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Chapter 651:

At the edge of the Great Lai Dynasty's territories, there lay an isolated island, suspended amidst the Endless Sea.

Unlike the other two Immortal Sects, the dynasty of the East Sea Mirage Tower was atop the sea.

The island was shrouded in mist and was known as an immortal realm among the local fishermen. They were aware of the immortal island yet none dared approach the swathes of mist.

The immortals on the island would venture out to select children with potential and bring them back to the island for cultivation.

However, all mortals were forbidden from trespassing on the island uninvited; anyone who did faced death as their only fate!

At this moment, however, there was a vessel speeding towards the island, not sailing upon the sea but flying high in the sky.

In the blink of an eye, it plunged into the cloud of mist.

The next moment, the flying boat disappeared and a figure enshrouded in mist appeared, accompanied by a voice that spread across the entire island.

"Sun and Moon Demon Sect, Eclipse Demon, has come to the East Sea Mirage Tower to discuss urgent matters."

Unlike some demon sects that proclaimed themselves divine, members of the Sun and Moon Demon Sect openly referred to themselves as part of the Demon Sect.

As his words dispersed, layers of mist around the island suddenly cleared away.

The Eclipse Demon stepped into the East Sea Mirage Tower, and the black Demonic Qi that cloaked him gradually dissipated, revealing a handsome face. Despite hailing from the Demon Sect, his visage was filled with warmth and appeared as though bathed in sunlight.

The East Sea Mirage Tower swiftly sent out a disciple to lead the Eclipse Demon into a quaint and ancient pavilion.

Inside the pavilion, a gathering of more than ten people had already formed, comprising both the old and the young. The one presiding over them was a young man.

There was a sternness in the young man's handsome face.

As the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth drew closer, the various Immortal Sects had already completed their successions, appointing the helm for their sects for the upcoming epoch.

Yet, as the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth had not truly begun, many strong cultivators of the Earth Immortal Realm had not yet slumbered.

Hence, it led to the current situation where gatherings consisted of both the old and the young. Nonetheless, the presiding person was always the newly appointed temporary leader.

The young man in the seat of honor glanced at the Eclipse Demon, a flicker of surprise in his eyes as he said, "Eclipse Demon, although you are not from our Great Lai Dynasty, we are still acquainted with your name.

At this time, shouldn't you be in the Guardian Immortal Imperial Dynasty? Why have you come to our Great Lai Dynasty instead?"

Generally, cultivators within one dynasty knew little about practitioners from other dynasties, unless the latter were exceptional prodigies.

Such as Cao Zhen, such as Xiang Ziyu – their names had long spread across the neighboring dynasties.

And Eclipse Demon belonged to this category.

He was securely ranked among the top three of the younger generation within the Sun and Moon Demon Sect.

With the ability of Eclipse Demon, he would certainly ascend as a senior member of the Sun and Moon Demon Sect during the Reversal Mini Epoch Period. Yet at this critical juncture, the Eclipse Demon had unexpectedly appeared in their Great Lai Dynasty and even sought out their East Sea Mirage Tower directly, which was quite peculiar.

The Eclipse Demon gave the man in the seat of honor a glance and said with a light chuckle, "This must be Dao Companion Ouyang Zhi of the East Sea Mirage Tower, the strongest among the younger generation.

As for what Dao Companion Ouyang mentioned about going to the Guardian Immortal Imperial Dynasty... I have come to the East Sea Mirage Tower to discuss joining forces in an attack on the Guardian Immortal Imperial Dynasty."

"Join forces to attack the Guardian Immortal Imperial Dynasty?"

The Eclipse Demon nodded lightly and looked around at everyone in the room, saying, "More precisely, our Sun and Moon Sect wishes to unite with the strength of the entire Great Lai Dynasty to attack the Hundred Peaks Sect, one of the ten great Immortal Sects of the Guardian Immortal Imperial Dynasty."

"Attack the Hundred Peaks Sect?" Ouyang Zhi raised an eyebrow, his face revealing a somewhat mocking smile. Even in the Great Lai Country, they were aware of the strength of the Hundred Peaks Sect,

With so many cultivators at the Ten Different Phenomena of Golden Elixir Great Perfection, it wouldn't be long before they would become the strongest Immortal Sect within the entire Guardian Immortal Imperial Dynasty.

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Had they gone mad?

Though it was true that the East Sea Mirage Tower, along with the other two major Immortal Sects of the Great Lai Dynasty, were naturally not afraid of the Hundred Peaks Sect and even possessed stronger power,

After all, the Hundred Peaks Sect was but one sect. How many Golden Core Stage cultivators could they have?

And how many Golden Cores could the entire Great Lai Dynasty boast?

If it truly came to an irreconcilable confrontation, the ultimate victor would undoubtedly be the Great Lai Dynasty.

But the problem was, even though there were disagreements between the Great Lai Dynasty and the Hundred Peaks Sect, the situation was far from a do-or-die scenario.

If they truly attacked the Hundred Peaks Sect, they would also suffer heavy losses.

How then would they contend with other dangers?

Besides, with the few existences at Ten Different Phenomena of Golden Elixir Great Perfection from the Hundred Peaks Sect, even if they couldn't win, couldn't they simply flee?

