

My Master 2081

Chapter 2081:

Their Immortal Mountain may not reach four thousand zhang, but it's higher than three thousand two hundred zhang, and the problem is, it's a branch of the Ear Fox Clan!

The Ear Fox Clan has managed to break through to the Late Immortality Regainment Realm, not to mention their Immortal Mountain exceeds three thousand zhang.

Could the clan with the worst aptitude in the Fox clan reach such a level?

No wonder the Fox Monster Clan has always been one of the nine royal clans!

The two were already surprised, but the next moment, their gaze became even more astonished as a pillar-like purple thunder from the Void Seed fell down.

It was just a single thunderbolt, yet at the moment it fell, it was as if the entire world had transformed into a time of thunder, with countless Thunder Calamities falling, the air saturated with a violent aura, and the entire sky turning a shade of purple.

The thunder carried an immense destructive power as if intent on destroying the entire earth, and it struck the Peak Immortality Regainment Realm Black and White Eagle Claw Snake, immediately erupting with a sound that seemed as if the whole earth had been blown apart, like a colossal mountain had exploded from the inside.

At that moment, even suspended in mid-air, he could feel the ground below shaking frantically, the surrounding mountains swaying wildly, and waves of air undulating in the void.

On the black serpent's body, a stunning spark erupted on its tough scale armor, and then its body was heavily slammed to the ground.

From afar, they could see that the black serpent's scales had shattered, and bright red blood was continuously flowing from its body.

The two Spider Demons were completely stupefied, what... what kind of spell is this?

A strike of such might, it must be an Earth Level Spell!

The Ear Fox Clan could possess Earth Level spells?

They knew the Fox Monster Clan excelled in various charm techniques, illusion techniques, and spells, and they believed the Demon Fox Clan must possess Earth Level spells!

But the problem is, if it was said that the seven fox branches possessed Earth Level spells, they would believe it, but how could the weakest Ear Fox Clan possibly have Earth Level spells!

What is this Ear Fox's situation!

That was a being at the Peak Immortality Regainment Realm, and it was heavily wounded in a single attack like this.

Not only were they stunned, but the other three Black and White Eagle Claw Snakes were also dumbfounded, an Earth Level spell! How could an Ear Fox Demon hold such terrifying magic?

Suddenly, the two Spider Demons came back to their senses. No matter what, those two Fox Monsters were their fellow Demon Clan members. They had teamed up to severely injure the opponent's strongest Peak Immortality Regainment Realm being.

The current power dynamics have flipped; it's not them who need to flee, but the other side that needs to escape!

The next moment, the towering Immortal Mountains emerged behind them, both reaching a height of three thousand six hundred zhang.

At the same time, demonic energy surged rapidly around their bodies, and they raised their hands, shooting out strands of dark green thread from their hands.

Spider web!

In an instant, they condensed their demonic energy into a spider web and shot it out, different from ordinary webs, theirs carried a pungent stench, a poisonous web!

The three Black and White Eagle Claw Snakes saw the incoming poison web and immediately opened their mouths, spitting out black fog that was even more pungent than the two spider webs.

In just a breath, the fog had touched the spider web, yet it didn't stop the web's descent.

The green spider web enveloped the three long snakes, and the threads tightened rapidly.

And as the black fog descended from the void and touched the ground, the wild grass began to wither rapidly.

This place, filled with poisonous energy all year round, these grasses, although not considered rare poisonous plants, could survive in such an environment, proving their resistance, but just being contaminated by a little fog, all withered and died, even the ground started to melt.

However, the green spider web touched the fog, getting completely enveloped, and still showed no sign of breaking.

The Spider Clan excelled in web weaving; even non-poisonous Spider Demons had more resilient webs, while their poisonous counterparts, though less resilient, embedded toxins within their webs.

As their spider web descended, in the void, a second thunderbolt fell, once again targeting that black-scaled Peak Immortality Regainment Realm creature.

The first lightning bolt had cracked open all its scales, and the second strike reduced the shattered scales to powder, accompanied by a burnt smell in the air as the thunder descended.

Cao Zhen noticed that these poison-using Beast Clan members seemed to have poor defenses; whether it was the earlier Poison Scorpion or this Black Snake, though affected by Ju E's illusion technique, which prevented them from concentrating their protective aura, having to rely purely on their physical bodies to resist his thunder attack.

But after all, they were at the Peak Immortality Regainment Realm; even relying solely on their bodies, they shouldn't be so weak, almost slain after just two strikes!

Cao Zhen looked at the black snake, exhaling more than inhaling, and quickly shifted his gaze to another area.

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In the void, the green spider web had already shown some fractures. After all, it was only being held by two demons against three opponents who were also at the late stage of the Immortality Regainment Realm. With the fierce struggle on the other side, it's normal for the web to show damage.

Trapped by the spider web?

Cao Zhen chuckled to himself, and the purple thunder in his hand descended once again.

Now, he felt that these Spider Demons were actually well-suited for him. The most powerful attack method he could use now was naturally his Immortal Slayer Flying Knife, but the flying knife was not a conventional method. Under normal circumstances, the strongest attack he could perform was the Five-thunder Righteous Method.

The Five-thunder Righteous Method was an Earth Level spell. As long as it hit the opponent, especially if it was a direct hit, he could declare that the opponent was not far from death.

Although the Five-thunder Righteous Method was extremely fast, his opponents were not fools and also had treasures. Those without life-saving treasures were adept at speed and had various methods.

Who knows, maybe some Heavenly Pride could evade his Five-thunder Righteous Method.

But these two Spider Demons, by simply trapping the opponent with a web, weren't they easy targets for him to bombard?

The two Spider Demons never thought they could one day witness a demon in this Miasma Valley using spells rather than poisonous energy to destroy their opponents.

As the purple thunder kept falling, all four Black and White Eagle Claw Snakes were killed. Cao Zhen exhaled softly. Previously, when he used various Divine Skills and spells, he did it casually, since with the Prosperous Age Picture Record, the Age of Prosperity Qi could continuously replenish his consumption. He was not afraid of depleting his immortal energy.

But now, after using the Prosperous Age Picture Record, the Prosperous Age was obviously no longer as dominant. In the short term, he probably wouldn't be able to borrow the Age of Prosperity Qi, so now his immortal energy was also diminishing.

The Five-thunder Righteous Method had such strong power, and naturally, it also consumed a lot of immortal energy.

