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Chapter 191: Strange Encounter

As for the Immortal Dao Alliance, it is composed of many Immoral Lineages that banded together in order to protect themselves from the Emperor's Lineage of the world. The members include sects like the Heaven Mystery Pavilion and the Association of Chamber of Commerce that was in charge of the auction that Wang Wei is about to take part in.

After thinking about these things, Wang Wei motioned for Li Jingfei to bring him inside the action. Then, with a happy smile on her face, she brought him to the VIP Area and handed him a list of all the things that were about to be auctioned.

Most of the items were of no interest to Wang Wei, however he still stayed throughout the entire process. It turns out that Li Jingfei was also the auctioneer, an act which apparently passed a lot of people.

As soon as she appeared on the stage, countless cheers echoed throughout the entire room. Many people started to compliment her and showeer her with praises. However, Li Jingfei seemed to be used to this type of behavior. She secretly looked at the number 1 VIP Area and she was disappointed when she noticed that Wang Wei was not part of the people who were complimenting her.

Then she started introducing all the items one by one and people bid for them fervently. However Wang Wei did not react as none of these things were of any value to him. The only time that he paid attention was near the end of the auction.

And it was not because he was interested in the objects being auctioned, he was just surprised by the item and people's desire for it.

"Next, we will auction a bottle with ten drops of Holy Spring Water. I do not need to explain how valuable this actually is. Only one drop is needed to save a dying cultivator. And with this bottle, it is like having ten extra lives.

"The starting bidding price is 0, and each bid has to be increased by a 1000 Origin Sources. That's right ladies and gentlemen, Origin Stones are no longer useful."

Li Jingfei had a smile on her face after announcing the price. Although the room became quiet for a few seconds, she was not worried about people not buying it.

And she was right. A few seconds into the silence, someone from another VIP booth yelled:

"10,000 Origin Sources."

"20,000 Origin Sources."

"50,000 Origin Sources," yelled one person, then that person released a powerful Saint Aura, preventing other people from bidding after him.

However, soon another person snorted coldly and released its own Saint Aura, "70,000 Origin Stones."

Then those two Saint Ream cultivators started to wage a price war with one another while the other people remained silent.

As for Wang Wei, he was reflecting on his life after seeing this scene. It was at this moment that it dawned on him the kind of advantage he has due to his high background.

Back more than a century ago, after exiting the Spirit Road Trial, his mother asked him to bathe in Holy Spring Water in order to remove all the hidden injuries in his body. But now, these Saint Realm powerhouses were fighting like their families were slaughtered by the other person over a few drops.

And he could bathe in such precious material as an ordinary mortal. Wang Wei sighed as he realized that wealth and resources inequality exist in any world.

Some people might spend their entire life accomplishing something, while another person was born with it.

Although Wang Wei never believed that a person's beginning or origin dictated their future accomplishment, he was still very glad that he had such a high starting point. This fact has saved him a lot of time and trouble.

The prices of the Holy Spring Water reached a few hundred thousands before it was bought by the first Saint Realm True Person that spoke. However, Wang Wei could tell that this guy will not be able to leave this auction peacefully.

Of course this was not the main attraction of this auction: that glory was reserved for Supreme Tier weapons. Many other Saint Realm True Persons participated in the bidding for it.

The price reached a few million Origin Sources, however Wang Wei did not care nor did he bid for it. For once, his space ring has a few Supreme Tier Origin Treasures and they are not of the lowest quality like the one auctioned.

More importantly, he could not even use such a powerful treasure without the Power of Law, so it was pointless to buy something that he could not even use. The only thing that Wang Wei bought was a map that supposedly led to an inheritance from the past.

As soon as Wang Wei bid for this treasure, no one competed against him. The cultivators of this world were not stupid. Based on Wang Wei's temperament and the way the Association treated him, these cultivators guessed that he was one of the Heaven Chosen of one of the powerful sects.

And these cultivators knew that every Heaven Chosen is usually accompanied by a powerful Dao Protector, so they did not dare to mess with him. Of course a few of them still could not resist the temptation, unfortunately for them, they were all annihilated by True Monarch Yan Chen in order not to disturb Wang Wei's little vacation.

A few weeks passed by and Wang Wei was still slowly traveling towards the Emperor Enlightening Academy.

Wang Wei was currently traveling by boat with many other people. His grey hair and eyes attracted the eyes of many ladies, but he ignored them as he was used to being the center of attention everywhere he went.

A few days ago, he followed the map he bought and entered a Secret Realm and got the inheritance of a sect that was long destroyed. The sect was a Supreme Land, so he got a few treasures and techniques of such caliber. Although nothing of true value was found inside, Wang Wei was still happy to acquire a bunch of treasure without much effort. No one dislike getting richer.

Another notable event was the fact that a Saint Realm True Person was killed, however this had nothing to do with him.

While Wang Wei was standing alone watching the breathtaking view of the ocean, someone approached him and started a conversation.

It was quite the beautiful woman, however, she seemed plain and simple at the same time. Her body exhumed a kind and gentle temperament that made anyone want to be friends with her.

She was wearing a blue hanfu with long black hair. A broken jade pendant was hanging around her dress, and she smiled after walking next to Wang Wei.

"Hello!" She said with a smile.

"Hello, can I help you with something?"

"No, I just wanted to take a look at you."

"Oh, are you like one of these women that secretly admires me and looked at me like I was the rarest and most beautiful jade that they have ever seen in their life? Well, I admire the fact that you are more bold than them."

She was a little surprised by my words before giggling a little, "No, it was because you remind me of someone that I knew from long ago."

Her cheery laughter faded after saying that, replaced by deep nostalgia and sadness. Wang Wei took notice of the change in her mood, but he did not ask as they had just met.

"Is that so? Well, I do not believe that as I am a very unique individual. Well, that is according to my mother."

Her smile returned again, "You are indeed unique. But you still have two similarities with that person."

"Oh, I'm suddenly intrigued. Please elaborate."

"The first thing is your sense of humor. He was always able to make me laugh no matter the situation; he had a way to bring joy to me no matter the dire situation," she replied, then paused for a few seconds. She seemed lost in her own memories.

"The second similarity is the fact that you two have the same eyes."

"Eyes?"

"Yes, you two have the same dedication in your eyes. The dedication to do anything for the people they loved. The dedication to destroy millions of lives in order to save a few, the dedication to overturn Heaven and Earth for your loved ones, the dedication to turn into the most vile of devils for the sake of love."

Wang Wei was silent after hearing this as he knew that she was right. He knew that if something were to happen to his friends or family, he would not hesitate to do any of the things she said to save them.

The problem is how can she determine his entire personality just by looking at his eyes?

Noticing that something was wrong, he activated his True Vision ability, however he did not see anything. She did not have a Qi Luck Dragon on top of her head, and Wang Wei did not even see any Fate Lines on her.

Chapter 192: Removing Potential Trouble

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After noticing that something was wrong, Wang Wei wanted to say something to her, but she suddenly asked, "Can I touch your face?"

Instinctively, he wanted to decline her, but changed his mind after looking deep in her eyes. So, she reached out her small and jade like hands to slowly caress his face.

Although she was looking straight at him, Wang Wei could tell that he was not the person she was seeing. In her eyes, he could see that his figure was replaced by someone else.

She caressed his face for a few seconds before muttering under her breath, "You should not go through all of this length."

Wang Wei was both surprised and curious towards her, so he wanted to ask her about the person she seemed to be reminiscing about, however, she had suddenly disappeared in front of him.

He did not see how she did that, even his True Vision and Divine Sense did not notice anything. It was as if she was never here in the first place. Confused, Wang Wei suddenly yelled out loud, "Supreme Elder!"

"Yes, young master."

"Did you see the woman that was talking to me just now?"

"Yes I did."

"Do you know what she was? How did she disappear?"

"She seemed to be a Ghost Spirit!"

"Seemed?" asked Wang Wei not sure where the uncertainty came from.

"Well, usually Ghost Spirits are mortals or cultivators who died with grave grievances, which served as a tether to the living world. However, I did not feel any grievance from this person, so I'm not really sure."

Yan Chen paused for a few seconds, "As for how she disappeared, even I could not detect how she did it."

Wang Wei had a frown on his face as he began to ponder the whole situation. Then he found a few things weird after reviewing the entire encounter.

First thing, he did not notice how she approached him until she spoke to him. For someone with such a keen sense of his surroundings, this was odd.

Secondly, how did she manage to read his personality in such details after they had just met. Only a few people that are very close to him truly know what kind of person he was. To the outside world, he always portrayed a facade of strength, wisdom, and ruthlessness. A person who will do anything to achieve his goals, even if he needs to sacrifice the people close to him.

This was shown by the way he treated Han Li, a member of his own sect. However, that woman was able to see through him so easily.

