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Chapter 451: Summoning the Golden Claw_1

Yang Chen didn't know, but he had guessed right this time.

The Tiandu Emperor was indeed thinking the same way.

He created the entire inheritance and left this treasure, just hoping that the people of the later generations would not suffer like he did in his era, being crushed by the demonic beasts. He hoped that the young geniuses could be strong enough to resist the demonic beasts when they were still young.

So, in the future when they become powerful and the monster race steps into human territory again, they can provide adequate resistance and counterattack, unlike their era, where even driving out the demon beast clan was difficult. In the end, they barely managed to complete this task by relying on seals.

He had high hopes, but the treasure remained unclaimed for a thousand years. Unfortunately, what did he see?

He saw a group of short-sighted people who only knew how to compare themselves with their own human compatriots, but had no idea how to gradually surpass themselves!

Tiandu Emperor was very disappointed.

Not until he saw Yang Chen.

When he saw Yang Chen's determined eyes and his unwavering determination, he approved of Yang Chen.

However, merely recognizing him was not enough. He hoped that Yang Chen would display extraordinary strength and talent, so he could entrust everything he left behind to this young guy.

Only if Yang Chen passed the seventh level, would he truly approve of Yang Chen!

At this moment, as the voice of the Tiandu Emperor disappeared, Yang Chen came to his senses and looked at the six bull-headed war generals in front of him. For a moment, his scalp tingled and the smile on his face became bitter.

The Tiandu Emperor did not say it, but Yang Chen was not ignorant, and he had some understanding of the Tauren Clan.

This Tauren Clan was one of the most brave and good at fighting among the millions of demonic beast clans.

In the Tauren Clan, the lowest rank were the Barbaric Bull Soldiers, followed by the Barbaric Bull Leaders, Tauren Soldiers, and finally, the Bull-headed War Generals.

But don't underestimate these Bull-headed War Generals.

Even though Bull-headed War Generals were only low-level forces within the Tauren Clan, their strength was far superior to that of humans at the same level. Even the Icefield Demon Elephant could only be slightly stronger than the Bull-headed War General in single combat.

However, unlike the Icefield Demon Elephant, these Bull-headed War Generals were a very intelligent group. The strength of six Bull-headed War Generals combined was definitely much more formidable than five Ice-Field Monster Elephants.

"It's been a long time..."

"Since we, the Bull-headed War Generals, were captured by that old thief, he doesn't seem to have let us out. Haha, it's incredible that today he's letting us brothers take on a young human. Does he look down on us Bull-headed War Generals?"

“Fuck his ancestors, even though we, the Bull-headed War Generals, don’t have a high status in the Tauren Tribe, we were still able to kill countless humans during the attack on the human race. Now, even a young kid dares to show off in front of us.”

One of the Bull-headed War Generals spoke in a common beast language and suddenly said calmly, “Don’t underestimate them. This kid is extraordinary. Most of the human youths we’ve encountered in the past were arrogant and dismissive. They had no standards when they really started fighting and were mostly overconfident and underperforming. But this kid is different. He’s very calm, and he’s been carefully observing us since we met.”

“Is this the talent of the human race?”

“Aren’t the talents of the human race worthless?”

“Occasionally some talented ones do appear.”

“Oh, haha, then stop wasting time talking. If this little guy is such an outstanding talent, let’s just annihilate him.”

“That’s exactly what I’m thinking!”

In an instant, the few Bull-headed War Generals didn’t bother talking anymore. They wildly gripped their long spears and charged straight at Yang Chen.

This made Yang Chen’s expression turn quite helpless.

If he still had the Volcano Spirit Talisman, he would have some confidence in dealing with these six Bull-headed War Generals. But the Volcano Spirit Talisman he had stockpiled was already gone. It was inevitable that he couldn’t handle the Icefield Demon Elephant in the sixth level without it.

That wasn’t even the worst part. The worst part was the Mountain God Roar!

The Mountain God Roar had just been used not long ago, and he needed some time to rest before it could be used again.

After all, he and the Black Mountain Black Bear Clan were completely different. When using the Mountain God Roar, he needed some interval time before he could use it again.

In short, his two most powerful moves were blocked.

Under the circumstances where his two strongest moves were blocked, he now faced the six Bull-headed War Generals.

“I have no chance of winning,” Yang Chen muttered. “It seems I need to use some other strategies.”

“Lightning Movement Technique, open!”

Yang Chen instantly activated the third level of the Lightning Movement Technique and retreated step by step. He didn’t plan to confront the six Bull-headed War Generals head-on, but intended to use an indirect approach and think of other means first.

“Now, my best option is to use the new moves I’ve learned from Thunderbolt Style,” Yang Chen thought secretly.

The new moves he learned weren’t limited to Thunder Hell.

He had learned new moves in the Thunderbolt Style that used the innate power of the Heavenly Thunder Origin to communicate with the power of the Sky Thunder Pool. Of course, these methods also relied on the original domineering nature of Thunderbolt Style; otherwise, he couldn’t have figured them out just by studying on his own.

He would communicate with the Sky Thunder Pool to draw its power, then gather and unleash it. If it was spread over a large area, the technique would be called Thunder Hell. If it was spread over a small area, the technique would have a different name.

Yang Chen had developed two techniques in total.

The first was Thunder Hell.

And the second was 'Five Thunder Righteous Method'!

As he retreated, he used the Heavenly Thunder Origin to communicate with the sky, thinking nervously: "I don't know if I can communicate with the power of the sky in this environment!"

Soon, Yang Chen was overjoyed: "The power of the sky is indeed everywhere. It's just that I'm still not proficient in communicating with the Sky Thunder Pool. Last time I used Thunder Hell, the thunderbolt power was dispersed and didn't consume much energy. But this time it's different. Five Thunder Righteous Method requires gathering the power of the thunderbolts at a single point."

It took too long, which was a problem. After all, the enemy wouldn't give him time to launch a move.

Yang Chen suddenly shouted, "Brother Jin, I've run into some trouble. Come out and lend me a hand."

"No problem."

In an instant, with the howling wind, a giant python dozens of meters long appeared in this space.

The size of this giant python made the six Bull-headed War Generals seem like six little ants.

"Brother Python, I need to summon the power of Heavenly Thunder, and it might take some time. Help me keep an eye on these Bull-headed War Generals and don't let them get close to me," Yang Chen instructed.

"Young Master, no problem."

Chapter 452: Let's Check Out the Inherited Treasures_1

“Hmph, it turns out to be a little python demon that has attached itself to humans, a disgrace to our demon beast clan!” The six Tauren generals shouted.

Golden Claw Python naturally didn't have a good temper either. While hissing and sticking out its tongue, it coldly said, “I am not an ordinary demonic python. Also, don't bring up the demon beast clan. Apart from serving your Tauren Clan, do you Tauren generals serve the entire demon beast clan? It seems that the honest nature of the Tauren Clan is nothing but a facade.”

Golden Claw Python had lived for a long time and couldn't be easily fooled like the Black Mountain Black Bear brothers. It had chosen to follow Yang Chen after thorough consideration, and the so-called matter of the clan was simply a joke.

In this world, if one doesn't look out for oneself, they will suffer.

For example, the Tauren generals, besides serving the Tauren Clan, would they serve other demonic beast groups or the whole demonic beast clan?

Of course not.

And the fact is that the Tauren generals serve the Tauren Clan, and only for themselves.

Golden Claw Python followed Yang Chen simply because Yang Chen treated it well and because it saw hope in staying with him.

These were none of the six Tauren generals' business.

The Tauren generals didn't expect that Golden Claw Python's words would leave them speechless, so they could only latch onto one point and scold, “You still say you're not an ordinary demonic python? Hmph, I think you're just a small python snake.”

“Hahaha.”

There were traces of ridicule between the six Tauren generals' words, which truly enraged the Golden Claw Python.

Nowadays, it had reached the first level of the Origin Martial Realm, but it had never used its full strength. Facing the provocation of the six Tauren generals, it momentarily forgot that the cow demon was one of the bravest and best fighters in the demon beast clan. It opened its mouth wide, directly spitting out clusters of bubbles.

Boom.

