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Chapter 1371: Asking For Rewards

Chen Xi was rather surprised and even moved when he heard of the current size of the Star Alliance.

He was very clearly aware that A'Xiu seemed to be grinning and proudly describing everything to him, yet she'd definitely paid a great amount of painstaking effort to accomplish all of this.

"Don't thank me. If you weren't renowned like the scorching sun in the midday sky within Dao Emperor Academy now, then it would be impossible for the Star Alliance to develop so quickly. After all, most of the members of the Star Alliance joined out of admiration towards your reputation." Chen Xi was just about to thank her when A'Xiu hurriedly spoke before him.

"But in conclusion, it couldn't happen without your help." Chen Xi spoke in a serious and sincere tone, and his gaze was sincere as well.

A'Xiu's heart shook from being stared at by Chen Xi, and a wisp of ripples arose in her heart before she blinked her eyes and grinned. "There are many more benefits from having me. Don't be moved to the point of crying in the future."

Chen Xi couldn't help but chuckle.

Liang Ren and the others roared endlessly with laughter.

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Deep in the night, A'Xiu and the others bid their farewell and left successively.

Ling Bai and the others had eaten their fill a long time ago instead, and they'd fallen asleep on the ground.

Chen Xi on the other hand directly entered the world of stars and started to cultivate in meditation.

His trip to the Prehistoric Ruins this time had allowed him to obtain numerous fortuitous encounters. Even his cultivation had broken through to the Saint Immortal Realm in one go, and he'd stepped into the ranks of those that sought the path to become gods.

However, strictly speaking, he still wasn't a true Saint Immortal because he hadn't completely fused together all the Golden Immortal Laws that he possessed and establish a Saint Dao Law of his own.

The combat strength of a Saint Immortal was mostly displayed in the Saint Dao Laws.

For example, when he was at Autumn Leaf City that day and defeated the Yuwen brothers. If Chen Xi didn't possess an extremely deep cultivation that far exceeded his peers, it would be impossible for him to defeat them so easily.

On the other hand, if he'd grasped a Saint Dao Law of his own at that time, then he would have probably won in an even easier manner.

Saint Dao Laws!

It was the Grand Dao that belonged to the Saint Immortal Realm, and it possessed a 'divine' might. It could move mountains, fill seas, teleport through the world, spread the Dao through the world, and possessed boundless might.

These sort of Laws already possessed a 'divine' might, and it was completely like the difference between the heavens and the earth when it was compared with ordinary Laws and Allheaven Divine Crests. They couldn't be compared with each other at all.

If one desired to establish a Saint Dao Law that belonged to one's self, then one had to completely fuse all the Allheaven Divine Crests one possessed. This process was extremely difficult, and it was even filled with boundless danger.

After all, every single Allheaven Divine Crest was almost perfect, and if one desired to completely fuse all of them into a Grand Dao that possessed a 'divine' imposing aura, then the difficulty to accomplish this was obvious.

Especially because Chen Xi was unlike ordinary Saint Immortals. He'd grasped too many Allheaven Divine Crests, and most of them were extremely rare Golden Immortal Laws like the Star Obliteration Divine Crest, Enduring Divine Crest, Risefall Divine Crest, Taichi Divine Crest, and the others. In this way, establishing a Saint Dao Law of his own was much more difficult than it was for other Saint Immortals.

However, Chen Xi wasn't in a hurry.

Compared to the other Saint Immortals, he'd already attained perfection in his grasp of the various Allheaven Divine Crests, whereas even though most Saint Immortal had attained a cultivation in the Saint Immortal Realm, they hadn't attained perfection in their grasp of their Golden Immortal Laws.

So to those Saint Immortals, the first thing they had to do wasn't to 'fuse the Dao,' and it was instead to attain perfection in their grasp of their Golden Immortal Laws.

For example, the Yuwen brothers from that day were at this stage.

However, to Chen Xi, there was only a single thing left to be done, and that was to completely fuse the various Golden Immortal Laws that he'd grasped and fuse them into the Talisman Dao to establish a Talisman Saint Dao of his own!

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The Five Elements, Tempest, Taichi, Star Obliteration, Risefall, Enduring... These Allheaven Divine Crests of mine contain at least two Grand Dao Laws and go up to five Grand Dao Laws. It really is extremely difficult to completely fuse them into the Dao of Talismans. Chen Xi sat cross-legged as he looked up towards the starry sky above him, and he couldn't help but sigh lightly.

To know is easy, but to do is difficult.

Knowing was one thing, but when he really started to do something, only then did he realize that all of this wasn't as easy as he'd imagined.

The myriad of things in the world, the circulation of the universe, everything has the five elements as its foundation. Since it's like this, then I'll start with the Five Element Divine Crest and fuse it with the Talisman Dao first. Once wind and lightning moves, the myriad of living things in the world grow. Perhaps

I should utilize the Tempest Divine Crest as support to fuse the other Divine Crests. As it's said, the Dao gives birth to all things, and the profundity of the fusing of the Dao lies in the meaning behind 'giving birth.' The Tempest Divine Crest just happens to be able to accomplish this...The Enduring Divine Crest contains the rare Grand Dao Laws of Devour, Eternal, and Creation. It'll probably be extremely difficult to fuse, so it's best to be the last that I fuse with the Talisman Dao. The Taichi Divine Crest can be fused with the Star Obliteration Divine Crest. As the myriad of stars circulate, they contain the profundities of the universe. Once obliteration arrives, the universe returns to nothingness. This cycle of life and death, movement and stillness just happens to supplement the Taichi Divine Crest. As for the Risefall Divine Crest, it contains the two supreme Grand Dao of the Netherworld, Paramita an Oblivion. The Paramita is the catalyst while Oblivion is the foundation. It'll probably be slightly difficult to fuse it with the other Divine Crests...

Chen Xi took a deep breath while his heart and mind were completely calm, and his sea of consciousness was tranquil as he started to swiftly deduce the method to 'fuse the Dao.' Presently, he'd attained a deep understanding of the Grand Daos of the universe, so it wasn't difficult for him to find a method to fuse the Daos.

The only problem he faced was still that the process was too difficult, and it was a mystery how much time and painstaking effort he would have to put in to completely fuse all the Allheaven Divine Crests.

For a few days, Chen Xi had been constantly comprehending and deducing the method to fuse the Daos in concentration, and he gradually found and comprehended many things.

For example, when he fused the Dao, he could advance gradually in order, and he didn't have to fuse all the Allheaven Divine Crests at the same time.

Another example was that when he fused the Allheaven Divine Crests, for the sake of avoiding them conflicting with each other, he could utilize the Spatial Divine Crest to restrain the energy of the other Allheaven Divine Crests...

On this day, Chen Xi who was in meditation had finally figured out all aspects of the 'fusing of the Dao,' yet he didn't seem to reveal happiness and was frowning instead.

Because he suddenly noticed that if he 'fused the Dao' according to the fruits of his deduction and comprehension, then merely fusing the Five Element Divine Crest would probably require three to five years of time.

This was only the comparatively easier Divine Crest and fusing the rare Divine Crests would consume even more time.

Yet to Chen Xi, time was undoubtedly the most precious, and he wasn't willing to exhaust all his energy on 'fusing the Dao.'

Nevermind, I'll take it gradually step by step. At any rate, it isn't suitable for me to leave the academy right now, so why don't I stay within the academy and silently cultivate for a period of time. Chen Xi decided in the end. Originally, he intended to find the time to return to the Mortal Dimension's Darchu Dynasty once he returned because he desired to make arrangements for his younger brother, Chen Hao, and the others before the upheaval of the three dimensions erupted. However, the situation right now caused him to have no choice but to temporarily delay this plan.

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On this day, Chi Cangsheng's personal disciple, Qing Ye, suddenly paid Chen Xi a visit.

"Senior Brother Chen Xi, my Master wishes to meet you." When Chen Xi saw Qing Ye, they chatted briefly before Qing Ye spoke of the reason for his arrival.

"Dean Chi Cangsheng?" Chen Xi was stunned, and he was slightly unwilling to meet this Old Devil Chi that had a vicious and unreasonable temper. It couldn't be helped. Chi Cangsheng had left him a very bad impression when he'd just entered the inner court.

"Yes." Qing Ye smiled bashfully.

"Why?" Chen Xi couldn't refrain himself from asking this question. He was worried that Old Devil Chi would use the name of tempering students to play tricks on him.

"Err... I don't know either." Qing Ye smiled shyly.

Chen Xi agreed in the end when he heard this.

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This was a rather old fashioned cottage. When Chen Xi and Qing Ye arrived here, Chi Cangsheng was lying casually on a rocking chair while drinking wine, and he seemed to be very cozy.

Chen Xi had never expected that the residence of the inner court's Dean would actually be so simple.

"Kid, I asked you to come over this time for a single matter. Do you still remember the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds?" Chi Cangsheng didn't stand up, and he directly started speaking in a lazy tone upon noticing Chen Xi's arrival.

The Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds! In an instant, Chen Xi's spirits were refreshed because the Dao Emperor's inheritance was within there, and so long as he obtained the acknowledgement of the Dao Emperor, then he would be able to rely on this to possess the qualification to exchange for the River Diagram fragment!

"Senior, is the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds about to be opened?" Chen Xi still remembered that after the inner court exam ended that day, the rewards given by the academy included providing the top five students a chance to enter the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds to temper themselves.

He was ranked at the 1st position during the exam, so he naturally possessed the qualifications to enter the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds.

"Yes. However, there are still almost three months of preparations to be made. At that time, ten students from the academy will enter the grounds, and you're one of them." Chi Cangsheng spoke casually before he tossed a jade slip over to Chen Xi. "Information related to the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds is recorded within it. Give it a good thought in this period of time. After all, it's really not easy to get the chance to enter it."

Chen Xi stretched out his hand to receive it, and he couldn't help but immediately look through it.

The Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds, the place where one of the five Primeval Emperors and the founder of Dao Emperor Academy resided and cultivated!

These were the words that entered his eyes first, and it caused Chen Xi to be unable to help but be shocked. After that, he continued looking through the information, and it was some introductory records about the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds.

However, before Chen Xi could look through it carefully, he was interrupted by Chi Cangsheng. "You have more than enough time to read through it after you leave. I still have something else to ask you."

Chen Xi was stunned, and he put the jade slip away before he said, "May I know what Senior intends to ask about?"

Chi Cangsheng suddenly sat up while the lazy aura he emanated was completely wiped away, and his gaze was dazzling and resplendent like a bolt of lightning as he stared at Chen Xi and said, "Didn't you just return from the God Attainment Region. Tell me everything that happened there. Hmm, it's best that you tell me everything about the information you possess about becoming a god. If you satisfy me, then there'll be no lack of rewards for you."

As he finished speaking, his voice actually carried a wisp of fervor.

Information related to becoming a god!Could it be that this old fellow is an Immortal King as well, and he's seeking the method to attain the Dao and become a god?

In an instant, Chen Xi understood many things from what Chi Cangsheng said, and he immediately nodded. "I do indeed know some secrets, but..."

"But what?" Chi Cangsheng spoke hastily. "Feel free to speak of it. There's no need to worry about anything."

Chen Xi instantly didn't hold back and said frankly, "I want to know what sort of rewards Senior will be able to give me."

He placed extreme emphasis on the word 'rewards' as he spoke.

Chi Cangsheng was instantly stunned, and his expression immediately became extremely colorful. He seemed to have never imagined that while he was just speaking casually, this little bastard would actually really ask for rewards from him...

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Chapter 1372: Three Treasures

After a good while, Chi Cangsheng smiled spuriously as he said, "Alright, little fellow, you've even set your sights on the inner court's Dean. You're brave!"

Chen Xi smiled as he said, "Senior is too kind."

When he saw Chen Xi's expression remain calm and unmoved, Chi Cangsheng instantly understood that if he didn't pay a heavy price, then it would be very difficult for him to pry out anything good from this kid's mouth.

He immediately said, "Speak, do you want immortal treasures, Dao Techniques, immortal materials, or some other things. So long as I possess it, I can agree to give them to you."

Chen Xi's smile grew even more brilliant when he heard this, and he casually sat down on a rock by Chi Cangsheng's side before he said, "I'm not really picky, and it all depends on Senior's own thoughts."

