

Overbearing 1341

Chapter 1341: A Sudden Change III

These things were not secrets in Deities Gate.

Jiu Luo strictly ordered his men to stop spreading it, so even Jiu Yuan did not know that Deities Gate Lady was not his biological mother. No wonder Jiu Luo's wife was so biased.

In this matter, Jiu Yuan's biological mother was indeed at fault. She should not have used such a trick to seduce a man.

But, Jiu Luo should have been blamed too.

He knew that the servant was just a lower rank woman, yet he was still tempted and slept with her, and later wanted to turn his back on her.

Who knew that the servant was pregnant with Jiu Yuan, and he could only take her as a concubine because that child was Deities Gate's heir.

What was the difference between this situation and Jiu Yue's?

One had bullied a woman, and the other refused to take responsibility after what he had done. Both were scums!

Jiu Ming finally understood why Jiu Luo had always treated him differently.

Jiu Luo had not treated Jiu Yuan harshly, but he simply never cared about his existence.

Not being harsh on him was probably just for his reputation. He did not want any people to spread rumors about Deities Gate Master being harsh on his own son.

Jiu Ming sneered. "Haven't you always wanted to know who Divine Physician Qing Xian of Paramount is? I can tell you right now..."

He leaned in close to Jiu Luo's ear; the evil smile on his face growing wider.

"Qing Xian... Feng Ruqing... Nan Xian... Do you understand what I'm saying?"

Suddenly, a strong wind blew in the hall.

This wind was so loud that it blocked Jiu Ming's voice.

Amongst the people present, only Jiu Luo could hear his words.

'Qing Xian...

'Feng Ruqing?

'Nan Xian?

'Why did Jiu Ming mention that name?'

'What does Qing Xian have to do with Nan Xian of Tian Shen Manor?'

Seeing that Jiu Luo did not understand, Jiu Ming smiled coldly and continued, “Nan Xian is Little Qing’er’s fiancé. So, do you understand?”

Boom!

This sentence was like a thunderbolt from the clear sky, causing Jiu Luo’s body to freeze.

After a few minutes of silence, he suddenly opened his mouth and spurted a mouthful of blood.

The fresh blood was like rain, pouring down onto the ground.

Jiu Luo’s eyes widened as if he was very unhappy, and his body fell backward, gradually crashing into the ground.

He stretched out his arms, trying to grab something, but in the end, he was unable to grab anything...

‘Divine Physician Qing Xian...’

This was the person that Deities Gate had ordered a lot of manpower to search for, but had never been able to find.

It turned out that the person had been in front of them all along.

No wonder... No wonder Jiu Ming wanted to give Paramount to Feng Ruqing.

He was trying to win over a divine physician who could prepare herbal dishes!

The funny thing was that Deities Gate had once mocked Feng Ruqing, and even he had always felt that a little girl did not deserve Paramount. He had never expected her to be the Divine Physician Qing Xian who had caused a great stir in this mainland...

No one knew what Jiu Ming had said to Jiu Luo. They only saw Jiu Luo being angry, spitting out blood, and dying.

Zong Fu was scared silly. Jiu Luo had died, so would it be his turn next...?

As expected, he saw Feng Ruqing turning to him... Her gaze was cold enough to make him shiver.

Chapter 1342: A Sudden Change IV

Just when everyone thought that Feng Ruqing would settle scores with the Divine Herbs Sect...

A peal of loud laughter suddenly sounded. The voice was so familiar that it made everyone tremble.

“Hahaha, I’m back!!”

Jiu Yue stared in the direction of the laughter incredulously. He had not anticipated surprise when he saw the pale figure that stood in front of them; instead, he let out a terrified scream.

“Ahhhh! My father is a zombie!!!”

Jiu Luo had become a zombie!

This sudden change came too fast, so fast that the crowd did not have time to react.

They only saw “Jiu Luo” already standing up in the middle of the meeting hall. His cold and stern gaze scanned the hall and was finally fixed upon Feng Ruqing. His fierce eyes lit with a murderous intent.

“I’ve finally met you again!”

The hatred made his old eyes all red. Strong energy surged from his body, making his robe and white hair flutter in the wild wind.

Thousands of years ago, this bastard had seduced his fiancée and taken his sister away, even his confidantes and countless concubines had fallen under her spell and were so crazy about her!

