

## Humanity 1621

### Chapter 1621 - So You Really Are Fa Wuzun

This kind of slash should never be executed by a Constellation, the specter's expression was grave, the dirk met it, indeed feeling a force stronger than before colliding with spirit force.

Unfortunately, Lu Ye's spirit force quickly collapsed under her mana impact, even so, the sheer power made the specter's arm tremble slightly.

Another slash fell, the blade momentum contiguous, each slash heavier and faster.

The specter was astonished, she had always known she was no match for Lu Ye, but to be honest, she never knew how strong Lu Ye had become, because she was often defeated in a few moves, never able to truly feel it. Now, having ascended to Moon Jade, she could clearly perceive it.

Precisely because she could perceive it clearly, her heart was shocked.

Because in her estimation, Lu Ye actually already had the ability to contend with an average Moon Jade cultivator! This is extraordinarily incredible, no matter how outstanding a Constellation is, a Constellation remains a Constellation, the spirit force within simply cannot contend with mana.

The nature of the two forces is simply not on the same level.

In fact, Lu Ye's spirit force indeed cannot contend with her mana, this can be seen when the forces meet, Lu Ye's spirit force collapses upon contact.

Yet he relied solely on that terrifying power and speed, making a Moon Jade cultivator like the specter feel troublesome.

After a dozen slashes, the specter couldn't help but retreat.

But she saw, such blade momentum puts a great burden on Lu Ye's physical body, so it absolutely cannot be sustained for long, she needs to do very little on her end, just wait, Lu Ye will soon be unable to sustain it.

Moreover, although Lu Ye possesses the ability to contend with an average Moon Jade cultivator, she is ultimately not an average Moon Jade cultivator, even if she has just ascended for a few years, she is a prodigious figure, how could an average Moon Jade cultivator compare?

She is confident that if she acts with full force, she should be able to take down Lu Ye, but doing so will surely injure Lu Ye, if she doesn't control well and causes him serious injury, it would be unseemly.

She may want to clear the shame, but mainly just seeks revenge on Lu Ye, without really intending to do anything to him, moreover, she still needs something from Lu Ye, truly tearing faces would be of no benefit to her.

So, she can only wait for Lu Ye to exhaust himself!

"Let's see how long you can hold on!" The specter snorted coldly, while parrying Lu Ye's fierce onslaught, while slowly retreating.

The areas they passed through, the floating land began to collapse.

Retreating thoughts already grew in Lu Ye's heart, the specter deserves to be a person renowned in the Constellation Palace, even though she has ascended Moon Jade for a few years, having her whereabouts revealed prevents her from exploiting the advantages of a ghost cultivator, yet she remains extremely tough.

He has already exerted himself fully, yet holds no hope of victory, the Praying Mantis's Twin Saber Style secret technique places too great a burden on the physical body, he can't sustain it long, once exhausted, he becomes fish on the chopping board.

However, if he wants to leave, the specter can't do much to him, not to mention that he has cultivated Yien Xi's Brazen Plundering Technique, even in the past when Tang Jun, a Moon Jade Mid-Stage, pursued him, he could still rely on Void Spirit Runes to come and go swiftly.

But he still has questions to ask the specter, when Unparalleled Island was attacked, the specter was most likely present, she should know that occasion better than Hua Qianying.

Moreover, the specter transmitting a message for him to come here must mean she has something to say, teaching him a lesson is merely incidental.

Seeming to discern Lu Ye's thoughts, the specter hurriedly said: "Li Taibai, if you want to know about Unparalleled Island, obediently stop and let me beat you once!"

"Quit dreaming!" Lu Ye could never agree to her unrestrained request, another heavy slash fell, resolved to leave first.

No matter what the specter wants to tell him, to clarify the matter of Unparalleled Island, a trip to Cheling World is the correct course.

Yet before he could leave, suddenly his form paused, halting the continuous blade momentum.

The specter also leapt back, landing not far away, suspiciously looking in one direction.

There, a dazzling aura approached rapidly, in the blink of an eye, it reached close, revealing the figure of a half-aged elder. That person was clearly Sun Blaze, only making the specter somewhat puzzled why a Sun Blaze came here.

Yet as the Sun Blaze gazed over, the specter couldn't help but feel a stirring of unease, because she saw a briefly flashing killing intent in that Sun Blaze's eyes.

"Veteran Luo!" Lu Ye cupped his fist.

The arrival was indeed Luo Xie, who had separated from them upon entering the All Phenomena Galaxy, seeing his posture, he should be leaving All Phenomena World, preparing to head to All Phenomena Ocean.

Lu Ye also sensed Luo Xie's killing intent, knowing Luo Xie had misunderstood, and quickly said: "Veteran Luo, this one is my friend, unseen for years, a momentary itch to spar."

Luo Xie's expression was unchanging: "Is that so?"

He too was puzzled, a Moon Jade cultivator here contending with Lu Ye, yet did not sense any ill-intentions from the Moon Jade cultivator. After hearing Lu Ye's explanation, he finally understood, these two are sparring.

Since it is Lu Ye's friend, there is no need for him to intervene.

Lu Ye then looked at the specter: "Stand aside, will talk to you later."

"Oh." The specter responded, took a few steps, suddenly realized something was wrong, how could Li Taibai speak with an authoritative tone like a parent commanding a child? She couldn't help but turn her head, glaring at him fiercely. Yet, facing a Sun Blaze, she dared not act recklessly.

Once the specter walked away, Luo Xie waved his large hand, a surge of pure mana set a barrier around them, he spoke: "Little friend, I can't linger here too long, the All Phenomena World over there only gave me half a month, after half a month I have to leave."

This is the rule in All Phenomena Galaxy, any Sun Blaze coming here, unless with some special purpose, cannot stay here long, moreover, during the stay they must not cause trouble, nor engage in bullying, otherwise they will face the full sanction of All Phenomena Galaxy.

However, Luo Xie did not intend to stay here long anyway, he came this time with the fleet, firstly for escort, secondly to explore a route. Now that his purpose is achieved, he plans to visit All Phenomena Ocean and prepare to leave.

"Then Veteran Luo, take care." Lu Ye said this, then took out a segment of the Reincarnation Tree's doppelganger from the storage ring and handed it to him: "Veteran Luo, take this, it should be enough for a few round trips, should there be any cultivators from my Jade Conch Galaxy passing through your esteemed territory in the future, please kindly look after them."

Luo Xie nodded as he took it: "Rest assured, if people from Jade Conch Galaxy come, my four galaxies have good wine, they will not lack for it." He put away the segment of the Reincarnation Tree's doppelganger, then asked: "How is it there in All Phenomena Ocean, why did you come here?"

"All Phenomena Ocean is still All Phenomena Ocean, what plans the Fellow Daoists from four galaxies have, I am not yet aware, but given their strength, they should soon be able to establish themselves in All Phenomena Ocean."

Lu Ye didn't mention Unparalleled Island because it had nothing to do with the four galaxies. The matters of Unparalleled Island were something he had to resolve himself.

After chatting with Luo Xie for a while, Luo Xie finally said, "Well, I'm off. Coming all this way, I must witness the grandeur of the All Phenomena Ocean."

Lu Ye nodded.

Luo Xie glanced at the specter: "Are you sure you don't need my help?"

Lu Ye replied, "No worries, she doesn't harbor any significant malice towards me. It's just that she suffered a small loss by my hand before. Women hold grudges, she wants to get back."

Luo Xie chuckled, "That's good then." His expression turned solemn, "Young friend, I look forward to the day we meet again when you've ascended to Sun Blaze!"

"Thanks for your kind wishes, Veteran Luo!"

Luo Xie departed, and Lu Ye watched him go.

Once Luo Xie's figure vanished from sight, Lu Ye turned to look at the specter's side: "Do you still want to fight?"

"No more fighting!" The specter pouted.

She had realized that her previous thought of easily taking down Lu Ye was wishful thinking. Based on the strength Lu Ye had displayed, if she really tried to take him down, it would be impossible without hurting him, which contradicted her initial intent.

In frustration, how should she get revenge?

"If there's no fight, I have some questions for you."

The specter clearly knew what he wanted to ask, so she said, "Go to Cheling World; after Unparalleled Island changed hands, Chu Shen took them to Cheling World. Tang Jun is also recuperating there. Before leaving, Chu Shen specifically instructed me to deliver a message to you if I had the chance to meet you."

"Is that all?" Lu Ye frowned. He thought the specter had called him over for something special, but it turned out to be just a message.

If that was all, he didn't need to make this trip because he was heading to Cheling World anyway.

"There's more!" The specter's expression suddenly turned serious.

"Speak!"

But the specter remained silent and retrieved an audio talisman, staring at him.

Lu Ye frowned, vaguely aware but unable to stop it.

Apparently, the specter was channeling spirit force into the Spirit Talisman, and soon she was gritting her teeth, "Indeed, you are Fa Wuzun!"

She had vaguely suspected before that Li Taibai might be Fa Wuzun, but there was simply no way to prove it.

Until later when Lu Ye left the All Phenomena Ocean, Fa Wuzun also disappeared, confirming her suspicion. It was precisely due to this certainty that she made a move against Lu Ye; otherwise, she hadn't intended to chastise Li Taibai.

Now, by taking out the audio talisman, she was trying to contact Fa Wuzun, and it turned out the previously untransmittable message could now be sent.

When Li Taibai wasn't around, Fa Wuzun couldn't be reached; but when Li Taibai returned, Fa Wuzun could be contacted.

There's no such coincidence in this world.

Lu Ye remained silent. He knew the matter would inevitably be exposed, but it didn't matter. The origin of hiding Fa Wuzun's identity was an accident; when the specter sought Fa Wuzun's help, later on, Lu Ye couldn't reveal it before her, so it continued like this. He had two audio talismans on him, one belonging to Li Taibai and the other to Fa Wuzun; the specter was contacting Fa Wuzun's audio talisman, which he could sense.

"Say whatever you like." Lu Ye spoke indifferently, not caring about Fa Wuzun's identity being exposed.

"I want to go to the Merfolk Territory."

This was her primary reason for contacting Lu Ye. Seeking revenge was one thing, delivering Chu Shen's message was incidental, but going to the Merfolk Territory was the main goal.

Because cultivating in the Merfolk Territory greatly increased her cultivation efficiency compared to usual; moreover, resources there were abundant, far better than struggling outside.

Aside from being unable to leave the Merfolk Territory, it was a Sacred Land for cultivation.

All thanks to the two golden sea conches Bai Lu used back then. Since then, she and Bai Lu had truly become inseparable sisters, in life and death. Not only were their fates intertwined, but cultivating together also greatly increased cultivation efficiency, akin to Amber and Yiyi, yet not entirely the same.

Now, having just advanced to Moon Jade, her cultivation journey was still long. The specter had a strong desire to pursue power and wouldn't miss such a great opportunity.

Unfortunately, she had no means to reach the Merfolk Territory and could only plead with Lu Ye.

This was why she hadn't intended to strike harshly earlier. Having a request to make, how could she hurt Lu Ye?

She thought the matter wouldn't be problematic since Lu Ye was the one who sent her to the Merfolk Territory before. Unexpectedly, upon hearing her request, Lu Ye turned and left.

The specter was stunned, hesitated for a moment before catching up to him, walking side by side, and tilting her head towards him: "What do you mean?"

Lu Ye ignored her.

The specter was furious but reconsidered, suppressing her anger, "Well, are you going to do it or not, just give me an answer!"

"Depends on my mood!" Lu Ye finally replied.

What kind of rubbish response is that? The specter felt she had been too lenient earlier. Dealing with Li Taibai, such an annoying fellow, she should have subdued him first before talking. But considering that Sun Blaze earlier, she felt a bit apprehensive, not understanding why this guy suddenly had a Sun Blaze backer.

Chapter 1622 - Cheling World

All along, the specter kept babbling on and occasionally asked Lu Ye how he was feeling.



Lu Ye was annoyed by her questioning and said he was in a bad mood! The specter felt helpless and secretly regretted it, thinking she shouldn't have considered revenge; now she had offended this guy and wasn't sure if she'd have a chance to visit the Merfolk Territory again.

However, with a change of thought, she seemed to come up with a clever idea, glancing at Lu Ye with secret pride and said, "In that case, let's part ways, and there's no need to meet again!"

As she said this, she really left swiftly!

Lu Ye turned to look at her departing direction, secretly surprised; he thought the specter was just putting on a show, but she actually left just like that.

Not bothering with her for the moment, Lu Ye continued heading towards Cheling World.

