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Zi Yuan's expression darkened completely. She stopped and looked at Kai, her tone carrying a hint of warning: "Fellow Daoist Chen, you can eat whatever you want, but you can't say anything you want. The Kingdom of God is the top power in the Sixth Heaven, and you can't slander it casually."

"You know clearly whether I am slandering you or not."

Kai also stopped and stared at Zi Yuan sharply, "The Thunder Sound Bell has been stolen, and the Demonic Soul is about to break the seal. Your Divine Kingdom is not thinking about how to resolve the crisis, but is still thinking about forming a marriage alliance with the Temple.

Furthermore, your Divine Nation is very likely colluding with the Evil Dao Palace. You should know that the Evil Dao Palace is a well-known evil demon cultivator. With your current situation, do you think you are worthy of being called a top power?"

Zi Yuan's pupils suddenly contracted. She took a step forward and lowered her voice, "How did you know about the Thunder Sound Bell? Who else told you that the Kingdom of God was colluding with the Evil Dao Palace?"

She had always thought that Kai was only here to escort the princess, but she had never expected that he actually knew about the theft of the Leiyin Bell, and even knew that the Kingdom of God might be colluding with other forces.

This is definitely not information that an ordinary cultivator can know, unless the force behind him is really related to the theft of the Leiyin Bell!

Kai looked at Zi Yuan's nervous expression, and a cold smile appeared on his lips: "I know more than you think.

Miss Zi, instead of trying to figure out my identity, you should think about this: if the demon soul really breaks through the seal, can your kingdom of God still maintain its 'nobility'?

After saying that, Kai no longer paid attention to Zi Yuan and walked straight forward.

Zi Yuan stood there, looking at Kai's back, her heart agitated. She was now certain that Kai was definitely not here simply to escort the princess; his purpose was probably related to the Leiyin Bell!

"This matter must be reported to the King as soon as possible!"

Zi Yuan thought to herself as she quickly followed Kai, her eyes becoming more alert. "Fellow Daoist Chen, the sacrificial square of the Kingdom of God is just ahead. The King is holding a sacrificial ceremony there, praying for the gods' protection. If you want to see the King, I can take you there."

She decided not to test him further and took Kai directly to see the king.

Since Kai knows so much, it is better to let the king decide how to deal with it. After all, the king's cultivation and intelligence are far superior to hers.

Kai glanced at the sacrificial square in front of him. In the center of the square stood a huge statue. The statue was made entirely of gold and exuded a strong divine power.

The square was filled with Protoss monks in sacrificial robes, who were kneeling slowly to the rhythm of the sacrificial music.

"Sacrificial Ceremony?"

A hint of amusement flashed in Kai's eyes. "When the demon soul is about to break through the seal, instead of trying to find a way to resolve the crisis, you are praying for the gods' protection here. Your kingdom of gods is really pious."

Zi Yuan's face became even uglier, but she didn't refute anymore.

She knew that what Kai said was true, but the kingdom of God had been passed down for thousands of years, and the sacrificial ceremony was a rule passed down from ancestors. Even in the face of a crisis, it could not be easily abolished.

The two men walked to the entrance of the sacrificial square, but were stopped by the guards at the gate.

The leading guard was an eighth-rank cultivator in the Earthly Immortal Realm. He glanced at Kai, then at Zi Yuan, and respectfully asked, "Miss Zi, who is this?"

"He is the monk who escorted the princess back. His name is Kai. I will take him to see the king." Zi Yuan said.

The guard frowned and looked at Kai with a hint of contempt in his eyes: "The king is holding a sacrificial ceremony, and outsiders are not allowed to enter. Moreover, he is only a cultivator of the first rank of the Earthly Immortal Realm, and is not worthy of stepping into the sacrificial square."

Zi Yuan was about to speak, but Kai took the lead and said in a calm tone: "Unworthy?"

He took a step forward, and an invisible pressure instantly enveloped the guard.

The guard's face suddenly changed. He didn't expect that a first-grade cultivator in the Earthly Immortal Realm could emit such a powerful pressure. He subconsciously tightened the spear in his hand, but found that his body was a little stiff.

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“How dare you act so presumptuously in front of the sacrificial square?”

The guard gritted his teeth and said, “This is the most sacred place in the Kingdom of God. How can we allow a human cultivator like you to run wild?”

“sacred?”

Kai sneered and raised his hand. A ray of golden spiritual power gathered at his fingertips and pointed at the ground in front of the guard.

With a loud “bang”, a bottomless crack suddenly appeared on the ground. The ground around the crack was covered with spider-web-like cracks, and a terrifying breath emanated from the crack.

The guard was so frightened that his face turned pale. He staggered back several steps and the spear in his hand fell to the ground.

He looked at the gap, his eyes filled with fear – this kind of power was definitely not something a first-level Earthly Immortal could possess!

“Now, am I worthy enough to go in?”

Kai looked at the guards, his tone still calm, but with unquestionable majesty.

The guard was trembling all over, no longer daring to say a single word of “no”, and quickly made way: “Pei... Pei... Fellow Daoist, please come in...”

Zi Yuan looked at this scene and was even more shocked.

She now finally understood that Kai had no power behind him at all. He was a hidden strong man himself. The realm of the first level of the

Earthly Immortal Realm was probably just an illusion he deliberately revealed.

The two men walked into the sacrificial square. When the gods in the square saw Kai, they stopped their sacrifices and looked sideways.

They looked at this ordinary-dressed human cultivator, whose realm was only the first level of the Earthly Immortal Realm, following Zi Yuan's staff, their faces full of confusion and contempt.

"Who is that? Why is he with Ziyuan's staff?"

"It seems to be the monk who escorted the princess back. I heard that he is only a first-level Earth Immortal."

"A first-grade Earth Immortal dares to come to the sacrificial square? This is the most sacred place in the Kingdom of God!"

There were discussions one after another, and the eyes of those gods' monks were full of contempt and disdain.

Kai didn't care about it at all, his eyes fell on the statue in the center of the square.

The statue had a solemn face, held a scepter in his hand, and his body was engraved with intricate divine patterns, emitting a strong fluctuation of divine power.

Kai actually sensed a familiar smell from this divine pattern.

The divine patterns on this statue seem to be similar to those on the Leiyin Bell, and both contain the power of sealing.

"Miss Zi, what material are the statues of your kingdom of God made of?" Kai suddenly asked.

Zi Yuan was stunned for a moment, then said, "This is made of 'Divine Meteorite Gold' from the heavens. Divine Meteorite Gold contains rich

divine power and is the best material for making statues of gods. What's wrong?"

"Nothing." Kai shook his head, but thought secretly in his heart.

Divine Meteorite Gold can contain divine power and can also be used to strengthen the seal. The Thunder Sound Bell has been stolen, and the demonic spirit is about to break through the seal. However, the statue of the Kingdom of God has a similar seal aura. Is there any connection between the Kingdom of God and the seal of the Thunder Sound Bell?

At this moment, on the high platform of the sacrificial square, an old man in golden sacrificial robes opened his eyes.

The old man had white hair and beard, and his face was covered with wrinkles, but he exuded an unfathomable aura, the aura of a human fairyland!

He is the ruler of the Kingdom of God, Wu Hao.

Kai never imagined that the ruler of the Kingdom of God would actually be a human fairyland!

In this way, the strength of the Sixth Palace Master of the Temple is not as good as that of the Lord of the Kingdom of God.

Even Taoist Wuji from Leiyin Temple is no match for Wu Hao.

No wonder the Kingdom of God is so huge and occupies such a large piece of Feng Shui treasure land, and no one else comes to compete for it.

Wu Hao's gaze fell on Kai, a hint of surprise flashed in his eyes, and then he regained his composure: "Zi Yuan, is this the monk who escorted the princess back?"

Zi Yuan hurried forward and bowed respectfully, “My Lord, it is. His name is Kai, and he has safely escorted the princess back to the Divine Capital.”

Wu Hao nodded, his eyes fell on Kai again, and he said in a calm tone: “Fellow Daoist Kai, thank you for sending my daughter back. I wonder if you have any needs this time? The Kingdom of God will definitely satisfy you.

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Kai’s eyes were piercing as he stared at Wu Hao. He said in a deep voice, “Lord, I do have a question for you. I heard that the Leiyin Bell from the Leiyin Temple was stolen. I wonder if this has anything to do with the Kingdom of God?”

Wu Hao’s originally calm expression suddenly became serious. He stared at Kai closely, with a hint of vigilance in his eyes.

Then he questioned, “How could you, a mere first-rank cultivator in the Earthly Immortal Realm, know about the theft of the Thunder Sound Bell? This is a secret of the Thunder Sound Temple. If it weren’t for the upper echelons of the Thunder Sound Temple, there would be no way of knowing it!”

Kai met Wu Hao’s gaze and said frankly, “To be honest, I’m friends with Taoist Wuji from Leiyin Temple. We’re very good friends.”

Wu Hao frowned slightly, and after thinking for a moment, he said, “In that case, this is not the place to talk. Follow me to the palace to discuss in detail.”

After saying that, he waved his long sleeves and flew towards the palace with Kai.

Arriving at the inner hall of the imperial palace, Wu Hao dismissed his attendants and said to Kai with a serious expression, “You know, this Leiyin Bell is of vital importance to the Leiyin Temple.”

“In fact, the Kingdom of Gods is similar to the Leiyin Temple. Countless demonic spirits are suppressed underground. This sacrificial ceremony is to strengthen the divine patterns that suppress the demonic spirits.”

“Now that the Leiyin Bell of Leiyin Temple has been stolen, my kingdom of God is also in danger. I have strengthened the defense of the capital of God in the past few days.”

Kai’s heart trembled, and he asked, “Lord, in your opinion, who is involved in the theft of the Leiyin Bell?”

A cold glint flashed in Wu Hao’s eyes, and he said in a deep voice, “I suspect this matter is closely related to the Evil Path Hall. The Evil Path Hall acts in a secretive manner, specializing in shady activities. Moreover, according to my secret investigation, the Sixth Palace Master of the Temple seems to have some connection with the Evil Path Hall.”

“A dignified cultivator of the God Clan actually followed those evil demons and heretics. What shameless fellows they are. The Temple is no longer what it used to be.”

It is obvious that Wu Hao is very dissatisfied with the current temple.

Upon hearing this, Kai couldn’t help but question, “If that’s the case, why did the king want to marry the princess to the son of the Third Temple Master? Isn’t this courting disaster?”

