

King Hall 1251

Chapter 1251: Pill Formation Tribulation Appears! One Spear Shatters the Heavenly Tribulation!

With a dragon's roar echoing.

The Dragon Marrow Great Pill, suspended and being refined mid-air, suddenly radiated golden light, with shadows of Divine Dragons vividly moving within.

Zhou Yi stood up, unable to suppress his excitement.

He hadn't expected Mu Jinyu's alchemy skills to reach such a level, where no Pill Furnace was needed to refine elixirs.

And the elixir refined seemed to be a Rank Four level elixir.

On Earth at this stage, this is simply a miracle!

"Collect!"

Mu Jinyu pinched his fingers slightly, causing the radiant elixir to gather its divine light.

Floating in mid-air, it looked like golden spheres.

"Alright, each of you take one, to improve your aptitude." Mu Jinyu wiped his sweat slightly and spoke to the crowd.

This elixir was indeed not easy to refine, even for him, it was quite strenuous, almost ending in failure.

But ultimately, it was all worth it.

Having consumed over a hundred Rank Four Spiritual Medicines, rare Dragon Marrow, and his own Divine Dragon Blood, he finally succeeded in crafting the Creation Heavenly Pill!

Although this Creation Heavenly Pill used hundreds of Rank Four Spiritual Medicines and Divine Dragon Blood, it does not enhance one's cultivation upon consumption; its sole purpose is to improve one's Root Bone and Spirit Root!

Among the people Mu Jinyu cared for, only Wen Rou and Jian Ruyan's aptitude was considered superior, while Gu Xiyun and Mei Yinxue's were average, and the others were all middling or inferior.

Such aptitudes in the early stage allowed him to use substantial resources to build them up, ensuring their cultivation wouldn't fall too far behind in a broader context.

But in the future, this method wouldn't work.

Therefore, upon finding the right materials, Mu Jinyu didn't hesitate to expend his Divine Dragon Blood to refine this batch of Creation Heavenly Pills!

Yes, although he said it had little effect, like donating blood, there was actually some impact.

Divine Dragon Blood doesn't recover easily.

"Boom!!"

Just then.

The sky suddenly turned dark with cloud swirls, followed by a bolt of lightning striking like a Thunder God's spear onto the Mountain Protection Array over Yinlong Mountain.

"Sizzle!"

"Bang!!"

The originally impregnable Mountain Protection Array was split open with a large gap!

"What happened?!"

The warriors of the Dragon King Hall, all drunk, felt the force of heavenly lightning, uncomfortable and anxious.

Not only them, but Wang Tengfei, Zhuo Bufan, and several Mountain Masters who had returned to their temporary lodgings were about to practice cultivation after their seafood feast, when they sensed the presence of heavenly lightning.

"Is this... a heavenly tribulation?!"

"Could it be the Dragon King preparing to transcend, advancing to the Unity Realm Stage above the Fanxu Realm?!"

Wang Tengfei, Zhuo Bufan, Monk Liaowu, and others rose abruptly in their rooms, opened their windows, and gazed at the rolling thunderclouds in the sky, shocked and exclaimed.

In their speculation, Mu Jinyu was believed to be at the Late Stage of the Fanxu Realm, but they didn't expect that after a seafood banquet, Mu Jinyu could advance to the Unity Realm Stage!

No!

It should be that Mu Jinyu could break through to the Unity Realm Stage anytime, but he previously chose not to.

After discussing with them, he decided to head to Mount Tai tomorrow, intending to break through the Unity Realm Stage and have more assurance during the trip to Mount Tai?

Thinking of this, Wang Tengfei, Zhuo Bufan, and the others were filled with shock and excitement.

"Why is there thunder? It seems the Mountain Protection Array was breached?!"

In Yinlong Mountain's Inner Valley, Su Zijin and others, witnessing the heavenly lightning, retracted their hands poised to take elixirs and looked towards the sky, worriedly asking.

Mu Jinyu comforted, "Don't worry, it's just the heavenly tribulation after pill formation."

"Does pill formation success cause a heavenly tribulation?" Gu Xiyan and the others asked in a daze, looking at Mu Jinyu.

Mu Jinyu nodded, "Yes, it does."

He didn't elaborate, but the excited Zhou Yi added, "Ordinary elixir formation won't trigger a heavenly tribulation; only Rank Four or above elixirs, due to their extraordinary efficacy not tolerated by the world, attract a heavenly tribulation upon formation to destroy them!"

"Whether it's the Dragon Master's alchemy techniques or the materials used in concocting, they were all top-grade; now that the pill's formed, though I'm unsure of its applications, a heavenly tribulation is perfectly normal."

"I see..."

Gu Xiyan and the others, upon hearing Zhou Yi's explanation, suddenly understood and recalled that Mu Jinyu's alchemy techniques were indeed remarkable.

Yet concern arose in their hearts.

"Will the elixir be preserved under such circumstances?"

Mu Jinyu looked at the sky, the clouds poised to discharge more lightning, and replied casually, "Rest assured, it can be preserved, this heavenly tribulation is nothing."

Having endured several heavenly tribulations, he naturally wouldn't be bothered by a mere pill formation tribulation.

"Buzz!!"

He raised his hand, and a Dragon Spear appeared.

"Whoosh!!"

Mu Jinyu lightly threw it, and the Dragon Spear whistled towards the increasingly dense thunderclouds!

"Is this..."

The Seven Mountain Masters stood by their windows, refraining from interfering with Mu Jinyu's transcendence but watched closely.

Seeing a spear rocket from the Inner Valley towards the sky, they were startled, eyes narrowing.

"How dare he do this?"

"Ancient texts indicate that merely enduring the Heavenly Tribulation Hedao is extremely arduous; a single mistake might lead to one's demise, yet he dares to challenge the heavenly tribulation?!"

"Isn't this madness? Can the Dragon King survive?"

"Should we leave Yinlong Mountain immediately? If the world-ending heavenly tribulation is incited by the Dragon King's affront, wouldn't we be caught in the disaster's wake?"

Wang Tengfei and the others turned pale, muttering fearfully.

They even considered escaping Yinlong Mountain.

Yet as this thought emerged, they despaired.

For it was already too late!

But what followed left them almost losing their eyes out of their sockets!

"Boom!"

The Dragon Spear, like a distant toothpick, soared from below into the dense, terrifying thunderclouds, causing an explosion of brilliant thunder light in the sky.

An awe-inspiring mushroom cloud bloomed across the sky.

Endless Thunder Arc flickered at the edges.

Yet shortly after, the mushroom cloud faded, the heavens regained calm, clear as if the earlier clouds never existed.

"Did he just... vanquish the heavenly tribulation with a single strike?!"

"Is the heavenly tribulation over just like that?!"

"How didn't it strike Yinlong Mountain; how terrifying is the Dragon King's power!"

Wang Tengfei, Zhuo Bufan, and others stared blankly at the azure sky, whispering in awe.

Unaware of their shock, Mu Jinyu casually annihilated the pill formation tribulation with a single strike.

Retrieving the Dragon Spear, he turned to Gu Xiyan and the others, equally stunned, and said, "Alright, now you can safely consume the elixir."

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"Oh."

Since Gu Xiyan and the others weren't aware of the terror of the Heavenly Tribulation, they didn't think much when Mu Jinyu easily broke through the Pill Formation Tribulation.

Then, each of them extended their hands and received a golden elixir.

"Wen Rou, Xiao Yan, you should take one too."

Mu Jinyu noticed that Wen Rou and Jian Ruyan hadn't reached out for the Creation Heavenly Pill, so she urged them.

Wen Rou hesitated and shook her head, saying, "My aptitude is alright, there's no need to waste a Creation Heavenly Pill."

Having followed Mu Jinyu into the Kunlun Ruins, she had gained insights and naturally understood the preciousness of the Creation Heavenly Pill.

The count was just over ten pills, so she felt her aptitude was decent, and there was no need to waste a Creation Heavenly Pill, better to leave them for those who need them more in Dragon King Hall.

Jian Ruyan thought the same and shook her head lightly, indicating she didn't want one.

Mu Jinyu frowned and said, "Are you saying your aptitude is too great? I even think my own aptitude isn't good enough. If the Creation Heavenly Pill was useful to me, I'd have eaten a few myself. Stop hesitating and just take it!"

"Whoosh!"

"Gulp gulp!"

At this time, Yin Li crawled out of Mu Jinyu's arms, staring at the glittering Creation Heavenly Pill, her big eyes shimmering with bright light, she was about to dive over and swallow the remaining ten pills after Gu Xiyan and the others took theirs.

"Don't go trying to join in"

Mu Jinyu couldn't let the Divine Silkworm Princess eat up all the Creation Heavenly Pills in one go; it'd be a total waste. She reached out and grabbed Yin Li's little tail, somewhat helplessly advising her.

