

King Hall 611

Chapter 611 - Alas, compensating you for the cab fare!

"You, you..."

Chen Hao watched Mu Jinyu and the group of girls getting cozy with each other, his mindset completely shattered, as if ten thousand alpacas were stampeding through his heart!

Fuck.

What's so good about this kid? Why does he get to hog all these beauties to himself?

I'm a tall, rich, and handsome guy; why the hell is it so hard to flirt with even one?

Jian Ruyan watched Chen Hao dillydallying, refusing to leave. Already irritable, her urge to kill started to spread. She glared at him with her beautiful eyes and said coldly, "I'll count to three. If you don't scam, you'll face the consequences!"

Chen Hao snapped to his senses at Jian Ruyan's words. He looked at the annoyed Jian Ruyan and taunted, "Yo ho, I won't leave. What are you going to do about it? Chase me away with kisses?!"

He was done for anyway, so he stopped pretending.

The killing intent in Jian Ruyan's eyes flashed as she said indifferently, "One."

"Two..."

Chen Hao crossed his arms over his chest, unmoved, wanting to see how this icy beauty would make him face the consequences.

"Three!"

As Jian Ruyan reached the third count and saw that Chen Hao still hadn't left, a flicker of killing intent flashed in her eyes, and she gripped the handle of her sword tightly.

Mu Jinyu noticed her killing intent and quickly shouted, "Don't kill anyone."

Although this guy with the fancy dyed hair was pretty dumb, there was no need to just kill him if they didn't see eye to eye; a small lesson would suffice.

Hearing Mu Jinyu's warning, Jian Ruyan barely managed to restrain her killing intent and suddenly unsheathed her sword!

The gleam of the bright sword was a fleeting flash, its chilly sharpness surging with the wind, chilling to the bone!

Chen Hao, who had been indifferent, wanted to see what Jian Ruyan would do to him, although he had noticed the long sword in her hand, he hadn't taken it seriously.

After all, carrying a weapon for defense was normal considering the recent unrest.

But as Jian Ruyan drew her sword, Chen Hao truly felt an overwhelming pressure of death.

In that moment, he felt as if Black and White Impermanence were holding a Soul Locking Hook, ready to snatch his soul away!

"Bang!"

A dull sound echoed.

Chen Hao felt the car seat suddenly sink beneath him.

He didn't know what had happened, only that his body was soaked in cold sweat as if he'd just been fished out of a pool.

Chen Hao's eyes were filled with fright and despair, feeling as if he had truly almost stepped into the Ghost Gate.

If it hadn't been for Mu Jinyu's timely intervention, he probably would have died under Jian Ruyan's icy sword!

Just then, he smelled something burning and turned his head sharply to see that his Lamborghini Poison had been split in two by Jian Ruyan's sword and was already catching fire, presumably having hit something.

"Ah!"

Chen Hao screamed. Although he felt weak in the limbs, the terror of life and death spurred a strength in him, and he hurriedly crawled out of the wrecked car!

After getting out, Chen Hao scurried away from the now flaming wreck.

Then, he saw Mu Jinyu and the others still standing in the same spot, not bothering to move away like he did to avoid getting hurt by the explosion.

'Are these people mad or just plain stupid?'

Chen Hao, filled with fear and his scalp tingling, looked at Mu Jinyu and the others who were still chatting and laughing.

"Boom!!"

At that moment, flames shot up and the Lamborghini Poison, already billowing with thick black smoke, exploded with a massive roar on the spot!

Flames surged wildly, steam gushed out violently, and countless fragments scattered in all directions!

Chen Hao clenched his eyes shut, unable to bear the sight.

His heart was bleeding.

He mourned for his sports car that was wrecked beyond repair.

And for those nine gorgeous women who just died like that.

Once the burning sensation of the explosion subsided, Chen Hao slowly opened his eyes, looking mournfully at his sports car.

And then...

He was stunned.

Those he had assumed to be standing in front of the self-igniting sports car, who should have been ten corpses following the car explosion, were actually... not dead. They were standing perfectly fine in front of the remains of his Lamborghini Poison, continuing to joke and laugh, occasionally glancing at him with eyes full of mockery and derision.

"This, this, this..."

Chen Hao, seeing them all unharmed, not only didn't feel relieved at their narrow escape from death, but instead felt a surge of fear rising in his heart!

How could normal people stand next to a burning car, survive the explosion without a scratch, and not even have torn clothes?

These people were not normal at all!

Chen Hao immediately thought of the demons that had been causing trouble everywhere half a month ago.

Could it be...

That these people were the very demons that had suddenly disappeared?!

At this thought, Chen Hao's scalp tingled uncontrollably.

A wave of retrospective fear washed over him!

If he had actually invited Jian Ruyan or any other woman into his car just now, he feared he wouldn't even know how he would have died!

Chen Hao's legs trembled as he tried to rise from the ground, eager to leave this terrifying place!

But his legs were already as soft as noodles from the multiple scares, and he couldn't stand up at all!

At this moment...

Chen Hao saw an extended Rolls-Royce speeding towards them.

His eyes lit up, thinking of shouting for the owner to help him into the car to escape this place.

"Hey, hey... Save me..."

Chen Hao had just shouted out.

Then he saw the extended luxury car completely ignoring him, stopping directly in front of Mu Jinyu and the others.

Chen Hao was dumbfounded.

And with the arrival of this car.

Many of the flames that had still been burning peculiarly went out all at once.

Then the door of the extended Rolls-Royce opened, and a middle-aged man in a suit stepped out, his hair slick and shiny. He extended an invite to Mu Jinyu and the others.

"Let's go, get in," said Mu Jinyu when the car finally arrived, speaking to the women.

Jian Ruyan didn't pay attention to Mu Jinyu and got in first, followed by Gu Xiyan and the others, all boarding the car in succession.

Mu Jinyu thought for a moment, then turned to Xu Qingya, who hadn't gotten into the car yet, and asked, "Hey, Sister Qingya, how much was that trashy car just now?"

Xu Qingya paused, considered, and softly said, "Should be around thirty million, I guess."

"Oh, that cheap, huh?" Mu Jinyu nodded and asked, "Do you have a checkbook on you?"

"Yes," Xu Qingya, understanding Mu Jinyu's intention, took out a checkbook and pen from her purse, quickly filled in the numbers, and then handed it to Mu Jinyu.

Mu Jinyu took the check, not bothering to walk over to Chen Hao to compensate him, got into the car, and closed the door.

He had the driver pull the sedan up to Chen Hao, rolled down the window without even glancing at Chen Hao, and carelessly tossed the check out.

"There, compensation for your car. Go buy yourself another one," he said.

"Just a junk car, next time don't bother showing off," Mu Jinyu said mockingly, as the window slowly closed.

The Rolls-Royce left, leaving nothing but its dust behind.

And a backdraft of exhaust fumes for Chen Hao.

Chen Hao sat on the ground, watching Mu Jinyu and the others leave, his eyes vacant.

Picking up the check, knowing it was real, his heart started to sour again, and he cursed, "This guy, bloody hell really is rich, damn!"

Chapter 612: The Seven Great Families of Jiangnan!

In the car.

After tossing the check out and closing the car window, Mu Jinyu didn't pay any more attention to the little interlude.

He asked Xu Qingya for some tissues and began wiping the lipstick marks off his face, glancing at Su Zijin and Mu Hongchen with a slightly complaining tone, "Mom, Aunt Mu, why did you join in the ruckus too?"

"It's just a bit of fun," Su Zijin said with a twinkle in her eye, and then her expression turned a bit sad, as if close to crying, "Don't you... dislike your mom?"

"Of course not..." Mu Jinyu felt helpless.

Mu Hongchen didn't speak, but she realized at this moment that her cheeks were slightly warm.

Having seen Mu Jinyu's female companions readily kissing him to spite that foolish dog Chen Hao, she thought it quite amusing. Considering it was just a peck on the cheek, she followed suit and kissed Mu Jinyu.

Now reflecting on it, Mu Hongchen felt quite awkward sitting in the car, uncertain of how Gu Xiyan and the others saw her.

After hearing Su Zijin's response, she also tried to appear composed, playfully saying with a laugh, "It's fun, right? Joining in the bustle. We've all been cooped up in Capital City without going out for a while. Isn't it much more enjoyable today, right?"

"Yes, it was pretty fun."

"That young man with the colorful hair just now, his expression was really amusing."

Mei Yinxue and the others also echoed with laughter.

Mu Hongchen turned to Jian Ruyan and said with regret, "It's a pity, if only that guy's favorite, Ruyan, had also kissed the Dragon Master, it probably would have made him even more distraught."

"Boring," Jian Ruyan glanced at Mu Hongchen and turned her head away, unwilling to join their company.

Mu Hongchen didn't feel embarrassed; she had known Jian Ruyan for over a year and understood her character. She figured that Jian Ruyan was probably feeling shy right now.

However, she wasn't foolish enough to continue teasing Jian Ruyan about it. Instead, she changed the subject, glossing over the embarrassing incident, and started chatting about other things with Gu Xiyan and the others.

Mu Jinyu didn't join in on the women's conversation and instead turned his head to look out the car window, drifting into a slight trance.