Wu Hao sighed and explained, “I had no choice but to do this. I suspect the Third Hall Master is colluding with the Evil Path Hall. By marrying my daughter to him, I hope she can get close to the Third Hall Master and investigate the matter thoroughly. If this is true, the Divine Kingdom can take precautions in advance and avoid a catastrophe.”

Kai thought to himself and felt that what Wu Hao said was true. It seemed that the King of the Divine Kingdom was not in cahoots with the person who stole the Leiyin Bell.

Having made up his mind, he stood up and said, “Lord, if that’s the case, I will not disturb you any further. I intend to leave the Divine Kingdom and search for the Evil Dao Palace to see if I can find the whereabouts of the Thunder Sound Bell.”

Wu Hao quickly reached out to stop him, saying sincerely, “Fellow Daoist Chen, please stay! Since you have such a heart and such strength, why don’t you stay and cooperate with our Divine Kingdom?

Now the demon souls are about to break the seal. If they are allowed to see the light of day again, the entire Sixth Heaven will be doomed.

The Kingdom of God is willing to devote all its resources to investigating the matter of the Thunder Sound Bell with you, and we must not allow the demon soul to be released.”

Kai looked at Wu Hao’s sincere eyes and felt something in his heart.

He knew very well that this matter was of great importance and it would be difficult for him to handle it alone.

If there is help from the Kingdom of God, the hope of finding the Leiyin Bell will greatly increase.

After pondering for a moment, he bowed and said, “Since the Lord is so sincere, I agree to stay and fight the impending crisis together with the Kingdom of God!”

Wu Hao showed a relieved smile on his face, patted Kai on the shoulder and said, “Great! The Kingdom of God is fortunate to have the help of Fellow Daoist Chen, and the Heavenly Realm is fortunate too!”

When Wu Hao saw Kai agreed to cooperate, a genuine smile appeared in his eyes. He knew very well that although the Kingdom of God seemed

strong at the moment, it was actually facing internal and external troubles.

The shadow of the theft of the Leiyin Bell has not yet dissipated, and the collusion between the Temple of God and the Temple of Evil is looming, and an unfathomable helper like Kai is urgently needed.

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“Fellow Daoist Chen, since you possess real talent and knowledge, you should let the entire Divine Nation know your strength so that everyone can be convinced.”

Wu Hao pondered and said, “Ziyuan, take Fellow Daoist Chen to the martial arts arena and have the commander of the Imperial Guards arrange a sparring match so that Fellow Daoist Chen can become familiar with the combat power of the Divine Kingdom.”

Zi Yuan nodded upon hearing this and made a “please” gesture to Kai: “Fellow Daoist Chen, please follow me. The Divine Kingdom’s Imperial Guards are one of the top combat forces in the Sixth Heaven, and the martial arts arena gathers the Divine Kingdom’s most elite cultivators.”

Kai did not refuse, as he also wanted to find out the true strength of the Kingdom of God.

The premise of cooperation is equality. If all the people in the Kingdom of God are like Wei Feng, who are strong on the outside but weak on the inside, this cooperation will probably be difficult to be effective.

The two left the palace and walked towards the martial arts field on the west side of the Divine Capital.

The divine cultivators along the way saw Zi Yuan’s respectful attitude towards Kai, and recalled the rumor that Kai had broken Wei Feng’s arm in the academy. They looked at Kai with a little more awe, and no longer had the contempt they had before.

The Divine Kingdom's martial arts arena was far grander than Kai had imagined. The entire venue was paved with black black iron stone, and the ground was engraved with impact-absorbing formation patterns. Dozens of stone pillars engraved with divine patterns stood on the edge, and a crystal ball used to record battle records was suspended on the top of each stone pillar.

At this moment, hundreds of imperial guards in silver armor were training in the training grounds. Golden spiritual energy crisscrossed and the shouts of killing were deafening.

"That is the commander of the Imperial Guards, Ao Lie."

Zi Yuan pointed to a burly man in the center of the martial arts arena and introduced him in a low voice, "He's a hybrid of the Dragon and God races, with a cultivation base at the peak of the eighth rank in the Earthly Immortal Realm. His wielding of the 'Sky-Splitting Spear' is incredibly skilled, and he ranks tenth on the Divine Nation's Martial Arts Ranking."

"Dragon clan?" Kai was a little surprised. He followed Zi Yuan's gaze and saw that Ao Lie was more than eight feet tall, with long green hair tied behind his head, a firm face, and a cold aura emanating from his body.

He was holding a silver spear about ten feet long, directing the imperial guards in their training. The tip of the spear would occasionally pass through the void, tearing the air and making a sharp explosion.

Ao Lie noticed the gazes of the two people and turned around. When his eyes fell on Kai, his brows immediately frowned.

The cultivator in front of him was only a first-grade Earth Immortal Realm cultivator. He was dressed in ordinary clothes, and the fluctuations of spiritual energy around him were also ordinary. It was really hard to see what was so special about him that he could be accompanied by Zi Yuan's staff in person.

"Master Ziyuan, who is this?"

Ao Lie put away his silver spear and strode over with a hint of arrogance in his tone.

In his opinion, those who could catch Zi Yuan's eye should at least be cultivators of the eighth level of the Earthly Immortal Realm. A "low-level cultivator" like Kai was not worthy of appearing in the martial arts arena at all.

"Commander Ao, this is Fellow Daoist Kai, a distinguished guest invited by the king."

Zi Yuan's tone was calm, yet filled with unquestionable authority. "The King has instructed you to arrange a sparring match so that Fellow Daoist Chen can witness the strength of the Imperial Guards."

Upon hearing this, Ao Lie's face showed obvious disdain. He looked Kai up and down and sneered, "Lord Ziyuan, you are serious, right? You want me to spar with a cultivator of the first rank of the Earthly Immortal Realm? If this gets out, wouldn't everyone laugh at me? The Divine Kingdom's Imperial Guards can't afford to lose face like this!"

The imperial guards who were training around also looked sideways, and after seeing Kai's realm, they couldn't help laughing, and discussions broke out one after another.

"The commander is right. Is a first-grade Earth Immortal worthy enough to spar with the commander? I'm afraid he'll be killed instantly in one move!"

"I think he's here to join in the fun. Maybe he got some backdoor and was brought here by Lady Ziyuan."

"I can beat ten of these guys with one hand!"

Kai remained expressionless, as if he hadn't heard the ridicule.

He knew very well that in this world where strength was respected, verbal disputes were meaningless and only fists could silence people.

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Zi Yuan's face darkened slightly, she knew Ao Lie's temper.

His status as the tenth on the martial arts list made him extremely conceited, and he never took cultivators of lower realms seriously.

But she also understood Kai's strength, and immediately said in a cold voice: "Commander Ao, the king has ordered, you only need to follow. If you feel that it is too cheap to compete with Fellow Daoist Chen, then send one of your men down to give it a try."

Ao Lie thought about it and felt that sending a subordinate would not only complete the king's order but also maintain his status, so he waved to the edge of the martial arts field and said, "Shi Hu, come here!"

A burly, ferocious captain of the Imperial Guards quickly stepped forward and knelt on one knee, "Commander!"

Although Shi Hu is a seventh-grade cultivator in the Earthly Immortal Realm and is well-known for his bravery among the Imperial Guards, an ordinary eighth-grade cultivator in the Earthly Immortal Realm may not be his match.

"I've got a task for you."

Ao Lie pointed at Kai and said casually, "Have a spar with this fellow Daoist Chen. Remember, be gentle and don't hurt anyone. After all, he's only a first-grade cultivator in the Earthly Immortal Realm. If anything goes wrong, you won't be able to bear the blame from the king."

"yes!"

Shi Hu stood up and looked at Kai with contempt, as if he was looking at an ant that could be crushed to death at any time.

He moved his wrist, and the bones made a “crackling” sound. He grinned and said, “Boy, if you know what’s good for you, just admit defeat. Otherwise, I’ll beat you down and make you lose face.”

Kai glanced at him indifferently without saying a word. He walked straight to the center of the martial arts field and made a “please” gesture to Shi Hu.

“I don’t know what’s good for me!”

Shi Hu snorted coldly, and his body flashed, pouncing forward like a tiger, his fists clenched tightly, and the golden spiritual power condensed into the shape of sharp claws on his fists, smashing towards Kai’s chest with a whistling sound.

The punch was powerful and heavy, and it was obvious that he did not hold back. In his opinion, there was no need to go all out to deal with a first-level cultivator in the Earth Immortal Realm.

The surrounding imperial guards held their breath. In their opinion, if Kai didn’t die from this punch, he would be seriously injured.

Zi Yuan, however, looked calm. She had seen the speed with which Kai cut off Wei Feng’s arm, and she knew that Shi Hu’s seemingly fierce punch might not hurt Kai at all.

Sure enough, just as the fist was about to hit Kai, Kai’s figure suddenly disappeared from the spot.

Shi Hu’s punch missed and he was shocked. Before he could react, he felt a pain on the back of his neck and was hit by a powerful force. He flew out like a kite with a broken string and fell heavily on the black iron stone ground with a “bang”, stirring up a cloud of dust.

“What?”

A hint of surprise flashed in Ao Lie’s eyes. He didn’t even see Kai’s movements clearly.

Shi Hu struggled to get up, with an expression of disbelief on his face.

He touched the back of his neck, where he felt a sharp pain. It was obvious that if the blow had been a little harder, his cervical vertebrae would have been broken.

“Boy, you dare to attack me!”

Shi Hu roared angrily and pounced again.

This time, he didn’t dare to be careless anymore. The golden divine patterns around his body lit up, and a long spiritual sword condensed in his hand. The sword light flashed and swept towards Kai.

Kai remained calm and composed, his figure moving through the sword light like a ghost. No matter how swift Shi Hu’s sword was, it could not touch the corner of his clothes.

Occasionally, Kai would throw a punch or a kick, each time accurately hitting Shi Hu’s weak spot.

“Bang!” “Snap!” “Ah!”

Screams continued to ring out, and Shi Hu’s body was soon covered with scars. The spiritual long sword was also kicked away by Kai.

Finally, Kai grabbed Shi Hu’s wrist and twisted it gently. With a crisp “crack” sound, Shi Hu’s arm was broken.

“I lost…”

Shi Hu could no longer hold on and collapsed to the ground, gasping for breath, his eyes filled with fear as he looked at Kai.

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The martial arts arena suddenly became quiet. The imperial guards who had just been mocking Kai were now stunned, and the smiles on their faces froze.