"Ow!"

"Let go of me!"

Yin Li was caught by Mu Jinyu by her tail and couldn't eat the Creation Heavenly Pill. She struggled but couldn't shake free, and turned viciously to bite Mu Jinyu's finger!

Mu Jinyu quickly let go, not daring to let Yin Li take a bite.

Simultaneously, she flicked her wrist and collected the last ten Golden Pills hovering in the air.

Yin Li saw Mu Jinyu let go and happily turned, preparing to continue swallowing the Creation Golden Pill.

But once she turned, she was stunned.

Mu Jinyu ignored Yin Li and said to Wen Rou and Jian Ruyan, "Look, the small princess is such a talented silkworm, she doesn't mind eating these Creation Heavenly Pills. Do you think your talents are even better than the little princess's?"

"Or are you planning to leave the Creation Heavenly Pills for the little princess to eat them like candy?"

Upon hearing Mu Jinyu's words, Wen Rou and Jian Ruyan thought about it. They felt reluctant to let the Divine Silkworm Princess eat the elixir they had painstakingly kept like candy.

"Wen Rou, Xiao Yan, you don't need to be polite. There aren't really many in Dragon King Hall suited to take this pill." Su Zijin softly advised Wen Rou and Jian Ruyan, who were still hesitant.

Gu Xiyan and Mei Yinxue joined in the persuasion.

Seeing this, Wen Rou and Jian Ruyan ultimately nodded.

After all, they were right, the Creation Heavenly Pill surely wouldn't be casually distributed to any member of Dragon King Hall, and even the core members aren't many; even if they don't keep their share, there would still be some left.

Moreover, the future is uncertain; perhaps they might find even better pills than the Creation Heavenly Pill, rendering their current reluctance pointless.

"Whoosh!"

Seeing Wen Rou and Jian Ruyan nod, Mu Jinyu flicked her fingers and sent out two Creation Heavenly Pills to them.

Zhou Yi stood by watching with envy.

But he knew his place, having just joined Dragon King Hall a few days ago, there's no way he would be given such divine pills.

"I want one too!"

Yin Li turned angrily to glare at Mu Jinyu, expressing her strong dissatisfaction.

"Alright, I'll give you one, stop fussing,"

Mu Jinyu knew even deducting for Yu Shenfeng, Third-Rate Unknown, and Qiu Bai, they would still have four or five left, thus when Yin Li asked for one, she took one out.

"Rawr..."

When Mu Jinyu took out the Golden Pill, Yin Li gobbled it up, her whole body gleamed gold for a moment, but then showed no change.

She gazed eagerly at Mu Jinyu.

Mu Jinyu shook her head.

Yin Li huffed and glared at him, then dashed away.

Mu Jinyu left her be, turning to speak to Zhou Yi, who was about to leave, "Elder Zhou, don't rush off."

She flicked her fingers, sending over a Creation Heavenly Pill.

"I get one too?"

Zhou Yi turned upon hearing a sound, instinctively caught the Creation Golden Pill, then was surprised and delighted by Mu Jinyu's words.

Mu Jinyu nodded, "Yeah, I was gonna give it to you earlier, but the little princess interrupted and made me put it away."

Although Zhou Yi had just joined Dragon King Hall, his refusal to yield despite a year's captive in Su Family made it unlikely he'd betray Dragon King Hall.

Considering his cultivation level at the Second Layer of the Divine Transformation Realm before Spiritual Energy Revival and having impacted the Divine Rankings, he's worth nurturing despite his old age.

Mu Jinyu had no reason not to give Zhou Yi a Creation Heavenly Pill.

Nor should a test of loyalty drag on for a year before giving it to Zhou Yi.

"Thank you, Dragon Master!" Zhou Yi was full of gratitude and excitement, almost knelt before Mu Jinyu.

Mu Jinyu directly prevented this, telling him, "No need for that, you can start taking the pills. I'll protect you."

"Alright."

Upon hearing Mu Jinyu, Gu Xiyan and the others didn't hesitate, immediately swallowing the Creation Heavenly Pill and sat cross-legged to start refining.

Seeing this, Zhou Yi didn't delay either and followed suit to refine.

"Buzz!"

Not long after taking, without any surprise, the first body to emit dazzling golden light was Wen Rou.

"Crackling!!"

Then, Wen Rou's bones crackled under the pill's influence, reshaping her root bone into perfection.

Shortly, a layer of blackish sludge seeped from her skin, almost turning her into a mud doll.

This was Marrow Cleansing and Vein Cutting!

Soon after, the next to show the pill's effects was Jian Ruyan.

The third was Zhou Yi!

The fourth was Su Zijin.

The fifth was Gu Xiyan...

They began to transform, reshaping their root bones, cleansing their marrow and veins, though their cultivation remained unchanged, their essence, Qi, and spirit were entirely different.

Wen Rou was first to regain consciousness, feeling her body more comfortable, and Mu Jinyu smiled and asked, "Feeling regret for wanting to refuse just now?"

Wen Rou nodded somewhat sheepishly, "Yes."

Then she noticed her body was covered in sludge, with a stench, nearly causing her to scream.

Yet realizing Gu Xiyan and the others were still undergoing the process, she held it back.

Mu Jinyu chuckled, waved his hand to invoke the Heaven and Earth Laws nearby, turning the sludge on Wen Rou into clear water, which quickly evaporated.

Mu Jinyu said, "Though I think you're clean now, I know you're uncomfortable. Go take a shower if you want."

"Mm-hmm."

Despite feeling as if she'd just showered, Wen Rou couldn't bear the persistent odor and ultimately went to bathe.

Chapter 1253: Setting Out for Mount Tai! A Bone Arrow!

The next day.

Mu Jinyu, after bidding farewell to the women, arrived at the entrance of Yinlong Mountain.

He didn't bring Wen Rou and Gu Xiyan with him since the journey was perilous and unknown, and there was no need for them to take risks.

He only brought Nai Mucha.

When Mu Jinyu arrived at the entrance, Wang Tengfei, Zhuo Bufan, and other famous Mountain Masters had already gathered there early.

"Dragon Master... Did you make a breakthrough last night?"

Before setting off, Zhuo Bufan looked at Mu Jinyu, not sensing any change in his aura, but recalled the scene of the heavenly tribulation he saw yesterday, he tried to speak but finally couldn't help asking.

"Hmm?!"

Hearing Zhuo Bufan's somewhat nervous inquiry, Mu Jinyu turned his head and saw that not only Zhuo Bufan but everyone else was looking at him with curiosity and nervousness.

Mu Jinyu couldn't help but smile, nodding in response.

He didn't bother to explain that it wasn't a cultivation breakthrough heavenly tribulation but a Heavenly Pill's Pill Formation Tribulation!

There was no point in that.

Seeing Mu Jinyu's confident nod, the Mountain Masters, although receiving a definite answer, didn't feel relaxed or excited, thinking the journey might be smoother; instead, they felt a sense of loss.

Mu Jinyu had indeed stepped into the Unity Realm Stage, and the gap between him and them was growing.

"Let's go."

Mu Jinyu withdrew his gaze, summoned the Flying Boat with a wave, and spoke to them.

Nai Mucha, without saying a word, followed him straight into the Flying Boat.

Zhuo Bufan and others, having heard from Song Zijin and other young members about the Flying Boat, naturally didn't ask much and boarded the Flying Boat.

Standing on the Flying Boat, Mu Jinyu glanced at Gu Xiyan and the women standing in front of the mountain, waved to them, and then piloted the Flying Boat away from Yinlong Mountain, heading towards Mount Tai.

Half an hour later.

Mu Jinyu piloted the Flying Boat to Lu Province An City.

They didn't stop in the city, continuing directly towards Mount Tai with clear objectives.

"What a huge mountain!"

Standing next to Mu Jinyu, Nai Mucha was genuinely amazed at the vastness of Mount Tai appearing in view.

In the Kunlun Ruins, there weren't as many mountains larger than Mount Tai, especially after the Spiritual Energy Revival, Mount Tai broke many Restriction shackles, revealing parts of its mountain body that had been hidden, making it look several times larger, naturally appearing very impressive at a glance.

Even though Mu Jinyu had seen many photos and videos of Mount Tai before, witnessing its majestic presence for the first time was quite impactful.

No mountain is grander, no history older than this.

Its name indeed lived up to its legacy.

Soon, the Flying Boat arrived in front of Mount Tai.

"Dragon Master, quickly stop."

Zhuo Bufan and others, seeing Mu Jinyu as if preparing to pilot the Flying Boat directly into Mount Tai, hurriedly advised against it.

"What is it?"