Then, one bubble after another, it seemed that the Golden Claw Python's mouth could spit out a river. These streams of water were like sharp arrows, killing the six Tauren generals!

This caused the Tauren generals to panic, "That's not right, how can an ordinary Python summon such a large amount of water."

"It's not an ordinary demonic python!"

"Then what is it?"

The six Tauren generals were shocked for a moment.

They really couldn't see what was different about the Golden Claw Python.

In fact, that one claw of the Golden Claw Python was hidden deep, and Yang Chen had discovered it by accident and luck. How could the six Tauren generals notice it? And since they hadn't noticed it, they naturally couldn't recognize Golden Claw Python's true identity.

Of course, Golden Claw Python wouldn't explain anything to the Tauren generals. After spitting out clusters of water, it raised its head proudly, opened its mouth wide, and roared. It then spat out clusters of fire.

In an instant, the surrounding space was engulfed by the flames, a combination of ice and fire, tightly wrapping the entire space.

Yang Chen, who was secretly communicating with the Heavenly Thunder power, couldn't help but feel emotional.

You should know that even if a demonic beast reached the Origin Martial Realm, it still couldn't unleash a power like that of the Golden Claw Python.

It was displaying both fire and water, covering the entire space in a wide range. Ordinary demonic beasts couldn't reach this level.

"It seems that the Golden Claw Python indeed has the potential to become a True Dragon," Yang Chen murmured, "When it was in the Spirit Martial Realm, Brother Jin had a deep understanding of the water of the Five Elements. But now in the Origin Martial Realm, its control over flames has also greatly improved. In an instant, it has displayed the power of both ice and fire, and it seems like it's fighting one against six."

Seeing his companion so strong, Yang Chen was naturally overjoyed.

However, the Golden Claw Python's strong performance only lasted for a short time.

The six Tauren generals were no pushovers either. After being briefly disrupted by the ice and fire, they immediately took to the air, brandishing their long spears and charging at Golden Claw Python from different directions.

Since Golden Claw Python had received Yang Chen's orders, it naturally wouldn't let the Tauren generals pass by it. Seeing them charging, it swiftly coiled its tail and struck towards the generals.

However, the Tauren generals were all battle-tested, wearing armor, and having impressive merit. Moreover, they were small in size, giving them an advantage, unlike the Golden Claw Python, which had a huge body.

The six Tauren generals were like ants, but infinitely powerful. As the Golden Claw Python faced one or two of them, it wasn't a problem, but when it faced six, naturally, two or three of them slipped through its defences and jumped onto its body. The generals held their long spears and stabbed directly at Golden Claw Python's body.

The Golden Claw Python screamed in pain and gradually fell into a disadvantage.

Yang Chen naturally saw all this, and he couldn't help but feel distressed as he sighed.

It seemed that the Golden Claw Python found it quite difficult to face these six Tauren generals.

This wasn't surprising, even though the Golden Claw Python might become a True Dragon in the future, it was still not a True Dragon, just an evolved giant python. To become a real dragon, there was still a long way to go.

With its current strength, it had already done its best to delay the Tauren generals for so long.

"It's about time, and the thunder power I've communicated with is enough," Yang Chen mumbled. Then, he suddenly sent a sound transmission, "Brother Python, don't fight anymore, come back."

Though feeling unconvinced, Golden Claw Python knew it was quite difficult to face the six Tauren generals. It immediately coiled its body and escaped quickly, then swiftly retreated into the Eight Extremities Flowing River Space.

"Hmph, just a mere Python demon dares to compete with us six brothers. On the other hand, you humans don't know where you got a giant python to help you. Do you really think you can overcome us six brothers? We're curious about what other means you have!" The Tauren generals sneered.

"What other means..."

As Yang Chen muttered, he suddenly shouted, "Five Thunder Righteous Method!"

In an instant, a purple Heavenly Thunder fell out of thin air.

There was no sound, no time for anyone to react.

As the Heavenly Thunder fell, two Tauren generals failed to react in time and were struck by it. Their bodies were charred, and their lifeless bodies fell to the ground. They died on the spot.

This left the other four Tauren generals dumbfounded, unable to believe what was happening before them. However, before they could come back to their senses, another purple Heavenly Thunder fell, followed by the third, fourth, and fifth strikes. With a total of five Heavenly Thunders, Yang Chen's Five Thunder Righteous Method was officially over!

When they looked back at the six Tauren generals, all of them had been wiped out, not a single one remaining!

Yang Chen didn't show any joy, instead, he smiled bitterly and said, "After using the Five Thunder Righteous Method, I don't have any True Qi left. Tiandu Senior, I won't need the eighth challenge, just send me to the second floor. I want to see what treasures you left for me!"

Chapter 453: Inheritance Memory Activation?_1

Actually, he still had some hidden cards, such as the God Piercing Nail, which had the power to kill in an instant. Although it was not as powerful as the Five Thunder Righteous Method, it could still play a miraculous effect in single-target sneak attacks.

However, his True Qi was really consumed a lot, even with hidden cards, he couldn't use them. Moreover, the Golden Claw was also injured and needed to recover in the Eight Extremities Flowing River Space for a short time. So, after weighing the pros and cons, he chose to temporarily avoid the eighth challenge and take a look at what Tiandu Emperor left for future generations first.

Tiandu Emperor was obviously paying attention to Yang Chen. As Yang Chen's voice fell, he felt the surrounding scene change. This time, it was not a fake scene formed by prohibition but Yang Chen could genuinely feel that everything around him was real.

This made Yang Chen secretly mutter, it seemed that this was where the treasure left by the Tiandu Emperor was located.

“Little guy, you’ve consumed a lot of True Qi. Take this elixir and refine it, it can recover a lot of True Qi in your body.”

In an instant, an elixir appeared in the air, startling Yang Chen. Holding the elixir and carefully examining it, he couldn’t help but sigh, “Is this Yuanmei Pill? A Grade 5 Intermediate Pill, Tiandu Senior, this... I’m just a Half-step Yuan Martial Realm, only a few Tier 3 or Tier 4 pills would be enough to restore the True Qi in my body. You gave me a Grade 5 pill. I’m overwhelmed.”

“Tier 3 and Tier 4? Hmm, the old man doesn’t have that kind of garbage. The least is this Yuanmei Pill,” Tiandu Emperor said.

This left Yang Chen with a bitter smile on his face.

The Great Emperor is truly a Great Emperor. People of his level are just extraordinary. Besides, asking an emperor for a Tier 3 or Tier 4 pill is an insult, right?

“Speaking of which, you have a good eye, recognizing the Yuanmei Pill. Hehe, consider it my special reward for being the only one who passed the fifth level.” Tiandu Emperor slowly said.

“Thank you, senior, for your recognition.” Yang Chen hurriedly said.

Soon, he refined the Yuanmei Pill into his body. As a cooling effect spread throughout his body, Yang Chen’s True Qi was also restored.

It was only then that Yang Chen carefully looked around. This so-called second floor was a large hall, filled with various treasures, Spirit Elixir Miraculous Medicine, and some secret methods and scriptures. However, each of these items was surrounded by prohibitions, making it impossible to peek.

Yang Chen curiously asked, “Tiandu Senior, are these the treasures you left for future generations?”

“Yes, these are the things the Emperor left behind. There are high-quality Spirit Weapons for array formation, secret methods I collected back then, high-grade elixirs, Demonic Beast Pills, rare materials, and so on. The variety is quite diverse.”

Tiandu Emperor briefly explained: “Of course, although there are many types, each genius who passes the fifth level can only choose one. There are at least hundreds of these treasures in inheritance. Humph, those little guys underestimate me. If they could really pass the fifth level, wouldn’t there be something for them?”

Although Yang Chen didn’t know what had happened, he could more or less guess that it must have been those geniuses complaining about the rules.

This made him laugh. After all, Tiandu Emperor didn’t owe them anything.

Thinking about it, Yang Chen couldn’t help but ask, “Senior, how high-quality are these Spirit Weapons?”

“Not too high, just Mysterious Heavenly Spirit Treasures.” Tiandu Emperor said nonchalantly.

Yang Chen couldn’t help being amused, as Tiandu Emperor was truly something else. Mysterious Heavenly Spirit Treasures were not too high in his eyes?

