

## King Hall 1491

Chapter 1491: A Century of Solitude! Darkness Shattered!

"Is this a Dragon Qi Crystal? Let's give it a try..."

Although he obtained what he wanted, Mu Jinyu didn't feel any thrill at this moment.

"Crack!"

He exerted force in his hand and directly crushed the round bead he was holding tightly.

"Whoosh!"

Instantly, a stream of airflow dissipated as Mu Jinyu began to practice the "True Dragon Mystic Taoism," trying to see if he could absorb it into his body.

If he could, it meant he had indeed found a Dragon Qi Crystal.

If not, then it must be something else!

"Whoosh whoosh..."

Finally, as Mu Jinyu activated the "True Dragon Mystic Taoism," a familiar stream of airflow was absorbed into his body, repairing his damaged meridians, Dantian, and more...

"It truly is a Dragon Qi Crystal, it seems I didn't find the wrong place!"

Mu Jinyu murmured softly, his tone very calm, without any sign of excitement.

Then, Mu Jinyu sighed lightly and continued to step forward.

He didn't know how long he had walked when he again felt something hard under his foot. He bent down to pick it up, crushed it, and absorbed it with the "True Dragon Mystic Taoism."

In this way, Mu Jinyu walked for ten days, during which he picked up about thirty or more Dragon Qi Crystals!

He didn't purposely search around to pick up these Dragon Qi Crystals, otherwise, he might be able to find hundreds of them.

For a full ten days, Mu Jinyu did not walk out of this dark and despairing world, which made him very irritable.

With no one to confide in, the whole world seemed to exist only with him, accompanied by despair and loneliness. He couldn't distinguish east from west, couldn't see the road ahead or hope, that despair was almost suffocating, indescribable with words!

After this, Mu Jinyu continued like this for three more months.

At first, after ten days of walking without finding a way out, Mu Jinyu began to run frantically, disregarding everything else, ignoring those Dragon Qi Crystals, even the possibly existing Dragon Ball, wanting only to leave this ghostly place as quickly as possible!

Yet, after running close to a month, he still couldn't escape this dark world, bringing him to the brink of despair.

With the strength of his physical body, running like this, he should have circled the Earth or Kunlun Ruins by now.

Is this dark world truly so vast?

Or was he, after having his six senses sealed, just running in circles in place?

In the following two months, Mu Jinyu no longer ran crazily like that; he began to walk and stop, continuously attempting to take out the Communication Talisman from his Storage Bag to contact others.

This loneliness almost drove him to want to die!

Before this, Mu Jinyu had not been without the company of solitude.

After leaving Yinlong Mountain from Xiang Mantang, Young Master Mu also left, leaving Mu Jinyu living alone in Yinlong Mountain. But that solitude was entirely different from now, he could read, fish, have meals and drinks, and play with whatever he wanted...

But in solitude now, he could do nothing!

It was like being in a fish tank with only water, as the sole goldfish living in it, even ignored by a cat.

"Whoosh..."

After half a year in this dark world, Mu Jinyu fell into utter despair, giving up the thought of escaping, collapsing on the ground, feeling a desolate desire to wait for death.

Lying there, another half-year passed by.

Mu Jinyu, filled with despair, found that he couldn't even die.

Though he hadn't eaten or drunk, couldn't absorb Spiritual Energy to replace energy intake, somehow he resiliently survived.

During this half-year, many memories kept surfacing in Mu Jinyu's mind, regarding his childhood, and he even began to remember his father.

Followed by a brief time at the orphanage, then life for him and his teacher at Yinlong Mountain!

Next came his experiences after leaving the mountain, meeting Xu Qingya, Mei Yinxue, Gu Xiyao, Wen Rou, and others...

"No, I can't passively wait for death like this, they're still waiting for me to return, I must go back..."

Lying on the ground, Mu Jinyu's murky and dim eyes gradually revived with light, finally struggling to get up and continue moving forward.

This time, he wasn't so agitated. On seeing a Dragon Qi Crystal along the way, he'd bend down to pick it up, then crush and absorb it.

Unknowingly, ten years passed by.

Mu Jinyu didn't count how many Dragon Qi Crystals he picked up, but there were probably three to five thousand?

Mu Jinyu felt that his body's damaged meridians and Dantian should have healed about seventy to eighty percent by now?

Unfortunately, the only regret was still being trapped here, unable to leave.

Throughout these ten years, Mu Jinyu suspected the existence of some Restrictions, spending a full year searching for a way to break them.

But ultimately, it turned out there weren't any!

"It's been ten years, I don't know how Mother and the others are doing. But they should be fine, they're probably all in the Fanxu Realm too, with lifespans lasting several hundred years, I have enough time to leave here and go back to them!"

Mu Jinyu pondered over something and then spoke softly to himself.

Only by talking to himself like this could he not feel like a Madman, confirming to himself he could still speak and hadn't become a moving Rock.

The decade of lonely experience had completely erased Mu Jinyu's original impatience and impulsiveness, leaving his heart like a pool of stagnant water, creating no ripples over anything...

"Hmm?! What is this..."

One day, Mu Jinyu's foot stepped on several round Dragon Qi Crystals, nearly causing him to slip and fall.

He squatted down, feeling around on the ground.

Before long, he had collected a dozen Dragon Qi Crystals, and there seemed to be more ahead—a whole pile of them!

"Are there so many?"

This unexpected finding convinced Mu Jinyu that he hadn't been circling in place these ten years, but rather that this world was really too vast; he had walked for ten years without reaching the end.

Mu Jinyu was delighted, promptly starting to absorb these Dragon Qi Crystals on the spot.

Then, Mu Jinyu discovered that the quantity of Dragon Qi Crystals here seemed unimaginable...

He spent over a year refining nearly hundreds of thousands of Dragon Qi Crystals but still couldn't reach the end!

This left him extremely shocked!

Then, he touched a cold piece of bone.

"Hmm?!"

Mu Jinyu felt this piece of bone again, sensing that it seemed like a Dragon Claw Bone!

"So a dragon died here, with Dragon Qi Crystals scattered everywhere, yet a great number remained at the site..."

Mu Jinyu spoke softly, then patiently continued exploring slowly.

After a long time, he managed to outline the dragon that was roughly hundreds of thousands of meters long, and sixty thousand meters high...

Extremely large, not losing in size compared to the Silkworm King he had seen!

This made Mu Jinyu understand why there were so many Dragon Qi Crystals at the site.

Then, Mu Jinyu decided to stay put, planning to refine all the Dragon Qi Crystals at the site, which should almost help him restore his strength, maybe even recover his Divine Sense?

By then, he might be able to perform Flight through the Sky and leave this wretched place?

Mu Jinyu settled his heart, patiently refining those Dragon Qi Crystals here.

Time flashed by, and a hundred years passed!

A hundred years of loneliness made Mu Jinyu nearly devoid of desires, he didn't go mad from torment, quietly cultivating in place, occasionally waking up to talk to himself for a while, then continuing with cultivation.

Then, at the end of his hundredth year here, suddenly, a clear dragon roar arose.

Mu Jinyu opened his eyes in surprise, witnessing the darkness in his world fading away, replaced by brightness as a ten-thousand-zhang Divine Dragon Phantom appeared before him.

With a loud and bright dragon roar sounding, the ten-thousand-zhang Divine Dragon Phantom surged towards Mu Jinyu!

Chapter 1492: Like a Dream! Void Divine Realm Trial!

Seeing the phantom of the Divine Dragon charging towards him, Mu Jinyu's eyes remained cold, with only a hint of surprise and not much more reaction.

Then, the phantom of the Divine Dragon began to shrink continuously, eventually rushing into Mu Jinyu's forehead.

"Boom!!"

As the phantom of the Divine Dragon entered the Sea of Consciousness, although Mu Jinyu couldn't use his Divine Sense to look inward, he could feel that at that moment, his spirit was significantly rejuvenated.

"Boom boom boom!!"

Then, Mu Jinyu felt as if a chain within him had been broken. Suddenly, he felt clear-minded and refreshed, and the long-lost sensation of his Divine Sense spreading out and scanning his surroundings returned once more!

"My Soul's injury has healed..."

Mu Jinyu was somewhat surprised but not too excited.

A hundred years of solitary life had long since made him indifferent to everything.

"Boom!!"

At this moment, as the phantom of the Divine Dragon entered his Sea of Consciousness and the world before him gradually darkened, it suddenly exploded!

"Jinyu..."

"Wake up, hey!!"

In a daze, Mu Jinyu heard Yin Li's childlike yet anxious voice.

Mu Jinyu opened his eyes and saw Yin Li lying on his forehead, pinching him hard, calling, "Get up, don't sleep anymore..."

"Huh? What happened?"

Mu Jinyu said softly.

"Wow, you're finally awake?! You scared me to death..."

