

## Humanity 1811

### Chapter 1811 - Overbearing Slaughter

Even more chilling to the Insect Race Sun Blaze was the mysterious power emanating from the Blood Sea, pulling his blood from the wounds, rendering his attempts to block it with Mana fraught with difficulty.

The barghest's power, combined with the Blood Attraction Technique, was a tactic developed years ago by Lu Ye and Ma Shangsi, aimed precisely at strong enemies like this. Unable to deliver a fatal blow in one strike, they would wear them down slowly.

The barghest's power is crucial; without its ability to impede wound healing, the Blood Attraction Technique would be ineffective.

Although Ma Shangsi was not present, Xiang Yin and sister could easily perform the Blood Attraction Technique.

This marked the beginning of a fierce and frustrating battle for the Insect Race Sun Blaze - arguably the most arduous ordeal of his life. Although he possessed the power for a decisive strike, he could not pin down his enemy's position.

As time passed, the Insect Race Sun Blaze's body was in tatters, countless cuts inflicted by Lu Ye.

It must be said, Sun Blaze's physique is remarkably powerful, especially as a member of the Insect Race. As Lu Ye advanced to Moon Jade, the Boulder Mountain Saber, elevated to the level of a magic treasure, was sharp enough, and Lu Ye enhanced it with Divine Sharp Edge Spirit Runes. Yet, even with each slash, it was difficult to cause any significant damage, merely leaving superficial wounds.

Now, these superficial wounds on Sun Blaze have become a heavy burden!

An entire day's brutal battle left the Insect Race Sun Blaze's face pale, his aura significantly diminished, seemingly at his wits' end.

Not only him, but other Moon Jade cultivators besides Lu Ye struggled as well.

Firstly, such a confrontation drains huge amounts of energy, requiring the Moon Jade cultivators to remain tense and fully utilize their Mana. To persist for so long was a testament to their extraordinary foundation.

Secondly, each suffered multiple Divine Soul Shocks from the Insect Race Sun Blaze, an impact they found insurmountable and incomprehensible.

After repeated shocks, all four Moon Jade Late Stage cultivators felt dizzy, unsettled, and their actions sluggish.

Under Lu Ye's orders, the four had retreated early from the Blood Sea battlefield to prevent the enemy from seizing an opportunity for a fatal strike.

Now, within the turbulent Blood Sea, only Lu Ye remained to fight alone.

The moment of truth was near!

After leaving another mark on the Insect Race Sun Blaze, Lu Ye's expression turned solemn. Reaching into the Void, he grabbed a slender bone saber in his left hand.

The bone saber came from an Insect Race he had slain, likely a descendant of a Praying Mantis that had used the Great Windmill Secret Technique against him, only for Lu Ye to perfectly counter and kill him, leaving the foe in confusion.

His pair of bone sabers became Lu Ye's spoils of war.

The bone saber was actually part of the Insect Race's body, refined over countless years, extremely hard and incredibly sharp, rivaling the finest magic treasures in quality, though slightly inferior to the current Boulder Mountain Saber level.

The Brazen Plundering Technique can only continuously weaken an Insect Race Sun Blaze but cannot execute a true kill.

The Drawn Saber Slash, Lu Ye could not use, as he had been refining Origin since the Black Abyss battle, neglecting to nurture the Drawn Saber Slash Spirit Runes.

Currently, his most ferocious secret technique was the Great Windmill.

He had once used it to cut down a Sun Blaze influenced by Dancing Girl, history seemed poised to repeat itself.

With a gentle breath, the boundless Blood Sea surged toward him, disappearing in an instant.

On Lu Ye's surface, blood Qi surged, thin red mist enveloping, rapidly pushing his blood Qi to the limit, with Mana humming inside his body.

Suddenly freed, the Insect Race Sun Blaze barely responded before weakly facing Lu Ye, with his expression turning grim.

He realized Lu Ye intended to make a killing strike.

Soon, however, his face showed curiosity as he saw a peculiar blood mark emerge between Lu Ye's eyebrows.

"Body Flower?" Insect Race Sun Blaze strained his eyes, doubting his vision.

As a Sun Blaze, his experience was substantial, having heard whispers of such cultivation mysteries, including the Body Flower.

The legend states that a cultivator pushing the Constellation Realm to the extreme would condense the Body Flower.

Yet, he only heard of this without witnessing such a phenomenon, unsure of its truth, considering many prominent Insect Race Constellation Realm members existed but none displayed such development.

He had assumed it a myth until witnessing it firsthand.

Suddenly understanding why this human cultivator was so formidable - genuinely reaching the pinnacle of the Constellation Realm, achieving a feat few dared contemplate.

Intense danger surged within, as the Insect Race Sun Blaze sensed death's embrace and, facing such peril, let out a furious roar, pouring all effort into activating a Psyche Secret Technique.

It was a long-held trump card, untouched until this desperate gamble.

Simultaneously, Divine Soul Power erupted from Lu Ye, his right eye transforming into a blood-red hue, within which intricate spirit runes unfolded, rendering the eye grotesque and fearsome.

Blood Eye emerges!

This is the second time Lu Ye has used the Blood Eye Spirit Runes since he obtained them, the first time was an experiment, allowing him to slightly understand the mysteries of the Blood Eye Spirit Runes.

In line with the Blood Eye he saw within the marvel, this Blood Eye Spirit Runes, when activated, has an obvious effect of illusion, both mysterious and powerful.

The Insect Race Sun Blaze before him is not the guy affected by the Dancing Girl's power, restricted in action.

Nor is he the Lih Tian besieged by many Moon Jade cultivators, looking for death.

Even though Lu Ye utilizes the power of the Core World to suppress him, and even though he appears extremely weak at the moment, facing such an enemy, Lu Ye dares not be careless the slightest bit.

Thus, he brought out all his skills, even pushing his own strength to the extreme.

The emergence of the Body Flower is the most obvious sign, representing that Lu Ye's blood Qi has been pushed to the limit.

The Insect Race Sun Blaze instinctively met that single Blood Eye, and for an instant, his expression was momentarily dazed, as if he saw a gigantic giant standing tall, gazing down at him with one eye.

And again, as if seeing a scarlet rising in the sky, bathed in moonlight, the entire world drenched in blood.

Ultimately, being a Sun Blaze, even though Lu Ye activated the Blood Eye Spirit Runes, the impact on him was only for that instant.

The next moment, all the illusions before the Insect Race Sun Blaze vanished completely, however, his expression changed drastically.

Because his meticulously prepared killer move was interfered with for that instant, showing signs of collapse, leading directly to an extremely adverse consequence—Divine Sea turmoil, Divine Soul Power in utter chaos.

Just like a magic cultivator preparing to cast a large magic spell, interrupted at the critical moment, the mana upheaval will surely backlash against himself, the Insect Race Sun Blaze's current experience is roughly similar.

He opened his mouth to cry out miserably, his face filled with an expression of pain, instinctively raising his hand to hold his head.

Seeing this, Lu Ye had no hesitation, brazenly charged forward, as the saber gleamed, the Boulder Mountain Saber had slashed down!

His body turned with the fall of the Boulder Mountain Saber, as one slash ended, the bone saber emerged.

The initial few slashes could still be traced, but after a few slashes, there was only a wild storm formed by a continuous gleam of saber light, enveloping a vast area.

In the distance, Yang Ling and others who had long retreated from the battlefield looked on in astonishment, even Xiang Yin and her sister were no exception.

Though in the contest with the Red Talisman Society, Lu Ye had already showcased strength beyond his cultivation, they truly hadn't expected that what they witnessed wasn't the full extent.

Perhaps this is the true display of Lu Ye's power!

That utterly terrifying killing intent, the fierce and violent offense, is not something a Moon Jade can withstand, Yang Ling, though considering himself a strong one among the Moon Jade, secretly imagined that if facing such an offense, he might not last over two breaths...

The saber light gradually retracted, Lu Ye stood in place, maintaining the posture of holding the saber with both hands, his blood Qi boiling to the extreme, the blood mist on his body rose upwards.

Centered around him, within about 30 miles, crisscrossing ravines of horrifying depth emerged.

The Insect Race Sun Blaze was nowhere to be seen, only chunks of shattered remains on the ground held traces of him once alive.

Despite having expectations in their hearts, witnessing this scene felt like being in a dream for Yang Ling and others.

Moon Jade defeating Sun Blaze... How absurd a notion, yet it happened right beneath their gaze.

Yang Ling felt that this scene before him might never be forgotten for the rest of his life.

The sound of cracking continued, Lu Ye staggered slightly, and in that moment, countless flesh and blood within him seemed to rupture.

He put away the Boulder Mountain Saber and the bone saber, sat down cross-legged, took out an elixir pill to consume, silently recovering, his expression neither happy nor sad.

This Insect Race Sun Blaze was not the first Sun Blaze to die by his hand, and in this battle, the opponent couldn't exert his full strength, so there's nothing to be happy about.

If someday he can truly kill a Sun Blaze with genuine skill, that's worth celebrating.

That day will come, and it won't be too far off.

Several days later, after recovering, Lu Ye exchanged a few words with Yang Ling and others who were still healing, and then leaped out of the Core World.

Then he took out his starboat, headed back along the path he came from.

He wanted to see how the battlefield situation over there was, assuming that by dealing with one Sun Blaze and destroying the insect hive, the pressure on the domain's human race cultivators should be greatly alleviated, but some things still need to be seen with his own eyes.

Before Lu Ye could reach the original battlefield, a group of cultivators flew over from that direction, hurriedly, Mental Consciousness spread all around, seemingly seeking something.

Chapter 1812 - Life Origin

The cultivators approaching from the front were not in perfect condition, looking like they had just been through a great battle, with numerous traces of disarray.

Upon spotting Lu Ye approaching head-on, the leading Moon Jade immediately came forward, cupping his fists from afar: "Lin Ran from Life Origin, greetings Fellow Daoist!"

Lin Ran had seen Lu Ye from afar. After all, a few days ago, when Lu Ye had steered the core onto that scorched battlefield, he was seated cross-legged on it without concealing his form, so many cultivators had seen his figure from afar.

For the Life Origin World, having one of the two Sun Blaze from the Insect Race removed, and the insect hive breached, undoubtedly helped immensely. Otherwise, the Life Origin World might already be in ruins, so even though he didn't know Lu Ye's background or identity, he showed a grateful expression upon seeing him, as it was indeed a lifesaving favor.

The cultivators following behind him also bowed in unison.

Lu Ye returned the salute: "Jade Conch, Lu Ye!"

He initially intended to investigate the situation of the battle over there, but upon seeing Lin Ran and the others, he understood there was no need. If the battle had not already ended, these people would not have been able to come here, and their demeanor clearly indicated they were looking for his whereabouts.

Life Origin should have won.

Though he had a guess in his heart, Lu Ye still asked.

As expected, Lin Ran informed him that the Insect Race had retreated.

The biggest reliance of the Insect Race was the two Sun Blaze and the insect hive. One Sun Blaze mysteriously disappeared, and the insect hive was shattered, instantly losing their advantage.

Many cultivators from the Life Origin World rose to resist, killing countless from the Insect Race.

The remaining Sun Blaze from the Insect Race, seeing the unfavorable situation, immediately retreated, probably also wary of Lu Ye's side, as the disappearance of his companion was too bizarre. Without finding out the whereabouts or even the life and death of his companion, he dared not linger outside the Life Origin World.



Though the Life Origin World won this battle and preserved the domain, the losses were significant. The Sun Blaze from their world was heavily injured and is currently recuperating within the domain.

"I was sent by Master Uncle Qin Jiang to investigate, Fellow Daoist Lu, that Sun Blaze from the Insect Race..." Lin Ran looked at Lu Ye. The Qin Jiang he mentioned was undoubtedly the Sun Blaze cultivator of the Life Origin World.

Lu Ye replied, "Fellow Daoist need not worry, that Sun Blaze from the Insect Race is already dead."

Lin Ran and the human race cultivators were overjoyed, hastening to ask, "May I ask which senior helped?"

It wasn't that he underestimated Lu Ye, but Lu Ye's Moon Jade mid-stage cultivation was evident, and the gap with Sun Blaze was too large, making it impossible for him to have such means.

Lu Ye also realized this issue, and after a brief ponder, replied, "My esteemed master personally took action and slew him." Not wanting to claim it as his kill, he just concocted a story.

Lin Ran showed an expression of understanding, looking behind Lu Ye and asked, "May I ask where your master is now..."

Lu Ye promptly replied, "My master fought with the enemy, got injured, and is recuperating, ordering me to check on the progress of your battle."