If they actually annihilated the opponent's sect and those few people scattered across the vast world, finding them would be like searching for a needle in the ocean, yet those few could specifically target them.

Why would they possibly attack the Hundred Peaks Sect!

They would rather take a detour than attack the Hundred Peaks Sect!

Although Ouyang Zhi had already succeeded to become the temporary master of the East Sea Mirage Tower, when encountering major issues, he still needed to consult with the Earth Immortal Realm experts. However, without even a discussion, he directly refused, saying, "Our East Sea Mirage Tower has no intention of directly attacking the Hundred Peaks Sect. Eclipse Demon, if you wish to seek cooperation, it would be best to approach other Immortal Sects."

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Why is there even a need to discuss such a matter?

At a time like this, which faction would be insane enough to trouble the Hundred Peaks Sect?

Being directly rejected, the Eclipse Demon's face did not reveal any surprise. He did not turn to leave either but continued, "What I'm suggesting is not to take action now, but to wait two more days. After two days, once the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth has truly arrived, that's when we act."

Upon hearing this, an extremely elderly figure from the direction of the East Sea Mirage, his back completely hunched, exclaimed in shock, "Two days' time? The Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth will arrive in two days? How did you come to know this precise timing?"

Everyone's estimation of the arrival time of the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth was a rough guess at best.

Only when the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth actually arrives can everyone be certain that it has truly begun.

Yet now, the Sun Erosion Demon has firmly informed them of the arrival time of the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth.

"This matter cannot possibly be false. As for the reason, it has been deduced by the masters of my Sun and Moon Demon Sect," said the Eclipse Demon as he gestured with a hand pointing down toward his feet, "I can stay in your esteemed building. If after two days the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth has not truly arrived, I, Sun Erosion, will let all of you deal with me as you see fit."

As soon as the Eclipse Demon finished speaking, the faces of the crowd—which had been filled with disbelief and suspicion just moments before—suddenly took on a grave expression.

The Eclipse Demon is no small figure after all.

He is one of the most talented individuals in the Sun and Moon Demon Sect. If he is now so certain that the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth will come after two days and can make such a statement, then he must have full confidence.

Who in the Sun and Moon Demon Sect has the ability to accurately predict the day of the arrival of the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth and to be so trusted by the Eclipse Demon?

Could it be the Sect Leader of their Demon Sect?

But given the cultivation base of the Sect Leader of the Sun and Moon Demon Sect, he must have already gone into slumber.

Having gone into slumber so early, it is impossible to predict the exact day of the arrival of the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth, not even the Grand Preceptor can do that.

If the Sect Leader of the Sun and Moon Demon Sect could predict it early on, wouldn't that be more terrifying than the Grand Preceptor of the Guardian Immortal Imperial Dynasty?

If that were the case, the Sun and Moon Demon Sect would have already made their move against the Guardian Immortal Imperial Dynasty.

Therefore, the precise timing must not have been deduced by the Sect Leader of the Sun and Moon Demon Sect. Then who could it be?

Moreover, why would the Sun and Moon Demon Sect want to attack the Hundred Peaks Sect at that time?

Because the Eclipse Demon disclosed the specific time of the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth, everyone's attitude towards him had eased a lot.

Ouyang Zhi slightly adjusted his sitting posture, his eyes filled with puzzlement as he continued to address the Eclipse Demon, "Even if the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth truly arrives two days later, it's unlikely that all Earth Immortal Realm practitioners of the Hundred Peaks Sect will be asleep. There will still be Earth Immortals among them.

The Hundred Peaks Sect is one of the ten major Immortal Sects and possesses the Mountain Protection Array. When Earth Immortals utilize their full power, they can activate the might of the Mountain Protection Array. Even if the three major Immortal Sects of our Great Lai Dynasty ally with your Sun and Moon Demon Sect, destroying the Hundred Peaks Sect will come at no small cost.

To do so may well result in a Pyrrhic victory."

"No," said the Eclipse Demon, shaking his head decisively, "After the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth arrives, all Earth Immortals of the Hundred Peaks Sect will fall asleep, not just the Hundred Peaks Sect. At that time, all Earth Immortals universally will slip into slumber within a single day."

"Impossible!" an elder with white hair and beard from the East Sea Mirage interjected directly, "This isn't the first arrival of the Inversion. Although I have never experienced the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth, our building possesses many records about it. Each Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth occurs with Earth Immortal experts entering slumber gradually. It has never been said that all Earth Immortals fall asleep on the same day."

"No... Elder, what you said is not the whole truth," Ouyang Zhi said with a slight shake of his head, "An ancient text from our Sun and Moon Sect records that within the past three eras, there was one Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth which was very special. On that occasion, upon the arrival of the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth, all Earth Immortals worldwide fell asleep on the same day.

Such a Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth had one characteristic: it was incredibly intense. Moreover, within that particular Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth, there appeared more and greater fortuitous encounters, greater opportunities!

Just as I said before, I am in your East Sea Mirage. If what I say is incorrect, you are all free to take action against me.

But if what I say is true..."

"If what you say is true, then I, the East Sea Mirage, owe you, Eclipse Demon, a debt of gratitude," spoke an elder sitting beside Ouyang Zhi slowly. Owing a debt from one Immortal Sect to another is no small favor.

