

Fortune 951

Chapter 951: Obtaining the Immortal Artifact Seven-Colored Lotus Lamp, Seven-Colored Immortal Fire (Part 3)

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A few days later.

The Valley of Mixed Essence finally developed into a massive scale.

Inside the entire valley, stone houses were built, and more importantly, the valley was also shrouded in a massive array barrier, where entry was not allowed without permission.

This is the power of the Heaven-Covering Wheel Talisman from the Immortal Realm.

This talisman formed a thick and powerful barrier, and even a Divinity Transformation Level exotic beast wouldn't dare to break in.

It can even isolate the cold from outside to a certain extent.

"Elder, the Valley of Mixed Essence is really so warm."

"This heat is from the fire seed granted by Lord Jiang."

"It seems that as long as this fire seed burns fiercely, it can indefinitely emit heat."

"Even during the day, we can walk in the valley."

"There's no need to worry about the sunlight during the day."

"But doesn't such an anomalous fire need some kind of fuel?"

The villagers discussed fervently.

They looked eagerly at the center of the valley, where a giant cauldron held a blazing red flame.

This small cluster of red flame naturally comes from the Seven-Colored Immortal Fire of the Seven-Colored Lotus Lamp.

This small cluster of flame alone warmed the entire valley.

At the same time, it burns like an eternal fire, never ceasing.

"Don't worry, Lord Jiang said this is a special anomalous fire that can automatically devour the surrounding spiritual qi, so it doesn't need fuel and can burn endlessly."

"With this anomalous fire, the entire valley will be incredibly warm."

"In the future, we won't need to worry about freezing to death while sleeping during the day."

"But this is the secret of our Valley of Mixed Essence, don't let it out."

Xuyun Chen said excitedly.

He also didn't expect the mysterious and unpredictable Lord Jiang to produce such a special anomalous fire.

If others were to know, they would be driven mad with envy.

In this Ice Prison, it's definitely an exotic treasure, worth a fortune.

"Don't worry, even if we're beaten to death, we won't leak this news."

Upon hearing this, the villagers were thrilled.

They now felt immense gratitude towards Jiang Fan; without Jiang Fan's protection, they would have perished long ago.

So naturally, they wouldn't foolishly leak this news.

"But we have many tasks to accomplish next."

"For example, we need to plant many Ice Crystal Fruit Trees outside the valley."

"These Ice Crystal Fruits will be our staple food in the future."

"If we manage to plant them on a large scale, our Valley of Mixed Essence won't lack food in the future."

Xuyun Chen said sternly.

He understood the importance of the Ice Crystal Fruit.

This special spirit fruit not only satisfies the villagers' food needs but also increases their resistance to cold with long-term consumption, so it's crucial.

Though they have Spirit Rice to eat, the Ice Crystal Fruit is still indispensable.

"And according to His Lordship's instructions, we also need to gather more villagers."

"This is His Lordship's wish; he hopes to protect more companions."

Xuyun Chen expressed his admiration.

He's seldom seen a Divinity Transformation Cultivator with such a magnanimous heart. In the Ice Prison, where everyone looks out for themselves, only a saint like Lord Jiang would choose to protect more people.

"Alright."

Upon hearing this, the villagers felt an even deeper sense of gratitude.

Chapter 952: Hunyuan Valley One Year Later, a Population of 100,000

One year later.

Hunyuan Valley.

At this moment, a group of people was heading towards Hunyuan Valley.

Their clothes were tattered, their expressions weary, faces weather-beaten, but their eyes brimmed with hope.

The man leading them was named Yuan Gang, the leader of this group, fleeing from another place.

"We're here, we've finally arrived."

"Is this the legendary Hunyuan Valley? It took us a month, but we finally made it."

"It's said that this place is willing to take in refugees from other areas, it's like a paradise."

"No matter if it's as paradisiacal as the rumors say, at least we don't have to live in caves anymore."

"Exactly, so many people have frozen to death in their sleep recently; it's been too harsh."

People were discussing spiritedly, their eyes filled with a hopeful gleam.

They were all refugees from other places.

If they didn't have the protection of a large camp, they could only hide in caves struggling to survive.

But people like that would soon perish in the harsh environment of the Ice Prison.

To survive, they needed to find the shelter of a large camp.

The problem was the ordinary camps could barely support themselves and couldn't even satisfy their own food supply, let alone accept other refugees.

Therefore, in this vast snowy land, finding a camp willing to shelter other refugees was extremely difficult.

It was precisely because of this that when they heard there was actually a camp nearby willing to take them in, they immediately came with all their belongings, seeking refuge in Hunyuan Valley.

Before long, the group finally arrived at the front of Hunyuan Valley.

"No way, is this real or not?"

"Is this really just a large camp? Not a city?"

Yuan Gang and the others arrived at the front of Hunyuan Valley, their eyes widening in disbelief.

What met their eyes was a majestic city wall surrounding the entire valley, built from dark brown boulders as massive as several people holding hands. The stone surfaces, dull under the erosion of time, were still obviously expertly polished, fitting together seamlessly as if born as one.

The walls rose and fell with the mountain's contours, the highest points reaching into the clouds, while the lowest stretched across the pass like the spine of a giant beast.

The most awe-inspiring were the mysterious runes covering the stone walls. They weren't carved in, but seemed like the scales of some living creature embedded within the stone seams, glimmering faintly with a golden light when the mist moved.

The lines of the runes were twisted and ancient, sometimes resembling coiled snakes, sometimes reaching wings, forming arrays no one could decipher, as if chanting incantations of protection in a low murmur.

The city gate to the south, the throat of the entire fortification, consisted of two enormous bronze doors ten meters high, their rings sculpted into entwined dragons, the dragon eyes inlaid with dark red crystals, glimmering even in daylight.

For refugees who had mixed in with ordinary villages, they'd never seen such a massive camp.

Even in the legendary towns, it probably wasn't any grander than this.

They thought that such towering structures wouldn't fall even if assaulted by a horde of Exotic Beasts.

"Who are you?"

"What are you doing at my Hunyuan Valley?!"

Just then, guards stationed atop the city walls spotted Yuan Gang and his group, shouting loudly, emitting a terrifying aura of Evil Qi and murderous intent.

Instantly, the numerous refugees were almost frightened to the point of collapsing on the ground.

Because each of these guards emitted an aura akin to that of Exotic Beasts.

They're afraid that in a mere confrontation, they'd be slain completely, with no resistance whatsoever.

"Master, we are refugees from afar."

"We received word that you intended to accept refugees, so we've come here seeking refuge."

Yuan Gang immediately explained his intentions.

He feared that if there was any misunderstanding, none of them would survive.

"So you're refugees, then come on in."

"The weather outside is very cold, come in and warm up."

Hearing these words, the guards' expressions softened considerably.

With a loud boom, the city gate swung open instantly.

A wave of warmth spread forth, enveloping everyone.

The refugees felt an unprecedented warmth, their bodies, previously stiff from the cold, gradually regaining vitality. They couldn't care less whether this was a trap or not.

In any case, even if they were to die, they would prefer to do so in a warm place.

Whizz, whizz, whizz!!!

Before long, Yuan Gang and his group entered Hunyuan Valley, discovering the warmth that pervaded the entire valley. It seemed as if a mysterious force had insulated the chill outside the valley.

They had lived for so long but had never felt such warmth, as if they had returned to the embrace of their mothers from childhood. This feeling was unbelievably miraculous.

"Welcome everyone to Hunyuan Valley."