It had been almost half a year since he left Yinlong Mountain.

He wondered what changes had taken place on the mountain now.

His master, Mu Shao'ai, he also didn't know where he had gone or if he had returned to Yinlong Mountain.

That's right, Mu Jinyu's master, Mu Shao'ai, had not actually died.

When Xu Qingya's uncle came up the mountain to look for him, he was angry with his master and simply said the old man had passed away.

But actually, Mu Shao'ai went down the mountain on business three years ago and had not returned since. No one knew where he was, and there had been no news of him.

However, judging by Xiang Mantang's sweep of the country recently, it was likely that his master hadn't come back yet, probably gone to Kunlun Ruins, right?

Otherwise, Xiang Mantang's wanderings across the globe wouldn't have failed to find the old man.

As Mu Jinyu's thoughts wandered, the car drew ever closer to Yinlong Mountain!

And at this moment.

In Yinlong Mountain, within the valley where the Nine Dragons stood sentinel, where Mu Jinyu once stayed, a group of people were continuously throwing punches, trying to break a transparent protective shield that looked like an upside-down sea bowl.

Panting and gasping, they were all exhausted, but the transparent shield only trembled slightly and showed no signs of breaking.

"Damn it, I'm going to die of exhaustion. What kind of crappy formation is this that we can't break through?!"

Just then, a bearded man stopped and ceased pounding the protective shield formed by the Mountain Protection Array. He shook his somewhat swollen fists and began to complain.

As his complaints rang out, the others who were also desperately trying to break through the protective shield stopped their efforts and began to complain:

"Damn it, this thing is harder than a turtle's shell!"

"What the fuck, I've been hitting this for seven days and seven nights, and there's not even a sign that this damned formation is going to break!"

"Could it really be impossible to break through? What about the spiritual medicines inside?"

With these words,

Everyone couldn't help but look towards the secluded valley protected by the transparent shield with fiery eyes, especially the medicine field within it.

There were too many spiritual medicines they couldn't recognize, but some were more common and could be identified, such as the Thousand-year Ginseng, Vermilion Fruits, and the like.

These were medicines that could either hang life by a thread or enhance one's cultivation upon consumption.

How could they not be tempted and long to go in and get their hands on them?

This was the reason why this group of people had persisted for several days, bombarding the formation, trying to enter it.

These were martial artists from the Seven Great Martial Arts Families of Jiangnan Province.

Not long ago, after the danger of demons disappeared as reported from the Capital City, some bold individuals went out and gradually found spiritual medicines, prompting them to follow suit and search the vicinity, until the Wu Family found within the off-limits area of Yinlong Mountain, a medicine field filled with spiritual medicines, which made the Wu Family Member's eyes go wide on the spot.

The Wu Family originally planned to keep the find for themselves, but they eventually realized they couldn't break through the defensive shield no matter what.

The Wu Family Head figured it would be better to contact the other six families and divide the spiritual medicines among them rather than drag on and let the others discover the situation here, which would also earn them favors.

And they could take the lion's share when distributing the spiritual medicines.

Thus, the Wu Family eventually got in touch with people from the other six families to together attack the turtle shell-like Mountain Protection Array.

But after several days had passed, they still couldn't break through!

"Fuck it, I'm not hitting it anymore, let's wait for the people from the Medicine Alliance to come!"

The bearded man said, throwing down his hands.

"Yeah, I can't do this anymore, let's wait for the people from the Medicine Alliance to come and then see what to do!"

The Medicine Alliance was an organization in Jiangnan Province with a bit of fame, mostly consisting of pharmacists who spent their lives pursuing the Path of Alchemy to become Alchemists.

Of course, although they focused more on Alchemy, they didn't neglect martial arts, and with the recent changes in heaven and earth, leading to the revival of spiritual energy, many spiritual medicines had appeared in their territories.

Therefore, each of their strengths soared dramatically. Initially, the Alliance Hierarchy of the Medicine Alliance was at the Complete Energy Transformation Stage, but now the Alliance Hierarchy had reached the Half-Step Divine Realm.

Meanwhile, other Vice Alliance Hierarchs, Elders, and others, bolstered by piles of spiritual medicines, had also produced a considerable number of Energy Transformation Warriors!

So, after the seven families couldn't break through the shield yesterday, they finally decided to let the Medicine Alliance have a share of the pie as well.

"So you're all here, quite bold of you!"

At this moment, an old voice sounded.

They saw an elderly man with white hair and a youthful face slowly walking up the mountain path, supported by an extremely delicate and beautiful young girl, and he spoke in a heavy voice.

The people from the Seven Great Families turned their heads to look upon hearing the voice.

Seeing the elder, they breathed a sigh of relief and said, "Elder Yao, you've finally arrived!"

Elder Yao Liangbi's expression wasn't very pleasant as he said, "This is Divine Doctor Mu Shao'ai's territory; aren't you afraid that he will come back and make trouble for you?!"

Chapter 613: Who Allowed You to Trespass Yinlong Mountain?!

The crowd heard Yao Liangbi's words, their expressions stiffened slightly, then they forced a smile and said, "Elder Yao, you must be joking..."

"Yes, after all, Elder Mu left Yinlong Mountain many years ago, and no one knows where he went. He's likely passed away by now, otherwise he wouldn't have stayed away for so long!"

"Moreover, even if he hasn't passed away, he probably wouldn't guess that we've taken the spiritual medicine that grew in the medicine field here. So as long as we're careful, there shouldn't be any problems!"

"Fortune favors the bold. Even if he finds out eventually, with the power of these spiritual medicines, we can ascend to the God Realm. We wouldn't have to fear him then!"

These last words directly pointed out their ambition.

They all knew of Young Master Mu Shao'ai's existence and were aware of his strength, being at the Peak Energy Transformation or perhaps he had already stepped into the God Realm. Therefore, Yinlong Mountain, which had been a secluded home for Young Master Mu, was always declared off-limits by them.

No one dared to trespass lightly.

But now, with Young Master Mu's whereabouts unknown, and as others began ascending to the status of God Realm powerhouses in this grand era, they started to entertain thoughts of taking a gamble.

If they were lucky, they all might reach the God Realm, rapidly ascending in ranks and possibly earning a place on the Divine Rankings. Why should they then fear that old man, Young Master Mu?

"Alas..."

Yao Liangbi sighed deeply after hearing their words and said, "Alright, then this old man will join you in this gamble today!"

He felt that things wouldn't likely be as simple as they thought.

But since members of the Seven Great Families had been here causing a stir for several days without incident, for the development of the Medicine Alliance, Yao Liangbi decided it was worth the risk!

After all, the medicine field inside Yinlong Mountain contained many herbs that were indeed very much needed by their Medicine Alliance!

"However, I need those few herbs!"

After agreeing to act, Yao Liangbi pointed towards several peculiar-looking herbs within the Secluded Valley Medicine Fields.

"Agreed!"

The crowd consented.

The itemized herbs were unfamiliar to them, their effects unknown, so even during distribution, they might not consider those as their selections. Besides, after breaking through the Mountain Protection Array, how the treasures would be divided wouldn't necessarily hold to current promises!

They didn't care whether they agreed or not. They could just agree for now!

Seeing that they had all agreed, Yao Liangbi knew what they were thinking. But once the Mountain Protection Array was breached, how the treasures were divided wouldn't be up to them to decide.

With a cold laugh in his heart, Yao Liangbi had the beautiful young girl beside him step back, and he stepped forward, gathering his energy and shouting, "Follow my lead and attack here together. This is the weak point of the formation!"

"Yes!"

The crowd was invigorated by Yao Liangbi's words. They hurriedly executed their moves, channeling their energy and striking in unison at the targeted spot!

"BOOM!!!"

The combined strike of over ten martial artists at the formation's weak point immediately caused the sturdy protective shield to ripple intensely, seemingly on the verge of shattering after a few more hits!

"It really works!"

"Elder Yao is incredible! Let's give it our all and break open this Mountain Protection Array!"

Seeing the shield's intense reactions, everyone got extremely excited and loudly called out to launch another wave of attacks!

"HAAAH!!!"

"BOOM!!!"

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A stretched Rolls-Royce pulled up at the foot of Yinlong Mountain.

Mu Jinyu and several women stepped out of the car. He stood at the car door, his brow furrowing immediately.

Because he sensed that the nature's spiritual energy around Yinlong Mountain was very agitated and chaotic, mixed with other energies.

"What is this?!"

Mu Jinyu had a sense of what might be happening and instantly extended his Divine Sense into the Secluded Valley within Yinlong Mountain!

As his divine sense spread out, he immediately detected that someone was constantly attacking the protective array of Yinlong Mountain!

Mu Jinyu's expression instantly darkened, and he couldn't help but laugh angrily.

"Hahaha... how interesting, how interesting..."

He found it utterly ridiculous. The people of Yinlong Mountain had been on the frontline fighting demons, and it turned out that their home was almost stolen!

"I'll go up first; you do as you please!"

Gu Xiyan and the others didn't know why Mu Jinyu suddenly sneered, feeling somewhat at a loss when he suddenly turned to them and spoke.

