

## Primordial 258

### Chapter 258 The Iron Chains That Only Move Forward, Never Back

"Ladies and gentlemen, I believe everyone is well aware of the concerns we share," spoke a voice.

"Rather than worrying, let's make an agreement. After one person steps onto the Iron Chains, the next person must wait until they have advanced a hundred meters before following. Let's all supervise each other to ensure everyone's safety."

Hu Jianfei of the Sword Qi Sect stood out and shared his thoughts after some consideration.

Currently, everyone feared that once they stepped onto the Iron Chains, they would be sneak-attacked by members of other sects. This continued standoff prevented any of them from proceeding toward the Descending Heaven Hall beneath Qilin Mountain.

Everyone agreed wholeheartedly with Hu Jianfei's suggestion.

Lin Chen, Zhao Yijing, and others also agreed. However, Lin Chen couldn't help but wonder if there was something else about the Iron Chains. Ever since they had entered this relic, the entire journey had been a test of their abilities, a key to whether they could inherit what this place had to offer.

Lin Chen silently memorized the incantation of the Three Purities Soul Drawing Technique on the stone pillar. Although he couldn't cultivate it at the moment, it was a Heavenly Grade Cultivation Technique, which would surely benefit his Divine Soul greatly in the future.

Other martial artists, like Lin Chen, didn't rush to cross the Iron Chains either, opting to quietly memorize the Magic Techniques inscribed on the stone pillar instead.

Then someone stepped onto the Iron Chains, eager to reach the Descending Heaven Hall on the opposite side first.

However, as soon as that martial artist set foot on the Iron Chains and had only taken a few steps forward, he suddenly felt his head spinning and lost consciousness, plunging down into the deep abyss below.

"What happened? Why did he fall?"

"No one touched him. Could there be something strange about these Iron Chains?"

"It seems his Divine Soul was stimulated, causing him to lose balance. Is this trial testing the strength of our Divine Souls?"

The crowd was terrified and began discussing amongst themselves. Some recalled the Three Purities Soul Drawing Technique on the stone pillar and guessed what might be occurring.

The situation immediately returned to a stalemate. With the example set by the previous martial artist, no one dared to attempt crossing again, fearing they would suffer the same fate.

It was at this moment that a figure in white mysteriously appeared before everyone again.

"It's you!?"

Immediately, the crowd recognized the identity of the girl — the Spirit of the Cave Mansion.

"How should we pass this trial?"

Upon hearing Lin Chen ask, the Girl in White's face revealed a mysterious smile, and everyone's gaze fell upon her.

At this point, it was clear to everyone that the Girl in White was no ordinary being, and whether they could pass through to the Descending Heaven Hall hinged on her guidance.

"To reach the other side, you can only do so by crossing these Iron Chains, and that will test how strong your Divine Souls really are."

"There is a force upon these chains that will unleash a Soul Shock upon you, comparable to an attack from a Warrior at the Peak of the Heaven-reaching Realm. If your Divine Soul is not strong enough, you will become disoriented and fall into the abyss below."

The Girl in White's words ignited anxiety among the crowd. A Soul Attack from a warrior at the peak of the Heaven-reaching Realm was immensely powerful, and it seemed that no one present could withstand such a force.

Could this really be the end of the road?

Many sighed in disappointment. They all yearned for the inheritance of this place, yet none were willing to risk their lives, being acutely aware that they were unlikely to withstand a Peak Heaven-reaching Realm warrior's Soul Attack.

However, Lin Chen's gaze was fixed on the Girl in White. He understood there must be more; otherwise, would this trial not be pointless? There must exist a condition that could provide hope for overcoming this challenge.

"However, if you manage to learn the Three Purities Soul Drawing Technique inscribed on this pillar and strengthen your Divine Souls, you might be able to cross the Iron Chains and reach the other side."

"The key lies on these Iron Chains. Remember, the intent is never to stop you but to select the strongest among you."

"And one more thing, these Iron Chains are unlike the Gravity Channel you've faced before. You can only move forward on these chains, not back, or you will certainly die."

The Girl in White smiled mysteriously again, her gaze resting on Lin Chen, almost as if some of her words were meant specifically for him.

After speaking, the Girl in White disappeared on the spot, vanishing like a gentle breeze.

The crowd looked at one another, keeping some distance, and then they all sat down in a meditating posture, starting to cultivate the Three Purities Soul Drawing Technique from the stone pillar.

Lin Chen and Zhao Yijing, among others, did the same and began to practice the Soul Cultivation Technique from the pillar.

After practicing for a while, Lin Chen realized that even without any hindrances, it was impossible to master the Three Purities Soul Drawing Technique quickly. The stone pillar only contained the first three layers of the technique, and mastering even the First Layer could take a month, as cultivating the Divine Soul is no easy task.

Time swiftly passed; three days went by.

Signs of impatience began to show on some faces, recognizing they lacked the talent for Divine Soul cultivation. If everyone could cultivate their Divine Souls, Mysterious Heaven Continent wouldn't lack Alchemists, Artifact Refiners, or Array Masters.

Lin Chen was feeling the same, because even he found the pace of cultivation too slow. Who knew when the relic might close?

So, Lin Chen began to ponder the words of the Girl in White — everything hinged on the Iron Chains.

Was it possible that he needed to climb onto the Iron Chains to practice the Three Purities Soul Drawing Technique?

The more he thought about it, the more plausible this idea seemed.

But if his Divine Soul couldn't withstand the Soul Shock of the Iron Chains, what then?

The Girl in White had said that once someone steps onto them, there was no turning back.

After a moment of thought, Lin Chen gritted his teeth and decided to go.

"Senior sisters, don't even think of getting on those chains. I worry it might be dangerous for you. Let me explore the way first. I have a way to withstand the Soul Shock. No matter what happens, unless I've reached the opposite side, do not step onto the chains under any circumstances."

Lin Chen instructed Zhao Yijing and the others.

Then, with a leap, Lin Chen flew directly onto the Iron Chains.