As a matter of fact, this was not the most disconcerting thing that happened during their brief encounter. The thing that worried Wang Wei the most was the last act.

When she asked him to touch his face, given how cautious his nature was, he would never allow a person that he found strange and incomprehensible to easily approach him, let alone touch his face.

In that situation, he was very vulnerable. Yet, he still allowed it to happen. This can mean two things: one, her soul is so powerful that she can easily influence his mind without him even noticing, or she used a secret technique that can bypass his soul or mind defense.

No matter what the situation is, the result is still terrible news for Wang Wei. Although he believed that if that woman had any negative thoughts against him, his intuition would warn him, this did not change the fact that he was still spiritually influenced.

This event has proven to Wang Wei that his so-called high quality soul was not as perfect as he imagined. This world is vast and has a long history, who knows what kind of Heaven defying techniques or abilities that cultivators have developed over the years.

Wang Wei then took a deep breath to regain his bearing. This event has taught him an important lesson. Although his soul is special, without the knowledge on what makes it special and how to use this speciality, he should never blindly believe in its power. After thinking about this, he continued his travels toward the Emperor Enlightenment Academy.

Meanwhile, back at the Dao Opening Sect, Great Elder Long Bo received the news of Wang Wei's departure. A crazy and ruthless lit flashed across his eyes as he looked at the formation.

"I refused to swallow this breath," he muttered to himself as he inject his origin essence in the formation to activate it. He has been secretly preparing this array for the past five years.

The purpose is to allow him to secretly leave the sect unnoticed by anyone. After activating the formation, a clone with the same look, cultivation, and aura as Long Bo appeared in the room. The clone even has the ability to fight and interact with anyone, so it is virtually impossible to tell the real Long Bo from the clone.

After that, the real Long Bo teleported out of the sect, and even out of the Heavenspan Domain. After teleporting away, Long Bo looked in the direction that Wang Wei was heading as he muttered with gritted teeth:

"The Death Order Palace may refuse to take on this job, however the same cannot be said for these Devil cultivators in the Western Continent. As long as the price is right, they will gladly sent more than one True Monarchs to preoccupy Yan Chen and kill that little bastard."

After that, he placed a hood over his head and headed on direction. However, Long Bo did not know that as soon as he disappeared from the sect, a Shadow appeared in his seclusion room. Even his clone did not notice the Shadow, who proceeded to inform Sect Master Wang Tian of his departure.

At Tianwei Peak, as soon as Wang Tian received the news, he sighed out loud and looked out the window for a few minutes. 'As it comes to this!' he thought to himself.

The sound of footsteps soon woke Wang Tian from his daze, then he immediately stood up when he saw the person who came.

"Father, what brought you here to see me!"

Wang Chang took a brief look at his son, "I know despite the factional disagreement between you and Long Bo, long ago you two were considered friends. So, I will take care of this matter in your place."

"...Thank you father!"

Wang Chang nodded before disappearing instantly from the room. It did not take him long before he tracked Long Bo's location.

While traveling through space, Long Bo suddenly felt the void around him become unstable, then he was ejected out by the space channel that he created.

Immediately knowing that something had gone wrong, Long Bo instantly opened his Domain. Then, the Laws of Heaven and Earth in the surrounding few kilometers were usurped and changed by him.

"Wang Tian, I know you are here, so come out. Don't be a coward and show yourself!"

"Unfortunately for you, he is not here," replied a powerful and overbearing voice.

As soon as Long Bo saw who showed up, he knew that he would not survive today. So he laughed maniacally: "Did I do something wrong? Is it wrong for me to want the Sectarian faction of the sect to rise and prosper?"

"Do not place yourself as an unjust martyr," replied Wang Chang with a cold voice. "The truth of the matter is you did not do all this for the sake of the sectarian faction, but for your own selfish greed.

"You wanted to take power for yourself, you wanted the glory of being a Great Emperor's Master. However, after you failed, you did not accept defeat gracefully. Instead, you had the audacity to plot against my grandson.

"The reason that you will die today is not because of your ambitions, but because these ambitions far exceed your capabilities."

After saying these words, Wang Chang ignored the ugly look on Long Bo's face, then a giant figure appeared behind him. This figure was Wang Chang's Dharma Body, and unlike Yan Chen's, this one looked exactly like him.

With a wave of his hand, the Dharma Body squeezed and crushed Long Bo's Domain without much effort. Well, this was normal as Dharma Bodies are physical manifestations of Domain, as such, in essence, are a higher form of evolution of Saints' Domain.

Following which, Long Bo was crushed to death, and he did not even have the chance to scream. His body, soul, and Laws were completely destroyed instantly; he did not have a single chance to resist, let alone fight back. Then, Wang Chang left immediately afterward.

As soon as Long Bo died, a phenomenon of countless stars falling appeared in the sky of the Myriad Emperor World. Then, a profound sadness enveloped all the cultivators in the world, making them take a few minutes of mourning.

As for the knowledgeable ones, they knew that this was the sign of a Saint fallen. They sighed knowing that this was a turbulent world, and even such a powerful cultivator cannot escape the shackles of Life and Death.

Chapter 193: Another Weird Encounter

After Long Bo's death, his soul lamp back in the sect was destroyed, thus alerting many of the other elders. Many people sighed at this unfortunate event, but few actually cared-- even the members of his own faction.

People like Fan Lei, the Great Elder that oversees the library, knew that this was a predicted outcome. Although he wished that his old friend would not do anything stupid to force the sect to do anything against him, unfortunately for him, his wish did not come true.

So, after taking a few moments to grieve the death of his old friend, he moved on with his life. In the cultivating world, death is a constant and eternal theme; death is nothing but one of the many natural cycles of the universe, of the Dao.

As for Wang Wei, he did not learn of Long Bo's death until later on. After spending a few months traveling throughout a few Domains in the Central Continent, he finally arrived in the Heaven Bliss Domain--which was the location of the Emperors Enlightening Academy.

Just like the Dao Opening Sect, the Academy has control over countless Domains, which served as the locations for its different branches. But the Heaven Bliss Domain is the core area of the Academy where all the elite reside.

Whether it is the teachers, deacons, or students, they are the best of the best. All the students and staff of the other domains dreamed of one day being eligible to be transferred to this place.

The entire Heaven Bliss Domain was actually a giant city. According to Wang Wei's estimation, the entire city is probably the size of the solar system from his previous life. As such, there are designated areas for people to fly and teleportation arrays to send people to different places.

This was the first time that Wang Wei had seen such a large continuous city, so he decided to take a tour before officially reporting to the Academy. Of course he did not know that his arrival caused a great stir; it was like a stone thrown in a calm lake, creating far and wide ripples.

As soon as Wang Wei arrived, all the Heaven Chosens suddenly felt his existence; it was as if the final boss of a video game suddenly appeared, making all the players nervous. They all knew that with his arrival, the real competition was about to begin, the first worldwide struggle in this generation's Heaven Will Battle was about to take place.

From now on, all the Heaven Chosens will officially declare their existence to the world. More importantly, the people that can truly hold the title of "Heaven Chosen" were about to be decided.

While most of the geniuses of different factions were preparing for the future confrontation, Wang Wei was leisurely continuing his tour of the city. He did not care that people were waiting for him. After eating at one of the most popular restaurant of the city, Wang Wei was walking in the streets with a satisfied smile on his face when he noticed a beggar in a corner with a Go board in front of him.

There were two reasons that he noticed this beggar: one is the fact that such. Prosperous city would never allow a beggar to live unhindered and without worry. Second was this beggar's cultivation level. Although most people passed by the beggar with a look of disdain and disgust on their faces, Wang Wei could tell that this beggar was actually a Saint Realm True Person.

So with curiosity, he approached the beggar to figure out his deal. However as soon his eyes landed on the Go board, he frowned as he realized this was not just an ordinary game. Intrigued, Wang Wei sat on the floor while deeply observing the board. As for the beggar, he completely ignored his visitor as he also concentrated on the board game.

After spending a few hours analyzing this Go board, Wang Wei sighed before saying, "Old man, you are crazy!"

The beggar finally raised his eyes to look at Wang Wei, "You understand this board?" he asked with a hoarse voice.

"Yes, this board is a representation of the Dao of Heaven, the ability to acquire all the knowledge and secrets that exist between Heaven and Earth, then use this knowledge to secretly control all worlds and beings like a chessboard: the Dao that allows one person to become omniscient."

The beggar has a surprise look on his face. He did not expect the brat to only spent a few hours to analyze the entire board in just a few hours. You know, only a few of his peers can do such a thing, and they would need days if not months.

"You are an interesting brat."

"No, you are the interesting one. I am seriously wondering how you managed to cultivate the Saint Realm with such a Dao."

The beggar sighed after hearing this, then sadness, anger, despair, and unwillingness flashed across his eyes.

"Brat, what do you mean by I'm crazy? Is there something wrong with my Dao?"

