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After Yi Tianyun saw him faint, Yi Tianyun continued to walk even deeper.

The cold intensified as he proceeded deeper into the cave.

"I don't think I could handle this cold if my cultivation is lower than this!" Yi Tianyun said as he murmurs to himself.

As he continued walking, Yi Tianyun finally saw a brick of ice and a fiery flame in the vicinity.

As much as it was cold, the flame part of the cave was too hot!

Yi Tianyun has no doubt that if the Spirit Race put Lei Yun in that place, he would've been burned to a crisp in no time!

He also saw that the place was separated by a Divine Rune so that the cold didn't interfere with the hot area, and vice versa.

"This trial must be created by a Divine Rune Grandmaster. The complicated Divine Rune wasn't easy to make."

Yi Tianyun didn't hesitate and quickly walked through the boundary of the two areas and walked inside the fiery pit of the cave.

As he put his feet on the fiery ground, the fire around came alive and rushed toward him in a dragon like form.

But Yi Tianyun wasn't concerned with that kind of attack, he easily swatted the flame out of his way and continued to walk deeper, the flame was intense, but it was not Void Spirit Expert power kind of strong, so he didn't have a hard time to block the incoming attack!

After a while, the flame stopped attacking, it was like it knew that its attack was futile, and therefore it stopped attacking Yi Tianyun altogether.

As he continued to dwell deeper into the cave, he saw that the next room was a desert!

It was complete with the unforgiving sun and yellow sands!

“Is this elemental trial?”

The first one was ice, the second one was flame, and the one he was currently in was earth!

Yi Tianyun didn’t hesitate and once again walked over to the new terrain with a stride.

But, as soon as he made his first step on the sand, it turned a quicksand!

There was no doubt that that place will always make it hard for him to pass.

He found that the quicksand was very troublesome, so he immediately flew toward the skies as it would be easier, or so he thought.

Immediately as he flew, a sandstorm appeared in his field of vision.

The sandstorm lowered his visibility, and the grain of sand was as sharp as a needle!

“If it not for the Evil Dragon Suit, I would’ve been sliced mercilessly here!”

He immediately landed on the ground, as he realized that flying would be even more difficult than walking.

Soon enough, he encountered another boundary!

“This time, the terrain was a dense forest! My guess is right, this is elemental trial!”

He was curious as to how will the forest attack him this time!

Yi Tianyun immediately walked into the forest without hesitation, but as soon as he walked in, the vines from nearby trees immediately tried to grab him!

It seems that this place wants to entangle him so that he couldn't move forward!

But that one was also meaningless for him, Yi Tianyun quickly raised his hands and cut the vines with wind pressure!

“Now, what else will this place do to hinder me from Spirit King title?” Yi Tianyun said excitedly.

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Yi Tianyun quickly escaped the vines' clutches, he quickly flew toward the sky to escape the pursuit of other vines that was already coming towards him at a great speed!

However, this time, Yi Tianyun could see that the vines weren't trying to entangle him anymore, they are trying to stab him!

The vines heading toward coming were sharp!

Yi Tianyun didn't feel any need to stop those vines, he purposely let the vines headed straight toward him and attacked him!

As soon as the vines touch him, they shattered!

Yi Tianyun already knew that the vines' attack wouldn't do anything to him, his defensive power was too high already, if it wasn't an attack from Void Spirit Expert, he didn't have to put any effort to stop it!

Yi Tianyun could see another boundary in the distance, and this time he saw that the next terrain was golden colored, he assumed that his theory about that trial was an elemental trial was correct, as Gold was Metal Element!

As soon as he approached the next terrain, he could see that thing that glowed in gold was a golden road, complete with golden flower and golden water around it!

That new terrain looked the most unnatural out of any terrain that he has encountered so far in this trial, he could even see a golden mountain in the distance!

He stepped into the terrain without any hesitation, and the terrain immediately turned sharp!

Every edge of anything inside that terrain became sharp, including the water wave, the flower, and the road!

As soon as Yi Tianyun nudged the sharp edge of the road and leaf near him, the sound of clashing weapon was immediately heard!

Evil Dragon Suit completely protected him without any issues!

"This terrain is stronger than the previous terrains, but it seems I don't need to put any special effort here either." Yi Tianyun said as he continued to walk forward arrogantly.

Yi Tianyun quickly reached another boundary, but this time, all he could see in the next border were a fog!

He was quite confused about that new terrain as it didn't fit the terms of elemental terrain like so far.

But Yi Tianyun still walked toward it without any hesitation at all!

As soon as he walked in the fog terrain, he felt that some special energy was shrouding him and he could saw some silhouette in the distance, as he walked towards the silhouette, it became more apparent that the silhouette was none other than himself!

Everything about that silhouette matched him, it was like looking at his own reflection in the mirror!

But as soon as he came closer, the mirror image immediately attacked him!

Yi Tianyun was curious about this new trial, and so he decided to receive the attack head-on without putting any special effort.