A cultivator of the first rank of the Earthly Immortal Realm could actually defeat a captain of the seventh rank of the Earthly Immortal Realm so easily? This completely overturned their cognition!

Zi Yuan raised a faint smile and looked at Ao Lie, “Commander Ao, do you still think that Fellow Daoist Chen is unworthy of sparring?”

Ao Lie’s expression was extremely grim. He stared at Kai and said in a deep voice, “It doesn’t count! Shi Hu clearly showed mercy just now! He was afraid of really hurting you, so he didn’t kill you, and that’s why you took advantage of the opportunity! If he had used all his strength, you wouldn’t have had a chance at all!”

As soon as these words were spoken, even Shi Hu on the ground couldn’t help but want to refute – he had clearly tried his best just now, but he couldn’t even touch the corner of Kai’s clothes, how could he be considered merciful?

But he didn’t dare to disobey Ao Lie’s order, so he could only lower his head and agree with this statement.

Upon hearing this, Kai smiled disdainfully, “Oh? So, I won unfairly?”

“That’s right!”

Ao Lie stiffened his neck and said, “You’re just lucky! If it was a real life-or-death fight, you would have been killed by Shi Hu long ago!”

“OK.”

Kai nodded, his tone calm but with a hint of coldness, “How about a life-and-death duel? There are no restrictions, and it will continue until one side falls.

However, since it is a life-and-death battle, there must be some stakes, right?

I'll bet one million immortal stones. If I lose, the immortal stones belong to you. If you lose, you also have to pay one million immortal stones. How about that?

One million immortal stones is not a small number. Even a commander of the imperial guards like Ao Lie would need decades to accumulate it.

But he was angered by Kai's attitude, and coupled with the humiliation just now, he agreed without thinking: "Okay! I bet with you! I want to see how you, a cultivator of the first rank of the Earthly Immortal Realm, can fight me to the death!"

The surrounding imperial guards became excited and gathered around, wanting to watch a life-and-death battle between a first-grade Earth Immortal and a ninth-grade Earth Immortal at the peak.

Zi Yuan wanted to dissuade him, but was stopped by Kai's eyes – what he wanted was to completely convince Ao Lie and let everyone in the Kingdom of God understand that he was qualified to cooperate with the Kingdom of God on an equal footing.

Ao Lie strode to the center of the martial arts arena, shook the silver spear in his hand, and pointed the spear tip directly at Kai: "Boy, don't say I'm bullying you, you make the first move!"

Kai stopped talking nonsense and flipped his right hand. The Dragon Slaying Sword appeared out of thin air in his hand.

Silver lightning flashed on the sword, and a cold murderous aura spread out, making the surrounding imperial guards shiver.

"So it's by weapons!"

A trace of disdain flashed in Ao Lie's eyes, "I thought you had real skills, but I didn't expect you were just relying on a good sword!"

Before he finished speaking, Kai's figure had disappeared from the spot.

Ao Lie was shocked and quickly swung his silver spear to form an impenetrable defense.

However, at the moment when the silver spear collided with the Dragon Slaying Sword, there was a crisp "click" sound, and the silver spear in Ao Lie's hand was actually cut in half by the Dragon Slaying Sword!

"What?"

Ao Lie's pupils suddenly shrank, and his face was full of disbelief.

His silver spear was made of thousand-year-old black iron and was indestructible. Even if a ninth-grade cultivator in the Earthly Immortal Realm struck it with all his strength, it might not leave any mark. How could it be cut off by Kai's sword?

Kai did not give Ao Lie time to react, and pointed the Dragon Slaying Sword directly at his throat.

Ao Lie was so frightened that he quickly dodged to the side, barely avoiding the fatal blow, but the sword still left a bloody mark on his neck.

"stop!"

Ao Lie yelled and retreated repeatedly, "It doesn't count! It doesn't count at all! You used a divine weapon, and I only used an ordinary black iron spear. You have a huge advantage in weapons, so this competition doesn't count!"

The surrounding imperial guards also echoed this sentiment, thinking that Kai had indeed won by relying on weapons, and that his victory was unfair.

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Kai looked at Ao Lie, and the contempt on his face became even stronger.

He slowly put away the Dragon Slaying Sword and placed it back into his storage bag. He said coldly, “Okay, then I won’t use any weapons, I’ll just fight you with my fists. If I can still defeat you like this, what else do you have to say?”

Ao Lie was stunned for a moment, then a look of ecstasy appeared on his face: “Are you serious? No weapons required?”

In his opinion, Kai was able to defeat Shi Hu and cut off his silver spear mostly because of that magic weapon. If he didn’t use the weapon, a cultivator of the first rank in the Earthly Immortal Realm, no matter how fast he was, would not be his opponent.

“Of course it’s true.”

Kai flexed his wrist. “However, the stake remains the same, one million immortal stones. If you don’t dare, you can admit defeat now. Just give me one million immortal stones.”

“Why wouldn’t I dare?”

Ao Lie was enraged, and the spiritual power around him surged. The aura of the peak ninth level of the Earthly Immortal Realm was released without reservation, and the air in the entire martial arts field seemed to solidify.

He clenched his fists, and golden spiritual energy condensed on his fists, forming two dazzling balls of light. “Boy, you asked for this! Don’t blame me for being ruthless!”

Zi Yuan stood aside, looking a little nervous. She knew that Kai was very powerful, but Ao Lie was, after all, a cultivator at the peak of the eighth rank of the Earthly Immortal Realm, and a half-dragon half-blood, with an extremely strong body. Without weapons, Kai might not be able to gain an advantage.

“Take that!”

Ao Lie roared angrily and rushed towards Kai like a golden lightning. He punched out with both fists and smashed towards Kai’s head with the momentum of destroying the world.

He threw this punch without holding back at all, using all his spiritual power, obviously wanting to win with one strike and save his face.

The surrounding imperial guards all cried out in surprise. They could feel the terrifying power of this punch. If they were hit, even a small mountain would be razed to the ground.

Faced with such a ferocious punch, Kai remained calm.

He slightly separated his feet, lowered his center of gravity, and slowly let the spiritual power in his body circulate and gather in his fists.

Although his realm is only the first level of the Earthly Immortal Realm, his spiritual power has been tempered many times and its purity far exceeds that of cultivators of the same level, and is even more powerful than Ao Lie’s spiritual power.

Just when the fist was about to hit Kai, Kai suddenly raised his right hand and collided fiercely with Ao Lie’s fist.

“Bang!”

There was a deafening roar, and a golden spiritual power shock wave spread out from the two of them. The stone pillars at the edge of the martial arts field shook violently, and the crystal ball on the top made a buzzing sound.

The surrounding imperial guards were all forced to retreat by the shock wave, their faces filled with shock.

They originally thought that Kai would be knocked away by one punch, but they didn’t expect that the two would be evenly matched?

Ao Lie was even more unbelievable. He only felt a powerful force coming from Kai's fist, which made his arm numb and his knuckles crack. He took three steps back before he could steady himself.

He looked down at his fist, which was red and swollen and aching slightly.

"How is this possible? How can your spiritual power be so strong?"

Ao Lie asked in a lost voice. A cultivator at the first level of the Earthly Immortal Realm could actually possess even more powerful spiritual energy than a cultivator at the peak of the eighth level of the Earthly Immortal Realm? This simply defied common sense in cultivation!

Kai did not answer. He took advantage of the victory and pursued Ao Lie. He flashed in front of Ao Lie and punched out with his left fist as fast as lightning, heading straight for Ao Lie's chest.

Ao Lie quickly raised his hand to block, but with a "bang", he was knocked back again, and felt a sharp pain in his chest, as if he was hit by a huge rock.

He was horrified and quickly used his spiritual power to protect his chest. At the same time, he fought back, punching Kai with both fists like a storm.

Kai responded calmly, his figure moving among Ao Lie's fist shadows, sometimes dodging, sometimes counterattacking.

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His punches seemed slow, but each time they landed accurately on Ao Lie's weak spots, and they were extremely powerful. Every punch made Ao Lie's blood surge.

"Bang!" "Snap!" "Boom!"

The two men fought fiercely in the martial arts arena, golden spiritual power splashed everywhere, and deep pits were trampled into the black iron stone ground by their footprints.

The surrounding imperial guards were stunned. They had never seen such a wonderful fight – a cultivator of the first level of the Earth Immortal Realm could actually fight on equal terms with Ao Lie, who was at the peak of the eighth level of the Earth Immortal Realm, and even had the upper hand!

Zi Yuan's heart was finally at ease. She could see that Kai was not only fast and strong, but also extremely experienced in combat. Every move he made was just right, completely suppressing Ao Lie's rhythm.

The more Ao Lie fought, the more frightened and angry he became.

He felt like punching cotton, with no place to exert all his strength. Kai was too fast for him to keep up, and Kai's strength was too great, making his arms numb with every collision.

What made him even more frustrated was that Kai always seemed to be able to predict his attacks and dodge or counterattack in advance.

"Ah! I'll fight you!"

Ao Lie roared angrily, and the dragon blood in his body was completely stimulated. His body expanded instantly, his skin turned green, a pair of huge dragon wings grew behind him, his hands turned into dragon claws, and his eyes flashed with scarlet light.

"It's Dragon Transformation! The Commander is serious!"

"Great! That kid is dead now!"

"After transforming into a dragon, the commander's strength will at least double!"

The surrounding imperial guards were all excited. Dragon Transformation was Ao Lie's trump card. Once it was used, even a ninth-grade cultivator in the Earthly Immortal Realm would be able to defeat him.

Zi Yuan's face became tense again. She knew how terrifying Ao Lie was after transforming into a dragon, and she quickly shouted, "Fellow Daoist Chen, be careful!"

Kai looked at Ao Lie after he turned into a dragon, and a hint of solemnity flashed in his eyes, but more of it was excitement.

Ao Lie flapped his dragon wings and hovered in the air. Two huge golden light balls condensed on his dragon claws, emitting a destructive aura.

"Boy, prepare to die!" He threw the ball of light at Kai. The ball of light split into dozens of small balls in the air and fell towards Kai like raindrops.

Kai touched the ground with his feet, jumped up, and rolled continuously in the air, avoiding most of the light balls.

He smashed the remaining balls of light with his fists. However, the moment he landed, Ao Lie appeared in front of him, and his dragon claws grabbed his head with a whistling sound.

"Just in time!"

Kai shouted loudly, and instead of retreating, he advanced, punching out with both fists, colliding with Ao Lie's dragon claws.

"Bang!"

There was another loud noise. This time, Kai was shocked and took five steps back, feeling severe pain in his arm.

