towards Shang Wen Hall..

Chapter 46: Comprehending the Dao

In the palace.

Ji Xueyan's soul seemed to have been sucked away. She stood on the spot and did not move for a long time. Her mind was in a mess. She did not know what to do.

To a girl, innocence was more important than anything else.

If the last time was to save his life, this time was purely an accident.

At that time, she only had the thought that she couldn't let anyone know about this matter. She must keep it in her heart. However, this was in conflict with her upbringing. The two completely different ideas clashed violently. She was about to go crazy.

A voice told her that this was not a good impression, but a liking. Since she liked him, she should pursue him boldly, let go of everything she had now, elope with him, and make the world her home.

The other voice said that she was the precious daughter of the Grand Tutor, born with a silver spoon in her mouth, the favored daughter of Xia, the successor of Jixia Learning Palace, and the future mother of

Xia. Her status was noble and she was destined to be the mother of the world. She and he were from two different worlds. She was no longer clean, so she had to silence him before this matter was exposed.

Her breathing became heavier, and her mind became more and more unclear. A faint blood-red light appeared in her beautiful eyes. This was a sign that her state of mind was unstable and that she was going crazy.

Footsteps sounded.

Yue Ya's voice came from outside, relaxed and happy.""I'm back!"

It was like a ray of sunlight shining on the darkness, waking her from her madness. The blood light dissipated, and her beautiful eyes were clear and bright.

The two completely different voices also disappeared at this moment.

She was expressionless, cold, and terrifying. She exuded a powerful aura and once again returned to being a proud and arrogant lady.

At the same time, this matter was not a bad thing.

Although it was very dangerous just now and she almost went berserk, after breaking through the heavy clouds, her state of mind had risen to another level. Her temperament had also become even more ethereal, and the smell of otherworldly was even stronger.

He thought firmly in his heart, It's already in the past!"

These short words represented her decision.

The door was pushed open.

| Yue Ya walked in with a puzzled expression.""Miss, why did you come out?" |
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| "I'm fine!" |
| He strode away and walked towards the Xuanhe Hall. |
| On the way. |
| Zhang Ronghua's situation was not much better than hers. She almost went berserk. Although he did not, his mind was in a mess, and it was even more intense than hers. |
| He could no longer suppress his crazy thoughts. A voice told him to reveal his true feelings and love her boldly before taking her away. |
| "Phew!" |
| Letting out a breath of turbid air, he looked at the setting sun and smiled bitterly. "I'm possessed." |
| Zheng Fugui was confused and asked curiously,""What's wrong? |
| "Catch!" |
| He took out a bottle of Heavenly Jade Brew and threw it over. |
| He put it away excitedly and looked at the sunset in disbelief. "The sun didn't rise from the west. Why are you so generous?" |
| Bang! |
| Reward him with a chestnut. |

| Zhang Ronghua ignored him and walked towards the Meditation Lake. |
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| At this point. |
| He didn't even take off his clothes and jumped down. |
| "Cousin, you want to catch fish? Let me help you." |
| Bang! |
| Another wave of water splashed out, and he jumped in as well. |
| ""Zhang Ronghua was speechless. |
| He was just very confused and wanted to use the lake water to calm down. |
| She ignored him and stayed underwater with her eyes closed. |
| The immense water pressure in the surroundings pressed down on him, making it difficult for him to breathe. He circulated the Black Yellow Heaven Opening Art to protect himself, allowing him to breathe freely underwater without being troubled. |
| Quietly listening to the sound of the water flow, he felt an unprecedented clarity. His terrifying talent was displayed once again. The lake water seemed to have a life of its own. Every movement appeared clearly in front of him, as if it was a part of his body. The two were inseparable. |
| Even the scene of Zheng Fugui in the lake appeared clearly in his mind. He punched the fish head and controlled his strength very well. He knocked the fish unconscious and threw it on the shore. Then, he |

repeated the same thing.