If the Ninth Emperor were a man, he might have been willing to bow down to him, but she was still a girl!

Why should a girl be able to steal all his confidants?

Before the Ninth Emperor appeared, he had been cherished and loved by all the ladies in this mainland!

But when the Ninth Emperor appeared...

Hehe... Who was he? Nothing!

How could he be happy with this?

All these years, he had refused to reincarnate. He had wandered around the world and possessing dead bodies to find this damned bastard to take revenge!

Fortunately, he had found her in Fang Zhu Mainland.

And then...

Her pot had killed him!

He never thought that he would be able to see her again today after taking over this old man’s body.

Hahaha!

There was no way he was going to lose to this woman this time!

“Because of you...” He stepped forward, walking toward Feng Ruqing. The energy around him grew stronger, like the waves of a storm. “I have been humiliated! It was a humiliation that I could never forget. I, Hu Qing, had to possess countless dead bodies for a thousand years to find you!”

Feng Ruqing was dumbfounded as she stared at the old man walking toward her.

Qin Chen turned to Feng Ruqing. “Qingqing, did you ever do anything to him? Why does he keep following you?”

In this situation, how could other people still not understand that someone must have possessed Jiu Luo...

This kind of thing was possible. There was a record about possessing the body in the book, but it was hard to find someone with this kind of ability.

After all, possessing a person's body was something against the law.

"Xiao Qing..." Gu Yiyi pouted and snorted. "He said that he has been looking for you for a thousand years because you had humiliated him. Could it be that... You've been alive for a thousand years? You've done something to him and denied it... He's so ugly, yet you're still interested in him? So, do you think he is better than me?"

Feng Ruqing's face darkened. "No way, never did that to him. I didn't! I only like the state preceptor, and I haven't lived a thousand years, so he must have mistaken me for someone else."

That was true...

This guy felt humiliated and angry. He was obviously being forced to sleep with someone.

She would never have done such a thing. It had to be someone else.

She was never that kind of person!

"It's you!" Hu Qing pointed at Feng Ruqing angrily. His eyes were filled with unspeakable hatred. "You've forgotten what you have done to me, but I will never forget it. I have been looking for you for thousands of years! I want revenge! I'll make you feel all the pain that I've suffered back then!"

Chapter 1343: A Sudden Change V

His future wife, his sister, his concubine... And his confidant...

They had all left him!

Hu Qing had an urge to cry as he reminisced about the miserable life he had suffered.

Initially, if Hu Qing had said these words, there might have been people who would have sympathized with him. But unfortunately, he was inside Jiu Luo's body.

Using this face to say such grievous words, no one would feel pity. It only made them feel nauseated, almost throwing up the rice they had eaten the night before.

"Insolent!" Feng Tianyu was furious. "My daughter is always right! Even if she did do something like that, it's not wrong!"

Feng Ruqing was speechless.

Why did she feel that her father had made things even worse?

"Xiao Qing..." Gu Yiyi cried pitifully like a two hundred pound child. "You'd rather have an old man than me!"

Feng Ruqing was stunned. "First of all, I have not lived a thousand years! He must have mistaken me for someone else. Secondly, he has possessed Jiu Luo's body! Who knows, maybe he's actually a cute little girl..."

Gu Yiyi was speechless.

For some reason, she wanted to cry even more after hearing Feng Ruqing's words.

"I haven't mistaken anyone!" Hu Qing was even angrier as he pointed at Feng Tianyu and Nalan Yan. "Both of them were with you back then, and I definitely have not mistaken them! And I'm not a little girl! I'm not! I'm so charming, so handsome, so talented, and you are calling me a little girl? Heh..."

The energy and the wind around Hu Qing grew stronger with every step he took.

Feng Ruqing was silent.

This guy knew not only her, but also her father and mother?

A thousand years?

Was it possibly something to do with the Ninth Emperor?

Feng Ruqing's eyes narrowed as she communicated with Fu Chen in her mind. "Fu Chen, do you recognize these two guys?"

Her mind was silent for a while.

"Do you think I, a little plant that only grew in the ground and couldn't even open my eyes, would have known him back then?"

"We don't know anything about this man. Maybe Big Black knows him, but unfortunately Big Black isn't here. Big Black has been with the Ninth Emperor longer than us."

Fu Chen did not even know if the Ninth Emperor was a man or a woman, and he was expected to know this man?

