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Chapter 1091: You Can Take Action Now!

Ji Qiuyu had not seen the battle between Lu Chen and the Heavenly Demon, but from the actions of the major powers fleeing, she could basically guess the outcome.

At this time, the Puppet of Lu Chen was embracing Ji Qiuyu's waist, whispering in her ear, "The major powers of the Ziyang World took the initiative to release the Heavenly Demon, giving me an opportunity to attack the Ziyang World."

Hearing Lu Chen's words, Ji Qiuyu felt incredibly conflicted. She also opposed the release of the Heavenly Demon, even if foreign invaders were attacking; in her eyes, the Heavenly Demon was still the main enemy of the Cultivators.

Now that the major powers of the Ziyang World had joined forces to release the Heavenly Demon, even if they claimed it was to let the Heavenly Demon fend off the foreign invaders, in the eyes of most common people, their actions were tantamount to destroying the entire Ziyang World.

If the foreign invaders entered the Ziyang World at this moment and eliminated the Heavenly Demon, it would actually help the Ziyang World remove a scourge.

Furthermore, now that the major powers had fled without offering any resistance, the people of the Ziyang World felt even more disdain towards these major powers.

Under such circumstances, once the foreign armies entered the Ziyang World, there would be many lower-ranking powers that would choose to actively submit; it could be said that the Ziyang World now belonged to Lu Chen and what remained was merely a process of taking over.

The thought of becoming a traitor to the Ziyang World, becoming an accomplice to Lu Chen, the foreign invader, made Ji Qiuyu feel extremely distressed.

Damn it! This dead liar is actually so powerful!

With someone as powerful as him, she feared that even self-destructing at the Genesis Realm wouldn't cause him any harm.

She, the traitor, would be reviled in the Ziyang World for eternity.

At the same time.

After Lu Chen had slain the Heavenly Demon, he immediately used his Puppet to send a message to the army of the Tianchen World to enter the Ziyang World.

Before long, one Flying Boat after another, bearing the flags of Great Sum, passed through the cracks of the world's barrier into this realm.

When the first Great Sum Flying Boat entered the skies above Black Moon City, Ji Qiuyu felt completely despondent.

Looking at those flags in the sky she had never seen before, Ji Qiuyu said to Lu Chen's Puppet, "You can make your move now!"

Lu Chen replied indifferently, "No rush."

As he spoke, Lu Chen suddenly thought of something and said with a smile, "I can give you two choices—one is to die now, the other is to forget about me and then die."

Upon hearing Lu Chen's words, Ji Qiuyu felt a pang in her heart; he was indeed a dead liar, claiming to like her with his words, but in the end, he still planned to kill her.

By now, she was no longer afraid of death, but Lu Chen's deception and his attitude towards her hurt more than death itself.

Ji Qiuyu then said, "If you have a way to erase my memory, then do it!"

Instead of dying in pain and turmoil, she would rather forget this dead liar and die knowing nothing at all.

Lu Chen said, "Wait a moment, soon my people will bring you the Spiritual Tea that will make you forget everything."

Hearing this, Ji Qiuyu closed her eyes slightly, waiting quietly.

After what seemed like an eternity, a woman dressed in white leaped down from a Flying Boat in the sky, holding a teapot and a cup in her hands.

When Ji Qiuyu felt the woman's aura, she opened her eyes again and saw the stunningly beautiful and dignified woman standing before her, like a Banished Immortal descended to the mortal world, and she was momentarily taken aback.

As she had thought, this dead liar never lacked beautiful women by his side.

But all of this was no longer relevant to her.

After all, she was about to die.

Bai Qingqing poured a cup of tea and handed it to Ji Qiuyu, saying, "This is His Majesty's reward."

Seeing the cup of tea before her, Ji Qiuyu turned her head and looked at Lu Chen's Puppet beside her, "Is this the Spiritual Tea that will make me forget about you?"

Lu Chen said, "Yes, as soon as you drink it, you will immediately forget all memories related to me."

As Lu Chen finished speaking, Ji Qiuyu reached out her jade hand, and just as her delicate fingers were about to touch the teacup, her arm began to shake involuntarily.

Do I really have to forget him?

In that moment, scenes of her time spent with Lu Chen replayed in her mind, the happiest times of her life.

Previously, she had devoted herself solely to cultivation and had never experienced the feeling of love until Lu Chen appeared.

Although she initially approached Lu Chen for the non-existent Demon-Exorcising Sword Technique, as she spent more and more time with him, she gradually realized that she couldn't bear to leave Lu Chen.

His image would involuntarily appear in her mind, and when Lu Chen wasn't by her side, her gaze would always be searching for him.

Seeing that Ji Qiuyu was slow to take the cup of tea from Bai Qingqing's hand, Lu Chen said with a smile, "What's the matter? Can't bear to forget me? Does that mean you still have feelings for me?"

Hearing Lu Chen's words, Ji Qiuyu came back to her senses. She bit down on her silver teeth and snatched the teacup directly from Bai Qingqing's hand.

Then, she glared fiercely at Lu Chen and cursed, "You're just a lying bastard!"

After cursing, Ji Qiuyu downed the tea in one gulp.

The instant she drank the Dragon and Phoenix Tea, Ji Qiuyu looked up at the sky, and once more, tears fell from the corners of her eyes.

It was over...

Everything was over!

Her relationship with Lu Chen was over, and so was her life...

After who knows how long, Ji Qiuyu suddenly opened her eyes.

She turned her head to look at Lu Chen's puppet, a trace of confusion flashing in her eyes.

What's going on?

Why hasn't she forgotten that lying bastard Lu Chen?

Ji Qiuyu asked in confusion, "Why didn't the tea work?"

Lu Chen said with a smile, "You have to wait a while for it to take effect."

As soon as Lu Chen's voice fell, a young man dressed in a Black Gold Dragon Robe descended from the sky, landing not far from Ji Qiuyu.

The moment Lu Chen's true self appeared, Ji Qiuyu froze in place.

Although Lu Chen didn't explicitly say that his true self had arrived, Ji Qiuyu instantly guessed that the Lu Chen who had come this time must be his true self.

The aura emanating from Lu Chen's true self was entirely different from that of the puppet; he was like a Banished Immortal descending to the mortal realm, and a special, subtle scent drifted into Ji Qiuyu's nose, making her feel an intense restlessness just by catching a whiff.

Ji Qiuyu muttered under her breath, "Lu... Lu Chen... Is that you?"

Lu Chen gave a faint smile and collected the puppet by Ji Qiuyu's side.

"It is me."

Upon hearing Lu Chen's affirmative reply, Ji Qiuyu snapped back to reality and said coldly, "You dare show your face before me? Aren't you afraid I will blow up my Dantian and die with you!"

Lu Chen said, "Leaving aside whether your self-destructing Dantian could even injure me, even if you could, I don't think you would self-destruct your Dantian in front of me."

Ji Qiuyu said coldly, "Do you really think I still love you!"

"How laughable!"

"From the moment you told me you were a person from another world, the only thing I've felt for you in my heart is hatred!"

Lu Chen said, "Oh? Is that so?"

Ji Qiuyu then lifted her neck and continued, "Go ahead, make your move!"

Since she had now seen Lu Chen's true self, she could say she was without regrets.

Chapter 1092: Weren't you bent on dying? I'll let you die right now!

Seeing Ji Qiuyu's desire for death, Lu Chen said, "Fine, since you're so intent on dying, I'll indulge you!"

Upon hearing Lu Chen's words, Ji Qiuyu closed her eyes again.

This time...

it really was over...

At last...

Just when Ji Qiuyu thought her death was certain, she suddenly felt like she lost her balance and fell onto something soft.

Immediately after, it was as if something bore down on her body, and in the next moment, a robust breath entered her delicately shaped nose, instantly igniting a certain flame inside her heart, making her body incredibly restless.

Ji Qiuyu hurriedly opened her eyes, only to find that she was not in the yard anymore, but in her own room, lying on her own soft couch, with Lu Chen pressing down on her, looking down at her from above.

What...

What's happening...

Ji Qiuyu asked with a bewildered face, "What... what are you doing..."

Lu Chen said with a smile, "Didn't you want to die? I'm about to let you die now."

Ji Qiuyu's face was suddenly filled with confusion. To kill her, all he needed was one sword strike; there was no need to bring her to a bed, was there?

Just as Ji Qiuyu was puzzled and clueless about what Lu Chen wanted to do, he suddenly bent over and sealed her red lips with his own.

Ji Qiuyu's beautiful eyes widened in shock, and when she recovered, she began to struggle frantically, but she was already so weak that all her struggling was in vain.

"Mmm mmm mmm..."

