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Chapter 2541: Purchasing Elixirs?_1

Zhang Jiangkun explained everything in detail to him, afraid that Yang Chen might not understand something. He said, "Apart from these, you can also get points awards for breaking through the Sea of Trials."

"You can also get rewards from the Sea of Trials?" Yang Chen became even more excited.

"Yes, but the rewards for the first five layers of the Sea of Trials are not much, and almost everyone can handle it. Moreover, our Seven Swords Pavilion's Sea of Trials is different from the Sea of Trials in the Tower of Heavenly Revelation. Your achievements in the Sea of Trials in the Tower of Heavenly Revelation cannot be counted in the Sea of Trials of the Seven Swords Pavilion. Also, the total waves of the Sea of Trials in the Seven Swords Pavilion are over fifteen. Generally, Little is said, only after passing the eighth wave, can one get a generous points reward."

Zhang Jiangkun sighed, "It's a pity that the eighth wave is too difficult. Even some of the old figures in the Seven Swords Pavilion want to pass the eighth wave perfectly, it's a difficult task. Therefore, the vast majority of people regard the Sea of Trials as a symbol of challenge, and few people challenge the Sea of Trials because of points."

"I see, thank you, Brother Zhang for the explanation." Yang Chen said.

Zhang Jiangkun laughed, "It's just a piece of cake, not worth mentioning."

Yang Chen and Zhang Jiangkun learned more about the points, and he almost understood the Seven Swords Pavilion.

Afterwards, he returned to his residence and planned to retreat for half a month.

During this half month, he refined several auxiliary elixirs, which restored his strength to a state just about to reach its peak. The number of Dao Intent Inscriptions that he could use also reached 9,600.

However, there was still some distance from ten thousand.

Yang Chen was a bit troubled.

If he had the materials, he could recover to his peak state at any time, but he just lacked some materials and couldn't do anything about it.

With no choice, Yang Chen could only put aside the matter of restoring his strength and began to practice Thundering Trichotomy.

Since he already had the prerequisites for cultivation, he quickly grasped some aspects of Thundering Trichotomy.

But it was only a little bit. When the Thundering Trichotomy was cultivated to perfection, the Thunder and Lightning Dao Intent could be increased to 4,000 Dao Intent Inscriptions. His current Thunder and Lightning Dao Intent was too far from 4,000.

At present, he has only mastered the general fighting techniques of Thundering Trichotomy, which is enough for Yang Chen.

Because of the lack of points, he couldn't move an inch in this Holy Domain, and he could not do many things perfectly.

As a result, Yang Chen thought about it and focused on the black market, trying to see if he could exchange some points in the black market.

Yang Chen left the Seven Swords Pavilion and came to the black market following the route given by Zhang Jiangkun.

Originally, the black market was just a temporary existence built by small groups and a place for cultivators in the Holy Domain to trade with each other. However, as time changed and more cultivators participated in the black market exchange, the Holy Domain acquiesced to this activity and even actively promoted it.

As a result, the black market grew larger and became a part of the Holy Domain, with a dedicated security team to maintain order here.

When Yang Chen arrived, he was just the most inconspicuous member.

As soon as he arrived at the black market, he was immediately stopped by the members of the Holy Domain's bodyguard team.

"What do you mean by this..." Yang Chen looked at several bodyguard members, all of whom had reached the cultivation level of the Nirvana Stage and were strong.

"Humph, what are we stopping you for? If you want to enter the black market, don't you have to bring out something? Do you need us to remind you?" Several bodyguard members shouted.

Yang Chen was embarrassed and didn't understand these rules. Relying solely on Zhang Jiangkun and himself, there would always be omissions.

With no other choice, Yang Chen could only take out his token from the Seven Swords Pavilion and see if it could pass muster.

Unexpectedly, the token of the Seven Swords Pavilion really worked. As soon as it was taken out, the bodyguard members were all shocked, and immediately flattered: "So it's a brother from the Seven Swords Pavilion, sorry, sorry!"

Yang Chen was surprised that his identity as a member of the Seven Swords Pavilion was so useful.

He guessed that there might be a requirement for points to enter. But with the identity of the Seven Swords Pavilion, the points requirement was directly waived.

Yang Chen nodded his head without wasting any more words, took his token, and entered the black market.

As soon as he entered the black market, Yang Chen saw a large number of shops and booths in the black market.

The sounds of shouting, yelling, and bargaining were endless.

Yang Chen looked over, and his heart couldn't help but be excited.

Because, as he just glanced around with his soul, he could see many of the materials he needed!

For example, the materials needed for the second layer of Forbidden Divine Art, and some materials that could help him refine elixirs, he just glanced over and found these.

How could Yang Chen not be happy?

He immediately went up to inquire, but as soon as he asked, Yang Chen became a little emotional.

"Sorry, I only exchange these things for points. What is a divine stone? You must be new here. I don't know how you got into the black market!" The shop owner muttered.

Yang Chen slapped his forehead and secretly smiled bitterly.

He didn't give up and asked a few more shops, only to find out that they all only exchanged for points without exception.

There are also shops that exchange divine stones for points, but when he asked, Yang Chen became even more helpless. The proportion of these shops exchanging divine stones for points was too biased towards points. Even if he sold all his divine stones, he couldn't exchange for a few hundred points.

And to buy those materials, he needs points.

Yang Chen was troubled for a while.

“Huh?”

Yang Chen suddenly saw something!

“Buying Mysterious Clearing Pills for three thousand points each.”

“Buying Profound Truth Brightening Pills for four thousand points each!”

“Buying Invigorating Treasure Pills for one thousand points each...”

Yang Chen touched his chin, and there was no doubt that in any place, elixirs were a kind of pseudo currency that could be exchanged for many things.

Now it seems that these are the same. An elixir can be exchanged for thousands of points, which is several times more cost-effective than the points he could exchange by selling all his divine stones!

Yang Chen was overjoyed, but soon, he couldn't be happy anymore.

Because he didn't know how to refine these elixirs!

“This...” Yang Chen's scalp tingled, and then he felt both bitter smiles, depression, and excitement.

He was excited to encounter some elixirs that he didn't know how to refine, and he really wanted to give it a try. As long as he had the pill formula, he believed that with his level, he could learn it perfectly!

But the depressing thing was that he had no points, and he couldn't find the pill formulas for these elixirs!

He couldn't find the elixir, couldn't learn it, let alone refine these elixirs.

Yang Chen paced back and forth, unsure of what to do to solve this problem.

Chapter 2542: Abandonment of the Team_1

In the end, after a long ponder, he could only shake his head.

The most fundamental problem he had right now was the lack of points. Although he was confident that he could exchange points for even more points, the issue laid in the fact that he didn't even have a single point at the moment.

That was what caused Yang Chen's frustration.

Helplessly, he could only make a choice.

First, he had to earn some points through other means, and when he returned with enough points, he could come back to the black market to exchange for more.

With that in mind, Yang Chen had no choice but to retrace his steps and return to the Seven Swords Pavilion.

To earn points through different methods, Yang Chen thought of two ways: one was through tasks, and the other was the Sea of Trials.

As for the Sea of Trials, although his strength had somewhat recovered and he had mastered some powerful Dao techniques, he estimated that he could only break through seven waves and not the eighth.

Since he couldn't use his Dao incarnation, his current strength seemed far from fully recovered.

Therefore, the best way was to accept tasks.

With this thought, Yang Chen arrived at the Profound Secrets Tower in the Seven Swords Pavilion.

The Profound Secrets Tower was the place where tasks were issued.

Zhang Jiangkun had explained this in detail to Yang Chen, who remembered it clearly. Bounty tasks and announcement tasks were all distributed here.

Most tasks were bounty tasks, with only a few being announcement tasks.

These announcement tasks were prominently hung among the bounty tasks, making them stand out from the crowd.

That's why there was a sense of feeling when taking on these announcement tasks.

Ordinary people wouldn't dare to touch these tasks!

For example, now that Yang Chen had arrived at the Profound Secrets Tower of the Seven Swords Pavilion, he saw that most people were only accepting bounty tasks, while very few looked at the announcement tasks.

And so, it was.