Several days later, he finally reached the space on the outskirts of Cheling World. He had been here once before, during his first meeting with Chu Shen. Chu Shen had run away from home and was captured by him, sent here, and he received a reward of one hundred thousand spirit jade.

However, he didn't enter Cheling World that time, as a Moon Jade came out personally to bring Chu Shen in.

So, he wasn't clear about the state of affairs inside Cheling World.

From the outside alone, Cheling World wasn't that big, much smaller than the Nine Provinces, but the strength of a domain's foundation isn't directly related to its size.

Cheling World could produce a Sun Blaze like Jiu Yan, even with the convenience of the All Phenomena Galaxy playing a part, but it itself was also a long-established large domain, though probably not a top-tier domain. As far as Lu Ye was aware, there were no top-tier domains in the All Phenomena Galaxy; the abundance of Sun Blaze here was entirely due to the galaxy's unique characteristics.

Other galaxies' cultivators must rely on the resources from their home galaxy for cultivation. Even if there are interactions with other galaxies, large-scale frequent transactions are rare. But the All Phenomena Galaxy is different; it accommodates a myriad of streams, so saying it's the most prosperous galaxy in the entire stellar space is not far-fetched, housing top-class Spirit Islands like the All Phenomena Merchants Guild and All Phenomena Island. The resources required for the cultivation of the galaxy's strong cultivators are not a concern.

Cheling World, unlike those large domains Lu Ye knew, showed no signs of cultivators guarding its outskirts. This made it difficult for Lu Ye to enter upon arrival, not knowing the right approach.

Though he could enter directly, doing so uninvited was inappropriate.

Thus, he first sent a message to Chu Shen.

He managed to get in touch, and soon Chu Shen replied, "You're back, Big Brother? Hold on a moment, I'll come out to meet you!"

Lu Ye then waited quietly outside.

It wasn't long before an aura rapidly approached from within the domain, and Lu Ye showed a questioning expression because he sensed it wasn't Chu Shen's aura. The person coming seemed to be a Moon Jade, and judging from the energy fluctuations, this wasn't an ordinary Moon Jade either.

Sure enough, moments later, a slender figure came into view; she wore a snow-white palace gown, her hair elegantly arranged into a bun, casually pinned with a jade hairpin, revealing a long, fair neck.

Lu Ye noticed he had seen this woman before; it was the same Moon Jade who had received Chu Shen from him last time and had given him one hundred thousand spirit jade.

Lu Ye remembered Chu Shen called her Aunt Yue, but it was unclear how to formally address her.

"Li Taibai greets Fellow Daoist," Lu Ye bowed and stated his purpose, "I've come to see Junior Brother Chu, Chu Shen."

He was somewhat puzzled that Chu Shen said he would come to greet him, yet Chu Shen was nowhere to be seen, and instead, this Aunt Yue had come out.

Aunt Yue's gaze was like water, evaluating Lu Ye up and down. Naturally, she recognized Lu Ye at a glance, but she couldn't discern anything particularly special about him.

Because, according to her limited intelligence, this Li Taibai in front of her should be the same Fa Wuzun who made a name for himself in the Constellation Palace and then mysteriously vanished.

The oft-used As-Close-As-Siblings array disc in the All Phenomena Ocean originated from this person!

Such a person would presumably have a remarkable background, but so far, Cheling World couldn't uncover his origins; he seemed unrelated to known top forces.

If he truly belonged to a top force, he wouldn't be selling As-Close-As-Siblings array discs; such items would be jealously guarded by his allied forces.

After observing for a while, Aunt Yue spoke with deep meaning, "Are you really called Li Taibai?"

Lu Ye was slightly surprised, thinking that his name as Lu Yiye of Nine Heavens hadn't been spread in the All Phenomena Ocean yet, so how did Cheling World's people know?

What he didn't know was that Aunt Yue only knew his other identity.

Fortunately, Aunt Yue had no intention of probing further; she casually said, then turned and said, "Follow me."

Lu Ye had initially wanted to ask about Chu Shen, but then reconsidered; perhaps Chu Shen had asked Aunt Yue to meet him, so he decisively followed her.

Though Cheling World isn't large, it's a land of extraordinary beauty, and this domain ascended to a large domain ages past, though not reaching top-tier domain status, yet not far off, comparing favorably against the Nine Provinces' current foundation by many times.

The entire domain was filled with extremely pure and dense Spiritual Energy; cultivating under such conditions would save years of hard labor.

At the heart of Cheling World lies a vast basin; from above, it resembles a great pit in the earth, full of perpetual spring and vibrant flowers competing in bloom within.

This Hidden Flower Valley is the central hub of the Cheling World, and the flowers and plants within the valley are not ordinary; they are all extremely precious herbs.

Aunt Yue led Lu Ye along without saying a word. Lu Ye, unfamiliar with her, didn't speak much either, and simply observed his surroundings.

The number of cultivators in the whole Cheling World didn't seem to be many, as Lu Ye couldn't spot many cultivators no matter where he looked. However, any cultivator he encountered had an extraordinary strength.

Following Aunt Yue, Lu Ye's attention was soon drawn to a certain spot as they arrived at the Hidden Flower Valley.

In a colorful area, a small figure stood there with open arms, facing the sun, eyes closed, appearing deeply absorbed in the moment with an expression of bliss.

It seemed to be a girl who looked just over ten years old, with small braids in her hair and wheat-colored skin, looking healthy and lively.

In this peaceful and serene environment, the absorbed appearance amid the colorful flowers was like a painting.

Upon closer inspection, Lu Ye showed a puzzled expression, as the young girl's face evoked a subtle sense of familiarity, as if he had seen her somewhere before.

Lu Ye was confused. If he had encountered such a young girl before, he should have remembered, yet he couldn't recall where he had seen her.

Before he could look further, Aunt Yue led him in a certain direction.

An ancient hall stood before them. Aunt Yue said, "Go in."

Lu Ye nodded, "Much obliged!"

Saying this, he stepped inside. Once inside the hall, he glanced around and was shocked to find it completely empty, without a single person.

He had thought Chu Shen would be waiting for him here.

However, since he was already here, he decided to stay put, so he stepped further into the hall, found a random chair, and sat down, taking out an audio talisman to send a message to Chu Shen.

Strangely, although the message was sent out, Chu Shen did not respond!

As he prepared to try contacting Tang Jun, the hall doors suddenly slammed shut with a loud bang.

Startled, Lu Ye stood up swiftly, looking around warily. Under his Mental Consciousness, he didn't detect any abnormalities, but the sudden closing of the hall doors was evidently odd.

He felt a subtle sense of unease, but on second thought, if the people of Cheling World really intended to harm him, they wouldn't need to go to such lengths; Aunt Yue alone was more than he could handle.

Moreover, it was strange that Chu Shen didn't respond to his contact. Previously, when contacting him outside Cheling World, Chu Shen had agreed to come and meet him.

Yet ultimately, Chu Shen did not appear, and it was Moon Jade who came to fetch him instead.

It couldn't be that Chu Shen intended harm and had someone lure him in here, could it?

Just as he was feeling suspicious and uneasy, a flow of darkness suddenly spread inside the hall. The darkness flowed in from all around like liquid. Lu Ye didn't know what this darkness was but knew he couldn't let it touch him. He quickly dashed toward the door, drawing his long knife and slashed down!

However, a light screen suddenly appeared before him, easily blocking his blade.

The hall was evidently equipped with a Formation restriction, and the strength of this Formation was beyond his ability to break.

What exactly was going on? Lu Ye had no idea.

The thick darkness rapidly encroached. The hall was only so big, and eventually, Lu Ye had nowhere left to dodge but to steady his nerves and prepare to face the engulfing darkness.

In the next moment, the darkness swallowed his figure.

Lu Ye felt his body suddenly become heavy as if a mountain was pressing on his back, causing his waist to bend slightly.

He hurriedly attempted to activate the power of his Talent Tree, yet it didn't respond. He realized that although the darkness had an unnatural force, it didn't invade his physical body, which was why the Talent Tree had no reaction.

It was quite uncomfortable; his entire body's bones were creaking and groaning under the weight, but the immense pressure was still just within Lu Ye's tolerable range, not enough to truly crush him.

While arduously holding out, he took out the audio talisman again, attempting to contact Chu Shen or Tang Jun, only to find that now even messages couldn't be sent out.

He couldn't comprehend why this was happening... The only thing he could be certain about was that someone was taking action against him secretly, and whoever could achieve this was either Sun Blaze or someone like Moon Jade.

Most likely it was that Aunt Yue! He thought to himself.

Outside the hall, Aunt Yue, who had brought Lu Ye here, quietly observed. Although she couldn't see what was happening inside the hall, she still knew what was occurring within and was somewhat curious about what exactly Li Taibai had done to warrant the World Lord's personal intervention to punish him!

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Outside the hall, Aunt Yue waited for a moment before preparing to leave. Her responsibility was only to bring Lu Ye here, and the rest was not her concern.

As for why the World Lord wanted to personally punish the person inside the hall, she guessed it might have something to do with Chu Shen. Because of the matter of Unparalleled Island, Chu Shen had a big disagreement with her, and the World Lord had nowhere to vent the pent-up frustration, leaving Li Taibai to suffer.

A small figure suddenly came bouncing from afar; it was the little girl standing in the flower bushes earlier. She approached Aunt Yue and spoke crisply, "Master!"

Aunt Yue nodded, "Come with me. It's been a while since I last checked your cultivation. Let's see if you've been slacking lately."

The little girl looked serious, "Not at all, Master. I've strictly completed everything you asked me to do."

Aunt Yue smiled slightly and said no more. She unleashed her mana, wrapping the little girl as they soared into the sky.

Elsewhere, inside a bedroom, Chu Shen scratched his head, looking absent-minded. Before him sat a noble figure, none other than the World Lord of this realm, also the only Sun Blaze in Cheling World, Jiu Yan.

Jiu Yan was also checking Chu Shen's cultivation. As they exchanged questions and answers, time slowly passed.

After a while, Chu Shen really couldn't bear it anymore, "Mother, I have a friend coming, I need to go meet him."

He felt somewhat helpless because just as he received Lu Ye's transmission and was about to meet him, his own mother also sent a transmission, resulting in his coming here and being subjected to a review of his recent cultivation progress.

On a normal day, a review would be fine; he was quite satisfied with his recent cultivation progress and confident he wouldn't disappoint his mother. But now was really not the time.

Jiu Yan replied, "Don't worry, I have already sent your Aunt Yue to meet your friend, who is now in Zhengxin Hall. Once I finish reviewing, you can go see him."

Realizing his mother had everything arranged, Chu Shen said no more and seriously answered Jiu Yan's questions.

In the exchange of questions and answers, Jiu Yan's expression gradually turned pleased, "My child has grown up."

Although Chu Shen had extraordinary talent before, his disposition had never settled, especially after advancing to Constellation; he constantly sought ways to run outside. However, after the last incident, Chu Shen clearly matured a lot, and recently he didn't seek to run outside anymore. Even without her instructions, Chu Shen diligently cultivated.

She of course understood the real reason behind this change. Chu Shen previously didn't realize the importance of strength, believing he could live freely simply because he had a Sun Blaze mother.



But now, deeply understanding the importance of immense power, he naturally couldn't wait to become stronger.

Looking at it this way, although the last incident was a setback for Chu Shen, it was actually beneficial in the long run.

"Cultivation is like drawing a bow; while it shouldn't be lax, there should also be a balance between work and rest. Moreover, don't obsess over some matters excessively, otherwise it can breed inner demons, hindering your cultivation!" Jiu Yan advised earnestly.

Chu Shen seriously replied, "I will remember this, Mother. Don't worry, I know what should and shouldn't be done."

Jiu Yan nodded with satisfaction, "In that case, you may go."

Chu Shen bowed and turned to leave, having been delayed here for nearly two hours. His elder brother was probably impatiently waiting, and he had to apologize when he met him, besides clarifying the matter of Unparalleled Island.

"Shen'er." Jiu Yan's voice suddenly came from behind.

Chu Shen stopped, turning to look back, "Mother, do you have any other instructions?"

Jiu Yan hesitated for a moment before asking, "What do you think of this friend of yours, what kind of person is he?"

Chu Shen didn't answer directly but contemplated carefully before speaking, "Although the time I've known him isn't long and the interaction not deep, I feel that Senior Brother Li is someone with great potential. As for his character... I wouldn't say it's pure, but he has moral integrity!" After a pause, he added, "Mother, though I lack extensive experience, I can tell which people are worth befriending and which should be kept at a distance."

He evidently misunderstood, thinking Jiu Yan was worried he might choose his friends unwisely.

Jiu Yan nodded slightly, "Having moral integrity... indeed someone worth befriending. You go ahead."

