

Origin Powers 601

Chapter 601 - Scamming Only 50 Yuan - Truly Principled _2

"All these years... have you been looking for me?"

The old beggar was originally filled with shock, but hearing his words, he became speechless.

Rolling his eyes, he said, "I just cheated you out of ten bucks back then... is it really necessary to look for me all these years? Now you're so capable, can't you be a bit more forgiving... In my time as a beggar, I've cheated at least eighty to a hundred thousand people, but I've never met anyone as petty as you. Hold on, I'll repay your ten bucks right now."

As he said this, he opened his snakeskin bag.

And pulled out a huge pile of red bills.

He rummaged through it for quite a while...

He said, "Sorry, no change. Give me a moment, I'll buy something to break it."

"I'm looking for you, and it has nothing to do with those ten bucks."

Xu Lingjun said, "Zhou Tong, do you know who I am?"

That's right, the beggar in front of him was the grandmaster-uncle of the Cuowu Sect, Zhou Tong!

Also, when Xu Lingjun joined the Cuowu Sect, he was nominally his master...

Although everyone knew it was fake at the time, they all thought he was dead.

But who would have thought...

He was actually alive and not just alive, but living quite comfortably.

In fact, even in the information given to him by Han Xu Yang, only the name Zhou Tong was recorded.

But the secret of his identity had long been hidden...

This was the Empire's respect for a powerful being at the pinnacle of human strength!

It seems for this reason, Sun Bumie and the others presumed their grandmaster-uncle was dead.

The old beggar said, "Who are you? Sorry, but I have no interest in the leeks I've cut."

Xu Lingjun said, "My surname is Xu, Xu Lingjun."

The old beggar exclaimed, "Commander in Chief of the Nine Major Military Regions of the Polar Star Battlefield? The one who stole my disciple's identity?"

He remembered very clearly.

Commander in Chief of the Nine Major Military Regions, Xu Lingjun, was also a Supreme Elder of the Cuowu Sect.

Zhou Tong's personally closed-door disciple.

Although he couldn't remember when he ever took on a disciple...

Xu Lingjun amusingly said, "Look at what you said, didn't you sell me a cultivation technique? Doesn't that count as the grace of imparting skills?"

"But that was fake, you brat paid ten bucks to buy a title of Supreme Elder from me, and now you have the nerve to settle accounts?"

"Was it really fake?"

Xu Lingjun raised his hand and clenched his fist.

A punch aimed directly at Zhou Tong.

With this punch thrown...

The force was restrained, but internally, boundless Qi blood surged. Though it was only one punch, it carried the momentum of Mount Tai collapsing.

Zhou Tong's expression changed, just as he was about to dodge, he found himself instantly entangled by countless strands of spiritual energy... In the brief moment he was stunned, he lost the opportunity.

He could only raise his palm and meet Xu Lingjun's fist head-on with all his might.

A dull thunderous sound.

Not particularly deafening, but it spread like the rumble of an earth dragon turning over, causing the large town to tremble.

Damn, this kid has some strength!

Zhou Tong felt as if he had been hit by an ancient Titan. He flew quite far before finally coming to a stop, shouting in surprise, "Xu Lingjun, this is a bustling market, do you really want to settle old scores with me here?"

He felt a little wronged.

I only cheated you out of ten bucks, and you used my name to take an elder position in this sect. Who's getting the better deal here? Do you have to hold onto this so tightly?

Xu Lingjun said, "I just wanted to ask if you found this fist force familiar?"

"This..."

Zhou Tong was suddenly stunned, looking at Xu Lingjun in shock. The boundless swirling Qi blood was clearly similar to what he had created in the "Infinite Divine Demon Body Refining Technique"...

He exclaimed, "How is that possible, you actually mastered it from a fake cultivation technique?"

"Since it's a God Demon Level Technique, it's reasonable for the progress speed to be faster, right? As for the many problems within the technique, wouldn't a bit of modification solve them..."

Xu Lingjun spoke with cool composure.

Hearing this almost made Zhou Tong crush the snakeskin bag in his hand.

He said in astonishment, "So you've actually cultivated... the 'Infinite Divine Demon Body Refining Technique'?"

Xu Lingjun nodded.

"The 'Infinite Divine Demon Body Refining Technique' is actually so miraculous?"

"The technique I'm cultivating now only shares the name with yours, I have altered all its contents."

Xu Lingjun asked, "By the way, do you have any more cultivation techniques? Fifty bucks each, I'll take them all."

"You just called me a swindler... and said I was price-gouging..."

"I'm just sacrificing myself for the greater good!"

Xu Lingjun thought clearly.

Although these techniques, even after acquiring a Talent Source, he might not be able to cultivate again.

But considering it's the painstaking effort of a Creation Realm grandmaster, at least it's affordable. In time, he could choose the best among them to learn, and modify those that aren't suitable.

Incidentally, he could also comprehend several different attributes of Immortal Techniques as a side task, all without spending much Source Value.

After all, although the "Infinite Immortal Technique" is miraculous, not everyone can cultivate the same technique... even games have warriors, mages, and priests.

"You said it!"

Zhou Tong directly presented a large stack of cultivation techniques.

He said, "Brat, fifty each... no haggling, no regrets..."

Xu Lingjun took the top two books, surprised, "Golden Bottle Plum? The Wolf of the West Chamber?"

"These don't count."

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Zhou Tong hurriedly snatched a few books from the middle, and suddenly, they were reduced by almost half.

He said, "You can take the remaining eight books, I'll give you a discount, just 399."

Xu Lingjun thought for a moment, and his spiritual sense quietly spread over.

He hooked the few books Zhou Tong had hidden away.

Then, he handed over four big bills and said, "I really should have bought them all back then. This is probably one of the biggest misjudgments of my life."

