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Nine half-step Divine Venerates self-detonated at the same time. As a result, blood soul energy erupted and the spatial gate crumbled. The runes that made up the spatial gate were demolished.

When the spatial gate vanished, it never reappeared again. At the same time, the nine half-step Divine Venerates that vanished with it were also gone forever.

“Dean, no...” Guo Ran wept. Xue Yifan had blessed him with his favor and had shown him his care. But he had known about it too late.

Other than Long Chen, it was Xue Yifan who cared the most about Guo Ran. He had been constantly secretly looking after and helping him.

However, Xue Yifan was now gone. In order to destroy the spatial gate, such a virtuous and important person was left without even a corpse to bury.

“AHH!”

Guo Ran suddenly let out a beast-like roar. “Brothers, avenge our seniors! Slaughter these brutes!”

“Kill!”

The human race's warriors echoed his roar. Flames almost burst out of their eyes, and they clenched their teeth so hard that their gums almost bled. The only thing that could cool them down was to kill.

At this time, their lives were the least important thing to them. What they wanted was revenge. If they couldn't cut off their enemies' heads, they would probably die of their own rage.

The deaths of the nine seniors fully ignited the fighting spirits of the human race. They became madmen, throwing themselves at the Alldevil race's experts and the devil beasts.

BOOM!

At this moment, a huge explosion suddenly shook the battlefield. When a giant tear appeared in the void, Long Chen and Alldevil Tianye appeared once more, flying out of that chaotic space.

"You want to save those old fogeys? Keep dreaming." Alldevil Tianye pointed his staff at Long Chen.

Long Chen's expression was dark at this moment. The killing intent in his eyes had almost condensed into physical form.

He had to fight at full power against Alldevil Tianye. The latter was too powerful, stronger than any opponent that Long Chen had previously encountered. But Long Chen still kept an eye on the entire battlefield.

When the spatial gate appeared, he immediately had a bad feeling and wanted to go out to destroy it first above anything else.

However, Alldevil Tianye read his intentions. Using some divine ability, he threw space into chaos, stalling Long Chen. When Long Chen finally pierced through his divine ability, it was too late. He couldn't save Xue Yifan, the Celestial Essence Sect's patriarch, or the others.

"Boss!"

Seeing Long Chen come out, Guo Ran cried out and couldn't stop his tears. He felt himself to be completely powerless. He couldn't do anything.

Long Chen was enraged. Glaring at Alldevil Tianye, he shouted, "I misspoke before. I said that your Alldevil race would have to offer tributes to the human race every year as you survive off of our mercy. But I, Long Chen, hereby swear to all gods and devils to erase the Alldevil race from the nine heavens and ten lands!"

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Long Chen's final words resounded throughout the nine heavens, to the point that the ten thousand Daos resonated with them. It was like an imperial edict spreading throughout the nine heavens and the yellow springs.

This oath caused the world to change color, to cause time, both past and present, to quiver. This was a terrifying oath. All the Alldevil race's experts felt their hearts pounding as an indescribable fear swept through them.

Long Chen was enraged. He had killed countless lifeforms in this lifetime, but no matter how heinous his enemies had been, no matter how they had enraged him, he had never done something like eradicating an entire race.

He had always believed that every race had both good and bad people. A person had to know respect. He greatly disliked those people who always said that they would wipe out a person's entire race and family.

However, it was precisely because Long Chen had always left other people a chance to redeem themselves that he ended up pushing himself to the verge of destruction.

If he hadn't received Aunt Gong's pointers in the Heavenly Flame World, he would not be able to keep his heart clear. He had given some of the bad people a chance to change their fates. But this ended up causing countless good people to be thrown into danger.

Aunt Gong had told him that he could act according to his own heart, and then bestowed him the golden lily seed, allowing him to place down the burdens in his heart. He didn't need to keep questioning himself or hyperfocus on the process. He just had to look at the result.

That was why Long Chen had directly given the order to kill the people questioning him. He knew that some people were simply manipulated into doing it. Their innate characters weren't necessarily bad.

If it was before, he would have given them a chance. But this time, he directly hardened his heart. When did this world ever have so many innocent people? Even if they were innocent, their actions caused others harm.

It was precisely due to ‘innocent’ people like this that Xia Guhong was forced away. Xia Guhong had been unwilling to subdue these ‘innocent’ people, and that resulted in countless years of battle, in the deaths of countless innocent people.

The current Long Chen could see further than before, and his heart was harder. Even so, Xue Yifan was an elder whom he greatly respected. For him to be unable to save Xue Yifan, the flames of fury in his heart erupted. Because of it, he directly made such a merciless oath.

“Big words! I think I’ll let the Alldevil race exterminate your human race instead!”

Long Chen’s oath caused even Alldevil Tianye’s heart to pound. He furiously roared, “Do you think that this is my full power? You little human, you can never imagine just how powerful the great Alldevil race is! Supreme Bone!”

Suddenly, Alldevil Tianye’s right arm began to shine. After that, the flesh on top of his arm vanished and a black bone appeared. It was covered in tiny, dense runes. Every single rune was as small as an ant, yet they covered his entire arm.

When this black bone appeared, the entire world grew heavy, and a terrifying pressure came from that black bone. Ripples then spread from Alldevil Tianye’s body.

At this moment, Guo Ran and the others felt an irresistible power flow out toward them. It was like they were on a raging sea and couldn’t stop themselves from being forced back. The devil beasts were also pushed back by that terrifying power.

There was no way for anyone else to approach where Long Chen and Alldevil Tianye were. They stared in horror at Alldevil Tianye’s arm. That black bone was like the arm of a fiend clutching their throats. They couldn’t breathe.

For some unknown reason, when they looked at the current Alldevil Tianye, they couldn't help feeling like they couldn't win. It didn't matter how staunch they were. They felt despair.

"Supreme Bone?"

Long Chen's heart pounded wildly. His gaze instantly sharpened. The immortal world also had experts with Supreme Bones?

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Alldevil Tianye's arm emitted a blinding light and was covered in dense runes that unleashed endless power. It was as if its power could truly destroy the entire world if it was unleashed.

"Do you see? This is the Supreme Bone. It possesses the power to control an entire world's power. It isn't something ants like you can comprehend." Alldevil Tianye looked at his black arm with a proud smile.

BOOM!

Just like that, he smashed the air with his black arm. As a result, the void could not contain his power and collapsed. The wall of the world was broken, creating a black hole that sucked countless corpses, rubble, and broken fragments into it. It was a horrifying sight.

"Is this power something that ants like you can compete with?" Alldevil Tianye sneered at Long Chen like an undefeatable devil king.

“Just what kind of power is this...?”

Just as people’s killing intent was raging to avenge their seniors and their fighting spirits soared, this one move from Alldevil Tianye was like a bucket of ice over their heads. Their desire for revenge was mostly extinguished.

This was the result of a level of power that simply caused despair, a power that could not be matched or imagined. Whether it was the human race or the devil beast army, they all stopped fighting and simply stared at the two of them.

“So the immortal world also has a kind of Supreme Bone. In the mortal world, it slumbers, accumulating power. It only sprouts under the immortal world’s laws, unleashing its real power.” Long Chen eyed Alldevil Tianye’s black bone arm.

He finally understood that he had underestimated the Supreme Bone. He thought that it was just some bone of talent from the mortal world without much use.

Now that he saw Alldevil Tianye’s black bone arm, he instantly understood that the Supreme Bone would only display its true power in the immortal world.

Supreme. It was an expression of peak talent. Even though Long Chen had gone through the High Firmament Academy’s books, he had not read anything about Supreme Bones.

In other words, a Supreme Bone was related to the mysterious workings of the Heavenly Daos. It could not be recorded on paper.

Long Chen instantly thought of his own Supreme Bone that had been taken from him. Back then, he hadn't killed Long Aotian in hopes of using the latter as bait to find his parents.

