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After another hour, the sky turned dark as the sound of thunder started echoing through the sky. Such a phenomenon was not that rare, especially in Heavenly Sword Sect. Alex himself often saw such occurrences.

When he was in the sect, the dark sky often appeared in the north. Alex assumed that it came from Cultivation Pavilion. After all, breaking through in Gathering Array was useful. The disciples must utilize the Cultivation Pavilion as the place for the breakthrough.

If, at this time, he did not meet the golden lightning, he would undergo the lightning tribulation for Martial Lord in the sect.

With the sky turned to dark, Alex's body also started feeling it.

"Tortoise Shell Array, Activate" A yellow barrier suddenly rose from the ground. Even a mid rank Martial Grandmaster should not be able to break this barrier. If not because Alex's cultivation was low, this barrier can block a peak Grandmaster.

"Gathering Array, Activate" Back in the lower world, Alex only relied on the natural Spiritual Energy that somehow gathered in there. But this time, Alex had many Spirit Stones. He did not hesitate to pour everything. At this time, Sherry suddenly came out of his body.

"Wuu" The white fox that everyone thought was sleeping, suddenly came out. Alex was surprised, but he did not have time to react. Sherry also understood that. She just stood there with Anna and Leoz.

Alex nodded to Sherry. In this tribulation, even though there was Anna, Leoz, and Sherry beside him. They can't help him in this tribulation. If not, his tribulation will fail.

He looked at the sky and saw the dark cloud was a few kilometers wide. It was far bigger than the one he saw back in the lower world. He took a long breath before saying, "Come."

Like it was provoked by Alex, it immediately sent the first lightning strike. Alex narrowed his eyes a bit, but this lightning strike was not that strong. Spiritual Energy started sparking on his right fist. He punched the lightning strike with his one dragon strength.

The lightning strike immediately broke. As expected of the first wave of the lightning tribulation. The yellow lightning can't hold the candle against his strength.

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The nearest town from Alex's position was Shades Town. With dark clouds that big, they were wondering what happened in Zunde Field. Many people came to the city wall, looking at the dark cloud. Many family leaders, along with the city lord, also arrived at the city wall.

"What is that? Lightning Tribulation?"

"It should be, but how can a Lightning Tribulation become that big?"

"Is it a beast that is undergoing an evolution?" Someone muttered.

Upon hearing that, many family leaders immediately said,

"Send a few elders to go there. The most vulnerable time of a beast was when they are undergoing an evolution. Our family will be the one who will get that beast."

"Wait! Don't go!" Upon hearing that, the city lord immediately shouted. Everybody immediately looked at him.

"City Lord, don't tell me you are going to and hog the beast for your own?"

"That's right. It is not fair."

"No! I have seen something like this. It was from a senior, and he was undergoing his Lightning Tribulation to Martial Lord. If it is like that, then we can not hold the anger of that Senior." The City Lord said. Shades Town was one of low level town. The City Lord was only a 7-Star Martial Grandmaster. If they angered a soon to be Martial Lord, then the only thing they would get was annihilation. But even the City Lord was unsure about it. The one he saw back then was a bit bigger than this.

Every family head suddenly hesitated. Everyone, except one. The old man had 5-Star Martial Grandmaster cultivation. With his aged but arrogant face, he looked at the City Lord hatefully. He secretly sent a message to his subordinate to gather a few elders and go there.

Because he had never seen such a thing, the City Lord might also make it up to secretly hog the reward by himself. That's why he wanted to exploit it himself. High risk, high return. If he did not take a risk, how can he get a high reward? If it was indeed a beast, then he can rise, and he, Cody Quinto, the head of Quinto Family, will become the City Lord himself. Truly, greed can ruin one's family.

If it turned out to be a Martial Lord, he could just say that the elders were acting on their own. Especially if he was a male, he could just give treasures and women to him. Since there were many beautiful women in the family, he might fancy one of them.

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The second tribulation came, Alex had prepared for it. As usual, he felt the yellow lightning became stronger. Surprisingly, this time, when he punched the lightning. There was a big resistance from the lightning. He frowned. Even so, he threw a full strike and destroyed the lightning.

After destroying the lightning, smoke rose from his fist. Although, as the Pure Fire Element's holder, he did not feel the heat, it was still surprising.

Alex clenched his fist again. When the third yellow lightning struck him, the flame had covered his fist. He threw a punch toward the lightning.

The flame on his fist tried to burn the lightning. Surprisingly, the lightning fought back. Then struck felt very heavy. Alex can't lose to this.

"Immovable Step"

As the strength from his feet started moving to his fist. The initial strength of a dragon strength became two dragons strength punch. With that double power, the lightning was obviously lost.

Alex let out a sigh. After this, the lightning would turn blue as the blue thunder started gathering on the cloud. Alex can see the mighty thunder that was going to strike him with his Spirit Eyes.

But there was another sound coming from another direction. Anna, Leoz, and Sherry immediately frowned as they looked toward the sound's direction. Alex can hear the howling music too, but choose to believe Anna and the rest.

Not long after, many monster beasts suddenly came charging toward their position. Anna, Leoz, and Sherry immediately went to the front. Of course, they were still behind Alex's Tortoise Shell Array.