Lin Ran's expression tightened, and with concern, he asked, "Are the injuries severe?"

"Not too severe."

"If Fellow Daoist doesn't mind, may I invite your master to the Life Origin World to heal? Our world will offer the best healing resources, and additionally, Master Uncle Qin Jiang wants to express his thanks in person."

Lu Ye shook his head and said, "There's no need. My master is... rather reclusive and not accustomed to interacting with others. Since the battle in your domain has ended, my master and I will take our leave, Fellow Daoist, take care!"

Lu Ye cupped his fists, turning to leave.

Lin Ran hurriedly exclaimed, "Fellow Daoist, please wait! Such a great kindness is beyond repayment; no matter what, please allow us to do something, otherwise, we won't be able to explain to Master Uncle Qin Jiang when we return."

Lu Ye paused, turning to look at him, intending to refuse, but suddenly recalled something, and said, "If that's the case, would Fellow Daoist mind collecting some fire-type resources? My master has great use for them!" He had exhausted all the fire-type resources on him as well as the Talent Tree's fuel reserves, initially planning to replenish them later, but now there's an opportunity to get some for temporary use.

Moreover, although he consumed little in this battle, it actually consumed the essence of the Core World!

The power sealing the Sun Blaze from the Insect Race came from the Core World's essence, which was also why Lu Ye eventually used the Great Windmill Secret Technique, for sealing a Sun Blaze exhausted the Core World's essence significantly, and the earlier the opponent was dealt with, the sooner this consumption would cease.

Otherwise, Lu Ye could slowly wear down that Sun Blaze without taking risks.

Once a world's essence is exhausted, recovering it is very troublesome. At this moment, Lu Ye only sought some fire-type resources from the Life Origin World, a trifling matter compared to the consumption of the domain's essence.

Lin Ran's eyes brightened, quickly nodding, "Fellow Daoist, please wait a moment."

Saying this, he took out an audio talisman to send a message, giving some instructions.

He soon looked at Lu Ye again, "Within the domain, we will collect fire-type resources with full effort, and they will be delivered within half a day."

During the wait, Lin Ran chatted with Lu Ye, repeatedly proposing to visit the fictitious master to express thanks in person, all of which Lu Ye deftly deflected.

Lu Ye also thought of a problem: "Though the battle is won, if the Insect Race comes back, how will you respond?"

The Sun Blaze from the Insect Race wasn't dead but had escaped, and there's no guarantee they won't find another insect hive and lead it back to the Life Origin World side.

This could take a long time, but it's very likely to happen someday.

Lin Ran couldn't help but sigh: "There is really no good countermeasure, we can only strive for cultivation. Hopefully, by the time that day arrives, this domain will have enough power to protect itself."

Lu Ye remained silent. This time he was fortunate to be in the right place, lending a hand to the Life Origin World, saving them from peril, but next time they might not have such luck. Indeed, they must rely on their own efforts.

The Insect and Blood Races are the most notorious races in the stellar space. Comparatively, the harm from the Insect Race is somewhat greater than that from the Blood Race, due to the living methods of these two races.

The Blood Race owns several domains, all transformed from the remains of Blood Ancestors after their death, generally fixed locations. Even if the Blood Race does campaign outward, they only capture living beings to raise them, ensuring the supply of Blood Food.

However, the Insect Race is different. This race does not have a fixed place for cultivation; they typically base their existence on insect hives, drifting through stellar space. If they encounter any potential targets along the way, they would initiate a war.

Though, there are exceptions to everything. Sometimes, there are also Blood Race members within insect hives. Cooperation between the two races is not uncommon.

Half a day later, a cultivator hurriedly arrived from the direction of the Life Origin World, bringing several storage rings to Lin Ran.

Lin Ran briefly inspected them and then handed them over to Lu Ye.

"Fellow Daoist, can't you invite your Master to our Life Origin World for healing?" Lin Ran still wanted to make a final effort.

Lu Ye shook his head: "I appreciate your goodwill, Fellow Daoist. My master and I have no fixed place, wandering everywhere. As fellow humans, it is natural to lend a helping hand when our companions are in trouble. But going to your domain for healing is unnecessary now. My Master is already in a meditative trance, and it's not appropriate to disturb abruptly."

Lin Ran lamented deeply: "Your Master's righteousness is admirable! We at Life Origin will remember it deeply, and if we meet again someday, we'll certainly repay."

"Until we meet again." Lu Ye clasped his fists, picked up those rings, and swiftly departed.

Lin Ran and the others watched as he left.

Moments later, Lu Ye returned to the core location, sat atop it, and with a focused mind, maneuvered the core to continue the journey.

While traveling, he refined the fire-type resources obtained from the Life Origin World. Within days, he completely refined them.

Inspecting the Talent Tree, Lu Ye felt somewhat relieved. The lack of fuel in the Talent Tree made him uneasy, but now he could breathe a bit easier.

However, the fuel at hand was not sufficient. The treasure blood mixed within the Origin wasn't completely refined. This issue must be resolved later, but first, he needed to settle the core.

A storage ring appeared again in his hand. This was left by the deceased Insect Race Sun Blaze.

The legacy of a Sun Blaze was full of anticipation for Lu Ye, who devoted himself to deciphering the restriction lock on the storage ring.

After more than half a day, when the restriction lock on the ring was broken, Lu Ye's examination made his face turn dark!

Because the legacy within the ring was worlds apart from his expectations; there was hardly anything valuable inside, not even much spirit jade or spirit crystal!

Upon reflection, this wasn't surprising.

The survival mode of the Insect Race dictates that their warriors wouldn't have many resources on hand. The resources they acquire are mostly invested into the insect hives. Insect hives can convert all acquired resources into nourishment, with Insect Race's cultivation, healing, and growth happening within them.

This is somewhat similar to how he stores fuel within the Talent Tree, except the insect hives reserve nourishment made from resources acquired by the Insect Race.

Now, the massive accumulation of nourishment has also vanished with the destruction of the insect hives.

Lu Ye felt quite helpless.

Heading forward, the core finally reached its predetermined location.

In the Void, Lu Ye's Mental Consciousness surged, utilizing the seven-color Divine Lotus within the Divine Sea to connect with the Soul Race ancestral land. As time passed, the vague connection grew increasingly stronger.

Until one moment, a portal suddenly opened in the void ahead.

Lu Ye maneuvered the core and rushed in through the portal.

After a whirlwind-like rotation, familiar scenery unfolded before his eyes once again.

The Soul Race ancestral land, arrived!

Simultaneously, at the eastern Mount Fangcun, Immortal Spirit Peak, Su Yuqing, who was cultivating with closed eyes, suddenly opened her eyes, revealing a puzzled expression.

Because just at that instant, she suddenly felt a strange anomaly, which she had never sensed before.

Not just her, on Misty Peak, Woo Qimo, who was watching the clouds roll by, also showed a look of suspicion and surprise simultaneously.

On Cloud Sea Peak, Chen Xuanhai stood with hands behind his back, suddenly raised his head to look at the sky, his eyebrows lifted. After a brief hesitation, he suddenly soared into the sky.

Feeling Chen Xuanhai's movement, Su Yuqing and Woo Qimo also flickered and rushed out toward the sky.

The three Sun Blaze cultivators had already developed a hypothesis, but to confirm whether this hypothesis was true, they had to see for themselves.

Even for such mighty figures as them, their expressions were filled with excitement and anticipation, for if the hypothesis were true, it would be a joyous event awaited by the Dwarf Race for countless years!

Chapter 1813: Stopped!

On the way rushing out to the sky, the three Sun Blaze from the Eastern Fangcun Mountain met at one place. They looked at each other and saw what each had in mind.

A moment later, the three flew out of Fangcun Mountain and entered the stellar space.

Turning back to look, Woo Qimo's pupils shrank, exclaiming: "It stopped!"

Su Yuqing frowned, and Chen Xuanhai's expression turned heavy.

The three of them had just noticed some anomalies in the main Fangcun Mountain. They initially guessed that some changes at the core triggered it, so they were full of anticipation, but when they came out and saw, it seemed not to be the case.

"What does this mean?" Woo Qimo pondered hard, unable to make sense of the sight before him as it differed from his expectations.

Since the Blood Ancestor broke open Fangcun Mountain, splitting it into three parts and losing the core, the three Fangcun Mountains have been performing what seemed like irregular, yet intricately hidden displacement, based on the core's location.

This is precisely why the Sun Blaze of the Dwarf Race could deduce the core's hidden location and have persisted in their efforts to find the core over the years. They've even dispatched numerous carefully nurtured Foreign Clan Moon Jade to that marvel.

In the Sun Blaze's vision, if anyone could bring the core out from that marvel, then the split Fangcun Mountains would immediately start moving towards the core and eventually integrate at one spot.

All these years, Fangcun Mountain suddenly exhibited anomalous activity, making them believe it had succeeded.

But what they see before them seems otherwise.

Because if someone truly brought the core out from the marvel, the main Fangcun Mountain wouldn't have suddenly stopped at its original position. Instead, it should have turned direction to fly towards the core's location.

This is precisely what Woo Qimo couldn't comprehend.

Soon after, a chilling thought crossed his mind: "The two of you, could it be that the core... is destroyed?"

It is possible to manually control Fangcun Mountain to stop. Previously the Western Fangcun Mountain stayed over the All Phenomena Ocean for two months, but this duration wouldn't be too long; otherwise, it would impact Fangcun Mountain's subsequent displacement path.

Now, none of the three Sun Blaze are manually controlling the main Fangcun Mountain to stop, yet it suddenly halted here. This information inevitably leads to endless speculation.

A possible reason could be that the core was destroyed, hence the Eastern side stopped.

Chen Xuanhai shook his head and said: "Although Fangcun Mountain has split, if the core were destroyed, all three parts would be in turmoil; now the East is peaceful, so the core should be unharmed."

Su Yuqing nodded unambiguously, agreeing with Chen Xuanhai's viewpoint.

"Then what is going on?" Woo Qimo scratched his head, never in his life having encountered such a bizarre event.

Su Yuqing's eyes flashed, saying: "There's another possibility!"

Chen Xuanhai turned to look at her.



"Based on our analysis, the reason the three Fangcun Mountain parts cannot integrate with the core is because of an isolation force within that marvel, obstructing their integration, and if that isolation force suddenly magnified significantly, completely severing the core's connection with the main part..."

Then such a scenario might indeed occur, because the main part moves based on the core's location. The core so thoroughly isolated, losing that foundation, the main Fangcun Mountain stopped dead in its tracks.

"Change in the marvel!" Chen Xuanhai furrowed his brow deeper, as, if true, it's not good news for the Dwarf Race, since the core is within the marvel, and who knows if this change is good or bad for the core?

"Isn't Lu Yiye there for three years now?" Woo Qimo suddenly looked at Su Yuqing, "Do you think this change has anything to do with him?"

No one could answer this because the Dwarf Race over here has no way to contact Lu Ye. When Zhang Kun of the Western region sent Lu Ye near the marvel, he then left.

Given the uncertainty about whether Lu Ye would gain anything from this journey, and not knowing how many years he'd linger in the marvel, Zhang Kun could hardly wait for him all along.

Su Yuqing was silent for a moment, then suddenly turned to look at Chen Xuanhai: "Senior Brother Chen, I want to go have a look." She ultimately felt uneasy, regretting talking to Lu Ye about the core originally, not expecting that Lu Ye would act quickly upon hearing it, and immediately searched for it afterward.

Chen Xuanhai could somewhat understand Su Yuqing's feelings and didn't dissuade her but said: "Junior Sister, if you truly wish to go there, it's not urgent. Nobody knows why this sudden change happened, and subsequent developments are unpredictable. Better wait a while longer, and observe the situation; maybe some new discoveries can be made... if nothing changes, going later wouldn't be too late."

Saying this made sense. Su Yuqing suppressed her inner unease and gently nodded.

Chen Xuanhai raised his hand and said: "Let's go back. There are changes here; likely, there are changes in the other two parts as well. Discuss with those old fellows before deciding."

The three Sun Blaze returned to the domain.

After another half day, within an illusionary hall, one illusory figure after another appeared—all Sun Blaze powerhouses of Fangcun Mountain's psyche projection here.

Although the three parts have split, they still maintain exceedingly tight contact. At some cost, they can even allow transit among the parts.

Projecting Mental Consciousness here to discuss clan affairs in this manner is certainly not difficult. Compared to gathering physically in one location, this method costs significantly less.

The gathering of the three parts' Sun Blaze happened just as Chen Xuanhai had anticipated. Not only did the Eastern Fangcun Mountain stop moving at that moment, but similar occurrences also happened in the Southern and Western parts.

