

My Master 2041

Chapter 2041:

Cao Zhen walked along and discovered that this city resembled a massive military camp, with the only difference being a large merchant shop they noticed along the way.

They saw cultivators entering the shop one by one.

Other than this, there were no other shops to be seen.

After walking for a while, they noticed some signs hanging outside certain courtyards on both sides. The signs had numbers on them.

Soon, they saw a sign with the number four written on it.

"This should be where the fourth squad is located."

Cao Zhen held the token and stepped into the courtyard.

The next moment, figures suddenly flew over, and in an instant, ten people appeared in front of Cao Zhen and the others.

Clearly, they had flown over upon hearing the footsteps.

Anyone present here should be at the Immortality Regainment Realm, able to hear even the lightest footsteps clearly.

Once they arrived, their gaze immediately fell on the token and they instantly understood.

"Newcomers are here!"

"So, these ten new arrivals must be them."

"Huh? Those outfits, you're from the Extreme Formation Sect."

Suddenly, someone's gaze fell on the people from the Extreme Formation Sect.

"Indeed, it's the Extreme Formation Sect!"

"People from the Extreme Formation Sect..."

"People from the Extreme Formation Sect, there's no place here for them to set up formations, that could be troublesome."

Everyone looked at the five from the Extreme Formation Sect and frowned.

"If we take them out for a trip, it will take at least a month. If we encounter any danger during this time, that'll be trouble."

The five from the Extreme Formation Sect also frowned, with one of them looking displeased at a man among the ten, whose outfit bore an upright pupil, and said coldly, "Divine Eye Sect guy, what do you mean by that? Should I take it that your Divine Eye Sect is provoking our Extreme Formation Sect?"

It was clear that the person had no respect for their Extreme Formation Sect, and there was no way he could just ignore it.

Upon hearing this, the disciple of the Divine Eye Sect replied defiantly, "Oh? Since when did people from the Extreme Formation Sect become so fragile?"

Just a moment ago, everyone had spoken up, and many were from the Grand Righteous Sect in Central Continent, otherwise they wouldn't have recognized people from the Extreme Formation Sect and vice versa.

But now, the Extreme Formation Sect chose to pick on him, what did that mean? That the people from the Divine Eye Sect were easier to bully?

"It seems you really mean to provoke us!" Upon hearing this, the five from the Extreme Formation Sect immediately released their Immortal Mountains,

Instantly, five Immortal Mountains soared into the sky, the tallest among them reaching a height of 2,700 zhang.

Among the remaining four, two Immortal Mountains reached a height of 2,000 zhang.

The other two, although not reaching 2,000 zhang, stood at a height of 1,600 zhang and 1,800 zhang respectively.

Since everyone was new to the Outer Heaven Battlefield, the Extreme Formation Sect had sent experienced elders.

These elders might not be as gifted as some disciples, but they had been cultivating longer, with some nearing the end of their lifespan.

Their cultivation base was undoubtedly not low.

These five from the Extreme Formation Sect, three were at the late Immortality Regainment Realm, and the remaining two were at the mid.

Seeing the atmosphere instantly turn tense between the two sides.

The leader among the ten opposite immediately shouted, "Withdraw your Immortal Mountains, within the city, the release of Immortal Mountains and combat strength at will is prohibited."

With that, his expression became solemn, and he said in a firm tone, "No matter which continent you're from, no matter which Grand Sect, whether it's the Demonic Sect or a Grand Righteous Sect, or a loose cultivator, here we have only one identity, and that is the Human Clan.

The Human Clan is forbidden from killing each other. If you have the strength and wish to fight, go to the battlefield and fight the alien races!"

The five disciples from the Extreme Formation Sect exchanged glances and withdrew their Immortal Mountains; having just arrived here, they were unaware of the city's regulations.

The leader, seeing the five restrain their aura, continued, "You have just entered the city and were unaware of the rules, so you can be forgiven this time. But if you again release combat strength at will, the Law Enforcement Team will come to find you."

With that, he looked at the other nine who had come with him and somewhat reproachfully said, "And for the rest of you, speaking about other Grand Sects that way, if others spoke about your Grand Sect similarly, wouldn't you think they were provoking your Grand Sect?"

Besides, the Dao Companions from the Extreme Formation Sect are not weak, they all are at late Immortality Regainment Realm. Moreover, who knows if we will encounter some Great Formation, if we do, we'll need the Dao Companions from the Extreme Formation Sect to help us break the formation."

After addressing his team, he looked again at the ten newcomers and introduced himself: "I am the temporary leader of the fourth squad, Venerable Gui Jian, a loose cultivator from the Central Continent, late Immortality Regainment Realm."

Upon hearing this, Cao Zhen looked at him with some surprise, a loose cultivator had actually become the leader of this squad, which included people from Central Continent's Grand Sects.

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Those from the Great Teachings find it hard to accept a Loose Cultivator as leader. To become the captain, one must clearly surpass everyone in cultivation level.

Moreover, judging by their appearance, there are even Late Immortality Regainment Realm individuals among them, so this seemingly slender Devious Sword is not simple.

After Venerable Gui Jian finished speaking, a burly man behind him spoke in a deep voice, "I am Venerable Nanji, Late Immortality Regainment Realm, from Central Continent, Southern Sky Doctrine."

"Divine Eye Sect, Venerable Three-Eyed..."

After the two spoke, the remaining people also began to introduce themselves. Among these ten people, four were in the Late Immortality Regainment Realm and six in the Mid Immortality Regainment Realm. Six were from the Central Continent, while the other four had two from the Southern continent and two from the Western continent.

Although everyone found it strange why people from the Southern and Western continents appeared in a location entered by people from the Eastern Province, they didn't inquire immediately but instead began to introduce themselves.

The five members of the Extreme Formation Sect glanced at Cao Zhen and the others. Seeing Cao Zhen and the others had no intention of introducing themselves, the strongest among the five stepped forward and said, "I am Venerable Illumination Formation, Late Immortality Regainment Realm, from the Central Continent's Extreme Formation Sect."