After finishing browsing the tasks on the first floor, Yang Chen went up to the second floor.

The difficulty would increase as one went up the floors.

It wasn't that Yang Chen had high expectations, but the tasks on the first floor had relatively low difficulty and the points that could be gained were not enough to satisfy him at all.

As it was, when Yang Chen arrived on the second floor, he happened to bump into a team of people.

This team consisted of Zhang Jiangkun, Gu Renjie, and others.

As the captain, Gu Renjie was leading the disciples directed by Elder Han and was discussing the announcement tasks.

“This announcement task rewards a total of 100,000 points. With over a dozen of us, we can evenly distribute close to 10,000 points each. The goal is to help the Fishman Tribe kill the Fierce Beast Sea King in the sea area!” Gu Renjie raised the corner of his mouth, “I’ve studied this announcement task for a long time. It’s perfect for our team and very beneficial. What is everyone hesitating for?”

Hearing Gu Renjie’s words, the group nodded, agreeing that he had a point.

“Captain Gu is right.”

“Yes, this task is well suited for us.”

“Yes... Wait, isn’t that Yang Chen?” someone suddenly said.

This made Luo Renjie’s expression darken.

Seeing Yang Chen, Zhang Jiangkun couldn’t help but feel embarrassed and said, “Captain, Yang Chen’s strength isn’t bad either. Like I told you, he passed the Sixth Wave of the Sea of Trials and is an unparalleled genius. Why don’t we take him with us?”

“Hmph, Zhang Jiangkun, you know nothing. This task can’t have any dead weight. This Yang Chen only passed the Sixth Wave of the Sea of Trials, he’s too weak and not qualified to accompany us. If we take him, he’ll just hold us back!” Gu Renjie said solemnly.

Upon hearing this, Zhang Jiangkun’s tone turned bitter.

Indeed, although Yang Chen was outstanding, he had only entered the Seven Swords Pavilion and completed the sixth wave of the Sea of Trials.

In the eyes of many veteran members, this was nothing to brag about.

So, although Yang Chen seemed to have joined in a high-profile manner, in the eyes of most people, he was just a weakling who wasn't worth mentioning!

Gu Renjie didn't intend to conceal anything, so Yang Chen heard everything clearly.

He also understood what was going on.

So, Elder Han's team was planning to go on an announcement task together, but they didn't invite him because they thought he was too weak.

He found it both amusing and annoying. Since others didn't invite him, he wouldn't force himself on them. He chose to ignore them and left directly.

But who would have thought that as he was about to leave, Gu Renjie still had more to say, "Yang Chen, we have a reason for not taking you with us. After all, your current strength is indeed too weak. If you want to follow our team, you should improve your strength first."

"Elder, why waste your breath on him?"

"We aren't taking him with us, doesn't he know the reason?"

"Exactly, are announcement tasks something he can take on?"

"Unparalleled genius... so what if he is an unparalleled genius?"

Yang Chen shook his head. These people didn't invite him, but they still insisted on showing that they had reasons for not doing so. Their attitude was quite ugly.

Yang Chen said, "I understand, you guys go together, and I'll just choose a few tasks myself."

Hearing this, the Gu Renjie squinted his eyes and sneered, thinking that Yang Chen was not convinced, "Yang Chen, I can understand your feelings of loss after not being taken with us, but there's no need to be so desperate. Choosing tasks on your own? What makes you think you can do that?"

Yang Chen glanced at him and shrugged, not bothering to say anything!

After all, even if he wanted to reason with them, he couldn't.

Strength was the ultimate truth.

Seeing that Yang Chen didn't respond, Gu Renjie said harshly, "This kid is getting a temper. Hmph, he doesn't know the cruelty within the Seven Swords Pavilion."

"Hahaha, Elder, isn't that typical for an unparalleled genius? When they come in, they all think they're extraordinary and look down on the senior members. In the end, who doesn't end up obedient?"

"Exactly, we're part of Elder Han's subordinates, so we can't be bothered with him. Other people will teach this kid a lesson."

Their discussions made Yang Chen scoff and leave.

These people were truly something.

He never said much, but they turned red-eyed over his status as an unparalleled genius and quickly put a label on him.

His expression remained cold and indifferent, and he didn't respond, as he was also a subordinate of Elder Han and didn't want to argue.

Zhang Jiangkun was now caught in a dilemma.

He had always been a kind person, but now he was torn between the team and Yang Chen, unable to make a choice.

After thinking for a while, he chose to follow the team and complete the task, which would undoubtedly earn him many points. Those points were his livelihood, so he chose Gu Renjie over Yang Chen.

Yang Chen noticed this but didn't say anything, as he couldn't possibly demand Zhang Jiangkun to abandon Gu Renjie and help a newcomer like him instead.

Chapter 2543: Greenhill Desert_1

His ability to maintain his willpower for more than seven hundred breaths was largely due to his calm state of mind.

In the face of anything, he could maintain enough calmness and composure, at least not being angered by other people's words, which was a sign of a strong willpower.

Of course, he would still keep these people's actions in mind.

Revenge was not on the table, but becoming friends was definitely impossible.

Thinking about this, Yang Chen began to consider his own tasks.

He was confident in completing most of the bounty tasks, with his Life and Death Dao Intent and Space-Time Dao Intent, he could do things that others could not.

However, the point rewards for these bounty tasks were too low, making it difficult for Yang Chen to meet his requirements.

This led Yang Chen to focus on more difficult announcement tasks.

The announcement tasks on the second floor were naturally more difficult than those on the first floor, which was why most of them were completed by a team.

Like Gu Renjie's team.

Now that Yang Chen focused on the announcement tasks, he undoubtedly seemed out of place in the eyes of others.

Yang Chen didn't care about other people's opinions, he only followed his own judgment.

And sure enough...

These announcement tasks indeed met his requirements, their point rewards were no problem, and although the difficulty was higher and the time spent would be longer, they were not impossible tasks for him.

"Hunt the beetles in the Greenhill Desert and rescue the trapped Hu Family members!"

"The danger of the desert is extremely high, and the beetles in the desert have burrowed deep into the ground, making it difficult for the soul to detect them while they have strong group capabilities. Once they emerge, there are often dozens of them, each with a strength level of the Nirvana Stage, making it difficult to escape once besieged. Be cautious when taking this task!"

"Task reward: 80,000 points. The Hu Family members must be saved, otherwise the task is invalid!"

Yang Chen looked at one announcement task, and then immediately looked at the second one.

“Go to the Sea of Primordial Spirits to collect the Sea Dao Spirits. Although the most powerful fierce beasts in the vast Sea of Primordial Spirits are only at the Great Stage, the Sea Dao Spirits are extremely difficult to find. Completing this task will reward 150,000 points.”

“And also...”

Yang Chen looked at several tasks in a row.

In the end, he made a choice.

“Someone has taken an announcement task.”

“Quick, look, it’s Gu Renjie’s team. Gu Renjie’s team is finally going to take an announcement task.”

“Gu Renjie is really fierce, he dares to take that task, it is said that several teams have tried before but have returned in failure.”

“That’s really amazing.”

Just when everyone was thinking this, suddenly, Yang Chen also made a move.

He raised his hand and removed another announcement task on the spot, immediately making the scene lively and boiling.

“Is it true that this guy has also accepted an announcement task? And he’s doing it by himself?”

“Hahaha, I’m not mistaken, right? This kid really doesn’t know his own limitations, does he think announcement tasks are child’s play?”

“Heh heh, there are many people in this world who don’t know their own limits, do they really think the announcement tasks are as simple as they seem on the surface?”

Gu Renjie was initially immersed in the moment of shock from others as he took on the announcement task.

For him, this was a very fulfilling thing. But unexpectedly, in just a few breaths, another announcement task was taken, overshadowing his spotlight.

He thought it was another team, but he didn't expect it to be Yang Chen.

Seeing Yang Chen doing this, he sneered, thinking that if it were someone else, he wouldn't have thought so, but now, he just assumed that Yang Chen was doing it to retaliate for their previous contempt.

"What a childish choice, taking an announcement task just to get back at us for looking down on him earlier? Hahaha, he's really courting death, it seems that as a newcomer, he doesn't know what price he'll have to pay for recklessly taking announcement tasks." Gu Renjie said sarcastically.