Chi Cangsheng's face turned grim while he was angry in his heart. This little bastard's appetite is really big!

If it was at an ordinary time, he would definitely find a good reason to give Chen Xi a proper 'tempering' to lower Chen Xi's spirits, yet now... He had something to ask from Chen Xi, so he could only endure it.

"Alright! I just happen to have some little things I have no use for, and I can allow you to choose from them." Chi Cangsheng grunted before he withdrew an antique styled jade box with a flip of the palm. The jade box contained a pearl that was fist sized, crimson red like fire, and had a smooth surface that flowed with divine radiance.

If one looked carefully, this pearl naturally contained strands of dense and profound talisman markings, and it actually emanated a divine and powerful aura.

Chen Xi's eyes focused because the aura on the surface of this pearl actually contained strands of Saint Dao Laws!

"This treasure is called the Firelight Saint Dao Pearl. It's formed within the Firelight Divine Ocean at the extreme west of the Immortal Dimension, and it's rather rare. It carries an extraordinary supplementary effect when fusing the Dao in the Saint Immortal Realm." Chi Cangsheng glanced at Chen Xi before he spoke slowly and said, "How is it? Does this treasure satisfy you?"

A Firelight Saint Dao Pearl! At this instant, Chen Xi was tempted indeed. Presently, his greatest headache was the time he would need to spend in order to fuse the Dao. If he was able to obtain the assistance of this Firelight Saint Dao Pearl, then he would definitely be able to speed up the process of fusing the Dao.

Moreover, according to his knowledge, there were only two ways to fuse the Dao. The first was to rely on one's self, and it meant that one had to comprehend, deduce, and fuse the various Allheaven Divine Crests by one's self. This was the most important way, and it carried an important effect.

The second was to utilize the assistance of other treasures, and it meant to rely on some rare and precious treasures to assist one in the process of fusing the Dao. Moreover, each auxiliary treasure had its own effects.

Some treasures were capable of speeding up the process of fusing the Dao.

Some were capable of improving one's comprehensions while fusing the Dao.

Some were even able to fully simulate the complete process of fusing the Dao for Saint Immortals to comprehend.

In short, all of these treasures could be considered as supplementary forces. They were able to assist a Saint Immortal to fuse the Dao, yet it still required one to rely on one's self and cultivate.

Of course, with the assistance of these treasures, it was greatly beneficial to the process of fusing the Dao.

For example, the Firelight Saint Dao Pearl before his eyes was a rare precious treasure that provided an extremely great supplementary effect when fusing the Dao, and it was priceless and could only be chanced upon by luck. It was sufficient to make Saint Immortals fight to the death to obtain it.

So how could Chen Xi not be tempted when facing such a treasure.

A wisp of a proud arc appeared on the corners of Chi Cangsheng's mouth, and he felt complacent in his heart. This little bastard was thinking of taking advantage of me? I'll let you understand what the saying 'you can't catch old birds with chaff' means!

Since the first glance he took at Chen Xi, he'd noticed that the latter had advanced into the Saint Immortal Realm. So he utilized the right strategy to tackle this problem and withdrew the Firelight Saint Dao Pearl. In any case, it was useless in his possession, and if it was able to be exchanged for some information that was useful to becoming a god, then he didn't mind giving it to Chen Xi.

"This won't do. This treasure isn't essential to me." However, to Chi Cangsheng's surprise, Chen Xi actually refused!

The proud arc on the corners of his mouth instantly froze, and he said with slight exasperation, "Do you know the value of this treasure? This is a treasure that Saint Immortals dream to obtain!"

Chen Xi grinned as he said, "I'm naturally aware of that. However, since Senior was able to easily produce such a precious treasure, you definitely have even more formidable treasures in your possession. Am I right?"

Chi Cangsheng's face froze, and he puckered his lips with slight depression. He flipped his palm and withdrew another treasure before he said angrily, "If this treasure still can't satisfy you, then I really have nothing to say."

This treasure was a meditation cushion. It seemed to have been woven together from bright golden grass, and it emanated a myriad of strands of hazy divine aura. As soon as it appeared, strands of the tune of the Dao instantly resounded through the air. It was like the sound of nature, and it struck directly at the heart.

Kunwu Meditation Cushion!

It was similarly a precious treasure that was greatly beneficial to fusing the Dao. According to legend, it was woven together from the branches of the primeval Ancient Kunwu Tree, and it was naturally branded with the secret markings of the Grand Dao. Its value was so great that it was absolutely more valuable than the Firelight Saint Dao Pearl!

The reason was very simple, the Ancient Kunwu Tree was a treasure that was born from the chaos at the beginning of the world, and it had vanished a long time ago during the primeval times. It was utterly impossible to find it now.

Most importantly, its effects were extremely miraculous. When once comprehended the Dao while sitting cross-legged atop it, it was capable of improving one's ability to sense the Grand Dao and allow one to yield twice the results from one's comprehension.

Chen Xi's eyes lit up. What a good treasure!

But right after that, he calmed down and shook his head as he said, "Senior, I want to see the other treasures in your possession."

He was naturally able to discern that these treasures Chi Cangsheng withdrew seemed to have been specially prepared for him, and it displayed that Chi Cangsheng had obviously exhausted a great deal of effort for the sake of the information related to becoming a god. He didn't believe that Chi Cangsheng had merely prepared these two treasures.

"Little Fellow! You're pushing your luck a bit!" Chen Xi's refusal caused Chi Cangsheng to be stunned once more, and then his face sank while his entire body emanated a vicious and ruthless aura.

Chen Xi seemed as if he didn't notice all of this instead, and he still smiled as he looked at Chi Cangsheng.

The two of them stared at each other and refused to give in for a long time. In the end, Chi Cangsheng lost, and he spat fiercely with slight anger as he cursed. "I guess I've fucking fallen into your trap!"

Chen Xi smiled with deep meaning. "Don't worry Senior, I'll definitely give you a satisfying answer later."

"Hmph!" Chi Cangsheng grunted coldly, and he hesitated for a long time before he finally withdrew another treasure. This treasure was an ancient bamboo scroll.

After it was opened up, the scroll instantly emanated a myriad of ancient and mysterious words while a myriad of strands of multicolored light shot into the sky. It really seemed like every word was like a gem, and its radiance shook through the sky.

After that, the figures of numerous old men who wore high crowns and ancient clothes actually floated up into appearance from within the scroll. All of them had solemn expressions as they read scriptures, and their voices were clear and bright like the chanting of the Grand Dao as it resounded through the heavens and the earth.

In an instant, it seemed like a hundred schools of thought were competing for supremacy and emanated vast aura of the Saint Dao. It seemed to be educating the masses and spreading the Dao throughout the world, and the vast energy is possessed caused Chen Xi to be stunned.

What a deep energy of the Saint Dao!It's like listening to the profundities of the Saint Dao, and my entire body feels enlightened. It's indescribably wonderful.

"This is the Hundred Sage Dao Scripture, and it's branded with the experiences of a hundred Sages from the primeval times. It will provide unbelievably profound effects if you look through this scripture while cultivating and fusing the Dao. It's like a hundred sages arriving in person to discuss the Dao with you. In terms of value, it's a top-rate precious treasure in the three dimensions!" Chi Cangsheng couldn't help but smile proudly when he saw Chen Xi's stunned expression, and he said, "Little Fellow, this treasure is my trump card. What do you think of it?"

"It's extraordinary." Chen Xi didn't hesitate to praise with a sigh. This Hundred Sage Dao Scripture was a world shocking precious treasure indeed. It gathered the experiences of a hundred sages from the primeval times, and it was filled with the profundities of the Saint Dao. It was simply unbelievable!

"So in this way, you're determined to choose this treasure?" Chi Cangsheng spoke slowly as he put away the bamboo scripture with a swish, and all the scenes in the air vanished without a trace.

Chen Xi went silent for a short moment, and then he said with a smile, "Senior, I've taken a liking to all three of these treasures."

"You..." Chi Cangsheng glared and started laughing from extreme rage. "Little Fellow, a man whose heart isn't content is like a snake that wishes to swallow an elephant. Do you really think I'm a wealthy fellow that you can butcher?"

At this moment, he really was slightly angry as he felt this little fellow was too greedy. If it was any other ordinary student here, he would have swung a slap at the student and asked the student to fuck off.

Chen Xi's expression remained unchanged instead, and he spoke confidently. "It isn't just that, besides these three treasures, I need a request from Senior."

Chi Cangsheng's face turned gloomy. You're going too far! This little bastard is going too far! Could it be that I wouldn't dare to teach him a lesson because he's renowned in the world now?

"Leave! Leave! Leave! Take it as I never met with you! Quickly get the fuck out of here! Now! Right now!" Chi Cangsheng waved his hand and was extremely irritated by Chen Xi, and he was extraordinarily disappointed with Chen Xi.

When he saw this, Chen Xi thought for a moment and finally decided to withdraw a jade box. "Senior, calm down. Please take a look at this. If you're not satisfied, then I'll leave immediately."

"Look my ass... Eh!" Chi Cangsheng waved his hand impatiently. However, when his gaze inadvertently noticed the treasure within the jade box, he instantly seemed as if he'd been struck by lightning, and his pupils couldn't help but dilate while his face froze.

Slap!

Chen Xi closed the jade box and put it away.

"That's..." Chi Cangsheng instantly recovered from his shock, and then he seemed to be extremely impatient and scratched his face in embarrassment as he said, "Hey, Little Fellow, let me have another look, just another look."

Chen Xi grinned as he said, "Of course, but what about my conditions from before?"

"Of course, all..." When he spoke up to here, Chi Cangsheng stopped speaking abruptly, and then he pointed at Chen Xi as he cursed. "You Little Bastard! You laid down a trap and waited for me to take the bait since the beginning!"

Chen Xi grinned as he said, "Senior has wrongly accused me. After all, this treasure in my possession is truly too precious. If I could only exchange it for some little toys, you would feel bad, right?"

Chi Cangsheng laughed bitterly once more. This little fox is really sly!

While he thought like that in his heart, he was unable to refuse such temptation and couldn't help but say. "What did you want me to promise you earlier?"

"Oh, we'll talk about it in the future." As he spoke, Chen Xi passed the jade box over. "Senior, this treasure was originally prepared for you. Even if you didn't mention any rewards, I would have taken the initiative to send it over to you. Please do accept it."

"Ptooey! Stop putting on an act!" Chi Cangsheng glared angrily at Chen Xi, yet he didn't refuse in the end. He hurriedly took the jade box in his hand and opened it carefully.

When he saw the treasure within clearly, he fell into a dumbstruck state once more, and the corners of his mouth couldn't help but start trembling slightly.

Along with the passage of time, a wisp of extreme joy, excitement, delight, and a practically insane expression suddenly appeared on the space between his brows. "Dao Fruit's Spirit, Dao Fruit's Spirit... I've been fucking waiting bitterly for a few tens of thousands of years, and I've finally fucking got it!"

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Chapter 1373: Comprehending The Saint Dao

Chen Xi fled in panic.

It couldn't be helped. After he obtained the Dao Fruit's Spirit, this inner court's Dean, Chi Cangsheng, that was known for possessing a vicious and unreasonable temper simply seemed to have become a completely different person, and he was extremely warm and thankful to Chen Xi, causing Chen Xi to be unable to endure it.

Thus, he had no choice but to bid his farewells and leave.

Of course, he took the Firelight Saint Dao Pearl, Kunwu Meditation Cushion, and Hundred Sage Dao Scripture with him. Moreover, Chi Cangsheng struck his chest and guaranteed that Chen Xi could feel free to come seek help from him, and he guaranteed that he wouldn't refuse.

Chen Xi was clearly extremely satisfied with such an outcome, and he felt that this trip wasn't taken in vain.

He'd utilized a Dao Fruit's Spirit to obtain three precious treasures that were extremely beneficial towards fusing the Dao and won a promise from Chi Cangsheng. It was completely worth it, and it was even to the extent that these gains exceeded Chen Xi's expectations.

After all, even though he possessed eleven Dao Fruit's Spirits, they weren't of any use to him now. Even if he advanced into the Immortal King Realm in the future and desired to attain the Dao and become a god, he would only need a single Dao Fruit's Spirit.