But, as soon as the attack landed, the mirror image was immediately flung backward!

The mirror image immediately turned back into a fog and dispersed with the surrounding fog!

“What the hell is this? I thought that it would be as strong as me, but that’s disappointing!” Yi Tianyun said grumpily.

As the mirror image dispersed into the surrounding fog, the fog quickly diminished, and a narrow path immediately appeared in front of him.

Yi Tianyun noticed that this narrow pathway was leading back to the entrance, he could feel the cold emanating towards him.

Yi Tianyun looked behind him, and he immediately realized that the entire trial was an illusion, the only real terrain in that place was that place and the Cold Terrain in the beginning!

No wonder the Old Ancestor said that there was no way to predict the Smelting Trial for Yi Tianyun to prepare, it was completely random!

“This smelting trial was really something. Now I know that there is a greater power than what I’ve already seen! I didn’t even notice that I’ve already entered a magical array earlier!” Yi Tianyun said as he sighed at his own shortcoming.

Yi Tianyun immediately walked toward the narrow pathway and saw that at the end of the pathway was a flashing white light!

He didn’t think much of it and immediately headed toward the light.

At the base of the flashing white light, he could see a huge stone tablet!

At a closer look, it was more like a stone wall than a stone tablet!

The stone wall was also covered in Divine Rune from top to bottom, he realized that all this Divine Rune wasn’t any normal Divine Rune, but it was a Master Level Divine Rune!

Yi Tianyun immediately remembered the Old Ancestor said that he must get approval from that Stone Tablet!

Yi Tianyun walked onto the Stone Wall carefully and touched the Stone Wall gently.

As he did so, his body was immediately covered with a gentle green light while a warm feeling was coursing through his body.

However, the light disappeared after a while, and the Stone Wall didn’t react as it did before.

There was nothing else that happened even after he waited for a while.

“No way! I failed?” Yi Tianyun said with an indescribable emotion in his face.

"I think I failed! It seems I couldn't become the new Spirit King after all!" Yi Tianyun said with a little bit of disappointment in his eyes. With this new information, he knows that there is no way to finish his quest now.

"Why would the Stone Tablet give me the Divine Rune as proof that I already completed the trial? Or is it because I am not from Spirit Race?" Yi Tianyun thought to himself in defeat.

Yi Tianyun activated his Heavenly Eyes and tried to see the Stone Wall once again.

"Am I supposed to read all of this Divine Rune first?" He thought again.

He immediately read all Divine Rune with the help of his Heavenly Eye and Appraisal Eye, with both eye power activated, he could read the Divine Rune with their effect intact.

He saw that none of the Divine Rune on the Stone Wall was of any use for him at the moment. He became confused about this fact!

He began to think that he may have to see the whole Stone Wall with his Appraisal Eye to see the description that he needed! He immediately stepped back a bit and looked at the whole Stone Wall with his Appraisal Eye.

'DING'

'Successfully discovered the Tyrant Stone Tablet! One of the Ancient Treasure!'

'Reward: 5.000.000 Exp, 100.000 Cps, 100 Pps.'

'Tyrant Stone Tablet: Divine Rune Stone Monument.'

‘The stone which was engraved with many Master Level Divine Runes. Any Divine Rune Master at the vicinity of the Stone Tablet will have increased Success Rate of drawing a Master Level Divine Rune of his own. Has a one-week Cooldown time. ‘

“An ancient treasure?” Yi Tianyun said with a surprised look on his face.

Yi Tianyun immediately read the description provided by the Appraisal Eye and shocked to see the effect of the Stone Tablet!

“Is that Stone Tablet have the same use as a Divine Rune Stone?”

“Is that why I didn’t pass the trial yet?”

As he began to wonder various things about the Stone Tablet and the Smelting Trial itself, he approached the Stone Tablet and channeled his Spiritual Energy into the stone.

He felt the same warm feeling like the first time that he touched the Stone Tablet, but this time, the entire Divine Rune was also glowing!

After a while, Yi Tianyun shouted activate toward the Stone Tablet, and immediately the Huge Stone Tablet shrunk into a palm-sized Stone Tablet!

Yi Tianyun tried to lift the Stone Tablet and was surprised to know that the Stone Tablet was still as heavy as it was before.

However, Yi Tianyun was quite happy to know that the Stone Tablet recognized him as its new master.

As the Tyrant Stone Tablet became small, it revealed another narrow pathway with a gentle green light coming at the end of the path.

“This is unexpected! I didn’t know that I have to take this Stone Tablet to pass!” Yi Tianyun said curiously.

If taking the Stone Tablet was the condition to pass the test, Yi Tianyun doubted that the Stone Tablet would be there again when the next Spirit King candidate entered the Smelting Trial, which meant that he was the only one who has ever done something like that!

Yi Tianyun shook his head and immediately went down the narrow path to see what awaited him at the end of the road. He felt warmer and safe feeling coming towards him as he continued to dwelve the narrow pathway.