Saying this, while taking the books...

He had already quietly taken a few more extra books.

So this time, he wanted to get enough for his bargain all at once.

"Kid, how exactly did you modify these techniques? You should know, the incantations here were painstakingly created by me. I was confident they couldn't be improved further. These cultivation techniques seem reasonable, but they're actually complete nonsense..."

Zhou Tong naturally understood the secrets of these cultivation techniques.

Just like a postdoc bluffing some scientific theories, even if they are completely unreasonable, they can still make it sound so convincing... No other reason than having mastered enough theoretical knowledge.

But in fact, these bluffs don't stand up to scrutiny.

"It's just a matter of casually modifying them."

He got the cultivation techniques.

Xu Lingjun felt great.

He asked, "You should be a Creation Realm cultivator, right? Then I think you should have also received an invitation from the Baoxue Empire, right?"

Zhou Tong nodded, suddenly understanding, "You actually came to me for this?"

Xu Lingjun nodded and asked, "Do you want to go?"

Zhou Tong said, "I want to go and see the excitement."

"Before going, take a trip to the depths of the Secret Realm... The secret of breakthrough Creation is there. As long as you go, considering the friendship of you having sold cultivation techniques back then, I guarantee you won't return empty-handed!"

Xu Lingjun turned and walked back.

"Wait a minute, kid... kid... why are you walking so fast, I still have a lot to ask you..."

Zhou Tong cried out in surprise.

But Xu Lingjun's figure quickly faded away.

He couldn't make out how he left...

He chased for a while.

But found that Xu Lingjun had long disappeared.

A slightly complex expression appeared in Zhou Tong's eyes, remembering what Xu Lingjun had just said...

"Casually modifying it, hearing the way you talk, it really is like eating and drinking."

He sighed softly.

Remembering how in the past decades, to break through Creation Realm...

He went so far as to fake his death, giving up the nearly in-hand Sect Leader position of Cuowu Sect, then hid his identity and mixed into other sects, seeking techniques of other sects, not even sparing Martial Mansion, combining the power of the Five Sects and Five Mansions, gathering the various complex martial arts techniques of Cuowu Sect, with a single-minded desire to create a Supreme technique that could let him break through to the Creation Realm.

Clearly, he thought the limit of Creation was due to the insufficiency of cultivation technique power, wanting to break through required a stronger technique.

And the hardships endured, the pains suffered over these years.

"Sigh... why walk so fast, I was hoping to ask you for advice."

So young, yet already able to transform based on those chaotic cultivation techniques of mine.

This kid's talent is so high, if only I could learn a thing or two from him...

Wait!

Zhou Tong touched his waist, angrily exclaimed, "Dammit, my sweet love stories, and true feelings pursuit, ahhh..."

Only then did he understand why the kid ran off so quickly, he was escaping.

And at this moment.

Xu Lingjun casually put those treasured books away, then held the eight books.

The few he hadn't bought before were surprisingly among them.

"Primordial Tai Chi Receiving and Transforming Technique!" "Celestial Demon Divine Skill!" "Golden Thunder Shocking Nine Heavens!" "God Demon Celestial Sin Abandoned Celestial Technique"...

Every title of the cultivation technique was so arrogant.

[Detected false cultivation technique "God Demon Celestial Sin Abandoned Celestial Technique", would you like to bestow it real origin, requiring 3500 Origin Value to consume!]

Xu Lingjun didn't bestow origin.

With his current level of insight likely far surpassing Zhou Tong, he could modify it with his vision which should further reduce the Origin Value cost!

Then deduce a relatively simpler Immortal Technique through this cultivation technique.

"It's also a serendipitous gain."

He put the books away.

He smiled contentedly, looking in the direction of the Land of Light.

In the following days...

Nobody noticed any ripples, yet nobody knew.

Noble Grandmasters of the Creation Realm from the Great Xia Empire and the Land of Light were systematically beaten up.

Their hidden locations were extremely secretive, but couldn't escape the eyes of those truly interested...

But to find them so precisely and beat them one by one.

The strength of the person who came was clearly evident.

Yet although they were all beaten up...

Surprisingly, they had no anger or desire for revenge, rather... their eyes were filled with fervor.

How could they not sense the thing Uther sensed before?

A round of exchanges, all with significant gains.

Could it be...

Uther's letter, made him feel the pressure too, so he plans to befriend them in advance?

Of course, they couldn't help but think so...

After all, the timing was just too perfect.

Chapter 603 - Conquest of Blizzard

Inside the Land of Light and the Great Xia Empire...

A surging undercurrent is sweeping through.

In fact, except for those involved, no outsiders knew about this matter.

After all, when it happened, only Xu Lingjun and the involved parties were present... While those Creation Realm Grandmasters have been silent for decades, it doesn't mean they wouldn't care about their reputation.

Being beaten without a reason.

No one would publicize that aggressively.

Half a month later.

Xu Lingjun, with the help of the Great Xia Empire's powerful information capabilities, has accomplished the magnificent feat of beating up the Creation Realm Grandmasters across the entire Blue Star!

Afterwards...

He returned to the Secret Realm.

Meeting Zhou Tong was indeed an unexpected pleasure.

Received his Cultivation Techniques...

Although at his current Realm, these techniques no longer help him as much as before.

But after simplifying them into a Cultivation Technique through his Talent Source...

By that time... He can offer his people more cultivation options!

But before simplifying, naturally, he needs to use his own vision to improve and complete it, thus maximizing the compensation for his own Source Value consumption.

A few thousand each book, eight books in total, also represent considerable consumption.

Even though with Xu Lingjun's current strength, he could completely research the techniques himself and then create the Talent Source...