'Mother is overthinking it...'

Feng Ruqing was dumbfounded. She suddenly had the urge to pick up Fu Chen and hang him.

Just as Feng Ruqing was lost in thought, Hu Qing was already in front of her. He pulled out a long sword fiercely and pointed it at her.

"I came here today to take your life. It's no use denying it because I've already found you!"

A thousand years!

Only god knew how much he had been tortured these thousand years.

He would tremble angrily whenever he thought of the humiliation that he had suffered.

What was worse was that those girls had often compared other men to her since they had met the Ninth Emperor...

Because of that...

Hehe... Countless people in the mainland wanted to kill her!

Luckily, someone had finally taken care of that scourge! But, a bad thing never dies, and even after she was killed back then, she would still come back eventually. That was why he had studied so hard so that one day he could eliminate this bastard forever!

'Wait a minute...'

Hu Qing stopped abruptly and frowned. Somehow, he felt like he had forgotten something.

Chapter 1344: A Sudden Change VI

'Oh, I know!

'The old man? Did that girl call me an old man just now?'

It was like that one time when a middle-aged man called him 'Father'...

At that moment... Hu Qing's face changed dramatically.

He searched for something and found a storage pouch tied around his waist. He quickly looked around inside the pouch and took out a mirror.

He was so shocked seeing his face in the mirror. His whole body trembled, and the mirror slipped from his hand, falling to the ground and shattering.

He was stunned, unable to regain his senses...

'Who's the old man in the mirror?

'Why have I possessed an old man?'

He only sensed that someone was about to die, and that dying person's energy was not bad. Therefore, he had rushed over to possess him without even taking a look at the person's face...

If he had possessed an old man... How was he going to hook up with the young girls in the future?

"Ahhhhh!!!"

Endless grief filled his eyes, making his energy even more fierce than before. He stared hard at Feng Ruqing and said, "It's all your fault! You're the one who has caused me to possess an old man. I'll never let you go!"

Feng Ruqing was confused.

'It was her fault?'

He was the one who had possessed that old man. Why did he not take a look first at whom he was going to possess?

"Little girl, there is no need to be sad." Feng Ruqing sighed. "If you die one more time, you may be able to possess beauty."

Hu Qing's eyes burned with rage. "I'm not a little girl! I'll kill you! I will kill everyone related to you. None of them will be spared!!!"

Feng Tianyu and Nalan Yan had already picked out their swords and stood in front of Feng Ruqing.

Qin Chen did not make any move, but his body was securely protecting Feng Ruqing behind him...

Jiu Ming remained silent, but his eyes were filled with an evil light as he stared at Hu Qing coldly.

There was not much to say about Wu Yu. The huge pot had enslaved him, so he naturally would only listen to the pot.

As for Emperor Xuan Wu...

He squinted hard as if he was wondering if he should help Feng Ruqing, or... Take this opportunity to escape.

'What if I helped Feng Ruqing... And failed to beat this guy?'

'But, if I don't help her... If she wins, my life will be more tragic, right?'

It seemed like both options were a bit risky...

Hu Qing's aura was overwhelming everything in this world.

"No!" Gu Shi's face suddenly changed, and his eyes were sunken.

Gu Yiyi looked at Gu Shi, confused. "Father, what's wrong?"

"He's not an Advanced Holy Warrior!"

An Advanced Holy Warrior would not be this powerful.

Others might not feel the difference, but at Gu Shi's level of strength, it was impossible not to notice it.

He turned to Nalan Yan and the others, and all of them had the same look on their faces.

It seemed that the people of Fengyun Manor had also noticed...

After being possessed, Jiu Luo's strength was no longer at Holy Warrior tier.

Now he had reached... King Warrior tier!!!!

There was a vast difference between a King Warrior and a Holy Warrior!

It was like heaven and the earth!

Jia Xin was once a King Warrior! He had almost been able to destroy Tian Shen Manor, which showed how terrifying a King Warrior was!

Emperor Xuan Wu was startled. He frowned for a moment before his eyes widened, and he shouted, "You are a King Warrior!"

King Warrior... It was an unattainable dream to ordinary people.

These words were like a thunderbolt, startling everyone present and they could not help but inhale sharply.

Chapter 1345: Use My Entire Life to Protect You I

Hu Qing snorted and his brows lifted, seemingly enjoying the attention.