He had continuously performed many Five-thunder Righteous Methods, and the consumption was not small, so he needed to conserve a bit.

The two Spider Demons had also long since retracted their spider webs. In fact, as the opponents kept struggling, their webs had already become tattered. Even if they didn't completely shatter, with the continuous fall of thunder, their webs were utterly destroyed.

However, fortunately, even if their webs were pulverized, they could recreate new ones, only needing to waste some poisonous energy and consume some demon breath.

They observed the two Fox Demons opposite them, quietly retreating backward. They weren't fools. After the initial surprise, they increasingly felt that these two Fox Demons were abnormal.

That Ear Fox Demon, possessing such cultivation and Earth Level spells, appeared so peculiar no matter how one looked.

Then there was the Seven-Tailed Fox Demon. When she used illusion techniques to influence those of the Beast Clan, it seemed too effortless.

Illusions aren't guaranteed to affect the opponent even if performed, and even if they do, the target might soon regain consciousness.

Yet this Seven-Tailed Fox Demon cast spells five times consecutively, succeeding each time, and every time, the afflicted only came to their senses after being struck by thunder.

Her illusions must indeed be extremely top-notch.

With such illusion techniques and Earth Level spells, did they really need to risk entering here for Ghost Mushroom Ginseng?

So these two Fox Demons, entering this Miasma Valley, must have other objectives.

Now, they discovered the power of these Fox Demons. Would these Fox Demons turn against them?

They had cultivated for many years and naturally understood the more they knew, the more dangerous it was, and the easier it was to die.

Among the two Spider Demons, the one who had spoken first, surrounded by four corpses, said, "Since they're dead, we won't disturb you searching for Ghost Mushroom Ginseng. We're leaving."

Now, they had to distance themselves from these Fox Demons.

But just as he finished speaking, the Seven-Tailed Fox Demon appeared before them, gently shaking her head, "Didn't you ask us earlier what we were doing here? At that time, I didn't answer you. It was him who did."

"Now, I'll answer you once: we are indeed here to search for Ghost Mushroom Ginseng."

"Yes, yes, you're here to find Ghost Mushroom Ginseng. We know. Besides that, we know nothing. We'll be on our way." The two Spider Demons were genuinely anxious now.

Ju E, however, consistently blocked their path, saying, "But we just arrived here and are unfamiliar with the area. You two are much more familiar with Miasma Valley.

Since we are all from the Demon Clan, how about acting together? After all, you can guide us.

Moreover, your strength is somewhat weak. I'm not at ease letting you go on your own."

These two Spider Demons had already seen her and Cao Zhen in action. If they went out and spread word about Fox Demons, one skilled in the Art of Thunderbolt...

If, by chance, someone with intent, especially among their clan, the one hiding in shadows and plotting against her, got wind of it, who knows if they'd arrange another assassination.

Who knows if he has agents here!

In fact, the best way would be to kill these two demons.

The reason she disguised herself, the reason she had Cao Zhen transformed into a demon, was to hide her identity. She had previously decided that if she took action, she would annihilate completely and leave no doubts about her presence in Miasma Valley.

But those two initially kindly advised them to leave Miasma Valley, so she truly didn't want to act and could only temporarily let these two demons follow them until they ensured their safety. Then they would let the two Spider Demons depart.

The two Spider Demons sighed inwardly. The other's intentions were clear; it wasn't that they weren't concerned for their safety, but worried they'd speak carelessly.

What could they do about it? They could only comply.

At almost the same time, on the Outer Heaven Battlefield, within the area explored and contested by True Immortals, Immortal Lord Jue Zhen was desperately fleeing forward, pursued relentlessly by two members of the Prison Clan.

Suddenly, as they passed by an island, beams of light shot out from within the island, the light of a formation.

As the light dissipated, the two members of the Prison Clan fell to the ground.

Soon after, an eerie voice echoed through the void.

"Jue Zhen, after all these years, have you only made this little progress?"

Chapter 2083:

Immortal Lord Jue Zhen did not expect that after entering the Outer Heaven Battlefield, he would encounter danger so soon. Fortunately, someone suddenly intervened at the critical moment.

What surprised her even more was the formation suddenly shot out from the island below, which she was extremely familiar with.

It was the unique Great Formation of their Extreme Formation Sect, the Five Light Ten Kill Formation!

This formation is extremely difficult to set up. In the entire Great Teaching, apart from the Supreme Elder and the Sect Hierarch, no one can arrange the Five Light Ten Kill Formation. But the Supreme Elder and the Sect Hierarch are definitely not here, so how could there be such a formation.

The next moment, as a somewhat familiar yet somewhat unfamiliar voice came, a familiar figure appeared in her sight, and she finally understood!

Zong Zhen!

Immortal Lord Jue Zhen looked at the opposite side, at this handsome and elegant middle-aged man, and for a moment, his expression became complicated.

She did not expect that she would be saved by the traitor of their Extreme Formation Sect.

As for Immortal Lord Zong Zhen being able to set up the Five Light Ten Kill Formation, there is nothing strange about that.

Immortal Lord Zong Zhen's talent was so excellent that back then, their Extreme Formation Sect always cultivated Immortal Lord Zong Zhen as the next Sect Hierarchy, along with the various books in the sect.

And Immortal Lord Zong Zhen's comprehension was also terrifying. Except for the two most mysterious Great Formations, the Sect Defending Great Formation and the Great Formation only the Sect Hierarchy could view, he was proficient in all the formations of the Extreme Formation Sect.

Immortal Lord Zong Zhen seemed like an elder brother who hadn't met for a long time, looking at his younger siblings, glanced up and down at Immortal Lord Jue Zhen, a trace of disappointment slowly surfaced on his face, and he said: "I always thought that in our Extreme Formation Sect, besides me, you were the most intelligent and talented disciple.

Even Mistaken-Formation was somewhat inferior to you."

In his eyes, the current Sect Hierarchy of the Extreme Formation Sect had very mediocre, very mediocre talent, and he never regarded the other party highly.

"But now, you really disappoint me too much, you have condensed Eight Immortal Palaces, and among them, seven are Visionary Immortal Palaces, yet you were chased around by just two Alien Races.

You cultivate in the Formation Map path, not their kind of traditional Great Formation path, your combat power should be stronger, but the result is...look at you, what's the difference between you and those fools?