Seeing Mu Jinyu finally awake, Yin Li shouted excitedly and happily.

Mu Jinyu got up from the ground and found the ground to be muddy, with scattered bones.

Looking up, he saw blue skies and white clouds above, lazily peaceful.

Upon closer look, it was the place where Lin Yun had broken through the cliff underground a century ago.

So, is he now in the underground cavern they jumped into a hundred years ago?

Mu Jinyu's eyes were momentarily dazed; what was the experience of that dark world all about?

After a moment of excitement, Yin Li couldn't help but ask resentfully, "Hey, what happened with you? How did you sleep for an entire day after jumping down, and I couldn't wake you up? I almost thought your Soul was completely shattered and you'd become a living corpse..."

"Huh?!"

Mu Jinyu's eyes narrowed as he suddenly turned to Yin Li, asking in astonishment, "What did you say? I only slept for a day? Wasn't it a hundred years?"

Yin Li rolled his eyes and said, "What hundred years? What kind of dream did you have? How could you wake up not knowing reality? And why are your eyes so bright? It's making me uncomfortable!"

"A hundred years... a day..."

Mu Jinyu's eyelids slowly closed, no longer paying attention to Yin Li, silently digesting the information Yin Li had conveyed!

So, does that mean his hundred years of solitude in that despairing closed world was just a dream?

"Was it really just a dream?"

Mu Jinyu whispered to himself, then tried to operate his Cultivation Technique.

"Whoosh..."

Immediately, Mu Jinyu levitated into the air.

"Eh... you you..."

Yin Li was shocked, eyes wide open, incredibly surprised to see Mu Jinyu suddenly flying up.

"You've recovered your cultivation?"

"What's going on? You just slept here for a whole day, how could you..."

"No, you haven't just recovered your cultivation, your current cultivation is at the Ninth Layer of the Unity Realm Stage?! What happened? Weren't you originally at the Sixth Layer?"

"What exactly happened?!"

Yin Li observed Mu Jinyu closely, utterly shocked and repeatedly exclaimed.

Mu Jinyu let out a light breath, his body fell back to the ground, a smile briefly appeared at the corner of his mouth before quickly being kept in check, then calmly began narrating to Yin Li his hundred years of solitude since he jumped into this underground cavern!

He was also replaying it for himself, trying to figure out what that experience was all about!

Though referred to as a hundred years of solitude, Mu Jinyu actually spent most of the time refining Dragon Qi crystals in cultivation, hoping to restore his cultivation and leave this place soon.

So, Mu Jinyu's narration was brief and soon finished.

After hearing it, Yin Li looked at Mu Jinyu with eyes full of envy and jealousy, screaming, "Ah, how can this be, we clearly descended together, why did you get all the benefits and I got nothing!!"

"I can't bear it!"

Yin Li screamed insanely and then moved to beat Mu Jinyu once more.

However, now that Mu Jinyu's cultivation had recovered, he wouldn't let her make him a fool again!

Mu Jinyu raised his hand to stop Yin Li's frenzy, calmly asking, "What was the reason behind it? Was it just a dream? Or did I enter a world of Spiritual Thought?"

Yin Li also stopped her frenzied actions, glared at Mu Jinyu, and said indignantly, "What do you think? How could it be a dream? Would a dream heal your Soul's injury and the source injury of your Dantian? Could a dream propel you directly to the Ninth Layer of the Unity Realm Stage? Why think so much?"

"You entered the Void Divine Realm of the Divine Dragon, survived a hundred years of trials, and thus received immense benefits!"

"Ah, I'm going crazy! If I knew, I should have jumped ahead of you!"

Yin Li nearly went mad, shouting.

Mu Jinyu listened to Yin Li, not bothering with her subsequent madness, silently digesting the information she conveyed.

Void Divine Realm of the Divine Dragon?

Is it the spiritual illusory world that only Spiritual Thought can enter?

Even though I can't project my Divine Sense and Spiritual Thought, simply having a damaged Soul doesn't mean I have no Spiritual Thought at all.

So, after jumping into this underground cavern, was I directly dragged into the Void Divine Realm left by the Divine Dragon?

And was that hundred years of solitude the trial?

Or was it because I finally refined enough Dragon Qi crystals, thus passing the trial and allowing me to successfully leave the Void Divine Realm?

Mu Jinyu wasn't sure about these things, but recalling the last scene he saw before leaving that dark world, when the phantom of the Divine Dragon rushed into his Sea of Consciousness, Mu Jinyu felt it must be the latter, right?

Shaking his head slightly, Mu Jinyu ceased pondering, then glanced at the distressing Yin Li, frowning, "You don't need to think too much about it; even if you jumped ahead, it might not favor you!"

"How can you say that?!" Yin Li glared at Mu Jinyu, "Obviously, I resemble a dragon more than you! If I entered earlier, I could probably emerge within half a day, becoming unparalleled!"

Mu Jinyu calmly said, "Though you now appear dragon-like, you're still just a silkworm and don't have the Divine Dragon Blood within you."

Hearing Mu Jinyu's words, Yin Li's excited expression abruptly froze!

She thought for a moment and found it to be true!

When her father fully passed away, he didn't leave the last three drops of Divine Dragon Blood to her, but to Mu Jinyu.

He didn't want her to repeat his path!

So, without Dragon Blood, even if she had jumped ahead of Mu Jinyu, she might not have qualified for the trial?!

Otherwise, even if Mu Jinyu jumped down first, she arrived not too late, so shouldn't they have faced the trial together?

So, actually, the trial in the Void Divine Realm of the Divine Dragon must have some threshold!

At least it requires Divine Dragon Blood!

Or at least ordinary Dragon Blood!

Otherwise, one cannot undergo the trial!

Chapter 1493: Withered Seed! Going Back Home!

Yin Li ultimately accepted the fact that she had no affinity with the fateful opportunities in the Void Divine Realm.

Mu Jinyu did not comfort her much, instead focusing his Essence and Qi, starting to introspect his own situation.

Through introspection, Mu Jinyu could see the flow of True Yuan within the meridians of his body, rushing continuously like a mighty river. The Hedao Realm Golden Core in his Dantian also became more full and solid, as if it had truly become a Golden Core.

His cultivation had indeed reached the Ninth Layer Hedao Realm.

Mu Jinyu felt no excitement about this; the century-long experience in the Void Divine Realm had almost worn away all his youthful ambition.

It left him with an aura of an elder approaching twilight.

Mu Jinyu then introspected his Sea of Consciousness.

Within the Sea of Consciousness, golden light was dazzling, and Mu Jinyu saw that his soul had nearly recovered to its original state, probably still at the Half-Step Breaking Void Realm.

What saddened Mu Jinyu a little was that he saw a dim and shriveled seed next to his soul!

It was the Mystical Little Tree that, after he had absorbed all its Essence Qi, automatically regressed to a sapling seed.

When Mu Jinyu lost his cultivation before, he always wanted to check the condition of the Mystical Little Tree, but without Divine Sense, he couldn't introspect his Sea of Consciousness, making it impossible to see.

Now that he saw it, Mu Jinyu realized what a price the Mystical Little Tree had endured for him when he was Protecting with Soul the Bell.

"Come!"

Mu Jinyu uttered softly, then took the seed of the Mystical Little Tree from his Sea of Consciousness.

Afterward, he gripped the seed tightly in his hand, beginning to wildly inject Life Source Energy into the seed using the Green Emperor Wood Emperor Scripture.

"This seed..."

Yin Li saw the seed Mu Jinyu took out, her eyes flickered for a moment, then she recognized that it was the seed that the small tree he had taken out with him when Protecting the Bell with Soul had regressed to after being ravaged.

"Is this tree a Divine Plant?" Yin Li murmured softly, her big eyes sparkling with cleverness.

Mu Jinyu didn't pay attention to Yin Li, instead continuously injecting Life Source Energy into the shriveled and dim seed in his hand.

Hours passed.

Mu Jinyu almost poured all of his Life Source Energy into the seed, but it showed no sign of sprouting.

"Why is this happening?"

Mu Jinyu felt a sense of unwillingness.

He remembered that when he once made this seed sprout, it had been extracted of more than half of its Essence Qi by the Dan Pavilion, and he had only managed to make it sprout successfully using Life Source Energy.

And at that time, his cultivation was only at the fourth or fifth layer of the Divinity Transformation Realm.

But now, his cultivation had reached the Ninth Layer of the Hedao Realm, almost the peak battle power of Earth.

The Life Source Energy in his body was countless times more pure and abundant than it was then.

Yet even so, he had nearly exhausted the Life Source Energy that had just recovered in his body, and he still couldn't make this seed take root and sprout again.

Could it be...

Has the Mystical Little Tree truly died?

Mu Jinyu felt anxiety and unwillingness, then he sat cross-legged on the ground, beginning to absorb the Heaven and Earth Vital Energy, refining it into Life Source Energy.