Chu Shen hurriedly left Jiu Yan's side, rushing, finally arriving at Zhengxin Hall. Upon observation, he showed a curious expression, because he found the hall's doors were unexpectedly closed.

Feeling somewhat confused, since Aunt Yue arranged for his brother to be here, why were the doors closed?

Without thinking much, he stepped forward and pushed the doors open.

Upon looking inside, his expression froze, as Lu Ye's face was pale, sweating profusely, his waist hunched, standing there!

As their eyes met, Chu Shen saw a hint of confusion in Lu Ye's eyes.

Lu Ye indeed felt a bit bewildered; during his wait for Chu Shen, the whole hall was pitch dark. More importantly, he bore an enormous pressure, making it impossible for him to even move.

The person acting in the dark calibrated the force perfectly, forcing him to feel immense pressure while ensuring he suffered no actual harm!

Initially, he thought it was Aunt Yue acting secretly, but upon careful reconsideration, it didn't seem right, because even if Aunt Yue was at the Moon Jade Late Stage, the range of her power couldn't be so exquisite.

If it wasn't Aunt Yue...

Lu Ye found it hard to imagine, but why was this happening?

Could it be that she was warning him to stay away from Chu Shen in the future? Was she feeling that he had implicated Chu Shen because of the Unparalleled Island affair? If that were the case, she could have just appeared and said a word, there was no need to go to such lengths.

This was obviously just a small punishment.

As Chu Shen opened the door, the endless darkness that enveloped him melted away like snow under the blazing sun, leaving no trace behind; Chu Shen clearly hadn't noticed anything unusual.

"Big brother!" Chu Shen's face turned pale with shock, and he quickly stepped forward to support Lu Ye. "What happened to you?"

He couldn't understand why his big brother, who was just waiting for him here, looked as if he had fought a great enemy.

Lu Ye glanced at him, too exhausted even to speak. He felt utterly empty, as if he had been hollowed out, and with Chu Shen's support, he settled into a seat beside him.

Flustered, Chu Shen fetched a few high-quality elixir pills and fed them to him, then stood anxiously waiting to see the result.

Lu Ye didn't know what elixirs Chu Shen had given him, but judging by their restorative effects, they were top-notch.

In one incense stick's time, Lu Ye had barely recovered, though his body still felt somewhat empty; his complexion had become rosier.

Chu Shen asked again, "Big brother, what exactly happened?"

Lu Ye looked at him and, seeing his concerned expression was genuine, shook his head. "I was bored waiting for you and tried to comprehend a secret technique. I made an error in comprehension and suffered some backlash."

He couldn't reveal the truth because if that person indeed had concerns about his interactions with Chu Shen, they might be monitoring this place right now.

Chu Shen couldn't help but laugh and cry at the same time, asking with concern, "Are you feeling better now?"

"It's nothing serious."

Only then did Chu Shen relax and suddenly bowed with a clenched fist in front of Lu Ye, his posture straight and voice solemn, "Big brother, I owe you an apology!"

Lu Ye squinted slightly, "What do you mean by this?"

Chu Shen's voice was filled with grief, "While you were away these years, I lost Unparalleled Island!"

Lu Ye had thought it was something else that made him feel apologetic but turned out to be this. He raised his hand to help him up, "Your fists being smaller than others' doesn't need to be felt guilty about, and even if I were present, it wouldn't have changed the outcome. What's meant to be lost will still be lost!"

"But after all, Unparalleled Island is your place, big brother." Chu Shen's expression was filled with guilt.

Back then, if it weren't for Lu Ye agreeing to let him bring a few women to settle on Unparalleled Island, none of this would have happened later. In Chu Shen's view, Unparalleled Island had only one owner forever, and that was Li Taibai. He was just a manager on the surface.

Lu Ye shook his head, "Unparalleled Island isn't solely mine, half of it is yours."

If not for Chu Shen's years of hard work, Unparalleled Island wouldn't have achieved its subsequent prosperity. Even if Lu Ye could have transformed Unparalleled Island into a Spirit Island relying on the Small Constellation Palace, the most likely outcome would have been attracting competition from various forces.

It was precisely because Chu Shen had his own background that he could successfully establish cooperative relationships with major forces, allowing Unparalleled Island to rise in a very short time.

"Tell me in detail," Lu Ye gestured for Chu Shen to sit down and talk. "I've just returned to the All Phenomena Ocean and am not very clear about what's happened with Unparalleled Island, only that it has been renamed Tianyan Island now. Is this Tianyan of yours the Celestial Flames of the All Phenomena Galaxy?"

Chu Shen's expression was gloomy, "It's indeed the Tianyan of the home galaxy. No matter how carefully guarded, it's hard to guard against family betrayal. I never expected Unparalleled Island to be undercut by our own people!"

Then, Chu Shen slowly narrated the changes on Unparalleled Island.

It boiled down to one sentence: "An innocent man gets into trouble simply for carrying a piece of treasure."

If Unparalleled Island was just a high-class Spirit Island, it could have maintained the status quo, but beneath Unparalleled Island, the Small Constellation Palace continued to function. Nearly a year ago, Unparalleled Island, which had long since advanced to a high-class Spirit Island, showed signs of transforming into a top-class Spirit Island.

Outsiders could only speculate because there was no way to prove it, but Chu Shen knew Unparalleled Island was indeed transitioning to a top-class Spirit Island because in a location not open to outsiders, he discovered traces of a Spirit Jade Vein emerging.

This is a hallmark of top-class Spirit Islands!

Chu Shen immediately realized this was serious. Top-class Spirit Islands were few even in the entire All Phenomena Ocean and were all dominated by the most supreme forces.

Even though he had Jiu Yan as a backing, Unparalleled Island's overall strength was low, maintaining peace only because of its myriad ties with various forces. But once the Spirit Jade Vein's existence was revealed, who knew what kind of disturbances it might cause?

Therefore, the moment he became aware, he declared the area forbidden. No one could approach without his permission.

But is there ever a wall in the world that doesn't leak? Especially when the outside world kept speculating about whether Unparalleled Island had truly become a top-class Spirit Island.

For some unknown reason, the emergence of the Spirit Jade Vein on Unparalleled Island got leaked, drawing the attention of the entire cultivator community of All Phenomena Ocean.

Chapter 1624 - Did I Offend Your Mother?

Throughout history, the All Phenomena Ocean has occasionally seen desolate islands come to life and spirit islands fall into silence. However, those spirit islands that revive for unknown reasons at most only have precedents of upgrading to high-class Spirit Islands, and those are few and far between. There has never been an instance of a desolate island reviving and becoming a top-class Spirit Island.

Unparalleled Island transforming into a top-class Spirit Island is an unprecedented event.

Across the entire All Phenomena Ocean, top-class Spirit Islands are countable, and when the news spread, which force wouldn't be tempted?

To know a top-class Spirit Island is akin to a top-class domain in existence, both capable of breeding Spirit Jade Veins. The only difference is in their scale. A top-class domain might have more than one Spirit Jade Vein, but a top-class Spirit Island only has one. Despite this, it still tempts many.

Everyone knows the apparent strength of Unparalleled Island isn't strong. However, due to Chu Shen's background, those external forces coveting Unparalleled Island have found it difficult to make a move.

External forces find it difficult, but the internal forces have fewer concerns.

Actually, when Unparalleled Island upgraded to a high-class Spirit Island, many from the internal forces wanted a share from Chu Shen because, on the surface, Chu Shen's background only included Jiu Yan.

Essentially, Chu Shen is a cultivator from the All Phenomena Galaxy, and behind him stands the Sun Blaze.

The Sun Blaze doesn't care about minor benefits, but when the benefits are large enough, they can't help but be tempted. They are willing for Chu Shen to serve as the background, naturally, they also qualify for some benefits.

Back then, some wanted to arrange personnel into Unparalleled Island, these included both Constellation and Moon Jade, claiming that as Unparalleled Island grew, it should possess corresponding self-protection strength. In reality, this was to gain partial control over Unparalleled Island.

If Unparalleled Island truly belonged to Chu Shen alone, he might have agreed. He wasn't unaware; he knew he was inadvertently using the Sun Blaze's prestige from the home galaxy, and sharing some benefits was no harm.

Yet, Unparalleled Island wasn't his alone, and he knew Lu Ye's return to the homeland would bring people out, who would certainly be stationed at Unparalleled Island, naturally strengthening its self-protection.

If he arranged personnel now, what of the people Lu Ye brought upon his return? By then, how would he explain to the elder brother?

Hence, Chu Shen could only refuse.

This left many Sun Blaze from All Phenomena displeased, but due to Jiu Yan's face, they were truly hesitant to trouble a younger generation.

Until the news of Unparalleled Island upgrading to a top-class Spirit Island spread.

The Sun Blaze from the home galaxy could no longer sit idly by. Although All Phenomena Ocean is within the All Phenomena Galaxy, the home galaxy has only ever controlled one top-class Spirit Island, which is All Phenomena Island.

It's not that the All Phenomena Galaxy doesn't want more top-class Spirit Islands, but those occupying them have strong backgrounds. The home galaxy struggles to easily offend.

Now, finally having a chance to seize a second top-class Spirit Island, how could they miss it?

Over this matter, the Sun Blaze of All Phenomena had a deep discussion and even invited Jiu Yan over. They analyzed the stakes and asked her to persuade Chu Shen to hand over the jurisdiction of Unparalleled Island to the All Phenomena Galaxy.

Of course, Jiu Yan wouldn't agree — her son built a thriving spirit island; how could they just hand it over? It's said that the Sun Blaze of All Phenomena were quite unhappy over this.

But some things can't be stopped just because Jiu Yan disagrees. Ultimately, Jiu Yan is one person, unable to represent the entire galaxy. Taking back Unparalleled Island and making it part of the All Phenomena Galaxy was thus decided.

Following this, cultivators from the home galaxy kept approaching Chu Shen, appealing with reason and emotion...

Chu Shen did not refuse but continued feigning compliance, hoping for Lu Ye's return. If Unparalleled Island must be lost, it couldn't be on his hands.

Yet those coveting Unparalleled Island gradually lost patience. Seeing Chu Shen show no sincerity, they had no choice but to resort to force!

In All Phenomena Ocean, seizing Spirit Islands is common, nothing strange about it.

A defense battle for the Spirit Island thus sparked!

Unfortunately, Unparalleled Island's overall strength was too weak. Even though Lu Ye spent a fortune on a protective array, it couldn't block the invading enemy.



Given Unparalleled Island's strength, many forces could have conquered it, but no one dared for a while since it meant affronting the All Phenomena Galaxy — and who wants to offend those in power when seeking a livelihood here?

But if the All Phenomena Galaxy itself invades, then there are no issues.

"Unparalleled Island is lost, and all the profits from these years are gone," Chu Shen's expression dulled. The battle that day wasn't too fierce, and Chu Shen wasn't attacked, merely captured and restrained by a Moon Jade.

Most cultivators recruited by Unparalleled Island knew the truth of the battle and didn't resist much.

Only one person resisted fiercely, that was Tang Jun!

Old Tang knew that Unparalleled Island was the foothold for Jade Conch Galaxy cultivators here. If lost, even if the Jade Conch Galaxy's cultivators arrived, there would be little prospect. Hence, in that battle, he defended with his life, disregarding his own safety. He wasn't fighting for pride but for the future path of Three Worlds cultivators!

"I've never seen Elder Tang like that..." Chu Shen sighed. All along, Old Tang gave the impression of geniality, enjoying wine and leisure on Unparalleled Island, akin to a wealthy retiree. Who would have thought that when Unparalleled Island was most crucial, this seemingly idle old fellow fought the fiercest!

Alas, his strength ultimately fell short, his magic treasures shattered, and he was gravely injured.

The invading enemy wouldn't trouble Chu Shen, but they wouldn't care about an unremarkable old Moon Jade like Tang Jun. Every year, many die at the All Phenomena Ocean — one more Tang Jun makes little difference, nor less if absent. Especially since Tang Jun seemed desperate to fight, further provoking their murderous intent.

Influenced by Tang Jun, the earlier followers of Chu Shen, Little Dumb and Little Crooked, were also fighting desperately.

In the end, it was Chu Shen's intervention that saved their lives, though not without a cost.

The recent profits of Unparalleled Island are, in essence, their ransom!

"How much?" Lu Ye asked.

Chu Shen responded bitterly, "Approximately sixty million spirit jade."

Lu Ye calculated silently; Tang Jun, Little Dumb, Little Crooked, Cai Xing, Cai Yue, Lucky Star—exactly six people, and the ransom was indeed expensive, averaging ten million spirit jade per person.