However, no one knows the exact reason, and ultimately, it was summarized in one sentence—the core was completely isolated, which caused the anomaly of the three departments on Mount Fangcun!

When the three Sun Blaze convened for discussion, in the Soul Race ancestral land, Lu Ye rode the core to arrive at a five-color Lotus Land, where he saw figures moving around in the Lotus Land, many of whom seemed familiar.

These figures were the Xianyuan Guards of Xianyuan City from back then.

Lu Ye also saw a white big tiger, lying somewhere on the Lotus Land, fast asleep. Several figures gathered around it with solemn and devout expressions, unknown to what secret technique they were practicing.

A faint resonance of Soul Power emanated from the big tiger and those figures.

The sleeping big tiger seemed to sense something and suddenly opened its amber-colored tiger eyes, looking towards Lu Ye.

Immediately after, it got up quickly and dashed towards Lu Ye with playful excitement, leaping high and transforming into the size of a cat in mid-air.

Lu Ye smiled, caught it in his hand, and began to rub it. Amber squinted its eyes, letting out a contented purring sound.

After playing for a while, Lu Ye finally asked, "Where is Yiyi?"

Just as he finished asking, a portal appeared somewhere on the Lotus Land, and Yiyi's little head popped out, evidently sensing something.

"Lu Ye!" Yiyi exclaimed joyfully, just like Amber did earlier, she rushed towards Lu Ye, directly colliding with him, wrapped her arms around his neck, and buried her head in his chest.

With one hand holding Amber, Lu Ye wrapped the other around her waist, spinning several times before slowly stopping.

They lingered for a long time; Yiyi didn't want to let go.

Until the voice of Lih Shang rang out, "Fellow Daoist Lu!"

Lu Ye responded with a smile, "Fellow Daoist Lih Shang, long time no see!"

A moment later, at Yiyi's residence, Lu Ye wandered around with hands behind his back, examining his surroundings. The Lotus Land is quite a peculiar place, appearing from the outside as an enormous blooming lotus flower, and it's also the dwelling of the Soul Race.

The Lotus Lands in the Soul Race ancestral land are classified in tiers; the tier depends on the colors. The places where the Sun Blaze strong reside are the seven-color Lotus Lands, whereas the Moon Jade usually stays in the five-color ones.

Back when Lih Shang was just a Constellation, she was eligible to choose a five-color Lotus Land, and that was because she had rendered great service to the Soul Race by bringing back the Sacred Beast.

There is nowhere on the surface of the Lotus Land suitable for living, but as the Soul Race does not have physical bodies, they only need to develop the environment they require within the Lotus Land.

The place where Yiyi resides now is undoubtedly self-developed, and the interior setup is no different from the arrangement inside the Emerald Bamboo Peak Bamboo Pagoda of Righteous Blood Sect.

Yiyi sat beside, hugging the cat-sized Amber, tilted her head looking at him, her little legs swinging, her eyes full of happiness.

Lu Ye sat down next to her, patted her head, "Is cultivation hard for you?"

Yiyi shook her head, "Not hard at all, Amber accompanies me."

Lu Ye glimpsed at Amber, "It only knows how to sleep, how can it accompany you?"

Amber immediately let out a cry, indicating that sleeping itself is cultivation, and it is now much mightier than before!

"Alright, I know you've become stronger!" Lu Ye nodded Amber's little head.

It must be said, throughout these years in the Soul Race, Amber and Yiyi have grown significantly. Under Lu Ye's perception, both the spirit and the beast weren't far from becoming Moon Jade.

This is undoubtedly related to the unique cultivation environment of the Soul Race ancestral land. In such a place, the Soul Race cultivators have an inherent advantage; even if not trying too hard, their cultivation can gradually increase.

"Earlier I saw several Soul Race cultivators surrounding Amber. What were they doing?" Lu Ye asked.

Yiyi immediately explained, "Amber recently accepted several attendants. Those Soul Race cultivators you saw are meticulously selected here, with the most outstanding aptitude. They established a commensal relationship with Amber, allowing them to cultivate and grow together, just like me."

Lu Ye finally understood, recalling the resonance waves felt earlier from those Soul Race cultivators and Amber, confirming Yiyi's explanation.

"Did Amber consent willingly or was it requested by the Soul Race?" Lu Ye inquired.

Yiyi replied, "The Clan Leader personally came to speak, there wasn't any demand. Amber agreed itself because the more attendants it has, the faster its strength grows, correspondingly, my strength can also grow alongside."

Lu Ye nodded.

Yiyi saw his concern, smiled, and said, "Don't worry, the Soul Race holds Amber in high regard, and certainly wouldn't force it to do anything it dislikes."

"That's good, but keep in mind, if you ever feel unhappy here, tell me anytime, and I'll take you away." Lu Ye seriously advised.

Back when Yiyi wanted to follow Lih Shang to the Soul Race ancestral land for cultivation, Lu Ye indeed felt a bit reluctant, but children grow up and having their own opinions is not a bad thing. Most importantly, Lu Ye understood he didn't have much time to accompany Yiyi under his own circumstances.

Chapter 1814: Social Skills

After staying for several days on Lih Shang's Lotus Land, Lu Ye departed.

Yiyi and Amber watched him go, no longer feeling the sadness of the last farewell, as their mood had changed.

During the last farewell, Yiyi always felt that she might not see Lu Ye for a very long time, which naturally made her reluctant. But now she knew that Lu Ye could come and go to the Soul Race ancestral land, so there would be many opportunities to meet in the future.

Before parting, Yiyi gave Lu Ye thousands of soul jades, all meticulously refined by her during her cultivation time.

Lu Ye did not refuse, accepting them gladly. These soul jades are hard to find in the outside world because the environment suitable for their birth is rare, but here at the Soul Race ancestral land, they are easily acquired due to the abundance of pure Soul Power.

Typically, tribal members of the Soul Race wouldn't refine soul jades because they can directly refine Soul Power for cultivation. Spending time and effort on refining soul jades would only be a waste of time.

These soul jades from Yiyi were undoubtedly specially prepared for Lu Ye, perhaps with a contribution from Lih Shang.

In front of the seven-color Lotus Land where the stellar space pond is located, Lu Ye had just arrived, riding the core, and from a distance, he saw Elder Xuyuan.

Elder Xuyuan had actually detected Lu Ye as soon as he entered the Soul Race ancestral land, but since Lu Ye first visited Lih Shang's Lotus Land, Xuyuan did not interrupt but waited here all along.

"Elder!" Lu Ye jumped down from the core, greeting with respect.

Xuyuan nodded slightly, approached with interest, and scrutinized the core, appearing uncertain and curious. After a long while, Xuyuan finally asked, "Boy, is this a miniature world?"

Yet it seemed somewhat different from the miniature worlds he knew. To call it a miniature world seemed inaccurate because it is quite large; typically, so-called miniature worlds can be carried along, like the Small Flower World that Lu Ye possesses, which can be considered a miniature world.

Moreover, there were treasures when Ban Ci housed Ban Xia back then, also considered a miniature world.

But Xuyuan had never seen such a large miniature world, and its design was rather peculiar.

Facing Xuyuan, Lu Ye didn't conceal the truth, candidly saying, "It's not wrong to call it a miniature world, but it's different from ordinary miniature worlds. It's the core of Mount Fangcun."

Xuyuan suddenly whipped his head toward Lu Ye, shocked, "Mount Fangcun? The Dwarf Race's Mount Fangcun?"

"Exactly!" Lu Ye nodded.

Xuyuan's interest grew stronger as he surveyed the core nonstop, soon saying, "Back then, the Blood Ancestor intended to capture Mount Fangcun and led a strong force of the Blood Race to attack fiercely. A great battle ensued, resulting in mutual destruction. Mount Fangcun was shattered and divided into three parts with its core lost and whereabouts unknown. Where did you find it, boy?"

Lu Ye explained, "Actually, the Dwarf Race always knew the location of the core and worked hard over the years to retrieve it. But due to several reasons, they could not succeed, so I took on the task at the request of Sun Blaze from the Dwarf Race and eventually gained results."

"You have a good relationship with the Dwarf Race?" Xuyuan looked at him, stunned. Giving such an important task of searching for the core to an outsider indicates that their relationship is undoubtedly close.

"Quite good." Lu Ye touched his nose, hesitating to say his Dao companion relationship with Sun Blaze of the Dwarf Race, which would be rather startling.

Xuyuan looked at him and chuckled, "You sure have a knack for networking."

Lu Ye could be considered half a member of the Soul Race, and now he was closely connected with the Dwarf Race as well. Yet both the Soul Race and Dwarf Race aren't easy to engage with, especially the Soul Race; most people don't even know where their ancestral land is, let alone find it.

Lu Ye pondered for a moment; he seemed to have good diplomatic ties with several races. Setting aside the Soul Race and Dwarf Race, he also had the merfolk of the All Phenomena Ocean, the most solid allies of Three Worlds Island, and now the Flower Race settled in the Nine Provinces...

"Treat others with sincerity, and naturally, they will treat me sincerely."

Xuyuan nodded, agreeing with his words.

"Elder, have you ever seen the Blood Ancestor?" Lu Ye asked.

Xuyuan shook his head, replying, "Never seen. The Blood Ancestor was active long ago, before my time, and you know our Soul Race's circumstances; we generally don't interact with the outside world much."

"Why did the Blood Ancestor target the Dwarf Race?"

Xuyuan waved his hand, saying, "You're mistaken. The Blood Ancestor didn't target the Dwarf Race; she wanted Mount Fangcun. The Dwarf Race was affected because they were born of Mount Fangcun. I've heard that during that era, the Insect Race also fell under her control. You should understand the Insect Race's plundering style: the hives often drift about, seeking targets to invade. But hives are more fragile; if targeted by a powerful force, they can easily be destroyed. However, if the hives were to be placed inside Mount Fangcun?"

Lu Ye suddenly realized.

The Insect Race combined with Mount Fangcun would be a flawless partnership. Imagine the Insect Race commanding Mount Fangcun, such a stellar space supreme treasure, wandering through stellar space...



If the Blood Ancestor truly seized Mount Fangcun back then, the harm the Insect Race could cause would be far greater than today.

Moreover, Lu Ye finally understood the fundamental reason for the good relationship between the Insect and Blood Races; it turns out both had served under the Blood Ancestor's command in the past.

In this light, the war over Mount Fangcun likely involved not just the Blood Race, but the Insect Race too.

"How did the Blood Ancestor die?" Lu Ye asked again, curious. To nurture a race was indicative of her strength, and according to Lu Ye's speculation, the Blood Ancestor's prowess couldn't be as simple as Sun Blaze. How could such a formidable being get defeated? And even dismembered.

Xuyuan shook his head: "I don't know how the Blood Ancestor died, but kid, the world is not as simple as you see it. Some things can only be slowly uncovered when you have sufficiently strong power. For a cultivator, weakness is the greatest original sin."

After chatting with Xuyuan for a while, Lu Ye drove the core to the stellar space pond.

"Elder, can I pass through the passage with the core?" Lu Ye asked. He had always been traveling alone before, and although the core was not very large, it was a dozen or so feet long. He wasn't sure if he could bring the core through the passage to return to the Jade Conch Galaxy.

If not, it would be a big trouble. At that time, he would have to choose to leave the core in the Soul Race ancestral land and then find a way to notify the Dwarf Race to take the core themselves.

"It's not a big problem." Xuyuan said calmly, "You just need to wrap the core with power during transit."

Lu Ye understood and immediately began to locate the position of Jade Conch in the stellar space pond.

He had traveled to and from Jade Conch several times using the stellar space pond, so he was naturally skillful and quickly gained results.

"Then, Elder, I'm going." After saying a word to Xuyuan, Lu Ye wrapped the core with power and plunged into the stellar space pond.

The scene of an entire stellar space shrinking countless times and rushing toward him was shockingly spectacular no matter how many times he saw it. The stellar region belonging to Jade Conch in his field of vision continued to enlarge, enlarge, and enlarge again...

When Lu Ye regained his senses, he had arrived at Jade Conch.

After slightly discerning the direction, Lu Ye controlled the core and headed towards the Nine Provinces.

On the Eastern Mount Fangcun, due to previous incidents, the three big Sun Blazes did not engage in cultivation but constantly sensed the movements of the main part, anticipating some changes to occur.

Unfortunately, the main part of Mount Fangcun had been stationary somewhere in the stellar space and showed no signs of movement. Until this moment, it finally started to move.

What shocked Su Yuqing and the others was that the movement trajectory of Mount Fangcun suddenly changed significantly.

