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Chapter 701: Sister Yao, We Feel Like Old Friends at First Sight (1)

“Greetings, Brother Shen.”

There was no change in Nangong Yao’s cold eyes. Although she did not know why this Guardian Shen, whom she had never met before, was so close to her, she still called out.

The representatives of the Cheng, Wu, and Jin families maintained a smile on their faces, but they were frowning in their hearts. It would not be a good thing if these two people liked each other. Moreover, they were both young prodigies. Once they really had a good impression of each other, it was very likely that they would be together.

All the representatives looked at each other and saw the coldness in each other’s eyes.

When the celebration banquet officially began, Lian Nishang secretly pinched Shen Ping’s waist with a malicious look in her eyes.

Shen Ping was calm and composed. It was not that he had taken a fancy to Nangong Yao, but that she was a human Immortal Venerable after all. He felt a sense of accomplishment to be able to take advantage of the reincarnation world.

Halfway through the banquet, a white mist suddenly filled the entire Nangong Manor. Immediately after, a stench spread out.

“Who are you? How dare you trespass into my Nangong Mansion!” The bloodline aura on Old Ancestor Nangong’s body suddenly erupted, instantly dispersing a large amount of white fog. There were already more than ten Star Realm demons floating in the air.

“Ah, i-it’s a great demon!”

“Star-ranked great demon!”

The guests in the manor immediately panicked. So many great demons had come at once. They wanted to wash the entire Jizhou City with blood! Old Ancestor Nangong’s expression changed, and he hurriedly used his bloodline technique to send a message to Nangong Yao, “Yao’er, quick, run! Their target is you! Go to the Demon Suppression Division!”

Nangong Yao came back to her senses. Without thinking, she used the Nangong Family’s Blood Escape to escape in the direction of the Demon Suppression Division. The Demon Suppression Division was a powerful organization in the Xia Dynasty that suppressed demons. Even Star Palace experts did not dare to barge into the Demon Suppression Division of a state capital.

“Hmph, a mere human who has just broken through to the Star Rank wants to escape?!” One of the green flood dragons opened its mouth and spat out a large number of icicles that swept out in all directions. In an instant, it enveloped the

Nangong Manor. Nangong Yao, who had just escaped to the edge of the back door of the mansion, immediately appeared.

Three demons rushed over.

Old Ancestor Nangong and the Nangong Family members had already rushed forward to stop the other Star Rank demons. Although the representatives of the other aristocratic families did not want to see the rise of the Nangong Family, they could only brace themselves and charge at this moment.

The scene instantly became chaotic.

At the edge of the mansion, flames rose around Nangong Yao's body. She was like a fire phoenix that had been reborn from the flames. She was not afraid of the encirclement of the three demons at all.

"Hurry up and deal with it. We don't have much time."

If not for the help of the Jin family, it would have been impossible for the greater demons of the Demon God Sect to infiltrate Jizhou City. When the Demon Suppression Division received the news, they would definitely immediately provide support. Although there were no Star ranks, the Demon Suppression Division was specially guarded by the imperial court. He could command the army of Jizhou City.

If an army of bloodline Awakened rushed over, they would not be able to escape.

All kinds of demonic abilities were used, but they still couldn't take Nangong Yao down.

On the other side, the Star Rank demons were fighting with Old Ancestor Nangong and the representatives of the other aristocratic families. As these demons were not fighting with their lives on the line, they were in a stalemate for a moment.

At the banquet table, Lian Nishang and Ling Yu'er only grabbed Shen Ping's arm. In such a scene, the two of them did not even dare to move.

"Brother Shen, what should we do?"

"Don't worry. Some demons are just causing trouble. When the Demon Suppression Division reacts, they will definitely be able to deal with them easily."

But the Demon Suppression Division did not provide support for a long time. This made Old Ancestor Nangong immediately understand that there must be an aristocratic family participating and hindering the Demon Suppression Division. It was even possible that they had bribed the guards sent by the dynasty.

"Damn it, who wants to harm my Nangong Family!" Old Ancestor Nangong exploded. Flames erupted from his body like a volcano. It held a flame spear in its hand and attacked the green flood dragon crazily, suppressing it. However, the green flood dragon was not weak and could keep Old Ancestor Nangong busy.

The other members of the Nangong family could not do so. Soon, they were severely injured by the demon.

When Nangong Yao, who had already escaped from the Nangong Manor, saw this scene, she made up her mind and quickly fled out of Jizhou City. She knew that these demons were targeting her. As long as she went out of the city, these demons would definitely retreat. In this way, the lives of the old ancestor and her clansmen would be saved.

“Yao’er, no!!” When Old Ancestor Nangong saw this, he shouted anxiously. However, it could no longer be stopped.

When the other Greater Demons saw this, they used their own methods to escape from the battle. They quickly retreated from the Nangong Manor and chased after Nangong Yao, who was fleeing outside Jizhou City.

The originally chaotic Nangong Manor suddenly became deserted. Only the Nangong clansmen who had suffered heavy casualties were left to treat each other.

“Nishang, Yu’er, the two of you go back to the Demon Suppression Division. I’ll go take a look.”

“Ah, Brother Shen, be careful.”

“Brother Shen.”

Lian Nishang looked at Shen Ping worriedly.

Shen Ping smiled and pinched Lian Nishang’s face. “Your Brother Shen is very powerful. These demons don’t have the ability to hurt me.”

An hour passed.

In the sky above a lake far away from Jizhou City, the green flood dragon and the other Star Realm demons surrounded Nangong Yao.

“Nangong Yao, your Nangong family’s escape technique is really amazing. You actually managed to run so far. However, it’s all in vain. Your Nangong family’s ancestor is still halfway there. Even if he comes, it’s useless. You should just stay obedient when we capture you.”

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“As long as you submit to our Demon God Sect, you might still have a chance to survive.”

There was no emotion in Nangong Yao’s cold eyes. When she rushed out of Jizhou City, she had no intention of living. She turned around and looked in the direction of Jizhou City. She said silently in her heart, “Farewell, Nangong

Family.”

“Even if I die, I won’t collude with you demons.

Her aura skyrocketed, and her flame bloodline rose. She had already burned the bloodline in her body.

“Hmph, a cornered beast is still fighting. You overestimate yourself.”

The green flood dragon sneered. Then, the three or four greater demons rushed forward. In just a few dozen breaths, they severely injured Nangong Yao and made her fall on the island.

“I want her alive. A genius like Nangong Yao still has research value.”

This was also the main reason why Nangong Yao had been able to survive until now. Otherwise, with the strength of more than ten Star Realms, if they had attacked with their full strength, Nangong Yao would have long since died.

Just as the group of greater demons was about to attack, footsteps suddenly sounded from the sky. These footsteps were very slow, but every step was like a heavy hammer that ruthlessly struck the hearts of every greater demon, causing their heartbeats to involuntarily accelerate.

All the demons immediately looked into the distance and saw a young man in a white robe walking over.

“It’s Guardian Shen from the Demon Suppression Division!”

The pupils of these demons constricted.

Everyone knew that this young man in front of them definitely did not have the strength of a Star Rank cultivator. Just the sound of his footsteps was enough to make them feel uncomfortable. It could be seen that he had hidden his strength.

Nangong Yao also raised her eyes, her coldness carrying a hint of surprise. She didn’t expect that this person of the same generation who was closer to her when they first met would actually chase after her. “Brother Shen, you’re no match for them. Leave quickly and tell my Nangong family’s ancestor that Yao’er won’t be able to repay the Nangong family in this life.

Shen Ping smiled faintly. “Sister Yao, you should say this to your ancestor personally.” He was already standing in the air above the lake, calmly looking at the dozen or so demons. “You are from the Demon God Sect. There should be a spy of yours in the city. Which aristocratic family is it? Or rather, which guardian is it? And where is the Demon God Sect’s nest? I’m interested in all of these. If anyone tells me, I can let you live. Remember, I’m only going to say this once.”

The demons looked at each other.

“Don’t be frightened by this fellow. He’s just a teenager. No matter how strong he is, how powerful can he be? Let’s go!” The green flood dragon shouted coldly.

However, as soon as it finished speaking, its body suddenly cracked, and its blood flowed out uncontrollably. In the blink of an eye, it became a blood bead containing a pure wind-element energy bloodline.

This scene immediately scared the other Star Realm demons silly.

The green flood dragon was the leader of this operation, and its strength had already reached the middle stage of the Star Realm. It could even contend against a human at the late stage of the Star Realm. However, it had died in the blink of an eye. It was obvious that the young man in front of it was definitely not at the Star Realm.

Another Greater Demon turned into a drop of blood and floated in the air. Shen Ping shook his head. "Looks like you don't plan to answer me. Since that's the case..."

The other demons fled without thinking. However, before they could escape from the lake, they all turned into blood beads.

