

## Supreme MK 761

### Chapter 761: Yang Chen's Initial Achievements\_1

Describing Yang Chen's current speed of passing levels as drinking water was not an exaggeration at all because his speed was indeed as fast as lightning. If Wu Sheng took only one hour to pass the first ten levels of the True Martial Realm Trial Tower, then Yang Chen...

Only took the time it takes to drink a cup of tea.

The gap had been greatly reduced.

By now, Yang Chen had already entered the Tenth Level.

Breaking into the Tenth Level was not a surprising feat for these geniuses. It's quite normal for a half-step True Martial Realm martial artist to enter the tenth level. However, shocking everyone was the fact that he reached the Tenth Level in just the time it takes to enjoy a cup of tea.

In the time it takes to have a sip of tea, Yang Chen had already rushed to the Tenth Floor. How incredible was that?

"This speed is just too fast!"

"Could it be that this Yang Chen will also make a name for himself in this Trial Tower?"

"This year's Thirty-six Eastern Counties seem to have produced a promising genius!"

"It's too early to jump to conclusions now. Just because he's quick doesn't mean he can make it far. It may seem fast that he has reached the Tenth Level, but if he doesn't have enough stamina, it's all in vain and useless!"

"That's right. In the past, there were no shortage of martial artists who started off strong only to lose strength later on. They all began bravely, but wilted in the end."

Many people thought this way because Yang Chen's speed was just too fast, bordering on unbelievable.

Both Han Zheng and Wu Sheng agreed.

However, just as everyone had their doubts, Yang Chen entered the Eleventh Layer.

Moreover, for Yang Chen, his speed had not slowed down at all. Even when he reached the Eleventh Layer, he still maintained the same speed as when he first started.

Subsequently, Yang Chen entered the Twelfth Floor.

Then the Thirteenth Floor.

That meant that breaking through the levels after the Tenth was the same concept as breaking through the first few levels for Yang Chen. The high pressure and difficulty these levels brought had no significant difference for him.

Indeed!

Yang Chen reached the Thirteenth Floor without slowing down. Since reaching the Half-step True Martial Realm, he had a basic understanding of how to manage his True Qi. As long as he didn't use the Slaughter God Spear, his True Qi would be sufficient to support him in continuing to break through.

That's why from the beginning, Yang Chen had no intention of holding back. He directly used the trump cards of Holy Ants and Starfire.

Under these two trump cards, whether facing one or ten stone monsters made no difference to him.

He plowed through without stopping.

Breaking, breaking, breaking!

Yang Chen controlled an endless stream of Holy Ants, crushing and sweeping through the stone monsters that matched his strength. In a short while, these stone monsters' Combined Attack Formations were broken.

"Starfire, go!" Yang Chen unleashed his technique.

Three breaths later, after having broken open the Combined Attack Formations, the thirteen stone monsters were destroyed one after another.

The thirteen stone monsters turned into stone pieces scattered on the ground.

Yang Chen successfully passed the Thirteenth Floor and entered the Fourteenth Floor.

Fourteenth Floor, fourteen stone monsters.

For Yang Chen, this was, of course, not his limit. It's important to know that before entering the Half-step True Martial Realm, he had already reached the Sixteenth Floor. Although he stopped at the Sixteenth Floor, it still meant that the layers before the Sixteenth Floor were not enough to stop him.

Moreover, now that his strength had greatly increased, reaching the Half-step True Martial Realm and merging with the newly acquired Heavenly Thunder Origin, coupled with the help of Holy Ants, Yang Chen's goal was no longer simply the Sixteenth Floor!

"The only regret is that I didn't bring many spirit talismans with me this time. I just made a few spirit talismans on my way back with Elder Zhu. I'm not sure if it's enough." Yang Chen sighed in his heart.

As the words fell, his hands raised, and with the combined power of Shapeshifting Liquid Fire, Starfire, and the Holy Ants, he defeated the fourteenth floor's stone monsters' Combined Attack Formations. The Fourteenth Floor's stone monsters were then torn apart into pieces of stone.

Yang Chen entered the Fifteenth Floor.

The speed of breaking through levels still did not slow down.

At this point, shock spread through everyone's hearts.

"What... His speed hasn't slowed down at all?"

"Could it be that this kid deliberately used up all his available tactics earlier to save his strength later on? This is undoubtedly a foolish move. What will he use later if he used up all his tactics now?"

"I guess Yang Chen must be doing that!"

"Don't rush to conclusions!"

Everyone was discussing, but most people still thought that Yang Chen's ability to break through so quickly was due to his early use of tactics.

"If Yang Chen had really used up all his tactics early on, then the Fifteenth Floor would be his nightmare."

"Yeah, the difficulty starts to soar once you reach the Fifteenth Floor..."

Before they could finish speaking, the lights on the Fifteenth Floor went out, and then the lights on the Sixteenth Floor quietly came on.

Yang Chen entered the Sixteenth Floor!

As soon as Yang Chen entered the Sixteenth Floor, many people who had doubted and denied his talent before were now looking at each other awkwardly with nothing to say.

“Haha, Yang Chen is indeed excellent. He has entered the Sixteenth Floor. Not bad, not bad.” Zhu Hailong clapped his thighs in appreciation.

In his eyes, Yang Chen being able to break into the Sixteenth Floor was already a very outstanding achievement.

One should be content with what they have. As long as Yang Chen’s performance satisfied him, he didn’t expect Yang Chen to compete with other demons.

However, just as he had this thought, an elder suddenly approached Zhu Hailong and whispered something.

Zhu Hailong wasn’t taking it seriously at first, but when he heard the words, he was taken aback: “What? You said Yang Chen started the Trial Tower at the Yuanwu Realm Fifth Layer and made it all the way to the Sixteenth Floor of the Trial Tower?”

“It’s true. But before entering the Huangsha City Trial Tower, my young friend Yang Chen was only at the Yuanwu Realm Fifth Layer. And even then, he managed to make it to the Sixteenth Floor of the Trial Tower,” said the elder.

Upon hearing this, Zhu Hailong’s eyes lit up with surprise and joy as he exclaimed, “Good, good, good!”

He joked, for Yang Chen to have reached the Sixteenth Floor while only being at the Yuanwu Realm Fifth Layer before entering the Half-step True Martial Realm was truly something to look forward to. If he had known this earlier, he would have given Yang Chen two more treasures. How could he have known that Yang Chen could make such a name for himself in the trial tower?

“It’s truly something to look forward to.” Zhu Hailong was looking forward to it in his heart.

However, just when that happened, someone spoke out inappropriately, “I say, Zhu Hailong, you shouldn’t throw your words around. Heh, who can’t brag?”

Chapter 762: Eighteenth Floor!\_1

“Fu Laogui, who are you saying is bragging?” Zhu Hailong sternly asked.

Fu Laogui was an old man with a frail appearance and a full white beard. He didn't have much interaction with Zhu Hailong, and their relationship was only average. He came from the Western 42 Regions.

Of course, Zhu Hailong wasn't scared of Fu Laogui. As long as it wasn't a super power, their Green Lotus Sect could handle them.

Fu Laogui sneered, “Isn't he bragging? You said that when Yang Chen was at the Yuanwu Realm Fifth Layer, he reached the 16th floor of the Trial Tower. Heh, do you think your Eastern Number One Genius can compare to the geniuses from the Central Region?”

Without a doubt, the geniuses from the Central Region were better than those from other regions.

First, the Central Region had a vast territory and abundant resources. Second, the Central Region was the territory of the royal family, led and managed by the royal family themselves. This made the geniuses from the Central Region far superior to those from other regions.

Take Han Zheng and Wu Sheng, for example. Both of them were geniuses from the Central Region.

Only the geniuses from the Central Region could reach the 15th floor and above when they were at Yuanwu Realm Fifth Layer. When people heard that a genius from the Eastern Thirty-six Counties like Yang Chen could do it, they couldn't help but sneer and scoff.

“Zhu Hailong, I suggest you stop daydreaming. In my opinion, this Yang kid is already doing well reaching the 16th floor. That's his limit. Hahaha!” Another Heaven Martial Realm elder laughed loudly.