After speaking, he soared into the air and flew directly towards Yinlong Mountain!

"Huh? What's gotten into Jinyu?"

The women, seeing Mu Jinyu's reaction, couldn't help but ask worriedly.

Although Wen Rou had reached the God Realm, there was still a distance from Mu Jinyu, so she didn't notice the changes within Yinlong Mountain.

But Mu Hongchen noticed something was wrong. Her divine sense probed out and sensed wavering sounds from within, likely indicating someone was causing trouble in Yinlong Mountain. Her face slightly changed as she said to Wen Rou, "Xiaorou, let's help together and bring them along!"

"Oh, okay!"

Wen Rou, not knowing what had happened, but seeing Mu Hongchen's face turn solemn, immediately agreed.

Mu Hongchen then took half of the women and followed after Mu Jinyu, flying toward Yinlong Mountain.

Wen Rou also took the remaining people and followed behind Mu Hongchen.

Mu Hongchen knew that Mu Jinyu would probably be able to suppress the troublemakers single-handedly, but just in case something unforeseen happened, she and Wen Rou, both at the God Realm, and Gu Xiyan and Jian Ruyan, both at the peak of Energy Transformation, combined their efforts, they wouldn't be a drag!

Otherwise, Mu Jinyu wouldn't have said he was going first and they could do as they pleased; he would have asked them to stay here and not go up!

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Mu Jinyu took the lead and headed toward the center of Yinlong Mountain!

From afar, he saw a group of people standing at the protective array, joining forces to attack the weak points of the array.

The protective shield formed by the array was also trembling with their attacks and developed several cracks, about to collapse immediately!

"Hmph!"

Mu Jinyu's eyes flowed with murderous intent, and he immediately made a move, drawing Heaven and Earth Vital Energy to form a Giant Elemental Qi Sword, stirring the winds and clouds violently, and launched it towards them!

And he was careful to measure his force, ensuring not to accidentally kill anyone, lest they use the force to break the protective array!

"Everyone, put in more effort, we're about to break through!"

The bearded man, seeing the shield's increasingly violent reaction that was about to be broken, excitedly roared.

"Huh?!"

At this moment, Yao Liangbi suddenly sensed something was amiss, his eyelids twitching, his sharp intuition sensing danger approaching, he quickly shouted, "Retreat quickly!"

He was the first to pull back!

He didn't care if others followed his retreat or not!

Other Martial Artists, hearing Yao Liangbi's words, didn't hesitate and immediately stopped their attack, retreating backward.

"Boom!"

The Giant Elemental Qi Sword arrived in an instant, and although it didn't hit anyone, it left a deep pit in their original position!

Yao Liangbi and the others, seeing this scene, couldn't help but gasp in shock!

"Who is this?!"

At this moment, everyone realized something was wrong and turned back to look.

They saw Mu Jinyu stepping on the stone steps, walking up step by step with his hands behind his back, his eyes coldly watching them, and he coldly said, "Who allowed you to intrude into Yinlong Mountain?!"

Chapter 614: Restraint!

The people of the Seven Great Families, upon seeing Mu Jinyu's appearance, were somewhat uncertain and looked at him with apprehension.

They were unsure of who he really was, questioning whether the sudden strike moments ago had been caused by this young man!

The beautiful girl from the Medicine Alliance, upon seeing Mu Jinyu's handsome face, was slightly surprised and thought to herself that he was indeed a strikingly handsome man!

Innocent in the ways of the world, she gazed at Mu Jinyu with faintly reddened cheeks, lost in thought.

However, Mu Jinyu did not even glance at her, but instead walked slowly past her, heading straight for Yao Liangbi and the others!

After Mu Jinyu walked past her, the girl felt a slight shock, recalling his icy, emotionless gaze, which left her feeling peculiar inside.

She considered herself beautiful and captivating, and although she might not be the number one beauty of Jiangnan Province, she possessed a nation-toppling beauty. Why then did Mu Jinyu completely ignore her attractiveness and disdain it?

As Mu Jinyu approached them, the crowd was uncertain, but Yao Liangbi, from the Medicine Alliance, suddenly recalled something and asked,

"You... you are a disciple of Divine Doctor Mu?!"

In Jiangnan Province, almost everyone who knew of Mu Shao'ai was aware that he had taken two disciples, although detailed information about these disciples was scarce.

Yao Liangbi had never seen Mu Jinyu before, but judging from Mu Jinyu's angry expression and his previous words, he was undoubtedly a disciple of Mu Shao'ai.

Mu Jinyu stood with his hands behind his back, spoke in a cold voice, his tone as unyielding as ancient ice, "Knowing that this place has an owner, you still dare to cause trouble and attack Yinlong Mountain?!"

Originally, Mu Jinyu had thought they were unaware that Yinlong Mountain had an owner and had been tempted by the many Spiritual Medicines seen through the Mountain Protection Array, prompting them to resort to violence.

But now, hearing Yao Liangbi's words, it was clear that this group knew Yinlong Mountain was their territory, yet they still dared to meddle, which infuriated Mu Jinyu even more!

"Now, get out of here immediately!"

At that moment, Mu Jinyu truly wanted to slaughter them all!

But thinking of the countless lives lost to the dark turmoil, he restrained his violent urge to kill; he would not commit more murder.

Unless, these people, like those brought by Chen Shuyi, insisted on courting death; then he would not be able to help but accommodate them!

"Hey, kid, you've got guts. Do you know who you're talking to?!"

At that moment, the bearded man saw Mu Jinyu's arrogant demeanor as he told them to leave and couldn't help but laugh out of anger, reprimanding him.

Who were they?

They were the Seven Great Martial Families of Jiangnan Province, high in status and power, overseeing the region of Jiangnan. Any martial artist from other provinces wishing to stir up trouble in Jiangnan Province had to reconsider their capabilities.

And although Mu Jinyu was indeed a disciple of Mu Shao'ai, what of it?

He was young; how strong could he possibly be?

It would be impressive if he had managed to cultivate to the level of Dark Energy.

The peculiar attack that had ambushed them earlier looked powerful but inflicted no harm on them, causing no injuries or deaths. What was there to fear?

Moreover, now that their attack on Yinlong Mountain had been discovered by Mu Jinyu, if Mu Shao'ai was not dead, wouldn't it be difficult to resolve this matter if the young man reported them to Mu Shao'ai later?

From the moment they led their men to attack Yinlong Mountain, attempting to steal the Spiritual Medicines inside, there was no turning back for them!

Killing Mu Jinyu to silence him and acquiring the Spiritual Medicines inside as quickly as possible was their only option now!

The girl from the Medicine Alliance sensed the murderous intent from the bearded man and couldn't help but feel disappointed in Mu Jinyu.

Originally, she had been impressed that Mu Jinyu could ignore her beauty and fearlessly face the people of the various great Martial Families, perhaps indicating he had exceptional abilities.

She had begun to develop quite a fondness for him.

But now, seeing him provoke everyone with just a few words and his arrogant attitude, even though he was a disciple of the Divine Doctor Mu Shao'ai, today, he likely had no way out.

So he had just ignored her as if he hadn't seen her, obviously, he was just putting on an act, trying to get her attention.

'What a childish man!'

Yao Bilian shook her head inwardly.

As expected.

The voice of the bearded man's scolding rose.

The rest of the people from the Martial Arts Families also reacted, their eyes beginning to flicker with restless light.

They all understood that, at this point, there was no turning back for them.

A burly man sneered, "You want us to leave? That depends on whether you have the ability!"

Although Mu Jinyu's bizarre sword qi attack had almost killed them just now, how many times could this young man, with his cultivation, perform such an unpredictable move?

Therefore, he was not very afraid of Mu Jinyu!

During this time, the burly man's eyes flickered with dangerous light, and he was secretly gathering energy, preparing to attack Mu Jinyu at any moment.

Mu Jinyu, as if he hadn't seen the others secretly gathering energy, said indifferently, "I was merely asking you to leave. I have restrained myself quite a bit. Do you really want to leave your lives behind?"

"Hahaha..."

Upon hearing Mu Jinyu's unreserved words, everyone was stunned, and then couldn't help but burst into a roaring laughter.

Yao Bilian shook her head even more, thinking that Mu Jinyu was truly courting death.

At this moment, Mu Shao'ai was not here; how could a young man make the people from Jiangnan's Seven Great Martial Families and the Medicine Alliance leave their lives behind?

"You want us to leave our lives behind, kid? Do you think it's night time where you can dream as you please?"

The burly man couldn't help but mock.

The bearded man took steps toward Mu Jinyu as well, following up with a sneer, "Who knows? Maybe he's used to daydreaming?"

"Hahaha..."

Everyone laughed along with him.

They found Mu Jinyu to be quite entertaining. If Mu Shao'ai were here, with his strength and status, they wouldn't dare to be so presumptuous, not even Jiangnan's Seven Great Martial Families.

But, based solely on Mu Jinyu as a young man, they didn't need to be too wary of him!

Mu Jinyu watched them laughing, his face expressionless, but the killing intent in his heart was somewhat getting hard to restrain.

"Ha! Die!"

Just then, as the bearded man approached Mu Jinyu, a vicious light flashed in his eyes, and he suddenly attacked!

