

## Supreme MK 23

### Chapter 23 The Bond of Blood Relations\_1

Elder Yang's heart had already been filled with shock and amazement. At such a young age, Yang Chen had reached the level of a Tier 1 Middle-Stage Alchemy Master, which was extremely rare. The Yang family was scarce in Alchemy, and this generation was far from his. There were very few good talents.

It was only Yang Heng who reached the level of a Tier 1 Middle-Stage Alchemy Master at a young age. However, Yang Heng was only barely middle-stage, while Yang Chen, if he hadn't lied, had already reached the point where he could challenge the Grade 1 high-rank Alchemist line. As long as he passed the bottleneck, he would immediately undergo a qualitative change and directly leap into becoming a Grade 1 high-rank Alchemist.

One almost Grade 1 high-rank, one a Tier 1 Middle-Stage...

Yang Chen had already left Yang Heng behind. Sadly, Yang Heng didn't know anything about it. Elder Yang shook his head and sighed deeply.

Immediately after, Elder Yang thought of Yang Chen's talent in alchemy and happily said: "Would I ever deceive you? Hahaha, great! Yang Chen, I'll teach you the method of refining the Clear Flame Pill right now. As long as you can successfully refine the Clear Flame Pill, you'll naturally break through this bottleneck and reach the level of a Grade 1 high-rank."

Grade 1 high-rank, just thinking about it had Elder Yang excited.

It's important to know that among the large families, such as the Feng family and Wang family, at Yang Chen's age, most are only at the level of a Grade 1 high-rank Alchemist. If their middle-level family could produce a Grade 1 high-rank Alchemist, they would catch up with the average level of the big families.

Yang Chen still has great potential.

"Good, good!" Elder Yang became more excited as he thought about it, and hurriedly said: "Yang Chen, come with me!"

Yang Chen would not be unaware of what Elder Yang was thinking, and replied, "Yes."

One in front and one behind, Elder Yang led Yang Chen to his unique Pill Refining Room in the blink of an eye.

Upon seeing this well-equipped Pill Refining Room, Yang Chen's eyes sparkled with excitement. Because this Pill Refining Room was precisely what he needed. Once the materials from the Li Family Commerce Group arrived, he would need to refine a large number of elixirs. And the ordinary Pill Furnaces might not be able to contain the large scale production of elixirs.

So, Yang Chen had been eyeing Elder Yang's Pill Refining Room for quite a while.

If he could borrow the power of the Pill Refining Room to refine elixirs, it would save him from a lot of worries and troubles.

He came here today to explore the place and see Elder Yang's Pill Refining Room for himself.

From what he could see now, this Pill Refining Room was more than sufficient to fit into his plans, even if it didn't catch his Dharma Eye.

"Elder, is this the Pill Refining Room?" With those thoughts in his heart, Yang Chen pretended to be surprised and asked.

Elder Yang seemed quite proud of hearing this and said: "Yang Chen, it seems like you have done some research on this. Indeed, this is the Pill Refining Room. For every master Alchemist who is proficient in alchemy, the Pill Refining Room is vital while refining pills. Ordinary pill furnaces can't bear the refining of a large number of elixirs and their lifespan is limited. And special pill furnaces are hard to find and work better with Strange Fires. However, if you have a Pill Refining Room, you can solve the problems that ordinary pill furnaces can't."

"I see." Yang Chen acted as if he had learned a great deal.

Elder Yang spoke earnestly: "Yang Chen, you must walk steadily, step by step, on the path of Alchemy. Later, I will teach you the specific steps of refining the Clear Flame Pill. You must listen carefully to each step and carefully observe my alchemy. If you can successfully refine the Clear Flame Pill, you will be the number one genius of alchemy in the Yang family!"

"Elder, I understand." Yang Chen respectfully answered.

Elder Yang stroked his beard, seeing that Yang Chen didn't seem to care about the title of the number one genius of alchemy in the Yang family, and he felt apprehensive. He was afraid that Yang Chen's pride would cause him to stumble, which would be a great pity.

He then sat down in front of the pill furnace and began to use the surrounding equipment while making empty grasps with both hands. In an instant, a ball of fire appeared out of thin air in Elder Yang's hands.

Elder Yang didn't forget to instruct while he worked with the fire: "Yang Chen, watch closely as I begin refining the pills."

Upon hearing this, Elder Yang adjusted his steps and started his gradual refining process.

While refining, Elder Yang was also explaining to Yang Chen the techniques and skills of refining the Clear Flame Pill. He guided him step by step through the process.