As for the remainder, he naturally had to make the best use of them.

In Chen Xi's current plans, he was completely able to utilize these extra Dao Fruit's Spirits to win the promises and support of some seniors in the academy.

In this way, when he went to seek revenge from the Zuoqiu Clan in the future, he would be able to draw in the assistance of numerous Immortal Kings!

Of course, Chen Xi wouldn't casually reveal this treasure, and it was even to the extent that for safety's sake, he asked Chi Cangsheng to not expose any news of this so as to avoid unnecessary troubles.

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After he left Chi Cangsheng's residence, Chen Xi directly returned to the Sword Room.

He first withdrew the jade slip that recorded information related to the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds and looked through it carefully. Compared to fusing the Dao, he attached even more importance into whether he would be able to obtain the acknowledgement of the Dao Emperor's inheritance, thus allowing him to exchange for the River Diagram fragments with sufficient Starpoints.

The reason was very simple, after he experienced the ups and downs in the God Attainment Region, he'd deeply understood how extraordinary the River Diagram fragments were.

This treasure was able to go against the Eye of Heavenly Tribulation and resist the might of the Godrank Chart. Moreover, it even helped him deal with numerous calamities. So how could it be an ordinary treasure?

It wasn't just that, it was entirely the contribution of the River Diagram fragments that allowed him to condense all the Grand Dao Laws he possessed into Allheaven Divine Crests, smoothly advance into the Saint Immortal Realm, and obtain numerous Dao Fruit's Spirits...

Now, he already possessed six River Diagram fragments, and he still lacked three more to piece together the complete River Diagram. So he would naturally not watch as the River Diagram fragment possessed by Dao Emperor Academy was obtained by another.

"The Eternal Tomb of Kings!"

"Nether Immortal's Coffin!"

"Past Life Bloodpool!"

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As he looked carefully through the jade slip, Chen Xi got more surprised the more he read. Never had he imagined that the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds wasn't merely the place where the Dao Emperor's inheritance was buried, it was even filled with numerous dangerous areas and plenty of fortuitous encounters.

They were both a form of test and tempering.

According to the jade slip, even if one wasn't able to obtain the Dao Emperor's inheritance after entering the grounds, after one experienced various tests, one's strength would be improved greatly.

Moreover, there wasn't only the Dao Emperor's inheritance within it, and there were even numerous places where fortune could be found.

In the history of Dao Emperor Academy, the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds would only be opened every ten thousand years, and no more than ten students would be allowed to enter every single time.

Moreover, it was extremely rare for students to obtain the acknowledgement of the Dao Emperor's inheritance, and most of the time, no one would obtain it.

As for the reason, he would only be able to understand after he entered the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds.

However, the jade slip did record that the current Dean of Dao Emperor Academy had once obtained the acknowledgement of the Dao Emperor's inheritance all those years ago!

The Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds will be opened in three more months. I'll seize this opportunity to make comprehensive preparations and give it my all to obtain the acknowledgement of the Dao Emperor's inheritance! After a long time, Chen Xi took a deep breath while a wisp of a firm expression appeared in the space between his brows.

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The world of stars, Chen Xi sat cross-legged on the Kunwu Meditation Cushion while his hands were crossed across his legs. The Firelight Saint Dao Pearl was within his embrace while the Hundred Sage Dao Scripture was open above him, and it emanated a wave of the sound of sages chanting that seemed like the tune of nature.

Om~

Along with Chen Xi falling into deep levels of meditation, the Kunwu Meditation Cushion glowed as it emanated strands of golden light, and every single strand of light carried strings of miraculous and mysterious markings as it enveloped Chen Xi's entire body.

On the other hand, the Firelight Saint Dao Pearl was enshrouded with a myriad of strands of hazy glows while it rested between his palms. It cooperated from afar with the vital energy in Chen Xi's body, and it faintly emanated a strand of a divine and vast aura.

Chen Xi started to deduce and fuse the Five Element Divine Crest under such a state, and his heart, mind, sea of consciousness, and even soul were in a tranquil state.

Swish!

The Five Element Divine Crest transformed into a multicolored ocean that surged into appearance within Chen Xi's heart. The crimson, yellow, green, black, and golden Grand Dao Laws of the five elements fused into one and converged into a five element ocean.

As Chen Xi started to fuse the Dao, the aura of the five element ocean suddenly changed. The small sprays from the ocean, the circles of ripples on its surface... Everything gradually transformed into mysterious talisman markings.

This was him trying to fuse the Five Element Divine Crest in the Dao of Talismans, and his progress was surprisingly smooth. However, compared to the Five Element Divine Crest that surged like an ocean, the small sprays and ripples that fused into talisman markings seemed to be extremely tiny.

However, even then, his progress was already shocking.

After all, when other Saint Immortals started to fuse the Dao, most of them would definitely repeatedly encounter obstructions, and it would be utterly impossible for them to attain progress as soon as they started fusing the Dao like Chen Xi had. So even if his progress was extremely tiny, he at least didn't meet with any obstruction.

The reason was that Chen Xi had prepared for a long time before this. He'd ceaselessly deduced various methods to 'fuse the Dao,' and in the end, he chose a method that was most suitable to him.

Now, coupled with the assistance from the Firelight Saint Dao Pearl, Kunwu Meditation Cushion, and Hundred Sage Dao Scripture, he was able to smoothly accomplish it to such an extent.

This was the importance of preparing beforehand because once one started, then it would naturally lead to unbelievable effects.

At this moment, Chen Xi had fallen into a strange state. It was like he was listening to the profundities of the Saint Dao, and his six senses, Dao Heart, and soul were ceaselessly deducing the profundities of the Five Element Divine Crest before fusing it into the Talisman Dao he possessed.

This sort of progress was extremely slow and even dull, but Chen Xi didn't notice at all. He'd completely forgotten himself, forgotten where he was, and forgotten the passage of time.

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On this day, the inner court's Dean, Chi Cangsheng, had similarly chosen to enter closed door cultivation, and all the affairs of the inner court were passed to the head instructor, Wang Daolu, to deal with.

However, compared to this, Chen Xi's decision to enter closed door cultivation caused many people to feel regretful.

For example, Ye Tang, Zhen Lu, Ji Xuanbing, Zhao Mengli, and the others still intended to spar with Chen Xi before talking about everything that occurred in Sin City that day.

On the other hand, all the new members of the Star Alliance wanted to witness Chen Xi's elegant demeanor as well.

Regretfully, Chen Xi had actually chosen to enter into closed door cultivation as soon as he returned to the academy, and it caused them to have no choice but to give up such thoughts.

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Within an ancient hall in Dao Emperor Academy's inner court.

This was the residence of Zuoqiu Taiwu.

On this day, the outer court's Vice Dean, Zuoqiu Hong, and the Pill Reserve's head instructor, Zuoqiu Sheng, had come to pay him a visit.

"He's in closed door cultivation?"

"Yes, my Master entered into closed door cultivation three days ago."

A Dao Attendant replied respectfully before the hall.

Zuoqiu Hong and Zuoqiu Sheng frowned. They'd come under orders this time, and it was a matter of great importance. Yet now, Zuoqiu Taiwu was actually in closed door cultivation. What should we do?

"Can you go report that we've come with urgent business? It's imminent." Zuoqiu Hong spoke frankly.

The Dao Attendant hesitated before nodding in agreement, and then he entered the hall.

"That kid Chen Xi has returned. Now, it depends on Ancestors Taiwu's decision." After they watched the Dao Attendant leave, Zuoqiu Hong frowned as he sighed, and his face was enveloped in gloominess.

Because the entire Immortal Dimension was animatedly discussing the deaths of Zuoqiu Kong and Zuoqiu Linghong lately, and even Dao Emperor Academy was no exception. It caused Zuoqiu Hong and the other clansmen of the Zuoqiu Clan to feel like a mountain was pressing down upon them, and people pointed at them wherever they went. This sort of feeling was extraordinarily aggrieving and painful.

It was precisely because of this that all of these clansmen of the Zuoqiu Clan felt even greater hatred towards Chen Xi, and they simply wished for nothing more than to eat Chen Xi's flesh and drink his blood!

"I hope so." Zuoqiu Sheng had a rather gloomy expression, and he said slowly, "Presently, the Patriarch has headed to Iris Immortal Prison to see A'Xue. I wonder what the outcome will be. I don't wish for that bastard kid to be accepted into our Zuoqiu Clan."

Zuoqiu Hong was stunned, and then he nodded before he said, "Exactly. I'm really against this as well. Unfortunately, Ancestor Huanglin personally arranged for this, so we can only do as we're told. However, in my opinion, A'Xue will definitely not accept these conditions."

Right at this moment, the Dao Attendant returned and said, "Seniors, my Master requests the pleasure of seeing both of you."

Zuoqiu Hong and Zuoqiu Sheng's spirits were refreshed, and they immediately followed the Dao Attendant and entered the hall.

The hall was grand and empty.

Zuoqiu Taiwu that had an extremely aged appearance sat alone at the central seat, and his muddy eyes seemed to be drowsy while his entire body emanated a peaceful and tranquil aura.

"Greetings Ancestor Taiwu." Zuoqiu Hong and Zuoqiu Sheng bowed in unison with a respectful expression. The Dao Attendant on the other hand was very sensible and left, leaving only the three of them behind within the hall.

Zuoqiu Taiwu waved his hand. "Speak frankly if you have something to say."

Zuoqiu Hong immediately withdrew a jade slip and passed it over respectfully. "Ancestor Taiwu, Ancestor Huanglin instructed me to personally pass this to you. He said that you'll definitely make the right decision after you read through it."

Zuoqiu Taiwu frowned, yet he still received it in the end, and then he looked through it carefully. After a long time, he put down the jade slip, and then fell into a long period of silence.

The atmosphere in the hall instantly became deathly silent.

Zuoqiu Hong and Zuoqiu Sheng waited silently and didn't dare disturb him.

"For the sake of the Zuoqiu Clan?" Zuoqiu Taiwu suddenly asked with a hoarse voice, and no emotions could be discerned from it.

Zuoqiu Hong and Zuoqiu Sheng hurriedly nodded.

Zuoqiu Taiwu's aged face was suddenly suffused with a wisp of deep ridicule. "I have to say, in the current clan, it's still Huanglin that knows me the best. He knows that I can give up everything for the sake of the Zuoqiu Clan..."

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Chapter 1374: Enmity In The Zuoqiu Clan

His hoarse voice that was filled with deep ridicule reverberated through the empty hall.

Zuoqiu Hong and Zuoqiu Sheng didn't dare to speak.

However, they were very clearly aware that Zuoqiu Taiwu was absolutely unusual in the Zuoqiu Clan, as there was only the Zuoqiu Clan in his heart and he had no desire to join in the dispute between factions in the clan.

In other words, he didn't oppose the Zuoqiu Clan being controlled by Zuoqiu Feng, yet wouldn't support Zuoqiu Feng either. Everything was for the sake of maintaining the existence of the Zuoqiu Clan.

This meant that once the Zuoqiu Clan was in danger, and especially when it was related to the survival of the Zuoqiu Clan, he would absolutely not remain indifferent and watch from the sidelines.

"Kong'er death was entirely something he brought upon himself, and Linghong's death was deserved!" Suddenly, Zuoqiu Taiwu grunted coldly, and his aged face was covered in indifference. "Actually, I've been clearly aware since a long time ago that when A'Xiu was schemed against all those years ago and painfully lost the position of Patriarch, this disaster had already been planted. However, never had I expected that this disaster would actually come so quickly."

Zuoqiu Hong and Zuoqiu Sheng glanced at each other, yet they felt rather indifferent in their hearts. Since ancient times, the losers were always in the wrong. All those years ago, as a woman, how could Zuoqiu Xue possibly possess the ability to take over the position of Patriarch?

"I know what the both of you are thinking. Both of you think that A'Xue should have died all those years ago, right?" Suddenly, Zuoqiu Taiwu glanced coldly at the two of them, causing their hearts to shudder and not dare let their thoughts run wild any longer.