Back then, after I condensed Eight Immortal Palaces, in the True Immortal Realm, no one could suppress me like this. You really disappoint me too much.”

Immortal Lord Zong Zhen said two consecutive disappointing sentences, but then raised his hand and pointed to the island below, saying: “Go down, let’s heal you up, and by the way, let me see how much progress you’ve made over these years.”

As he spoke, without waiting for Immortal Lord Jue Zhen to react, he flew straight down and landed directly on the island below.

Immortal Lord Jue Zhen did not fly away but followed Immortal Lord Zong Zhen down and landed on the island.

The places she had flown over before had many such small islands shrouded in mist. The small island below did not seem particularly remarkable when she sped past it, but when she landed, she was surprised to find that the entire island seemed to have been transformed into a Great Formation, and there were all sorts of formations within the island. Some formations appeared only half-completed, and some formations had been deliberately destroyed.

Immortal Lord Zong Zhen detected Immortal Lord Jue Zhen’s probing gaze around and slowly said: “Some of these formations are arranged by me, but the majority of the formations were originally here on this island.”

“Originally here?” Immortal Lord Jue Zhen showed a puzzled look and said: “But these formations seem to have been around for countless years. We humans only recently discovered the Outer Heaven Battlefield.

This suggests that these formations were set by other sizeable Alien Races. But since they set up these formations, why aren’t they guarding this place and instead let you occupy it? I also don’t see any signs of battle on the island.”

“Why does it have to be the formations left by us humans and not the six great Alien Races? There are indeed other races besides us humans and those six great Alien Races.”

As Immortal Lord Zong Zhen spoke, a pill appeared in his hand, which he tossed to Immortal Lord Jue Zhen, then pointed to the distance and explained: "Even now, the entire world is not just composed of our Seven Great Races, there are some other races, perhaps because they are weak or fewer in number, they cannot be counted as the Seven Great Races, but they do indeed exist.

Aside from this, in the boundless river of history, there have been numerous races, some of which, during their peak periods, were not any weaker than what we now call the Seven Great Races, and even stronger.

But as time passed by, some races gradually declined and ultimately vanished in the river of history, while some races might not have vanished but have also gradually declined, leaving only a very small part barely surviving.

The formations on this island are arranged by a once-called Spirit Race, which was once one of the four most powerful races under the heavens. But later, due to some reasons, it declined and eventually disappeared from everyone's sight."

Immortal Lord Jue Zhen did not expect that there would be so many races under the heaven. Listening to Immortal Lord Zong Zhen's words, she couldn't help but think about their Human Clan.

Currently, it is their Human Clan's first contact with the Six Great Alien Races. If this time, the Human Clan can withstand, then the Six Great Alien Races will be manageable, but if they cannot withstand it, will the Human Clan face the same demise as the once-strong Spirit Race?

Chapter 2084:

What about the other six alien races? Aren't they the same, destined for extinction in the end?

"Are you contemplating the future of the Human Clan?"

Suddenly, the voice of Immortal Lord Zong Zhen sounded.

"You think an awful lot, pondering the future of humanity. Do you feel, with your current cultivation base, you are qualified? Perhaps you should first think about how to break through to the Golden Immortal Realm."

Immortal Lord Zong Zhen said, pausing for a moment. He turned and looked at Immortal Lord Zong Zhen's exquisite face full of mature charm, and sighed: "Although you're much more foolish than I expected, you have always been the luckiest among us.

Actually, when you chose the Way of the Formation Map, I was supportive because what you envisioned was the same as mine. We cannot rely on a fixed Great Formation; we must ensure that no matter where we are, we can unleash our full power.

In fact, I also tried the Way of the Formation Map. If one could achieve it by condensing all formations onto the Formation Map, then success would be inevitable.

But the Formation Map is, after all, a Formation Map. It can only bear a limited amount of power, so I gave up the Way of the Formation Map and chose the Way of the Human Formation!

I originally thought that once my Way of the Human Formation was accomplished, the first thing I would do is find you, to walk with me on the Human Formation Dao.

After all, you always embraced the Way of the Formation Map. In the Extreme Formation Sect, if there is anyone who understands me, it is you.

Yet my Human Formation Dao hasn't been accomplished, and you made a breakthrough, even forming the Eighth Immortal Palace. You encountered a reincarnation of a great power, the Daluo Golden Immortal; that's why I say your luck is good.

Among all the people in the Extreme Formation Sect, it was that reincarnation of the Daluo Golden Immortal who helped you and became your Pathfinder.

However, the strength you now exhibit is somewhat disgraceful for that Daluo Golden Immortal reincarnation whom I've never met."

Immortal Lord Jue Zhen suddenly heard Immortal Lord Zong Zhen mention the Human Formation, his face showed a nostalgic expression, which vanished instantly, and a wave of killing intent uncontrollably overflowed from within.

Immortal Lord Zong Zhen sensed the killing aura emanating from Immortal Lord Jue Zhen, but a smile appeared on his face as he lightly chuckled: "What's this? Showing killing intent towards me? You must know that I am considered a traitor by others in the Extreme Formation Sect. Aren't you afraid I might kill you right now?"

I can save you, and equally, I can kill you."

Immortal Lord Jue Zhen heard Zong Zhen's words but gradually regained calmness and said: "If you wanted to kill me, even if I didn't show killing intent, you would still act. If you don't want to kill me, even if I express killing intent, you wouldn't act."

Then, Immortal Lord Jue Zhen sighed heavily, looking at Immortal Lord Zong Zhen: "Senior brother, I know you saved me, because you still cherish our old friendship. You continue to see me as your junior sister.

Actually, back then, it was not wrong of you not to kill Mistaken-Formation. I know, even if the Extreme Formation Sect says you have defected, you still consider yourself as one of the Extreme Formation Sect.

Since you still consider yourself a disciple of the Extreme Formation Sect, why did you do those things? Why treat our other sect disciples that way, using them for experiments!"

Immortal Lord Jue Zhen's voice initially calm, but the tone couldn't help but rise as she continued speaking.

"Since you chose the Way of the Formation Map, you should understand me. The reason I did those things was for the Extreme Formation Sect!

As a sect, we must follow the Way of the Human Formation. Even though you walked on the Way of the Formation Map, you ended up being hunted. In the True Immortal Realm of the Eight Immortal Palaces, you couldn't be considered a top existence because you didn't walk the Way of the Human Formation!

Do you know how I came up with the Way of the Human Formation?