"I am the captain of the guards, Lord Xiong Qinglin."

At this moment, a middle-aged man emerged and appeared before them.

"Lord Xiong, can we really become part of Hunyuan Valley?"

"Aren't there any special requirements?"

Yuan Gang couldn't help but ask.

He knew all too well how difficult it was for refugees like them to join a large camp.

Many camps had high requirements for refugees.

After all, a large camp can only accommodate so many people; not everyone could join.

Hunyuan Valley in front of them was definitely at the town-level large camp, regular refugees would probably find it hard to join.

"You're quite fortunate."

"Because Hunyuan Valley has only been established for a year."

Chapter 953: Hunyuan Valley After One Year, 100,000 Residents_2

"The demand for population is still very high, so we need all kinds of refugees."

"But if the population reaches its limit, I'm afraid the requirements will increase."

"At that time, joining us at Hunyuan Valley might not be so easy."

Lord Xiong said bluntly.

A large camp established for only one year?!

Hearing this, Yuan Gang and the others were ecstatic, knowing that this was definitely a rare opportunity.

Generally, large camps have been established for decades or even hundreds of years, and the population has long reached the capacity limit, making it naturally difficult for outsiders to join.

But a newly established camp would have a great demand for population.

So it's also their luck as refugees to happen to encounter a big shot who built a new large camp.

"Lord Xiong, may I ask how many people are currently at Hunyuan Valley?"

Someone asked curiously.

"I'm not sure about the specific number, but there should be at least 100,000 people."

Lord Xiong thought for a moment, then replied.

A population of 100,000?!

Everyone couldn't help but gasp. This is definitely a town-level camp, almost reaching the population limit of a small town, which is extremely rare in the Ice Crystal Mountain Range.

After all, villages with only 10,000 people are common large camps.

And it was only established a year ago; it's truly exaggerated.

"Can this valley support 100,000 people?"

Many couldn't help but ask.

"There's no issue with that."

"See that place over there?"

"It's planted with a large number of Ice Crystal Fruit Trees, a full 100,000 trees."

"And we've improved them from maturing once a year to twice."

"Additionally, the yield has increased several times over."

"These Spirit Fruits from the Ice Crystal Fruit Trees alone are enough to satisfy the appetite of hundreds of thousands."

"A mere 100,000 people are nothing."

Lord Xiong chuckled, pointing to the plantation area not far away.

"This!"

The crowd looked closely and indeed saw the dense Ice Crystal Fruit Trees in the distance.

The Ice Crystal Fruit Trees, which are extremely rare in the outside world, were now everywhere.

And on the branches grew Spirit Fruits that were not yet mature, hanging in abundance.

Once mature, these trees would likely be laden with Spirit Fruits, yielding a great harvest.

"Unbelievable, to plant so many Ice Crystal Fruit Trees."

"Where exactly did Hunyuan Valley get these trees from?"

"Yes, it's incredibly difficult for us to find Ice Crystal Fruit Trees, yet they're everywhere here."

"It's so exaggerated. If they're planted in the valley, we wouldn't need to risk going outside to pick Ice Crystal Fruits, increasing safety manifold."

"Paradise, this truly is a paradise."

"How did they manage this? It's incredible."

Yuan Gang and others were ecstatic.

Because for a camp, the most important things are safety and food.

If safety and food can be guaranteed, then they have no other desires.

It's estimated that any refugee hearing this news would flock madly to join Hunyuan Valley.

They had seen many human camps, but none like Hunyuan Valley, which was unprecedented.

"How it's done is the secret of Hunyuan Valley."

"Only after you fully join Hunyuan Valley will you know these matters."

Lord Xiong said calmly.

He naturally wouldn't tell these refugees that the reason Hunyuan Valley could achieve these things was due to the leader, Lord Jiang.

Thanks to Lord Jiang's power, they found a large number of Ice Crystal Fruit Trees.

Additionally, a large amount of Spiritual Soil appeared, providing nutrition for these Spiritual Trees.

It is said that with enough nutrition, Ice Crystal Fruit Trees can even mature four times a year.

At that time, the amount of food can be doubled.

"Yes, Lord Xiong."

Yuan Gang and the others nodded, naturally not foolishly prying further.

This was a secret of Hunyuan Valley, clearly not something for ordinary people to know.

Angering them might get them expelled by the other party.

"After joining Hunyuan Valley, you will be allocated a house per family."

"If single, you will need to share with others."

"Only by marrying and having children can you get a new house."

"Of course, you need to make enough contributions to truly get these houses."

"If your Contribution Points are insufficient, you will be driven out of Hunyuan Valley."

"As Hunyuan Valley does not support idlers."

Lord Xiong began explaining the rules of Hunyuan Valley.

Obviously, Hunyuan Valley does not welcome those who are cunning and lazy. If one cannot contribute to Hunyuan Valley, they will have to leave.

"Lord Xiong, can every family get a house?"

"Is Hunyuan Valley that big?"

Yuan Gang asked curiously.

He knew that Hunyuan Valley housed over 100,000 people, which meant tens of thousands of houses.

No matter how big the valley is, it can't possibly accommodate that many houses, right?

"Haha, see those high-rise buildings?"

"Each one has at least dozens, if not a hundred floors."

"You could say each building holds hundreds of apartments."

"This is our Hunyuan Valley's unique architecture."

"Although the valley's area isn't too large, by building upward, we can construct many houses, sufficient for a large population."

"Also, this maximizes building area efficiency."

"We need most of the land for planting Ice Crystal Fruit Trees and other Spirit Medicines."

Lord Xiong smiled slightly, pointing at the buildings ahead.

Looking in the direction, Yuan Gang and others were amazed.

What they saw were massive skyscrapers made of steel and cement, standing on the land like steel beasts.

The buildings were at least hundreds of meters high, like small hills.

Many villagers lived in these skyscrapers.

Each was sufficient to house over a thousand people.

So, building 100 of them could accommodate 100,000 people.

One could say Hunyuan Valley's buildings maximized land efficiency.

They had never seen such architecture in any other camp.

In other human camps, there were wooden houses and stone houses, with one house per family.

However, this resulted in low land use efficiency.

Making it impossible for a camp to build too many houses.

"An incredible building."

"Choosing to expand upwards? It indeed can easily house 100,000 people."

"Not just 100,000; even a million could be easily accommodated."

"If Hunyuan Valley is willing, it might really develop into a city with a million people."

"It's too exaggerated; some cities only have a population of a million."

"Ha, don't those cities realize they can't house millions? If they wanted, they could easily support so many. Unfortunately, they worry too much about population reducing Spiritual Qi. So once the population reaches the limit, they expel surplus people to build camps elsewhere."

"Exactly. Our ancestors were actually expelled from those large cities, failing to meet talent standards, and migrated to other places, building camps to stay warm together. That's the origin of many human camps."

"No matter what, we're lucky as refugees to encounter a newly built large camp. We are the first pioneers of this camp, at least not worried about being expelled shortly."

Yuan Gang and others were excited.

They knew they had encountered a tremendous opportunity.

It felt like joining a newly developing human city.

If they worked hard, they might be able to establish themselves in this city, laying foundations for the next generation.

Chapter 954: The Terror of the Immortal Destiny, the Lu Siblings' Cultivation

"Alright, let's not talk about these things for now."

"You are not yet considered as citizens of Mixed Yuan Valley."

"To truly join the Mixed Yuan Valley, you need to follow me to the City Lord's Mansion."

"We need to register your identity, background, and names."