The three immediately gathered together and, after a simple discussion, concluded that the position of the core had shifted dramatically.

This is why the movement trajectory of the main Mount Fangcun changed.

First, the core was completely isolated by some mysterious power, causing the three Mount Fangcun to stop drifting. Then, within a few days, the core's position changed dramatically. All these strange occurrences left people puzzled, and no one knew what happened.

Yet, despite this, the Sun Blazes of the Dwarf Race were extremely excited and hopeful.

Because if the core's position changed significantly, it would likely mean the core had already escaped the Illusory Blood Devil's Eye marvel.

This change is undoubtedly a good omen!

As for the current exact position of the core, it was unknown on the Mount Fangcun side. They had to observe for decades or even centuries according to the drifting trajectory of the three Mount Fangcun and then calculate comprehensively to determine the result.

This was not something that could be solved quickly, so the three Sun Blazes gathered again to discuss the significant matter of deducing the core's position.

At this time, on the core, not only was Lu Ye present, but also Xiang Yin and sister, Yang Ling, and Hu Dequan were there.

Looking far ahead at the domain, Xiang Yin exclaimed with excitement, "Venerable Lord, is that your domain?"

"The domain where I was born, not my domain." Lu Ye replied.

Previously, Xiang Yin and the others had always been in the Core World. Now that they were nearing Nine Provinces, it would naturally not be appropriate to keep them inside.

Settling them wasn't difficult. Xiang Yin and sister were his Blood Servants, and under Lu Ye's command, they didn't dare to disobey. For now, letting them stay in the Nine Provinces would suffice.

As for Yang Ling and Hu Dequan, they could also stay in the Nine Provinces, waiting for the three Mount Fangcun to merge, and on that day, they could be reunited with their Dao companions.

Moreover, all four of them were in the Moon Jade Late Stage and had considerable strength. Staying in the Nine Provinces would also enable them to protect it.

Many dangers in stellar space were sudden, like the previous invasion by the Filth Race, or encountering an insect hive invasion on the way...

The reason Nine Provinces had been safe for so many years was, one, due to Number Nine's concealing ability, and two, the remoteness of Jade Conch.

But nothing is absolute, and some precautions are necessary.

Waiting for the local cultivator of Nine Provinces to grow takes too long. During this period, any unforeseen event could be unbearable for Nine Provinces.

Therefore, Lu Ye came up with the idea of using the Dwarf Race as a reliance. Now that he brought back the core of Mount Fangcun, given time, the fused Mount Fangcun would become the strongest backing for Nine Provinces, without fear of any external invasion.

In just a few days, they reached the outer regions of Nine Provinces.

Chapter 1815: Monumental Merit

At the core, Lu Ye sighed.

In the past, by this time, Number Nine would have already contacted him, but this time upon returning, there was no message from Number Nine.

He didn't think Number Nine had encountered any accident. If something had happened to Number Nine, the Nine Provinces would surely be in chaos.

Number Nine is probably indulged in the company of Little Flower Girl now...

But this is a good thing, at least Number Nine won't be lonely anymore.

Soon, they were beside the Nine Provinces. As always, Lu Ye's whereabouts were instantly detected by the Nine Provinces Constellation responsible for patrolling nearby. Upon seeing it was Lu Ye, they immediately lowered their guard and continued their patrol after greeting him.

Initially, when Lu Ye returned from the All Phenomena Ocean, the Constellations of the Nine Provinces were incredibly excited and expectant. However, as he left and returned more frequently, they all became accustomed to it.

For Constellations like them, cultivating and becoming stronger is always the primary task. Since the Nine Provinces don't have their own Spirit Jade Vein, they can only delve deeper into the stellar space to search for spirit jade, refine a certain amount of it, and use it as nourishment for their growth.

The core stops, observes from afar, and is not unusual. In fact, if an uninformed cultivator were to encounter the core in stellar space, they wouldn't give it a second glance because such things are so common in stellar space.

But this is the core of Mount Fangcun. The Dwarf Race of the three divisions of Mount Fangcun have been striving for countless years to recover this core, and today, the dust has settled.

Looking down at the core beneath his feet, Lu Ye's mind stirred, and he gently stomped his foot.

The core trembled slightly, and a mystical force spread out, as if some restriction was being broken.

Indeed, it was a restriction being broken. Before Lu Ye took the core out of the marvel of the Illusory Blood Devil's Eye, he had imposed a restriction using his status as the Origin Lord.

The function of this restriction is singular, which is to generate an isolating force similar to the marvel, preventing the three divisions of Mount Fangcun from merging with the core.

The reason for doing so was because of considering the numerous changes in the subsequent journey. Without placing a restriction, once Lu Ye took the core out of the marvel, the three divisions of Mount Fangcun would immediately merge toward the core.

This would undoubtedly be detrimental to the stability of Mount Fangcun.

Until this moment, returning to the vicinity of the Nine Provinces, Lu Ye lifted this restriction.

Although he couldn't see the current state of the three divisions of Mount Fangcun, Lu Ye still had predictions, and what's next is a long wait.

Currently, the three divisions of Mount Fangcun are very far from the core position, and merging is not a matter of a day or two.

Almost at the same time as Lu Ye lifted the restriction on Mount Fangcun, in a certain illusory grand hall, various Sun Blaze projections fluctuated. More than half of them vanished without a trace in that instant, while the remaining ones, though still maintained, were also distorted and transformed to varying degrees.

Such abnormal occurrences are undoubtedly caused by intense vibrations in the different divisions of Mount Fangcun. Their physical bodies are within each division, projecting their psyche here. The violent tremors of their home divisions impacted these projections.

A short while later, the disappearing figures reassembled.

A Sun Blaze from the Southern Region exclaimed, "Everyone, just now, our division of Mount Fangcun suddenly changed its moving direction again, swiftly heading straight for a certain position, and at an unprecedented speed!"

From the Eastern Region, Chen Xuanhai added, "The same in the Eastern Region!"

Both divisions of Sun Blaze looked towards the Western Region, where Zhang Kun spoke, "It's the same in the Western Region!"

As he spoke, a group of Sun Blaze all felt a sense of excitement and anticipation through their respective psychic waves, for they realized that the critical moment to change the fragmentation of Mount Fangcun seemed to have arrived!

A few days ago, the moving trajectories of the three divisions of Mount Fangcun suddenly showed significant changes, leading to speculation that the core's position had changed dramatically, which caused the change in the trajectories.

They gathered here to discuss how to deduce the current specific location of the core.

Who would have thought that before they could discuss a result, another change would occur.

And this time is clearly different from the last! Not only did the moving trajectories change directly, but the moving speed of Mount Fangcun also changed, as if the three divisions of Mount Fangcun were being pulled by some force...

This has never happened before, which inevitably led them to indulge in many reveries.

"Let's deduce! Let's see if the current moving directions of the divisions will converge at a point; if they do..." A Sun Blaze spoke with a solemn tone, but everyone understood what it would mean for the Dwarf Race if the moving trajectories of the three divisions of Mount Fangcun had a convergence point.

Concerning the future of the tribe, none of the Sun Blaze had objections and immediately started the busy task of deduction.

The three divisions of Mount Fangcun have so far wandered in different parts of stellar space. Their understanding of the entire stellar space is unmatched by any other race. They have almost complete star maps of each major star system. Based on the current positions and the moving directions of their divisions, they can simply deduce when their division will pass by which star system in the next several decades to a century!

There might be some margin of error, but it won't be too large.

Sun Blaze projections constantly disappeared and reappeared. The group of Sun Blaze busied themselves for half a day, gradually deducing the moving routes of the three divisions of Mount Fangcun.

When the three routes were placed together, everyone concentrated on observing, and their gaze soon converged on an intersection point!

"Jade Conch Galaxy!" Su Yuqing's eyes lit up, murmuring.

From the intelligence gathered so far, if the three divisions of Mount Fangcun do not change their direction, sooner or later they will pass through this Jade Conch Galaxy.

And Jade Conch... she was too familiar with this name.

"Is the core here now?" a Sun Blaze inquired.

"Does anyone know about this Jade Conch?" another Sun Blaze asked. In the vast stellar space with countless star systems, even they, as Sun Blaze, dared not claim familiarity with each one. They mostly knew about the more famous systems, and this Jade Conch seemed too inconspicuous to attract their attention.

Even Woo Qimo and Chen Xuanhai showed contemplative expressions. Although the Eastern Mount Fangcun indeed passed through Jade Conch, they never bothered to understand it, so naturally, they hadn't heard of it.

Only Su Yuqing slowly spoke, "Jade Conch is the star system where Lu Ye was born!"

A group of Sun Blaze immediately turned their gazes, one speaking boldly, "Lu Ye is that little Dao companion of Junior Sister?"

Before the words were finished, another Sun Blaze beside him slapped apart his psyche projection...

Although it was no longer a secret that Su Yuqing in the East had found a young Dao companion, and Su Yuqing herself didn't shy away from confirming it, no one brought it up in front of her. After all, they were all Sun Blaze, all cared about saving face. If she were a man, being an older person with a younger partner would be nothing, but Su Yuqing was a woman, and such matters were delicate to discuss and rather unpleasant to hear.

"Yes!" Su Yuqing's expression remained unchanged, "The domain where he was born is called the Nine Heavens. The Nine Heavens World is within the Jade Conch Galaxy, moreover..."



"Moreover, what?"

"When he came from the All Phenomena Ocean to my East, I spoke with him about the core matter. He asked me if, after finding the core, it could be placed near the Nine Heavens, so that Mount Fangcun could merge there."

"This kid... cough, Junior Brother Lu intends to have Mount Fangcun shield the Nine Heavens?" a Sun Blaze perceived Lu Ye's intention.

"That seems to be the idea. From what I know, the Nine Heavens only recently ascended to a large-scale domain, its foundation is still very weak," Su Yuqing replied.

The Sun Blaze fell silent.

After a long pause, Zhang Kun slapped his thigh, "Good kid, he really pulled it off!"

The situation was very clear. Lu Ye had found the core and brought it back to Jade Conch, which was why the three divisions of Mount Fangcun were being drawn towards Jade Conch under the core's influence.

For Zhang Kun, who personally took Lu Ye there, this matter seemed almost unbelievable, as throughout history, the Dwarf Race had dispatched numerous foreign Moon Jade to search for the core, investing immense effort in nurturing many of them.

But so far, none had succeeded; they either disappeared without a trace or returned with nothing, having not even glimpsed the core.

After so many years and so much effort without any result, Lu Ye accomplished it in just a few years?

Just three years, yet he retrieved the core!

No matter how you look at it, this is a huge celebration for the Dwarf Race. The three divisions had been awaiting this moment for many years, each anticipation ending in disappointment. No one expected the surprise to come so suddenly, leaving even these Sun Blaze at a loss.

"Junior Sister's choice in a husband is indeed exceptional!" a Sun Blaze couldn't help but praise.

Regardless of any 'older person with a younger partner' speculation, no matter Lu Ye's potential, aptitude, or cultivation, just helping the Dwarf Race recover the core was a monumental feat.

Even if Lu Ye were a waste, the Dwarf Race here would have to take good care of him in the future.

A Sun Blaze from the Western Region chuckled, "Perhaps you all aren't aware, but our Junior Brother Lu is also famous on the All Phenomena Ocean. He currently leads a group of cultivators occupying a Three Worlds Island there, a high-class Spirit Island, and even led his followers to conquer another high-class Spirit Island. In that battle, the enemy Moon Jade was completely wiped out, even when a Sun Blaze governor tried to intervene, he was badly humiliated by Lu Ye."

The audience of Sun Blaze, hearing this, couldn't help but show expressions of surprise.

They all understood what it meant to occupy a high-class Spirit Island in a place like the All Phenomena Ocean. Generally, high-class Spirit Islands were the exclusive cravings of top forces, and without some skill and ability, one couldn't occupy it, and even if one did, it wouldn't last long.

Let alone forcefully conquering another high-class Spirit Island, which was countless times harder than merely holding onto one.

The Sun Blaze suddenly realized they might have underestimated this junior brother's capabilities.

Otherwise, how else could he accomplish in three years what no one else did for so many? It undoubtedly showcased his enormous capabilities.

"Congratulations to Junior Sister for choosing an excellent husband, rendering great service to our race!"

"Once the three divisions merge, Junior Sister must introduce us properly to Junior Brother Lu."

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A chorus of praise arose, Su Yuqing smiled gracefully, feeling a sense of honor, and the heavy worry held tight for three years finally eased entirely.