But Long Aotian was taken away by people not long after ascending. Furthermore, it was said that his entire family had moved. Thinking about it, it was likely due to his Supreme Bone. The Long family definitely didn't dare to tarry when it came to a genius with a Supreme Bone.

"Good thing I didn't kill him back then. Otherwise, the talent that my parents bestowed on me would have been lost. It seems that I'll need to think of a way to take back what is mine," muttered Long Chen.

Long Chen's hatred for Long Aotian was at the very peak. Back then, Long Chen had almost torn him into pieces. But in order to search for his parents, Long Chen had left him alive.

Now it seemed that this decision was extremely correct. His Spirit Blood, Spirit Root, and Spirit Bone were still being nourished in Long Aotian's body. Whatever power that had picked him up would nourish his talent, and the next time Long Chen saw Long Aotian, he would pluck the talent that they nourished.

"Are you so scared that you're talking to yourself? Hahaha, humans are simply an inferior race. In front of absolute power, you can only kneel on the ground and beg for mercy. Well, go ahead and beg. I want to see just how wretched the human race is." Seeing Long Chen muttering to himself as he eyed his black arm, Alldevil Tianye laughed.

It seemed as if he had absolute control now, and he coldly overlooked the entire battlefield. He was in no rush. It seemed that he was enjoying people's expressions of despair.

People truly were terrified and felt despair. They didn't know what a Supreme Bone was, but as experts, they could clearly sense that Alldevil Tianye possessed a violent power as vast as a sea. This kind of power could destroy the entire world, and they were no different than ants in front of Alldevil Tianye.

In front of this absolute power, any schemes and plans were nonsense. There was nothing that smarts could do. The only thing that they could do was wait for death.

“Everyone, start secretly recovering your energy. Prepare for the final battle,” Guo Ran transmitted orders to everyone.

“Is there a need for this?” Leng Hui bitterly smiled. In his opinion, everything was already over.

“What bullshit are you spouting? My boss is unrivaled. I told you to recover, so focus on recovering. We still need to avenge the dean and the others, right?” Guo Ran glared at him.

Hence, everyone started secretly recovering their energy. They could only place all their hopes on Long Chen now.

Standing in the air, Long Chen looked at Alldevil Tianye. In front of his provocation, Long Chen calmly said, “You fought me for so long because you were storing up energy to activate this Supreme Bone?”

“Correct. The Supreme Bone can normally only be summoned at the Devil King realm. My realm isn’t high enough. Hence, if I want to activate it, I must push myself to the very limit before I can awaken it. The Supreme Bone’s power is something that you cannot imagine. Even I, if I were to directly summon its power, would be directly blasted apart simply due to how powerful it is. Now do you understand the difference between us?” asked Alldevil Tianye.

These words pushed people further into despair. Even someone as powerful as Alldevil Tianye would need to raise the power of his physical body to the very peak before he could control this power. Then just how terrifying would it be once its power was unleashed?

Long Chen rested the Minghong Saber on his shoulder. That one action caused Guo Ran's blood to blaze excitedly. "Watch closely! Boss is about to go all-out!"

"You mean that... boss Long Chen still isn't fighting all-out?" Xie Liuer, Leng Hui, and the others were astonished.

"Isn't that nonsense? If Alldevil Tianye wasn't going all-out, how could boss have used up all his power? Just remember this. In this world, there is no one that can defeat boss within the same realm!" declared Guo Ran proudly. He had even more confidence in Long Chen than Long Chen himself.

Long Chen took a few steps forward. It was like he was leisurely walking through his own courtyard. No one knew what he was thinking.

As he walked, he said, "That means that your way of thinking is the same as mine. I also have a kind of power that I can't fully control. I only dare to use it once the warm-up is over. Otherwise, even before I kill my enemies, my own body will be unable to endure it. In truth, I really hate myself for not being able to finish my warm-up sooner. Otherwise, you would already be one of the souls killed by my saber, and those seniors wouldn't have had to die. Well, saying that is meaningless. Right now, all I can do is use your life as an offering to their spirits. Prepare yourself. I'm coming!"

Long Chen's speed suddenly accelerated. He was like a bolt of lightning shooting at Alldevil Tianye. At this moment, his Minghong Saber rumbled and nine hundred and ninety-nine stars lit up on its blade as brightly as the suns.

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Long Chen was as quick as lightning, his Minghong Saber slashing down with the power of the stars.

“Ant, today I’ll show you a power that you couldn’t comprehend even if you cultivated for a hundred thousand years!”

Alldevil Tianye sneered and raised his staff. It actually merged with the runes on his arm and smashed toward Long Chen.

BOOM!

A huge explosion turned the world dark, making people lose their vision. They then felt space twisting around them as if they would be twisted apart. After that, many of them hacked up blood.

Everyone was horrified. Even from such a distance, while wearing their battle armor, they were unable to fend off that strange force.

When their vision was restored, they saw Long Chen slashing at Alldevil Tianye once more.

That scene was the exact same as before, as if the previous scene was repeating. Seeing this, people were flabbergasted. They couldn’t tell if this was simply a misperception on their end or something else. Could it be that such a terrifying attack did not require any recovery period in between?

BOOM!

An even more intense explosion shook the land, and it was even louder than before. They couldn’t see any qi wave or a single ripple. But they felt like their physical bodies and souls were struck by a meteor. It felt like they would be torn apart.

“Everyone, retreat into the city!”

Guo Ran suddenly shouted. Countless people were injured, so without hesitation, they immediately retreated.

Once they were all inside the city, through the formation, they watched the distant battlefield. Right now, the battlefield was already littered with corpses. Countless devil beasts had been killed by the shockwaves, so even the Alldevil race’s experts were retreating in terror.

Suddenly, a saber pierced through the dome of the heavens like a celestial blade.

It pierced through this world that was covered in devil qi, and people could see through the hole left in the sky by that saber. From the hole, they could see endless stars. This saber pierced directly into the starry sky.

“Raise the power of the formation’s defenses to the peak!” roared Guo Ran.

The entire city quivered. Over a thousand barriers appeared in the blink of an eye over the city.

“Bastard, you were tricking me!”

Alldevil Tianye roared furiously. After exchanging two blows with Long Chen, he realized that while Long Chen seemed to be attacking with these two blows, he was actually defending. The first blow’s power was absorbed by his second blow, and his second blow’s power was absorbed by his third blow.

This third blow was his true killing move. The first two were nothing more than preparation for the third blow. When he realized it, Long Chen's third blow had fully locked him down.

Most terrifying of all, there were some stars in the starry sky above the heavens that were brighter than the others. They illuminated the giant saber-image that already had nine hundred and ninety-nine stars shining on it. It was as if those stars were resonating, causing it to unleash endless power.

"Idiot, it was clearly you who felt yourself to be a badass and refused to use your full power. The moment you wanted to play a game of cat and mouse with me, you already lost any chance to win. All that awaits you is death. I will use your head as an offering to those warriors that sacrificed themselves."

Long Chen's killing intent was icy. Suddenly, a pair of wings appeared on his back. One was made of flames, and the other was made of lightning. The lightning and flames weaved together, giving off a strong contrast. They made Long Chen appear like an unbeatable battle god.

Before the saber even slashed down, the terrifying power already caused the ten thousand Daos to wail. Even heaven and earth felt terror from this power.

The stars above the nine heavens shone brightly, giving the saber endless power. Long Chen was the undefeatable battle god of the starry sky, in control of the power of the stars.

One saber and one man, both overflowing with killing intent. With the starry sky above him, there was no way to describe just how he looked. At this moment, the people in the city had this image deeply imprinted in their minds. They would never forget this scene for the rest of their lives.

Guo Ran shouted in excitement. This image was precisely his impression of Long Chen. This was an image that no one else could match.

The starry river warriors looked at the starry sky up above. Right now, the Dao seemed to flow into them, and their hearts grew clear. Many aspects of the Starry River of the Sky Art that they hadn't understood before were now clear to them.