"You're really stubborn. Are your bones so hard?"

Shen Ping could not help but frown. Demons were simple-minded and were easily controlled. Didn't this group of demons know that as long as they revealed a little, they would be able to rise rapidly in the future?

What was so good about following the Demon God Sect? In the future, they would still be used as cannon fodder.

Nangong Yao's face was filled with shock. These demons were not weak. Even the late-stage Star Realm cultivators sent by the dynasty of the Demon Suppression Division might not be able to take them down. In the end, they all died in less than three to five breaths. She looked at the white-robed young man in the air. For the first time, she felt a trace of admiration for her peers.

"Star Palace Realm. I didn't expect Brother Shen to be so talented. I'm impressed."

Nangong Yao struggled to get up and bowed to Shen Ping. "Thank you for saving my life, Brother Shen."

Shen Ping waved his hand, and more than ten blood beads were put into his sleeve. He landed on the island and said with a smile, "Sister Yao, you don't have to be so polite. We hit it off at first sight, so it's only right for me to save you. However, I hope that Sister Yao won't reveal my strength."

With Nangong Yao's appearance and personality, it was obvious that she was the kind of person who would keep her promises to the death. It was obvious that she was influenced by her True Spirit.

"Brother Shen, don't worry. I won't reveal anything."

She did not dislike Shen Ping's closeness because she could tell that he did not have the desire of a man and a woman. Instead, it was a sign of complete intimacy.

"This is a healing elixir I concocted. After you take it, your injuries will improve a lot."

He handed Nangong Yao a blood-brown elixir. The other party swallowed it without any hesitation, not worried that there would be any tricks on it.

After consuming it, waves of bloodline power surged, and the heavenly treasures and water-attribute bloodline energy immediately nourished Nangong Yao's body.

In a short period of time, her withered bloodline energy quickly recovered, and her injuries healed at a speed visible to the naked eye. To her surprise, she did not ask what medicinal pill this was. Needless to say, it was definitely Big Brother Shen's opportunity.

"Let's go back to Jizhou City."

On the way back, Shen Ping asked, "Sister Yao, do you know the background of the Demon God Sect?"

Nangong Yao shook her head. "I'm not too sure. My Nangong Family only has some scattered records. The Demon God Sect is a powerful force passed down from ancient times. Many aristocratic families in the Xia Dynasty had dealings with this force. Their main purpose is to obtain some materials. As for the rest, I don't really understand."

While the two of them were talking, they saw the anxious old ancestor of the Nangong Family. When he saw Shen Ping and Nangong Yao, he was stunned for a moment before joy appeared on his face. "Yao'er, are you alright?"

Nangong Yao hurriedly said, "Great-grandfather, I'm fine. It's all thanks to Big Brother Shen's timely arrival that I managed to shake off those demons with Big Brother Shen's help."

"Good, good!" Old Ancestor Nangong looked at Shen Ping. "Thankyou, Nephew Shen. Our Nangong Family will remember this favor."

The three of them did not say much and immediately returned to Jizhou City. Next, it was time for the various aristocratic families to argue with each other. After all, the Nangong family had been injured this time, and it was a Star Rank great demon who had personally entered the city. All the aristocratic families had an undeniable responsibility. Even the lord of the Demon Suppression Division expressed his apology, saying that he had something urgent to deal with and could not help.

Then, the Demon Suppression Division compensated him with a lot of things to appease Old Ancestor Nangong's anger. However, this matter had indeed made the competition between the various aristocratic families gradually become more obvious.

"Brother Nangong, what happened last time must have been done by the Jin family and the Wu family. Our Cheng family has always been on good terms with the Nangong family. This time, we have to form an alliance to resist the other two families."

Old Ancestor Nangong nodded, "Brother Cheng is right. In the future, my Nangong Family will advance and retreat with the Cheng Family."

After the two of them finished chatting, Old Ancestor Nangong looked for Nangong Yao and told her some of the information he had learned. "Yao'er, you and Guardian Shen are of the same generation, and you've been through thick and thin together. He also saved your life. You should tell him these things yourself so that you can get closer to him."

"Yao'er understands."

Not long after, Nangong Yao arrived at Shen Ping's residence. "Brother Shen, the last time the members of the Demon God Sect attacked, the Jin family secretly did something behind the scenes."

Shen Ping nodded. "The Jin family. Alright, I understand."

Nangong Yao hesitated and said, "Brother Shen, if you want to investigate the Demon God Sect, you must be careful. The Demon God Sect is quite powerful. Even if you're at the Star Palace Realm, you might not be safe." Shen Ping smiled and said, "Sister Yao, don't worry. I will be careful." After saying that, Nangong Yao did not leave immediately. Instead, she hesitated and continued, "Brother Shen, the Nangong Family hasn't thanked you properly for what happened last time. I wonder if Brother Shen has time to go to the Nangong Family?"

"Oh" Shen Ping said with a faint smile, "Does Sister Yao want to invite me, or is it your ancestor's idea?" Then, he said, "If Sister Yao invites me, I will definitely go."

Nangong Yao couldn't help but ask, "Why is Brother Shen so special to me? We aren't that close!"

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"Sister Yao, do you believe in fate? The moment I saw you, I felt a sense of familiarity. It was as if there was some kind of fate that made me see you again." Shen Ping's voice was calm.

Nangong Yao, on the other hand, was silent. She did not believe in fate at all. She only believed in relying on her own strength to strive to reach the top. However, there was indeed no need for Guardian Shen to lie to her. In terms of looks, Ling Yu'er and Lian Nishang beside her were not inferior to her. Moreover, she believed that with Guardian Shen's strength, even if she was a genius of the capital, there would definitely be aristocratic families sending themselves to his door.

"Brother Shen, I don't care about love. I just want to climb to the peak and see the scenery on the peak. However, I'm willing to use my body to repay Brother Shen for saving my life."

Her meaning was clear. They couldn't talk about love, but they could comfort each other. Because in Nangong Yao's eyes, no matter how beautiful and perfect her figure was, it was just skin.

The corners of Shen Ping's mouth twitched. This was very in line with his impression of Immortal Venerable Yao. After all, not all women liked to be in love. "Sister Yao, this world is not as simple as you think. Even if you become the peerless powerhouse in history who has suppressed the world for ten thousand years, in the end, you will only be a tiny member of the current of history."

Nangong Yao smiled. "Even so, I want to stand on it."

Fine.

Shen Ping felt Nangong Yao's determination. He shrugged and said, "When Sister Yao wants to personally invite me to your residence, I'll gladly go."

Nangong Yao understood what Shen Ping meant. She nodded and said, "Okay."

That night, Guardian Jin, who was in the underground meditation room, frowned. "What's going on? The sect sent more than ten Star Rank demons this time, but they didn't even take down a Star Rank who had just broken through?"

The sect's guard's face darkened. "We're still investigating the exact situation. Perhaps it's related to that guy surnamed Shen from the Demon Suppression Department. The only variable now is him."

Guardian Jin was speechless. "Even if it's him, he's just a little kid. His strength is at most at the middle stage of the Star Rank. How could he have killed more than ten Greater Demons? There must be a hidden force in Jizhou City. It might be from another sect!"

Although the Demon God Sect was powerful, they were not united. The internal factions were complicated. They schemed against each other and wanted to take advantage of the chaos to rise.

While the two of them were talking, Shen Ping had already appeared behind them. As long as he knew that it was the Jin family, he would naturally be able to find them easily with his detection. Even though the quiet room was isolated by the bloodline pressure of the Demon God, it was still not a problem for him. "You guys don't have to look anymore. I killed those dozen or so demons."

Guardian Jin and the sect guards were shocked. They turned around and saw Shen Ping.

"H-How did you find this place?" The sect guard was shocked.

Shen Ping smiled faintly. "You're referring to that statue, right? Its pressure is indeed not small, but unfortunately, it's ineffective against the Star Palace Realm."

As soon as he said this, both men stared. There was no one else in the world who could reach the Star Palace Realm at the age of 16. Only those peerless experts in history could reach such a level at such a young age.

"Alright, let's cut to the chase. I want to know where the Demon God Sect's lair is. Tell me." Shen Ping looked at Guardian Jin. "Lord Jin, I believe you want to know why I was able to reach the Star Palace Realm at the age of 16. As long as you're willing to join me, the next Star Palace Realm will be you."

Guardian Jin nodded without thinking. "Alright, I'm willing to join Lord Shen..."

With that, he and the sect guard charged straight at the statue.

Shen Ping snorted and raised his hand. The bloodline power in their bodies exploded. Under the Devour talent, it instantly turned into blood beads. Killing them did not make Shen Ping very happy. Instead, he frowned. He did not think that the people of the sect had such a tough bone. There must be a reason.

