

## Overbearing 251

### Chapter 251: Mew? Woof? II

'Damn it!'

"That's sweet. Little Tiger, say it again." Feng Ruqing quickly regained her focus and smiled even more gently.

Mew!

The three-striped cub mewed again obediently and buried its head in Feng Ruqing's bosom.

Howl!

The snow wolf tugged at Feng Ruqing's robe with its claws as it growled. Tears shimmered in its eyes.

"It's alright, snow wolf. You can learn to bark like a dog." Feng Ruqing broke into a bright smile as she lowered her eyes to glance at the snow wolf.

The snow wolf's eyes sparkled with hope.

Howl...Woof!

Howl...Woof!

Howl!

The snow wolf had actually howled like a wolf every time it tried to bark like a dog.

'How could this three-striped cub mew like another animal so easily?'

The snow wolf's eyes reddened and darted around anxiously.

Seeing the snow wolf, Feng Ruqing burst into laughter.

"It's alright. I was fooling around with you. It's late. Let's get back to the imperial city."

As Feng Ruqing had informed Liu Li before she left the city. This time, she would not create a great stir like before.

Since Feng Ruqing had found the Iron-Blooded Troop, so she did not want to stay in the forest any longer.

Growl!

Seeing Feng Ruqing wanting to leave, the three-striped tiger hurriedly rushed to stop her.

"You don't want me to leave?" Stunned, Feng Ruqing paused her steps as she asked.

'The three-striped tiger still needs more help?'

The three-striped tiger stroked Feng Ruqing's feet with its head, walked past her, and walked further down into the cave.

"The three-striped tiger wants me to go deep into the cave?" Feng Ruqing stroked her chin and contemplated for a while before she continued. "Let's check it out."

The cave was dark and damp. The three-striped tiger paused halfway through and turned its head to look at Feng Ruqing as if it wanted to talk to Feng Ruqing.

"You want me to go in?" Feng Ruqing simply did not know what she would encounter deep inside the cave. However, she knew that the three-striped tiger would not hurt her.

Seeing the Feng Ruqing understood what it was trying to tell her, the three-striped tiger's eyes flickered as it nodded.

"Why don't you go in with us?" Feng Ruqing knitted her brows together.

The three-striped tiger lowered its head. Fact was, the three-striped tiger wanted to go in, but it was actually a place where spirit beasts were not able to enter.

"Are you worried about your cubs? Just go back to take care of them. I can go in on my own." Seeing the three-striped tiger's face, Feng Ruqing thought that the three-striped tiger was worrying about its cubs.

"Master, it's not a good idea to go in if we don't know what is deep inside the cave." Tang Zi hesitated.

A faint smile hung on Feng Ruqing's lips.

Tang Zi was right. Feng Ruqing should never get into the cave for safety purpose. However, with Fu Chen's strength, he could definitely detect the danger that lay within the whole Forest of Spirit Beasts. Since he did not alert Feng Ruqing, she was safe. However, Feng Ruqing could not tell Tang Zi. She only smiled as she said.

"Don't worry, Tang Zi. My intuition has never failed me."

"Well, your subordinate is at your command."

Since Feng Ruqing insisted on going in, Tang Zi did not talk further but stand resolutely beside her.

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Howl!

Feeling that the three-striped cub was a threat, the snow wolf was the first who rushed into the deep to impress its master and win her heart back.

Boom!

However, just as the snow wolf moved further into the deep cave, a powerful force came from deep inside the cave. In a flash, the snow wolf was thrown out of the cave and groaning in pain.

Howl!

Feng Ruqing was dumbstruck by astonishment and quickly understood why the three-striped tiger stopped moving further—spirit beasts could never get deeper into the cave.

‘What is actually hiding in the cave?’ Feng Ruqing was burning with curiosity.

The snow wolf got up from the ground, shook its head and crawled up to Feng Ruqing for comfort.

“Since you couldn’t get in, you just stay here. I will look for you later when I come out.” Feng Ruqing sighed as she said.

The snow wolf was growling as it did not want to stay there together with the three-striped cub.