Sure enough, just as his words fell, a Tower Keeper Elder stood up, seeing Yang Chen's actions, he spoke in a deep voice: "Young man, are you really going to take this task?"

Many people saw the Tower Keeper Elder step forward, and gloated, thinking, what do you expect from blindly accepting such an announcement task?

You must think you're so important.

Now look, even the Tower Keeper Elder has stood up; let's see how you save face.

Everyone thought so, assuming that Yang Chen would eventually choose to give in. But they didn't know that Yang Chen immediately said: "Yes, I want to take this task."

Although the Tower Keeper Elder thought it was absurd, he didn't say anything in the end and left with a flick of his sleeve, thinking that Yang Chen was just seeking death.

Yang Chen didn't care how others thought, after accepting the task, he left on the spot.

This scene made Gu Renjie and others laugh out loud, thinking that Yang Chen was just acting like a clown.

Only Zhang Jiangkun had a worried expression on his face, not knowing why Yang Chen insisted on being so stubborn and chose to complete the announcement task alone?

He sighed in his heart, but he didn't know how to persuade Yang Chen. After all, the task had already been accepted, and it was too late to back out now.

No one knew that Yang Chen dared to take this task because he had his own confidence and reasons.

This task was the one to go to the Greenhill Desert to save people.

For others, going deep into this desert would make it easy to be surrounded by the ferocious insects and beasts, leading to accidents.

The announcement task clearly stated that many powerful individuals had encountered accidents, including experienced members who had passed the eighth layer of the Trial Sea.

There were even cases where an entire team was wiped out. Of course, this was not a Seven Swords Pavilion team but members from other Holy Domains.

Members from other Holy Domains could also take these tasks, but their priority was less than that of the people of the Holy Domains.

If speaking solely of strength, Yang Chen had to admit that his current strength was indeed lacking, as it had not yet recovered to its peak.

But, he had something that others couldn't do, something unique: Space-Time Dao Intent.

This Dao Intent allowed him to freely traverse the Greenhill Desert, and he wasn't worried about being surrounded by the so-called beetles, no matter how many they were.

It was precisely because of this that he didn't hesitate to take the announcement task.

However, others didn't think so.

Yang Chen didn't care about what others thought; in his eyes, when he completed the task, everyone would reassess him.

Thinking this in his mind, Yang Chen started to prepare.

After all, this was a task with over 80,000 points, which could give him a significant amount of funds at once, so he had to take it seriously.

And so, on the third day of preparation at his residence, Yang Chen sensed that Gu Renjie's team had set off.

By the fifth day, Yang Chen had also made almost all the preparations and began heading to the Greenhill Desert...

Chapter 2544: Inner Area and Periphery_1

Yang Chen moved silently and unobtrusively, without mentioning his plans to anyone.

Many people had already completely forgotten about him.

After taking up this Announcement Task, he got a map specifically pointing the way to the Greenhill Desert.

The area where the Holy Domain was located was called the Sacred District, and the surrounding area for millions of miles was under the jurisdiction of the Holy Domain, which was referred to as the "Trace King" Sacred District.

The Trace King was once the most powerful person in the Holy Domain.

Yang Chen didn't know much about the Powerful Ones beyond the Realmless. But according to his judgment, surpassing the Realmless seemed to qualify one to be crowned as a King!

However, there were differences in strength among the Kings. For example, there were two King-level tasks in the Holy Domain right now, known as Nine Suns King and King Zhoucheng.

But these two King-level figures were clearly a level lower than the legendary Venerable King and Spirit King.

You see, Venerable King and Spirit King were competing for who was the number one person in the Southern Realm. In comparison, they were truly standing at the top of the pyramid.

There must be some difference between Nine Suns King and King Zhoucheng; otherwise, there wouldn't be talks about the decline of the Holy Domain.

Yang Chen became more and more eager for the existence beyond the Realmless. After all, at this point, the Realmless was still an unknown and mysterious territory for him.

In his opinion, the Trace King should be on the same level as the Spirit King and Venerable King.

It seemed that once one reached this level, one had the qualification to open a Sacred District and let future generations enjoy such treatment.

According to what Yang Chen knew, the Sacred District seemed to have some special effects, which were not comparable to any small or large areas, and this was the unique part of the Sacred District.

However, he couldn't tell exactly where the difference was.

Thinking so, Yang Chen also recalled the matter of the Ice and Fire Sky Phoenix.

Ever since this Ice and Fire Sky Phoenix entered his body, it had disappeared without a trace, and he could not find any trace of it now. This made him start to suspect that it had deceived him.

Yang Chen became more and more suspicious that he might have been tricked.

But being angry now was useless. Even if he knew he had been deceived, there was nothing he could do about it. Yang Chen could only put this matter aside, laugh bitterly, and head towards the Greenhill Desert according to the map.

When he arrived near the Greenhill Desert, Yang Chen encountered many teams outside the desert.

He didn't rush into the Greenhill Desert, but first gathered some information.

Whether inside or outside the Holy Domain, the situation was the same. If one didn't reveal some of their strength, they would be ignored by others.

Yang Chen was rather helpless in this situation. However, after letting out his Qi, more people were willing to talk to him when he asked questions.

"It seems like you're new to the Greenhill Desert, brother. The inside of this desert is a chaotic place, divided into the Inner Area and Periphery." A person from one team explained to Yang Chen.

"What's the difference between the Inner Area and the Periphery?" Yang Chen asked.

"Heh, there's a big difference. For the Periphery, the entire desert actually has a map. If you want to buy one, you can get it by spending a little money at a relay station in the Greenhill Desert. With the map and a team, you can deal with the Beetle Fierce Beasts roaming the Greenhill Desert Periphery, unless you run into a large group of Beetles, in which case there's nothing you can do about your bad luck."

“But there are quite a few Sand Golds in the Greenhill Desert. These Sand Golds are unique to the Greenhill Desert. They can be used to cultivate Golden Dao Intentions and can also be used for Alchemy. These things are so precious that it’s worth taking some risks while collecting them, even if it means facing some dangers.”

The Enlightenment and Nirvana Period members of his team chimed in with their explanations.

When they looked at Yang Chen, their eyes were filled with desire and their intentions were more than obvious.

Yang Chen knew their intentions, but he still had many doubts in his heart: “What about the Inner Area?”

“The Inner Area is much more dangerous. There’s no map for the Inner Area, and if you go in there, you might be unable to find your way back even if you run into the Greenhill Desert sandstorms. And that’s when you’re lucky. If you’re unlucky and run into swarms of Beetle Fierce Beasts, you’ll probably be torn to pieces. Although the Inner Area is said to have a large number of Sand Golds, and countless people have tried to enter over the years, no one has ever made it back alive,” a person from the team said.

Upon hearing this, Yang Chen felt a headache coming on.

This Announcement Task didn’t really provide such detailed information, so he couldn’t know that the Greenhill Desert was divided into the Inner Area and the Periphery.

He didn’t even know whether the Hu Family members were in the Inner Area or the Periphery.

If they were in the Periphery, it would be fine. But if they were in the Inner Area and died there, who could he find to complete the task?

Yang Chen slapped his forehead, realizing that these Announcement Tasks really weren’t that easy to complete.

“Brother, we see that you have great strength. If you want to go to the Periphery to explore and gather Sand Gold, you can cooperate with us. In our team, we have three Nirvana Stage powerhouses leading the way and many Enlightenment Stage brothers to help out. When we find Sand Gold, we’ll share it equally. How about that?” Several of the Nirvana Stage members in the team invited him one after another.

Yang Chen took a brief look at their Qi, and it wasn’t that he looked down on them.

These three Nirvana Stage individuals were estimated to be around the 2000 Dao Intent Inscriptions stage, and joining them didn’t make much sense for him.

Besides, since he might have to go to the Inner Area, joining their team was even more impossible.

“Thank you for your kind intentions. I’m used to being on my own and have already decided to go to the Greenhill Desert alone,” Yang Chen said.

This made the expressions of the other people become more strange, as if they had just seen a ghost.

No wonder they had such expressions; they thought Yang Chen was crazy.