"At the same time, you must swear not to betray Mixed Yuan Valley, nor to disclose any information about it."

"Only then will you be considered an official member of Mixed Yuan Valley."

Xiong Qinglin said solemnly.

"Yes, my Lord."

Upon hearing this, Yuan Gang and the others looked solemn, yet they still felt that joining the Mixed Yuan Valley was surprisingly simple.

Compared to other large camps, it seemed extremely easy.

Even so, they dared not utter a word of complaint.

If they angered the other party and were driven away, they would be as good as dead.

Whoosh whoosh whoosh!!!

Soon, under the guidance of Xiong Qinglin, they passed through wide roads and saw towering skyscrapers, along with valley citizens living in immense happiness.

Finally, they reached the City Lord's Mansion of Mixed Yuan Valley.

The City Lord's Mansion was located in the heart of Mixed Yuan Valley, where the City Lord resides, the most central area.

The true administrative and political center.

Yuan Gang and the others arrived at the City Lord's Mansion of Mixed Yuan Valley.

However, the one who received them was an adorable young girl about ten years old, named Lu Duoduo.

"This is Lord Duoduo."

"You need to swear an oath to her."

"Do not betray Mixed Yuan Valley, do not disclose any information about the Mixed Yuan Valley, otherwise, you will immediately face death and soul annihilation."

"Once the oath is completed and the identity is registered, you can become residents of Mixed Yuan Valley."

Xiong Qinglin said.

"Swear an oath to her? Is it really that simple?"

Upon hearing this, Yuan Gang and the others blinked in surprise.

They did not expect that joining the Mixed Yuan Valley could be so easy, almost like child's play.

Swearing an oath, something not taken seriously, right?

And oaths generally carry no binding force.

"Fools, Lord Duoduo is not an ordinary person."

"She has mastered a Secret Technique."

"Anyone who swears an oath to Lord Duoduo must abide by it."

"Otherwise, they will surely die under the power of the oath."

"Previously, there were refugees who tried to break the oath."

"But none of them succeeded; even the slightest notion of betrayal led to their deaths."

"Do you know why we at Mixed Yuan Valley are so united? It's partly because of Lord Duoduo's power."

Xiong Qinglin chuckled coldly.

Initially, he did not know that Lu Duoduo possessed such abilities.

But ever since Lu Duoduo became Lord Jiang's disciple, it seems she learned many skills, thus mastering this power of contract.

Anyone who swears an oath to Lu Duoduo, signing the contract, cannot break it.

Otherwise, they will suffer the repercussions of breaking the oath.

No matter where they hide, it is a path leading to certain doom.

Of course, in the beginning, few believed it, thinking it was too absurd.

But they quickly discovered the miserable fates of those who broke their oaths.

Each died silently, without any resistance.

This situation terrified the citizens of Mixed Yuan Valley immensely.

However, they soon calmed down because as long as they abided by the oath, they would have no problems.

Those who faced issues were the oath-breakers.

In fact, this was seen as a great boon by the citizens of Mixed Yuan Valley.

Because it's a binding force.

Once sworn, anyone who wishes to live must obediently keep their promises.

This made the residents of Mixed Yuan Valley exceptionally unified, as they understood the consequences of breaking the oath.

Because of this, after a year, Mixed Yuan Valley underwent earth-shattering changes. Even with the addition of ten thousand newcomers, there was no turmoil or accident.

This is the power of Lu Duoduo's oath.

Or, we should say, the power of the Immortal Destiny's binding vow.

"I see."

Yuan Gang and the others gazed in reverence at the ten-year-old girl, amazed that such a person existed, and no wonder the Mixed Yuan Valley was so powerful with a cultivator of this caliber.

However, when the moment arrived, they could not back out.

Each swore the oath in front of Lu Duoduo.

Immediately, they sensed a mystical power connecting them to this little girl.

Like a special line of cause and effect.

As if should they break their oath, great disaster would befall them.

As cultivators who had practiced for many years, they instantly realized the uniqueness of this mysterious little girl.

Xiong Qinglin's words were indeed not mere intimidation.

"Hmm, let's go."

"Let's first go somewhere else to register your identities."

"After that, we can allocate houses to you."

Seeing this, Xiong Qinglin was quite satisfied and promptly led the group away.

They couldn't linger in the City Lord's Mansion for too long.

Quickly, the place was left with only Lu Duoduo.

"Duoduo, are you alright?"

At this moment, Lu Zhicheng approached from afar, asking his sister Lu Duoduo.

"I'm fine."

"My Life Chart is the Immortal Destiny's binding vow."

"According to Master, it's a cause-and-effect type of Life Chart, containing a special Power of Cause and Effect."

"Receiving oaths, accepting cause and effect, is actually continuously developing the potential of my Life Chart."

"This is also my path of cultivation."

Chapter 955: The Terror of the Immortal Destiny, The Lu Siblings' Cultivation (Part 2)

"Even this bit of karma is far from enough."

"At the very least, I need to accept the karma of millions, tens of millions, or even hundreds of millions of people."

"Only then can I elevate my Life Chart to its peak."

Lu Duoduo clenched her powdery fists and said excitedly.

In the beginning, the siblings didn't understand why their master took them as disciples.

After all, they seemed just like ordinary people.

But soon they learned about the Life Chart from their master.

This is extremely secretive information, basically unknown to anyone.

If it were in the outside world, other cultivators might think it's the awakening of some special Spirit Body, but in fact, it's the awakening of some Life Chart within them.

Although these are just two different explanations, their understanding of the essence of power is worlds apart.

"Your Life Chart of 'Sealed with an Oath' is indeed terrifying."

"If the other party breaks their oath, you can kill them through karma."

"And fully receive their cultivation, memories, and destiny."

"In terms of cultivation speed, you might be even faster than me."

Lu Zhicheng said enviously.

He was very envious of his sister awakening such a special Life Chart; it was simply too unfair.

Even if she didn't leave the house, she could gain endless benefits.

If some people broke their oath, his sister could instantly devour their cultivation and destiny, thereby advancing rapidly, much faster than taking Spirit Medicine or Elixirs.

"The cultivation speed is indeed fast, but there are side effects."

"If you devour too much cultivation and memory from others, it could damage your own foundation."

"So I need to slow down my cultivation speed and thoroughly digest these cultivations and memories to progress further."

"If I pursue cultivation speed too much, it might lay hidden dangers for the future."

"Master also told me not to let my cultivation progress too quickly and to solidify my foundation step by step."

Lu Duoduo stuck out her tongue and said playfully.

"Hehe, other cultivators worry about their cultivation being too slow, but you have to worry about being too fast."

"If this news spread, imagine how many people it would frustrate."

"The differences between people are indeed vast."

Lu Zhicheng said irritably.

He naturally knew the side effects of the Immortal Destiny Life Chart 'Sealed with an Oath,' but compared to its benefits, the side effects were negligible, and with a little attention, the side effects were almost nonexistent.

He could only say that his sister indeed had the bearing of an Immortal.

"To be honest, I envy my brother's Immortal Destiny Life Chart."

"That's the Immortal Destiny Life Chart 'A Thousand Thoughts, One Gain'.

"As long as he thinks a thousand times, he will gain something; this is the most top-notch comprehension in the world."

"No matter what knowledge it is, my brother can quickly learn it."

"And he can infer other things from one fact, renewing ideas."

"Although my brother's cultivation speed is not as fast as mine, his foundation is much more solid than mine."