Ao Lie was not feeling well either. He felt as if his dragon claws were grabbing onto a hard diamond, causing his entire arm to lose feeling and his dragon wings to flap slower.

“How is this possible? How can your body be so strong?”

Ao Lie asked again, his voice breaking. After transforming into a dragon, his physical strength far surpassed that of an ordinary cultivator. Even divine weapons might not be able to harm him in the slightest. How could he be so embarrassed by Kai’s fist?

Kai didn’t say anything. He shook his numb arms and rushed towards Ao Lie again.

This time, he no longer dodged, but instead engaged in a head-on confrontation with Ao Lie.

The two men’s fists and dragon claws kept colliding, the golden spiritual power and the green dragon energy intertwined together, and the entire martial arts field was shrouded in terrifying energy fluctuations.

The surrounding imperial guards were all stunned, their hearts almost beating out of their chests. This wasn’t just a sparring match; it was a life-or-death struggle!

“Bang!”

Another violent collision, Kai

“Bang!”

There was another violent collision, and Kai and Ao Lie both took several steps back, leaving deep cracks on the black iron stone ground beneath their feet.

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Ao Lie's dragon claws were covered with fine wounds, and blood was dripping through the gaps between the claws, making a "sizzling" sound when it landed on the ground.

His breath also became a little disordered. The energy consumption in the dragon state far exceeded his expectations, but Kai's breath remained steady, as if the fierce battle just now had no effect on him.

"Impossible! There's absolutely no way you're only at the first level of the Earthly Immortal Realm!"

Ao Lie roared with red eyes. He really couldn't accept the fact that he, a dragon hybrid at the peak of the ninth level of the Earth Immortal Realm, was actually suppressed by a cultivator at the first level of the Earth Immortal Realm in physical combat.

Kai wiped the blood from the corner of his mouth – he was not unscathed when he took Ao Lie's claw just now, but this injury was insignificant to him.

He looked at Ao Lie, his tone cold: "Realm is only a yardstick for cultivation, not the whole picture of strength. You have only reached the ninth level of the Earthly Immortal Realm, but you don't know how to truly control your strength. Your loss is not unfair."

"fart!"

Ao Lie was completely enraged. He suddenly opened his mouth and a green dragon breath spewed out from his mouth, carrying the temperature of burning the sky and boiling the sea, and went straight towards Kai.

This dragon breath is the original power of his dragon bloodline, and its power far exceeds that of ordinary magical powers. Even if a cultivator of the ninth level of the Earthly Immortal Realm is hit by it, he will be reduced to ashes in an instant.

The surrounding imperial guards retreated in fear, and Zi Yuan's face changed drastically. She wanted to step forward to stop it, but it was too late.

Facing the roaring dragon breath, a fierce look flashed in Kai's eyes.

He took a deep breath, and the spiritual power in his body circulated wildly, gathering on his fists. At the same time, he practiced the "Concentration Heart Technique", mobilizing a trace of chaotic power to wrap around his fists.

In an instant, Kai's fists emitted a faint gray light. Although seemingly inconspicuous, they contained the power to destroy the world.

"break!"

Kai shouted loudly and punched forward with both fists. A huge gray fist mark appeared out of thin air and collided violently with the green dragon breath.

"boom–!"

There was a deafening roar, and a terrifying energy shock wave spread out from the two of them. The stone pillars at the edge of the training ground collapsed, huge cracks appeared on the ground, and smoke and dust filled the air, covering the sky and the sun.

The surrounding imperial guards were blown away by the shock wave, fell heavily to the ground, and blood spurted from their mouths.

Zi Yuan quickly used her spiritual power to protect herself, and looked at the smoke and dust in the center of the training ground, feeling extremely anxious.

The smoke and dust gradually dissipated, and two figures appeared in front of everyone.

Ao Lie was covered in blood, his dragon wings were broken, most of the scales on his body had fallen off, and he collapsed to the ground dying, obviously having lost his fighting ability.

Kai stood in the same place. Apart from some damage to his clothes, he was almost unharmed. However, his face was slightly pale – the previous attack had also consumed a lot of his chaotic power.

The whole place was silent, and all the imperial guards stared at Kai in amazement, their eyes filled with awe and fear.

They no longer dared to underestimate him. This cultivator, who seemed to be only at the first level of the Earthly Immortal Realm, was simply a monster!

Zi Yuan breathed a sigh of relief, quickly stepped forward, and bowed to Kai, saying, “Fellow Daoist Chen, you are very skilled! Commander Ao…”

“I accept the loss.” Kai interrupted Zi Yuan and looked at Ao Lie, “Commander Ao, when will you give me one million immortal stones?”

Ao Lie struggled to get up, but he was too weak to do anything. He could only glare at Kai with hatred: “I… I admit defeat! One million immortal stones, I’ll send someone to your residence!”

He was filled with resentment, but he had to admit that he had lost completely – whether using weapons or not, he was no match for Kai.

“I think you’re still a little dissatisfied?”

Kai looked at Ao Lie and asked!

Ao Lie didn’t say anything. He was indeed a little dissatisfied. He thought that Kai was deliberately hiding his strength and showing weakness, and then suddenly exploded, catching people off guard.

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“Since you’ve already hit me, I’ll convince you.”

After Kai finished speaking, the dragon crystal on his chest began to flicker, and golden light burst out. Soon, a golden dragon shadow slowly solidified behind Kai.

“roar……”

A dragon roared, shaking everyone present so much that their bodies shook, and many weaker imperial guards fell to the ground.

Looking at the gradually solidifying golden dragon, Ao Lie felt a little dumbfounded.

The dragon bloodline that he had always been proud of was now a joke in front of Kai.

Not only is Kai of dragon blood, he is also the noblest golden dragon.

Ao Lie prostrated himself before Kai, his eyes filled with submission: “I surrender. I am willing to follow Mr. Chen’s lead…”

This time, Ao Lie surrendered sincerely.

Even Zi Yuan was so shocked when she saw the golden dragon shadow of Kai that her mouth opened wide and she couldn’t speak for a long time.

In the martial arts arena, the shadow of a golden dragon circled in the sky, the dragon’s roar shook the sky, and the aftermath swept in all directions.

Those imperial guards who had previously mocked Kai were now all prostrating themselves on the ground, trembling all over, and looking at Kai with only extreme awe in their eyes.

Ao Lie lay on the black iron stone ground, his green dragon scales had lost their luster, and his broken dragon wings drooped weakly. Looking

at the golden dragon phantom with dazzling golden light, the last trace of unwillingness in his heart also disappeared.

As a half-dragon, he knew best the dignity and power of the golden dragon bloodline. This suppression from deep within his bloodline made him not even have the courage to raise his head.

“Mr. Chen… Ao Lie was blind and offended your dignity. I beg you to be magnanimous and forgive me!”

Ao Lie’s voice was hoarse, his forehead pressed tightly against the ground, and his tone was full of submission.

Kai raised his hand and waved it. The light of the dragon crystal on his chest gradually dimmed, the shadow of the golden dragon slowly dissipated, and the pressure on the martial arts field faded away.

He walked up to Ao Lie and said calmly, “The Divine Kingdom and I are in a cooperative relationship. I don’t intend to humiliate anyone. But if you continue to look down on us, how can we work together to deal with the Demonic Soul Crisis in the future?”

“Ao Lie understands!” Ao Lie raised his head suddenly, his eyes no longer filled with arrogance, only determination. “From now on, if Mr. Chen has any orders, Ao Lie will not refuse even if it means death! The entire Imperial Guard will obey Mr. Chen’s orders!”

The surrounding imperial guards echoed in unison, shouting “Follow Mr. Chen’s orders”, their voices were uniform and loud, echoing over the martial arts field.

Zi Yuan walked forward and looked at Kai with unconcealed amazement: “Fellow Daoist Chen is a hidden talent. He actually possesses the bloodline of the Golden Dragon. No wonder he is so powerful.”

Kai smiled and said nothing more.

He knew very well that the display of the Golden Dragon bloodline would shock the entire Kingdom of God far more than a single victory.

In this world where strength and bloodline are respected, noble bloodline often means deeper foundation and stronger potential, which can make his cooperation with the Kingdom of God more stable and reduce obstacles for the subsequent investigation of the Leiyin Bell.

The news about the martial arts arena spread like wildfire, and in less than half a day it spread throughout the capital.

“Have you heard? A fierce character appeared in the martial arts arena! A first-grade Earthly Immortal defeated Commander Ao Lie and even manifested a golden dragon phantom!”

“Golden Dragon Bloodline? That’s the legendary top-tier bloodline! No wonder Commander Ao is so impressed. If it were me, I wouldn’t even have the courage to take action.”

“I heard that the man’s name is Kai, and he’s a distinguished guest personally invited by the king. He wants to cooperate with our Divine Kingdom to investigate the matter of the Leiyin Bell!”

“With the help of a powerful person with the Golden Dragon bloodline, maybe we can really find the Thunder Sound Bell and prevent the demon soul from coming into the world!”

In teahouses, taverns, and on the streets, people were talking about Kai everywhere.

The depressing atmosphere that had originally permeated the Divine Capital due to the theft of the Leiyin Bell was given a bit more hope due to the appearance of Kai.

Even the nobles of the Kingdom of God were trying to find out about Kai, wanting to make friends with this powerful man with the blood of the golden dragon.

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Inside the palace hall, Wu Hao listened to Zi Yuan's detailed report. The jade cup in his hand shook slightly, his eyes filled with shock. "Golden Dragon Bloodline? Kai actually has such a background? I originally thought he was just a casual cultivator with outstanding strength, but I didn't expect he had such a profound foundation!"

Zi Yuan bowed and replied, "Lord, Fellow Daoist Kai not only has a noble bloodline, but his strength is also unfathomable.

Even after Commander Ao Lie transformed into a dragon and attacked with all his might, he was still defeated by the power of chaos. His true combat power is probably at the peak of the ninth level of the Earthly Immortal Realm, and may even be at the threshold of the Human Immortal Realm.

Wu Hao suddenly stood up and paced around the hall, his face filled with excitement. "May God help my kingdom! With Kai's help, we won't have to worry about finding the Thunder Sound Bell or resolving the crisis of the Demonic Soul!"

He stopped, his expression becoming serious, "Zi Yuan, please ask Fellow Daoist Kai to come to the palace immediately. I have something important to discuss with him.

In addition, the order was passed down to seal the news that Kai possessed the blood of the Golden Dragon and only inform the core layer.