After all, those who dared to go to the Greenhill Desert alone, probably only included Yang Chen.

Even if it was just the Periphery, no one dared to do that. Going to the Greenhill Desert alone was like courting death.

Yang Chen didn’t know what the others were thinking, nor did he intend to explain further. He politely bowed his hand in gratitude and left the scene.

Yang Chen was already planning on his own.

He definitely needed to get a map first. There were several relay stations in front of the Greenhill Desert, specifically for providing rest and services to those going to the Greenhill Desert.

Yang Chen went inside to take a look and managed to get a map of the Periphery by spending just a few Divine Stones.

As for the map of the Inner Area, there wasn't one available, just as he was informed earlier.

When he was ready to enter the Greenhill Desert, Yang Chen had already retracted his Qi, and consequently, the number of people who invited him decreased. Eventually, he stepped deeper into the Greenhill Desert one step at a time.

Upon entering the desert, Yang Chen saw nothing but sandstorms and yellow sand everywhere, making it impossible to see the end of the desert.

Yang Chen opened the map, followed the desert, and went on his way...

Inside the desert, he encountered some small teams. But since they were strangers to each other, there wasn't much interaction. Soon, they each went on to do their own things, not caring about the others.

Yang Chen, on the other hand, spread his soul out and went along the way to search for the Hu Family members mentioned in the task...

Chapter 2545: A Large Amount of Sand Gold_1

After searching around for a while, Yang Chen became more and more convinced that his idea was true.

These Hu Family people might have really encountered trouble in the Inner Area.

Because in the Periphery, small teams would search for sand gold from time to time. Moreover, their souls were not restricted, so even if the Hu Family people encountered difficulties, there should still be news. Furthermore, in such a place, it was possible for a few people to encounter trouble, but the probability of the entire team being wiped out was very small.

With these thoughts in mind, Yang Chen couldn't help but laugh bitterly.

This task indeed wasn't easy to complete.

He needed to enter a place of no return to save someone from the Hu Family?

Moreover, there was no map, and the Inner Area appeared to be extremely terrifying.

While lamenting, Yang Chen didn't have time to complain. After all, most of the tasks announced were completed by the elite geniuses of the Seven Swords Pavilion, daring to do so only after forming teams together.

Since he had taken up the task, it was inevitable for him to face difficulties.

However, before entering the Inner Area, he was in no hurry.

First, he would get a clear understanding of the Periphery, and it would not be too late to go deeper into the Inner Area once he had a general understanding of the entire Greenhill Desert.

After spending some time wandering in the Periphery, Yang Chen suddenly swept down and landed on the ground, his soul sensing something.

"This is..."

Yang Chen dug into the thick desert sand and found a shiny core point emitting a crystalline light. At first glance, it was no ordinary sand.

The sand wasn't very big, but it was like gold. Yang Chen was almost certain without thinking that this was the so-called sand gold mentioned by others.

"So this is sand gold..." Yang Chen mumbled to himself.

He held it in his hand and sensed the power within.

“Interesting, it can actually resonate with the Golden Dao Intentions. No wonder others say that sand gold has a helpful effect on the Golden Dao Intentions. It seems true. If refined, it may really have some effect.” Yang Chen showed a smile.

He dug up more sand and found a lot of sand gold in it.

“It seems there’s a lot of sand gold in this area, I should look for more.” Yang Chen thought to himself.

He was about to act.

But the next moment, he suddenly heard a faint sound.

This made Yang Chen raise his eyebrows, quickly leaping into the air. Then, he saw giant beetle-like fierce beasts emerging from the ground, their blood-red eyes staring ferociously at Yang Chen, their ferocious teeth, causing an indistinct fear in people.

“I hardly saw any beetles along the way, but I happened to meet them here. It seems that the chances of encountering beetles in places with sand gold are much higher.” Yang Chen judged.

He counted them.

Five beetles!

“According to the information from the outside world, when encountering more than three beetles, a small team would have to retreat. Now I have to face five at once...” Yang Chen clicked his tongue twice.

“Let’s have a go first!”

He was never the kind of person who liked to shrink back.

Since these beetles had come, he really wanted to try and see what magical powers these beetles had!

In the Sea of Trials, he dared not use the Life and Death Dao Intent and the Space-Time Dao Intent too excessively, but it was different outside.

Now that the five beetles were attacking Yang Chen fiercely, he first used his Spear Technique.

“Ninety Golden Butterflies!”

First, he used an explosive killer move.

With one shot falling on the thick beetle armor, the situation was in a stalemate.

“What a hard shell, open up!”

Yang Chen felt the terrifying defense of the beetle. This shot failed to break the beetle’s shell immediately.

But Yang Chen went all out. If one shot didn’t work, the follow-up force surged and burst open fiercely.

With a bang, the fierce beetle was crushed on the spot by Yang Chen.

Seeing Yang Chen do this, he smiled: “Five beetles, taking down one first, their strength is indeed within my acceptable range. In that case, let’s try the newly learned Thundering Trichotomy.”

“First Transformation: Attack Form!”

When the conversation ended, Yang Chen’s body suddenly burst into thunder and lightning, intertwined with large amounts of Dao Intent Inscriptions, and at the same time, Yang Chen pointed!

In an instant, the Dao Intent Inscriptions turned into a gigantic lightning sword which, with great speed, pierced through the beetle.

It didn't break the beetle's huge shell on the spot, but the electric current did flow into the beetle's body, and like a weapon, it quickly spread. Another fierce beetle fell to the ground with a bang.

Seeing this, Yang Chen felt joy in his heart: "The Thundering Trichotomy is really powerful. I've only just begun to practice it, and its effects are already better than the Ninety Golden Butterflies of the Ancient God Spear Technique."

"Another move, Thunder Snake Bite!"

Yang Chen grabbed with his hand, and the lightning, like a giant snake, tore and bit, attacking another beetle.

After just a momentary stalemate, the beetle also exploded with a bang, directly crushed by Yang Chen's Thunder Snake Bite move.

The two remaining beetles attacked Yang Chen again, but for him, these beetles no longer posed any threats and had become playthings for him to practice the newly acquired Thundering Trichotomy.

Yang Chen began practicing his Thundering Trichotomy on these two beetles, intending to explore its techniques first.

Admittedly, doing so had many benefits. After going around for a while, Yang Chen became more and more familiar with the Thundering Trichotomy, basically mastering the defense form, escape form, and attack form of the technique.

In the end, with a final three moves, Yang Chen annihilated the two beetles on the spot!

After killing the two beetles, Yang Chen began to search the area.

If other people were to see Yang Chen take down five beetles with his own strength, they would have no idea what kind of shock they would be in. After all, those who could take down five beetles with their own strength were very rare.

Yang Chen searched the area and quickly became overjoyed.

As he thought, there were benefits that accompanied the dangers.

Although there were five beetles guarding this area, which was an absolute danger zone for other teams, it also had a lot of sand gold.

After searching for a while, he found about thirty jin (about 15 kg) of sand gold. According to the intel he had received beforehand, this was a considerable fortune.

Overjoyed, Yang Chen left with the sand gold.

However, despite his joy, Yang Chen remained extremely calm, as he knew very well that if it wasn't for him, someone else who saw the sand gold first might have been tempted by it, only to be suddenly ambushed by the beetles and either killed or injured!

This desert was indeed full of dangers.

The strength of the beetle fierce beasts varied greatly. After the fight, the weakest beetle had a combat strength of around three thousand Dao Intent Inscriptions, while the stronger ones had about four thousand.

This was just the Periphery. If he entered the Inner Area, he might encounter even stronger beetles.

Chapter 2546: The Surrounded Divine Maiden Clan_1

Yang Chen had no intention of entering the Inner Area for the time being.

Although the sand gold in the Inner Area was undoubtedly more abundant and beneficial to his Golden Dao Intent, the absolute danger that came with it was also undeniable.

Yang Chen thought that after collecting enough sand gold in the Periphery, it wouldn't be too late to enter the Inner Area.

But to his dismay, he had overestimated the amount of sand gold in the Periphery. At first, after obtaining some sand gold, he thought that there would be plenty more in the Periphery.