| Two hours later. |
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| Zheng Fugui sat on the shore for a long time. He looked at his cousin below and wondered,""Still not coming up?" |
| Suddenly, his eyes lit up. |
| Zhang Ronghua's body emitted a special aura. Although it was very faint, it contained the truth of the Great Dao. He was a martial arts fanatic. When he saw this scene, he immediately recognized that this was enlightenment! |
| He quickly stood up from the ground and stared at his cousin's every move with eyes bigger than eggs. He wanted to take advantage of his enlightenment to hitch a ride and benefit from it. |
| He didn't have the ability to enter this state, but he could at least freeload! |
| In the water. |
| Zhang Ronghua's brain was working at an unimaginable speed. All the accumulated power in his body exploded at this moment. He used the lake water to comprehend the sword path and mastered all the sword techniques in his body. He created his own divine power. |
| He patted the Five Dragon Spirit Controlling Belt with one hand and took out the Golden Dragon Sword. He stabbed, slashed, and slashed according to his thoughts without any order. The simple basic sword moves were executed over and over again, from slow to fast, until not a single afterimage could be seen. |
| The Golden Dragon Sword stabbed fiercely, and thousands of golden lights came out of the sword. Terrifying sword Qi rippled and enveloped the entire lake. He growled," Nine Tribulations Overturning |

The lake water exploded and shot up hundreds of feet high. Countless water droplets fell and hit the water surface, creating a violent sound. The violent and destructive sword qi didn't dissipate for a long time.

Sea Sword Technique!" Boom!

| Grand Tutor Manor. |
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| In the study room. |
| The Grand Tutor was reading a book. With his current status, there were very few things that could move him, including the recent events in the capital. To him, they were just small scenes. |
| As the Crown Prince, the future heir to the throne of the Great Xia Dynasty, if he couldn't even handle his own affairs properly, how could he handle the more complicated state affairs? |
| The position they stood in was different, so they looked at the problem differently. |
| At this moment, Zhang Ronghua comprehended the Dao and created the Nine Tribulations Overturning the Sea Sword Technique, which caused a phenomenon in the world. He let out a soft cry and put down the book in his hand. With a wave of his right hand, a mirror image was condensed. It was the scene of him putting away his sword and standing. |
| "The little fellow who came with the Crown Prince last time? He was quite talented. He had comprehended Righteousness Qi and could even create his own divine power. It was quite rare." |
| He pointed his finger. |
| The mirror image disappeared and he continued reading. |
| Zhang Ronghua didn't know if it was just an illusion, but he felt that someone was peeping at him. He used his soul power to scan the surroundings, and there was no one else except Zheng Fugui. |
| "Am I overthinking things?" |
| He shook his head. |

Sensing his own state, he created the Nine Tribulations Overturning Sea Sword Technique, and his cultivation also broke through one level, reaching the eighth level of the Heaven Tier. His Black Yellow True Origin was five times stronger than before.

He nodded in satisfaction and jumped out of the lake. He evaporated the water on his body and stood on the surface of the water.

Looking at Zheng Fugui who was practicing, he laughed."This fellow is quite lucky. He actually managed to seize the opportunity when I was comprehending the Dao and obtain some opportunities.."

Chapter 47: The Curtain Draws

He took a step forward and appeared on the shore.

There were more than twenty fish scattered on the ground. Judging from their size, each fish weighed at least three catties, and some weighed more than ten catties.

Zhang Ronghua looked at him angrily. "I'll let you eat as much as you want!"

At this moment.

Zheng Fugui had also reached a critical moment. Just as he said, he did not have the ability to enter the state of enlightenment, but being able to seize the opportunity was also a kind of ability.

He took a ride from his cousin and cultivated the Mountain River World

Suppression Fist. He understood the true meaning of the Mountain River and executed a majestic fist technique. It was magnificent and contained supreme power. When it ended, he broke through to the third tier of the Grandmaster

| The fish are all killed, but tonight you don't eat, tomorrow the taste will change, waste is shameful. |
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| "Uncle Shi, it's been hard on you. Barbeque these fish."' |
| An hour later. |
| Staring at the table full of grilled fish, Zheng Fugui was dumbfounded. Then, he looked at his cousin and the others. They were drinking the Heavenly Jade Brew and eating the dishes, but they were his dinner. He was like a little wife who had been bullied and had no choice but to eat. |
| After the meal. |
| He swore! He would never eat fish again in this life. |
| I'm not bathing today. |
| After breakfast, he practiced the Nine Calamity Overturning Sea Sword |
| Technique in the courtyard. This Divine Sense was just a new creation. |
| According to his theory, there were a total of nine moves. The later the moves were, the more powerful they were. Especially the last move, when the first eight moves were stacked together, the power would be eighty-one times stronger. |
| But now, Zhang Ronghua's accumulation was not enough. He had already used up all his previous foundation to create this sword technique. He would slowly perfect it in the future. |

Zheng Fugui was not idle either. He followed his cousin's example. When his cousin was on duty, he would laze around while he went to work. When his cousin took a break, he would also follow. He would

practice his sword while he would practice his fist.