“Are you all trying to help this woman?”

He sneered as his gaze was somewhat indifferent.

Emperor Xuan Wu subconsciously took a few steps back. He stepped out only because he was afraid that Feng Ruqing would trouble him later. But now... This person was clearly more powerful than everyone else. He would only get himself killed if he made any move against him.

However, Zong Fu was one step faster than Emperor Xuan Wu as he quickly took a few steps back and sneered. “I don’t know this little girl, but she has just attacked my son. So, she is my enemy now.”

“Hahaha!” Hu Qing laughed wildly. “That’s good! Great! You should be glad that you have chosen to make an enemy of her. Because of that, I will spare your life, and maybe I’ll even use you again next time!”

It was only after hearing Hu Qing’s words that Zong Fu’s heart completely calmed down, and he slowly exhaled the breath he was holding in.

Qin Fei’er did not say anything. She looked at Feng Ruqing and smiled coldly.

Initially, she thought that god was so kind to Feng Ruqing, but it turned out that Feng Ruqing would finally face the fate she deserved.

One person was enough to destroy her!

“Father, Mother, you take Chen’er and leave first.”

Feng Ruqing’s face darkened as she looked at the old man who was laughing in the storm. “It’s not safe here.”

“What are you talking about?” Feng Tianyu frowned, unhappy. “Just because it’s not safe, doesn’t mean that we can leave you alone. Qing’er, you don’t need to persuade us. I’m already glad to have a good wife, you, and also Chen’er in my life. I don’t need anything else.

“I’ve already handed Liu Yun Kingdom to your uncle to manage. My kingdom will be safe even if I lose my life today. I don’t have to worry anymore.”

The man’s voice was cheerful but filled with determination.

He once had said that he was not a good emperor.

He would give up this world for his wife and daughter!

He could never leave them again.

Therefore, from the moment he handed over his kingdom to his brother, he only had these two family members left in his life.

If... If he could not reunite with his family and spend the rest of his life with his loved ones, what was the point of returning to Liu Yun Kingdom alive?

Nalan Yan held Feng Tianyu's hands. She then looked at Feng Ruqing and smiled gently. "Qing'er, do you think that Mother would leave you behind? Back then, I was forced to leave you, and that felt worse than death. If I have to abandon the person I love again, then I, Nalan Yan, would rather die here..."

She would never leave her family again!

'Liu Yun Kingdom?'

Zong Fu stood a short distance away, frowning slightly. He had always felt that this kingdom name was familiar, as if he had heard it somewhere...

But, there was no time to think about it as Hu Qing was already rushing toward Feng Ruqing...

His energy rose like a powerful storm.

Gu Shi slowly stood up. He placed his hands behind his back and smiled faintly.

"Maiden Feng, today, you will owe me a favor."

Feng Ruqing was stunned. Her heart beat faster, and her breath grew heavier.

"If in the future..." Gu Shi paused. "If I'm no longer here, I hope that Maiden Feng will remember what I've done today... And I hope you can take care of Gu Yiyi for me."

Chapter 1346: Use My Entire Life to Protect You II

He knew that just by seeing the relationship between Feng Ruqing and Gu Yiyi, she would never abandon Gu Yiyi. Otherwise, the day when Gu Yiyi had entered the Fang Zhu Mainland, she would not have unhesitatingly followed her.

However...

There were too many women by Feng Ruqing's side.

Indeed, Gu Shi had used this phrase to describe Feng Ruqing.

What if, one day, Feng Ruqing left this place and after a long period of time, she forgot Yiyi?

Therefore, as a father, Gu Shi was willing to use his all to highlight his daughter's existence.

Hopefully, in the future... Feng Ruqing would take care of his daughter for the rest of her life.

"Father?" Gu Yiyi looked at Gu Shi at a loss, not understanding what he meant when he suddenly uttered such words.

'Xiao Qing naturally would not abandon her. Never!

'And Father would also never leave.'

He will accompany her for the rest of her life...

Gu Shi's figure flashed by as he rushed toward Hu Qing.

Hu Qing saw a figure that was approaching like lightning. Indifference flitted in his eyes. He gently raised his hand, just like swatting a fly, he flung that figure aside...

Thud!

The originally heroic, courageous, and unyielding Gu Shi seemed like a fly being swatted away, disappearing from everyone's sight.