After all, the information the other party provides is too significant.

If they do not prepare in advance, and it turns out to be as the Eclipse Demon said, with all Earth Immortals falling into slumber on the same day,

then it would be a major problem for the East Sea Mirage if any Earth Immortal is still outside on that day.

Such experts, if unable to return, will slumber out in the open, unprotected.

Others could then easily kill them as they sleep.

"This matter certainly cannot be a lie. I have come to you all because of the unique nature of this Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth, because all Earth Immortals will slumber on that very day.

Chapter 653:

Earth Immortal Realm can unleash the power of the Mountain Protection Array, but without an Earth Immortal, with only Golden Core Stage cultivators, they are all unlikely to be able to activate the Mountain Protection Array, and even if they truly activate it, how much of its power can they exert?"

"At the Golden Core Stage, naturally, they cannot display the full might of the Mountain Protection Array. However, the Hundred Peaks Sect still has several experts at the Ten Different Phenomena of Golden Elixir Great Perfection, plus a reincarnated being of great ability. If all four of us join forces to take down the Hundred Peaks Sect, we too would suffer devastating losses.

By then, if other powers were to attack us, what then?"

For an Immortal Sect, the most crucial affair during the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth is to preserve the sect's strength and ensure its continued lineage.

Only after ensuring the safety of the sect, should we consider other matters.

If they truly attack the Hundred Peaks Sect, they will also certainly suffer greatly, making it unlikely for them to ensure a peaceful passing through the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth.

Upon hearing this, the Eclipse Demon showed a meaningful smile: "If the experts of the Hundred Peaks Sect at the Perfect Completion Golden Core were all within the sect, naturally, I wouldn't trouble you all to deal with the Hundred Peaks Sect.

But, what if I tell you that most of the Hundred Peaks Sect's Golden Core experts are not present? What if I tell you that Cao Zhen is also gone?"

"Gone? What do you mean?" Ouyang Zhi, who had been sitting on a chair, abruptly stood up.

"I mean exactly as it sounds." The Eclipse Demon pointed a finger toward the direction of the Guardian Immortal Imperial Dynasty and said, "To show my sincerity, I am not afraid to share with you that our Sun and Moon Demon Sect has spies within each of the ten major Immortal Sects of the Guardian Immortal Imperial Dynasty.

Recently, our spies reported back that Cao Zhen of the Hundred Peaks Sect, along with his disciple Ling Xi, Yi Sheng, and his Taoist companion Li Ke, all left the sect to find his other disciples, Xiang Ziyu and Bei Yan. Once they left, they never returned.

Afterward, several experts of the Earth Immortal Realm from the Hundred Peaks Sect were suddenly dispatched, obviously in search of these individuals. Still, to this day, they have not returned."

"Not returned? Where have they gone? Or have they encountered danger? No, the Hundred Peaks Sect's people certainly understand the importance of these individuals. Even if they did not send Earth Immortal experts with them, they would provide them with life-saving artifacts. Just because they haven't returned now doesn't mean they won't return later."

"They, I fear, might truly not return." The Eclipse Demon paused for a moment before looking at the others and continuing, "because they have encountered experts of the Earth Immortal Realm, and not just one, but two. Oh yes, they met these two Earth Immortal experts in Ten Thousand Horse City, which is not far from the Great Lai Dynasty. You should be aware of the existence of Ten Thousand Horse City."

"Earth Immortal Realm?" Ouyang Zhi suddenly realized and murmured in a low voice, "You mean, they were killed by these two Earth Immortal experts? Even if they encountered Earth Immortal experts and weren't their match, the Hundred Peaks Sect would certainly prepare powerful protective artifacts for them, such as Divine Skills beads; they should have been able to escape."

The Eclipse Demon chuckled softly, "But the fact is they have not returned, and those two Earth Immortal Realm individuals have also died."

Ouyang Zhi frowned and said, "Earth Immortal experts dead? Then... it must have been the Divine Skills beads; they must have used them, and by that logic, they should be safe..."

"However, they have not yet returned to the Hundred Peaks Sect; they must have encountered other dangers. In truth, the incident occurred in Ten Thousand Horse City, and the dynasty closest to it is the Great Lai Dynasty. Initially, I thought it was the deed of your Great Lai Dynasty."

The Eclipse Demon looked meaningfully at the people of the East Sea Mirage Tower. If it weren't for the Sun Moon Demon Sect having informants in Ten Thousand Horse City, he would have suspected that it was the three major Immortal Sects of the Great Lai Dynasty behind this deed.

"This matter is certainly not the doing of our East Sea Mirage Tower, nor is it the work of the other two Immortal Sects of our Great Lai Dynasty!"

Sending Earth Immortal experts to Ten Thousand Horse City near the Hundred Peaks Sect to attack and kill disciples of the Hundred Peaks Sect, who exactly is behind this? Clearly, they intend to shift the blame onto us. After all, with Earth Immortal Realm experts appearing near Ten Thousand Horse City and attacking people from the Hundred Peaks Sect, everyone will believe it to be the action of those from the Great Lai Dynasty!"

The faces of the East Sea Mirage Tower's people darkened with heavy concern, for without the Eclipse Demon's revelation, they would not have known any of this.