However... being alive is more important; spirit jade can be earned again, but once dead, everything is lost.

"What about Specter? She should have been Moon Jade back then. Didn't she participate in the battle?" Lu Ye asked again.

Chu Shen replied, "She participated, but sister Specter had just advanced to Moon Jade, and couldn't exert much influence. She was constantly entangled with another Moon Jade and couldn't break free."

"Was Piao Ke there at the time?"

Chu Shen shook his head, "Ever since Senior Piao Ke left years ago, there hasn't been any news of him."

Lu Ye understood. Piao Ke bid farewell when he left, and perhaps never returned afterwards. Who knows how he is now, whether he avoided the arranged marriage with that Ruan Tu.

Speaking of which, that girl, besides her cold demeanor, had a good figure and beautiful looks, and was also a Moon Jade. It's puzzling what Piao Ke was avoiding.

"How is Old Tang now?"

Chu Shen said, "Elder Tang's injuries have not fully healed, but they should be nothing serious. After some more rest, he should recover. However, the incident at Unparalleled Island seems to have hit him quite hard, and he's been somewhat dispirited recently. Would you like to visit him?"

Visiting is certainly necessary. Although Old Tang didn't contribute much during that battle and nearly got killed, his spirit is commendable.

Now the reason behind the changes at Unparalleled Island has been understood, somewhat aligning with his earlier speculations.

But Lu Ye hadn't expected the Small Constellation Palace to possess such formidable power. When he initially deployed it, he intentionally controlled its power to convert the All Phenomena Ocean's water at a modest pace, yet it transformed Unparalleled Island into a top-class Spirit Island so swiftly.

"There's something else I want to ask you." Lu Ye pondered for a moment before speaking.

"Feel free to say it, brother." Chu Shen looked at him seriously.

Lu Ye hesitated but couldn't hold back, "Did I offend your mother somehow?"

Chu Shen was taken aback, "Why do you say that, brother?" He then asked, "Have you met my mother?"

Lu Ye shook his head; he indeed hasn't met Jiu Yan.

"Since you haven't met her, how could you offend her? Moreover, my mother just said that brother, you have a sense of justice and are someone worth befriending."

Lu Ye was surprised, "Your mother said that?"

"Absolutely."

That's odd; since Jiu Yan considered him a person worth befriending, why did she make things difficult earlier? Regardless, a guest should be treated as such, even if not warmly welcomed, no need for that behavior.

But he couldn't confront Jiu Yan directly to ask.

"Brother, did my mother transmit something to you?" Chu Shen misunderstood, asking hastily.

"No, Senior Jiu Yan said nothing to me."

Chu Shen looked at him suspiciously, uncertain if he believed it.

This matter seems unclear; Lu Ye was sure of Jiu Yan's handiwork during his recent experience—the only one capable in Cheling World.

"Also..." Lu Ye spoke again, "Is Ban Ci from the Cheling World?"

"No." Chu Shen was surprised, puzzled by Lu Ye's strange questions today, "The number of cultivators in Cheling World isn't large, brother should have sensed it. Given sister Ban Ci's cultivation stage in Constellation Late Stage, if she were from Cheling World, I would certainly know."

He paused and then added, "Speaking of which, ever since sister Ban Ci went out with you, she's vanished, and I don't know where she went. Brother, did anything happen during your outing?"

"Nothing. Don't pry, little one." Lu Ye was somewhat evasive.

Chapter 1625 - Shrouded in Mystery

Ever since Ban Ci left the secret realm ahead of time, neither Chu Shen nor Lu Ye had seen her again. It was as if she had vanished into thin air.

What happened that time was an accident and unavoidable, as they were influenced by the Great Lust Demon Spider. Ban Ci wanted to lure it out, and could only choose that method; otherwise, both she and Lu Ye would have died in that secret realm.

The outcome was decent in the end, as the Great Lust Demon Spider did appear and was slain by their combined efforts.

Before this, Lu Ye's interaction with her was scant, hardly enough to call them acquainted.

This woman... truly free-spirited, Lu Ye thought silently. If even a woman can be so free-spirited, he surely wouldn't entangle himself further, so although he hadn't seen Ban Ci since then, he hadn't thought of seeking her whereabouts.

Meeting by chance, forgetting in the rivers and lakes.

The reason for his inquiry now was mainly because he discovered someone in the Cheling World.

Brought by Aunt Yue, he saw a figure of a young girl, about ten years old, in the valley. At the time, she seemed somewhat familiar, as if he had seen her before, but he didn't ponder deeply.

Moments ago, a spirit light flashed in his mind, faintly recalling that the young girl's face resembled the little girl he and Ban Ci had rescued in that domain years ago.

Years ago, as he and Ban Ci passed through that domain, all the beings within it were massacred by the Great Lust Demon Spider. The two acted separately, and Ban Ci found a survivor in a cellar.

That was the sole survivor of the domain, later placed by Ban Ci into a miniature world for safekeeping.

If the young girl he saw truly was the one rescued from that unknown domain, then the matter becomes quite intriguing.

If Ban Ci was not from the Cheling World, how did the little girl end up here? Calculating the time, several years have passed, and the little girl has grown. Her features indeed resemble those of the little girl saved years ago.

Or could it be that Ban Ci had some connection with the Cheling World unknown to Chu Shen, and she sent the little girl there?

"When I arrived, I saw a young girl, about ten years old..." Lu Ye described the scene and the girl's appearance from then.

Chu Shen immediately knew who he was talking about: "You must be referring to Ban Xia."

"Ban Xia?" Lu Ye narrowed his eyes slightly, Ban Ci, Ban Xia... if it's just a coincidence, it's quite a coincidence.

"She's a disciple that Aunt Yue took in a few years ago. I don't know where Aunt Yue found her from. At the time, I was on Unparalleled Island and only heard Aunt Yue saying that Ban Xia is a realm child, blessed with fortune, and destined for great accomplishments in the future!"

"What does realm child mean?" Lu Ye asked with some curiosity.

Chu Shen sighed and said, "Aunt Yue said that Ban Xia is also a pitiable child. The domain she was born in underwent a cataclysmic upheaval, with everyone in the domain perishing, leaving her as the sole survivor. Aunt Yue said that in such circumstances, the fortune of the entire domain would converge upon one person. Even if her cultivation aptitude was poor, she would have great opportunities in the future, achieving significant accomplishments. Otherwise, Aunt Yue wouldn't have considered taking a disciple, nor would she have accepted her. But looking at the current situation, it seems that Ban Xia not only is blessed with fortune but also possesses superb cultivation aptitude. Aunt Yue has high hopes for her."

Lu Ye was slightly moved at heart.

There was no mistake. The young girl named Ban Xia was definitely the one Ban Ci took away back then.

But it's strange. Since Ban Xia is here, where has Ban Ci gone? Why did Chu Shen say Ban Ci isn't from the Cheling World?

"Do you know Ban Xia?" Chu Shen asked in confusion. There was no reason for Lu Ye to suddenly ask about Ban Xia unless he had met her before.

"I don't know her, just asked offhand." Lu Ye shook his head, then stood up and said, "Take me to see how Old Tang and the others are doing."

The situation with Ban Ci was unclear, and it wasn't appropriate to ask, so he decided not to dwell on it.

"Follow me, big brother," Chu Shen said, getting up and leading the way outside.

In the vast Hidden Flower Valley, at a place of picturesque scenery, multicolored flowers vied in splendor. Several ladies gathered together, picking flowers to adorn their hair, enhancing their beauty.

Not far from them, there was a clear lake. An old man sat by the lakeside, holding a fishing rod, with a leisurely expression.

Suddenly, the old man's expression shifted, turning his head in a certain direction, just in time to see Lu Ye walking toward him.

"I heard from Chu Shen about what happened earlier, I thought you, old man, would be bedridden and barely breathing, didn't expect you to have this leisure," Lu Ye walked to Tang Jun's side, looked him over, finding him apparently unharmed, though his breath was slightly weak.

He even had the leisurely mood to fish here, it seemed his recovery had been good recently.

"The old man almost died, and you come gloating!" Tang Jun couldn't help but roll his eyes.

Nearby, Cai Xing, Cai Yue, and others saw Lu Ye approaching and came over to greet him joyfully. Lu Ye's gaze swept over them, confirming they were unharmed. Presumably, even if they were injured before, their injuries weren't as severe as Tang Jun's, so they'd already recovered.

Moreover, the cultivation levels of several ladies have all improved; previously, they were all at Constellation Early Stage, and now they've collectively advanced to Constellation Mid-Stage.

"When did you return?" Tang Jun took a chair out from his storage ring, placed it beside him, and only after Lu Ye sat down did he start to ask.

"Half a month ago," Lu Ye replied.

"How was the result of this journey?" Tang Jun asked again, as this was the matter he was truly concerned about. Since Lu Ye had returned, it meant he had indeed traveled to Jade Conch and then made his way back.

"Not too bad. Within the Jade Conch Galaxy, our Three Worlds have already allied, and all have sent people over."

"How many from Qingli Dao World came?"

"A hundred people, though we encountered some incidents on the way, resulting in about twenty deaths."

In the battle with the Insect Race and Blood Race outside the Indeterminate World, the Three Worlds cultivators collectively suffered over sixty casualties. Only about ten were from Nine Provinces, while the rest were from the other two worlds.

Tang Jun's face twitched, clearly pained, although he understood that during such a prolonged stellar space journey, encountering some incidents along the way was only natural; losing only twenty out of more than a hundred was considered quite fortunate.



"Wu Zhuo has been somewhat cautious," Tang Jun sighed, lamenting how despite the prestige of All Phenomena Ocean, such a rare opportunity was met with the dispatch of only a hundred people, which was somewhat atypical of Wu Zhuo's past disposition. Fearing Wu Zhuo might not believe Lu Ye, he had especially entrusted Lu Ye with a jade slip to bring back.

"It's not Wu Zhuo's fault; I reckon he wanted to send more people over, but with only a hundred from Jade Conch World, he probably felt it inappropriate to send more."

With only a hundred from Jade Conch, it was out of a cautious mindset, as they didn't have anyone in All Phenomena Ocean, and all information was transmitted from Wu Zhuo and Lu Ye's side, making it unwise to easily believe without firsthand witnessing.

With only a hundred dispatched from Jade Conch World, Qingli Dao World naturally couldn't surpass that in numbers, whereas Nine Provinces had no such concerns and sent three hundred directly.

The fishing rod dipped slightly, indicating a catch, yet Tang Jun had no interest in reeling it in; he instead let out a heavy sigh: "I have let you down; Unparalleled Island could not be kept."

He was roughly aware of the situation concerning Unparalleled Island; although Chu Shen was its apparent manager, in truth, half of Unparalleled Island belonged to Lu Ye.

When Lu Ye left years ago, he had entrusted Unparalleled Island to him to guard, and now Lu Ye had returned, with Unparalleled Island gone...

If Unparalleled Island were intact, the arrival of the Three Worlds cultivators would have a natural foothold, and such a prosperous place, ranking high across All Phenomena Ocean, meant that the Three Worlds cultivators coming from Jade Conch would effectively reach the top, never having to worry about cultivation resources in the future—merely focusing on cultivation to continually enhance their cultivation and strengthen their respective domains.

But now, Unparalleled Island had changed hands, and even its name had been altered, leaving little to discuss regarding the future.

Having mingled in All Phenomena Ocean for so many years, Tang Jun had become a seasoned hand and naturally understood how difficult it was for ordinary cultivators to establish themselves there. Even with the Three Worlds cultivators allied, they lacked sufficient strength on the Moon Jade level, suggesting that future days might prove harsh; capturing Spirit Island would be a challenge, occupying desolate islands would have little significance, and the notion of the Three Worlds' many cultivators merely handling chores to earn spirit jade was hardly appealing.

Reflecting on this, he felt a bit relieved that only a hundred from his domain had come.

"Unparalleled Island is gone, so be it; as long as we're alive," Lu Ye remarked.

Tang Jun was visibly surprised: "Do you not hold me accountable for my poor performance in battle?"

Lu Ye found it odd: "They had greater strength, and you were simply a stone against an egg; surviving is already commendable; you could hardly expect to drive them all away. That's unrealistic."

Moreover, Lu Ye wasn't even present during the great battle, contributing not even an ounce of effort, leaving him unqualified to reproach those who risked their lives despite nearly losing them.

Tang Jun stared deeply at him, and after quite some time, chuckled: "Old habits die hard; I've been rather foolish; you, the younger one, see far clearer than I! Such regret!"

Lu Ye asked, "What's troubling you?"