It didn't take long for Mu Jinyu to completely replenish his True Yuan.

He then resumed his cultivation technique, once again pouring Life Source Energy into the tree seed in his hand.

For three consecutive days, he repeated this cycle.

Mu Jinyu didn't know how much Life Source Energy he had poured into this seed, but he felt that if it were a corpse in front of him, after receiving so much Life Source Energy, it would probably be alive and kicking, right?

Unfortunately, the seed remained shriveled and dim, without a trace of vitality.

Yin Li advised, "There's no need to waste your efforts any longer; the seed is very likely completely dead. No matter how much Life Source Energy you give, it's useless."

Mu Jinyu also stopped the futile effort, his expression calm as he said, "No, it's not necessarily dead. It could also be that it's too severely damaged. My Life Source Energy is quite decent here on Earth, but for its current level of damage, it's not enough. It needs a higher-grade Source of Life!"

"That might be possible." Yin Li nodded in agreement.

Mu Jinyu then returned the seed of the Mystical Little Tree, which had regressed, to his Sea of Consciousness, and began to direct the Life Source Energy into the Three-Leaf Youlian in his Dantian, which was on the brink of withering.

As expected, after pouring in a large portion of his Life Source Energy, the Essence, Qi, and Spirit of the Three-Leaf Youlian strengthened significantly, although its depleted Primordial Essence had not yet been restored immediately, it was in much better shape than before.

This made Mu Jinyu understand that as long as he could find a more advanced Source of Life in the future, he should still be able to awaken the little tree seed!

Mu Jinyu felt considerably relieved.

"Alright, should we get going? Why stay here any longer?"

Seeing Mu Jinyu show a relaxed expression, Yin Li urged.

"Hm, alright..."

Mu Jinyu agreed, then stepped forward and flew off, leaving the dark subterranean tunnel in an instant.

Yin Li soon followed him out.

Standing at the bottom of the cliff, the two looked back again into the subterranean tunnel below, finding it devoid of the dark and mysterious depth it used to possess.

Presumably, this was due to Mu Jinyu inheriting the Divine Dragon's legacy from the Void Divine Realm.

"Let's fill it back up!"

Mu Jinyu did not just walk away; this was likely a resting place for a Divine Dragon. Since he received benefits here, he naturally should also re-bury the Divine Dragon's tomb.

"Boom boom!!"

As Mu Jinyu manipulated the Heaven and Earth Laws, the immense subterranean tunnel in front of him was filled up completely.

"Let's go, I wonder if that boy Lin Yun has left yet..."

Mu Jinyu withdrew his gaze from the filled earth, then looked toward the cliff face above, speaking softly.

He had jumped into that subterranean tunnel, following Yin Li's words, remained unconscious for a day, then once he regained consciousness, spent another three or four days attempting to save the Mystical Little Tree. Though he failed, nearly five days had passed.

Under normal circumstances, having instructed Lin Yun, Lin Yun should have left the small town where he lived and headed back to the Heavenly Sword Faction.

After all, Lin Yun was still relatively weak, and if living here, once Chen Shiluan's Dead Warriors noticed he was absent, Lin Yun would be in great danger.

But if Lin Yun couldn't bear to leave...

Mu Jinyu thought for a moment and decided to go and have a look.

Soon, Mu Jinyu and Yin Li left the bottom of the cliff, returning to the airspace above the small town.

Standing high in the sky, Mu Jinyu released his Divine Sense, searching the small town below.

He couldn't find Lin Yun.

Not feeling at ease, Mu Jinyu then used his Divine Sense to invade their Seas of Consciousness to perform a Soul Search, checking on Lin Yun's situation.

Ultimately from the memories of everyone, Mu Jinyu saw that Lin Yun had returned to the town four days earlier, then left again, with no further news since.

Though he didn't get a definite message, as long as Lin Yun wasn't harmed, it's good news overall.

"Where are we going now? Returning?" Yin Li asked curiously as Mu Jinyu stopped searching souls.

Mu Jinyu chuckled and said, "Have you forgotten how I persuaded you to come along? Let's go, let's take a look at the Extremely Cold Hell."

"Yay..." Yin Li's face broke into a broad grin, delighted at the prospect.

Chapter 1494: The Seed Is About to Wither! The Qilin Takes Action and Explains!

Half a day later.

Mu Jinyu brought Yin Li and once again arrived at the sealed Extremely Cold Hell.

"What should we do? Can't get in!"

Yin Li circled around the sealed entrance before turning to Mu Jinyu, asking if he had any good ideas.

Mu Jinyu said, "Of course we can't enter; your uncle mentioned that there's residual Curse Force here and advised you not to come frequently."

Yin Li glared angrily at Mu Jinyu, "Then why did you bring me here?"

Mu Jinyu replied, "It's good to look around outside, isn't it?"

Yin Li fell silent.

"Kid!"

Just then, a deep and authoritative voice suddenly rang out.

Upon listening carefully, it came from within the Extremely Cold Hell.

Upon reflection, the voice's owner was none other than the Qilin that had warned Yin Li not to approach here casually.

"Kid, didn't I tell you not to let our Princess come back? Why are you here again?"

As Mu Jinyu identified the voice's owner, the Qilin saw Mu Jinyu's dazed thoughtful appearance and immediately asked angrily.

"Uncle..."

Yin Li quickly responded, happily calling out.

"Ah... Little Princess, if you're alright, don't return anymore..."

The Qilin's voice sounded again, offering earnest advice.

Yin Li's eyes twinkled and she hurriedly explained, "No, uncle, we actually came for your help..."

Yin Li then recounted the events from not long ago, explaining that Mu Jinyu's cultivation was originally ruined, and someone deduced the Heavenly Mechanism, saying he might find a path to survival at the Dragon Vein Land, which led them to return.

"But the kid's cultivation clearly remains and has even advanced to top-grade in the current world."

The Qilin said suspiciously.

Yin Li pursed her lips, then recounted their experiences from days ago.

After listening, the Qilin was silent for a while before saying gloomily, "This kid's luck is truly deep!"

After a pause, it said, "But since his cultivation has recovered, there's even less reason for you to come here?"

Yin Li waved her little claws at Mu Jinyu, urging him, "Take out your seed quickly..."

Upon hearing this, Mu Jinyu felt moved, taking out the shriveled seed from his Sea of Consciousness.

"Oh... this is..."

Upon seeing the seed Mu Jinyu took out, the Qilin's voice slightly changed, transmitted through the ice cave of the Extremely Cold Hell.

"Isn't this the Divine Plant from your Sea of Consciousness? How has it become like this?" The Qilin's tone was full of surprise and regret.

Yin Li explained, "Didn't I just mention that he used the Soul Guarding Bell, lasting almost seven or eight minutes before giving out? If not for the Divine Plant, he wouldn't have lasted five minutes. To extend those minutes, nearly all the life-bound essence of the Divine Plant was drained!"

"I see..."

Hearing Yin Li's explanation, the Qilin understood.

It lamented, "This Divine Plant had a tough life with this kid!"

"You're looking for me to see if there's a way to save this Divine Plant Seed, right?"

"Yes, yes..."

Yin Li nodded repeatedly.

"Well, I do have a way, you're truly lucky; otherwise, if the seed is left for a while longer, it might truly wither..." exclaimed the Qilin.

"Ah?" Yin Li was startled by the statement.

Unexpectedly her offhand excuse actually led to such a significant revelation.

Mu Jinyu was also shocked, realizing the mystical little tree was indeed in trouble.

If not for bringing Yin Li along and her making up this excuse, he wouldn't know the mystical little tree was on the brink of death, about to wither.

He would continue hoping for the future, looking for more advanced Source of Life to save the mystical little tree.

Little did he realize by the time that happened, the seed would already be completely dead!

This realization made Mu Jinyu immensely grateful he brought Yin Li along, or he would regret it forever!

"Please help, Elder!" Mu Jinyu's tone was earnest as he shouted emotively towards the sealed ice cave.

"Alright, considering the King's favor towards you and your care for the Little Princess, I won't ignore this trivial matter!"

The Qilin's calm voice came from the ice cave.

"Crack..."

With that, a crack appeared in the sealed ice cave.

"Whoosh!!"

Moments later, a stream of emerald green liquid shot out from within, precisely landing on the shriveled, dull seed.

The seed began to absorb the emerald green stream incessantly; soon, its shriveled form started appearing plumper, with a hint of green on its gray-brown exterior.

"Alright, now it won't wither. Continue nurturing it with Spiritual Thought; as for it to sprout again... it requires a great amount of Origin Source. I've been trapped here too long, lacking resources, so you'll have to manage on your own..."

Soon, the emerald stream ceased, and the Qilin's voice, tinged with helplessness, resonated from the ice cave again.

"No worries, this is enough; thank you, Elder..."