He looked at the statue, and walked forward. As soon as he got within three meters, the statue's eyes turned blood-red. Then, waves of energy descended, and the statue immediately came to life.

"Interesting. It's similar to the descent of a soul."

The statue stared at Shen Ping. “I didn’t expect a prodigy like you to appear in Jizhou City. If you are willing to join my sect, you will immediately become the next sect master. My sect will definitely acknowledge you as its master and unify the world.”

Boom.

Shen Ping threw a punch. The statue shattered and he closed his eyes. His powerful True Spirit followed the direction of the fading Spiritual Soul. His body also disappeared as he sped towards the northeast in the sky and chased for more than half a month.

He arrived in the Cangzhou area of the Great Xia Dynasty. This place was close to the sea and was one of the most prosperous docks in the Great Xia Dynasty.

“So it’s on an overseas island. No wonder very few people can find it.”

In the ocean of this world, there were many demons, and they were very powerful. Star Rank cultivators were nothing. Only Star Palace cultivators could barely occupy a territory. Since ancient times, many cultivators of dynasties had wanted to conquer this ocean, but unfortunately, they had returned empty-handed.

Originally, Shen Ping had planned to become stronger before coming here to improve. Since he had followed the Demon God Sect here, he would improve himself in passing.

Swoosh, his figure flashed, and in an instant, he crossed hundreds of kilometers.

Ten minutes later, he sensed a Star Palace Realm fish demon. It was a huge swordfish.

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Boom.

The swordfish also sensed Shen Ping and rushed out of the sea to fight with him. After all, this was its territory.

Shen Ping, who was in the second level of the Star Palace Realm, killed the swordfish with a few lightning sabers that contained the power of heaven and earth. After refining them into blood beads, he sat cross-legged on the surface of the sea and circulated the Lifeline Star Palace Technique to cultivate and absorb them.

Just like that, he searched for the Demon God Sect’s territory while killing sea demons to cultivate. In just two months, he killed five Star Palace Realm Demon Venerables in a row. Among them, there were two Level Three Star Palace Realm Demon Venerables. His water-element bloodline rapidly increased to the fourth level of the Star Palace Realm.

The lightning and wood attributes had only reached the third level of the Star Palace.

The advancement of the Star Palace Realm was very slow. If one relied on absorbing star power and bloodline energy every day, even a genius would need to spend five to six hundred years to advance by one level. Therefore, the Stargold Stone was the most important resource.

However, Shen Ping had relied on his devouring talent to increase his cultivation by two levels in such a short period of time. If the old monsters hiding in the continent and the sea knew about this, their jaws would probably drop.

Even so, he felt that it was too slow. Therefore, he decided to ignore the Demon God Sect for now and search for the Star Palace Realm Demon Venerable in the vast sea. Although there were many demon experts in the sea, the sea was too vast. Shen Ping flew continuously for half a month before arriving at the next sea area that contained abundant resources.

Through investigation, there were actually more than ten Star Palace Realm cultivators here. They were branched out in the resource-rich area. Two of them had extremely powerful auras. He estimated that they were at least at the fifth or sixth level of the Star Palace.

“Haha, the stronger the better!”

Shen Ping relied on his many tricks and his good concealment skills. Coupled with the fact that he had three bloodline abilities, he began to provoke these powerful sea demons frequently.

The Demon Venerable was already extremely proud and thought that the ocean was the center of the world. The demons and humans on those continents were simply barbarians. Therefore, they were extremely irritable at Shen Ping’s provocation.

In the end, they all became pure Blood Beads after devouring and refining them.

Late at night, vast amounts of star power gathered crazily. Shen Ping absorbed the pure energy required by the Star Palace Realm, and the aura of his body kept rising. Most sea demons were of the water attribute, but there were also many other attributes in the Star Palace Realm. On the other hand, the lightning attribute was very rare. Up until now, he had already accumulated four fire and earth attribute Star Palace-level blood beads.

A month later, he killed all the Star Palace realm Demon Venerables in this sea area. He successfully expanded his water and wood attribute palaces to six, reaching the sixth level of the Star Palace Realm. However, he only had four lightning attribute palaces.

“It’s been half a year since I came out. I’m afraid Nishang is very worried. Let’s get rid of the Demon God Sect first. I’ll think of ways to improve after I’ve digested my gains.”

The sea region was indeed very suitable for him to quickly increase his strength. However, if he went any further, he estimated that his enemies would be at the seventh level of the Star Palace Realm or even higher. That level would almost stand at the top of this world. Their use of the power of heaven and earth was not weaker than his little bit of the Great Dao of heaven and earth.

Hence, Shen Ping did not plan to continue. After his water and wood attributes reached the sixth level of the Star Palace Realm, his speed became even faster. It only took him half a day to return to the direction where he was tracking the Demon God Sect. Although the remnant soul aura was very weak now, he saw an island a day later.

There was a huge lizard statue on the island. It was obviously the Demon God Sect’s lair. He concealed his aura and sneaked in. Shen Ping frowned. There were only three Star Palace experts on this island. If they only had this bit of strength, what right did the Demon God Sect have to be so arrogant?

He immediately appeared and rushed to the Star Palace expert who had descended upon Jizhou City through his divine soul. When he saw Shen Ping, disbelief appeared in the eyes of this Demon God Sect's elder. He never expected that Shen Ping would actually be able to find their sect's lair.

Pfft.

Without giving him a chance to speak nonsense, Shen Ping quickly refined him into a Blood Bead. With his current strength, those below the fourth level of the Star Palace basically didn't even have the ability to resist.

Boom!

Lightning bloodline power surged around his body, covering the entire island. Those weak Star rank experts were directly turned into dust. The remaining two Star Palace cultivators were shocked. They wanted to escape, but they were trapped by the wood element.

"Senior, please spare me! Senior, please spare me!"

"We're members of the Demon God Sect. Please spare our lives for the sake of the Demon God!"

Shen Ping narrowed his eyes. "In that case, this isn't the main altar of the Demon God Sect?"

The third level Star Palace cultivator in the lead hurriedly said, "Senior, we belong to one of the branches of the Demon God Sect. If you kill us, you will definitely wake up the ancient demon god sleeping in the abyss at the bottom of the sea..."

Before he could finish speaking, his body exploded and turned into pure blood beads. The last second level Star Palace cultivator was so frightened that his face turned pale.

"Now, you can tell me everything about the Demon God Sect. If I'm satisfied, you'll live."

The Star Palace cultivator poured out all the information.

It turned out that there were a total of 12 branches in the Demon God Sect, representing the 12 Demon Sovereigns who had followed the Demon God in the ancient times. Their bloodlines were powerful. As long as they believed in the Demon Sovereigns, they could borrow their strength and quickly improve. Even if these Demon Sovereigns had long died in the river of time, their bloodlines had been passed down and new Demon Sovereigns emerged, sleeping in the abyss at the bottom of the sea.

As long as there were statues on the island, those sea demons would not dare to attack.

"Where are the headquarters of the other sects?"

"Senior, these are the core secrets of every sect. I only know that there are six in the sea. Ours is at the outermost edge of the sea, and the rest are in the depths. The rest should be on the continent. I don't know the exact location.

"However, the current chaos in the Great Xia Dynasty was caused by the infiltration of the twelve branches. It won't be long before they appear one by one. It's said that a

grand event that happens once every ten thousand years is about to arrive. Even the Demon Sovereigns, who are sleeping in the abyss at the bottom of the sea, will wake up one after another.”

A moment later, Shen Ping gave him a chance to live. He used the power of his true spirit to leave a mark on his body. “Continue to stay here and develop the strength of the sect while secretly investigating the headquarters of the other sects. Investigate the information of the inner region of the sea and the core as well.”

He threw a blood bead to the other party. “This is the essence of a sea demon expert at the third level of the Star Palace. After you absorb it, your strength will soar.”

“Yes, Senior.”

This second level Star Palace expert surnamed Yan heaved a heavy sigh of relief in his heart. He had finally survived.

After consuming the Blood Bead, his eyes widened. The pure energy contained in it was even richer than the Stargold Stone. In just half a month, he, who was already a step away, immediately broke through to the third level of the Star Palace Realm. This saved him hundreds of years of time.

“Thank you, Senior. I will definitely do my best to gather all kinds of information.”

After tasting the sweetness, Elder Yan said respectfully. This was faster than worshipping an ancient demon god. “This is the token of the headquarters. With this token, you can mobilize all the power of the sect in the Xia Dynasty.”

Although the Lizard Sect was relatively weak, they were still one of the twelve branches of the Demon God Sect. They had developed quite a lot of forces in secret. The members of these sects were scattered in almost every province in the Great Xia Dynasty, so they had a lot of information.

“What’s a once-in-10,000-years event?” Shen Ping asked again. He did not find such records in the Demon Suppression Division’s library.