They looked at Long Chen with absolute reverence and worship. Long Chen had taught them the Starry River of the Sky Art without expecting anything in return. That magnanimity was just as vast as the generosity of the stars in the sky. It was a realm that they could never hope to reach in their lifetimes.

Long Chen had opened a path for them, letting them see a vast world. In their hearts, Long Chen was a true god.

Suddenly, the space around Alldevil Tianye began to crack. It seemed that he was under such terrifying pressure that the world could not contain it. His body began to quiver.

"It's just an aura lock, but Alldevil Tianye can't endure it! He's definitely dead!" Xie Liuer cried out excitedly.

At this moment, Alldevil Tianye's body was quivering, and his staff and Supreme Bone were shining. His expression was one of shock and rage.

"Inferior human, all you know is how to scheme! Do you think that's enough to defeat a mighty supreme expert?! Keep dreaming! Alldevil Blood Sacrifice!"

Alldevil Tianye roared. Suddenly, his left hand formed a strange seal. Seeing that seal, the city's people cried out in shock.

"Since when did the Alldevil race know how to form hand seals?!"

In all their years of fighting the Alldevil race, no one had even heard of them using hand seals.

As he formed hand seals, the Alldevil experts in the distance began to explode. It had to be known that even after all the fighting, there were still millions of them.

As the Alldevil experts exploded, the devil beasts simply lay there, their bodies withering. Their Blood Qi was sucked away by a mysterious energy.

This sight gave others chills. This technique was terrifying. He was sacrificing his own people.

As the Alldevil experts and devil beasts died, blood light surged into Alldevil Tianye's arm, which emitted a blood-colored light. His power then erupted like a volcano, crazily climbing.

After absorbing endless Blood qi energy, Alldevil Tianye's body began to grow. He grew until he was a giant dozens of miles tall. After that, his staff rumbled, growing with him and emitting blood-colored flames.

"Die, you inferior human! Alldevil Heaven Subduing Strike!" Alldevil Tianye roared. His staff shattered space as it smashed toward Long Chen.

"Die, you filthy devil! Split the Heavens 3!" Long Chen also shouted. All of his power poured into this one attack. This attack would decide victory or defeat!

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Heaven and earth collapsed, and the ten thousand Daos crumbled. The staff swung through the air with black qi surging around it. As for the Minghong Saber, it was covered in specks of starlight. Both divine weapons contained the full power of both wielders.

Moreover, the two of them didn't hold back in the slightest. This was not just a clash of power but also a clash of wills. At this moment, neither of them could hesitate or feel afraid. Otherwise, the slightest opening in their mental states would cause their wills to instantly collapse, leading to defeat.

One was a supreme heavenly genius of the devil race, and the other was a peak expert of the human race. Both of them possessed undefeatable wills. But in this exchange, only one could live.

Time seemed to move slowly. The people in the Magnificent Heaven City clenched their teeth and their fists, watching as the staff and saber slowly smashed into each other. This was not just the attack that would decide life and death for Long Chen and Alldevil Tianye. It would also decide whether the human race could survive in the Alldevil Star-Field. Hence, everyone's heart rose into their throat.

BOOM!

The Minghong Saber slashed at the staff with the will of Split the Heavens. Both of their powers erupted.

The moment the two weapons touched, a sphere of light erupted between them. It started off only the size of a fist, but then instantly grew to encompass all of heaven and earth. It was like a sun exploding.

Suddenly, the world turned silent as if it had lost all sound. Time seemed to come to a sudden stop, and people felt like they were floating within the void. Following that, intense quakes made them feel like the world had been flipped. They then saw a rain of light.

The light was chaotic, creating random currents within the void. It was as if the world was rolling, that the ten thousand Daos were being overturned.

At this moment, the Magnificent Heaven City rumbled and its barriers were constantly exploding. Cracks appeared throughout the city. Fortunately, with the defenses pushed to the very max thanks to Guo Ran's order, they weren't instantly wiped out.

"Not good! The dragon veins have been destroyed!" A panicked cry rang out.

The formation's defenses were built on top of the dragon veins. With the dragon veins destroyed, the formation also lost its power.

"Defensive battleships, get into formation! Protect the commoners!" Guo Ran quickly reacted.

BOOM!

Suddenly, the Magnificent Heaven City that had lost the support of the dragon veins exploded. Fortunately, just as it exploded, the battleships unleashed protective light, just barely covering up the commoners in time.

Astral winds raged. The blinding light slowly faded, and by the time people's vision was restored, they could no longer recognize the world.

This place was now a wasteland. At the center of the battlefield was an enormous spatial crack. It simply sat there, neither devouring nor spitting anything. It was like a simple cut left in heaven and earth. The laws of the Heavenly Daos could not heal that scar.

“Don’t stop the protective formation!”

The runes of the battleships began to waver, causing Guo Ran to suddenly shout. “Maintain the formation! Otherwise, the remnant killing intent will instantly wipe out the majority of the people in the city.”

Guo Ran’s words caused countless hearts to shake, especially the people who had thought that the battle was over and were thinking of saving some resources by bringing down the defensive state of the barrier. They were so terrified by Guo Ran’s words that they didn’t even dare to move.

The vision formation was quickly activated. After that, they found a figure within that spatial crack.

“It’s boss Long Chen! We won, we won, we won!”

When they saw that figure, people wept out of joy. Long Chen hadn’t disappointed them.

“I already told you that boss is unrivaled within the same realm!” said Guo Ran proudly.

In truth, Guo Ran had also been scared just now. Alldevil Tianye was absolutely terrifying, and that Supreme Bone was a heaven-defying existence. It was his first time feeling like Long Chen could lose to someone in the same realm.

However, Long Chen hadn’t disappointed him. The Alldevil Star-Field’s commoners were crazily chanting Long Chen’s name. Their gratitude toward him had reached a level that could not be expressed with words.

Lives were precious, but many people didn't understand just how precious they were until they faced death. Only then did they understand just how beautiful living was.

At the same time, they understood just how much courage it took to risk your life and bleed to drive away evil.

Right now, Long Chen was covered in blood, and his robes were in tatters. His blood slowly dripped down, but he still stood tall and straight, like a mountain within a sea, an immovable existence.

However, he was definitely in a terrible state. His lightning wing and flame wing were gone because Lei Linger and Huo Linger had entered a deep slumber. This attack had exhausted all of their energy.

Long Chen had not used their power all of this time just to prepare for this attack. Everything went as planned.

The more abundant his violet qi, the more astral energy he could draw in, and the greater the power he could control. But at the same time, the backlash grew.

Thus, in order to be sure of victory, he had Huo Linger and Lei Linger share the backlash with him. That was a fortunate decision, as otherwise, the backlash would have severely wounded him.

Suddenly, the earth quivered and bulged. As a result, the cheers were cut off and people stared in horror. "Alldevil Tianye didn't die?!"

However, Long Chen's expression was calm. He walked forward a few steps and suddenly stabbed the Minghong Saber into the ground.

A giant figure was lifted out of the ground. It was Alldevil Tianye's body.

After being stabbed, his body began to shrink. In the end, he became the size of a normal person.

Alldevil Qianye no longer appeared indomitable. His body was a pulp of flesh and blood, and his bones were shattered. Right now, his body was like mud, and his aura was beyond weak.

He was already on the verge of death. This blow from Long Chen didn't just destroy his physical body, but it also destroyed his spirit, his will. Even if Long Chen let him off now, he wouldn't be able to live after this.

This was a battle of experts. It didn't leave any room for retreat. He could accept death, but he couldn't accept defeat.

"Inferior... human race... Just wait... my... Alldevil race... doesn't just have... one Supreme... Just wait... wait... for death..." Alldevil Tianye's gaze was no longer focused, and yet he still forced out a sinister smile.

His words were like the devil's curse, giving people chills. But Long Chen calmly said, "It doesn't matter how many Supreme geniuses you have. I'll kill as many as there are. Regretfully, you won't see that day. Sorry, but can you die faster? I have to keep my word. Your head will be an offering to the fallen warriors, and they are waiting for me. I don't want them to wait too long."