Mu Jinyu looked back at them, asking the question despite stopping the Flying Boat in mid-air, heeding their caution.

Seeing this, Zhuo Bufan let out a sigh of relief and then explained, "Dragon Master, it's like this, the restrictions on Mount Tai and its subsequent folded regions are not like other Spirit Mountains where you just find a spatial rift to enter into a vast world. It's not like that. Behind each of Mount Tai's restrictions is an unconnected small area..."

"If you rush in recklessly and don't remember the way back, you may find yourself trapped indefinitely without a way to find other coordinates to return."

After hearing Zhuo Bufan's words, Mu Jinyu understood his point.

Much like the Purple Gold Mountain he had visited before, he had randomly entered a spatial rift into the true mountain body that had been hidden through folding, and upon returning, he couldn't tell from which point he had entered, so he just found an area with spatial fluctuations to exit.

If Mount Tai is indeed different from the Purple Gold Mountain, one could easily get lost within it.

"To avoid the Flying Boat rushing into the folded space too quickly and directly destroying the coordinates, I suggest we walk," Wang Tengfei suggested.

He once had a subordinate who, while exploring Mount Tai, rushed undisguisedly into a spatial rift, and unexpectedly, the spatial rift was collapsed by that person, making it impossible for others to follow.

And even if the folded space behind that spatial rift wasn't particularly dangerous, without any retreat, that person would likely starve to death eventually.

This is why Mount Tai is difficult to explore, and no one has been able to conquer it in a year.

"Alright."

Mu Jinyu nodded; he had read about this in the files provided by Wang Tengfei.

He then gently landed the Flying Boat and waved to store it.

Next, they began to climb the mountain on foot.

Soon, near the mountain's base, Mu Jinyu saw a spatial rift, surrounded by glimmering Runes, exuding a sense of inscrutable danger.

"We've mostly explored this area; there's nothing of value inside,"

Wang Tengfei said when he saw Mu Jinyu stop and gaze at the spatial rift ahead.

Mu Jinyu nodded, saying, "I'll go have a look."

After all, he hadn't personally explored it, and no amount of shared experience and insights could substitute the firsthand encounter.

Seeing Mu Jinyu intent on entering, Wang Tengfei and others didn't dissuade him, knowing the area had been explored many times and confirmed to be safe and unremarkable.

Nai Mucha followed closely as Mu Jinyu stepped into that spatial rift.

"Buzz!"

After a moment of weightlessness, Mu Jinyu shook his head, squinting slightly as he looked ahead.

What appeared before him was a mountainous terrain about the size of a football field. Upon closer inspection, he could see this terrain was connected to the land he had traveled from.

However, moving forward, left, or right was blocked by a layer of hazy gray light fog, indicating that there might have been more significant mountain grounds that the restrictions had segmented into little Minor Worlds.

Returning his gaze from the surrounding light fog, Mu Jinyu meticulously inspected this folded small space.

The mountains here were, as Wang Tengfei described yesterday, indeed red, as if soaked in endless blood.

Completely different from the Mount Tai visible to Earth's people.

Who knows if there was anything here originally, but most likely, being the nearest folded space to Mount Tai's base, any ancient items it once held had long been taken away.

Extending his Divine Sense to conduct a thorough search, Mu Jinyu found nothing of value, so he withdrew his gaze towards the gray light fog to the front and sides.

"Clatter clatter..."

Mu Jinyu then stepped forward.

"Buzz!!"

After walking several meters, a sudden bright white light appeared on the ground not far away, Runes flickered, and then a Bone Arrow shot towards him.

The power was straight into the Fanxu Realm!

If Zhuo Bufan and others had activated the restriction while here, they might have suffered greatly before they knew it!

"Buzz!"

Seeing this, Mu Jinyu's eyes moved, and he directly reached out, grasping the arrow made of white bone with his hand.

Chapter 1254 Strange Restrictions! Light Fog Wall!

"Uncle Mu, are you alright?"

Nai Mucha saw the bone arrow suddenly appear and then being caught by Mu Jinyu. Although he knew that with the power just released by this arrow, there was no way it could harm Mu Jinyu, he still asked nervously.

Mu Jinyu shook his head and said, "I'm fine."

With a simple reply, Mu Jinyu's gaze withdrew from the bone arrow in his hand and moved towards the place ahead where white light had originally appeared and runes were interwoven.

He murmured to himself, "The restrictions here are indeed extraordinary, even I couldn't notice them."

Mu Jinyu had just scanned this piece of mountain land and found nothing, no restrictions were present. But unexpectedly, after taking a few steps, he suddenly triggered a restriction, followed by a bone arrow coming at him.

And in his inspection, this piece of mountain land still showed no restrictions present.

This can only mean that the restrictions left from an unknown amount of time ago are far more impressive than those mastered by the people of today.

This discovery made Mu Jinyu shudder involuntarily.

But he wasn't afraid.

Rather, he was excited, he was eager.

Because if he can study and grasp it, how strong would his expertise in restrictions become?

By then, he wouldn't even need to make a personal move, just laying down restrictions would be enough to trap and kill people!

Even a peerless expert like his master at the Void Breaking Realm, I'm afraid even facing such restrictions, would be caught off guard!

"Ha!"

Mu Jinyu put away the bone arrow, then took out the Dragon Spear, while speaking to Nai Mucha, "Nai Mucha, leave here, I need to carefully study the restrictions here. If more unknown restrictions are triggered, you'll be in danger, leave."

"Yes."

Nai Mucha came in to protect Mu Jinyu, not to be a burden. Hearing Mu Jinyu's words, he thought of the bone arrow that suddenly appeared previously and nodded, finding the way he came and leaving this folded space along the subtle spatial fluctuations.

"How is it? Where is the Dragon Master?"

Wang Tengfei and Zhuo Bufan, among others, were waiting for Mu Jinyu to leave this folded area to continue up the mountain, but only saw Nai Mucha coming out alone, prompting them to frown and ask.

Nai Mucha glanced at them, his expression cold, and answered stiffly, "Uncle Mu triggered a restriction inside and was attacked by a bone arrow, now he needs to continue checking inside."

"How can it be?"

"We've all checked, there shouldn't be any restrictions left!"

Wang Tengfei and Zhuo Bufan, the seven of them, hearing Nai Mucha's words, were stunned, then spoke gravely.

They wanted to explain, they weren't trying to deliberately set Mu Jinyu up, they were unaware.

In the end, they couldn't resist wanting to go in and check what's going on inside.

Nai Mucha directly blocked them, saying, "That bone arrow just now can shoot and kill those at the Fanxu Realm, Uncle Mu is going to fully trigger the restrictions inside, you better not go in and court death."

After Nai Mucha left, Mu Jinyu's gaze focused, tightly gripping the Dragon Spear, then forcefully waved it!

"Boom!!"

Instantly, a terrifying Qi Force shook through eight directions, dust stirred, and vegetation wilted.

Meanwhile.

"Whoosh!"

"Boom!"

"Bang!!"

Within this mountain land roughly the size of a football field, three positions suddenly lit up with intense light. Ancient runes, both rustic and blood-stained, sparkled, followed by one bone spear and two stone arrows shooting fiercely at Mu Jinyu.

The power of these ancient soldiers could easily shoot and kill a Fanxu Realm expert.

Yet Mu Jinyu paid little attention to these ancient soldiers, his gaze fixed on those runes that flickered uncertainly once the restrictions were triggered.

His gaze exchanged with those runes, determined to memorize them for later study.

When the ancient soldiers charged at him, he waved his hand lightly, easily dissolving the secret power imbued in them, then collecting them.

The ancient soldiers had some research value, he didn't want to destroy them directly, that would be too wasteful.

Shortly after the restrictions were triggered, those interwoven flickering runes gradually faded away.

Mu Jinyu slowly closed his eyes, having memorized most of the runes.

"Phew..."

A few minutes later, Mu Jinyu opened his eyes and attempted casually to record those runes out of thin air, trying to see if they had any effect.

But unfortunately, perhaps because he hadn't grasped all the runes, the runes he carved didn't have any effect.

"Oh well, I'll wait until I've explored more and mastered more runes, then study further."

Mu Jinyu didn't obsess over it, insisting on unlocking the rune's effects immediately. After several attempts proved ineffective, he temporarily gave up on the study.

Then, Mu Jinyu took out the ancient soldiers he had collected earlier, inspected them briefly, and seeing nothing more, stored them for future study.

"I wonder if these light fog walls have restrictions engraved on them to block people from proceeding."

Mu Jinyu cast a thoughtful gaze upon the light fog walls.

According to those people's statements, the Mount Tai's mountain body has expanded several times over the past year, presumably as folded spaces shattered restrictions, reappearing in the world.