As he spoke, the remaining four disciples of the Extreme Formation Sect also reported their names. After all, the Central Continent is vast with many Great Teachings. While True Immortals are more familiar with one another due to longer lifespans and fewer numbers, Immortality Regainment Realm cultivators, even from Great Teachings in the Central Continent, often don't know each other unless they are from especially well-known Great Teachings.

Venerable Gui Jian, seeing that the people from the Extreme Formation Sect had finished introducing themselves, shifted his gaze to the remaining five. They might not recognize every Immortality Regainment Realm cultivator from each Great Teaching, but they could recognize the attire of each Great Teaching. However, the clothing of these five was unfamiliar, indicating they were not from the Central Continent.

Cao Zhen, sensing everyone's gaze, cupped his hands toward them and said, "Cao Zhen, Early Immortality Regainment Realm, from Eastern Province, Hundred Peaks Sect."

As soon as he finished speaking, a furrow appeared on the brows of many around. Early Immortality Regainment Realm seemed too weak.

Although they were leading these people, everyone was in the Immortality Regainment Realm. The reason they were leading was not that they were stronger but that they were familiar with this place, tasked with helping these people quickly navigate the Outer Heaven Battlefield.

On the Outer Heaven Battlefield, danger could come at any time. The weaker their charges, the more dangerous it became.

Upon seeing the five in unified attire from a Great Teaching, they assumed they wouldn't be weak.

After all, to send out five Immortality Regainment Realm at once must indicate a Great Teaching. People from the Eastern Province entered the Outer Heaven Battlefield for the first time, so it's expected they would send out experts. But who knew they would send Early Immortality Regainment Realm people.

They didn't ask much, instead looking to the two men and two women behind. Surely these four weren't also Early Immortality Regainment Realm.

Xiang Ziyu, feeling everyone's eyes on him, stood tall, displaying an expression of pride, "I, Xiang Ziyu, Early Immortality Regainment Realm, from the Hundred Peaks Sect!"

Even though he was a genius, he couldn't have instantly broken through to Mid Immortality Regainment Realm in such a short time. This time, though their master crafted pills for them, those pills only concealed the Heavenly Dao and weren't like the previous ones at the Golden Core Stage, allowing immediate breakthrough to the Peak.

Another Early Immortality Regainment Realm!

The frowns deepened. What was going on with the Hundred Peaks Sect? Sending so many at the Early realm—they must not know how to send actual experts. Is this just to send them to their deaths?

And what's with this person, a mere Early Immortality Regainment Realm, being so proud!

This time, Xiang Ziyu seemed normal. After speaking, he didn't delve into his usual peculiar topics about being a protagonist but simply stepped aside.

Seeing his third senior brother finish, Wan Ren Di followed up, saying, "Wan Ren Di, Hundred Peaks Sect disciple, Mid Immortality Regainment Realm!"

He was among those who once entered the cycle of time to cultivate, smoothly breaking through to Mid Immortality Regainment Realm in recent years.

Even though he wasn't adept at combat, he possessed a High Level Immortal Body with great comprehension, and his cultivation realm kept pace with his senior brothers and sisters at the Four Treasures Peak.

Hearing this, the crowd's expressions eased slightly; fortunately, not everyone from Hundred Peaks Sect was Early Immortality Regainment Realm, or they really might have gone mad.

Ruo Yun followed closely after Wan Ren Di spoke, "Ruo Yun, disciple of the Hundred Peaks Sect, Mid Immortality Regainment Realm."

The crowd was unmoved by the announcement.

After Ruo Yun finished, she spoke up, "Hundred Peaks Sect, Venerable Nai He, Late Immortality Regainment Realm." She had sparred with Ruo Yun before and lost, so naturally, she waited for Ruo Yun to finish before speaking.

Upon hearing of a Late Immortality Regainment Realm, the crowd visibly relaxed again.

Someone muttered softly, "Having a Late and two Mid Immortality Regainment Realm cultivators isn't too bad."

"Actually, it's still quite lacking. In other groups, there might only be Mid and Late Immortality Regainment Realm members. We've got two at Early Immortality Regainment Realm, and even those from the Extreme Formation Sect aren't the best at combat."

Chapter 2043:

Three-Eyed Honor sighed helplessly as he spoke. He had no enmity with the people of the Extreme Formation Sect, nor was he specifically targeting them earlier; it was merely urgency.

As a result, their team of ten, consisting of those at the Early Immortality Regainment Realm and those from the Extreme Formation Sect, would indeed be in genuine peril when they ventured outside.

If things went awry, they might all be killed.

After all, moving as a group of twenty made for a conspicuous target.

Devious Sword also frowned slightly, but his expression quickly relaxed as he glanced at the five people of the Hundred Peaks Sect opposite him, finding them increasingly peculiar by the moment.

Under normal circumstances, those sent by the major sects were usually the elders; it was rare for them to dispatch young disciples, especially talented young disciples, to the Outer Heaven Battlefield.

After all, it is too dangerous here, and those geniuses represent the future of the entire great teachings. If they were to perish on the Outer Heaven Battlefield, it would worry the great teachings about a generational gap occurring in the future.

Moreover, those elders usually choose to come here voluntarily, as many have long been halted in their progress. Now that the Outer Heaven Battlefield is open, they wish to enter, hoping to encounter fortuitous opportunities that could help them break through the bottleneck.

But these people from the Hundred Peaks Sect exuded extremely vigorous life energy, especially the four who first spoke, making them suspect that none had lived past five hundred years.

At such an age, reaching the Immortality Regainment Realm, they were undeniably exceptionally gifted in any great teaching. Why would the Hundred Peaks Sect send four such individuals into the Outer Heaven Battlefield instead of their elders?

And what about these individuals...

Beside him, Three-eyed Honor's curiosity-filled voice rang out: "Why, Dao Companion, do these people from your Hundred Peaks Sect have no honorable titles? Do they use only their given names?"

Cultivators who reach the Immortality Regainment Realm usually take on an honorable title for themselves or are bestowed one by their elders.

But almost everyone has an honorable title, so what was the situation with the four from the Hundred Peaks Sect? They used their names directly.