#### Chapter 1816: Busy Days

Based on the current intelligence, it is deduced that the core, lost for years by the Dwarf Race, has been brought out by Lu Ye from the marvel and placed in the Jade Conch Galaxy. This is the reason for the significant change in the movement trajectory of the three divisions of Mount Fangcun, heading towards a convergence point.

However, this is ultimately just the inference of the Sun Blaze of the Dwarf Race. Without witnessing it firsthand, no one can be certain of the facts.

With excitement, a Sun Blaze from the Southern Region spoke: "Who among us is closest to the Jade Conch? This matter is significant, and it is prudent to verify it in person."

All the Sun Blaze nodded in agreement with this suggestion.

Su Yuqing spoke: "Let our Eastern Region handle it. Over ten years ago, our Eastern Region passed through the Jade Conch Galaxy. Considering the distance, we are the closest, and if we hurry with all our might, I can return to the Jade Conch within three to five months."

Chen Xuanhai continued: "I will go with my junior sister."

Even for Sun Blaze, traveling at full speed is a massive strain and cannot be maintained for three to five months. However, if two people travel together, they can take turns exerting effort.

Chen Xuanhai undoubtedly also wishes to see with his own eyes whether Lu Ye has brought back the core. This is a matter of utmost importance to the Dwarf Race, which has been weighing on their minds for countless years.

"Then I entrust this matter to you two." The remaining Sun Blaze had no objections.

Once the decision was made, the numerous projections quickly dispersed. Moments later, two figures from the Eastern Region of Mount Fangcun shot up into the sky, transforming into a streak of light, rushing in the direction of the Jade Conch after leaving the domain.

The speed with which Sun Blaze travel is incredibly fast. Even the currently accelerated Mount Fangcun cannot compare. If it weren't so, Su Yuqing wouldn't have claimed to return to the Jade Conch within three to five months. After all, over ten years ago, the Eastern region of Mount Fangcun passed through Jade Conch, implying that with all their might, they can cover the distance that Mount Fangcun has drifted over more than ten years in three to five months.

On Misty Peak, Woo Qimo sighed with his hands behind his back. He also wished to visit Jade Conch to see the situation, but unfortunately, since Chen Xuanhai and Su Yuqing have left, he must stay behind to watch over the place...

In the Nine Provinces, Lu Ye returned after placing the Mount Fangcun core, without going to the Righteous Blood Sect, and directly went to the Grand Governor's Hall in Tianzhou to have a face-to-face meeting with the current Nine Provinces Governor to give instructions.

Soon, a message was conveyed to all corners through the Nine Provinces Governor's Palace.

Lu Ye placed something resembling a rockery near the Nine Provinces, and no cultivators are allowed to approach it casually. Additionally, four Moon Jade cultivators have arrived in this world. If encountered, do not panic.

The core has been placed under restriction by Lu Ye, so even if Nine Provinces cultivators approach, it's not a big deal. They couldn't break Lu Ye's restriction to enter the Core World, but it's always good to be cautious.

As for those four Moon Jade cultivators, they are, of course, Xiang Yin and her sister, along with Yang Ling and Hu Dequan.

Although Moon Jade has not yet emerged in the native Nine Provinces, they are not unfamiliar with Moon Jade, since there was one in the Flower World before. With the Flower World gaining great benefits by being attached to the Nine Provinces, Hua Qianying soon advanced to Moon Jade.

Also, the Clan Leader of the Wood Spirit Race, Mu He, and the Clan Leader of the Spore Race, Black Umbrella, are Moon Jade cultivators. They have all traveled in the Nine Provinces and have had interactions with many Nine Provinces cultivators.

Lu Ye eventually met Number Nine.

Little Flower Girl followed closely behind Number Nine, like Number Nine's tail, her big eyes wide and bright, filled with innocence and wonder.

After casually chatting with Number Nine to confirm that there had been no incidents recently in the Nine Provinces, Lu Ye sent it off to play with Little Flower Girl.

Lu Ye then hurriedly rushed out of the Nine Provinces and returned to the location of the core.

Xiang Yin and others were still there, their four pairs of eyes looking in awe at the Blood Refinement World, towering near the Nine Provinces. From their viewpoint, the form of the Blood Refinement World was terrifyingly evident, as it clearly resembled a massive creature that had been decapitated with its limbs severed.

Seeing Lu Ye return, Xiang Yin turned to look: "Venerable Lord, what is the situation with that domain? My sister and I feel as though something there is calling out to us."

They had just discussed this with Yang Ling and Hu Dequan, who unfortunately did not have the same sensation, causing Xiang Yin some speculation.

Lu Ye glanced at the Blood Refinement World and explained: "That is the remains of the Blood Ancestor transformed, a place called the Blood Refinement World. Do not approach carelessly."

Ma Shangsi had a similar feeling when he first saw the Blood Refinement World, vaguely believing that his chance to break through to Sun Blaze lay upon it. He wanted to ask Lu Ye to let him visit, but Lu Ye had ruthlessly refused, leaving Ma Shangsi quite distressed.

Xiang Yin and her sister, being part of the Blood Race and possessed of saintliness, naturally feel similarly in the presence of the Blood Ancestor's remains.

Lu Ye initially refused Ma Shangsi mainly due to the power disparity. Though both are Moon Jade, Lu Ye confidently believes he could handle Ma Shangsi, the Blood Servant, with his treasure blood, but no one knows what changes might occur if a Blood Servant's cultivation advances to Sun Blaze.

Xiang Yin and her sister's strength is not much less than Ma Shangsi's, so clearly, Lu Ye wouldn't allow them to enter the Blood Refinement World.

Even if they were to go, it wouldn't be now.

"I'm going out for a while, I'll be back in a few months. During the time I'm away, you two must guard the core well, and no one is allowed to approach it lightly!" Lu Ye instructed.

"Yes!" Xiang Yin accepted the order, Xuan Yu nodded.

Lu Ye then looked at Yang Ling and Hu Dequan: "You two can do as you please, the core has already been settled, but for the three parts of Mount Fangcun to merge, it will likely take some time."

Yang Ling chuckled: "We can wait!"

They endured all those years trapped in the Core World, now everything has settled, Mount Fangcun is surely on its way to merging, there's no hurry at all.

The Nine Provinces are nice, the two of them can find a place to relax and unwind, treating it as some leisure after fulfilling their mission.

With arrangements made in the Nine Provinces, Lu Ye finally set off.

He needs to return to the All Phenomena Ocean to replenish the Talent Tree's fuel. Though he previously obtained a batch of fire-type resources from the Life Origin World, the upcoming tasks will require a large amount of Talent Tree fuel, and those resources are far from sufficient.

The All Phenomena Ocean is the place for a massive fuel replenishment.

About ten days later, Lu Ye returned to the passage leading to the Soul Race ancestral land, transferred through the stellar space pond, and arrived at the Cangyue Galaxy.

Another ten days later, he reached the Insect Path connecting the Cangyue Galaxy to the Jade Conch Galaxy.

The Moon Jade stationed here was an old acquaintance, after all, Lu Ye had used this Insect Path several times, and as the Third Island Master of Three Worlds Island, he even led a glorious conquest to break through Baiyue Island. Lu Ye is not a nameless figure across the All Phenomena Ocean.

Suddenly seeing Lu Ye appear, the Moon Jade was undoubtedly surprised, because there was no record of Lu Ye coming from the All Phenomena Ocean, somehow he entered from this home galaxy.

However, this is no major issue, the routes in the stellar space are not singular, sometimes departing from one place and returning from another is possible.

After a short conversation with Lu Ye, he was quickly allowed through.

Over three years later, passing through the Insect Path, Lu Ye returned to the Jade Conch Galaxy.

Days later, at the bustling Three Worlds Island, at Lu Ye's bamboo building, he was driving the Talent Tree's powers to refine various fire-type resources, madly replenishing the fuel reserves.

Luan Xiao'e stood in front of him, holding a jade slip, chattering away.

Lu Ye couldn't help but sigh: "Senior Sister, for all affairs on the island, you and Old Tang just take charge, no need to tell me so much."

Luan Xiao'e rebuked: "Three Worlds Island, this is the shared Spirit Island of the Three Worlds, the issue of accounts is the most serious matter. In these years you were away, our Three Worlds Island developed well, how much spirit jade we earned, how much we spent, you ought to know."

In the years Lu Ye was away, the development of Three Worlds Island indeed improved progressively.

When he left, Three Worlds Island was already experiencing vigorous growth, and later a batch of the Dwarf Race settled down, opening a talisman shop on Three Worlds Island, the only Dwarf Race talisman shop across the All Phenomena Ocean. Just the reputation alone is enticing enough, if one can secure a couple of purple talismans, they definitely serve as a trump card.

Nowadays, the liveliest place on the entire Three Worlds Island is not the Three Worlds Apothecary on this island, nor the Five Colors Merchants Guild branch, but the vicinity of the Dwarf Race talisman shop.

Every day, a large number of cultivators queue to purchase talismans from the Dwarf Race, yet still, the supply fails to meet the demand. The cultivators of the Dwarf Race residing on the Three Worlds Island are truly both blissful and distressed, blissful because earning spirit jade here is so easy, distressed because their lives are miserable, just making spirit talismans or on the journey to make them...

The spirit jade reserve of Three Worlds Island is now as high as over ten billion, and currently, looking out across the All Phenomena Ocean, the treatment of Three Worlds cultivators is unparalleled. With abundant cultivation resources, besides completing their own tasks, the Three Worlds cultivators are all diligently cultivating.

The Constellations over at the Nine Provinces have generally seen considerable growth, there are signs of several Constellation Late Stage cultivators from Qingli Dao World and Jade Conch intending to advance to Moon Jade, particularly from the Jade Conch World, where three Constellations have already advanced to Moon Jade, which is truly joyous. Although no matter how many Moon Jade there are, only five registered ones can participate in the Spirit Island contest, the increase in the number of Moon Jade here on this island is still a testament to the depth.



The Moon Jade level has always been an awkward point for the Nine Provinces; currently, besides Lu Ye, there are no other Moon Jade in the Nine Provinces. Hence, Luan Xiao'e would come here and chatter non-stop. The ability of Three Worlds Island to establish and its excellent cultivation environment for the Three Worlds cultivators now owes a lot to Lu Ye's efforts in the past, so the account issues naturally need to be informed to Lu Ye.

Lu Ye blinked at Luan Xiao'e, his hands continuing to refine the resources: "I know now!"

Luan Xiao'e sighed: "I knew you'd have this attitude, pay more attention when you have time later."

Lu Ye nodded repeatedly: "Understood."

Luan Xiao'e reluctantly leaves, suddenly stopping, turning her head to Lu Ye: "When you go back to Jade Conch again, bring some resources back."

"Alright!" Lu Ye agreed.

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Lu Ye didn't stay long on Three Worlds Island, only for half a month, but the spirit jade reserve on Three Worlds Island cost nearly two hundred million.

This is also why he doesn't worry much about accounting issues, because whenever he has a need, the warehouse on Three Worlds Island will open to him without limit, and neither Luan Xiao'e nor Tang Jun will say anything about it.

There was enough replenishment for the Talent Tree's fuel reserve, and Lu Ye even left a batch of fire-type resources as a backup.

During this period, he also took time to visit Hua Ci in the merfolk territory. Unfortunately, after several years, the amber sealing Hua Ci remained unchanged, with no significant transformation.

The only thing that delighted Lu Ye was that he could sense Hua Ci's strength had greatly improved.

This is not hard to understand because, in Lu Ye's perception, the amber that sealed Hua Ci had been continuously absorbing the sea water of All Phenomena Ocean, seemingly possessing a refining capability. Even though this refining efficiency didn't match that of the Talent Tree, it was much more terrifying than the efficiency of a cultivator's normal cultivation.

Undoubtedly, part of the energy produced after refining the sea water of All Phenomena Ocean was used by Hua Ci, and naturally, her strength could improve.

Compared to Hua Ci's improvement, the enhancement of the Pixiu she held seemed even more terrifying...

Lu Ye was eagerly anticipating the state Hua Ci would be in after being unsealed.

Half a month after returning to All Phenomena Ocean, Lu Ye set off on the journey back to the Nine Provinces.

This journey was already very familiar to him.

In a swift twenty days, he returned to the Nine Provinces once again.

Xiang Yin and sister diligently guarded near the core, but Yang Ling and Hu Dequan were nowhere to be seen. According to Xiang Yin, they had already entered the Nine Provinces, but what they were doing there was unknown.

A short while later, in the Nine Provinces Governor's Palace, Lu Ye placed a large pile of storage rings on the table in front of him, jingling for quite a while.