Tang Jun lamented, "If I had known you held such thoughts, I wouldn't have resisted so fiercely; in the end, it served no purpose and only caused the Island Master to lose all years of profitability!"

Had there been no desperate struggle earlier, their enemies likely wouldn't have harbored killing intent, and there wouldn't have been the incident of Chu Shen offering spirit jade to purchase their lives.

Thus, even if Unparalleled Island were lost, they would likely have preserved at least sixty million of profits.

That whopping sum of sixty million... Tang Jun had never witnessed such an amount of spirit jade in his lifetime. Every time he thought of losing so much spirit jade due to his stubbornness, his heart ached.

Lu Ye raised his hand and patted his shoulder: "As long as we're alive, everything is still possible; spirit jade can be earned again in the future. When you're older, be at peace, live a bit calmer, don't let thoughts burden you, or you might cut your life short!"

Tang Jun's expression was quickly one of feigned outrage: "Don't use that father lecturing son tone with me; I'm old enough to be your ancestor; show some respect!"

Despite his words, Tang Jun's melancholic demeanor seemed considerably relieved.

Chapter 1626 - Watching Him Build His Tower

Unparalleled Island was lost, and the hardest thing Tang Jun had to face was Lu Ye. Now seeing that Lu Ye seemed unconcerned about the loss of Unparalleled Island, Tang Jun suddenly felt much relieved.

His heart secretly shocked, Li Taibai's temperament was truly remarkable. One must know that it was a top-class Spirit Island that even Sun Blaze coveted, yet it was forcibly occupied by someone, and he didn't seem to care at all. Such temperament was not something a young person like him could possess.

In comparison, he, the old man, seemed more like a reckless youngster.

Lu Ye stood up and stretched lazily, then spoke: "So let's go? I doubt that you'd want to spend your twilight years here, would you?"

Cheling World wouldn't let them stay here forever. The fact that they could come to Cheling World to recuperate was entirely thanks to Chu Shen. Now that Tang Jun and the others' injuries had mostly healed, even if Lu Ye hadn't come, they wouldn't stay here for long.

Tang Jun packed up his fishing rod, patted his backside: "Let's go!"

Chu Shen tried to persuade: "Big brother, why not stay a while longer? I haven't had the chance to properly welcome you yet."

Rare was the occasion for his big brother to visit; he couldn't let it pass without some gesture.

Lu Ye shook his head: "Hundreds from the Three Worlds are waiting in All Phenomena Ocean with no place to settle. I must return to tend to them. I'll come back if there's another opportunity."

Upon hearing this, Chu Shen no longer insisted, nodding: "Then big brother, you must visit often! Let me see you off."

Soon, several figures soared into the sky, heading straight beyond the domain.

Outside Cheling World, Chu Shen stopped in his tracks, looking a bit reluctant: "Big brother, I'll see you off until here."

Lu Ye looked at him: "Cultivate well, we will reunite someday."

Chu Shen clenched his fist, his expression steadfast: "Big brother rest assured, I will surely cultivate well. Whatever we lost this time, I will personally retrieve it and return it to big brother!"

He used to pride himself on his outstanding aptitude, relying on Jiu Yan as his backing, and only sought to live carefreely. Otherwise, he wouldn't have run away from home several times. But after the Unparalleled Island incident, Chu Shen realized that even if his mother was Sun Blaze, relying on others was never as good as relying on his own strength.

After withdrawing from Unparalleled Island and returning to Cheling World, he developed an unprecedented desire to become stronger!

Lu Ye patted his shoulder: "Some things need not be forced; just be true to yourself. As the saying goes..." He paused in thought, then turned to look towards the direction of All Phenomena Ocean: "Just watch him build the tall tower, watch him host the guests, and see how the tower crumbles over time!"

Chu Shen was a bit confused.

Lu Ye didn't explain further, just said: "Unparalleled Island in your hands, versus someone else's hands, is not necessarily the same thing! Of course, we should remember this grudge, and seize the opportunity for revenge one day."

Unparalleled Island was lost, let it be lost. Outsiders perceive it as a top-class Spirit Island, but only Lu Ye truly understands its real condition. As long as he takes the Small Constellation Palace from beneath Unparalleled Island, it won't be long before Unparalleled Island will revert to its original state.

After all, fundamentally, Unparalleled Island is just a barren island, not a Spirit Island in the true sense. Without the Small Constellation Palace's effect of reversing the seawater, it shouldn't last long.

However, the profits Unparalleled Island has generated in recent years, Lu Ye cannot ignore, as after all, it's sixty million spirit jade, and he intends to claim half of it.

Lu Ye and the others left, while Chu Shen stood and watched until their figures vanished from view. Only then did he resolve, turning back to Cheling World.

He must quickly become stronger, never again experiencing such humiliation and helplessness!

In the stellar space, the starboat moved forward.

Lu Ye turned to the few ladies and asked: "What plans do you have for the future, fellow sisters?"

Previously, when Lu Ye transformed into Fa Wuzun, the few ladies had interacted with him, fighting alongside him in the Constellation Palace. After the Constellation Palace closed, Chu Shen found them, forming them into a squad to advance and retreat together.

Now Chu Shen remained in Cheling World to cultivate, but they couldn't stay here and had to leave with Lu Ye.

So Lu Ye had to ask about their plans. If they were willing to continue following him, Lu Ye wouldn't mind keeping them, as they had already proven their courage and loyalty during the battle for Unparalleled Island.

Of course, if they had other thoughts, Lu Ye wouldn't hinder them.

The ladies exchanged glances, clearly they had already made their decision. Cai Xing spoke: "We wish to follow you, senior brother, and hope you will take us in!"

Though they all had risen to Constellation Mid-Stage, they hailed from minor domains. Such cultivation, such background, held little competitive power across All Phenomena Ocean. Even their beautiful appearance didn't hold much attraction for true cultivators.

Back in the day, if Chu Shen hadn't found and integrated them into a team, allowing them to enjoy years of prosperity on Unparalleled Island, they wouldn't have risen to Constellation Mid-Stage so quickly.

Now Unparalleled Island is gone, Chu Shen remains in Cheling World, besides relying on Lu Ye, they truly have nowhere else to go; they certainly couldn't wander aimlessly on All Phenomena Ocean.

Moreover, they weren't fools. Over the years, through some clues, especially Chu Shen's attitude and references to Lu Ye, the ladies faintly sensed that Lu Ye might just be the legendary Fa Wuzun!

Towards Fa Wuzun, they held great respect, providing them a reason to follow.

Perhaps there was an exception... Little Dumb might not have noticed that Lu Ye is Fa Wuzun; she always appeared somewhat simple-minded.

Lu Ye said: "If that's the case, then you shall follow me."

Anyway, there were hundreds of cultivators from the Three Worlds, a few extra wouldn't be too much. Moreover, they were somewhat familiar with Old Tang, so when the time comes for them to mingle with the cultivators from the Three Worlds, there shouldn't be too much foreignness.

Moreover, the Three Worlds cultivators are new arrivals, and people like Cai Xing are undoubtedly more familiar with the All Phenomena Ocean. With their help, the Three Worlds cultivators can integrate into the larger environment of the All Phenomena Ocean more quickly.

After all, Old Tang is Moon Jade, so it's impossible for him to worry about everything.

As they were speaking, a streak of light suddenly shot out from the side, heading straight for the starboat.

Lu Ye sensed a familiar aura, frowned, and looked in that direction, wondering what this woman was up to.

The streak of light quickly approached, and just as it was about to collide with Lu Ye, he dodged to the side and swung a hand chop down.

The visitor's eyes flashed with a hint of anger. She had clearly shown herself to be severely injured, yet Li Taibai this guy was so insensitive, taking the opportunity to strike her heavily; she almost couldn't resist counterattacking.

Fortunately, at the crucial moment, she forcibly suppressed the thought in her heart, allowing Lu Ye's hand chop to hit her waist.

A miserable scream rang out, and the starboat suddenly had a new passenger, who was coughing up blood.

Little Crooked exclaimed, "Specter Sister, what happened to you?"

Immediately bending down to help her up.

Specter lay with a pale face in Little Crooked's arms, her soft heroism slightly distorted by her head, she spat another mouthful of blood, and looked pitifully at Lu Ye: "Li Taibai... I'm not going to make it!"

Lu Ye focused on her, frowning secretly.

It's certain that Specter's injuries are fake because there's no way things are so coincidental that she'd encounter them right after leaving Cheling World, yet Lu Ye looked her over again and again and couldn't detect any signs of disguise.

The injuries seemed just like real ones! Moreover... what in the world is this woman trying to do?

He spoke indifferently, "There's a desolate planet over there, I'll dig a grave for you. Is there anything valuable you'd like to bring out first to avoid wasting it?"

Little Dumb and the others were dumbfounded.

Specter felt that Li Taibai was simply heartless, truly the most malicious person in the world. Forcibly suppressing her anger, she gasped weakly, "I have nothing, pure and clean. Li Taibai, after I die, help me pass a message to Bai Lu... tell her I can't see her anymore."

Upon mentioning Bai Lu, Lu Ye suddenly realized what she was waiting for!

Bai Lu and she are truly inseparable sisters; if she dies, Bai Lu would have no good fate – surely following her in death.

Previously, Specter asked Lu Ye to send her to Merfolk Territory, but Lu Ye ignored her, and then Specter left. Lu Ye was a bit surprised at the time; since when was Specter so agreeable?

Now it seems Specter isn't agreeable, she has other plans.

This woman is obviously using this method to force Lu Ye, telling him that if she dies, Bai Lu won't survive either.

Lu Ye lowered his gaze slightly, squinting at Specter, who helplessly and pitifully looked back, the light in her eyes seemed to be dimming, as if it might go out any moment.



Little Crooked, who was holding her, was crying, tears streaming down, pleading with Lu Ye, "Brother, save Sister Specter!"

The other girls also looked sad; although they hadn't interacted much with Specter, they had worked together on Unparalleled Island, and now seeing Specter severely injured for unknown reasons, about to die, each felt bitter in their hearts.

Of course, Lu Ye knew Specter wouldn't die.

But thinking carefully, if he doesn't send her to Merfolk Territory, in case she does something reckless outside, it would still involve Bai Lu.

Sending her to Merfolk Territory at least ensures her safety!

"Promise me, Li Taibai, it's my last wish, do you really want to refuse such a small request?" Specter's voice quivered, filled with the accusation of blood and tears.

Little Crooked and the others didn't know who Bai Lu was, but at this moment felt that Bai Lu must be the most important person to Specter, and Lu Ye also knew her.

All looked at Lu Ye expectantly, hoping he'd agree.

Lu Ye said coldly, "You can say it yourself, I won't agree to this!"

Little Crooked and the others were extremely disappointed.

But upon hearing this, Specter wiped her mouth, gleefully standing up from Little Crooked's arms, excitedly saying, "Alright, alright, when are we going?"

The group of women looked dumbfounded, even Old Tang's eye twitched for a moment.

Little Crooked hesitated, "Specter Sister, you're alright?"

Specter breezily said, "I don't know why... after hearing Li Taibai's words, my injuries suddenly healed."

"You come with me!" Lu Ye was too lazy to listen to her nonsense, reached out to grab her neck, and lifted her out of the starboat.

At the same time, transmitted audio to Tang Jun: "Old Tang, you take them to the All Phenomena Ocean first, I'll catch up with you later."

Chapter 1627 - Yann Miao's Request

A spectral figure wrenched itself from Lu Ye's grasp, irritatedly saying, "I'm a Moon Jade, you know, stop with the hands! Or I'll hit you!"

Once they were fellow Constellations and not opponents, but now her powers surpassed Lu Ye's; to be carried like this... What kind of decorum was this?

The two figures flew side by side towards a nearby desolate planet.

Moments later, in a secluded spot, Lu Ye took out his conch and gently blew it.

The specter stared unblinkingly, seemingly tempted, probably contemplating whether to snatch that conch...

Having stayed in the Merfolk Territory for such a long time, she naturally knew where this conch came from. Over there, the Merfolk Race has a Divine Conch Hall, considered an extremely peculiar secret realm that anyone can enter, offering a chance to obtain a personal conch.

She had gone in once before, thinking it would be some sort of combat-based test, but who would have thought that the test inside the Divine Conch Hall was actually about musical performance...

As a Ghost Cultivator, she knew nothing of music, so her reluctant performance didn't yield any great results.

Indeed, she received a conch, which Bai Lu said was a Spirit Jade Conch, meaning it could be used as a spirit jade.

However, the specter only obtained the lowest grade Spirit Jade Conch, which, when carried, absorbs stellar space energy from its surroundings and stores it inside, for a cultivator to refine and absorb as needed.