But in terms of authenticity, how could it compare to the techniques trained by Zhou Tong from his self-allowance over the years?

Several days later.

Xu Lingjun emerged from seclusion, already holding several mysterious Techniques in his hand.

Different from the Body Refining Technique like the Infinite Divine Demon Body Refining Technique, these techniques each have their strengths and peaks...

With the creation of so many mysterious techniques, Xu Lingjun's vision expanded, and his strength increased significantly again.

Switching cultivation is impossible...

These original versions of the techniques are destined to rot away because they are too difficult, except for Xu Lingjun, no one likely can meet the prerequisites of these techniques.

Time passed slowly.

Until the agreed time is about to arrive...

Baoxue Empire's Uther You is still eagerly awaiting, daily hoping for the arrival of those Creation Realm Grandmasters.

Currently, the number of experts in the Baoxue Empire is extremely scarce, gaining techniques relies on the help from foreigners.

And it must be invitations from both Great Xia Empire and Land of Light...

In this way, he can maximize balancing the situation and avoid being left with no benefits.

But he could not possibly know.

Just days before the assembly arrives...

Many Creation Realm experts unexpectedly gathered at the entrance to the Secret Realm.

The Secret Realm is hazardous, but it is of little concern to them.

Only if some Creation Realm expert inadvertently enters through the same entrance...

For a moment, these experts who had met before and were somewhat familiar, stared at each other at the entrance to the Secret Realm.

"What are you doing here?"

"Nothing much, just felt the urge to come and browse, feeling my fortune lies here!"

"Um, yes, the Secret Realm is filled with Spiritual Qi; there must be incredibly magical opportunities inside—can't miss them lightly!"

Both sides smiled cordially.

But inwardly, they silently mocked...

So it wasn't just me who got beaten; this guy also got thrashed by the King of the Secret Realm.

Upon stepping into the Secret Realm.

They discovered extremely bizarre changes within.

Years ago, before entering the Creation Realm, whether for training or treasure hunting, many of them came to the Secret Realm.

But that was many years ago.

Coming again now, they noticed anomalies...

The Secret Realm has changed.

The oppressive and ferocious killing intent is gone.

Though they still saw the presence of Demon Beasts...

But those Demon Beasts merely glanced at them, then blissfully ignored them, continuing to bask in the sun.

As if they were quite comfortable with humans being there.

For a moment, it puzzled those Creation Realm Grandmasters who prepared to casually slay these Demon Beasts.

After all, they traveled far as guests; if attacked, defending themselves is fine...

Provoking them actively... may lead to another beating, which is mild.

If the King of the Secret Realm harbors malice, they will likely not fare well.

Well, well.

They refrained from violence.

Just after entering.

All the plants around these Creation Realm Grandmasters suddenly began to speak.

"Welcome to the Secret Realm. We've been waiting for you for a long time."

"Who are you?"

The Creation Realm Grandmasters' faces became wary and guarded.

Although they knew that a monster like the King of the Secret Realm could arise... The Secret Realm was far more complex than they initially thought.

Still, they never imagined even the plants had become entities.

"Please follow me; the King awaits you inside."

Lu Ye now naturally calls Xu Lingjun the King of the Secret Realm.

This decision came after deep consideration.

She isn't very skilled at leading, under her guidance, the Demon Beasts within the Secret Realm might survive, but it's mere existence.

Yet, with Xu Lingjun... These Demon Beasts would undoubtedly live better.

Those warriors from the Polar Star Battlefield know well how to coexist with these Demon Beasts... Especially now as the Secret Realm is about to become the storm's center across the entire Blue Star.

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Relying solely on the power of the Secret Realm, it is very difficult to overcome this crisis.

Xu Lingjun is the most suitable new king.

As for the issue of races... there is absolutely no problem.

Inside the Secret Realm, everyone is not of the same race either.

There are trees, wolves, monkeys, cats, dogs, tigers...

What's the matter with having one more person?

He is also a kind of Demon Beast.

After all, the essence is just a plant, she is not someone who is overly attached to power.

"Where are you taking us?"

Zhou Tong followed this Ancient Tree, or rather, this Ancient Tree kept changing, clearly showing that every plant here was its avatar.

As if it was leading the way forward...

He followed behind.

His heart couldn't help but feel a slight shock.

What he knows is much more than other Creation Realm Grandmasters, others just think that it is the Secret Realm inviting them, because their lives were once under the control of the King of the Secret Realm...

If he wanted to kill them, they would have been dead already.

Since this is the case.

This invitation must be without malice.

At the very least, life safety can be guaranteed.

But Zhou Tong knew that this invitation is actually not from the King of the Secret Realm... but from Xu Lingjun of the Great Xia Empire.

Since when did the Great Xia Empire and the Secret Realm get together?

Zhou Tong's heart was not without shock... just feeling that he had missed a lot of important things due to his lack of understanding of current affairs in recent times.

But he was infatuated with Martial Tao, completely uninterested in power and authority, unless it was a matter of life and death for the Great Xia Empire, he probably wouldn't even show up.

Therefore, he just secretly felt shocked for a while, and then put the matter aside.

Soon...

Nine Creation Realm Grandmasters, four from the Land of Light, and five from the Great Xia Empire, including Yun Yi.

Under Lu Ye's guidance, everyone arrived at the most core area of the Secret Realm.

Then, the nine grandmasters finally successfully converged.

Seeing several people...

Amidst the absurdity in their hearts, there was also a sense of relief.

The alliance of the nine Creation Realm Grandmasters is enough to protect themselves anywhere... so they felt slightly more at ease.

Although this could not conceal the fact that they all had been beaten before.

But the sense of security is the most important!

When they arrived here, they were surprised to find that they had come to a different kind of idyllic paradise.

A hidden city of steel within the jungle.