The Divine Realm is currently facing internal and external troubles. If the news spreads too widely, it may cause unnecessary trouble, especially for those in the Divine Temple and the Prime Minister's side."

"I obey your command." Zi Yuan accepted the order and withdrew.

Soon, Kai followed Zi Yuan to the inner hall of the imperial palace.

Wu Hao personally stood up to greet him, his attitude even more respectful than before: “Fellow Daoist Chen, I didn’t know you had the bloodline of the Golden Dragon before, so I apologize for my negligence. I hope you will forgive me.”

“Your Majesty, you are very polite.” Kai bowed in return. “Bloodline is merely an innate gift. True strength requires cultivation.”

Wu Hao was even more impressed when he heard this. He quickly invited Kai to take a seat and ordered someone to serve him some celestial tea. Then he slowly spoke, “Fellow Daoist Chen, I asked you to come here today because I want to formally entrust you with the investigation of the Leiyin Bell. Right now, inside and outside the Divine Capital, you are the only one capable of taking on this important task.”

“If the demon souls of Leiyin Temple break through the suppression, I am afraid that my kingdom of God will also suffer. By then, the demon souls suppressed by my kingdom of God will probably break through the taboos.”

He paused, then took out a jade token engraved with divine patterns from his bosom and handed it to Kai: “This is the Kingdom of God’s ‘Exploration Jade Token’. Holding this jade token, you can mobilize the Kingdom of God’s secret forces to access confidential files inside and outside the capital.

Zi Yuan will assist you in the investigation. As for the Imperial Guards, Ao Lie is convinced by you and can be deployed at any time.”

Kai took the jade token, which felt warm in his hand. The divine patterns on the jade token were faintly flowing, and it was obviously an extraordinary magical weapon.

He didn’t expect that the Lord of the Kingdom of God would trust him so much that he could mobilize all the power of the Kingdom of God.

Kai nodded and said, “Don’t worry, my Lord. I will do my best to retrieve the Thunder Sound Bell. I just wonder how many clues the Divine

Kingdom has about the collusion between the Evil Dao Palace and the Sixth Palace Master of the Divine Temple?”

“There aren’t many clues.”

Wu Hao sighed, his expression solemn, “The Evil Dao Temple operates in extreme secrecy. The Kingdom of God’s spies have investigated many times, but have only scratched the surface. They haven’t even been able to determine the location of their headquarters.

As for the Sixth Lord of the Divine Temple, although there are rumors that he has close ties with the Evil Path Palace, there is no concrete evidence. The Divine Temple has a huge influence in the Divine Clan. Without solid evidence, rashly touching him could trigger a conflict between the Divine Kingdom and the Divine Temple.

“I see.”

Kai pondered, “Then our first step should be to investigate within the Divine Capital. The theft of the Thunder Sound Bell is a secret, and not many people know about it. Perhaps we can find a breakthrough among the high-ranking officials of the Divine Kingdom. Also, I wonder what kind of character this Prime Minister, whom the King mentioned, is like?”

When Wu Hao heard the word “Prime Minister”, his brows furrowed slightly: “The Prime Minister’s name is Liu Kun. He has followed the late emperor for many years and controls the Kingdom of God’s ‘National Guard Legion’ with over 10,000 soldiers and is very powerful.

He appears to be loyal to the Kingdom of God, but I cannot guarantee complete trust. Liu Kun is extremely power-hungry and has wooed many officials in the court over the years, creating a complex network of influence. If you encounter anyone of his during your investigation, be cautious.

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Kai's heart moved, and he memorized Liu Kun's name. "Thank you, Your Majesty, for reminding me. Daoist Fellow Zi Yuan and I will begin our investigation today, and we will report to you as soon as we make any progress."

"good!"

Wu Hao stood up and patted Kai on the shoulder. "I'll leave the safety of the Kingdom of God in the hands of Fellow Daoist Chen. If necessary, I will use all the power of the Kingdom of God to support you."

After leaving the palace, Zi Yuan looked at Kai and said, "Fellow Daoist Chen, where should we start our investigation?"

"First, go to the Secret Investigation Department of the Kingdom of God and look at the files."

Kai said, "Since the Evil Dao Palace was able to sneak into Leiyin Temple and steal the Leiyin Bell, they must have already investigated and understood the Leiyin Temple. Perhaps they can find clues from past spy reports. Also, let's check Liu Kun's background while we're at it—the King is suspicious of him, so we have to be on guard."

Zi Yuan nodded in agreement and took Kai to the Secret Investigation Division. The Secret Investigation Division was located in a secluded courtyard on the west side of the Divine Capital. Although it looked ordinary from the outside, it was heavily guarded inside and filled with hidden formations.

The person in charge of the Secret Investigation Department was an old man named Mo Chen, whose cultivation level was at the seventh level of the Earthly Immortal Realm. Upon seeing Kai holding the exploratory jade token and hearing that he was a powerful man with the blood of a golden dragon, he did not dare to be negligent and immediately took out all the files about the Evil Dao Palace and Liu Kun.

The two searched the Secret Service for a whole day but gained little.

The files on the Evil Dao Temple were mostly scattered rumors, recording the appearance of suspected Evil Dao Temple monks in certain places, but there was no follow-up;

As for the files concerning Liu Kun, they were all about his achievements in assisting the Kingdom of God, as well as records of some daily government affairs. No trace of any collusion with the Evil Dao Palace could be found.

“It seems that Liu Kun is hiding very deeply, or in other words, he is indeed not colluding with the Evil Dao Palace.”

Zi Yuan put down the file in her hand and said with some disappointment.

Kai shook his head. “The more perfect something seems, the more likely it is to have problems. Liu Kun has been in power for many years, so it wouldn’t be difficult for him to cover up some traces. We can’t just rely on the files of the Secret Service. We have to look elsewhere.”

At this moment, a clerk from the Secret Investigation Department hurried in to report: “Master Mochen, Master Ziyuan, Mr. Chen, the Prime Minister’s Mansion has sent an invitation to invite Mr. Chen to a banquet tomorrow.”

Zi Yuan took the invitation and opened it. It said that Liu Kun invited Kai to a banquet at the Prime Minister’s Mansion at noon tomorrow to discuss “assisting the Kingdom of God in dealing with the crisis.”

She looked at Kai with a wary look in her eyes: “I’m afraid it’s not that simple that Liu Kun suddenly invited you.”

Kai picked up the invitation, a cold smile curling his lips. “Since he invited me, I’ll go meet him. This is a good opportunity to see what this Prime Minister is planning.”

At noon the next day, Kai went to the Prime Minister’s Mansion alone.

The Prime Minister's Mansion is located in the aristocratic area on the east side of Shendu. It covers a vast area and has magnificent buildings. Two huge stone lions stand at the entrance, looking majestic.

The palace is full of carved beams and painted buildings, pavilions and towers are scattered in an orderly manner, and the garden is full of exotic flowers and plants, with a fairy-like air, showing luxury.

Liu Kun had already been waiting at the Moon Invitation Pavilion in the mansion. He was about sixty years old, dressed in purple official robes, with a gaunt face and deep eyes. He seemed gentle, but he exuded the majesty of a long-time high official.

Seeing Kai coming in, Liu Kun quickly stood up to greet him, a smile on his face: "Mr. Chen, you are so honored to come. I apologize for not coming to greet you."

"You are too polite, Prime Minister."

Kai bowed in return and glanced calmly around the Yaoyue Pavilion – outside the pavilion stood several cultivators in black, all of whom had an aura above the eighth level of the Earthly Immortal Realm, and were obviously Liu Kun's guards.

The stone table in the pavilion was filled with delicacies, and two maids stood beside it, serving respectfully.

Liu Kun invited Kai to take a seat and personally poured him some immortal wine. He smiled and said, "Mr. Chen possesses the bloodline of the Golden Dragon and possesses extraordinary strength. It is truly a blessing for our Divine Kingdom that you have come to our Kingdom to assist us. I have long admired your great name, and today I have specially prepared some wine, hoping to establish a friendship with you."

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Kai picked up his wine glass, took a sip, and said calmly, “I feel so ashamed to accept the Prime Minister’s kindness. I wonder if the Prime Minister invited me here today for any other reason besides making friends?”

Liu Kun’s eyes flashed with approval. He felt that Kai was a straightforward person, so he stopped beating around the bush and spoke directly: “To be honest, I invited you here today because I want you to stay in the Kingdom of God and assist me.”

“Assisting the Prime Minister?”

Kai feigned surprise. “The Lord has already intended for me to assist in the investigation of the Leiyin Bell. If I assist the Prime Minister, wouldn’t that go against the Lord’s wishes?”

“The king is kind, but sometimes he is too indecisive.”

Liu Kun said with a hint of disdain, “Now the Divine Realm is facing internal and external troubles, the Thunder Sound Bell has been stolen, the Demonic Soul is about to be born, and the Divine Temple is watching covetously. Only I can stabilize the situation.

If Mr. Chen can assist me, when I take control of the divine kingdom, I will definitely appoint you as the ‘Great General Protecting the Nation’, grant you thousands of acres of fertile land, and countless immortal stones.

As for the cultivation resources required for the Golden Dragon Bloodline, I will also do my best to provide them.”

At this point, Liu Kun’s gaze fell on the storage bag on Kai’s waist, a trace of greed flashing in his eyes. “I heard that you have a magical weapon in your hands, called the Dragon Slaying Sword? If you are willing to lend me the Dragon Slaying Sword, I will also hand over part of the military power of the National Defense Corps to you.”

Kai sneered in his heart, and finally understood Liu Kun's purpose – not only did he want to win him over to serve him, but he also coveted the Dragon Slaying Sword, and might even want to make use of his golden dragon bloodline.

He put down his wine glass and said in a cold tone, "I appreciate the Prime Minister's kindness, but I am a partner with the Kingdom of God, not someone's subordinate. The Dragon Slaying Sword is my sword and I never lend it to anyone. Please take back your words, Prime Minister."

The smile on Liu Kun's face instantly disappeared, and his eyes turned gloomy. "Mr. Chen, are you not giving me face? I invited you out of kindness, but you are so ungrateful?"

"It's not that Chen is ungrateful, it's just that we have different ideals and cannot work together."

Kai stood up and said, "Since we don't agree, I'll take my leave."

"Want to leave?"

Liu Kun slammed the stone table, and the black-robed monks outside the pavilion immediately surrounded him, their auras locked on Kai. "Mr. Chen, I'll give you one last chance—either stay and assist me, or don't blame me for being rude!"