Many people dreamt of having Mysterious Heavenly Spirit Treasures, but in Tiandu Emperor’s mouth, it seemed that it wasn’t even a big deal.

Yang Chen couldn’t help but feel helpless, and his heart was even more stirred.

Just passing the fifth level alone offered such a rich selection. What would happen if he managed to pass the tenth level? Now, as he carefully looked at the many treasures in front of him, not a single one was not a rare treasure in the outside world. Just revealing them would cause a bloody storm.

Would an Emperor’s collection have any ordinary items?

Not to mention anything else, having the chance to challenge the second time by passing the tenth level would be worth it.

“Alright, Yang Chen, now that you’ve passed the fifth level, you can choose one of the treasures left by the Emperor, and then proceed to the next challenge,” Tiandu Emperor said.

Yang Chen’s heart was moved, he was more interested in choosing the Mysterious Heavenly Spirit Treasure that could directly enhance his Martial Arts Cultivation.

Even if he didn’t choose the Mysterious Heavenly Spirit Treasure, selecting some high-level materials and making talismans would also be considered an upgrade to his Martial Arts Cultivation.

However, just as his thoughts fell, Yang Chen suddenly felt the commotion of the Fishpeople Tribe in the Eight Extremities Flowing River Space. Yang Chen looked over and saw a brightly colored flower not far away. The flower was pink with a faint light surrounding it, so beautiful that it moved hearts.

“The Ancient Spirit Flower?” Yang Chen was suddenly taken aback, completely unexpected that among the treasures left by the Tiandu Emperor, there was such a rare treasure like the Ancient Spirit Flower.

The Ancient Spirit Flower was indeed a rare treasure with many uses. For martial artists, it had extraordinary effects, but for some Demonic Beasts, it had even more extraordinary significance.

Because one petal of the Ancient Spirit Flower could awaken the memories of inheritance in the minds of some Demonic Beasts with such memories.

Many Fish People did not have their inheritance memories unlocked.

Why?

One reason was that they didn’t live long enough, and secondly, they didn’t have any opportunities.

It was quite normal. How vast was the inheritance memory of Fish People? Through countless generations of reproduction, not every Fish-person could perfectly unlock their inheritance memories before they died. Both luck and lifespan were indispensable, which was also the reason why many Fish People tried to live longer.

Inheritance memory was too important.

And this Ancient Spirit Flower was a rare treasure that could unlock the inheritance memories of Demonic Beasts.

It was also the reason why the fish people were so agitated just now. This was simply a holy relic that the Fishpeople Tribe had longed for in their dreams.

However, they didn't ask for it, nor did they remind Yang Chen, nor did they even utter a word.

Yang Chen was touched by this, knowing that the Fish People did not want to let him give up the chance to choose other holy items just for a mere Ancient Spirit Flower that was useful only to them.

However, since he had taken in the Fishpeople Tribe, Yang Chen naturally had to consider them. He could have other opportunities to get Mysterious Heavenly Spirit Treasures, but there was only one Ancient Spirit Flower, which was a once-in-a-lifetime encounter. If he missed it, it would be really hard to find another one.

Chapter 454: Jiang Caiying Passes the Challenge_1

With that in mind, Yang Chen didn't hesitate and made the decision: "Tiandu Senior, I choose the Ancient Spirit Flower."

"Oh? You kid, your words are quite astonishing. Is this choice for those fish people companions of yours?" The Tiandu Emperor spoke in a tone full of mockery.

Yang Chen couldn't help but be surprised. Indeed, nothing could hide from the Tiandu Emperor. The emperor seemed not to mention it, but he actually knew everything. The Fishpeople Tribe had never

revealed themselves, and their souls rarely appeared. Yet, they were still discovered by the Tiandu Emperor.

“Hehe, kid, you have quite a few secrets on you, but this emperor has guessed some of them. Don’t worry, I’m not interested in the secrets on your body. I’m just a dead man who is only interested in the tasks left behind by my previous self. Unfortunately, I’m now just a soul and can’t do much...”

There was endless sorrow in the words of the Tiandu Emperor, after which he said: “Kid, let me chat with you for a bit. Although I don’t know much about your strength, I can roughly estimate it. You can try your hardest to pass the Eighth Challenge, but chances are slim, maybe five or six tenths probability. As for the Ninth Level, the probability is low, but this emperor thinks that you are full of unknowns, and there may be one or two-tenths of hope.”

“As for the Tenth Level, with your current performance, there’s no chance of success. If you choose other treasures, such as possessing a Mysterious Heavenly Spirit Treasure, your chances of passing the level will increase a lot. Are you sure you want to give up such an opportunity to open the Fishpeople Tribe’s legacy memories? Although I admit that their memories are important, they are not as important as your current situation.”

The hint in the words of the Tiandu Emperor was quite obvious now.

He was clearly telling Yang Chen that the treasures left behind by passing the Tenth Level were far more precious than the Ancient Spirit Flower, hundreds or even thousands of times better.

But Yang Chen’s mind had been made up, so how could he change it easily? He said: “Tiandu Senior, my mind is set, I’ll take this Ancient Spirit Flower.”

“You really are a sincere person, alright. The Fishpeople Tribe is naturally suspicious, but since they can follow you, there must be a reason. At least your treatment of them is worthy of them. Fortunately, the Fishpeople Tribe’s legacy memories are quite valuable, and in the future, they might be a suitable ally for you.” said the Tiandu Emperor.

Suddenly, the prohibition around the Ancient Spirit Flower broke.

Yang Chen quickly said, "Thank you, Tiandu Senior."

If the prohibition wasn't broken, trying to take the flower without permission would surely result in death, even for martial artists in the True Martial Realm, Earth Martial Realm, or even higher realms.

Only after breaking the prohibition and taking the Ancient Spirit Flower could the process go smoothly.

Now holding the Ancient Spirit Flower, Yang Chen called out the members of the Fishpeople Tribe.

Seeing Yang Chen holding the Ancient Spirit Flower, the Fishpeople girls and elders were all deeply grateful: "Young Master Yang, you have shown us such great kindness, how can our Fishpeople Tribe repay you?"

As the chosen leader of the Fishpeople Tribe, Rainbow listened to the elders' instructions and said to Yang Chen, "Young Master, from now on, our Fishpeople Tribe will follow you as our master and call you Young Master."

At first, there was no grudge between the Fishpeople Tribe and Yang Chen, but due to their suspicious nature and unwillingness to be looked down upon, they still called him Young Master Yang.

But now, the Fishpeople Tribe's thoughts have changed.

Could they still call him Young Master Yang?

How could they repay his great kindness?

This Ancient Spirit Flower was the key to unlocking their legacy memories.

For generations, the fish people women have been born, grown old, sick, and died with limited legacy memories. It was as if they knew there was a treasure trove of knowledge in their minds, but they had no way of exploring it.

There was no other choice, as the invaluable legacy memories left by their ancestors could be plundered by evil people if they were unlocked without sufficient power. At that time, the valuable treasures left by their ancestors would fall into the hands of the wicked.

Various factors led to them being unable to unlock the legacy memories in their minds.

But now, Yang Chen had given them the opportunity.

The Ancient Spirit Flower.

With such great kindness, wouldn't it be fine for the Fishpeople Tribe to follow Yang Chen?

At least, Yang Chen had never looked down on them.

"No need for titles like Young Master. I consider you all family, and giving you this Ancient Spirit Flower is nothing. Rainbow, you should quickly distribute the petals of the Ancient Spirit Flower and return to the Eight Extremities Flowing River Space to try and unlock your legacy memories. You are all my good helpers." Yang Chen said with a smile.

"Yes, Young Master!" Rainbow and other girls choked with tears, took the Ancient Spirit Flower, and obediently returned to the Eight Extremities Flowing River Space.

The Tiandu Emperor couldn't help but sigh, "You kid, oh well. It's your choice, I won't interfere. But I am really curious about what the Fishpeople Tribe's fully unlocked memories would be like. The fish people from the ancient times were very intelligent, and though humans plundered and burned the Fishpeople Tribe, they might have gained the essence of the Fishpeople Tribe's true memories. But in my opinion, heh, I'm afraid it's not that simple."

Yang Chen was also secretly wondering.