Gu Yiyi went silent.

'Father, could it be that you were frightened... and wanted to borrow this old, despicable man's hand to escape?'

"Pfft...." Hu Qing sneered. "Overestimating himself!"

A Holy Warrior tier was just like a fly in his eyes. He could slap one to death with just a single slap!

Just thinking about this, Hu Qing raised his chin and looked down at Feng Ruqing. "You will be next. If you have the ability, then continue to get your pot to hit me. Hahaha! I will see how you can smash me into a meat patty this time round!"

Feng Ruqing raised her brows as she looked at Hu Qing. A glint of realization flashed in her eyes.

"Oh, back in Fang Zhu Mainland, the person who was smashed into a meat patty by Little Pot was you?"

Till date since the huge pot followed her, it had only smashed one person to death! Therefore, Feng Ruqing had such a deep impression.

Hu Qing's face darkened. That incident was practically a dark history of his life.

"Hmph! If it was not because that the person that I had possessed had too weak of a cultivation, I would not have had such an end. Also, this old bastard had the cultivation of an Advanced Holy Warrior tier. After I possessed him, naturally I was able to break through to King Warrior!"

Wind gathered at Hu Qing's fist. The surrounding gale caused his robe to flap as he looked arrogant and domineering.

"I will see this time... who else would be able to help you!"

Rustle!

Following the strong winds, Hu Qing had already leapt and landed before Feng Ruqing.

His fist was just about to hit her when Jiu Ming flashed over and blocked Hu Qing's fist with a bang.

Strong energy was dispersed as the surrounding dust on the ground lifted.

A trace of blood flowed from the corner of Jiu Ming's lips. His expression was not visible due to the mask covering his face.

"Empress Nalan, bring Xiao Qing'er and the rest away. Leave the things here for me to handle!"

Nalan Yan's heart jolted. "Jiu Ming, you..."

A smile hung on the corner of Jiu Ming's lips. "Back then, it was you who saved me. So, my life belongs to all of you."

Since the day he knew Feng Ruqing, his life was no longer his own!

However, he would never say this to Feng Ruqing's face...

Now, with things as it was, it was pretty good. There was no need to add to her burden.

He only needed to use his life to protect her. That was enough...

Chapter 1347: He was No Longer the Familiar Jiu Ming I

Nalan Yan looked at Jiu Ming before looking at Feng Ruqing who was beside her and finally sighed helplessly.

It was not possible for her to not see who Jiu Ming's actions were for.

However, her Qing'er already had someone she had given her entire life to, and she could not accept any other people...

Hu Qing struck again without any hesitation. Wind gathered at his fist, fierce and strong, and just like a hammer it smashed Jiu Ming.

The smash made Jiu Ming spit a mouthful of blood.

However, the man did not falter in his steps. He was like a huge mountain, blocking all the wind and rain for the person who stood behind him.

Qin Fei'er raised her gaze as her angry eyes were like thorns piercing Feng Ruqing's back.

Her gaze was resentful and indignant.

Why...

She could not understand. Why was it that there were so many people who were protecting her, up until this extent?

It was fine if it were just the people from Fengyun Manor. After all, they were her biological parents.

However, why was Gu Shi protecting her? Gu Yiyi was protecting her too, and even Master Jiu Ming from Paramount was doing the same...

Was it really with it to disregard their own life and death for such a woman?

Qin Fei'er could not understand it, nor would she ever understand.

Beneath the gale, Feng Ruqing had already stepped forward and walked toward Hu Qing to stand next to Jiu Ming.

The wind made her sleeves flutter, yet it only amplified her incomparable elegance and unrivaled beauty.

It was obviously dark like the sky was covered in haze, but her red robe remained eye-catching. It was like the brightest color in this quiet assembly venue. She was so beautiful that she could bring a whole city to their knees, and she was so outstanding that she seemed to be able to dominate the entire world.

Hu Qing admitted that this woman was extremely beautiful and that her beauty was otherworldly and dominating yet, not arrogant.

She was not like a rose. If one had to use a word to describe her, the only suitable word would be 'cloud'!

Indeed, even Hu Qing could not understand why he felt like this woman was like the clouds, floating freely and not easily found if one was specifically searching for it. Making people look up to her but not really able to reach out to touch her.