"Even when he reaches the later stages, his comprehension advantage will become increasingly apparent."

"Whether at the early stage, middle stage, or later stage, this Life Chart is incredibly powerful."

Lu Duoduo looked at her brother with envy.

If Life Charts could be exchanged, she would also want to swap hers with her brother's.

'A Thousand Thoughts, One Gain' is an incredibly powerful Immortal Destiny Life Chart.

Comprehension ultimately determines the upper limit of a cultivator.

"Haha, of course, since brother will always be brother."

"How could he be worse than his sister?"

"But Life Charts are truly mysterious things."

"Even now, I can't tell which people possess a Life Chart."

"I also don't know how Master sees the special Life Chart within others, it's truly inconceivable."

At this moment, Lu Zhicheng thought of his master, Jiang Fan.

He felt that his master was incredibly mysterious.

The knowledge and cultivation the master possessed were unlike that of an ordinary Divinity Transformation Cultivator.

To be honest, the previous village chief was also a Divinity Transformation Cultivator, but compared to their master, he was far inferior.

Just the legacy that their master imparted to them was absolutely the most top-tier legacy in the Cultivation Realm.

Even if they went to other cities, they couldn't possibly find anything comparable.

"Perhaps this relates to the Life Chart contained within Master."

"The ability of Master's Life Chart might just be to see through the Life Charts possessed by others."

"Thus, he can easily excavate the potential within others and see the special talents in them."

"Without such a Life Chart, we naturally can't see the Life Charts within others."

Lu Duoduo said in a deep voice, expressing her conjecture.

She felt her master's special Life Chart surely had to do with talent excavation, which is why he liked recruiting those special geniuses with Life Charts so much, and even recruiting such genius disciples brought him immense benefits.

Otherwise, he wouldn't be willing to shelter so many people.

Maybe this was their master's path of cultivation, or perhaps it was his cultivation method.

Unfortunately, their master never intended to tell anyone the Life Chart he possessed.

So she also didn't know what abilities her master truly held.

"Haha, speaking like that, Master's Life Chart might indeed have a lot to do with talent excavation."

"But for us, it's definitely a good thing."

"Without Master, we would probably be dead by now."

Lu Zhicheng said gratefully.

He recalled past events and was deeply grateful to his master.

Without their master's appearance, he would probably have died at the hands of the Exotic Beasts.

Certainly, he did possess an Immortal Destiny Life Chart 'A Thousand Thoughts, One Gain,' but he was just a Qi Cultivation Stage cultivator before.

Even with astonishing talent, before growing up, he was nothing more than a weakling.

According to Master's words, history had seen many geniuses with special Life Charts, but most of them never fully grew up.

Many fell on their path of cultivation.

Even for those with Immortal Destiny Life Charts, possessing astounding talent doesn't guarantee reaching the end.

Talent merely represents a person's potential limit.

This doesn't guarantee one will reach the end.

So even knowing he had awakened an Immortal Destiny Life Chart, he never felt the slightest arrogance.

Instead, he was cautious and never became reckless.

"Master's grace towards us is indeed as heavy as a mountain."

Lu Duoduo also felt deeply grateful.

"By the way, where is Uncle Xu, where did he go?"

At this moment, Lu Zhicheng asked.

He wanted to know where Uncle Xu Chenyang had gone; the elder of Ice Lotus Village in the past was also his closest elder.

While fleeing, Elder Xu aided him significantly.

"Oh, Master seemed to have sent him to another place."

"Master sent him to investigate other areas' cities, villages, and gather various intelligence."

"After all, Uncle Xu's Life Chart is an Upper Grade Life Chart 'Well-versed in Worldly Affairs.'

"If he were confined to one place, it would actually limit his talent."

"Master said that his cultivation remaining at the Nascent Soul Realm for so long was because Ice Lotus Village restricted his growth."

"If Uncle Xu traveled and broadened his knowledge, learning more secrets, his Life Chart would become increasingly powerful."

"For him, the more knowledge he gains, the more remarkable his talent becomes, and the faster his cultivation speed."

Lu Duoduo explained.

"Considering how dangerous the outside is, shouldn't we worry about Uncle Xu?"

Lu Zhicheng expressed concern.

In the past, Xu Chenyang was confined to one place not because he wanted to but due to real-life constraints.

The Ice Prison was too dangerous.

Even a Nascent Soul cultivator traveling hundreds of miles could be killed by Exotic Beasts.

At the very least, he needed to advance to Refining Void to travel freely.

Given Xu Chenyang's cultivation, traveling might expose him to great danger.

"That's not much of an issue."

"With Master's help, Uncle Xu has already advanced to Divinity Transformation."

"Master also gifted him many Spirit Talismans."

"For instance, the Heaven-Reaching Bridge Talisman can be used to cross infinite distances and instantly return to Hunyuan Valley."

"If real danger arises, Uncle Xu can still return quickly."

Lu Duoduo remarked.

"In that case, there's nothing to worry about then."

Lu Zhicheng immediately felt much relieved.

He thought the development of Hunyuan Valley was flourishing.

The future of Hunyuan Valley was bound to get even better.

Chapter 956: Stealing the Power of Heaven, Smuggling the Force of the Immortal Realm

"Wait, it seems Uncle Xu has returned."

At this moment, a strange expression appeared on Lu Duoduo's face.

She didn't expect that just as she and her brother spoke about Uncle Xu, he would return from outside.

A beam of light crossed from the outside world and landed on an open space within the City Lord's Mansion.

It was like a Heaven-Reaching Bridge connecting from afar to the Mixed Element Valley.

Soon after, a figure stepped out from the Heaven-Reaching Bridge.

The person was, of course, Xu Chenyang.

But now he looked travel-worn, his face serious, as if he had experienced something unpleasant.

"Uncle Xu."

Seeing this, Lu Duoduo and Lu Zhicheng immediately went up to greet Xu Chenyang.

"Oh, it's you two."

"I wonder if Lord Jiang is here?"

Seeing the Lu siblings, Xu Chenyang couldn't help but smile slightly.

"Master? The master should be in seclusion cultivating."

"I wonder what matter you have with Master?"

Lu Duoduo asked curiously.

"Well, indeed there's a big matter I need to discuss with Lord Jiang."

"To be honest, this time I left the Mixed Element Valley to gather intelligence elsewhere."

"I was planning to continue traveling for some time, who would have thought the beast tide would erupt again."

"Several camps have encountered terrifying beast tides."

"I'm also afraid this matter might affect the Mixed Element Valley, so I hurried back."

Xu Chenyang said with emotion.

He felt that the Heaven-Reaching Bridge Talisman was extremely useful, almost no different from a Great Teleportation Talisman.

Unfortunately, learning this kind of talisman was extraordinarily difficult.

Even though he learned the refining technique of this talisman from the Lord, he still couldn't master it at all.

If it weren't for the Lord gifting him some Heaven-Reaching Bridge Talismans, he couldn't have returned to the Mixed Element Valley so quickly from afar.

"What? The beast tide erupted again?"

"How much time has passed, how could the beast tide erupt again?"

"It clearly only occurred not long ago, doesn't it need at least ten years to subside?"

Lu Zhicheng looked very serious.

He was well aware of how terrifying a beast tide eruption could be.

The previous annihilation of Ice Lotus Village happened because the beast tide spread to the village, leading to countless casualties.

A village of tens of thousands now only has a few hundred people left.

If the beast tide spreads to Mixed Element Valley, who knows how many will die.

This is indeed a major issue for the Mixed Element Valley.