If that's the case, these light fog walls should also be made of runes-written restrictions, slicing and concealing Mount Tai's complete mountain body.

With this thought, Mu Jinyu stepped toward the light fog walls ahead.

Soon, he reached the front of the light fog wall, took out a magic treasure long spear, and attempted to send it into the fog wall.

"Buzz!"

"Sizzle, sizzle!!"

As the spearhead entered the fog, a discreet flicker of runes appeared, and soon the long spear, like a fish dropped into concentrated sulfuric acid, was quickly corroded clean.

If it weren't for Mu Jinyu promptly retracting his hand and discarding the spear handle, his hand might have been corroded by the runes.

"Different from the previous runes, but both have hidden effects."

Mu Jinyu's eyes shimmered with an excited light; he didn't rush to conduct further research.

Instead, he turned back to find Nai Mucha and the others.

"Dragon Master, are you alright?!"

"We truly didn't know there were restrictions inside."

Wang Tengfei, Zhuo Bufan, and others, seeing Mu Jinyu coming out unscathed, breathed a sigh of relief and immediately explained.

"Hmm, I know what's going on."

Mu Jinyu nodded, not blaming them, explained, "The reason there are still three restriction traps inside isn't because you were negligent and didn't discover them. Actually, just by relying on eyesight and Divine Sense, I couldn't discover them either. The reason I triggered the restrictions and you didn't is due to your insufficient strength, so no matter how much you moved around the restrictions, you couldn't activate them."

Upon hearing Mu Jinyu's explanation, Zhuo Bufan and the others understood.

It's like a hunter setting a trap, first digging a pit, then covering it with straw and sand. Sparrows flying over won't collapse the straw pile because of their light weight, but humans and animals like wild boars running over certainly would, falling into the pit.

When they checked before, they didn't find these restrictions because their strength wasn't enough, their weight wasn't enough, and the restrictions were too lazy to activate.

"I see, does it actually require Unity Realm Stage cultivation to trigger restrictions?"

"Then were we lucky to survive because of our weakness?"

Zhuo Bufan and Wang Tengfei, realizing the situation, spoke with some lingering fear.

Mu Jinyu shook his head and said, "It shouldn't require Unity Realm cultivation to trigger the restrictions; it's probably around the Mid-Stage of the Fuxuan Realm that would trigger them. Otherwise, given the power of those traps, targeting the Unity Realm would be pointless."

Speaking, Mu Jinyu was too lazy to waste words, said indifferently, "Let's go. Follow me inside and I'll ask you some questions."

Chapter 1255 Mastering Runes! Breaking Through the Passage!

Mu Jinyu once again followed the space rift back into the hidden mountain behind Mount Tai.

The seven people, led by Wang Tengfei, looked at each other, wondering in their hearts what Mu Jinyu was trying to do.

Was he going to use them to trigger some restriction or what?

Despite their doubts, they still felt that Mu Jinyu probably wouldn't do such a thing, right?

After all, he just said that their strength wasn't enough to trigger the restrictions.

Thus, they also stepped through the space rift and entered the actual mountain body, folded by restrictions.

"Dragon Master..."

Once inside, they saw Mu Jinyu already standing before the wall of light fog, holding a long spear magic treasure, probing forward.

"Dragon Master, no!"

"That's dangerous. Touch it and you'll almost certainly die!"

Wang Tengfei and the others were terrified by Mu Jinyu's actions and quickly tried to dissuade him.

When they first arrived at Mount Tai, they saw the folded mountain range behind it was cut into small sections. They had also wondered why Mount Tai was different from other famous mountains.

Consequently, some attempted to pass through that wall of light fog to directly reach the surrounding, sectioned-off but still connected areas.

But without exception, those who dared to try ended up dead.

Seeing Mu Jinyu's actions, they were all startled, and those hoping to gain some benefits from Mu Jinyu at Mount Tai naturally didn't want him to just die like that, so they all began to persuade him.

However, just when they thought Mu Jinyu would heed their advice and stop his actions, like he did before.

This time, Mu Jinyu didn't listen to their advice and continued recklessly with the long spear, pushing it into the light fog.

"Zzzz!"

"Crackle!!"

Instantly, countless obscure runes intertwined in the light fog wall, beginning to corrode the spear, turning it to ashes while rapidly spreading upwards.

The speed was very fast, and before Wang Tengfei and the others could react, the rune had already reached Mu Jinyu's fingertips.

Unexpectedly, just when they thought Mu Jinyu was surely doomed, Mu Jinyu let go of the spear just as the runes were about to erode his hand.

Mu Jinyu watched another spear magic treasure disintegrate, silently noting those strange runes, then turned to Wang Tengfei and the others, asking, "Did you ever try this light fog wall? Can it connect to other areas?"

Hearing Mu Jinyu's words, Wang Tengfei and the others snapped out of their shock.

They gulped hard, casting disbelieving glances at Mu Jinyu before speaking in a choked voice, "Someone tried before, but all died, so we don't know if it connects to other areas."

Mu Jinyu asked again, "About higher up, like folded spaces on the mountainside, are the light fog walls there more powerful than those in the lower areas?"

"Uh...?!"

Hearing Mu Jinyu's words, Wang Tengfei and the others pondered, then uncertainly said, "Seems stronger than the ones down here?"

"Alright, got it."

With their answer, Mu Jinyu nodded, then asked a few more questions.

After obtaining their responses, Mu Jinyu felt more confident.

He saw no need to leave this folded space and climb to the mountainside for research.

He planned to directly force his way through.

Then, Mu Jinyu systematically pulled out dozens of ordinary magic treasures from his storage bag to experiment with the light fog wall, studying the hidden runes that emerged.

His actions stunned Wang Tengfei and the others.

At first, they thought Mu Jinyu was courting death and advised him against it.

After all, one can succeed in courting death countless times but can't bear the consequences of failing even once.

Yet after a dozen attempts with Mu Jinyu still unscathed, they began to wonder if the light fog wall's erosion could indeed harm Mu Jinyu.

Or maybe Mu Jinyu was confident in dancing at the edge of the cliff without trouble, hence his relentless attempts?

They didn't know but all fell silent, no longer advising Mu Jinyu against courting death.

Another magic treasure was destroyed as Mu Jinyu memorized the runes and took out another treasure.

He actually felt a bit annoyed after sacrificing over a dozen magic treasures already.

If possible, he really wanted to test the Dragon Spear, a heaven-reaching spiritual treasure, to continuously trigger the wall's runes for uninterrupted observation instead of stopping to check each time.

But he didn't dare recklessly try.

After all, it's a heaven-reaching spiritual treasure; if it got destroyed in testing, he would be deeply distressed.

Better use ordinary magic treasures.

After sacrificing five more treasures, Mu Jinyu's eyes gleamed with excitement.

He finally succeeded in mastering one rune.

Then Mu Jinyu stopped attacking the light fog wall and brought out a small magic treasure, engraving that rune onto it.

Wang Tengfei and the others continuously watched Mu Jinyu's actions and saw when he engraved the rune on the treasure, their pupils shrank sharply.

"This is..."

In their senses, the treasure in Mu Jinyu's hand still had spiritual power fluctuations.

But as the rune appeared, the degree of those fluctuations greatly decreased, and unless observed closely, it seemed just like an ordinary weapon under their divine sense.

Then Mu Jinyu engraved a second identical rune.

In Wang Tengfei and the others' perception, the treasure utterly turned into a normal weapon.

And after he engraved a third rune, they found that just by divine sense, there was nothing in Mu Jinyu's hand at all.

"This..."

Wang Tengfei opened his eyes, looking at the treasure indeed present in Mu Jinyu's hand, feeling chills run down their spines.

This was when they finally understood why Mu Jinyu stayed in this seemingly worthless folded space repeatedly attacking the light fog wall.

He had discovered the immense value of these runes.

Mu Jinyu then engraved a fourth rune on the treasure.

But nothing happened.

It seemed three runes were sufficient.

Mu Jinyu frowned slightly, then crouched down, digging a small hole and burying the treasure inside.

No one's naked eye or divine sense could detect that there was a treasure buried beneath this pit.

However, Mu Jinyu knew that some people are born with special eyes like the Double Pupil, Heavenly Vision, Eyes of the Netherworld, and those with such heterochromia might be able to see through the rune's concealment.

But he didn't mind much; the rune's value is immense, and such people are quite rare.

Thus, Mu Jinyu continued to crack the light fog wall, further learning various runes within.

Finally, after half a day.

Mu Jinyu comprehended all the forbidden runes in the light fog wall.

Then with a wave of his hand, the light fog wall dissipated automatically.

Revealing the other folded space behind it, originally sectioned-off, forming another whole.