Zuoqiu Hong took a deep breath and summoned up his courage before he said, "Ancestor Taiwu, that matter has already passed. Now, our Zuoqiu Clan has fallen to become the laughingstock of the three dimensions, and its internal situation is extremely dangerous. If this disaster isn't resolved, then I'm afraid..."

He hadn't finished speaking, yet Zuoqiu Taiwu understood what he meant, and Zuoqiu Taiwu's aged face instantly aged even more. He was silent for a long time before he finally waved his hand and said, "Both of you can leave. In regard to this matter... I'll deal with it for the Zuoqiu Clan."

It was the Zuoqiu Clan, and not Zuoqiu Feng or Zuoqiu Huanglin!

The meaning behind this was obvious. Zuoqiu Taiwu made this decision to deal with the danger of internal strife within the Zuoqiu Clan, yet it wasn't for the sake of securing Zuoqiu Feng's position nor was it for the sake of answering Zuoqiu Huanglin. It was for the sake of the Zuoqiu Clan's continued existence!

Zuoqiu Hong and Zuoqiu Sheng naturally understood this, and both of them heaved sighs of relief before they immediately bowed and left after bidding their farewells.

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After they left the hall, Zuoqiu Hong suddenly said, "What sort of decision do you think Ancestor Taiwu will make?"

Zuoqiu Sheng was stunned, and then a wisp of a ghastly glow suffused his eyes. "It's very simple. He can only kill that bastard now in order to deal with this for the Zuoqiu Clan and shut the mouths of everyone in the world!"

"Kill Chen Xi..." Zuoqiu Hong muttered, and then he said abruptly, "This is Dao Emperor Academy. With the ability of the academy, Ancestor Taiwu would probably be noticed and stopped before he made a move, right?"

Zuoqiu Sheng smiled, and his smile was filled with deep meaning. "What if Ancestor Taiwu already plans to sacrifice himself?"

Zuoqiu Hong was shocked. "It wouldn't come to that, right?"

Zuoqiu Sheng shook his head. "How could I confirm that? But I can confirm that so long as Ancestor Taiwu makes the right decision, then that bastard will definitely die!"

He paused for a moment, and then said slowly with a smile, "Just wait. Perhaps it won't be a few days before the news of Chen Xi's death will spread throughout the entire Immortal Dimension. At that time, no matter if it's Oracle Mountain, Nuwa's Dao Palace, or Dao Emperor Academy, even if they want to stand up for Chen Xi, they'll only look for trouble with Ancestor Taiwu, and they wouldn't harm our Zuoqiu Clan at all."

Zuoqiu Hong's heart thumped. With his current status and cultivation, he still couldn't help but be shocked upon hearing this.

Because he was clearly aware that once this matter occurred, then the consequences Ancestor Taiwu faced would absolutely be unimaginable!

"Aren't Ancestor Huanglin's actions slightly..." Zuoqiu Hong couldn't help but say.

"Heartless? Hmph! If he didn't make a move in the Outerealm Battlefield that day, that bastard would have been killed by us a long time ago. How could this incident have occurred?" Zuoqiu Sheng grunted coldly with indifference. "Come, someone has to bear the responsibility for such a matter in the end."

The two of them chatted via voice transmission as they left swiftly, and they intended to report this matter back to the Zuogiu Clan.

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"Ling Xiao, where's Chen Xi now?" In the empty hall, Zuoqiu Taiwu was silent for a long time before he spoke abruptly.

Along with his voice resounding out, the Dao Attendant entered hastily and bowed before he said, "Master, Senior Brother Chen Xi is currently in closed door cultivation within the Sword Room to prepare for the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds three months from now."

Zuoqiu Taiwu nodded, and then he sighed. "Ask him to come see me after he returns from the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds."

The Dao Attendant called Ling Xiao hurriedly nodded. "Yes."

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Iris Immortal Prison.

Clear streams gurgled while white clouds drifted through the sky. In a small courtyard encircled by jade green bamboo was a cottage that lay by a stream. Zuoqiu Xue was still sitting as usual before the stone table that lay in front of the cottage.

However, she wasn't sewing a boot today, but drinking a cup of hot tea instead. She stared blankly and silently at the distant mountains and stream, and she had a dazed expression while seeming to be lost in thought.

"A'Xue." Suddenly, a deep voice resounded from afar.

Along with this voice, Zuoqiu Feng's dignified and tall figure appeared in the small courtyard.

Zuoqiu Xue seemed to be unsurprised by this, and she didn't even turn around before she said indifferently, "Since Kong'er came here that day, I knew that it wouldn't be long before you came as well. However, I never expected that it would actually be so fast."

"Oh?" Zuoqiu Feng's dense brows raised, and he directly sat opposite Zuoqiu Xue. As he looked at her familiar appearance, a wisp of a complicated expression couldn't help but fill the space between his brows.

After a short while, he said, "Kong'er has already suffered misfortune." His voice was calm, yet his sorrow was impossible to conceal.

This time, Zuoqiu Xue was stunned, yet she didn't seem to be sorrowful and just smiled. "You wouldn't be intending to tell me that it was my son that killed him, right?"

Zuoqiu Feng took a deep breath, and then his expression recovered its indifferent before he nodded and said, "You're right."

"That's retribution." Zuoqiu Xue held the cup of hot tea in her hand, and she stared at the distant sky. "The last time we met, he stopped at nothing, yet was unable to kill Xi'er. Now, he died at Xi'er hands, so it's perfectly logical and reasonable."

Her tone was cold, indifferent, and calm.

"You're Kong'er's Little Aunt! You really loved him when he was small, yet why have you become like this now?" Zuoqiu Feng forcefully suppressed the rage in his heart and questioned her coldly. "Just because of Chen Lingjun? Or perhaps it's because of that bastard that shouldn't have been born into this world?"

Zuoqiu Xue suddenly turned around with a tranquil expression, and she stared silently at Zuoqiu Feng before she suddenly started laughing. "In the past, you would never be so exasperated. Is it because you feel the current situation of the Zuoqiu Clan is difficult to deal with for you?"

Zuoqiu Feng was shocked in his heart, and he instantly escaped the various feelings that filled his heart, and his mind became icy cold and clear. Because he was very clearly aware that this younger sister of his could absolutely be considered as an existence that was extraordinarily wise.

While standing before her, any trace of fluctuation in emotions would allow her to capture various pieces of information, and he had no choice but to increase his vigilance towards her.

He went silent for a long time before he said, "I came here for a single thing this time. So long as you agree to let bygones be bygones, then the Zuoqiu Clan can accept Chen Xi into the Zuoqiu Clan and admit him as a member of the Zuoqiu Clan. If he's willing to change his surname to Zuoqiu..."

When he spoke up to here, he went silent once more and seemed to be thinking before he finally said, "It's even to the extent that he can be the next to inherit the position of Patriarch!"

Zuoqiu Xue was stunned when she heard this, and she said after a long time, "This is Zuoqiu Huanglin's decision?"

Zuoqiu Feng's face sank. "This is the intentions of the entire Zuoqiu Clan!"

Zuoqiu Xue started laughing. "You're still hypocritical just like all those years ago."

When she spoke up to here, she sized up Zuoqiu Feng while seeming to be lost in thought, and then she grinned as she said, "Looks like the ability Xi'er possesses now is on the verge of threatening the existence of the Zuoqiu Clan. Otherwise, how could Zuoqiu Huanglin possibly provide such conditions?"

No matter how he controlled his emotions, a wisp of coldness and gloominess couldn't help but suffuse the space between Zuoqiu Feng's brows, and he said coldly, "A'Xue, you better not infuriate me."

Zuoqiu Xue seemed as if she didn't hear him at all instead, and she smiled even more brightly. She said, "You ought to be very clearly aware that the enmity between us has never been because of Chen Lingjun. According to your disposition, you wouldn't care no matter who I married."

Zuoqiu Feng frowned and said, "I only ask if you agree or not. I'm not afraid to tell you that Ancestor Huanglin has already sent someone to Dao Emperor Academy to ask Ancestor Taiwu to make a decision. At that time, you probably won't be able to meet that son of yours again!"

When Zuoqiu Taiwu's name was mentioned, Zuoqiu Xue's eyes narrowed, and she instantly fell into silence.

"A'Xue, the enmity of the past has passed. Why continue clinging on to it? Could it be that you're truly able to watch as our entire Zuoqiu Clan falls into danger?" Zuoqiu Feng hurriedly struck while the iron was hot when he saw Zuoqiu Xue go silent.

"Xi'er killed your son." Zuoqiu Xue sighed faintly.

The corners of Zuoqiu Feng's mouth couldn't help but twitch fiercely, and then he said with a serious expression, "For the sake of the interest of the Zuoqiu Clan, these trivial matters are nothing."

Zuoqiu Xue waved her hand and said upon hearing this, "Leave. You're able to forget the matter for all those years ago, but I won't. Otherwise, I, Zuoqiu Xue, would truly disappoint Father!"

Father!

Zuoqiu Feng's expression instantly turned livid when he heard this word, and it was like it had touched his reverse scale, causing a strand of ruthless killing intent to surge out from his heart.

"What? After enduring for so many years, you finally can't restrain yourself from making a move against me?" Zuoqiu Xue glanced at him while her expression was calm as before. "If I'm not wrong, that old fellow, Zuoqiu Huanglin, has probably already told you that you can't make a move against me."

Zuoqiu Feng started laughing instead from extreme rage. "Do you think I would listen to him?"

Zuoqiu Xue said slowly, "I don't know if you will or won't. But I know that you don't dare to kill me, otherwise the Zuoqiu Clan would probably be destroyed at your hands."

Coldness erupted from Zuoqiu Feng's eyes, and he truly wanted to disregard everything and make a move against her. However, he forcefully restrained himself in the end and left in anger.

"A'Xue, I've already given you a chance, yet you didn't cherish it. Then don't blame me for being ruthless!" His icy cold voice filled the heavens and the earth, and Zuoqiu Feng's figure had vanished without a trace.

"A chance?" A wisp of dense ridicule suffused the corners of Zuoqiu Xue's mouth. "I have no need for a chance like this!"

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Chapter 1375: Strength Tes

Within the world of stars, Chen Xi had a solemn expression. His backbone was ramrod straight while a calmness covered the space between his brows, and his entire body was suffused with strands of divine aura.

Swish!

The energy of the Five Element Divine Crest rumbled while it roared and surged like an ocean. Under Chen Xi's technique of 'fusing the Dao', almost 30% of this multicolored five element ocean had already transformed into the energy of talisman markings.

The color of these talisman markings was bright, and they were condensed into form by crimson, black, yellow, green, and golden divine radiance. They were suffused with a grand and vast divine aura.

They were unlike Allheaven Divine Crests because as they circulated, it seemed like they moved according to the trajectory of stars, yet carried the rhythm of the movement of lotus leaves while blown by the wind. They were shapeless and without form, yet were filled with a profound aura.

It was the aura of Saint Dao Laws!

However, it was very weak at this moment, and it only occupied 30% of the five element ocean.

These were Chen Xi's gains after cultivating in the world of stars for an entire six months!

An entire half a year yet only 30% of the Five Element Divine Crest had been fused, and this was even under the support of the Firelight Saint Dao Pearl, the Kunwu Meditation Cushion, and the Hundred Sage Dao Scripture. This obviously showed how difficult it was to 'fuse the Dao.'

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Half a year in the world of stars was a month in the outside world.

During this month, the news related to Chen Xi killing Zuoqiu Kong was still being discussed. This caused all the students and instructors from the Zuoqiu Clan within Dao Emperor Academy to be pointed at and suffer all sorts of reproach no matter where they went.

Under such circumstances, the aggrievance and rage in the hearts of the students and instructors from the Zuoqiu Clan was obvious.

Besides that, there was another matter that drew the attention of many inner court students. It was that the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds would be opened in another two months of time!

At that time, ten students from the inner court would enter the grounds to temper themselves, whereas, those ten students shockingly included Ling Qingwu, Ye Tang, Chen Xi, and various other students that were the most dazzling in the inner court.

However, the student that received the most attention wasn't the two blazing suns of the Immortal Dimension, Ling Qingwu and Ye Tang, nor was it the other students. It was Chen Xi!