Zhu Hailong's face darkened, “Humph, we will see soon enough. If Yang Chen could reach the 16th floor with his Yuanwu Realm Fifth Layer strength, then now, with his current abilities, reaching the 17th or 18th floor shouldn't be a problem!”

As his words fell, the Heaven Martial Realm elders nearby couldn't help but scoff.

"Hahaha!"

"Old Zhu, we know each other well enough, so let me give you some advice. Don't expect too much. What's that saying? The higher the expectations, the greater the disappointment."

"This Zhu guy thinks too highly of himself. Reaching the 18th floor? Haha, what a big joke. What can this kid use to get past the 18th floor? In my opinion, he can barely pass the 16th floor..." Fu Laogui sneered.

He had no vested interest with Zhu Hailong, so he didn't mind sneering a few more times. After all, Zhu Hailong couldn't do anything to him anyway.

Moreover, he also felt that Zhu Hailong was being delusional. He couldn't stand the thought of him getting such an excellent genius.

However, just as his words ended, suddenly, the light on the 16th floor went out, and Yang Chen entered the 17th floor!

"Huh?"

Everyone saw this scene.

17th floor!

This was a watershed. As long as a Half-step True Martial Realm could reach this point, there was no doubt that they could be called a genius.

"Hmph, do you see it now?" Zhu Hailong was the most gratified.

Frankly, he wasn't sure if the elder under his command was telling the truth or just spreading rumors. But when faced with other people's doubts, he couldn't just outright deny what his own people had said, so he clenched his fist and held his ground.

Now he could see that his own people hadn't lied to him.

Yang Chen had passed the 16th floor and entered the 17th floor.

Feeling relieved and happy, Zhu Hailong looked at those Heaven Martial Realm old men who had just questioned him and sneered, "Gentlemen, do you have anything else to say now? The 17th floor, how about that? Is our Eastern Number One Genius good enough to enter your Dharma Eye?"

The other old men had nothing to say since Yang Chen had indeed shown his abilities. Only Fu Laogui snorted, "Hmph, Zhu Hailong, don't get too proud too early. Maybe the 17th floor is just by luck. And what are you so proud of? It's just the 17th floor after all. The key is the 18th floor. Wait until he reaches the 18th floor and then you can be proud. But unfortunately, in my opinion, his limit is just the 18th floor."

"Humph!" Zhu Hailong looked at Fu Laogui's malicious words and couldn't help but feel annoyed.

However, he knew that everything had to be settled by the results, and he was too lazy to argue with Fu Laogui any further.

Yang Chen, who was inside the Trial Tower, had no idea what was happening outside. He didn't know how Zhu Hailong and Fu Laogui were arguing fiercely because of him.

All he did was for the sake of breaking through the Trial Tower.

"Phew..." At this moment, Yang Chen was skillfully maneuvering around and muttered, "Absorbing the Creation Divine Aura from the 16th floor feels great. I feel like I can break through to the True Martial Realm at any moment. But I mustn't be hasty; I have to suppress these Creation Divine Auras in my body and break through all at once!"

Just like when he was in the Spirit Martial Realm, he was now using his Half-step True Martial Realm strength to attempt the Trial Tower. Each breakthrough brought him Creation Divine Aura, which was the foundation for his strength increase.

By suppressing and utilizing these refined Creation Divine Auras for his breakthrough, he could directly reach the Second Level of the True Martial Realm or even higher in one go.

Now, he was curious to see how many floors he could reach.

“Break!” Yang Chen’s expression was determined.

At this moment, the Holy Ants attacked, along with the Starfire and Shapeshifting Liquid Fire. Yang Chen unleashed all three moves, surrounding the seventeen Stone Monsters on the 17th floor and continuing his chain bombardment.

The power of such a bombardment was undeniable, even shaking the ground beneath him.

Despite this, he barely managed to break the Combined Attack Formation of the Stone Monsters on the 17th floor.

“Break!” Yang Chen shouted sharply.

Boom!

The explosion sounds could cause ears to ring, and Yang Chen stared intently at the seventeen Stone Monsters in front of him. Their surrounding Combined Attack Formation quickly shattered with cracking sounds.

Seeing this, Yang Chen wiped the sweat from his forehead and said, “It really wasn’t easy. The Combined Attack Formation used by the Stone Monsters on the 17th floor is indeed extraordinary. It took me so long to break it, and I don’t know what the 18th and 19th floors will be like. Anyway, let’s not think about that for now. I need to kill these seventeen Stone Monsters first!”

As his words fell, Yang Chen controlled the Dual Flames and Holy Ants to directly crush the seventeen Stone Monsters.

It took him a long time on the 17th floor, probably half an hour. But that was normal. For anyone at this level, the time spent would gradually increase.

“Phew...” Yang Chen gently exhaled.

Then, the surrounding Creation Divine Aura emerged.

When he finished absorbing the Creation Divine Aura, Yang Chen entered the 18th floor.

Similarly, in the outside world, there was a commotion when he entered the 18th floor.

“The 18th floor!”

“This Yang Chen has reached the 18th floor!”

Zhu Hailong couldn't stop smiling now, clapping his hands and happily shouted like an old child.

Soon after, his gaze locked onto Fu Laogui nearby.

Chapter 763: Yang Chen's Various Methods\_1

Zhu Hailong and Old Man Fu were not at all polite. Old Man Fu was not afraid of him, and he was not afraid of Old Man Fu either. Since Old Man Fu had just looked down on him, Zhu Hailong would not be polite now.

He said coldly, “Old Man Fu, I heard some people just now saying that no matter what, Yang Chen could never reach the Eighteenth Floor. What's going on? Can you explain it to me?”

Old Man Fu's face was gloomy, and he was extremely frustrated.

Was Yang Chen deliberately going against him?

He had just spoken, and Yang Chen had broken through the Seventeenth Floor.

Alright, he raised the requirement to the Eighteenth floor, but Yang Chen actually reached the Eighteenth floor.

How could this little guy from the Thirty-six Eastern Counties be such a demon?

It didn't make any sense at all.

With no plausible explanation, his confidence became much weaker. With a fierce snort, he said, "Humph, Zhu Hailong, what's the point in celebrating now? Reaching the Eighteenth Floor doesn't mean he can pass it."

"I remember just now someone seemed to only say that reaching the eighteenth floor was enough, and it seems they never said that Yang Chen must pass the eighteenth floor," Zhu Hailong said coldly.

Reaching and passing were two different concepts, and Zhu Hailong was well aware of this.

For him, it was enough for Yang Chen to reach the Eighteenth Floor.

As for passing the Eighteenth Floor? He hadn't thought about it that much. If Yang Chen could pass the Eighteenth Floor, that would be a top genius level. For now, he only required Yang Chen to be a first-rate talent, not expecting him to reach the level of "top genius."

Hearing Zhu Hailong's words, Old Man Fu said solemnly, "I know what I said just now. I just want to remind you not to be too happy too soon. Otherwise, when your genius fails to pass the eighteenth floor, there won't even be time to cry."

“Hehe, Old Man Fu, you should look at yourself as you speak. If I were you, I would better manage my own mouth. Otherwise, if I bite my own tongue later, it will still be me who suffers. Hahaha!” Zhu Hailong laughed knowingly.

Old Man Fu knew what Zhu Hailong was referring to. He looked gloomy and clenched his teeth. He gave a fierce snort and finally said nothing more.

After all, he was at a disadvantage. Yang Chen had shown his true strength, and Old Man Fu’s continued persistence would only lead to his own humiliation.

Of course, similarly, Old Man Fu was increasingly surprised by Yang Chen.

Not only Old Man Fu, but many other geniuses and high-level forces began to pay attention to the Trial Tower, their original indifference towards Yang Chen turning into a focused gaze.

At the beginning, they were indifferent because they thought Yang Chen was nothing special.

Now, they were concerned because Yang Chen had created one extraordinary record after another!

Wang Zhengtian swallowed, and he began to feel grateful to Yuan Yong. With the abilities Yang Chen had shown now, if it weren’t for Yuan Yong being his punching bag at the beginning, he would probably have been beaten to nothing by Yang Chen by now.

“Fortunately, fortunately...” Wang Zhengtian murmured to himself.