Wang Tengfei and the others were dumbfounded seeing this scene.

Was this even possible?!

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As the light fog wall dissipated, the folded space suddenly expanded from the size of a soccer field to about four or five soccer fields in size.

This was because two folded spaces had connected, transforming into one.

The adjacent folded space, where Mu Jinyu and his group were located, was originally about three to four soccer fields in size.

"Huh..."

As the adjacent folded space was opened up, Mu Jinyu looked up and saw a dozen white bone remnants lying in the crimson clay ahead.

Dimly, one could still make out some tattered cloth attached to the bones.

"Could these be from the human race of ancient times?"

Upon seeing the dozen remnants, Mu Jinyu immediately thought of what Wang Tengfei had told him.

He also noticed that around the not-yet-weathered remnants, a few pieces of treasure fragments remained.

Mu Jinyu turned to Wang Tengfei and the seven others, asking, "Have you not explored this folded space?"

The folded space they were in, located at the foot of Mount Tai, had already been searched countless times. The newly opened folded space, theoretically, wasn't at the summit where it would be unreachable, and should have been searched multiple times as well.

Yet, they could still see a dozen remnants lingering in the folded space, implying that no one had ever ventured here.

"No." When Wang Tengfei and others heard Mu Jinyu's question, they all shook their heads.

"This is our first time seeing this folded space too."

"Yes, indeed, Mount Tai's real topography is divided into numerous folded spaces by restrictions, but not all folded spaces with restrictions have entrances that allow entry."

Hearing their explanation, Mu Jinyu nodded and smiled, "I see."

Since this folded space was undiscovered, it indicated that the restrictions and items from ancient times here might be well-preserved.

"You all stay here; I'll go take a look ahead."

Mu Jinyu raised his right hand in a slight grip, a green light flashed, and the Dragon Spear was grasped in his hand.

"Alright."

The seven with Wang Tengfei weren't sure of the dangers within the newly opened folded space. Previously, when they found such spaces, they would send someone to explore the route at great risk.

Now that Mu Jinyu planned to explore it personally, they had no reason to refuse.

Holding the Dragon Spear, Mu Jinyu walked slowly towards the remnants ahead.

He didn't immediately use large-scale attack techniques to trigger all possible deadly restrictions at once.

After all, doing so would indeed activate the restrictions, but at the same time, the remains and treasure fragments would also turn to dust.

Wouldn't that be futile?!

"Buzz!!"

After walking a hundred steps, suddenly a profound light emerged three feet ahead, and then a bone arrow shot toward him.

The sharp energy carried a power reaching the mid-stage of the Fanxu Realm.

In other words, if Wang Tengfei and the others stumbled into this restriction, they would surely meet their doom.

"Ha!!"

Mu Jinyu narrowed his eyes, surprisingly pleased, while closely watching the runes flashing in the profound light three feet ahead, as he waved to pluck the bone arrow from the air.

"Hiss..."

Soon, the profound light faded, and the runes disappeared with it.

Mu Jinyu withdrew his thoughtful gaze.

The runes flickering within the profound light clearly surpassed the level he had just grasped.

Within such a short period, he had only managed to grasp about thirty percent of it.

A bit of a pity.

However, since the folded space hadn't been fully explored, it was likely they would encounter such restrictions again.

Mu Jinyu was not overly disappointed.

He continued walking, approaching the dozen remnants.

Finally, after spending about ten minutes,

Mu Jinyu arrived at the location of the remnants.

Along the way, he experienced three waves of triggered restrictions and ultimately mastered the higher-level concealing runes.

Thus, any remaining restrictions within the folded space were now crystal clear to him.

"This bone arrow is rather rare, with its runes intact."

Mu Jinyu paused in front of the bones, playing with a black bone arrow, eyes fixed on a rune at its tip.

At the closest approach to the remnants, a most brutal restriction was triggered, and the bone arrow's power remarkably reached the early stage of the Fusion Realm.

Thankfully, with his current mid-stage Hedao Realm cultivation, else he might have suffered losses and been unable to keep the bone arrow.

This was his greatest find at Mount Tai so far.

Putting away the black bone arrow, Mu Jinyu prepared to study it later, then looked up at the bones a yard ahead.

Having mastered the rune, most restrictions in this folded space were exposed to him. Mu Jinyu could see another restriction around the bones.

He stepped forward, squatted before the bone pile, and reached into the restriction, pulling out a black bone arrow.

"This restriction has become the best protection."

Mu Jinyu smiled as he put away the black bone arrow.

He knew that without the restrictions concealing the bone arrows, these arrows couldn't have remained intact for so long.

Then, Mu Jinyu carefully examined the dozen remnants.

"These bones, although almost decayed, still faintly reveal the law patterns, indicating that these individuals were at least at the Fusion Realm, likely even at the Void Breaking Realm in life!"

Mu Jinyu observed for a while; having experience slaughtering Hedao Realm powerhouses, he knew that the bones of such beings would carry some Taoist patterns due to their mastery over Heaven and Earth Laws, and these remnants bore similar patterns.

He understood that these people had generally reached the Fusion Realm in life.

Then he looked at the weapon remnants scattered on the ground, recognizing them as fragments of heaven-reaching spiritual treasures.

Mu Jinyu's eyes flickered, speaking softly, "I really wonder what the era was like, to have so many powerful beings at the Fusion Realm, and heaven-reaching spiritual treasures, like cabbages."

If these remnants and treasure fragments were found near the Mount Tai summit, he wouldn't have felt this way.

But finding them at the mountain's base only proved that many at the Fusion Realm fell here in battle.

Afterward, Mu Jinyu thought of Yin Li's father, the Silkworm King.

He didn't know which realm the Silkworm King was in.

Nor did he know which era he belonged to?

The Silkworm King had once said that his Fusion Realm cultivation was just beginning and there was more to learn...

Looking back now, it seemed in ancient times, the Fusion Realm truly was like cabbages.

With a sigh, Mu Jinyu collected the treasure fragments, while the bones turned to ash upon his touch, prompting him to dig a small pit on the spot to bury them.

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After burying the ashes.

Mu Jinyu carefully explored all the nearby prohibitory traps, retrieved all the bone arrows, and took the opportunity to watch the runes flashing when the restrictions were triggered.

To see if there were any runes he hadn't mastered.

But there weren't any.

Then, Mu Jinyu gripped the Dragon Spear tightly, raising his gaze to sweep across the entire folded space, and swung it fiercely, the spear's light bursting out, instantly sweeping the eight directions with energy!

He wanted to see if there were any other concealing runes he hadn't mastered that prevented him from perceiving any remaining restrictions nearby.

"Boom!!"

Unfortunately, after the energy swept in all directions, no restrictions were triggered.

"Alright, you can come over now."

Mu Jinyu turned back to look at Nai Mucha and Wang Tengfei and the others, calling them over.

"Okay."

Upon hearing Mu Jinyu, Nai Mucha finally stepped forward towards Mu Jinyu.

Setting foot in this connected folded space area.

Wang Tengfei and the others followed closely behind, coming along.

Mu Jinyu, however, paid them no mind, stepping towards the light fog wall at the forefront.

If nothing unexpected happened, the light fog wall here should be stronger than the one he just cracked.

He intended to continue studying the runes contained in the light fog wall, keep deciphering them, and clear the way to Mount Tai.

"Hum!"

"Clang!!"

Mu Jinyu took out a magic treasure, continuing to tentatively attack the light fog and carefully observe the flashing runes when the restrictions activated.

While Mu Jinyu was taking action.

Wang Tengfei and the seven others didn't watch but instead acted on their own, carefully exploring the spiritual medicine they had long been eyeing in this broader folded space.

They even ended up snatching from each other.

Indeed, Mu Jinyu had only picked up the treasure fragments and the black bone arrows from the restrictions here, regarding the existing spiritual medicine, Mu Jinyu only picked a few stalks with unclear effects on him, while the spiritual medicines he had in his Yinlong Mountain medicine field, he didn't touch.

Even if it's a rank four spiritual medicine, even if it's a thousand-year-old medicine, he was not tempted.

Yes, not all spiritual medicines can survive ten thousand years and become ancient medicines.

Most spiritual medicines can only live for a few thousand years, after which they will rise and fall, wither and die.

The thousand-year-old medicines here visibly show countless rotting spiritual medicine traces around their roots, indicating that the currently growing thousand-year spiritual medicines have regrown from the seeds of spiritual medicines that vigorously lived and then withered over generations.

Such spiritual medicines hold no significance to Mu Jinyu, who can foster spiritual medicine growth.

Considering their cooperative relationship, even if they were of minimal help to him, Mu Jinyu wouldn't take everything, leaving them with nothing.