"You're welcome?"

Kai sneered, "Does the Prime Minister think he can keep me here with these people?"

"I know you are very powerful. Even Ao Lie is not your opponent."

Liu Kun said sinisterly, "But do you think I will only send these people? To tell you the truth, I invited you here today for your Dragon Slaying Sword and Golden Dragon Spirit! As long as I can take your spirit and refine your Golden Dragon bloodline, my strength will be able to reach a

new level. At that time, the entire Divine Kingdom will be under my control!”

As soon as he finished speaking, a huge light curtain of formation suddenly lit up around Yaoyue Pavilion, covering the entire pavilion.

As the formation started to work, countless black runes emerged, emitting a sinister and strange aura that could actually suppress the spiritual power of the cultivators.

“This is the ‘Spirit Locking Formation’, specifically used to suppress the spiritual power of the powerful.”

Liu Kun smiled proudly and said, “Mr. Chen, even if you have the blood of the Golden Dragon, you can’t even exert 30% of your strength in this Soul Locking Formation. If you know what’s good for you, just hand over the Dragon Slaying Sword and your soul. I might even be able to leave you with an intact body.”

Kai’s eyes turned cold, and he flipped his right hand. The Dragon Slaying Sword appeared in his hand, and silver lightning flashed as he slashed towards the black-robed monks around him.

However, the suppression of the formation was indeed powerful. The spiritual power in his body sluggishly flowed, and the power of the Dragon Slaying Sword was greatly reduced.

“Stop him!”

Liu Kun shouted.

The black-robed monks attacked one after another, using various magical weapons and supernatural powers to attack Kai.

An eighth-grade cultivator in the Earthly Immortal Realm held a giant axe and slashed out a golden axe light, heading straight for Kai’s head;

Another monk cast a large black net, trying to trap Kai.

Kai dodged the axe and swung the Dragon Slaying Sword to cut through the black net.

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But at this moment, a monk hiding in the dark suddenly shot a poisoned arrow straight at Kai's back.

"careful!"

When Kai noticed it, it was too late to dodge and he could only use his spiritual power to protect his back.

The hidden arrow hit the spiritual barrier with a "puff" sound. Although it did not hurt Kai, the poison on the arrow penetrated into his body along with the spiritual power, causing a sharp pain in his meridians.

"Hahaha, Mr. Chen, this 'Spirit-Corroding Poison' specifically erodes the spiritual power of cultivators. Within half an hour, you will lose all your spiritual power and be at the mercy of others!" Liu Kun laughed wildly.

Kai's face changed slightly. He could feel that the spiritual power in his body was being slowly eroded by the poison.

He knew that he couldn't fight for long and had to break through the formation and escape as soon as possible.

He took a deep breath and forced himself to mobilize the spiritual power in his body.

The spiritual power in Kai's body exploded instantly.

"break!"

Kai shouted loudly, and swung the Dragon Slaying Sword, sending out a huge silver lightning bolt, striking the light curtain of the formation.

“boom!”

The lightning collided with the light curtain, causing it to shake violently and a crack to appear.

Liu Kun was shocked when he saw this and quickly urged his spiritual power to strengthen the formation: “Quick, kill him! Don’t let him escape!”

The black-robed monks attacked frantically, and Kai was caught in a dilemma, with more and more wounds on his body.

But relying on the power of chaos and the strong body of the golden dragon bloodline, he managed to withstand the attack and swung his sword again to chop at the crack in the light curtain.

“Crack!” The light curtain finally shattered, breaking the Soul Locking Formation. Kai seized the opportunity, flashed out of the Yueyue Pavilion, and fled towards the Prime Minister’s Mansion.

“Chase! We must bring him back!” Liu Kun roared and personally led the black-robed monks to chase after him.

Kai rushed out of the Prime Minister’s Mansion and fled all the way to the outside of the city of Shendu.

The soul-corroding poison in his body was constantly spreading, and his spiritual power was becoming weaker and weaker. Liu Kun and the black-clothed monk behind him were chasing him relentlessly, and the distance between them was getting closer and closer.

Kai had to find a safe place, calm down and use the Concentration Mind Technique to refine the poison.

“Kai, you can’t escape! Just surrender!”

Liu Kun’s voice came from behind, with a smug grin.

Kai gritted his teeth and didn't dare to look back. He could only desperately mobilize the power of chaos to maintain his speed.

He knew that once he was caught up, in his current state, he would definitely not be a match for Liu Kun.

Liu Kun's cultivation level is at the human immortal realm, second only to Wu Hao in the Kingdom of Gods. If Kai had not used the Soul Locking Formation and the Soul Corrosion Poison to launch a sneak attack just now, he might not have been at a disadvantage. But at this moment, he was poisoned first, and his spiritual power was damaged, so he was no match for Liu Kun at all.

After running out of the gate of Shendu City, Kai fled towards the mountains and forests outside the city.

The mountains and forests are densely covered with trees, making it easy to hide and perhaps escape from pursuers.

He went into the forest and used the terrain to constantly change direction. The footsteps and shouts of the pursuers behind him were gradually drowned out by the silence of the forest.

Kai found a secluded cave and went inside before he dared to stop. He leaned against the cave wall, breathing heavily, feeling weak all over.

He quickly sat down cross-legged and started practicing the "Concentration Heart Technique" to refine the soul-corroding poison.

The power of the golden dragon flows slowly, refining the toxins that have invaded the body bit by bit.

But the Soul-Corroding Poison is extremely stubborn, and it is not easy to completely eliminate it.

Kai practiced his skills for an hour before he was able to refine more than half of the poison.

At this moment, a familiar voice came from outside the cave: “Fellow Daoist Chen? Are you in there?”

Kai’s heart moved, recognizing Zi Yuan’s voice, and he quickly stood up and walked out of the cave: “Fellow Daoist Zi Yuan, why are you here?”

Seeing Kai covered in wounds, his clothes torn, and his face pale, Zi Yuan quickly stepped forward and asked, “Fellow Daoist Chen, how did you get into this state? Did Liu Kun attack you? I went to the Prime Minister’s residence to look for you, and found it in chaos. Liu Kun’s men said you attacked the Prime Minister and fled, fearing your punishment. I knew something was wrong, so I quickly chased you out.”

“Liu Kun coveted my Dragon Slaying Sword and Golden Dragon Bloodline, and set a trap to kill me and steal the treasures.”

Kai briefly recounted what happened at the Xiangguo Mansion. “If I hadn’t fought tooth and nail to break through the Soul Locking Formation, I would have been his prisoner.”

Upon hearing this, Zi Yuan’s face changed drastically: “How dare Liu Kun be so bold! He dared to attack the king’s guest in broad daylight. It’s simply lawless! I will return to the palace now to report to the king and let him convict him.

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“No!”

Kai grabbed Zi Yuan’s wrist and said in a hurried and firm tone, “Since Liu Kun dared to attack me openly, he must have been prepared.

He has been operating in the capital for many years and has followers all over the court and outside. If you go back to report to the king now, not only may you not be able to convince him, but you may fall into Liu Kun’s trap.

He only needs to bite back and accuse the two of us of colluding with foreign enemies and plotting to murder the Prime Minister. With his current power, he may not be able to turn right into wrong."

Zi Yuan was stunned for a moment, then reacted and her expression became even uglier: "Then what should we do? We can't just let him frame us like this, right?"

"Now is not the time to argue. Let's avoid the pursuers first!"

Just as Kai finished speaking, he could hear the sound of dense footsteps and Liu Kun's angry shout in the distance: "Kai! You can't escape! Leave behind the Dragon Slaying Sword and the Golden Dragon Spirit, and I will spare your life!"

The two men's faces changed suddenly. They quickly found a cave and went deep into the cave, trying to find another exit.

But this cave was a dead end, with no other way out except the entrance. Liu Kun and more than ten black-robed monks quickly chased to the cave entrance and blocked the only way out.

"Hahaha, Kai, let's see where you can run to!"

Liu Kun stood at the entrance of the cave, his eyes sweeping sinisterly through the space. When he saw Zi Yuan, a flash of surprise flashed in his eyes, and then he sneered, "Master Zi Yuan is here too? What? Are you thinking of betraying the Kingdom of God?"

"Liu Kun! You are slandering me!"

Zi Yuan stepped forward, blocking Kai's way and angrily scolding him, "Fellow Daoist Chen is a distinguished guest personally invited by the Lord. How dare you set a trap to murder him and even accuse him of rebellion? Do you still have any respect for the Lord and the laws of the Kingdom of God?"

"Law?"

Liu Kun sneered, his eyes filled with disdain, “In this Divine Capital, my words are the law! Kai possesses a precious treasure and has the blood of a golden dragon. Keeping him here will only bring disaster to the Kingdom of God. I am eliminating this scourge for the Kingdom of God!”

As for you, Ziyuan, if you know what’s good for you, get out of here, or don’t blame me for punishing you too!”

“Let’s see who dares to touch Fellow Daoist Chen!”

Zi Yuan summoned a green long sword, her spiritual power circulated, and the aura of an eighth-level Earthly Immortal Realm emanated from her body.

Although she knew that she was no match for Liu Kun, she could not retreat at this moment.

“act recklessly!”

A fierce look flashed in Liu Kun’s eyes, and he shouted to the black-robed monk behind him, “Go! Kill Zi Yuan first, then capture Kai!”

Two black-robed monks of the eighth level of the Earthly Immortal Realm immediately rushed up, one of them cast a chain and the other swung a long sword, attacking Zi Yuan.

Zi Yuan did not dare to be careless. She swung her green sword and fought with the two men. The sword light flashed.

Although her cultivation was high, she soon fell into a disadvantage when facing the attack of two cultivators of the same level.

Liu Kun locked his eyes on Kai, and with a flash of his body, he pounced towards him.

The aura of the first level of the human immortal realm exploded, forming a powerful pressure that made it difficult for Kai to breathe.

“Kai, prepare to die!”

Liu Kun slapped out with his palm, and the black spiritual power condensed in his palm, carrying a gloomy aura, went straight to Kai’s chest.

Kai gritted his teeth, mobilized the remaining spiritual power in his body, and swung the Dragon Slaying Sword to meet the enemy.

With a “clang”, the Dragon Slaying Sword collided with Liu Kun’s palm. Kai felt a huge force coming, his arm went numb, and he was shocked and retreated repeatedly, hitting the wall of the cave, spurting out a mouthful of blood.

The soul-corroding poison took advantage of the situation and attacked, causing unbearable pain in the meridians and making the spiritual power even more stagnant.