"Do you think you can truly become all knowing, become omniscient?"

"Why not? The Yin Yang Emperor could calculate everything under Heaven and Earth and treat the world as a chessboard."

"The keyword is 'calculate', meaning he could anticipate all the variables possible under Heaven and Earth, then create a method to deal with it. But what you are doing is to know everything in the universe, know all possible outcomes with a hundred percent certainty, know all the Daos in existence."

The beggar sighed again, then looked at the Go Board instead of looking at Wang Wei. However, the latter did not stop talking:

"Let me ask you, have you ever heard of any Great Emperor that has become omniscient? Even among the best of them?"

"...No!"

"That's right. Heavenly Dao is ruthless and treats all things as equals. As such, there is no difference between an ant and a Great Emperor. They still have limits, restraints or shackles."

The beggar looked at Wang Wei with a look of shock on his face, then he started laughing, "Haha, you called me crazy then went on to compare an ant with the one of the greatest beings that have walked between Heaven and Earth."

However, Wang Wei was calmed and did not react much. "This is the difference between you and me. You see a Great Emperor as an unimaginable and indescribable being, but I see it as just another cultivating Realm. Furthermore, in the Endless Void with infinite possibilities, who knows if there is a place out there where a Great Emperor is nothing but a bigger ant in front of the truly powerful beings."

The beggar stopped laughing and looked at Wang Wei with deep and profound eyes. As a person who cultivates the Dao of Heaven, he knows many deep and hidden secrets of the world. However, this less than 200 years old snot nosed brat can actually infer these secrets by himself, so he must not be a simple role.

After reigning in both his laughter and his wandering mind, the beggar looked at the Go Board for a few long seconds before saying, "So, Sacred Son Wang Wei, what do you think I should do? Abandoned my Path?"

"Not necessarily. In this world, there is only one person or thing that can successfully cultivate the Dao of Heaven."

"Heavenly Dao!" replied the beggar with a deep look in his eyes.

"Yes, there are countless worlds each with a Heavenly Dao of their own. And if they are all connected, then they can share knowledge from trillions of years, trillions of people, and trillion of worlds. Only with this method can Heavenly Dao come remotely close to being omniscient, but even that is probably not enough as there are two many restrictions and possibilities."

The beggar had another shocked look on his face. He never thought about this possibility. "How does that help me?"

"Simple, by merging with Heavenly Dao and getting access to all its secrets, knowledge and mechanisms will you have a chance for you to continue on your Dao However, that is a dangerous method as it is easy for you to be completely swallowed by Heavenly Dao instead or become its puppet."

The beggar's eyes shone after hearing Wang Wei's words. The more he thought about it, the more he realized the possibilities of this method. Then, a powerful aura came out of the beggar's body, then golden clouds appeared in the sky around him. Countless chain-like objects started to circle

around him. These things were actually Laws of the World. This beggar had entered a state of enlightenment.

After a few seconds, the visions around him faded and the beggar started laughing out loud while muttering to himself, "So that's how it is. I finally found my Path forward."

After calming himself down, the beggar looked at Wang Wei with a happy smile, "Brat, in order to repay the karma of directing the Way, I accept one of your requests."

"How about become one of my followers?" asked Wang Wei directly.

"Haha little brat, unfortunately for you, no matter how talented and special you are, you are not yet worthy for me to follow you. Maybe later when you surpass me in strength."

After saying that, the beggar took out a token and handed it to Wang Wei. "When you are confused and need some special information or guidance, then use this token to find me and I will tell you all I know."

Wang Wei looked at the token strangely, "Why would I need your guidance?"

"You cultivate the Dao of Fate, right?"

After frowning for a while, he answered, "That's correct."

"Then you will definitely need it." Then, the beggar disappeared, leaving a puzzled Wang Wei standing there by himself, looking at a token.

Chapter 194: Invitation

After Wang Wei finished thinking about the strange words of the beggar, he realized that many people had surrounded him. From their uniforms, he could tell that they were the Academy's staff.

Well, it made sense that they would appear here after sensing the aura of a Saint. One person—who seemed to be the leader of the group approached Wang Wei before saying, "Sacred Son, we have been waiting for you." This person did seem to care about the beggar. No, to be precise, he seemed to be already aware of his existence.

Wang Wei looked at the person who spoke to him. He could easily sense that this person was also a Saint and that he was not pleased to wait for him. And it was not just him, all the people who came together with this teacher had similar attitudes. However, this people easily displayed their emotions on their faces.

Nevertheless, Wang Wei did not care. The Academy could have started the main event without him; the reason that they did not do so was because they needed his presence to draw attention and prestige to the world.

Despite this, Wang Wei did not show any kind of arrogance in front of this teacher. As a former king, he knew how political games worked, so he just smiled calmly, "I apologize for my tardiness. It's just that this city was so breathtaking that I could not help but be mesmerized by it."

As soon as Wang Wei said that, many of the other people removed the annoyance on their faces and thought that he was more pleasing to the eye. After all, the only reason that this famous Sacred Son was late was due to the beauty of their Academy's city. So, they showed a look of pride and satisfaction on their faces.

As for the True Person teacher, he secretly sighed as he could tell what Wang Wei did. With just a few empty compliments, he turned the unfavorable views that these people had about him around. He sighed at this kind of emotional manipulation.

'Our True Disciple Lin Fan has a lot to learn if he wants to catch up to these Heaven Chosens,' secretly thought the teacher.

"Well, it is our honor that this city satisfied your needs. However, if you do mind, I am here to escort you to the main area."

Wang Wei nodded before following this escort group. They flew to a specific designation. Wang Wei knew that the Academy City was divided into different areas. The place he met the beggar was just the outer area, which is accessible to anyone who wishes to visit.

This area is mainly used for trading and served as the housing area for the students' families. According to the Academy's rule, the students are only allowed to bring a few family members with them. Of Course there are a few exceptions.

The place that Wang Wei was headed was a teleportation array. The city was so vast that he needed it to navigate quickly.

After a few teleportations, Wang Wei and the group arrived on a plain. In front of him, he could see another vast city with many buildings and people moving around. However, he felt that something was wrong with this city.

It seemed to be unreal, an illusion. So he closely observed for a few seconds before asking, "Is this a Void Mirage?"

"Very keen observation, Sacred Son. The real Academy is located in a secret space isolated by the outside world. However, a void mirage was used to cover the fact from the general public, and it was also set as a form of defense."

After saying that, the teacher handed Wang Wei a token, explaining to him that he needed this token in order to enter the secret space. Of course another token was given to Yan Chen that was secretly protecting Wang Wei, otherwise he would have to forcibly break through and alert all the higher ups of the Academy.

After activating the token, Wang Weil felt like he just passed through a thick water cover or filter. Then, the Heaven and Earth seemed to have changed; it was like he was transported from one world to another.

Immediately afterward, Wang Wei found himself floating in the sky, looking at everything below him. He saw vast stretches of lands, forests and mountains scattered everywhere, and a beautiful city in the middle of everything. Right at the center of this city, was a tall, grand, mighty, and majestic golden building with the words "Emperor Enlightenment Academy" written on it.

Wang Wei easily noticed that this particular writing has a special Dao Rhyme inserted on it—signifying that whoever wrote it was very powerful and had a deep understanding of the Dao.

Wang Wei wanted to spend some time touring this city, however his escort did not give him the chance. They brought him straight to his residence, which was shared with the other member of the Dao Opening Sect that arrived earlier.

So, with a speechless look on his face, Wang Wei entered his residence to reunite with his group. Then, they had one of their usual meetings.

"Where is Tie Gang?" asked Wang Wei as soon as he noticed his absence.

"He became enlightened after your talk with him 5 years ago and has been in seclusion in order to create a method to train his Undying Army," replied Yan Liling.

"Is that so? Well, what else have I missed?"

Li Jun instantly became excited after hearing this, then he began to narrate his experience:

"Big brother, you should have been here a few months ago for the opening ceremony. All the Heaven Chosens decided to use the grandest mode of entrance they could think of.

"For example, Lin Fan arrived in a chariot followed by hundred of beautiful women. Ji Song had an army of powerful demonic beasts carrying his carriage. He even had a Golden Roc leading the army of demonic beasts. I can't believe that he actually tamed a Demon Race with Imperial Bloodline.

"And this was not all of it. Su Ya was carried on a throne made of humans. You should have seen it. When she walks off her throne, people will bend down on their hands and knees in order to create a path for her to step on."

Wang Wei was again speechless for the second time today. However, Li Jim did not finish talking. After taking a sip of tea, he continued:

"And this was not even the worst of entrances. Many members of the Demon Race were carried by humans with chains in their necks. And they would take pleasure in whipping these humans to the point of almost killing them. This made me so angry, however, since the Academy did not say anything, I did not intervene.