Wu Sheng and Han Zheng also began to pay attention to the movements of the Trial Tower. They gradually realized that they seemed to have another opponent.

Yang Chen did not know about the outside world.

It had to be said that when he reached the Eighteenth Floor, he was caught in a bitter battle!

As many geniuses knew, the difficulty of each floor increased drastically after the fifteenth floor. You could still fight on the previous floor, but not necessarily on the next.

The Combined Attack Formation became more and more solid and difficult to break. Yang Chen used quite a few of means on the Eighteenth Floor.

Shapeshifting Liquid Fire, Starfire. In addition to Thunderbolt Style and Holy Ants.

Finally, Yang Chen managed to break this Combined Attack Formation!

“Sigh...”

After breaking the Combined Attack Formation, Yang Chen took a deep breath: “Finally, I’ve broken this Combined Attack Formation. Now it’s time to deal with these eighteen Stone Monsters. Too bad that these Stone Monsters are not like the Sand Soldiers. Even if the Combined Attack Formation is solved, it’s not that easy to destroy these eighteen Stone Monsters!”

These eighteen Stone Monsters had no life and wisdom, only brute force, and prohibition control.

The collapse of the Combined Attack Formation had no effect on them, and in the blink of an eye, they came in front of Yang Chen.

Yang Chen was forced to retreat four or five steps, then grunted: “Still jumping around without the Combined Attack Formation? Become obedient!”

Yang Chen’s Black Mountain Dark Cloud Palm shot out, followed by the direct use of Holy Ants to bite!

Holy Ants were different from demonic beasts; they were insects.

If the souls of the demonic beasts and humans can be compared to a mountain, then the souls of insects are like a needle. This is why the Trial Tower did not reject insects. If Yang Chen summoned demonic beasts, it would not work.

“Starfire!” Yang Chen grabbed!

Two flames, combined with the Holy Ants, poured down in two directions.

With a loud sound, their power spread.

Immediately after, three Stone Monsters were shattered one after another, and then the fourth, the fifth... more and more Stone Monsters could not stand and were one by one annihilated by Yang Chen.

In the end, the eighteen Stone Monsters were all defeated by Yang Chen.

“Not bad!” Yang Chen looked at the Holy Ants flying high in the sky and said joyfully.

As he grew more familiar with the Holy Ants, he understood them better.

“These Holy Ants are really a great helper.” Yang Chen laughed heartily: “If I just let these Holy Ants fight alone, they would probably only be able to deal with an elite Third Level of the True Martial Realm at their limit. But if they cooperate with me, even dealing with the Fifth Level of the True Martial Realm would be possible! Haha, Senior Yun Lu, you really found me a great helper.”

This was his trump card. It may not look like much, but with the Holy Ants’ cooperation, he had no problem dealing with the Fifth Level of the True Martial Realm.

The eighteen Stone Monsters were powerful, but they were obviously not as good as a powerful person in the Fifth Level of the True Martial Realm. It was only a matter of time before Yang Chen defeated them.

“Young Master, the strength the Holy Ants are showing now is not their limit.” Yun Lu said.

Yang Chen grinned, “I know, don’t worry, I won’t treat my great helpers badly in terms of materials. Alright, the Creation Divine Aura is here. After refining it, I should enter the Nineteenth floor!”

Yang Chen sat down cross-legged and began to refine and accumulate the Creation Divine Aura within his body.

Yang Chen was already extremely familiar with the process of refining the Creation Divine Aura, and he gradually absorbed the gas into his body and refined it.

A few hundred breaths later, Yang Chen opened his eyes and looked at himself. Then he muttered, "With so much Creation Divine Aura in my body, if I make a breakthrough into the True Martial Realm, I could directly reach the Second Level of the True Martial Realm in one go!"

Chapter 764: Entering the Twentieth Layer!\_1

Reaching the second level of the True Martial Realm was, of course, not the end for Yang Chen.

Zhu Hailong didn't have high hopes for him, but Yang Chen wouldn't merely place all his desires on that small expectation.

"It's time to enter the nineteenth floor!" Yang Chen took a light breath and stepped into the nineteenth floor.

At that moment, the light in the Trial Tower's eighteenth floor went out, and the light on the nineteenth floor turned on.

Everyone knew that Yang Chen had passed the eighteenth floor and entered the nineteenth.

Instantly, a commotion erupted again.

"The nineteenth floor!"

"He actually reached the nineteenth floor!"

“This, this!”

No one wasn't surprised. It's worth noting that even Han Zheng from Ling Nvzong, who achieved the Origin Martial Realm, only made it to the nineteenth floor in the Trial Tower.

Those who had truly experienced the Trial Tower knew that it became immensely difficult after the fifteenth floor.

What kind of person was Han Zheng? A top genius who far surpassed others. He had reached that point, but Yang Chen had amazingly achieved the same level? That was naturally hard to believe!

Unwilling to accept the truth, even more found it hard to believe.

Many people had a peculiar mentality.

They could accept Han Zheng being stronger than them because he was from Ling Nvzong, and they felt it was only natural for him to be stronger than them. They were unwilling to surpass Han Zheng, and they thought everything was normal and logical.

But if someone with a less distinguished background surpassed them, they would think it impossible and would create various reasons. Only when they couldn't refute reality would they admit how despicable they were because they didn't want to acknowledge their own insufficient skills and try to surpass themselves and others.

Before Yang Chen reached the nineteenth floor, no one believed that he could do it. But now that he had done it, many began to doubt.

“This Yang Chen must have some amazing Xuan Tian treasure.”

“I think so too. Otherwise, how could this kid have gotten so high!”

“I think he must have some treasure on him!”

For a moment, everyone's eyes were focused on Zhu Hailong, wondering what kind of treasure he had bestowed upon Yang Chen.

Zhu Hailong couldn't help but sneer at their thoughts. He knew very well what was going on in their minds; they were just seeking comfort.

Anyway, they were unwilling to admit that their skills were inferior to others.

Zhu Hailong shrugged his shoulders: "I didn't give Yang Chen any treasures. Besides, aren't you guys just acting like you don't rely on Xuan Tian treasures inside the Trial Tower? If Xuan Tian spirit treasures could help you reach the nineteenth floor, then wouldn't everyone who reached the nineteenth floor be worthless?"

Zhu Hailong didn't hold back in his speech anymore.

Why should he care about these people seeking comfort? Whether Yang Chen used Xuan Tian spirit treasures or not, he didn't know, but even if he did use them, who wouldn't have relied on Xuan Tian spirit treasures to get through the Trial Tower?

Blaming everything on the Xuan Tian spirit treasures was simply absurd.

For a moment, the geniuses' faces were filled with shame. They coughed twice and stopped talking.

Zhu Hailong looked at them and chuckled: "Isn't that right, Old Man Fu?"

Even though Zhu Hailong didn't say much, it was still humiliating for Old Man Fu. Hadn't he just warned Zhu Hailong not to be too smug? In the blink of an eye, Yang Chen had passed the eighteenth floor and entered the nineteenth.

Was Yang Chen his nemesis, specifically opposing him?!

Old Man Fu was so angry that he clenched his teeth, unable to say anything else. He knew that anything he said now would be meaningless.

The person who was most upset was not Old Man Fu, but Han Zheng.

He originally thought that the only person who would steal his limelight this time would be Wu Sheng. But who would've thought that another Yang Chen would emerge, reaching the same level of achievement as him in the Origin Martial Realm?

Moreover, the other party was just a genius from a small place in the Eastern Region, which he absolutely wouldn't allow!

At the same time, Yang Chen was engaged in fierce battles on the nineteenth floor!

There was one more stone monster compared to the eighteenth floor, but their power had increased by more than a little. At least, with the cooperation of the Holy Ants, Yang Chen finally had some difficulties.

Indeed, for the previous eighteen floors, it was at most troublesome but not difficult.

But the nineteenth floor was genuinely difficult.

Even though Yang Chen had used all his skills layer by layer, he was struggling with the stone monsters and couldn't defeat them. Similarly, the stone monsters also couldn't do anything to him.

In such a stalemate, Yang Chen was naturally at a disadvantage because his True Qi was limited and couldn't compare to the stone monsters.