"I don't know exactly who is behind this, but I can be sure they also knew that Cao Zhen, Ling Xi, Xiang Ziyu, and other masters from the Hundred Peaks Sect had all not returned to the sect.

Hence, from the Hundred Peaks Sect, the ones who have achieved the Ten Different Phenomena of Golden Elixir Great Perfection are only left with Yan Yourong, Liè Yàn, and Nie Jie.

Although Nie Jie is also among the Ten Different Phenomena of Golden Elixir Great Perfection, he is far inferior.

Yan Yourong and Liè Yàn may be one of the ten Immortal Generals of the Guardian Immortal Imperial Dynasty, but their strength is among the lowest of the ten.

Gentlemen, this is a rare opportunity to strike at the Hundred Peaks Sect. Moreover, there will be others who will act before us."

As the Eclipse Demon said this, confidence spread across his face, "That power, having discovered Cao Zhen and the others are gone and have not returned to the Hundred Peaks Sect, do you think they will take action and annihilate the Hundred Peaks Sect?"

Chapter 654:

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Now that they know that the masters of the Hundred Peaks Sect are not present, what do you say, will they make a move? What we are doing is following behind them, waiting for both sides to fight until they are nearly exhausted, to then directly attack and reap the rewards of a fisherman!

By that time, your Great Lai Dynasty need not worry, for the Hundred Peaks Sect will be in front of you.

Once the Hundred Peaks Sect is wiped out, within the Guardian Immortal Imperial Dynasty, there will be no Immortal Sect that can stand in the way of the Great Lai Dynasty! I wonder what you all think about this."

After the Eclipse Demon's words were spoken, those who had never considered attacking the Hundred Peaks Sect began to ponder deeply.

They did not give an answer that day.

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Chapter 656:

Cao Zhen had never imagined that after becoming an Immortal Cultivator, he would one day be surrounded by a pack of wolves.

After climbing onto a tree, fearing he would fall asleep and tumble down, he used branches and rope to tie himself to the tree.

Perhaps he was too exhausted from the day, he fell into a drowsy sleep even perched on the tree branch.

He did not know how long he had slept when the terrifying and spine-chilling howls of the wolves reached his ears.

Cao Zhen startled awake and looked down, only able to see glowing eyes within the darkness of the night.

Without the ability to sense spiritual energy or use mana, and his physical strength reduced to that of an average person, his vision had also weakened significantly.

After a good while, having adjusted to the darkness, he could vaguely make out the silhouettes of wolves.

Around him, on several large trees, others were also awakened by the howling of the wolves.

"There really are wolves!"

"How many wolves are there?"

"Having lost our sensitivity to spiritual energy and mana, has our vigilance deteriorated this much? In our slumber, we failed to detect these wolves until their howling woke us up!"

"It's fortunate Master told us to climb the trees, otherwise, encountering these wolves in our sleep, wouldn't we all be doomed here?"

"What do we do now? Wolves can't climb trees, they can't reach us, but will they leave?"

Below, the wolves, upon hearing the voices from the trees yet unable to reach the people, became even more frenzied, constantly leaping, trying to climb the trees.

The continuous howls kept coming, and gradually, everyone started to become accustomed to the wolves' cries.

Cao Zhen had been observing the wolf pack below, and slowly, snores began to drift down from a nearby tree.

"That's the tree Xiang Ziyu is on. That guy can actually fall asleep under these circumstances?"

Cao Zhen didn't know whether to say Xiang Ziyu was carefree or had good mental strength. So many wolves were circling below, yet he managed to fall asleep.

He did not know about the others, but he lay awake listening to the wolves' howls until the latter part of the night before finally slipping into a half-asleep, half-awake state.

As dawn broke and the sun began to rise, perhaps realizing that the people would not come down from the trees or perhaps for some other reason, the wolves eventually retreated.

Only after making sure that the wolf pack would not return did they climb down from the trees and continued on their way.

That evening, they encountered the wolf pack again, but this time the wolves did not leave as they had before. When they awoke the next day, the wolf pack was still present.

Cao Zhen had no choice but to take out the makeshift bow and arrow, aiming one by one at the wolves below from the tree. Unfortunately, having never drawn a bow before, he missed every shot and instead cut his own fingers.

Fortunately, he gradually got the hang of it, and there were enough wolves below.

After randomly hitting a few wolves, the pack finally dispersed. The group waited a while longer before climbing down to continue their journey.

As they walked, the ground under his feet suddenly began to tremble, and the entire horizon crazily shook along with it.

In the sky above, the sun and the moon rose at the same time...

"A Heavenly Phenomenon?"

"We can perceive a Heavenly Phenomenon in this Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth?"

"What is happening?"

"Spiritual energy..."

"I can feel spiritual energy!"

"I can feel it too!"

"It's the Heavenly Dao, the Heavenly Dao is suddenly changing, leading to this small world being affected. The formation established by the Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch has loosened, that's why we can feel the spiritual energy!"

Cao Zhen and the others, in that moment, all felt the change in spiritual energy.

BeiChen Ying immediately realized the significance and exclaimed, "The Heavenly Dao is changing, changing so wildly that it's affecting this small world. The Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth has arrived! And this time, it's incredibly intense! Quick, while the Heavenly Dao is in flux, and we can feel the spiritual energy, let's hurry towards the direction we were headed."