Elder Yan didn’t know either. He only knew that before the grand event, the sea and continent would give birth to some special resources. After devouring these resources, the strength of the bloodline would rapidly increase.

The various sects infiltrated the Great Xia Dynasty mainly to find such resources.

Shen Ping did not continue asking. He gave a few instructions and left the island. Half a month later, he returned to Jizhou City.

He had gained a lot from this trip. Not only did he raise his strength from the second level of the Star Palace to the sixth level of the Star Palace, but he also obtained many ancient secrets. He could be considered to have a better understanding of this world.

“Brother Shen, where have you been all this time? I was so worried!” When she saw Shen Ping, Lian Nishang was overjoyed and threw herself into his arms.

Shen Ping smiled. “Aren’t I back now? Tell me quickly. Did you miss me?”

“Yes, I do.”

“Did your upper mouth miss me, or your lower mouth?”

Lian Nishang lowered her head and blushed. “B-Both.”

Shen Ping carried Lian Nishang and strode into the bedroom.

Chapter 705: Nangong Yao's Decision (1)

Before Lian Nishang had sex with Shen Ping, she was very shy and ignorant about the love between a man and a woman. She was even a little curious. After getting to know each other, although she still could not let go, she could say some secrets.

And Shen Ping was guiding her in all sorts of movements. Sweat poured down his back. Lying on the bed, the little girl thought about it carefully. When she came back to her senses, she said faintly, “Brother Shen, is Nishang too weak and can't help you much? Every time, you don't bring me with you. If this continues, I will be left behind by you sooner or later.”

She still felt a sense of danger. After all, Shen Ping's cultivation level and strength improved very quickly. Now that he was in Jizhou City, Nangong Yao of the Nangong family was not inferior to her in terms of talent, looks, and figure, including in the Demon Suppression Division. In the past half a year, she had heard many people say that Guardian Shen and Nangong Yao were a match made in heaven.

“Silly girl, what are you thinking?” Shen Ping pinched Lian Nishang's face and said seriously, “We grew up together. How could I leave you behind? I came back earlier this time because I was afraid that you would be too worried.”

Lian Nishang smiled.

“Come, let me check your cultivation during this period of time.”

“Don't move that... you're so bad.”

The two of them had been fighting for dozens of days, and Lian Nishang was so tired that she could not do it anymore. Only then did Shen Ping let this girl off. He then got Ling Yu'er to come over to give her a trim of her bush.

One and a half months later, he finally felt relaxed in all aspects after more than half a year of boring cultivation.

Elder Yan of the Lizard Sect had already sent over the list of all the members of the sect. He had sent out his capable subordinates to listen to Shen Ping's instructions and contact the people from the various states.

“Greetings, Sect Master.”

Yes, Shen Ping had been promoted to the leader of the Lizard Sect. Before a sect reached the Star Palace realm, they would be affected by the statue. Even if they were not pious, they would not rashly join other factions. However, after the Star Palace realm, the binding power of the statue was very weak.

“Chen Bin, the Jin Clan in Jizhou City has already been annexed by other aristocratic families. Dispatch other members to Jizhou City to re-establish the branch immediately. Have you gathered all the information on the Xia Dynasty?” Shen Ping asked calmly.

Chen Bin nodded and handed Shen Ping a name list. It clearly recorded the elites of the Great Xia Imperial Dynasty and the various aristocratic families, as well as the strength information of the royal family.

He scanned the page. The Xia Dynasty had been able to suppress the entire continent for nearly a thousand years, so its strength could not be underestimated. Just the founding ancestor of the Xia Dynasty was already at the second level of the Star Platform Realm. He was only one level away from the true peak of the emperor realm.

There were still two clans that had just broken through to the Star Platform Realm in the royal family. There were a total of 23 members of the royal family who had reached the Star Palace realm, which was only on the surface. No one knew how many forces were hidden in the dark. The other aristocratic families were stronger than the ones in Jizhou City. They basically had one or two Star Palace realm Venerables guarding them.

On the other hand, the prodigies of the Imperial Capital were about the same level as Nangong Yao of Jizhou City. At most, they were slightly stronger. After all, it was indeed very rare for a fifteen or sixteen-year-old to break through to the Star Rank.

However, the prodigies of the previous generation who were generally 200 years old had very strong bloodline strength. The weakest was already at the first level of the Star Palace Realm.

That was why the Imperial City was truly filled with crouching tigers and hidden dragons.

It had been 17 years since Shen Ping reincarnated. Under the Devouring talent, his bloodline cultivation had advanced by leaps and bounds, reaching the sixth level of the Star Palace. If he didn't have this strange beast talent, even with the memories and experience of his previous life, it would still take him a hundred years to barely reach this level.

“From the looks of it, the third level of the Star Platform Realm can stand at the peak of this world, and only the Deity Realm that is one level higher can have era-suppressing methods.” He thought to himself.

In fact, with his current cultivation, he roughly understood what the main opportunity of reincarnation was. It was the comprehension and mastery of the world. This was because the Star Palace Realm had already come into contact with the power of the world. The fourth and fifth levels of the Star Palace in the sea were not inferior to him in terms of mastery and activation of the power of the world.

Of course, this didn't mean that the fourth or fifth level of the Star Palace Realm was comparable to the Immortal King before reincarnation. It could only be said that it was easier to comprehend the power of heaven and earth here as they could comprehend it through their bloodline.

Therefore, as long as a Beast Spirit could reach the fourth or fifth level of the Star Palace, they would automatically comprehend the Dao of Heaven and Earth. This was much easier than the cultivation they had before they reincarnated.

“Ordinary prodigies need more than a thousand years to reach the fourth level of the Star Palace Realm. For people like Nangong Yao, three to four hundred years is enough.”

Shen Ping narrowed his eyes. The reason why Nangong Yao was outstanding was because of her true spirit. Needless to say, those reincarnated Venerable Sovereigns would be even more outstanding. Immortal Venerables would probably reach the Star Rank at the age of 17.

On the other hand, Beast Spirits like his master Lian Xuejin were relatively ordinary. Without his help, Lian Xuejin's reincarnation, Lian Nishang, could at most reach the third rank.

He looked at the list again. Recently, many outstanding prodigies had appeared among the prodigies of the Imperial City. Among them, a few had broken through to the Star Rank at the age of thirteen or fourteen. Now, at the age of seventeen, they had already reached the late stage of the Star Rank.

“These geniuses should be the reincarnations of Venerable Sovereigns. Fortunately, I activated the strange beast talent, Devour. Otherwise, I really wouldn't have been able to surpass these Venerable Sovereigns.”

Chapter 706: Nangong Yao's Decision (2)

He put away the list. He looked at Chen Bin and continued, “Are there any prodigies worth nurturing in the sect?”

Chen Bin said hesitantly, “There are a few, but they're only in the third grade. They're far from being considered prodigies.”

The Lizard Sect was still much weaker in this aspect.

“We have to pay special attention to those outstanding prodigies like Nangong Yao. If we can rope them in, we have to do it at all costs. Just say that our Lizard Sect can allow them to grow quickly.”

Shen Ping waved his hand. A pure blood bead floated in front of Chen Bin “Try refining and absorbing it.”

“Yes.”

Without any hesitation, Chen Bin swallowed it. Soon, his eyes revealed the same expression as Elder Yan at that time. “Thank you for the gift Sect Master.”

The energy in the blood bead was extremely pure. There were no side effects after consuming it. Moreover, he had a feeling that as long as he could completely absorb it, he would be able to break through to the middle stage of the Star Rank.

Shen Ping gave Chen Bin three Star-rank blood beads and seven fifth-rank blood beads. "With these, I believe you should be able to rope in those prodigies who are in urgent need of growth very quickly. Remember, I value women the most. They can't be older than twenty years old. It's best if they have gold, earth, wind, and other bloodline attributes."

Chen Bin understood. "I understand!"

It was indeed much more convenient to have a faction working for him. There were many things that he did not have to do personally, and it would be much faster to investigate.

"By the way, you have to collect more Stargold Stone mines. If you encounter anything that you can't resolve, you can inform me."

In the end, he reminded him. Although absorbing and refining the blood beads of demons was faster than refining the Stargold Stone, it was not easy for the blood beads to encounter those of the same level. However, the Stargold Stone Mine was different. If there was a large-scale Stargold Stone Mine, with Shen Ping's devouring talent, he could quickly improve himself.

Not long after Chen Bin left, Nangong Yao had arrived. Shen Ping had disappeared for more than half a year. She was still a little worried. This was not because of feelings, but because Shen Ping had gone to find trouble with the Demon God Sect. The cause of the matter was her Nangong family.

"The Demon God Sect is indeed well-hidden. After I killed the Jin Family's guardian this time, I tracked them all the way overseas, but I couldn't find their headquarters."