“Stay here. Otherwise, I will not give you Divine-Spirit Fruit for one day.”

The snow wolf quickly regained its composure and stopped growling.

“Tiger Mama, please take care of my friends. Don’t let them walk out of here, it’s dangerous out there. Especially this snow wolf, it’s too wild. If it bumps into Tier-5 spirit beasts outside, it could definitely never defeat or escape from them and may end up being the food of the spirit beasts.” Feng Ruqing raised her head to look at the three-striped tiger.

The three-striped tiger merely nodded to show that it understood Feng Ruqing’s words.

“Let’s go.” Feng Ruqing turned to look at Qin Chen and the Iron-Blooded Troop.

It was true that only the spirit beasts could not enter the deep cave. Feng Ruqing and the rest had gotten into the deep cave easily.

Simply no one knew how long had Feng Ruqing walked in the cave. Suddenly a bright light pierced her eyes. Feng Ruqing subconsciously covered her eyes and walked toward the light.

When she approached the light, it turned out that the light was actually the exit of the dark and damp cave. Feng Ruqing stepped out of the dark cave without any hesitation and a lush green landscape under a vast azure sky came into sight. It was a completely different world outside the cave.

Slightly startled, it struck her that there was something familiar about this place—the medium? Right... it was the medium!

Apart from the Divine Herbs Sect building, everything in this place was way too similar to the medium.

“Master, what is this place?” Lost in wonder, Tang Zi looked at the surroundings in astonishment.

“This place is filled with dense spiritual qi.”

Each reclusive family had its own sacred land for cultivation and the spiritual qi was more dense than the outside world. Hence, the cultivator could make a breakthrough faster than usual.

Even though the cultivator of the reclusive world was of the same talent or even inferior to those from the secular world, their cultivation would definitely be higher because of the sacred land for cultivation.

Previously, Tang Zi was a rare talent of the Tang family and had cultivated in the sacred land. However, the sacred land for the Tang family’s cultivation was absolutely no match for this. This place was far superior!

## Chapter 253: Mew? Woof? IV

"If I could train here, surely my training will be more effective." Tang Zi was excited.

Feng Ruqing kept quiet.

There was a great change in Feng Ruqing's medium when she made a breakthrough to True Warrior tier.

Feng Ruqing not only could bring the spirit herbs' seeds into the medium, but her spiritual qi was indeed more powerful there. There was no difference from the place where they were staying.

So, Feng Ruqing learned to train in the medium instead of at the mountain.

Hence, the spiritual qi in this place was really not very appealing to Feng Ruqing.

Qin Chen, who was standing next to Feng Ruqing, did not make any comments.

For him, the powerful spiritual qi there was nothing compared to what Feng Ruqing possessed.

The powerful spiritual qi was useless to Qin Chen. Qin Chen could only train with Feng Ruqing's spiritual qi.

"Tang Zi, let's move on. There might be some valuable treasures because of the powerful spiritual qi. We could train later."

Tang Zi nodded her head slightly. "You're right. We can train later. There's no need to rush."

Greed would cause pain.

Tang Zi had just made a breakthrough to Spirit Warrior tier. It was not advisable for her to continue her training without consolidating her own strength now.

"Let's go."

Feng Ruqing walked ahead.

Everyone knew those spirit herbs could only be cultivated with powerful spiritual qi. However, Feng Ruqing's tactics were exceptional.

This place was filled with enough spiritual qi, and nobody had ventured into it for many years. So, Feng Ruqing discovered a lot of spirit herbs throughout their journey.

There were Grade-2 and Grade-3 spirit herbs. Moreover, there were also Grade-4 and Grade-5 spirit herbs.

Feng Ruqing still could not cultivate these spirit herbs now because she was not that powerful yet. Hence, she did not let go of the golden opportunity of picking the spirit herbs and planting them in her medium.

Tang Zi was stunned at first when she saw that the spirit herbs in Feng Ruqing's hands disappeared soon after they were picked. Tang Zi then realized what had happened.

‘There must be some kind of storage bag in the princess’s hands. It’s not a wonder if the spirit herbs disappeared just like that.’