They could see those warriors in black armor hurrying back and forth... each of these warriors had extremely busy things to do, completely ignoring the fact that there were a few more visitors.

They could also see a large number of engineering vehicles and construction machinery devices striding around, transporting those supplies back and forth.

This is not a secluded Secret Realm, but a bustling metropolis hidden within the jungle.

Especially the Grandmasters of the Great Xia Empire...

Upon seeing the city's scenery, they had a slight illusion.

They felt like they had arrived at Yuzhang City... the construction here clearly bore some similarities to Yuzhang City.

It's just that Yuzhang City is centered around mountains, but here, it is centered around trees!

Of course, in fact, most of the construction here is actually at the hands of Li Jingjun, who grew up freely in Yuzhang City.

Naturally, it is quite similar.

"Welcome to my city."

A dark figure suddenly appeared in front of everyone.

Even though the experiences of each of the nine present could be written into a legend... but when this figure appeared, they couldn't see clearly how he appeared.

King of the Secret Realm!

Except for Yun Yi, who already knew Xu Lingjun's identity, the rest of the people became solemn.

It's this person...

Who possesses power above everyone else.

Moreover, he showed them a path beyond the Creation Realm.

Rejedo, the Creation Realm Grandmaster from the Land of Light, stepped forward and shouted: "King of the Secret Realm, you invited us to the Secret Realm, now that we have come, what purpose you have, you can speak directly, right?"

"Well, you have come, I am very pleased, follow me."

Xu Lingjun turned and walked into the depths of the city.

He said, "You are truly the first batch of external visitors to visit here... you can take a good look at the surrounding scenery, which is rarely seen by the outside world."

No one responded.

It is indeed a rare sight...

After all, who could imagine that there would be a human city within the Secret Realm.

But when they came, they vaguely expected something.

Inviting them at this time.

Isn't it to win them over to his camp?

Since he wants to win them over... naturally, he needs to pay a certain price.

But what exactly the price is.

This is a matter of perspective.

Thinking this.

Noah, another Creation Realm strongman from the Land of Light, was trying to strike up a friendly conversation with the people around him.

It wasn't that he wanted to win them over, but he wanted to reach a consensus.

But just as he started speaking a couple of sentences.

Zhou Tong interrupted him unceremoniously.

He sneered and said, "Come on, you are really overthinking it... us joining hands to make him fearful? Haven't you all been beaten by him? We can't single him out, if he wanted to kill you, you would have been dead long ago, how could he be afraid of you?"

While speaking, his gaze kept glancing over at that black armor.

Could it be that the King of the Secret Realm is indeed Xu Lingjun?

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The physique is unrecognizable, and the voice is indistinguishable.

Could it be that the Commander in Chief can no longer satisfy his lust for power, so he created another identity as the King of the Secret Realm... that's unlikely, right? How could the Great Xia Empire possibly allow him to do something like that?

So, does this mean it's someone else?

He quietly compared in his mind...

Then Xu Lingjun turned back and said, "Zhou Tong is right. To me, you really don't pose any threat. I sought you out because I have use for you. If you're willing to work for me, I'll use you. If not, I won't force you, nor will I harm you... Hmm, that's right. Since you're all here, there's no need to doubt your status. You are all defeated by me, and I didn't even exert much effort dealing with you."

As he said the last sentence.

A few people's faces couldn't help but change slightly...

Xu Lingjun's words clearly showed he didn't regard them at all.

Qin Luo, a Creation Realm Grandmaster of the Great Xia Empire, said, "Isn't that a bit of an exaggeration? If we truly were so insignificant in your eyes, why would you go to the trouble of spending so much time gathering us all here?"

Xu Lingjun casually replied, "That's because within the next three years, your performances can still be quite outstanding. You are the most powerful humans on this planet, which is why I need you!"

"Three years? And then what after three years?!"

Xu Lingjun said, "Three years later, within the Secret Realm, there will be at least five people with strength rivaling the Creation Realm. That's a whole new realm, and the Creation Realm will become an obsolete realm. This fundamentally flawed realm will cease to exist!"

The implication in his words was profound.

Someone excitedly asked, "Does this mean you indeed possess the technique to break through the Creation Realm?"

"Why break through the Creation Realm?"

Xu Lingjun glanced back at them and said, "Your realm is flawed, isolating yourself to form a cosmos. The concept is high-end and isn't technically wrong, but unfortunately... our Blue Star's martial Tao is just beginning, far from having the foundation to support this realm. Trying to achieve too much too fast is utterly unrealistic."

"Flawed?"

Hearing this, everyone fell silent.

After so many years.

They all more or less guessed that the Creation Realm was a dead end.

"Then for your invitation to us..."

"Two things."

As he spoke.

Xu Lingjun had already led everyone to a large laboratory base.

The surroundings were filled with all sorts of high-tech instruments and equipment.

As well as various weapons that were obviously extremely advanced...

He said, "The first matter is actually simple. My cultivation technique was only recently developed, yet now in our entire Secret Realm, there are about sixty Grandmaster-level experts, and not long ago, they were merely in the Profound Realm!"

Upon hearing this.

Everyone fell silent.

Obviously, if this was true, then the strength of the Secret Realm was far beyond their imagination.

"Oh, and there's also the existence of more than twenty Level 9 Demon Beasts!"

Xu Lingjun added.

Monarch Luo exclaimed, "Can demon beasts also practice this cultivation technique?"

"If you breathe, you can practice."

Xu Lingjun said, "My goal is actually to disseminate this cultivation technique, not just within the Secret Realm, but even beyond it. That is, the Great Xia Empire and the Land of Light; if possible, I wouldn't keep any secrets from the true masters regarding cultivation techniques."

At this point, everyone immediately understood Xu Lingjun's true intention.