"Brother Shen has already helped the Nangong family greatly by killing the Jin family's guardian. Yao'er has nothing to repay you with!"

More than half a year later, Nangong Yao's bloodline aura had increased quite a bit, and she was not far from the middle stage of the Star Realm. Shen Ping looked at Nangong Yao, who looked 70% similar to Immortal Venerable Yao.

Sister Yao, there's no need to be so polite between us."

"I- " Nangong Yao wanted to say something but hesitated. Her greatgrandfather had been urging her to invite Shen Ping, but what Shen Ping had said last time made her feel conflicted. If she invited him, she had to accept it from the bottom of her heart. However, if it was in the name of her greatgrandfather, he would not go.

"Sister Yao, if you have any difficulties, feel free to say it. As long as I can do it I will definitely do my best." Shen Ping said with a smile. After all, Nangong Yao was not Immortal Venerable Yao. No matter how firm her beliefs were, she was only a seventeen-year-old girl in his opinion. She would still be affected by the outside world.

I, I... Nangong Yao bit her red lips. "I want to invite Brother Shen to the mansion. The Jin Family no longer has a guardian, and the Nangong Family has benefited a lot. Logically speaking, we should thank Brother Shen."

Shen Ping said with a faint smile, "Is Sister Yao inviting me?"

"Yes." Nangong Yao lowered her head.

"Okay, when?"

"Tomorrow.

"Alright, I'll definitely be there on time."

Looking at Nangong Yao's departing figure, the corners of his mouth curled up slightly. In the end, she was still a little girl.

In the backyard of the mansion of the Nangong Family, Nangong Yao's mother sat beside her and said earnestly, "Yao'er, I know that you've always prioritized cultivation, but you have to consider your own important matters. You're not young anymore. You'll be eighteen after this year!

"I was already pregnant when I was 16 years old. I think that Guardian Shen is not bad. He's the same age as you and his cultivation level is not low. He will definitely surpass your grandfather in the future."

Nangong Yao couldn't help but say, "Mother, that's not my ambition I just want to cultivate."

Her mother shook her head. "Marriage won't affect your cultivation. Your eldest sister and second sister have already married a long time ago. Haven't they all broken through to the fourth rank now? If you marry, you can still cultivate."

"B-But this is different."

"How is it different? Could it be that Guardian Shen will delay you?"

"As a married woman, we have to prioritize our family. How can we not delay it?"

Nangong Yao defended herself.

Her mother smiled and said, "You and Guardian Shen are still young. You can have children later. At most, you can make three rules with him. When you reach the late Star Rank, you can give birth to a descendant. This way, the chances of the descendant having an outstanding bloodline will be much higher. There are many such examples in the aristocratic families." Nangong Yao was persuaded, but she still said, "But didn't Mother say that after I marry, I have to... I have to have sex with him. This will delay me too." "It's only natural to have sex. You'll be enthusiastic and frequent in the beginning, but it'll get better in the future. Look at me now. I might not even be able to have sex with your father once in a few years. Men are all like this They like new ones..."

Nangong Yao didn't insist anymore, but in the end, she said, "Mother give me sometime."

"Sure."

The next day, nearing noon, Shen Ping came to the Nangong Family again. After more than half a year of recovery, the Nangong Family had already walked out of the previous attack. After annexing a portion of the Jin Family's assets, the Nangong Family became even more powerful.

Nephew Shen, it's an honor for you to come to my Nangong family!"

“Guardian Nangong is too polite.”

While drinking tea in the esteemed guest hall, Old Ancestor Nangong told Shen Ping about some things that had happened in the Great Xia Dynasty recently. It was mainly because the chaos in the various states had worsened. For example, the six southeastern states had completely fallen into chaos. The guards sent by the dynasty had all disappeared.

“Guardian Nangong, the Imperial Dynasty isn’t weak. If they send one or two Star Palace Venerables over, they should be able to suppress them easily. Why aren’t they doing anything?” Shen Ping could not help but ask.

Old Ancestor Nangong sighed, “Nephew Shen, you might not know this but the Imperial Dynasty is in conflict. It looks calm, but there are many undercurrents. The Imperial Dynasty has a limited number of Star Palace Venerables. If they send them, they will lose balance and might not be able to return.

“The biggest problem in the provinces is still the powerful demons that were born. For example, the demons in Mount Ba near Jizhou have been much calmer recently, but the demons in the other provinces are wreaking havoc. Even the rarely seen Demon Venerable of the Star Palace has appeared. “Therefore, in such a chaotic situation, we should protect ourselves even more. Nephew Shen, you’re so young, yet you already have the strength of Star rank. You’ll definitely have extraordinary achievements in the future. And my Yao’er has quite a lot of potential. You should get closer to her to deal with the future.” After Old Ancestor Nangong finished speaking, he left the space for Shen Ping and Nangong Yao. The other maidservants also left. Shen Ping looked at the somewhat restrained Nangong Yao and couldn’t help but smile in his heart. He knew that the other party was probably affected. Otherwise, with her thoughts she definitely wouldn’t be like this.

Sister Yao, you don’t have to take your ancestor’s words to heart. No matter what you decide, I will respect you.”

Nangong Yao was silent for a moment. Then, she raised her cold eyes and said,

Brother Shen, can you give me three years?”

“Oh? Why three years?” Shen Ping asked her.

Nangong Yao replied, “Three years later, it will be the Prodigy Tournament of the younger generation of the Imperial City. Initially, my great-grandfather wanted me to participate in the competition, but the current situation was chaotic, and after the attack, my great-grandfather changed his mind. I still want to participate, though. I want to see the strength of my peers in the Imperial City. During this period, I want to focus on cultivation. No matter what the outcome is, I will be willing to marry Brother Shen.”

Shen Ping was enlightened. There was indeed such a thing in Chen Bin’s report last time, but he did not care. After all, the Prodigy Tournament had nothing to do with him, and he was not interested in that kind of thing. “Alright, then I’ll wait for Sister Yao for three years.”

He was not in a hurry to begin with. If he really wanted to obtain a fire-element bloodline, he could just find a female with a fire-element bloodline. He just wanted to find a Beast Spirit with potential. This way, he would not feel too burdened when he left this place in the future.

Chapter 707: Another Dual-Elemental Female Prodigy (1)

Two years later, after Great Xia's dynasty prosperity for ten years, an internal strife broke out in Sui Province. Although it was quickly suppressed by the dynasty, this suppression lasted for nearly half a year. It completely let the aristocratic families, the Demon God Sect, and many other forces in the provinces see that the dynasty was strong on the outside but weak on the inside. Therefore, in less than two months, the chaos in the provinces intensified. Some provinces even announced that they had broken away from the dynasty's nominal control.

Moreover, the clans of the Imperial Family also used the name of purifying the monarchy to join forces with the aristocratic families to control the prefectures under their jurisdiction.

In the Shen residence of the Jizhou City, Ling Yu'er squatted at the side and carefully hid under the table to help Shen Ping revive his blood and dispel his bruises. At the table, the Cheng family and the Wu family's representatives were discussing some matters with Shen Ping.

He felt the tension of the silent meditation. Shen Ping exerted a little force, and the tension intensified. Until there was no more sound in the hall, Ling Yu'er poked her head out. She could not help but say, "Big Brother Shen, we were almost discovered just now. If the two aristocratic families were to find out about Big Brother Shen's actions, they would probably send a bunch of girls over to serve you."

Shen Ping pinched her chin and smiled. "Then, do you like it?"

"I like it." Ling Yu'er sat on Shen Ping. They exercised for a while, and after it ended, Ling Yu'er continued, "The aristocratic families in the city have been visiting us quite frequently these days."

Shen Ping said casually, "The Imperial Dynasty has completely lost control of the place, so the various aristocratic families in Jizhou are naturally tempted. As the guardian of the Demon Suppression Division and not a member of the aristocratic families, they will naturally try to rope me in."

"Then which aristocratic family does Brother Shen favor?" Ling Yu'er immediately said, "It's the Nangong Family, right? That Nangong Yao is indeed a rare genius. I heard that she's going to represent Jizhou to participate in the prodigy battle in the Imperial City."

Shen Ping looked at Ling Yu'er and said, "You're not bad yourself. If you were willing to spend more effort on cultivation, even if you hadn't broken through to the Star Rank, you could have reached the late-stage of the fifth rank." In terms of potential, Ling Yu'er, who was born from the reincarnation of an immortal king, was more talented than Lian Nishang. However, due to the influence of her original family, she was more interested in doing business. After breaking through

to Rank 4 and becoming a lieutenant, she did not cultivate too diligently. Even so, with Shen Ping's help, she was already Rank 5.

"I'll work hard."

Ling Yu'er started to practice her silent meditation again.