“Mom! There’s a spirit spring! Mom! There’s a spirit spring!”

Feng Ruqing heard Qing Han’s excited voice when she was just putting another spirit herb in the medium.

“Spirit spring?”

‘What’s that?’

“I finally know why this place is filled with powerful spiritual qi. It’s because of the existence of spirit spring. This place had become a spirit spring. Mom, spirit spring is a good thing. If you use it to take a bath, your strength could be improved.”

Feng Ruqing’s eyes brightened at this.

This place was filled with sufficient spiritual qi. If she allowed Tang Zi and her troops to train here, they might gain more strength.

‘These living people can never go into my medium.’

‘If there’s a spirit spring...’

‘They might make a breakthrough faster if there’s a spirit spring.’

“Qing Han, where’s the spirit spring?”

“Walk left and there’s a spirit spring three hundred meters away. You can take a bath there.”

Feng Ruqing was all smiles after she knew the location of the spirit spring.

‘It’s good to have an obedient daughter.’

‘It seems that I need to train harder and improve my strength to cultivate more spirit herbs with higher grades for my daughter.’

Now, she also needed to take care of her son and daughter. Although Feng Ruqing had always bullied Fu Chen but it was all done just to protect herself. She knew that she needed to be responsible if she took them under her wings.

“Tang Zi, Chen’er, come with me.” Feng Ruqing’s smiled happily.

‘It is not useless coming to Forest of Spirit Beasts this time.’

Chapter 254: The Ninth Emperor’s Dwelling Place I

The spiritual qi was even more dense when they walked further.

Tang Zi and the troops could not help but feel that the spiritual qi in their body shook with excitement.

A beautiful spirit spring appeared in front of them after a short while.

The spirit spring was white and clear like a delicious wine. There was even a shadowy mist circling the spirit spring. It was just like heaven.

"Princess... this... this..." Tang Zi was stunned, her eyes widened.

Tang Zi could feel that the spiritual qi of the spirit spring was even higher and more powerful than the spiritual qi in this place.

"This is a spirit spring, Tang Zi. Just go ahead and lead the people in the troops to cultivate here." Feng Ruqing bit her lip slightly. "Chen'er, follow me."

There might be something else there other than a spirit spring so she could not waste her time there.

As Fu Chen's body was special, the spirit spring was useless to him. 'I'll just go with Feng Ruqing.'

"Then, what about Princess?" Tang Zi was stunned as she asked hesitantly.

Feng Ruqing smiled slightly. "I want to stroll around. Don't bother about me. If I don't find anything interesting, I'll come back for the training."

"Alright."

Tang Zi nodded her head slightly. "Then, I'll just wait for you here."

Feng Ruqing gave her orders. Then, she straightened her sleeves, turned, and said, "Chen'er, let's go."

Fu Chen did not say anything. He followed behind quietly.

The spirit spring was indeed useless to him. Moreover, there might be some dangers. 'I'll not worry so much if I stay beside Qing Qing.'

"Mommy, mommy, there might be something valuable which can help to cultivate the spirit spring. Moreover, it might be near the spirit spring. You can just follow the trail of the spirit spring, and you'll find it."

Qing Han's cute and energetic voice circled around Feng Ruqing's soul.

'Yes. Qing Han's more obedient compared to Fu Chen.'

'It's no wonder she's my little baby.'

"Chen'er." Feng Ruqing smiled and turned toward Fu Chen. "There might be some valuable treasures nearby. Help me to find them. If you find them, I'll share them with you."

Qin Chen's eyes were crystal clear. He faced Feng Ruqing. He did not appear cold or distant. There was even a smile on his face.

It was like he was shy and timid.

"They are all yours. I'm yours too."

Feng Ruqing was slightly touched when she heard the first part of the sentence. But...

It was like Feng Ruqing was hit by lightning when she heard what Fu Chen said in the second part of the sentence. Her smile froze.

"This... Chen'er, you're my younger brother."

It was because Fu Chen looked so much like Feng Ruqing's former life's younger brother that Feng Ruqing could not help but treat him as her family.

Qin Chen used his sleeves to protect Feng Ruqing. It prevented the flowers from falling on Feng Ruqing's hair.