"I don't know, normally it does take over a decade to subside."

"But this isn't a guaranteed thing either."

"Perhaps something major happened deep in the Ice Crystal Mountain Range, causing a massive exotic beast riot."

"Luckily, the Mixed Element Valley's geographical position is relatively hidden, not on the direct path of the beast tide."

"But even so, we must be vigilant."

"Let's hope the beast tide doesn't affect our Mixed Element Valley, or it could spell big trouble."

Xu Chenyang said with relief.

He felt fortunate to have traveled to other places and learned about the beast tide's news in time.

Otherwise, living within the Mixed Element Valley, he wouldn't have known about events happening outside at all.

This could cause them to miss out on a lot of intelligence.

In short, more travels to other places are needed for the Mixed Element Valley to avoid many dangers.

This is what is meant by reading ten thousand books is not as good as traveling ten thousand miles.

"Though Master is in seclusion, his clone is still outside."

"As long as the clone knows about this, there will be no issue."

Lu Zhicheng said.

He knew his master was proficient in the Clone Technique, each clone possessing extraordinarily powerful combat strength, even ordinary Divinity Transformation Cultivators couldn't compare to a single one of his Master's clones.

As long as one clone takes action, it would be enough to solve most problems.

There's no need for his master's true form to appear.

"That's good."

Xu Chenyang nodded.

This period, he wouldn't casually leave the Mixed Element Valley; he'd stay here, preparing for the terrifying beast tide that could appear at any moment.

He hopes this time the beast tide won't spread to Mixed Element Valley, allowing it to pass safely.

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At the same time, within the Mixed Element Valley, deep in the City Lord's Mansion.

Inside the Exquisite Tower's internal space.

A figure sat cross-legged on the ground, activating the Mixed Element Talisman Scripture.

This person was Jiang Fan.

Centered around his body, endless Heaven and Earth Spiritual Qi surged into him, causing the Primordial Magical Power within him to rapidly rise at a visible pace.

After a year of strenuous cultivation, his cultivation had progressed by leaps and bounds, reaching the perfection of the Fourth-Layer Divinity Transformation.

Just one step away from breaking through to the Fifth-Layer Divinity Transformation.

The reason his cultivation progressed so quickly was naturally due to the Heavenly Dao's past blessings.

Merely refining some Origin Energy could cause his cultivation to soar.

In addition, there was a significant connection to the Immortal Stones he previously obtained.

The energy contained within a total of seven hundred pieces rapidly increased the surrounding spiritual qi concentration.

This was tantamount to creating an ideal cultivation environment.

This also greatly enhanced Jiang Fan's cultivation efficiency.

So over the past year, he effortlessly advanced his cultivation to the level of Fourth-Layer Divinity Transformation perfection.

"It's time."

Jiang Fan opened his eyes, a frightening gleam appearing.

The Primordial Magical Power within him circulated through his body, elevating his Essence, Qi, and Spirit to their peak.

Boom~

This immense Primordial Magical Power surged toward the bottleneck of the Fifth-Layer Divinity Transformation, like a flood rushing against a dam, containing an unstoppable mighty force.

Chapter 957: Power to Steal from the Heavens, Ability to Smuggle Immortal Realm Energy (Part 2)

Just one collision, and this bottleneck shattered instantly, unable to block this force in the slightest.

Fifth-Layer Divinity Transformation!

Evidently, ascending to the Fifth-Layer Divinity Transformation was an effortless task for Jiang Fan, not even a substantial bottleneck. As long as the magical power within him was strong enough, he could naturally break through.

After ascending to the Fifth-Layer Divinity Transformation, he sensed that the magical power and Primordial Spirit Power within him had significantly increased.

Especially the power of the Primordial Spirit, previously at the Fourth-Layer Divinity Transformation, he had already condensed a thousand soul tendrils, but upon reaching the Fifth-Layer Divinity Transformation, he could condense two thousand soul tendrils.

Compared to before, it had doubled.

"Indeed."

"After ascending to the Fifth-Layer Divinity Transformation, the perception of Void Power has further deepened."

At this moment, Jiang Fan activated the Primordial Spirit Power within him, one by one, the soul tendrils permeated in all directions.

He sensed unique fluctuations deep within the void.

There is no doubt that this is a higher-dimensional power that can only be perceived when the Primordial Spirit Power is strong enough.

Why are Void Refining Cultivators so formidable? It's because they can manipulate Void Power.

They can mobilize the energy of the void.

Thus, making every move they make embodying terrifying destructive might.

It's simply unmatched by Divinity Transformation Cultivators.

However, due to his overly strong Primordial Spirit Power, even at the Fifth-Layer Divinity Transformation, he could perceive the power of the void, even mobilize slight void fluctuations.

This elevates his combat power to a level unimaginable for ordinary Divinity Transformation Cultivators.

It's likely that during an encounter, ordinary Divinity Transformation Cultivators would be slapped to death by him.

"Next, it's time to engrave a new Life Talisman."

Jiang Fan raised an eyebrow, beginning to contemplate his new Life Talisman.

This would be the fifth Immortal Realm Spirit Talisman since he ascended to Fifth-Layer Divinity Transformation. He had long thought about it, and it was the Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman; this Immortal Realm Spirit Talisman originated from the Immortal Artifact Heaven-Stealing Ladder.

"No way, this talisman is actually so powerful?!"

Seeing the information of the Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman, Jiang Fan's pupils contracted, feeling incredulous.

His heart was stirred with tumultuous waves.

Although its name seems similar to the Heaven-Stealing Claw Talisman, its function is completely different.

Once activated, this talisman can steal various mysterious energies from deep within the void, such as Qi of Creation, Primordial Qi, Primordial Taiyin Qi, and others.

These special high-dimensional energies can only be acquired by Immortals.

But the Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman can help Cultivators access these special energies even at the low tier.

Even at the entry level, the Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman can steal Void Energy.

This means that, although he's only at the Fifth-Layer Divinity Transformation cultivation level, the Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman can refine Void Energy, this talisman acts like a Spiritual Qi Spring, enhancing the concentration of spiritual energy around.

In other words, it's practically a cultivation accelerator, containing endless mysteries.

Of course, if that's all it was, it would merely be an auxiliary spirit talisman.

Honestly, he has too many treasures that assist in cultivation; adding one more doesn't make much difference.

What truly astonished Jiang Fan was that if the Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman was cultivated to Perfection Level, it might condense into a phantom of the Immortal Artifact Heaven-Stealing Ladder, aiding Cultivators in traversing secretly to the Immortal Realm.

It can be said that this talisman can open a special passage between the Mortal World and the Immortal Realm, helping Mortal Cultivators acquire various Immortal Realm resources, even connect to Immortal Qi of the Immortal Realm.

This is the unique capability of the Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman, it can steal the essence of the Immortal Realm.

"As expected of the Heaven-Stealing Ladder, it truly has the power to steal from the heavens."

Jiang Fan clenched his fist.

If he could genuinely cultivate the Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman to Perfection Level, then even without enduring the Celestial Tribulation, he could traverse secretly to the Immortal Realm, greatly increasing the chance of crossing the tribulation and becoming Immortal.

Certainly, in the Mortal World, achieving immortality is exceedingly difficult.

Even in a Great Thousand Worlds, only the top genius has the opportunity to become Immortal.

But in the Immortal Realm, which contains endless cultivation resources, the chance of becoming Immortal would multiply beyond imagination.

Even an ordinary cultivator might have the chance to become Immortal.

Undoubtedly, this highlights the importance of resources.