Mu Jinyu expressed gratitude, his voice filled with appreciation towards the ice cave.

After speaking, he wanted to kneel and pay great respect!

After all, the mystical little tree had saved him multiple times; if it withered because of him, he couldn't accept it.

Moreover, the Qilin saving the seed equated to saving him; he felt that showing such respect was necessary.

However, as he prepared to kneel, he was intercepted by an unfathomable force.

"No need for that, it's a small matter..." The Qilin said casually, "Alright, you can leave now; don't linger here..."

Mu Jinyu hastily said, "Elder, may I ask one more question?"

"Alright, one final question, then you should go." The Qilin said.

Mu Jinyu then inquired why, when he initially acquired the seed, his cultivation was only at the Divinity Transformation Realm yet he managed to sprout the seed with a bit of Life Source Energy and the not-so-powerful Dragon Marrow Fluid.

But now, he's at Unity Realm Stage and struggling to sprout the seed again?

Was it because the seed had previously grown into a little tree, or was there another reason?

Qilin explained, "It's not related; mainly because when you acquired the seed, it had accumulated enough Origin Source, allowing it to sprout with additional Life Source Energy and thin Dragon Marrow Fluid!

"Recently, you drained its life-bound essence to save yourself, causing it to revert to a seed; to sprout again, it requires a vast amount of Origin Source, which is beyond the average individual's ability to provide!"

Upon understanding the Qilin's explanation, Mu Jinyu realized the challenge of reappearance of the little tree in his Sea of Consciousness, acknowledging the long path ahead!

Soon after, Mu Jinyu didn't have time to bid farewell to the Qilin before the Qilin said, "Alright, you should leave!"

With a "whoosh," Mu Jinyu and Yin Li were thrown thousands of miles away by an unstoppable Power of Laws!

Chapter 1495: The Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend That Escaped Long Ago! Mu Shao'ai's Helplessness!

"Ouch!!"

Yin Li was thrown into disarray and then got up, rubbing his head as he muttered, "Uncle really has a hard heart..."

Mu Jinyu, although he fell awkwardly, didn't feel much pain and was still very grateful to the Qilin.

Yin Li leaned over Mu Jinyu's shoulder and asked, "Are we going back now?"

Mu Jinyu replied, "Hmm, it's almost time to return, but I'll contact my master first... I wonder what he's been up to!"

Mu Jinyu had wanted to contact Mu Shao'ai when he returned to the Kunlun Ruins.

But because the communication talisman required cultivation, Mu Jinyu couldn't do it, so he slowly made his way to the Heavenly Sword Faction, and then to the small town where Lin Yun was.

Now that he had restored his cultivation, he could notify Mu Shao'ai and ask him what he was busy with, suddenly leaving Huaxia to come back to the Kunlun Ruins.

Soon, after several transmissions between Mu Jinyu and Mu Shao'ai, Mu Jinyu became clear about Mu Shao'ai's reason for returning.

It was because recently a peculiar evil dragon appeared in the Kunlun Ruins, with scales and bone spurs all over its body, wings growing phoenix feathers, very strange, and its strength reached the Half-Step Breaking Void Realm. In this situation, even Mu Shao'ai found it difficult to deal with it.

Ordinary Unity Realm Stage experts naturally found themselves at a disadvantage against it, causing havoc in the Kunlun Ruins. A group of supreme sect leaders had no choice but to ask Mu Shao'ai to intervene.

Mu Shao'ai had been taking action repeatedly over the days since his return, breaking the void multiple times, but still failed to deal with the strange creature!

Therefore, when Mu Jinyu returned to the Kunlun Ruins, although Mu Shao'ai was aware, he didn't have time to come and see him.

Listening to Mu Shao'ai's account, Mu Jinyu's expression instantly revealed a somewhat strange look.

Yin Li was also watching them communicate, and after seeing Mu Shao'ai's description, couldn't help but exclaim, "Hey, this old man's description sounds like that dragon you unleashed back then!"

Yin Li had met Mu Jinyu early on and had witnessed him being pursued by multiple enemies when, to survive, he released a strange dragon.

After the chase ended, Mu Jinyu couldn't find the dragon filled with resentment, and Yin Li didn't pay much attention. Unexpectedly, it seems to have caused big trouble now.

"Hmm, according to the description, it should be that Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend..." Mu Jinyu said uncertainly.

The Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend was originally formed from the resentment and evil qi generated when a dragon vein was broken among the nine dragon veins in Yinlong Mountain by Mu Jinyu, which he named Dragon Resentment Evil Poison!

Later, when Mu Jinyu and his companions went to the Cursed Soul Forest, they encountered the Fallen Demon Phoenix which had been dead for many years. After it devoured a part of the Demon Phoenix's origin source, it began to mutate into a form with scales sprouting bone spurs, wings growing phoenix feathers.

Then Mu Jinyu renamed it Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend.

At that time, the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend, although it looked quite terrifying, was still controllable. Mu Jinyu could control its actions using the dragon soul condensed from his Kunlun Dragon Veins.

However, when pursued by too many people, he had no choice but to unleash the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend and couldn't control it to wreak havoc, and when the battle ended, it dealt with the enemies and disappeared without a trace...

Mu Jinyu thought it couldn't stir up trouble and didn't pay much attention after failing to find it.

Unexpectedly, since returning today, it seems to have evolved from being a threat to Unity Realm strength to a level that even Mu Shao'ai at Void Breaking Realm is somewhat helpless against.

"Let's go over and see if we can resolve it!"

After asking about Mu Shao'ai's location, Mu Jinyu took Yin Li with him and performed Void Shift, heading toward where Mu Shao'ai and others were now!

Western Region of Kunlun Ruins!

An expanse of desert land.

"Roar!"

A furious dragon roar echoed, and a monstrosity of a dragon, a hundred feet long, with sinister bone spurs, flapped its black-gray phoenix wings and darted through the sky instantly!

Leaving behind in its wake clusters of black and gray sinister flames that burned continuously, even scorching the dust clean!

Soon after, Mu Shao'ai appeared first, waved his hand, invoking the Heaven and Earth Laws to extinguish the rootless fire on the ground, restoring the sand layers again.

Then, he continued to pursue the rampaging evil dragon demonic phoenix!

"Roar!!"

Soon, in a chase-and-escape pursuit, they arrived at an even more desolate wasteland.

At this moment, the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend, flying ahead, suddenly halted, then turned sharply and charged at Mu Shao'ai!

It seemed to have finally lost its patience being relentlessly chased by Mu Shao'ai.

It was ready to fight him to the death!

"Swoosh, swoosh, swoosh!!"

As the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend charged at Mu Shao'ai, it flapped the gray-brown Fallen Phoenix Wings, and then the scales' backward-growing bone spurs detached instantly, shooting toward Mu Shao'ai!

Looking closely, those bone spurs actually flowed with dim blue light, containing unknown deadly poison!

"Hmph!"

Mu Shao'ai snorted coldly, waved his hand to draw a Tai Chi Circle in front of him!

"Buzz!!"

The power of laws surged forth, the Chain of Divine Order condensed into a thin Tai Chi Light Shield, shielding Mu Shao'ai.

"Bang!!"

"Boom!!!"

Instantly, the fierce and powerful bone spurs shot toward him.

But as they collided with the flimsy paper-thin light shield, all bone spurs shattered completely, unable to penetrate and harm Mu Shao'ai!

"Roar!!"

The Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend roared angrily again, then flapped its Fallen Phoenix Feather, instantly causing the sky to be filled with black-gray flames that swept in, swirling into two massive flaming tornadoes!

Then surged one after another toward Mu Shao'ai!

The flame tornadoes filled with deathly qi towered dozens of feet high, and in front of them, Mu Shao'ai appeared almost ant-like.

Most importantly, these flame tornadoes, rushing forth, directly burned away the surrounding laws and force of order, leaving Mu Shao'ai unable to resist effectively!

"Sigh..."

With a weary sigh, Mu Shao'ai, full of irritation, continued to absorb True Essence, forming a Protective Shield like the Golden Bell Cover around him, securing him like an impregnable fortress!

Every time it's like this, clearly just a bit more effort can take down the opponent, but because this move of the opponent is too troublesome, either evading entirely or taking it head-on is the only option, neither of which allows for continued pursuit, leaving Mu Shao'ai watching helplessly as the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend escapes!

Mu Shao'ai was somewhat irked that the Kunlun Ruins didn't have someone capable to assist him in the pursuit, or else he wouldn't be so exhausted.

They could have someone withstand the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend's assault while capturing the defenseless dragon fiend!

"Roar!!"

The Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend watched Mu Shao'ai trapped by its two deadly flame tornadoes, unable to escape, and let out a contemptuous roar, then flapping its wings, it prepared to leave this Western Desert!

"Roar!"

However, at this moment, a more thunderous and majestic dragon roar reverberated from the distant sky.