Cao Zhen released the Flying Boat the moment BeiChen Ying spoke and they all boarded, operating it at full capacity as they rapidly flew forward.

And Cao Zhen immediately opened China Cloud. With the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth truly upon them, he had to check on the situation of the Hundred Peaks Sect.

He had barely connected with Yan Yourong when a series of voices poured into his ears.

"This Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth is too intense, all Earth Immortals should no longer gather here, everyone should return to their own burial ground."

"Nie Jie, now that Peak Master Cao and Li Ke are both absent, the Hundred Peaks Sect is in your hands. Remember, prioritize stability above all. Before Peak Master Cao and the others return, do not let any disciples of our Hundred Peaks Sect go out."

"This Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth is so severe, I fear that this world will be even more chaotic than we anticipated!"

"Yan Yourong, Liè Yàn, you two assist Nie Jie in looking after the Hundred Peaks Sect."

Through Yan Yourong's perspective, Cao Zhen saw one Earth Immortal after another hurriedly leaving the Conference Hall, and for a moment, he was completely bewildered.

What's the situation?

The Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth is more intense than before? Why do all Earth Immortals need to enter their burial ground?

Chapter 657:

Cao Zhen was greatly alarmed and hastily asked Yan Yourong, "Yourong, what's going on? Why do all the Earth Immortal Realm practitioners of our Hundred Peaks Sect have to enter the Life Tomb?"

Yan Yourong had grown accustomed to her master's voice suddenly appearing in her mind, but this time, upon hearing his question, a look of astonishment immediately crossed her face.

How did Master know that all the Earth Immortal Realm practitioners of Hundred Peaks Sect could enter the Life Tomb?

Could it be that the Master could see other people?

If that were the case, when she was communicating with Master yesterday, she was in...

No, that shouldn't be it.

Just now, everyone was talking, so it must be that Master could hear everyone's words.

It must be so.

Yan Yourong thought about the day before, and a blush involuntarily spread across her pretty face. However, she knew that the time Master spent talking with her each day was limited. Without the luxury of further thought, she quickly replied, "Master, this Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth is unlike any before. This time, it's too intense.

All the practitioners of the Earth Immortal Realm in our Immortal Sect can feel it. They will all fall into a spiritual sleep today."

"If today, all practitioners of the Earth Immortal Realm fall asleep, I fear the whole world will be thrown into chaos."

Cao Zhen's expression immediately became grave. He had always understood that during the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth, all experts above the Golden Core Stage would gradually fall asleep.

Therefore, when the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth first began, there were still some Earth Immortal Realm experts.

The various Immortal Sects and powers had made preparations accordingly.

But now, if all Immortal Sects fall into sleep within a day, it would completely disrupt everyone's preparations, and who knows how many forces lurking in the dark would take the opportunity to stir!

Seeing that her master said nothing further, Yan Yourong hastily asked, "Master, when will you be able to come back?"

"I don't know, but it should be soon."

Cao Zhen felt that they should be leaving this minor world soon.

He couldn't believe it. Even if the Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch wanted to test those who entered this place, how long could the test last? The challenges prepared by the Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch were meant for the challengers to face in the form of a mortal.

How long could he make a mortal walk?

One year?

But they were traveling on a flying boat, their speed incomparably fast. How could it not be easy to pass the test?

Cao Zhen broke off contact with Yan Yourong and looked at everyone with a solemn voice, "Hurry, let's quicken our journey, moving forward at our fastest speed. This Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth is extremely intense, so intense that all above the Golden Core will sleep today! When that happens, I fear the world will descend into chaos. We must return as quickly as possible, back to Hundred Peaks Sect."

Everyone who heard Cao Zhen's words was stunned.

"What? All above the Golden Core will fall asleep?"

"This... we were not prepared for this."

"Why is this Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth so unusual?"

"Hurry, let's move at full speed. We need to return as quickly as possible. Now that we are not in Hundred Peaks Sect and all Earth Immortal Realm experts there are also asleep, our Hundred Peaks Sect is more vulnerable than ever!"

Everyone hastened their pace, rushing ahead.

As they hurried, they grew increasingly astonished.

"With our speed, we've traveled for so long without seeing the so-called treasure. If we couldn't fly and only moved at a mortal's pace, how long would it take to reach it? Five years, ten years? The distance we've traveled by flying would take a mortal one or two years to cover."

It seemed that because of the continual Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth, the group could always feel the presence of Spiritual Energy, maintaining their flight.

Due to the arrival of the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth, with the sun and the moon in the sky, the group could not tell what time it was, only knowing that they had been flying for a long time. Finally, a structure appeared in their line of sight.

Or rather, a gigantic tomb!

In front of the tomb, there was a river, a blood-colored river!

A strong and pungent scent of blood wafted over from afar.

"This is... the Blood River! The river that connects to the Boundless Bloody Hell?"

"This Blood River seems a bit too grand in scale!"

"There are formations here, but they seem incomplete, with signs of looseness."

"This Blood River seems different from the one we've seen."

"The Evil Qi here is incredibly intense!"

The group landed in front of the Blood River and immediately felt waves of Evil Qi rushing toward them.