They snatched from each other, but not ostentatiously; once something was taken by others and pocketed, they would completely give up.

Because they didn't dare to cause too much commotion to avoid angering Mu Jinyu and getting expelled, which would prevent them from gaining anything.

Mu Jinyu was aware of their petty actions but simply ignored them, spending a few minutes, perhaps due to mastering several ancient runes, even facing a stronger light fog wall now, it didn't take him long to crack it.

Simultaneously, he mastered a new rune from it.

"Boom!"

The light fog wall collapsed, revealing the folded space behind it, connecting with it.

Mu Jinyu looked up to see that the unfolded space this time held nothing — no spiritual medicine, no remains, no treasure fragments.

Apparently, this was a plainly placed folded space, already explored by others.

"Have you been to this space before?"

Mu Jinyu turned to Wang Tengfei and the others, asking.

Wang Tengfei scrutinized the space ahead for a moment, nodded slowly, and said, "I've been here, but I arrived late, and this space had already been explored with nothing left."

Zhuo Bufan and Monk Liaowu also confirmed they were not the first to arrive in this space.

Mu Jinyu acknowledged with a nod, not probing further, indifferent to anything taken away, only asking casually.

If they knew, he'd ask more to see if he missed any information; if not, he'd leave it at that.

Then, Mu Jinyu stepped into this folded space, sweeping it horizontally with the Dragon Spear, yet no restrictions were triggered.

Clearly, this folded space was thoroughly exploited by someone before.

With a helpless shake of his head, Mu Jinyu proceeded towards the front light fog wall, continuing to crack it.

For him, the greatest gain from this journey was these light fog walls, which segmented and divided each space. The runes he covertly learned elevated his restriction proficiency significantly.

Thus, he no longer cared about obtaining any magic treasures.

"Bang!"

"Boom!"

"Boom!!"

Half a day later.

Mu Jinyu, accompanied by Wang Tengfei and others, all the way cracked the restrictions in the light fog walls and covertly learned the runes, arriving approximately midway up Mount Tai.

During this journey, they cleared countless folded spaces, some of which were previously explored, while others still hid many relics, bones, treasure fragments, spiritual medicine, spirit fruits, and some stone booklets...

The stone booklets seemed to document something, but the texts were unrecognizable, leaving uncertain whether they contained cultivation methods. In the end, Mu Jinyu also took them.

"Whiz!"

As Mu Jinyu grabbed a crimson bone arrow, his body shook, and the tiger's mouth cracked, blood seeping out.

By midway up the mountain, the restrictions and traps existing in the folded spaces began to wield arrows with destructive power reaching the late stage of the Unity Realm.

Mu Jinyu had been barely sustaining by leveraging the enhanced power from the "True Dragon Mystic Taoism."

But now, Mu Jinyu knew he was nearing his limit.

This time, he wouldn't be able to climb directly to the peak of Mount Tai.

"Uncle Mu, are you alright?"

Nai Mucha, seeing Mu Jinyu bleeding again, asked with a face showing some concern.

Mu Jinyu shook his head, put away the red bone arrow, circulated some Life Source Energy to heal the wound slightly, then looked towards the light fog wall ahead.

"Dragon Master, maybe... we should head back?"

"Yeah, we've gained quite a lot this trip, no need to risk it further."

Wang Tengfei and the seven others, seeing Mu Jinyu still intending to continue cracking the light fog wall, felt their hearts racing and quickly urged him.

After all, Mu Jinyu had fought his way up here; most folded spaces here remained unexplored, and once the restrictions were triggered, the arrows' power seemed capable of destroying heaven and earth.

They were very worried whether in the next cleared folded space if restrictions were activated and Mu Jinyu couldn't deflect them, would they, staying behind Mu Jinyu, be wiped out in one wave?

Their hearts beat with trepidation, desiring to leave, but at this point, without Mu Jinyu's word to leave, they dared not.

Mu Jinyu said, "Let's crack one more wall; if there's anything behind, we'll head back."

He also understood he was nearing his limit, not wanting futile risk, thus planning to break one more light fog wall, and after fully mastering a rune he yet hadn't, they could return.

"Boom!!"

After Mu Jinyu's several tentative attacks.

The profound runes embedded in the light fog wall were finally fully mastered by Mu Jinyu.

Just as Mu Jinyu showed a pleased expression, ready to finalize the exploration of the folded space ahead and leave after grabbing what he desired, he suddenly heard a weak yet familiar voice:

"Mu... Master Mu?"

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"Hmm?!"

Hearing this weak voice, Mu Jinyu was suddenly startled.

He didn't expect that in the folding space ahead, there would still be a living person!

However, this voice sounded familiar, and it even called him Master Mu?

Mu Jinyu focused his gaze forward and saw a tattered-clothed man with long black hair sitting cross-legged on the fog-covered mountain rock ahead.

After taking a closer look, Mu Jinyu's eyes showed a look of realization, and he said, "Sheng Rulai?!"

"Master Mu..."

At this moment, the man with long black hair struggled to lift his head, his dense black hair revealing a long-missed handsome face.

It was Sheng Rulai, the Buddha Head whose Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere!

He was one of the few God Realm powerhouses who survived the dark turmoil a year ago.

Mu Jinyu hadn't expected they would meet here a year later.

When Mu Jinyu returned from the Kunlun Ruins, Mu Hongchen and the others had told him about the changes and situations of various major organizations.

At that time, she had mentioned that Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere had moved to Mount Song.

And Buddha Head Sheng Rulai had gone missing after a trip, presumed dead. The Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere was now led by a new Buddha Head, and Mu Jinyu had once lamented over it.

Unexpectedly, he met Sheng Rulai here today.

"Master Mu, it's been a while..."

Sheng Rulai's appearance was still as handsome as before, but he seemed much more haggard, and there was a faint swirl of black qi between his brows, appearing somewhat sinister.

"Buddha Head, how did you end up here?"

Mu Jinyu asked curiously.

It seemed Sheng Rulai hadn't spoken for a long time, so his speech was quite raw, but after saying a few sentences, the flow improved much: "It's a long story, but it goes like this..."

Sheng Rulai briefly recounted his experiences over the past year to Mu Jinyu.

During the Spiritual Energy Revival and the evolution of all creatures, he led the severely injured Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere to vigorously resist the ferocious beast massacre.

Of course, they didn't go on a killing spree but instead transformed those ferocious beasts into guardian spirit beasts of Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere.

However, not long after, as Sheng Rulai's cultivation continued to grow, he also noticed something was amiss.

He seemed to be falling into demonhood.

It was eventually discovered that the Shariputra used to resist demons contained a trace of demonic qi, and when he absorbed the Buddha power from the broken Shariputra, he inadvertently absorbed that trace of demonic qi into his body.

This was the reason he fell into demonhood.

Forced into a corner, Sheng Rulai needed some spiritual medicine to suppress the demonic qi within him, but unfortunately, among the four famous mountains of the Buddhist Sect, there was none of the spiritual medicine he most needed.

Later, he heard that there were traces of such spiritual medicine discovered near Mount Tai.

So, he came to Mount Tai, and after braving countless deadly dangers, he managed to reach this folded space midway up the mountain.

But he didn't expect that soon after entering this folded space, the coordinates to return disappeared.

In other words, this folded space was completely sealed.

He couldn't leave here!

Fortunately, within this folded space, there was indeed the kind of spiritual medicine he needed to suppress his demonic nature.

In the face of having no retreat, Sheng Rulai had to find a way to completely resolve his fall into demonhood using these spiritual medicines.

But unfortunately, after more than half a year, the spiritual medicine was exhausted, and the situation that had somewhat improved completely relapsed, falling into demonhood again, and becoming even more severe.

The Buddha's Light behind his head vanished, and a head of black hair grew.

Falling into demonhood made Sheng Rulai extremely tormented and painful, fortunately, there were many restrictions here, and after several attempts, he actively entered one of the restrictions, allowing it to confine him.

Unable to move, unable to cultivate.

It was because of this that Sheng Rulai had not completely become a demon.

Otherwise, even Sheng Rulai didn't know how he would ultimately end up.

"I see..."

After listening to Sheng Rulai's ordeal, Mu Jinyu couldn't help but feel quite rueful.

Because Sheng Rulai's current cultivation was only at the Fifth Layer of the Divinity Transformation Realm.

He remembered that when he left Huaxia, Sheng Rulai's cultivation didn't seem to be only at the Fifth Layer of the Divinity Transformation Realm? After all, he was the Head of Ten Thousand Buddhas.

Yet now, a year later, countless juniors had reached the Fanxu Realm, but Sheng Rulai's cultivation had regressed.

It's quite tragic indeed!