Soon, Mu Shao'ai witnessed a formidable Five-Clawed Golden Dragon, charging valiantly towards them.

Upon closer inspection, a frail human figure stood on the dragon's head!

It was Mu Jinyu!

Chapter 1496: Clash of Twin Dragons! Mu Jinyu Takes Action! The Resentment Dissipates!

"Roar!!"

The Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend paused its retreat as Mu Jinyu appeared, letting out a provocative and angry roar.

Clearly, it still recognized Mu Jinyu and remembered the miserable life of servitude it once endured under Mu Jinyu's hand.

"Roar!!"

Immediately, the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend decided not to flee, roaring thunderously once more, its momentum surging several levels higher!

It attempted to overshadow Young Master Mu's Void Breaking Realm's pressure!

"Whoosh, whoosh, whoosh..."

The Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend desperately flapped its pair of Fallen Phoenix Feathers, stirring the fire of the earth, transforming it into raging flames, producing hundreds of fire tornadoes!

This assault was a hundred times more terrifying than the previous two fire tornadoes it casually whipped up to trap Mu Shao'ai!

In an instant, the world was submerged in a sea of flames, a cold deathly killing intent swept across, making Yin Li, perched on Mu Jinyu's shoulder, feel uneasy.

"Wow, this thing is getting quite strong..." Yin Li exclaimed in amazement.

Mu Jinyu took out the Dragon Phoenix Cauldron and initiated the "True Dragon Mystic Taoism," his cultivation neared the Void Breaking Realm. The Dragon Phoenix Cauldron swiftly expanded to a hundred feet in size!

Enveloping Mu Jinyu and Yin Li beneath the cauldron.

"Buzz, buzz, buzz..."

The Dragon Phoenix Cauldron activated vigorously, dragon roars and phoenix cries filled the air, devouring the hundreds of deadly flame tornadoes assaulting them!

"Roar!"

As the flame tornadoes were completely swallowed by the Dragon Phoenix Cauldron, Mu Jinyu slowly levitated upwards, and his Divine Dragon Soul emitted a resonant dragon cry, charging towards the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend!

"Roar!!"

Seeing the Divine Dragon Soul charge forth, the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend roared in discontent and anger. This time, it chose not to flee but dove in, ready to clash with the Divine Dragon Soul!

Its power had increased substantially, nearing the True Spirit level. It did not believe that the Divine Dragon Soul could easily subdue it now, rendering it helpless!

"Boom!"

"Boom!!"

A majestic, golden-glowing, mythical dragon-like Dragon Soul collided head-on with the sinister, deathly, and destructive Evil Dragon!

In an instant, the earth resounded with a thunderous roar!

"Boom, boom!"

The surrounding void cracked like a shattered mirror, fissures spreading thousands of miles instantly!

"Boom!"

"Boom!!"

"Roar!!"

"Rumble!!"

The Divine Dragon and the Evil Dragon clashed fiercely, tearing at each other savagely, occasionally exhibiting techniques, causing flames to surge and divine thunder to rumble!

The scene was extremely gruesome!

To Mu Jinyu, this was no surprise; the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend was never a true Ferocious Beast, and his Divine Dragon Soul was condensed from the Kunlun Dragon Veins' Dragon Qi, both were ethereal spiritual entities!

Previously, the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend could be easily subdued by the Divine Dragon Soul because of the higher rank of the Dragon Soul, and the significant disparity with the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend.

But after disappearing for a long period, the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend had absorbed an unknown amount of Evil Qi and Murderous Aura, elevating its strength from the Fanxu Realm to the Half-Step Breaking Void Realm. How could the Divine Dragon Soul easily subdue it?

"Boom!"

"Boom!!"

The Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend ferociously battled the Divine Dragon Soul, its savagery was unmatched. For a moment, what once could easily suppress the foe, now seemed to be overtaken!

"Boom!!"

At this time, Mu Shao'ai broke free from the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend's restraint and shifted his position beside Mu Jinyu.

"Kid, your cultivation is restored?"

Standing beside Mu Jinyu, Mu Shao'ai was astonished as he scrutinized Mu Jinyu, clicking his tongue, "What the hell, how many levels of Unity Realm Stage have you achieved? You're almost catching up with me! What the hell happened?!"

Mu Shao'ai was deeply astonished, momentarily ignoring the two dragon souls fiercely battling.

He couldn't help but be amazed; after he left Huaxia, under his inspection, Mu Jinyu's soul was nearly shattered, and the True Essence Source Root from the Elixirs severely damaged.

Even if Mu Jinyu recovered, his cultivation would only hover around the Divinity Transformation Realm.

But, who would have thought, within less than a month, not only had Mu Jinyu's injuries fully healed, but his cultivation also skyrocketed from the Sixth Layer Hedao Realm to the Ninth Layer Hedao Realm.

Even a cheat can't be this fast, right?

Nearly twenty years old and already a Ninth Layer Hedao Realm expert!

My goodness, Mu Shao'ai suddenly felt he had lived half his life in vain!

Mu Jinyu spoke calmly, "I encountered some fortuitous events, I'll explain in detail to you later, Master..."

"Clang!"

With that, Mu Jinyu suddenly pulled out the Dragon Spear!

"Roar!!"

The Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend, who was starting to fall behind, suddenly sensed the bloody killing aura emanating from Mu Jinyu, let out an unwilling roar.

Then, it began to struggle desperately and viciously, preparing to flee!

Even with just the Divine Dragon Soul, it was starting to falter. With Mu Jinyu wielding a Dragon Spear or even joining forces with the Void Breaking Realm Mu Shao'ai, it would have no chance of escaping!

Therefore, the Dragon Lake Resentful Evil could only suppress its anger, resentment, and unwillingness towards Mu Jinyu and prepare to retreat!

"Roar!!"

However, at that moment, the Divine Dragon Soul roared furiously, at the cost of its Dragon Qi dissipating, it frantically entangled the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend, making it difficult to escape!

"Clang!!"

Mu Jinyu gripped the Dragon Spear tightly, killing intent radiating from his body, eyes glinting coldly, and swiftly shifted to a position beneath the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend's neck!

Then, he thrust the spear fiercely toward the inverse scale of the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend!

"Slash!!"

"Roar!!!!!"

The inverse scale was broken, the solid body of the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend began to destabilize, showing signs of collapse!

At this moment, Mu Jinyu's tiny spear-wielding, dragon-slaying figure was nearly mythological!

"Roar!!"

The Divine Dragon Soul, seeing this, exerted more strength, after a resounding furious roar, it lunged forward.

"Boom!!"

Accompanied by a deafening boom, the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend, which was nearing collapse, exploded its body at once.

Various deadly Evil Qi scattered everywhere!

Instantly, the desolate land around for thousands of miles turned pitch dark, almost as if the Underworld had surfaced!

If anyone were here, they would inevitably be affected, even millions would instantly become lost souls!

Mu Shao'ai, about to join Mu Jinyu in fighting, saw this scene, smiled bitterly and shook his head!

He could only sigh internally, feeling truly aged!

Though he was a Void Breaking Realm powerhouse, the strongest in this world, he couldn't handle the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend, yet Mu Jinyu at Ninth Layer Hedao Realm, alone, without any aid, effortlessly defeated the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend!

Their gap as master and apprentice was undoubtedly shrinking!

"This is..."

While Mu Shao'ai was considering this, standing in the air, Mu Jinyu's expression shifted slightly, sensing a movement in the Three-Leaf Youlian within him.

Chapter 1497: Dealing with the Aftermath! The Three-Leaf Youlian's Unusual Activity!

"Whoosh, whoosh, whoosh!!"

After Mu Jinyu instantly killed the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend with a single spear, he watched as the vast desert was tainted by the deathly Qi of the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend, instantly turning into a piece of Underworld Absolute Land, perhaps even more terrifying than the Cursed Soul Forest he had visited before.

He was about to use his Great Divine Power to remove this deathly Qi when he felt the stirrings of the Three-Leaf Youlian, weak and languid within him!

With a few soft sounds, the long-forgotten Void Vines extended from the Three-Leaf Youlian, reaching the nearby patches of Resentful Poisonous Fire!

"Swish!"

The Three-Leaf Youlian lightly inhaled, as if absorbing jelly, instantly drawing in and cleansing those clusters of Resentful Poisonous Fire.

Thereafter, the Three-Leaf Youlian seemed to become much more spirited, once again extending more Void Vines, densely covering the sky and expanding throughout the surrounding thousands of miles, devouring all the deathly Qi left after the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend shattered!

"Hmm..."

Mu Shao'ai, who was troubled by the desert turning into an Underworld Absolute Land, watched as those sinister areas disappeared in an instant, resolved, and looked at Mu Jinyu with surprise and uncertainty.

"Kid, is this your doing?" Mu Shao'ai couldn't help but ask Mu Jinyu.