But because the specter's Spirit Jade Conch was of such low quality, it could only be used once every ten to fifteen days. In other words, it took that long to absorb enough stellar space energy to equal a piece of spirit jade, which was barely useful!

The Merfolk have high-quality Spirit Jade Conchs, which are the true treasures and can be used almost daily.

Besides Spirit Jade Conchs, there are Spirit Crystal Conchs, which Moon Jade can use for cultivation.

Undoubtedly, Lu Ye's conch also came from the Divine Conch Hall, with the mystical ability to connect and open a portal to it, greatly tempting the specter.

If she could snatch this conch, she wouldn't have to depend on Lu Ye's whims anymore, and could visit the Merfolk Territory whenever she wished.

But on second thought, she dismissed the idea. Not to mention she had fought Lu Ye before and knew he was formidable, there's also the relationship with the Merfolk to consider; clearly, they are closer to Lu Ye.

Even if she did take the conch, if the Merfolk Race ended up disliking her because of it, it wouldn't be worth it.

The conch's sound rippled, mystical powers surged, and a portal appeared before them.

The specter, without waiting for Lu Ye's invitation, dove in headfirst, looking impatient.

Lu Ye followed closely behind.

Outside the familiar Divine Conch Hall, as soon as Lu Ye appeared, he immediately sensed a familiar presence rushing towards him.

Sure enough, in no time at all, Bai Lu's figure came into view. Compared to a few years back, she hadn't changed much. She was still that stunning figure with a human body and fish tail; apparently feeling quite excited as she gracefully swayed her fish tail, looking at Lu Ye with delight: "Li Taibai, you're back?"

Before leaving the All Phenomena Ocean, Lu Ye had specifically come to inform the Merfolk Race, so Bai Lu knew it would take him considerable time to make this round trip. She had been waiting, and unexpectedly sensed familiar fluctuations from the Divine Conch Hall today, and upon checking, it was indeed Lu Ye's return.

Lu Ye nodded: "I've returned."

Beside him, the specter was indignant: "I came back too, why didn't you greet me? And to think we're life and death sisters!"

Back when Bai Lu connected their lives so they were tied together, she was somewhat uncomfortable, but ever since cultivating with Bai Lu and experiencing the joy of rapidly increasing power, she had no other thoughts.

Otherwise, she wouldn't have asked Lu Ye to bring her back this time either.

As for the All Phenomena Ocean, what was so great about it? The Merfolk Territory is the true sacred land of cultivation; here, they have people and resources, she just needs to focus on cultivating. The specter believed that, with this cultivation method, she'd sooner or later advance to Sun Blaze, saving an unknown amount of cultivation time.

Bai Lu smiled gently, greeting: "Sister Specter is here too."

The specter, with an angry face: "'Too?' As if I'm just Li Taibai's sidekick..."

She really couldn't understand what was so good about this man that made everyone in the Merfolk Race, from top to bottom, hold him in such high regard.

Bai Lu then looked at Lu Ye: "Was the journey smooth?"

"Quite smooth, though with a few twists, but nothing major," Lu Ye replied, "Specter came to find you, so I brought her over. Just got back from the All Phenomena Ocean, with countless things to attend to; I'll head back first, and visit again another day."

Although Bai Lu was reluctant, she did not stop him. She was about to say something when a voice came from beside her: "Fellow Daoist, don't be in such a hurry to leave."

Lu Ye turned his head and saw Great Elder Yann Miao approaching from that direction.

"Great Elder!" Lu Ye nodded in greeting.

Yann Miao came up to Lu Ye and said, "Fellow Daoist, don't be in a rush to leave. I have some matters I would like to trouble you with."

"Please go ahead, Great Elder."

Yann Miao didn't speak directly but glanced at the specter beside her: "Fellow Daoist Specter, please take a rest for now."

The specter realized that what Yann Miao was about to say might not be suitable for her to hear, but she didn't mind; everyone has things they prefer not to reveal to others. She spoke briefly to Bai Lu and then turned away.

In terms of familiarity with the Royal Conch Palace, she was even more knowledgeable than Lu Ye; it had practically become her second home.

After the specter left, Lu Ye finally spoke: "Great Elder, if you have any matters, feel free to speak openly. If it is within my ability, I will not refuse."

Yann Miao smiled slightly: "Then I'll get straight to the point. I hope you can take a few of our clan members to the Divine Temple." Saying this, she glanced at Bai Lu, implying that she was also one of the members involved.

The Divine Temple Yann Miao mentioned was the Constellation Palace, which Lu Ye naturally knew. Although the Constellation Palace and the merfolk both existed in the depths of the All Phenomena Ocean, and the distance was not too far, the Merfolk Race knew very little about it. They usually couldn't enter the Constellation Palace; they could only enter during the period when it was open.

Currently, the Constellation Palace wasn't open, and only Lu Ye could push open its gates. So, if they wanted to enter the Divine Temple, they could only rely on Lu Ye for help.

Before Lu Ye could ask, Yann Miao took the initiative to explain: "I heard from Fellow Daoist Specter that she previously left her name in the Divine Temple and gained the opportunity to be promoted to Moon Jade. It seems that there are some benefits to being promoted to Moon Jade within the Divine Temple."

"There is such a saying." Lu Ye nodded. Otherwise, there wouldn't be many seasoned constellations who clearly have the capital for promotion but deliberately suppress their advancement. They were waiting for the Constellation Palace to open, aiming to secure a place and gain the opportunity to advance within the palace.

Lu Ye had encountered several such seasoned constellations in the past, whose strength and foundation were indeed much stronger than ordinary Constellation Late Stage ones.

Advancing from constellation to Moon Jade is a delicate matter, and the process may involve some rare treasures, all of which are extremely precious, much like the Phoenix Sky Blue Crystal. The demand is high, so once they appear, they are snatched away, and many people, even if financially capable, don't get the chance to acquire them.

The Constellation Palace is a very good opportunity, much better than using ordinary treasures.

Lu Ye understood, glancing at Bai Lu: "Is the princess preparing to advance to Moon Jade?"

Just think about it, when Lu Ye met Bai Lu back then, she was already in the Constellation Late Stage. All these years have passed, and the specter has advanced to Moon Jade; how could Bai Lu still be standing in the same place?

Logically speaking, Bai Lu could have attempted the advancement to Moon Jade a few years earlier. However, after hearing some things about the Divine Temple from the specter, she chose to hold back her advancement, hoping to wait for Lu Ye's return and then leverage the power of the Divine Temple.

For Bai Lu, this is a great opportunity, so even waiting a few more years doesn't matter.

Great Elder Yann Miao said: "Besides the princess, there are two other clan members who also have the capital to advance to Moon Jade."

"No problem." Lu Ye readily agreed, but for the sake of caution, he clarified: "Great Elder, the Divine Temple that the specter entered is actually just a projection outside the Divine Temple. I'm not sure what kind of mysterious power it possesses to assist the advancement from constellation, nor do I know if the real Divine Temple has this mysterious power. So sending the princess and the others there is fine, but whether it will succeed, we'll have to see."

"I've considered that as well. However, since it's an opportunity, we can't let it slip by. If it succeeds, that's great; if not, there's no loss."

That statement is quite true. There's really no loss in trying, and if it proves useful, then it'll be a great option for the Merfolk Race's constellations to advance to Moon Jade in the future.

Lu Ye also wanted to know the result because within the Nine Provinces, many constellations will ultimately need to advance to Moon Jade.

As for himself... he had also considered advancing to Moon Jade in the Constellation Palace before, but after learning some of the mysteries involved in the process, he realized that for his advancement to Moon Jade, the assistance of the Constellation Palace was irrelevant; he could advance anywhere without relying on it.

"Can the Great Elder provide something to bear the weight?" Lu Ye spoke again.

Yann Miao asked: "What kind of object is needed?"

Lu Ye took out his conch and explained: "While my conch can open the portal to the front of the Divine Conch Hall, there are actually many limitations. This portal can't be maintained for very long; it will dissipate when time is up, or if I return through it, it will dissipate whether the time is up or not. Therefore, there isn't enough time for me to take you to the Divine Temple and come back."

Yann Miao instantly understood. The journey to the Divine Temple takes at least half a day, so going back and forth would take a full day; by then, the portal would have disappeared, and without it, Lu Ye would be trapped here.

She finally understood why Lu Ye always came and went so quickly—the portal had such limitations.

Chapter 1628 - The Pact

Yann Miao wondered, "If that's the case, wouldn't it mean we can never go to the Divine Temple?"

Unless Lu Ye didn't plan on returning through the portal.

Lu Ye said, "Besides this limitation, this sea conch of mine has another function, which is to leave a mark in a certain place. This way, the portal will lead to where the mark is left instead of in front of the Divine Conch Hall."

Lu Ye had tried this long ago; previously, he left a mark inside the Constellation Palace, and the portal led there. If no mark was left, the portal would lead to this place.



The mark has a time limit, but it's quite long, lasting several months at least. Moreover, the mark left can be erased using the sea conch. Last time, before leaving the Constellation Palace, he erased the mark with his sea conch to facilitate future travels to the Merfolk Territory.

Yann Miao understood, "So Fellow Daoist wishes to find something to bear the mark, let us take that object to the Divine Temple, and then you can open the portal and come to open the temple."

"Exactly!" Lu Ye nodded.

He had considered what to do if he wanted to go to the Constellation Palace in the future. Due to the time limit of the sea conch portal, he could only go to either the Merfolk Territory or the Constellation Palace. But if he used an object to bear the mark, he could go to the Constellation Palace.

Yann Miao thought for a moment and took out an item from the storage ring: "Do you think this will work?"

It looked like a jade tablet, about the size of a table. However, the thing Yann Miao took out was no ordinary jade tablet. As soon as it appeared, the surrounding temperature dropped sharply, the chill was piercing.

No one knew where Yann Miao found this item.

"Only by trying can we know." Lu Ye took his sea conch, channeled spirit force into it, and pressed it onto the icy jade tablet like stamping a seal. A sea conch pattern appeared on the smooth surface, but it quickly vanished.

Yann Miao showed a look of disappointment, thinking it had failed.

But in Lu Ye's perception, although the sea conch mark had disappeared, it still existed, only...

The mark seemed to be fading.

This was different from when he left a mark inside the Constellation Palace, where there was no such sign.

It appears that the material bearing the sea conch mark affects its duration. This icy jade tablet is no ordinary object; it should be a treasure and naturally influences the sea conch mark left on it.

Silently estimating the fading speed of the sea conch mark, it seemed to be able to last for some time without issue.

"This will work," Lu Ye said. "Just to be safe, Great Elder, please don't put this item back into your storage ring. Also, after using this sea conch once, I can only use it again in seven days, so in seven days, kindly wait for me outside the Divine Temple."

"Understood, I will take them to the Divine Temple in seven days," Yann Miao agreed.

Once everything was settled, Lu Ye passed through the portal back to the desolate planet, and the portal disappeared once his figure reappeared.

He summoned the starboat and set off in the direction of All Phenomena Ocean. Having just returned, he had not yet understood the matter of Unparalleled Island. Now, after learning the cause and course of events from Chu Shen, he naturally had to retrieve the Small Constellation Palace!

That was the true foundation of Unparalleled Island. The Celestial Flames only thought they had snatched a top-class Spirit Island, reveling in their joy, unaware of how they would feel once he retrieved the Small Constellation Palace, and after Unparalleled Island fell silent again.

Old Tang and the others had already departed, leaving no worries about connecting with the Three Worlds people. Among those who came from Qingli Dao World was Tang Xiaoyue, whom Old Tang found easy to contact.

After several days of rushing, he finally returned to All Phenomena Ocean, continuing to fly leisurely until he landed on a barren island.

This place was quite remote, with few cultivators passing through.

Lu Ye waited for a while, seizing a moment when no one was watching, and first condensed a doppelganger to guard the place while his true self plunged into All Phenomena Ocean.

He activated the power of the Talent Tree, allowing the vast and surging energy in the seawater to uncontrollably invade his physical body. The burning leaves of the Talent Tree shone even brighter, releasing clouds of gray mist.

Having not entered All Phenomena Ocean for a long time, it was time to cultivate here to enhance his foundation to the Peak Constellation.

Though he was currently at the late stage of the Constellation, there was still a gap to the peak.

The Insight Spirit Runes enhanced his sight, allowing Lu Ye to see faintly even in the deep, dark sea, provided the distance wasn't too far.

An entire Shichen later, Lu Ye finally reached the bottom of Unparalleled Island. Previously, when Unparalleled Island was desolate with few visitors, Lu Ye could easily find a place to enter the sea without being discovered. Now it was different; Unparalleled Island was bustling, so he had chosen a spot far from it to enter the sea.