The cultivation resources contained in the Immortal Realm are definitely unmatched by mortal cultivators.

Needless to say, just the Immortal Stone alone could bring immense benefits to mortal cultivators.

If he could use the Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman to traverse secretly to the Immortal Realm, silently steal many Immortal Stones, and then trade back and forth, the benefits obtained would be unimaginable.

Besides Immortal Stones, the Immortal Realm surely contains even more incredible treasures.

"I must cultivate this Life Talisman successfully."

"The Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman is absolutely crucial."

Jiang Fan's eyes flashed with excitement.

He immediately consumed a large amount of Luck Points, suddenly a mysterious energy immersed into his Primordial Spirit, putting him into a state of enlightenment.

Instantly, innumerable mysteries of the Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman entered deep into his sea of consciousness.

At this moment, he almost instantly comprehended all the information about this Immortal Realm Spirit Talisman.

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A month later.

The short span of a month passed in the blink of an eye.

Jiang Fan naturally achieved full understanding of the Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman, and also completely integrated this Immortal Realm Spirit Talisman into the depths of his Primordial Spirit, becoming his Life Talisman.

In the faintest moment, a phantom of the Heaven-Stealing Ladder appeared deep within his Primordial Spirit, seemingly containing endless mysteries.

"Let's test the power of this Immortal Realm Spirit Talisman."

Jiang Fan was curious about the power of this Immortal Realm Spirit Talisman. Although from the description, this talisman holds infinite mysteries, until tested, no one can know its true abilities, so it must be practiced.

With a thought in his heart, he immediately activated this Life Talisman.

Boom~~

In an instant, this Immortal Realm Spirit Talisman lit up immediately, with vast Primordial Magical Power infused into it, causing the talisman to conceive a transparent ladder, with dense mysterious runes appearing on it.

The moment the Heaven-Stealing Ladder appeared, it seemed to meld into the depths of the void, connecting with special energies deep within the void, forming a unique energy channel.

It was like a black hole.

Rumble~~~~

Instantaneously, a vast and pure Heaven and Earth Spiritual Qi surged from the depths of the black hole, swiftly spreading in all directions, rapidly enhancing the Spiritual Qi concentration within the Exquisite Tower's internal space.

The Spiritual Qi concentration just around him increased several times.

"Unbelievable, is this the dimension of space?"

Jiang Fan's pupils contracted.

He sensed the void's uniqueness through the Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman; the void is layered, like folds, it's unknown how many layers the void actually has.

Each layer of the void contains a vast dimension space-time.

And deep within dimension space-time lies boundless energy.

The Heaven-Stealing Ladder easily reaches these dimension space-times, absorbing the vast energy deep within.

No, it shouldn't be absorbing, but rather stealing.

"The Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman is still too weak now."

"If the power were a bit stronger, then this ladder could extend infinitely."

"Then it could pierce through each dimension space-time, reaching the very depths of space-time."

"There's even a possibility it might extend directly into the Immortal Realm."

Jiang Fan clenched his fist.

He perceived that the connection between the Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman and the Immortal Realm is not illusory, it might really be achievable.

If this ladder could extend infinitely, through this ladder, he could climb indefinitely, thus traversing to the Immortal Realm, achieving limitless transit.

In other words, this Immortal Realm Spirit Talisman holds inconceivable capabilities, truly beyond imagination.

"But now the Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman is only at the entry level."

"Naturally it can't achieve traversing to the Immortal Realm at that extent."

"But it can easily steal dimension space-time energy."

"A single talisman like this is akin to a vast Spiritual Spring."

"It can continuously steal Void Energy."

"Perhaps it can elevate the concentration of Heaven and Earth Spiritual Qi within the Exquisite Tower several times."

Jiang Fan stroked his chin.

However, since it's only an entry-level Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman, the energy that can be stolen isn't much, like a regular faucet, the energy that can be stolen is limited.

But for him at the Fifth-Layer Divinity Transformation, the stolen energy is completely sufficient.

If his cultivation level advances further, then the energy stolen from dimension space-time would surely be greater.

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"Indeed."

Jiang Fan was quite satisfied with the new Life Talisman. This Immortal Realm Spirit Talisman would certainly bring him immense benefits.

Thinking of this, he felt a stir in his heart and immediately opened his virtual panel.

[Name: Jiang Fan]

[Life Chart: Great Blessings Equal to Heaven, Attribute: Survive Great Calamities, Future Blessings Await]

[Lifespan: 200,000 years]

[Spirit Root: Celestial Spirit Root]

[Luck Points: 90 million]

[Wealth: 8 billion Spirit Stones, 700 Immortal Stones]

[Cultivation Technique: Soaring Snake Technique, Divinity Transformation Chapter (Tier Five Middle Stage)]

[Cultivation Technique: Mixed Element Talisman Scripture, Fifth Layer]

[Innate Divine Techniques: Emperor's Gaze, Shrinking Earth into Inches, Palm Wind, Water Control, Soul Devourer, Seeing Me as Heaven]

[Life Talisman: Heaven-Suppressing Ring Talisman (Beginner), Heaven-Covering Wheel Talisman (Beginner), Heaven-Destroying Sword Talisman (Beginner), Heaven-Dominating Blade Talisman (Beginner), Heaven-Transforming Staff Talisman (Beginner), Heaven-Dependent Spear Talisman (Beginner), Heaven-Reaching Bridge Talisman (Beginner), Heavenly Glory Bracelet Talisman (Beginner), Celestial Respect Crown Talisman (Beginner), Celestial-Fighting Axe Talisman (Beginner), Celestial-Filling Furnace Talisman (Beginner), Heaven-Stealing Claw Talisman (Beginner), Heaven-Sealing Lock Talisman (Beginner), Heaven-Stealing Ladder Talisman (Beginner)]

[Realm: Fifth-Layer Divinity Transformation (21%)]

[Profession: Tier Five Middle Grade Talisman Master (66%)]

Undoubtedly, compared to before, all his metrics had greatly improved.

First and foremost, his own cultivation had progressed by leaps and bounds in just a month, easily advancing his cultivation progress to 21%.

Evidently, the Origin Energy from the Heavenly Dao had not been extensively consumed and was still aiding in the rapid growth of his cultivation.

However, the most consumed were his Luck Points, which had now dwindled to only 90 million.

The reason for such consumption was to refine the Immortal Artifact Seven-Colored Lotus Lamp.

But it was worth it.

After all, this Immortal Artifact contained infinite might and would undoubtedly become one of his greatest trump cards in the future.

Unfortunately, it was still in a damaged state and could not be fully repaired at present.

"Hmm? What's going on?"

"Why is the Tribulation Qi in the Mixed Element Valley suddenly so heavy? What exactly happened?"

Suddenly, Jiang Fan felt a stirring in his heart.

He sensed an ominous crisis and couldn't help but employ the divine ability Emperor's Gaze.

Instantly, he saw that above the Mixed Element Valley, strands of Tribulation Qi were converging, resembling a storm about to descend, a sign that a great calamity was on the horizon.

Without a doubt, after advancing to the Fifth-Layer Divinity Transformation, the power of his divine abilities had increased significantly, including Emperor's Gaze, allowing him to perceive more about destiny and the mysteries of the future.

"Master, recently, the beast tide outside has been growing increasingly fierce."

"It is said that many human camps have been attacked by exotic beasts."

"Although the terrain of Mixed Element Valley is quite secretive, it too has suffered attacks from exotic beasts."