Shen Ping directly carried her back to the bedroom. In just a few days, he had completely subdued her. If not for the fact that he was afraid that the meat would roll up, this girl would not have been convinced.

Lian Nishang, on the other hand, had been focusing on breaking through to the Star Rank for nearly half a year. She was competing with Nangong Yao in her heart, and it was a good thing for her to catch up with Nangong Yao.

"Greetings, Sect Master!"

In the hall, Chen Bin bowed respectfully. In the past two years, he had followed Shen Ping and his strength had improved a lot. It was even faster than before when he believed in the Lizard Sect. This made him even more loyal to Shen Ping from the bottom of his heart.

"How's it going?" Shen Ping asked as he drank his tea.

Chen Bin smiled and said, "Sect Master, there's a lead on what you've instructed!"

"Oh? Tell me about it."

Shen Ping was a little interested. All these years, Chen Bin had mainly been looking for girls with outstanding potential. However, most of them were gathered in the Imperial City. Even if he had pure blood beads, it was not easy to rope them in.

"We found a girl with a dual bloodline talent in Jianzhou. When we found her, her bloodline cultivation base was already at the Star Rank."

Upon hearing this, Shen Ping's eyes lit up. A dual-element bloodline at the Star Rank. This was definitely more outstanding than Nangong Yao. If she was a Beast Spirit, she might be at the Venerable Sovereign level or at least an Immortal Venerable.

"What bloodline?"

"Metal and earth."

As soon as these words were spoken, Shen Ping couldn't help but smile. "Very good, Chen Bin. You did well." Now, he had lightning, wood, and water attributes. Nangong Yao's fire attribute could be obtained in a year, and he only lacked metal, earth and wind attributes. Therefore, he was determined to get this girl.

"Sect Master, this matter is a little troublesome."

Chen Bin quickly told him the inside story. It turned out that the reason why this girl was not discovered by the dynasty was because she had been hiding herself ever since she was a criminal. It was only recently when the various provinces were in chaos that she appeared and joined the Fire Phoenix Sect of the Demon God Sect, wanting to overthrow the Xia Dynasty to take revenge.

“The Fire Phoenix Sect is much stronger than us. That girl is protected by two late-stage Star Rank cultivators, as well as a Star Palace Venerable.”

Shen Ping immediately stood up. “In that case, I’ll make a trip myself.”

In the past two years, his bloodline cultivation had completely stabilized, and his lightning attribute had also advanced to the sixth level of the Star Palace Realm. He had originally planned to go to the sea area again and break through to the Star Platform Emperor Realm with the lightning, wood, and water attributes.

Two months later, Shen Ping and Chen Bin arrived in a hidden stronghold of the Fire Phoenix in Jianzhou City, Xiyue Mountain. Through his bloodline inspection, he found that there were indeed two Star Realm bloodline practitioners in this stronghold. There was also a fire-attribute Star Palace Realm Demon Venerable under the mountain range.

Boom. Thunderclouds rumbled. In an instant, it enveloped the entire Xinyue Mountain.

“Who dares to trespass here?” A great demon rushed out. Before he could finish speaking, he was blasted into pieces by the lightning.

Chen Bin was terrified. This was a great demon, but it couldn’t even hold on for half a breath.

The Fire Demon Venerable underground opened his eyes and looked at the sky. The next moment, he floated in the air. “Who are you? This is the Fire Phoenix Sect’s place!”

Chapter 708: Another Dual-Elemental Female Prodigy (2)

Among the twelve branches of the Demon God Sect, the Fire Phoenix Sect was ranked in the top three. There were more than ten Star Palace Realm experts in the sect, and there were also powerful experts who had reached the seventh level of the Star Palace and were close to the Emperor realm.

Anyone who understood the Fire Phoenix Sect would feel fear when they heard of it.

The lightning saber converged and slashed down.

“You’re courting death!” The Demon Venerable’s eyes turned cold as it raised its claws to meet the attack. However, as soon as it came into contact with its powerful body, it was slashed to the ground. “Y-You’re at the sixth level of the Star Palace Realm!!”

Shen Ping didn’t waste his breath and slashed again, directly refining it into a fire-attribute blood bead on the first level of the Star Palace.

The two late Star Rankeds in the sect had no choice but to come out. They bowed and said, “I don’t know why senior wants to attack the Fire Phoenix Sect. Although you’re powerful, the Fire Phoenix Sect also has experts.”

The bodies of the two Star-ranked cultivators collapsed as soon as they spoke.

Shen Ping stepped forward and appeared in front of the girl in the sect. The girl’s expression was calm as she looked straight at Shen Ping. “Are you here for me? Did the dynasty send you here?”

Shen Ping shook his head.

The girl smiled. "It's good that you're not from the dynasty. I can agree to any request."

"Don't worry, I'm not asking for much. From now on, you're my woman."

The girl was stunned for a moment before nodding. "Okay." She didn't resist anything. After all, there was no point in resisting against a sixth level Star Palace Realm cultivator. She didn't care much about her body when she was preparing to take revenge.

"What's your name?"

"My name is Ling Qing."

Their eyes intertwined. Shen Ping's eyes flashed. She was indeed a Beast Spirit. He just didn't know if she was an Immortal Venerable or a Venerable Sovereign.

At night, after Ling Qing finished bathing, she walked straight into the room, only wearing a layer of gauze. The light shone on it, and it was faintly discernible. Especially the black gauze that was embellished during this period, it made one unable to help but want to investigate.

As the majestic mountain stood above the clouds, the sky quickly dyed red. After that, Ling Qing's face was still slightly red. After all, she was not yet 20 years old. Even if she had experienced many things and had an indifferent heart, she would still not be used to such things.

"If you want revenge, you won't be able to do it with your current strength. Here are two blood beads of the middle stage of the Star Rank. After swallowing them and absorbing them, I believe you'll be able to break through to the middle stage in half a year. But before that, you have to recover first."

Looking at the blood beads floating over, Ling Qing swallowed it without hesitation. Then, she sat down cross-legged in front of Shen Ping and circulated her cultivation technique to absorb the pure energy inside. A moment later, her eyes were filled with surprise. "What kind of treasure is this? It's even purer than the energy contained in the Stargod Stone!"

Shen Ping smiled calmly. "As long as you follow me, you can obtain more."

"Yes, sir."

Late at night, while Ling Qing was concentrating on absorbing the Blood Bead, Shen Ping also began to use his Devouring talent to absorb the blood beads of the metal and wood attributes. Regardless of whether Ling Qing was an Immortal Venerable or a Venerable Sovereign, she would not have any memories in her true spirit after leaving this world. He was not afraid of her settling scores with him in the future.

Besides, since she had reincarnated, she had to be aware of this.

The dual-elemental bloodline power he had just obtained soared at a speed visible to the naked eye. In just a few hours, he had broken through from Rank- 1 to Rank-5. If news of this spread, it would probably shock the dynasty.

When he broke through to Rank 5, a large amount of star power surged in. As the acupoints in his bloodline opened, the faintly connected constellation palace diagram finally became clear.

Shen Ping did not stop and continued to improve. A few days later, his dual attributes of metal and wood had broken through to the Star Palace realm. When he had just broken through, the five palaces of metal, wood, water, earth, and lightning changed. On the surface of each opened star palace, stars actually appeared. Every star corresponded to the stars in the sky.

“This is the direction and position!” His eyes were filled with joy. However, there were two key parts missing. It was probably the fire and wind attribute bloodlines. “It seems that my previous judgment was indeed correct. There’s no hurry. I have to break through to the third level of the Star Platform before I can investigate!”

Shen Ping suppressed his joy. Throughout history, many experts who stood at the peak knew that there was a great opportunity in the northeast. They even suspected that the sleeping Demon Emperors might be guarding that direction, including the founder of the Great Xia Dynasty. If he acted rashly, he would only be fished away like a fish.

Half a month passed.

On this day, Shen Ping had just had sex with Ling Qing when powerful bloodline auras appeared in the sky above Xiyue Mountain. The elders of the Fire Phoenix Sect had rushed over.

“Hmph, how dare you kill a member of the Fire Phoenix Sect. You’re really tired of living.”

The pressure of the third level of the Star Palace Realm enveloped the entire Xiyue Mountain Range. Before he could finish speaking, he was smashed to the ground by a lightning saber. In the next two to three exchanges, this Fire Phoenix Sect elder contributed a wood-element Star Palace Realm Blood Bead to Shen Ping.

“Chen Bin, where is the headquarters of the Fire Phoenix Sect? I’ll make a trip there so that they won’t come one by one.” Shen Ping said calmly.

The corner of Chen Bin’s mouth twitched. He hurriedly said, “The headquarters of the Fire Phoenix Sect is in the Fire Soul Sea Area. Elder Yan has already drawn a detailed sea map.”