"Of course The worst entrance has to go to the Devil Cultivators. These people had things like rotten corpses, zombies, and wraiths pulling their carriages. It was quite disgusting."

Wang Wei sighed and started to ponder whether he should have come earlier and also created a grand entrance. However, he quickly removed these thoughts from his mind as it was already too late and there was no point in thinking about this now.

"So, did you have your own big entrance?"

"Of course big brother! With the use of my Innate Talent, my entrance did not lose to anyone. I did not lose the face of our Dao Opening Sect!"

Wang Wei nodded, however he could see that Yan Liling was rolling her eyes in the corner. Obviously she did not like Li Jun's so-called grand entrance, but she did not want to extinguish his excitement, so she did not say anything. As for Wang Wei, he ignored the affairs of this couple.

"Wang Ju, what do you have to report to me?"

"Young Master, I have gathered basic information on all the people who came to the Academy. However, before that, you have an invitation to attend tomorrow."

"What's so special about this invitation?"

"It is from Miss Xi Shi."

"Who?"

"Xi Shi, the only daughter of the Leader of the [Association of Chamber of Commerce], also the person recognized as the most beautiful woman of the world in this generation."

"Most beautiful woman in the world? Isn't she a little narcissistic to give herself such a title?"

"Young Master, she did not give herself the title, but there is a published list with her as the number one beauty of the Myriad Emperor World."

Wang Wei nodded as he understood her meaning, the he pondered for a while before asking, "I'm guessing I am not the only one who received this invitation?"

"That's correct, young master. All the Heaven Chosen of different factions also received the same invitation."

Wang Wei nodded as he could guess this Xi Ship's plan or her father's. It is to invite all these geniuses and future powerhouses using the title of the most beautiful woman of the world, then see if any of them have any interest in acquiring her.

Although Wang Wei disdains these methods of using women as an object, he understands that this is a world where the culture is not as advanced as his past world. Furthermore, powerful man like to conquer beautiful women; this is a simple truth in this world.

Additionally, the concept of gender inequality is not as prominent in this world as one would imagine. As long as a woman is powerful enough, she can do anything she wants—even opening her own harem. And no one can judge her or say anything about it.

In the end, everything depends on strength in this cultivating world.

Nevertheless, Wang Wei did not care about the purpose of this Xi Shi. What he cared about was the fact that he had the opportunity to meet with all the other Heaven Chosens as soon as possible.

Chapter 195: The List

"So who decided this ranking anyway?" asked Wang Wei. This kind of thing is not something just anyone could do, let alone let other people accept the result.

"It is the Heaven Mystery Pavilion. For many years, they have created many lists like the most powerful Saint, the best chamber of commerce, and the strongest Heaven Chosen of a generation. Due to the fact that they have mostly been correct for countless generations, people not only accept their lists, but use them to acquire information about the world." replied Wang Ju.

"Strongest Heaven Chosen? Is the list already available for this generation?"

"Yes, you are ranked number 1 on it, while Di Tian from the Di Family is second. However..."

"However, what? You can say it. By now you should me well enough that I do not have such a massive ego that I would let a list made by strangers dictate my mood or actions."

Wang Ju nodded before continuing:

"According to the list, the only reason that Di Tian is ranked second is because there is not enough information about him compared to you. They theorized that if you and him were to fight, Di Tian would have a 60% chance of winning, while you only have 40%."

Wang Wei nodded after hearing this before asking her to hand him the official list to read.

"#1. Wang Wei: Sacred Son of the Dao Opening Sect. Cultivate the Origin Path Scripture, Overlord Fist, and the Ancient Desolate Body Refining Scripture. His fleshly body, origin essence have reached the peak and beyond of any cultivators. And his soul is currently behind comprehension. His will and Dao Heart are also beyond measure as it is known that he is a Young Emperor.

"Personality and trait: Very intelligent and manipulative. Does not always use his strength to achieve his goal as he can create elaborate plans and schemes that take hundreds of years.

Feat: Defeating Crown Prince Ji Song and Han Lin who had the strength of the Peak of the Primordial Spirit Realm."

As a matter of fact, the list about him was a lot longer, especially under frat as it also noted certain things he did in the Spirit Road Trial and the fact that he evoked Divine Punishment Thunder.

After reading about him, Wang Wei continued:

"#2. Di Tian: Young Master of the Di Clan, cultivates his own created cultivation techniques known as the [Nine Samsara Fist]. However, as of currently, no individual has survived more than his second samsara fist.

"Personality and Trait: Also very intelligent and cunning. His schemes and plots are not under Sacred Son Wang Wei. However, unlike the latter, Di Tian is more brutal, cold hearted and ruthless. So far, he displayed no moral bottom line as he can do anything to achieve his goals. Many people could even argue that he is a Devil Cultivator.

"Feat: Under his command, the Di family has completely annihilated countless Devil sects or cultivators in the Western Continent. For his Qi Luck Trial, instead of setting a fortune dynasty, he single handedly brought the world close to destruction before saving it. We have theorized that he did such a thing in order to absorb the souls of the fallen, however no proof of this has been found."

Wang Wei frowned after reading this as he could tell this person was not a simple role. Then, he continued to read.

The list placed both Ji Song and Jian Wushuang of the Sword Casting Villa at number 3.

Wang Wei remembered seeing Jian Wushuang after the Spirit Road Trial. He was almost killed by a Devil cultivator of the Heart Beating Cult due to his low background, but he was saved and accepted as a disciple of the Sword Casting Villa due to his Innate Sword Bone.

According to feat, he defeated the third Heavenly Physique, Su Ya, during their Qi Luck Trial. That made her position right after him.

What surprised Wang Wei the most was the fact that the Absolute Chaos Physique, Lin Fan, was ranked fifth. He sighed as this list perfectly displayed the fact that having a higher ranked physique does not equate to strength; in the end, it's all about the owner and how the physique is used or trained.

After that, Wang Wei read the entire list with great detail. This was the perfect way for him to gain information about his future competitors. Of course, he did not take the list as hundred percent accurate. He knew that some people like him and Di Tian have hidden a lot of their strength and cards.

Not to mention that this list was created five years ago. In that short period of time, many Heaven Chosens in the list have rapidly grown in strength, experience and wisdom. So, this list can only be used as reference.

After reviewing the list, Wang Wei suddenly began to ponder how the Heaven Mystery Pavilion acquired all of this information—especially about him. Some of them can be attributed to his battle with Ji Song as the whole world witnessed it.

The other information should be gathered due to his battle with Han Li, however only members of the sects were present at that time. So, this shows that the Heaven Mystery Pavilion has many spies inside the Dao Opening Sect. Wang Wei is not surprised about this as the sect also has many hidden spies in all the powerful Emperor Lineage all over the world.

With the system of Shadow spread throughout the world, each factions has gone through extreme lengths to spy on each other. However, this was not what bothered Wang Wei. What bothered him was the fact that some of the information revealed in this list should only be accessible to the most trusted people of his clique.

So, how did the Heaven Mystery Pavilion acquire such information? Wang Wei believes in his judgement and does not believe that someone close to him betrayed him, so they must have acquired this information another way.

According to the information he knew about the Heaven Mystery Pavilion, they are an Immortal Lineage that is very good at divination, so this explained how they acquired that information.

However, Wang Wei soon shook his head. This possibility is very unlikely. The Pavilion's most powerful tool of divination—the [8 Trigram Turtle Shell] is still in his hand. Furthermore, it has been proven that Wang Wei's Transcendent Dao Foundation nullified most divination against him, not to mention his Heavenly Physique, the Fate Puppeteer Body also involves the power of fate. So, if someone tried to divine something about him, not only would it be blocked, he would also be aware of it.

'Wait,' suddenly thought Wang Wei. 'The people of the Heaven Mystery Pavilion do not need to divine about me in order to acquire the information they need. They just need to do it to the people closest to me. That way, they can bypass my anti-divination ability and get the information from the people I share these knowledge or secrets with.'

Li Jun, Yan Liling, and Wang Ju were surprised by the intense and scrutinizing look that Wang Wei gave them. For a brief moment, they thought that they might have done something wrong and upset him.

But then they were briefly relieved after Wang Wei explained his conjecture. Then the faces of these people became ugly once they realized that they might have unknowingly released secret information to their enemy. The worst of them was actually Wang Ju as this was essentially a dereliction of duty in her parts: as a Shadow, she should have anticipated such a thing.

This time however, Wang Wei did not console her.

"What are you going to do now?" he asked her calmly.

After taking a deep breath to calm herself down, she replied, "I will contact the sect and ask about techniques or methods of anti-divination as soon as possible."

"That's good," replied Wang Wei calmly. Then, the group started to discuss what to expect from tomorrow's meeting before they all disbanded and returned to their own residence.

While Wang Wei went to rest himself after a long journey, Wang Ju had a serious look on her face after returning to her residence. Then, she took out a talisman to contact someone.