However, Yang Chen didn't use his ultimate Spirit-Talisman Martial Arts or the Twenty-four Thunder Annihilation technique. These two techniques could only be used once, and the nineteenth floor hadn't got to the point where he needed to use them yet.

“These two moves must be saved for the twentieth floor!” Yang Chen narrowed his eyes and meticulously observed the eighteen stone monsters in front of him: “As for now, there is a breakthrough for these nineteen stone monsters, it’s not impossible!”

Compared to these stone monsters, Yang Chen’s biggest advantage was his intelligence.

He had wisdom, whereas these stone monsters did not.

It was precisely because he had this advantage that Yang Chen found a breakthrough after several trials. After finding the breakthrough point, Yang Chen still kept his final trump card and used his current means to deal with the nineteen stone monsters.

About an hour later, Yang Chen finally cracked the Combined Attack Formation.

Half an hour later, Yang Chen killed six of the nineteen stone monsters.

Half an hour after that, only three of the nineteen stone monsters remained.

In less than a dozen breaths, Yang Chen won a resounding victory with all nineteen stone monsters annihilated.

By now, Yang Chen was quite exhausted. As the Creation Divine Aura emerged, Yang Chen didn’t immediately refine it, but first took an elixir to recover his True Qi.

One must say, the exhausting of his Qi was indescribable, even though he had a large amount, he had consumed an enormous amount now and needed to recover some.

“Finally, I have struggled through the nineteenth floor. Now, it’s time for the twentieth floor!” Yang Chen’s eyes were determined.

His goal had always been the twentieth floor.

He never gave himself any excuses.

“First, let’s finish refining this Creation Divine Aura. After refining this massive amount of Creation Divine Aura, I can quickly breakthrough to the third level of the True Martial Realm.” Yang Chen closed his eyes to refine.

About half an incense stick later, Yang Chen exhaled lightly, then got up and entered the twentieth floor!

Chapter 765: No Reserve!\_1

“Twenty... twentieth floor!”

As Yang Chen broke into the twentieth floor, the outside world was boiling over. If it was just the nineteenth floor, it would only cause a reaction from those geniuses. But now, Yang Chen unexpectedly reached the twentieth floor. Even the old fellows from various forces were completely shocked.

In the beginning, everyone just paid attention to the True Martial Realm geniuses. They thought that the True Martial Realm geniuses entering the Trial Tower would be more meaningful.

As for the Origin Martial Realm, no matter how strong, they couldn’t be too strong.

But there is always a limit to everything.

Once this limit is surpassed, everything becomes completely different.

Undoubtedly, Yang Chen has surpassed this limit!

You must know that even the true geniuses of the True Martial Realm couldn’t reach this level in the Origin Martial Realm. Yang Chen did it, he broke into the twentieth floor, whether successful or not, this was already an extraordinary pride for him.

“The twentieth floor, this...the number one genius of the Eastern Region is actually so incredible!”

Many geniuses gulped and couldn't believe the scene in front of them. At this moment, they didn't know what to say to deny Yang Chen.

The number "twenty" undoubtedly made a lot of people shut their mouths.

Now it was not Han Zheng who was entangled, but Wu Sheng.

Wu Sheng was already feeling the pressure, but at the moment, his achievements had not been surpassed by Yang Chen. However, who could have thought that Yang Chen reached the twentieth floor now? He accomplished the same goals as Wu Sheng!

Zhu Hailong was even more surprised. After that, he laughed heartily and kept mentioning Yang Chen's name, fearing that others wouldn't know that Yang Chen was the one he had invited.

The geniuses of Haohai Main City all had bright faces, one after another, they admired, "Yang Chen is truly worthy of being our Eastern Region's number one genius!"

"Yes, Yang Chen is really incredible!"

At first, they were ridiculed and scolded by others, and even if they felt humiliated, they didn't dare to respond.

Because they had no words to respond, there was no reason to refute.

But now it's different, Yang Chen has stepped forward.

Yang Chen used his strength, ability, and achievements to slap everyone's faces. The twentieth floor was where he completely told these major powers that it's wrong to think that remote areas can't produce geniuses!

If remote areas can't produce geniuses, then what is Yang Chen?

If Yang Chen is not a genius, then the geniuses under their command are nothing.

It's so refreshing, too refreshing!

At the same time, Yang Chen also arrived in the twentieth floor...

This twentieth floor was completely different from the previous nineteenth floor. It was as if Yang Chen was challenging the Trial Tower in the Spirit Martial Realm, and it was a completely independent space.

There were flowers, plants, trees, everything, it was like a paradise.

But Yang Chen was not misled by these superficial appearances. He was very clear that this was the twentieth floor of the Trial Tower, a very dangerous place, and also the final point of this test.

“Roar!”

Yang Chen's heightened vigilance was not wrong. Suddenly, there was a loud roar, and immediately afterwards, a huge creature fell from the sky!

Yang Chen saw it clearly, it was a stone monster about thirty feet in size. No, it's not appropriate to call it a stone monster at this size. To be precise, it should be called a mountain monster!

It was made up of rocks and its size resembled a high mountain. Its presence caused people's hearts to be filled with fear, giving them a sense of being invincible.

Indeed, this mountain monster was gigantic.

Most importantly, there was a pair of flesh wings on the back of the mountain monster. The combination of these flesh wings and the mountain monster looked unusual, but it was undeniable that with these wings, the mountain monster became more agile and could even fly, confirming the saying...

Adding wings to a tiger!

Now that the mountain monster fell from the sky and suddenly landed, the ground trembled violently.

Yang Chen also retreated instantly.

“Only one, it seems that it is the same as the Trial Tower of the Spirit Martial Realm. However, this one must be a tough one.” Yang Chen sighed and almost didn’t need to think about it.

The fleshy-winged mountain monster landed, its eyes staring at Yang Chen.

The moment it saw Yang Chen, the mountain monster seemed to have locked onto its target, and with a fierce roar, it jumped over with a bang. The astonishing bounce and speed of the creature were terrifying.

Yang Chen’s eyes widened in disbelief at the mountain monster’s remarkable jumping ability.

He didn’t hesitate to say, “Take my move!”

As soon as the words fell, he used Starfire and Shapeshifting Liquid Fire at the same time.

Both flames went straight to the mountain monster and rolled up its body, but soon Yang Chen was stunned by a scene.

“No effect?” Yang Chen was dumbfounded.

It’s not that there was no effect.

Certainly, it was burning. There were very few things that his Starfire couldn't burn, it was just a matter of burning fast or slow.

Now the key problem was that this mountain monster was so huge that his Starfire would take an unknown amount of time to corrode it.

The mountain monster wouldn't give Yang Chen time. Almost in an instant of using Yang Chen's methods, it slammed down a foot in an instant.

There were no moves at all, relying solely on brute force.

But it was this brute force that made Yang Chen's scalp numb, so he had to summon the Holy Ants.

"Senior Yun Lu, control the Holy Ants to assist me and resist this mountain monster with all your strength!" Yang Chen shouted.

"Young Master, rest assured and leave it to me!" Yun Lu replied.

The two of them worked together, Yun Lu controlled the Holy Ants, and the mountain monster was quickly surrounded.

"Roar!" The mountain monster roared again. This roar made Yang Chen's heart tremble.

These Holy Ants had weak souls, and they were even worse off. In an instant, hundreds of them were killed, even with Yun Lu protecting them.

If it weren't for Yun Lu's protection, I'm afraid these Holy Ants would have been annihilated by half in a single round.

"Young Master, this mountain monster's roar has a devastating effect on the soul. The Holy Ants are not yet in form, and their souls are extremely fragile. Even if I protect them, it's still the same!" Yun Lu couldn't help but say, "We must find a way to silence this mountain monster!"

Yang Chen had also noticed the current dire and troublesome situation, and he nodded heavily before hesitating any longer.

It seemed that at the moment, normal means were not effective against this mountain monster!

“Good guy, the combination of me and these Holy Ants may not be enough to defeat a True Martial Realm Fifth Layer master, but it should be enough to handle one. This mountain monster’s power is even greater than that of a True Martial Realm Fifth Layer master. The twentieth floor is truly extraordinary. In that case, I must use my methods as well.” Yang Chen retreated in an instant!