He took the chart and glanced at it. After instructing Chen Bin to bring Ling Qing back to Jizhou City, he quickly arrived at the Lizard Sect’s headquarters.

“Greetings, Sect Master.” Elder Yan hurriedly bowed. In the past two years, the Lizard Sect had recovered a lot of vitality, especially with Shen Ping providing the resources for the Blood Bead. Many Star Rank cultivators had joined.

“Sect Master, those sleeping Demon Emperors are all located at the Black Abyss in the depths of the sea. However, that place is a forbidden area. Even the Star Palace Realm cultivators can’t enter the outer area.”

Shen Ping nodded. “I understand. Continue to investigate the sea region and send people to take over the Fire Phoenix Sect.”

“Sect Master, are you trying to...?” Elder Yan was stunned.

“The Fire Phoenix Sect is going to be history.”

“Yes, Sect Master!”

The Fire Soul Sea was in the inner sea. There were a lot of resources inside and many Demon Venerables were born. The lowest was at the third level of the Star Palace Realm. They were divided into seven major factions and each of them controlled a sea area.

The strength of the Fire Phoenix Sect was not considered strong among them. They relied on the name of the Demon God Sect to occupy more than ten islands to develop.

Facing Shen Ping, who had reached the sixth level of the Star Palace Realm with three elements and had reached the second level of the Star Palace Realm with metal and earth elements, only the Sect Master of the Fire Phoenix Sect, who was at the sixth level of the Earth Star Palace Realm, could resist for a moment. The others could not even last two breaths.

After the destruction of the Fire Phoenix Sect, the surrounding six sea demon forces wanted to take the opportunity to occupy the Fire Phoenix Sect’s territory, but in the end, they all became blood beads refined by Shen Ping’s devouring talent.

Among them were two top-notch Demon Venerables at the seventh level of the Star Palace Realm.

It took two months before Shen Ping finally completely cleaned up the Fire Soul Sea Domain. However, the advancement of the sixth level of the Star Palace Realm was indeed much slower. Even though he had absorbed so many Star Palace Realm sea demons, he had only raised the wood element to the seventh level.

The lightning and water remained at the sixth level, while the remaining metal and wood was raised to the fifth level.

“From the various information left behind by the Fire Phoenix Sect, there are indeed Star Platform Emperor Realm sea demons occupying the depths of the Fire Soul Sea. The use of the power of heaven and earth at this level is already very profound. It’s not something I can deal with now.”

The Star Platform was considered an Emperor Realm expert. There were a total of three levels. Only when one reached the third level would one truly step into the Emperor Realm. Of course, this Emperor Realm was not a Venerable Sovereign. It was far inferior to a Venerable Sovereign who had grasped the complete Heaven and Earth Great Dao.

“When the seven elements are completely gathered, I have to settle down for a period of time.”

The Star Palace to the Star Platform was a huge bottleneck. It involved understanding the use of the power of heaven and earth. During this period, one had to use the power of heaven and earth to break the Star Palace and forge a star platform. Even if he used the Devouring talent, it would be difficult to forcefully increase it.

Shen Ping knew that haste makes waste. The reason why he could step into this level so quickly was entirely because of his devouring talent. Once he reached the Star Platform, he could no longer improve quickly.

Back in Jizhou City, Lian Nishang had broken through to the Star Rank more than a month ago.

“Not bad. Your bloodline aura is solid. Looks like you didn’t force a breakthrough.”

Lian Nishang giggled and said, “I won’t damage my foundation. By the way, Sister Yao has gone to the Imperial Capital.”

Chapter 709: Breaking Through the Star Platform (1)

In the thousand years since the founding of the Great Xia Dynasty, the Imperial Capital had long become the center of the continent. Not only was it prosperous and lively, but many forces had also gathered here. The Lizard Sect, the Fire Phoenix Sect, and the other twelve demon god cults had all set up important branches here.

For example, Chen Bin was originally the Altar Master in charge of the Imperial City. Although the various states were in chaos now, the Imperial City was still a holy land that all the Bloodline Awakeners in the world yearned for.

It could be said that anyone who had a little pursuit for bloodline cultivation would go to the Imperial City after breaking through to the Star Rank. If they could make a name for themselves, they might grow to the late-stage of the Star Rank or even the powerful Star Palace Realm in the future. Even if they failed, they could accumulate experience and become the topic of discussion for their children’s education in the future.

Nangong Yao’s obsession with the Prodigies Competition was actually influenced by the ideas instilled by the aristocratic families since she was young. After all, as long as she could stand out among the prodigies, not only would she be famous in the world, but she would also bring supreme glory to the family.

Hearing the hint of envy in Lian Nishang’s words, Shen Ping could not help but smile. “Why? Do you want to go to the Imperial City too?”

The girl stuck out her tongue and hugged Shen Ping’s arm, her water drop-like curves rubbed against him. “The state capital is really too boring. There are no demon hunting missions, and I don’t see you often. I’m the only one left in the mansion every day. There’s no one to talk to.”

Shen Ping smiled and pinched her delicate nose. “You just like to join in the fun.”

Lian Nishang chuckled and said, “Then, Brother Shen, can we go?”

Shen Ping was not in a hurry to answer. Instead, he pondered for a moment. There were many experts guarding the Imperial City. His strength was indeed extremely strong in the state capital, but it was different in the Imperial Capital as there were Emperor Realm experts in the Star Platform there. The Imperial Family would definitely appear especially in a grand event like the Prodigy Tournament. If he went, he did not know if his little concealment method could hide from those Star Platform Realm experts.

“I won’t go. Nishang, if you want to go—”

He was halfway through his sentence when Lian Nishang shook her head. "If Brother Shen doesn't go, then Nishang won't go either. She'll stay here with you."

He reached out and hugged the girl. He said helplessly, "It's not that I don't want to go, but I still have things to do. Besides, haven't you always said that you want to train yourself? This Prodigy Tournament is a chance. When the time comes, you can go on stage."

Now that the girl had broken through to the Star Rank, she indeed had the qualifications to participate. As long as one was below the age of 30, they could participate.

Lian Nishang was immediately tempted. "But, but..."

"Alright, although I'm not going, I'll also pay attention to the situation of the Imperial City's competition."

"Fine. Then I'll get ready and set off the day after tomorrow."

Shen Ping grabbed her head fiercely. Not long after, the girl's face turned red. "You're leaving so quickly. Don't you want to spend some time with me?" "Hmph... Who asked Brother Shen to always leave me behind? D-Don't touch my butt. Nishang will leave in a month, alright?"

"That's more like it."

Even though he had agreed to let Lian Nishang go to the Imperial City alone, he was naturally worried. Therefore, he took advantage of this period of time to make some life-saving trump cards for her and let Chen Bing arrange them. This way, nothing would go wrong.

After chatting, the two of them began to warm up. In terms of relaxation in cultivation, Shen Ping had long reached the realm where he could do whatever he wanted.

During the Imperial City's Prodigy Tournament, Shen Ping stayed in the Jizhou's residence and cultivated in peace. He was prepared to raise all his lightning, earth, water, and metal bloodlines to the seventh level of the Star Palace Realm. Although he did not have the blood beads that he needed to condense at the seventh level of the Star Palace Realm, he had five to six Star Palace Realm beads at the second or third level. In addition, the stargold mine controlled by the Fire Phoenix Sect and the Lizard Sect was enough for him to improve.

Half a year has passed. It had been 20 years since he was reincarnated in this world. The star power in his bloodline increased again, and he had all seven palaces opened by his bloodline.

In the quiet room, he slowly opened his eyes, and there was a terrifying pressure in his pupils. If he did not deliberately restrain himself, even a Star Realm guard would find it difficult to withstand it.

"I'm only short of the fire and wind bloodlines. However, breaking through to the Star Platform Realm is indeed a problem. According to the information gathered, the Star Platform Realm has to successfully comprehend the basics of the Heaven and Earth Great Dao. Only then can they unleash 50% of the power of Heaven and Earth. Most of the Star Platform experts in the Great Xia Dynasty have stayed at this bottleneck for more than a thousand years. The fastest they used was more than 600 years."

The bloodline of this world was not as good as the blood of strange beasts, but it had its own unique points. It could naturally control the power of the world.

For example, lightning. At the Star Palace realm, one could activate the power of lightning and control a portion of its power. However, if he wanted to step into the Star Platform Realm, he had to rely on his own comprehension. Only by successfully comprehending the basics could he break through the Star Palace and use the power of heaven and earth to forge the Star Platform.

In his life before reincarnation, he was just short of comprehending it. Therefore, this step was indeed difficult for him to quickly cross.

“Could it be that I can only comprehend through my bloodline obediently?” He frowned. Time was of the essence. Although he had a huge advantage now, as long as those Venerable Sovereigns and Immortal Venerables were given time, they would definitely be able to catch up quickly.