Zhang Ronghua stopped and put away his Golden Dragon Sword. He sat down on a chair beside him and took out a book to read. He wanted to cultivate his body and temper his Righteousness.

After practicing the fist technique a few times, he stopped."I'm going to the streets!"

She put down the book and sized him up, making him feel uncomfortable."Go ahead."

Zheng Fugui left happily after receiving permission.

After a while.

After reading for a while, he put away the book. He also wanted to go shopping. It had been a long time since he had gone shopping.

He got up from the chair and changed into a blue robe. He tied a hair band on his head and told Uncle Shi not to cook for them at noon. He walked out of the door and strolled aimlessly in the market.

At the Godly Tiger Bodyguard Agency.

In the capital, it was only a medium-sized escort agency. Although its strength was not top-notch, it was very famous. As long as it was in Great Xia, even if you wanted to escort goods to the border, as long as the price was right, they would be able to deliver the goods. It was very popular among the people of the martial world.

Chief Escort Lin Shiyuan was given the title of "Maitreya Buddha" by Jianghu people. He had a profound cultivation and was ruthless against his enemies. However, he was very good to his own people and was very good at winning people's hearts.

In the study room.

A young man quickly walked in from outside. His expression was serious and urgent, as if something big had happened. His name was Lin Yifei, Lin Shiyuan's son.

| He closed the door. | | | | | | | |
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| "Father, something big has happened!" | | | | | | | |
| Lin Shiyuan's face was filled with displeasure. He frowned and said,"How can you be so flustered? If outsiders saw this, they would think that our Divine Tiger Bodyguard Agency is doomed!" | | | | | | | |
| "Look!" | | | | | | | |
| She placed the letter in front of him and opened it. | | | | | | | |
| He finished reading it in one go. | | | | | | | |
| Suddenly, Lin Shiyuan's expression changed drastically. It was as if the sky had collapsed. He stood up from the chair and clenched his fists tightly. A strong killing intent seeped out of his body."Pass on my order. At all costs, get everyone in the escort agency to find him. Even if we have to turn the capital upside down, we have to find this damn dog!" | | | | | | | |
| "Yes." | | | | | | | |
| Lin Yifei knew the seriousness of the matter. Once this dog was caught, their Divine Tiger Bodyguard Agency would be finished. At that time, everyone would die. | | | | | | | |
| Just as he reached the door, his voice sounded from behind. "Father is worried! | | | | | | | |
| With you guys." | | | | | | | |
| Beijing was very big. | | | | | | | |

From noon onwards, he had been wandering aimlessly until it was dark. He had only walked halfway through the southern part of the city. He was eating hot pancakes and drinking spicy soup as he walked back.

When they arrived at a small bridge, they bumped into Lu Zhantang. He was in a hurry and looked like he was in a hurry.

The last time they drank at his house, their relationship had improved greatly. "Why are you in such a hurry? Is there a mission?"

Lu Zhantang stopped. Seeing that he was alone, he looked confused."Where's wealth?"

"I went out shopping in the afternoon. I should be back now! What are you doing?"

"I couldn't make up my mind about something and was isolated by the True

Dragon Palace, so I asked Ma Ping 'an to help me analyze it."

"Tell me!"

After explaining everything, he realized that his arch-enemy, Pang Bing, had been fine in the morning, but in the afternoon, he seemed to have changed into a different person. He could feel the cold aura on his body from far away, and he left in a hurry with a battalion of soldiers.

The relationship between the two sides was like fire and water. They wanted to get rid of each other. Once they seized the opportunity, they would kill each other.

Lu Zhantang was the same. He guessed that something must have happened, but he couldn't figure it out. Although he had some trusted aides in the True Dragon Palace, it was harder to ask them to come up with a plan than to kill them. Therefore, he thought of Ma Ping 'an.

