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Chapter 236: Luring the Great Demon Away

Time flew by, and a day passed.

Lin Chen's spiritual power had long since recovered to its peak state, while Zhao Yijing, although somewhat healed, had only regained about thirty percent of her cultivation. Her injuries from the fight with Jing Yi in the inn were too severe; without an exceptionally superior elixir, she could not hope to recover overnight.

Everyone understood that in these ruins, one could not linger in one place for too long. Otherwise, if their presence was detected for an extended period, it would attract powerful magical beasts, leading to trouble.

Thus, the group continued on towards the direction of the high mountain.

After approximately five days, they arrived in front of a very strange forest and stopped.

"The dense forest ahead is really odd, devoid of any signs of life. Who knows what's actually inside?"

Lin Chen and Zhao Yijing surveyed the forest ahead, speaking indifferently.

Without rushing in blindly, the group discussed and decided to send someone in to scout the area first.

Zhao Yijing was gravely injured, so the responsibility naturally fell on Liang Rou, who currently had the most powerful cultivation among them. However, just as she was about to enter the forest, Lin Chen stopped her.

"You all find a hidden place to wait for me. It's too eerie in there to enter rashly. Better to investigate first."

As Lin Chen spoke, he summoned a spiritual bee and released it towards the dense forest ahead.

"What is this thing? Can it scout the path for us?"

Xu Lianyu was surprised to see the spiritual bee released by Lin Chen was so minuscule. Had he not taken it out in front of them, even if it had flown within a meter of them, they wouldn't have noticed it, for the spiritual bee could even conceal its presence.

Lin Chen nodded and offered no further explanation.

The women were already aware of Lin Chen's mysterious abilities. Seeing that he did not wish to disclose more, they did not inquire further about the origins of the spiritual bee, content to know that it could indeed scout the path for them.

At this moment, the spiritual bee had already ventured deep into the mountain.

The environment within the forest was indeed different from the rest; it was a world of black soil, exuding a bleak aura without a trace of vitality.

As the spiritual bee moved forward, it discovered living beings.

In a cave, it was a domain of magical beasts, and those beasts had strong cultivation. In a large chamber of the cave, with good wine and dishes laid out, several shape-shifting great demons were feasting heartily.

"Ptui, the flesh of these lowly wild beasts is truly unpalatable. Didn't they say they captured many human warriors? Hurry up and make them into delicacies. I can't wait any longer; it's been so many years since I last tasted such deliciousness."

"The three lords can rest assured. The servants have already started boiling water and will soon prepare them for the pot. We won't make the lords wait too long."

"Each of these warriors possesses cultivation of at least Ninth Layer of the Spirit Gathering Realm, and the energy contained within them is sufficient to give the three lords a tremendous boost in cultivation. Perhaps they might even evolve into fourth-order demon beasts."

In the cave, the shape-shifting great demons and several little demons conversed.

Through the spiritual bee, Lin Chen observed that although these little demons had not fully transformed, they could walk just like humans. They were clearly no ordinary demons and also possessed extraordinary strength.

The spiritual bee continued to explore inside the cave and soon found a dungeon where a group of humans was imprisoned, including disciples clad in Jade Cauldron Sect attire.

Lin Chen then understood that the magical beasts inside the cave had captured quite a few human warriors, and they even had the audacious plan to turn them into food for consumption.

Lin Chen naturally couldn't let his fellow disciples die tragically.

"There's a cave in the forest ahead, where many human warriors are imprisoned, including our brothers from the Jade Cauldron Sect. Those magical beasts plan to use them as food."

Lin Chen quickly shared this news with the four senior sisters. After hearing this, Xu Lianyu and the others immediately showed concerned expressions. Of course, they couldn't stand idly by and planned to go rescue the people of the Jade Cauldron Sect.

"Don't worry, senior sisters. Let me lure away those three shape-shifting Great Demons first, then you can step in to rescue them," Lin Chen said.

Lin Chen wasn't entirely sure he could lure away all three shape-shifting Great Demons, but even if he could divert just one, that would create more opportunities for Xu Lianyu and the others to rescue the captives.

The three shape-shifting Great Demons all had the strength around the peak of the Melding Earth Realm. Even if Lin Chen managed to lure away only one Great Demon, Xu Lianyu and others would be more than capable of handling the situation.

"Junior brother, since there are shape-shifting Great Demons, how can we let you take this risk? Let me do it," Liang Rou said, worried about Lin Chen.

However, before she could finish, Lin Chen slapped a talisman inscription onto himself and immediately vanished from sight.

Liang Rou and Mu Shuier were stunned, not knowing Lin Chen possessed such a method.

Xu Lianyu and Zhao Yijing, on the other hand, had already seen Lin Chen's abilities. They smiled and shook their heads, indicating that their little junior brother has many more surprises to offer, and that the others could discover them over time.

At that moment, in the dark cave, three shape-shifting Great Demons were dining.

Suddenly, a man in black appeared silently in the cave and launched a Fiery Flame Palm at them. This person was none other than Lin Chen, who had used a Space Compression Talisman to get there.

The various magical beasts were shocked, quickly leaping to dodge Lin Chen's attack, but their dwelling's facilities were destroyed by Lin Chen's palm strike, scattering fine wine and delicacies all over.

The magical beasts turned their gaze toward Lin Chen, puzzled as to how this human had appeared in their lair and, apparently, all alone. This infuriated the magical beasts as if they were bitten by ants.

"You beasts, you've captured my junior brother, I want you dead!" Lin Chen shouted, and then rather than continue the attack, he suddenly disappeared again within the magical beasts' lair.

"Hmph, an idiotic human who doesn't know how high the sky is, you've wrecked my territory and still think you can run away?" a red-faced shape-shifting Great Demon bellowed and flew towards the cave's exit, locking onto Lin Chen two miles away and pursuing him fiercely.

However, Lin Chen's speed was also formidable. The red-faced man was utterly shocked; despite being at the Ninth Layer of the Melding Earth Realm, just half a step from reaching the Heaven-reaching Realm, he couldn't catch up to Lin Chen for a moment.

He also noticed a sophisticated glow on Lin Chen's legs, which was obviously some magic treasure enhancing Lin Chen's speed.

"Hmph, relying on a magic treasure for speed, eh? I don't believe you can use that treasure indefinitely," the red-faced Great Demon snorted coldly as he followed closely behind Lin Chen without giving up.

After chasing Lin Chen for half an hour, Lin Chen finally stopped, and the red-faced Great Demon smiled triumphantly.

"Kid, can't run anymore?"