He hadn’t forgotten how difficult it was to deal with the huge Sand Soldiers on the twentieth floor in the Spirit Martial Realm.

So he knew very well that there was no need to hide, and he had to use all his methods from the start!

Chapter 766: Witnessing a Miracle!\_1

In an instant, he waved his hand and took out a string of Spirit Talismans.

He had made them during his recent free time, after dealing with the Fire Essence Beast and hurrying to get here. There were not many talismans, just over two thousand.

Seeing only a little over two thousand talismans, Yang Chen felt uncertain himself.

There was no way around it. He didn’t have enough time. Moreover, since he was traveling with Zhu Hailong, he couldn’t freely make talismans. He only had these two thousand talismans after using up his entire stock.

Fortunately, no matter how strong the Mountain Monster was, it couldn’t compare to the Fire Essence Beast Commander Yun Ge. These two thousand talismans should have some effect, he thought.

“Two Thousand Talismans Extinguish!” Yang Chen muttered to himself.

Suddenly, the two thousand talismans burst open.

With a rumbling sound, Yang Chen moved away from the center of the explosion. The Holy Ants also quickly escaped. The explosion from the two thousand talismans spread into the sky.

There was no doubt about the power of the explosion.

Yang Chen didn't take any chances. As the explosion took place, he began gathering energy from the Sky Thunder Pool, preparing to use his last move, Twenty-Four Thunder Annihilation.

Indeed, this Twenty-Four Thunder was his last move. Regardless of its success or failure, he had no other means left.

"I hope it works," Yang Chen took a deep breath.

As he expected, the mere two thousand talismans could not do anything to the Twentieth Layer Mountain Monster.

After the aftermath of the explosion, the Mountain Monster flapped its wings and soared into the sky, its eyes fixed on Yang Chen, showing no emotion.

"Flying so high? Good, my Twenty-Four Thunder Annihilation has gathered as well." Yang Chen thought to himself.

As soon as the thought crossed his mind, the Mountain Monster flew straight towards him.

The winged Mountain Monster charged with lightning speed, not proportional to its size. It alarmed Yang Chen. In just the blink of an eye, the Mountain Monster appeared a hundred zhang away from Yang Chen.

Finally, Yang Chen no longer hesitated and shouted, "Twenty-Four Thunder Annihilation!"

In an instant, layers of Thunderbolt power descended from the sky.

One thunder, two thunders, five thunders, ten thunders.

Twenty-four layers of thunder fell in a short breath, and the massive Thunder and Lightning Power struck the Mountain Monster's body layer after layer—Yang Chen's full force.

Twenty-Four Thunder Annihilation, the full round of Thunder fell.

Mountain Monster's body stiffened in place, unmoving and without any Qi. It was unclear if it had reached its limit and completely collapsed.

Yang Chen stood in front of the Mountain Monster, his heart uneasy, unsure of the outcome.

In the next moment, the Mountain Monster collapsed heavily on the ground.

Seeing this, Yang Chen laughed excitedly, "Haha, I succeeded!"

However, just as his words fell, suddenly the Mountain Monster began to move. Yang Chen clenched his teeth and stared at the scene.

After a short struggle, the Mountain Monster seemed to find it difficult to stand up and then stood up with some effort.

Seeing this, Yang Chen's fists clenched, not knowing what to do next.

The Mountain Monster had already started walking towards him. Even though it wasn't as fast as before, reaching Yang Chen was not a difficult task with its gigantic size.

The current Yang Chen was utterly powerless.

When the Twenty-Four Thunder Annihilation was used, he had no other means left.

“What!” Yang Chen watched the Mountain Monster come closer step by step, and he could only back away.

He could leave at any time and admit defeat. But having come this far, could he give up now?

“Do I have any other way?” Yang Chen asked himself.

Nowadays, with his True Qi nearly depleted, he couldn’t even use the Blazing Fire Spirit Brush. Moreover, breaking the prohibition and luring the Mountain Monster into the Spatial Rift might work once, but not necessarily twice.

“This Twentieth Layer is indeed quite difficult.” Yang Chen smiled bitterly. After all his efforts, he could only severely injure the Mountain Monster.

Just when he was about to give up, suddenly, many Holy Ants jumped out and swarmed towards the Stone Monster.

“Young Master, don’t give up! Let’s fight again with the Holy Ants!” Yun Lu shouted.

It was then that Yang Chen remembered that he still had the Holy Ants as a means.

He almost forgot, because when he used up all his strength just now, the Holy Ants were not affected. Now that he had run out of moves, the Holy Ants could still help him.

“Yes!” Yang Chen nodded, “You’re right, I can’t give up yet!”

Success or failure now depended on the Holy Ants.

Yang Chen watched the battle with his burning eyes. It had to be said that when the Holy Ants exerted their power, they were quite formidable. Countless Holy Ants grouped up and swooped toward the Mountain Monster, which apparently couldn't roar like it did at the start, breaking the Holy Ants' souls.

This way, the Holy Ants' weakness was no more. They swarmed and bit, killing nearly a thousand of them. But in the next moment, Yun Lu sent another wave of thousands of Holy Ants from the Eight Extremities Flowing River Space.

Yang Chen couldn't help feeling heartache over this scene. With each wave, the Holy Ants suffered a loss of at least tens of thousands. It was too much.

Fortunately, the core Holy Ants were closely protected by Yun Lu and didn't face any significant harm.

As if hard work pays off, wave after wave of Holy Ants relentlessly assailed the Mountain Monster. Finally, the Monster seemed unable to hold on any longer and collapsed heavily onto the ground.

With the earth shaking, the Mountain Monster's structure shattered, its body turned into slabs, scattering all over the place.

Looking at this scene, Yang Chen couldn't help swallowing deeply.

"Did it succeed?" Yang Chen couldn't believe it.

He had made it through the Twentieth Layer just like that.

Finally, as strands of Creation Divine Aura surged out, Yang Chen felt the strangeness of it, saying to himself, "It seems that I have truly reached the Twentieth Layer. With such a quantity of Creation Divine Aura, I should be able to break through to the True Martial Realm Third Layer Peak in one breath. Perfectly, with the help of the Linglong Dream Mirror, my current state of mind is also at the Third Layer of the True Martial Realm."

As he thought, Yang Chen closed his eyes and completely devoted himself to refining.

Meanwhile, outside, everything had turned incredibly silent.

This undoubtedly created a massive contrast.

From the original noise, it changed to silence. They couldn't find words to describe their astonishment.

Twentieth Layer, Great Perfection!

They had witnessed the birth of such a miracle!

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Chapter 767: Becoming a Hot Commodity Directly\_1

All the people outside had learned about the situation inside the Trial Tower. They had all been through the Trial Tower and could infer the achievements of the person inside by judging the small changes in the Tower.

As for Yang Chen, he had undoubtedly passed the Twentieth Layer.

It was precisely because of this that everyone was surprisingly quiet.

In the beginning, they were discussing with jealousy, unwillingness, and the suspicion that Yang Chen must have been lucky. Now, they were speechless and completely convinced.

Could the perfection of the Twentieth Layer be attributed to luck?

Han Zheng didn't achieve it, Wu Sheng didn't achieve it, and none of the people present had achieved it. Only Yang Chen had achieved Great Perfection in the Origin Martial Realm's Trial Tower by passing all twenty levels!

Such an achievement left everyone staring in amazement.

After a long, long time, only a few murmurs of discussion emerged, and then everyone seemed to wake up.

“Twenty levels!”

“This...”

Zhu Hailong, sitting in his chair, couldn't help but laugh. Even he hadn't expected, let alone accept, that Yang Chen had actually passed the Twentieth Layer.

It was simply unbelievable.

As for Old Man Fu sitting next to him, he was quite upset. How could he be happy when Yang Chen's progress seemed like a series of merciless slaps in his face?

Old Man Fu gritted his teeth, knowing that staying any longer would be unbearable torture, and said, “Let's go!”

In an instant, Old Man Fu led his people away and left the scene.

Without a doubt, Zhu Hailong had become a winner in life.

Time gradually passed.