"Of course, with the current strength of the Mixed Element Valley, resisting normal exotic beast attacks poses no issue."

"However, over time, the number of exotic beasts attacking Mixed Element Valley has been increasing."

The Ten Thousand Transformations Immortal Cauldron cautioned.

In fact, this had already been communicated to Jiang Fan's avatar, but his main body was in seclusion, cultivating to break through to the Fifth-Layer Divinity Transformation, so Jiang Fan had not been informed.

Only now, after Jiang Fan finally broke through and completed the cultivation of his Life Talisman, was he informed.

"A beast tide? What exactly has happened?"

"According to the experience of locals like Xu Chenyang, doesn't a beast tide only occur once every decade or so?"

"One had already occurred not long ago, how could another break out so soon?"

Jiang Fan frowned, instinctively sensing that the frequent beast tides erupting in the Ice Crystal Mountain Range were no ordinary occurrence, and that something significant was happening behind the scenes, which could not have incited such a frenzy among the exotic beasts.

"To be honest, this matter has puzzled many people as well."

"Xu Chenyang has also visited various camps in an attempt to uncover inside information."

"Unfortunately, the numerous camps are also unaware of what has happened."

"They have already exerted all their efforts in fending off the regular beast tide, leaving no capacity to discern the cause behind it, so presently, we remain clueless."

The Primordial Talisman Pen said gravely.

It was also very curious about the reason for this beast tide outbreak.

Unfortunately, there were too few clues to determine the real reason behind it.

However, if this situation continued, the terrifying beast tide would eventually reach Mixed Element Valley.

Though Jiang Fan's strength was considerable, he was only a Fifth-Layer Divinity Transformation cultivator.

Should a Refining Void-level exotic beast appear, it might be challenging to resist.

The painstakingly established power in Mixed Element Valley might then be destroyed.

But if it truly became impossible to manage, abandoning Mixed Element Valley wouldn't be too significant a problem.

Jiang Fan wouldn't be so obstinate as to let himself be trapped by circumstances.

Boom~~

At that moment, a message instantly penetrated deep into Jiang Fan's consciousness sea.

"You have already noticed the anomaly of frequent beast tides in the Ice Crystal Mountain Range, but what you don't know is that the frequent occurrence of these beast tides is because the exotic beasts are pursuing a Divinity Transformation cultivator, Daoist Chen.

He is a thief who infiltrated the depths of the Ice Crystal Mountain Range, entered the stronghold of the exotic beasts, and stole a drop of Immortal Beast blood, causing the exotic beasts to go mad in their determination to kill this Daoist Chen and reclaim the Immortal Beast blood.

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The Exotic Beasts value the blood of the Immortal Beast so much because their birth originates from this blood; deep within the Ice Crystal Mountain Range fell an Immortal Beast from the Immortal Realm.

If you do not take this seriously, the frenzied Exotic Beasts, in order to retrieve this drop of blood, will massacre every human camp in the Ice Crystal Mountain Range, exterminating all human cultivators."

"Destiny will offer you hints."

"Destiny Hint One: Though Low Tier Exotic Beasts are mindless wild beasts, once they advance to the Void Refining Level, they start developing intelligence akin to human beings.

You can choose to expose Daoist Chen's whereabouts, using his life to quell the anger of the Exotic Beasts, thus calming the beast tide in the Ice Crystal Mountain Range.

However, one from a different race must harbor a different heart; even if Daoist Chen dies, the Exotic Beasts will still seek to annihilate the human camps in the Ice Crystal Mountain Range, for they will utterly disregard any human life to protect the secrets of the Ice Crystal Mountain Range."

"Destiny Hint Two: Daoist Chen was able to break through the Exotic Beasts' blockade and infiltrate the depths of the Ice Crystal Mountain Range thanks to his Upper Grade Life Chart and 'Light Dust.' With this Life Chart, he can decrease his presence, hide his aura, and not even Exotic Beasts can detect him, enabling his success with ease.

You may choose to rescue this Daoist Chen, taking him out of the Ice Crystal Mountain Range, away from the pursuit of the Exotic Beasts. However, Daoist Chen is selfish and ruthless, with a cold heart; even if you save him, he would not be grateful in the slightest.

Instead, he would seek opportunities to kill and steal treasures; many of his past companions met their end at his hands, so if you save him, be wary of Daoist Chen's betrayal, as betrayal is but commonplace for him."

"Destiny Hint Three: Such a vile being is certainly unworthy of your salvation, and numerous human camps in the Ice Crystal Mountain Range, including the villages like Ice Lotus Village, were destroyed by Daoist Chen's actions, yet he feels no guilt, envisioning more deaths to buy himself time to refine this drop of Immortal Beast blood.

Thus, you can choose to turn against him, kill this Daoist Chen, and seize the drop of Immortal Beast blood, which will undoubtedly bring you tremendous benefits.

However, simply killing Daoist Chen will not quell the beast tide, but you have a solution to bring this drop of Immortal Beast blood to Demon Flame City, a city of Demon Cultivators full of fearsome and ruthless individuals; they are as powerful as the Exotic Beasts of the Ice Crystal Mountain Range.

You can thus redirect the trouble, misleading the Exotic Beasts into believing the Immortal Beast blood was taken by Demon Flame City's cultivators, causing the Exotic Beasts to cease attacking the human camps, while the two forces clash and weaken each other, allowing you to sit back and watch."

Perceiving this message of destiny hint, Jiang Fan's pupils contracted, evidently perturbed by the overwhelming value of the information, so extensive that regular cultivators could hardly imagine.

Previously, he had speculated about the origins and extraordinary strength of the beasts in Ice Prison, far exceeding regular Exotic Beasts, with their mighty blood energy.

It now appears it all stems from the power of the Immortal Beast.

Due to an Immortal Beast's fall, turning into a corpse and seized by Demon Beasts, gaining part of its vital essence, they have undergone mutations.

However, because the Immortal Beast contains an immense life essence beyond the capacity of ordinary Demon Beasts, they became mindless Exotic Beasts akin to wild beasts.

Once cultivation advances to the Void Refining Level, Exotic Beasts gradually begin mastering their vast internal power, and their intelligence develops.

"Is this the so-called 'a whale's fall giving life to all things'?"

"A single Immortal Beast's demise birthed countless Exotic Beasts."

"But the Ice Prison is teeming with Exotic Beasts."

"Does that imply there are numerous fallen Immortal Beast corpses in Ice Prison?"

Jiang Fan squinted.

He discerned that this piece of Immortal Prison dropped from the Immortal Realm conceals numerous secrets.

The corpses of Immortal Beasts alone are enough to tempt countless cultivators.

Bear in mind these are Immortal Beasts from the Immortal Realm, probably more powerful than regular True Spirits.

They are like dragons, with each part of them imbued with abundant life essence.

Even a drop of their blood could create many mighty beings.

The Exotic Beasts received part of this gift, hence their formidable strength.

Moreover, their numbers are growing incessantly.

No matter how human cultivators hunt them, the number of Exotic Beasts does not decrease but rather increases.

Like rabbit reproduction, utterly rampant.

Many human cultivators have fretted that if these Exotic Beasts keep proliferating, it won't be long before they completely overrun Ice Prison.

After all, their reproductive capability vastly exceeds that of humans.

"No wonder the beast tide at the Ice Crystal Mountain Range has been incessant recently, due to Daoist Chen, perhaps?"

"This brat stealthily seized a drop of Immortal Beast blood, triggering a mass hunt by Exotic Beasts from the depths of the mountains, with Ice Lotus Village's destruction probably connected to him."