It was because of the Human Pill. You should have heard of the Human Pill. Since those alchemists can refine the Human Pill, why can't we cultivate the Human Formation?

After all, whether it's the Way of the Formation Map or the traditional Great Formation Dao, they ultimately rely on humans to activate formations.

So why not simply make oneself part of the Great Formation?

Ordinary materials have limited carrying capacity, but what about the human body? The body seems so small, and its carrying capacity should also be limited, yet ordinary mortals can be killed by common blades.

However, once cultivation begins, blades can no longer harm them. As cultivation progresses, with strengthening of the cultivation base, one can even move mountains and seas, shatter rivers and mountains.

The carrying capacity of the human body is infinitely vast!

The more I study the human body, the more I discover its secrets; there are countless secrets. The human body is the greatest treasure.

How can cultivation bypass this greatest treasure?

Even if one follows the Way of the Formation, it's the same!"

Immortal Lord Zong Zhen, although appearing calm since showing up, became increasingly excited as he spoke about the Human Formation. His face even faintly revealed an indescribable madness, as if boasting about his discoveries.

"Therefore, everyone in the Extreme Formation Sect is wrong! The Great Dao of Formation is the Human Formation! You know there's a reincarnation of Daluo Golden Immortal, so let me ask you, has our Extreme Formation Sect ever birthed a Daluo Golden Immortal?"

Why isn't there a Daluo Golden Immortal? It's because their path is wrong!

If they follow their current path of cultivation, the end is the Golden Immortal Realm, and then there's no other way, that's the true dead end.

Chapter 2085:

Only the Way of the Human Formation is the true path, the path that leads to the source!

Since all of you are wrong, then I shall correct you. I will walk the true path of humanity!"

Immortal Lord Jue Zhen looked at Immortal Lord Zong Zhen, who showed no sign of remorse, and couldn't help but say angrily, "There's nothing wrong with you walking the path of humanity, but what do you mean by using our disciples for your experiments? You are harming them! Harming your peers!"

"I have no choice but to do this," Immortal Lord Zong Zhen, with a mad look, said, "My current cultivation, my body, is completely different from those at the Immortality Regainment Realm, Earth Immortal Realm, and Golden Core Stage. So I need to use their bodies for experiments.

Only this way can I better understand the Human Formation at each stage and cultivation realm, to create a complete Human Formation Cultivation System.

All of this is for the Extreme Formation Sect. If I don't take the initiative to change, our Extreme Formation Sect will ultimately decline, or even worse, our whole great teaching might face annihilation.

And now, everything proves that what I did was not wrong. Now, the appearance of the six major alien races is the unexpected occurrence.

If our Extreme Formation Sect continues like this, when those six major alien races end their struggle in the Central Continent and enter the Four Continents, our Extreme Formation Sect will have no way to stop them, and our entire great teaching will meet its end.

Now, the only hope is me! As long as I can fully complement the Human Formation Dao, I can achieve Golden Immortal, and in the future, I may become a Daluo Golden Immortal.

Using them for experiments is for the future of our Extreme Formation Sect! If they die, they die for a worthy cause!"

"Die for a worthy cause?" Immortal Lord Jue Zhen looked at Immortal Lord Zong Zhen and laughed in fury, "They have their parents, their masters, and disciples. On what grounds do you decide their life and death?"

She was utterly disappointed, unable to imagine why Immortal Lord Zong Zhen would so naturally assume he could arbitrarily judge others' life and death for his so-called Human Formation.

Those people, after all, are his peers!

"I don't want to argue with you about this." Zong Zhen, seeing that it seemed like Jue Zhen was about to explode in rage, waved his hand gently and said, "I just want to tell you that the Human Formation Dao is the true path, and even if you have that Daluo Golden Immortal reincarnated guiding your way, you will eventually have to walk the path of Human Formation.

Don't rush to refute me, nor say you don't want to harm others. I've said, I will complement the Human Formation Dao, everything will be done by me, and all you need to do is cultivate according to my path. You don't need to seek out others and use them for experiments."

Upon hearing these words, the initially furious Jue Zhen fell silent. Was Zong Zhen wrong?

He was absolutely wrong.

However, Zong Zhen's words gave her a sense of 'bearing all the infamy alone.' A feeling of sacrificing oneself for the greater good.

She sighed in her heart, no longer arguing with him, but instead changed her tone, "I have now found my own path, and I will not walk the path of Human Formation. In the future, I hope you will not lay hands on our sect's disciples, otherwise..."

"Otherwise what? Next time we meet, it will be by the sword? The only outcome will be your death because your Formation Map path is a mere byway, incapable of comparing to the Human Formation Path. If you are unconvinced..."

"I give you seven days to recover, and to consolidate your Formation Map path, in seven days, I will discuss the Dao with you. Let me also see the path of Formation Map that the reincarnated Daluo Golden Immortal pointed out."

After saying this, Immortal Lord Zong Zhen vanished in front of Immortal Lord Jue Zhen.

In the days that followed, he never showed up, until seven days later, he appeared again before her, unfolded a formation map, and began to discuss the Dao with her.

Their discussion lasted half a year.

Zong Zhen found that Jue Zhen's level in Formation Maps had not just improved a little; many of her theories were something he had never considered before.

Jue Zhen also felt she gained much. Cao Zhen initially only guided her on creating two types of Formation Maps and imparted some crafting techniques and theoretical knowledge during the process. However, Cao Zhen ultimately just crafted maps, not fully teaching her the knowledge of formation crafting.

Later, she realized many Formation Map paths but never debated with anyone to validate them. Now discussing with someone like Zong Zhen, who can be considered to have a grand achievement in Formation Art, corresponding theory to practice clarified many previously confusing questions. They even discussed how to set up certain formations to be more potent and concealed.

After half a year, they finally concluded their discussion of the Dao.

"It's about time. I can't linger on the Outer Heaven Battlefield any longer, brother, I have to leave now."

Jue Zhen bid farewell to Zong Zhen and rose to leave.

But the next moment, a series of great formations around them began to shake violently.

Feeling the changing aura around her, Jue Zhen suddenly turned her head in surprise and shouted at Zong Zhen, "Brother, what are you trying to do!"

"Nothing, since you refuse to cultivate Human Formation willingly, I'll give you a hand." As Zong Zhen's voice fell, nine Immortal Palaces suddenly emerged behind him. Each palace was like a great formation, resembling nine formations connected, each palace surrounded by immortal energy, with celestial music emanating from within, each housing mysterious illusory shadows, all bathed in radiant light, linked together, appearing like a resplendent galaxy across the sky.