At least for now, the Fishpeople Tribe's legacy memories were not that simple. From the beginning, he thought the Fishpeople Tribe's legacy memories, as shown by Rainbow, were already at their limit, but it seemed they were far from it now.

Besides, there were the Ten Despair Challenges.

He still clearly remembered what the Tiandu Emperor had said earlier.

Even if he possessed a Mysterious Heavenly Spirit Treasure, it seemed that his chances of passing the Tenth Level were not great – just how terrifying was the existence in the Tenth Level?

Just as he was pondering, the Tiandu Emperor suddenly laughed and said, “Oh? Someone else has passed the Fifth Level. Now you have a companion.”

“Oh?” Yang Chen became very curious.

Who was it that had passed the Fifth Level of the Ten Despair Challenges after him?

Just as he was thinking, a beautiful female face appeared in a flash of light, and upon seeing her, Yang Chen realized it was none other than Jiang Caiying.

“Miss Jiang? Haha, congratulations.” Yang Chen laughed.

Jiang Caiying regained her composure, and looking at Yang Chen who was indeed here, she was secretly grateful. Others might not know, but she knew very well that her ability to pass the Fifth Level once again had a lot to do with the Spirit Talisman Yang Chen had given her.

Chapter 455: The Function of the Key_1

Undeniably, the defensive talisman played a significant role in helping her avoid the first wave of attacks, allowing her to catch her breath and counterattack her enemies. Eventually, using the astonishing power of the Rainbow Needle, she barely made it through the fifth level and arrived at the second floor, finally having the opportunity to witness the Emperor’s Treasure.

It can be said that without Yang Chen's help, Jiang Caiying would have had a hard time getting through the fifth level even in a new round of selection.

Although she was grateful in her heart, she did not say it out loud, but merely remarked, "Yang Chen, we meet again."

"Miss Jiang, you're here, it seems that Emperor Senior has already started a new round of selection. Time really flies. By the way, Miss Jiang, you should also take a look at the surrounding environment. It seems that the treasures left by Emperor Senior are all here," Yang Chen sighed.

Jiang Caiying had already begun to look around, and when she saw the treasures around her, she couldn't help but take a deep breath, evidently shocked as well.

"Girl, now that you've made it through the fifth level, you have one chance to choose. Hehe, pick one for yourself." The Tiandu Emperor yawned lazily, showing no interest in Jiang Caiying, and simply made a brief mention before falling silent again.

Jiang Caiying, on the other hand, was not an impatient person and meticulously observed her surroundings.

At the same time, suddenly, the entire space seemed to tremble slightly.

"Boom."

A faint rumbling sound came from the outside world, which made Yang Chen keenly aware and couldn't help but ask, "Tiandu Senior, what's going on?"

"Oh? The west gate just opened, that's all. No need to worry about it," Tiandu Emperor waved his hand.

"West gate? What's the story with the west gate?" Yang Chen blinked.

Seeing Yang Chen's confusion, Tiandu Emperor did not hesitate to explain, "There are a total of three gates in Sky Capital City. Each gate requires one of the three keys that I issued back then to open. Oh, I just remembered, it should have been the two of you who opened the east gate, right?"

"It was indeed this Junior," Yang Chen respectfully replied.

"Hmm..." Tiandu Emperor looked at Yang Chen with interest, "So you mean the keys are in your hands now?"

"How did Senior know?" Yang Chen couldn't help but ask curiously.

Tiandu Emperor tutted, "I didn't know at first, but seeing your expression, I can deduce most of it. Kid, your ability to keep a straight face is indeed impressive, but it's still not enough in front of me. The girl's expression when hearing about the key is quite different from yours, and you, on the other hand, seem a bit more tricky."

Yang Chen couldn't help but smile bitterly, but he wasn't surprised that Tiandu Emperor could guess the truth.

There were only him and Jiang Caiying on the second floor, and they were the first two to enter the Celestial Capital City. As powerful as the Tiandu Emperor was, a simple comparison between the two expressions would easily lead him to the correct conclusion.

Yang Chen didn't mind the key at all, but was simply curious, "Tiandu Senior, what exactly was your intention for leaving these keys behind back then? What is the difference between the east and west gate?"

That was also Yang Chen's long-standing curiosity.

Although this would be his first time knowing that there were three gates in Tiandu City, he did know that Tiandu Emperor left behind three keys, which really screwed over the descendants- well, at least it screwed him.

Tiandu Emperor calmly replied, "If you were to ask what was the purpose of leaving three keys... 'hehe', naturally to add some competitive fun for the talents of future generations. Competition leads to strength, and only by becoming strong enough can one achieve excellent results in the Ten Despair Challenges created by me."

"So, what's the story with the east and west gate?" Yang Chen couldn't help but ask.

The west gate, having been opened just now, meant that besides him, someone else who had gotten the key had also opened one of the gates of Tiandu City.

Tiandu Emperor waved his hand and said, "Strictly speaking, there is not much difference. It's just that the assessment methods will have subtle changes. However, the ultimate goal is to pass the Ten Despair Challenges. The reason why three gates were set up was in case there were not enough keys issued, no one could open this Tiandu City, what then?"

Yang Chen couldn't help but smile bitterly.

The Tiandu Emperor really had a unique personality and a quirky disposition.

But it seemed to be true; what if the number of keys issued wasn't enough and no one could get a key, wouldn't the inheritance that Tiandu Emperor worked so hard to leave behind become a tragedy?

Tiandu Emperor had indeed thought thoroughly, covering all possible loopholes.

With thoughts in his heart, Yang Chen couldn't help but feel a little wronged, saying, "Tiandu Senior, you deliberately left three keys behind. Is it really as simple as letting those who get the keys open the gates? If that's really the case, isn't it a little unfair to those who open the gates?"

That was what bothered him the most.

Having two keys, he was initially quite excited, but upon arriving and learning that the main function of the two keys he had guarded so painstakingly was nothing more than to open the gates, he was rather disappointed.

Tiandu Emperor snorted impatiently, “Hmph, kid, do you think I am an unreasonable person? Since you went through so much trouble to contend for the keys, you naturally deserve some privileges that others don’t have.”

“Senior, what privileges?” Yang Chen couldn’t help but ask.

Tiandu Emperor tutted, “Actually, in the beginning, I didn’t know that you had the key. I was quite worried that you, with all the infinite possibilities, chose an Ancient Spirit Flower instead of trying something else. But now that I know you have a key, it seems appropriate. This key can be exchanged for an opportunity to pick a treasure from here!”

“What?” Yang Chen was suddenly shocked, “Senior, do you mean that I can exchange one key for one chance?”

This was wonderful.

Having two keys meant that he could have two chances, right?

However, Yang Chen was not in a hurry to exchange both keys at once.

Tiandu Emperor said, “Exactly, kid. I advise you to use the key to exchange for something to enhance your strength before trying to advance further. Otherwise, going down further would be absolutely impossible for you. As for the key, you have to take it out so I can lift the prohibition for you.”

“As a spiritual soul body, I cannot act without restrictions due to the prohibition combined with the mortal body. So I have to follow the rules, hehe, I can’t make any private deals with you.”

Yang Chen was able to understand, so without any hesitation, he immediately took out the key.

Although he didn’t know where Tiandu Emperor’s spiritual soul body was, the moment Yang Chen took out his key, he felt a strong and overbearing spiritual sense sweeping over him and inconspicuously took away the key.

All this was obviously the handiwork of Tiandu Emperor.

Chapter 456: Blazing Flame Brush_1

Yang Chen couldn't help but sigh. It seemed that the Tiandu Emperor's attainments in the Divine Soul Path were simply beyond compare with him and the Fishpeople Tribe. With a sweep of his divine soul, he could even shake substantial objects. Although it was just a key, it was already an incredible thing for soul power.

With the key acquired, the Tiandu Emperor said slowly, "Alright, Yang Chen, now that I have the key, you have the opportunity to choose for the second time."

Yang Chen wasted no time and looked around right away.

He had a certain target in mind during his last choice but had to give it up because of the Ancient Spirit Flower. Now that he had a second chance, he targeted a brush lying flat under the prohibition not far away.

The size of this brush was as big as his arm, with white and fluffy bristles, showing its exquisite craftsmanship.