"What is it?" asked a weird voice. The reason that the voice was weird was because it was impossible to tell whether it was a woman or man.

"Shadow Teacher, I need your guidance," replied Wang Ju with a serious look on her face.

Yes, the person that Wang Ju contacted is the current Shadow that serves Sect Master Wang Tian. As her predecessor, she can ask him for guidance when she needs to.

Knowing that her teacher was a person of few words, Wang Jun went straight to the topic:

"Teacher, I need to know whether the sect has a method of anti-divination?"

"So, you finally have reached this stage."

"Teacher, you already knew?"

"Yes. Part of the training of the Shadow is to learn through mistakes, so the problem of divination was never mentioned. It also served as a test."

"Teacher, then how did I do?"

"What do you think?"

Wang Ju then lowered her head. However, the Shadow did not continue mentioning the test and proceeded to teach her about the method of Anti-Divination.

The next day, Wang Wei woke up fully refreshed as he prepared for the day's meeting with all the other Heaven Chosens.

Chapter 196: Who is worthy?

Before heading to the meeting, Wang Wei began to ponder about all the information he knows about the Emperor Enlightening Academy in order to further tune out his plans.

Despite being the second most powerful faction currently in the Myriad Emperor World, the Academy is actually very new compared to all the other factions as it was created during the Middle Emperor Era. To be precise, the Academy started that era.

After the Devil Era, the Myriad Emperor World had gone through another catastrophe that almost ruined it. As a result countless Emperor Lineages and other factions were destroyed in the process. During a brief period between these two Eras, many Great Emperors were born and they tried to revitalize the world, but they failed.

That was until Emperor Kong--also known by the name Kong Meng. Emperor Kong was a very powerful cultivator born during that period. According to information left over from that time period, Kong Meng was a very enlightened person who preached the idea or notion that all cultivators should have access to education, to knowledge—no matter their background, status, or talents.

As you can expect, no other factions supported this idea. For countless eras, the idea of only hoarding knowledge has been practiced. And in this world where knowledge equates to power, no faction wants to release their techniques or methods to outsiders—especially without receiving any benefit.

Not to mention that the cultivation world was at an all time weakness and low morale after the Devil Era. At that time, precious cultivation techniques were even more valuable given that a large majority of them were destroyed.

However, Kong Meng did not see it that way. He believed that only by circulating more techniques that other people will be inspired to create or renovate the already existing one, thus pushing the cultivation world back to recovery and further development. And it turned out that he was right.

After the Heaven Will Battle, Kong Meng proved the Dao and took the name Emperor Kong. Then, he created the Emperor Enlightenment Academy. To be precise, he created or invented the concept of "Academy".

Before Emperor Kong's time, there was no such thing as an academy. All factions in the world could be divided into two branches: families and sects.

When it comes to families or clans, all cultivation techniques or methods were passed between people with the same bloodline or the same surname. This method was used because cultivators believed that this was the safest way to guard these techniques. After all, it is very difficult to betray your own family, your own blood.

As for sects, they allowed talented people from outside into their groups. However, these people were usually taken from a young age so that they can be brainwashed into being loyal to their sects. These kids were usually taught to place the sect before everything else, even their family or own death.

However, even that method had many problems due to unfair distribution of power and resources. A perfect example of that is the Dao Opening Sect.

Although the sect is ruled by four factions, it was not always like that. In the early stage of its creation, the majority of power and resources were in the hands of the Wang, Li, and Yan family. As for the sectarian faction, they usually hold the lowest of positions in the sects. The resources that they received were the least amount, they did not have access to all the powerful techniques, and they were forced to do the most dangerous tasks like being trained as Death Slaves or Suicide Soldiers.

It was not until the Shadow Ruler Emperor appeared in the sect that they realized the importance of the sectarian faction and the benefit that they could bring to the sect as a whole. So, more power and resources were granted to them—elevating them to the status of one of the main factions of the Dao Opening Sect.

However, the Emperor Enlightenment Academy created another system of inheritance. A system that allows all cultivators access to techniques and resources as long as they enter the Academy. Of course, the Academy did not give them all this for free, but granted them the opportunity to acquire precious cultivation resources.

An example of that is a loose cultivator that does not belong to any faction nor wanted to join one. If he wants some rare material that is strictly controlled by the powerful Emperor Lineages of the world, he can join the Academy and serve there for a few years. Then, using contribution points, he could get such rare material.

Theoretically speaking, according to the rules of the Academy, even their Emperor's Scriptures could be bought with the right amount of contribution point. However, Wang Wei knew that this was one of the biggest lies ever.

The amount of contribution points needed for a cultivator to buy such a thing was so outrageous that they could spend their entire lives slaving for the academy without even coming remotely close. Not to mention all the secret conditions are required to be eligible to get access to these powerful cultivating scriptures.

The Academy used this method to lure in countless cultivators all over the world to join them with false promises and hope for a possible better future. The only people that have access to these scriptures or very rare and precious resources are the disciples that are personally trained by the Academy, as they know that these people are loyal to them.

Back to Emperor Kong, after creating this new system, the Academy started to thrive throughout the entire world. Many cultivators knew that their chances of having enough resources in their path of cultivation finally arrived, so they rushed to attend.

Then, something amazing happened that shocked the entire world. The next four Great Emperors after Emperor Kong all came from the Emperor Enlightenment Academy. The Academy dominated the world for five generations by successfully cultivating five consecutive Great Emperors.

All the cultivators of the world freaked out as they realized that this new system was effective. More importantly, they feared that the Academy would become like the Buddhist Sect in the Incense Era and dominate the entire era. So, they copied the system and used it on their own.

Many other academies were also build across the Myriad Emperor World. The sects then copied some aspect of it. They were not as strict when recruiting outside disciples. They created branch sects that recruited disciples all over the world and from different backgrounds. Then, the best of these disciples in the branch sects will be sent to the main sect in order to get access to better techniques and resources.

With this new system, the Myriad Emperor World began to rapidly recuperate as a newfound vigor was instilled in it. Then a new and prosperous era started.

As a matter of fact, that period of time used to be called the Academy Enlightenment Era, but was renamed Middle Emperor Era. The Emperor Enlightenment Academy tried hard to fight this name change, but the sects of the world were determined to change the name in the history book in order to reduce the influence of the Academy on the world, and reduced their Qi Luck.

Of course there is one benefit that the Academy still retains to this day: the Heaven Chosen Selection Trial or the Heaven Chosen Worthy Trial.

As the name implies, this is a trial held by the Academy to designate who is worthy to hold the title or position of Heaven Chosen. Ever since the Middle Emperor Era, countless "genius" cultivators have come to the Academy to attend this trial, the top 30 will receive the title of Heaven Chosen.

This process has been going on for millions of years and many other factions have tried to take this honor from the Emperor Enlightenment Academy, however, they have failed and are still forced to send their geniuses to attend the trial.

One of the reasons for that was the fact the Academy is recognized by the majority of cultivators, thus having more credibility than the other factions. The second reason being that the Heaven Chosens will have access to the 3000 Dao Tablets.

These Dao Tablets have been blessed by countless Great Emperors during the past two Eras. Due to the fact that the Academy is open to anyone, many Great Emperors from different factions have been helped by the academy during their rises—not to mention that they received the position of Heaven Chosen there.

So, in order to repay their karma, these Great Emperors would leave their understanding of the Dao in these tablets, making them the best treasure for enlightenment on the Laws of the world. Many people drooled to gain access to these Dao Tablets as a result of this—including Wang Wei himself.

Of course this was not the main reason that the Emperor Enlightenment Academy can hold the power of holding this trial for so long. It was mainly because of something called "Heavenly Dao Protection" which secured their unshakable positions against so many factions.

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The Heavenly Dao Protection—as the name implied—is a form of absolute protection granted to the top 30 Heavenly Chosen that are selected during this trial. As a result, from the Supernatural Realm all the way to the Primordial Spirit Realm, all these Heaven Chosens are excused from death.

No matter the circumstances, as long as they are in the Myriad Emperor World, they cannot die during that period of time. Even if a Supreme Realm True Monarch were to attack any of these Heavenly Chosens, they would not succeed.

The reason for that is that they are under the protection of Heavenly Dao itself. Unless someone has the power to overwhelm the might of Heavenly Dao, then these geniuses will be fine. Because they are the true chosens of Heaven and Earth. As a result of this, after the Heaven Chosen Worthy Trial, the world would turn into chaos for a few hundred years.

With this newfound protection, these Heaven Chosens often act crazy and wild. They will attack other powerful sects fully knowing that they could not be killed. Especially those Devil Cultivators, they would go crazy after the trial: they will kill, burn, rape, and loot all around the world.

Of course, after the protection period is over, the majority of these people will run to hide, knowing that many people will want revenge against them. The only way to stop these people is also to have a True Heaven Chosens.