But compared to Ren Xiaoyao of the Way of Nature, Reinhardt of the Brilliant Divine Authority, Cain of the Fallen Splendor, he was still alive, which was actually quite fortunate.

"Buddha Head, let me help you out."

Mu Jinyu gazed at the black qi on Sheng Rulai's brow and thought, could his Life Source Energy dissolve this demonic qi?

Even if not, it's worth a try.

After all, Sheng Rulai had been trapped here for more than half a year, the situation was already dire, if he continued to be trapped by the restrictions, within a few months, he would undoubtedly die.

"No need..."

Upon hearing Mu Jinyu's words, Sheng Rulai shook his head and said, "I know my condition, here, I can still barely suppress my demonic nature. If I'm let out, I fear the first thing I would do is attack you."

"I would rather attain nirvana here than transform into a demon!"

Sheng Rulai's voice was weak, yet very firm.

Mu Jinyu stared deeply at him for a few moments, then shifted his gaze to the rock he was sitting on, his eyes flickered, and he spoke, "Buddha Head, don't be so resolute. I have a way to replicate the restrictions here, even directly on you to allow you to move freely."

"Hmm?!"

Upon hearing this, Sheng Rulai quickly raised his head to look at Mu Jinyu, his eyes sparkled, "Is this true?"

If there's a way, Sheng Rulai naturally hoped to move freely, rather than being trapped here, suffering tremendously.

"Yes."

Mu Jinyu finished speaking, pinched his fingers, and immediately several runes formed by True Yuan appeared in front of him, then intertwined into a restriction.

Sheng Rulai glanced at it, and his eyes immediately showed excitement.

If it were someone else, they probably wouldn't recognize what restrictions Mu Jinyu had set, but Sheng Rulai had actively entered this restriction and had been trapped for several months, he researched this restriction every day, so he was very familiar with it.

Naturally, he recognized at a glance that the restriction Mu Jinyu set was the very one that currently trapped him.

He didn't expect Mu Jinyu could set such an ancient restriction, but at this moment he was too excited to think much about it and said, "Dragon Master, since that's the case, then I'll trouble you."

"Yes."

Mu Jinyu nodded slightly, then stepped forward and waved his hand to dissolve Sheng Rulai's predicament.

He had traversed countless folded spaces on the way, conquering many runes and restrictions, and the restriction that trapped Sheng Rulai happened to be one he learned in previous folded spaces.

After Sheng Rulai was freed, before he could speak, his eyes flashed red, and a tremendous demonic qi surged out from him.

Seeing this, Mu Jinyu forcefully suppressed him with Abundant True Essence so he couldn't move, then used Life Source Energy to see if he could dissolve the demonic qi within him.

Unfortunately, it failed.

Sheng Rulai's situation wasn't poisoning, wasn't injury; he had fallen into demonhood. How could Life Source Energy make his demonic qi dissipate?

Instead, as Life Source Energy restored Sheng Rulai's weak body and deteriorating qi-blood to normal, it was absorbed along with the demonic qi, making the demonic qi even more vigorous.

Seeing this, Mu Jinyu had to quickly stop sending Life Source Energy.

After that, he used a spell, forming several runes in the air with True Yuan, which finally converged into a restriction, then intertwined into a "卍" character, firmly imprinting it on Sheng Rulai's brow.

As this "卍" character was imprinted, the rampant demonic qi on Sheng Rulai's body receded like a tide, returning to his body.

At the same time, his eyes, which gleamed with red light, returned to normal.

"Amitabha..."

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When the "卍" rune gradually faded from the forehead of Sheng Rulai, the sinister glint in his eyes dissipated, and his consciousness regained clarity.

He clasped his hands together and recited a Buddhist name to Mu Jinyu, still feeling a lingering fear in his heart.

He hadn't expected that in just a few months, the demonic Qi within him would swell to such a degree that the moment he broke free from the restrictions, he transformed into a demon.

There wasn't even a chance for him to react.

After helping Sheng Rulai with the rune engraving on his body, Mu Jinyu asked, "Buddha Head, is there anything else you need to bring?"

Sheng Rulai shook his head and said, "Nothing more."

Mu Jinyu nodded, then glanced around the newly breached folded space.

Because Sheng Rulai had been stuck here for more than half a year, this folded space should have originally contained many spiritual herbs, but now they were long gone.

As for the restrictions containing traps.

Curiously, there seemed to be none here.

Otherwise, with Sheng Rulai's cultivation at the fifth layer of the Divine Transformation Realm, once such a restriction was triggered, with the attack power of the late stage Unity Realm, he wouldn't have survived until now.

Seeing that there was nothing to gain, Mu Jinyu nodded again and didn't intend to breach another wall of light fog to continue studying the restrictions.

"Let's go, Buddha Head, let's return."

Mu Jinyu turned and looked at the pale-faced Sheng Rulai, speaking softly.

"Alright." Sheng Rulai nodded, then instinctively asked, "How do we get back?"

After speaking, he then realized that the coordinates used to enter this folded space were somehow destroyed, leaving him completely trapped here. But just now, Mu Jinyu had opened another folded space, and now they could return using the coordinates of that folded space.

At this moment, when Mu Jinyu heard Sheng Rulai's words, he suddenly thought of a question. His gaze sharpened as he asked, "Buddha Head, you just said that shortly after entering this folded space, the coordinates to return were destroyed?!"

"Yes." Sheng Rulai nodded.

Mu Jinyu asked, "Was it destroyed by someone, or did it disappear naturally?"

Along the way, Mu Jinyu had broken through countless folded spaces and discovered that many of them didn't have coordinates for entry left outside Mount Tai.

They were completely sealed spaces.

So he speculated whether Sheng Rulai's situation at that time was caused by someone or was mere coincidence.

"I'm not sure..." Sheng Rulai hesitated upon hearing this, shaking his head.

Mu Jinyu further asked, "Then, how did the Buddha Head know that Mount Tai had the spiritual herb you needed?"

Without hesitation, Sheng Rulai answered directly, "It was Omniscient."

"Omniscient?" Mu Jinyu's eyes flickered upon hearing this.

Sheng Rulai explained, "At that time, I discovered I was falling into demonhood, and after consulting related scriptures, I learned there was a kind of spiritual herb that could suppress this demonic nature. I searched everywhere, but none of the Spirit Mountains had produced such a herb after Spiritual Energy

Revival. Just when I was about to lose hope, Bai Xiaosheng, the new Observatory Master of Omniscient, contacted me, informing me that there was such a herb at Mount Tai and provided me with the appropriate route."

"Otherwise, with my current level of strength, I might not have made it here."

Sheng Rulai lamented.

After listening to his story, Mu Jinyu's expression grew somber, saying, "If that's the case, I believe the Buddha Head's ordeal this time is likely another arrangement by Omniscient!"

Mu Jinyu held a poor impression of Omniscient.

After all, apart from Paradise Lost, Omniscient's involvement in the dark turmoil led to that tragedy.

Therefore, the two organizations Mu Jinyu most wanted to settle with afterward were not Fallen Splendor, nor Withered Tree Quest for Spring, but Paradise Lost and Omniscient.

Unfortunately, these two organizations had remained well hidden, and even after leaving Huaxia and entering the Kunlun Ruins, Mu Jinyu had not been able to find their true bases.

Now, hearing Sheng Rulai's experience, Mu Jinyu thought to himself that Omniscient was probably up to something again.

Hearing Mu Jinyu's words, Sheng Rulai's expression showed no surprise or astonishment, only a slight hint of lamentation.

Clearly, from his earlier hesitant expression, he had also speculated that the disappearance of the coordinates to return was likely the doing of Omniscient.

With a soft sigh, Sheng Rulai said, "I wonder if the Dragon Master would accompany this poor monk on a trip to Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere?"

Upon hearing Sheng Rulai's words, Mu Jinyu's heart stirred, understanding that Sheng Rulai had probably realized that if Omniscient indeed had any actions, Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere might have already changed.

He nodded and said, "I have some time, so I'll accompany the Buddha Head for a trip."

Sheng Rulai clasped his hands again and sighed, "Amitabha..."

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A few minutes later.

Mu Jinyu rode the flying boat, bringing Sheng Rulai and Nai Mucha to hover above Yu Province Sealed City.

As for Wang Tengfei, Zhuo Bufan, and other Masters of Famous Mountains, they naturally parted ways after leaving Mount Tai, not following along.

Because they also understood that if something had truly gone wrong with Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere, though interesting to watch, it wasn't easy to witness.

They'd best return to their own territories and prepare early.

"Shoo!"

Soon, Mu Jinyu maneuvered the flying boat to the front of Mount Song's mountain gate.

Mount Song, the central peak among the Five Great Mountains, was one of the important cradles of civilization in Huaxia.