Yang Chen curiously asked, "Tiandu Senior, what is the name of this brush?"

"This brush is called 'Blazing Fire' and is a very unique Mysterious Heavenly Spirit Treasure," the Tiandu Emperor explained calmly.

"Blazing Fire?" Yang Chen asked curiously, "Senior, this brush doesn't seem to have anything to do with fire."

"Hmph, kid, what do you know? In order for the Blazing Flame Brush to exert its power, it mostly depends on a divine object called Blazing Sky Sacred Fire," the Tiandu Emperor laughed.

Yang Chen was stunned, "Blazing Sky Sacred Fire? What is that?"

He had heard of the Blazing Sky Sacred Fire before. It was a kind of fire that was quite fierce and domineering among the many Strange Fires. Unlike the gentle Starfire, the Blazing Sky Sacred Fire is an extremely domineering Yang Gang Fire, rumored to be the most intense heat in the world, with concentrations even higher than magma.

In his previous life, Yang Chen also thought about the Blazing Sky Sacred Fire, but unfortunately, the Strange Fire was elusive and not something that one could obtain just by wishing for it.

"The Blazing Sky Sacred Fire is the ink for the Blazing Sky Brush," said the Tiandu Emperor with a sigh. "It is said that when the Blazing Sky Brush is combined with the Blazing Sky Sacred Fire, using the sacred fire as ink, it unleashes immense power that is far beyond the ordinary Mysterious Heavenly Spirit treasures, truly terrifying!"

Yang Chen couldn't help but be amazed. Even the existence of the Tiandu Emperor marveled at the power of the Blazing Flame Brush combined with the Blazing Sky Sacred Fire, showing just how powerful the Blazing Flame Brush could be when pushed to its limits.

But obviously, the Tiandu Emperor didn't have the Blazing Sky Sacred Fire.

Yang Chen couldn't help but ask, "Senior, if there is no Blazing Sky Sacred Fire, how can this Blazing Sky Brush be used?"

"How can it be used, it's useless," the Tiandu Emperor shrugged. "This is the main issue with this Xuan Tian treasure. However, to say that it has absolutely no use is a bit excessive. The Blazing Fire Brush has a wide range of uses, particularly in drawing prohibition formations and talisman scrolls, which can greatly increase their effectiveness and success rate."

Having said that, the Tiandu Emperor added, "Apart from this, the only unique effect of the Blazing Fire Brush lies in its spatial functionality. When your martial arts cultivation has reached a high level, using this Blazing Fire Brush, you can tear through space itself. However, for you now, it is still too far away. So to put it simply, this Blazing Fire Brush is a treasure, but it's somewhat useless for you."

Yang Chen could not deny the Tiandu Emperor's words, but the essence lay in the ability to draw prohibition formations and talisman scrolls.

What was the reason for him to notice the Blazing Fire Brush from the beginning?

It was because of the need for some very special tools to draw talisman scrolls and prohibition formations.

Such treasures are usually hard to come by, let alone the Blazing Fire Brush, which is a Mysterious Heavenly Spirit Treasure.

The Tiandu Emperor probably thought it was nearly impossible to find the Blazing Sky Sacred Fire, which would make the Blazing Fire Brush quite useless, so he placed it together with these other treasures.

Yang Chen pondered secretly.

He soon had an idea, "Senior, I choose this Blazing Fire Brush."

This choice made the Tiandu Emperor a bit puzzled about what was going on in Yang Chen's mind. He snorted, "Kid, I wonder what you're thinking. Why do you always choose useless things?"

What the Tiandu Emperor didn't understand was that Yang Chen's choice of the Blazing Fire Spirit Brush was not useless. The drawing of talisman scrolls was very demanding in terms of skillfulness, and given Yang Chen's limited time, he was not likely to waste too much time learning to draw talisman scrolls. That's when the effect of the Blazing Fire Spirit Brush would come into play.

It can greatly increase the success rate of drawing talisman scrolls, which is simply a dream treasure for him, and something that's hard to find.

Moreover, he still had the second key, which could offer him a chance for a third treasure selection. Since it's a rare opportunity, he was eager to pick this kind of treasure that could be missing tomorrow.

Though the Tiandu Emperor was displeased, he could not decide Yang Chen's choice. He only asked, "Kid, are you sure?"

"Senior, my mind is made up," Yang Chen answered resolutely.

With a dispirited tone, the Tiandu Emperor helped Yang Chen remove the prohibition.

Yang Chen took the Blazing Fire Spirit Brush, his face filled with joy.

At the same time, Jiang Caiying's choice also came to an end, as she said, "Senior, I choose this treasure."

"Oh? A Sea-breaking Sword?" The Tiandu Emperor was delighted, "Little girl, it is true that your natural talent is no match for this kid, but your discerning eye is quite keen. This Sea-breaking Sword is indeed a proper treasure, much stronger than what that kid chose."

Jiang Caiying rolled her eyes, feeling indignant at the Tiandu Emperor's words that her talent was inferior to Yang Chen. However, recalling Yang Chen's demon-like record, she couldn't help but feel helpless as the Tiandu Emperor's words were undeniable and irrefutable.

So, after Jiang Caiying chose the Sea-breaking Sword, Yang Chen also put the Blazing Fire Spirit Brush into his pocket.

Soon after, he made some preparations and straightforwardly said, "Senior, I have recovered and am ready. Please send me to the Eighth Challenge."

"Are you prepared?" asked the Tiandu Emperor.

Yang Chen nodded, "Yes, Senior, I am already prepared."

Now that he had fully recovered, his true qi restored, and his Golden Claw injuries were almost healed, there was no reason not to take on the eighth challenge.

At that moment, when he regained consciousness, the surroundings had changed.

Yang Chen suddenly opened his eyes and found himself in a beautiful paradise with flowers, grass, and waterfalls.

However, the occupants of this paradise were rather ordinary.

Yang Chen looked carefully and saw three lion-faced, human-bodied demonic beasts.

These three lion-faced, human-bodied demonic beasts were holding large knives in their hands, emitting a fierce aura and blood-red eyes. Yang Chen couldn't help but mutter to himself, "Mad Lion Demon Beasts?"

Chapter 457: Charging into the Ninth Level in Anger_1

Mad Lions are a very unique type of Demonic Beast among the lion pride.

How to describe it...

If one had to put it into words, they are mutated lions, and after mutation, they become even stronger than they were before mutation. They are called Mad Lions, born for battle. Their combat power is unimaginable.

Now, Yang Chen faces three of them at once.

And the Martial Arts Cultivation of each of these three heads has reached the second layer of the Yuan Martial Realm.

Even a powerful person who has genuinely reached the second layer of the Yuan Martial Realm would have to retreat three times if they came here. But Yang Chen, with only half-step Yuan Martial Realm Cultivation, has to face these three Mad Lion Demonic Beasts and must compete with them to determine victory and defeat.

This made Yang Chen sigh in distress.

With his Half-step Yuan Martial Realm Cultivation, he faced formidable opponents while going through the Ten Despair Challenges. If his Martial Arts Cultivation were even higher, what kind of opponents would he encounter?

It should be noted that the opponents in the Ten Despair Challenges are entirely decided by one's own Martial Arts Cultivation.

With this in mind, Yang Chen knew that there was no room for fluke and gradually made his gaze determined.

The three Mad Lion Demonic Beasts were not the kind of Demonic Beasts that liked to talk. The moment they saw Yang Chen, they charged towards him without any explanation, and in front of him was an extraordinarily powerful claw.

Yang Chen quickly unfolded the Lightning Movement Technique to dodge, then summoned Golden Claw without any hesitation.

By the time he summoned the Golden Claw, Yang Chen's intentions had become crystal clear.

Quite simply, he wanted to use the Golden Claw to help him buy time and then use the Five Thunder Righteous Method!

Yang Chen understood very well that when facing three Mad Lion Demonic Beasts with Martial Arts Cultivation much stronger than his own, hiding and withholding strength would be the most foolish choice. The best approach was to use their full strength without any reservation from the start.

Half an hour later, in the blink of an eye.

Now looking at what was once Paradise, it had been utterly destroyed, with ice and fire everywhere. Golden Claw was curled up in a miserable state, and Yang Chen was squatting on the ground, panting for breath and covered in sweat. It was not difficult to tell that he had just gone through a bitter battle.