Chapter 2086: Ten Celestial Palaces

Nine Immortal Palaces of Phenomena!

Immortal Lord Jue Zhen's face showed amazement. Truly, Zong Zhen was the most gifted among their generation, with all nine of his Immortal Palaces being Palaces of Phenomena.

Even in the entire Central Continent, those who could achieve this were as rare as phoenix feathers.

And now, Zong Zhen was going to make a move against her.

Although she possessed eight Immortal Palaces, it seemed that Zong Zhen only had one more than her, but since all of his were Palaces of Phenomena, the difference was vast.

Moreover, she had been severely injured while fleeing before. Though half a year had passed, her injuries had not fully healed.

A being of the True Immortal Realm taking over half a year to recover is not at all unusual; more than that, even taking eight or ten years to recover is normal.

Furthermore, here was the Formation laid by Zong Zhen. She furiously urged the Immortal Palaces behind her to surge, but the oppressive force from the surrounding Formations grew increasingly terrifying.

Suddenly, the aura of Immortal Lord Zong Zhen surged again as an Immortal Palace slowly appeared around him.

Immortal Lord Jue Zhen's eyes widened abruptly—that's ten Immortal Palaces of Phenomena, not nine!

Zong Zhen appeared like a Formation himself, with ten Formations linked together, seemingly enveloping this world entirely within the Formations.

"Junior Sister, now let me show you the power of the Human Array. This is the true Way of Array Tactics!"

As Zong Zhen's words fell, ten Great Formations suddenly pressed down from the void. At this moment, Immortal Lord Jue Zhen felt as if the whole world had frozen, even the flow of immortal energy within her Immortal Palace became exceptionally slow.

At this moment, she even developed an illusion that this world had already become a world of Formations. Everything within this world, whether the wasted Formations in the distance, the flowers and grasses on the island, the seawater beyond the island, the air around, and even herself were part of the Formation, and Zong Zhen was the ruler of this world, the center of this Formation, around whom everything revolved.

Though she had eight Immortal Palaces, she developed a thought of being unable to resist.

"Junior Sister, do you feel the strength of the Human Formation? Don't say you're only an owner of eight Immortal Palaces now, even if you were like me, with ten Phenomena Immortal Palaces, you still wouldn't be my match!

Now, let Senior Brother help you lay the foundation for your ninth Immortal Palace, the Human Formation Immortal Palace!"

Zong Zhen's eyes revealed a hint of madness. As he spoke, from his Immortal Mountain, from each of the nine Phenomena Immortal Palaces, a Lock Chain flew out and instantly wound around Immortal Lord Jue Zhen's body.

Immortal Lord Jue Zhen frantically roused the energy within her, trying to resist, but under the influence of the Great Formation, the circulation speed of her immortal energy became extremely slow, and her body, beyond her control, was pulled open by these Lock Chains and laid on the ground in a spread-eagle position.

The next moment, a sharp Wind Blade passed through the void. Then, a light 'shhh' sounded as her clothes were suddenly slashed open.

Immortal Lord Jue Zhen felt the chill from all around, feeling an extreme sense of humiliation and at the same time reached the peak of her fury. She glared at Immortal Lord Zong Zhen like an enraged beast and roared, "Zong Zhen, what are you doing? Zong Zhen, put my clothes back on!"

"What? Growing up now, know how to be shy? Have you forgotten the days when you followed behind me with your bare bottom as a child?"

It's really unexpected that you, a cultivator for thousands of years, care so much about this?

This gaze, do you wish to eat your senior brother?"

Zong Zhen, like a madman, clicked his tongue and remarked, "Although in Senior Brother's eyes, all female cultivators look the same, Junior Sister, your body truly is tempting.

This gaze, this murderous intent in your gaze, Senior Brother really likes it. Do you know? Your biggest weakness is not enough murderous intent."

As Zong Zhen spoke, he even playfully flicked the void, causing Immortal Lord Jue Zhen's clothes to completely burst open, leaving her entirely exposed to the air.

"Junior Sister, is the Immortal more humiliated now? Unfortunately, you are too weak now to break free, unless one of your Immortal Palaces transforms into a Phenomena Immortal Palace, only then will you have a chance to escape these chains."

As Zong Zhen's voice fell, behind Immortal Lord Jue Zhen, her last ordinary Immortal Palace shook violently, and within the Immortal Palace, a vision of a Great Formation slowly emerged.

Phenomena Immortal Palace!

Her final ordinary Immortal Palace also transformed into a Phenomena Immortal Palace.

In truth, after discussing The Way of Array Tactics with Zong Zhen, she had gained great insights and comprehensions. She felt that if given another hundred years, she would have the opportunity to transform this Immortal Palace into a Phenomena Immortal Palace.

However, putting this aside, under Zong Zhen's sudden change of face, amidst endless humiliation and anger, this Immortal Palace directly transformed into a Phenomena Immortal Palace.

At this moment, Immortal Lord Jue Zhen only felt humiliation and anger. She desperately urged the immortal energy within her to surge towards the Lock Chains, only wanting to break free of these chains, but no matter how she motivated her immortal energy, she could not break free of the chains.

Zong Zhen, however, suddenly laughed, "Junior Sister, I said you might be able to break free. Now it seems, your combat power is still too poor, so let Senior Brother help you out."

Chapter 2087:

As he spoke, a sharp blade suddenly appeared in his hand, along with a translucent piece of white jade crystal stone, within which faintly visible were golden threads.

"Junior sister, these resources, I have worked immensely hard to gather them. Now, all are for you."

A month's time!

In this way, Immortal Lord Zong Zhen forcibly suppressed Immortal Lord Jue Zhen for thirty days, and the originally fair skin of Immortal Lord Jue Zhen now bore numerous intersecting lines.

"Junior sister, the initial transformation is complete. However, this is far from enough. Soon, I will let you leave, and when the time is right, I'll come to find you. Remember to come see me proactively, otherwise your Human Array foundation will become chaotic, and then you will face severe consequences."

Immortal Lord Zong Zhen continued, as if suddenly remembering something, and added, "Oh right, you have the reincarnation of a Daluo Golden Immortal's Great Ability. Or perhaps, you should try to find him and see if he can decipher my Human Array."