Only after searching for a while longer did Yang Chen realize that there was not that much sand gold in the Periphery, and it was just his luck that he had found some initially. After that, finding more became difficult.

Even when he made some gains, they were only about one or two pounds in quantity, which was far from enough.

After giving it much thought, Yang Chen had no choice but to give up and prepare to enter the Inner Area.

According to the map, one had to pass through a mountain range called Purple Gold Mountain to enter the Inner Area from the Periphery. This mountain range lay right in the center of the Greenhill Desert, and was quite a peculiar one.

Yang Chen followed the path and arrived at the Purple Gold Mountain Range.

The Purple Gold Mountain Range was like a dragon lying in the center of the Greenhill Desert. It was not difficult to cross, and for Yang Chen, it was quite easy.

“This Purple Gold Mountain Range is indeed quite strange...”

When he was above the Purple Gold Mountain Range, Yang Chen sensed its peculiarity and became curious, thinking about investigating it more closely.

However, after much consideration, he decided to prioritize his own matters and quickly crossed through the Purple Gold Mountain Range to enter the Inner Area of the Greenhill Desert.

As soon as he arrived at the Inner Area, what Yang Chen saw was a world of yellow sand.

The sandstorms in the sky were so intense that it was difficult for even divine souls to penetrate far. In addition, there were faint movements on the ground, as if numerous giant beetles were moving about.

This meant that danger could be encountered at any moment.

Just as Yang Chen was thinking this, a huge beetle beast sprang out from the ground.

Then, with a thunderous roar, the giant beetle rushed towards Yang Chen and tried to bite him.

Yang Chen immediately used his Spacetime Dao Intent and quickly flashed away to a distant location.

But there was more than one giant beetle.

One after another, a total of more than ten giant beetles appeared on the scene, causing Yang Chen's scalp to tingle with fear.

"So many!" Yang Chen took a deep breath.

The Inner Area was indeed dangerous, and as soon as he had passed through the Purple Gold Mountain Range, Yang Chen was surrounded by beetles.

With more than a dozen beetles attacking together, Yang Chen snorted coldly.

It would be natural for others to flee, but Yang Chen decided to test the strength of these beetles.

“Thundering Trichotomy, First Transformation: Attack Form!”

As thunder and lightning flickered around him, Yang Chen’s Thunder and Lightning Dao Intent solidified and swept out, targeting a beetle and striking it with crackling sounds.

However, this beetle was clearly no ordinary one. After being struck by Yang Chen’s lightning, its body trembled for a moment on the spot. Although it was weakened and shaking, it did not fall dead.

“The strength of this beetle is indeed much stronger than those in the Periphery, and it must have at least 5,000 Dao Intent Inscriptions. If one strike doesn’t kill it, then let’s try another!”

Yang Chen pointed his finger, and another bolt of lightning enveloped the beetle. The beetle’s body emitted sparks and fell into a pool of blood.

After killing one beetle, Yang Chen didn’t interfere with the others. These fierce beasts had extremely low intelligence, and their eyes were filled only with murderous intent!

Yang Chen made a rough judgment.

These fierce beasts probably had a combat power of around 5,000 Dao Intent Inscriptions each. Moreover, they were far more powerful than the fierce beasts in the Sea of Trials, as these were real flesh and blood fierce beasts.

Most importantly, there were even more powerful beetles among them. He had just killed one with 5,000 Dao Intent Inscriptions, but there could be ones with 6,000 or 7,000 Dao Intent Inscriptions, or even more.

Although Yang Chen was not afraid, it would still take a lot of time to deal with these beetles. After thinking about it, he decided to give up and flash away using his Spacetime Dao Intent.

“I’ve just entered the Inner Area and already encountered such powerful beetle beasts. What would happen if I go deeper?” Yang Chen thought to himself.

Indeed, the Inner Area was full of danger, and even with his Spacetime Dao Intent, he had to be more cautious.

Of course, the power of his Spacetime Dao Intent was absolute against these fierce beasts who didn't know how to intercept it.

As soon as he used it, he escaped the scene and appeared in another location.

When Yang Chen arrived at this place, he wanted to observe the surrounding situation, but his divine soul was of no use. This reminded him of the Lingxi Divine Pupil!

As soon as the Lingxi Divine Pupil was activated, Yang Chen quickly investigated the surroundings.

Without a doubt, although the Lingxi Divine Pupil was not a Dao Technique, its effect was incomparable to those. Now, with his divine soul restricted, the Lingxi Divine Pupil worked wonders.

With the Lingxi Divine Pupil, Yang Chen could see a large number of beetles moving underground.

Upon a closer look, he could also see that there were some giant beetles hiding in the rolling yellow sand.

Yang Chen took a deep breath, realizing that the Inner Area was truly a dangerous place. He couldn't help but wonder about the whereabouts of the Hu Family members and whether they were still alive.

He had initially planned to go searching for the Hu Family members immediately, but suddenly the Lingxi Divine Pupil discovered something else.

"It's her!" Yang Chen saw a familiar face.

This familiar face was none other than Feather Plume, whom he had refused some time ago.

Feather Plume was now with a team of people from the Divine Maiden Clan.

Five women from the Divine Maiden Clan had also entered the Inner Area of the Greenhill Desert for some unknown reason. However, their luck was far worse than Yang Chen's, as they encountered an extremely terrifying group of beetles.

There were more than thirty of them.

These beetles could not only burrow into the ground but also fly, completely sealing off the path for the five women of the Divine Maiden Clan.

The women from the Divine Maiden Clan were panicking and trying various methods to break through, but the beetles, having caught sight of a team, wouldn't let them go easily and attacked them viciously.

Yang Chen took one look and knew that these women from the Divine Maiden Clan wouldn't be able to hold on much longer.

"Why are they here?" Yang Chen asked with a puzzled expression on his face.

If Feather Plume hadn't been among them, he might not have bothered to get involved in their predicament, to avoid causing trouble for himself. But since Feather Plume was there, he couldn't just ignore it.

After all, Feather Plume had helped him so much, and he hadn't even had the chance to properly thank her yet.

If he were to turn a blind eye now, it would be utterly absurd.

After giving it some thought, Yang Chen vanished from his original location.

At the same time, the women from the Divine Maiden Clan were surrounded by the beetles in the center, becoming increasingly anxious and helpless.

“What should we do now?”

“We’re done for, we’re really done for!”

Chapter 2547: Saving the Divine Maiden Clan_1

These Divine Maiden Clan women were all thrown into panic, as they were also human. When facing life-threatening danger, they would be scared and anxious as well.

Now, as they approached the most critical moment, they felt even more helpless. They originally could have calmly dealt with the situation, but now they were fighting individually, trying to break through on their own, and finding it difficult to do so.

Feather Plume was also extremely anxious, her scalp tingling, but relatively speaking, she was still a bit calmer. She gritted her teeth and said, “Everyone, calm down. If we don’t stay calm now, we won’t have any chance of survival.”

“Feather Plume, what’s the use of saying this now? Even if we remain calm, what can we do with our current strength in this situation?”

“Damn it, it’s all because of Zhao Yuanhong. If it wasn’t for Zhao Yuanhong, would we be in this situation? I should have agreed to Zhao Yuanhong’s outrageous demands earlier.”

“Nonsense, Feather Azure, how could you say that? When did our Divine Maiden Clan start being so cheap with our bodies? Even if I die, I’ll never sell myself to that kind of person.” A Divine Maiden Clan woman humphed.

Just as her words fell, suddenly, a huge beetle came flying at them.

“Feather Dream Mark, be careful!” Feather Plume warned.

Upon hearing this, Feather Dream Mark's delicate body shivered, and when she finally reacted, she displayed quite a few techniques. Her Dao Intent unfolded, forming a giant eagle claw, which blocked the attack and even entangled the beetle, making it difficult for it to escape.

It was obvious that with her strength, dealing with a single beetle would be easy.

However, there were so many beetles, it wouldn't be as simple as dealing with one or two.

After one was caught by Feather Dream Mark, two more came flying at her.

The sudden attack caused Feather Dream Mark to be shocked, and her expression instantly changed. The situation that she originally could have controlled suddenly became chaotic and difficult to handle.