The current Nine Provinces Governor, originally the Sect Master of a certain sect in Leizhou, widened his eyes in astonishment, "Brother Lu, what's going on here?" As he spoke, he picked up a storage ring and probed inside with his Mental Consciousness, almost blinded by the sight.

The ring was filled with spirit jade.

"This..." The Sect Master was shocked.

He picked up another storage ring and exclaimed again, "Ah, this..." Inside was also a large amount of spirit jade.

"Stop fussing." Lu Ye interrupted him, "These are resources brought back from Three Worlds Island. Get some people over to count them, then divide them into three parts. Our Nine Provinces will keep one part, and the other two will be sent to Qingli Dao World and Jade Conch World."

The Sect Master could hardly believe it, "Has our Three Worlds Island developed this well?"

Though the Nine Provinces had heard of the matters regarding All Phenomena Ocean for over a decade, and the first batch of cultivators had gone there some years ago, the local cultivators who stayed behind hadn't really obtained any tangible benefits from All Phenomena Ocean. This was the first time.

So many benefits!

Lu Ye smiled and patted him on the shoulder, "It will get even better in the future!"

He also warned, "Find reliable people to handle this, and don't embezzle anything privately. If I find out in the future, there will be no leniency."

The Sect Master immediately nodded, "Rest assured, I will personally oversee it."

Lu Ye swiftly departed and soon arrived at the core area, waving his hand, "Stand down, no need to keep watch here."

Xiang Yin and sister took the order and headed straight for the Nine Provinces.

Lu Ye stood in front of the core, pondered for a moment, and eventually flashed and entered the core world.

In the Origin space, Lu Ye sat cross-legged before the Origin that resembled a small sun.

At the last moment of the Black Abyss confrontation, the Origin, under Veteran Fang's control, rushed into Lu Ye's Divine Sea, and Lu Ye spent three years barely refining it.

Within the Origin, the consciousness of Veteran Fang and the consciousness of the Blood Ancestor's treasure blood were thoroughly refined.

It could be said that the present Origin was very pure, with no residual saintliness power. Thus, Lu Ye didn't need to busy himself further.

But the problem is, the Blood Ancestor's treasure blood had eroded Mount Fangcun's core for so many years, and the erosion wasn't just limited to the Origin.

The Origin was the key focus of the treasure blood's erosion because if it could erode the Origin away, the treasure blood's consciousness could control the core world.

Yet throughout the core world, besides the Origin being eroded, the entire domain still retained traces of the treasure blood's power. Not to mention, even now, from time to time, there would be a rain of blood in the core world, though not as frequent as before.

Lu Ye also personally investigated the spirit jade vein in the core world, which was likewise contaminated with saintliness power.

If these remnants of saintliness power in the core world are not thoroughly cleared, no one can predict what changes might occur once the three sections of Mount Fangcun fully integrate with the core, or whether there will be any saintliness power infecting the Dwarf Race cultivators.

If that happens, all the Dwarf Race would turn into the first generation Blood Race, which would undoubtedly be a tragedy and an unacceptable event for the Dwarf Race.

So what Lu Ye needs to do now is to completely purify the entire Core World before the three parts of Mount Fangcun merge over.

Under normal circumstances, he couldn't achieve this. Let alone him being just a Moon Jade, even a Sun Blaze coming here would find this task as difficult as climbing to the sky.

But after all, he has refined the core origin. With the help of Origin Power, he can clearly perceive every corner of the Core World, which makes the impossible possible!

Simply put, with the help of the core origin, he can extend the power of the Talent Tree to any part of the Core World, thereby refining the saintliness power lingering in this world cleanly.

This is not something that can be accomplished in a day or two. Lu Ye is mentally prepared for this, and he has prepared enough Talent Tree fuel, so there is no need to worry about a shortage of fuel.

Sinking his mind, relying on the core origin, Lu Ye radiated the power of the Talent Tree in all directions, gradually eroding the saintliness power lingering within the domain.

Time flowed by, with no knowledge of the changes in the sun and moon.

One day, Lu Ye suddenly sensed a violent tremor coming from the Core World, causing him to frown.

Before entering the Origin Space, he had already sealed the Core World, fearing someone might intrude. It wasn't that they would disturb him, but anyone entering might get tainted by the saintliness left by the Blood Ancestor's treasure blood.

He had already informed the Nine Provinces Governor's Hall, so no Nine Provinces cultivator should disregard his warning, and Xiang Yin and her sister certainly wouldn't defy him.

In confusion, Lu Ye extended his Mental Consciousness to investigate, wanting to see who was triggering the seal of the Core World.

He was soon surprised because Xiang Yin, her sister, Yang Ling, and Hu Dequan were all present beside the core, along with two other familiar figures.

At this moment, Xiang Yin and her sister were trembling because they could feel a powerful Mental Consciousness enveloping them, full of hostility, giving them the feeling they might die here at any moment.

The source of the Mental Consciousness was a cultivator in a blue robe, whose powerful aura revealed his identity as a Sun Blaze. Beside him, a graceful and poised woman stood quietly, speaking softly with Yang Ling and Hu Dequan.

Xiang Yin and her sister quickly realized the origins of these two Sun Blaze cultivators—they were from the Dwarf Race!

Suddenly, ripples appeared above the core, and Lu Ye's figure emerged.

Xiang Yin and her sister immediately sent hopeful glances towards him.

With a swift glance, Lu Ye understood what had happened. The Dwarf Race and the Blood Race are old enemies. Chen Xuanhai and Su Yuqing had come here to investigate the core, and Xiang Yin and her sister, unaware of the situation, tried to prevent them, thereby exposing their identity as the first generation of the Blood Race, and were subsequently subdued on the spot by Chen Xuanhai.

"Senior Brother Chen, Senior Sister Su!" Lu Ye stepped forward to greet them.

Su Yuqing, who was speaking with Yang Ling and Hu Dequan, turned her head towards him, smiling brightly, which stunned Yang Ling and Hu Dequan, as this Sun Blaze had been rather serious until now.

Hearing Lu Ye's address for the two Sun Blaze cultivators...the two couldn't help but recall the scene of meeting Lu Ye for the first time.

This person...is indeed a Master Uncle, though we were calling each other brothers before. In the future, our seniority might just drop a level.

Chen Xuanhai also glanced at Lu Ye, nodding slightly, and praised, "Well done!"

Throughout this hasty journey, both he and Su Yuqing had been somewhat uneasy, as no one could be sure if things were as they presumed before seeing the core with their own eyes.

It wasn't until they reached here, seeing the core placed right there!

Even though they had never seen the core, the deep-seated sensation within them couldn't be fake. This thing resembling an artificial hill was undoubtedly the core that the Dwarf Race lost countless years ago.

Think about it, Lu Ye is indeed a benefactor to the Dwarf Race, especially to the eastern part. He helped them win the Black Abyss Martial Arts Meet back then, and now he has helped them retrieve an essential item.

A mere compliment can't express the gratitude of the Dwarf Race. Fortunately, Junior Sister Su had the foresight to become his Dao companion early on, making Lu Ye half a member of the Dwarf Race, so contributing to the clan is only right.

"Senior Brother, you overpraise." Lu Ye said modestly, looking at Xiang Yin and her sister struggling, and said, "Senior Brother, please release them. They are my people."

Su Yuqing smiled gently, narrowing her eyes slightly, "Your people?"

Lu Ye suddenly felt a chill down his spine and hurriedly explained, "They are my subordinates. During the struggle for the core, they also contributed significantly."

"Oh?" Chen Xuanhai raised an eyebrow, not understanding what was going on, but he still released the suppression on Xiang Yin and her sister.

The two sisters staggered slightly, feeling as if they had narrowly escaped death.

Su Yuqing asked, "Did you just say a struggle for the core? With whom?"

Lu Ye sighed, "It's a long story; should we find a place to talk slowly?"

"Alright." Su Yuqing nodded. She was also curious about how Lu Ye managed to bring the core out of the marvel.

"If the two Master Uncles don't mind, you can come with me and Brother Hu. We have found a place to stay in this domain. It's not big, but it's quiet." Yang Ling suggested.

"Let's go." Chen Xuanhai, with hands behind his back, gestured for Yang Ling to lead the way.

Chapter 1818 I Didn't Tell You to Refine It

On a towering spirit mountaintop in Dingzhou, as far as the eye could see, a sea of clouds surged and shifted, resembling a fairyland.

Lu Ye's voice continually rang out, occasionally supplemented by Yang Ling and Hu Dequan.

Gradually, everything that had happened in the Core World was completely revealed before Chen Xuanhai and Su Yuqing.

When they learned that the Red Talisman Society had been hiding in the Core World for years, facing enemies many times more powerful, and with Sun Blaze sitting among them, yet they had not submitted, both Sun Blaze nodded slightly.

The foreign cultivators they had chosen back then had been selected after a long period of observation and training. Looking back now, most of these dispatched cultivators were trustworthy.

Upon learning that the treasure blood of the Blood Ancestor in the Core World had developed spiritual intelligence, Chen Xuanhai and Su Yuqing couldn't help but change their expressions.



They also didn't know that a drop of the treasure blood of the Blood Ancestor had remained in the Core World, and that the blood had actually nurtured spiritual intelligence, aiming to stain the core origin.

However, they finally understood why Moon Jade of the Dwarf Race found nothing whenever she went searching. According to Lu Ye's speculation, it was because the core origin protected the Dwarf Race cultivators, preventing them from entering the Core World. Whenever a Dwarf Race cultivator entered the marvel, the Core World would avoid them.

The foreign cultivators they sent did not receive this kind of treatment. Some encountered the core and wandered in, while others returned empty-handed.

Through the gentle narration, the whole process of the final battle in the origin space was made known to the two Sun Blaze of the Dwarf Race.

After Lu Ye finished speaking, both Su Yuqing and Chen Xuanhai's expressions turned peculiar.

Chen Xuanhai looked at him with surprise and doubt: "So, at the final moment of that battle, the core consciousness used itself as a cage to imprison the treasure blood consciousness, and then you refined them all?"

"Yes!"

Chen Xuanhai and Su Yuqing exchanged a glance, seeing what was on each other's mind, and then Chen Xuanhai cautiously asked, "After refining the origin, what changes have you noticed?"

Lu Ye said, "Not much change in myself, but I can easily control the Core World with the origin, and I can also mobilize the Core World's essence. On the way back, I encountered an insect hive, and with this method, I sealed an Insect Race Sun Blaze in the Core World and destroyed it."

Despite having anticipated it, Chen Xuanhai couldn't help but feel amused when Lu Ye said this. As for the Insect Race Sun Blaze being killed, though significant, it was not much compared to the current situation.

Seeing Chen Xuanhai and Su Yuqing's expressions turning somewhat odd, Lu Ye suspiciously asked, "What's wrong? Is there something inappropriate?"

Chen Xuanhai opened his mouth as if finding it difficult to speak, and finally, he waved his hand, "Junior Sister, you tell him."

Su Yuqing nodded, looked at Lu Ye with gentle eyes, and said, "Lu Ye, during your travels in the stellar space, have you heard of the title World Lord?"

"Yes!" Lu Ye nodded.

In the Indeterminate World of the four galaxies, Jyang Shang was a World Lord, and in the Jade Conch World, there was also a World Lord called Qiu Wu.

Su Yuqing continued, "There are actually two types of World Lords: True World Masters and False World Lords."

Lu Ye was puzzled, "There's such a distinction? How can one tell the difference?"

Su Yuqing explained, "The biggest difference between true and false World Lords is whether they have refined the origin of a world! Those who have not refined a world's origin, called World Lords, are merely respected by the local cultivators. They might be the strongest or the most esteemed in the world, but either way, they do not have many advantages in their world. True World Masters, on the other hand, having refined the origin of the world, can mobilize the essence of their world at will, as you did when suppressing the Insect Race Sun Blaze. At a thought, they can even change the world drastically or break it apart. Such a World Lord is truly the master of that world."

As Su Yuqing spoke, she looked at Lu Ye with a complex expression in her eyes.

Chen Xuanhai also watched him with a similar expression, unable to help but curse internally.

Sending Lu Ye to the Demon Eye Marvel was meant for him to explore information about the core. The Dwarf Race hadn't held much hope since generations of Dwarves had tried for ages without success. As long as Lu Ye could uncover some intelligence about the core, it would be a tremendous gain.

No one expected that in just a few years, only at the Moon Jade Mid-Stage, Lu Ye would actually bring the core out of the marvel. Not only that, but he also refined the core origin and became the core's master!

The core's return is a good thing, but having a master for the core is not, especially since the master is not of Dwarf Race descent!

It's imaginable that when the three parts of Mount Fangcun merge, Lu Ye, as the master of the core, would naturally become the master of the entire Mount Fangcun!