"Did you send someone to follow them?" asked Zhang Ronghua."

| "Yes." Lu Zhantang nodded. |
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| "They seem to be looking for a dog. Other than Pang Bing, the Divine Tiger Escort Agency is also helping. Even Lin Shiyuan has taken action. They didn't have much interaction with each other. Even if they did, was a dog worth so much effort? Could it be that there was some secret hidden within?" |
| "If it were you, if the value of this dog wasn't as great as the price you had to pay, would you have taken action?" |
| "I won't!" |
| He was also a bystander. After being pointed at by Zhang Ronghua, he instantly reacted. His eyes were cold as he said fiercely, "I'll go back and call for help. I'll find this dog before they do" |
| Chapter 48: The Marquis of Loyalty Makes a Move |
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| As a friend, Zhang Ronghua casually mentioned,""You need my help?" |
| "You can mobilize the Flood Dragon Guards for private matters?" Lu Zhantang stopped and asked with a frown." |
| "1st Battalion!" |
| "Adding twenty people on my side, it's enough." |
| Seemingly having guessed that he was puzzled, she opened her mouth to explain. |
| "I've been isolated by the True Dragon Palace and can't mobilize the others. These are all my trusted aides and I can trust them completely." |

After discussing it, the two of them separated.

Zhang Ronghua went back home first and called Zheng Fugui. He asked him to go to the Eastern Palace to call for people and bring a battalion of people to look for suspicious dogs in the southern part of the city.

Puzzled, he hurried toward the Eastern Palace.

He didn't stay idle either. He shuttled through the city, looking for traces of the dog.

During this time, they met the people from the Divine Tiger Bodyguard Agency, as well as Pang Bing and the others. They were all looking for the dog, but they did not meet each other. They also did not find him, but they bumped into Lu Zhantang. Seeing that he was looking for the dog with his confidants, Pang Bing and the others had a bad feeling. Things were about to get out of control. They had not fought yet, and they had already separated when they met.

After Lu Zhantang left with his men, he hurriedly called over a trusted aide and asked him to pass the news back.

Fifteen minutes later.

It confirmed Pang Bing's guess. Zheng Fugui had brought a battalion of Flood

Dragon Guards and joined in. He thought of Lu Zhantang's reliance on the

Crown Prince, and a bold guess appeared in his mind. He hurriedly found Lin Shiyuan and said with a solemn expression, "The Crown Prince has made his move."

The latter was even more ruthless. He made a throat-cutting gesture and said with killing intent,"In for a penny, in for a pound. Get rid of them!"

"Foolish! With the Flood Dragon Guards and Lu Zhantang, even if we can destroy them, we'll be killed after this! Moreover, since the Crown Prince had taken action, he must have received the news. He was not sure yet. He would let the Flood Dragon Guards test the waters first. If he killed them and confirmed his guess, he would not have enough manpower."

"Then what do you think we should do?"

Pang Bing's face was cold. His fingers were tightly clenched together, and his fingernails dug into his flesh without him noticing. Things had developed to this point, and it was a matter of life and death. If they could not find the dog that had escaped before them, everyone would die, and even their families would suffer.

There was no way out!

When faced with a desperate situation, most people would choose to take a wild gamble. If they won, everything would be fine.

If they lost, they would have to eat a few pieces of meat since they were going to die anyway.

"Our strength alone is not enough. After searching for an entire afternoon, we haven't even finished searching the southern part of the city! Let Lord Marquis make a move, then let him pressure the Nancheng County government to send people to search for it. With so many of our forces, I don't believe we can't find

"But this way, the matter will blow up and make others suspicious! The Crown

Prince might send more people."

"Do we have other methods?"