"Qing Qing, I'll be who you want me to be."

Feng Ruqing finally sighed a relief. She smiled. "Then, let's go."

"Alright."

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Feng Ruqing could avoid wasting her energy in doing useless stuff after Qing Han's appearance.

Feng Ruqing found the eye of the spirit spring after a short while.

It was connected to the spirit spring which they had found just now. There was endless white fluid flowing out of the eye of the spirit spring.

"This eye of the spirit spring might be the one connected to that spirit spring. But it is too small for us to take a bath here."

It was only the eye of the spirit spring. It was small and narrow.

Chapter 255: The Ninth Emperor's Dwelling Place II

The spirit spring was only a normal spring if the eye of the spirit spring was not there. The spring became a spirit spring because there was spirit water flowing out of the eye of the spirit spring.

"Mommy, the spirit water is used for drinking purpose. It's not for bathing."

Fu Chen was talking now, his tone sarcastic. It was like Fu Chen was criticizing Feng Ruqing's lack of knowledge.

"Qing Han asked you to take a bath there just now because the spirit water was diluted by the spring water. It won't be very effective if you drink that water. You could only take a bath there and cultivate slowly. But, you can drink this spirit water."

Fu Chen's voice trembled. He was hesitant.

"But... if you want to drink this spirit water, you can only do that after you have reached Immortal Warrior tier. It's better if you reach the end of Immortal Warrior tier and you use the spirit water to make a breakthrough to King Warrior tier. The power of the spirit water is too high. If you're not careful, you might be killed."

Feng Ruqing's lips contorted weirdly.

The most powerful person in Liu Yun Kingdom only made a breakthrough to Spirit Warrior tier. 'How long would it take before I reach Immortal Warrior tier?'

"You mentioned that we could drink this spirit water just now." Feng Ruqing's eyes narrowed. "What about if we don't drink this spirit water directly?"

"That's simple. You can put in a drop of the spirit water when you're making the spirit herbs dish. It will not only increase the effectiveness of the spirit herbs but it will also help others to make a breakthrough faster with the spiritual qi in the spirit herbs dish."

"For sure, we can use this spirit water to water the spirit herbs. We can use a scoop of the spirit water for this purpose. But, be sure to water only those spirit herbs with spiritual wisdom. It's a waste to use this water to water those spirit herbs which have no spiritual wisdom."

Feng Ruqing did not have a chance in finding those spirit herbs with spiritual wisdom because they were too rare in this world.

Feng Ruqing stroked her own chin. "We could use this for watering purpose. What about you? Do you need that?"

Fu Chen kept quiet.

After a while, Fu Chen used a rather confused voice and replied. "We just want to eat spirit herbs. We don't need spirit water."

The Ninth Emperor had always watered them with spirit water during those days so that the two of them could grow so fast.

Usually, regular water was useless to the spirit herbs that possessed spiritual wisdom. The spirit herbs needed spirit water to grow.

If they had grown well, they did not need the spirit water anymore. They needed to eat other spirit herbs to grow.

However, the spirit herbs which they could eat had no spiritual wisdom. It was because the spirit herbs that possessed spiritual wisdom were no longer just spirit herbs.

"Understood."

Feng Ruqing breathed a sigh of relief slowly.

'I'm only worried that these two little fellows would steal and drink my spirit water if I brought it back. But, now I'm relieved.'

Feng Ruqing took out a wine jar from the medium when she thought of this.

She poured out all the spirit wine onto the ground. Then, she put the wine jar beside the eye of the spirit water.



If Master Nalan saw what Feng Ruqing just did, he might be so infuriated that he would scold Feng Ruqing harshly. It was a waste to throw away the valuable spirit wine.

But, Feng Ruqing had nothing to store the spirit water. She had no choice but to do what she just did.

Every time, there was only a drop of spirit water flowing out of the eye of the spirit spring. But, Feng Ruqing was a greedy person. If she wanted to fill the wine jar, it might take quite some time.

After some consideration, Feng Ruqing took out all the pots and pans given by Tiger Mama from the medium. Then, she took out the spirit herbs and other ingredients.