Inside the Trial Tower, Yang Chen, having completely refined the Creation Divine Aura, sat cross-legged on the ground preparing to make a breakthrough to the True Martial Realm.

With a sufficient amount of Creation Divine Aura accumulated in his body, Yang Chen shouted and absorbed it all.

“Begin!” Yang Chen devoted himself entirely to the breakthrough.

His surrounding True Qi began to slowly change, sometimes strong, sometimes weak.

This hesitation lasted for more than half an hour before there were signs of change. With this change, Yang Chen’s Qi grew stronger, and his power began to climb.

“Break!” Yang Chen shouted sharply.

His strength broke through the limits of the Origin Martial Realm and reached a new realm – the True Martial Realm, which was stronger than the Origin Martial Realm.

As soon as he reached the True Martial Realm, Yang Chen’s strength increased rapidly, as if he could not stop.

This increase was from the First Level of the True Martial Realm to the Second Level of the True Martial Realm.

But it didn’t stop there. He advanced to the Mid-stage, Late-stage, and Peak of the Second Layer, then to the Third Layer, the Mid-stage, Late-stage, and Peak of the Third Layer!

It wasn’t until the Peak of the Third Layer of the True Martial Realm that the increase finally stopped.

After that, Yang Chen’s strength fluctuated between the Peak and the Later Stage of the Third Layer of the True Martial Realm, seemingly unstable.

Yang Chen clenched his fists and tried to stabilize his strength at the Peak of the Third Layer of the True Martial Realm.

Finally, after a brief standoff, Yang Chen's Qi gradually stabilized.

"True Martial Realm Third Layer Peak!" Yang Chen opened his eyes, feeling the energy around him and murmuring to himself.

Just as he had anticipated, his strength had now been elevated to the Peak of the Third Layer of the True Martial Realm, just one step away from the Fourth Layer.

Yang Chen couldn't say he was satisfied or disappointed with his strength, but overall, he could now compete with top geniuses like Wu Sheng, the royal genius, and Han Zheng, the genius of Ling Nvzong.

This was what he wanted; otherwise, the gap between Half-step True Martial Realm and others would be too big. He wouldn't have much of a chance against Han Zheng and Wu Sheng.

Speaking of Han Zheng, Yang Chen rubbed his eyebrows and murmured, "Han Zheng is here, but I don't know if Hua Wanru has come too. The matter of the Slaughter God Spear is very strange, and I don't know if Hua Wanru will come. Anyway, my focus now shouldn't be on Hua Wanru. It's not time to confront her yet. I need to investigate the Slaughter God Spear first and unravel the mysteries of the Purple Qi Secret Realm!"

With that in mind, Yang Chen stood up, his hands behind him as he slowly walked out of the Trial Tower.

When Yang Chen entered the Trial Tower, only a few onlookers were watching him, mostly because he had defeated Yuan Yong.

Now, it was different.

All eyes were on Yang Chen.

When Yang Chen came out, there was a sudden uproar.

"Yang Chen has reached the Third Layer of the True Martial Realm!"

“Hasn’t he passed the Trial Tower before?”

“Do you need to think about it? With that cultivation at the Peak of the Third Layer of the True Martial Realm, he must not have passed at least the last few levels. It seems we are the first group to witness the birth of this miracle. Heh, I didn’t expect to encounter this once-in-a-century Event of Great Perfection in the Training Tower.”

Indeed, Great Perfection in the Spirit Martial Realm Trial Tower was not rare, as almost every royal genius could achieve it. However, it was a challenge during the Origin Martial Realm period.

It was extremely rare to see a genius who can pass the Twentieth Layer of the Origin Martial Realm Trial Tower once in a century. Even in large territories, it would be tough to encounter one.

As for the True Martial Realm, it is even rarer, with only a few occurrences in hundreds of years. When it comes to the Earth Martial Realm, it is the rarest of all. It is said that in thousands of years of history, only two individuals have achieved Great Perfection.

No matter what, being able to pass the Trial Tower of the Origin Martial Realm was enough for Yang Chen to be proudly above others.’

“Young friend Yang Chen, I am an elder of the Donghuang Sect, hehe, would you be interested in having a private talk with me? I believe you’ve heard of our Donghuang Sect. I wonder if you would be interested in our sect?” An elder stroked his beard and walked up to Yang Chen, smiling.

Aside from him, a middle-aged man followed closely, saying, “I am Elder Lin of the Huangdao Sect. Although it seems that you have some grudges with our Huangdao Sect, I can personally guarantee that it will be easy to turn hostility into friendship. I wonder if you would be interested in sitting down for tea with us from the Huangdao Sect?”

“Get out of here! Donghuang Sect, such things must have order!” The elder of the Donghuang Sect shouted.

“What order? We’re not allowed to speak, but you can invite him?” The Huangdao Sect’s elder was displeased.

Immediately afterward, someone said, “Brother Lin is right. Yang Chen, we are from the Jade Supreme Sect.”

“We are from...”

Suddenly, several forces came forward to strike up a conversation, and Yang Chen instantly became a hot commodity.

Chapter 768: Various Invitations\_1

This left the Elder of the Imperial Tao Sect in an awkward position; his initial remarks were directed solely at the Elder of the Dong Huang Sect. Little did he know that as soon as his words landed, everyone rushed forward in competitive haste.

Yang Chen had become such a coveted prize.

In an instant, various powerful forces were unstoppable, all stepping forward to introduce their sects, with their intentions to gain Yang Chen’s allegiance clear beyond any doubt.

It was no wonder that these forces were so anxious. After all, even the exceptional talents under their control had their limits.

Though they might be known as the number one or number two talents of their generation, it was possible that someone from the next generation could surpass them. The generation after that might even bring forth even stronger talents. However, someone with circumstances like Yang Chen was truly a rarity, appearing only once in a century. This timeframe referred to that of the entire human domain, not merely a single region.

Just how valuable was that once-a-century talent?

Yang Chen was also feeling quite awkward. He never thought that breaking through the Trial Tower would earn him so much favor. He hastily bowed and said, "Thank you for all your generous offers, seniors. However, I come from the Eastern Thirty-six Counties. Joining your forces might not be appropriate."

"Haha, young friend Yang Chen, there's nothing inappropriate. Joining our forces would still make you a member of the Eastern Thirty-six Counties. You can think of it as merely cultivating in another place. How about coming to our Dong Huang Sect? What do you think?" said the Elder of the Dong Huang Sect amiably.

If he could successfully persuade such a genius to join, wouldn't the Sect Master praise and reward him upon his return?

"Dong Huang Sect, please make way. No matter how good your Western 42 Counties may be, Yang Chen, can you consider our Yushang Sect? Our Yushang Sect is part of the Central Capital Region, as you know. Of all martial artists, those in the Central Capital are the most powerful."

"Humph, we, the Nine Stream Sect, are willing to offer very generous terms!"

"Do you think only your Nine Stream Sect is willing to offer generous terms? We don't have any?"

"Exactly, young friend Yang Chen, as long as you're willing to join our sect, whatever conditions you want, we'll give you without any ambiguity!"

"Young friend Yang Chen, once you join our sect, you'll be treated like a first-class disciple!"

Faced with invitations from various powerful factions, it wasn't false to say that Yang Chen was tempted.

However, although he was tempted, he didn't lose his sanity. Firstly, he was not the kind of person who would change his mind easily. Since he had promised Zhu Hailong, he had to live up to his word, otherwise he would truly offend Zhu Hailong.

Secondly, he felt no sense of belonging to these sects. It was not like the Yuan Mountain Sect, where Mu Baisheng had once shown him mercy when he was unknown. He had a strong sense of belonging to the Yuan Mountain Sect. As for the other sects, he could do without.

With that in mind, Yang Chen no longer hid his thoughts and spoke directly, “Respected seniors, pardon my frankness, but I have already promised Senior Zhu Hailong of the Green Lotus Sect. For now, I have to help the Green Lotus Sect deal with some matters. It’s not that I am unwilling to accept the kind offers from the seniors, but I can’t agree to them now. I hope the seniors will bring this up again in the future.”

Upon hearing this, many of the powerful sects still wanted to retain him. After all, what was the Green Lotus Sect? When they, the superpowers, were pulling in disciples, would they care about the Green Lotus Sect’s face? It would have been fine if Yang Chen had already joined the Green Lotus Sect, but he hadn’t yet.