"Boom!"

His right hand chopped directly at Mu Jinyu, like a giant cleaver, a ferocious and unparalleled force energy erupted, instantly plowing a deep long trench in the ground as it went.

"With you as a mere kid, you dare to threaten us? In your next life, remember to come back with some real skills before making such bold statements!"

Mu Jinyu watched the bearded man's attack and mockery, yet he did not dodge; to everyone else, it looked as if he had been scared stiff.

The people from the other families did not attack, but they all had ferocious smiles on their faces, as if they had already foreseen Mu Jinyu's downfall.

And Yao Bilian sighed softly, can't bear to watch, she turned her head away, not wanting to see Mu Jinyu's downfall!

Chapter 615: Slapping the Medicine Alliance Saintess!

Yao Bilian turned her head away, unable to bear the sight of Mu Jinyu's tragic fate, yet she also awaited the news of his death.

"Ah?!"

A scream suddenly erupted.

Yao Bilian's heart tightened, and a scene automatically formed in her mind.

Mu Jinyu was severely injured and bathed in blood under the bearded man's attack, emitting a desperate cry of pain.

However...

This scream, why didn't it quite sound like Mu Jinyu?

Instead, did it sound a bit like that bearded uncle?

Just as Yao Bilian felt something was amiss.

The people around her all exclaimed in astonishment, "How is this possible?"

"My God, he is also a Master of Energy Transformation?!"

"..."

Hearing this, Yao Bilian's curiosity peaked, and she quickly turned back to look towards Mu Jinyu.

Mu Jinyu was still standing there unharmed.

Not even a corner of his clothes had been damaged.

Meanwhile, the bearded man who had attacked him, intending a fatal blow, now had one arm broken, blood flowing freely, forming a small pool on the ground.

He knelt on the ground, looking up at Mu Jinyu, his eyes filled with horror and unwillingness!

In his attack just now, the bearded man thought he could kill Mu Jinyu in one move, but who would have thought his attack wouldn't faze Mu Jinyu in the slightest, yet Mu Jinyu's counterattack broke his arm, forcing him to the ground.

This strength, this technique, was truly the mark of a Master of Energy Transformation!

He regretted having attacked Mu Jinyu rashly; he should have let someone else lead. Now, with an arm missing and meridians damaged, he would no longer have a chance at the Divine Realm!

Everyone was shockingly staring at Mu Jinyu, astonished by his skill.

Only Yao Liangbi felt something was off.

He was a master at the peak of Energy Transformation, though he admitted that faced with the bearded man's attack, he too could dodge and counterattack, but he could not do it like Mu Jinyu did.

Without even dodging, facing an attack by a fellow Master of Energy Transformation, he could automatically neutralize it!

This must be more than just the skill of a great master at the peak of Energy Transformation!

And, when Mu Jinyu first appeared, they all could not discern his cultivation level, merely assuming that for someone his age, possessing Dark Energy would have been quite good.

But what if his strength was far greater than theirs, which is why they could not discern it?

Such as...

Could Mu Jinyu actually be in the Divine Realm?!

This thought startled Yao Liangbi all of a sudden.

Then he quickly shook his head, casting this unrealistic idea out of his mind!

"How could that be? A Divine Realm warrior who is only seventeen or eighteen years old, that's impossible!"

Yao Liangbi comforted himself inwardly.

He knew of those superiors on the Divine Rankings, aside from those who do not take disciples, the other mentors, like Ye Wushuang, whose disciples aren't even at the peak of Energy Transformation until at least twenty-five years old?

Even so, they are considered prodigies, making their masters like Ye Wushuang proud of them.

Now suddenly facing a big change, most of them might need help from their masters possibly before reaching thirty to step into the Divine Realm!

Mu Jinyu, just a seventeen or eighteen-year-old youth, also stepping into the Divine Realm?

He dared not even imagine!

Yao Liangbi dismissed the thought, thinking that although Mu Jinyu seemed extraordinary, he truly could not compare with Ye Chen, whom he had once met.

The disciple of Ye Wushuang, now that was a true favored child of heaven!

At this moment!

Everyone else also came to their senses, suppressing their shock and awe, shouting, "Even if this kid is a Master of Energy Transformation, so what? We have a group of grandmasters here, are we afraid of him?!"

"Exactly!"

"Attack! To death!"

The people of Jiangnan's Seven Great Martial Art Families roared in unison, gathering their Qi energy, and advanced towards Mu Jinyu for the kill!

"Boom!"

A person lifted their palm and exerted energy, and between the bursts of vigorous qi, a huge boulder not far from Mu Jinyu exploded suddenly, turning into countless stone chips and fragments shooting everywhere!

Mu Jinyu watched their moves, his impatience growing increasingly intense. Updates are released by novel~fire~net

Just as the surround and kill was about to descend upon him, he suddenly made his move.

An incredibly wild and terrifying qi force surged outward from around Mu Jinyu's body!

"Pfft!"

"Ah!!"

"Bang!!"

The surround and kill by over ten Martial Arts Grandmasters, even if it were a Half-Step Divine Realm martial artist, would not have fared well.

But who could have thought that not only did their ambush fail to work, but Mu Jinyu hadn't even formally made a move yet; merely with his aura, he had pushed them all back simultaneously!

They, including Yao Liangbi among the ten or so people, while in mid-air, were sent flying backward, vomiting blood!

Then they heavily smashed onto the ground!

Producing a series of crisp sounds, as if many of their bones had broken!

"How... how is this possible?!"

As the people fell to the ground, their eyes filled with intense disbelief and fear!

At this moment, the physical pain was far less than the pain of Mu Jinyu crushing their pride and arrogance!

By now, they had all understood that being able to so easily resolve and counterattack under their surround, Mu Jinyu could not possibly just be a Peak Energy Transformation Grandmaster; he must be a God Realm powerhouse!

A character like a Terrestrial Immortal!

A seventeen or eighteen-year-old Terrestrial Immortal at that!

As this thought emerged, despair and sorrow welled up in their hearts.

They felt as if they had truly lived for nothing at their age!

"Thump!"

At that moment, Yao Liangbi was the first to react, immediately climbing up from the ground, then kneeled down before Mu Jinyu, his head heavily knocking against the ground, and he cried out:

"We did not recognize the Immortal Master before us, and have offended you, please spare our lives!"

As he begged for mercy, his heart sighed in lament. He had originally thought that Mu Jinyu, at such a young age, would not be able to surpass Ye Wushuang's disciple Ye Chen!

But now it seemed that Ye Chen was simply no match for this disciple of Mu Shao'ai!

He truly did not know how Mu Shao'ai managed to teach and bring up such a monster like Mu Jinyu!

As Yao Liangbi's plea for mercy rose, the people from Jiangnan's Seven Great Martial Families also came to their senses, immediately kneeling down as well, and started begging for mercy.

"Spare us, Immortal Master, we meant no trouble!"

"Indeed, had we known you were a God Realm powerhouse, we would never dare to make a move against you. Please spare us our lives, considering that we have not caused a serious disaster!"

"..."

Listening to the sounds of everyone knocking their heads in pleading, Mu Jinyu's face was expressionless, unmoved!

He spoke softly, his tone was calm but carried an indescribable authority.

"Originally, in consideration of the ordeal faced by the Land of Divine Continent, I did not wish to create more killing, even if you offended my sect, I would have just driven you away!"

"But you insist on not taking the easy way and choosing the hard, continuously offending me, and now it is too late to admit your mistakes and beg for forgiveness!"

As Mu Jinyu said this, everyone thought that Mu Jinyu was going to kill them; their faces instantly turned pale.

But they did not dare to run away; instead, they banged their heads against the ground desperately, the thudding sound unceasing, as if their heads were shattering!

Yao Bilian, who had been watching from the side, saw her grandfather's forehead bleeding from knocking, her heart was extremely conflicted. She gritted her teeth, ran to the front of Mu Jinyu, then also knelt down with a thud, stretched her hand to embrace Mu Jinyu's leg, and pleaded:

"Immortal Master, please spare my grandfather's life, as long as you spare him, I... I am willing to do anything..."

In Yao Bilian's view, she was, after all, a woman of stunning beauty, Mu Jinyu, although young and at the God Realm, surely couldn't resist her.

At this moment, although she was prepared to sacrifice her body to save her grandfather, she did not feel humiliated at all!

After all, this was a young Immortal Master, having a relationship with him was an extremely honorable thing!

However, just when Yao Bilian thought that Mu Jinyu would not refuse her...

"Slap!"

Mu Jinyu, without hesitation, pulled away her hand and then, without any trace of pity, harshly slapped her across the face!

Chapter 616: Subdue the Servant!

"Slap!!"

The slap was crisp and pleasant, instantly swelling the delicate and flawless cheek of Yao Bilian, making it appear comical and ridiculous.

"Pfft!"

She spat out a mouthful of fresh blood, mingled with several broken teeth!

This showed just how merciless Mu Jinyu's slap had been.

Yao Bilian fell to the ground, lying prostrate, and looked up at Mu Jinyu with a dazed expression, her mind reeling in disbelief.