Lin Shiyuan was silent. They were forced into a dead end.

| Pang Bing patted him on the shoulder, his gaze vicious like a ferocious beast.""Elder Lin, we have no other way out. If we don't be ruthless now, we will kill this dog before they react!" |
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| "I understand!" |
| Just as he was about to leave with the people of the Godly Tiger Escort Agency, he stopped in his tracks and voiced his concerns." What if this damn dog escapes from South City?" |
| "I won't!" Pang Bing shook his head. |
| "According to the news I received, it is still here. Moreover, after the incident, Lord Marquis had already ordered people to secretly seal off the south city. If it escaped, it would be impossible for us not to know." |
| "Let's go!" |
| The people from the Godly Tiger Bodyguard Agency left and looked for the dog again. |
| This time, their temperaments had changed. Their gazes were vicious and their killing intent soared to the sky. One could feel their killing intent from far away. |
| According to the plan. |
| Pang Bing sent a message again and told them the seriousness of the matter. |
| He immediately sent it back and led the people of the True Dragon Palace to search the area. |
| At the Loyalty Marquis Manor. |
| In the study room. |

The lights were brightly lit, and the Loyalty Marquis sat on the main seat. His square face was stern and filled with killing intent. His gaze was like a knife, shooting out a terrifying cold light. His powerful aura was like a mountain.

Other than him, his three sons were also there.

After what happened during the day, he had sent people to seal off South City and then sent the news to Pang Bing and Lin Shiyuan, asking them to find this damn dog at all costs.

From the afternoon until now, he had not gone anywhere and was waiting for news in the study.

As time passed, the uneasiness in his heart grew stronger. He couldn't tell where this feeling came from.

However, he could not panic. If he panicked, he would definitely die this time.

Thinking of everything that had happened these days, they had almost all their cards played, leaving only some rotten fish and smelly prawns. Otherwise, with their immense power, they would have found this dead dog long ago.

Right now, they could only hope that Pang Bing and Lin Shiyuan would give them some strength. Even if they were exposed later, it did not matter. As long as they destroyed it, they would not lose. There was still hope for everything.

The sound of hurried footsteps came from outside. Hearing the commotion, the four of them immediately looked up. Marquis Zhongyi was still alright. After all, he had experienced great storms. Even if Mount Tai was about to collapse, his shrewdness was still intact.

However, his three sons did not have the ability to do so. Their anxious expressions betrayed them.

The door was pushed open.

| The old butler came in from outside, panting heavily. He didn't dare to delay and told Pang Bing the news. |
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| After listening. |
| The study was deathly silent. One could even hear a pin drop on the ground. |
| The four of them looked at the Loyalty Marquis, only to see that his gaze was becoming sharper and sharper. The cold light that shot out from him no longer belonged to a human, but to a berserk beast. |
| "Pang Bing did the right thing! He had to get rid of it before the Crown Prince could react! For this reason, even if he exposed some of his strength and aroused his suspicion, he could not care so much." |
| He looked at his eldest son. |
| "Go to the county government now and tell them that the treasure in my residence was stolen by a demon dog. Ask the county magistrate to send out all his men to search for it just in case." |
| He then looked at his two remaining sons. |
| "Bring everyone in the residence to help and keep an eye on the Crown Prince's men. If they find the demon dog before us, even if they die in battle, they must destroy it!" |
| He waited for them to leave. |
| The loyal duke stood up from his chair. He could no longer suppress his anger. He grabbed the teacup beside him and smashed it on the ground in anger. He then kicked the table and chairs over and cursed, "Damned beast!" |
| The more he thought about it, the more worried he became. Things had already changed, and the |

Crown Prince was involved. He could not sit still anymore.

"I'll leave the mansion to you. I'll personally take action!"

In the Eastern Palace.

Just as the Crown Prince was about to fall asleep, Qing 'er rushed in from outside and stopped beside him.""There's news that the treasures in the Loyalty Marquis 'Residence have been stolen by the demon dog. He has already made his move and asked the Eldest Young Master to pressure the Nancheng County Government to send people to search for them."

Just now.

Zheng Fugui came over to call for help, saying that he was going to help Lu Zhantang get rid of Pang Bing. He brought a battalion of men and left. Out of caution, he asked the secret forces to investigate.

They wouldn't have known if they hadn't checked, but they were shocked when they checked. The entire South City was filled with people. It wasn't too much to say that they were like an iron bucket..

Chapter 49: A Thousand Miles of Death

The Crown Prince stretched out his hand, and Shuang 'er poured a cup of spiritual tea and handed it over. She held the teacup with the lid covering the tea, but she was not in a hurry to drink it. Even though the spiritual tea contained a rich spiritual energy of heaven and earth and the fragrance pervaded the air, it could not attract his attention. It was as if she was thinking, trying hard to connect unrelated lines.