When he reached the end of the path, there was a Green Crystal that contained a strong stream of life energy! Looking at the crystal alone made him feel rejuvenated!

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“This is amazing!” Yi Tianyun said as he was surprised by the Green Crystal’s effect.

Around the Green Crystal, Yi Tianyun saw a bunch of Spirit Grass Flower and one Soul Accumulating Grass there. He immediately used his Appraisal Eye to check the effect of the Green Crystal in front of him!

Life Crystal: Contain strong life energy! A product of the evolution of the Spirit Treasure. Enhance the Spirit Power’s intensity and Reproduction of life! Will turn into a normal stone after use.

The information of that Life Crystal startled Yi Tianyun a little bit, especially the reproduction part.

Now he knew that this Crystal was the one that made the Spirit Race think that they were cursed and that patch of land was the only place that they could reproduce.

While the truth was, they really couldn’t reproduce at all in the first place!

Spirit Race had strong Innate Ability!

They would have a hard time conceiving a child from another person with such a strong Innate Ability too!

That would also apply if they tried to conceive with another person who had a weak Innate Ability, it wouldn't work!

This was also the case with other strong races too!

The Dragon Clan was another example of this strong Innate Ability and weak reproduction ability. While the Dragon Clan had the Dragon Vein to help them reproduce, the Spirit Race couldn't use that!

Instead, this Life Crystal was the only thing that allowed the Spirit Race to reproduce all this time, and now this Life Crystal was already reaching its limit!

"It seems that I already stumble and found the root cause of the said curse!" Yi Tianyun said with a frown on his face.

Yi Tianyun knew that the ancestors of the Spirit Race knew about that matter, but they chose to keep quiet about it and let their people thought that they were under some sort of curse!

Yi Tianyun approached the Life Crystal, but as he came closer, a shadow of an old man immediately materialized in front of him.

"Child, finally someone who could master the Tyrant Stone Tablet! As you can see, I stashed the treasure that I got by a chance here, this Life Crystal could improve our cultivation environment and enhance our reproduction ability!" The Old Man said excitedly.

"I hope that you could find another Life Crystal to replace this one as it will be exhausted soon, or maybe you could find another place with a stronger Vitality. Otherwise, it would be nearly impossible for the Spirit Race to reproduce! Or you could also go back to the Spirit Race Ancestral Land, as it would be the best destination for the Spirit Race! As you master the Tyrant Stone Tablet, you've already become our king, the Spirit Race King! I hope that someday you don't have to rely on this Life Crystal to thrive!" The Old Man added solemnly before disappearing.

“This is a very serious matter! I need to convey all of this to Ye Qingxuan and the Old Ancestor!” Yi Tianyun said solemnly.

After checking that there was nothing left worth checking, Yi Tianyun left and walked toward the exit.

At the same time, outside of the cave, the Spirit Race was anxiously waiting for Yi Tianyun to come out of the trial site.

All the Spirit Race people were waiting for the miracle that Yi Tianyun could pass the trial and become their new Spirit King!

“What’s taking Big Brother Yi so long!” Ye Wan’er asked anxiously.

“Don’t worry! I know that he will come out successfully soon! He is much stronger than any of the previous king, we have to believe in him!” Ye Qingxuan said confidently.

“It usually took weeks to finish, and it’s only been days, we should be more patient!” The Old Ancestor said while smiling toward the sisters.

As soon as he finished reassuring the sisters, someone from the crowd immediately shouted excitedly, “Look! He’s already coming out!”

They were amazed that Yi Tianyun came out of the trial that fast. They began to wonder if Yi Tianyun succeeded or not, considering it didn’t take him that long.

“So, did you already get the approval to be the next Spirit King?” The Old Ancestor asked curiously to Yi Tianyun.

“No, I didn’t get the Divine Rune like you described earlier!” Yi Tianyun said while shaking his head.

Many people were shocked and felt broken-hearted as they thought that Yi Tianyun didn’t pass the trial like they wanted.

"But, I do get something!" Yi Tianyun said as he took out the Tyrant Stone Tablet.

The heavy Stone Tablet shook the ground as Yi Tianyun put it on the ground beside him.

The Old Ancestor's face suddenly lighted up after seeing the all too familiar Stone Tablet!

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"This, this is the Tyrant Stone Tablet..." The Old Ancestor said surprised and amazed when he saw the Stone Tablet in front of him.

"Aren't you only supposed to bring the Divine Rune out?" The Old Ancestor asked Yi Tianyun confusedly.

With that question, Yi Tianyun knew that the Old Ancestor also didn't know of the truth behind the Smelting Trial!

Yi Tianyun sighed as he knew that the Old Ancestor wasn't the previous Spirit King, nor he ever saw what was inside the Smelting Trial himself.

"This is The Tyrant Stone Tablet! Also, Old Ancestor, Saintess, and the elders, please follow me inside if possible, I have something important to say!" Yi Tianyun said solemnly.

"Can we enter the Smelting Cave? We're not Spirit King Candidate." Elder Yan asked curiously.