She couldn't fathom how Mu Jinyu could reject her offer to surrender herself and instead retaliate against her; he didn't act like a man at all, knocking out her teeth!

"Ah!! You actually hit me?!"

"Are you even a man?!"

Yao Bilian screamed hysterically, struggling to get up from the ground to fight Mu Jinyu to the death!

At this moment, she had completely forgotten her initial purpose, which was to beg Mu Jinyu for mercy to spare her grandfather's life!

She was pampered since childhood, treated like a precious jewel by her family, coddled in every possible way. She had never experienced such humiliation and grievance before.

As she grew up, she ascended to become the Saintess of the Medicine Alliance.

With her beauty that could topple states and charm that could enchant birds from the sky, coupled with her status as the Saintess of the Medicine Alliance, countless heroes and mighty figures in Jiangnan Province coveted her favor. Yet she paid no attention to these men!

She felt that the only ones worthy of her were not just the renowned powers from the Divine Rankings, like Ye Wushuang, but also their disciples!

And just now, upon discovering that Mu Jinyu was a youth of the God Realm, she thought to give him a chance. But he treated her this way, sending her flying with his slap, and she lost several teeth!

Now, Yao Bilian had lost all reason, her only thought to fight Mu Jinyu to the death!

Even if she could just bite off a piece of his flesh, that would suffice!

"Little Lian, come back!!!"

Yao Liangbi, realizing Yao Bilian's action, was heartbroken to see her mercilessly slapped by Mu Jinyu, but he feared more for her life in Mu Jinyu's hands and hurriedly shouted in panic!

"Ridiculous!"

Mu Jinyu's eyes showed not a shred of pity. As Yao Bilian charged at him once more, he swung his hand again, slapping her other, previously unmarred cheek.

"Slap!!!"

Yao Bilian was once again sent flying by Mu Jinyu.

"Pfft!!"

Midair, she spat out several mouthfuls of fresh blood, her teeth flying out!

The other side of her previously fair cheek swelled up high and turned red, becoming symmetrical, very much resembling a pig's head.

Yao Bilian no longer retained her original beauty and allure, looking repulsively ugly!

"Bang!"

Yao Bilian fell heavily to the ground, emitting a crisp sound of breaking bones.

"Ugh... ha... ah!!"

In the end, Mu Jinyu still held back, not slapping her to death, allowing her to lie there helplessly, gasping faint breaths.

"Little Lian..."

Yao Liangbi cried out mournfully, crawled on his knees, and quickly made his way to Yao Bilian's side, scooping her into his arms...

At this moment, his heart was filled with regret for coming to Yinlong Mountain out of greed.

He had allowed his granddaughter to suffer such an ordeal and almost lose her life!

"Huff Huff!!"

Just then!

Wen Rou and Mu Hongchen, who had been trailing behind because of unfamiliar terrain and had taken a wrong turn, finally found the right direction and caught up!

"Jinyu!"

"Young Master Mu!"

"Little Mu..."

"Are you alright?"

All the women landed safely and, upon seeing Mu Jinyu and the crowd kneeling for mercy, showed concern for him after a brief moment of surprise.

Except for Jian Ruyan.

Because she knew that Mu Jinyu would never be in any trouble.

Yao Bilian, supported in her grandfather's arms, saw the arrival of nine beauties whose charms far exceeded her own, each with their own unique allure, but all showing care and love for Mu Jinyu. She suddenly understood why from the very beginning, Mu Jinyu could completely disregard her beauty...

Compared to Gu Xiyan and the others, she had no advantage, whether in looks, figure, or temperament, and Mu Jinyu, having spent his days and nights with these women, had naturally raised his standards by quite a bit.

How could he have given her a second glance?

It was laughable that she had just thought Mu Jinyu was pretending to ignore her to act cool and attract her attention!

How utterly ridiculous!

In her grandfather's arms, Yao Bilian forced a smile, feeling that the spiritual blow she had received was far heavier than any physical one.

With a bitter laugh, she fainted away.

Yao Liangbi was startled and quickly checked her breathing; seeing she hadn't stopped breathing, he barely relaxed.

Mu Jinyu turned to Gu Xiyan and the others, nodded lightly, and said, "It's okay, just a bunch of clowns."

After speaking, he turned back to Yao Liangbi and the others, his gaze cold, and said in a deep voice, "Kowtowing and admitting your mistakes now is meaningless. I am now giving you two choices. One, become my servants, and from this day on, your families will swear fealty to me—this is the path to life..."

The continuously kowtowing members of Jiangnan's Seven Great Martial Families heard Mu Jinyu's words and were invigorated, understanding that Mu Jinyu's decision not to kill them outright after sending them flying meant he truly didn't want to end their lives.

Now, the main event was beginning.

As for becoming his servants, they were naturally unwilling to do so.

They looked eagerly at Mu Jinyu, waiting for him to present the second option and what compensation they would have to offer!

After all, if they could keep their lives and avoid being servants, even if it meant emptying half of their families' coffers, they were still willing to do it.

Seeing their eager faces, Mu Jinyu knew what they were thinking. With a cold laugh, he said, "The second, then, is the path to death. Commit suicide, and I won't hold your families accountable—I won't exterminate your nine tribes!"

"Boom!!"

The revelation of this second option from Mu Jinyu resounded in the minds of those present like a thunderclap on a clear day, turning their complexions ghastly pale and void of any trace of color.

Your deaths would prevent me from unleashing my anger on your families—the idea was far from an acceptable baseline for them!

And so...

Compared with having the entire family become the servants of Mu Jinyu, they felt this was an acceptable outcome.

To allow themselves to live but make their families bond themselves to Mu Jinyu as servants—that required a choice, didn't it?

"Bang, bang, bang!!"

Without any hesitation, they immediately continued bowing their heads to Mu Jinyu and, with a tone filled with endless gratitude, they shouted, "Thank you, Immortal Master, for sparing our lives! We are willing to serve the Immortal Master loyally!"

"We are willing to become domestic servants of the Immortal Master..."

"..."

Mu Jinyu, observing the scene, was not surprised and revealed a cruel smile on his lips. In a stern voice, he said, "Very well, then lift your heads one by one and accept my gift!"

"Uh..."

Hearing Mu Jinyu's command, everyone stopped their kowtowing and raised their heads.

They looked at Mu Jinyu with uneasy eyes, wondering what he was about to do.

Then, Mu Jinyu walked up to the bearded man who was the first to strike at him, lifted a finger, and, under the puzzled and frightened gaze of the man, lightly touched his forehead.

"Sizzle!"

A strange sound was heard as a trickle of fresh blood seeped from the bearded man's forehead and was then taken by Mu Jinyu!

Mu Jinyu drew in the air with his hand, soon using his True Qi to condense a series of talismans that emitted mysterious gleams, and then he pressed them into the blood on the bearded man's forehead!

"Go!"

In an instant, the drop of blood vanished.

The bearded man shuddered all over, feeling as though his life no longer belonged to him.

Mu Jinyu also said, "From now on, you are my servant. Your life is entirely mine. Should you dare betray me, with this drop of your blood, I can extinguish your nine tribes!"

Hearing Mu Jinyu's words, those who still harbored hope suddenly turned ashen-faced!

Chapter 617 - Warning!

Some people originally thought that they could verbally agree to become Mu Jinyu's servants, but then they would take their clans and move far from Jiangnan Province. Could Mu Jinyu possibly chase them for thousands of miles to kill them?

But now, seeing Mu Jinyu's methods, they realized that their hopes were shattered!

They had no choice but to obediently become Mu Jinyu's servants, henceforth at his beck and call, without the slightest ability to resist!

Mu Jinyu looked at their ashen faces, his cold smile growing more intense.

This group of people, having seen many spiritual medicines growing within Yinlong Mountain, had tried to break in to harvest them. Even after he returned to stop them and told them to get lost, they still foolishly tried to kill him together!

He hadn't killed them directly, allowing them to live and atone for their sins, yet they were still ungrateful. Truly, they were shortsighted!

But regardless, Dragon King Hall was indeed short of manpower now. Subduing them to become servants was indeed far more cost-effective than killing them out of anger.

Mu Jinyu shook his head slightly, then moved to the next person, took the blood from their brow, and applied a cursing technique, engraving it into the brow blood that tied to their life and family!

Soon, one by one, they all had their blood taken by Mu Jinyu to complete the Blood Curse technique, becoming Mu Jinyu's servants completely.

If they dared to betray Mu Jinyu in the future, their entire nine tribes would surely be implicated!

"Greetings, Master!"

When Yao Liangbi's body shook, feeling that his life was now controlled by Mu Jinyu, he suppressed his complex emotions and knelt again, bowing his head to Mu Jinyu.

Seeing this, people from the other seven major martial arts families felt helpless and despair, but also realized that at this point, there was no turning back for them.

So they all knelt down one after another, calling out loudly, "Greetings, Master."

"Rise."

Mu Jinyu waved his hand casually.

Then, a streak of green light suddenly appeared in his brow, forming a Dragon Pattern, as he looked at Yao Bilian, who was unconscious in Yao Liangbi's arms, and waved his hand to throw a streak of True Yuan at her.

"Hiss!"