Mu Jinyu nodded then shook his head, saying, "It can be considered my doing, but also not, because I hadn't intended for this to happen, but the lotus within me acted on its own..."

After speaking, Mu Jinyu inwardly observed the Three-Leaf Youlian rooted in his Dantian Qi Sea, finding that it had revitalized from its previous listless state. Though not as strong as it was at its peak, it was still much better than it had been recently.

It seems this Youlian really prefers this evil Qi!

Mu Jinyu thought to himself silently.

After a moment, when he saw that the Three-Leaf Youlian did not reciprocate any energy back to him, he couldn't help but shake his head, thinking he was too greedy.

After all, the Three-Leaf Youlian had suffered a great loss of Elemental Qi, and the deathly Qi it just absorbed might not be enough for it to recover.

It's too greedy of him to even hope it might give back to him.

"Phew..."

Mu Jinyu exhaled a breath and stopped thinking about it. He opened his eyes and withdrew the Dragon Spear and Dragon Phoenix Cauldron back into his body, letting them float in his Dantian, slowly nurturing them.

Next, he looked around, observing the scene within thousands of miles around him. Seeing the environment still heavily damaged, he began to manipulate the Power of Laws to restore the environment!

Mu Shao'ai, seeing this, also joined in.

However, his efforts were naturally much more cautious than Mu Jinyu's, lest he accidentally break the void, ruining all their work.

After a long while, the desert environment was finally resolved.

Only then did Mu Shao'ai curiously look at Mu Jinyu, once again asking how he managed to break through to the Ninth Layer Hedao Realm?

Mu Jinyu naturally did not hide anything from his master and recounted his recent experiences in detail.

"Wow, you've really got good luck, kid!"

After hearing Mu Jinyu's story, although Mu Shao'ai didn't fully understand what the Void Divine Realm was, he knew it was surely some form of legacy. He looked at Mu Jinyu with both relief and envy, shaking his head with a smile.

"Yeah, I think I'm pretty lucky too!" Mu Jinyu chuckled lightly.

"Alright, since the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend is resolved, let's head back..." Mu Shao'ai suggested with a smile.

"Yes, but I also plan to visit the Heavenly Sword Faction to see how Lin Yun is doing and whether he joined the faction," Mu Jinyu said.

Although he hadn't known Lin Yun for long, it was thanks to Lin Yun that he was able to recover his cultivation so quickly and even improve further, so he was quite grateful to him.

He was also worried that Lin Yun didn't reach the Heavenly Sword Faction or that he might be pursued by Chen Shiluan's dead warriors, so he decided to go check it out.

"Why go there? Don't you have the Secret Heavenly Calculation? Just calculate it directly!" Mu Shao'ai looked at Mu Jinyu curiously, asking, "Could it be that a kid in the Divinity Transformation Realm could conceal the Heavenly Mechanism?"

"Uh... right, I forgot..."

Upon hearing Mu Shao'ai's words, Mu Jinyu froze for a moment, then suddenly chuckled bitterly, holding his forehead.

Even though it was only about four days since he parted from Lin Yun,

To Mu Jinyu, his century-long experience of solitude was so profound and vivid, it wasn't something he could adapt to immediately.

After emerging from the trials of the Void Divine Realm, he hadn't fully adjusted to the return of his cultivation.

He even almost forgot that he possessed the Secret Heavenly Calculation technique.

Mu Shao'ai, seeing Mu Jinyu's expression, couldn't help but show a look of helplessness and pity, feeling that Mu Jinyu truly was quite pitiful.

His mental age suddenly increased by a hundred years, causing potential issues with his mentality. He needed his wives to take good care of him.

Mu Jinyu immediately operated the Secret Heavenly Calculation to locate Lin Yun's whereabouts.

He discovered that Lin Yun was indeed in the Heavenly Sword Faction, being personally instructed by Yun Ge, which greatly relieved him.

"Alright, everything is fine now. Master, let's go..."

Mu Jinyu opened his eyes, lightly exhaling impure Qi, without suffering from the backlash or vomiting blood as before!

After all, to thwart Chu Tiance's plan of kidnapping all of humanity, he had been constantly pondering over the Secret Heavenly Calculation. His attainment had grown deep, and ordinary calculations of the Heavenly Mechanism and positioning no longer harmed his body!

Then, Mu Jinyu also recalled that Xu Hong helped him verify that the Dragon Vein Land could lead the way to survival...

"I should also go back to help them with their injuries..."

Mu Jinyu said to himself, nearly forgetting about this matter.

However, just as they were about to step away from the Western Desert,

"Buzz!!"

Mu Jinyu suddenly felt a stir within him, causing him to pause and not rush to leave.

His Divine Sense surged into his body, beginning an inner view.

He saw the Three-Leaf Youlian, which had previously absorbed all of the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend's Qi, seemed to have finally finished digesting and began to secrete droplets of transparent liquid!

"Oh, it's actually giving back to me?"

Mu Jinyu was quite surprised by the sight, then he advised, "There's no need, you're still gravely injured. I don't want you to end up like Little Tree, hold onto it..."

Mu Jinyu knew that whether it was the Mystical Little Tree or the Three-Leaf Youlian, they both had considerable spiritual nature and intelligence, capable of understanding his words, which is why he advised them directly.

"Buzz!!"

However, the Three-Leaf Youlian did not heed Mu Jinyu's advice and continued to release those transparent droplets.

Just as Mu Jinyu was helplessly considering trying to absorb the droplets to see the effect...

"Whoosh, whoosh, whoosh..."

The Three-Leaf Youlian didn't allow Mu Jinyu to absorb it; instead, it gathered the transparent liquid into a large glob, sending it into Mu Jinyu's Sea of Consciousness.

Then it enveloped the seed that had regressed due to the Mystical Little Tree.

"Phew..."

As these watery droplets were sent into the seed by the Three-Leaf Youlian, the seed began to absorb them greedily.

In no time, the seed's surface, which was slightly full and tinged with green, became very plump and vibrant green, closely resembling the state it was in when Mu Jinyu first obtained it...

Chapter 1498: Youlian's Gift of Vitality! A New Goal! An Awkward Encounter!

"This..."

Mu Jinyu saw this scene and was instantly filled with joy.

He hadn't expected the spiritual liquid nurtured by the Three-Leaf Youlian to be so effective, not at all inferior to the green spiritual liquid sent by the Qilin from the Extremely Cold Hell!

Even though the water was ultimately absorbed by the seed and didn't truly root and sprout, it only somewhat restored its vitality, which was enough to make Mu Jinyu excited and happy.

Mu Jinyu immediately went to thank the Three-Leaf Youlian, not minding that it had given the liquid to the Mystical Little Tree's seed instead of leaving it for him.

Thereafter, Mu Jinyu sensed some vague fluctuations of thought from the Three-Leaf Youlian.

He roughly guessed the meaning: the Three-Leaf Youlian seemed to say that the water was the refined essence after the spiritual nature of the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend was devoured and refined. If he could find similar spiritual bodies like the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend in the future for it to refine, it could again produce such liquid!

"Great!"

Mu Jinyu was instantly invigorated, feeling as if he had a goal!

"What's wrong?"

Following Mu Jinyu's excited opening of his eyes, the uninformed Mu Shao'ai curiously asked.

Mu Jinyu excitedly told Mu Shao'ai about the scene that had just happened.

Upon hearing this, Mu Shao'ai was also very excited.

Then Yin Li spoke, dampening their excitement: "Wake up, creatures like the one earlier are rare and require difficult conditions to spawn. If you wish to get another, perhaps... there is one..."

"Is there?" Mu Jinyu asked urgently, looking at Yin Li: "Do you know where it is?"

Yin Li looked peculiarly at Mu Jinyu, saying: "It's inside you!"

"Inside me?" Mu Jinyu was momentarily stunned.

Yin Li said softly: "Didn't you just have it fighting intensively with that monster?"

Mu Jinyu showed a bitter expression and sighed: "You're talking about the Dragon Soul?"

Mu Jinyu felt quite disappointed.

Although the Divine Dragon Soul currently seemed of little use, he still felt it was quite useful to him. How could he sacrifice the Dragon Soul to revive the Mystical Little Tree's seed?

Of course, he couldn't agree with Yin Li's opinion.

Mu Shao'ai shook his head slightly, also not agreeing with Mu Jinyu sacrificing the Dragon Soul, then spoke: "Alright, let's think about these things later. Maybe we'll encounter another thing like that. Let's go back first..."

Although saying this, Mu Shao'ai didn't feel optimistic inside.

After all, in his over-half-a-lifetime, he'd seen only one peculiar creature like the Dragon-Phoenix Resentful Fiend.

Expecting to encounter another one in the future seemed difficult.

Still, no matter how difficult or hopeless, Mu Shao'ai wouldn't agree to Mu Jinyu sacrificing that unique Dragon Soul for the Divine Plant.