This kind of behavior resulted in many factions throughout the world competing for the few spots in the trial, thus also further boosting the popularity and reputation of the Emperor Enlightenment Academy.

After pondering all of these things for a while, Wang We then spent the morning visiting the main city of the Academy and got acquainted with everything around. Later that afternoon, he met with his group before heading to the meeting place.

"Have you figured things out?" asked Wang Wei towards Wang Ju.

"Yes, young master. I have received cultivation techniques from the sect regarding anti-divination. Due to the short time period, it is not possible to learn, but the sect have also send me origin treasures with the same ability.

"There are some for me, Young Master Li Jun and Miss Yan Liling. Even Tie Gang and the Five Number Generals will also receive one."

Wang Wei nodded after hearing this. He had long noticed that his future Shadow—although excellent at her job—can suffer from low self-esteem at times—especially when it comes to her failures.

Wang Wei often had to reassure her during these moments, hence why he talked to her during the trial and offered her the Dao Washing Pill. However, he also realized that he could not always babysit when she faced difficulties or failures in her life. That's why he did not say anything to her when she oversaw the problem of divination.

Nevertheless, it seemed that she handled the situation quite well this time. Having the ability to not let your mistakes dictate who you are and be able to learn from them is not a simple thing. Even

Wang Wei sometimes makes mistakes and suffers from doubts as he knew that he was not perfect. But he always strived to learn any kind of lessons from his failures, thus ensuring that they were in fact not "failures" but "learning opportunities".

After ensuring that Wang Ju was fine, he suddenly asked Li Jun, "What happened to the Five Number General? Shouldn't they have received their own names by now?"

"They are fine and are under special training. As for their names, they chose to retain the system of calling each other by numbers. According to them, this is the perfect way to motivate each other to surpass the other, plus they think it is more cool that way."

Wang Wei nodded as he could guess that this was the result of these people wanting to be unique. They probably hope that one day the name [Five Number General] will actually echo throughout the entire world, thus creating their own lasting legend or myth throughout the world.

While the two of them were chatting, they had already arrived at the location of the meeting. It was a very luxurious inn decorated with countless precious jade and jewels.

Wang Wei looked at the sign that read [True Dragon Inn] and under it was the logo of the Association of Chamber of Commerce. He wondered what kind of price that this association paid for the Academy to allow them to set an inn this close to their main location.

With a quick scan of his Divine Sense, Wang Wei's mouth started to twitch. He realized that he was the first person to arrive, despite the fact that the true starting time of this meeting was less than a few minutes away.

According to normal time, once these horny Heaven Chosens learned that a beautiful woman invited them to meet, they would arrive a few hours in advance to show that they are gentlemen, and in hope to meet the beauty as soon as possible.

However, there was no one here, except for Xi Shi that Wang Wei noticed in one of the rooms. Unfortunately , he could not see her face as there were powerful formations that prevented his divine sense.

Wang Wei could guess the reason for these people's tardiness. It was because he was late to arrive at the Academy and many people had to wait for him. They seemed to want him to experience the feeling of waiting for other people. Wang Wei knew that his guess was correct as he felt all the different visions that were observing him, then reporting to someone else through talismans.

Wang Wei then smiled as he thought to himself, 'You guys want to play? Then, let's play.'

After thinking about this, Wang Wei walked to the front of the entrance door, the he wrote on the top with his origin essence:

"Are you worthy to enter?"

Then, he mobilized the power of his 13th layer Body Refining realm, his Infinite Divine Sea, all his 720 Divine Veins, his 13 colored Good Fortune Flame and combined them into one: his True Will Ability.

He placed the powerful will on the entrance, which would test anyone who tried to enter through this door. Afterward, he and his group entered the inn.

Wang Wei and his group were received by a bunch of beautiful maids that led them to the place of the meeting. He then arrived in a large red room full of lavish decorations.

There were many cushions with small tables in front of them, however, all the seats formed a circular pattern. Wang Wei was slightly surprised as he could tell that the person who designed the seating arrangement did this in order to prevent a discussion or fight for the number 1 seat or the one in the center.

This person did not want all these Heaven Chosens with massive ego to fight each other over seating positions. However, there was still some sort of hierarchy as the seats were in rows. The first seat is probably for the people who are in the lists published by the Heaven Mystery Pavilion.

The second row is probably for the Heaven Chosens who had potential, but are either relatively low key or had low background—like being from a Holy Land or Supreme Land, or even worse, being a loose cultivator.

After seeing this, Wang Wei smiled as he and his group took a random seat in the first row. While waiting, the maids served them tea, fruits, and wine, along with a few snacks.

While eating, Wang Wei and his group used their Divine Sense to monitor the entrance of the inn. Soon, a person came to the door.

Xuan Yi was very excited. A few days ago, he received an invitation from the most beautiful woman of the world to attend a meeting. He was excited not only because of who sent the invitation, but also what it represents.

He knew that only some of the best Heaven Chosens that entered the eye of the Association would receive this invite. More importantly, his elders warned him that if the Association's princess has a liking for him, it is his chance to rise to the top.

So, Xuan Yi was prepared to arrive early on the day of the meeting in order to give a good first impression. Unfortunately for him, on the night before, he received a secret letter stating that no one was to attend the meeting until Sacred Son Wang Wei arrived.

Although Xuan Yi was angry, he had no choice to agree with this after seeing all the names that were signed in this letter. However, he was still preparing to be the second person to arrive. So, he had one of his servants wait around the inn to send him a message notifying him as soon as Wang Wei arrived.

So, that is exactly what Xuan Yi did, he rushed to the inn as soon as he received the message as he was actually waiting not far from the inn.

However, as soon as he arrived in front of the inn's door, Xuan Yi read the message on top and he became furious. All he could think about was who was so arrogant that questioned his talent and strength, and also prevented him from seeing his future wife.

Chapter 198: Xuan Yi

After seeing the words on the hand, Xuan Yi rushed straight into the door, however he was stopped. As soon he reached the door, Xuan Yi felt a powerful will enveloped him, preventing him from moving forward.

He mobilized all his strength, thus taking a few steps forwards by resisting this will. However, his smile did not last long as the will penetrated his Divine Sea and started attacking his cultivation level.

First, cracks started appearing on his Divine Altar, an act whic terrified Xuan Yi. As the heir of a Supreme Land, he did not have access to Emperor Scriptures that allowed him to create a Dao Foundation. Luckily for him, he had a fortunate encounter that granted the opportunity to have 360 Divine Veins.

However, his Divine Altar was still full of cracks. Now, more were added to the original tattered altar. Xuan Yi was horrified by the prospect of his altar being destroyed, thus becoming a cripple. However, what scared the most was the fact that he was proven unworthy to enter the inn. He had so many dreams, goals, and expectations before he came here.

He dreamed that he would show his talent and strength to these Heaven Chosens from the Emperor Lineage, then get the attention of Xi Shi. Afterwards, with the help and resources of the Association of Chamber of Commerce, he would cultivate all the way to the Supreme Realm, fight in the Heaven Will Battle and suppress all of his peers. Then, he would prove the Dao, elevate his sect for a Supreme Land into an Emperor Lineage—just like Emperor Nine Yang for two generations ago.

Unfortunately for him, an entrance door had just crushed his dreams. Xuan Yi watched as the door that was only a few steps away from him seemed so far away, as if a microcosm of an entire world was between him and this door.

Those few steps represented the fact that he was not worthy to stand on the world's stage with the name of Heaven Chosen, that he did not reach the caliber of the ones that have truly reached the top.

After thinking about this, Xuan Yi refused to give up. He gritted his teeth and tried to take another step while bearing a tremendous amount of pain and suffering.

However, compared to the despair of realizing that he cannot live up to the standards or level that he once believed he was or had reached, compared to the realization that he is not as important or gifted as believed, this pain was nothing.

Unfortunately for Xuan Yi, his iron Will and determination did not change the outcome. While trying to take another step, Wang Wei's powerful True Will that manifested in the form of a grey shadow started to move upward from the Divine Altar to the Ancient Lamp.

The horror that Xuan Yi felt suddenly intensified. He realized that once this grey shadow reached his Ancient Lamp and destroyed it, that he would over for real. He might still have a chance to amend his destroyed Divine Altar, but he would be truly finished if his ancient lamp was also destroyed.

So, Xuan Yi started to ponder his next step of action; he ponder the possibility of giving up and retreating. Memories of the past then flashed from his mind.

He saw the faces of all his junior and senior brothers and sisters of the sect. He saw the smile and joyful vigor they had on their faces when they knew that he had the opportunity to compete for this generation's Heaven Will.

All the compliments and encouragement he received, all the time that some disciples would share their fortunate encounter with him in order to ensure that he had enough resources to compete with these heirs of Emperor Lineages.