Presently, all the students and instructors of Dao Emperor Academy had heard that Chen Xi had already advanced into the Saint Immortal Realm and stepped into the realm where one sought out the path to godhood. Compared to this, Zhen Lu, Ji Xuanbing, Zhao Mengli, and the others that entered the inner court along with Chen Xi were still lingering at the Golden Immortal Realm.

Yet all of this had only occurred in a short time of less than a year!

In other words, since Chen Xi advanced into the Golden Immortal Realm, he'd spent less than a year of time to advance into the Saint Immortal Realm. This sort of heaven defying speed of advancement had truly shocked many students and instructors of the academy.

Coupled with the fact that it was widely rumored that Zuoqiu Kong had perished at Chen Xi's hands, it caused Chen Xi's reputation in the academy to arrive at an unprecedented height.

It was even to the extent that it wasn't exaggerated to say that Chen Xi had already left the two blazing suns, Ye Tang and Ling Qingwu, behind.

Under such circumstances, the news that Chen Xi was about to enter the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds two months from now naturally drew the attention of many people.

Would Chen Xi be able to obtain the acknowledgement of the Dao Emperor's inheritance within the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds?

Would Chen Xi's cultivation advance after he returned from tempering himself in the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds?

Would the Zuoqiu Clan take revenge on Chen Xi within the academy?

All of these unanswered questions had become the hottest topic of discussion during the period of time before the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds opened.

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Chen Xi cultivated within the world of stars for a year while two months had passed in the outside world

During this period of time, he'd successfully fused around 60% of the Five Element Divine Crest, and the imposing aura emanated from his entire body was filled with a grand and divine aura.

Three days before the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds opened, he was still a step lacking in the end, and he'd only barely fused around 90% of the Five Element Divine Crest.

However, even then, Chen Xi was able to sense that his combat strength had experienced an obvious increase. However, he was unable to confirm exactly how much it had increased.

Looks like I can only take a trip to the Illusory Heaven Immortal Domain... There were only three days left, and Chen Xi didn't intend to continue cultivating. So he immediately got up and left the world of stars.

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The Illusory Heaven Immortal Domain.

Swoosh!

Chen Xi's figure flashed as he entered it, and then his figure flickered a few times before he arrived at the platform before the 73rd level of the Illusory Heaven Immortal Domain.

There was a total of 108 levels in the Illusory Heaven Immortal Domain. The first 36 levels were prepared for students at the Mysterious Immortal Realm to temper themselves, and the next 36 levels were prepared for students at the Golden Immortal Realm.

The last 36 levels were prepared for students at the Saint Immortal Realm instead.

Of course, entering the 73rd level similarly required paying a fee of Starpoints, and it was a total of 5,000,000.

Oh, I didn't notice that I already possessed 79,000,000 Starpoints... Chen Xi sized up his Violet Ribbon Starcrest briefly, and then he noticed that his Starpoints had already increased by three times without him noticing it! However, this was extremely normal. Because his rewards from his ranking on the Violet Ribbon Gold Ranking, the Passage Stone Stele for the first 72 levels of the Illusory Heaven Immortal Domain... They gave him more than 10,000,000 Starpoints every single month.

So possessing 79,000,000 Starpoints right now was extremely normal.

Unless there came a day where his ranking was pushed down, otherwise this sort of situation would continue.

There were obviously many less students on the platform before the 73rd level. When Chen Xi arrived here, there were only a few figures standing there.

"Chen Xi?"

"He's already emerged from his closed door cultivation?"

"So, it's Junior Brother Chen Xi. Could it be that you're going to challenge the domain as well?"

However, even though there were only a few students here, all of these students at the Saint Immortal Realm recognized Chen Xi, and all of them spoke successively with surprise when they saw Chen Xi arrive here.

Chen Xi naturally didn't recognize them, but he still smiled as he greeted them one by one. After that, his attention was drawn over by the Passage Stone Stele at the side.

Surprisingly, the holder of the first rank on the Passage Stone Stele was Hua Jiankong!

When he saw this name, Chen Xi instantly recalled his Talisman Armament, and it was still being kept by Hua Jiankong at this moment.

I'm afraid no one has been able to break these records for many years... Chen Xi moved his gaze down from Hua Jiankong's name, and he surprisingly saw the names of Xuanyuan Pojun, Wang Daolu, Zhou Zhili, Jiang Yu, and the others. Practically all of the record holders were the seniors within the academy.

There were only a few names that Chen Xi had never heard of, and he didn't dare confirm if these names belonged to the seniors within the academy or inner court students at the Saint Immortal Realm.

"Junior Brother Chen Xi, it's probably your first time here, right?" A young man came over with a smile on his face, and he gave Chen Xi an explanation in a rather warm manner. "Amongst these top ten

record holders on the Passage Stone Stele, eight are seniors within the academy, and the records they created have never been broken even until now."

He paused for a moment and continued. "As for Nie Xingzhen and Gu Yueru who're at the 9th and 10th ranks respectively, they're Saint Immortals in our inner court. Similarly, both of them are ranked at the 1st and 2nd position respectively on the Heavenstar Saint Rankings of our inner court."

The Heavenstar Saint Rankings!

Chen Xi had heard that there were around eight hundred Golden Immortals and around three hundred Saint Immortals amongst the students of the inner court. According to the difference in their cultivation realms, they were divided into two rankings, and it was respectively the Violet Ribbon Gold Rankings and the Heavenstar Saint Rankings.

The Heavenstar Saint Rankings was naturally the place where students at the Saint Immortal Realm competed with each other, and there was a total of thirty positions on the rankings. Those that were able to ascend onto the rankings were top existences in the Saint Immortal Realm.

For example, since Nie Xingzhen and Gu Yueru were able to ascend onto the 1st and 2nd position of the Heavenstar Saint Rankings, it was obvious how terrifying their strengths were.

However, Chen Xi couldn't help but be slightly curious because since he'd entered the academy, he'd actually never heard about such formidable Saint Immortals like them.

But in next to no time, Chen Xi came to a sudden understanding after the young man provided him with an explanation.

It turned out that Nie Xingzhen and Gu Yueru were renowned students in the academy. However, both of them had been in closed door cultivation for almost a thousand years, and they were charging into the Immortal King Realm. Thus, information related to them gradually lessened.

So it was naturally impossible for a new student like Chen Xi to have heard of their names.

"Thank you, Senior Brother." Chen Xi cupped his hands after he found out about all of this.

"Haha. Junior Brother Chen Xi, there's no need for that. I just entered the academy earlier than you. Oh, right, I'm Guo Dongsheng, and I'm from Icesky Continent." The young man was extremely ardent, and he grinned as he introduced himself.

Chen Xi's impression of Guo Dongsheng wasn't bad, and Chen Xi chatted with him for a while. After that, he turned around and leaped into the entrance of the 73rd level, and then he instantly vanished without a trace.

"Forming a slight relationship with a figure like Chen Xi can be considered to be something fortunate." Guo Dongsheng gazed at the spot where Chen Xi vanished while he muttered without end.

Presently, Chen Xi's reputation within Dao Emperor Academy was like the scorching sun in the midday sky. No one could compare to him. Many students hoped to be able to chat with Chen Xi and form a slight relationship with him.

Guo Dongsheng was one of them.

"Dongsheng, do you think Junior Brother Chen Xi will be able to make a new record this time?" When all the other Saint Immortal Realm students on the platform saw Chen Xi leap into the entrance to the 73rd level, all of them came over curiously and started discussing animatedly.

"I think it's slightly difficult. According to my knowledge, Junior Brother Chen Xi has just stepped into the Saint Immortal Realm, and he probably hasn't established a Saint Dao Law of his own. So his hopes of creating a new record is extremely tiny." Before Guo Dongsheng could speak, someone had pondered deeply and spoke.

As soon as these words were spoken, it instantly drew the agreement of many others. All of them were extremely clearly aware that all those record holders who were able to ascend the Passage Stone Stele had established a Saint Dao Law of their own. Moreover, this was only the basic requirement to make a new record.

Besides that, one's own cultivation, combat experience, Martial Dao Will... There were extremely harsh requirements towards all of this as well.

This could be observed from the record holders on the Passage Stone Stele. For example, Nie Xingzhen and Gu Yueru were existences that were ranked at the 1st and 2nd position on the Heavenstar Saint Rankings, yet now, they were only ranked at the 9th and 10th position on the Passage Stone Stele.

Under such circumstances, how could Chen Xi, who'd just advanced into the Saint Immortal Realm, possibly make a new record?

"I think that Junior Brother Chen Xi will be able to succeed. Don't forget that he's Chen Xi!" Guo Dongsheng frowned, and then a wisp of confidence surged onto his face. Yes, it was because he was Chen Xi, and that was why he would definitely not be ordinary.

Because this name represented too many miracles and glories!

The others were slightly stunned when they heard this, and they fell into deep thought.

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Chapter 1376: Searching For An Immortal Sword

The 73rd level of the Illusory Heaven Immortal Domain.

Swoosh!

Chen Xi's figure appeared out of thin air. At this moment, his bearing was unlike before. His eyes were deep and calm, and they were suffused with the glow of wisdom. His vital energy circulated silently, and his entire body emanated an extraordinary, translucent, clear, and flawless aura.

When he moved, the imposing aura emanated from his body was vast like the imposing aura of a god. It seemed like a sage had arrived with the intention of educating the myriad of living beings in the world and spreading the Dao throughout the world.

This was the unique aura of a Saint Immortal. Especially when one had established a Saint Dao Law of one's own. When looked at from afar, it was like a true primeval sage, linked with the world and above the myriad of living beings in the world.

"Start." The familiar aged voice resounded through the heavens and the earth.

Along with this voice, a black clothed figure appeared out of thin air. His appearance was blurry, and his entire body was coiled with surging energy of the Saint Dao.

Kill!

As soon as this black clothed figure appeared, he suddenly moved through space and teleported before swiping his palm horizontally at Chen Xi's throat. It was swift like a bolt of lightning, ruthless and precise, and it carried an extremely shocking imposing aura.

Rumble!

The imposing aura around Chen Xi's body rumbled like thunder while his dense black hair flew backwards, and his entire body instantly emanated a great aura that seemed like a sage had arrived to command the world.

Bang!

Chen Xi raised his palm to meet the black clothed figure's palm head-on. Chen Xi's figure remained still like a rock, whereas the black clothed figure was blasted flying by this strike. He shattered a narrow and long rift through space before he finally rumbled as he shattered and transformed into a rain of light.

Too weak. The strength of this black clothed figure at the 73rd level is even slightly weaker than the Yuwen brothers... Chen Xi shook his head.

"Passed in one breath of time."

Om~

Along with this voice, a strand of green light swept out and teleported Chen Xi away.

The 74th level.

The 75th level.

The 76th level.

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In the following period of time, Chen Xi ascended level by level without any difficulty, and he practically didn't feel pressured at all. It was even to the extent that he rarely had the chance to utilize the might of the Talisman Saint Dao that hadn't been successfully fused into form.

It wasn't that the black clothed figures in the levels were too weak, and it was instead because the strength Chen Xi possessed was too abnormal.

In terms of cultivation in gi refinement, he was over a hundred times more formidable than his peers.

In terms of cultivation in the Dao heart, he'd already attained the fourth and highest realm of Heart Energy, the Heart Infant Realm.

In terms of the control of the Laws, he'd attained perfection in his grasp of seven Allheaven Divine Crests. At the same time, he'd even almost perfectly fused the Five Element Divine Crest.

In terms of combat experience, Chen Xi who'd experienced countless bloody battles and even fought alongside Immortal Kings was absolutely superior when compared to his peers.

In terms of cultivation in the Sword Dao, he'd already attained the inviolable realm of Sword God!

Under the union of these various forces, even if Chen Xi hadn't fully established his own Talisman Saint Dao yet, the combat strength he possessed had already arrived at an astonishing state a long time ago. It was sufficient for him to ascend into the top amongst his peers.

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Only when he entered the 90th level of the Illusory Heaven Immortal Domain, Chen Xi finally felt a strand of pressure.

His opponents were eighteen black clothed figures that possessed cultivations at the Saint Immortal Realm, and besides their lack of intelligence and Martial Dao Will, they were exactly similar to Chen Xi.

However, Chen Xi wasn't alarmed by this, and he was delighted instead. He flashed over and entered into battle with them.