Who knows? The Dragon Soul might be even rarer than the Divine Plant.

"Let's go..."

Mu Jinyu packed up his things, let Yin Li rest on his shoulder, and stepped out, shifting with Mu Shao'ai, leaving the Western Desert, quickly arriving at the transmission point leading to the outside world of Kunlun Mountain.

This time, Mu Jinyu didn't bother Mu Shao'ai to act. He himself activated the transmission screen.

"Buzz!!"

The screen lightly trembled, and just before Mu Jinyu and Mu Shao'ai entered, they saw someone wanting to come in from inside.

"Hmm? What's happening?"

Mu Jinyu and Mu Shao'ai looked at each other in astonishment.

A familiar girl stumbled forward and appeared before them.

It was Gu Xiyan.

Mu Jinyu quickly recognized her.

Gu Xiyan laughed heartily: "Haha, finally I've gotten inside..."

Before finishing her sentence, Gu Xiyan saw Mu Jinyu and Mu Shao'ai standing right in front of her.

Yin Li looked at her with a very peculiar gaze.

"Jinyu... why are you here..."

Gu Xiyan awkwardly said.

She quickly realized that the transmission screen on Kunlun Mountain hadn't been cracked by them, but appeared because Mu Jinyu and Mu Shao'ai wanted to go out.

"Buzz!!"

Before Mu Jinyu could respond, the transmission screen trembled again, and Mei Yinxue, Wen Rou, Yu Linglong, and others followed in.

"Jinyu?!"

"Master!"

The girls, seeing Mu Jinyu and Mu Shao'ai right before them, excitedly greeted, then remembered Mu Jinyu's admonition, and stood awkwardly.

It felt like back in school days when they'd sneak out and were caught by a teacher.

They dared not face Mu Jinyu.

Mu Jinyu wasn't that stern and didn't blame them, but felt rather emotional.

Though they'd only been apart for four or five days.

The hundred-year loneliness in the Void Divine Realm made him feel as if ages had passed, even seeing Gu Xiyan and the others disobeying his words, sneaking into the Kunlun Ruins, left him without a trace of reproach.

Only filled with longing and emotion.

"Missed you all!"

Mu Jinyu stepped forward to hug each of them for a while.

Seeing this, Yin Li left Mu Jinyu's shoulder and landed atop Mu Shao'ai's head, looking at them clingingly with disdain.

Soon, Mu Jinyu calmed his emotions and smiled: "Let's go. Thank you for coming to get me; let's go home..."

Gu Xiyan and the others sensed Mu Jinyu's mood was off, and curiously asked: "Going back already? Aren't you finding a way to restore your cultivation?"

Mu Jinyu smiled slightly and said: "I've already restored my cultivation, I'll explain slowly when we go back!"

"Ah?! So quickly?"

Hearing Mu Jinyu's words, Gu Xiyan and Wen Rou were surprised, inevitably showing some skepticism.

They knew well enough about Mu Jinyu's injuries, if it were simple to resolve, Mu Shao'ai wouldn't leave them without guarantees.

How could Mu Jinyu recover his injuries and cultivation so quickly in the Kunlun Ruins, in less than a week?

It was known that Mu Jinyu's injuries affected his True Essence Source Root, meaning that even if healed, he would have to start cultivating from scratch.

How could he suddenly ascend from the Divinity Transformation Realm to the Unity Realm Stage?

Even if Mu Jinyu was merely cultivated to the Fanxu Realm, they would still recognize his cultivation.

Although feeling incredulous and thinking Mu Jinyu was comforting them, they didn't question anything, nodded obediently, and walked out of the transmission screen together.

Once everyone was out of the transmission screen, Mu Jinyu saw Gu Xiyan preparing to retrieve a Flying Shuttle to take them back to Yinlong Mountain.

With a slight smile, he waved directly, manipulating Heaven and Earth Laws, and shifted them thousands of miles away!

"Wow!"

The sudden change made the girls scream, then realized it was Mu Jinyu performing Void Shift, filled with joy: "Jinyu, you really restored your cultivation? You weren't lying to us!"

"When did I lie to you?" Mu Jinyu replied with a speechless tone.

He hadn't been much of a liar, right?

Why did Gu Xiyan and the others always feel he was deceiving them?

Chapter 1499: Dispelling Misfortune for Xuu Hong! Let's Get Married!

Return to Yinlong Mountain.

Mu Jinyu briefly shared his experiences at the Kunlun Ruins with everyone, telling them how he restored his cultivation.

As for the Void Divine Realm assessment left by the Divine Dragon, the century of solitude and despair, Mu Jinyu mentioned it casually, feeling as if a hundred years had passed in a day, jokingly comparing it to a fleeting dream.

The others weren't really aware of how terrifying that experience was.

"It's good to have you back, it's good to have you back..."

Su Zijin didn't mind whether Mu Jinyu's cultivation had been restored, she just felt relieved he was safe, and since Jinyu valued strength, restoring his cultivation would surely make him happy, so she was pleased too.

Although during this trip, Mu Jinyu was away from everyone for only a week, according to his usual habits, he would just casually gather with them and then tend to other trivial matters.

But now, due to that century of solitude, Mu Jinyu cherished the time spent with them, staying for most of the day, then thought of Xu Hong and the others, pausing the chat and heading to Bai Xiaosheng.

Arriving at the warehouse door where Bai Xiaosheng lived.

"Swoosh!"

The iron door opened directly, and Bai Xiaosheng's aged voice sounded, "Dragon Master, have you returned?"

Since Mu Jinyu's knowledge of the Secret Heavenly Calculation now far exceeded Bai Xiaosheng's, his movements were naturally beyond Bai Xiaosheng's casual observation. Because Mu Jinyu didn't conceal his movements this time, Bai Xiaosheng could sense his return.

"Yes, I'm back, and my cultivation has been restored..." Mu Jinyu said with a smile.

"Congratulations, Dragon Master!"

"Congratulations, Dragon Master..."

At this moment, the voices of congratulations weren't only from Bai Xiaosheng, but Xuu Hong's voice was also mixed in, though it seemed a bit weak.

"I came this time specifically to thank Little Hong, if it weren't for her, I might not have thought of going to the Kunlun Ruins, wouldn't have encountered someone there in time, and found clues to restore my cultivation..."

Mu Jinyu said gratefully.

If it weren't for Xuu Hong risking divine retribution to give him a hint, even if he had thought of going to the Kunlun Ruins, it would have likely been too late.

If he went later, he might not have met Lin Yun, perhaps he would just have learned at the Heavenly Sword Faction that he could either restore his cultivation at the Kunlun Ruins or leave and wander the world looking for alternatives.

He might never find the Void Divine Realm inheritance beneath that cliff!

Thus, Mu Jinyu was grateful to Lin Yun and naturally wouldn't forget Xuu Hong's help.

"No need to be courteous, Dragon Master, helping you is also helping ourselves..."

Xuu Hong's calm and crisp voice sounded, then she emerged from the dimly lit warehouse with Bai Xiaosheng and Lin Fei.

"Yes, so this time I've also come to help you dissipate the ominous aura that clung to you because you deduced the Heavenly Mechanism for me previously."

Mu Jinyu looked happily at the petite Xuu Hong, reached out to pat her head, smiling.

Xuu Hong felt a bit awkward but didn't shy away.

Afterwards, she felt, as before, several invisible vines she could sense but not see extended into her body, consuming entirely the discomfoting aura she had been feeling, instantly making her feel refreshed.

A moment later, Mu Jinyu released his hand from Xuu Hong's head, then proceeded to dispel the ominous aura from Lin Fei and Bai Xiaosheng.

"Thank you, Dragon Master!"

"Thank you, Dragon Master..."

Feeling the comfort in their bodies, Bai Xiaosheng and Xuu Hong them, opened their eyes gratefully thanking Mu Jinyu.

Mu Jinyu sighed bitterly and said, "You don't need to do this, I feel that my help pales compared to yours. Let's just treat it as mutual assistance, no need always to thank."

"Haha... alright..." Bai Xiaosheng chuckled, nodding in agreement.

Later, Mu Jinyu chatted with them for a while and asked Bai Xiaosheng where he could find a higher life essence?

Bai Xiaosheng furrowed his brows slightly, saying, "Well... I think the Primordial Force within you is already very advanced. I haven't seen any more pure and dense life source energy than yours here on Earth."

"Does that mean on Earth, we might not find a higher life essence?" Mu Jinyu heard that, his expression disappointed, and spoke with some regret.

"Possibly..." Bai Xiaosheng nodded slightly, then asked, "Why does the Dragon Master ask? Do you need the higher life essence to save someone? Your life source energy should be sufficient for that."

Hearing Bai Xiaosheng's question, Mu Jinyu didn't conceal from him, taking the seed of the Mystical Little Tree from his Sea of Consciousness, revealing it in his palm.