Many of these resources were not even remotely valuable, but Xuan Yi always accepted all of them with a smile on his face. What he cared about was not the value, but what these resources represent: the hope of all the disciples and elders of the sect.

As a result, Xuan Yi has spent a lot of sleepless nights pondering how to shoulder all these responsibilities, all these expectations of the people around him. He always dreamed about how he would repay all his fellow brother and sisters of the sect after he become a Great Emperor, how he would lead the sect through glory and wealth until thy reach the top of the food chain in terms of power in the Myriad Emperor World.

After all these memories came to his mind, Xuan Yi removed any thought or idea he had about giving up. He decided to persist under the pressure of this Great Will.

However, Xuan Yi began to falter again an he watched the grey shadow slowly inching closer to this Ancient Lamp. The closer the grey shadow rose, the more pressure Xuan Yi felt as sweat started falling from his face and down in his back. In just a few seconds, his clothes were drenched like he was walking in the rain.

Time started to pass slowly for Xuan Yi as he contemplated his next action that will forever change his future.

One part of him did not want to destroy all the hope and expectations of his fellow sect members, while another part did not want to lose his cultivation level that he spent so many years training.

So, when the grey shadow was only a few centimeters away from the Ancient Lamp, Xuan Yi took a few steps back, stopping its inevitable destruction. So, he sighed in relief after seeing that his Ancient Lamp was intact.

However, a great deal of shame followed him afterwards. It was then that Xuan Yi realized how selfish of a person he was, and also how far he was from those Heaven Chosen.

However, he quickly shook these thoughts from his mind. He realized that maybe it was not him that was the problem, but this test. Maybe that it was impossible for others to pass as well.

So, with this mindset, he went to the side and waited for the next person to try to enter. Xuan Yi was sure that his conjecture was correct as he stood there with a smirk on his face. However, his clenched hands behind his back might indicate something else.

Meanwhile, inside the True Dragon Inn, Wang Wei and his group silently watched Xuan Yi's mental and physical struggle with this test while drinking wine or tea and eating snacks.

"It's a shame that he gave up," said Li Jun with a sigh after taking a sip of wine.

"Not everyone has the Will to lose everything in order to prove to themselves and the world that they are extraordinary," replied Yan Liling, who was drinking tea.

"You two missed the whole point of this test," said Wang Wei. "I designed this little trial to test the foundation and will of the people entering. If this Xuan Yi had a solid enough foundation, he should have been able to enter. However, even if he did not, as long as he has the Will to, he could still pass."

"How?" asked Yan Liling, a little confused.

"Simple, by allowing his Divine Altar and Ancient Lamp to break apart, then reconstruct it. He could repeat the process again and again until he reached the standard that I set for this trial.

"Although his cultivation level would have dropped to the Divine Altar Realm, what is that compared to a supremely powerful future? Just the fact that he gave up so quickly proved that this person does not have the Will and Dao Heart to become a top powerhouse."

"Breaking before Rising," added Yan Liling.

Li Jun sighed before taking another big gulp of his drink. "Not everyone can be like you, big brother, and treat themselves as cruelly as they treat their enemies—if not even worse."

As he uttered these words, Li Jun started to reminisce about the time he witnessed his big brother going through Heavenly Tribulation. He saw how his big brother used Heavenly Fire to temper his body.

He burned his skin, muscles, blood, and nerves. At that time, all that were left untouched were the internal organs. As a person who knows how it felt like to boil alive, Li Jun could only imagine how painful such a process would be.

Yet, his big brother did not scream, complain, or winced throughout the entire process. Well, not that he did have any organs to scream to begin with.

It was during that moment that he realized one of the things that separated his big brother from the other Heaven Chosens: he was a very cruel person—especially to himself.

Oftentimes, Li Jun has asked himself whether he could go to such lengths in order to become powerful. And to this day, he did not have an answer yet.

"That's because these people do not have the drive or desire to succeed at all cost," replied Wang Wei with a calm look on his face.

Meanwhile, a few minutes after Xuan Yi gave up, a few other people showed up and saw the provocation at the door entrance.

Chapter 199: Who is that?

After Xuan Yi's turn, many other people came afterwards. They all tried to enter, but failed to do so. As such, the majority of people actually gave up, an act which delighted Xuan Yi a great deal.

However, one person did not give up, instead had his Divine Altar and Ancient Lamp destroyed, essentially crippling. Wang Wei admired this person's will, unfortunately, he was not a wise person; he did not take this opportunity to actually re-forge his foundation.

Unmatched bravado without wisdom is not enough to reach the top of the cultivation world. Unfortunately, few people realize this. After sighing, Wang Wei focused on someone else that was rapidly approaching.

After that person arrived, he only frowned for a slight moment after seeing the writing on the door, then he strode inside. The trial did not faze this person until he reached one step from entering inside.

The grey shadow--which was a physical manifestation of Wang Wei's True Will--started to put more pressure on this person's Divine Altar. The person first frowns before snorting coldly out loud.

Then a black aura full of starlike light appeared around. The blackness was not an evil or nefarious like one, but more of the bleakness and profound darkness found in space; however, it seemed more noble and sacred.

After the aura appeared on that person, he walked inside without any pause. Meanwhile, Wang Wei identified this aura as Chaos Qi, thus also revealing the identity of the person who came.

The #1 Absolute Chaos Physique, Lin Fan.

After being led inside the room where the main event would take place, Lin Fan also noticed Wang Wei and his group, but he did not say anything and just took a seat of his own.

Soon after Lin Fan, another person came that was able to pass the little trial. This time it was a beautiful girl with long blue hair. She had captivating eyes that would make any man or woman lose themselves.

As soon as she arrived, all the people waiting outside were captivated by her beauty; she did not smile, did not use any technique, just her natural beauty was enough to charm all the other geniuses waiting outside.

Some of them even made vows to protect their lives. As for the enchantress, she seemed to perceive the emotions of these people and just smile at them. This sudden smile further captivated those people, and charmed those who still had a little will to resist.

After that, she also easily passed Wang Wei's test. However, just like the previous person, she also stopped one step away from the door with a frown on her face.

Then, seven books of different colors appeared in front of her in order to resist the final attack, then she entered the True Dragon Inn.

The person who arrived this time was the owner of the #3 Seven Emotions and Six Desires Physique, Su Ya.

After entering the room, Su Ya gave a smile to everyone in the room before taking a seat of her own, then she also started to observe all the people coming.

The next person to pass this test was Ji Song. When he reached in front of the door, the Dharma Image of Ji Xiang appeared behind him to block Wang Wei's True Will, then he strode inside with steady steps.

As soon as he entered the same room as the others, he looked directly as Wang Wei, then a powerful killing intent suddenly emanated from his body, suffocating all the maids around. Even few people outside the inn felt the heavy pressure of that killing intent.

Of course that did not apply to the truly powerful people in the room. Lin Fan had a serious look on his face as he quietly observed everything around him. Su Ya had a playful smile on her face.

As for Wang Wei, he smiled happily before saying, "Ji Song my friend, I have not seen you in so long. How are things doing?"

"Are you mocking me?" asked the crown prince with gritted teeth.

"So what if I am? As a loser, you should have the attitude of one."

"One defeat meant nothing, not to mention that I will be the victor this time around."

"If I remember correctly, that is the third time you have said this to me. And just like the previous two times, you will still end up within an inch of your demise," replied Wang Wei calmly.

However, to his surprise, Ji Song was not angered or reacted in any way. He just gave a deep look at Wang Wei before taking a seat on the opposite side of him.

Then, the room once again became quiet. All that could be heard was the sound of slurping and chewing. However, not long afterward, another person also entered.

This time it was Jian Wushuang with a sword hanging on his sword. In order to enter the inn, he released a powerful sword aura to counter-attack against the pressure.

Unlike other people, Jian Wushuang had to take a longer period of time to enter as he had to help one of his junior brother and sister. As such, he is the only person beside Wang Wei who came with two other people.

After entering the main room, Jian Wushuang first gave a deep look at Wang Wei; his grey hair and eyes make him easily noticeable. During this little trial, he tried to use his supreme sword will to destroy Wang Wei's True Will, but it did not have any effect.

As for Wang Wei, he was also looking at this young sword cultivator. The reason for that was because he felt some similarities from Jian Wushuang's Sword Will with his father's. Every cultivator has their own unique sword will, so only if he learned his father's sword will would there be similarities.

But Wang Wei was even more confused on how he managed to do so. However, he placed this question on the back of his head and decided to ask his father later.

After briefly looking at Wang Wei, Jian Wushuang moved his eyes to the other people before taking a seat. However, his two fellow disciples seemed very unfriendly to Wang Wei for some unknown reason.

Then, the room returned to its normal quiet and peaceful nature. Meanwhile, outside, many people tried to enter the inn, and a few managed to do so. However, by the time these people succeeded, they were in terrible shape:

Their clothes were unorganized and drenched with sweat, their hair messy, their complexion paled, and their breathing very difficult. These people seemed to be aware of their low status and chose to sit in the second rows.