She could not slack off even though she was there.

Whether to lose weight or cultivate, it had to be done at the same time.

Chapter 256: The Ninth Emperor's Dwelling Place III

There was only spirit herbs dish which could motivate Feng Ruqing to be this diligent.

Feng Ruqing made two spirit herbs dishes this time. One was to be used for slimming purpose, and another was for her to share with Qin Chen.

Feng Ruqing stood up when she completed the spirit herbs dishes. She raised her eyes and looked at Qin Chen, who was standing not very far from her.

Feng Ruqing smiled happily.

"Chen'er, I guess that you're hungry now. Come! Let's eat together."

Qin Chen turned and saw Feng Ruqing's beautiful smile.

Suddenly, that smile was like a breeze, and it was deeply imprinted on Qin Chen's heart.

It was a smile which Qin Chen could never forget.

"Alright."

He responded with a smile.

The smile was innocent.

It was just like a sheet of white paper without the stains of blood.

Feng Ruqing still did not know that the innocent and naive youth in front of her would one day become a cruel man for her sake.

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Half a month had passed by.

A girl was sitting under the blue sky with her legs crossed and her eyes closed. Suddenly, she opened her eyes. She smiled slightly, and her complexion seemed like a beautiful picture. "The training is indeed

more effective after the usage of spirit water. Although I still have not made the breakthrough to True Warrior tier I'm almost there."

'If I put in a drop of spirit water into the spirit wine, it's possible that Grandpa could make the breakthrough to Spirit Warrior tier.'

She stood up. Then, she looked at the wine jar under the eye of the spirit spring. She raised her eyebrows slightly then walked toward the eye of the spirit spring.

A beautiful image was reflected on the surface of the spirit water.

Feng Ruqing was stunned. She touched her cheeks softly. There was excitement on her face.

The Feng Ruqing before had fair skin. Now, her skin had become fairer and more beautiful after the consumption of spirit herbs dishes. It was perfect without the use of any cosmetics.

The only shortcoming was her plumpness.

Feng Ruqing was still considered ugly because of her plumpness.

But now...

Feng Ruqing understood something now. She thought that slimming down would need a lot of time before meeting Fu Chen.

Now, she had finally slimmed down after only half a year.

Qin Chen had come to stand behind Feng Ruqing. "Qing Qing..."

"Chen'er, do you think I'm pretty now?"

Qin Chen smiled. "You're beautiful both in the past and present."

If you love someone, he or she will always be the most beautiful in your heart.

The people who have fallen only for your appearance should never be trusted with your heart.

Feng Ruqing could not help but laugh out loud. She kept the wine jar in the medium. Then, she turned and patted Qin Chen's cheeks with her slender fingers.

"Let's go. We have a lot of places to explore here. We cannot leave so soon."

She felt that there was still something here which was attracting her.

Feng Ruqing continued walking after leaving the eye of the spirit water.

Her feelings that there was something she needed to find became stronger when she walked deeper into the forest.

Feng Ruqing also did not know how long she had been walking. Suddenly, an ancient manor appeared in front of her.

Her whole body froze at the sight of the ancient manor. She was surprised.

"Fu Chen, Qing Han, what's wrong?"

She had gone into the Divine Herbs Sect in the medium. She had even strolled into different rooms there. It included the forbidden place which no one could enter.

‘The manor of the ancestors!’

#### Chapter 257: The Ninth Emperor’s Dwelling Place IV

Fu Chen was unsure about the manor. “I don’t know. Why is this manor so similar to the Ninth Emperor’s previous home? Mommy, Qing Han, and I have never left the Divine Herbs Sect. I don’t know about it.”

How would he know given that he was just a spirit herb?

Who knew why there was a manor which looked just like the Ninth Emperor’s previous home?

The dragon and phoenix images at the entrance were the same. There was no difference!

There should be only one dwelling place of the Ninth Emperor.

The tactic formation at the entrance was impossible to be imitated.

However, the tactical formation of the Divine Herbs Sect was old and ancient. It might not be effective anymore.