Seeing this seed, although it wasn't dried and withered anymore, becoming plump and glistening green, Bai Xiaosheng still recognized it was the seed transformed from that Little Tree brought out during Mu Jinyu's soul escort.

Upon seeing the seed's current change, Bai Xiaosheng realized, saying, "Does the Dragon Master want to use higher life essence to revive this seed?"

"Yes." Mu Jinyu nodded, "It saved me many times, I must find a way to revive it..."

As he said this, Mu Jinyu also informed Bai Xiaosheng of its origin.

After hearing that the seed was obtained from a folded space in Mount Tai, Bai Xiaosheng was surprised, saying, "Then it should be a divine tree from a Foreign Domain? Having saved the Dragon Master repeatedly, it's evidently extraordinary. Needing advanced life essence to revive it makes sense..."

"Hmm, it seems that for now, it won't sprout again..." Mu Jinyu said regretfully.

Not getting useful information from Bai Xiaosheng made Mu Jinyu feel quite regretful. After chatting with them about the Heavenly Mechanism, he found it was getting dark and bade them farewell.

Leaving the warehouse, Mu Jinyu returned to their family home.

"You're back, let's eat..."

Wen Rou saw Mu Jinyu return, greeted him with a smile, then turned her head and called to the kitchen, "Time to eat..."

Mu Jinyu looked at the time, it was after seven in the evening.

Normally, they would have dinner around five or six, now delayed past seven which showed they waited for him to eat together.

Mu Jinyu smiled apologetically, "You didn't have to wait for me specifically to start dinner, it wasn't necessary..."

Wen Rou smiled, "It's nothing, we've long been able to fast, eating is just a habit, if we don't eat with you, we really have no appetite to eat."

"That's right." Lin Qiaoxia nodded in agreement, "In these days when you were away, we barely cooked, with you here we just want to eat together with you..."

Hearing this, Mu Jinyu's eyes were briefly distant, then thought of his century of solitude experience. Suddenly he had an idea and hesitated briefly, finally smiled and said, "By the way, since there's nothing pressing for us now, why don't we..."

"Get married?!"

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"Clang!"

"Bang!"

Gu Xiyan, who was holding a bowl, chopsticks, and spoon, preparing to start eating, heard Mu Jinyu's words and froze in place. Subsequently, her hand loosened, allowing the bowl, chopsticks, and spoon to fall to the ground and shatter.

"Marriage?!"

"Marriage..."

Not only was Gu Xiyan's reaction a bit much, but Wen Rou, Mei Yinxue, Yu Linglong, Lin Qiaoxia, and Xu Qingya were all equally stunned and immediately raised their hands to cover their mouths, looking at Mu Jinyu with disbelief.

Wen Rou and several others had eyes like autumn water, rippling continuously, and they eventually shed two lines of clear tears in excitement.

Seeing this, Mu Jinyu was stunned and then felt very guilty.

He remembered that over a year ago, he had proposed to Gu Xiyan and the others, thinking they'd get married in a while and might have a few big sons later.

However, shortly after, bad news from Xiang Mantang arrived. He rushed to save Xiang Mantang, ending up half-dead himself, and then a series of events occurred, leaving Mu Jinyu no time to think about it.

This led to his promise to Gu Xiyan and Wen Rou about marriage being delayed repeatedly.

They probably thought that, after enduring so many hardships, whether they got married or not didn't make much sense, and he might not have wanted to marry them anymore, so none of them ever mentioned marriage to him!

Therefore, when he suddenly brought up marriage now, their reaction was somewhat intense.

This made Mu Jinyu feel a bit guilty and ashamed.

Actually, he hadn't forgotten about marriage; after all, a marriage is one of the most important events in a woman's life, and he couldn't possibly leave them unanswered.

Now, it doesn't seem too late; hopefully, they can accept it...

Gu Xiyan raised her hand to cover her red lips tightly, her eyes were a mixture of surprise and delight as she looked at Mu Jinyu, never expecting this time he'd come back with a discussion about marriage.

She was shedding clear tears while choking up, "Who proposes like this? Without a ring or flowers, without any ceremony..."

Mu Jinyu was taken aback, thinking that it made sense, so he said, "Wait for me a moment..."

After that, he performed Void Shift and his figure vanished from the room in an instant.

Gu Xiyan's follow-up words were choked as she said, "But seeing as you still have a conscience, I'll..."

She hadn't finished speaking when she saw Mu Jinyu leaving.

Gu Xiyan's words of acceptance stuck in her throat, and after a long daze, she stomped her feet angrily, saying, "This idiot! If he can't give us an explanation later, we can't just agree to him like this!"

She said the last sentence looking toward the other five women.

"Uh..."

"Uh-huh..."

Wen Rou, Lin Qiaoxia, and Xu Qingya weren't bothered by these things and actually wanted to agree to Mu Jinyu right away, but seeing Gu Xiyan becoming somewhat angry, they thought she might be right. Then, they stood together in solidarity, not agreeing to Mu Jinyu easily.

Su Zijin stood aside, also happy, but the situation made her hesitant to speak casually.

In her heart, she muttered that Mu Jinyu indeed was a bit foolish; when he first returned from Kunlun Ruins and gifted them so many Heaven-reaching spiritual treasures, he should have directly seized the moment to propose, using the heaven-reaching spiritual treasures instead of diamond rings—how great would that be?

But now the heaven-reaching spiritual treasures have already been given to them, and going to get ordinary diamond rings to propose now might seem a bit odd.

Who knows what Mu Jinyu is going to get next?

Su Zijin was quite curious.

Then, she cautiously hid herself in a guest room, deciding not to disturb them.

Mu Jinyu, being reminded by Gu Xiyan, also felt proposing shouldn't be casual, it should have some ceremonial touch.

Similarly, his thoughts were quite similar to Su Zijin's, feeling regret he didn't propose with heaven-reaching spiritual treasures at the time; trying to propose now, should he really buy those ordinary diamond rings?

Such useless diamonds might be a big surprise for ordinary people, but for cultivators like them, it really doesn't mean anything; when attacking, the True Yuan might just explode them!

So, after some thought, Mu Jinyu considered making a few rings himself?

But not with ordinary diamonds, rather with better materials among the Heavenly Materials and Earthly Treasures.

Red Lotus Red Jade Marrow, Divine Ice Blue Star Stone, Six Ultimate Scarlet Spirit Jade, Qiongqi Exquisite Jade, Profound Soul Condensing Soul Jadite...

Mu Jinyu soon thought of these forging materials, feeling they would make nice diamonds for the rings.

As for the metal ring, other materials like Mysterious Iron Fine Gold and Light Glass Cloud Sand would be used to make it...

However, these materials could directly make heaven-reaching spiritual treasures. If forged hastily because there's no Artifact Spirit material, they'd just be Top-Quality Spiritual Treasures, which seemed somewhat wasteful...

Then Mu Jinyu thought of the divine path souls in the Paradise Lost headquarters, those exotic beasts would be very suitable as Artifact Spirits for forging heaven-reaching spiritual treasures!

Thinking about it, this might take quite some time and can't be completed quickly.

Hence, Mu Jinyu took another step back to the hall.

Gu Xiyan and the others saw Mu Jinyu return, thinking he was prepared for the proposal, and were prepared to haughtily see what he had prepared, only to see him coming back empty-handed, with an apologetic expression on his face. She was astonished.

Mu Jinyu apologized, saying, "Sorry, I've not prepared it yet. It might take about a day or so? Please wait for me, I'm really sorry..."

Once done speaking, he disappeared from the hall again.

The women were stunned for a moment; Gu Xiyan jumped in anger and said, "Damn, what is he up to? Is he playing games with us? He would have been better off not saying anything at the beginning!"

Yu Linglong said softly, "Xiyan, you shouldn't have said that earlier; now we're pretty embarrassed!"

Gu Xiyan glared at her and said, "Are you rushing to stick yourself to him? Besides, I was just saying without thinking, who knew he would react like that, it infuriates me!"

Mei Yinxue spoke softly, "No need to blame each other, after all, we've endured all these years. Now we're finally going to have a happy ending, and he wants to give us a good explanation. We just need to wait, no need to rush..."

Wen Rou also smiled, "Yes, Sister Mei is right, we don't need to be so impatient. We've come this far; early or late doesn't matter. Besides, even if we get married, aren't we already living like this?"

Yu Linglong whispered, "How can it be the same? Initially, we didn't expect anything and lived peacefully and happily, but he suddenly wants to propose and is unprepared, isn't he just teasing us?"

"Are you disappointed?" Xu Qingya suddenly asked.

Yu Linglong paused and then smiled, shaking her head gently, "Actually...not disappointed, rather quite looking forward to it..."

The women exchanged glances and realized the resentful expression on each other's faces had vanished, replaced by an expression full of anticipation at the corners of their eyes and brows.