Unfortunately, Zhu Hailong was timely and stepped forward, coughing twice: “Everyone, have you heard what young friend Yang Chen said? Now that Yang Chen has a prior deal with me, please return first.”

Zhu Hailong was extremely anxious. When he saw the scene earlier, he had hurried over, fearing that Yang Chen would agree to these people and put his transaction with Yang Chen behind him.

If Yang Chen really agreed to join these forces, Zhu Hailong would be too late even to cry. After all, he had gone to great lengths to invite Yang Chen.

Who would have thought, however, that Yang Chen would actually refuse? This surprised Zhu Hailong, and he was filled with gratitude. He never expected Yang Chen to be such a focused person, remembering his transaction with him despite all the temptations.

Not everyone had such a state of mind.

Now, Zhu Hailong hurriedly stepped forward to stop these people, fearing they might offer more temptations to Yang Chen. After all, how could a young lad like Yang Chen withstand such enticements?

Seeing Zhu Hailong had stepped forward, the high-level officials of the various forces cursed their bad luck, but couldn't do much else in terms of open invitations.

However, they wouldn't give up so easily either.

The higher-ups of these forces bowed and said one after another, "Young friend Yang Chen, if that's the case, we'll look for you another day."

"Young friend Yang Chen, please consider our Yushang Sect."

"And our Imperial Tao Sect is also sincerely inviting you, young friend Yang Chen."

"We, Dong Huang Sect, wholeheartedly invite you, young friend Yang Chen, please consider us too."

Having said that, the higher-ups of these forces reluctantly left.

For a time, Yang Chen had become a delectable figure in the eyes of these major forces.

Of course, not all forces were vying to extend invitations. Only four superpowers and a handful of medium and small forces arrived. The rest regarded Yang Chen with cold eyes, evidently seeing him as an enemy rather than an ally.

This was quite normal, just like Wu Sheng and Han Zheng.

They were the top talents of their respective forces and would not allow others to surpass them. Undoubtedly, Yang Chen had violated the conditions that they could not tolerate. How could they possibly allow Yang Chen to join their ranks?

Yang Chen, of course, would not consider the thoughts of Wu Sheng and Han Zheng. Watching the high-level officials of the various forces leave, he didn't dare to offend them and bowed his hands.

Zhu Hailong wiped the cold sweat from his forehead, having been scared badly. If Yang Chen had really agreed to these people, how could he cope?

Luckily, Yang Chen stayed. This made Zhu Hailong realize just how precious Yang Chen was at the moment. Jokingly, he knew he had to treat Yang Chen well now; otherwise, with just one word, there would be no force unwilling to take him in.

“Young friend Yang Chen, now that the Trial Tower test is over, let’s go back to our quarters first,” suggested Zhu Hailong, coughing twice, anxiety gleaming in his eyes. He didn’t want Yang Chen to stay here any longer. Every extra minute posed a greater risk.

Yang Chen couldn’t help but laugh, understanding Zhu Hailong’s thoughts and intentions. He nodded and said, “Alright, let’s go back first.”

With the Trial Tower test completed, he saw no further purpose in staying. Therefore, leaving was harmless.

And so, Yang Chen and Zhu Hailong left Hao Hai Main City together and returned to the Green Lotus Sect.

Chapter 769: Full Reimbursement of Spirit Stones\_1

When Yang Chen returned to the Green Lotus Sect, he immediately began his closed-door cultivation because, according to what Zhu Hailong had said, the Secret Realm could open at any time, and he had to be prepared.

Knowing this, Yang Chen didn’t dare to be careless and directly went into closed-door cultivation to consolidate his realm.

About ten days later, his realm had stabilized, and it was time to start making talismans.

With the Blazing Fire Spirit Pen and his current level of talisman making, Yang Chen worked without restraint. In just twenty days, he had created over 4,000 talismans, which would serve as his trump cards.

However, Yang Chen was not satisfied.

It wasn't that he was discontented, but rather the upcoming trip to the Secret Realm was extraordinary.

"There are two entrances in total. One entrance is for geniuses below 40 years old. No matter how powerful these geniuses are, I have the ability to defend myself and protect myself against them. I am not afraid of Wu Sheng or Han Zheng. The trouble is the powerful ones from the second entrance," Yang Chen thought to himself.

The powerful characters from the second entrance were the real trouble.

"The second entrance is for those between True Martial Realm and Earth Martial Realm. Each sect will surely send their top powerhouses, who are likely half-step Earth Martial Realm characters. If I were to encounter these powerhouses, I would have no ability to face them. The two entrances lead to the same place. It's impossible not to encounter each other," Yang Chen sighed secretly.

He knew that avoiding them was simply impossible.

Given the size of the Secret Realm, who could guarantee there would be no conflicts?

Thinking about this, Yang Chen rubbed his eyebrows and said to himself, "It seems that just having 4,000 ordinary talismans is not enough. I need to prepare some other talismans. Speaking of which, with my current level, refining talismans from the Strange Door Scroll should not be a problem. I should give it a try!"

The talismans from Spirit-Talisman Martial Arts had many scrolls, with each scroll representing a different category.

Three Major Forbidden Talismans were the ultimate achievements of Spirit-Talisman Martial Arts.

These three Forbidden Talismans represented Huang Taiji's greatest achievements. Each Forbidden Talisman possessed earth-shaking power.

However, these three Forbidden Talismans were ultimately just Huang Taiji's speculations, and their required materials were extremely rare. Huang Taiji himself had never refined them, so their true power remained unknown.

But below these Forbidden Talismans was the Strange Door Scroll.

The Strange Door Scroll contained various unique talismans, such as the Paralysis Talisman and the Thousand Miles Instant-Travel Talisman.

"The Thousand Miles Instant-Travel Talisman can instantly transport me thousands of miles away. If I can't face my enemies, this talisman would undoubtedly be a great lifesaving tool. The Paralysis Talisman is even more precious. With my current strength, I can immobilize a True Martial Realm peak powerhouse for one breath's time. If it's a seventh or eighth level True Martial Realm, I can even immobilize them for two breaths," Yang Chen muttered to himself.

He had wanted to refine these two Strange Door talismans for a while, but unfortunately, he had always faced the problem of insufficient materials.

On his way back to North Mountain County, he had gathered many materials, but still lacked some.

Now, with some time left before the opening of the Secret Realm, Yang Chen rubbed his eyebrows and thought, "It seems I need to go out and find more materials. If I can gather the materials needed for these two Strange Door talismans before the Secret Realm begins, it will undoubtedly be a good thing for me."

With this thought in mind, Yang Chen immediately got up and opened the door.

But as he opened the door, Yang Chen was startled to see someone standing there.

It was a woman, standing gracefully with a faint fragrance emanating from her body. Her beautiful eyes looked at him with some surprise as well.

“Sect Leader Li,” Yang Chen greeted her with a salute. “What a coincidence.”

This person was none other than Li Ruoxiang.

Li Ruoxiang coughed twice, as if embarrassed, and said, “Yes, quite a coincidence.”

“Sect Leader Li, you’re here for...?” Yang Chen couldn’t help but ask.

Li Ruoxiang didn’t know why, but she always felt a little uneasy when facing Yang Chen. She took a deep breath, forced herself to calm down, and said, “The Supreme Elder asked me to remind you that the Secret Realm could open within a month. You should be prepared and not immerse yourself too deeply into closed-door cultivation. Otherwise, you may miss the best opportunity. However, from the looks of it now, it seems that the Supreme Elder is being overly worried.”

“I see,” Yang Chen nodded.

Li Ruoxiang raised her eyebrows and asked, “So, what are you planning to do now? If there’s anything you need help with, the Green Lotus Sect will try its best to assist you.”

Li Ruoxiang knew that Yang Chen was the person Zhu Hailong had specifically instructed to take care of.

This young man played a crucial role in the Secret Realm.

Yang Chen saw Li Ruoxiang appear and was secretly worried. He smiled and said, “Even if Elder Zhu doesn’t say anything, I’m sure to be preparing for the Secret Realm trip. Now, I lack some materials and want to buy them.”