It seemed that the Ninth Emperor’s dwelling place in the medium was a fake.

“Actually, it’s easy to know whether there’s any relation between this manor and the Ninth Emperor. There’s a tactical formation at the entrance of the Ninth Emperor’s home. Nothing can approach it. Mommy, you can try.”

Fu Chen kept quiet for a moment before speaking.

Feng Ruqing raised her eyebrows. She picked up a stone then threw it at the entrance of the manor.

Boom!

The stone did not even make it to the entrance. A strong force hit the stone and the stone exploded.

Fu Chen and Qing Han did not know what to say.

The two spirit herbs in the medium were frightened.

Was it possible that the Ninth Emperor’s home had been substituted with a fake? The forbidden place which they had guarded for so long was a fake.

“Fu Chen, why are there two ancestors’ dwelling places?”

It seemed that the manor in front of them was real.

“It’s impossible. There’s only one home of the Ninth Emperor. It’s impossible to have two in this world. The one in the medium must be a fake. I thought that the tactical formation must be useless after so

many years. But, I forgot that the tactical formation formed by the Ninth Emperor would never disappear as long as his soul is still alive.”

It might be because of their firm belief that a manor that large would never disappear in the Divine Herbs Sect.

So, they did not think too much when the manor could be entered with ease without the tactical formation. It was such with the spirit herbs which had low intelligence.

Now they knew that they were being lied to.

“Then, how can we enter this place?”

‘There must be valuable treasures in the Divine Herbs Sect’s ancestors’ home.’

Feng Ruqing’s eyes brightened when she thought of this. She smiled and touched her chin softly.

“Nobody could solve the Ninth Emperor’s tactic formation.” Fu Chen shook his head and he seemed quite in despair.

He was an unbeatable person in those days. Nobody could ever solve his tactical formation.

Except... himself.

“I’ll try no matter what. It’s fine even if I fail.”

Feng Ruqing kept quiet for a short while before venturing near the tactical formation. She put her palms softly on the tactic formation.

A strong wave flowed out of her palms at that moment.

She closed her eyes.

Light spiritual qi gathered in her palms. She also used all of her strength to find the center of the tactical formation. Then, she transferred her spiritual qi there just to destroy the tactical formation.

Fu Chen smiled bitterly and shook his head. “That’s useless. No one in this world could ever solve his tactical formation. Don’t you try to...”

A loud explosion was heard before Fu Chen could finish his sentence.

It seemed that something had exploded and the spiritual qi was endlessly flowing all around. A strong wind blew. Feng Ruqing’s hair became rather messy in the wild wind.

Feng Ruqing looked at her own hands in daze. She laughed a few times. “The tactical formation is too old so it was easy to be solved.”

Fu Chen did not know what to say.

Chapter 258: I Must Protect Her I

Fu Chen did not say anything for a long time.

Feng Ruqing felt rather awkward now. "I just want to give it a try. The tactical formation might be too old, and it might lose its function. It has nothing to do with me. Don't you go and report me to the Ninth Emperor when he returns in the future."

'It's the Ninth Emperor's home. He might be angry if he knows that I have intruded it.

'Fu Chen and Qing Han were raised by the Ninth Emperor. It's only beneficial if they're on the same page with me.'

Silence.

Silence was all Feng Ruqing received in return.

Feng Ruqing did not know what Fu Chen was thinking about. She was stunned and she called upon him. "Fu Chen?"

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In the medium, Fu Chen was hesitant and anxious. He opened his mouth to say something after a long time. "If the tactical formation was ineffective because of its age, the tactical formation would no longer be there and it would not be so easily destroyed. But..."

He stopped for a while before speaking again. "There must be some kind of bond between you and the Ninth Emperor. So, you're able to enter the manor."

Qing Han was stunned. She looked at Fu Chen cluelessly.

Was it possible that she could solve the tactical formation if she had some kind of bond with the Ninth Emperor?

'But, Brother Fu Chen knows very well that the tactical formation could only be solved by the Ninth Emperor. Even if there's a child of the Ninth Emperor, he or she might not be able to solve it too.

'Why did he say so?'