If only...

The Ninth Emperor had not been so eye-catching and not caused all the women in the world to go crazy over her.

Perhaps... he would have admired and appreciated her.

This woman was different from all the women he knew. Her beauty was too far out of reach to be tainted, and people were only allowed to watch it from afar.

It was almost sinful if a single stroke was left on her body, it was unforgivable.

It was a pity...

The relationship between the two of them would always be of that of enemies.

'Tell me, why did this woman not act like a proper woman as she constantly flirts with other girls? And she even flirted with them to the point where they were emotionally touched and willing to leave him far behind, going after her without caring about the fact that they would have to climb thousands of mountains and cross ten thousand seas for her'.

The moment he thought about the humiliation he had received back then, Hu Qing's anger burned all over again. His eyes turned bloodshot as he manically rushed toward Feng Ruqing.

Jiu Ming squinted. "Little Qing'er, what kind of blasphemous thing did you do to him? Why did he go crazy the moment he sees you?"

Feng Ruqing shrugged. "Perhaps he was a lady in the past and had admired me a lot. Later on, he found out that I was also a lady and thus... has hated me because of love?"

She guessed that this was the only possibility.

Otherwise, she really did not know exactly what the Ninth Emperor had done that had made this rascal so vengeful and angry, hating her to the point of wishing to rip her into ten thousand pieces.

Just as Hu Qing was about to reach Feng Ruqing, Jiu Ming raised his hand once again to block his attack.

The corner of his lips curled up into an evil arc. "If you wish to hurt her, you will have to kill me first."

Boom!

At this moment, Jiu Ming's power once again spread out, like a cage covering the whole sky.

Although cultivation was considered weaker than Hu Qing's, however... that monstrous strength he had stunned the crowd somehow.

Chapter 1348: He was No Longer the Familiar Jiu Ming II

"Advanced Holy Warrior tier?"

Master Jiu Ming was an Advanced Holy Warrior?

Furthermore... his strength was obviously stronger than Jiu Luo's original strength, and even stronger than Feng Ruqing's subordinate who was at Advanced Holy Warrior tier!

"He is already halfway in King Warrior tier!"

No one knew when Gu Shi had returned, but his hair was in a mess and his head was pretty dusty. He was dressed shabbily and was incredibly dishevelled.

Gu Yiyi turned her head to look at Gu Shi. "Father, didn't you run away? Why did you come back?"

Gu Shi did not speak as his face darkened.

Was he actually so cowardly and fearful, weak and useless in this little girl's heart, so pathetic a man that he would run away at the sight of trouble?

"Manor Master Gu, did you just say that he already has halfway in King Warrior tier?"

Feng Tianyu looked at Gu Shi as he asked.

The corner of Gu Shi's lips curled up into a smile. "In this world, there are quite a few people who are called kings and emperors. However, I say that there has not been a true king in this world! Only those who have reached the realm of King Warrior deserve to be called King!"

Although Holy Warriors were considered strong, there was a world of difference when they were compared to King Warriors.

Take Wu Yu and Jiu Luo as examples. With their kind of cultivation... they were surely unable to withstand so many attacks from Hu Qing.

However, the strength that Jiu Ming had... this proved that... he was already halfway in King Warrior tier.

However, Jiu Ming had yet to stop breathing. In fact, it was starting to grow heavier.

His whole being was obviously a little different as even the air surrounding him had turned a little gloomy.

Snap!

The mask that was originally covering his face instantly snapped into two by the gale that arose, showing off an incredibly handsome face.

The crowd knew that Master Jiu Ming had always put on a mask when meeting people and had never shown his true face. Besides the people from Deities Gate, no other people knew how he really looked.

There were so many speculations of Master Jiu Ming's looks.

Today... that handsome face that was comparable to a heavenly deity was like a sledgehammer, ruthlessly knocking into everyone's hearts.

Nobody had ever thought that Master Jiu Ming would actually look so dashing. He was like flowers growing on both sides of the riverbanks, enchanting and incomparable.

However, these people snapped out of their shock very quickly as they looked at that lightning mark that was between the corner of Jiu Ming's eye and his brow. It felt as if a bucket of cold water had been poured onto their hearts, leaving them completely cold.

Under the gale, the man's purple robe fluttered as the lightning mark below his brow was covered in a faint purple light. It looked wicked and peculiar, like a ghost in the dark of the night.