Another person that also easily passed the trial and entered the room was another one of Wang Wei and Ji Song's acquaintances: Sun Jiaolong from the Great Wu Imperial Dynasty.

When the grey shadow tried to attack him, the Human Sword Destiny inside his Divine Sea just shone a golden light to block it, then Sun Jiaolong entered the inn and took a front row seat.

However, Wang Wei began to pay attention to him. And that was because as soon as he entered the room, he instantly knew that this Sun Jiaolong was actually a Son of Destiny.

As a person who has the ability to also become a Son of Destiny, Wang Wei can easily recognize one when he sees it. Furthermore, he could also see that he might encounter some trouble with Sun Jiaolong if he one day decided to become the Son of Destiny of the Myriad Emperor World.

'However, this may not be a bad thing as I can use this to my advantage," secretly thought Wang Wei.

Another information that he received was the fact that the Human Sword Destiny was in fact in the hands of Sun Jiaolong. Although the past few decades there have been speculation that he had one, but no proof was discovered. Not to mention the fact that the Great Wu Imperial Dynasty has been constantly denying this fact.

However, today, Wang Wei sensed the vast Qi Luck residing inside Sun Jiaolong's body, thus confirming that he had the sword.

Suddenly, Wang Wei turned his head in the direction of the entrance. He saw a young man with white hair and a cold face approaching the front door. This young man had a handsome face, however, his cold and indifferent temperament made people want to avoid him.

This young man had very special eyes. His eyes displayed the vicissitudes of life; it was like he had live so long and seen so many things that he became numb to everything and everyone around him.

However, if you look deep in those eyes, you will find both a profound sadness and Will that could sunder anything between Heaven and Earth.

After this person reached the last step of the door, he stopped for a few seconds with a pondering look on his face. Then, he turned around and left without much hesitation.

Meanwhile, inside the inn, Wang Wei had a deep look on his face as he asked with a grave tone on his face, "Who is that?"

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"Young master, that's Di Tian from the Di family," replied Wang Ju.

The reason that Wang Wei took notice of Di Tian was because of what happened at the entrance door. This person was able to ignore his test. Unlike the other Heaven Chosens who had to use their powers to resist his True Will, this Di Tian straight up ignored it.

This has never happened before, so Wang Wei was concerned about this. Not to mention the fact that he has not figured out how he did it. He did feel a very vague fluctuation from Di Tian's body, however, with his senses, he could not detect it fast enough, nor detect what it was.

However, his intuition told him that he was familiar with this power--despite not really knowing what it was.

"After this meeting, use all your powers to discover any information about this Di Tian. And if you have to, use the power of my father's Shadow," ordered Wang Wei.

An act which greatly surprised Wang Ju as she had never seen the young master so serious about something. She realized that this was a very important task, so she nodded seriously.

As a matter of fact, Wang Wei was not the only person who acted this way. After Di Tian left from the True Dragon Inn and returned to his own manor, he first asked his head maid to use all the power of the Di Clan to gather information on Wang Wei.

After that, he took out a very ancient talisman; the breath of this talent displayed the passage of time, the evolution of Samsara. After injecting his origin essence in the talisman, something amazing occurred.

Throughout the entire Myriad Emperor World, countless people--both mortals and cultivators--suddenly awakening memories that were engraved deep into their bloodlines for countless generations.

After these memories were awakened, they received the same instruction: "Find all the information possible about Sacred Son Wang Wei."

Then, these people--who referred to themselves as the Sleepers--looked in the direction of Di Tian, bowed before saying, "As you wish, master." Then proceeded to execute his order.

The terrible thing about these Sleepers was the fact that they were everywhere, in all the sects and factions of the world--even in the Emperor Lineages. That also meant that some of them were also in the Dao Opening Sect.

The sudden awakening of these memories essentially swap their personality and beliefs. What's more this kind of thing is undetectable as these people still have the same soul.

So, even if these Emperor Lineages were to check whether another primordial spirit had taken over their bodies, they would not find anything.

Meanwhile, back in the True Dragon Inn, after a few people struggled to get inside, no other powerful Heaven Chosen seemed to be coming, so the host, Xi Shi, finally showed up.

The wooden floor at the center of the room started to move around, then she appeared from underground. Many people marveled at this kind of spectacle--of course that was beside Wang Wei. He has seen these kinds of things in his previous life.

However, he did appreciate it as it reminded him of the stars from his past life.

After Xi Shi appeared, all eyes were on her. However, many people were disappointed. Not because her beauty did not live up the standards, but because she was covering most of her face with a veil-only revealing her eyes.

Nevertheless, that was more than enough to captivate all the young geniuses present. They look at her with greed and desire, yet at the same, trying to restrain themselves to appear more gentlemanlike. However, all of them wished nothing more than to rip that veil from her face.

As for Wang Wei, he scoffed after seeing this, then he waved his hand. Following which, a gentle breeze appeared and removed the veil from her face, revealing all her beauty to the world.

All the other people look at Wang Wei with a fierce look, as if saying how dare you blaspheme our goddess. At the same time, they were secretly happy because he did something that they did not dare to do.

However, soon enough, they were distracted by her beauty.

Wang Wei has to admit that this Xi Shi was indeed beautiful. It was as if all the concepts of beauty were added together to create her. All the flowers, all the magnificent views, all perfectly symmetrical things could not even come close to describe her beauty.

Every cultivator in the world knows nothing under Heaven and Earth is actually truly perfect; however, Xi Shi's beauty can be described as her perfect.

Her face did not have any form of powder on it. No, to be precise, any form of make up would actually insult her beauty.

After Xi Shi's face was revealed, there were only three people that were not totally enamored by her beauty.

The first being Jian Wushuang. Although he was distracted by her for a few seconds, then his sword intent flashed in his eyes and he was awakened from his stupor.

The second was of course Su Ya, and it was not because she was a woman. As a matter of fact, Xi Shi's beauty transcends gender. A perfect example of that was the fact that both Yan Liling and Wang Ju could not stop staring at her.

As a person who can easily control people's emotions and desires, of course Su Ya will not be captivated by another person's beauty. However, given the deep frown on her face, she was obviously not happy.

Of course the last person was Wang Wei. With his powerful will, of course he would not be charmed by a person's beauty. However, that did not stop him from admiring.

While Wang Wei was looking at Xi Shi, she was also looking at him. She was a little surprised at his action of removing her veil. When most men meet her, they always try to behave as politely as possible in order to draw her attention.

However, this Sacred Son of the Dao Opening Sect does not seem to care about being a gentleman in front of her. This was the first time that she experienced something like this, and it caught her by surprise.

Meanwhile, while Wang Wei was admiring Xi Shi's beauty, his heart suddenly began to beat rapidly as he felt that something very important was about to happen to him.

He lhen looked in the direction of the door, having a feeling that someone was about to enter. In a situation like that, Wang Wei should have used his Divine Sense to see who it was, but he did not. He waited for a few seconds with anticipation.

Then, another breathtaking woman walked in.

She had skin as white as jade, had black long hair, phoenix eyes and three small dots drawn on her forehead in red.

She was not wearing the traditional hanfu, but a modified version of a black cheongsam with golden red design all over. The cheongsam was a long one, reaching all the way to the floor. However, it was cut on the side so that every time she took a step, her long and beautiful legs were displayed to see.

She had ankle bracelets in both her feet, but she was not wearing any shoes. However, everytime she took a step forward, tiny runes appeared under her feet to prevent the ground from being blessed to be touched by her.

The arriving woman was beautiful, but that was not the most prominent quality of hers. The most prominent quality was her temperament.

She had a temperament that said that I am the only worthy person in the entire world. Among all beings, both past and present, among countless time and space, throughout eternity, throughout the birth and death and chaos, only I am worthy.

One might ask her: worthy of what?

She would answer "everything". Worthy of wealth and power, worthy to praise, worthy to be noble, worthy to be among the strong and powerful, worthy to find happiness in the Sea of Sorrow that is the world.

As soon as she walked in, she instantly took the limelight from Xi Shi by sheer will of her temperament. Although she may not be as beautiful as Xi Shi, she could not remotely compete with this girl's aura.

Unfortunately, the visions of the people in the room did not last long on her. And it was because they kept asking themselves whether they were worthy to look at her, to be in her presence.

The majority of them answered negatively, so they removed their gazes. As for the higher echelons of Heaven Chosens, they did not have an answer and did not want to find out, so they also removed their eyes, only giving a few side glances.

The only exception of course being Wang Wei. He was instantly fascinated by her.

'It's her...' he secretly thought to himself. He had seen her before during the Lust Part of the Pagoda Trial. She was the woman who appeared in the Illusion world and betrayed him after falling in love with her.

Now, the question remains: How did she appear in that trial?"