Just as Ji Qiuyu was about to lift her jade fists to pound Lu Chen's chest, she was caught by Lu Chen's large hands and forcefully pressed down beside her beautiful hair.

After what felt like an eternity under Lu Chen's kisses, Ji Qiuyu gradually stopped struggling. She felt her mind go blank, and her entire body incredibly agitated, as her long jade legs twisted ceaselessly.

Just when Ji Qiuyu was about to lose herself, she snapped back to reality.

This dead liar was an enemy from another world, how could she have such thoughts about him?

No, absolutely not!

This scoundrel was definitely planning to take her virginity first and then kill her!

She absolutely couldn't let this scoundrel succeed!

Ji Qiuyu then struggled once more, but at that moment, she suddenly heard the sound of tearing fabric and before she knew what was happening, an odd sensation spread throughout her body.

"Mmm!!!"

After a muffled groan, two lines of clear tears again slid down the corners of Ji Qiuyu's eyes. In the end, she had still let this dead liar succeed.

Finally, she gave up struggling, leaving Lu Chen to take her life.

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Zixiao Dynasty, beneath the Imperial Palace.

Nangong Yuehua stood in front of a round stone platform, seemingly deep in thought. Since becoming an Empress of the All Law Realm, she had never attempted to create a world passage and completely lacked experience.

The key issue was that she didn't know which world the passage led to. If they opened the passage and it led to a highly dangerous world where they lost their lives upon arrival, it would be better to just find a place to hide in the Ziyang World.

Standing beside Nangong Yuehua, Nangong Qingya spoke with indifference, "You went to great lengths to finally become the Emperor, and now, in just a few years, you're about to lose it all. I wonder what goes through your mind now."



Hearing this, Nangong Yuehua continued to observe the formation platform in front of her while responding, "These are just external possessions. Leaving the Ziyang World might not necessarily be a bad thing for me."

While she was indeed obsessed with that supreme power, she also knew that if she always stayed in the lower-level Cultivation World of Ziyang, her strength and Realm would hardly advance further.

The strongest cultivator of this world was at the All Law Realm. There were rumors that the Ziyang World once had a Huashen Realm Cultivator, but that Huashen Realm Cultivator was not from the Ziyang World. The said Cultivator later died in the battle to seal the Heavenly Demon, and since then, no Huashen Realm Cultivator had been born in this world.

By now, Nangong Yuehua could clearly feel that, upon reaching the All Law Realm, her realm advancement had almost come to a halt, making further progress very difficult.

If she remained in the Ziyang World, she could only wait for the end of her lifespan as an All Law Realm cultivator.

However, if she left the Ziyang World for a High-Level Cultivation Realm, then there might still be hope for a breakthrough to the Huashen Realm or even attain greater heights.

Of course, being an Emperor wasn't bad, but traveling to other High-Level Cultivation Realms to seek opportunities would enrich her life and expand her horizons.

After hearing Nangong Yuehua's words, Nangong Qingya let out a light laugh, not believing a word Nangong Yuehua said.

The effort she had put in to become Empress, to just let go like that? Without any reluctance? Impossible.

However, Nangong Qingya did not dwell on whether Nangong Yuehua was reluctant to give up the throne. What mattered most now was leaving the Ziyang World.

The enemy from another world was too strong; it didn't matter if Nangong Yuehua was reluctant. One strike from the enemy could slay a Heavenly Demon, and all the All Law

Realm cultivators of the Ziyang World combined could not stand against this otherworldly foe.

At that moment, Nangong Yuehua took out more than a dozen top-grade Spirit Stones and placed them into the holes of the formation platform in front of her, then she attempted to control the formation to open the world passage.

As she infused the formation with Spiritual Power, a door gradually started to appear above the circular formation, although it was flickering and unstable.

Nangong Yuehua promptly called out, "Qingya."

Nangong Qingya immediately understood her intention and swiftly infused the circular formation platform with Spiritual Power.

However, to their surprise, as they poured their Spiritual Power in, the entrance of the world passage they were facing collapsed quickly instead of forming a stable passage.

Nangong Yuehua's brow slightly furrowed. What was happening?

Although it was her first time constructing a world passage and she had no experience, with her power as an All Law Realm and with Nangong Qingya assisting, the passage shouldn't collapse so swiftly.

After pondering for a moment, Nangong Yuehua took out dozens more top-grade Spirit Stones and positioned them into the platform's holes. Then she once again poured Spiritual Power into the formation, "Qingya, let's try one more time!"

The two of them attempted to construct the world passage again, but the outcome was the same as before. As the entrance began to form, it collapsed almost immediately, making it difficult to stabilize.

If they could not stabilize the entrance, then they would be unable to transport others out of the Ziyang World. The two of them could escape the world in the instant the passage entrance opened.

However, Nangong Yuehua clearly had no intention of fleeing alone. She planned to take her confidants with her, as she was accustomed to being attended to; the thought of leaving this world alone was somewhat unimaginable for her.

Nangong Qingya felt the same; she had no intention of leaving alone either. At the very least, she wanted to take the Elders of the Blood Rainbow Pavilion with her.

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Chapter 1093: Is He Dead Now?

Ji Qiuyu finally understood why Lu Chen said he wanted her dead but instead took her to a room.

She was indeed dead.

Except she wasn't completely dead; at least her life was still there, just her brain was comfortably dead.

Ji Qiuyu struggled internally to suppress her emotions, not wanting to fall into degradation; she had already seen through Lu Chen's tricks.

That dishonest swindler just wanted to use this method to make her fall, then turn her into his Female Slave so she wouldn't seek death anymore.

No, she absolutely couldn't let this deceitful plan succeed; she couldn't enjoy this anymore; she had to stay alert.

Ji Qiuyu tried hard to calm her inner turmoil; however, no matter what she did, the sensations in her body still reached her brain.

Soon, she was once again mentally dazed, with only one awareness left deep inside her heart.

"I'm done..."

Deep down, Ji Qiuyu already knew that Lu Chen had succeeded; she could no longer separate herself from this deceitful swindler.

She had liked him all along; even though Lu Chen had deceived her, her feelings for Lu Chen hadn't disappeared just because he had lied to her.

Now that Lu Chen was treating her this way, her feelings for him had deepened even more.

Right when Ji Qiuyu's mind was bewildered, suddenly Lu Chen's voice rang in her ear, "Qiuyu, are you dead?"

Hearing Lu Chen's mocking voice, Ji Qiuyu suddenly snapped back to reality; her eyes were blurry with tears, unable to make out Lu Chen's face clearly, but she knew that Lu Chen must be very smug right now.

Ji Qiuyu bit down on her teeth and then coldly huffed, "You... don't think... ah! That this can make... me... submit!"

"I will never... ouch... go easy on me!"

Though she verbally claimed she wouldn't submit, Ji Qiuyu knew very well that she no longer cared whether Lu Chen was from another realm or not.

Lu Chen, while acting, kept his eyes on Ji Qiuyu's beautiful face, "Qiuyu, though I am from another realm and our positions are somewhat opposed, I won't make too many excuses about attacking Ziyang World."

"But my feelings for you are real; I never thought of hurting you."

Ji Qiuyu scoffed and said, "You always say... you like me, would you be willing for me... to leave this world?"

Lu Chen replied, "That won't work; I am the Realm Master of Tianchen World. Since I have already deployed troops, I must give an explanation to the various forces of Tianchen World and the soldiers of Daxia."

Ji Qiuyu said, "What liking me; you just want to turn me into your... Female Slave."

As Ji Qiuyu spoke, Lu Chen suddenly grabbed her slender leg, then pulled her into his arms to flip her over.

Ji Qiuyu clenched her teeth; this deceitful swindler, although claiming his affection, still used various methods on her.

Indeed, in this man's eyes, she was just a toy.

Lu Chen continued, "Qiuyu, I can assure you, if the major forces of Ziyang World are willing to ally with me, I won't commit a massacre in Ziyang World."

"Moreover, I will give them plenty of time to consider. If those Cultivators of Myriad Laws Realm want to leave this world, I will also grant them enough time to construct a portal to exit this world."

"The Daxia Army will be temporarily stationed in Black Moon City. We will not dispatch troops to attack various major powers until half a month later."

Upon hearing Lu Chen's words, Ji Qiuyu, lying on the bed, fell into silence. For her, no matter what Lu Chen did, it did not change the fact that he was an invader from another world.

However, if Lu Chen truly meant what he said—that as long as one surrenders to him, there will be no massacre—then that would indeed be good news for Ziyang World.

Seeing that Ji Qiuyu didn't respond, Lu Chen further hardened his tone. Ji Qiuyu couldn't help but let out a soft groan. Then she said, "What you... what you do... has nothing to do with me..."