Upon seeing Anna and the rest, the monsters immediately rushed toward them, trying to kill them. Sadly, they crashed on Alex's Tortoise Shell. Anna and the rest prepared for everything to happen. They looked at the variety of monsters here. Wolves, orcs, lions, and so on.

They started looking at the monsters' cultivation. All of them were Foundation Stage and Master Stage monsters. They were sure that the monsters could not break this array. Even so, they did not lower their guard. After all, Alex's tribulation was still in the fourth wave. They can't kill the monsters too, as the barrier also prevented them from doing so.

Upon crashing the barrier, the monsters started going around the barrier to surround it. Anna and Leoz immediately frowned, as Anna immediately ordered. "Leoz will go cover that direction, and Sherry will go there."

Anna pointed out two directions, making the protection of a triangle shape. "Pay attention to an incoming Grandmaster Stage beast."

Anna frowned, she did not know why the monsters started charging at them while Alex was undergoing his tribulation. Normally, they won't. She speculated two reasons for that. One, the monsters had a leader. After seeing the variety of monsters that were charging them. Anna thought about the possibility of the monsters' leader. After all, the monsters that were charging them did not have anything in common.

Second, Alex's lightning tribulation might hold something deeper, something that can't be seen with naked eyes. And that uniqueness might be the one that attracted the beast.

The fourth lightning came and struck Alex's down. The fire that was covering his fist started forming another shape. The new shape turned out to be a claw. Alex struck forth the lightning with his fire claw.

"Fire Phoenix Art, Second Stage. Fire Phoenix Claw"

The overbearing heat that came from the claw was not losing to the heat coming from the lightning. On Earth, the heat of a lightning strike that struck the ground was said to be higher than the sun temperature. But it turned out that was not the case. Or it might be because this lightning tribulation was man made. It did not hold that much heat. If it was, there might not be any cultivators at all.

The fire tried to burn the lightning and managed to do so. But the momentum of it still managed to push Alex's back. The ground beneath his feet started cracking.

"Immovable Step"

With Immovable Step, he pushed back the lightning completely, leaving a small crater in the ground.

After destroying the fourth lightning, Alex looked at the sky. He can't use his raw strength to fight the lightning from now. Well, he was reserving his strength this whole time as there might be some factors that might happen. Looking at the monsters that were surrounding him, it made his speculation became clearer.

The fifth lightning charged at him. Alex saw the incoming blue lightning. He waved his hand as suddenly a giant Fire Phoenix appeared from the tip of his finger and charged toward the lightning.

"Fire Phoenix Art, First Stage. Fire Phoenix Summoning"

In the sky, the clash between the lightning and the Fire Phoenix was apparent. The blue color filled the dark sky, and the bright red color glowed brightly on the opposite side.

On the city wall of Shades Town, the people gulped down when the clash happened. For those who had Fire Element, they can't help but kneel in front of the fire phoenix.

"Hey, what happened to you?"

"Oi, why are you kneeling?"

"Stand up!"

"I can't!"

"My body won't do so."

"Believe me. I'm trying."

It made confusion among the people on the city wall. There was even a family leader that was kneeling when he saw the Fire Phoenix.

Quinto Family's head immediately furrowed his eyebrows. He was going to go back to his family. He sent a few elders from his family. With the power of that 'Senior', the elders might be annihilated. Even so, he was not sad or mad about it. Instead, he was pleased about that.

After all, the elders that he sent were the one that opposed him. They were planning to usurp his position as a Family Head. He kept looking like he was ignorant about their plan. The elders must have received his order and gone out.

"Where are you going, Quinto Family Head?" Suddenly the City Lord asked.

Seeing the phenomenon just now. I'm afraid in my family, there will be an uproar in my family. I will go back to quell the panic." Of course, he already had his alibi. In fact, he was planning to arrange some virgins from his family and maybe some slave girls that had a pretty appearance to congratulate the 'Senior'.

Even if those elders that he sent told the 'Senior' about him, who was the ones who sent them out. He can just keep his ignorance as the opposition in his family had gone. He came back to his family to make sure that the alibi will be accepted by the Senior. He will make sure that the family members will not spout some nonsense. Such a perfect plan, he thought.

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Back to the scene,

The phoenix finally exploded, and the remaining fire burned the lightning completely. The fire even struck forth to the cloud and burned some parts of the cloud. Even so, it did not affect the lightning tribulation. In fact, the lightning tribulation got angrier.

Alex looked at the sixth lightning that became far stronger than he expected. He frowned. It was such a coincidence that his Fire Phoenix suddenly burned some parts of the enormous cloud.

Alex finally took out two spears on his right hand and left hand. Using a close combat Martial Arts like Silver Raven or Bear Sovereign might be a bit dangerous at this point. He clenched the spears in his hands. He threw the first spear.

"Spear Throwing Art. Power Throwing"

After that, he also threw the second spear.

"Spear Throwing Art. Spin Throwing"

Alex had his reason why he chose to throw his spear. And why he threw with Power Throwing first before throwing with spin.

He wanted the Power Throwing to break the power and the momentum from the lightning. After that, the second spear will pierce through the lightning and destroy it. Of course, he had covered both spears with his Spear Intent. He felt that it wouldn't be enough if he didn't do that.