Long Chen then swung the Minghong Saber across Alldevil Tianye's neck. His head instantly separated from his body.

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Alldevil Tianye's head was cut off, and the fire of his soul was fully extinguished. A generation's Supreme genius died just like that.

All of a sudden, the sky darkened and rain fell from the heavens. It was like even the heavens felt sorrow for the fall of such a genius.

BOOM!

Long Chen snorted and stabbed the Minghong Saber into the heavens, blowing apart the black clouds.

"Are you his dad? You're going to feel sorrow for him? My human race lost millions of good men on the battlefield, but I didn't see you feeling any sorrow for them! As the spirit of the world, you can't differentiate between good and bad. If you anger me, don't blame me for erasing you from within the nine heavens and ten lands!" Long Chen roared at the heavens.

The black clouds receded and the rain vanished. It was just like they were afraid of Long Chen. The world once more became clear and bright.

The sun was shining brightly as if nothing had happened. However, the void here was still wrecked and had yet to repair itself. That showed what had happened here.

Guo Ran, Xie Liuer, Leng Hui, and the others came to Long Chen's side. Although Alldevil Tianye was dead, even now, two clashing wills from their final attack could still be sensed hanging in the air.

Thus, just by standing here, their souls felt sharp pains. The mental pressure was alarming. Only now did they comprehend just how terrifying that final exchange was.

“Boss, I want that arm.” Guo Ran eyed Alldevil Tianye’s corpse.

Alldevil Tianye’s bones were all shattered, and only that one arm was fully intact. In fact, it wasn’t even the slightest bit damaged. While his divine staff was shattered, his arm was fine. This was a Supreme Bone.

“Take it. This Supreme Bone can be nourished within the body. However, how to nourish it is something that we’ll need to study in the future.” Long Chen nodded.

If it was Gu Yang, Li Qi, Song Mingyuan, or the others who wanted this Supreme Bone, he would not agree. He would worry about them depending on this bone and losing sight of their own cultivation.

However, when it came to Guo Ran, he relied entirely on things other than his own efforts at cultivation. This Supreme Bone was most suitable for him.

Guo Ran was overjoyed and immediately swaggered over. When he picked up the Supreme Bone, he found that its body was like black jade. It was heavy in his hand. Although its runes had gone dark, it still gave off a suffocating pressure.

Guo Ran carefully took out a jade case and put it away. He was full of anticipation. If he could truly equip this arm, wouldn’t he have Alldevil Tianye’s terrifying power?

Adding on the support of his battle armor, he didn’t even dare to imagine it. At that time, who could possibly be a match for him?

Leng Hui took Alldevil Tianye's head. He said, "Boss Long Chen, let's go. This battle... we... we've lost so many people. We'll use this fellow's head as a sacrifice to those heroes!"

Xie Liuer, Tu Hu, and the others' eyes also reddened. They thought of their dean that had died in battle. They thought of their brothers that had fought alongside them.

Of the three hundred and sixty thousand starry river warriors, only one hundred and fifty thousand remained. Over half of them had died. As for the losses of the experts from the various sects, there was no way to count them.

"Let's go."

Long Chen took a deep breath. He also felt sorrow. However, he knew that this was the reality of battle. It made people feel profoundly powerless.

Even so, the nice surprise was that while the Magnificent Heaven City was destroyed, the Heavenly Dragon Domain and the Celestial Essence Domain were perfectly intact.

Alldevil Tianye had directly led the army to the Magnificent Heaven Domain. Perhaps it was because he had simply been too overconfident and never cared about destroying the human race's cities. Not wanting to waste any time, he had come straight to their final stronghold at the greatest speed to finish his trial.

The homes that people had abandoned were now regained. Countless people felt hundreds of different feelings. Perhaps this was the fortune within misfortune.

Other than the Magnificent Heaven Domain, the majority of the human race's homes were intact. It was their greatest consolation.

After all, these buildings, this territory, these sects, they were all their homes. The home was where the soul could be at peace.

Long Chen quickly gave orders for everyone to rest for twenty-four hours. They had to fully repair the battleships and battle armors as quickly as possible.

After twenty-four hours, the human race's army once more gathered. It went without saying that the human race's unity was now at an unprecedented level. No one questioned Long Chen's orders in the slightest.

With their army gathered, Long Chen directly led them into the depths of the Alldevil Star-Field. They came all the way to the devil sea.

This was the end of the Alldevil Star-Field. There was a giant spatial gate above it.

Terrifying devil qi came from this spatial gate. The gate was constantly quivering as if something terrifying was going to come out at any moment.

"We came at just the right time. Guo Ran, are the preparations complete?" asked Long Chen.

"Hehe, we are ready long ago," chortled Guo Ran.

“Do it.”

As Long Chen waved his hand, tens of thousands of battleships unleashed cannonballs directly at the spatial gate.

The cannonballs exploded, unleashing terrifying spatial energy currents. After a round of cannons, the spatial gate began to shrink. It went from being millions of miles wide to ultimately being only a few dozen meters wide.

In the end, hundreds of experts took out talismans and stuck them on top of the gate. The quivering spatial gate was instantly sealed shut. It was like the mouth of a beast that had been bound. It no longer made the slightest sound.

When the spatial gate was sealed, all the experts let out heaven-shaking roars. Victory. This was a true victory. The entire Aldevil Star-Field was now theirs.

“Dean Yifan, Long Chen has accomplished our promise. You can rest in peace.” Long Chen looked at the sealed spatial gate and bowed deeply.

Following Long Chen’s bow, all the other experts were moved and bowed as well.

The spatial cannons and the spatial talismans had been prepared by Xue Yifan. Even though he was already dead, he still paved the way for them.

He had calculated that when the Alldevil race made their huge invasion, it would put an excessive burden on the spatial gate. It would then be unable to open for another forty-eight hours.

This was the best time to seal the gate. Xue Yifan's calculations were extremely accurate. Based on his plan, Long Chen managed to seal the devil gate without the slightest mishap. It was very easy.

Long Chen felt great admiration for this dean. He was an elder worthy of respect, wise and far-sighted. Such a person was truly rarely seen.

"This place shall henceforth be known as the Devil Seal Forbidden Area. There must be people guarding it at all times. Those guarding it as well as anyone who wants to go through must be cultivators of the Starry River of the Sky Art. Anyone else who gets close is to be executed!"

Long Chen directly turned this place into a forbidden area. They absolutely could not permit anyone to break the seal.

Everyone then returned home and built a cenotaph honoring the fallen heroes. The names of all the experts who died in battle were carved onto it. The nine elders' names were carved in the very first row.

After that, Alldevil Tianye's head was used as an offering. Other than Long Chen, everyone kowtowed deeply toward the cenotaph.

Once that ceremony was complete, Long Chen announced, "The threat of the Alldevil race has been removed. It is now time for us to leave. Everyone, take care!"

When Long Chen cupped his fists at them, countless people's expressions changed.

Chapter 3636

“Boss Long Chen, you can’t leave!”

“That’s right, dean Long Chen, you can’t just leave!”

When Long Chen announced that he was leaving, the crowd exploded in an uproar. Countless people were unwilling to part just like this.

“You led us to victory. You are the king of the Alldevil Star-Field. We can only be united when you are here. If you leave, no one else can unite the people! We’ll once more fall into chaos. Are you willing to watch as the human race fights and kills each other again?!”

“Dean Long Chen, the Alldevil Star-Field is like a pack of dragons with no leader. Our seniors have all died. We need you!”

It was the elders who saw further than the youngsters and considered more. Even though the human race had won, if Long Chen left, wouldn’t the various large powers go down the same old path that they had been on?

They might continue fighting for resources against each other both openly and secretly, driving each other to the point of death. Hence, they were all afraid of returning to their old ways. This lesson had been too painful, so painful that they couldn’t breathe.

“Dean Long Chen, I’m begging you. Please stay. We will eternally listen to you as a god.”

Suddenly, countless experts knelt on the ground toward Long Chen.