“Materials? If they’re not extremely rare materials, the Green Lotus Sect can help you get them,” Li Ruoxiang said.

Upon hearing this good news, Yang Chen immediately handed over the materials list to Li Ruoxiang without hesitation.

Li Ruoxiang took the list and gasped, "Yang Chen, why are you looking for all these obscure materials? Some of them I've never even heard of."

"Well, it's precisely because they're rare that they're valuable," Yang Chen replied.

Li Ruoxiang looked at Yang Chen seriously and then said, "Our Green Lotus Sect can help you gather up to 10% of these materials. For the rest, although we may not be able to help you, there is another way."

Upon hearing the first half of her sentence, Yang Chen was somewhat disappointed. He hadn't thought that even the huge Green Lotus Sect would be unable to meet his material needs. However, he was immediately overjoyed when he heard that there was still hope from Li Ruoxiang's latter words.

Yang Chen quickly asked, "Sect Leader Li, what's the other way?"

Li Ruoxiang replied, "It's simple. Recently, various forces have been waiting for the opening of the Secret Realm, and like you, they have also begun preparing for entering the Secret Realm. So, as a result, a Trading Street has been set up before the opening of the Secret Realm. In this street, you can trade freely. Although it's chaotic, the variety is indeed complete, and you may find what you're seeking."

"Is that so?" Yang Chen was overjoyed.

Such a trade fair was precisely what he wanted.

Li Ruoxiang spoke gently, "If you participate, the Green Lotus Sect will reimburse you for any spirit stones you spend!"

Yang Chen was embarrassed, "When did your Green Lotus Sect become so generous? If that's the case, I feel a little embarrassed."

Chapter 770: Unexpected Joy!\_1

"It is per the wishes of the Supreme Elder." Li Ruoxiang said solemnly.

Now she could see that Zhu Hailong seemed to regard Yang Chen as a treasure, holding him in the palm of his hand, fearing it might melt.

True, Yang Chen passed the twentieth layer of the Trial Tower, with such a demonic talent...it's not just the Supreme Elder, she would hold Yang Chen in the palm of her hand too .

Yang Chen blinked, understanding, and also realized Zhu Hailong's importance to him. He said, "Thank you, Elder Zhu, for that. By the way, I'm heading to the trade fair now, I need to talk to Elder Zhu about it, right?"

"Yes!" Li Ruoxiang nodded.

The two of them went together to the place where Zhu Hailong was in seclusion. With Zhu Hailong's strength, he naturally felt the arrival of the two long ago.

Zhu Hailong said directly, "Come in!"

When his words fell, Yang Chen and Li Ruoxiang opened the door and entered.

Zhu Hailong stood with his hands behind his back, watching Li Ruoxiang and Yang Chen come in together. He laughed and said, "My friend Yang Chen, you're here."

"Junior Yang Chen greets Elder Zhu." Yang Chen said respectfully.

Li Ruoxiang followed up: "Supreme Elder, Yang Chen wants to go to the Trading Street to exchange for some treasures. He specifically came to inform you."

"Oh? What's the explanation for this? It's a good thing. Yang Chen, my friend, is going to prepare for the secret realm event. Why tell me? Oh, by the way, Ruoxiang, the spirit stones that Yang Chen spends will be counted on our Green Lotus Sect. Just give him however much he spends." Zhu Hailong said generously.

“I’ve already promised that,” Li Ruoxiang said seriously.

Zhu Hailong nodded, “I trust you to get things done... Well, in that case, Ruoxiang, go with my friend Yang Chen. If Yang Chen has any questions, he can always ask you.”

“No problem,” Li Ruoxiang agreed lightly.

Zhu Hailong seemed to think of something and said, “Oh? By the way, are the forces entering the two entrances ready?”

“They are all ready. For the first entrance, I have arranged for my avatar to be there, along with more than forty top geniuses from our sect,” Li Ruoxiang said. “The number of these forty-plus geniuses is the limit, and any more arrangements would only develop in the opposite direction.”

“Hmm, what about the second entrance?” Zhu Hailong asked.

“For the second entrance, I have arranged for eight half-step Earth Martial Realm powerhouses to lead the team, along with dozens of True Martial Realm peak elders,” said Li Ruoxiang.

Only then did Zhu Hailong nod with satisfaction: “Good, it’s best to be prepared. The two entrances to the secret realm must be watched closely at all times, and we must be ready for any changes. This secret realm is related to the future development of our Green Lotus Sect.”

“Yes.” Li Ruoxiang could not underestimate the importance of this matter.

The two discussed a little more and when it was over, Li Ruoxiang and Yang Chen left the Green Lotus Sect together and headed straight for Trading Street.

Trading Street was located not far from the Secret Realm, stretching like a long dragon. When Yang Chen arrived, he was completely impressed by the grandeur of Trading Street, with its bustling crowds and the booths where various transactions took place.

“Trading Street is really thriving.” Yang Chen clicked his tongue. For him, the more thriving, the better.

After all, he didn’t have to spend his own spirit stones for shopping this time.

Initially, he was worried about his spirit stones, but now it seemed that there was no need to worry, with the Green Lotus Sect helping out.

The two came to the Trading Street, and in the blink of an eye, they had both wandered for a while.

“It’s Yang Chen!”

“Eastern Region’s Number One Genius, Yang Chen!”

“Yang Chen has come to the Trading Street, too.”

Many people recognized Yang Chen, and when they saw him, they all started talking. Even some young girls wanted to come up and strike up a conversation with Yang Chen. However, as soon as Li Ruoxiang stood aside and released the Earth Martial Realm’s qi, those people were frightened and retreated.

“Did you find what you wanted?” Li Ruoxiang asked unhappily.

“I haven’t seen any yet, but don’t worry, we’ll find them slowly.” Yang Chen looked at Li Ruoxiang’s unhappy face and couldn’t help smiling bitterly.

You scared away people who wanted to talk to me, and you’re not happy?

Of course, he wouldn’t actually argue with Li Ruoxiang, but he carefully searched for what he wanted.

It must be said that the materials for the Strange Door Scroll's Talisman were indeed strange. Even the materials were hard to find, not to mention the effects of the talisman made from them.

Time passed quickly, and an hour later...

"Yang Chen, are you sure these materials you're looking for actually exist? It's been half a day and you've only found two types of materials." Li Ruoxiang was somewhat displeased.

Yang Chen looked helpless, "Sect Leader Li, I'm not happy either."

He was also worried. Who would have thought that he couldn't find the materials he wanted even in a place like Trading Street?

He sighed inwardly, placing his hopes in the slow search.

"Huh?" Yang Chen suddenly paused.

"What's wrong?" Li Ruoxiang asked curiously. "Found what you want?"

Yang Chen shook his head and said, "I found some unexpected surprises!"

As he said this, Yang Chen sent a sound transmission to Yun Lu: "Senior Yun Lu, I've found quite a bit of Brass Sand. Are you sure Holy Ants just like to eat this stuff?"

"What, Young Master, you found Brass Sand?" Yun Lu was immediately surprised.

Yang Chen looked at the booth in front of him and laughed, "I've found quite a bit of Brass Sand this time. It's amazing that people are selling such a useless thing!"

Brass Sand was indeed a useless item whose sole value was in the production of some ordinary spirit weapons. However, this thing was so rare that it was hard to come by. So even if someone found it and tried to sell it, not many people were willing to buy it.

But according to Yun Lu, Holy Ants like to eat this Brass Sand. If Brass Sand is used as food for Holy Ants, the effect is excellent, significantly increasing the Holy Ants' strength, and possibly even causing some mutation.

Yang Chen had always remembered this, but never had high hopes. Brass Sand is rare, and Holy Ants need a large amount of it, so where would it be easy to find?

But now, he had found it indeed.

"Brass Sand? You want this?" Li Ruoxiang couldn't help but be surprised.

"Yes, I want this," Yang Chen grinned: "Shopkeeper, how do you sell this Brass Sand?"

It was clear that there were quite a few glittering things like sand on the booth. According to Yang Chen's estimate, it weighed more than ten catties.

More than ten catties exceeded his expectations, as he thought it would be nice to find two or three catties.