"That's not right..." Gu Shi frowned hard as his face changed. "Maiden Xiao Qing, quickly stop him! He is using some kind of method to raise his cultivation. If he continues to raise his cultivation, I am afraid that there will be very serious sequelae!"

Without Gu Shi saying more, Feng Ruqing realized Jiu Ming's intent as she very quickly raised her hand —

The huge pot received her order and immediately rushed over to Jiu Ming.

The gale surrounded Jiu Ming and before the huge pot was able to approach Jiu Ming, it was caught up in the gale and was sent flying into the sky as it cried out in a pitiful wail like a strong knight never to return. "Buzz!"

After that...

Under the sight of everyone, it disappeared.

Feng Ruqing was left speechless.

She helplessly face palmed. She had overestimated her huge pot. What was she to do now?

Jiu Ming slowly opened his eyes and he looked at Feng Ruqing with deep feelings that had turned cold and emotionless at this moment.

The mark on his face had also expanded, covering half of the man's face.

"What are you?"

Hu Qing was shocked as he looked at Jiu Ming, feeling flustered.

The man in purple raised his hand and with a clench of his fist, a purple sword appeared in his hand.

Chapter 1349: He Was No Longer the Familiar Jiu Ming III

With every step he took, Hu Qing's heart jolted. His eyes were filled with fear as he could not help but step backward.

From the beginning to the end, Feng Ruqing's gaze did not leave Jiu Ming. Not knowing why, she felt a baffling sense of panic when she saw the current Jiu Ming.

"Jiu Ming!"

Her voice trembled.

Jiu Ming did not respond to her. It was as if he had not heard her. He took a small step forward and stopped before Hu Qing.

Everyone present subconsciously stepped aside. The current Jiu Ming instilled more fear than Hu Qing did earlier.

Hu Qing was just greatly angered and his anger had gotten the better of him.

However, Jiu Ming... was like a murderous deity that climbed out of hell, chilling and terrifying.

"Bastard!"

Hu Qing shrieked as he threw a punch at Jiu Ming.

Jiu Ming still did not flinch this time, and the long sword in his hand struck the fist with a flash of light and hit Hu Qing with a boom, sending him flying. Hu Qing was covered in dust when he landed as he looked extremely disheveled.

Hu Qing's eyes were full of shock. He did not know what method Jiu Ming had used to raise his cultivation, but he very clearly understood that he could no longer dream of killing Feng Ruqing easily today.

Rather than wasting his time here, he should wait for the next time to seek her out!

After all, he guessed that he could only use such great strength once...

Thinking about this, Hu Qing gritted his teeth as he turned around and planned to leave.

However, just as he was thinking about leaving, Jiu Ming had already caught up with him and descended from the air to the ground, stepping on Hu Qing's head. Hu Qing's head was firmly pinned to the ground as Jiu Ming raised his fist to ruthlessly smash down on Hu Qing's head.

The ground opened up into a pit as his whole head was being pressed into the ground. He was in intense pain and was unable to breathe properly.

Hu Qing was ready to cry.

It was not easy for him to live again through possession. Was he going to die again without even living a full day in this new host?

Although he was dissatisfied that he had possessed an old man, this old man had indeed a level of cultivation that was not too bad. It was really too difficult for another Holy Warrior to die on this mainland. He did not have the patience to slowly break through to a higher tier and simply wanted to possess someone with strong cultivation...

“Ah ah ah!”

In such an urgent situation, Hu Qing finally let out a piercing shriek as his body suddenly bounced back up and forcefully broke Jiu Ming’s hold. He climbed back up looking extremely disheveled.

“Ninth Emperor! Wait till I, Hu Qing, return the next time. I will definitely claim your bastardly life!”

Even if he had to leave looking disheveled and embarrassed, Hu Qing was not willing to admit defeat. Taking advantage of the fact that Jiu Ming had yet to catch up with him, he glared at Feng Ruqing and quickly rushed into the void, using all his energy to escape.

In a blink of an eye, he had disappeared from everyone’s sight.

The crowd was a little dazed, perhaps they had never expected Hu Qing to have been so easily chased away.

Just right before they could sigh in relief, Jiu Ming’s cold gaze turned toward them.

His gaze was expressionless, so chilling that it was shocking...

“Qing Qing!”