Although Yang Chen didn't need this knowledge, he was indeed listening carefully with gratitude in his heart. He could see that Elder Yang valued him highly, admiring him as a talented young man. A family needed this kind of attention and focus in order to thrive.

Time felt very long. With explaining and refining at the same time, it was very exhausting. Elder Yang was sweating profusely, and after two hours of refining, the elixir finally jumped out of the pill furnace and landed in Elder Yang's hands.

Elder Yang was overjoyed, but instead of focusing on Yang Chen, he asked: "Yang Chen, did you see all those steps clearly? Did you remember all the details I mentioned?"

"I remember most of it." Yang Chen replied. Elder Yang asked curiously, "How confident are you in refining the Clear Flame Pill?"

"Second Master, I can't guarantee anything since alchemy is unpredictable, and nobody can ensure a 100% success rate. So, I am willing to try, but whether I can succeed or not depends on my understanding of your alchemy process just now," Yang Chen said with a smile.

He didn't make an absolute statement.

"Good, good!" Elder Yang was also very curious in his heart.

He was actually looking forward to Yang Chen refining the Clear Flame Pill.

However, he couldn't guarantee how many attempts Yang Chen would need to successfully refine the Clear Flame Pill. He felt that it would be hard for Yang Chen to grasp the true essence of the pill if he only tried ten or eight times. After all, theoretical knowledge and hands-on experience are different. Though Yang Chen had realized the finer details of Elder Yang's alchemy process last time, the actual refining would be a different matter.

As curious as Elder Yang was, he couldn't help but worry, "Xu San, come here!"

"Second Master," Xu San came over with a dark face, still in a bad mood.

Elder Yang was too excited to notice Xu San's expression, "Xu San, help Yang Chen in refining the Clear Flame Pill."

He laughed heartily and looked at Yang Chen, "Yang Chen, Xu San is my proud assistant. Having him help you can save you a lot of effort in your alchemy. Since this is your first time refining the Clear Flame Pill, you may not be able to handle every step and detail smoothly. It's very suitable for Xu San to help you."

"Second Master, I will never help him in alchemy," Xu San's face changed abruptly as if he had been greatly wronged.

"What?" Elder Yang's expression changed slightly, a sign that he was getting angry.

Xu San gritted his teeth and said, "He's not worthy!"

Then, he cast a cold glance at Yang Chen.

Elder Yang was so furious that he slammed the table, "You bastard, Xu San! I raise you to be my Alchemy Apprentice Assistant so you can obey me and follow my guidance, not to create trouble here."

"Second Master!" Xu San was desperate.

How could Elder Yang, who usually loved and valued him so much, scold him like this just for Yang Chen?

"Get out!" Elder Yang yelled angrily.

"Second Master!"

"Get out!"

Elder Yang pointed to the door outside, fuming with anger.

Xu San glanced maliciously at Yang Chen, then gritted his teeth and left.

Elder Yang calmed down a bit, "Yang Chen, sorry for the scene. I will teach Xu San a lesson later. For now, just focus on the Clear Flame Pill. If you can refine it, I will have other rewards for you."

"Second Master, allowing me to practice alchemy is already the greatest favor you can grant. Why would I need any other rewards?" Yang Chen said, not putting Xu San in his eyes.

Elder Yang shook his head, "No, the rewards must be given. Yang Chen, you're still young and perhaps don't understand yet. Do you know what a clan is?"

Yang Chen shook his head gently. In this regard, he was very humble and willing to learn since Elder Yang was indeed much older than him and might understand many truths that he could not.

Elder Yang spoke earnestly, "To ensure a clan's everlasting prosperity, the prerequisite is unity. But unity alone is not enough, as life is subject to birth, aging, sickness, and death - the cycle of reincarnation. A clan needs fresh blood and talent. You, Yang Chen, are an important rising star for the Yang family."

"A genius is the guarantee of a clan's future. The clan will unconditionally nurture you. Yang Chen, you may blame the Yang family for their past treatment of you, but it was unavoidable, because the resources of the Yang family are limited and cannot be wasted on idle people. We need to allocate resources to those with greater talent so they can become stronger. Only then can the Yang family have a place among the Great Wild Hundred Clans in the future. That's what a clan is, Yang Chen. Personal interests are insignificant when compared to the interests of the clan."

"If one day I had to choose between sacrificing myself for the survival of the Yang family or save myself, I would choose to sacrifice without hesitation because my family and home are here. You may not feel this now, but one day you will understand that the clan is a bond of blood and kinship."