Wu Fa did not respond immediately but turned to look in the direction of Cao Zhen. She knew why the people of Four Treasures Peak had no honorable titles; their master, Cao Zhen, had not taken any, so naturally, they hadn't either.

But those weren't things she was suited to say.

The others also noticed Wu Fa's gaze, and suddenly, the expressions of Venerable Gui Jian's group of ten turned strange.

That Venerable Wu Fa was the highest cultivation base among the Hundred Peaks Sect, so why did she instead look towards one of the two weakest in cultivation base among them?

Moreover, that gaze seemed filled with respect?

"It's just an honorable title. We don't like them, so we haven't used them," Cao Zhen casually remarked without dwelling further on the question, then looked at several people to ask, "Everyone, could you tell us about the situation here? Why have you arrived so much earlier than us? I also heard that people

from both the Southern continent and Western continent can be here. I heard there are eight cities, with two for every continent."

"What you heard is correct; it is indeed one continent, two cities. However, it doesn't mean that people from each continent can only enter the cities of their own continent.

You too know that you entered from a dangerous location, and different hazardous entry points naturally lead to different places. When we traversed a certain hazardous entry point, we ended up here.

As for your curiosity about why we arrived so much earlier, that's unfortunate for you of the Eastern Province.

Among the four continents—east, west, south, and north—the other three now have six Golden Immortals each, while the Eastern Province only has five Golden Immortals, resulting in a disparity in the number of experts.

We could reach this place through passages that our experts cleared for us.

With fewer Golden Immortals, your Eastern Province naturally cleared paths more slowly. Moreover, you have a newly appeared dangerous area where the passages have never been traversed before, making them more dangerous, so even those five Golden Immortals will clean up more slowly.

The passages encountered by the Golden Immortals from the other three continents were much easier to clear progress.

Before long, a continent's Golden Immortals opened the passage, and naturally, they understood the situation of the Outer Heaven Battlefield while assisting other continent's individuals to enter here.

Intercontinental aid would naturally result in different timings. Unfortunately, your Eastern Province was last on the list, resulting in your latest entry."

Cao Zhen and the others suddenly understood.

Venerable Illumination Formation curiously inquired: "So we're all at the Immortality Regainment Realm here. Does it mean that only those at the Immortality Regainment Realm can enter and not the True Immortal Realm beings?"

They all knew that certain special locations had requirements for the cultivation realm of entrants. Some places only allowed those at the Golden Core Stage, while others only permitted those at the Earth Immortal Realm.

"Only the Immortality Regainment Realm can enter? If only it were that simple." Three-eyed Honor chuckled upon hearing this, pointing upwards, "There's no need to mention elsewhere, there are three True Immortal Realm beings guarding this city, one of whom is even at the Peak of the True Immortal Realm."

Venerable Illumination Formation was taken aback: "If there are True Immortal Realm beings, why must they travel separately, and why are the Earth Immortal Realm beings also traversing independently?"

Chapter 2044:

"This can be considered a tacit understanding between the six major alien races and our Human Clan," Venerable Gui Jian slowly explained. "In fact, the six major alien races had long discovered the Outer Heaven Battlefield. Then, when we discovered the Outer Heaven Battlefield and entered it, we quickly noticed something peculiar. We found that their people, let's call them people for now.

They all engage in battle and search for treasures according to their cultivation realm, each realm occupying a part of the Outer Heaven Battlefield.

Later, we also learned the reason. When the six major alien races first discovered the Outer Heaven Battlefield, they didn't divide the battlefield. As a result, the experts of the six major alien races could freely slaughter those with lower cultivation.

Think about it, if a True Immortal realm bursts into a group of Earth Immortal Realm individuals, isn't it easy to slaughter them?

As a result, even the six major alien races could not bear it! You can kill our people, then we can kill yours in revenge.

Ultimately, there were only two outcomes: either no one with lower cultivation dared to enter, or the new forces of the six major alien races suffered heavy casualties.

The Outer Heaven Battlefield is too vast. How could it be feasible to rely solely on those in the True Immortal realm to search for everything?

Moreover, True Immortal is not invincible; above them, there are Golden Immortal realm individuals. Who can guarantee that the Golden Immortals won't come to kill the True Immortals!

Thus, the six major alien races eventually agreed to a harmonious division of areas, and when our Human Clan joined, we adhered to this rule as well.

Of course, whether the six major alien races would always adhere to the rule, we do not know.

After all, according to the explorations of experts, the six major alien races have also constructed cities in the Outer Heaven Battlefield, guarded by True Immortals.

Speaking of which, we still don't know enough about the Outer Heaven Battlefield. Although we entered earlier than you, it was only about three years earlier at most."

Finishing his explanation, he paused slightly and continued, "There is still time now. If you have questions, you can ask them, and after understanding, quickly prepare.

After all, a trip out there takes about a month. If something happens along the way, it could take even longer."

For those already in the Immortality Regainment Realm, a month is hardly long, even compared to a year, ten years, or a hundred years.

Yet, a month in this outer battlefield, with ten newcomers who are not yet formidable, does seem a bit long to them.

"A month?" Venerable Illumination Formation curiously asked, "I wonder what we'll be doing during this month?"

Venerable Gui Jian explained, "Not much, just taking you around to understand the situation here. Although we have mapped out part of the area, time is limited, and the maps are incomplete and simple. Moreover, unforeseen events could occur, so we need to guide you around for familiarity.

This month is simply for you to get acquainted with the place."

Venerable Naihe, hearing this, curiously asked, "Familiarizing us with the place, isn't that dangerous for you? Do all people have to do this? Is there any benefit?"

"It's both," Venerable Gui Jian looked at them, saying, "Once you've been here long enough and become part of the older members, you'll also need to guide newcomers. Everyone, after arriving here, is guided by the older members, but when you become one yourself, you must guide newcomers at least once.

After that, it depends on individual willingness. If you want to guide newcomers, you can apply to do so. Of course, our Human Clan will grant small rewards for this.

Individually it might not be much, but cumulatively, the reward is worthwhile."