Long Chen's heart was a bit moved. Seeing all their pleading expressions, his eyes reddened slightly. He was just a man. Those sincere gazes made him feel like all of this had been worth it. They didn't let his efforts down.

"Boss Long Chen, stay. The Alldevil Star-Field cannot exist without you." Even Leng Hui was pleading for him to stay.

Long Chen sighed. "I have to leave. Don't make things harder on me. You won't manage to change my decision and will only make me feel guilty. Everyone, rise. I have some words for everyone."

People knew that Long Chen always kept his word. Since the decision was made, they could not change his mind anymore. So, they sadly rose, not wanting to make things harder on Long Chen.

Seeing everyone rise, Long Chen nodded. "I greatly appreciate your trust and support. I'm gratified that you can understand and accept me. In truth, I am no hero or some savior. I just know what I have to do, and what I have on my shoulders. I'm nothing more than an ordinary person. Everyone is just an ordinary person. If you say that I am a hero, then in truth, every single one of you here is a hero. You were all willing to set foot on the battlefield. Even knowing that you would die, you continued bravely. Heroes are nothing more than sparks. What you need to do is pass down this spark generation after generation. My ancestors passed the spark to me, and I am now passing this spark to you. There is no need to fear. The human race's will is inextinguishable, and we never lacked heroes. When tribulation comes, heroes will always appear. Tribulations are what reveal the truth about people, both good and bad. Contemptible people will be fully revealed, and heroes will distinguish themselves. What we need are sharp eyes that can differentiate between good and bad people.

"I myself am an extremist who executes the bad people and will also sometimes execute some so-called good people who are blind to the truth and are brainwashed by others into causing trouble. The process isn't important to me; it is the result that is important. That is why I killed those people inciting rumors and pushing them on. I also knew that there are some pitiful wretches who were manipulated by others into joining them. Even though they were hateful, they didn't necessarily deserve death. But the heavens did not give me time to bother with that. If time and energy were wasted on them, they would have caused the death of the entire human race here. You also saw just how narrow our victory was this

time. We had to pay such an immense price. Every delay could have caused the deaths of countless innocent people.”

“Dean Long Chen, it was our foolishness! You were right, we shouldn’t have doubted you...!” People cried out as they wept with shame. Countless people lowered their heads. Quite a few of them had felt that Long Chen’s actions were wrong. They had also suspected that Long Chen had ulterior motives and wanted to take control of the Alldevil Star-Field’s resources.

Now that Long Chen said that he was leaving, they all felt indescribably ashamed. They had looked at a noble person through the eyes of a petty person. For them to have thought of such a thing about a hero like Long Chen was practically a blasphemy.

What made them feel worse was that they thought that the reason Long Chen was leaving was due to their doubt. They had hurt him, and that only made them feel more ashamed.

Long Chen waved his hand. “I’m not saying this to prove just how wise my decision was. I am trying to tell you that some things might look right but not actually be right. Some things might look wrong but not actually be wrong. Whether a decision is right or wrong can only be seen with time. At this moment, it appears as if my decision was correct. But after a few thousand years, or tens of thousands of years, who can guarantee that my decision will still be right? Thus, many times, it is not right and wrong that is important. What is important is knowing respect and gratitude. Do not be consumed by greed. Act according to your original heart. Even if you are wrong, who can say that for sure? Dean Xue Yifan spent tens of thousands of years making plans. His greatest desire was for the human race to survive this battle and have the spark of heroes be inherited by the next generation.

“Make future generations want to become heroes, make them trust heroes, make them follow heroes. Make sure that the tragedies of history do not repeat themselves. The Alldevil Star-Field now has two bright sparks. One is the will transmitted by the seniors who sacrificed themselves. Their will is something that will never age or die. The other spark is the Starry River of the Sky Art. I hope that it becomes a bright lantern guiding your way. With it, people’s hearts will hold righteousness. Let it be passed down for thousands and thousands of years. Although I’m leaving, I trust that these sparks will allow the Alldevil Star-Field to continuously grow stronger and stronger. I saw the figures of countless heroes in this battle. I know that you saplings will quickly grow into towering trees that shield the human race from the storms.”

Long Chen's gaze swept through the crowd. Their ardent gazes gratified him. Battle was terrifying, but it washed away the sand, leaving behind only the gold. Perhaps after this battle, the Alldevil Star-Field could enter a long period of peace.

"Boss Long Chen, we definitely won't disappoint you!" Leng Hui, Tu Hu, and the other starry river warriors cried out with tears on their faces.

Long Chen nodded. He then patted everyone's shoulder along with Guo Ran before waving goodbye. When they left on a flying boat, everyone watched as it vanished into the distance. After that, countless experts kowtowed deeply in that direction.

Everything that they had was bestowed upon them by Long Chen. This battle taught them the value of life, as well as respect and gratitude.

Chapter 3637

"Damn, after spending over a year here, I feel a bit bad leaving."

Within the flying boat, watching as the sea of people faded, Guo Ran sighed.

"Then go back. In the future, you'll be the king of the Alldevil Star-Field," said Long Chen.

"No, I just occasionally get emotional. Who cares about being the king of the Alldevil Star-Field? Can it compare to being the general of the Dragonblood Legion?" Guo Ran immediately grew high-spirited.

Seeing Long Chen looking down on him, he awkwardly said, "Don't you have to read the atmosphere? Otherwise, if I suddenly seem happy after leaving, wouldn't that mean that I, Guo Ran, am someone who forgets favor and kindness?"

"It's just the two of us here. Who are you acting for?" demanded Long Chen irritably.

This fellow clearly wanted to leave this place yet had to act reluctant. The acting was overkill, making Long Chen feel annoyed.

"Ah, that's right! They can't see me anyway, hehe! Boss, I feel like following you is better. I spent over a year in the Heavenly Dragon Divine Armor College, but even after risking my life, I was only at the bottom of the four heroes. However, as soon as you arrived, my status soared to the very peak! So I've managed to conclude one truth," said Guo Ran solemnly.

"What truth? I'd like to hear it," said Long Chen.

"I feel like working hard is definitely important, but it's definitely not as important as the right decisions," declared Guo Ran.

"Is that your excuse for not working hard? Can you have some face?" Long Chen was at first somewhat impressed by Guo Ran's truth. It definitely did seem to have some profundity to it. But Long Chen quickly understood that Guo Ran was simply saying that as long as he chose to follow Long Chen, he wouldn't need to work hard in order to soar to success.

"Hehe, but I'm not wrong, am I? Just look at my state in the Heavenly Dragon Divine Armor College. Working as hard as I could, I only reached this level. But when you came, I got whatever I wanted. If I wanted wind, there would be wind. If I wanted rain, there would be rain. Who cares about the Four Heavenly Dragon Heroes? That's trash in my eyes now! So my choice is definitely correct. By following boss, even if I have to be a side character, it's definitely ten thousand times better than being my own

main character. Furthermore, it's safe, quick, and painless!" declared Guo Ran proudly. It was as if he was currently drunk with satisfaction over his wise decision.

Seeing that self-satisfied expression, Long Chen was speechless. Other than having an astonishing forging talent, this fellow lacked any aspiration. He was satisfied with even just such a thing.

"Look, boss, as soon as you came, my life completely changed. I even have a Supreme Bone now! I have the Qingying Record as well! I have a feeling that I, Guo Ran, am about to soar, my name ringing throughout the heavens!" declared Guo Ran, waving a piece of paper with a pleased expression.

In the Luo clan's treasury, they had found a secret case with two sheets of paper. One of them was the list of the human race's traitors. Naturally, all the traitors on that list had already been killed.

The other sheet was the notes that Luo Qingying had personally made about forging. As a grandmaster scholar, her notes were viewed as a priceless treasure of the human race.

Long Chen and Guo Ran had entrusted the Qingying Record to the Heavenly Dragon Divine Armor College. This priceless treasure was to be shared amongst the human race. After that, specialists would set up an entire department dedicated to researching the Qingying Record.