Mount Song is located in Yu Province Sealed City, composed of Shaoshi Mountain and Taishi Mountain, with the Shaolin Temple on Shaoshi Mountain being world-renowned.

The former Shaolin Temple was a popular tourist destination, open to the public with many visitors. But after the revival of Spiritual Energy, the Shaolin Temple belonging to Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere integrated entirely into it. Mount Song was controlled by Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere, resulting in the Shaolin Temple's closure to the public, gradually seeing fewer visitors.

Now today, Mu Jinyu brought Sheng Rulai, the Buddha Head of Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere, to this place.

"Buddha Head, do you have a way to get inside? Or notify the monks inside to come out and greet you."

Mu Jinyu stopped the flying boat and asked Sheng Rulai.

After all, since he wasn't sure about the changes in Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere, even though he had brought Sheng Rulai, he couldn't just go smashing through Mount Song's Mountain Protection Array to break in, could he?

Sheng Rulai sighed, "My phone is already broken, so there's no way to contact them. Before, since I was the one who managed the Mountain Protection Array, I could enter without triggering its rejection, but now my cultivation has been sealed, so there's no way."

The restrictions Mu Jinyu imposed on Sheng Rulai not only sealed the demonic Qi inside him but also his cultivation, which allowed Sheng Rulai's consciousness to return to clarity.

The restriction Mu Jinyu inscribed on Sheng Rulai was different from the one in the folded space in Mount Tai in that it allowed Sheng Rulai to move freely.

But the inescapable result was that Sheng Rulai, under such circumstances, was essentially like a cripple.

"In that case, could the Buddha Head inform us about the operation and changes of the Mountain Protection Array?" Mu Jinyu asked.

Although sneaking with Sheng Rulai into Mount Song felt a bit improper, it was still better than forcibly breaking the Mountain Protection Array and barging in.

The only concern was whether Sheng Rulai would be willing to reveal that information to him.

After all, if he knew how the Mountain Protection Array operated, he could enter at will, meaning that Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere would be completely undefended against Dragon King Hall.

Even though Dragon King Hall and Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere seemed to show no signs of hostility as of now, generally, no one would willingly disclose such secrets.

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Upon hearing Mu Jinyu's inquiry, a trace of hesitation flickered across Sheng Rulai's face.

Revealing the Mountain Protection Array to unrelated persons is indeed a taboo.

Yet Sheng Rulai was eager to know about the situation of Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere after his half-year absence, and considering Mu Jinyu's expertise in restrictions, he suspected Mu Jinyu already had means to directly enter Mount Song but was concerned about his feelings, thus asking.

Therefore, after some thought, Sheng Rulai said, "If the Dragon Master has a way to enter directly, then proceed without concerning yourself with this humble monk's feelings."

"This humble monk used to be well-versed in Mount Song's Mountain Protection Array operations, but is unsure whether they have been altered during the half year of my absence."

Having said that, Sheng Rulai added another explanation.

"Alright."

Seeing Sheng Rulai's response, a gleam flashed in Mu Jinyu's eyes, and he immediately steered the flying boat straight towards Mount Song.

Indeed, the Mountain Protection Array of Mount Song seemed rather crude in his eyes. He had means to break through it; earlier inquiries were merely for Sheng Rulai's feelings.

With Sheng Rulai's words, there was no need for hesitation.

"Boom!!"

The flying boat swiftly charged through the blockade of Mount Song's Mountain Protection Array, entering the spiritual energy-filled Mount Song.

"Who is it?!"

When Mu Jinyu entered Mount Song, ordinary monks didn't notice the intrusion, but the abbots, archpriests, arhats, and vajras of Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere sensed the change instantly.

In the blink of an eye, whether high monks in red kasayas chanting Buddhist scriptures or shirtless martial monks practicing punches, all stopped their activities and either left the Zen temples or ascended from the martial arts arena.

Blocking the path of the flying boat.

"Who dares to trespass our Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere grounds?!"

"Amitabha, who is the visitor?"

Seeing so many monks detecting his entry, a hint of surprise crossed Mu Jinyu's eyes, but he paused the flying boat's advance.

He disabled the protective shield of the boat, revealing three figures standing on the deck.

"Dragon Master?!"

"Buddha... Buddha Head?!"

Those having sensed the anomaly and intercepted the flying boat were naturally the high echelon of Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere, who could not fail to recognize Mu Jinyu and Sheng Rulai.

Upon seeing the three figures revealed by the disabled shield, they gasped in shock.

"Amitabha..."

Sheng Rulai clasped his hands together, sighing with emotion.

"Buddha Head... you... how have you returned..."

"We thought you had already attained nirvana..."

However, unexpectedly, upon seeing Sheng Rulai's visage, the monks didn't feel excited or thrilled, only awkward and troubled.

Only Arahant and Master Ruyi, who once created the Gold Inlaid Jade Magical Instrument at the Dragon King Hall headquarters upon Mu Jinyu's invitation to resist disastrous erosion, showed exceptionally complex expressions.

This situation made Sheng Rulai's originally excited mood cool down instantly.

"Amitabha..."

A resonant chant rang out, soon followed by the sight of a temple atop Mount Song glowing brightly, instantly covering the entire Mount Song.

Indeed, a spectacle of Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere!

Then, a tall figure stepped out from the temple, draped in a red kasaya, with the Buddha's halo revolving at the back of his head, making his exact appearances indistinguishable.

Bathing in the myriad rays of Buddha light, the owner of the figure stepped down from Mount Song's peak to the assembly swiftly.

Only then did the thousand rays of Buddha light gradually dissipate, revealing an exceptionally handsome face.

The newcomer was a very young monk, appearing to be merely seventeen or eighteen based on appearance, but extremely handsome, tall and straight with perfect golden ratio proportions—notably the most charming man Mu Jinyu had seen thus far.

Moreover, the Buddha's halo rotated with layers upon layers, showcasing his profound Buddhist law, seemingly surpassing Sheng Rulai's previous level.

"Battle Buddha, long time no see."

The young monk gazed at Sheng Rulai with calm eyes and softly spoke.

Hearing this title, Mu Jinyu's brows slightly furrowed.

Any monk, when encountering Sheng Rulai, would respectfully refer to him as Buddha Head.

Except for this young man who directly titled him Battle Buddha, truly implying seaborne hostility.

Battle Buddha was the title garnered by Sheng Rulai in the past to display his prowess, supposedly showing respect, but since becoming Buddha Head, all monks called him Buddha Head, without exception.

Yet this individual deliberately addressed Sheng Rulai this way, indicating refusal to relinquish the Buddha Head position.

However...

Mu Jinyu felt something amiss vaguely; the young monk before him appeared to exude Buddha Light but carried an indefinable oddness.

Nevertheless, couldn't put a finger on it.

At this moment, Sheng Rulai scrutinized this unfamiliar monk.

He marveled at how Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere could produce such a Buddha's son but soon sensed something off.

Sheng Rulai's facial expression subtly shifted, stating, "You are... Peacock Ming King?!"

Peacock Ming King was a vicious peacock beast conquered by Sheng Rulai half a year ago, having grown monstrous in power after the Spiritual Energy Revival, later converted to a spirit beast and included within Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere as Protecting the World Ming King.

Unexpectedly, not seen in half a year, the entity transformed into a human with such terrifying and profound Buddha power, shocking Sheng Rulai.

"How... how did you transform into this form?!"

Sheng Rulai furrowed his brow inquiring.

Meanwhile, he glanced around the monks noticing their complex expressions, aware of the drastic change Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere underwent during his half-year absence.

Peacock Ming King remained composed, saying, "Under fortuitous circumstances, this humble monk consumed a Transformation Fruit, hence transforming into a human form."

Upon hearing Peacock Ming King's words, Mu Jinyu showed subtle reactions, then realizing why the entity appeared off earlier.

It turned out the being wasn't human but a demon beast morphing into human form.

Mu Jinyu knew long ago that ferocious beasts could attain spiritual wisdom at certain power levels, matching human intelligence, albeit fearsome, far inferior to demon beasts transforming into human forms.

Demon beasts required the Transformation Fruit to transform into humans successfully.

Yet in Kunlun Ruins, Transformation Fruits were extremely scarce, almost non-existent, never encountered a demon beast in human form.

Unexpectedly, upon returning to Huaxia, he witnessed a demon beast altered to human form.

Listening to Peacock Ming King's explanation, Sheng Rulai gazed complexly at him then asked, "Are you now the Buddha Head of Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere?"

He remembered distinctly the monk's earlier comment, believing he had attained nirvana.

Given the mistaken belief of his nirvana and Peacock Ming King's current overwhelming dignity, likely, the entity had overpowered and acquired Buddha's Light Shines Everywhere's new Buddha Head.