Jiang Fan's eyes flickered.

He believed he had uncovered the truth behind the beast tides of recent years.

Daoist Chen, exploiting his special ability, infiltrated the depths of the Ice Crystal Mountain Range and acquired a drop of Immortal Beast blood,

but alas, Daoist Chen failed to refine it quickly, causing the blood's aura to leak and be discovered by many Exotic Beasts.

As expected, countless Exotic Beasts came swarming, obliterating one human camp after another.

Meanwhile, Daoist Chen escaped repeated pursuits with his 'Light Dust' ability.

This guy remained unscathed, but the Ice Crystal Mountain Range's human camps suffered.

Numerous human cultivators perished due to him.

The parents of his two disciples, along with relatives and friends, were harmed by Daoist Chen.

Just for this, Daoist Chen is beyond forgiveness.

"So the plan is to take the Immortal Beast blood to Demon Flame City?"

"Let the Exotic Beasts and Demon Flame City clash, fighting like cats and dogs."

"In any case, neither force is anything good."

"If both forces suffer losses, it would greatly benefit the various powers in this land."

"Indeed, this is a rather good solution."

Jiang Fan smiled slightly.

He naturally knew of Demon Flame City, a city of Demon Cultivators, known to all.

The Demon Cultivators from this city, each of them vicious and vile.

Countless have perished at the hands of Demon Flame City's Demon Cultivators.

For instance, Blood Beast Daoist and Old Devil Soul Devourer, whom I killed, and Daoist Cold Cicada, who I caused to perish, all hailed from Demon Flame City.

The numerous cultivators across this land naturally wish to destroy Demon Flame City.

Unfortunately, Demon Flame City is extremely strong, guarded by two Body Integration Realm Demon Cultivators.

Just these two combined Demon Cultivators are enough to instill fear within countless cultivators.

Even Daoist Xuan Yuan is helpless against Demon Flame City, watching them act with impunity.

If we can use this opportunity to weaken Demon Flame City's power, causing heavy losses to the Demon Cultivators, it would be an unprecedented good thing for righteous cultivators.

Moreover, it would allow Primordial Valley to gain more development time.

"Let's first see where Daoist Chen is."

Jiang Fan thought, clicking Daoist Chen's location information.

A light spot kept moving; after all, Daoist Chen was alive and hunted by Exotic Beasts, so there's no way he'd foolishly remain in the same place for long periods.

Running continuously was the best choice for Daoist Chen.

Only this way could he survive.

"No way, can this be true or false."

"This guy is actually running toward Primordial Valley?!"

"What does this mean, delivering himself willingly?"

"No, with his character, he must want to use Primordial Valley as a scapegoat."

"Really what a nice fellow, I haven't started troubling you yet, but you seek harm on my Primordial Valley."

"Indeed a scourge."

Jiang Fan's eyes revealed a deep killing intent.

He watched Daoist Chen's light spot rapidly approaching Primordial Valley.

Probably it won't be long before he reaches Primordial Valley.

Chapter 960: Upper Grade Life Chart and Merging with the Dust, Obtaining Immortal Beast Essence Blood

At this time, an elder dressed in a white robe, looking wise and celestial, was flying toward the Mixed Primal Valley.

A pair of small eyes seemed to harbor deceit and cunning.

The aura around him blended perfectly with the environment, as if he was naturally a part of it.

Whether human cultivators or exotic beasts, they all naturally ignored his presence.

He seemed like a mere roadside stone, never drawing any attention.

He was Daoist Chen.

"Damn these exotic beasts, chasing me so relentlessly."

"They force me to constantly change my residence."

"However, once I completely refine this drop of Immortal Beast Essence Blood, those exotic beasts will never be able to find me."

Daoist Chen's eyes revealed a hint of fervent desire.

Truth be told, even he didn't expect to encounter such a great opportunity.

In fact, he accidentally ventured into the deepest parts of the Ice Crystal Mountain Range, initially planning an adventure with a group of companions to hunt exotic beasts.

Who could have imagined that they would suddenly suffer an onslaught from a large number of exotic beasts, forcing him to flee into the mountain range's deepest recesses.

Thankfully, due to his special ability, he evaded the pursuit of many exotic beasts, then witnessed a scene he'll never forget.

In the mountain range's depths lay the colossal corpse of a monster, mountain-sized, its aura suffocating him, suffocatingly crushing him alive with just one step closer.

Simultaneously, a large amount of blood flowed from this monster's corpse, forming a vast blood-red lake.

He immediately recognized it as the legendary Immortal Beast's blood.

The monster corpse was the remains of a fallen Immortal Beast.

The birth of many exotic beasts in the Ice Prison originated from the fallen Immortal Beast.

He didn't expect such luck, to arrive at the source of the exotic beasts' genesis.

Undoubtedly, this was the greatest opportunity of his lifetime.

He couldn't miss it, or he'd surely regret it forever.

Because of this, Daoist Chen cautiously approached, stole a drop of Immortal Beast Essence Blood while the exotic beasts were unguarded, and swiftly fled.

Initially, the exotic beasts were unaware, as his special ability not only concealed his aura but also the aura of the treasures he held.

But upon leaving the mountain range's depths, his ability began to falter, having a time limit and cooldown period.

Only after the cooldown could he reuse it.

This angered the exotic beasts, feeling insulted that a thief dared to intrude their forbidden grounds and steal the sacred ancestral blood.

Thus, many beasts emerged from the forbidden area to hunt the thief who stole the ancestral blood.

Daoist Chen, unable to refine the Immortal Beast Essence Blood swiftly, resorted to fleeing to one human camp after another, leveraging the camps' power to delay the exotic beasts' pursuit.

Due to Daoist Chen's actions, a beast tide erupted, bringing disaster to countless human camps, and many died because of him.

The exotic beasts became increasingly enraged at their inability to locate Daoist Chen, their numbers swelling.

They spread across the land.

"What a shame, these exotic beasts pursue so relentlessly."

"They give me no time to refine the Immortal Beast Essence Blood."

"Moreover, the energy within the blood is fiercely violent."

"Forced refinement would only cause my body to explode."

"Therefore, careful, subtle refinement is necessary."

"Once successful, my Spiritual Root Talent and cultivation ability will dramatically improve."

"Then I'd possess a physique like the exotic beasts."

"Advancing to the Void Refining Level would be as easy as a meal."

"In the future, I could steal more Immortal Beast Essence Blood."

"The Ice Crystal Mountain Range is surely the place of my rise, my opportunity ground."

Daoist Chen clenched his fists, feeling immense excitement.

Having lived so long, it was his first time encountering such a grand opportunity.

Refining more Immortal Beast Essence Blood wouldn't only allow advancement to the Void Refinement Realm, but potentially the Integration Realm too.

Then he'd become a top figure like Daoist Xuan Yuan, wielding life and death over countless beings.

No longer would he be chased without escape.

Truthfully, he'd had enough of living a weak man's life, like a homeless dog every day.

"Is that the newly established human camp Mixed Primal Valley ahead?"

"I heard it appeared recently, with a substantial population."

"The camp's founders must be Divinity Transformation cultivators at least."

"Anyway, the stronger the better, they can help fend off more exotic beasts, buying me time, truly an upper grade land."

"Although they'll likely die from beast attacks, their sacrifice builds the foundation of my ascension."

"Once I become immortal, I'll avenge these ants."

"But for now, they must obediently become stepping stones for me, Daoist Chen."