Under this Evil Qi, from Xiang Ziyu's Qiankun Bag, seven Heavenly Gang Disha Beads flew out, circling incessantly above the Blood River as if they wanted to absorb the aura from within.

"I get it now," Li Ke suddenly spoke up. "Previously, I came across a record at our Sect stating that our Ancestral Elder had a great battle with someone. After the battle, his Divine Weapon, the Heavenly Gang Disha Beads, was severely damaged.

The reason our Ancestral Elder buried the Heavenly Gang Disha Beads here was to use the Evil Qi of this place to repair them. That's why, Xiang Ziyu, the seven beads you recently obtained are all Earthly Fiends Beads."

"It should be the case, but this Blood River, why does it seem to flow towards that tomb?"

As the group followed the Blood River, they found that its source was the massive tomb.

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The tomb was incomparably massive, even larger than many palaces.

In front of the tomb stood a monument with six large characters carved on it.

[Tomb of the Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch]

Although the crowd had seen other tombs before, the sight of this one still filled them with a sense of awe.

Looking at those six characters, everyone felt as if each stroke and line of the characters was a sword move.

Strangely enough, there were chains on the tomb, linking the entire tomb and the monument together.

"Chains? Only those formations intended for suppression would use such chains. Why are there chains on this tomb? To confine themselves?"

Beichen Ying muttered softly, and suddenly, the tomb started shaking violently.

Following that, a figure emerged before their eyes.

Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch!

Although they had previously seen the residual apparition of Heaven Illusion General and could not discern the details of Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch's appearance, everyone felt as though they had seen him clearly before.

Yet, when they tried to recall, they felt they had forgotten what the Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch looked like.

The Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch nodded slightly toward the crowd and spoke slowly, "Congratulations, you have passed my trial. By arriving here, you are now in a place where you can feel spiritual energy and restore your cultivation bases.

The long journey you took to get here, with your mortal bodies, must have spanned at least fifty years.

Fifty years are enough for you to understand the lives of mortals and to experience their suffering.

During these fifty years, no matter what difficulties, setbacks, or temptations you faced, you did not resort to killing each other and all made it here. This proves that you are all people of virtue."

Cao Zhen listened to the Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch's words and felt secretly relieved, thankful that the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth had arrived, changing the Heavenly Dao and damaging part of the formation here. They were able to use their mana to summon a Flying Boat and fly here, otherwise, it would have taken them at least fifty years to reach this place!

And according to the Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch, there were various other dangers and temptations along the way!

Fortunately, they had flown directly and did not have to face other dangers.

But why did the Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch do this?

As he pondered this question, the voice of the Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch was heard again.

"You were able to discover my tomb and enter this world, which suggests your cultivation bases have reached the Earth Immortal Realm.

You naturally recognize this Blood River and should know of the Boundless Bloody Hell. I, myself, have entered the Boundless Bloody Hell."

Upon hearing this, everyone's expression changed drastically, and they exchanged glances, all revealing a look of surprise.

Cao Zhen clearly remembered Lan Pili once said that nobody had seen what the Boundless Bloody Hell was like, and people only speculated that it was full of demonic beasts sustained by blood. They also inferred that it housed the most formidable beings.

Now, the Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch was saying that he had been to the Boundless Bloody Hell. Had he not encountered those supreme beings—?

The Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch paused for a moment before continuing, "The other end of the Boundless Bloody Hell is even more terrifying than what people have previously conjectured.

Moreover, the demonic beasts there are not only capable of slaughter; they also know how to cultivate, and they know how to tempt us humans.

After I entered, on the periphery of the Boundless Bloody Hell, I didn't encounter too much danger.

However, as I delved deeper, the strength of the demonic beasts grew. They all fed on the blood of living beings.

Although there was fresh blood in the Boundless Bloody Hell that could sustain them, they needed to consume the blood of living creatures to grow stronger.

Especially the blood of more powerful individuals, which could enhance them significantly!

You can imagine, the blood of mortals to them is what spirit stones are to us cultivators.

And for these demonic beasts, the blood of cultivators is the equivalent of Spirit Crystals!

I entered the Boundless Bloody Hell, cutting down demonic beasts along the way and quickly drawing the attention of supreme beings within the Boundless Bloody Hell. I managed to escape only by using all the means at my disposal.

Then I sealed this place.

After I recovered my strength, I entered the Boundless Bloody Hell again to explore that vast blood prison. Moreover, that time, I invited a friend along. Yet again, we encountered pursuit and managed to escape before recovering and re-entering the Boundless Bloody Hell.

After multiple such experiences, I realized that my power alone was insufficient to explore the Boundless Bloody Hell.

Therefore, I shared the secret of discovering and entering the Boundless Bloody Hell.

In order to prevent a panic across the world and in the entire Immortal Cultivation community, only the top experts of the time were privy to this information.

I invited several of those top experts to join me in the Boundless Bloody Hell.

We cooperated and cut down Blood Demons.

As we continued to approach the center of the Boundless Bloody Hell, where we felt we could finally understand its mysteries, a traitor emerged among us.

Two people, tempted by the Blood Demons, betrayed us.

Even though there were only two of them, they chose to attack when the Blood Demons launched a full assault. Taking us by surprise, they ambushed the two strongest among us from behind when we were least prepared.