Now, junior sister, you may leave. Of course, you can return, but I won't just suppress you for a month next time."

Immortal Lord Zong Zhen spoke, lifted his hand, and a blue robe flew out from the void and landed on Immortal Lord Jue Zhen.

Immediately, Immortal Lord Jue Zhen felt a terrifying force pushing her, and under this frightening power, her body was uncontrollably thrust outward, flying out of the island in just a breath's time.

In the void, after regaining her freedom, the first thing Immortal Lord Jue Zhen did was take out a garment from the Heaven and Earth Ring and put it on, gazing coldly at the island below. Her intense killing intent seemed sharp enough to pierce through the mist surrounding the island.

She had never suffered such humiliation in her life, nor had she ever personally experienced betrayal. Before this, she even considered encouraging Zong Zhen to meet Sect Leader Cao to see if he could assist him.

He even thought about how to let Zong Zhen return to the Extreme Formation Sect!

But Zong Zhen treated her like this!

Even though Zong Zhen was the person she admired most back then, he was her senior brother, but now, he was the one she most wanted to kill!

Yet, she did not dare to break into the island below, for though she possessed the Eight Illusory Immortal Palaces, Zong Zhen was truly too strong, and any intrusion would only lead to greater humiliation!

"Zong Zhen, you wait, this hatred, I, Jue Zhen, will surely repay!"

On the island, Immortal Lord Zong Zhen listened to the harsh words Immortal Lord Jue Zhen left behind, a smile appeared on his face, and he spoke softly, "I'll wait, I truly hope that day comes, and the sooner, the better."

The next moment, his face suddenly turned pale, having forcibly suppressed Immortal Lord Jue Zhen for a month, Jue Zhen possessed the Eight Illusory Immortal Palaces.

This month, he also left the Human Array foundation on Immortal Lord Jue Zhen, a consumption equivalent to suppressing her, and even he could not endure it after the thirty days!

"That reincarnated Great Ability, I wonder if she will seek him out, his understanding of formations is indeed novel. If I weren't currently at the Outer Heaven Battlefield, searching for the Spirit Race's lost formation, I definitely would want to see that Daluo Golden Immortal reincarnation."

Miasma Valley, recently, a group combination of the Demon Clan has become quite famous.

Anyone entering the Miasma Valley is proficient in cultivating poisonous energy; normally, out of ten thousand experts entering, there might be one who doesn't cultivate it.

These situations are possibly accidental or due to being pursued without a choice but to hide within the valley.

Then there are those who need certain herbs and therefore adventure into Miasma Valley.

Generally, it's difficult for these experts to stay long in Miasma Valley because it's extremely unfriendly to anyone not cultivating poisonous energy.

However, the four-member Demon Clan combination includes two who don't cultivate poisonous energy, yet their combined strength is exceptional.

Mainly due to their harmonious coordination, one Demon Clan member is responsible for using illusion techniques, two others are responsible for trapping opponents, and the last uses Earth Level spells to attack.

In just over six months, over fifty experts have fallen at the hands of these four Demon Clan members.

This is a terrifying number indeed.

Considering Miasma Valley's vastness, encounters are rare, and even upon meeting, one would assess if they could face the opponent, otherwise, they might flee.

However, upon encountering this combination and realizing they're no match, escaping becomes too late.

Others use illusion techniques and spider webs, how could one escape?

Unless there are many of them, in which case a few might escape, and due to some experts managing to flee, the existence of this four-member Demon Clan group became known.

Thus, many experts from the Beast Clan have begun to secretly unify, aiming to eliminate these Demon Clan members.

After all, it's mostly the Beast Clan they've been killing.

On a mountain with relatively less miasma, where poisonous energy is also scarce, Cao Zhen and Ju E, along with two Poison Wolf Spiders, gather in the canyon.

Chapter 2088:

"Recently, it's become increasingly difficult to kill those of the Beast Clan." One of the Poison Wolf Spiders spoke with a troubled expression, "As we've killed more and more elite warriors, more of them, especially those Beast Clan guys, have taken notice of us.

Last time, if we hadn't been cautious, we might have even walked right into the Beast Clan's encirclement."

"For now, it's best for us to keep a low profile. Let's wait for some time, until the heat blows over, before we go out to hunt those Beast Clan again," the other Poison Wolf Spider said in a low voice. "They can't always stick together, but when we start hunting them again, they'll surely come looking for us. By then, we'll need to lie low for much longer."

"Anyway, during this period, we've reaped quite a few benefits." The two Poison Wolf Spiders spoke while looking at the two Fox Monsters not far away, one checking the clan list, the other lost in thought.

They hadn't expected to be so lucky. After being forced to stay with these two Fox Monsters, they didn't even need to hunt down other elites; sometimes, other clans' elites would stumble upon them.

Moreover, they appeared to be in the Late Immortality Regainment Realm, among them two from the Fox Clan who would be affected by the Poisonous Energy, one of which is from the Ear Fox Tribe. Many enemies, seeing them, thought they could be killed and launched attacks, then...

All four of them are alive now, naturally meaning all those enemies who attacked them are dead.

The main reason is that they seem not strong on the surface, deceiving heaven. Otherwise, there wouldn't be so many enemies attacking them proactively, and they wouldn't have killed so many elites.

The rumor outside is that they've killed more than fifty elites from other clans. In fact, the number is even more terrifying, nearing double, almost a hundred!

Killing so many Alien Races, the Ear Fox Demon took all their heads to clearly claim their merit after returning.

The rules are the same across clans: bringing back a head of an Alien Race would earn some accolades.

Initially, different clans demanded different parts of the Alien Race corpses: some wanted heads, others wanted the left arm.

But later, as clans realized the problem, different clans could divide a corpse and claim the merit individually.

So, the rules changed to only accept heads. If it's a multi-headed creature, all heads must be returned; if any head is damaged, then carry the body back.

Though the four of them together killed all those masters from various clans, and logically, the two of them should take some heads, the other party is stronger and doesn't want to share, leaving them helpless.

With just the two of them, not to mention more than half a year, even given a hundred years, they couldn't kill so many Alien Races.

But even without these Strange Beast heads, they have gained a lot.

After all, those two Demons don't cultivate poisonous energy. Sometimes, they would hand over some of the Alien Races' corpses directly to the two of them.