Indeed, during this half-hour, he really had fought bitterly.

The old method originally used for the Seventh Challenge was obviously forced when it was applied in the Eighth Challenge.

The strength of the three Mad Lion Demonic Beasts exceeded Yang Chen's expectations. With the Golden Claw's full resistance, Yang Chen had just barely managed to buy enough time. Even so, the Five Thunder Righteous Method still left the three Mad Lion Demonic Beasts with a breath left, failing to completely annihilate them.

This exhausted both him and the Golden Claw, and it took the strength of nine bulls and two tigers to finally solve the three Mad Lion Demonic Beasts.

Now that Yang Chen has recalled Golden Claw back into the Eight Extremities Flowing River Space, he almost had no thoughts for the Ninth Level. He mumbled to himself, "Now that my True Qi is once again depleted, although I have elixirs to supplement the True Qi in my body, considering Golden Claw's injuries and the interval for using the Five Thunder Righteous Method, I don't stand a chance in the Ninth Level based on the growing difficulty of each level."

With that in mind, he could only shake his head, choose to give up, and continue waiting on the second floor.

However, at this moment, Fishman Elder Yun Lu transmitted a message from within the Eight Extremities Flowing River Space.

"What? Elder Yun Lu, do you have a way?" Yang Chen suddenly exclaimed.

Yes, Elder Yun Lu didn't send this message for any other reason but because she seemed to have some unique methods.

This made Yang Chen overjoyed and said, "Elder Yun Lu, what's your plan? Let's hear it."

Elder Yun Lu spoke warmly and cordially, "Young Master, the fact that I have this method is entirely credited to your Ancient Spirit Flower. After taking a petal of the Ancient Spirit Flower, my memory inheritance was unlocked, allowing me to gain control of a large amount of inherited memories within our tribe."

"Oh? How much did you unlock?" Yang Chen asked curiously.

"Well, it's hard for me to explain, but based on my judgment, this inherited memory has only been unlocked in part. To unlock it all, I'm afraid there's still some way to go. We can only wait for opportunities in the future, or we might unlock them by living longer." Yun Lu sighed lightly.

Yang Chen wasn't discouraged about this and laughed, "It doesn't matter. However much we can unlock is good enough. You, Fishpeople Tribe, just do your best. So, with the memory inheritance unlocked this time, your tribe must have gained quite a few good things, right?"

"Of course, our tribe's inherited memories are vast and cover all aspects. It will take a long time to digest the memories unlocked this time alone. The reason I digested them so quickly is because of my high Divine Soul accomplishment."

Yun Lu transmitted her amiable voice, "We've unlocked many things related to elixirs, prohibitions, and many other pathways. Moreover, it's worth mentioning that my Divine Soul Power has also improved from the True Martial Realm to the Earth Martial Realm, and I have also mastered some secret techniques related to Divine Soul, specializing in attacking the enemy's soul!"

"Oh? That's great news." Yang Chen was delighted, "If that's the case, you can help me in the next challenge."

If the Divine Soul Power of the Earth Martial Realm was enough to help him, then it would be the perfect assistant for him.

This assistant shouldn't be wasted by not using it.

"I realized this myself, so I hurriedly came to help Young Master. With Yun Lu's help, the Ninth Challenge won't be a problem for Young Master." Yun Lu said gently.

"Great, Senior Yun Lu, let's tackle the next challenge together." Yang Chen laughed heartily.

At the same time, the Tiandu Emperor's voice also sounded, "Yang Chen, what do you think, will you break through or not?"

"Senior Tiandu, I've decided to tackle the Ninth Level," Yang Chen said.

"Are you sure? With your current state, going for the Ninth Challenge might be a bit forced." The Tiandu Emperor added a few more words.

He didn't know about Yun Lu's situation, and Yang Chen didn't explain either. He just said, "Senior, my junior self still has some confidence."

"Alright, since you have confidence, I won't say anything more. Off you go." The Tiandu Emperor's voice fell, and the surrounding scene instantly changed.

The scenery went from the original Paradise to a dark, burning hell with howling ghosts and wolves all around, filled with screams. No, this wasn't hell; it was more of a battlefield. A terrifying battlefield that made one's heart tremble.

Yang Chen's eyes focused and in the blink of an eye, he saw a green-robed woman glowing all over in this hell-like battlefield. The woman's clothes were covered in eyes, making her look bizarre, but once he saw her beautiful appearance, he completely forgot about her strange outfit.

Chapter 458: Seven-colored Peacock_1

Yang Chen wouldn't let his guard down just because the woman was beautiful, and in fact, Tiandu Emperor wouldn't allow him to do so either.

"Kid, don't let her beauty cause you to drop your guard. Hehe, she is a seven-colored peacock, a strange demonic beast ranked 56th in the monster power rankings. Oh, her martial arts cultivation has reached the fourth level of the Origin Martial Realm!" Tiandu Emperor casually reminded him, then fell silent.

Yang Chen felt helpless.

Origin Martial Realm Fourth Level.

Is this a joke?

The key point is that this seven-colored peacock is an odd demonic beast among the monster power rankings.

Monster power rankings...

This is a name that makes humans shudder.

Although he hadn't experienced the wars of the past, the ancient books had recorded everything clearly. The Icefield Demon Elephant, Night Wolf, and others were just common demonic beasts of the demon beast clan, not to mention the Mad Lion Demon Beast, which was also quite ordinary but just slightly mutated.

There were many stronger than them.

However, even so, they could not enter the monster power rankings.

Demonic beasts that could enter the monster power rankings were very special breeds!

How to explain it?

For example, the top few, such as True Dragon, Sky Phoenix, Qilin, and other divine beasts.

Black Mountain Cloudy Bear was also on the list.

The list recorded some terrifyingly powerful demonic beasts. During the war between demonic beasts and humans, every time these beasts took action, they would cause heavy casualties among humans. It was very difficult to gain any advantage, no matter how much was sacrificed.

One could say that facing the demonic beasts on the monster power ranking alone was almost hopeless during the ancient times unless they were extremely powerful beings.

But now, not only did he have to face the seven-colored peacock alone, but he also had his martial arts cultivation suppressed.

This was simply deadly.

While Yang Chen sighed, the seven-colored peacock stared at him with beautiful big eyes and said with a smile, "It's been many years since I've seen a human. You humans do have such fair and lovely skin. Little guy, why don't you let me eat you and be a good supplement for me?"

"Young Master, be careful. This seven-colored peacock is especially fond of devouring humans. For her, humans are excellent tonic. Back then, countless powerful ones had fallen into her hands." Yun Lu reminded Yang Chen urgently, fearing that he would suffer any loss.

At this moment, Yang Chen also recalled the divine powers of the seven-colored peacock. Its most powerful divine power was devouring. There was almost nothing in the world that the seven-colored peacock couldn't eat. If its Martial Arts Cultivation grew stronger, even a continent could theoretically be devoured by the seven-colored peacock.

Yang Chen couldn't help but be on guard. He didn't want to be eaten by the seven-colored peacock. There had been no cases of someone surviving after being eaten by the seven-colored peacock in the past.

"Little guy, if you don't speak up, I'll take your silence as agreement." The seven-colored peacock giggled.

Yang Chen lazily said, "Senior Peacock, I'm afraid I cannot indulge in such a pleasure."

"Let me think, when you humans face me, you shouldn't be as calm as you are now. Either you fight, or you run away in a panic. Since you're still standing here, you must have some tricks up your sleeve. Hehehe, I like men with ideas. I just wonder what kind of schemes you're hiding in your heart." The seven-colored peacock smiled. Yang Chen narrowed his eyes, didn't expect the Seven-colored Peacock to guess so accurately. With this thought, he no longer hid anything and directly transmitted his voice: "Senior Yun Lu, let's get started."

"Yun Lu...Who is Yun Lu? You've been communicating with someone all this time..." The words of the Seven-colored Peacock were cut off as its body suddenly stiffened.

"Young Master, it's done." Yun Lu said.

Yang Chen was now quite shocked.

Good heavens!