Cao Zhen, listening to Venerable Gui Jian, nodded in understanding and said, "It's about points, right."

"Points? What is that?" Venerable Gui Jian asked, confused, "What points?"

"Points refer to how, when you complete a task, the reward might not be much, but it records as a point. Over time points accumulate, allowing exchanges," Cao Zhen explained, puzzled, "Isn't there anything similar?"

"In that sense, there is something similar," Venerable Gui Jian nodded gently, "Each task completed is recorded. After completing ten tasks, certain resources are granted. The same applies for twenty, thirty... all are recorded, earning certain resources."

"Does it have to be whole numbers?" Cao Zhen felt that this Points System was somewhat rigid and not detailed. If it were him, he would organize a complete Points System, enabling points even to replace general currency.

Xiang Ziyu wasn't interested in points or no points; he eagerly asked, "By the way, it's often said that the Outer Heaven Battlefield houses many opportunities. What treasures are here?"

"Indeed, there are many opportunities in the Outer Heaven Battlefield. Firstly, you know about the Unknown Immortal Demon Beads found in perilous areas, right?"

Such treasures are rare even in perilous lands, but there are somewhat more Unknown Immortal Demon Beads in the Outer Heaven Battlefield.

Besides that, there are all sorts of auras."

Chapter 2045: Seven Days in the Outer Battlefield

For example, True Qi of Nine Yin, True Qi of Nine Yang, Qi of Reincarnation, Qi of Life. Even Chaos Qi, various energies would exist.

Previously, among the group that arrived with me, one Dao Companion was incredibly lucky and obtained a stream of True Energy of Mysterious Thunderbolt! And he happened to be cultivating the Art of Thunderbolt, after that, he went into seclusion in the city.

In his own words, he was always one step away from breaking through to the Peak Immortality Regainment Realm, now that he has acquired that energy, he will certainly reach the Peak Immortality Regainment Realm.

Of course, when those energies appear, they will also cause a great commotion. Unless one's luck is extraordinary, it's impossible to obtain them quietly; by then, there is bound to be a fierce contest."

Venerable Gui Jian glanced at Xiang Ziyu and advised, "You are only at the Early Immortality Regainment Realm, it's best not to go at such times. I've seen too many experts who died fighting over various energies.

You... you are only at the Early Immortality Regainment Realm, entering here is truly dangerous. So, for now, try to stay near the city."

Subsequently, Venerable Gui Jian briefly explained the circumstances around the vicinity to everyone.

The time for the first day passed quickly.

On the second day, the group set off, leaving the city and flew outwards.

As they moved farther from the city, Cao Zhen realized the environment here was extremely harsh, fierce winds battered them, making them have to conjure Body Protection Spells. Otherwise, the winds would cut their faces painfully.

Sometimes tornadoes would sweep through, directly blowing away a towering mountain.

At times, thunderbolts would inexplicably come down from the sky, terrifyingly powerful; Cao Zhen felt that ordinary Earth Immortal Realm experts couldn't withstand them.

Venerable Gui Jian flew along while introducing the area to Cao Zhen and the others, "Actually, the part of the Outer Heaven Battlefield we are in is designated for the Immortality Regainment Realm because of its environment.

This is only the border area of the Outer Heaven Battlefield, whether it's us humans or the six major alien races, the cities we choose, or these pre-existing towns, all lie along the edge of the battlefield.

The closer one gets to the battlefield, the harsher the environment becomes.

Once we proceed further, there will even be Chaos of Void, Earth Fire, Heavy Water, sandstorms, and more...

Such an environment, when an Earth Immortal Realm person enters, they basically won't need to be attacked, they will be shredded by the dangers present in nature.

Similarly, the area True Immortal Realm people operate in is even more terrifying, if we enter there, we'll be shredded too."

While speaking, he glanced at Cao Zhen and Xiang Ziyu, both of whom were in the Early Immortality Regainment Realm. If they venture further in, dealing with the natural dangers would consume most of their energy, leaving hardly any left for fighting, which is why he suggested the two remain near the city.

However, these people from the Hundred Peaks Sect have done one thing quite well.

He looked at a few people and nodded slightly, "You have not released your Immortal Mountain, which is commendable. After all, releasing the Immortal Mountain exposes your energy, and the towering mountain easily gives away your position.

You must remember, in the Outer Heaven Battlefield, any corner could harbor your enemies, so try not to expose your Immortal Mountain. Once you're forced to manifest the mountain during a fight, leave quickly afterwards.

Alright, we've come quite far now, let's descend.

Here, try not to fly in the void; as said before, considering us humans, there are a total of seven races, enemies are numerous and chaotic.

Flying in the void exposes oneself too easily. Therefore, everyone should choose to travel on the ground whenever possible.

Yet, there are many dangers on the ground as well, look at the ground ahead. If you observe closely, you'll notice that some sections are loose—this kind of earth might conceal natural threats, perhaps Earth Fire or stone thorns.

So, when we spot such terrain, we normally choose to detour."

Sword Immortal Venerable has been responsible, informing everyone along the way about everything in the Outer Heaven Battlefield.

Gradually, Cao Zhen became more familiar with the Outer Heaven Battlefield.

Including the humans, the cities built by various races aren't evenly distributed along the edge of the Outer Heaven Battlefield to surround it.

The cities of each major race can be viewed as being on one side of the battlefield. From this side, they constantly explore further into the battlefield.

They remain unaware of just how deep the Outer Heaven Battlefield goes.

Even the six major alien races, that entered the battlefield before they did, remain unaware.

Humans have once captured aliens and used Soul Technique to probe their memories.

Results show that although the six major alien races know more than humans, their knowledge is limited.

The group advanced all the way, perhaps due to their good luck, or due to Venerable Gui Jian's cautiousness. Surprisingly, they encountered no other alien races along the way.

Of course, it might also be because they haven't ventured deeply enough.

Unconsciously, the group had been in the Outer Heaven Battlefield for seven days.

"Alright, we have been traveling for seven days. I just discovered a cave—let's go into the cave, rest for one night, and then set off again."