For experts cultivating poisonous energy, the corpses of those who cultivate poisonous energy are tremendously attractive, as they can extract the poisonous energy from those corpses!

By merely absorbing the poisonous energy, currently, each of their Immortal Mountains has grown fifty feet taller. At their current realm, increasing the height of their Immortal Mountain is extremely difficult.

Previously, it took them a hundred years to increase their Immortal Mountain height by fifty feet, but now, half a year equals past hundred years or even more, as it gets harder as the Immortal Mountain grows taller!

But, the two Demons have gained the most, as along the way, they've discovered many poisonous herbs, some of which are extremely precious, all of which ended up in the hands of the Ear Fox Demon.

Although they've been together for over half a year, the two of them still do not know the names of those two Fox Monsters, whereas the other party knows their names.

These two Fox Monsters are intriguing.

It seems the Seven-tailed Fox and the Ear Fox Demon share a relationship akin to demon mates. In their Demon Clan, even if they belong to different Demon Clans, like Fox Monsters and Tiger Demons, they can become demon mates should they develop feelings for each other, let alone when both are from the Fox Clan.

There are instances when families, even the Clan Leader, refuse two demons becoming mates.

Like if two monsters from the Fox Clan and the Raccoon dog tribe wish to become mates, the Clan Leader of the Fox Clan will surely stop them.

Fox Clan is among the Nine Royal Families, what is the Raccoon dog tribe compared to them!

The bloodline of the Raccoon dog tribe doesn't match the Fox Clan's, not due to arrogance, but for the prosperity of their own clan.

If a member of the Fox Clan were to have descendants with one from the Raccoon dog tribe, these descendants would carry the Fox Clan's bloodline, and the Fox Clan cannot disown it.

Bearing their bloodline, the Fox Clan has to oversee it, but the Raccoon dog tribe's strength means their descendants won't be strong.

The Fox Clan would have to oversee these descendants, and what if they continue to breed?

What if other clans provoke these descendants?

Also, would their bloodline secrets be discovered and targeted? Would their bloodline become diluted?

Therefore, powerful Demon Clans, including the Fox Monsters, generally would not allow their descendants to mate with weaker Demons.

If the other party is weak, it's unacceptable. Yet even if they are equally strong, it might not be allowed.

Like the Fox Clan and the Tiger Tribe, both among the Nine Royal Families, their bloodlines are sufficiently strong, but their families would not support becoming mates because, for unknown reasons, it's extremely difficult for them to have offspring after becoming mates. Even if they do, the offspring don't inherit the strengths but rather the weaknesses of both clans.

These powerful Demon Clans, for the future of their clan, wouldn't allow them to become demon mates either.

Chapter 2089:

Within the Demon Clan, there are countless races. Due to various issues, in most cases, these species search for demon partners within themselves. Even if they belong to the same race, some demons within their own group will face various restrictions when forming partnerships.

Even within the same One Clan, such as all being Spider Demons, their toxins are different, and some Spider Demons are poisonous while others are not.

Some Spider Demons have poison, and even if their toxins do not conflict, some have stronger poisons in their bodies, while others have weaker ones. As a result, the toxins in their offspring will definitely weaken.

Therefore, it is forbidden among Spider Demons for those of high lineage to become partners with those of lower lineage.

Two Poison Wolf Spiders curiously looked at the two distant Fox Monsters.

The Ear Fox Demon lineage is considered the weakest among the Fox Monsters. It is said that the Ear Fox lineage resulted from the union between Fox Monsters and other demons.

The Seven-Tailed Fox Demon, on the other hand, is one of the strongest groups among the Fox Monsters.

If they combined, the eventual offspring would only blend their bloodlines, ending up as either a three-tail or four-tail.

A Seven-Tailed Fox Demon whose descendants end up as a three-tail or four-tail would have significantly diluted blood. This kind of situation would never be allowed among the Spider Demons. However, the Fox Monsters have fewer rules, and as long as they don't become partners with those like Tiger Demons, such intra-clan unions are not opposed by the Clan Leader.

Cao Zhen knew what Ju E had been busy with recently. During this period, Ju E was frequently contacting the outside world through their demon clan's network because the experts their family had summoned had already arrived nearby.

Ju E is, after all, a princess of the Fox Clan, and the Fox Clan would never allow Ju E to be alone in the dangerous Miasma Valley, even if there is an expert by her side, the Fox Clan would not be at ease.

So, upon learning that Ju E was in the Miasma Valley, the Fox Clan immediately sent the nearest expert to escort her, while also contacting other clan members. Eventually, they found a Fox Clan expert also in the Miasma Valley, to come together and find Ju E to bring her back.

The expert the Fox Clan sought should find Ju E within a day or two.

Actually, this time frame was already quick enough. After all, the Fox Clan primarily trusts its own members. Even if they found experts from other demon clans in the Miasma Valley, they wouldn't be completely at ease. They would wait until their own experts arrived before sending them together to find Ju E.

"They are coming." Ju E retracted the clan network device, casting a complex look at Cao Zhen. In fact, a few days ago, the expert the clan found had already reached nearby, but she didn't want to go back so

soon. She truly liked her current days, having never experienced life outside without her clan's protection, exploring the world on her own.

However, their reputation was too significant, and the experts her clan sought knew they were nearby, so she truly couldn't delay any longer.

"So soon?" Cao Zhen was slightly startled. Suddenly, two figures appeared in the void.

Almost simultaneously, the four in the valley also noticed the two figures overhead.

"Is that... Venerable Lin Feng! Why would she be here?"

"And the other, is that an Eight-Tailed Fox Demon? Are these two here to find them?"

The two Poison Wolf Spiders, in their surprise, turned to look at the two Fox Monsters not far away. The appearance of an Eight-Tailed Fox Demon definitely meant they were here for these two Fox Monsters.

The Eight-Tailed Fox Demon is second only to the Nine-Tailed Fox Demon within the Fox Monster Clan. Such an Eight-Tailed Fox Demon coming specifically to find a Seven-Tailed Fox Demon and an Ear Fox Demon!

As they initially suspected, these two Fox Monsters indeed carry significant secrets!

But why would Venerable Lin Feng be here?

For those demons who have dwelled long in the Poison Miasma Gorge, none are unfamiliar with Venerable Lin Feng. Even the experts who have been here for years are aware of Venerable Lin Feng's existence. She is among the apex of those at the Peak Immortality Regainment Realm.