He found the place where he had installed the Small Constellation Palace long ago, and it remained securely there.

No one dared to venture into the depths of All Phenomena Ocean; this shallow spot was frequented only by spirit fish like the White Spirit, while other star beasts in All Phenomena Ocean activity primarily in the deep sea.

Thus far, cultivators have never known that beneath the Vientiane Sea there are so many precious spirit fish star beasts; the world thought there were only White Spirits in the Vientiane Sea.

Lu Ye reached out and grabbed the Small Constellation Palace, put it away, and returned the same way without looking back.

After another two hours, under the supervision of his doppelganger, the original returned from the sea.

A short while later, Lu Ye established contact with the Three Realms cultivators and rushed over to meet them.

He soon arrived on a desolate island.

Tang Jun, along with several female cultivators, had already arrived here, but at this moment, the number of cultivators remaining on the island was not many—out of nearly three hundred people, only fifty stayed on this island, while the others had all disappeared.

Coming from a remote place like the Nine Provinces to a place like the Vientiane Sea, the group of cultivators from Nine Provinces felt like country folks entering the city, finding everything novel; previously, when Lu Ye left, he instructed everyone to first acquaint themselves with the Vientiane Sea, so during this period, they grouped up to explore.

Those who stayed were all mature and steady individuals, like the sect master and others.

Seeing Lu Ye return, the group immediately gathered around as if they had found their backbone. Honestly speaking, when Lu Ye was absent, everyone felt unsure in their hearts; only upon coming here did they realize the weakness of their own star system—looking across the Vientiane Sea, the overall strength of Jade Conch Constellation, even if not at the bottom, was far from reaching the average.

Thankfully, there was still Luan Xiao'e; her Late Stage Moon Jade presence gave some sense of assurance.

Yet, to stand firm in the Vientiane Sea, relying solely on one Late Stage Moon Jade is useless; others have four to five Moon Jades, and they only have two when counting Tang Jun.

From Tang Jun, everyone had already learned the whole story of the Unparalleled Island incident. Although feeling upset in their hearts, knowing that a top-class Spirit Island was snatched away, they understood that in the cultivation world, the one with the bigger fist speaks; losing it was due to inadequate strength.

Nobody mentioned anything about revenge because it wasn't realistic, yet everyone kept this matter in mind, ready to repay it given the opportunity in the future.

"You said your name is Li Taibai?" Tang Jun questioned Lu Ye right away.

He felt betrayed after knowing Lu Ye for so many years, wandering and relying on each other, believing they were genuinely close, never imagining that Lu Ye's name and origin were fake!

It wasn't until meeting with the Three Realms cultivators this time that he learned Li Taibai wasn't Li Taibai, but Lu Yiye!

Tang Jun was deeply hurt inside.

Lu Ye calmly said, "When traveling, one must be cautious; Li Taibai is another name I use. You know me as a person, what does the name matter?"

Tang Jun was momentarily speechless, vaguely convinced but felt something was amiss.

Some cultivators from the Nine Provinces also had strange expressions, eyeing Lu Ye.

Because back then, a Li Taibai emerged in the Nine Provinces, paired with Lu Yiye as the Twin Prides of Bingzhou. The Ten Thousand Demons Ridge held great expectations for Li Taibai, hoping he could outshine Lu Yiye.

Unexpectedly, Li Taibai suddenly vanished without a trace! At that time, some God Seas from Ten Thousand Demons Ridge tried to find him but never succeeded, ultimately concluding that Li Taibai was killed by someone from the Haotian Alliance.

Now they realize, Li Taibai is indeed Lu Yiye, and Lu Yiye is Li Taibai—the so-called Twin Prides of Bingzhou is actually one person!

Truly astonishing, for when the name Twin Prides of Bingzhou emerged, Lu Ye was merely in the True Lake stage, yet he fooled countless God Seas from both camps.

Moreover, according to the clues they gathered, Twin Prides of Bingzhou had appeared simultaneously on occasions, even jointly killing Insect Race; it's unclear how Lu Yiye managed such feats.

However, thinking back, the Nine Provinces were pacified because of him, rose because of him, and thanks to him, many cultivators could come to this flourishing land of myriad phenomena.

Such a character cannot be viewed lightly, naturally capable of extraordinary feats.

Luan Xiao'e didn't quite understand the twists, but discerning the meaning in the words, she knew Tang Jun was fooled by Lu Ye. Smiling slightly, she veered off the topic: "Junior Brother, do you think this island is suitable?"

When Lu Ye departed to the Cheling World, he instructed Luan Xiao'e to find a desolate island, with no other requirements but being large enough.

Thus, they found this desolate island.

Indeed, it is large enough, more than three times the size of Unparalleled Island; it's still not the largest desolate island, but many other desolate islands have been occupied by cultivators here. Since this one was unoccupied, it's been temporarily claimed by the Three Realms cultivators.

"It's suitable!" Lu Ye nodded.

Upon arriving, he specially observed this desolate island and deemed it quite suitable to his requirements. Too large isn't good as the expense to set up the protective array would be significant; this scale is barely acceptable within range.

Chapter 1629 - Claiming Territory

"What should we do next?" Luan Xiao'e asked again, "I heard there's a recruitment island here, with lots of opportunities to earn spirit jade. Should we send some people over?"

Although everyone brought some spirit jade from their respective domains when they departed, cultivation requires ongoing expenses, and most people have little spirit jade left now. Without spirit jade, cultivators cannot practice cultivation, which is unacceptable.

So Luan Xiao'e considered whether to send some people to the recruitment island to try their luck, at least to ensure the Three Worlds cultivators' daily cultivation.

The All Phenomena Ocean is indeed prosperous, bustling with crowds and varied scenes. However, there's a significant downside that cannot be ignored—cultivators find it challenging to acquire spirit jade here.

In the Jade Conch Galaxy, when cultivators run out of spirit jade, they can venture into the stellar space to search. But in the All Phenomena Ocean...where can one find spirit jade?

It's possible to leave the All Phenomena Ocean and search within the All Phenomena Galaxy, but it's not a safe option. You might end up losing your life before finding any spirit jade.

Though we haven't been here long, the Three Worlds cultivators have already experienced the cruelty here. Those with skills can thrive, while the unskilled can only struggle at the bottom.

Every cultivator who comes to the All Phenomena Ocean is chasing dreams; some realize their dreams while others eventually leave in disappointment.

"No going to the recruitment island!" Lu Ye shook his head; he knows the situation at the recruitment island better than Luan Xiao'e. Although you can earn some spirit jade there, it requires a lot of time and effort, and many commissions entail risks. The Three Worlds cultivators are already relatively weak as a group; now they should stick together instead of scattering.

He looked around and said, "Let's set up a big formation first."

Having occupied this desolate island, it's time to declare sovereignty by setting up a formation, letting others know this island already has an owner!

This is a common practice among many forces that fail to occupy a spirit island—this way, their cultivators have a private space for activities, and outsiders won't come to disturb them. Otherwise, it would be a declaration of war.

A desolate island not covered by a formation is unclaimed land; anyone can come over.

Luan Xiao'e was somewhat concerned: "This island is not small and is just a desolate island. Would setting up a formation now be too wasteful?"

The Three Worlds cultivators already don't have much spirit jade, and setting up a formation will definitely involve expenses, leaving everyone with even less spirit jade.

Lu Ye couldn't explain the truth; he couldn't tell Luan Xiao'e that this desolate island would certainly become a spirit island in the future. He could only explain: "Setting up a formation can reduce troubles; otherwise, if other forces covet this desolate island, conflicts may arise. As for expenses... we can set up a simple formation; the cost won't be too high."

Luan Xiao'e thought for a moment and nodded: "Then let's go with your idea." She turned to the side, looking at Tang Jun: "Fellow Daoist Tang, what's your opinion?"

Old Tang didn't care: "Li... however Lu Yiye says, this old man does. Following him can't go wrong."

No matter how much older than Lu Ye, since coming to All Phenomena Ocean, he has realized some places don't accommodate age or high cultivation.

He used to think that as a Moon Jade, he could easily find decent employment, but he ended up wandering on the All Phenomena Ocean with no one to hire him. If it weren't for Lu Ye letting him join Unparalleled Island, he would still be drifting on the All Phenomena Ocean.



Tang Jun understood that Lu Yiye, though young and not highly cultivated, had skills far beyond his own.

Later, even figuring out how to return to Jade Conch, was managed by him, and he personally brought a group back!

Tang Jun admitted he wasn't as capable; without Lu Ye, he'd never see Jade Conch Galaxy people again.

Following him is undoubtedly right.

Tang Jun's attitude undoubtedly surprised Luan Xiao'e. After all, Old Tang is also a Moon Jade, one of the only two Moon Jades in the Three Worlds, yet he is so indecisive...

Reflecting on this journey, she realized her own pride had been gradually worn down. Though a top-notch Late Stage Moon Jade in Jade Conch Galaxy, besides cultivation, she seemed to have nothing impressive here.

She intended to care for the Three Worlds cultivators, but ultimately ended up being the one cared for; without Lu Ye, the battle outside Indeterminate Galaxy against the Insect Race and Blood Race would have annihilated the Three Worlds cultivators, her Late Stage Moon Jade would not have survived.

Unbeknownst to her, she found herself relying on this young man; otherwise, she wouldn't have sought his opinion.

Logically, as the strongest in cultivation among the Three Worlds, she should have the final say in all matters!

The decision to first set up a formation and claim territory was settled; the three of them each sent messages, recalling some cultivators skilled in formation techniques. Lu Ye and the two Moon Jades spent half the day studying, finally determining the method of setting up the formation.

Due to limited resources, there weren't many requirements for this formation; it just needed to cover the whole desolate island. As for the formation's strength... we'll disregard it for now; this desolate island likely won't be attacked.

As resources become ample in the future, the formation can be improved gradually.

Tang Jun had extensive knowledge of formations, with greater expertise in the Array Path than Lu Ye—after all, he has lived many years...

Lu Ye's cultivation in the Array Path mainly came from the Hundred Arrays Pagoda in Nine Provinces, still at the Divine Sea Realm level.

A few years ago, when the formation was set up on Unparalleled Island, it was hosted by Tang Jun. Doing it again now, naturally, is a familiar process.

All cultivators involved in the Array Path in the Three Worlds have been recalled, and the entire deserted island is bustling with activity. Lu Ye didn't participate; he just made a few requests and left. Although participating in such an array setup could teach a lot, he had other matters to attend to at this time.

Setting up the formation and claiming the territory is not an issue; in the future, the Three Worlds cultivators will have a foothold in the All Phenomena Ocean. However, this is not enough. There must be a source of spirit jade, so that the cultivation of the Three Worlds cultivators is not hindered by worries.

Yet in this All Phenomena Ocean, cultivators without roots find it difficult to earn spirit jade. Besides Zhaolai Island, there's really no other good place to go.

Lu Ye did not go to Zhaolai Island but instead took a trip to Unparalleled Island, now known as Celestial Flames Island.

But before that, Lu Ye seized an opportunity and entered the All Phenomena Ocean, then placed the Small Constellation Palace beneath the deserted island.

Having had the experience of transforming Unparalleled Island into a Spirit Island, Lu Ye had a general understanding of the capabilities of the Small Constellation Palace. Therefore, this time he merely placed it without adjusting its powers.

Since the deserted island occupied by the Three Worlds cultivators now is three times larger than Unparalleled Island, even with the same capabilities, the transformation speed is much slower than on Unparalleled Island.

If it transforms too quickly, it might attract others' attention and stir up trouble. Slowing it down could also give the Three Worlds cultivators more time to familiarize themselves with the All Phenomena Ocean.

If needed in the future, adjustments can be made to the Small Constellation Palace to enhance or weaken its capabilities.

Once the Small Constellation Palace was securely placed, ensuring it was lodged in a hidden place beneath the deserted island, unaffected by fish, Lu Ye proceeded to Tianyan Island.

Compared to his previous visit, the popularity of Celestial Flames has not diminished but rather increased, seemingly more bustling than his last visit.

Lu Ye followed his memory to a shopfront, and upon looking up, he frowned because the shop's sign was changed; it was no longer the "Good Pills" shop. Inside, he found it had become a store selling magic treasures.

Undoubtedly, Hua Qianying's shop had been reclaimed by Tianyan Island, and Hua Qianying had left.

Lu Ye took out an audio talisman to try and contact her, but found he couldn't get through at all.