Chapter 2046: Insect Nest

They entered this place because of the dangers present between Heaven and Earth, always needing to concentrate their celestial energy, constantly surrounded by body protection spells, which also consumed their energy.

Moreover, sometimes they would face attacks like heavenly lightning, so after seven days, the celestial energy within them was somewhat affected.

"I know that your consumption may not be as high, but this Outer Heaven Battlefield is truly too dangerous. Here, we need to remain focused at all times and try to stay in peak state as much as possible.

Therefore, seven days is almost the limit. We all need to rest and adjust our state."

As he spoke, Venerable Gui Jian flew directly into a cave, then looked at everyone and said, "We'll rest here first. Dao Companions from the Extreme Formation Sect, please set up some defenses at the cave's edge, but not outside, to avoid being discovered by others."

"Okay." Venerable Illumination Formation responded, stopping at the cave's edge and quickly studying the formation. Although they hadn't been together long, everyone noticed that the fourth team was extremely respectful of Venerable Gui Jian and followed his orders absolutely.

They were also very grateful to Venerable Gui Jian for his careful reminders about what to watch for in the Outer Heaven Battlefield.

Inside the cave, Venerable Gui Jian and his companions walked deeper, exploring as they went. The cave was much larger than it appeared from the outside. Later, they needed to meditate and breathe here, so naturally, they wanted to check out the cave's interior conditions thoroughly.

As they walked, the usually quiet Vice-Captain, Venerable South Pole, whispered, "Don't you find it strange that in the Hundred Peaks Sect, there is someone named Cao Zhen who is said to be only in the Early Immortality Regainment Realm, yet everyone in the Hundred Peaks Sect respects him exceedingly. Even Venerable Nanhe, who is in the Late Immortality Regainment Realm, shows him particular respect, more than to others."

"Maybe Cao Zhen is a man of greater seniority, perhaps a martial uncle or ancestor. Regardless of life aura, some people's masters are of higher seniority, so naturally, their seniority is higher.

Maybe the master Cao Zhen apprenticed under is a predecessor of the Hundred Peaks Sect, so people naturally respect him."

Hearing this, Venerable South Pole shook his head and said, "No, that kind of respect cannot be simply because of seniority—it's a respect I can't quite describe.

Moreover, even if you're right and the Hundred Peaks Sect respects him, what about the people from the Extreme Formation Sect? I can sense they also respect Cao Zhen greatly.

That doesn't make sense. Although the Extreme Formation Sect's combat power isn't strong, they really excel at formations, and many great teachings have good relations with them, often seeking their help. In Central Continent, the Extreme Formation Sect's standing among great teachings is decent.

Why would they show such respect to someone from a great teaching in Eastern Province? It can't just be because they are now in someone else's territory."

"Yes, I find it strange, too." Hearing this, Venerable Three-Eyes spoke up, "Previously on the road, we encountered a tornado and a few attacks from Heaven and Earth, and I even saw Cao Zhen release the Immortal Mountain. It seemed he released it effortlessly, as if he wasn't exerting his full strength at all.

I suspect he isn't actually in the Early Immortality Regainment Realm; perhaps he is in the Late Immortality Regainment Realm, or even at the peak of it."

"Oh? If that's the case, then everything would make sense!"

"Hidden strength, we're all from the Human Clan. Why would he need to conceal his strength?"

"We're all from the Human Clan, yet others don't necessarily know us well. Hiding some strength isn't a bad thing, is it?" Venerable Three-Eyes said, even glancing at Venerable Gui Jian.

Venerable Gui Jian seemed not to notice Venerable Three-Eyes' gaze. Instead, he suddenly seemed to think of something, whispering, "Haven't you heard of the Hundred Peaks Sect? I remember waking up and hearing someone mention the Hundred Peaks Sect."

It was said that after we were dead and gone, a master from the Hundred Peaks Sect in Eastern Province traveled around hunting masters of the six major alien races, especially entering each of the small thousand worlds within the six major alien races.

That person achieved the pinnacle in the Earth Immortal Realm even higher in the spells and techniques.

"Oh, I've heard this from my sect juniors too. Now that Venerable Gui Jian mentioned it, recalling it, it seems my juniors indeed referred to the Hundred Peaks Sect."

"Yes, I've heard about that too, but I didn't pay much attention to the sect. After all, they're not from our era, and upon awakening, we faced such a severe situation, preparing to relocate our sect without understanding everything fully, so we didn't inquire about these matters."

"Everyone is more or less in the same boat. Venerable Gui Jian, what made you bring this up suddenly?"

While observing the surroundings, Venerable Gui Jian whispered, "Nothing, just a thought that occurred to me."

Besides, I wondered how strong someone who reached the peak of the Earth Immortal Realm might be after entering the Immortality Regainment Realm?"

"No matter how strong, they couldn't become overly powerful. That person might not have broken through to the Immortality Regainment Realm, and even if they did, it would be the Early Immortality Regainment Realm at most. The Hundred Peaks Sect wouldn't allow such a genius to enter the Outer Heaven Battlefield so soon."

Venerable Three-Eyes replied casually, the next moment, his eyes swept into the distance, and in an instant, his pupils widened, revealing a third eye between them. This third eye shot out a silver beam of light, within which vague shadows of flying insects appeared.

These insects were entirely emerald green, about the size of dragonflies, but their tails had a stinger like a scorpion's, longer than their bodies.

Soon, the rapid flapping of wings was heard, its noise particularly piercing within the cave.

"Insect Clan, so many of them!"

"Not good, we've entered a nest of insects!"

"With so many venomous insects, there might be a Insect Clan queen here!"

"Run, let's get out of here!"

Everyone's faces changed dramatically as they turned around, rushing out. In the distant battlefield, the last thing they wanted to encounter was the Insect Clan!

Chapter 2047:

In the Outer Heaven Battlefield, what people least want to encounter is not the strongest Sky Clan, nor the most cunning Demon Clan, but the Insect Clan.

The main reason is that these Insect Clans always appear in large swarms.

And they feel that these Insect Clans are the ones most unlike a human race.