What kind of divine power does this Seven-colored Peacock possess that it can intercept his communication with Yun Lu? As recorded in the ancient books, the strange demon beasts on the Demon Battle Power Ranking are indeed not easy to deal with, each extraordinary in its own right.

"Young Master, you need to hurry. I... I don't think I can hold her for much longer." Yun Lu gritted her teeth, seemingly in great pain.

These words startled Yang Chen: “What, with your Divine Soul Power of the Earth Martial Realm, you’re actually having so much difficulty holding a Seven-colored Peacock at the Yuanwu Realm Fourth Layer?”

Yang Chen was amazed.

He could feel the Seven-colored Peacock trying to break free from Yun Lu’s soul restraint.

This soul restraint that spans a major realm can still be shaken autonomously by the Seven-colored Peacock and even resist it. Moreover, Yun Lu seems unable to hold it much longer. If it were an ordinary person, they would have already given in to Yun Lu’s control.

Where could Yang Chen hesitate? He quickly pulled out the only means he had left, the God Piercing Nail.

The Five Thunder Righteous Method couldn’t be used for now because it couldn’t connect with the Heavenly Thunder Origin and the connection time would be too long. Yun Lu’s soul restraint obviously wouldn’t last that long, so he could only use the God Piercing Nail.

Fortunately, in the current situation, the God Piercing Nail could provide him with an aim!

“Where should I aim? The weak point of this Seven-colored Peacock is...right, it’s her *****, it’s said that there is an eye on the ***** of a Seven-colored Peacock. If I can shatter that eye on her *****, the Seven-colored Peacock will definitely die!” Yang Chen made up his mind.

Suddenly, there was a swooshing sound.

Splash, the God Piercing Nail disappeared at an extremely fast speed, instantly entering the ***** of the Seven-colored Peacock.

Following that, the ***** of the Seven-colored Peacock shone with a flickering light...

“Ahhh, you human thief, you, you actually have a divine soul power comparable to the Earth Martial Realm. I’m not satisfied, I can’t accept this.” The Seven-colored Peacock twisted its body, gnashing its teeth and claws while showing a resentful expression in its words, but soon, its body turned into flying ashes and vanished completely.

This made Yang Chen let out a sigh of relief.

It was truly dangerous. If it weren’t for Yun Lu’s help and the distinct weakness of the Seven-colored Peacock, he would have never passed the ninth level.

There was too much of a difference in Martial Arts Cultivation. The Seven-colored Peacock could shake the divine soul of the Earth Martial Realm. In the face of the Peacock, Yang Chen had almost no chance of winning without the help of Yun Lu’s divine soul. With Yun Lu’s divine soul’s help, his God Piercing Nail couldn’t even aim properly. Even if he could aim, he believed that the Seven-colored Peacock would definitely dodge it.

Or, if the Seven-colored Peacock didn’t have that weakness with the **** eye, he would certainly lose.

Because the God Piercing Nail would be useless.

“Anyhow, we’ve won. Moreover, it seems that the Tiandu Senior who created all this has by default allowed the later generations to use some cunning methods.” Yang Chen smiled bitterly. Indeed, without resorting to tricks, how could he possibly win?

Chapter 459: Purple-eyed Demon Monkey_1

Tiandu Emperor once said that as long as one can pass the trials, any method can be used. It seems that his words are meant to convey a principle to these geniuses – when facing demonic beasts that are not of their own clan, they must use whatever means necessary, and there is no method that can’t be used against enemies.

As long as they can win and defeat their enemies, anything goes.

Upon careful consideration, Yang Chen agreed.

When the Demon Beast Clan faced humans in the past, did they reason with humans? They must have used all kinds of conspiracies and underhand tactics. As they were not of the same clan, there was no need to talk about any Dao intent.

It's the same when humans encounter demonic beasts. What can you reason with them? Any means are acceptable as long as they can win.

Yang Chen gradually understood the deeper meaning behind Tiandu Emperor creating the Ten Despair Challenges. These nearly impossible levels are designed to stimulate the potential and various methods of future generations.

"Yang Chen, the tenth level is next," Tiandu Emperor slowly said. "To be honest, with your current state, you have almost no chance of winning. Are you sure you want to try?"

"Senior, let's give it a try. We must know where we lose even if we lose," Yang Chen replied.

He still wanted to go all out and give it a try.

Yun Lu's Divine Soul Power has reached the Earth Martial Realm, and he doesn't believe that the opponent in the tenth level will be more demonic than the Seven-colored Peacock and can ignore the pressure of the Divine Soul. As long as the Divine Soul power of the rainbow is effective, there is no reason why his God Piercing Nail can't be tested.

The moment Tiandu Emperor heard that Yang Chen was willing to try, the scenery around them changed once again.

With this change, Yang Chen suddenly felt his heart sway.

Because this space is an even more intense battlefield than the ninth level!

Yes, this is a battlefield.

He seemed to hear the sounds of battles and collisions coming from the sky, the distant horizon, and all directions, though he was unsure if they were real or not. However, these were not the most significant concerns. The most important scene was the bloody landscape in front of him, which was breathtaking and despairing.

Even Yang Chen, who considered himself emotionally strong, couldn't help but gasp at this sight.

Corpses covered the ground, seemingly piled into mountains of bodies.

Blood flowed like a river, all human corpses and blood.

Martial artists wearing different clothes lay on the ground, looking terrifying.

In the center of this river of blood stood a monkey that looked very similar to a human in size. It wore an armor and was covered in fluffy hair. Its eyes exuded purple flames and its mouth revealed a ferocious smile.

"Purple-eyed Demon Monkey?" Yang Chen stared in shock at this demonic monkey and immediately yelled, "Yun Lu, quickly, use your Divine Soul Power to bind it!"

He dared not waste even a split second, feeling tens to hundreds of times more nervous than when he had faced the Seven-colored Peacock.

Was Tiandu Emperor playing with him?

Ranked among the top twenty in the Demon Battle Power Ranking, the Purple-eyed Demon Monkey was an incredibly powerful and ruthless being. Once it reached maturity, just like the Black Mountain Black Bear, it dared to challenge even the True Dragon Sky Phoenix. This demon monkey was notoriously hard to control and was one of the strongest battle-type demonic beasts.

Yang Chen couldn't be careless.

Most importantly, the Martial Arts Cultivation of this Purple-eyed Demon Monkey had reached the Sixth Level of Origin Martial Realm.

It was the same as Jiang Caiying's cultivation level. Is this a joke?

Although the Purple-eyed Demon Monkey and Jiang Caiying both had the Sixth Level of the Origin Martial Realm, Yang Chen was certain that even a hundred Jiang Caiyings couldn't defeat this Purple-eyed Demon Monkey. The only thing he could do was to let Yun Lu use her overbearing divine soul power to suppress the Demon Monkey, and then find an opportunity.

Seeing Yang Chen so tense, Yun Lu naturally knew that the Purple-eyed Demon Monkey was extraordinary, and immediately sent out her divine soul to try to interfere with the Demon Monkey.

However, when Yun Lu's divine soul reached the Purple-eyed Demon Monkey, she was struck with fear: "Young master, no, something's not right... My divine soul has no effect on this Purple-eyed Demon Monkey at all."

The Purple-eyed Demon Monkey licked its lips at this moment as if it had noticed some minor movements from Yang Chen. It sneered coldly.

The next moment, it suddenly disappeared from its original position and reappeared beside Yang Chen.

"Young Master, be careful." Yun Lu roared.

Yang Chen also knew to be careful, but it was already too late to dodge.

Very strong.

Too strong.

This Purple-eyed Demon Monkey was as strong as it was impossible to beat.

He didn't even have time to react, and the Demon Monkey had already arrived. What could he do now? Was he really going to die at this tenth level?

Just as he was in turmoil, suddenly, the Purple-eyed Demon Monkey disappeared.

Vanishing in thin air.

Yang Chen was drenched with cold sweat, looking at the empty space in front of him, he knew it must be due to the Tiandu Emperor. He said, "Thank you, senior."

"Hmph, kid, now you know how powerful this tenth level is. As I said, it is impossible for you to pass it in your current state; why would I deceive you?" Tiandu Emperor said in a leisurely manner.