Loyalty, Hou, Gui, Jue, Hou, Mi, Gao, Gao, weight, in the army, quite prestigious, once something happens at the border, Jue, at any time, all can be dispatched to the past, even in the capital, there are many good friends.

However, from the information they had, they had no contact with Pang Bing before this, let alone Lin Shiyuan of the Divine Tiger Bodyguard Agency.

Even if a small Head Escort was famous in the martial world, he would not be able to catch the attention of these big shots.

But now, three unrelated lines had actually intersected.

They told the public that it was a demon dog who had stolen the treasures of the residence and deceived outsiders. It was fine, but people with discerning eyes could tell at a glance that this was just a facade.

"What should we do now, Your Highness?" asked the Green Girl."

The crown prince took a sip of the spiritual tea and handed the teacup to

Shuang 'er. Suddenly, he smiled. "Lu Zhantang is a lone person. Since he and Pang Bing have been enemies for a long time, I want to take this opportunity to get rid of him. It's fine if I don't know, but since I know, I can't pretend that I don't see it. Let Ma Ping 'an bring the two Flood Dragon Guards to help, and then send someone to secretly watch and find out what the Loyalty Marquis Marquis is talking about!"

'Yes!"

After she left, he got off the bed and looked at the night sky outside the window. His eyes sparkled. I've stirred up this pool of water, so I want to see what the truth is!

South City, near the city wall.

Zhang Ronghua searched almost half of the place alone. In the face of a huge soul power, it was easy to find a dog. If there were any hidden dogs, he would know with a sweep.

Even if the other party concealed himself and cultivated a special secret technique, he would not be able to hide from him.

| Seeing that the entire South City was about to be searched, but there was still no trace of the demon dog, he frowned deeply."Did he escape?" |
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| He shook his head. Probably not. |
| The entire southern city was sealed off, and there was no way to enter or leave. Even if they could hide underground for a short Deriod of time, they could not |
| hide. |
| Moreover |
| Pang Bing's men grew in number, and almost every street was filled with his men. |
| If the demon dog had escaped, it would not have stayed here. It would have looked at the rest of the place and searched everything. |
| He tapped his foot. |
| Like a ghost, he shuttled through the night. His enormous Soul Power covered the surroundings and carefully searched. |
| The sound of intense fighting came from the front. Under the cover of soul power, four White Dragon Envoys surrounded and attacked a seriously injured Spirit Master. Although she was on the verge of death, her cultivation was profound. She was actually an early stage Heaven class Spirit Master. Her left arm was gone, as if it had been brutally bitten off by sharp teeth. Her right leg was also broken in half, and her chest was pierced through. Blood flowed out uncontrollably. |

Even so, he still had the upper hand by relying on the suppression of his cultivation realm and his soul

skill. It was just that he was unable to take them down.

As time passed, the injuries on her body became more and more serious. The dizziness also became stronger, and she could fall at any time. Seeing that the four of them were like sticky candy clinging onto her, she was unwilling to let go and wanted to kill her here.

Lady Blood Hand was furious. As the Earth Fiend Vice Sect Master, even the Sect Master had to be polite to her. When had she ever suffered such a cowardly grievance?

He was burning with anger, and a terrifying killing intent erupted. He roared, "Go to hell, all of you!"

He endured the heavy injuries and mobilized all his souls to transform into dozens of giant swords, slashing fiercely.

Clang! Clang! Clang!

The expressions of the four people changed drastically. They hurriedly joined forces to fight the enemy. They used defensive methods and blocked more than 30 sword lights. They could not block the remaining sword lights. Their bodies were pierced through, and their broken corpses scattered on the ground.

The last bit of her strength was used up in one strike. Her body went limp and she fell to the ground. She endured the heavy injury and supported herself with one arm on the ground. She stood up and was about to leave.

With a flash of golden light, Zhang Ronghua appeared in front of her.

Looking at the person who came, Lady Bloody Hand was bewildered. She realized that she could not see through him. Her heart, which had just been relieved, rose to her throat again. She remained vigilant and asked coldly, "Who are you?"

Looking at her, the symbol on her chest was very obvious. Earth Fiend's people were still at the early stage of the Heaven class. It seemed that they were high-level.

"You don't deserve to know!"