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Those two, were the mightiest of our age.

Even I, always so proud, dared only to claim myself as the third in all the world.

The severe injuries they sustained were too great a loss for us.

We fought our way through, and in the end, only I managed to break out. As for the others, they remained forever within the Boundless Bloody Hell.

And I, too, was gravely wounded and could no longer explore the Boundless Bloody Hell.

All I could do was set up a Great Formation outside, to suppress the Boundless Bloody Hell and prevent the Blood Demons of the Boundless Blood Moon from breaking through from here."

Though only a Xu Ying, Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch's words conveyed a palpable sorrow to everyone present.

"After that, I no longer trusted anyone. Nor did I inform anyone about the situation in the Boundless Bloody Hell. Although I managed to escape, the injuries I suffered were too severe, and such wounds

were beyond my ability to heal. I knew my days were numbered, so in the years that followed, I spent my time recalling my swordsmanship, summarizing my techniques, and crafting this tomb.

Whether there exists another entrance to the Boundless Bloody Hell in the world, I do not know. Perhaps there are other ways in, but they have never been revealed, or maybe the place where I am is the only entrance to the Boundless Bloody Hell.

This place leads to the Boundless Bloody Hell, and naturally, the Blood Demons inside can use it to enter our world.

In order to suppress this location, I have cultivated this tomb right here.

The Demonic Beasts within the Boundless Bloody Hell are formidable, but upon entering our world, they will meet the repulsion of the Heavenly Dao; hence, the Blood Demons that have entered our world are not too powerful.

The tomb I have created here can suppress the Boundless Bloody Hell, preventing them from going out.

But I am not content!

To the Boundless Bloody Hell, the cultivation base of the Blood Demons that enter this alien world poses no threat to me, no matter how numerous.

But what about other people? What about mere mortals?

The Boundless Bloody Hell must be eradicated.

We analyzed back then that to eradicate the Boundless Bloody Hell, one must enter its core!

Therefore, the tomb I have left behind holds a passage leading into the Boundless Bloody Hell."

As Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch spoke, he pointed towards the tomb behind him and said, "This tomb, although capable of suppressing the Blood Demons below, can be easily broken from the outside. By exerting the power of the Earth Immortal Realm, one can break through the tomb.

Once inside the tomb, you will find my legacy of sword techniques and treasures I have left behind, as well as a pathway, a route into the Boundless Bloody Hell.

I hope those who come here, once you are strong enough in cultivation, will explore the Boundless Bloody Hell. The special trial I left before was precisely because the Boundless Bloody Hell is so critical. Should someone with ill intent enter this place and be tempted by the Blood Demons to break the seal here, endless Blood Demons would pour into our realm, leading to widespread slaughter and chaos.

Beyond that, there's another point – my legacy. My swordsmanship was born from my reflection in the mortal realm.

In our Immortal Cultivation world, nearly all Cultivators start as children, joining the great Immortal Sects and beginning their cultivation as Taoist Boys.

But I did not begin my cultivation until I was past fifty.

All of my cultivation, my insights, my swordsmanship, all came from the experiences of a mortal.

After I began cultivating, I even sealed my own cultivation base, wandering the world in a mortal body. All of my achievements originated from the mortal realm.

To inherit my legacy and comprehend it, one must possess enough mortal insights. Only those who have endured countless hardships in a mortal's body to reach this place, might have a chance to obtain my legacy.

As for the method to leave this place."

Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch pointed towards the gravestone and said, "Once you open the seal to the Boundless Bloody Hell, Blood Demons will emerge from the Blood River. Slay them, and use their

blood to coat the gravestone. Once the gravestone is stained red with fresh blood, execute the Secret Technique, and you will naturally be able to leave this place.

As for that Secret Technique, and my legacy, they are all within the tomb."

As the last word fell, the figure of Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch vanished.

"This is a respectable predecessor, one who spent his entire life battling against the Boundless Bloody Hell."

Cao Zhen sighed deeply, turning his gaze toward the entrance of the tomb.

Li Ke, however, was frowning and said, "Previously, our Ancestral Elder had discovered this place, we just don't know why he did not inform us about the existence of the Boundless Bloody Hell, or about this location. Or perhaps... the Ancestral Elder never entered here? Or is it possible that... perhaps the Ancestral Elder perished within the Boundless Bloody Hell. Our sect's records note that the last time the Ancestral Elder appeared in the Hundred Peaks Sect, he had mentioned he was venturing into a dangerous place and might never return. He had managed all affairs for future generations.

At that time, people in the Hundred Peaks Sect believed the Ancestral Elder might have gone to some relics, but now it seems well possible that he went to the Boundless Bloody Hell."

As his voice fell, the expressions of all present took on an even graver cast.

From the rules laid down by the Ancestral Elder after founding the Hundred Peaks Sect, it's evident that the Ancestral Elder was also a person who cared deeply for the world; it's indeed very likely that he had gone to the Boundless Bloody Hell alone.

And if the Ancestral Elder had entered the Boundless Bloody Hell and perished, it's feared not even his bones would remain."