Guo Ran also kept a copy for himself. This copy had many of the runes and designs that Luo Qingying had yet to complete, so this record was extremely valuable when it came to research. Guo Ran was planning on spending a great deal of time properly studying it to increase his own forging arts.

Even with Guo Ran's talent, he didn't understand the majority of these notes. He prostrated himself in admiration to Luo Qingying, this peerless grandmaster scholar.

Naturally, no one complained about Guo Ran keeping a copy of the Qingying Record. It had to be known that only Long Chen and Guo Ran had known about its discovery, and if they hadn't announced it to the public, no one else would have known about it.

This was Guo Ran's greatest gain this time, along with the Supreme Bone. However, one thing bothered him. Just how was he supposed to use the Supreme Bone?

"Boss, with your limitless divine ability, can you connect the Supreme Bone to me?" asked Guo Ran.

Long Chen shook his head. "If you want to connect to it now, it's impossible. I already told you to keep using your soul to nourish it. You have to do it until it accepts your soul or you won't be able to use it."

"But it's been so long, and there hasn't been the slightest reaction!"

"It's only been a few hours! Are you crazy? You want a reaction already?!" Long Chen glared at Guo Ran. This fool had to be dreaming. That was a Supreme Bone. Was it something a little puppy like him could control so easily?

"Still, it's just completely ignoring me! Its aura is also growing increasingly weak. I'm worried that it would rather die than submit. Boss, do you have some way to subdue it with brute power?" asked Guo Ran, scratching his head.

"Impossible. If brute power is used to subdue it, its own will would be destroyed, and it would become a dead bone. There would be no room for improvement again," said Long Chen.

This Supreme Bone could be considered a bit similar to the dragon scale that Long Chen had subdued. It possessed its own will. However, compared to the dragon scale, the Supreme Bone's will was very indistinct.

Based on what Alldevil Tianye said, its power could only be unleashed in the Immortal King realm. In other words, this was a Supreme Bone that had yet to fully awaken. There was a great deal of room to mold it. Guo Ran had a high chance of subduing it.

"Don't worry. If this thing should belong to you, it will be yours. If it shouldn't, then forcing it won't help. Just keep nourishing it calmly. Alldevil Tianye has already died. It has lost its source. If it wants to live, it will need to rely on you," said Long Chen.

"What if it would rather die than submit?" asked Guo Ran bitterly.

"Then just let it die. That proves that it has no destiny with you." Long Chen shrugged a bit helplessly.

"Alright then. Then it's up to my luck! Haha, my luck has always been excellent! What am I worried about?" Guo Ran suddenly slapped his leg excitedly. He was revitalized by that thought.

Although his days in the Heavenly Dragon Divine Armor College had been rather bitter, thinking back, there were several times when he had narrowly escaped death thanks to luck. He had great confidence in this luck.

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"Boss, where do we go now?" asked Guo Ran.

“We’re going to find Xia Chen!”

“Boss, do you really know where Xia Chen is?”

“I’m guessing that he should be in that place. We’ll know once we go take a look.” Long Chen smiled. If Guo Ran had been transported to the Heavenly Dragon Divine Armor College, then Xia Chen should be in that place.

BOOM!

The flying boat pierced through a barrier. After that, countless startled cries rang out.

“What’s going on?! Someone from the Alldevil Star-Field has come out?!”

The experts guarding the entrance to the Alldevil Star-Field didn’t dare to believe their eyes. They stared at that flying boat, completely stunned.

Chapter 3638

Once they were out of the Alldevil Star-Field, Long Chen and Guo Ran found a place to rest. However, they didn’t enter a city but went to a deep mountain range instead.

“Boss, the aura here doesn’t feel quite the same as in the Alldevil Star-Field. I feel like it’s easier to breathe here,” said Guo Ran.

“That is due to the spirit of the Alldevil Star-Field not being very friendly toward the human race. It instead feels a bit closer to the Alldevil race and the devil beasts,” said Long Chen.

“No way! Isn’t the spirit of heaven and earth impartial? And isn’t the human race the spirit of the ten thousand creatures? Even if it is to be biased, it should be biased toward the human race! The Martial Heaven Continent’s spirit gave everything to us. Why would the Alldevil Star-Field’s spirit be biased toward the devil race?” demanded Guo Ran.

Long Chen shook his head. “I’m also not sure about the details. In any case, when I entered the Alldevil Star-Field, I felt that this world wasn’t very friendly toward me. I’m already used to such a feeling, but then I found out that it wasn’t targeting me specifically but the whole human race. I brought it up with dean Xue Yifan. He said that the Alldevil Star-Field was not the human race’s territory at the start. There was a giant devil tide eruption that resulted in the devil race overflowing to the nearby worlds. When the human race fought back, they followed the tide back to the source and found the Alldevil Star-Field. As a result, the human race gradually spread roots in the Alldevil Star-Field. From the viewpoint of the Alldevil Star-Field’s spirit, the human race should be considered the invaders. Furthermore, the human race is constantly excavating the ores and smelting immortal metals. We damage the environment, so it’s normal for the human race not to be well-viewed.”

“So that’s the case!”

Long Chen continued, “Furthermore, I’ve gone through the Alldevil Star-Field’s history. There has never been a human to advance to the Divine Venerate realm in the Alldevil Star-Field. Big brother Xia Guhong only became a Divine Venerate after leaving the Alldevil Star-Field. Although I’m not clear on the Divine Venerate realm, I suspect that the reason dean Xue Yifan was stuck as a half-step Divine Venerate is related to the Alldevil Star-Field’s spirit.”

“How hateful! The Alldevil Star-Field’s spirit refuses to let the human race advance inside of its territory?!” raged Guo Ran.

“That’s possible. But we can’t be sure,” said Long Chen.

“Hmph, the Alldevil race is so savage, yet the Alldevil Star-Field’s spirit actually supports them. What a defiance of natural order. Boss, you have to think of a way to erase that spirit!” said Guo Ran emphatically.

Long Chen looked at Guo Ran and smiled slightly. “When looking at problems, you shouldn’t just look from your viewpoint. If you didn’t look from the side of the human race and instead viewed it as a spectator, you wouldn’t think that way.”

“What are you talking about?”

“The Alldevil race is savage. But is the human race any better?” asked Long Chen.

“Well...”

“Is the human race not savage? Just think about the path we walked. We’ve killed many savage lifeforms. But have I killed no humans? Are we more afraid of the savage devil race, or are we more afraid of the savage human race? Were the ones to cause us the most harm from the devil race? No, the ones to hurt us the most are almost always humans. Humans are greedy. Humans are hypocritical. Humans are brutal. Humans are cheaters. We carry out countless ugly conducts for personal gain. If you weren’t human, would you like the human race?” asked Long Chen.

“It seems... I wouldn’t really like the human race. This is depressing.” Guo Ran bitterly smiled. Just before, he had been full of hatred for the Alldevil spirit. But now, he could only sigh.

“What is so depressing? Human nature has an ugly side, but it also has a beautiful side. Kindness, bravery, diligence, these are all parts of the human race as well. Caring about others, being able to risk their lives fearlessly for others, can other races do that?” Long Chen smiled.

“That’s also right!” Guo Ran smiled.

Long Chen scolded him with a smile, “Can you form your own opinion? You’re just agreeing with whatever I say. Why don’t you think about it yourself?”

“Since I’m following boss and boss is always right, why bother? I can’t be bothered to vex myself like that,” chortled Guo Ran. “Speaking of which, boss, did you end up injuring yourself last time? Why do you need this break to recover?”

“Alldevil Tianye’s Supreme Bone was truly terrifying. The wound it left behind contains a strange law. After breaking my bones, its devil qi invaded my flesh and soul. Using my own power, I erased about eighty percent of it, but the remaining twenty percent can only be slowly ground away. However, in the Alldevil Star-Field, the Heavenly Daos support the power of the Alldevil race. So I had to leave before fully recovering,” explained Long Chen.