The speed was too fast. Even if she wasn't injured, she wouldn't be able to see Zhang Ronghua's movements clearly. She felt a pain in her chest and was sent flying. She only stopped when she hit the city wall.

He spat out a mouthful of blood and pressed one hand on the ground. He retreated in fear, but there was no way to retreat behind the city wall.

"What does Earth Fiend want by sending you here?" Zhang Ronghua asked with a cold face."

Lady Bloody Hand was stubborn.

"You don't know how to appreciate favors!"

Even someone as strong as her couldn't withstand the interrogation of the Seven Severing Soul Destroying Hand. Not everyone was like Wu Li Zhi, who had strong willpower and could withstand this secret skill.

From her. he learned that Earth Fiend's branch in the caDital had been destroyed some time ago. He had been delayed by some matters and had not had the time to come over to check. Now that he was done with his work, he had sent her over. Other than her, there was a group of people who had arrived in the past two days to ask for the contact point.

Zhang Ronghua rubbed his nose. He was the one who wiped out Lao Gui and the others.

From the looks of it, the fate between him and the Earth Fiend was not shallow.

She raised her palm and was about to send her on her way when Lady Blood Hand thought of the grievances she had suffered and shouted unwillingly,"'Bengong is not convinced! If it wasn't for that damned dog, he wouldn't have been bullied by the four juniors, and he wouldn't have ended up in this state."

"A dog?"

His eyes lit up. He had searched everywhere and found nothing. After searching for almost half a night, he had not found any clues. However, the people of Earth Fiend had delivered the news to him. What a good person! She closed her eyes and looked like she was waiting for death.

"Where is the dog?" Zhang Ronghua asked again."

Lady Blood Hand was stunned and looked at him suspiciously. She was prepared to die, but this person was actually concerned about the demon dog?

She wasn't stupid. She guessed that Zhang Ronghua's goal was probably it.

If it was before, she would definitely not have said anything about how badly she had been injured from the battle. But now, even if she died, she wanted to drag the demon dog along with her to accompany her on the road to the afterlife.

"It has already escaped from the city. Calculating the time, it's less than 15 minutes."

He sent her on her way with one palm. He searched her body and found two thousand silver notes. He put them into the Five Dragons Spirit Controlling

Belt and looked at the city wall."The people of the True Dragon Palace are trash!"

With a leap, he flew out like lightning.

After leaving the capital city, he chased after the direction that Lady Bloody Hand had pointed out. His soul power did not stay idle either. Wherever he went, he was searched.

He had just left.

The commotion here, and her unwilling roar before she died, had attracted people nearby. Marquis Zhongyi also rushed over. Looking at Lady Lady Bloody Hand's broken body and the dead White Dragon

Envoy, a bad thought appeared. Could it be that the Crown Prince's men had arrived first? Thinking of this, he suppressed his anger and ordered, "Chase!"

Chapter 50: The Demon Bird (1)

The Hell Flame Hound had two bloodlines. It was born from the combination of the ferocious beast Hell Hound and the demon Flame Wolf. It was far from adulthood. This time, it came to the capital secretly from home.

Originally, he didn't want to come, but he ate some itinerant cultivators on the road. From their mouths, he learned that the capital of the Great Xia Dynasty was very prosperous, the city was so huge, the population was so many, the delicacies were countless, and the cultivation resources were also very rich. He wanted to come and see the world.

They are and are all the way until they finally reached the capital.

Looking at the tall capital city, the city walls were very high and were engraved with arrays. Although they were not activated, his instincts told him that the arrays engraved on the city walls were very terrifying. As long as they were activated, a casual attack could destroy them. This made his inflated heart return to reality and he felt that he had to keep a low profile as a dog.

He didn't take the normal path and didn't transform into a human.

In its eyes, it was a noble vicious demon. Transforming into a human would lower its status. It directly used its innate divine ability to escape underground and sneak into the capital.

(Fierce demons are the descendants of fierce beasts and demons.)

After that, he appeared in a super luxurious courtyard. It was still below the study. Seeing that there were people talking above, even a dog would be curious. It pricked up its ears and listened. The more it listened, the more it felt that something was wrong. It took out a voice recording stone from the freelance cultivator it had eaten and secretly remembered it. It would be used to extort them later.