Yao Liangbi was slightly startled, thinking that Mu Jinyu was going to harm his granddaughter, and wanted to stop him, but he wasn't quick enough.

He could only watch helplessly as the streak of True Yuan flowed into Yao Bilian's body.

"Master, you..." Yao Liangbi felt a surge of despair, but with his own life also being controlled by Mu Jinyu, what could he do?

"Ying..."

At that moment, Yao Bilian, who had been lying in Yao Liangbi's arms with decreasing vital signs, suddenly let out a soft moan and then opened her eyes.

Seeing this, Yao Liangbi was greatly shocked, "Little Lian, how do you feel?"

Yao Liangbi found it too incredible. Yao Bilian's condition had been very dire, her breath weak, and he had no confidence that he could revive her even with the spiritual medicines in the Medicine Alliance.

However, the strand of True Qi casually thrown by Mu Jinyu had unexpectedly brought Yao Bilian back from death.

Instantly, Yao Liangbi felt that Mu Jinyu, being the disciple of Young Master Mu Shao'ai, truly deserved admiration for his medical skills.

And for them, becoming Mu Jinyu's servants might not be such a bad thing after all.

Perhaps, this was even an opportunity for the rise of the Medicine Alliance!

"Okay, your granddaughter's life is saved. As for her teeth, take her to get them fixed later."

Mu Jinyu displayed both grace and authority, then stopped paying attention to this group of newly acquired servants, looking towards the Mountain Protection Array that had calmed down as everyone ceased their actions.

"Hmm?!"

Mu Jinyu furrowed his brow tight!

He immediately noticed that the originally impregnable Mountain Protection Array of Yinlong Mountain had now become very damaged after being continuously attacked by these people over several days.

If he had returned a few days later, the Mountain Protection Array might have truly been breached, allowing their plans to steal the spiritual medicine inside to succeed.

Mu Jinyu was well aware of the Mountain Protection Array's existence at Yinlong Mountain.

At that time, Xu Qingya's uncle, Xu Zhixin, could only come up the mountain to seek help because Mu Shao'ai had given him a token, which allowed him successful entry into Yinlong Mountain.

But this token could only be used once, and then it would be rendered useless.

From this, it could be seen that the Mountain Protection Formation Method Mu Shao'ai had set up in Yinlong Mountain was actually of a high level.

But that was in the past.

Back then, both master and disciple resided in Yinlong Mountain, and even if Li Zhexiong, the top of the Divine Rankings, came to invade, he couldn't breach the Formation quickly, which was enough for Mu Shao'ai to respond in various ways.

Whether to choose to flee or stay and fight!

But now times have changed; the Mountain Protection Formation seemed somewhat outdated. If Li Zhexiong were to invade again, probably a single sweep of his sword would shatter the Formation in an instant!

The Mountain Protection Formation needed repairs and upgrading!

"Alas..."

Mu Jinyu sighed lightly, his furrowed brows slightly relaxed, then he opened the Formation and walked into Yinlong Mountain without any obstruction.

"Everyone, come in."

Mu Jinyu spoke without turning his head.

Gu Xiyun and the others naturally followed him without hesitation.

However, Yao Liangbi and others, unsure if Mu Jinyu's words included them, looked at each other, hesitated for a moment, then also stood up and tried to walk into the secluded valley!

If Mu Jinyu had not intended for them to enter, they probably wouldn't have been able to, and would have been stopped on the outside; then waiting outside would suffice.

But when they tried, they were not blocked; instead, they crossed the protective boundary effortlessly, stepping closer to the secluded valley filled with spiritual medicines.

They looked at each other, excitement apparent in their eyes.

After several days of struggling, they had finally entered Yinlong Mountain.

Although they hadn't forcefully breached the Mountain Protection Array to freely pick the spiritual medicines, since they had become servants of Mu Jinyu, and he allowed them in, perhaps they might receive a reward from their master?

Mu Jinyu walked into the secluded valley of Yinlong Mountain, guarded by the Nine Dragons, and seeing the field of medicinal herbs he once cultivated now teeming with spiritual medicines, he felt quite pleased.

With these spiritual medicines, he would have enough to not worry about cultivation resources for some time.

"Wow, these flowers look so beautiful!"

At that moment, Yu Linglong exclaimed as she looked at one of the spiritual herbs, wanting to squat down and gently touch its bud.

Mu Jinyu's Divine Sense swept over, noticed her action, and he hastily called out, "Don't touch!"

"Ah!"

Upon hearing this, Yu Linglong immediately stopped her movement, freezing in place, not daring to make any reckless moves!

Mu Jinyu felt that his previous shout had been a bit too loud and harsh; he softened his voice and explained, "That's not a flower for cultivation but a poisonous herb. Touching it recklessly can cause mishaps."

Yao Liangbi and others who followed inside, upon hearing Mu Jinyu's words, from the seven great Martial Arts Families, were slightly startled, feeling a sense of relief in their hearts.

Given the way Mu Jinyu treated his own woman, that beautiful looking plant was undoubtedly very dangerous and should not be carelessly touched.

If they had recklessly barged in, even if accompanied by the Medicine Alliance, not to mention whether those from the Medicine Alliance knew better than Mu Jinyu, their master, would Yao Liangbi inform everyone about the properties of all the spiritual medicines?

Wouldn't it be better to simply play a trick and let them all be poisoned to death on the spot?

The bearded men and others, considering this, all felt a chill run down their spine.

Chapter 618: Mu Jinyu's Plan!

At first, Yu Linglong was frightened by Mu Jinyu's stern voice, but then, warmed by his gentle explanation, she knew he was just concerned about her.

"I understand," she responded.

Yu Linglong looked up at Mu Jinyu apologetically and carefully stood up from the ground.

Mu Jinyu scanned the nine women then turned his attention to the medicine field, beginning to select the appropriate Spiritual Medicine for each woman based on their physique and cultivation.

Soon, Mu Jinyu stepped into the medicine field and picked dozens of Spiritual Medicines, distributing them to each of the women.

"Here, this is for Xiyan..."

"This one's for Linglong!"

"This one's for Wen Rou..."

"This one's for Aunt Mu!"

"This one's for Ruyan..."

"..."

Quickly, Mu Jinyu had finished distributing the Spiritual Medicine suitable for each woman's constitution.

After the distribution, Mu Jinyu clapped his hands and said, "These Spiritual Medicines should suffice for a few weeks of cultivation. Once you've used them up, call me, and I'll pick others for you."

"All right," they nodded in unison.

Jian Ruyan also didn't refuse Mu Jinyu's kindness.

After all, the many elixirs she had brought with her were almost entirely spent except for the Fasting Pill and other elixirs, and though these Spiritual Medicines weren't as effective as the elixirs for aiding in cultivation, they were better than nothing.

"Thank you."

Jian Ruyan held the ice-blue Spiritual Medicine and thanked Mu Jinyu.

"Thank me for what? If you really want to thank me, break through to the God Realm soon; otherwise, I barely have a few people I can use," Mu Jinyu said with a laugh.

"Yes, I'll do my best," Jian Ruyan nodded solemnly.

Mu Jinyu, finding it rather dull, waved his hand and said, "You all go and cultivate. Aunt Mu, you stay, there's something I need your help with later."

"Yes, of course," Mu Hongchen nodded.

Gu Xiyan and the other women glanced at Yao Liangbi and others, then nodded without saying much, and walked toward the bamboo houses by the pond.

"There are too few bamboo houses; we need to build more later," Mu Jinyu murmured as he looked at the bamboo house he once lived in.

Originally, there was only one bamboo house here, which belonged to Young Master Mu.

Later, when he and Xiang Mantang went up the mountain together, two more bamboo houses were built, totaling three. Now that ten of them had come, three houses were clearly insufficient.

Thinking this, Mu Jinyu didn't immediately discuss matters with Mu Hongchen, but turned to the newly acquired servants and ordered:

"You, go to that bamboo grove, chop down the bamboo, and build seven more bamboo houses next to those three."

"What?"

The bearded man had initially fantasized that since they had just been taken as servants by Mu Jinyu, who controlled their lives, he might treat them well by offering them some Spiritual Medicine to aid in their cultivation!

Why else would Mu Jinyu have called them in?

Little did he expect that Mu Jinyu had brought them in simply for hard labor.

"What, you don't want to do it?" asked Mu Jinyu.

"No, no, no..." the people hurriedly shook their heads and said with a forced laugh, "We'll get to work right away..."

"Keep it down, and don't disturb my mother and wives in their cultivation," Mu Jinyu cautioned.

The crowd: "..."

Fine, we didn't manage to get the spiritual medicine for you and had to toil anyway. Who made us your servants.

But you're even asking us to work quietly, not to disturb their cultivation. That's asking too much of us.

Everyone knows how sensitive cultivators' hearing is. Unless they're in a deep state, any little noise can startle them.

Mu Jinyu's request was indeed somewhat unreasonable.

But since they were only servants, no matter how difficult the request, they had no choice but to follow it and do their best to fulfill it without the right to argue.

Watching the bearded man and others obediently head to the bamboo forest nearby and cut bamboo as quietly as possible, Mu Jinyu withdrew his gaze and looked at Mu Hongchen.