In his palm, a myriad of strands of divine radiance swept out from Starclasp. Every single strand of divine radiance was a strand of sharp, murderous, and peerless sword qi. Every single strand of sword qi possessed dense and dazzling energy of the Talisman Saint Dao gathered within it.

Such an attack could be said to be capable of startling the gods, and it was divine and powerful to the extreme.

Rumble!

Sword qi swept out horizontally and vertically while grand divine radiance rumbled and surged. It was like a violent ocean of sword qi, and it enveloped all the eighteen black clothed figures within it.

Pu! Pu! Pu!

In merely a short moment, severed limbs flew about while rains of light exploded, and the eighteen black clothed figures were annihilated!

On the other hand, Chen Xi had finally experienced the formidable might of the Saint Dao!

This sort of formidableness was completely unlike the Allheaven Divine Crests. It carried a supreme and divine crushing force, and it was sufficient to easily overturn the world and collapse the surroundings!

However, Chen Xi still felt slightly regretful. After all, he still hadn't established the Talisman Saint Dao of his own. Otherwise, the might he would be able to display would be even more formidable.

"Passed in 36 breaths of time!"

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After the time for an incense stick to burn.

On the platform outside the 73rd level of the Illusory Heaven Immortal Domain.

"The time for an incense stick to burn has already passed. Chen Xi has no chance to make a new record any longer." Someone let out a long high and felt extremely relaxed. Now this seems normal. Even though Chen Xi has created numerous miracles and glories, he has only just stepped into the Saint Immortal Realm after all. If he's able to create a completely new record under the circumstances that he hasn't grasped the energy of the Saint Dao Laws, then it wouldn't be a miracle, it would completely overturn common sense! It would surpass the limits that have existed since the ancient times until now! But obviously, it's impossible for Chen Xi to accomplish this. Because in that way, he would have probably been taken to be a variant by the Heaven Dao Laws and would be annihilated by it.

"Yes. The key problem is that Junior Brother Chen Xi has only recently advanced into the Saint Immortal Realm. If he's able to grasp the Saint Dao Laws before coming here, then I'm absolutely confident in his ability to make a completely new record." The others deeply agreed.

Only Guo Dongsheng frowned and said, "Everyone, could it be that all of you've forgotten? Junior Brother Chen Xi didn't immediately attain results when he challenged the 36th to the 72nd levels."

All of them were stunned, and then they were shocked in their hearts. They recalled Chen Xi's brilliant achievements. In a short few months, Chen Xi had challenged the 36th to 72nd realm of the Illusory Heaven Immortal Domain a few times, and in the end, he actually ascended to the first rank on the Passage Stone Stele and shocked the academy.

This time, Chen Xi had advanced into the Saint Immortal Realm. So would he be able to recreate his brilliant achievement from the past?

No one could be sure, but no one dared to deny it.

Because he was Chen Xi.

A brilliant figure that ceaselessly created miracles!

While all of them were in deep contemplation, Chen Xi's figure appeared out of thin air onto the platform.

At this moment, his brows were knit together tightly, and his aura was fluctuating slightly. However, he didn't seem to be in a sorry state at all. He didn't waste any time here before turning around and leaving the Illusory Heaven Immortal Domain.

"How long?" After Chen Xi left, someone couldn't help but ask this question.

"The time for an incense stick to burn and 45 minutes! He was only 15 minutes away from breaking Gu Yueru's record at the 10th rank!" Someone exclaimed with shock in reply.

Hiss!

As soon as these words were spoken, a wave of gasping instantly resounded on the platform.

Even though this achievement hadn't created a new record, it was sufficient to cause all of them to be astounded. After all, it was common knowledge that Chen Xi had just ascended into the ranks of Saint Immortals, and he hadn't even grasped the Saint Dao Laws, yet he was already able to pass through the

last 36 levels in such a short period of time. If he was given some time, then wouldn't he be able to easily create a new record?

"This is Junior Brother Chen Xi, he's always unlike everyone else." Guo Dongsheng muttered while the space between his brows carried a wisp of admiration.

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My strength still isn't sufficient. If I'm able to grasp a complete Saint Dao Law, then I wouldn't have fallen into such a sorry state at all while challenging the 108th level. It consumed an entire thirty minutes of my time. After he returned to the Sword Room, Chen Xi started analyzing himself, and he analyzed and summarized his performance in the Illusory Heaven Immortal Domain.

In the end, he helplessly noticed that if he wanted to swiftly pass through the 108th level, then the only method was to completely grasp the Saint Dao Laws.

Of course, the meaning of swift in Chen Xi's mind was to instantly annihilate his opponents. If it was only for the sake of shortening the time he utilized, then he could pass through it via other methods.

For example, improving his own cultivation slightly, completely fusing the Five Element Divine Crest, or changing to another immortal sword that was more formidable than Starclasp.

Especially because it had become difficult for Chen Xi to fully bring forth the advantages he possessed while utilizing Starclasp. After all, even though this Immortal Artifact was passed down to him by Hua Jiankong, it was only a Cosmic Grade Immortal Artifact in the end.

After his cultivation attained the Saint Immortal Realm, only a Valiant Grade Immortal Artifact could match his cultivation!

Unfortunately, the Talisman Armament is still in Hua Jiankong's hands. Otherwise, relying on the various immortal materials I've gathered until now would be sufficient to improve its might greatly... Chen Xi puckered his lips. He was naturally clearly aware that Hua Jiankong had taken the Talisman Armament away for his own good. The Dean was worried that his identity as a disciple of Oracle Mountain would be exposed and cause unnecessary trouble for him.

Now, I can only look for another suitable immortal sword... Chen Xi pondered for a long time before he took a deep breath, and then he immediately turned around and left the Sword Room.

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"Senior Brother, you intend to exchange your Starpoints for a Valiant Grade Immortal Sword in the Starpoint Hall?" said Qing Ye with surprise.

"Yes. However, I don't know the rules there, so I hope Junior Brother Qing Ye will be able to guide me." Chen Xi nodded. He'd gone directly to look for Qing Ye after he left his abode, and it was for the sake of utilizing his Starpoints to exchange for a suitable immortal sword.

This was something that couldn't be helped. The Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds would be opened in two days, and he had to make sufficient preparations in all aspects.

He did have a great deal of precious treasures that possessed extraordinarily powerful might like the Skyearth Gourd, the Heaven Hatred Seal, the Greensilk Palace Lantern, and various other treasures. However, they weren't immortal swords in the end, and they were unable to completely display his cultivation at the realm of Sword God.

"It's not guidance at all. I'm happy to be of service to Senior Brother Chen Xi." Qing Ye smiled shyly before he led Chen Xi directly towards the Starpoint Hall.

After a short while, Chen Xi and Qing Ye appeared within a beautiful hall. The hall occupied an extremely large area, and row after row of crystal counters were laid out within it. The counters displayed piles of a variety of precious treasures.

It wasn't Chen Xi's first time here. After he obtained the position of champion in the Seven Academy Dao Discussion that day, Wang Daolu had once brought him here to get the Chaos Quintessence Fragment at the fourth floor of the hall.

However, he'd come here hastily that day, and he'd just taken a glance over everything, so he wasn't familiar with the rules of the Starpoint Hall. Thus, he brought Qing Ye along with him this time.

"Senior Brother Chen Xi, Valiant Grade Immortal Artifacts are displayed on the third floor. Follow me." Qing Ye really was familiar with this place, and he directly led Chen Xi towards the depths of the hall.

All along the way, many students were selecting and exchanging for treasures, and all their faces glowed when they saw Chen Xi before they greeted him successively in a rather fervent manner.

However, Chen Xi didn't know most of them, and he could only smile and nod in reply.

Even then, it caused all these students to be extremely happy. They successively praised Chen Xi for his modest nature and warm behavior that didn't carry any arrogance at all, and they felt that this was the demeanor that an expert should possess...

Chen Xi finally heaved a sigh of relief when he arrived at the third floor of the hall. Truthfully speaking, even until now, he still hadn't gotten accustomed to this atmosphere of being complimented over and over again, and it made it seem like he was someone special...

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Chapter 1377: Azurelotus Immortal Sword

Crimsonspirit Immortal Sword, low-rank Valiant Grade, covered in 3,600 restrictions. Both gods and ghosts shiver in terror with a swing of this sword. It was personally refined by the Supreme Grandmaster in Equipment Refinement, Ou Peng. Price: 6,000,000 Starpoints.

Dragonshadow Immortal Sword, mid-rank Valiant Grade. Fused with the soul of an Ink Dragon, the body of the sword was forged from Jadelight Cold Iron, Goldsteel Netherstone, Nine Heaven Violetcloud Essence, and another 34 types of high-stage immortal artifacts. It was passed down by the head instructor of the inner court, Jiang Yu. Price: 13,000,000 Starpoints.

Thunderquake Immortal Sword, high-rank Valiant Grade... Price: 19,300,000 Starpoints.

Chargeshadow Immortal Sword, extreme-rank Valiant Grade... Price: 36,000,000 Starpoints.

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Chen Xi stood before the counter on the third floor of the Starpoint Hall as he silently sized up the numerous immortal swords displayed there that flowed with the glow of treasures and possessed extraordinary imposing auras, and he sighed endlessly with emotion.

How expensive! A single low-rank Valiant Grade Immortal Sword is an entire 6,000,000 Starpoints. If it was an ordinary student here, it would probably require years of hard work to gather this amount of Starpoints.

Of course, in Chen Xi's opinion, this little bit of Starpoints was nothing. He was astounded because the extreme-rank Valiant Grade Immortal Swords were practically all at a price of over 30,000,000 Starpoints!

30,000,000 Starpoints!

If it was in the past, Chen Xi would simply not dare have such extravagant wishes.

However, he now obtained almost 10,000,000 Starpoints every single month, so he could afford such expensive treasures.

"Senior Brother Chen Xi, what rank do you require the Valiant Grade Immortal Sword to possess? Perhaps I can introduce them to you. I had the fortune to hold the position of attendant here all those years ago, so I have a considerable understanding towards this." Qing Ye smiled shyly from the side.

"Oh?" Chen Xi glanced at Qing Ye with surprise, and he said with interest, "Then tell me, which of these extreme-rank Valiant Grade Immortal Swords possess the strongest might?"

Qing Ye frowned as he thought for a moment, and then he shook his head and said, "The might of extreme-rank immortal treasures have already attained the limits. So the only difference is whether they're suitable to a person."

Chen Xi nodded. "That's true as well."

"However, I feel that these three immortal swords are extremely suitable to Senior Brother." Qing Ye smiled as he pointed at three of the extreme-rank Valiant Grade Immortal Swords and said, "This Netherlight Immortal Sword was the outer court's Dean, Zhou Zhili's, sword all those years ago. Later on, he advanced into the Half-step Immortal King Realm, so he placed this sword here to be exchanged for with Starpoints."

After that, Qing Ye pointed to another immortal sword and said, "This Bloodsnow Immortal Sword was brought back from an ancient ruin to the academy by the Dean's disciple, Hua Jiankong, all those years ago. Because it conflicted with his own Sword Dao, he placed it here."

"As for this Azurelotus Immortal Sword... This sword was formed from a primeval 36 petal World Purification Azurelotus, and it possesses unfathomable divine effects. It has exceeded the scope of the Valiant Grade. It was utilized by an extraordinary figure all those years ago to slaughter numerous formidable gods, and its name shook the world." When he spoke up to here, Qing Ye's expression couldn't help but reveal a wisp of pity. "Unfortunately, this sword suffered a disaster all those years ago,

and it was damaged too severely. Presently, it can only display the might of the extreme-rank at the Valiant Grade."

Azurelotus Immortal Sword, huh? Chen Xi shot his gaze over. The sword was completely clear like jade, around 1m long, 2 fingers wide, and its surface was covered in strands of mysterious markings. It seemed like the veins of a divine lotus leaf, and it emanated a divine and obscure aura.

Unfortunately, numerous mysterious markings on the body of the sword were already severely damaged. If it wasn't for that, the imposing aura emanated by this sword would absolutely not be only at such an extent.

"It really is a pity." Chen Xi sighed lightly before he moved his gaze away, and then it descended onto Netherlight and Bloodsnow. He sized them up briefly before he shook his head.