Other races, whether the Beast Clan, Prison Clan, or Evil Clan, would weigh the gains and losses after fighting and dying.

For example, when trying to seize a treasure, they would consider the value of the treasure and the opponent's strength to decide if the cost of seizing it is worth it.

Similarly, if injured and realizing they are outmatched, they would retreat.

However, these Insect Clans are different; as long as they see any non-Insect Clan race, they immediately launch a frenzied attack.

Moreover, when they fight, they don't care about losses and are not afraid of death.

Among all races, including the Human Clan, the Insect Clan has the highest death toll.

Perhaps this is also the reason why, despite their strong reproductive abilities, their numbers have not reached an outrageous level.

Fighting against these Insect Clans, unless they absolutely overpower them, even a victory is a pyrrhic one, with severe injuries.

Outside, after being injured, one can return to their Great Teaching to recuperate immediately.

But this is the Outer Heaven Battlefield, an incredibly vast place, and even for those existing in the Immortality Regainment Realm, it usually takes at least half a month to return from a battle site to their major city, even at the nearest points; if it's further, it might take half a year to return.

Being injured in the Outer Heaven Battlefield is extremely dangerous.

Moreover, many of these Insect Clans are poisonous; often, after exterminating them, one also gets poisoned. These poisons are strange, and even though everyone carries healing pills, some poisons are unaffected by pills.

During their time in the Outer Heaven Battlefield, they have encountered situations where their teammates, stung by the Insect Clans, couldn't make it back to the city and succumbed to poison, and this has happened more than once or twice.

Moreover, when clashing with other races, such as the Demon Clan or Prison Clan, if they perish together, they can comfort themselves knowing they took down an enemy force.

But with the Insect Clan, except for the mother insect, they seem mindless, and when the mother insect produces, it lays a large batch of eggs.

Trading one for one with the Insect Clan always feels like a loss.

Thus, no one wants to encounter the Insect Clan. It's not just humans; even other major alien races feel the same.

Venerable Gui Jian never expected that when he casually entered a cave to check its safety, he encountered so many Insect Clans inside.

Unlike other races that avoid flying in the sky to prevent ambushes, except in emergencies or when they need to hurry, Insect Clans are the only exception.

They always fly directly in the sky, perhaps wishing other races would find them and engage them in battle.

Every time the Insect Clan appears, they almost always fly from the sky; they hardly ever hide in caves unless there's one possibility.

This cave houses a mother insect, making it an Insect Clan nest.

Those mother insects of the Insect Clan cannot easily move, but "not easily" doesn't mean they can't move at all; they have ways to move.

They can't stay in the Insect Clan nest forever, as they require massive resources.

Though they can rely on soldier bugs to bring resources back, these soldier bugs might encounter ambushes on the way.

Thus, some mother insects venture into the Outer Heaven Battlefield.

However, their lairs are usually very well-hidden and not easily discovered.

Venerable Gui Jian really doesn't know if he's lucky or unlucky to have encountered an Insect Clan mother insect.

"Quick, let's hurry back. If we can report this to the City Lord, we will certainly receive large rewards!"

Around the Insect Clan mother insect, there must be abundant resources, and the mother insect holds significant value in the Outer Heaven Battlefield.

Moreover, around the mother insect, there are always abundant resources.

"Now is not the time to think about benefits, let's focus on getting back first."

While shouting, everyone rushed out at the fastest speed.

Behind them, swarms of flying insects, although small in stature, moved with astonishing speed. In the blink of an eye, the flying insects were upon them.

For a moment, their expressions changed drastically.

"These flying insects are so fast!"

"Although I haven't seen these flying insects before, looking at their tails, it's clear these insects are highly poisonous."

Amid the cries of surprise, two experts from the Immortality Regainment Realm suddenly turned, and from the towering Immortal Mountains behind them, immortal energy surged like a sea of clouds, and with a wave of their hands, blazing flames burst forth from their hands.

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In an instant, the temperature inside the cave suddenly rose. One red and one yellow, the two clusters of flames shot out, and the surrounding air, even the walls on both sides, were instantly ignited, burning fiercely.

Under the eruption of flames, it was as if two seas of fire filled the space behind them completely.

However, the swarms of poisonous insects behind them seemed to not see the flames at all, charging straight ahead and diving into the fire in the blink of an eye.

The next moment, a series of hissing sounds arose, with the faint scent of scorching drifting in. But soon, silhouettes of flying insects appeared in everyone's line of sight.

These flying insects bore some charred marks, but it was apparent they were not significantly affected, as they rushed toward the last Immortality Regainment Realm.

The fastest flying insect in the swarm reached the opponent's front, its scorpion-like tail raised high, the sharp stinger suddenly thrusting forward.

The attacked Immortality Regainment Realm wielded a massive Wolf Fang Club, fiercely striking the flying insect.

In an instant, a sharp whistle sounded through the void.

The Wolf Fang Club swept through, stirring up a terrifying gale, akin to a massive mountain crashing down from the void, its force seemingly enough to shatter the earth, heavily pounding on the flying insect.

Though the Insect Clan battles with extreme ferocity and relentlessness, they are not entirely without intelligence.

This flying insect felt the terrifying might of the blow and flapped its wings rapidly, trying to evade it.

But somehow, in mid-air, the speed of the Wolf Fang Club's descent suddenly accelerated, and the strike it could have avoided landed heavily on its body.

Under the terrifying impact, the flying insect's body exploded, and a mass of green liquid splattered in all directions.

One flying insect had died, but there wasn't just one flying insect here.

Almost at the instant the first insect died, the second and third ones had already flown over.

The Immortality Regainment Realm wielding the Wolf Fang Club attempted to swing the weapon again, but it was already too late.

For such heavy weapons as the Wolf Fang Club, although astonishing in power, are far more cumbersome than weapons like the Sharp Sword.

Several flying insects wielded their venomous stingers, fiercely stabbing toward the space in front of him.

Instantly, intense waves of air pressure arose before him.

His body protection spell blocked one insect's venomous sting, but almost simultaneously, the second and third insects' stingers had already struck.