This was what the Blood Ancestor coveted back in the day, but never achieved.

They asked you to find the core, not to refine it!

With two Sun Blaze eyes fixed on him, Lu Ye blinked, realizing something, and turned to Chen Xuanhai, declaring righteously, "Rest assured, Senior Brother, though I am of the human race, since I am Dao companions with Yuqing, my heart is surely aligned with our Dwarf Race. I will never do anything to betray the Dwarf Race. My loyalty is as clear as the heavens and earth, the sun and moon bear witness!" He spoke while reaching out to hold Su Yuqing's hand, grasping it firmly.

Su Yuqing immediately blushed deeply, struggled hard for a moment, but couldn't free herself...

Yang Ling and Hu Dequan were shocked, hurriedly looking up at the sky or down at their feet...

Xiang Yin and sister also averted their gaze in time.

Chen Xuanhai felt a headache coming on... Just a moment ago, when they first met, Lu Ye addressed Su Yuqing as Senior Sister. Now that he's aware of the importance, he calls her Yuqing. This person is too realistic.

Taking a few deep breaths, Chen Xuanhai finally managed to steady his somewhat chaotic breathing. After pondering for a while, he said, "This matter is of great importance, it must be immediately reported to the others."

He also knew that Lu Ye's refining of the core origin was not intentional, because according to Lu Ye's previous accounts, it was the Origin Consciousness guiding him. Otherwise, how could Lu Ye, a Moon Jade Mid-Stage, possibly refine the core?

When Mount Fangcun was intact in the past, it wasn't that no Insect Race Sun Blaze from the Dwarf Race tried refining the origin, but none succeeded.

Mount Fangcun... that is a stellar space supreme treasure! How could it be casually refined by someone?

Lu Ye's refining was a huge coincidence, the erosion of the Blood Ancestor's treasure blood, the weakening of the Origin Consciousness, and the choice at the critical moment of life and death, all these created the reality of a Moon Jade Mid-Stage achieving the status of the core master.

Looking throughout history, such an event has never happened before.

But no matter what, this monumental event still needs to be immediately reported to the Sun Blaze of the other two divisions, and at this moment, surely everyone is waiting for their news.

With a flushed face, Su Yuqing nodded slightly, then turned to Lu Ye and said, "Go to the core."

Lu Ye felt a pinch in the palm of his hand and immediately nodded, "Then let's go."

The group then hurried towards the core area again.

Halfway there, Su Yuqing transmitted an audio message: "Don't worry, since you've refined the origin, you are the rightful Origin Lord. When Mount Fangcun merges in the future, you will also be the master of the entire Mount Fangcun. The Dwarf Race will not be hostile towards you, but this matter is of great significance, and they need some time to accept it."

Lu Ye nodded, "I'm not worried."

He actually hadn't realized these issues before, but after hearing Su Yuqing's explanation, he understood how significant his refining of the origin was to the Dwarf Race.

From another perspective, if a foreign clan cultivator suddenly refined the origin of the Nine Provinces and became the master of the Nine Provinces, Lu Ye and other cultivators would certainly find it hard to remain calm, even if that foreign clan cultivator made great contributions to the Nine Provinces.

In a short while, they reached a spacious area in the Core World.

Lu Ye stood quietly to the side, waiting. Su Yuqing and Chen Xuanhai were busy setting up a complex big array.

Lu Ye knew that cultivators of each division in Mount Fangcun could travel back and forth at some cost. Previously, he had traveled from the Western Region to the Eastern Region.

But such travel not only required resources but also certain special methods, and only the Dwarf Race could utilize these methods within Mount Fangcun.

No one else could use them.

The formation being set up in front of them was undoubtedly something like a bridge.

After being busy for several days, the two Sun Blaze finally completed their work. Su Yuqing looked up towards Lu Ye, "You just wait outside."

Lu Ye nodded.

The next moment, the two Sun Blaze's Mental Consciousness surged, and as the powerful Soul Power fluctuated and spread, Lu Ye immediately felt immense pressure and couldn't help but step back.

The array runes of the setup big array shimmered and gradually transformed into light, enveloping the figures of the two Sun Blaze.

In a phantom hall, the blurred figures of Chen Xuanhai and Su Yuqing began to appear, and only after they completely solidified did they transmit a message through special means.

Soon, one after another, illusory figures similar to theirs appeared in the hall.

Months later, the Sun Blaze from the three divisions gathered again.

Someone urgently asked, "Have you arrived? What is the situation now?"

Before Chen Xuanhai and Su Yuqing could answer, someone responded, "Since Senior Brother Chen and Junior Sister Su can project here, they must already be at the core. Our Junior Brother Lu is truly amazing, he actually managed to bring out the core, hahaha!"

Upon these words, the emotions of the many Sun Blaze reached a high. Just as the person said, since Chen Xuanhai and Su Yuqing could project themselves here, they must have entered the Core World; otherwise, such a feat would not be possible.

Moreover, considering the timing, they indeed should have reached the Jade Conch by now.

For a moment, the atmosphere was warm, and the Sun Blaze from each division were in good spirits.

"Senior Brother Chen, go ahead?" said the first Sun Blaze to speak.

Chen Xuanhai nodded and began to recount the information he had learned from Lu Ye. Many Sun Blaze listened attentively.

When they heard that Lu Ye had actually refined the core and now became the Origin Lord, the group of Sun Blaze was instantly dumbfounded.

## Chapter 1819 - Dao Tree Lineage

It's like a missing girl in the family; for various reasons, an outsider was sent to gather information, and the outsider did an excellent job, not only bringing the missing girl back but also taking her as his wife!

The key issue isn't just about a missing girl from the family, refining the core means directly becoming the master of all Mount Fangcun!

The Sun Blaze cannot accept it; no one can allow such an existence to sit over the entire clan, nor can they hand over the clan's future to this outsider.

"This is outrageous, how dare that boy, how could he dare!" One Sun Blaze beat his chest and stomped his feet, heartbroken, as if a family girl had been married off by an outsider.

Inside the illusory hall, a chaotic scene unfolded. The core origin being refined clearly caused a massive shock to the Sun Blaze. As Sun Blaze, their disposition and cultivation were exceptional; normal events couldn't stir such emotional upheaval. But today's events concerned the clan's future, so it's understandable.

Chen Xuanhai watched coldly and couldn't help sighing; he knew things would develop this way.

A passionate Sun Blaze, in a fit of anger, shouted, "Kill that boy, and the core will have no master!"

Immediately, someone objected, "That's inappropriate. The Dwarf Race regained the long-lost core, and the three divisions have now merged, which is a great achievement. We can't even express gratitude, let alone resort to murder. If that's the case, what is our Dwarf Race becoming? Besides, he isn't completely unrelated to our clan."

After all, Lu Ye is the Dao companion of Su Yuqing from the Eastern Region.

The Sun Blaze who spoke earlier realized he was too blunt and looked towards Su Yuqing, "Junior Sister, don't mind. I have a habit of speaking without restraint."

Su Yuqing said lightly, "Then it's best for you to change this habit; causing misunderstandings wouldn't be good."

Killing is not an option, but letting things develop like this leaves everyone without a sense of security. For a moment, the Sun Blaze seemed at a loss for what to do.

After a while, someone spoke slowly, "I'm curious about one thing. As far as I know, this Junior Brother Lu only has cultivation at Moon Jade Mid-Stage, right? Even with assistance from the Origin Consciousness during the core refining, it should not have been so easy. The Origin Consciousness, even the awareness in Blood Ancestor's treasure blood, is not easily refined. Even among us Sun Blaze, who can guarantee success? Additionally, how did he refine Blood Ancestor's treasure blood? The terrifying contamination power of Blood Ancestor's treasure blood, once in the Core World, even a drop of Blood Rain would gradually transform one into a Blood Race. How did he, a mere Moon Jade, manage to be unaffected and refine it?"

Hearing this, all the Sun Blaze turned to look at Chen Xuanhai.

Chen Xuanhai was stunned, and then shook his head slowly, "I neglected to ask about this." Mainly upon learning that Lu Ye had refined the origin to become the Origin Lord, the news was so shocking that he only thought of informing the other Sun Blaze and didn't think to ask these questions.

"Additionally," the previous Sun Blaze continued, "according to Junior Brother Lu's account, at the last moment, the Origin Consciousness actively sought him out to help with the refining. In other words, regardless of how we view this, the Origin Consciousness favors him. Why? What special qualities does he have that make the Origin Consciousness entrust the outcome of battling the treasure blood in him?"

The Origin Consciousness is not a living being, but in terms of knowledge and experience, it surpasses any Sun Blaze present, perhaps even more powerful. So this matter is very odd. Why did the Origin Consciousness make that choice? What does Lu Ye possess for the Origin Consciousness to value, or was it simply a desperate measure out of necessity?

However, this is evidently unreasonable. In truth, many cultivators with greater cultivation than Lu Ye could've been chosen at the time, such as Yang Ling and Hu Dequan, who have been in the Core World for far longer, having obvious advantages, more likely to gain the origin's recognition.



Yet, the origin didn't choose them; rather, it chose Lu Ye, who had only recently entered the Core World.

Therefore, the most likely reason is that Lu Ye possesses some special quality that caught the origin's attention.

"Could I trouble Junior Brother Chen and Junior Sister Su to bring Junior Brother Lu here, so that we might question him ourselves?" that Sun Blaze suggested, thinking it was simpler to ask directly than guess blindly. After saying this, he turned to Su Yuqing, "Junior Sister Su, rest assured, regardless of the outcome, I guarantee that unless Junior Brother Lu is already contaminated by the treasure blood and turned into a Blood Race, his life will be unharmed."

The Sun Blaze speaking is from the Southern Region and is the oldest and most respected Sun Blaze present; his guarantee certainly carries weight.

Chen Xuanhai looked at Su Yuqing.

Su Yuqing pondered briefly, then nodded, "Please wait a moment, I will bring him here."

Saying that, the figure faded.

In the Core World, Lu Ye had already retreated far away, waiting silently, when suddenly Su Yuqing's voice reached his ear, "Lu Ye, come over!"

Upon hearing this, Lu Ye quickly flew forward, and at the same time, Su Yuqing's Mental Consciousness enveloped him, relieving his pressure.

Shortly after, Lu Ye stood in front of Su Yuqing; she grabbed his hand and said, "Don't resist; I'm taking you somewhere. Our clan's Sun Blaze have some questions for you."

"Alright!" Lu Ye nodded.

Su Yuqing, still uneasy, asked again, "Have you been contaminated by the power of Blood Ancestor's treasure blood?"

"No."

Su Yuqing looked at him directly, "Don't lie to me."

"Really not," Lu Ye reiterated, "Let me put it this way, I have a unique refining ability; anything harmful to me in this world can be refined away."

Su Yuqing was taken aback: "What kind of ability is that?" Such a terrifying refining power shouldn't belong to someone at Moon Jade stage.

Lu Ye thought for a moment and said, "I can't really say clearly." The name Talent Tree was something he came up with himself, so he didn't know how to explain it to Su Yuqing. Suddenly, a spirit light flashed in his mind, and he said, "When the core origin contacted me, it mentioned the Dao Tree lineage. From its words, it seemed to think I belonged to this lineage."

"What?" Su Yuqing's pupils suddenly contracted: "The Origin Consciousness thinks you are from the Dao Tree lineage?"

"I'm not sure if that's the case, but it just mentioned it casually. Besides, throughout my cultivation, I've refined many things. All harmful substances were entirely refined away, and when I looked within myself, there indeed seems to be a tree inside."

Su Yuqing's heart was shaken; the ability to refine anything harmful, the Dao Tree lineage...

She slowly nodded: "I understand, you stand aside for now."

There was no longer a need for Lu Ye to personally inquire with the Sun Blaze of his clan.

Following her words, Lu Ye stepped back, and moments later, Su Yuqing's figure appeared again in the ethereal grand hall.

Seeing her return alone, a group of Sun Blaze appeared puzzled.

Su Yuqing's voice arose: "Lu Ye is a descendant of the Dao Tree lineage, I just learned of this!"

In the grand hall, a brief silence ensued, quickly followed by exclamations: "A descendant of the Dao Tree lineage? Junior Sister, are you sure?"

"Is there a new descendant of the Dao Tree lineage in the world?"

"I see!"

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Many Sun Blaze looked as if they had never seen the world, exclaiming repeatedly. Even Chen Xuanhai gazed at Su Yuqing in shock, almost doubting his own hearing.

"Everyone quiet down, what are you doing?" The highest-ranking Sun Blaze in the Southern Region spoke sternly, looking at Su Yuqing: "Junior Sister, can this matter be confirmed?"