“Hahaha, that’s all!”

Liu Kun, taking advantage of his situation, lunged at him again, his palms fierce and deadly. Kai could only barely block them, and soon he suffered several more wounds, his clothes stained with blood.

On the other side, Zi Yuan was in danger under siege by two black-robed monks.

One monk seized her weakness and wrapped the chain around her wrist, while the other monk slashed down with his long sword, about to hit her shoulder.

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Zi Yuan struggled to break free from the chains, but was hit by a wave of spiritual power. Her body became unstable, and she spat out a mouthful of blood. Her face instantly turned as pale as paper.

At the same time, an almost inaudible poisonous gas entered Zi Yuan's body through her lower abdomen.

"Fellow Daoist Ziyuan!"

Seeing this, Kai's eyes were bloodshot and he wanted to rush over to help, but Liu Kun slapped him on the back, causing him to spit out blood again and stagger to his knees.

"Kai! Do you understand how powerful I am now?"

Liu Kun walked up to Kai, stepped on his back, and said with a sinister smile, "Hand over the Dragon Slaying Sword and the Soul, and I may be able to let you die more peacefully."

Kai lay on the ground with blood flowing from the corner of his mouth, but his eyes remained firm.

He looked at the injured Zi Yuan not far away, then looked at Liu Kun's smug face, and the anger and unwillingness in his heart erupted like a volcano.

He suddenly looked up, a golden light flashed in his eyes, and the dragon crystal on his chest lit up again. This time, the light was brighter than ever before.

"ah–!"

Kai let out a roar like a dragon's roar, and the golden dragon blood in his body completely erupted. Golden scales emerged from under his skin, and a huge golden dragon condensed behind him. The cave was instantly filled with golden light.

His aura soared, and he temporarily suppressed the soul-corroding poison, bursting out with strength close to the first level of the human immortal realm.

Liu Kun was so shocked by the sudden force that he stepped back repeatedly, a look of shock on his face. “The true form of the Golden Dragon? Impossible! You’re clearly poisoned, how can you still unleash such power?”

Kai ignored him, rushed to Zi Yuan and picked her up.

At the same time, he swung the Dragon-Slaying Sword, and golden sword energy burst out, forcing back the black-robed monks who were besieging Zi Yuan.

“Liu Kun, I will remember this humiliation today! I will repay you a hundredfold one day!”

Kai roared angrily, and the indestructible golden body wrapped around his whole body. He activated the Fire Control Step and rushed towards the top of the cave with Zi Yuan.

“Boom!”

The rocks on the top of the cave were smashed to pieces. Kai rushed out holding Zi Yuan and flew towards the depths of the forest.

Liu Kun reacted and roared, “Chase! We must catch them!”

The black-robed monks spread out their bodies and chased in the direction where Kai fled.

But Kai used the golden dragon bloodline to burst out at an extremely fast speed, and soon left the pursuers behind.

He carried the weak-breathing Zi Yuan in his arms and galloped all the way until he was sure that he had completely escaped the pursuers, and then he stopped in a hidden valley.

“Fellow Daoist Ziyuan, how are you?”

Kai put Ziyuan on the ground and asked anxiously.

Zi Yuan was covered in wounds and poisoned, her breath was weak, and she had fallen into a coma.

Kai quickly took out the healing pill, pried open her mouth and fed it in, then used the power of the dragon to help her refine the medicinal power.

Looking at Zi Yuan's pale face, Kai's eyes flashed with ruthlessness: "Liu Kun, this feud is irreconcilable! I will definitely expose your conspiracy and make you pay with blood!"

Liu Kun led the pursuers to search in the mountains and forests for a whole hour, but still could not find any trace of Kai, so he had to return to the Prime Minister's Mansion angrily.

In the study, Liu Kun paced back and forth, his face so gloomy that water could drip out of it – Kai's escape meant that his plot had been exposed. Once Kai found Wu Hao and told him the truth, he would be doomed.

"Sir, what should we do now? Kai has escaped. If he goes to the king to complain, we will be in trouble!"

A black-robed monk asked anxiously.

Liu Kun stopped abruptly, a fierce look flashing in his eyes. "Why are you panicking? Kai is poisoned and injured. Even if we find Wu Hao, we may not be able to gain his trust. Besides, I already have a backup plan."

He turned to look at his trusted advisor, "Prepare the carriage immediately. I need to go to the palace to see the king."

Inside the palace, Wu Hao was worried because Kai hadn't returned yet. When he heard Liu Kun wanted to see him, he couldn't help but wonder, "Why would Liu Kun come to see me at this time?"

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“Send him in.”

Liu Kun stepped into the inner hall and bowed, his face showing a look of concern for the country and its people. “Your Majesty, I heard that there has been no progress in the theft of the Leiyin Bell, and the people of the Divine Capital have been in a state of panic recently. I am deeply concerned and have come to offer my advice to you.”

Wu Hao motioned him to stand up and said in a deep voice, “Just say what you want to say.”

“Lord, the demonic spirits are ready to make a move, the Evil Path Palace is eyeing us covetously, and the Divine Temple is unclear about its attitude. Our Divine Kingdom is in a difficult situation.”

Liu Kun sighed and said slowly, “I believe that the most urgent task is to consolidate our relationship with the Temple. As long as we can form an alliance with the Temple and gain its support, the Evil Path Temple will not dare to act rashly, and the matter of the Demonic Soul will be more secure.”

Wu Hao frowned slightly: “I have already planned the marriage, but Fellow Daoist Kai is investigating the Leiyin Bell, so this matter needs to be considered in the long run.”

“Lord, there is no time to lose!”

Liu Kun hurriedly said, “The Leiyin Bell has been stolen for many days, and there is no clue where to find it. If we delay the marriage any further, the Temple will probably think that our Divine Kingdom is not sincere.

The Third Palace Master holds a high position in the Divine Temple. If we can marry him, not only can we use his power to investigate the Evil Path Palace, but we can also enhance the status of our Divine Kingdom among the Divine Clan. Killing two birds with one stone!”

He paused, then added fuel to the fire, “I’ve heard that people from the Evil Path Palace have been active near the Divine Capital recently,

seemingly trying to spy on the Demon Soul Seal beneath our Divine Kingdom.

Without the support of the Divine Temple, if the Evil Path Temple joins forces with other forces to attack, my Divine Kingdom will probably be unable to resist."

Wu Hao was silent. Although Liu Kun's words were a bit exaggerated, they were not without reason.

The Kingdom of God is now facing internal and external troubles and indeed needs the support of external forces.

Moreover, he had originally planned to let the princess marry the son of the Third Palace Master and take the opportunity to investigate the collusion between the Third Palace Master and the Evil Dao Palace. Liu Kun's proposal seemed to fit in with his plan.

"You have a point."

Wu Hao nodded slowly, "Then the matter of the marriage will be fully entrusted to you. Three days later, you will personally escort the princess to the Third Palace to complete the wedding."

Liu Kun was delighted, but his expression remained respectful: "I obey your command! I will not let the Lord down!"

After leaving the palace, Liu Kun immediately returned to the Prime Minister's Mansion and summoned his trusted subordinates.

"Sir, has the king agreed to the marriage?" asked the counselor.

"Humph, Wu Hao really took the bait."

Liu Kun sneered, "This marriage is just a delaying tactic. In three days, I will not only kidnap the princess, but also use this opportunity to force Wu Hao to hand over the sacrificial manual!"

Everyone was shocked: “Sir, you want to sacrifice the treasure book? Do you really want to…”

“good!”

A hint of madness flashed in Liu Kun’s eyes, “The Sacrificial Manual contains methods to strengthen and destroy the seal of the Demon Soul. As long as we obtain it and then join forces with the Evil Dao Palace, we can open the seal and release the Demon Soul. Then the entire Sixth Heaven will be plunged into chaos.

I will then use the power of the Demonic Soul to get rid of Wu Hao and those old guys from Leiyin Temple, and the entire Sixth Heaven will be mine!”

When everyone heard this, they were shocked, but more of it was greed – if Liu Kun could really control the Sixth Heaven, they, as his confidants, would surely rise to great heights.

“Your Excellency is wise!” everyone responded in unison.

“Okay, let’s go down and get ready.”

Liu Kun waved his hand and said, “Three days later, I will personally lead the team that escorts the princess. You will secretly arrange for someone to kidnap the princess immediately after leaving the Divine Capital.

Remember, you must do it secretly and don’t let anyone know.”

“Yes!” everyone answered!

On the other side, Kai gathered a gentle spiritual power at his fingertips and gently tapped Zi Yuan’s brow: “Hold on, I’ll take you to a safe place.”

Before he finished speaking, Kai waved his hand and the Demon-Suppressing Tower appeared.

Kai no longer hesitated and helped Zi Yuan step into the tower gate. The next second, the two of them found themselves in a completely different world.

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Zi Yuan's consciousness, which was originally drowsy due to the poisoning, was instantly awakened by the rich fairy air that came towards her. She stared at the scene in front of her with wide eyes, and was so shocked that even her breathing stopped for a moment.

What came into view was not the dark cage that suppressed the monsters as imagined, but a vast expanse of spiritual land.

In the distance, several rolling hills are all white. Looking closely, they are actually made of fairy stones of extremely high purity.

Those were the immortal stone veins collected by Kai, as well as the resources looted from some killed monks.

Between the hills, a stream formed by the confluence of liquid fairy energy meanders. The streamside is full of thousand-year-old spiritual herbs, ten-thousand-year-old Ganoderma lucidum, and even a few rare enlightenment tea trees. The spiritual dew condensed on the leaves drips and turns into tiny spiritual energy vortexes in the air.

Farther away, the nine-story Demon-Suppressing Tower was suspended in the void, with runes on the tower shining, illuminating the entire space inside the tower.

Above the void, the traces of the passage of time are visible to the naked eye. Although one can clearly see the subtle movements of the spiritual herbs growing, it seems that everything is moving several times faster, strangely and harmoniously.

"What…what is this place?"

Zi Yuan's voice trembled uncontrollably. She had seen the top-grade mineral veins treasured by the royal family of the Kingdom of God, but compared to this place, there was a world of difference.

Especially those fairy stone mountains, the pure spiritual energy emitted by them almost made her meridians swell, causing the toxins in her body to be suppressed at a speed visible to the naked eye.

"This is the interior of the Demon Suppression Tower."