"Senior, even at my peak, I guess I would have no chance of winning against the Purple-eyed Demon Monkey," said Yang Chen with a bitter smile.

Tiandu Emperor lazily said, "How to win is for you youngsters to worry about. I've said it before, if you want good fortune, you must win. If you win, you'll get good fortune, if you can't win, then don't talk so much."

Yang Chen sighed. The Tiandu Emperor was right; these rules are human-made, and he had no grounds to argue.

However, he was very curious, "Senior, what is going on with this Purple-eyed Demon Monkey? Why is the divine soul of Fishman Elder from my tribe unable to interfere with it at all? It doesn't make any sense."

"Hmm, are you curious about this? It's true that the divine soul of your Fishman Elder, being in the Earth Martial Realm, should be more than enough to interfere with beings of the True Martial Realm. The fact that it couldn't interfere with this Purple-eyed Demon Monkey is indeed theoretically unexplainable." Tiandu Emperor laughed.

“So, what’s the explanation?” Yang Chen asked, puzzled.

“It’s because the Martial Arts Cultivation of this Purple-eyed Demon Monkey back then almost surpassed mine,” Tiandu Emperor said with a sigh.

Shocked, Yang Chen stood in place, speechless.

Tiandu Emperor was really too much.

What the hell! This Purple-eyed Demon Monkey’s Martial Arts Cultivation almost surpassed you back then, and you have me fight it?

Tiandu Emperor chuckled, “Don’t worry, I have suppressed this Purple-eyed Demon Monkey’s Martial Arts Cultivation, so when it’s your enemy, its Martial Cultivation is only at the Sixth Level of the Origin Martial Realm. Similarly, each challenger will face this Purple-Eyed Demon Monkey at their tenth level, but I will unseal the Purple-Eyed Demon Monkey’s Martial Arts Cultivation based on the challenger’s Martial Arts Cultivation.”

Chapter 460: Jiang Caiying’s Danger_1

“Of course, the Purple-eyed Demon Monkey was indeed very strong back then. Although its martial arts strength was suppressed by my prohibitions, it’s obviously delusional to think of defeating it with a mere divine soul realm.” The Tiandu Emperor chuckled, “The Divine Soul level of your Fishman Elder in the Earth Martial Realm is not bad either, but it still falls short when facing this purple-eyed demon monkey. To be able to interfere with it, you would have to have martial arts cultivation considerably stronger than mine.”

Yang Chen was now bewildered.

How should he fight this?

That's right, even if the martial arts cultivation of the Purple-eyed Demon Monkey was suppressed to the Sixth Level of Origin Martial Realm, and it was at the same level as himself, the Half-step Yuan Martial Realm, it wouldn't be easy to win. Why? Because how many years has this Purple-eyed Demon Monkey been alive? Back when it was at the same realm as the Tiandu Emperor, it was still not something he could defeat even if it was bound in every way.

The gap in their true realms was too vast.

With this realization, Yang Chen couldn't help but sigh: "Senior, how could I possibly win the tenth level?"

Whether in any of the previous levels, no matter how outrageous the difficulty, he possessed confidence and a grasp of the situation. Even when he encountered the Seven-colored Peacock in the ninth level, he could still maintain his calm. However, in the tenth level, his opponent turned out to be a Purple-eyed Demon Monkey that had lived for countless years. How could he fight this?

Listening to Yang Chen's words, the Tiandu Emperor slowly replied, "Yang Chen, it's not strange for you to think this way. But have you looked around? Although the battlefield scene here is simulated by me, it did indeed happen in the past. Go on, move forward and see for yourself. I have already transferred the Purple-eyed Demon Monkey to another spatial dimension."

Yang Chen hesitated for a moment, unsure of the meaning behind the Tiandu Emperor's words, but still looked forward.

As he walked forward and observed, Yang Chen couldn't help but feel shocked.

Wars were being fought everywhere, with numerous martial artists and demonic beasts battling until they were covered in blood. The sky was a dark mass, and corpses fell from it as life became as worthless as grass here.

Yang Chen couldn't help but gasp for breath.

“Do you see?” The Tiandu Emperor’s tone was stern, “You’re exceptional, and if you hadn’t made it to the tenth level, I wouldn’t even bother telling you all this. But you possess ability, which I appreciate, and that’s why I’m telling you this.”

“The war between humans and demonic beasts in those years is something the later generations living in peace and ease, like you, could never imagine.”

With his stern tone, the Tiandu Emperor continued, “At that time, the demonic beasts had taken over nearly half of the human territories. Humans lived in fear every day, uncertain of their lives. They tried everything to counter the enemy but struggled to drive out the great army of demonic beasts from their homes. Scenes like these happened almost daily in different places, and it was at a time like this when I encountered this Purple-eyed Demon Monkey when entering the tenth level.”

“Do you have any idea how heavy a price I paid? My loyal subordinates were severely wounded, and I almost had to use all my trump cards just to barely capture this Purple-eyed Demon Monkey. With the use of prohibitions, I trapped it forever in the cage I created.”

Yang Chen imagined the scene at that time, swallowing hard.

Although he had lived for two lifetimes, he was still a young man, and couldn’t comprehend the wars that the Tiandu Emperor had experienced.

The pain and foresight of the Tiandu Emperor were difficult for most people to imagine.

“You must be thinking that since I barely managed to capture this demon monkey, there’s no way someone as young as you could do it now,” the Tiandu Emperor said slowly.

Yang Chen felt a bit embarrassed since this indeed crossed his mind.

However, the Tiandu Emperor didn’t seem to blame him, as this was a normal human reaction.

He sighed sorrowfully, “Have you ever thought that if the generations to come continue to harbor such thoughts, who will protect the human territories in the future? It took so much effort for humans back

then to finally drive the demon beast clan out of their lands. If humans don't keep moving forward, how will they deal with the demonic beasts if they attack again? The seal won't last forever, and it will eventually fail. The humans up to now may not have even recovered their vitality since then."

"If humans still have the mindset of not attempting something they think is impossible to accomplish, then when the demonic beasts come, humans will eventually be obliterated. Many people find it hard to believe that it's possible to kill a demon beast beyond one's level, but I'm telling you, that's how the demonic beasts killed humans back then."

Yang Chen suddenly understood the profound meaning in the Tiandu Emperor's words.

Right, if humans have always been so conservative, thinking that it's impossible to achieve something and therefore refuse to attempt it, then when the demonic beasts invade, what changes would there be in the human race compared to the past thousands of years?

There would be none at all.

The Tiandu Emperor spoke loudly, "You may think the rules I set for this challenge are very harsh, but Yang Chen, have you ever considered that you cannot predict what kind of enemy you will face when the demonic beasts invade the human territories in the future? When you encounter a Purple-eyed Demon Monkey much stronger than yourself in martial arts cultivation, can you still reason with it?"

Yang Chen suddenly realized, "Senior, I'm just now understanding the deep meaning behind the Ten Despair Challenges you created."

With a touch of vicissitude, the Tiandu Emperor said, "Though the Ten Despair Challenges are difficult, they are my attempt to tap into your potential. The greatest advantage humans have over demonic beasts is their potential. If the potential of humans can be tapped, they may not be afraid of the demonic beasts in the future."

"Yang Chen, for you right now, defeating this Purple-eyed Demon Monkey is indeed impossible. As for how to defeat it, I don't know either and can't help you, neither can I provide you with any methods. It's all up to you to think and solve it yourself. I won't blame you if you fail, but I hope to see you use all your means to defeat this Purple-eyed Demon Monkey."

Killing the Purple-eyed Demon Monkey was not an option, and their martial arts cultivation was nearly equal, but defeating it would be enough.

Yang Chen closed his eyes and said firmly, "Senior, I understand. Please send me back. I will try every means to defeat this Purple-eyed Demon Monkey."

"Good, I will send you back now."

In the blink of an eye, Yang Chen was back on the second floor.

However, upon returning to the second floor, Yang Chen rubbed his brows as Jiang Caiying's situation seemed to be not very good at the moment.

In the second floor, two people appeared at some point. These two were none other than the Black Dragon Sect disciples mentioned by Jiang Caiying and another person of unknown origins. They joined forces, leaving Jiang Caiying with no choice but to defend with all her might.

What should he say...

They were targeting his ally.