Alldevil Tianye’s Supreme Bone was truly strange. It contained a power that Long Chen had never encountered before. If it weren’t for his abundant violet qi and astral energy, he would have very likely lost.

However, Long Chen still had absolute confidence in himself. This time, he had gathered enough medicinal ingredients. Once all six stars turned violet, he could condense the Violet Tower Star. When he summoned the Seven Star Battle Armor, who would he have to fear?

“Damn, this Supreme Bone is even stronger than I imagined!” exclaimed Guo Ran.

“Of course, it is. I estimate that Alldevil Tianye had not used even a tenth of this Supreme Bone’s power. Of course, with his realm, that was his limit. Any more than that and the Supreme Bone would have blown him apart. This Supreme Bone has limitless potential. Nourish it properly so that you can subdue it sooner,” said Long Chen. Only he knew just how terrifying a Supreme Bone was, having experienced it himself.

“Boss, it, it...!” Guo Ran suddenly cried out.

“What is it?!”

“The Supreme Bone... it’s starting to absorb my energy! It is accepting my nourishing!” Guo Ran was delighted.

“Most likely, leaving the Alldevil Star-Field caused it to lose any further supply of energy. Not wanting to be destroyed, it could only accept another source of energy. Excellent, this is a good start. Keep nourishing it with your mind. Make it grow dependent on you. Gradually erase any sense of hostility, and you’ll have completed the first step,” said Long Chen.

“Hahaha, I have a Supreme Bone! I’ll have a Supreme arm! I’ll be a Supreme genius!” Guo Ran cried out excitedly. He could already see himself being a supreme expert overlooking the entire world.

Long Chen couldn’t be bothered knocking down his dreams. Guo Ran hadn’t even finished the first step, but he was already dreaming. At this moment, Long Chen was using Heavenly Dao energy to heal his wounds. Huo Linger and Lei Linger also slowly recovered.

Last time, if it hadn't been for the two of them helping him defend against that terrifying backlash, he would have been unable to control his final attack. They had yet to recover, so he didn't dare to run around randomly.

After resting for ten days, Huo Linger and Lei Linger finally recovered their energy. As for Long Chen, he had long since reached his peak condition.

"Move out! We're coming, Heavenly Talisman Star-Field, Spirit Rune Pavilion!"

Chapter 3639

The Heavenly Talisman Star-Field was part of the hundred domains and thousand prefectures. It was different from the Alldevil Star-Field. The Alldevil Star-Field was not included within those numbers, as this place was still an uncivilized territory during that ancient desolate battle. As for the Heavenly Talisman Star-Field, it was one of the hundred domains that survived that battle. It had a long history and a thick foundation.

The most famous part about this place was the number of Talisman Masters. Almost half of the cultivators in the Heavenly Talisman Star-Field were practitioners of runic arts.

Just like alchemists, Talisman Masters burnt up money in their profession. They relied on this skill to survive. Once they managed to master this skill, they could profit for a lifetime.

Although Forging Masters could also sell the equipment that they made, making it a lucrative profession, when it came to their costs and profits, there was no way to compare the two.

As long as an alchemist or a Talisman Master was skilled, they truly would profit immensely. It was because their initial costs were low, while their profits were huge.

The Heavenly Talisman Star-Field was named after Heavenly Talisman Masters. It was said that in that ancient battle, the flames of war raged throughout the nine heavens and ten lands. Back then, the Heavenly Talisman Star-Field's Heavenly Talisman Masters fought to the death to protect this place.

It had to be known that after that battle, most of the human race's inheritances were lost. They lost 99.9% of them. The Heavenly Talisman Star-Field had only been preserved thanks to the blood of the Heavenly Talisman Masters.

Thus, in the Heavenly Talisman Star-Field, the majority of people knew simple inscription arts and how to manufacture talismans. This was the birthplace of talisman seals. If they didn't know at least a little, they would be laughed at.

However, not everyone could learn true talisman arts. This study required innate talent.

Learning talisman arts required exceptional soul energy. It was a kind of power between Spiritual Strength and mental energy.

In the outside world, this power was never developed. Other than for use in inscribing runes, it had almost no use.

It was only to Talisman Masters that this kind of power was of utmost importance. Cultivators of this art needed to fully separate soul energy from their Spiritual Strength and mental energy, cultivating it on its own.

Thus, Talisman Masters cared immensely about soul energy talent. If one's soul energy was not pure or strong enough, they would have no affinity with talisman arts. It was essentially impossible to make up for it through just hard work.

Within the Heavenly Talisman Star-Field, talisman cultivators were called different titles based on their level. Talisman Apprentices had just set foot on this path of cultivation. However, even though they were novices, they could not be underestimated. Just this one entry-level gate blocked off most people from this path. Talisman Apprentices were capable of concentrating their soul energy and cultivating it as an independent force. They were already capable of making comparatively simple talismans and items.

Just those simple talismans already possessed a certain amount of power. It was just that they were lacking compared to other talismans, and mostly were only used by some rather ordinary cultivators. But their lack of power also made them cheaper, so those ordinary cultivators could afford them.

The level above Talisman Apprentices was Talisman Masters. Now that they were called masters, they were different.

If a Talisman Apprentice was an existence so rare that one could only be found every ten thousand miles, then a Talisman Master was found only every hundred thousand miles.

A Talisman Apprentice's soul energy needed to reach a seventy percent purity. In other words, their entire energy was seventy percent pure soul energy, with the remaining thirty percent being a mix of mental energy and Spiritual Strength.

On the other hand, a Talisman Master needed to reach a soul energy purity level of ninety percent, with the remaining ten percent being a perfect balance of Spiritual Strength and mental energy. Not one bit could be too much or too little. Otherwise, they would be incapable of completing certain talismans and would not pass the exams.

The talismans they made were the main commodities in the marketplace. Due to the higher quality, their talismans were more expensive. But as long as circumstances permitted, people would choose to buy their talismans.

Above them were Talisman Grandmasters, but their talismans were even more precious. A single Talisman Grandmaster might not be born even amongst a hundred thousand Talisman Masters.

Talisman Grandmasters were essentially the highest existences within the world of talismans. Their soul energy had to have reached an utmost peak of purity. There could no longer be the slightest speck of impurity. They had to have transcended their mental energy and Spiritual Strength so that their soul energy became the leading character.

Even in the Heavenly Talisman Star-Field, Talisman Grandmasters were existences that people revered, existences that were followed by pomp and circumstance. Becoming a Talisman Grandmaster was far too difficult.

Talisman Grandmasters were capable of inscribing almost all runes known to man. They could inscribe them on weapons, formations, buildings, etc.

However, the runes they inscribed were not things that ordinary materials could endure. Other than the materials being exceptionally rare, the runes themselves were truly astonishing. Their price was just as crazy.

Above them were the Heavenly Talisman Masters. There were exams for Heavenly Talisman Masters back in the desolate era but none afterward.

The divine instruments required for this exam were destroyed in that ancient battle. Furthermore, the majority of the Heavenly Talisman Masters died in that battle, so many inheritances were lost.

Although some ancient tomes were preserved, due to the loss of a generation of masters, many of those talismans were incomprehensible to the current people. That was a huge loss to the human race.

Thus, the requirements for becoming a Heavenly Talisman Master were now different. In the Heavenly Talisman Star-Field, if you wished to become a Heavenly Talisman Master, you had to complete two tests. One was to solve a talisman of the desolate era, while the other was to create an unprecedented talisman.

That was as difficult as ascending the heavens for Talisman Grandmasters. It had to be known that those talismans that could be solved had long since been solved by their predecessors. The rest were all completely inexplicable.

As for creating an unprecedented talisman, that was just as difficult. You had to blaze an entirely new path. It was no different than creating your own cultivation technique.

Considering how difficult it was to become a Heavenly Talisman Master, within the entire Heavenly Talisman Star-Field, there was only a handful of living Heavenly Talisman Masters.

Furthermore, those figures were the overlords of this star-field. They were existences that caused the entire star-field to shake with a single step.