Ji Qiuyu knew her place. She was just an insignificant person who did not have the status to negotiate with a realm master like Lu Chen.

Moreover, she regarded herself merely as a plaything to Lu Chen now—someone who couldn't even control her own life and death.

What good was Lu Chen's promise?

Even if he made a promise, Lu Chen could still go back on his word.

Besides, with Lu Chen's formidable power, even if he did go back on his word and started a massacre in Ziyang World, no one could do anything about it.

Even the Myriad Laws Realm Cultivators had fled, and no one in Ziyang World could match Lu Chen now. It was only a matter of time before Lu Chen unified the entire Ziyang World.

Hearing Ji Qiuyu's words, Lu Chen bent down to bring his chest close to her jade back and continued in her ear, "Then do you still wish to die?"

At this, Ji Qiuyu's delicate body trembled slightly, and then she said coldly, "Even if you... you don't kill me, once you release me... I will end my own life..."

"You won't make me... your... female slave..."

Lu Chen laughed softly, "Alright, since you still wish to die, then I'll let you die again."

Subsequently, Lu Chen applied the methods he had used on Yun Xianxian and Su Hanyan to Ji Qiuyu, and it wasn't long before Ji Qiuyu couldn't withstand it any longer.

Lu Chen's demonic voice echoed in her mind, "Are you dead now?"

Ji Qiuyu wanted to be defiant, but her consciousness was uncontrollable, and she muttered, "I... I'm dying..."

Lu Chen continued, "Call out 'darling' and let me hear it..."

Unconsciously, Ji Qiuyu said, "Dar... darling... ah!"

Now, Ji Qiuyu only had the cultivation state of the Genesis Realm. The methods Lu Chen used on Yun Xianxian and Su Hanyan were specifically designed for Myriad Laws Realm Cultivators. Using such measures against Ji Qiuyu of the Genesis Realm naturally left her with no choice but to surrender.

Several days later.

Lu Chen had a puppet transmit an order, issuing a decree to the entire Ziyang World.

He also had many flyers printed in Tianchen World, which were then distributed to various powers throughout Ziyang World.

In the decree, Lu Chen stated that the major powers of Ziyang World had colluded with the Heavenly Demon, disregarding the lives of the common people and releasing the Heavenly Demon.

Tianchen World, being adjacent to Ziyang World, also suffered because of this. To maintain peace and stability in the Cultivation World, and for the sake of the people of both worlds, the Daxia Dynasty had taken the initiative to invade Ziyang World.

Now that the Heavenly Demon had been vanquished by the Daxia Dynasty, to prevent the residual demon cultivators in Ziyang World from conspiring with the Heavenly Demon again and endangering Ziyang World, the Daxia Dynasty decided to bring the entire Ziyang World under its rule.

He would give those powers some time to consider. If they voluntarily surrendered to the Daxia Dynasty and actively purged the demon cultivators from their ranks, the Daxia Dynasty would not pursue their responsibility for colluding with the demon cultivators.

#### Chapter 1094: Lu Chen's Letter

After Lu Chen's announcement was released, the news of various major forces in Ziyang World releasing Heavenly Demons quickly spread throughout the entire Ziyang World.

In less than half a month, the common people of Ziyang World had become divided into two factions. Some believed that the top forces of Ziyang World were releasing the Heavenly Demons to resist the invaders from the Tianchen World.

Meanwhile, others thought that no matter what happened, those top forces in Ziyang World should never have released the Heavenly Demons. Clearly, they were colluding with the Heavenly Demons in order to break through to a higher Realm, thus becoming the lackeys of the Heavenly Demons and not considering the lives of the common people of Ziyang World at all.

To most common people, releasing Heavenly Demons was an unforgivable sin. What were Heavenly Demons anyway? They were monsters that fed on cultivators and humans, the natural enemies of mankind! For the top forces of Ziyang World to release the Heavenly Demons, they must be either mad or they had sided with the Heavenly Demons.

Releasing the Heavenly Demons to resist the extraterrestrial invaders? What a ludicrous reason. If the Heavenly Demons defeated the invaders and devoured them, the power of the Heavenly Demons would become even stronger, and then all the humans in Ziyang World would turn into food for the Heavenly Demons.

At least the extraterrestrial invaders were still human and wouldn't consider humans as food. Faced with the choice of being confined and used as nourishment by the Heavenly Demons, they would rather be ruled by the extraterrestrial invaders.

For a time, the voices calling for the punishment of the major top forces arose within Ziyang World.

At the same time.

Zixiao Dynasty, underground palace.

Nangong Yuehua looked at the proclamation in her hand and sneered before saying, "This Daxia Emperor really has quite the tactic, to actually employ a countercharge."

Nangong Qingya then said beside her, "He aims to annex the entire Ziyang World without expending a single soldier."

Hearing Nangong Qingya's words, Nangong Yuehua was slightly taken aback.



Something occurred to her.

She remembered Gongye Liangpeng telling her that the invaders from other worlds would destroy Ziyang World, which was why she had agreed to Gongye Liangpeng's proposal and released the Heavenly Demons proactively.

But now that she thought about it, if the Sum Emperor truly intended to destroy Ziyang World, would he need to resort to such tactics? Couldn't he just lead the armies of Great Sum to overwhelmingly crush the major forces of Ziyang World?

The Sum Emperor was capable of slaughtering a Heavenly Demon with a single sword strike. To crush the major forces of Ziyang World was not a difficult task at all. Lu Chen's current actions didn't quite seem like an invasion to destroy Ziyang World; they appeared more as a bid to fight for control over cultivation resources.

If she had known from the beginning that Lu Chen was invading Ziyang World to compete for cultivation resources, Nangong Yuehua would have never agreed to release the Heavenly Demons together with Gongye Liangpeng.

In Nangong Yuehua's eyes, there was a fundamental difference between destroying Ziyang World and controlling it.

By this time, Nangong Yuehua had realized that she had clearly been deceived by Gongye Liangpeng.

With this thought, Nangong Yuehua ignited the proclamation in her hand with Spiritual Power, and in an instant, it burned to ashes.

Her gaze returned to the circular array in front of her. "The Sum Emperor probably wants us cultivators of the All Law Realm to voluntarily leave Ziyang World. By doing so, he can easily take control of the entire Ziyang World."

Saying this, Nangong Yuehua's face showed a mix of emotions. Others were given the opportunity by the Sum Emperor to leave on their own, but the world passage they had constructed was still far from being stably existent.

At this moment, Nangong Qingya said, "If it really doesn't work out, then let it be."

Although Nangong Qingya didn't wish to leave alone, the world passage they had constructed couldn't transport people. If they continued to delay and the Sum Emperor attacked before they had managed to build a stable passage, they might not even have a chance to escape.

Nangong Yuehua fell into silence; she didn't want to give up just like that.

Right at this moment, a maid suddenly appeared in the stone chamber. Holding two letters, she said, "Your Majesty, the Envoy of Daxia has brought two letters, one for you and one for the Nangong Sect Master."

Hearing these words, both Nangong Yuehua and Nangong Qingya were stunned—a letter for each of them?

Why would anyone send letters to them?

With a wave of her hand, the two letters in the maid's possession flew into Nangong Yuehua's hands. She glanced at them and saw that each letter bore one of their names.

Nangong Yuehua handed the letter with Nangong Qingya's name to her and then immediately opened the one addressed to herself to see what the Sum Emperor had written.

As she read the contents of the letter, Nangong Yuehua's eyebrows slightly creased, and her expression turned extremely serious.

Seeing that Nangong Yuehua looked troubled, Nangong Qingya grew even more curious about what the letter contained. She took the initiative to open her own letter and skimmed through its contents.

This...

Nangong Qingya was stunned after reading just the first paragraph of the letter.

This letter...

It was actually a letter of confession...

It was then that both of them came to the realization that the Lu Chen they had met in Black Moon City was, in fact, the Sum Emperor—albeit in his puppet body.

No wonder they couldn't feel Lu Chen's heartbeat when they first met him. They hadn't considered the possibility of him being a puppet, as puppetry techniques of such sophistication were unheard of in their world.

After reading the contents of the letter, Nangong Yuehua snorted coldly and set the letter aflame.

She then looked over at Nangong Qingya and, upon seeing her equally astounded expression, Nangong Yuehua could guess the gist of her letter's content.

After Nangong Qingya finished reading, she didn't burn her letter like Nangong Yuehua did. Instead, she looked up at Nangong Yuehua and asked, "What did he write to you?"

Nangong Yuehua replied, "From your reaction, it seems that the letters he wrote to both of us likely bear similar messages."

"The Sum Emperor wishes for me to marry him, to become his woman, and he promises that the Zixiao Dynasty will continue to be under my control."