One by one, they couldn't help but have a slight gleam in their eyes... Secretive? Perhaps...

"What about the Baoxue Empire? Why isn't the Baoxue Empire included?"

Someone couldn't help but ask.

"That's the second reason I brought you here,"

Xu Lingjun said, "The true purpose of bringing you here is... I want you to help completely annihilate the Baoxue Empire. It's not that I don't want to teach them, but by then, the Baoxue Empire may already have ceased to exist!"

As his words fell.

Everyone was plunged into a dead silence.

Chapter 606 - This Favor Is a Big One

Destroy the Baoxue Empire?

Upon hearing this...

Everyone fell into silence.

When the Baoxue Empire invited them over for a discussion, the Secret Realm sent its invitation prematurely, intercepting it...

They had already vaguely guessed that Blue Star might not remain peaceful for long.

It should be noted that the Three Great Empires form a tripartite power, and although the Secret Realm's territory does not compare to any one of the Three Great Empires, its strength is equal to theirs.

Moreover, the Secret Realm has not actively attacked humans for years, maintaining an extremely stable relationship... In the outer world, even Level 8 Demon Beasts are seldom seen.

This stable mode of coexistence was notable.

Additionally, the crisis outside had never faded away.

Thus, Blue Star maintained internal peace amidst the fierce flames of war.

But it now seems this peace, perhaps, is about to shatter.

Even prepared mentally, they couldn't help but feel shocked upon hearing such straightforward words from the mouth of the King of the Secret Realm.

After all...

The King of the Secret Realm has an incredibly large appetite.

He's not just aiming to defeat the Baoxue Empire.

He plans to completely annihilate the Baoxue Empire from its roots.

Could a mere group of Demon Beasts really wish to destroy a civilized human nation?

That's indeed too fanciful...

But looking at the King of the Secret Realm before them, his words were earnest, seriously speaking without jest.

Recalling the martial prowess that this man possesses above them...

And that cultivation technique that's clearly intended to tempt them.

For a moment, everyone couldn't utter words of refusal.

"Sorry, I might not be able to agree with you."

Monarch Luo, whose stature is exceptionally large among those in the Creation Realm, stands out in the crowd.

He was the first to step out and said, "The Great Xia Empire has been peaceful for many years. I can't allow my reasons to cause turmoil on Blue Star... I don't understand military tactics, but even so, I know if Blue Star experiences internal chaos, it might benefit those mysterious races of the heavens."

"So we need to annihilate the Baoxue Empire as quickly as possible; otherwise, I wouldn't need your help at all!"

Xu Lingjun said, "As for your concerns, it's not really an issue. Come with me, and I'll show you that whether it's for public or private reasons, you should help me."

With that, he stepped inside.

Everyone puzzled followed him.

The words were clear enough...

Even without their assistance, annihilating the Baoxue Empire was like crushing a dirt chicken or a wooden dog.

That's incredibly arrogant... After all, it's the Baoxue Empire.

Although everyone present looks down on the Baoxue Empire's international behavior and character, or perhaps its animal-like nature...

The Baoxue Empire's strength is not to be underestimated.

Under Xu Lingjun's lead.

Everyone delved deeper into the laboratory...

Until reaching the deepest point.

A vast indoor space so large almost like an entire football field... though indoor, nearly as expansive as a football field.

And at that time, it wasn't empty.

Inside, six or seven people stood silently facing something upfront.

And upon seeing those inside...

The Creation Realm Grandmaster Rejedo from the Land of Light couldn't help but exclaim, "Crown Prince Tielo?!"

Among the crowd was none other than their future Crown Prince of the Land of Light... Tielo.

Although at the Creation Realm, one is essentially freed from royal authority, even the Monarch cannot command them any longer.

This doesn't mean they lose all sense of belonging to their nation.

Like Rejedo and Noah, who clearly hold Tielo in high regard...

"Unexpectedly, the Venerables are here as well."

Tielo humbly saluted, but worry filled his brows, quickly glancing back at the laboratory bench ahead.

"Your Highness, why are you here at the Secret Realm?"

Xu Lingjun's voice held similar confusion as he asked, "Crown Prince Tielo? Are you from the Land of Light? Why are you here? We didn't invite anyone from the Land of Light."

"Apologies, the invitation was my own decision."

Beside Tielo, Han Yun City walked forward a few steps.

At this moment, he wasn't Deputy Commander of the Qisha Legion but a Prince of the Great Xia Empire!

He said, "Though you informed me that you have discovered the Baoxue Empire colluding with mysterious races, inviting me for a major discussion, such a momentous issue can't be handled independently by the Great Xia Empire. Hence, I took the liberty of inviting Crown Prince Tielo..."

Tielo expressed apology saying, "I came uninvited, I beg your pardon."

Xu Lingjun was silent for a moment, his gaze seemed to linger extra long on Han Yun City.

He said, "It's not impossible; originally I promised you that once the Baoxue Empire is destroyed, half of the Baoxue territory would be governed by your Great Xia Empire... Now, you might need to divide half again for the people of the Land of Light. That's your matter; as long as you are willing, I have no objections."

"The Great Xia Empire has no intention of war, moving against the Baoxue Empire is out of necessity for the peace of Blue Star, I have no choice," Han Yun City stated righteously, "Moreover, the King of the Secret Realm's concerns are very justified; if the Baoxue Empire lashes out in desperation and nuclear war breaks out, it might inflict irreparable harm on Blue Star... In such situations, if the Land of Light also joins the fray, the chances of success are undoubtedly greater. As for what nation lands; I can speak for my father, we'll let the Land of Light have half of it."

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"Thank you, Your Highness of Yun City. Our Land of Light will definitely give our all and will not let your efforts go in vain."