"With this Tyrant Stone Tablet, I have already been appointed as the new Spirit King! With my authority, I gave you permission to enter." Yi Tianyun said casually.

"Let's go, I assume he will explain what happened in the trial to us inside." The Old Ancestor said toward Elder Yan, reassuring him to follow Yi Tianyun.

“You are right, Old Ancestor! I am very sorry for ever doubting you, King Yi!” Elder Yan said while bowing his head toward Yi Tianyun.

While inside, everyone shivered up from the chill of the place, but Yi Tianyun immediately covered them with his Spiritual Power, granting them more resistance to the cold.

“Thank you!” Ye Qingxuan said gratefully toward Yi Tianyun.

“You’re welcome!” Yi Tianyun said with a smile toward Ye Qingxuan.

The group immediately followed Yi Tianyun, ignoring Lei Yun as they walked past his cells.

But as they were about to walk toward the boundary of the Fire Terrain, the Old Ancestor immediately stopped them by saying that they will effectively enter the Smelting Trial once they crossed the boundaries.

“Don’t worry, I already have the key.” Yi Tianyun said casually while pulling out the Tyrant Stone tablet and putting it on the side of the boundaries.

The Tyrant Stone Tablet immediately shone, and the Fire Terrain immediately changed to a narrow path!

“No Way!” the Old Ancestor said shockingly. He never thought that there was a time that he would finally saw the end of this Smelting Trial!

“Let’s go, this Tyrant Stone Tablet was accounted as a key for coming here easily too!” Yi Tianyun said while explaining the scene earlier and leading the group toward the place where Life Crystal lied.

As they approached the place that the Life Crystal lied, the group felt refreshed!

Once inside, Yi Tianyun immediately touched the Life Crystal, and the Old Man’s shadow from earlier was materialized once more, saying the exact same word that Yi Tianyun heard before.

After hearing their ancestor's word, the group fell silent in shock!

Especially the Old Ancestor, as he finally realized that the requirement to become the new Spirit King was having the Tyrant Stone Tablet, not any Divine Rune!

This meant that all previous Spirit Kings were fake!

"Now that the Spirit Race predecessor's words have been heard, I will try my best to look for a place that has stronger vitality for the Spirit Race to thrive or look for another Life Crystal so that the Spirit Race didn't go barren!" Yi Tianyun said confidently.

"Now, the next problem is the Tyrant Stone Tablet! The first time I am here, I was very confused on why I couldn't obtain any Divine Rune as a proof that I passed the Smelting Trial, but as the time goes, I finally understand the true meaning of the trial. Now, are there any of you who have a Divine Rune Stone on your possession?" Yi Tianyun asked lightly.

"I have one on me!" Ye Qingxuan said while giving Yi Tianyun the said stone.

Yi Tianyun took it and immediately pulled out the Tyrant Stone Tablet once more, this time he immediately engraved the 5th Grade Master Divine Rune that he saw on the Stone Tablet, the group were shocked on how easy Yi Tianyun made the engraving process looked like.

"Isn't this the proof for the Spirit King title that you usually see?" Yi Tianyun asked the Old Ancestor as he gave the engraved Divine Rune Stone to the Old Ancestor while smiling kindly.

"Yes! This is it! This is the proof of the Spirit King Title that we usually see!" The Old Ancestor said, telling the truth.

"Well, it has to be some sort of miscommunication, but according to the predecessor, this Tyrant Stone Tablet was supposed to be the proof of the Spirit King Title! I can't give you the proof that you usually see, for I didn't have any single Divine Rune Stone with me now." Yi Tianyun said solemnly.

This time, the Old Ancestor was grateful that Yi Tianyun had opened their eyes on the Spirit Race's mishap!

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After knowing the truth, they all felt a little bit ashamed, especially the Old Ancestor. He was ashamed of his lack of knowledge about the Smelting Trial!

There were so many wrong things on the Spirit Race side for all this time. If the entire Spirit Race's people suddenly heard the revelation, there was no doubt that some of the people will leave the Spirit Race out of disappointment!

"Now, I brought you here to ask, are you going to announce this matter to the entire people or not? I personally don't recommend you to do so. We don't have to add stress to the entire people because of this matter. After all, they aren't qualified to become the Spirit King Candidate themselves. In that aspect, even we still didn't have the clear qualification regarding this matter too, in spite of the Old Ancestor already reaching the Divine Rune Grandmaster Rank, he still wasn't qualified to become the next Spirit Race King!" Yi Tianyun said solemnly.

"Now, we must focus on obtaining another Life Crystal or finding another land with strong vitality so the Spirit Race can thrive!" Yi Tianyun added wisely.

Yi Tianyun looked at everyone and noticed that everyone was having a hard time processing this problem! This was about the life and death of the Spirit Race itself! They need to solve this problem neatly and quick!