Hearing Nangong Yuehua's words, Nangong Qingya couldn't help but laugh lightly, "He truly has a big appetite. He also wants this sovereign to marry him, to become his woman."

As Nangong Qingya's words fell, they both lapsed into silence, no longer speaking. The stone chamber became deathly quiet, the sound of their breathing audible.

If it was possible not to leave this world, they naturally would not want to leave. However, the idea of marrying the Sum Emperor and becoming his woman left the two of them internally conflicted.

Moreover, they weren't certain whether Lu Chen was being honest or if this was a ploy to stabilize them, preventing their escape from the Ziyang World for some ulterior motive.

If it was just about marrying Lu Chen to become his woman, that would be somewhat acceptable. But if it was because Lu Chen wanted to use them as mere Furnace Cauldrons...

At their Realm, cultivators were no longer merely concerned with physical appearance. While there were cultivators with a penchant for beauty, for most, marrying a woman was more likely for the purposes of Dual Cultivation or to use them as Furnace Cauldrons.

Lu Chen, a powerful individual who could slay a Heavenly Demon with a single sword strike, proposing marriage to them? It was something they found rather unbelievable.

They certainly didn't want to become Furnace Cauldrons for Lu Chen.

While they were immersed in their silent contemplation, another maid entered the chamber, "Your Majesty, there is someone outside who claims to be an Envoy of Daxia seeking an audience."

Chapter 1095: Is the Sum Emperor Treating Us Like Fools?

After hearing the maid's words, Nangong Yuehua snapped back to reality and immediately said, "What is that person's Realm?"

The maid replied, "Only the Genesis Realm."

Nangong Yuehua then said, "Bring him to see Us in the Royal Garden."

"Yes, Your Majesty!"

As the maid's voice faded, she disappeared on the spot in an instant.

Once the maid had left, Nangong Yuehua said, "Since an envoy has been sent, We might as well see what is happening. We are curious to see what the Sum Emperor is plotting."

Having said that, Nangong Yuehua went directly to the Royal Garden, and Nangong Qingya was also very curious about what Lu Chen intended to do, so she followed to the Royal Garden as well.

After the two ladies arrived at the Royal Garden, it didn't take long for the maid to bring the so-called Envoy of Great Sum to the Royal Garden.

The moment the Envoy of Great Sum stepped into the Royal Garden, Nangong Yuehua and Nangong Qingya were suddenly stunned in the pavilion. When they came to their senses, they released their Spiritual Energy instantly, their faces serious and their demeanor as if facing a formidable enemy.

They had never imagined that the so-called Envoy of Great Sum would actually be Lu Chen himself!

Not right...

Nangong Yuehua quickly realized that the Lu Chen who had entered the Royal Garden only possessed the Cultivation State of the Genesis Realm, so it was clear he was not the person himself, or at least not his main body.

Seeing how tense Nangong Yuehua and Nangong Qingya were, Lu Chen's lips slightly curled up, revealing a trace of a smile, then said, "There's no need for the two fairies to be so nervous. It's not the first time we have met."

After reassessing the Realm of the Lu Chen before them, Nangong Yuehua asked, "Is this your Puppet?"

Lu Chen said, "Indeed, at first We thought having a Puppet meet you might seem insincere, but We were also worried that if Our true self came directly to the Zixiao Dynasty, it might scare the two of you."

"If the two fairies feel that We lack sincerity, We can come immediately."

Nangong Yuehua quickly said, "No need."

The Sum Emperor was capable of slaying a Heavenly Demon with a single sword; if his true self really came here, they probably wouldn't have a chance to escape.

At this time, Nangong Qingya asked, "We wonder how much of what the Sum Emperor said in the letter is true and how much is false?"

Regarding Lu Chen's claim of wanting to marry them, they definitely would not fully believe it. At Lu Chen's level of Realm, how could he possibly marry a woman just for her beauty?

Lu Chen certainly had an ulterior motive; it was just not clear what he was scheming.

They were suspicious whether Lu Chen wanted to turn them into Furnace Cauldrons, or perhaps he wanted to make them his playthings.

At this time, Lu Chen replied, "The contents of the letter are all sincere words from Our heart. We truly do like the two fairies."

Hearing this, Nangong Yuehua let out a cold laugh, "Does the Sum Emperor think Us fools?"

"With the strength of the Sum Emperor, what kind of woman could he not have? How could he possibly fancy Us?"

Lu Chen said with a smile, "You're right. In the Tianchen World, with just a word from Us, countless women would willingly marry Us, but We don't marry just any woman."

"Only those who can move Our heart will We marry."

"And the two fairies have moved Our heart."

Nangong Yuehua sneered, "The Sum Emperor must have said these words to many women before!"

Nangong Qingya also said from the side, "We are neither young girls nor are we the Purple Emperor. Do you think we will believe these words of yours?"

Lu Chen replied, "I know you do not believe, for at my level of realm, speaking of feelings does indeed seem juvenile, yet what I have said comes from the heart."

"As to whether you two fairies choose to believe or not, that is for you to decide. I have also given you ample time to construct the world passage, should you wish to leave, you may do so at any time."

"If you are willing to trust my words, then after you marry me, the management of the Ziyang World will be entrusted to you both."

Upon hearing Lu Chen's words, Nangong Yuehua and Nangong Qingya were taken aback, and they suddenly felt they were beginning to understand the true intentions of the Sum Emperor.

By asking them to manage the Ziyang World, it meant that the Sum Emperor would not remain there long-term, and he was likely not confined to ruling just the Ziyang World.

Only when he rules a sufficient number of worlds would he consider delegating the management of the worlds he conquered to others.

The Sum Emperor aimed to use political marriage to bind them to his cause, making them manage the entire Ziyang World, while he proceeded to conquer others, continuing his campaign.

If that was his goal, it was entirely plausible.

No matter what world it is, high-end political alliances often require the most primitive of methods.

Becoming Lu Chen's woman would be tantamount to forming a political alliance.

However...

Although they had deduced that Lu Chen might indeed be sincere, there was still some wariness in their hearts towards him.

After all, one could never be too certain that Lu Chen would not go back on his word, and once they truly chose to stay, they would be like fish on a chopping block, completely at Lu Chen's mercy.

Seeing that the two women had fallen silent, Lu Chen continued, "Let me put it this way, if I had wished to forcefully keep you, I would have done so on the day I slew the Heavenly Demon, without bothering to send a messenger to you afterward."

"Even now, if I wanted to keep you, it would be an easy matter."

"I speak to you thus courteously because I need you to stabilize the entire Ziyang World in the future."

"Conquering the Ziyang World is just the beginning for me; my true journey lies amongst the stars and the oceans."

As Lu Chen's voice faded, Nangong Yuehua and Nangong Qingya exchanged glances.

Indeed, with the Sum Emperor's strength to slay the Heavenly Demon with one sword, it would have been easy for him to keep the various major powers of the Ziyang World on that day, his inaction was clearly a deliberate choice to let them return.

It was also a deliberate decision to let the two of them return, and given that Lu Chen's clone could arrive outside the Imperial Palace of the Zixiao Dynasty undetected, his true body could certainly do the same.

That is to say, if he wished to use force to keep them, it would be easy for him.

For all they knew, Lu Chen's true body might already be somewhere in the Imperial Capital of the Zixiao Dynasty, unbeknownst to them.



With this thought, a cold sweat broke out on the foreheads of both women.

Should they refuse, it was hard to say what the Sum Emperor might do.

Yet...

After coming back to her senses, Nangong Yuehua glanced at the puppet version of Lu Chen, realizing that on the day he slew the Heavenly Demon, she had not clearly seen what Lu Chen's true form looked like.

The puppet Lu Chen was extraordinarily handsome, and she did not know whether his true form was similar. Although at their level of cultivation state, looking for a Daoist couple first considered personal benefits, as the Empress of the Zixiao Dynasty, Nangong Yuehua still felt somewhat reluctant to marry an old man.

Chapter 1096: Does Your Puppet Body and True Form Look the Same?

Seeing Nangong Yuehua's gaze fixed on his puppet as if contemplating something, Lu Chen continued, "After becoming my woman, I will give you a technique that can restrain the power of the Heavenly Demon and will also impart to you a saint-grade cultivation technique."

Upon hearing this, both women were stunned.

Saint... saint-grade cultivation technique...

The Sum Emperor has a saint-grade cultivation technique?

In the entire Ziyang World, the highest grade of cultivation technique was only of the Earth Rank, yet the Sum Emperor actually possessed a saint-grade cultivation technique.

Possessing a saint-grade cultivation technique proved that the Sum Emperor could not possibly be just a Realm Master from the neighboring world. Although the two of them had never left the Ziyang World, they were not completely ignorant about external worlds.