Among the demon clans in the Poison Miasma Gorge, there are three recognized as the strongest, and Venerable Lin Feng is one of them.

In the void, Venerable Lin Feng and the Eight-Tailed Fox Demon flew directly to Ju E. Venerable Lin Feng looked at Ju E, not speaking, but a gentle smile appeared on her face. Although she was an extremely powerful presence within the Immortality Regainment Realm, the one in front of her was a princess of the Fox Monster Clan!

Even if she had not yet entered the True Immortal Realm, even when she became a True Immortal, her status would scarcely match that of a Fox Monster Princess.

Thus, when an elder from her clan contacted her to assist in escorting the Fox Clan Princess from the Poison Miasma Gorge, she immediately agreed.

Their lineage wasn't very fortunate within the clan; if they could connect with the Fox Clan, her clan members' future days would improve significantly.

The two Poison Wolf Spiders saw Venerable Lin Feng's kind smile and were momentarily dumbfounded. This was Venerable Lin Feng! Among all demons in their clan who follow the Poison Path, she is absolutely within the top five of the Peak Immortality Regainment Realm. And now she's being so courteous to a Seven-Tailed Fox Demon in the late Immortality Regainment Realm? This was too abnormal!

Chapter 2090:

They were still in shock when suddenly the Eight-tailed Fox Demon spoke: "Princess, we were ordered to bring you back. Shall we go now?" Princess? The two Poison Wolf Spiders felt their minds go blank. Did they hear wrong? The Seven-tailed Fox Demon is a princess? The princess of the Fox Monster Clan? The princess of the Fox Monster Clan can only be a Nine-tailed Fox Demon. She... Just as they were puzzled, not far away, two more tails appeared behind the Nine-tailed Fox Demon, making a total of nine tails, gently swaying and exuding an aura of majesty. Ni... Nine tails! The two Poison Wolf Spiders, in that instant, felt their minds explode. The Seven-tailed Fox Demon they had been with for more than half a year was actually a Nine-tailed Fox Demon and indeed the princess of the Fox Monster Clan! They were actually in a team with someone of such importance! They had suspected that something was off about these two Fox Demons, but they never imagined their background could be this significant. The Seven-tailed Fox Demon was a disguise, so the other Fox Demon might not be from the Ear Fox Clan either. Could he be a Nine-tailed Fox Demon too? After all, other things might be fake, but the ambiguous atmosphere between these two Fox Demons, especially the way the Seven-tailed... no, the Nine-tailed Fox Demon Princess looked at the other one, their status as demon mates was surely genuine. Although, in the Fox Monster Clan, they're not stopped from finding a demon partner, the choice of partner matters. A Seven-tailed Fox Demon finding an Ear Fox Demon might be tolerated by the Seven-tailed Fox Demon's clan leader, but a Nine-tailed Fox Demon seeking an Ear Fox Demon would not be tolerable by the entire Fox Clan's clan leader. The Nine-tailed Fox Demon is the most noble and powerful bloodline in the Fox Monster Clan. How could they allow such a bloodline to be wasted! Even one would not be

acceptable, let alone if this was the princess of the Fox Monster Clan! Ju E heard the call but did not answer immediately. Instead, she turned and looked at Cao Zhen and asked, "What about you? Do you want to come along?" The two Poison Wolf Spiders felt a wave of envy. That was the princess of the Fox Monster Clan. Did she even need to ask? She could just give an order, but she still asked the other Fox Demon's opinion. She showed respect to her demon mate. Where could one find such a demon mate! Cao Zhen gently shook his head and said, "No, I plan to keep exploring here. I really need some herbs, and this is the kind of place where you would find them, filled with poisonous miasma." His body immune to all poisons still required a large amount of toxic plants, perfect for searching around here. As for the poisonous gas and miasma, they had no effect on him. Since he came, he couldn't leave so easily. Ju E knew Cao Zhen was an Alchemy Master and nodded slightly upon hearing this. Cao Zhen probably wanted to gather some alchemical materials here. But she sighed softly, a look of disappointment showing on her face, and said quietly, "Be careful then." After speaking, she looked at the two Poison Wolf Spiders in the distance and said from afar, "If you ever encounter difficulties or need help, you can come to me. I will assist you to the best of my abilities." She had a good impression of these two Poison Wolf Spiders. Without them, she and Cao Zhen wouldn't have killed so many members of the Alien Race during this time. The two Poison Wolf Spiders were overjoyed to hear this, repeatedly giving thanks: "Thank you, Princess, thank you, Princess!" This was a promise from the Fox Demon Princess. Even though she said within her abilities, the extent of what a princess can do is enormous. Look at Venerable Lin Feng, strong enough, yet he came here to escort the Fox Demon Princess. After realizing that this was the Fox Demon Princess, they understood why Venerable Lin Feng would arrive. However, what puzzled them was why another Ear Fox Demon chose to stay in a place filled with poisonous miasma! After Ju E and Cao Zhen finished speaking, the Eight-tailed Fox Demon gazed at Cao Zhen with a solemn expression and used secret communication to say, "Thank you, Sect Leader Cao, for your assistance. We have a gift as a token of thanks to give to Sect Leader Cao, hoping it will be to your liking." With that, she took out a Qiankun Bag and handed it directly to Cao Zhen. Cao Zhen felt a deep sense of appreciation. It was not easy; it truly wasn't easy. In the past, when helping others, they would always promise great rewards in the future, swear to remember it, but it was his first time seeing someone express their gratitude face to face directly. Cannot really say someone; say demon instead. This Fox Clan indeed lives up to being one of the nine great royal families of the Demon Clan, offering a bag full of treasures just like that. He accepted the Qiankun Bag with a smile but didn't open it immediately. After all, he was a sect leader and a reincarnated Great Ability. Opening the Qiankun Bag on the spot would be improper and out of character. Anyway, Ju E was about to leave soon. He could wait and check it when everyone had gone. The Eight-tailed Fox Demon noticed that Cao Zhen simply put the Qiankun Bag away and didn't say more. Once Sect Leader Cao saw the gift they prepared, he'd understand how much thought they put into it. She paused slightly and continued to communicate secretly, "Our Clan Leader said you could visit Illusion City when you have time, or come to our small thousand world, and our Fox Monster Clan will certainly reward you heavily." This one was a lifesaver for their princess! Just offering one gift seemed not enough in the Clan Leader's view, so whatever Cao Zhen needed, they intended to provide more!