Kai helped her sit down under a tea tree and took out a detoxification pill from his storage bag and handed it to her. "The flow of time in the tower is different from that in the outside world. One day in the outside world is equal to a hundred days in the tower. Moreover, the spiritual energy of these immortal stone veins is pure enough, which is just right for our recovery."

Zi Yuan swallowed the detoxification pill as instructed, and felt a cool feeling sliding down her throat. It blended with the spiritual energy in the tower, instantly enveloping the toxins in her body and began to peel them off bit by bit.

She looked at the Fairy Stone Mountain in the distance, then looked at Kai's pale but determined face. Besides being shocked, she felt more at ease.

With such a precious treasure to help them, they may have a chance to turn the tables.

"Forehead……"

Suddenly, Zi Yuan frowned and her face became very ugly.

"What's wrong with you?" Kai asked hurriedly!

"I…I…" Zi Yuan squeezed her legs together, her expression very unnatural.

“What happened to you? Didn’t you clear the toxins completely?”

Kai asked anxiously.

Zi Yuan nodded and said, “The poison entered my lower abdomen, and now I feel itchy down there…”

When Kai heard this, he was stunned for a moment and unconsciously looked at Ziyuan’s lower abdomen.

Zi Yuan blushed and gritted her teeth, saying, “Don’t worry about me. I’ll force the poison out slowly and see if I can.”

“You are very weak now, there is no way to force the poison out.” Kai shook his head, and then said as if he had made up his mind: “Miss Ziyuan, if you can let go, I can help you suck out the poison…”

“What?” Zi Yuan was stunned and her face turned even redder.

“Is it okay?” Kai asked!

Ziyuan hesitated for a moment and nodded!

Kai didn’t hesitate. He took off Zi Yuan’s clothes, lay over her and started sucking her violently with his mouth.

Zi Yuan only felt that her body was hollowed out and she was about to float up!

After an unknown amount of time, Ziyuan fainted again, moaning.

Kai licked his lips, glanced at the unconscious Zi Yuan, and after settling her down, Kai walked to a fairy stone mountain and sat cross-legged.

He took a deep breath and began to practice the Heart Concentration Technique. In an instant, the spiritual power of the entire Fairy Stone Mountain surged into his body like a tide, rushing madly along the meridians into his dantian.

Unlike the outside world, the spiritual power of the immortal stones in the tower can be directly absorbed without refining. Coupled with the hundred times faster flow of time, the efficiency of cultivation is instantly increased by more than a thousand times.

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Within the Dantian, the cyclone began to rotate at high speed, and the green spiritual power continued to compress and condense, and the color gradually changed from light green to dark blue.

Kai could clearly feel that the barrier on the wall of his dantian that was hindering the breakthrough was being constantly impacted by the huge spiritual power. Every impact caused tiny cracks to appear on the barrier.

Time flies in the tower. In the outside world, only two days pass, but two hundred days have passed in the tower.

During these two hundred days, Zi Yuan's injuries were completely healed under the dual effects of the detoxification pill and the rich spiritual energy. She even used the spiritual energy in the tower to break through to the ninth level of the Earthly Immortal Realm, and was only one step away from breaking through to the Human Immortal Realm.

She often sat under the Wudao tea tree, looking at Kai not far away. When she thought of the scene of Kai sucking her with his mouth, Ziyuan would unconsciously clamp her legs together.

At this time, Kai was surrounded by a layer of emerald green spiritual power halo. From time to time, tiny arcs of lightning flashed in the halo, reflecting the runes on the tower. The fairy stone mountain in front of him actually became shorter at a speed visible to the naked eye. Obviously, most of the spiritual power had been absorbed by him.

On this day, when another huge amount of spiritual power poured into his dantian from Xianshi Mountain, Kai suddenly opened his eyes, and his eyes flashed with brilliance.

He let out a low cry, condensed all the spiritual power in his body into a spiritual spear, and stabbed it fiercely at the barrier on the wall of Dantian.

“Crack!”

A crisp cracking sound was heard in his body, and the barrier that had troubled him for a long time was broken!

In an instant, more powerful immortal stone spiritual power poured in from the outside world, and the cyclone in the dantian expanded wildly, its color changed from deep blue to dark green, and finally stabilized into a spiritual power core that was as condensed as a substance, emitting an aura that was several times stronger than before.

The second level of the Earthly Immortal Realm!

Kai slowly finished his practice, feeling the surging spiritual power in his body and the thunder-attributed spiritual power flowing through his meridians. Finally, a long-lost smile appeared on the corner of his mouth.

He stood up and stretched his hands and feet. The hidden injuries caused by poisoning and forced spiritual power were completely healed. In fact, because he absorbed the pure spiritual power of the fairy stone vein, his foundation was even more solid than before.

“Fellow Daoist Kai, congratulations on your breakthrough!”

Zi Yuan walked forward quickly, her face full of joy. She could clearly feel the aura emanating from Kai, which was calm and powerful, completely different from before.

Kai looked at Zi Yuan and smiled slightly, saying, “Miss Zi Yuan, congratulations on your breakthrough!”

“If it weren’t for your Demon Suppression Tower, I would never have been able to break through in such a short time. Thank you so much.”

“And… and thank you for helping me detoxify…”

After Ziyuan finished speaking, her face turned as red as a monkey’s butt!

“It’s just a small matter. If the toxins in Miss Ziyuan’s body have not been completely cleared, I can help you.” Kai said nonchalantly!

Upon hearing this, Zi Yuan shook her head and said, “Maybe it wasn’t cleaned out completely. Lately, I’ve been feeling a tingling sensation, like little bugs crawling around. It’s like the toxin is about to erupt.”

“In that case, I’ll help you suck out all the toxins!” Kai said, and moved closer!

Ziyuan closed her eyes and let Kai play with her without any resistance, just enjoyment.

After a long time, Kai finally stopped, looked at Zi Yuan and asked, “Miss Zi Yuan, how do you feel?”

“Much better.” Zi Yuan nodded, “Let’s hurry back to the Divine Capital. I’m afraid Liu Kun will do something bad to the King.”

“Okay!” Kai nodded.

After saying that, he raised his hand to open the tower door, and walked out with Zi Yuan in his arms.

After Kai and the others walked out, the Demon-Suppressing Tower instantly shrank and returned to Kai’s hands.

At this time, the sky outside was just getting bright. Kai looked in the direction of the capital, with a determined light flashing in his eyes.

The two men concealed their aura and quickly headed towards the capital.

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In the Imperial Palace of the Capital of Heaven, the Hall of Supreme Harmony was filled with curling incense and the atmosphere was solemn.

The three-day deadline has arrived. Princess Wu Yue is wearing an elaborate red wedding gown, a seven-tailed phoenix crown on her head, and is surrounded by pearls and jade. However, her beautiful face does not show any joy, but only a firmness that does not match her age.

Wu Hao sat upright on the dragon throne, looking at his daughter with complicated eyes.

He stood up and walked down the imperial steps, personally adjusting the tassels on Wu Yue's phoenix crown. His voice was low and solemn: "Yu'er, this trip to the Third Palace is nominally for a marriage, but in reality it is to investigate for evidence of collusion between the Third Palace Master and the Evil Dao Palace. Your father knows that I have wronged you, but the safety of the Divine Kingdom depends on you, you..."

"Father, your daughter understands."

Wu Yue interrupted Wu Hao, her tone calm but resolute, "In the past, my daughter was ignorant and always wanted to escape the engagement. Now I understand my father's painstaking efforts.

The Evil Path Hall stole the Thunder Sound Bell and covets the Demon Soul Seal. If the Third Hall Master truly colludes with them, it will be a

grave threat to the Sixth Heaven. My daughter will act with caution and live up to my father's trust."

A trace of relief flashed across Wu Hao's eyes, and he continued, "Liu Kun will personally escort you to the Third Palace. He is a very cunning man, so you must be wary of him and not trust him easily. If anything goes wrong, immediately crush this jade talisman, and your father will send troops to support you immediately."

As he spoke, he stuffed a jade talisman engraved with dragon patterns into Wu Yue's hand.

Wu Yue held the jade talisman tightly and nodded heavily: "My daughter has made a note of it."

At this time, the eunuch's voice came from outside the palace: "Prime Minister Liu Kun, leading the guard of honor, is waiting outside for orders——"

Wu Hao took a deep breath and patted his daughter on the shoulder: "Go. Remember, safety first, evidence second."

Wu Yue bowed, turned around and followed the guards out of the Hall of Supreme Harmony.

Outside the hall, a ceremonial guard consisting of a thousand soldiers from the National Defense Legion had already lined up, with flags flying and armor shining brightly.

Liu Kun, dressed in a purple official robe, stood at the front of the team. When he saw Wu Yue coming out, a gentle smile immediately appeared on his face: "Your Highness, the ceremonial procession is ready and we can set off at any time."

Wu Yue nodded lightly without saying much, and with the help of her maid, she boarded the imperial carriage that had been prepared long ago.

The imperial carriage was pulled by eight snow-white horses. The carriage was carved with exquisite phoenix patterns and veils were hung around to conceal the scene inside the carriage.

Seeing this, Liu Kun bowed to Wu Hao and said, “Don’t worry, Your Majesty. I will protect the princess and make the marriage a success.”

Wu Hao looked at Liu Kun and said slowly, “Thank you, Prime Minister.”

He always felt that Liu Kun’s smile today was a little strange, but he couldn’t tell what was wrong. He could only secretly instruct the people from the Secret Service to follow secretly and keep a close eye on the movements of the honor guard.

Liu Kun sneered in his heart, but remained respectful on the surface: “It is my duty. Let’s go!”

With his order, the honor guard slowly moved towards the south gate of the capital.

On both sides of the street, people stopped to watch and talk about it, most of them speculating about the marriage and worrying about the future of the Kingdom of God.

Inside the imperial carriage, Wu Yue lifted a corner of the veil and looked at the scene outside the window, a trace of worry flashing in her eyes.

She knew that the journey would not be peaceful. Both Liu Kun and the Third Palace Master were not good people. She had to proceed step by step in order to complete the task entrusted by her father.

At this time, Liu Kun was riding a horse beside the imperial carriage, seemingly commanding the troops, but actually observing his surroundings in secret.

He had already arranged for his confidants to set up an ambush in the “Valley of Broken Souls” outside the capital of Gods. As soon as the

guard of honor entered the valley, they would “kidnap” the princess as planned and stage a “bride kidnapping in the Evil Palace” drama.

Thinking of the sacrificial book that was about to be obtained, and the grand ambition after opening the seal of the Demon Soul, a trace of greed and madness flashed in Liu Kun’s eyes.