After all, it was very likely that their ancestors had also come from another realm, and they had left behind quite a bit of information about other worlds, so they certainly knew something about other cultivation worlds.

It was rumored that even a Great Emperor would have difficulty possessing a saint-grade cultivation technique, having a Heavenly-level cultivation technique was already impressive, so how could a Realm Master like the Sum Emperor possess a saint-grade cultivation technique? If he truly possessed a saint-grade cultivation technique, it meant that he was definitely not just a Realm Master—he must have a more significant background behind him.

Facing such a powerful figure with a strong background, both Nangong Yuehua and Nangong Qingya felt a profound sense of helplessness.

At the same time, they were immensely conflicted.

That was a saint-grade cultivation technique, after all...

And the Sum Emperor also said he would impart to them the technique to restrain the power of the Heavenly Demon.

Whether the Sum Emperor had a saint-grade cultivation technique, they were not yet sure, but they knew for certain that Lu Chen had a technique capable of restraining the power of the Heavenly Demon.

Initially, they had sought out Lu Chen's puppet because it could restrain magical creatures, but they had been deceived by Lu Chen, thinking that his ability to restrain demonic qi was due to his physique.

With a technique capable of restraining the power of the Heavenly Demon, they would no longer need to fear encountering demon cultivators or the Heavenly Demon in the future.

In the cultivation world, the most dangerous things besides the human heart were the Heavenly Demons.

Heavenly Demons existed not only in the Ziyang World. According to their ancient records, other cultivation realms also had them, and the higher the cultivation realms, the more formidable the Heavenly Demons present.

Even if they left the Ziyang World, they might still encounter Heavenly Demons in the future.

The technique Lu Chen possessed to restrain the power of the Heavenly Demon was very important to both of them, especially for Nangong Qingya, a demonic cultivator.

Nangong Qingya was a demonic cultivator, but not a demon cultivator; she practiced cultivation using blood qi, which was the easiest thing to attract Heavenly Demons.

In any world where Heavenly Demons existed, they could detect the presence of a demonic cultivator like her at any time and come seeking her.

While Nangong Yuehua was still shocked by Lu Chen's words, the voice of Nangong Qingya rang beside her.

"Okay, I accept."

She could forego the saint-grade cultivation technique, but she must get her hands on the technique that could restrain the power of the Heavenly Demon. If she could obtain that technique, even losing her virtue to become the woman of the Sum Emperor would be worth it.

Moreover, being a demonic cultivator herself, she did not place much importance on chastity.

The older a person, the lower their sense of morality; they had lived for thousands of years already and no longer valued virginity. If they could use something they did not value to exchange for a cultivation technique they needed, it would be a huge gain for them without any loss.

Of course, making this decision came with some risk; no one could be sure whether Lu Chen was deceiving them, and it was possible that Lu Chen's true intention was only to use them as Furnace Cauldrons.

But regardless of Lu Chen's intentions, Nangong Qingya was willing to gamble for the Demon-Exorcising Technique that Lu Chen possessed.

There was no choice; as a Demonic Cultivator, demons were her greatest weakness. Without a method to restrain demons, even if she fled to another world, she would likely fall into crisis upon encountering them.

If she encountered demons again, she only had two options—either die or degrade into a Demon Cultivator, but she was not willing to become a true Demon Cultivator.

Though she was a bad woman, her badness had limits.

Seeing Nangong Qingya agree, Lu Chen smiled slightly before his gaze landed on Nangong Yuehua. "Your sister has agreed, how will you decide?"

Nangong Yuehua did not respond immediately but asked instead, "Does your puppet body look the same as your original?"

Taken aback by Nangong Yuehua's question, Lu Chen hadn't expected her to ask such a thing. Generally, the higher the realm of the cultivator, the more they value benefits rather than appearances.

Collecting himself, Lu Chen answered, "Yes, my puppet body is modeled after my original."

Hearing Lu Chen's reply, Nangong Yuehua sighed in relief, as long as he wasn't especially old or exceptionally ugly.

It wasn't just for benefits, but she also didn't want to be with a particularly ugly man.

Nangong Yuehua sighed softly then said, "Fine, I agree."

Seeing Nangong Yuehua agree, Lu Chen smiled and said, "Then, I'll come to find you in half a month. I will announce to the outside that the Zixiao Dynasty has decided to align with the Daxia Dynasty."

Hearing this, Nangong Yuehua thought to herself that this fellow indeed had this plan in mind. If he publicly announced the Zixiao Dynasty's definite alignment with Daxia Dynasty, the other forces of this world would likely follow suit.

Those who understand the times are wise leaders; if the strongest force surrendered, there was no need for the other forces to continue resisting.

If they persisted, the Daxia Dynasty would definitely use releasing the Heavenly Demons as a pretext to attack those forces.

One thing led to another, it seemed that all this was a political calculation in the Sum Emperor's eyes. Maybe the Sum Emperor didn't truly like them; he was just using them as tools to gain control of the Ziyang World.

Thinking this, Nangong Yuehua felt somewhat relieved. Maybe Lu Chen really didn't care about her and just saw her as a tool person. Hereafter, she just needed to do work for Lu Chen; there was no need to accompany him in Dual Cultivation.

While Nangong Yuehua was lost in thought, Lu Chen's voice came again, "I shall return now. If there's anything, you can send someone to find me in Black Moon City or come personally."

At this moment, Nangong Qingya inquired, "Aren't you afraid that once you leave, we'll immediately create a world channel and flee this world?"

Lu Chen said, "If you are willing to give up the opportunity of the Saint-grade Cultivation Technique, then by all means, flee the Ziyang World."

As his words trailed off, Puppet Lu Chen turned and left the Royal Garden.

Watching the retreating figure of Puppet Lu Chen, both women fell into deep thought.

Once Lu Chen's figure completely disappeared from their sight, Nangong Qingya turned her head to Nangong Yuehua and said, "What do you plan to do?"

Nangong Yuehua replied, "If he truly wanted to do something to us, then wanting to flee this world now would be too late. His aim is likely just to find someone to help him control the whole Ziyang World."

Nangong Yuehua had now completely trusted Lu Chen's words, always believing that someone who could slay a Heavenly Demon with a single sword and even possessed the technique to counter the Heavenly Demons, his strength was most likely above the Divinity Transformation Realm, and for a cultivator above the Divinity Transformation Realm, keeping them would be an effortless task.

Chapter 1097: Darling already called out, do you still want to hold a grudge against me?

In Nangong Yuehua's view, since the Sum Emperor had the power to easily detain them but did not directly attack them, it proved that he indeed wanted two people who could help him control the Ziyang World.

The fact that the Sum Emperor did not directly attack them was his greatest sincerity.

Since the Sum Emperor had already shown his greatest sincerity, and they did not want to leave the Ziyang World either, cooperating with him was not a bad idea.

The Cultivation World respected the strong, and even if they surrendered, it was not considered a loss; they were merely abiding by the rule that the strong are revered. Moreover, the Sum Emperor's background was extraordinary, and following him could also create an opportunity for them.

Not to mention whether they still had the chance to escape the Ziyang World, even if there was a chance, they might not have such an opportunity in other worlds.

Hearing Nangong Yuehua's words, Nangong Qingya said, "So, you also plan to stay and become his woman?"

Hearing this question, Nangong Yuehua chuckled and then said, "Such a powerful man, how could he lack beautiful women around him? It's just giving us a title, we are merely his tools."

"Even if we marry him, he may not dual cultivate with us."

Hearing Nangong Yuehua say this, Nangong Qingya also felt it made sense; the Sum Emperor probably just needed two tools to control the entire Ziyang World, marrying them was just to give them suitable identities to manage the Ziyang World.

Thinking this, Nangong Qingya frowned slightly; if that was the case, could Lu Chen possibly pass on the so-called Saint-grade cultivation technique to the two of them?

If Lu Chen truly only needed two tools, then in Lu Chen's eyes, they were not his women, but rather seemed more like two maids to him.

How could Lu Chen possibly transmit the Saint-grade cultivation technique to two maids?

Of course, what she cared about most was not the Saint-grade cultivation technique, but the Demon-Exorcising Technique.

Nangong Qingya thought to herself that if she wanted to obtain the Demon-Exorcising Technique from Lu Chen, she must take the initiative; otherwise, Lu Chen might only be leading them on, not planning to teach them the technique anytime soon.

Thinking this, Nangong Qingya made a bold decision within her heart.

Meanwhile.

In Black Moon City, at the City Lord's Mansion.

Inside Ji Qiuyu's room, her voice continued to echo, but as the ringing voice died down, the room gradually returned to tranquility.