It wasn't that these two immortal swords were bad, and it was that the aura emanated from these swords allowed Chen Xi to instantly determine that they weren't suitable for him.

In the end, his gaze descended onto the Azurelotus Immortal Sword once more, and the pity in his heart grew the longer he looked at it. What a great precious treasure, yet why was it damaged to such an extent?

"Senior Brother Chen Xi, could it be that you've taken a liking to this sword?" Qing Ye couldn't help but remind. "In the years of the past, this sword has always been left here. Even though it's 30,000,000 Starpoints in price, it's not that no one has taken a liking to it. The problem is that it's damaged too severely, so even if they exchange their Starpoints for it, once the amount of usage arrives at a limit, it would collapse completely. Thus, it isn't worth the price at all."

Chen Xi nodded because Qing Ye's words could be said to have hit the main point.

He'd similarly discerned that the Azurelotus Immortal Sword seemed to still be able to display the might of an extreme-rank Valiant Grade Immortal Artifact, yet once it was utilized, then along with the increase in usage, its might would gradually weaken before completely collapsing.

It was indeed not worth to exchange 30,000,000 Starpoints for such an immortal artifact, and it was no wonder that it would be placed here for so long without anyone showing interest in it.

However...

Chen Xi decided, and he took out his Violet Ribbon Starcrest and passed it over to Qing Ye as he said, "Qing Ye, help me get it."

Qing Ye was stunned and felt slight disbelief, and he couldn't help but ask. "Senior Brother Chen Xi, are you sure?"

Chen Xi smiled. "I'm quite curious towards this treasure, and I intend to study it."

"But that's 30,000,000 Starpoints!" Qing Ye felt pained from the loss in Chen Xi's stead, and he grimaced as he said, "Such an amount of Starpoints is sufficient to be exchanged for other formidable Valiant Grade Immortal Artifacts. Senior Brother, won't you reconsider?"

Chen Xi shook his head. "There's no need."

It wasn't just Chen Xi and Qing Ye who were within the third floor of the Starpoint Hall, and there were many students that had been sizing Chen Xi up since he'd entered this floor.

At this moment, when they saw Chen Xi actually persist on exchanging 30,000,000 Starpoints for a damaged immortal sword, all of them couldn't help but reveal a wisp of a strange expression. No one ridiculed Chen Xi, but they felt that he was simply like a generous idiot that was about to be tricked. Could it be that he feels he has too much Starpoints to the point he doesn't know where to spend them?

Chen Xi remained indifferent to all of this.

Qing Ye could only sigh when he noticed that Chen Xi's attitude was firm towards this, and he lightly pressed Chen Xi's Violet Ribbon Starcrest onto a sunken notch on the surface of the crystal counter.

Om!

A clear howl resounded before the Azurelotus Immortal Sword transformed into a wisp of clear light that shot out.

Qing Ye hurriedly grabbed it with his hand, and then carefully placed it within a jade box before passing it over along with the Violet Ribbon Starcrest to Chen Xi.

Chen Xi looked at his Violet Ribbon Starcrest. Sure enough, he noticed that the Starpoints he possessed had been instantly reduced by 30,000,000, and only 49,000,000 remained.

After that, he didn't even spare a glance at the jade box that contained the Azurelotus Immortal Sword before putting it away.

The students in the vicinity instantly sighed in their hearts upon witnessing this, and they really didn't understand Chen Xi's actions of allowing himself to be tricked like this.

"Wait." Qing Ye intended to leave, yet he was stopped by Chen Xi. "Junior Brother Qing Ye, helped me choose another immortal sword."

Qing Ye was stunned. He finally came to a complete understanding. Senior Brother Chen Xi really did get the Azurelotus Immortal Sword merely for the sake of studying it, otherwise, why would he exchange for another Immortal Artifact?

"Then... Senior Brother Chen Xi, you still want an extreme-rank Valiant Grade Immortal Sword?" Qing Ye couldn't refrain from asking this question.

"Of course." Chen Xi answered as a matter of course.

The corners of the mouths of the other students couldn't help but twitch when they heard this, and a wisp of indescribable envy surged into their hearts. Another extreme-rank Valiant Grade Immortal Sword. This fellow...really is wealthy!

At this moment, they couldn't be bothered to care whether Chen Xi had wasted Starpoints earlier. There was no other reason to this but because Chen Xi had enough Starpoints to act willfully! So who could stop him?

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When Chen Xi and Qing Ye left the third floor of the Starpoint Hall, he'd possessed two new immortal swords. One was the Azurelotus Immortal Sword, and the other was the Violetsky Immortal Sword.

Violetsky cost 37,000,000 Starpoints. It wasn't at the top in all aspects, yet its comprehensive might was rather prominent.

Chen Xi had precisely attached importance to this. His combat techniques weren't restricted to a single style, and it just happened to require the support of an immortal sword that possessed an extraordinary comprehensive might.

In this way, only 12,000,000 plus Starpoints remained in his possession.

Thus, if he wanted to exchange for the River Diagram fragment, it would require an extremely long amount of time to gather sufficient Starpoints. However, Chen Xi wasn't worried. So long as he obtained the acknowledgement of the Dao Emperor's inheritance within the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds, then he would place all his attention onto earning Starpoints. Coupled with his gains of over 10,000,000 Starpoints every single month, he wasn't worried about being unable to gather sufficient Starpoints.

If he was unable to obtain the acknowledgement of the Dao Emperor's inheritance, then no matter how many Starpoints he possessed, it would be in vain.

"Senior Brother, out of exactly what reason did you exchange for the Azurelotus Immortal Sword?" After thinking about it for some time, Qing Ye couldn't help but ask this question.

Chen Xi thought for a moment and said with a smile, "Don't you think this immortal sword is very unusual?"

Qing Ye was stunned, and then he thought in his heart. Could it be that Senior Brother Chen Xi noticed something unusual about the Azurelotus Immortal Sword?

However, he didn't ask about it because it was Chen Xi's treasure in the end. Even if there were any secrets within it, it would involve Chen Xi's personal secrets, so he wouldn't rashly ask about it.

"Right, besides exchanging Starpoints into immortal treasures within the Starpoint Hall, we can exchange treasures into Starpoints as well, right?" When they arrived at the first floor of the hall, Chen Xi suddenly recalled that he still possessed numerous rare immortal treasures that were of no use to him, and he felt that perhaps he could seize this opportunity to exchange all of these treasures into Starpoints.

"Yes. There are two methods to exchange treasures for Starpoints in the Starpoint Hall. The first is to leave your treasures here and label a price for them. If other students require the treasure, then they'll have to pay Starpoints to exchange for it. However, the academy will take 10% of the Starpoints as a transaction fee." Qing Ye explained swiftly, "The second method is bidding. However, it's aimed at some rare treasures. They're left at a special bidding platform and labelled with a lowest price before a bidding deadline would be stated. When the bidding deadline arrives, the person with the highest bid would obtain the treasure. However, the academy will take 30% of the Starpoints from the bid price as a transaction fee."

The academy is taking fees again! How wicked! Chen Xi couldn't help but roll his eyes after he finished listening to this.

"Senior Brother Chen Xi, what sort of treasures do you intend to sell?" asked Qing Ye.

"Some rare immortal materials. They were mostly obtained from the Endless Sea, and a small portion of them are from the Outerealm Battlefield." Chen Xi spoke casually.

The Endless Sea! The Outerealm Battlefield! When he heard these words, Qing Ye instantly understood that the treasures Chen Xi intended to sell were absolutely extraordinary. He immediately suggested. "Then I suggest that Senior Brother heads to the bidding platform."

Chen Xi shrugged. "Even though the academy's fees are too ruthless, I can only do that now."

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Chapter 1378: Breaking The Sword

Starpoint Hall, bidding platform.

This was a platform that covered an area of 300m, and it was densely covered in layer upon layers of restrictions that were suffused with divinity.

When Chen Xi and Qing Ye arrived here, they saw all sorts of immortal treasures, precious treasures, immortal artifacts, immortal herbs, and various other treasures were floating above the platform. All these treasures were multicolored, flowed with the flow of treasures, and were rather gorgeous.

When he looked carefully, all of these treasures were enveloped within translucent bubbles that emanated a dreamlike glow.

Chen Xi acutely noticed that even though these treasures that floated above the platform were of various qualities, not a single one of them wasn't rare, and they were extremely precious.

Qing Ye pointed at the platform and explained. "Senior Brother Chen Xi, you can bid for every single treasure above the platform. The rules are very simple. When you've chosen a treasure, enter the bubble with your Immortal Sense before labelling the price you're willing to pay. After the bidding period ends, then the person that bid the highest would obtain the treasure.

"At that time, the students of the Starpoint Hall would specially send the treasure over to the winning bidder. On the other hand, paying in Starpoints for the treasure is extremely easy, and it's directly conducted within the Violet Ribbon Starcrest.

"Oh, right. The bubbles that envelop every single treasure there is called a Treasurelight Dome. All of them are restrictions suffused with divinity, and they're capable of preventing others from stealing the treasures. They're extremely miraculous. I heard that it was the Dean himself that set up these restrictions."

When he spoke up to here, Qing Ye smiled and said, "Senior Brother, if you wish to put up your treasures for bidding, then you just have to spend Starpoints to get some Treasurelight Domes before labelling the bidding price and deadline."

Chen Xi was surprised in his heart when he heard this. He tried to utilize his Immortal Sense to enter a Treasurelight Dome, and a row of information instantly floated into appearance within his mind.

Snowspirit Icesoul Root, a rare high-stage immortal material.

Current highest bid: 370,000 Starpoints.

Minimum increase in bids: 10,000 Starpoints.

Deadline: One month, only 11 days remain.

Owner of the treasure: Inner court student, Feng Bao.

"Interesting." Chen Xi smiled. This sort of method was really novel, and it was able to sell rare and precious treasures for a good price.

"How many Starpoints does a single Treasurelight Dome cost?" asked Chen Xi.

"One hundred Starpoints. It's very cheap." Qing Ye answered with a smile.

Chen Xi pondered silently for a moment before he immediately walked with Qing Ye towards the table at the side of the platform. There was an old man seated behind the table, and he was in-charge of the Treasurelight Domes.

"Senior, I need some Treasurelight Domes," said Chen Xi.

"How many?" The old man drank some immortal tea while he asked in a leisurely manner.

"Five hundred." Chen Xi answered casually.

Pu!

The old man spat out the mouthful of tea in his mouth and looked at Chen Xi with astonishment. "Five hundred?"

He'd been holding a position here for many years, yet he'd never seen someone like Chen Xi who directly purchased five hundred Treasurelight Domes. Even though every single one of them was only worth a hundred Starpoints, besides utilizing them on the bidding platform, they were utterly useless.

Chen Xi nodded.

The old man frowned. Obviously, he didn't recognize Chen Xi, and he couldn't help but remind. "Young man, treasures that're able to ascend the bidding platform are all rare and precious immortal treasures. You'll probably suffer a great loss if you put up some ordinary treasures for bidding. After all, 30% of the final bid price would be taken in fees for every single treasure."

Chen Xi smiled. "Senior, I'm aware of that."

The old man still intended to warn Chen Xi, yet someone spoke loudly from the side. "Instructor Liao, how could the treasures Senior Brother Chen Xi sells be ordinary? Quickly give him the Treasurelight Domes. We're waiting to see what precious treasures Senior Brother Chen Xi has gathered!"

The old man came to a sudden understanding, and he looked at Chen Xi with surprise. "So, you're Chen Xi. Young man, you're really something else."

As he spoke, he casually flipped his hand and withdrew a jade box.

Numerous light green pearls that were perfectly round, smooth like jade, and the size of grains of rice were piled up within the jade box, and they emanated strands of the aura of restrictions.

These were Treasurelight Domes. They seemed to be the size of grains of rice, yet when they were placed on immortal treasures, they would form bubbles that enveloped the treasure. They were rather miraculous.

Chen Xi spent 50,000 Starpoints and purchased five hundred Treasurelight Domes, and then he immediately didn't hesitate to place these Treasurelight Domes on the various rare immortal materials in his possession. After that, he labeled every single immortal material with a price and deadline that he'd considered a long time ago.