"Aunt Mu, what do you think of this place?" Mu Jinyu asked.

Mu Hongchen nodded without hesitation, "It's very good. The spiritual energy is extremely abundant, comparable to those Heaven Cave Blessed lands!"

"Then, is it suitable for the new headquarters of Dragon King Hall?" Mu Jinyu asked.

Mu Hongchen thought for a moment and hesitantly said, "It could be suitable, but I always feel like the spiritual energy here seems to have a hint of evil qi. I wonder if it's just my imagination."

Mu Jinyu said, "It's not your imagination. The feng shui here indeed isn't very good. Look at those nine mountain ranges."

With that, Mu Jinyu raised his hand and pointed at the nine mountain ranges that encircled the secluded valley.

Mu Hongchen looked up and vaguely saw a phantom dragon shadow hidden within those mountains.

"Is that the Dragon Vein?" Mu Hongchen murmured to herself while observing.

Then, she saw one of the mountain ranges, unlike the others that housed a phantom dragon shadow, emanating a strong aura of resentment and evil, slowly diffusing!

For a moment, Mu Hongchen thought she saw a blood-red dragon, its body torn in half, roaring skywards within the mountain range.

"Is... is this the source of the evil qi?"

Feeling the overpowering force of the resentful evil qi, Mu Hongchen couldn't help but pale, her footsteps involuntarily retreating!

She nearly fell.

Mu Jinyu promptly supported Mu Hongchen.

After she had steadied herself, he began to explain, "Aunt Mu, I don't know if you know this, but the original headquarters of Dragon King Hall was actually planned to be located here at Yinlong Mountain. The reason for abandoning it later was due to the severance of the Dragon Vein in Yinlong Mountain and the dragon soul's resentment and overwhelming evil qi, making it uninhabitable for long."

Hearing Mu Jinyu's words, Mu Hongchen's panicked eyes suddenly showed a hint of realization.

She seemed to remember that there was indeed such an issue, but she didn't know the specific reasons or the mountain range, and hadn't delved deeper into it.

So it turned out to be this place?!

"But..."

Mu Hongchen looked at Mu Jinyu, hesitant and unsure how to ask.

Mu Jinyu, seeing what she wanted to ask, smiled and said, "Aunt Mu must be wondering, since one can't stay here long, how did I grow up here?"

Mu Hongchen slightly nodded, curiously watching Mu Jinyu.

Mu Jinyu explained, "Although the spiritual energy here is mixed with resentful evil qi, it is still a Heaven Cave Blessed land after all. My master, Mu Shao'ai, took a liking to it and with astonishing measures, set up an extraordinary Mountain Protection Array to isolate that evil qi and sealed a massive amount of spiritual energy, making this secluded valley as pleasant as the four seasons and no less than other Heaven Cave Blessed lands!"

Speaking, he sighed lightly, "Unfortunately, it's still impossible to completely seal it off, just like controlling flooding, blocking isn't as good as dredging, endlessly blocking the resentful evil qi is not a good solution..."

Mu Jinyu then thought of Xiang Mantang, known for their cruel temperament, and his own somewhat unruly behavior when he first came down from the mountain, likely influenced by these evil qis.

Shaking his head slightly, Mu Jinyu said, "Just now, the Mountain Protection Array of Yinlong Mountain was nearly destroyed by those people. Although it wasn't completely broken in the end, many parts were damaged, and now that evil qi is beginning to seep back in. I presume that in some time, the spiritual energy here will no longer be suitable for cultivation.

Therefore, I plan to rearrange the Mountain Protection Array and find a way to repair the Dragon Vein. If successful, this place would be very suitable as the new headquarters of Dragon King Hall."

"What do you think?" Mu Jinyu looked at Mu Hongchen.

Chapter 619 What is this, a waste!

Mu Hongchen nodded slightly when he heard Mu Jinyu's thoughts and said,

"If the evil Qi in the spiritual energy can be completely eliminated, then this place would indeed be a true Heaven Cave Blessed Land. Coupled with the impregnable Mountain Protection Array we just discussed, it would indeed be better than the headquarters in the Capital City!"

However, what Mu Hongchen did not voice was that this was probably a very difficult feat to achieve.

Otherwise, Yinlong Mountain wouldn't have been abandoned for so many years.

Mu Jinyu seemed to see through Mu Hongchen's thoughts and said with a faint smile, "Actually, it's not as difficult as it seems. It would have been really hard in the past, but now, with the revival of nature's spiritual energy, you should have seen that the severed Dragon Vein has already awakened from its dormant state."

"This indicates feasibility!"

Mu Jinyu spoke with conviction.

Having lived here before, he had also seen the Dragon Soul within the Dragon Veins, but it wasn't as easy to perceive as it is now. Back then, the eight Dragon Souls he saw were weak, but now they have become very lively and animated, as if trying to break free from the mountain's constraints and soar into the sky!

And the Dragon Soul of the broken Dragon Vein was motionless, completely like it was dead, unlike now, constantly roaring to the sky, venting the frustrations of its fractured spine!

Now, in this state of rejuvenation, thinking about repairing the Dragon Soul is much simpler than before.

Moreover, Mu Jinyu wasn't making wild guesses; he wasn't speaking emptily about how to repair the Dragon Soul. When he woke up from his coma, what he gained was not just the Cultivation Methods and methods to arrange formations, but also the means to repair the Dragon Soul of Yinlong Mountain!

This is why he was certain that the various documents left in the Jade Pendant were intentionally left by his master, Mu Shao'ai.

The elderly man must have anticipated that one day he would need to repair the Dragon Soul of Yinlong Mountain.

"Hmm."

Seeing Mu Jinyu speaking so firmly, Mu Hongchen didn't argue and asked, "Does the Dragon Master want me to stay so that I can start the construction on Yinlong Mountain now?"

Since they decided to move the headquarters of Dragon King Hall to Yinlong Mountain, it was natural that they couldn't just rely on those three bamboo houses for training grounds, living quarters, and office space, right?

So, Mu Hongchen guessed the reason why Mu Jinyu asked her to stay.

Mu Jinyu nodded and said, "Yes, but not to build everything here. I want to preserve the original ecological environment of this place."

With that, Mu Jinyu pointed to a large open space outside the Secluded Valley, indicating that was where the new headquarters would be built.

And by that time, his Mountain Protection Array would not just cover the core Secluded Valley area of Yinlong Mountain, but would encompass the entire mountain.

To achieve true impregnability.

"Also, Aunt Mu, please help me look for the various materials needed for the Mountain Protection Array. Try to procure them all, and if they are not available for purchase, you can inform me if you find them elsewhere, and I will go look for them myself."

Mu Jinyu then asked Mu Hongchen for paper and pen, and began listing the materials needed to set up the Mountain Protection Array.

For some uncommon items, Mu Jinyu even detailed their appearances and other elaborate information.

Mu Hongchen took the documents handed to her by Mu Jinyu, glanced at them a few times, and nodded, "Understood."

Mu Hongchen didn't even bother to take Spiritual Medicine to aid in her Cultivation, but took out her mobile phone, started entering the information Mu Jinyu had just given her, and then forwarded it to the relevant personnel, asking them to try to find these materials.

As Mu Hongchen was mobilizing resources, Mu Jinyu wasn't idle either. He started to search for materials within the Secluded Valley, then changed their locations, reducing the defensive power of the protection array to a significant degree, but greatly enhancing its effectiveness in shielding evil Qi.

This way, they could ensure their peace of mind in cultivation during this period before they had repaired the Dragon Vein.

After a good while, Mu Jinyu finally managed to successfully alter the Mountain Protection Array of Yinlong Mountain.

Mu Hongchen had long since completed the tasks he had assigned to him.

The servants he had just subdued had also completed their designated tasks, adding seven more bamboo houses next to the three that were already there.

As for whether they had disturbed Su Zijin and the others during their cultivation, Mu Jinyu was not sure.

He guessed there might have been some disturbance, but they probably wouldn't make too much of it.

"Master, we've completed our tasks. Is there anything else you need us to do?"

Yao Liangbi and the others stood by, and upon seeing Mu Jinyu finish his current tasks, they asked respectfully.

Mu Jinyu clapped his hands together, dusting them off, and stood up. He said in a calm voice, "First, introduce yourselves."

He looked at the crowd with an amused expression.

Actually, ever since he had made them servants, he was still unclear about their true identities. Seeing that they all possessed Energy Transformation strength, he assumed their families were not weak and reluctantly took them as servants.

Upon hearing Mu Jinyu's words, starting with the bearded man, the people from the seven major Martial Arts Families of Jiangnan Province began to introduce themselves one by one.

Finally, it was Yao Liangbi's turn. He introduced himself by saying, "Reporting to the Master, my name is Yao Liangbi. I am the Deputy Leader of the Medicine Alliance, with strength at the Peak of Energy Transformation. The Medicine Alliance is..."

He gave a brief self-introduction and then proceeded to tell Mu Jinyu about the origin and purpose of the Medicine Alliance.

"Oh, you study Alchemy?" After listening, Mu Jinyu's eyes showed a hint of interest as he asked, "How far has your Medicine Alliance progressed in your research? Have you managed to refine elixirs yet?"