At that moment, Ji Qiuyu lay powerless on Lu Chen's chest, her messy hair spread all over the bed.

Lu Chen gently arranged Ji Qiuyu's hair, smiling as he asked, "Do you still wish to die?"

Hearing this question, Ji Qiuyu, still immersed in the afterglow, suddenly snapped awake.

She actually...

She had initially thought that a day after, at most, Lu Chen would kill her, and since he had already taken her virginity, she no longer had any value.

But she did not expect that this deceitful liar would not let her go for more than half a month. Of course, she had been fasting, not eating or drinking for years was not a problem, as she just needed to absorb Spiritual Energy.

So, not eating or drinking for half a month was not an issue, but the real problem was that this scoundrel had been doing that to her for half a month. It was her first time with a man, and this scoundrel had no intention of cherishing her.

Indeed, perhaps in this deceitful liar's eyes, she was merely a plaything, where was the need to cherish her.

Ji Qiuyu snorted coldly and said, "You think this will make me fall in love with you?"

"You doing this only makes me want to kill you even more."

Lu Chen said, "But you haven't been saying that these past few days."

As he spoke, Lu Chen wrapped his arms around Ji Qiuyu's waist, flipped over, and with his arms propped on either side of her head, he looked down imposingly into her seductive, silky eyes.

"Darling, I've already called you my darling, why are you still being difficult with me?"

Ji Qiuyu clenched her teeth fiercely and said, "I was forced into this, there's absolutely no way I will be your Daoist couple!"

Lu Chen said, "I never intended for you to be my Daoist couple."

Upon hearing this, Ji Qiuyu was immediately stumped, and a wave of grievance surged in her heart.



Indeed, in the eyes of this deceitful man, she was just a plaything. He never intended to make her his Daoist couple; it was all lies.

It was all just manipulation from the start.

While Ji Qiuyu was thinking this, Lu Chen continued, "There is a difference between a Daoist couple and a darling. In my eyes, you are my darling, not my Daoist couple."

"Mainly, a Daoist couple is for dual cultivation, but I married you not for dual cultivation, but because I genuinely like you."

Ji Qiuyu paused again, but she quickly recovered. She tightly closed her eyes, forcing the confusion from them, and then fiercely glared at Lu Chen saying, "Empty sweet talk! No matter what you say, it can't change the fact that you forced me."

Lu Chen did not continue to dwell on this and said instead, "By the way, I have some good news for you."

Seeing Lu Chen suddenly change the topic, Ji Qiuyu snorted and said, "What good news could you possibly have?"

Lu Chen said, "The Sun Emperor and Blood Rainbow Pavilion's Nangong Qingya are planning to join me."

This...

Ji Qiuyu was completely dumbfounded. She could hardly believe that Nangong Yuehua and Nangong Qingya would choose to join Lu Chen, this invader from another realm.

With their cultivation states and strength at the All Law Realm, they could absolutely construct a world passageway and then leave this realm. Why would they need to seek refuge with Lu Chen, this invader from another realm?

And Lu Chen had been in her own bed for over half a month. How could he know that Nangong Yuehua and Nangong Qingya planned to join him?

Wait a minute...

Lu Chen still had puppets...

Ji Qiuyu instantly thought that Lu Chen could be dealing with the outside world by controlling puppets.

Upon this realization, a few suspicions surfaced in Ji Qiuyu's mind.

Could it be that when Lu Chen had been with her in the form of a puppet, his real body was also on some woman's bed, entangling with another woman?

At this thought, Ji Qiuyu's expression grew even more unsightly.

No wonder this guy's puppet, when with her, would lie in bed all day and often make strange noises.

Every time, this guy would say his real body was breaking through, so he had no mind to control the puppet; it turns out he was doing that kind of thing...

This deceitful man!

His mouth truly never speaks a single truth!

Seeing Ji Qiuyu still glaring fiercely at him, Lu Chen asked with a smile, "What, you don't believe it?"

Ji Qiuyu did not answer but retorted, "When you were with me doing that, were you also controlling a puppet in the Zixiao Dynasty?"

Lu Chen didn't think much and directly answered, "Yes."

Ji Qiuyu then asked, "So, does that mean when your puppet was with me, your real body might have been on some woman's bed?"

This...

Lu Chen did not expect Ji Qiuyu to leap straight to that conclusion.

Chapter 1098: Once I unify the Ziyang World, I will make you the Noble Concubine.

Seeing Lu Chen fall silent, and not immediately responding to her own answer, Ji Qiuyu bit down hard on her teeth. Just as she had thought.

While Lu Chen's puppet was with her, his real body was indeed in some woman's bed.

The thought that Lu Chen's puppet was whispering sweet nothings to her while his real body was with another woman doing \*those\* things, made Ji Qiuyu feel an indescribable pain in her heart.

Just as Lu Chen was about to say something, Ji Qiuyu cursed, "You really are a liar!"

As her words fell, Ji Qiuyu couldn't help but let tears slip down from the corners of her eyes.

She could accept that Lu Chen had other women, and now she could even accept that Lu Chen was an invader from another realm, but it was hard for her to accept that while he was deceiving her with his puppet, his real body was with another woman.

Seeing Ji Qiuyu's pitiable state, Lu Chen felt a tinge of guilt. He had indeed done such a thing. However, he often cultivated feelings with his many wives and concubines, so he was already accustomed to this kind of life.

For him, such matters were very normal, although, of course, he understood that for a woman like Ji Qiuyu, who was encountering the matters of men and women for the first time, it might be somewhat hard to accept.

Yun Xianxian also couldn't accept that he had so many women at the beginning.

Faced with the current situation, the only thing Lu Chen could do was to comfort her.

Lu Chen then leaned over once again, blocking Ji Qiuyu's red lips, and then got busy, trying to soothe her emotions.

Ji Qiuyu was stunned. She had not expected that Lu Chen would do \*those\* things to her while she was feeling sad and distressed.

This bastard...

Sigh, never mind...

With Lu Chen's comforting, Ji Qiuyu eventually quickly forgot the sadness Lu Chen had brought her.

Facing such an unreasonable man, she couldn't even get angry anymore. As soon as she got angry, the guy would take care of her, and all her inner sorrow and distress turned into loud cries that were vented out loud.

After who knew how long, the room once more fell silent, and Ji Qiuyu's eyes were misty again.

Lu Chen let her lie on his chest again and gently stroked her jade back with his hand, soothing her emotions.

Ji Qiuyu now couldn't be bothered to speak or move; she just lay there quietly.

She felt that if she said a few more words, the tyrant might abuse her again.

Lu Chen then said, "You might not be able to accept that kind of thing, but I have many wives and concubines, each of whom needs my care. As a responsible man, how could I bear to leave them alone?"

"Also, doing this allows me to help them with their cultivation, without neglecting my own affairs. It's a win-win situation."

Hearing Lu Chen's trashy words, Ji Qiuyu simply snorted coldly, too lazy to bother with him.

She knew she had completely fallen. Although this cheater was indeed a liar, his strength was too overwhelming, and she just couldn't resist.

She had also figured it out now; this cheater had already devoured her completely, so what was the point of caring about his deceitful words?

Seeing Ji Qiuyu not speaking, Lu Chen said, "If you don't speak, I will..."

Before Lu Chen could finish, Ji Qiuyu quickly cut in, asking, "What do you plan to do with me?"

Ji Qiuyu clearly felt that Lu Chen wanted to take advantage of her again. This liar had one trick after another when it came to dealing with women; now she was completely out of patience with him.

Lu Chen said with a smile, "What are you talking about, dealing with you or not dealing with you? You are my woman, why would I deal with you?"

"When I unify the Ziyang World, I will make you a Noble Concubine. How do you feel about that?"

Ji Qiuyu fell silent again.

She didn't know whether to be happy or sad. She knew that Lu Chen certainly had many women.

But then again, the Noble Concubine was a rather precious status in the Emperor's harem, much better than the common consorts. This also showed that Lu Chen was actually quite nice to her.

However, what Ji Qiuyu did not know was that Lu Chen's harem only had the titles of Noble Concubine and Imperial Noble Consort; there were no ordinary concubines.

At that moment, Ji Qiuyu still thought that Lu Chen had given her a high status.

Ji Qiuyu immediately asked, "Have the Purple Emperor and the Nangong Sect Master really decided to pledge their loyalty to you?"

Lu Chen said, "Of course, they will soon come to Black Moon City to express their loyalty to me proactively."

Ji Qiuyu sighed inwardly, never expecting that the number one dynasty and number one cult force of the Ziyang World would so easily surrender to an invader from another realm.

Lu Chen continued, "You should rest well next and regulate the spiritual power in your body."