At a time like this, Tairuo didn't hesitate to...

Listening to the conversations between Han Yun City and the King of the Secret Realm, it seems that the King intends to dominate the territory of the Baoxue Empire, but fearing it can't be accomplished alone, offers half the territory in exchange for the Great Xia Empire's involvement in the war.

However, the Great Xia Empire had just sent troops to the Polar Star Battlefield and suffered heavy losses, fearing they could not achieve the goal alone.

Therefore.

They didn't mind sacrificing half of that half of Baoxue Empire's territory to gain the support of the Land of Light.

Though only a quarter of the land, it is still quite significant.

This time, they owe the Great Xia Empire a huge favor...

After all, the Secret Realm had never intended to include their Land of Light in the first place.

As for whether it can be accomplished.

He hadn't considered this issue...

Victory is assured, but the manner of victory is uncertain.

The cost incurred... that's the only issue.

And undoubtedly, the Great Xia Empire wanted to minimize this sacrifice, which is why they sought out the Land of Light, even at a great expense.

Thus, the Baoxue Empire finds itself surrounded by enemies on Blue Star, and has no chance of victory left.

"Your Highness Tairuo, what is happening?"

Rejedo cried out in shock: "You agreed to the annihilation war against the Baoxue Empire?"

"Yes, because the Baoxue Empire has incited public outrage. In fact, although the Secret Realm did not invite the Land of Light this time, if I had known about it earlier, I would have attacked the Baoxue Empire without hesitation."

"Public outrage?"

Tairuo said deliberately: "The Baoxue Empire colluded with the mysterious races of the heavens, and now the Desperate Great Wall has long become a playground for them. If we don't act now, the Baoxue Empire will fully align with them, and by then, Blue Star would be defenseless against them."

"What?!"

Rejedo and others' faces changed dramatically.

And it was at this moment that they saw what Tairuo and others were actually looking at...

It was a person.

Or perhaps someone who used to be human... now, just wearing the shell of a human.

At this moment, he had been disassembled.

Limbs and head were detached from the torso... the transparent jar beside him held his blood.

But was that blood?

It felt... more like oil.

Except for the color being red, it had no resemblance to blood. Even the most benevolent among them has killed countless people and naturally wouldn't fail to recognize that this wasn't real blood.

"It's been clearly detected."

At this moment, a woman dressed in a black robe, her curvaceous figure unmistakable, spoke and drew everyone's attention.

She said: "This isn't blood at all. Even his skin, though it looks human, its density is greatly enhanced. Except for his appearance, nothing resembles a human anymore."

"That's General Carlos of the Baoxue Empire!"

Tairuo seemed to murmur in shock, explaining to the newly arrived Grandmaster Level figures.

He said: "But now, he's been transformed into a silicon-based life form. It was at the Desperate Great Wall's perimeter where they once defeated a mysterious clan known as the Silicon Mysterious Clan."

Wang Qingya gently touched the mask on her face.

She usually wore glasses when doing research... but now wearing a mask, it was inconvenient to wear them, feeling slightly inconvenient.

She explained: "And such transformation is deeply ingrained. Scientifically, transforming a human isn't instant but gradual. This Carlos, transformed perfectly, must have been a silicon-based being for many years."

Han Yun City concluded: "So, the Baoxue Empire has been colluding with the mysterious races of the heavens for many years."

Tairuo angrily declared: "The Baoxue Empire must not be allowed to remain!"

He turned earnestly to the Creation Realm Grandmasters from the Land of Light and said: "Master Rejedo, Master Noah, Master Sai Jia, Master Beliya... please lend us your support. Blue Star is in imminent danger, and if you don't help, it will truly be perilous!"

Han Yun City also turned to their own Creation Realm Grandmasters.

Zhou Tong scratched his head, instinctively feeling something was amiss.

But looking at the disassembled Carlos on the lab table...

He stepped forward to closely observe the already dismantled Carlos; his body divided, his blood flowed, but there was always a peculiar feeling that although the blood flowed from his body, it was more like the oil used to lubricate the body's organs.

A mechanical-like being?

And if it lost lubrication...

His pupils suddenly contracted.

The disassembled head suddenly opened its eyes.

But at this moment, there was not a hint of rationality left in those eyes.

Like a magnet...

His disassembled hands suddenly clenched into fists, quickly retracting into the body.

Along with the legs and severed head returning to the body.

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With a strong struggle, all the restraints and nutrition tubes around his body were directly broken free.

"Roar~~~!!!"

He let out a low roar and swung a backhand punch directly toward Wang Qingya, who was closest...

Although Wang Qingya's cultivation was shallow, she had the basic foundation of a cultivator. In an instant, she reacted and raised her eyes to look at Carlos approaching her.

"Hey, this kid is still alive even in this state!"

Zhou Tong shouted, about to take action...

But there was suddenly a roar.

A completely snow-white Snow Leopard leaped from afar and directly crashed into Carlos's waist, sending him flying.

At the same time, a shadow suddenly appeared.

An ancient mirror in the palm of a hand suddenly emitted a brilliant light, directly falling onto Carlos's body.

The light around Xu Lingjun's body also shone brightly, transforming him entirely into a being of light.

With such enhancement, the power of the Heavenly Mirror was even stronger.

"Ah~~~"

Carlos seemed to have completely lost his sanity, but no matter how irrational he was, he still let out a painful wail.

Under this beam of light.

He couldn't move at all, his body swelled bit by bit, then melted... like snow under a scorching sun, melting piece by piece.

But what was melting at this moment was a human body.

Many Creation Realm Grandmasters had their pupils contracted, watching in shock as Carlos melted bit by bit.

Until there was no trace left...

Suddenly, they all recalled the beam of light that shone upon them when they were defeated earlier.