"I agree with Spirit King's word. It's all in the past. We don't need to drown ourselves in the past's mistake! We need to think of our future now, and that future consists of us finding a new place or another Life Crystal to make sure that this place could continue to become our sanctuary!" Old Ancestor said confidently.

Everyone else quickly cast their thought aside while they completely agreed with Yi Tianyun's word and that they would support Yi Tianyun's decision!

"Now we have to think of the way to find any information about the Life Crystal's whereabouts and any information about the place with strong vitality. If we got the information about the market of Life

Crystal, we should buy it in bulk, so that Life Crystal could become the Spirit Race's countermeasures if we failed to obtain another land with strong vitality!" Yi Tianyun said solemnly.

Everyone's eyes began to sparkle with hope as they thought that they would finally have a solution to their life problem.

"The predecessor is quite harsh, to think that we have to master the Tyrant Stone Tablet before we could obtain the knowledge about this Life Crystal is rough!" The Old Ancestor said while sighing tiredly.

"No, I don't think that was necessarily true. I believe the Spirit Race will eventually choose to leave this place. The real problem was the Second Spirit King! As he was the first Spirit King who said the requirement of becoming the Spirit King was only to have a Master Level Divine Rune engraved on the Tyrant Stone Tablet as the proof was a great mishap! That was a great sin that he has to bear in the afterlife!" Yi Tianyun said annoyedly.

"Well, we don't need to discuss that matter now. Let's just announce that Little Brother Yi has really succeeded in becoming our new Spirit King and the problem with the Life Crystal to the people." The Old Ancestor said as he smiled and felt content on Yi Tianyun's leadership. He knew that if it was not because of Yi Tianyun's discovery, the Spirit Race would undeniably suffer a huge loss when they found out about the matter.

"Wait, I need to get this first!" Yi Tianyun said as he walked over and pulled the one Soul Accumulating Grass growing near the Life Crystal.

Ye Qingxuan immediately rolled her eyes as she knew how much Yi Tianyun like those grasses.

The Elders didn't say anything, but the look on their faces told Yi Tianyun that this certain behavior of his was a little bit strange as Soul Accumulating Grass didn't have a great effect to those who already cultivated beyond Core Transformation Stage.

"Hey, I need these things. If you have any more Soul Accumulating Grass, I will gladly accept any of them!" Yi Tianyun said while smiling comically.

They immediately went back outside, to where the Spirit Race people were still waiting and talking about Yi Tianyun's Smelting Trial.

The Old Ancestor immediately calmed everyone down and said, "I know everyone is confused about the Spirit King matter, but I am here to say that the Tyrant Stone Tablet that Little Brother Yi brought earlier was none other than a proof that he was indeed has succeeded the Smelting Trial! The Divine Rune Stone that our previous Spirit King had brought was a part of this Tyrant Stone Tablet, and therefore prove Little Brother Yi was more than suitable of the Title! I am here to say that Little Brother Yi, here and now, is officially the new Spirit King of the Spirit Race!" The Old Ancestor said triumphantly.

The Spirit People began to chant Spirit King earnestly. This scene made Yi Tianyun more excited as a great faction was under his control was finally sinking in.

"Now, I have something to say to you all!" Yi Tianyun said as to silence everyone.

"Since I already become the Spirit King for the Spirit Race, it was appropriate for me to reveal my secret. I have conflicted with the Netherworld Empire for a long time, so I must hide my identity so that I could avoid unnecessary conflict to everyone close to me and innocent people around me. Now, I will reveal my true face to you all!" Yi Tianyun said as he took off the Thousand Faces mask that he wore constantly.

Everyone was in shock to see a 17-year-old boy behind the mask, furthermore, it was a handsome young boy too!

"This is my true face! My real name is Yi Tianyun, an Elder of Earthly Border Continent's Heavenly Jade Sect, and The Mansion Lord of the Heaven's Top Mansion! What happened in the Gathering Dragon City is none other than my doing! After hearing all of this, are you still willing to have me as your Spirit King?" Yi Tianyun asked honestly.

After a moment of silence, the crowd burst in an uproar!

"Young Spirit King! No matter who you are, you are our Spirit King!"

"You saved our race! The most powerful Spirit King!"

“Long live Spirit King!”

They began to chant Spirit King excitedly, proving that they didn’t care about Yi Tianyun’s background!

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Yi Tianyun now felt the need to protect the Spirit Race to the fullest as they were chanting Yi Tianyun’s name!

“I will become the greatest Spirit King! I will lead the Spirit Race toward the most glorious moment that the Spirit Race had ever seen!” Yi Tianyun said confidently.

The chanting became louder as the Spirit Race people became excited about Yi Tianyun’s speech!

‘DING’

‘Successfully completed the Ultimate Quest [Become the Spirit King of Spirit Race!]

‘Reward: 100.000.000 Exp, 300.000 Cps, 10.000 Sps, 10.000 Divine Rune Proficiencies, [Spirit King] title.’

Spirit King: Rare Title, Command Value increased 500 points, Grandmaster Level Divine Rune Success Rate increased by 20%.