One had to know that those above the Immortal King Realm had comprehended the Great Dao of Heaven and Earth. The Star Platform Realm was a huge threshold for many experts in the Great Xia Dynasty, but there was no bottleneck for Beast Spirits above the Immortal King Realm.

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This could be seen from Nangong Yao. After the other party broke through to the Star Rank, her cultivation speed did not slow down at all. In addition she could already use a trace of the power of heaven and earth even though she's at the mid-stage of the Star Rank.

“The special resources born from the gathering that Elder Yan mentioned last time might be of some help in breaking through the Star Platform!”

Thinking of this, Shen Ping immediately summoned Chen Bin and asked him to bring news to Elder Yan of the sect.

Ten days later, Elder Yan arrived. He had a look of joy on his face. “Congratulations, Sect Master. The matter you instructed me to do has been completed.”

Shen Ping asked casually, “What is it?”

“It's about that special resource.” Elder Yan took out a heart-shaped jade stone. The surface of the jade stone was filled with blood-colored veins that looked like meridians. “This is Heaven's Will Stone. It was discovered in the Stargold Mm. I've checked the ancient books. It's said that the Heaven's Will Stone is a world core that can help Star Palace Realm cultivators break through to the Star Platform.”

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Shen Ping squinted and looked at Elder Yan. Such a rare resource was offered just like that. Elder Yan hurriedly said, “I want to ask for some Blood Beads so that I can break through to the fourth level of the Star Palace Realm. Although the Heaven's Will Stone is important, it's not very useful to me at the moment.”

These words did make sense. The advancement of the Star Palace realm was not something that could be done overnight. For ordinary bloodline cultivators a small realm required hundreds of years of cultivation. Elder Yan had just broken through to the third level of the Star Palace not long ago and was still relying on the Blood Bead. If he wanted to reach the sixth level, it would take at least thousands of years, let alone from the sixth to the seventh level. Therefore, it was very wise to use the Heaven's Will Stone to exchange for the blood bead.

Shen Ping's gaze landed on the Heaven's Will Stone again. Then, he raised his hand and grabbed it. It directly turned into powder under the Devouring talent. "I'll take my leave." Elder Yan left tactfully.

Shen Ping returned to the quiet room and absorbed the powder. Instantly, his true spirit seemed to be wrapped in a layer of mysterious energy. In this energy, the Great Dao of Heaven and Earth of various bloodline powers continuously surged. The palace in his body engraved the Great Dao information contained in the Heaven's Will Stone.

After the effect of the Heaven's Will Stone ended, Shen Ping looked at the information on the palace treasury and subconsciously thought of the water droplets and stream diagrams in the top Great Dao secret technique, the True Book of Dao Origin.

If the diagram recorded on the Great Dao secret technique was an analysis of the essence of the Great Dao of Heaven and Earth, then the information recorded in the palace was the symbol of the Great Dao of Heaven and Earth.

No matter how ordinary one's bloodline was, they could understand these things, not to mention Shen Ping himself. He immediately looked at the catalog in a daze. After an unknown period of time, the world seemed to have become clearer. His pupils seemed to have turned into thunderclouds, and lightning was being nurtured during this period.

Shen Ping opened his palm. Without activating his bloodline or any True Spirit methods, lightning appeared in his palm, containing the powerful power of the Heaven and Earth Great Dao that could even affect the surrounding space and time.

"Is this the Dao of Lightning...?"

His eyes were filled with joy. He did not expect that just a Heaven's Will Stone would allow him to step into the threshold of the Great Dao of Heaven and Earth so easily. However, after thinking about it carefully, it was reasonable. He was only a step away from comprehension. With the Heaven's Will Stone and the mystical power hidden in the bloodline of this world, he directly grabbed that opportunity.

He calmed himself down.

In one go, he completely fused the Dao of Lightning he had comprehended into the palace. Then, a large amount of lightning flickered in his body, instantly destroying all seven palaces of the lightning bloodline. After destroying them the pure energy of the lightning bloodline and stars quickly gathered, forming a high platform like stone bricks.

The high platform was like a stargazing platform, towering and tall. Special symbols appeared inside. These symbols represented the Dao of Lightning.

The moment he built the star platform, a terrifyingly huge bloodline star pressure erupted from the quiet room. Even though Shen Ping had already carved the Bloodline Array again, his aura still emitted, causing all the maidservants and servants in the residence to prostrate on the ground. Another dozens of days passed before the aura slowly disappeared. Shen Ping suddenly opened his eyes and felt the majestic star energy nurtured in his body. He could not help but smile.

He had broken through to the Star Platform Realm. After 20 years of cultivation, he finally stood at the top of this world. Only now did he have the strength to compete with those top experts.

He stepped out of the quiet room. His casual glance could easily envelop the entire Jizhou City. Nothing that happened inside could escape his perception. With a step, he arrived at the altar as if he had teleportation talent.

“Greetings, Sect Master.” Chen Bin and Elder Yan immediately bowed respectfully.

Shen Ping asked, “How long has it been since I went into seclusion last time?”

Elder Yan hurriedly said, “It’s been three months.”

Shen Ping nodded. Using three months to forge a star platform was indeed very fast. “How’s the situation of the Prodigy Tournament in the Imperial City?” “Sect Master, it’s over. However, the Imperial Family seems to have other arrangements. They have gathered all the top 30 prodigies into the Imperial Dynasty.” Elder Yan continued, “The Imperial Dynasty is very strict. Our people can’t enter and can’t find out the exact situation.”

Shen Ping waved his hand, “No matter what the Imperial Dynasty wants to do they can’t stop the current chaos.”

Elder Yan asked, “Sect Master, should our Lizard Sect take the opportunity to control a few state capitals? The Stargold Stone Mine has become the main target of the various factions. Without a certain strength to support it, it’s very difficult to occupy it.”

He gave Chen Bing a look. The other party left. Elder Yan continued, “The birth of the Stargold Stone is random. Moreover, a mineral vein might nurture two. The larger the mineral vein, the higher the birth rate.”

The Heaven’s Will Stone was indeed important. To other experts, using the Heaven’s Will Stone would only increase the chances of breaking through unlike Shen Ping, who could break through directly. But this was a huge temptation to old monsters on the sixth and seventh levels of the Star Palace.

“I’ve already broken through to the Star Platform, but the more Heaven’s Will Stones, the better. How about this? You can arrange the matter of occupying the state capital. You have to do your best.”

Shen Ping casually waved his hand and gave Elder Yan two Star Palace Realm blood beads. The Heaven’s Will Stone provided by the other party was indeed very helpful to him.

Elder Yan said excitedly, “Congratulations on breaking through to the Star Platform, Sect Master. With you presiding over it, the chances of us occupying the state capital will be even higher.”

The imperial family of the Great Xia Dynasty only had three Star Platform Realm cultivators. Even in the sea, there were not many sea demons who had reached the Emperor Realm like the Star

Platform. Among the twelve sects of the Demon God Sect, the strongest Ice Dragon Sect only had one Star Platform. "I can't attack casually. You have to improve yourself as soon as possible and rope in more Star Palace experts!"

In the realm of Star Platform, the commotion he caused was too great. It was easy to attract the attention of the top experts of the other Star Platforms.

Elder Yannodded. "I understand."

Two days later, Shen Ping stood at the tall city gate in the capital of the Great Xia Dynasty. Although the Prodigy Tournament had ended, Lian Nishang was still strolling around the Imperial City happily. According to Chen Bing, she was even pestered by two or three prodigies. Of course, he did not come because of this. He wanted to see if the Great Xia Dynasty's ancestor was in the Imperial City.

He looked at the Imperial Dynasty in the distance, and immediately sensed two Star Platform realm cultivators who also had the fluctuations of the Heaven and Earth Great Dao. These two experts of the royal family also sensed Shen Ping. After all, at this level, it was almost impossible to hide the Great Dao fluctuations on their bodies.

"Demon God Sect?" As if seeing Shen Ping's Lizard Sect symbol, the two members of the royal family snorted. "You'd better not cause trouble in the Imperial City. Otherwise, if you break the rules, your Demon God Sect might not be able to withstand it."

He heard a voice in his ear. Shen Ping said indifferently, "Don't worry. I'm not here to cause trouble."

"That's for the best."

He walked into the city gate. He thought to himself, It seems like that Ancestor is not here. Perhaps he is sleeping in the Black Abyss in the northeast like the other Demon Emperors of the Demon God Sect.

However, he was glad that he did not come over when he was at the Star Palace Realm previously. Otherwise, if he was sensed by the Star Platform realm, it would definitely cause some trouble.

Now that they were both on the Star Platform, the two experts of the royal family naturally wouldn't infiltrate him for no reason to check his bone age.