The power of this beam was hundreds of times stronger than it was then... Although this Carlos was merely a Guiyuan Grandmaster, his physique was probably not inferior to theirs, yet he was completely eradicated within seconds.

The terrifying King of the Secret Realm, he truly showed mercy to us before; otherwise, I might not have survived this long.

They were shocked to realize that Xu Lingjun's previous words, although arrogant and unpleasant, were true in a certain sense.

Tairuo shivered uncontrollably.

Others were all fearing that beam of the mirror...

But for some reason, he feared the light radiating from Xu Lingjun himself.

That light seemed to be his nemesis, making his scalp itch uncontrollably. He had already quietly retreated two steps, trying to distance himself from that guy.

Besides the initial panic when Wang Qingya was attacked, she maintained a thoughtful expression throughout.

Seeing the situation being controlled.

She said, "Carlos's brainwaves had no abnormalities just now. Unexpectedly, after becoming part of the Silicon Mysterious Clan, such a mutation could happen. It seems that actions against the Baoxue Empire must be expedited!"

"What do you all say?"

Xu Lingjun looked at the crowd.

"What is our task in this war?!"

Monarch Luo had already asked directly.

Along with him, the four Creation Realm Grandmasters from the Land of Light also nodded seriously...

They had witnessed Carlos's abnormality earlier.

Moreover, with members of the various countries' imperial clans personally testifying, it was unlikely to be fabricated.

Sai Jia asked with concern, "I just want to know, if we complete the task, then the matter of the cultivation technique..."

"Shared!"

Xu Lingjun said seriously, "Cultivation techniques are heaven-given, naturally not to be enjoyed by the Secret Realm alone. As long as you are willing to purchase, I can sell the cultivation techniques to you!"

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At this point.

Everyone had evidently reached a consensus.

Nobody is foolish...

Everyone knows that Blue Star is their home where they survive.

Since the Baoxue Empire has colluded with the mysterious races of the heavens, this is their path to self-destruction.

A person who has enticed external thieves but holds the most important key at home... cannot be tolerated by anyone.

Moreover, there is the temptation of the Cultivation Technique ahead, continuously calling out to me, come take me, come take me. After being empty for decades, how could they resist such a lure?

Especially the true authority figures of each nation, who clearly have already agreed with the conditions set by that King of the Secret Realm.

Although the Grandmasters of the Creation Realm have nominally freed themselves from the shackles of power... the education they have received over the years still greatly influences those in power.

Even Tairuo and the others have agreed... they seem to have even less reason to resist, and can blatantly and unscrupulously seek after the Cultivation Technique they desire.

"What should we do?"

Monarch Luo took the lead and asked.

He was the clearest-headed; since seeing Carlos and knowing his identity...

He already understood.

This cooperation was something he had to agree to.

He has a family, though not a very wealthy one... but he likes it very much. His grandson can already run and call him grandpa, and his granddaughter was just recently born.

They are only children; they possibly could not withstand the chaos of war.

"The reason I went to great lengths to gather you all here is obviously because there's a task that only you all can accomplish."

Xu Lingjun said: "With the battle strength from the Secret Realm, Land of Light, and the Great Xia Empire, we can easily crush the entire Baoxue Empire... but we need to prevent their dying struggles, firing nuclear bombs!"

Rejedo said: "If nuclear bombs are launched, the entire world would likely be devastated, and by then, victory would no longer be a victory."

"So, this is your mission."

Xu Lingjun said: "Did Uther not invite you to the Baoxue Empire for a significant discussion? This is his personal heartfelt invitation... giving you an opportunity to ride straight into the heart of their territory. No matter how strong the Secret Realm and the two empires are, they can only attack from the outside, but what we need to do is to completely throw the Baoxue Empire into chaos from the start and destroy it."

"The citizens of the Baoxue Empire are innocent, but those in power are your targets; leave none alive, kill them all!"

Han Yun City said: "We do not know where their nuclear bombs are hidden, so your task is to kill all their ruling figures at the earliest moment, completely eliminating those who know things before they realize that a catastrophe is upon them."

Everyone understood their meaning.

Clearly...

Even if the King of the Secret Realm really declared war on the Baoxue Empire, the Baoxue Empire would only view it as a bitter and extraordinary battle, but one that does not harm the overall situation and foundation of the war.

And only when they reach their true end, with no chance of turning the situation around, would they think of burning everything together.

They only needed to exploit this time gap...

Zhou Tong sighed and said, "This might hurt many innocents."

"But for the bigger picture."

Noah coldly said, "The Baoxue Empire is so rotten that to climb to high positions in such a filthy country, do you think they are truly innocent?"

"Well, I agree."

"From here, it takes only two days' journey at full speed to reach the Baoxue Empire."

Xu Lingjun said: "That means you have three days... to familiarize yourselves with the weapons in this laboratory."

"What do you mean? We don't need weapons."

Sai Jia, arms crossed, said: "Although I previously lost to you, you should understand that those of us who have broken through to the Creation Realm, when going all out, our destructive power would not be inferior to any advanced weaponry..."

"It's not about using them, it's about being mindful of these weapons... after all, you're going deep into enemy territory, and this is for your safety as well."

Xu Lingjun said: "These weapons are now the most advanced high-tech weapons of the Baoxue Empire. Once you thoroughly understand their attack methods and characteristics, you'll have no threat while within the Baoxue Empire's territory."

Everyone: "....."

Previously, everyone felt this was a battle of the strong against the weak.

But now, they suddenly felt...

Isn't this actually a complete rout?

The battle hasn't even begun, yet the most advanced weapons have already fallen into their hands, and they have apparently been thoroughly studied, to the extent of possibly even finding ways to counter them.