"Not good, save me!" Feather Dream Mark shouted.

But at the moment, all the members of the Divine Maiden Clan were struggling to defend themselves, each dealing with the attacks of other beetles. How could they have the opportunity to help Feather Dream Mark?

Feather Dream Mark was surrounded and attacked by two beetles, with even more swarming in from behind. Realizing that there was no hope of survival, she sighed softly, gave up any hope of escape, and accepted her fate.

Seeing this scene, Feather Plume clenched her teeth in anger. She knew that her sisters would soon die in battle, and she was prepared to follow them in death.

However, just at this moment, a flash of electric light appeared. The two giant beetles attacking Feather Dream Mark suddenly burst into a cloud of blood and scattered.

This sudden turn of events left Feather Dream Mark stunned and unsure of what had happened.

But seeing that she was still alive, it was obviously a good thing, so she quickly retreated and looked around, not knowing who had saved her.

“Who is it?”

“Has someone arrived?”

Feather Dream Mark was full of doubts, as she knew that none of her sisters possessed thunder Dao techniques.

Just as they were feeling puzzled, Yang Chen’s figure appeared here out of thin air. The women were all shocked and could hardly believe their eyes when they saw Yang Chen. How did he appear here?

“Yang Chen!” Feather Plume exclaimed in amazement, “How come you’re here?”

“Is he the unparalleled genius Yang Chen you mentioned?”

“How did he get here?”

The women of the Divine Maiden Clan were all puzzled.

Yang Chen, however, waved his hand, and a flash of electric light shot towards another giant beetle that was trying to attack. The beetle was instantly killed on the spot.

When he first entered the Inner Area, he had not used his full strength against the beetles he faced, so his Thundering Trichotomy was not able to kill them in one hit.

However, if he incorporated other Dao intents, Thundering Trichotomy could achieve a one-hit kill!

But with so many beetles, even one-hit kills wouldn’t be enough to kill them all.

Yang Chen said, "I came here for a task and happened to come across everyone. Now we don't have time for chitchat, so let's escape together."

"Escape? How?" The women of the Divine Maiden Clan all smiled bitterly.

Although they didn't know how Yang Chen had appeared, they thought he was too naive. How could he possibly get out of the encirclement now? Wouldn't he die with them?

After all, no matter how powerful Yang Chen was, those six people couldn't possibly eliminate so many beetles.

But Yang Chen didn't explain any further. He calmly said, "Everyone, listen to me. Don't resist my power in the next moment, and completely surrender to it. I have a way to get us out."

When the conversation ended, Yang Chen waved his hand and his spatiotemporal Dao Intent unfolded!

He instantly enveloped the five women within the Dao Intent.

For him now, taking the five people away through spatiotemporal transfer was extremely simple. However, Yang Chen didn't dare to reveal his Dao Intent inscriptions, fearing that they would discover them.

He only revealed part of his Dao Intent, so it was still very difficult for him.

With a spatiotemporal transfer, Yang Chen brought them to the edge of the Inner Area, near the entrance to the Purple Gold Mountain Range.

When they arrived here, the women of the Divine Maiden Clan were overwhelmed with shock. Looking around, they realized that they had somehow survived. Their gazes were filled with deep astonishment as they looked at Yang Chen.

“How did you do that?” The women of the Divine Maiden Clan were all dumbfounded and incredibly astonished.

“That was spatial teleportation just now, right?”

“It felt more like a profound spatiotemporal transfer. Spatial teleportation isn’t that powerful.”

Yang Chen said indifferently, “It has something to do with a treasure I possess. This treasure allows us to perform short spatiotemporal travel.”

He didn’t expect that the women of the Divine Maiden Clan would have such sharp eyes, recognizing that it was spatiotemporal transfer. He had hidden it so deeply, and yet they still saw it clearly.

The women of the Divine Maiden Clan couldn’t help but gasp, their gazes toward Yang Chen filled with gratitude mixed with other emotions.

Especially Feather Plume, whose gaze was somewhat resentful and made Yang Chen feel both amused and helpless.

“This seems to be the Purple Gold Mountain Range, where we first entered the Inner Area.”

“It’s actually here.”

“Great, now we can find Zhao Yuanhong and settle the score.” The women of the Divine Maiden Clan said viciously.

Upon hearing this, Yang Chen couldn’t help but ask, “Feather Plume, how did you all end up in the Inner Area? What happened with Zhao Yuanhong?”

He still had some impression of Zhao Yuanhong, who had mocked him when he first joined the Seven Swords Pavilion.

Zhao Yuanhong was the most outstanding unparalleled genius of the previous generation. Although he was barely considered an unparalleled genius, his strength was not to be underestimated.

But how did these Divine Maiden Clan members end up fighting with Zhao Yuanhong?

Chapter 2548: Returning a Favor_1

Moreover, it was clear that these Divine Women were at a disadvantage, otherwise, they wouldn't have fallen to this point.

Hearing Yang Chen's question, several members of the Divine Women Tribe exchanged glances. Considering the good relationship between Yu Hua Ling and Yang Chen, Yu Hua Ling said, "Young Master Yang Chen, you may not know that our team's original task was not actually to enter the Inner Area of this Greenhill Desert. After all, it's too dangerous. Our task was to search for a divine treasure called Bitter Gold Flower in the Purple Gold Mountain Range. This flower has a very good effect on the cultivation of Great Stage powerhouses. The task was personally assigned by the Elder of the Divine Law Palace, and we intended to collect this treasure in exchange for points. But then..."

At this point, the expressions of the Divine Women turned serious and disgusted.

"But as a result, we encountered Zhao Yuanhong's team. Zhao Yuanhong took on a task in the Periphery, but happened to run into us, intending to snatch the Bitter Gold Flower task. We couldn't beat Zhao Yuanhong, and Zhao Yuanhong didn't dare to kill us." Yu Hua Ling explained in detail.

"So, Zhao Yuanhong forced you into the Inner Area?" Yang Chen asked, puzzled.

"Exactly. This Zhao Yuanhong is a hypocrite. While he doesn't dare to kill us, he forces us into the Inner Area. It's no different than killing us. He also holds us hostage, demanding that we submit. If we don't, he will drive us into the Greenhill Desert Inner Area. How could we, the Divine Women Tribe, submit?" Yu Meng Hen chimed in, her expression cold and sharp.

Upon hearing this, Yang Chen nodded, understanding the situation.

"What do you plan to do next?" Yang Chen asked.

“Zhao Yuanhong must be going to find the Bitter Gold Flower, but he doesn’t know its exact location. He probably hasn’t found it yet. But we’re different. We know where the Bitter Gold Flower is. If we go there now, we might be able to catch up. If we do, we’ll definitely settle the score with Zhao Yuanhong.” The Divine Women clenched their fists, their tone filled with cold determination.

Yu Hua Ling clasped her hands together: “Young Master Yang Chen, thank you for your help. By the way, did you come to this Inner Area to complete a task?”

“Yes, I took on a task. It seems that it can only be completed in the Inner Area.” Yang Chen replied.

“A task that can be completed in the Inner Area... Could it be an Announcement Task? Young Master Yang Chen, have you accepted an Announcement Task?” The women of the Divine Women Tribe widened their eyes in surprise.

Yang Chen did not deny it: “Yes, that’s right, I’ve taken an Announcement Task.”

The news startled the group of Divine Women, who stared at Yang Chen as if they had seen a ghost.

“Young Master Yang Chen, you are quite bold. You took on an Announcement Task as soon as you entered the Holy Domain, and you’re doing it alone?” The women couldn’t believe it.

Yu Hua Ling took a breath: “Then, Young Master Yang Chen, what do you plan to do next?”

Yang Chen fell into deep thought.

He shouldn’t delay the rescue of the Hu Family members, but it would be difficult to repay his debt to Yu Hua Ling. At the moment, he asked, “Do any of you have confidence in dealing with Zhao Yuanhong?”

The girls didn’t know why Yang Chen would ask such a question, but they answered truthfully: “Our confidence is not high. However, we cannot just hand over the Bitter Gold Flower task. Even if we lose again, at least we won’t be backed into a corner and forced into the Greenhill Desert Inner Area by Zhao Yuanhong.”