A look of embarrassment appeared on Yao Liangbi's face as he shook his head, "We haven't been able to figure it out yet. However, our Medicine Alliance has a thorough understanding of pharmacology, and we have many medicine powders and medicinal pastes that can aid in cultivation. Would you be interested in these prescriptions?"

"Oh?" Mu Jinyu initially thought it was just ordinary medicine powder and pastes, like the Cooling Frost he had once used for Wen Rou, which he wasn't too interested in. But when Yao Liangbi mentioned that they could aid in cultivation, his interest was piqued again, and he said, "Show me."

"Certainly." Yao Liangbi was delighted that he could be of help to Mu Jinyu and was pleased inwardly.

He quickly took out a yellowed notebook from his pocket.

This was where he recorded all kinds of precious formulas of the Medicine Alliance, which he carried with him, pondering over them at all times.

This was the perfect opportunity to make use of it.

Mu Jinyu took it and began to flip through it with a serious look, but after a few glances, he appeared speechless and quickly began to flip through it faster.

Seeing Mu Jinyu's actions, Yao Liangbi's heart leaped, sensing that something was amiss.

Soon, Mu Jinyu finished browsing through the entire notebook of prescriptions and then returned the notebook to Yao Liangbi with an indifferent face, saying speechlessly, "Is this all that your Medicine Alliance has researched? What is this rubbish? You're completely wasting medicinal materials!"

"Why would Master say that?"

Yao Liangbi was terribly distressed to hear Mu Jinyu belittle the life's work of their Medicine Alliance, and couldn't help but muster the courage to ask.

Mu Jinyu glanced at him and said, "Don't be so unconvinced. These prescriptions, they seem to make it easier for people to absorb spiritual medicine when cooked into medicine powder and paste. But due to the haphazard addition of medicinal ingredients, the medical properties have been greatly compromised, and it would be better to just chew on the spiritual medicine raw!"

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"Why not just nibble on spiritual medicine raw?"

Upon hearing Mu Jinyu's words, Yao Liangbi's face turned uncomfortable, his eyes displaying a hint of skepticism.

He truly couldn't believe that the essence blood of decades of research by the Medicine Alliance could be worthless as Mu Jinyu had stated.

"If you don't believe it, you can try it yourself."

Mu Jinyu clearly noticed Yao Liangbi's reluctance and said with a light smile.

"Try it myself?"

Yao Liangbi wanted to ask how he was supposed to try it. He didn't have any spiritual medicine on hand for repeated tests...

Wait, he suddenly realized, wasn't this place full of spiritual medicine?

Could it be that Mu Jinyu was allowing him to pick the spiritual medicine here?

Mu Jinyu didn't say anything but walked directly to a nearby medicine field and bent down to pick several medicinal herbs.

These herbs were exactly what was needed to make a cultivation external application medicine called Yunling Powder, which he had just seen in a prescription of the Medicine Alliance.

Mu Jinyu activated his True Essence Power and quickly created a dose of Yunling Powder with these herbs.

He handed this Yunling Powder to Yao Liangbi and said, "Check it and see if this dose of Yunling Powder is up to standard."

Yao Liangbi hastily took it and began to carefully examine it.

After looking at it for a while, his hands started to tremble, his face full of excitement.

He had just seen Mu Jinyu whip up a dose of Yunling Powder and was very skeptical about the effectiveness and quality of the Yunling Powder in Mu Jinyu's hands. However, after taking a closer look,

he realized that the casually made Yunling Powder by Mu Jinyu was several times better in quality than the Yunling Powder meticulously made by the Leader of the Medicine Alliance.

It was terrifying, truly fitting for a disciple of the Divine Doctor Mu Shao'ai!

Yao Liangbi's heart was full of astonishment.

He then looked up at Mu Jinyu with eyes full of admiration and respect and said, "I've checked it. The Yunling Powder made by the master is of top quality, absolutely top-quality grade!"

The medicines made by alchemists and pharmacists are graded, generally divided into four levels: inferior products, good quality, fine quality, and the highest, top-quality grade.

The Yunling Powder that Mu Jinyu casually produced had reached the top-quality grade, which made Yao Liangbi wonder if given time for Mu Jinyu to become more familiar, could he produce something even beyond?

"Now you try the Yunling Powder yourself and see its effects," Mu Jinyu said indifferently.

"Oh, okay..."

Upon hearing this, Yao Liangbi agreed somewhat nervously as he had never used Yunling Powder of such quality before.

The bearded man and others watched this scene, feeling extremely envious of Yao Liangbi.

They felt that although they were all servants, why was only Yao Liangbi treated this way!

Soon, Yao Liangbi took out the Yunling Powder, applied it all over his body, and then began to sit cross-legged on the ground, closing his eyes to cultivate.

Mu Jinyu quietly waited while he went to the medicine field again and picked the most important herb for making Yunling Powder, the Qingling Grass.

About ten minutes passed.

Yao Liangbi opened his eyes and exhaled a breath of stale air, his eyes sparkling.

He stood up, explained his condition to Mu Jinyu, and how much the Yunling Powder had increased his cultivation speed.

Mu Jinyu quietly listened and then handed the Qingling Grass he was holding to Yao Liangbi, saying, "Now, try nibbling the main herb of the Yunling Powder raw."

"Oh, okay..."

Upon hearing this, Yao Liangbi extended his hand and received the Qingling Grass.

He had not yet tried eating spiritual medicine raw.

After all, first, spiritual medicine is not an elixir; it is truly difficult to refine and absorb, and second, it might contain other medicinal properties unsuitable for human absorption, which could cause trouble if anything went wrong.

The Yunling Powder, which the Medicine Alliance had studied for many years, was primarily based on Qingling Grass, whose medicinal efficacy they had thoroughly understood; they knew there would not be adverse symptoms from eating it raw.

Thus, Yao Liangbi did not hesitate much and started to eat it.

After finishing, Yao Liangbi's face turned red, and his eyes bulged alarmingly, which was quite frightening.

He knew what this was about; it was because the fierce medicinal properties of the Qingling Grass were overwhelming without other auxiliary medicinal herbs to suppress them, making them unsuitable for refining and absorbing—a great deal of the medicinal power would be wasted.

"Circulate your cultivation technique and continue to refine it,"

At that moment, Mu Jinyu came up behind Yao Liangbi, raised a palm to his back, and said softly.

Yao Liangbi nodded, unable to speak as he was overwhelmed by the medicinal power of the Qingling Grass.

Although Yao Liangbi felt that circulating the technique to wildly absorb the medicinal power of the Qingling Grass was an uncomfortable sensation, since Mu Jinyu had ordered it, he dared not disobey. He thought that since Mu Jinyu had made him a servant, he wouldn't go so far as to harm him intentionally, right?

He gritted his teeth and, following Mu Jinyu's instructions, began to circulate his cultivation technique more intensively to absorb the medicinal power of the Qingling Grass for his cultivation.

It was at this moment that Yao Liangbi shuddered all over.

He felt a gentle flow of True Yuan Power from his back moving into his body, helping him stabilize the wild medicinal power within his body, supremely suppressing it until it became as docile as a lamb.

The medicinal power was not dispersed, just made easier to absorb, and as Yao Liangbi rapidly circulated his technique, he began to absorb it even faster.

Soon, the entire Qingling Grass was completely absorbed by Yao Liangbi without any waste.

He opened his eyes, his gaze filled with disbelief.

Then he turned to look at Mu Jinyu, his eyes filled with shame, and said, "Master, you were right, we were indeed mistaken..."

In his recent attempt, raw eating of Qingling Grass indeed provided far more spiritual power than a dose of Yunling Powder.

Previous research by the Medicine Alliance had found that spiritual medicines were difficult to refine; in the process of refining, because the medicinal power was too fierce and not absorbed in time, a lot would be wastefully lost.

However, when combined with other medicinal herbs and made into medicine powder or medicinal paste, the effects were not as intense and more suited for human absorption, and there was a slight enhancement in medicinal power.

Now it seemed, the so-called slight enhancement of medicinal power was completely laughable—it was because they had never fully and completely absorbed a spiritual medicine, which led to this misconception.

Mu Jinyu was right; the Medicine Alliance's decades of research had indeed been a complete waste of spiritual medicine!

When Mu Jinyu heard Yao Liangbi's words, he simply nodded, showing no surprise.

The people from the seven noble families, however, were shocked and had not expected this outcome.

Over the years, whenever they found any spiritual medicine or rare medicinal herbs, they entrusted the Medicine Alliance with refining them into suitable medicinal pastes or powders instead of consuming them directly due to the Alliance's expertise.

Only now did they realize that seeking the help of the Medicine Alliance had been entirely superfluous!

After completely winning over Yao Liangbi, Mu Jinyu did not bother wasting more words or time. He went to the medicinal field, plucked a few relatively common spiritual medicines that he didn't need but these people might, handed them over, and ordered,

"Being my servant will be much better than you can imagine; help me, and I will not treat you unfairly!"

"Now, I have some tasks for you to carry out!"

"If you perform them well, you'll certainly reap the benefits!"