"I'll go back and prepare then, and await the signal anytime!"

Tairuo said gratefully to Han Yun City.

Not sure why...

At this moment, when he looked at that King of the Secret Realm, there was always a slight feeling of trepidation that he himself could not understand.

Ever since he unleashed that dazzling Light Power.

He had this instinctive fear as though etched into his soul... wanting to keep a greater distance from him.

He nodded appreciatively at Han Yun City.

Even though this time, the Land of Light made a full effort, they only earned half of half the benefits, which was already quite substantial... you should know, the King of the Secret Realm originally did not plan to bring them along.

Tairuo left.

And the other Grandmasters of the Creation Realm have already, according to Xu Lingjun's words, gathered around various weapons to understand their attack patterns in a timely manner.

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As long as we know the attack patterns of these weapons, we can predict where they might be hidden, and prepare in advance...

Unleashing a massacre within a nation's borders.

Just the thought of it is thrilling, but the thrill is accompanied by considerable danger.

They have no absolute certainty that they can guarantee their safety amidst enemies on all sides...

Precisely because of this.

They must therefore study seriously...

Know oneself and know the enemy, and you will never be defeated in a hundred battles.

Zhou Tongyou was still somewhat puzzled, his gaze constantly scrutinized Xu Lingjun.

Due to his unique relationship with Xu Lingjun, he obviously knew more than others... and because of this, he became even more puzzled.

Keep in mind.

The person who invited him to the Secret Realm was actually Xu Lingjun, but now that he arrived, Xu Lingjun was nowhere to be found.

Instead, this Han Yun City represented the Great Xia Empire...

He intuitively felt that there was something fishy going on.

But unfortunately...

His opinion was apparently not very important.

The Creation Realm Grandmaster, whose power and status may be the most esteemed throughout Great Xia, but unfortunately... with the emergence of the Cultivation Technique, they no longer held as much importance in Xu Lingjun's eyes.

Now all they served as was merely the destructiveness of a special forces unit.

In comparison to strength, Xu Lingjun valued more the invitation they held.

As long as they had the invitation, they could freely and without suspicion enter the most sensitive areas of the Baoxue Empire.

In fact, if they had dozens of unsigned invitations, Xu Lingjun believed his Qisha Legion could undoubtedly complete the task perfectly...

You need to know that during this period of relentless cultivation in the Secret Realm.

Aside from those disciples from the Sun and Moon Bright Sect, who arrived later and whose strength had not improved much yet.

The remaining disciples had basically achieved a comprehensive leap forward.

Even if they hadn't broken through their current realm...

The enhancement in strength with the modified cultivation techniques was evident to the naked eye.

Now, seeing everyone intently gathered around the weapons they were interested in, listening attentively to the detailed explanations...

Xu Lingjun took Wang Qingya by the hand and led her outside.

Exiting the laboratory.

The external world...

Was still a bustling new civilization.

Humans and Demon Beasts lived in harmony in one place...

This was a city revived from ruins, everyone and every Demon Beast was busy.

Xu Lingjun strolled through the woods with Wang Qingya.

Xiaoya sat caringly on Wang Qingya's fragrant shoulder, softly reassuring her not to be afraid, it was all over.

Xu Lingjun asked, "Were you frightened just now?"

"Not too bad, with you and Xiaofu around, even a Grandmaster couldn't harm me, let alone Carlos."

Wang Qingya sighed with relief, grateful as she said, "I am just thankful he didn't suddenly go on a rampage at the War Studies Academy, or otherwise, there would've been many casualties."

Xu Lingjun frowned, "Completely disassembled, yet could be reassembled again?"

"Was it not his will, but rather his instincts at play?"

Wang Qingya recalled those chaotic eyes.

She said, "If he had any rationality left, his first thought should have been to escape rather than attack me... unfortunately, his body has dissolved, but fortunately, there were cameras in the laboratory to capture what just happened. I'll carefully review it once we're back, maybe I can find some clues."

Xu Lingjun paused; his face showed slight daze, and exclaimed, "There's... a camera in the lab? Then last time..."

Wang Qingya couldn't help but give Xu Lingjun a glance, lowered her voice, and whispered, "I had Xiaoya delete it the very next morning."

"Oh."

Xu Lingjun felt relieved.

But after a while, he regretted, "Deleted entirely?"

Sitting on Wang Qingya's shoulder, Xiaoya sweetly smiled, "No, I know your preferences master, so I kept a backup."

Wang Qingya glared at Xu Lingjun with annoyance and said angrily, "I'm right here, what do you need that troublesome stuff for?"

"What troublesome stuff... it's something valuable."

Xu Lingjun quickly changed the subject and took Wang Qingya for a walk around the Secret Realm.

Wang Qingya clearly knew her brother's thoughts... She seemed like a big sister, but unfortunately, she could not resist any of his ideas.

If he didn't want, she couldn't force him, from this point, she was just a little sister merely.

Now she could only pretend not to know.

The time left for those Creation Realm Grandmasters was running out...

And the time left for Xu Lingjun and the rest was clearly running short too.

This time the opponent, was the Baoxue Empire.

One of Blue Star's three pillars.

Its overall strength may not be inferior to that of the Chi Yu mysterious clan back then...

Given that Blue Star naturally has a unique advantage.

But this time it couldn't be resolved as brutally as with the Chi Yu mysterious clan.

Sweeping them away completely with nuclear missiles was not an option now.

The difficulty naturally increased several times...

Fortunately, now it wasn't just the Qisha Military District bearing the entire burden, the current Qisha Military District, Xu Lingjun's strength was no longer comparable to the past either.

But even so, should a war break out, it probably wouldn't end in just a few days.

The days like these, where they held hands and strolled together... might also become rare.

In the blink of an eye, it was already three days later.