Chapter 660:

After a long while, Beichen Ying finally sighed and spoke, "Now that the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth has come, the strongest forces of our Hundred Peaks Sect are outside, we must return

as soon as possible. However, to leave this place, we must enter it, open the passage to the Boundless Bloody Hell, and then slay enough blood demons so that their blood dyes the tombstone red."

Yet, he kept talking about the power of the Earth Immortal, the cultivation base of the Earth Immortal. Would the blood demons that come out now be of the Earth Immortal Realm as well? If the blood demons here are all at the level of the Earth Immortal Realm, we..."

Li Lingwei shook her head, analyzing, "With the coming of the Minor Era of Inversion of Heaven and Earth, there can't be any power above the Golden Core Stage in the world, and the Boundless Bloody Hell is no different. The blood demons that have reached the power of Earth Immortal should be asleep as well.

Given today's situation, whether there are sleeping blood demons of the Earth Immortal Realm in the Boundless Bloody Hell or not, we should look for places like new tombs; they wouldn't venture outside. Therefore, the blood demons we're up against should only be those below the level of Earth Immortal."

"Then what are we hesitating for, just go straight in. Clearly, such a place is specially left for the protagonist like me. I'll go in first; the rest of you just follow behind me," Xiang Ziyu said after listening, and he stepped directly into the tomb.

The tomb had a door, and this door was not sealed by any means.

Xiang Ziyu entered the tomb without any hindrance.

Cao Zhen and the others hurriedly followed into the tomb.

Inside the tomb, it was not as dark as everyone had previously imagined.

Inside the tomb, there was still a Blood River, connected to the one outside, except the river within the tomb had no flow at all, as if it was frozen.

On one side of the tomb was a stone chamber.

The stone chamber bore two large characters, "Treasure Chamber".

And now, Xiang Ziyu had already pushed open the large doors of the Treasure Chamber.

Cao Zhen and the others entered the Treasure Chamber as well.

Upon entering the Treasure Chamber, everyone's brows furrowed.

"The quantity here is not small, but these items are far fewer than we imagined."

"The Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch, that's at least a being of the Immortality Regainment Realm. And in his era, he was the third-ranked existence in the world. How could his treasure be so meager?"

"This... I'm afraid he used all his accumulated resources to build this tomb, to construct the Great Formation of this world."

Cao Zhen looked around at the various herbs and materials, excitement showing on his face. With these herbs... With these, and a few special herbs more, he could help Xiang Ziyu and the others to breakthrough into the Wind Fire Tribulation!

After scanning the room, he whispered, "Alright, we need to return as quickly as possible. Let's first gather all these materials, then we'll go to the Heritage Room to see if we can obtain the legacy of the Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch, and then activate the Great Formation."

Everyone wore a Qiankun Bag, and with coordinated effort, they quickly emptied the entire Treasure Chamber before proceeding to the Heritage Room on one side.

The Heritage Room, however, was an empty room.

As Little Bei Yan, the last to enter, walked into the room, the doors of the room suddenly closed, and following that, a figure appeared within everyone's sight.

The Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch.

The Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch, however, split into two, and then four, instantly creating hundreds of spectral apparitions.

In the next moment, these spectral apparitions suddenly sprang into action. Hundreds of Heaven Illusion Sword Monarchs simultaneously struck with their swords.

Instantly, the sword intent surged powerfully within the secluded chamber.

In that moment, everyone only felt that each sword stroke from the Heaven Illusion Sword Monarchs was different, yet each one seemed like an Immortal flying in from beyond the ninth heaven, with each stroke filled with a fleeting sense of soaring immortals.

Streams of Sword Qi surged and lashed out.

Watching stroke after stroke, Cao Zhen instantly felt as though he had traveled back to Earth, to the ancient times of Earth.

These were clearly streaks of Sword Qi falling, but as he watched these movements, he felt not like someone was wielding a Sharp Sword, but a blacksmith was forging iron, a farmer was tilling the land, some seemed like messengers hurrying on their way...

These streaks of sword light were not swords at all, but rather the most ordinary actions performed in the lives of mortals.

Cao Zhen quietly closed his eyes, the endless Sword Qi surged forth all around him.

Enlightenment!

Since coming to this world and declaring himself a Cultivator, this was the first time he had entered into a state of Enlightenment.

The Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch had not left behind a sword technique, but rather his Sword Intent, his understanding of the Sword Dao.

Soon, the swirling sword shadows within the room had disappeared.

And everyone regained their senses, one after another.

Beichen Ying was the first to ask, "Did you perceive anything?"

Li Ke frowned and said, "Terrible sword intent. That stroke was the strongest I've ever seen, yet it seemed not just a stroke, but a complete set of Swordsmanship.

I finally understand why he was called the Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch. His sword technique seemed as if it had flown in from outside the heavens, also filled with an illusory sense.

But I don't know why, although I clearly saw each sword technique, I now feel as if I saw nothing, and have no insight."

"I feel the same, as though I've only appreciated a premier Swordsman demonstrating his most proud technique, and then I perceived nothing."

"I didn't feel anything at all."

"Perhaps it's because we haven't experienced those fifty years of mortal life," Beichen Ying sighed and said, "The Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch said that his sword techniques all originated from mortals. We haven't experienced those fifty years of mortal life, hence we cannot perceive the Sword Intent of the Heaven Illusion Sword Monarch."