Within the Heavenly Talisman Star-Field, there was one place that was called a sacred land. That was the Spirit Rune Pavilion, the only sect whose inheritance had not been lost in that ancient battle.

The Spirit Rune Pavilion had produced hundreds of Heavenly Talisman Masters after the battle. They then proceeded to be the founders of the large sects in the Heavenly Talisman Star-Field.

However, in the recent era, the Spirit Rune Pavilion's talents withered. It had been a long time since they last produced a Heavenly Talisman Master. In the current era, the whole Heavenly Talisman Star-Field had five Heavenly Talisman Masters, but none of them belonged to the Spirit Rune Pavilion.

Despite that, the Spirit Rune Pavilion was definitely the most famous existence in the Heavenly Talisman Star-Field. Countless talisman cultivators did everything they could just to enter that place.

When Long Chen and Guo Ran came out of the transportation formation, as soon as they sensed a different air, they were surrounded by countless people who eyed them like hungry wolves, causing them to jump.

Chapter 3640

Long Chen and Guo Ran had just come out of the transportation formation when they were swarmed by a group of people. It wasn't just them. The people who had taken the transportation formation with them were also flabbergasted.

"Brother, it's your first time coming to our Heavenly Talisman Star-Field, isn't it? I can see that you are exceptionally talented. Based on your bone structure, you are a good seedling for becoming a Talisman Master. Our sect is currently recruiting, and the admission fee is very cheap! It's just thirty immortal king crystals, and once you pass, you'll have direct access to the sect's talisman arts!"

Someone enthusiastically grabbed Guo Ran. He was so excited it looked like he was reuniting with an old brother from many years ago.

"No, no, no, I'm not here to learn talisman arts..." Guo Ran hastily shook his head.

"You're not here for learning? That's fine too! Having just arrived, you must not be aware of the situation on our side. Let me give you introductions! Don't worry, it's all free. Brother, do you see? Here are the best goods! Anything you want can be found here!" That person directly opened a small pouch on his waist when Guo Ran said that he didn't come to join a sect. Inside was a pile of talismans.

Some of these talismans were the size of a fist, while the smaller ones were the size of a single thumb. They also came in different colors, bright and gaudy. They were very attractive.

Long Chen and Guo Ran were intrigued. They weren't afraid of being cheated.

Seeing that he had piqued their interest, that person delightedly said, "Brothers, take a look at this! This is a Titan Talisman! Here is a Voice Alteration Talisman! This is an Appearance Changing Talisman! Ground Contracting Talisman, Fixed Space Transportation Talisman, and many more! Hehe, this is one that men like the most, the Golden Unbreakable Spear Talisman!" That person pulled out a certain talisman with a rather wretched smile.

"Golden Unbreakable Spear Talisman?" Long Chen and Guo Ran were flabbergasted.

"Hehe, just stick this to your waist, and you can move forward and backward ten times in the blink of an eye! Put two, and it's twenty times! But I don't recommend going past ten of these at once..."

"Why?" asked Guo Ran.

"Because if you go too fast, you might start a fire!" laughed that person.

Long Chen and Guo Ran almost laughed. This little fellow's eloquence wasn't bad. Even as a seller, he was quite humorous.

"What do you think? Do you want a few? I sell them in sets of a hundred, with each one costing six immortal king crystals. But seeing that we have a destiny together and I haven't started selling yet today, I still have plenty of extras! I'll sell them half off for you! One set for three hundred immortal king crystals! How is that? Isn't that a good deal?" That man patted his chest.

"I really can't use this. When I was with my brothers, they always bragged, saying that they didn't lose even after an hour. Others said that they did it seven times in one night! When they asked me how many times I do it, I told them just once and they looked down on me. So I told them that every time the sun starts to rise, my Dao-companion asks for a break," said Guo Ran helplessly.

"..."

After eyeing Guo Ran for a bit, he felt that the latter looked like a chicken and wasn't very strong in that regard. But he didn't feel good exposing Guo Ran. Otherwise, this conversation would run into a dead-end, and his business efforts would end in failure.

"Hehe, I was wrong, I misjudged. So brother is so amazing. Junior brother apologizes. However, I also have many other goods here. Look at this Earth Contracting Talisman! Put one on your left and right legs, and your legs will be like wheels! Your speed will at least double! This Shield Talisman, when it's crushed, it forms a spatial shield that can block the full-power attack of a Divine Lord! This Titan Talisman, it's even more powerful! Put one on each arm! Don't think that I look like some weak chicken. With these talismans, I can lift up the entire Heavenly Talisman Star-Field!" bragged that fellow.

"What nonsense. How can a talisman possibly have such an effect?" Guo Ran naturally refused to believe such a thing. Long Chen was first startled but then smiled without saying anything.

"Do you want to bet? We'll just have a small wager of a hundred immortal king crystals. I'll immediately put on the talismans and show you," declared that fellow, seemingly angered at being called a liar.

"No problem! Go ahead!" Guo Ran refused to believe it.

"Look closely!"

That person placed a talisman on each of his arms. Guo Ran then saw the talismans light up, and this fellow's arms instantly thickened a whole level. Veins throbbed on them. Guo Ran jumped in shock, having never seen such a sight before.

After taking a deep breath, that person placed his hands on the earth and then cleanly did a handstand.

"What the fuck?! You... Fine, here are a hundred immortal king crystals. I'll treat it as a lesson." Guo Ran was speechless. How did lifting up the entire star-field become such a thing? He actually fell for it.

Guo Ran directly tossed out a hundred immortal king crystals, delighting this fellow. Although he often used this move to make a little money, most people wouldn't give him so much. At most, they would give half. Most people just threw out a few immortal king crystals, treating it as giving money to a beggar.

Sometimes, he would misjudge and pick a tough person who might give him a beating for this. It was his first time running into someone as refreshing as Guo Ran.

After receiving Guo Ran's immortal king crystals, he even felt a bit embarrassed. "How about I give you ten Golden Unbreakable Spear Talismans? You can test the result, and if you want more, come find me. I'll give you the lowest price."

"You can give up on that. I don't have a Dao-companion, so I have no use for it." Guo Ran shook his head.

Seeing that the two of them had done their idle talk, Long Chen said, "Junior brother, as a native to this place, you should have more information about it. Tell me, do you know of the Spirit Rune Pavilion?"

“Of course I know it! The Spirit Rune Pavilion’s name is known to everyone within the Heavenly Talisman Star-Field!”

Long Chen asked, “Then do you know someone called Xia Chen? The Xia character is for summer, and the Chen is for daybreak.”

Upon hearing Xia Chen’s name, an expression of comprehension came across that person’s face. “So you came from outside to hunt down Xia Chen?”

“Hunt down Xia Chen?”

Long Chen and Guo Ran’s hearts shook. Long Chen hastily asked, “I want to know everything about Xia Chen.”

Seeing that this fellow was a bit hesitant, Long Chen directly tossed him a bag. When he opened the bag, he jumped in shock. There were a full ten thousand immortal king crystals inside.

“It seems that the two of you have some amazing origins. Alright then. There are too many people here, so let’s switch locations!” That person looked to his left and right.

Long Chen nodded and entered the city with this person. They then found a secluded teahouse with a private room for the three of them.

Just as that person was about to speak, Long Chen first said, “I need to know everything. I’ll add another ten thousand immortal king crystals after. But if you treat me as a rich fool, I’ll simply do a soulsearch.”

That person jumped. He just had a thought about making more money this way when Long Chen's gaze seemed to see through his soul. He felt a chill.

He even began to sweat and hastily said, "Alright, I'll tell you everything. I won't conceal anything. Xia Chen was originally a disciple of the Spirit Rune Pavilion. However, after committing the grave sin of betraying his sect and master, there is now a warrant for him throughout the Heavenly Talisman Star-Field. If he's alive, he's to be captured. If he's dead, they want to see his corpse."

This news caused Long Chen and Guo Ran's expressions to change.