## **Primordial 227**

Chapter 227: Gathering

Looking at the many spirit stones remaining within the Primordial Myriad Transformation Cauldron Space, Lin Chen didn't want to waste them, nor did he want to benefit the Primordial Myriad Transformation Cauldron and Dragon Fang unnecessarily. Although these artifacts were powerful, Lin Chen was not yet indulgent enough to use such an abundant reserve of spirit stones to nourish them.

After some thought, Lin Chen activated the Primordial Transformation Art, absorbing all the spiritual power energy from the space into his body. However, at this moment, Lin Chen was in a dense forest where anything could happen, so he quickened his pace towards the west.

Before long, Lin Chen arrived at the location he had previously told Yu Xianglu and Zhao Ming among others to wait, only to discover that Yu Xianglu was the only one there.

"Junior Brother Lin Chen, I knew you would definitely come,"

Yu Xianglu said this almost with a sob. After they arrived here, they found a concealed cave to hide in.

However, after waiting several hours, Lin Chen still hadn't appeared.

Zhao Ming and the others felt that Lin Chen's chances were slim, even the three disciples from the Jade Cauldron Sect felt this way.

Fearing that the people from the Black Cloud Sect would come searching, they left, but Yu Xianglu always believed that Lin Chen wouldn't encounter trouble and decided to stay by herself. No matter how the other three from the Jade Cauldron Sect tried to persuade her, she remained firm in her decision and did not leave.

"You really are too foolish,"

After hearing Yu Xianglu's lament, Lin Chen shook his head inwardly. If he had not come here, would she have kept waiting indefinitely?

Then, without further conversation, Lin Chen sat down cross-legged right in the cave and began to cultivate.

To Yu Xianglu's astonishment, Lin Chen's aura suddenly surged.

Now that he had found a temporary place of safety, Lin Chen immediately started to refine the energy from the remaining spirit stones in his body. There was an enormous amount of energy stored in tens of thousands of middle-grade spirit stones which would be enough to make any Earth Melding Realm martial artist burst.

The energy did not disappoint Lin Chen, eventually allowing him to break through to the Ninth Level of the Spirit Gathering Realm.

Yu Xianglu was incredibly shocked at his side because she felt Lin Chen had absorbed a vast amount of energy for some unknown reason. Could it be that he had refined those spirit stones from earlier?

With this thought, Yu Xianglu was profoundly astonished. Even if Lin Chen's strength was heavendefying and far exceeded ordinary martial artists, how many spirit stones must he have absorbed to have gained such energy?

For a martial artist at the First Layer of the Melding Earth Realm, refining a dozen or so middle-grade spirit stones in one day was already the limit. The powerful energy that Lin Chen exhibited just now likely corresponded to thousands of those stones, which made Yu Xianglu inwardly marvel at Lin Chen's monstrous capability.

Opening his eyes and feeling that his power had finally reached the Ninth Level of the Spirit Gathering Realm, with just one more step being the Melding Earth Realm, Lin Chen was somewhat looking forward to it.

"Congratulations, Junior Brother Lin Chen, on your breakthrough in cultivation!"

Seeing Lin Chen awaken from his meditation, Yu Xianglu immediately congratulated him.

Lin Chen glanced at Yu Xianglu and nodded slightly. He saw only pure concern in her eyes, without any other distracting thoughts, which reassured him.

If it had been people like Song Jingshi, seeing Lin Chen refine such a massive amount of spirit stone energy, they probably would have harbored some crooked ideas, like wanting to acquire Lin Chen's cultivation technique.

After all, Lin Chen's method of refining spirit stones was too heaven-defying, and if other martial artists could possess it, their cultivation would undoubtedly advance much more quickly.

Lin Chen waved his fist, feeling the enhancement in his own strength, and thought to himself that if he were to battle Hua Yu now, just by relying on his frontal power alone, he had confidence he could slay his opponent.

After that, Lin Chen and Yu Xianglu continued to move forward, with Lin Chen choosing the direction, and Yu Xianglu followed him without hesitation, feeling completely secure.

Along the way, by using the spiritual bees Lin Chen released, they avoided numerous powerful magical beasts and also harvested many spiritual medicines, most of which were third-grade, equivalent to the Dragon Whisker Polygonum they found in the Mire Dragon Marsh Secret Realm before.

A few days later, the spiritual bees Lin Chen had released once again detected some activity, which changed his expression.

"Senior Brother Lin Chen, what's the matter? Did we encounter another powerful magical beast?"

Seeing Lin Chen's surprised look, Yu Xianglu hurriedly asked.

During the days they spent together, Yu Xianglu had already lost much of her fear of the ruins, feeling as if following Lin Chen meant safety wherever they went.

Every time Lin Chen showed such a surprised expression in the past few days, he had warned of a powerful magical beast and they had to take a detour, so Yu Xianglu thought this was the same situation.

"No, this time it's not a magical beast but an old acquaintance. Let's go check it out," Lin Chen said with a faint smile and then stepped out of the jungle.

Shortly after, the two came upon a clearing that had several tall stone pillars at the center, which looked like some formation had been set up.

At that moment in the clearing, there were many martial artists gathered from various faction powers, among them were people from the Jade Cauldron Sect.

Within the group from Jade Cauldron Sect, there was a familiar figure that caught Lin Chen's eye and made it light up.

Noticing the arrival of new martial artists, everyone looked over, but upon seeing they were only at the ninth level of the Spirit Gathering Realm and the second layer of the Melding Earth Realm, they lost interest.

However, the familiar figure from Jade Cauldron Sect hurried over.

"Junior Brother Lin Chen, I've finally found you. Master guessed right, you indeed entered these ruins," the figure said.

"By the way, where's Senior Sister? Why don't I see her?"

That figure was none other than Xu Lianyu.

Besides her, Lin Chen's second senior sister, Liang Rou, and third senior sister, Mu Shuier, were also in the group and now approached Lin Chen.

They also noticed Yu Xianglu by Lin Chen's side, seemingly very familiar with her, and exchanged simple greetings.

"Senior Sister didn't come with me," Lin Chen shook his head, not revealing the incident of him and Zhao Yijing being chased by the assassins of Moon Shadow Pavilion, fearing they would seek revenge.

It was well known that the Moon Shadow Pavilion held considerable power, and if Xu Lianyu and the others were to know, they would surely be relentless against Moon Shadow Pavilion's members. It wouldn't be about finding trouble with Moon Shadow Pavilion but rather having Moon Shadow Pavilion come looking for trouble with them.