The title’s effect was amazing! With this, he could draw a complicated Divine Rune, and its success rate increased by 20%! But unfortunately, the chain quest has ended. He received a lot of Exp from the chain quest of saving the Spirit Race, and now that it has ended, he had to look for another quest!

Afterward, the Spirit Race People wanted to hold a ceremony to celebrate Yi Tianyun’s success in becoming the Spirit King. The people were already set on partying for the rest of the day, although the Netherworld Empire was still a threat!

“Tianyun, no, Spirit King! I never thought that there would come a day that you become our King.” Ye Qingxuan said while taking a seat beside Yi Tianyun.

“I do think the future is full of the unexpected, wouldn’t you agree?” Yi Tianyun said while smiling simply toward Ye Qingxuan. He didn’t expect to be the Spirit King himself! He originally wanted to watch the Spirit Race’s progression and maybe obtain some rare reward from saving Ye Wan’er and observing Ye Qingxuan for a while. He never expected it would turn out like this.

“Something sometimes is already set in stone! From the day that you saved me in that island, I already planned to make you our next Spirit King, and thus I gave you the Heavenly Eye, the one thing that I never really expected is that it happens too fast, that I never had the time to prepare for your arrival!” Ye Qingxuan said while smiling beautifully toward Yi Tianyun.

“For saving me and from saving the Spirit Race, I gratefully said Thank You, My King!” Ye Qingxuan said with a slight bow and a huge smile on her face. This is her heartfelt way of saying thanks to Yi Tianyun as there would be no more Spirit Race if Yi Tianyun didn’t choose to interfere.

The night was spent in celebration, no one came to disturb the festivity of the Spirit Race.

The Spirit Race spent the night having fun, for they knew that they would be going to war soon!

The next day, a spy who was tasked to infiltrate the Netherworld Empire came to the Spirit Pagoda.

“Spirit King, Old Ancestor, Elder! Netherworld Empire is coming!” The spy said hurriedly.

“They really kick it up a notch, don’t they? Is there any particular information about this new army that they send?” Yi Tianyun asked curiously.

“Yes, Spirit King! This time the Netherworld Empire sent Army General Feng to command their troops!” The spy said with a glint of fear in his eyes.

“Army General Feng? Who is this person?” Yi Tianyun asked curiously, he thought that the Dragon General was the best General that the Netherworld Empire had.

“Army General Feng was a higher-ranking officer than General Long, My King! I heard that his cultivation had reached the 4th Layer Void Spirit Stage! He also possesses a rare wind attributed power. Because of that, he’s so fast that he could kill his enemy before they have the time to react! He also led a group of specialists, called the Soldier of Wind, they leave no traces with their Wind Boots, and they were enhanced with Wind Attributed Speed Divine Rune!” The spy said, trying to describe the enemy’s army the best that he could.

“4th Layer Void Spirit Stage was really tricky!” Yi Tianyun said as he fell into silence as he thought over the way to win the war.

“Old Ancestor, could you trap them?” Yi Tianyun asked the Old Ancestor.

“Yes, as long as they took a step into our territory, they will fall into my traps!” The Old Ancestor said confidently.

“If you say so, I will make sure to take care of the enemy army as soon as they fall into your traps! We will let the Netherworld Empire know that we aren’t any pushover!” Yi Tianyun said confidently.

Many elders shouted as they became excited to fight the war, with Yi Tianyun as the Spirit King, the Spirit Race’s morale was high!

“This time, the Old Ancestor and I will take care of everything! I command the Spirit Race to stand by and wait for the next order!” Yi Tianyun said charismatically.

“Yes, My King! We will follow your every command!” The elders said simultaneously.

The Spirit Race has already shown the trait of fanatic loyalty! With Yi Tianyun as their leader, they forgot about their fear toward the Netherworld Empire!

Yi Tianyun realized that the new enemy would be too much for the Spirit Race as of that moment, so he must face this Army General Feng by himself!

Yi Tianyun also knew that the Netherworld Emperor wouldn't come down to fight the Spirit Race himself, as an emperor of 4th grade faction, fighting against a 3rd grade faction personally is humiliating!

Unless someone like the Imperial Proctor died by the Spirit Race, the Netherworld Emperor wouldn't come to fight!

But this Army General Feng could be said the 3rd most powerful individual on the Netherworld Empire!

That fact alone was a proof to Yi Tianyun that the Netherworld Emperor was already backed into a corner!

Yi Tianyun immediately dispatched an elder to scout the forest entrance as he had prepared to make first. The elder immediately nodded and headed over to the Forest Entrance, there was no hesitation on his step as he followed Yi Tianyun's command!

Meanwhile, after giving appropriate order to the rest of the Spirit Race, Yi Tianyun immediately refined the Soul Accumulating Grass to level himself up!

With so many Exp reward after becoming Spirit King, he only needed a little more Exp to level up! He immediately activated his Pill Refining Crazy Mode and refined the Soul Accumulating Pill to 4th Refinement Rank! He didn't dare to refine the pill to 5th Refinement Rank as it was too risky for the moment!