When she heard this, Ji Qiuyu was just about to say something when suddenly she felt the spiritual power that had been sealed in her body burst open instantly, and a vast sea of spiritual power directly appeared in her mind.

Ji Qiuyu was completely stunned.

She had broken through...

And it was to the Yin-Yang Realm...

How could this be...

Had she simply slept with Lu Chen and jumped from just below the Creation Realm Fifth Layer directly through five realms to the Yin-Yang Realm?

This was too exaggerated!

She had never heard of a Daoist couple's dual cultivation having such an exaggerated speed of cultivation!

As Ji Qiuyu was still in shock, Lu Chen hugged her jade-like back and gently turned over, laying her body on the soft couch.

Then he leaned down and once again sealed Ji Qiuyu's red lips.

Ji Qiuyu's delicate body trembled slightly, thinking Lu Chen was about to do that thing to her again, and in that moment, her entire body tensed up.

However, just at that moment, Lu Chen slowly rose up, and as their lips parted and he felt Ji Qiuyu's body clinging to his, Lu Chen smiled and said, "Who would have thought, Qiuyu, that you are so fond of pleasure? It's been over half a month, and you still can't bear for me to leave."

Upon hearing these words, Ji Qiuyu instantly recalled her own reaction and, for a moment, felt her entire body incredibly hot.

This damned liar! He had toyed with her body and now he wanted to humiliate her!

Ji Qiuyu had intended to snap "If you're going to leave, then do it quickly," but when she thought that saying this might result in Lu Chen taking her life again, she held the words back.

She felt utterly powerless in front of this shameless man, Lu Chen, and she also realized that her body had indeed become somewhat dependent on him.

Seeing Ji Qiuyu looking as though she wanted to retort but didn't dare to speak, her face flushed with shame, Lu Chen couldn't help but laugh, though he did not continue to tease her.

Soon after, he pulled away and left, took a quick bath in the next room, changed his clothes, and then left the courtyard where Ji Qiuyu was.

Once Lu Chen had left, Ji Qiuyu quickly rose from the bed, sat cross-legged, and then tuned into the spiritual power within her body. Having confirmed that she had truly broken through to the Yin-Yang Realm, the excitement in Ji Qiuyu's heart took a long time to subside.

She had really broken through, and it wasn't just her imagination!

When had it become so easy to break through to the Genesis Realm?

According to her original cultivation progression, it would have taken five hundred years to reach the Yin-Yang Realm.

Yet, she had achieved it in just half a month, and that too unconsciously.

Clearly, all this was thanks to Lu Chen.

Every time she thought about the charlatan who had helped her improve her cultivation state, Ji Qiuyu's emotions became even more complex.

Lu Chen had deceived her, and he was an invader from another world; by all rights, she was his enemy, and they should not be together.

If Lu Chen were just an ordinary cultivator, perhaps their fate would have ended the moment she learned of his identity as an invader from another world.

Chapter 1099: Do You Want Me to Help You Cultivate?

Every time Ji Qiuyu thought about how Lu Chen had forcibly taken possession of her body and then applied various methods on her, she gritted her teeth in anger.

This trickster was so skilled; she did not know how many women he had harmed before, and how many consorts were in his harem.

Alas, this was perhaps the tribulation she was destined to endure in this lifetime.



Besides, Lu Chen had already planned to grant her the status of a Noble Concubine, leaving her with little to say.

Not only did he elevate her Cultivation State to the Yin-Yang Realm, but he also gave her the Noble Concubine identity, on top of bestowing her the Demon Burying Spell and a Saint-grade Cultivation Technique. This was, for her, an immense opportunity.

Such an opportunity, worth exchanging with her chastity, was something many women longed for but never had the chance to grasp.

Ji Qiuyu muttered to herself, "It has come to this, whether I'm a plaything or a furnace cauldron, I accept it."

Having received so many benefits from Lu Chen and tainted with such significant karma, even if Lu Chen was an invader from another realm, she could only accept it.

Thinking this, Ji Qiuyu's body heated up once again, with the images of Lu Chen oppressing her replaying continuously in her mind. She quickly started her cultivation practice, trying hard to control her restless heart.

Soon, news that the Zixiao Dynasty and the Blood Rainbow Pavilion had surrendered to the Tianchen World spread throughout the Ziyang World.

This left people baffled. The Purple Emperor and the Blood Rainbow Pavilion Master not only did not leave the Ziyang World but had in fact allied with the Daxia Dynasty.

With the Myriad Laws Realm power they both held, fleeing the Ziyang World would have been easy for them; some powers' Myriad Laws Realm Cultivators had already voluntarily opened the world channels to escape.

Instead of escaping, they had chosen to pledge allegiance to the Sum Emperor?

As people wondered why they chose such actions, the Daxia Dynasty's temporary Imperial Court in Black Dragon City issued a statement that once the Ziyang World stabilized, the Sum Emperor was set to marry both the Purple Emperor and the Blood Rainbow Pavilion Master.

Upon the publishing of this news, people immediately understood why the Purple Emperor and the Pavilion Master had not fled; they had already agreed to marry the Sum Emperor.

This revelation also made some clever individuals understand the twists and turns; the Sum Emperor had not chosen to use force against the entire Ziyang World immediately but instead opted to marry the women of the Ziyang World, indicating he had no intentions of destroying it.

He likely aimed more to control the world, and as long as they surrendered to Daxia and fostered good relations with the leaders chosen by the Sum Emperor, Daxia would not use force on them.

In just a few days, hundreds of powers had gravitated towards the Blood Rainbow Pavilion and Zixiao Dynasty, and some of the larger powers also sent envoys to Black Moon City, voluntarily swearing allegiance to the Sum Emperor.

Once the trend of surrender was established, taking down the Ziyang World posed barely any difficulty. The next thing for Lu Chen to consider was how to manage the entire Ziyang World.

His plan was straightforward; he had no immediate plans to let the Daxia Imperial Court directly manage the Ziyang World, frankly, because it was not quite feasible given the immense size of the Ziyang World, with the Daxia Imperial Court already struggling to manage the Tianchen World.

Moreover, in the future, he aimed not only to capture the Ziyang World but also intended to seize the Qi Fortune of other worlds, inevitably conquering even more worlds.

He planned to adopt a system akin to feudalism temporarily, selecting one or two spokespeople to help him manage the worlds he occupied.

Of course, to avoid any betrayal from his spokespeople, all those chosen would be his women.

Once he had enough powerful beings by his side in the future, he would establish an empire, and then at that time, he would unify all the worlds he had conquered under one imperial administration.

A few days later, at the City Lord's Mansion in Black Moon City.

Lu Chen sat in a pavilion, examining the map of the Ziyang World, when Ji Qiuyu entered the pavilion.

Seeing Lu Chen so engrossed in the map, she stood outside the pavilion, not entering or speaking, merely watching him in silence.

For this man who had taken her innocence, and whom she both loved and hated, Ji Qiuyu's emotions were incredibly complex, uncertain what to say to him now.

Just as Ji Qiuyu was lost in thought, Lu Chen's voice reached her, "Qiuyu, is there something you need?"

Ji Qiuyu replied hastily, "No... no, nothing."

She did have something on her mind; she had heard that Lu Chen wanted to marry Nangong Yuehua and Nangong Qingya, and she had thought about asking if it was true.

But recalling what Lu Chen had done to her, she couldn't help but think of him as a lecher, so it wasn't surprising that he was attracted to the beauty of Nangong Yuehua and Nangong Qingya.

Moreover, she held no significant status or identity in front of Lu Chen, and therefore had no right to question him.

Of course, this pained her heart. Even though she knew this man had many women, it made her suffer to think that he had just arrived in the Ziyang World, taken her virginity, and now had already started thinking about other women.

She wondered if once she truly entered Lu Chen's harem, she would end up alone in her chamber, much like the consorts in the mortal dynasties, who might never even be graced by the emperor's presence once in their lifetime.

Hearing Ji Qiuyu's hesitant tone, Lu Chen looked up at her, and Ji Qiuyu, with her head slightly lowered, dared not meet his eyes.

Lu Chen's lips curled into a small smile before he teasingly said, "What's wrong? Don't tell me you want my help with your cultivation but are too shy to ask?"

At Lu Chen's mocking words, Ji Qiuyu huffed, "I'm not that low!"

With those words, Ji Qiuyu turned and left in a huff.

She had been tormented by Lu Chen for over half a month; how could she possibly think about anything of that sort again? Lu Chen was clearly humiliating her. Even if she had resignedly become Lu Chen's plaything, she still maintained her dignity.