Fu Chen looked at Qing Han warningly. Qing Han soon kept quiet. She bit her lip, and seemed quite sad.

'I'll not let Mom know about it if it's not certain yet.

'Unless...

'Wait until I've confirmed about it.'

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Feng Ruqing was relieved after listening to what Fu Chen had said. She breathed a sigh of relief and walked toward the manor.

The things inside the manor looked quite new even though the manor was an ancient one. It was no different than the other manors which were inhabited by others except for the fallen leaves.

"Qing Qing, do you know what place is this?" Qin Chen smiled slightly. His voice was clear.

"The Ninth Emperor's home."

There was one home of the Ninth Emperor's in the medium, but it was a sham. However, the home in the medium was exactly like the real one. Feng Ruqing was quite familiar with it. She knew the locations of different rooms in the manor.

"I remember that there's a mountain of herbs in this home. If I were the Ninth Emperor, I would hide all my treasures there."

Moreover, Fu Chen and Qing Han grew up there too.

'There might be other treasures too.'

"Let's go, Chen'er. Let's go to the mountain of herbs."

Feng Ruqing smiled. She knew the location of the mountain of herbs. So, she did not linger there, but she went toward the mountain of herbs directly.

Qin Chen did not ask Feng Ruqing the reason of her familiarity with the place. He also did not ask her why she knew what place was that.

He just trusted her.

So, Qin Chen followed behind her when she walked toward the mountain of herbs. They disappeared under the blue sky.

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Feng Ruqing stopped walking when she reached the mountain of herbs.

Feng Ruqing understood that the master of the mountain of herbs was the Ninth Emperor. 'There must be a lot of spirit herbs.'

'There's a lot of spirit herbs just outside of the manor. It's impossible if there's none here.'

But, what appeared in front of her was barren land. There were neither plant nor spirit herbs. There was not even grass. Even low-grade spirit herbs were not there.

Chapter 259: I Must Protect Her II

"Fu Chen, where are the spirit herbs?" Feng Ruqing was shocked.

Fu Chen was quite pleased with himself. "Are those spirit herbs important? They're only used by the Ninth Emperor to feed us. There are no other spirit herbs if we're there."

'Spirit herbs?

'They'll never be there!

'There'll never be any other spirit herbs if they're there.'

Feng Ruqing was shocked.

Unknowingly, Feng Ruqing became quite upset after listening to Fu Chen.

Suddenly, she regretted planting all of her spirit herbs in the medium.

'I hope that these two fellows will leave behind some spirit herbs for me instead of eating all of them in the medium.'

"Fu Chen, do you know where did the Ninth Emperor hide his treasure?"

Fu Chen was silent for a while. "I don't know much about the Ninth Emperor. But, I know that there's a sacrificial altar behind the mountain of herbs. The Ninth Emperor always went there before. Why don't you check it out?"

"That'll do."

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The Ninth Emperor's mountain of herbs was large. Feng Ruqing walked for a long time before she came out of the mountain of herbs.

A forest appeared in front of her.

There was a sacrificial altar in the middle of the forest. There were a dragon and phoenix stone monuments next to the sacrificial altar.

Feng Ruqing felt that the two stone monuments were staring at her.

That feeling was frightening and it made Feng Ruqing tremble.

But, Feng Ruqing still acted bravely and walked toward the sacrificial altar.

It was like there was a force in the sacrificial altar which attracted Feng Ruqing.

"Be careful!"

Qin Chen looked at Feng Ruqing and suddenly his facial expression changed drastically. He rushed toward Feng Ruqing hurriedly. There was deep fear in his eyes. "Qing Qing! Run faster!"

Feng Ruqing stopped walking.

The red dress was flapping from the wild wind.

There were the dragon and phoenix stone monuments in front of her.

But now, Feng Ruqing saw clearly that the dragon and phoenix in the stone monuments were trying to rush out of the monuments. A thunderous sound was heard.

The dragon and phoenix roared.

Feng Ruqing wanted to run away. But, her feet seemed to be rooted to the ground. She could not move. She could only look at the dragon and phoenix which were rushing at her not being able to do anything. The dragon and phoenix rushed out of the stone monuments and used an explosive power to hit her.