Hearing this, Yang Chen fell into deep thought.

Yu Hua Ling and the other girls didn't know what Yang Chen was thinking.

"In that case, I'll help you with the Bitter Gold Flower task one more time." Yang Chen said with a slight smile.

"Really!" The Divine Women were overjoyed, looking as if they had seen a ghost. They couldn't believe that Yang Chen would agree to help them.

At first, they considered asking Yang Chen to help them all the way, but Yang Chen still had his own task, and he had already helped them once. If they were too greedy, it would be hard to justify.

But they didn't expect Yang Chen to be so generous and kind, offering to help them on his own accord.

Their hearts secretly wondered, could it be that Yang Chen was interested in them? After all, the only explanation for a man to actively help women was that he was interested in them.

This made the Divine Women excited.

It would be great if Yang Chen was interested in them. They wished for his interest.

Before, when Yu Hua Ling told them about how outstanding Yang Chen was, they were quite envious of her. But now, Yang Chen was directly helping them.

They just didn't know who Yang Chen was interested in. The Divine Women wondered in their hearts.

Only Yu Hua Ling silently pondered.

At first, she shared the same thoughts as the other Divine Women. However, when she recalled Yang Chen's character, she realized that she was overthinking.

Yang Chen already had a wife.

So the only explanation was that Yang Chen came to repay a favor.

This made her feel a little bit lost.

Was Yang Chen only here to repay a favor?

Yang Chen activated his Lingxi Divine Pupil at this moment and said, "Everyone, time is pressing. Let's hurry up and go. We can't let Zhao Yuanhong and his team find the Bitter Gold Flower first."

"No problem, let's go." The Divine Women set off quickly, leading Yang Chen and locked onto their target.

As they said, they knew the location. They entered the Purple Gold Mountain Range and soon found the place.

"It's right below us," Yu Hua Ling and Yu Meng Hen said almost simultaneously.

Yang Chen looked down and saw a huge golden flower in the crack of a rock through his Lingxi Divine Pupil. This flower was entirely golden, looking as if it was made of gold. It only appeared in this area of the Greenhill Desert.

However, it was impossible for a flower to grow in the desert, so this flower only grew in the Purple Gold Mountain Range located in the center of the Greenhill Desert.

This flower was obviously extremely precious. At least on the way there, Yang Chen had only seen this one.

“Be careful, everyone, don’t reveal yourselves yet. There are people nearby!” Yang Chen warned.

“People?” The Divine Women were surprised.

In the Purple Gold Mountain Range, their souls were greatly hindered, and they didn’t notice. But Yang Chen’s Lingxi Divine Pupil could see everything clearly.

“Yes, it’s Zhao Yuanhong and his team, and they’re staring at the Bitter Gold Flower,” Yang Chen said.

“Staring at the Bitter Gold Flower? They actually found the location. Why aren’t they making a move? Could it be that we’ve been discovered?” The Divine Women were curious, not knowing how Yang Chen knew.

“There’s a Companion Fierce Beast near the Bitter Gold Flower. That’s the reason Zhao Yuanhong hasn’t made a move.” Yang Chen explained.

Chapter 2549: Acquiring the Bitter Gold Flower_1

Companion Fierce Beast?

Everyone present is well aware of what a Companion Fierce Beast is.

Fierce Beasts need Heavenly Materials and Earthly Treasures to grow. Some powerful Fierce Beasts can only grow into their forms because of the Heavenly Materials and Earthly Treasures.

It is common for Fierce Beasts to devour Heavenly Materials and Earthly Treasures, mutate, and then become so overwhelmingly strong.

Thus, Heavenly Materials and Earthly Treasures are not only useful for humans but also for these Fierce Beasts.

Because Fierce Beasts have low spiritual intelligence, they don’t need to do much for themselves in their lives; many things are innate to them.

Like Companion Fierce Beasts, they are born with one task: to protect these Heavenly Materials and Earthly Treasures and accompany them as they grow.

Some will wait for the Heavenly Materials and Earthly Treasures to grow and then eat them, while others will accompany them until they grow old.

These things are not important; what's important is that these Companion Fierce Beasts will prevent anyone from interfering with these Heavenly Materials and Earthly Treasures.

Just like now...

Zhao Yuanhong is not daring to act rashly because he has detected the Companion Fierce Beast, so he is still observing.

Feather Plume and a few Divine Maiden Clan members are astonished.

"What should we do?"

"What else can we do? Let's not rush, wait for Zhao Yuanhong to make his move, and then we can reap the benefits."

"Hehe, this is a good idea."

These members of the Divine Maiden Clan are not fools.

Zhao Yuanhong obviously hasn't noticed them, so why not take advantage of this opportunity to squat in the dark, wait for Zhao Yuanhong and the Fierce Beast to fight, and then reap the benefits?

Their plan is sound, but the problem lies in the strength gap between Zhao Yuanhong and the Companion Fierce Beast.

After using his Lingxi Divine Pupil, Yang Chen has already observed the Companion Fierce Beast.

A fierce creature covered in fish scales, not too big, but not too small either.

However, its Qi is somewhat weaker, with only around 2,000 Dao Intent Inscriptions.

This strength is something that any woman from the Divine Maiden Clan can easily handle, let alone Zhao Yuanhong.

Zhao Yuanhong seems to have noticed that the Companion Fierce Beast is not very strong, so he charged forward with a single breath.

“Hmph, I thought it was something formidable.” Zhao Yuanhong said disdainfully, charging forward and displaying his Dao Intent Inscriptions, trying to directly suppress the Companion Fierce Beast.

A group of Divine Maiden Clan women were expecting to reap the benefits, but the next moment, Zhao Yuanhong suppressed the Companion Fierce Beast on the spot.

Furthermore, with a slight flip of his hand, the Companion Fierce Beast burst into a mist of blood and vanished on the spot.

“Quickly make your move.” The women of the Divine Maiden Clan couldn’t sit still any longer.

They didn’t expect the Companion Fierce Beast to be so easily defeated by Zhao Yuanhong.

They must hurry and grab the Bitter Gold Flower.

Just as they were about to make their move, Yang Chen suddenly waved his sleeve and said, “Don’t worry, ladies, going up now won’t help, you won’t be able to beat Zhao Yuanhong. He’s too close to the Bitter Gold Flower.”

“What should we do then?” The Divine Maiden Clan members also realized that there wasn’t enough time.

They had overestimated the strength of the Companion Fierce Beast, so they didn’t expect it to be defeated by Zhao Yuanhong so quickly.

Now, there’s not enough time to block Zhao Yuanhong!

Feeling anxious, Yang Chen calmly said, “It’s alright, I’ll handle it!”

The women of the Divine Maiden Clan didn’t know what method Yang Chen was going to use to compete for the Bitter Gold Flower.

What’s even more crucial is that Yang Chen, who seemed ready to take action, hadn’t even made a move yet, making the women want to cry.

What does Yang Chen mean by this?

Didn’t you say you would make a move? In this case, what move are you making?

“Yang Chen, if you don’t make a move now, it will be too late,” the women of the Divine Maiden Clan said.

Because Zhao Yuanhong is already getting up to pick the Bitter Gold Flower.

But Yang Chen’s mouth curled upwards, looking calm and collected.

Zhao Yuanhong still hasn’t noticed the presence of the Divine Maiden Clan and Yang Chen; his eyes are only focused on the Bitter Gold Flower.

With his eyes now on the Bitter Gold Flower, Zhao Yuanhong is looking forward to it more than ever.

“It’s mine, hahaha!” Zhao Yuanhong’s eyes burned with excitement.

A group of Divine Maiden Clan members were getting desperate.

However, at the next moment, Yang Chen grabbed with his hand.

The spacetime force around the Bitter Gold Flower flowed, completely disappearing it from its original spot. Then, it appeared in Yang Chen’s hand.

Zhao Yuanhong looked shocked, and when he saw the Bitter Gold Flower disappearing, his entire being was stunned.

“What’s going on? Where’s the Bitter Gold Flower?” Zhao Yuanhong realized there were people around him and quickly turned around.

When he turned around, Zhao Yuanhong saw the people from the Divine Maiden Clan.