At the same time, Army General Feng almost reached the forest entrance! His Divine Soldiers of Wind marched through the terrain with incredible speed, the average cultivation base of the soldiers was high! With the lowest being a 3rd Level Spirit Core Stage. These soldiers were so much different than the Dragon Soldier, as this army was quick enough, meanwhile the Dragon Soldier was slow!

The Soldier soon stopped at the edge of the forest, waiting for their General's command!

Elder Yan, who was observing from inside the forest, was a little bit curious and confused as he saw the Soldiers of the Wind stood motionless in the forest's edge.

"Why are they standing still like that?" Elder Yan asked confusedly.

"I don't know either, but no matter what they do, we will kill them as soon as they stepped into the forest!" Another Elder said confidently.

"You are right! With the Old Ancestor taking the helm of the Trace Confusion Great Array, there is no way they can get in!" Elder Yan said confidently.

As the rest of the Spirit Race's scout began to think of contributing for the Spirit Race's glory, the Soldier of Wind immediately marched inside the forest with their long sword ready.

They immediately picked up their pace and began to cut the trees neatly, even though the Great Tree was supposedly hard to cut, those Soldiers of Wind seemed to be doing it easily!

That was all because of their outstanding speed, they hit the great trees several times in a second, nullifying the trees' resistance!

The scene in front of them made the complexion on the elder's face sank!

None of them expected this situation at all, even though the Soldier of Wind will reach the Spirit Sanctuary a little bit slower, it was clearly effective as they wouldn't fall victim to the power of the Trace Confusion Great Array!

At the back of the enemy's army, Army General Feng has directed his soldiers which trees to cut, and to which direction they should march. He held a compass in his hand to determine the path that he would like to make while shouting coldly toward the Soldiers.

Elder Yan became paler than before, as he finally realized that the Army General had an effective way to traverse the forest!

Because of the Trace Confusion Great Array, a compass wouldn't work inside the forest, but what is different when it came to outside of the forest!

The Trace Confusion Great Array didn't have any effect outside of the forest!

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Divine Soldiers of Wind continues to cut the trees precisely while constantly following Army General Feng's direction.

Ye Qingxuan, who came to observe too, couldn't believe what was happening in front of her. She didn't expect the enemy army to be this well prepared on exploiting the weakness of the Trace Confusion Great Array!

"At this rate, it's only a matter of time before they find us! I think they will reach the sanctuary in three days top, if not earlier!" Elder Yan said while estimating the time that the Spirit Race had left.

"What should we do now?" Ye Qingxuan said, feeling frustrated with their circumstances. They couldn't ambush the enemy's unit like this. Army General Feng would surely attack them head on, for the trees begin to dwindle.

"We need to wait for the Spirit King's instruction! The Spirit King only ordered us to scout and wait, we can't do anything else other than that!" Elder Yan said confidently.

The rest of the Spirit Race scout unit who comes with Elder Yan nodded their head and waited for Yi Tianyun to arrive on the battlefield.

Soon after, Yi Tianyun came with a more powerful aura emitted around him, making the Spirit Race Scout wonder how their King could become so much more powerful within a short amount of time!

What they felt wasn't an illusion at all, this powerful aura that they sensed was because Yi Tianyun already Brokethrough after taking the Soul Accumulating Pills that he made earlier!

As of that moment, Yi Tianyun has already reached 7th Level Core Transformation Stage Cultivation.

Without having any big Quest, Yi Tianyun knew that he would be stuck on this level for a while.

“Spirit King! The enemy has progressed through the forest using the most efficient way there is, they cut the trees, while efficiently use some compass from outside the forest to determine the location of the sanctuary! I think they will reach the sanctuary in three days!” Elder Yan said as he gave his report to Yi Tianyun.

“Three days? I will see what I can do to stop them!” Yi Tianyun said while pulling his Ice-Cold Divine Bow out.

Yi Tianyun then silently aimed the arrow toward the Divine Soldiers of Wind and quickly used the Ice-Cold Fury!

With the Crazy Damage Mode activated, the power of Ice-Cold Fury increased by several folds! With his cultivation breakthrough, the Ice-Cold Fury power reached 46 million!

In a blink of an eye, the Ice-Cold Fury rushed through the forest toward the Soldiers of the wind, ready to freeze everyone down!

But Army General Feng sensed the attack coming as Yi Tianyun released it, he quickly jumped and rushed in front of the Soldiers of Wind and immediately blocked the Ice-Cold Fury with his own attack! He slammed his sword forward while shouting, “Roar of the Wind!” and immediately, a hurricane gushed forth from his sword, taking the Ice-Cold Fury head on!

A booming voice was immediately heard around the forest as the two attacks collided! The trees were uprooted from the ground, and the ground itself was frozen as a result!