The power was so strong that it hit Feng Ruqing before Qin Chen could reach her. The remaining force hit Qin Chen and he was blown out of the way. He hit the ground hard.

Qin Chen vomited a mouthful of blood. He stood up and ran toward Feng Ruqing with staggering steps.

Fear, anxiety, and nervousness. A lot of emotions lingered in Qin Chen's heart. It was like a black hole, swallowing all of Qin Chen's senses.

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'Qing Qing, I'll use up all my strength to give you a world of peace even if everyone leaves you behind. I'll not leave you even if everyone lets you down and hurts you.

'You can fail me but I'll never fail you. I'll not admit that they're my family if my own family ever hurt you.

'I'll go with you if you want to leave this place. I'll not stay in this place which is cold and distant.

'Qing Qing, I'll spend all of my money so that we could go back to how it was before. I'll do anything so that you'll be healthy.

'If I cannot save you in this life, I'll spend my next lifetime to protect you. I'll not let you live miserably and I'll give you a lifetime of warmth.'

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Qin Chen's head was like a chaotic mess. There were different voices circling around in his head.

Chapter 260: I Must Protect Her III

It was just like the dream Qin Chen had before he came to Forest of Spirit Beasts.

There were Feng Ruqing and he in the dream.

'But, it was not the princess I knew, and I was not myself.'

"Who? Who is it? Who is talking in my head? No, who am I? That voice... It's my voice. But, I'm not the one talking here. Why is that so? Who am I?"

'Protect her.

'You must protect her!'

The voice in Qin Chen's head did not fade.

Qin Chen raised his eyes, and he saw the girl who was surrounded by a light in the color of blood.

Her whole body was immersed in that light. Her eyes were gently closed, and it seemed like she was no longer alive.

"Qing Qing!" Qin Chen shouted loudly. His heart fell into a pit of deep despair.

He wanted to rush into that light, but the light acted like a barrier. The barrier stopped him from approaching Feng Ruqing. He used up all his strength, but still he could not pull her out of that light.



The girl's hair was moving softly in the light. Her eyes were closed softly. But, her strength was improving incessantly.

Lower True Warrior tier. Intermediate True Warrior tier. Advanced True Warrior tier. Spirit Warrior tier.

Feng Ruqing was reaching the point of making a breakthrough to True Warrior tier. But, now she had made several leaps to Spirit Warrior tier in a very short time.

There was an innocent voice reaching out to them from the sky. Some of the redness in Qin Chen's eyes faded.

"Brother Fu Chen, we have finally left the medium. Look at Mother! What has happened to her? How can we help her?"

Two small figures appeared out of nowhere. They came to stand next to Feng Ruqing.

The small girl was cute and energetic. Her eyes were bright and her smiling face was pretty and captivating.

The small boy was rather serious compared to the small girl. But he was very beautiful, like a china doll. His features were exquisite. He was even more dazzling than an angel in a picture.

"She's really an idiot! She has absorbed too much power. Her body could not withstand it. If we do not help her, she'll eventually die."

Fu Chen frowned. He looked at Qin Chen, and there was an evil smile on his face.

'Although a human's body cannot withstand the two forces left by the Ninth Emperor, he could at least help to share the forces. If he alone cannot do it, I'll go and drag the Iron-Blooded Troops to come and help.'

'Mother won't be in danger that way.'

"Do you want to save her?" Fu Chen glared with his beautiful eyes and asked with a smile.

Qin Chen seemed very determined. "Whatever it takes, I'll save her willingly."

"Alright, wait for a while. I'll transfer her power to you. Remember not to absorb too much power. This power is too harsh. If there's too much of it, you'll die."

His guardian liked this guy so much. If he dies because of wanting to save her, she would be very sad.

So he needed to remind Qin Chen.

However...

Fu Chen turned and looked at Feng Ruqing. He fell into deep thought.

'Mother not only could solve the tactical formation but also could absorb the two forces left behind by the Ninth Emperor. Her presence caused the two forces to break out from the stone monuments. It's hard to say. Is she really...'