Su Yuqing replied, "Lu Ye told me that when he previously encountered the Origin Consciousness, it mentioned the Dao Tree lineage. Also, Lu Ye said that since he began cultivating, he has refined many things, all detrimental substances have been refined away, and upon introspection, there is indeed a tree inside him, moreover... he is of fire element!"

The Sun Blaze of the Southern Region nodded slightly: "The Dao Tree lineage, there is nothing in the world it cannot refine. If this is true, then it explains everything."

Evidently, when the Origin Consciousness interacted with Lu Ye, it sensed he was a descendant of the Dao Tree lineage, which gave it confidence to assist him in refining the origin, because even the Blood Ancestor's treasure blood could be refined by the Dao Tree lineage.

"If it's the descendant of the Dao Tree lineage who refined the core origin..." The Sun Blaze of the Southern Region pondered and then turned to the others, "Isn't this somewhat acceptable?"

The Sun Blaze of the Dwarf Race's shock regarding Lu Ye becoming the Origin Lord was primarily due to Lu Ye's current weak cultivation, even though his potential seemed good, no one could predict what he might grow into in the future, and he was from a Foreign Clan.

But the descendant of the Dao Tree lineage was undoubtedly worth anticipating.

Su Yuqing spoke unhurriedly, "When I first met him, he was only at the Constellation Early Stage, and that was just over a decade ago."

A group of Sun Blaze couldn't help but be shaken.

A Constellation Early Stage cultivator over a decade ago, and now in the Moon Jade Mid-Stage in such a short span—such a terrifying pace of cultivation, perhaps only a descendant of the Dao Tree lineage could achieve it in this world.

Indeed, the future looks promising!

After a silent moment, the Sun Blaze of the Southern Region spoke, "The core has been refined, and unless we quench our humanity and disregard such an enormous achievement by eliminating Junior Brother Lu before he can rise, I suppose none of us here would do such a thing. Fortunately, Junior Brother Lu is considered one of us, and since the core is refined, let it be. Moreover, from what we know, Junior Brother Lu's character and morality are trustworthy. I suggest, we observe the situation quietly."

"I second that!" A Sun Blaze followed.

"I second that!"

"I second that!"

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The three departments of Sun Blaze successively expressed agreement, thus concluding the refinement of the core matter once and for all.

The Sun Blaze from the Southern Region looked again at Su Yuqing: "Junior Sister, Junior Brother Lu will be entrusted to your care. The potential for growth in the Dao Tree lineage is undeniably immense, but we must ensure he doesn't stray onto a dark path. The downfall of the Nine Provinces thousands of years ago serves as a lesson, and we must remain vigilant; I do not wish for our clan to repeat the same mistakes one day!"

"I understand, I will take good care of him." Su Yuqing nodded solemnly.

Chapter 1820 - The Domain Outside Is the Nine Provinces

In the Core World, under Lu Ye's watchful gaze, he saw Su Yuqing and Chen Xuanhai gradually regain their senses, as the terrifying fluctuations of soul power gradually subsided.

Chen Xuanhai glanced in the direction where Lu Ye stood, his expression slightly complicated, and said, "Junior Sister, it's up to you."

Su Yuqing nodded.

Only then did Chen Xuanhai take flight, soaring out of the domain.

Lu Ye glanced in the direction of his departure, then stepped toward Su Yuqing, stopping before her and asking, "What's going on?"

Chen Xuanhai had looked at him with a somewhat peculiar expression earlier.

Su Yuqing pondered for a moment, then extended a hand to Lu Ye, softly saying, "Come."

Lu Ye placed his hand in her palm, and in the next instant, pure mana enveloped him, propelling the two of them toward the nearest spirit mountaintop.

A moment later, on that spirit mountaintop, Su Yuqing brought out two chairs, and they sat facing each other.

Lu Ye felt she might have something very important to discuss with him; otherwise, she wouldn't have made such a serious gesture. But since Su Yuqing hadn't brought it up yet, he didn't want to rush her, so he quietly waited.

After a while, Su Yuqing finally spoke, "How much do you know about the Dao Tree lineage?"

Lu Ye shook his head, "Not at all."

He had only heard this term from Veteran Fang, but back then Veteran Fang hadn't said much. So he asked in return, "Do you know?"

When he had mentioned the Dao Tree lineage previously, Su Yuqing had clearly reacted differently, evidently having heard of it.

"I've heard a bit. In fact, Xiyuan Pavilion has records about the Dao Tree lineage." Su Yuqing nodded.

Lu Ye was surprised, "Why didn't I see them?" When he first entered Mount Fangcun, he had stayed in Xiyuan Pavilion for several months, imprinting a large amount of information about stellar space and bringing it back to the Nine Provinces, filling the Nine Provinces' knowledge gap about stellar space.

Su Yuqing said, "Some secrets in Xiyuan Pavilion are not open to outsiders."

Lu Ye understood; that explained why he hadn't seen any such records.

"Tell me about it." Lu Ye sat up straight, actually quite interested in his inheritance. Moreover, he had asked Number Nine about this matter back in the day, but unfortunately, Number Nine couldn't provide any answers, only telling him that Lu Ye was not the first to receive this inheritance. Before him, several Nine Provinces cultivators had also obtained it, but none managed to grow.

Su Yuqing's voice came forth, "What I know are things recorded by my clan's ancestors, never witnessed with my own eyes, so just take a listen. Some things require your own judgment."

Lu Ye nodded solemnly.

"The Dao Tree is a path of inheritance and a very powerful one at that, with only one successor in each generation. Its specific form is likely as you described before—a tree within the body visible through inner sight. The last successor of the Dao Tree lineage appeared millennia ago, during a time when there was an exceptionally famous top-class domain belonging to the human race. Compared to the current Yellow Dragon World, it was even more formidable, and could be said to be the undisputed overlord domain of the human race. Unfortunately... such a top-class domain was ultimately destroyed because of the Dao Tree lineage."

"Why?" Lu Ye frowned.

He didn't fully grasp how powerful the Yellow Dragon World was, but after mixing in the All Phenomena Ocean for years, he had heard of the Yellow Dragon World's reputation numerous times. Nowadays, in the All Phenomena Ocean, the Yellow Dragon World solely occupied a top-class Spirit Island.

The overlord domain of the human race from a millennium ago was actually even stronger than the Yellow Dragon World, but such a domain was destroyed because of the Dao Tree lineage. This puzzled Lu Ye; he didn't understand what kind of causal relationship existed.

Su Yuqing said, "The Dao Tree successor of that generation was a cultivator from that top-class domain. He rose from obscurity to fame in stellar space, growing at an incredibly rapid pace. However, he committed acts that enraged the heavens and people, angering many forces. Not only did his reputation become notorious, but even his birth domain was implicated."

At this point, she sighed and gave Lu Ye a meaningful glance, "The Dao Tree lineage, in the vast world, nothing is there that it cannot refine. Your cultivation speed is so fast, it should be related to your inheritance. You must also know how much assistance this inheritance has provided you in your growth."

Lu Ye solemnly nodded.

Without the Talent Tree, he would never have achieved his current accomplishments.

"As you grew, did you ever use the power of the Dao Tree to refine living beings?" When she posed this question, Su Yuqing's expression was extremely serious.

Lu Ye decisively shook his head, "Never have."

"Can you confirm?"

"I can confirm!" Lu Ye nodded.

Actually, right after the first metamorphosis of the Talent Tree, Lu Ye had already discovered this matter. Since he could harness the power of the Talent Tree to refine the Spirit Stone, he could completely refine the spirit force within the cultivators for his own use, and even refine their blood Qi altogether.

Doing so would mean that every cultivator would become a cultivation resource he could refine.

But Lu Ye had never done so because he felt that it was no different from consuming people, which was psychologically hard to accept, so to date, no matter how many enemies he has slain, even though some of them were not from the human race, he has never refined their spirit force.

"That's good!" Su Yuqing took a deep breath, completely alleviating her concerns. She was really worried that Lu Ye might have done something similar.



"Is there any hidden danger in doing this?" Lu Ye saw her change in expression and vaguely guessed.

Su Yuqing nodded: "There is hidden danger, and quite significant. The Dao Tree lineage can refine all, but there is one thing that cannot be refined, or rather, cannot be completely refined!"

"What is it?" Lu Ye was incredibly curious. In his cultivation journey so far, he hadn't encountered anything that couldn't be refined; anything that could assist in his growth seemed to be refinable?

"Seven emotions and six desires!" Su Yuqing's red lips gently parted, "Or rather, the emotions of living beings with flesh and blood. Ten thousand years ago, the successor of the Dao Tree lineage didn't have exceptional aptitude, quite poor, in fact. But he soon discovered a method to rapidly enhance his aptitude: killing enemies and then refining them. This refinement not only improved his strength, but also his aptitude seemed to enhance as if the Dao Tree could strip away others' aptitudes to strengthen itself. Using this method, his strength grew stronger and his aptitude more outstanding, yet the more beings he refined, the more sinister his temperament became. Every enemy he killed was filled with various negative emotions before they died, and the Dao Tree couldn't completely purify these emotions, accumulating them within him."

"Later, in pursuit of greater strength and aptitude, he secretly harmed cultivators from many powerful factions, including successors from top-class domains. These people were all exceptionally talented, greatly aiding his growth. He ventured further and further down this dark path, leading to more and more slaughter, ultimately losing himself, and he brought calamity to his home domain as a result."

"After the incident was exposed, countless powerful factions allied to besiege that domain. Numerous Sun Blaze masters participated, making the domain a living hell for its inhabitants. If it weren't for the domain's warriors preparing beforehand and crafting a mysterious treasure to teleport the domain away, the whole domain might have been shattered by the battle!"

"Hmm?" Lu Ye originally listened as if it were an old story from ten thousand years ago, the predecessors' experiences cautioning him. But hearing this, he suddenly felt a strong sense of familiarity.

A certain domain's warriors prepared in advance, crafting a mysterious treasure to teleport the entire domain away at a critical moment...

He quickly asked: "What was the name of the Dao Tree successor from ten thousand years ago? Which domain did he come from?"

Su Yuqing thought for a moment and said, "That person was named Chao Nian, and the domain he came from was called Nine Provinces!" With these words, she reached out to grasp Lu Ye's hand, looking at him earnestly: "Lu Ye, you must heed Chao Nian's lesson. With the Dao Tree, you possess a faster growth rate than anyone else. Never succumb to the temptation to refine living beings casually; it will only harm you, never benefit you."

Lu Ye certainly won't do such things; if he were inclined to, he would've done it much earlier. Moreover, cultivation for him is simple; as long as the Talent Tree has ample fuel reserves, all he needs to do is dive into All Phenomena Ocean, so why refine living beings?

Since he hasn't embarked on this dark path earlier, he won't tread it in the future.

"I understand." Lu Ye nodded and looked at Su Yuqing, "Yuqing, there's something I need to tell you."

"Speak." Su Yuqing looked at him seriously.

Lu Ye gave a thumbs up: "The domain I come from outside is indeed Nine Provinces!"

Su Yuqing blinked her big eyes: "Isn't it Nine Heavens?"

She remembered Lu Ye previously claimed to be Lu Yiye of the Nine Heavens...

"Nine Heavens is just the public moniker. A senior once advised us to never mention the name Nine Provinces when traveling outside, hence the cultivators from our home domain always claim to be from Nine Heavens."

This matter was bound to be unhideable from the Dwarf Race. Once Mount Fangcun merges, the truth about Nine Provinces will eventually be known.

Facing Su Yuqing, Lu Ye had no intention of hiding it.

Su Yuqing was momentarily stunned before reacting, "Your Nine Provinces and Chao Nian's Nine Provinces..."

Lu Ye nodded: "Presumably, it is the same Nine Provinces!"

When he first met Number Nine, Number Nine used a means to let him see the scene of the previous Nine Provinces being besieged. At that time, he didn't know what sort of heinous act the previous Nine Provinces committed to provoke such formidable enemies to attack. Unfortunately, Number Nine couldn't explain to him either, as before the previous Nine Provinces were besieged, Number Nine had not yet developed spiritual intelligence.

The reason it could let Lu Ye witness that scene was primarily because the earth-shattering battle left too deep a mark on the origin of Nine Provinces. As the Heaven's Augury Compass Artifact Spirit combined with Nine Provinces' origin, it could naturally recall from Nine Provinces' origin.

Now he understands that the disaster for the previous Nine Provinces originated from Chao Nian, who went down a dark path and offended too many powerful factions, leading them to unite against the previous Nine Provinces.