After witnessing the power of the Army General Feng, Yi Tianyun felt a little bit deterred. By far, this attack was the strongest attack that he ever saw his enemy do! He immediately looked at the Army General Feng using his Appraisal Eye to assess his plan.

Army General Feng: 4th Level Void Spirit Stage

Equipment: Heavenly Wind Divine Sword, Hurricane Armor, Hurricane Boots, Speed Up Divine Rune.

Martial Arts: Wind Divine Art, Wind Sprint, Wind Flash

Combat Power: 48.000.000

Weakness: Flame Attributed attack

Yi Tianyun didn't expect the Army General Feng to have a staggering 48 Million combat power, which explained how easy it was for the Army General to block his Crazy Mode Ice Cold Fury!

But what surprised Yi Tianyun the most was the Army General Feng's speed! He could barely follow the movement of the Army General Feng as he moved with speed enhanced armor!

"The enemy's strength is not that bad, but it still worse than me! If they want to save the Spirit Race, they would have to defeat me! If they didn't do that, I would go straight toward their nest!" The Army General murmured with a killing intent clear in his face.

Army General Feng loved a challenge, and as soon as he heard that General Long had been defeated and killed, he couldn't wait to face the opponent who achieved that!

Yi Tianyun, who heard the Army General murmured, sneered on the side as he didn't think that he was stupid enough to fight the Army General without any plan!

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Yi Tianyun immediately shot three more arrows toward the Soldiers of Wind to see how General Feng will react.

Sure enough, General Feng sensed this attack coming as soon as Yi Tianyun released the Arrow!

General Feng easily blocked Yi Tianyun's attack with ease.

Ye Qingxuan and the elders were looking at Yi Tianyun from afar with awe, they knew how powerful Yi Tianyun's attack just now, it was equal if not better than a 1st Level Void Spirit Stage attack!

Even though General Feng easily fended Yi Tianyun's attack, it was expected as General Feng was a Void Spirit Expert!

"It seems my attack had no effect on him!" Yi Tianyun said frustratedly, he expected his attack to be blocked, but not to this extent! He thought that he could kill at least one or two Soldiers of Wind!

As Yi Tianyun stopped attacking, General Feng's eyes flashed, and suddenly he rushed toward Yi Tianyun's position.

Yi Tianyun was startled as General Feng closed their distance in a second and already stood in front of Yi Tianyun with a smug look on his face.

Yi Tianyun quickly activated the Xuan Tian Divine Art and Golden Body Secret Art, using all his defense power to block General Feng's attack! He chose to stay and tried to see if he could fend off General Feng's attack with only his defensive power.

General Feng quickly stabbed Yi Tianyun using his Heavenly Wind Divine Sword several times in a matter of seconds!

At first, this attack didn't do that much damage to Yi Tianyun, but as the attack keeps coming, he felt the aftershock of the attack penetrating his defense!

Furthermore, Yi Tianyun tried to block some of the attack using his Ice-Cold Divine Bow, but sadly it was futile as the Ice-Cold Divine Bow was smashed and damaged in the process!

Yi Tianyun was flung backward quite fiercely, making many elders screamed in horror for the safety of their Spirit King.

However, Yi Tianyun was still fine, although he received a little bit of damage from General Feng's attack, it didn't do much! He quickly equipped the Red Dragon's spear and activated the Dragon God Bloodline while immediately used the Tyrant Soul Attack that he got from General Long!

General Feng's hurricane was immediately shattered as Yi Tianyun attacked!

"This is General Long's Secret Art!" General Feng said as he was surprised to see the enemy brazenly used the Secret Art of his fallen comrade!

However, General Feng immediately returned to his sense and quickly rushed over and attacked Yi Tianyun once more.

Yi Tianyun immediately used his Afterimage Secret Art to counter General Feng's attack, three clones immediately showed up, and Yi Tianyun quickly attacked General Feng with all his might.

General Feng never saw that move before, he couldn't pinpoint which one was the real body at all! So he chose to attack all those afterimages at the same time, he quickly spun his body while holding his sword close to his waist and shouting "Wind Radiance!" as he spun.

General Feng immediately turned into the eye of a hurricane as the wind began blew wildly in a circular motion.

Yi Tianyun didn't care and decided to attack General Feng no matter what!

Yi Tianyun quickly thrust his Red Dragon's Spear inside the hurricane, and the result was another booming sound throughout the forest!

General Feng was shaken and flung backward while Yi Tianyun also experienced the same thing!

As he flung backward, Yi Tianyun quickly hid inside the fog to retreat for a moment.

“He was too fast! Even if I suppress his power, I don’t think I could catch up with him if he chooses to escape!” Yi Tianyun said frowning as he thought of a way to defeat General Feng.

At the same time, General Feng was trying his best to locate Yi Tianyun’s whereabouts. He couldn’t accept the fact that there was someone from the Spirit Race who had the same level of power as him!

At the side, Ye Qingxuan was looking at Yi Tianyun in awe, even more than before, as the Spirit King was able to retreat safely from the battle with a Void Spirit Expert at that moment!