Feng Chen pulled Feng Ruqing to his side as his gaze was serious. “He is not the Jiu Ming you knew.”

Feng Ruqing had not said a word because she, too, realized that Jiu Ming seemed to have become someone else.

His eyes... no longer reflected any compassion!

Zong Fu had long been stunned to his spot.

His mind was still buzzing, replaying the final words Hu Qing had said before leaving.

He said, ‘Ninth Emperor...’

Who was the Ninth Emperor he was talking about?

Subconsciously, Zong Fu’s eyes turned toward Feng Ruqing and his face paled. His body only managed to stop trembling when he clenched his fists tightly.

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However, he was no longer able to think too much. Jiu Ming casually waved and his sword rushed toward the people closest to him.

And the person closest to him was Zong Yi!

“Ah!”

A heart-wrenching voice shrieked. Zong Yi’s entire arm had been cut off as blood flowed freely. It was so painful that he almost lost consciousness.

“Yi’er!” Zong Fu’s eyes turned red as he called out hoarsely.

Zong Yi was in so much pain that his face had turned white, but what was in more pain was his heart.

Just now, he had constantly protected Qin Fei’er. When he saw Jiu Ming attacking him, he had originally wished to push Qin Fei’er aside to avoid her getting hurt. However, Qin Fei’er was faster than him as she let go off his hand and hid.

When she saw Zong Yi’s gaze, Qin Fei’er also knew that her own actions were a little inappropriate. However, what if she was also wounded in the process if she had not done so?

Luckily Zong Yi was in so much pain that he could not speak and could not question Qin Fei’er. He clenched his jaw and gritted his teeth as sweat flowed from his forehead, dripping to the ground together with his blood...

Naturally Feng Ruqing was not sympathetic to what had happened to the people from the Divine Herbs Sect. The only person she was worried about in her heart was Jiu Ming.

Seeing Jiu Ming’s situation, she wanted to step forward. However, before she could even take two steps forward, she was held back by Feng Tianyu.

“Qing’er, this guy’s situation is a little off. Don’t simply take action first. I keep getting the feeling that he is unable to recognize us...”

Feng Ruqing gently pushed aside Feng Tianyu’s hand.

“Imperial Father, Jiu Ming became like this because of me. I cannot leave him alone without a care.”

Hu Qing had come because of her. It was not related to Jiu Ming. If it were not for her, Jiu Ming also would not have forcefully raised his cultivation and become the way he was now.

Suddenly a flash of light from the sword rushed over.

It was so strong... that it made it harder for them to breathe.

The sky was dark as a flash of lightning and the sound of thunder roared above the venue.

“Xiao Qing!”

“Qing Qing!”

“Qing’er!!!”

Everyone's expression changed drastically and was about to move forward to stop Feng Ruqing's actions.

However, her footsteps were extraordinarily determined.

She noticed that when Jiu Ming's mask dropped, all the people from the various forces were first stunned by his handsome looks, and then disgusted.

It was because of the birthmark on his face.

Now that his birthmark had covered half of his face, besides disgust, those people also felt terrified.

The world was disgusted by him, hated him, and feared him. If she felt the same... then would he not be alone in this world?

If he did not abandon her and escaped, then she too would not abandon him!

The sword suddenly appeared in Feng Ruqing's hand.

Feng Ruqing used all her strength to gather spiritual qi at her abdomen, creating a protective circle to ensure that the child in her womb was safe.

However, because of this, she was unable to create any other defences around her and could only use her sword to block the sword light coming toward her. But, she was still unable to block it.

The man's attack landed on her shoulder without any obstacles, staining her red robe with blood, making it look even brighter.

She did not retreat, but rather continued walking toward Jiu Ming.

Feng Tianyu wanted to stop her, but Nalan Yan stopped him.

"Tianyu, this is Qing'er's own decision."

Furthermore, Jiu Ming had indeed become like that because of them...

They had an undeniable responsibility!

The next sword light was even stronger than the one before, and it brought along overflowing strength with its strike.

Just as the sword light was about to reach Feng Ruqing, a figure in white robe flitted over, and in an instant, her body was swept up into a warm embrace.

It was familiar and calming.

Instantly, everyone felt assured. There was no need for her to be on guard against any internal or external problems. She peacefully lay in the man's embrace. "State Preceptor, you are here..."