However, it had forgotten that although the underground movement was powerful and could be used to travel thousands of miles with a single thought, it was too difficult to cultivate. It had only grasped a little bit of it and could not even be considered superficial. It could not stay underground for a long time. When the time of the divine art was up, it would automatically appear from underground and be discovered.

They wanted to silence it, but it was not to be trifled with. Before it could transform into its true form, it was injured in one move.

It was like a bucket of cold water had been poured on its head, and its heart had fallen to the bottom of the valley. How could it dare to stay any longer? It burned its bloodline and once again used the earth movement divine art to escape before the other party could react.

After leaving the courtyard, it did not dare to stay in the capital any longer. It was so dangerous to meet any random family. If it stayed any longer, its dog life would really be gone. It might even be stewed in a pot.

He wanted to leave.

However, the southern part of the city was sealed off and there were people everywhere, as if they were looking for it. If they left now, they would be discovered. They found a place to recuperate and only dared to leave when night fell.

I thought that I could escape from their clutches and be lawless, eating whoever I wanted, but I met an old woman head-on. She was a bloodthirsty lady, and she was ugly. Seeing that she had a noble bloodline and was a fierce demon, I wanted to catch her and raise her as a pet.

It was a noble evil demon. Even if it was injured, it was not something that a stinky woman could bully.

The fire in his heart could be vented!

He transformed into his true form and fought with her, wanting to eat Lady Bloody Hand to recover his vitality. Only when he fought did he realize that this was actually a Heaven Rank Soul Master, not to be trifled with!

He was afraid that the pursuers behind him would catch up, so he wanted to leave.

However, she didn't allow it. Seeing that it had a profound cultivation, it was determined to capture it. Its ferocity erupted. The Hell Flame Hound was furious. It didn't care about anything else and only had one thought: to eat her.

After a great battle, both sides suffered heavy losses.

Lady Bloody Hand used a secret technique to escape, and it also dragged its heavily injured body away.

Just when it thought that the nightmare was finally over and that it could find a place to recuperate, a demon, a bird, had its eyes on it. It followed it all the way and tested it a few times. When it saw that its strength was less than 10% of its original strength, the demon bird decisively attacked and swallowed it.

If it was before he was injured, he could easily kill someone at the tenth level of the Great Grandmaster Realm. Now, he did not even have the strength to resist.

However, it was a vicious demon after all and had a lot of resources.

It did not die immediately. It struggled in its stomach, wanting to break out of its body.

The demon bird was caught off guard and fell from the sky, leaving a huge hole in the ground. Fortunately, it was not high. Otherwise, it would have fallen to its death.

This time, he learned to be honest and did not dare to leave. He found a hidden mountain nearby and focused on refining the Hell Flame Hound.

Following the direction Lady Bloody Hand pointed, Zhang Ronghua followed the trail of blood all the way to the river. The trail was cut off here. The surrounding flowers and trees were destroyed, and even the ground was the same. It was a mess, as if a big battle had taken place. It was probably where they had fought before.

Looking at the river in front of him, it was only about ten feet wide and very shallow. One could see the bottom of the river at a glance. There was no way to hide a dog. There were some traces of blood on the other side of the river.

Continue chasing!

After a while.

He stopped. The blood on the ground had disappeared, but under the cover of his soul power, there was a huge pit not far ahead.

He rushed over and stopped at the pit.

It was dozens of feet wide and nearly seven feet deep. There were remnants of the aura of demons and devils, as well as some blood stains.

Judging from its appearance, it seemed to have been left behind by a demon bird.

Looking at the sky, Zhang Ronghua guessed, "Was it eaten?""

The aura left behind by the demon bird was still very strong. It seemed that it had not gone far and should be nearby.

He looked around.

There was a small mountain in front of him on the left. Ancient trees towered into the sky and thorns covered the ground. If he was eaten by it and didn't refine the demonic dog as soon as possible, under



and killed it. Then, he cut open its belly without hurting the Hell Flame Hound inside.

| After such a long time, it I | nad been seriously ir | njured and had fought r | many battles. A | fter being refined for |
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| a while, it was already de | ad. Beside its corpse | was a voice recoramg | stone. | |

He grabbed the voice-recording stone in his hand and injected some true essence into it. The image appeared...

Boom!

His brain shook violently.. With disbelief and deep shock, he actually unintentionally found out who was behind this!