Ji Qiuyu had just walked a few steps when Bai Qingqing appeared in the courtyard dressed in Black Gold Armor. Seeing Bai Qingqing, Ji Qiuyu's eyebrows slightly furrowed.

These past few days, she had often seen Bai Qingqing, and although Bai Qingqing appeared to be just a maid, the soldiers around Lu Chen were all very polite to her, making Ji Qiuyu suspect that this so-called personal maid might also be involved with Lu Chen, the deceiver.

As Ji Qiuyu thought this, Bai Qingqing's voice came through, "Your Majesty, the Tianji Pavilion has sent people to sue for peace."

Hearing this, Ji Qiuyu was startled—was the Tianji Pavilion surrendering to the Daxia Dynasty too?

It seemed that the Ziyang World was indeed about to fall into the hands of this tyrant.

Thinking of this made Ji Qiuyu feel a wave of inexplicable sadness, as she had grown up in the Ziyang World and had deep feelings for it.

Although she had now become one of Lu Chen's women, it was still very painful from her perspective.

Hearing Bai Qingqing's words, Lu Chen chuckled and then said, "The Heavenly Demon was released, largely due to the Tianji Pavilion, and they dare to ask for peace now?"

The Tianji Pavilion had actively collaborated with various forces to break the seal of the Heavenly Demon, freeing it, which to most people in the Ziyang World was an unforgivable crime.

Lu Chen, wanting to win the hearts of the people of the Ziyang World, naturally could not exonerate Tianji Pavilion from blame, having to hold a power accountable.

As the main conspirator, the Tianji Pavilion certainly had to bear the blame for releasing the Heavenly Demon.

Nevertheless, Lu Chen decided to see what the Pavilion Master of Tianji Pavilion was up to.

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Lu Chen then spoke, "Allow the envoy from Tianji Pavilion to come in."

"Yes, Your Majesty."

After Bai Qingqing's words fell, she turned and left the courtyard. Seeing Bai Qingqing had left, Ji Qiuyu also quickened her steps and exited the courtyard.

Not long after, Bai Qingqing led a few people wearing gray robes with Yin-Yang patterns into the courtyard.

Upon entering the courtyard, they immediately bowed to Lu Chen and said, "The sinners of Tianji Pavilion pay respects to Your Majesty!"

Lu Chen glanced at these individuals and discovered they were all Elders of the Tianji Pavilion.

Seeing so many Elders, Lu Chen chuckled lightly and then said, "Surely not all the Elders of Tianji Pavilion have come?"

"Have you come willingly to the doorstep, not fearing that I might capture you all at once?"

Hearing this, Elder Yu Changqin of Tianji Pavilion immediately stepped forward and said, "We are indeed sinners. If Your Majesty wishes to eliminate us to demonstrate justice to the world, we have no objections."

"However ..."

At this point, Yu Changqin paused for a moment, then continued, "However, the sinners have something to say and hope Your Majesty will allow us to finish."

Lu Chen's gaze returned to the map on the stone table, and he said expressionlessly, "Speak."

Seeing that Lu Chen did not immediately attack them, Yu Changqin felt a glimmer of hope and quickly said, "The release of the Heavenly Demon was entirely the decision of Gongye Liangpeng. We had opposed it initially, but Gongye Liangpeng was autocratic and, since he had the backing of major forces in Ziyang World, we were powerless and failed to stop him."

Lu Chen said, "Oh? Are you trying to shift all the responsibility onto your Pavilion Master?"

"If I guess correctly, your Pavilion Master has already fled the Ziyang World, hasn't he?"

Yu Changqin hastily responded, "Your Majesty is insightful. It's our responsibility, and we will not shirk it. As members of the Ziyang World, we failed to stop Gongye Liangpeng, and we remain unforgivable."

"Moreover, it wasn't until Gongye Liangpeng left that we discovered he was actually a Demon Envoy. Having followed a Demon Envoy and contributed to his malevolence for so many years, Your Majesty, no matter how you decide to punish us, we will have no grievances or regrets."

"It's just that the infamy associated with the release of the Heavenly Demon is something we truly dare not assume."

Upon hearing Yu Changqin's words, Lu Chen once again raised his head to glance at Yu Changqin.

[Name: Yu Changqin]

[Identity: Elder Yu Changqin, candidate for Pavilion Master of Tianji Pavilion.]

[Strength: Yin-Yang Realm Ninth Layer]

[Loyalty: 96]

Yu Changqin's loyalty to him was in the nineties; it seemed he genuinely wished to remain loyal.

Lu Chen said, "Gongye Liangpeng has fled, and if Tianji Pavilion does not bear the infamy, do you expect me to take it on?"

As soon as the words fell, a suppressive force emanated from Lu Chen's body, instantly causing Yu Changqin and the other Elders of Tianji Pavilion to kneel on the ground.

A powerful pressure weighed down on them, making even breathing difficult.

Shao Yuanjia clenched his teeth and spoke word by word, "Your Majesty, failing to recognize people correctly was our responsibility, and we are willing to accept any punishment. However, Gongye Liangpeng was so powerful that even if we had tried to stop him back then, it was with willingness but without power."

Lu Chen indifferently said, "With willingness but without power? You didn't exert any effort, of course, you were powerless."

"If you had fully tried to stop Gongye Liangpeng from unleashing the Heavenly Demon back then, you wouldn't need to beg me today, and I wouldn't pursue your responsibility."

Hearing Lu Chen's words, Shao Yuanjia and the others fell into silence.

Back then, they indeed believed that unleashing the Heavenly Demon to combat the invaders from another realm was improper. However, the Tianji Pavilion had always been dominated by Gongye Liangpeng's word, and even though they opposed it verbally, they dared not take any actual action.

At that moment, Lu Chen withdrew his oppressive aura, and Shao Yuanjia and the others instantly felt their bodies lighten, breathing deeply.

Lu Chen continued, gazing at the map on the stone table and said, "Indeed, I could just absolve some of you in Tianji Pavilion of your responsibilities with a single word. But why should I?"

Hearing this, Shao Yuanjia instantly understood Lu Chen's implication and hurriedly said, "Your Majesty is in the prime of life and surely will not stop at conquering Ziyang World. If Your Majesty plans to attack other worlds in the future, our Tianji Pavilion can help predict the enemy's strength and strategies in those worlds."

Lu Chen pondered for a moment. If the people of Tianji Pavilion could predict the specific situations of other worlds, then he could save some time when gathering intelligence.

Like when attacking Ziyang World, collecting intelligence took too much time. Once they entered Ziyang World and merely exterminated a Heavenly Demon, the world almost fell into his hands immediately.

If he could determine the overall strength of a world earlier, then he could deploy his troops earlier, conquer that world sooner, and also absorb the world's qi fortune sooner.

Thinking this, Lu Chen said, "Your predictive abilities seem to be lacking as well, not even knowing your Pavilion Master was a Demon Envoy. Even if I spare you, I doubt you'll be of much use."

This...



Hearing Lu Chen's words, Shao Yuanjia and the others stood rooted to the spot, unable to refute him on this point.

After a while, Shao Yuanjia then defended, "Your Majesty, a cultivator with strong predictive abilities can shield the devinations. Gongye Liangpeng was stronger than all of us combined. It's normal that we couldn't predict him being a Demon Envoy."

Lu Chen said, "Oh? Is that so? Since I can't shield the divinations, predict what I'm going to do next."

"If you can predict that, consider yourselves to have passed."

As Lu Chen's words fell, the Elders of Tianji Pavilion looked at one another, seemingly communicating through their gazes.

Seeing that they did not respond immediately, Lu Chen said, "What? You don't have the capability?"

Shao Yuanjia said, "If it pleases Your Majesty, we already tried to predict everything about you on our way to Black Moon City. But Your Majesty is a person burdened with great qi fortune, protected by the cosmic origin, so we cannot predict anything about you."

Lu Chen snorted and said, "As I thought, a bunch of useless people."

Hearing Lu Chen's words, the people of Tianji Pavilion felt an immense sadness in their hearts; it seemed they were doomed.

When they jointly attempted to divine the origins of the Sum Emperor while they were still in Tianji Pavilion, they faced severe repercussions. They had guessed their fate then, which was why they decided to risk their lives and come to Black Moon City to pledge allegiance to the Sum Emperor.

Now, it seemed they had failed.

Just as everyone thought the Sun Emperor was about to dispose of them, Lu Chen indifferently said, "I can give you one more chance. Predict the origins of the Pavilion Master Nangong Qingya of the Blood Rainbow Pavilion, and what she plans to do next."

"If you can't even predict that, then you may as well go back and wait to die."

With that statement, the Elders of Tianji Pavilion clung to it like a lifeline, hastily forming a circle.

The next moment, a Yin-Yang Formation appeared beneath their feet.