Thinking it over, he left Celestial Flames Island and flew directly toward All Phenomena Island. Back then, Hua Qianying set up a stall selling pills at the flea market on All Phenomena Island. Now that she left Celestial Flames Island, she would most likely return to All Phenomena Island.

When Lu Ye arrived at All Phenomena Island, he headed straight to the flea market, attempting once more to contact Hua Qianying via audio talisman.

Once again, he found no success and couldn't find any trace of Hua Qianying in the flea market.

This naturally left him a bit disappointed. The reason he had recruited Hua Qianying from the flea market to Unparalleled Island back then was because he valued her Alchemy skills, hoping to create a good connection. When the day came to bring his Second Senior Sister and Hua Ci over, he thought he could seek her guidance.

Now, with the Second Senior Sister and Hua Ci here, Hua Qianying is missing, truly a twist of fate.

If he had known, he would have mentioned it when he last saw Hua Qianying. However, at that time, Lu Ye was preoccupied with the upheaval on Unparalleled Island and had no other thoughts, never expecting she would be untraceable in just half a month.

In this vast All Phenomena Ocean, if you can reach someone with an audio talisman, it's manageable to find them. But when contact fails, finding someone becomes incredibly difficult.

However, since he was already there, it would be a shame to return empty-handed.

Lu Ye then took another trip to the All Phenomena Merchants Guild and bought some items.

He still had some spirit jade left from his previous trips, some two million remained from when he last left the All Phenomena Ocean, and he had acquired tens of thousands more from Luo Xie's place.

Additionally, he had nearly a million spirit crystals, obtained long ago from the Merfolk Race, never having used them.

Spending tens of thousands of spirit jade wasn't too burdensome for Lu Ye.

Upon his return to the deserted island, Lu Ye found that the formation setup was essentially complete and aligned with his requests, evidently the result of Tang Jun's strict execution.

Luo Xie was also present, speaking with Luan Xiao'e and Tang Jun, his demeanor extremely respectful towards the two Moon Jade cultivators.

Seeing Lu Ye return, Luo Xie smiled slightly, "Young friend!"

"Veteran Luo!" Lu Ye stepped forward and saluted.

"You return just in time. I will be leaving soon, so I came to say farewell."

Luo Xie couldn't stay long in the All Phenomena Ocean. He had wandered here for a few days to experience its supreme beauty. Now, with the time limit approaching, he had no choice but to leave, for staying would invite an attack from the Sun Blaze of the home galaxy.

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Although Luo Xie was a Sun Blaze, from his experiences these days, he felt the gap between himself and other Sun Blaze cultivators. If he really got into trouble with the All Phenomena Galaxy, it wouldn't end well for him.

"Then I wish you a safe journey, Veteran Luo," Lu Ye said.

Considering he was a Sun Blaze, he shouldn't encounter any issues on the way unless he decided against using the Reincarnation Tree's doppelganger to traverse the Mist Dragon.

Luo Xie smiled and said, "Thank you for your kind words." After a brief hesitation, he added, "If you encounter any difficulties here, remember to seek out Zhang Tingyi and Kang Cheng. They won't stand idly by."

This time, the four galaxies each had a Moon Jade Late Stage cultivator come over. Kang Cheng came from Indeterminate, while Zhang Tingyi came from the Daluo Galaxy. Lu Ye had talked with him a bit but was not too familiar.

But as Luo Xie said, if Lu Ye really encountered any difficulties, reaching out to them would result in assistance. The gratitude for saving them was not forgotten, and the Sun Blaze cultivators had remarked it would never be.

Seeing the desolate situation here, Luo Xie felt obliged to give a reminder.

Although the situation in the four galaxies was temporarily similar to Lu Ye's, lacking a suitable foothold, the overall strength of the four galaxies was strong!

Four Moon Jade Late Stage cultivators, accompanied by Constellation Mid-Late Stage cultivators, had acquired many As-Close-As-Siblings Array Discs. Kang Cheng and the others were scouting the All Phenomena Ocean these days, looking for suitable targets. Once they found one, they would initiate an island-capturing battle.

Occupying a Spirit Island at that time wouldn't be much of an issue.

Were it not for the large number of people from the four galaxies, Luo Xie would have considered advising Lu Ye and the others to join them.

However, the four galaxies came with a thousand people. Even if they captured a Spirit Island, they might not be able to accommodate their own people, let alone Lu Ye and his group.

It's not that there's no space, but a Spirit Island's capacity for supporting cultivators is limited. The lower the quality of the Spirit Island, the fewer spots available. Exceeding this limit would reduce cultivation efficiency.

To settle a thousand cultivators from the four galaxies, a low-class Spirit Island wouldn't suffice; they'd need to conquer at least a mid-class Spirit Island.

However, the forces behind a mid-class Spirit Island are quite formidable, so the four galaxies need to find a suitable target before taking action.

"For now, there's no major issue. If real trouble arises, I won't hesitate to seek their help," Lu Ye nodded.

"That's good. I'm off," Luo Xie said, then flew up into the sky and vanished quickly, showing a carefree spirit.

One couldn't help but be carefree; staying was not an option...

A moment later, Tang Jun, snapping back to reality, said, "Kid, the formation is set up exactly as you requested, but this thing's defensive strength is as weak as paper."

Due to low expenditures and the large area covered by the Formation, its defensive strength was indeed negligible; a few Constellation cultivators could easily break it with an attack.

"And why do you need the formation to have isolation effects?" Tang Jun asked skeptically. A formation with isolation effects would block the flow of energy in and out.

Yet, there's no energy flowing into the All Phenomena Ocean.

If it's about preventing internal energy from leaking out, that's even more laughable; this barren island has no trace of stellar space energy.

"Just in case..." Lu Ye replied casually.

"In case of what?" Luan Xiao'e was puzzled.

"In case this barren island comes to life one day?"

Tang Jun couldn't help but snort. Indeed, sometimes barren islands in the All Phenomena Ocean would come to life, but such occurrences were rare, happening once in many years. For example, Unparalleled Island was the most successful case of this, now a top-class Spirit Island.

But there's only one Unparalleled Island... encountering such luck twice would be a daydream.

But it doesn't matter much as setting up the Formation itself didn't cost much.

"What should we do next?" Luan Xiao'e asked again, finding herself becoming increasingly indecisive. When in the Jade Conch World, she was a decisive figure. Now in the All Phenomena Ocean, she relied on a young man inexperienced compared to her.

"Since the place is marked... it needs a name," Lu Ye pondered. "We hail from the Jade Conch Galaxy, so let's call it Jade Conch Island."

Luan Xiao'e was speechless, not understanding what Lu Ye was thinking. He was now considering naming the barren island.

Tang Jun appeared indifferent, thinking that Jade Conch Island was fine, as long as it wasn't called Qingli Island...

"How about Three Worlds Island?" Luan Xiao'e suggested, "We, the Three Worlds cultivators, stand our ground here, face joys and woes together, hoping for a promising future for everyone."

She was a bit nervous about naming it Jade Conch Island...

"Fellow Daoist Luan's suggestion is good, let's call it Three Worlds Island then," Tang Jun agreed.

The island's name was decided, and Lu Ye said, "Then Senior Sister Luan, you will be the First Island Master of Three Worlds Island moving forward, and Old Tang, you'll be the Second Island Master!"

"You're the Third Island Master!" Tang Jun said, looking at him.

Lu Ye was about to suggest someone more esteemed from this world, but reconsidering, although someone else might be more esteemed, he was the most suitable candidate.



The group from the Nine Provinces included those from the Haotian Alliance and Ten Thousand Demons Ridge. Though at their cultivation level, faction divisions were set aside, old imprints remained, making it challenging for anyone else to serve as Third Island Master without contention.

Only he could take the role of Third Island Master without challenge, as his cultivation was indeed the highest among those from the Nine Provinces.

"Next, it's time to establish the foundation for Three Worlds Island," Lu Ye said as he looked at Tang Jun. "Old Tang, you've got the experience in this area. You take charge and follow the plan we used for Unparalleled Island."

Tang Jun had a peculiar expression: "Follow the plan for Unparalleled Island?"

Unparalleled Island was turned into a commercial Spirit Island by Chu Shen, with only a portion of it being the core business area of the island. Most of the Spirit Island was designated for setting up shops.

To think that this desolate island should be organized according to the old plan of Unparalleled Island, Tang Jun really wanted to pry open Lu Ye's head and see what he was thinking.

"Kid, are you really hoping this broken island will come alive?"

"People need dreams; who knows, they might come true someday," Lu Ye replied earnestly.

Tang Jun snorted coldly: "If Three Worlds Island can come alive, I have no problem calling you Grandpa!"

Lu Ye glanced at him leisurely.

He handed over a storage ring to Tang Jun: "Take what's inside; it should be useful."

Tang Jun received it suspiciously, probed it with his Mental Consciousness, and his expression became solemn: "Kid, don't worry. I've always been obedient to you. However you say to do it, that's how we do it!"

Luan Xiao'e watched Tang Jun in shock from the side, unable to fathom what Lu Ye had given him to make Tang Jun's attitude change so abruptly.

Lu Ye walked away to the distance.

After he had left, Tang Jun cheerfully took out a few items from the storage ring, which Luan Xiao'e identified as a few magic treasures!

She couldn't help but sigh, "Fellow Daoist Tang, have some dignity!"

"At your age, how can you be so shameless in front of a young lad like this?"

Tang Jun replied: "You folks in Jade Conch World have grand affairs, but you wouldn't understand the bitterness of us Moon Jade cultivators from small worlds..."

Back then, Lu Ye gave him hundreds of thousands of spirit jade for purchasing magic treasures, which gave him a bit of a foundation. But after the battle at Unparalleled Island, the magic treasures bought with hundreds of thousands of spirit jade were all shattered, leaving him with cultivation but no possessions.

As a magic cultivator, how can one live without magic treasures? But he was broke, and completely incapable of buying any.

Evidently, Lu Ye learned about this from Chu Shen, which is why he gave him these magic treasures.

The source of these magic treasures was Luo Xie, who had traded them for some As-Close-As-Siblings Array Discs with Lu Ye on their way to All Phenomena Ocean, along with tens of thousands of spirit jade.

Lu Ye had intended to sell them for spirit jade but, upon hearing that Tang Jun's magic treasures were all shattered, decided to gift them to him.

The grade of the magic treasures was not high; they were items Luo Xie didn't use nor cared for, but they were just right for Tang Jun.

Lu Ye was just about to look for Hua Ci and Second Senior Sister when Wuchang and Lady Moon intercepted him midway.

"Do you need something?" Lu Ye asked.

The group looked at each other, exchanging glances filled with subtle signals, yet none spoke.

Finally, Jian Guhong drew his sword and pointed it at Wuchang's side, prompting Wuchang to speak: "Yiye, I heard you can fish here at All Phenomena Ocean... Can one really sell a catch for several thousand spirit jade? Is it true?"

Not only Luan Xiao'e was worried about the spirit jade for the future cultivation of Three Worlds cultivators, but they were also concerned. Although the Four Galaxies had given Lu Ye a gift of tens of millions of spirit jade to distribute among the Nine Provinces cultivators, granting each tens of thousands in spirit jade to ensure no short-term worries in cultivation, they couldn't just continue living off this bounty.

Moreover, cultivators don't only spend spirit jade on cultivation; since arriving at All Phenomena Ocean, they found many good things they wanted to buy, but couldn't afford anything.

Naturally, they wanted to find some ways to make money.

For some reason, they heard about fishing, and immediately became intrigued.

Lu Ye frowned; he had only mentioned the fishing at All Phenomena Ocean to the people from Four Galaxies, never to the Nine Provinces cultivators. He had no idea from where they had heard it.

As Wuchang asked, he could only nod: "That's indeed the case."

"Then we..." Wuchang's face lit up.

"You can't go!" Lu Ye immediately stopped his eager thoughts. "The matter involves too much luck—many have gone bankrupt because of it, and only a small subset, a very small subset, have benefited from it."

Fishing ruins lives, playing with fish impoverishes generations; it's no idle talk but a summary of countless predecessors' tragic endings.

"Is it like gambling then?" Wuchang was puzzled.

"It's different, but anyway, this matter isn't reliable. No matter what others say, stay away from it; otherwise, you'll regret it later."

The group nodded in agreement, although Lu Ye wasn't sure if they truly understood.

Lu Ye realized this approach wouldn't work. Now that Wuchang and others showed interest in fishing, others would likely feel the same, especially given the Three Worlds cultivators' current lack of spirit jade income. Someone might take a risk.

He had to get Luan Xiao'e to issue an order banning fishing by Three Worlds Island cultivators in the future, nipping their notion in the bud.