The venomous stingers, glowing with a bright green light, pierced the body protection spell, the silver spell rapidly turning green at a noticeable speed, and in just a breath, the protection spell was breached.

Soon, more flying insects approached, their stingers poised to pierce him, now without the shield of a body protection spell.

Fortunately, his body protection spell bought him some time, allowing him to sweep fiercely with his Wolf Fang Club ahead.

With a single sweep, the force was so mighty it knocked down chunks of Stone from the nearby mountain walls, the gale strong enough to feel as if even hills and rock gardens could be swept away.

Yet, the numerous flying insects, though small in size, were not swept away by the wind.

The number of flying insects in front of him was simply overwhelming, although he blocked several, one managed to bypass the Wolf Fang Club, reaching in front of him, its stinger flashing with a terrifying green glow, stabbed heavily.

Even though he had reached the realm of Immortality Regainment, with a Physical Strength extremely formidable, the sharp stinger easily pierced his skin, muscles, and entered his body.

Immediately, a sharp pain surged from the stabbed arm, followed by a paralyzing sensation quickly spreading from the puncture site.

He felt a venom traveling rapidly through his meridians, bringing a paralyzing sensation wherever it went within his body.

This sudden onset of paralysis further stiffened his body.

He was already the most rearmost among everyone, and now, with his body suddenly stiffening, more flying insects descended upon him. As their stingers aimed to pierce into him, abruptly from behind, a powerful suction was exerted, with a phantom hand appearing in the void, pulling him backward, away from the incoming insects.

Suddenly, the figure of the Devious Sword emerged. Before he could see how the Devious Sword wielded its blade, in the void, numerous shadows of Sharp Swords appeared, striking at the insects.

These sword shadows filled the entire space of the cave, with each shadow of a Sharp Sword exuding infinite sharpness, creating the illusion of being able to pierce the sun and moon.

Each sword shadow was quick as lightning, and in just an instant, the Sharp Swords directly pierced through the bodies of the insects.

However, these small-sized flying insects, when struck by the Sharp Swords, only some were pushed back slightly, others pierced through their bodies, and some even had their wings shredded, yet none had perished.

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Even though they were injured, not a single flying insect stopped; they continued to tightly pursue the group from behind.

“These flying insects are even more defensively strong than we anticipated!”

“They’re poisonous, the flying insects are poisonous, everyone be careful, don’t get stung by them.” The injured Disciple of the Immortality Regainment Realm, while being helped to fly out by the group, urgently warned, “Their poison is extremely potent, and will cause paralysis, making the body stiff.”

At the cave entrance, Cao Zhen was watching the five members of the Extreme Formation Sect setting up the Formation, when suddenly loud noises erupted from inside the cave. In an instant, his expression turned grave.

“Such commotion, they are in danger.”

Cao Zhen quickly turned back to look at the five from the Extreme Formation Sect and said in a deep voice, “You stay at the entrance, Ruo Yun, you come with me to take a look.”

As he spoke, a colossal Immortal Mountain as tall as eighteen hundred zhang surged behind him, and in the blink of an eye, the fleeing figures of the Devious Sword group came into his vision.

Insect Clan!

So many Insect Clan members?

Cao Zhen's heart trembled suddenly; this was the Insect Clan's nest!

Almost simultaneously, Devious Sword also saw the approaching Cao Zhen, and more so the Immortal Mountain behind him.

An eighteen-hundred-zhang Immortal Mountain!

Moreover, how could this Immortal Mountain be so magnificent? Is it even considered an Immortal Mountain? This is simply a mountain range, and an enormous one at that!

They had never seen such an enormous mountain range before!

Even those True Immortal Realms they had witnessed did not possess mountain ranges of such extent!

Of course, the strength of the True Immortal Realm lies in their Immortal Palace, not the Immortal Mountain!

In short, this Cao Zhen was indeed extraordinary, having concealed his strength; he clearly was not just at the Early Immortality Regainment Realm!

However, Cao Zhen was not at the Late Immortality Regainment Realm or even at its Peak as they initially thought, but merely had the aura of the Mid Immortality Regainment Realm.

Furthermore, even an eighteen-hundred-zhang Immortal Mountain was of no help!

Let alone, here there are five Extreme Formation Sect disciples, who are not of much use, besides, the remaining people are not too strong either.

Even if all of the other ten people were at the Late Immortality Regainment Realm, they would still not want to fight hard against them!

Inside the cave, there was a mother insect from the Insect Clan!

A single mother insect was clearly not something they could manage with so few people.

As Devious Sword continued to fly, they shouted to Cao Zhen and the others outside, "Hurry, there's a mother insect inside, escape quickly!"

Cao Zhen did not immediately retreat, but looked towards the flying insects chasing the group. Seeing a few about to reach them, he rapidly channeled his Immortal Qi internally.

He even disguised his own aura to appear as the Mid Immortality Regainment Realm.

After all, his Immortal Mountain was extremely tall; how could an ordinary Early Immortality Regainment Realm reach such heights?

It was his first time here at the Outer Heaven Battlefield, and who knew, so to avoid drawing too much attention, he disguised himself as the Mid Immortality Regainment Realm.

At the same time, the ground beneath him began to burn.

The high temperature spread, and subsequently, he suddenly opened his mouth, and a crimson Flame snake shot out.

Three Eyes Sovereign, observing Cao Zhen's movements, immediately cautioned, "Don't use flames, it's useless, retreat quickly!"

He knew Cao Zhen intended to help them, but the problem was, they had tried before; two people had simultaneously released flames to scorch the flying insects, yet it had little effect.

One of those two even had an Immortal Mountain taller than Cao Zhen's, and performed a Yellow Level Upper Grade spell with the Flame; even that was ineffective, let alone Cao Zhen's Flame!

On the contrary, releasing the Flame would slow Cao Zhen's escape speed, and by then they would need to rescue Cao Zhen instead.

However, just as he finished speaking, a rich scent of burning emanated from behind him, even with a hint of roasted meat aroma.

He turned back in surprise.

Behind, those flying insects originally chasing them, the ones flying at the forefront, were now falling from the Void, their bodies ablaze, and the leading insect had already been completely roasted!