“It’s you!” Zhao Yuanhong shouted furiously.

The women of the Divine Maiden Clan had not yet recovered from the shock and hadn’t realized that the Bitter Gold Flower was already in Yang Chen’s hands.

Now that they had come to their senses, they saw Zhao Yuanhong’s fury and coldly said, “Zhao Yuanhong, didn’t expect that, did you? We’re back, and we’ve brought help.”

Zhao Yuanhong and his companions stared at Yang Chen.

“It’s you, Yang Chen!” Zhao Yuanhong said in a low voice: “How dare you meddle in our business?”

Since it had come to this point, Yang Chen would no longer be courteous and said calmly, "It seems that there's no need for me, Yang Chen, to explain anything to you when I do things. Moreover, as fellow Sect members, you attacked the companions of the Divine Maiden Clan first. Aren't you ashamed? Now you're questioning me."

When the conversation ended, Yang Chen handed the Bitter Gold Flower to the women of the Divine Maiden Clan.

Now, these women of the Divine Maiden Clan admired and liked Yang Chen even more. Yang Chen was truly amazing, having obtained the Bitter Gold Flower and helped them vent their anger.

Yang Chen knew very well that he had offended Zhao Yuanhong completely, so he didn't bother saying any more unnecessary words.

Zhao Yuanhong also knew he was in the wrong, and with the Bitter Gold Flower taken away and the appearance of Yang Chen, they really had no chance of winning a fight now.

All Zhao Yuanhong could do was say viciously, "Fine, fine, fine, Yang Chen, you're ruthless! Let's wait and see, and I hope you can still be happy when you return to the Seven Swords Pavilion."

Yang Chen was not easily frightened and sneered, "Oh really? Well, I want to see how you'll keep me from being happy."

"Let's go." Zhao Yuanhong and the others frowned, knowing that continuing this would be pointless.

"But the Bitter Gold Flower... we almost had it, and now we're just giving up?"

The other companions were clearly unwilling to let go.

"What else can we do? Do you have the ability to take it back?" Zhao Yuanhong's face darkened, and he could only sigh with the others before ultimately leaving.

Chapter 2550: Mysterious Ancient Castle!_1

When Zhao Yuanhong and the others left, the women of the Shennv School were all thrilled.

“Great!”

They had been feeling irritated and couldn't let it out, but now that they saw Zhao Yuanhong leaving angrily, they felt delighted and couldn't be happier.

“Guard these Bitter Gold Flowers, and it's also time to leave this place of trouble. Um... How about I escort you out of the periphery of Greenhill Desert to avoid potential revenge from Zhao Yuanhong and his people?” Yang Chen said coldly.

When the women heard this, their hearts leaped with excitement. How good was Yang Chen to them?

Yang Chen was just thinking of finishing the rescue mission, and he didn't think much further.

However, the girl named Yu Menghen noticed Yang Chen's intentions and gently said, “Young Master Yang Chen, you have helped us so much, and we don't know how to repay you. It seems like you are also in the Greenhill Desert to complete a mission, why don't we help you too? Let's work together, the more people, the greater the strength.”

Yang Chen shook his head: “That won't be necessary. This mission is suitable for me to complete alone. I'll accept your good intentions.”

It wasn't that he didn't want to bring these people along, but the Inner Area was extremely dangerous, and having more people wouldn't solve the problem. Just like the beetles just now, if there were more of them, he could only take these girls and flee.

He could flee by himself, but if he brought other people, it would take much more time and effort.

“Let me escort you ladies out of the Greenhill Desert first,” Yang Chen suggested.

How could these women of the Divine Maiden Clan refuse? They gladly agreed and were escorted by Yang Chen out of the Greenhill Desert.

After escorting these women out of the Greenhill Desert, Yang Chen returned to the desert.

As a result, the women of the Divine Maiden Clan had an even higher opinion of Yang Chen. Two of them even flirted with him along the way, clearly aiming to get closer to Yang Chen.

This made Yang Chen secretly feel awkward, knowing that the women of the Divine Maiden Clan were all quite bold.

Whether it was Feather Plume or the other girls, they were all the same.

Yang Chen went back to the Inner Area of the Greenhill Desert, passing through the Purple Gold Mountain Range...

Once again entering the scene of rolling yellow sand, Yang Chen unfolded his Lingxi Divine Pupil, carefully observing every inch of space around him.

He hadn't forgotten his task of rescuing the members of the Hu family.

Now, Yang Chen was also in a dilemma. Looking for people in the desert was like finding a needle in a haystack. He was somewhat helpless in his heart, not knowing how to find the Hu family members.

In an instant, Yang Chen was at a loss.

However, as he observed carefully, he suddenly discovered a detail.

These beetles were moving underground, and suddenly, they rushed towards a particular location.

This made Yang Chen curious, so he followed the underground beetles closely.

When he arrived, Yang Chen suddenly saw a shocking scene!

Because these underground beetles were actually all gathered in one place, and this location was a black mass of endless beetles, their numbers comparable to an ocean!

These beetles gathered here made Yang Chen feel surprised.

Aren't these beetles supposed to have little intelligence? Why were they gathered here?

As Yang Chen was astonished, he saw a giant beetle among these fierce beasts.

When he saw this beetle, Yang Chen knew what was going on.

"Beetle King?" Yang Chen muttered to himself.

The size of this Beetle King was not only larger than ordinary beetles, but it also had wings on its back, making it one of the rare flying beetle species.

What distinguished the Beetle King from other flying beetles was that its wings were purple, and its whole body's Qi was incredibly powerful, making even Yang Chen feel somewhat apprehensive.

"This Beetle King is very strong..." Yang Chen muttered to himself.

Now, there were very few creatures that could cause him concern. Even when he was weakened and encountered the Flying Dragon Lizard, he had no fear or apprehension in his heart.

But when he saw the Beetle King, such thoughts arose in his heart, which showed how powerful the Beetle King was...

“What do these beetles want to do?” Yang Chen wondered secretly.

As he was puzzled, a group of beetles, under the command of the Beetle King, fiercely rushed in a certain direction.

Yang Chen followed closely, only to see a magnificent sight.

In the Greenhill Desert, there was actually a huge ancient castle, surrounded by multiple layers of restrictions and formations!

Under the command of the Beetle King, the beetles launched a crazy attack on the ancient castle.

In an instant, they were incredibly fierce and in an astonishing formation, comparable to the scale of a war. Wave after wave of beetles launched a violent attack on the ancient castle.

The mad collisions, one beetle after another, followed by hundreds and thousands more, the scale was nothing short of terrifying.

Indeed, there were more than a thousand beetles.

Even Yang Chen himself was scared.

Although there were many beetles in the Enlightenment Stage, there were still no small number of them in the Nirvana Stage. What kind of concept would it be if thousands of them came together all at once?

As Yang Chen was amazed, he was also curious about what was inside the ancient castle.

“Is this ancient castle so strong?” Yang Chen wondered in his heart.

It seemed that the ancient castle had lasted for a long time, without any intention of being breached, only the restrictions and formations were obviously damaged.

“The restrictions and formations around this ancient castle are obviously severely damaged. Once they are broken, the ancient castle will be done for. It seems that these beetles have been attacking this ancient castle almost every day; how long has the castle endured?” Yang Chen was horrified.

With so many beetles attacking in turn, even a Great Ascension Stage cultivator would probably not be able to withstand it.

“Hold on...”

Yang Chen had a thought.

“Could it be that the Hu family members are in this ancient castle?”

Yang Chen stared intently at the ancient castle, unfolded his Lingxi Divine Pupil, and sure enough, he felt the presence of humans.

“Hahaha, I didn’t expect that there were humans here; most likely, they are the Hu family members.” Yang Chen chuckled.

For anyone else, it would be impossible to enter.

Not to mention how to pass through these beetles, even the forbidding array formations would make it impossible to enter.

But to Yang Chen, it was different.

What seemed impossible for others was another matter for him.

His Space-Time Dao Intent could not be stopped by forbidding array formations.

As the thought occurred, Yang Chen instantly deployed his Space-Time Dao Intent, vanished from the spot, and disappeared!