This...

Three Eyes Sovereign was momentarily stunned; just now two people released flames and did not even kill a single flying insect; how could Cao Zhen's flame instantly severely injure so many?

That Flame...

He flew back to where they had stayed before, and there even the cave where they had sat was catching fire from the sparks, the mountain body was burning wildly.

He could even feel the rising temperatures, and as a Mid Immortality Regainment Realm being, sweat was naturally forming on his forehead involuntarily.

What is this Flame, terrifying to such an extent!

Cao Zhen looked at the flying insects not completely burned, sighing internally; indeed, the Samadhi True Fire, which he luckily acquired through Yi Sheng, was still quite lacking.

If Yi Sheng were here, all those flying insects might be completely incinerated.

Speaking of which, Yi Sheng should be the nemesis of the Insect Clan. After all, She uses Samadhi True Fire, and although these insects are numerous, individually they're not strong; someone like Yi Sheng, possessing massive and terrifying killing techniques, is more than apt to deal with the Insect Clan.

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However, Yi Sheng also had her own problem, which was that while the Samadhi True Fire was indeed powerful, its consumption of immortal energy was extraordinarily terrifying.

Yi Sheng could not, like him, continuously release the Samadhi True Fire.

And he, although he could rely on the Age of Prosperity Qi to incessantly replenish immortal energy, the problem was her Samadhi True Fire was not as strong as Yi Sheng's.

Although some of the flying insects had been killed, more insects emerged from the cave, swarming towards the group, leaving them no time to adjust.

Immortal energy surged around Cao Zhen's body once more.

Not far from him, Xiang Ziyu and others also quickly took action.

Behind Xiang Ziyu, an immortal mountain of one thousand three hundred zhang manifested. Although he was only in the Early Immortality Regainment Realm, his immortal mountain exceeded one thousand zhang.

In fact, this was far from reaching his limit at the Early Immortality Regainment Realm, as he had only recently entered this realm.

Then, Yin Yang Qi emerged in both his hands, merging to form a large sphere that flew towards the distant insects. Subsequently, the sphere exploded, sending visible waves toward the flying insects.

Yet, these insects did not die from the explosion as he expected; they were simply blown away and then flew back again.

Venerable Gui Jian had already rejoined Cao Zhen and others, casting spells while looking at Xiang Ziyu in amazement.

Early Immortality Regainment Realm!

Indeed, Xiang Ziyu's aura was undoubtedly that of the Early Immortality Regainment Realm, yet his immortal mountain was somewhat terrifying, reaching a height of one thousand three hundred zhang—even in my time at the Early Immortality Regainment Realm, my immortal mountain did not reach such heights!

After all, in the Early Immortality Regainment Realm, an immortal mountain reaching one thousand zhang would label one a genius in any Great Teaching!

Moreover, Xiang Ziyu cultivated in Yin Yang Qi and achieved the fusion of Yin and Yang. This person, no matter which Great Teaching, would certainly be the most valued disciple!

Yet, the Hundred Peaks Sect had actually sent this person to the Outer Heaven Battlefield!

While surprised, suddenly, not far ahead, a startling aura surged skyward.

Ruo Yun stood with a towering immortal mountain of three thousand one hundred zhang rising behind her.

In that moment, not just Venerable Gui Jian, but also the elders of the fourth squad stared in astonishment, wide-eyed.

This aura was truly only Mid Immortality Regainment Realm!

In the Mid Immortality Regainment Realm, someone's immortal mountain achieving such a terrifying stature!

Typically, reaching two thousand zhang in the Mid Immortality Regainment Realm would earn someone the title of genius.

But someone reaching two or three thousand zhang could only be described as a peerless heavenly pride.

Moreover, those who reach such heights are often said to possess a True Immortal Figure!

In the Mid Immortality Regainment Realm, an immortal mountain reaching three thousand zhang means unless unexpectedly falling, unless major errors occur on the path of cultivation, unless self-destructing, eight out of ten would likely reach the True Immortal Realm!

The True Immortal Realm is entirely different from the Immortality Regainment Realm.

This probability is truly terrifying!

But it makes sense; after all, able to cultivate an immortal mountain to three thousand zhang in the Mid Immortality Regainment Realm can at times be seen as even more frightening than achieving the True Immortal Realm!

Not all True Immortals managed to condense an immortal mountain to three thousand zhang during their Mid Immortality Regainment Realm!

Indeed, half of the True Immortals did not have an immortal mountain reaching three thousand zhang at the Mid Immortality Regainment Realm!

Thus, achieving a three thousand zhang immortal mountain in the Mid Immortality Regainment Realm is incredibly terrifying!

And this Immortal Ruo Yun directly condensed her immortal mountain to a height of three thousand one hundred zhang!

The energy within Ruo Yun rapidly reached its peak, and then in her hand, a golden light gathered.

The next moment, the golden light rose into the sky, and a thunderous sound echoed from the horizon, as golden thunderbolts emerged from the void, as if descending from the heavens, each containing the power to shatter the sun and moon.

Additionally, these thunderbolts felt different from ordinary ones; they appeared sharper, each seemingly a sharp blade capable of easily cleaving the earth, filled with an aura of golden sharpness!

The thunderbolts sliced through the void, cracking it open, revealing black rifts where, vaguely, chaos of void flowed, with some even flying out directly from the cracks.

The Gold Thunder Orthodox Method of the Five-thunder Righteous Method!

Ruo Yun's aptitude and weapon were related, without a doubt, her weapon being associated with gold, hence she was better suited to cultivate the Gold Thunder Orthodox Method!

Previously, the Five-thunder Righteous Method, when performed, only manifested a single thunderbolt, but in the Immortality Regainment Realm, upon truly cultivating the Five-thunder Righteous Method and its variations, the thunderbolts that descended from the void increased in number as desired.

Of course, the more thunderbolts released, the weaker each individual bolt's power.

To Ruo Yun, these current flying insects lacked the individual strength to warrant a single release of the Gold Thunder Orthodox Method; doing so would be too wasteful.