After he finished doing all of this, he directly walked over to the bidding platform.

At this moment, all the students and instructors in the vicinity of the bidding platform had raised their eyes and looked over. Earlier, they'd heard that Chen Xi intended to purchase five hundred Treasurelight Domes, so they naturally rather anticipated the precious treasures Chen Xi would be able to put up for bidding.

After all, Chen Xi's reputation in the academy was like the scorching sun in the midday sky, he was like the most dazzling star amongst the students of the academy. So how could the treasures produced by such an unequalled figure possibly be ordinary?

Chen Xi laughed all of this off. After he tossed all the five hundred Treasurelight Domes on the bidding platform, he directly left with Qing Ye.

"My god! Chen Xi really produced five hundred treasures!"

"Quickly! Quickly! Quickly! Let me see exactly what sort of treasures they are, and it they're worthy of being bid for."

"Hiss! The horn of the primeval ferocious beast, Kui Ox! The pearl of a Hua Snake! The soul of a Taowu!"

"Quickly look over here! My god! This is the Devilking Nine Reincarnation Flower from the Outerealm Battlefield! The skin and bones of a Jade Elephant! Dragonvein Heavenlight Iron! It's utterly impossible to find such precious treasures in the three dimensions!"

"A'Cheng, quickly notify Senior Brother Xue Yun! The Nether Ice Soul Return Powder that he has been searching bitterly for many years to obtain has been put up for bidding here!"

"Hahaha! I was just fucking worrying about whether I should make a trip to the Outerealm Battlefield. I never expected that I would actually be able to see Bonescale Extreme Yin Iron here! This immortal material is mine!"

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When Chen Xi and Qing Ye left, the area before the bidding platform instantly erupted with an uproar. Waves of exclamations of shock resounded in the surroundings while many people took action successively to notify their friends to come place their bids, and they were deeply afraid that they would be a step too late.

It was even to the extent that many students were already unable to restrain themselves, and they successively started to bid, causing the atmosphere to be extremely exuberant.

The reason was that these five hundred treasures Chen Xi put up for bidding were all from the Endless Sea and the Outerealm Battlefield, and they were extremely difficult to obtain in the three dimensions. Moreover, every single one of them was rare, precious, and possessed extraordinary effects.

Under such circumstances, it was impossible for it to not draw attention.

Actually, it was very normal when one thought about it. Those rare immortal materials from the Endless Sea had all been gathered for Chen Xi by Dian Dian, and with her experience and knowledge as an Immortal King, how could the various immortal materials she chose possibly be ordinary?

"Could it be that these fellows have gone bad?" When they saw this exuberant scene, all the students and instructors in the other areas of the Starpoint Hall frowned without end. However, as soon as they came over to the bidding platform to have a look, their entire bodies instantly shook while many of them were extremely overjoyed.

Of course, there were many that had purely come to join in the excitement.

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"Senior Brother Chen Xi, I noticed that all those immortal materials were extremely rare. How could you be willing to sell them off?" After they walked out of the Starpoint Hall, Qing Ye couldn't help but ask this question.

"All of those are mostly useless to me, so there's no point keeping them in my possession. As for the useful immortal materials, I wouldn't sell them at all." Chen Xi answered in a casual manner.

Qing Ye was astounded. In the eyes of Senior Brother Chen Xi, those immortal materials that're extremely precious in the eyes of others have actually become useless treasures. Then exactly how extraordinary would the immortal materials in his possession be?

"Junior Brother Qing Ye, these are some immortal herbs and immortal materials that're rather suitable for the Golden Immortal Realm. Keep it, I can't allow you to have made this trip with me for nothing." Chen Xi withdrew a storage pouch and directly passed it over, and he didn't allow Qing Ye to refuse at all.

"Senior Brother Chen Xi, I... I..." Qing Ye was slightly overwhelmed by this sudden gift, and he stuttered while feeling at a loss for what to say.

"Since I asked you to take it, then take it. Don't be courteous with me." Chen Xi patted him on the shoulder and laughed lightly without end. He was very clearly aware that even though Qing Ye always seemed shy and introverted, Qing Ye had grasped the profundities of space, so how could Qing Ye possibly be an ordinary figure?

"Mmm, I'll listen to Senior Brother." Qing Ye nodded obediently, yet he said in his heart, I'm dead. Master said I shouldn't owe others favors, yet how could I possibly refuse Senior Brother Chen Xi? Fortunately, he's Senior Brother Chen Xi, so owing him a favor doesn't matter...

It turned out that Chi Cangsheng was very clearly aware of his disciple's disposition. Even though Qing Ye was shy and introverted, Qing Ye was especially loyal at heart, and he attached extreme importance to his relationships. So Chi Cangsheng had told Qing Ye not to owe anyone a favor unless he had no other choice. Otherwise with his disposition, he would definitely work himself to death for others.

Unfortunately, never had Chi Cangsheng imagined that Qing Ye had already owed Chen Xi a favor now.

Of course, Chen Xi had never thought about all of this. At the bottom of it all, it was because Qing Ye's own disposition was like this, and he attached the greatest importance to the relationship between him and his friends.

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After he bid farewell to Qing Ye, Chen Xi directly returned to the Sword Room.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

As soon as he returned, Chen Xi immediately withdrew the Azurelotus Immortal Sword, and he didn't hesitate to life up the Heaven Hatred Seal before ceaselessly smashing it down upon the Azurelotus Immortal Sword, causing a wave of deafening bangs to resound.

If one looked carefully, even though the way Chen Xi swung the Heaven Hatred Seal seemed to be violent, he was actually extremely careful. He seemed to not intend to completely shatter the Azurelotus Immortal Sword.

However, if Qing Ye were to witness this scene, his eyeballs would definitely fall out from shock. Because it was a treasure that cost 30,000,000 Starpoints and was made from a primeval 36 petal World Purification Azurelotus. So no matter how severely damaged it was, its might was still comparable to an extreme-rank Valiant Grade Immortal Artifact!

Yet now, this legendary immortal treasure was actually being struck violently by Chen Xi without the slightest feeling of regret. So no matter who it was that witnessed this scene, that person would probably feel his heart ache without end.

Crack!

After a short while, a cracking sound resounded.

Chen Xi instantly stopped. At this moment, he was already gasping for breath. It couldn't be helped, even though the Azurelotus Immortal Sword was severely damaged, it was still comparable to an extreme-rank Valiant Grade Immortal Artifact at any rate. It caused him to exhaust a great deal of effort in order to accomplish this.

After that, Chen Xi concentrated as he stared at the sword.

At this moment, numerous cracks that seemed like spiderwebs had appeared on the 1m long body of the Azurelotus Immortal Sword. Moreover, it had turned dim while its might had practically been completely lost, and it was on the verge of turning into scrap.

However, Chen Xi's attention wasn't placed on this. At this moment, the attention of his mind and soul were completely drawn over by the strand of verdant glow emanated from the cracks on the body of the sword.

The green glow was pure, translucent, and emanated traces of the glow of divinity.

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Crack! Crack!

Chen Xi carefully split open the damaged body of the Azurelotus Immortal Sword to reveal a lustrous mini sword that emanated a green glow.

It was around 12cm long, fine like the finger of an infant, and in the shape of a lotus leaf. It was green and lustrous like pure and translucent amber, and it emanated strands of the glow of divinity, causing it to seem extremely divine.

This was obviously a sword that hadn't been completely formed, and the rare part about it was that it was naturally formed and filled with intelligence. It seemed as if it could breathe and possessed a life of its own.

Clang!

As soon as it was exposed in the open, it instantly emanated a clear and melodious sword howl before it swished towards the sky.

How could Chen Xi's who'd always been paying concentrated attention to it allow it to escape? He stretched out his hand and grabbed while utilizing the energy of space, and he instantly restrained the mini sword and placed it back within the jade box.

Even then, this lotus leaf shaped mini sword still trembled and struggled, and it caused Chen Xi to exclaim with surprise in his heart.

Earlier, when he was at the third floor of the Starpoint Hall, Chen Xi had noticed through the Eye of Divine Truth that a trace of an unusual aura was within the Azurelotus Immortal Sword. It was like a pure energy of divinity, and it was precisely because of this that he persisted on obtaining this treasure.

Now that he'd split it open and had a look, he really did notice an even more valuable treasure than the Azurelotus Immortal Sword, and it was a mini sword that was naturally formed!

After all, the Azurelotus Immortal Sword was formed from a primeval 36 petal World Purification Azurelotus, and during the primeval times, it could be considered as an extraordinary weapon.

Thus, one could determine how extraordinary the mini sword born within the Azurelotus Immortal Sword was from this.

According to Chen Xi's judgment, the mini sword was exactly the reason why this Azurelotus Immortal Sword was still able to possesses a might comparable to an extreme-rank Valiant Grade Immortal Artifact even after it was severely damaged to such an extent!

If it didn't possess the support of this mini sword, then the Azurelotus Immortal Sword would only be a piece of scrap.

Chen Xi had once looked through an ancient book within the Scripture Reserve. The book recorded a legend related to the 36 petal World Purification Azurelotus. It said this World Purification Azurelotus was born in the chaos at the absolute beginning of the world, and its flower bloomed with 36 petals. Each petal was a world, each world was a profundity, and the 36 profundities covered all the secrets of the world. Thus, this obviously showed how great the origins of the 36 petal World Purification Azurelotus was.

On the other hand, this mini sword that was born within this immortal treasure that was formed the 36 petal World Purification Azurelotus was like a seed itself. It could grow and strengthen, and this was the most extraordinary trait it possessed.

Unfortunately, the Talisman Armament isn't in my possession now. Otherwise, if I fused this mini sword into the Talisman Armament, then its might would probably instantly improve to the Valiant Grade. Moreover, its advancement in the future would benefit from this mini sword as well.... Chen Xi took a deep breath and put this treasure away carefully, and he would completely refine it on the day the Talisman Armament returned into his possession.

After this, Chen Xi didn't waste any more time, he took the Violetsky Immortal Sword in hand before entering the world of stars to practice. He intended to to familiarize himself with this immortal sword as soon as possible and attain the state of being able to control it at will.

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Two days later.

This day was the day that the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds would be opened.

Chen Xi walked out from the world of stars and flashed out of the Sword Room, and then he arrived before a mountain called 'Antiquity' according to the instructions provided in the jade slip.

This mountain was covered in a boundless sea of clouds while the mountain itself seemed extremely imposing like it was the residence of a dragon, and it carried a deep aura of antiquity.

When Chen Xi arrived before this mountain, he immediately noticed there were numerous figures already waiting on a flat cliff at the mountainside, and there were some rather familiar faces amongst them.

Chen Xi was clearly aware that a total of ten students were entering the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds this time. Five of them were the students that obtained the top five in the inner court exam, and they were respectively Ao Zhanbei, Zhen Lu, Ji Xuanbing, Zhao Mengli, and himself.

The other five were some senior students of the inner court, and they were respectively Ling Qingwu, Ye Tang, Nie Xingzhen, Gu Yueru, and Zhongli Luo.

Besides Ling Qingwu, Nie Xingzhen, Gu Yueru, and Zhongli Luo, Chen Xi knew all the other students, and his relationship with many of them wasn't bad.

This caused Chen Xi to heave a sigh of relief before he participated in the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds. Because in the past, he frequently encountered the disciples from other powers in all the trips he took, and it was impossible to avoid battles with them and being schemed against by them before obtaining any treasures or fortuitous encounters.

Obviously, at the very least, incidents like these wouldn't occur in this trip to the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds.

"Junior Brother Chen Xi!"

"Chen Xi."

"Chen Xi."

Meanwhile, Ye Tang, Ji Xuanbing, Zhao Mengli, and Zhen Lu had noticed Chen Xi who'd just arrived, and they immediately smiled as they moved over to greet him.

Chen Xi hurriedly cupped his fists while smiling as well, and he greeted them one by one. He was rather happy as well that he would be able to participate in this trip with Ye Tang and the others.

"Since you returned to the academy, you've always been in closed door cultivation, and it caused us to be unable to go drink with you. You have to be punished with some wine once we return from the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds this time!" Ye Tang smiled as he teased Chen Xi.

"Right, he has to be punished with three hundred cups of wine!" Ji Xuanbing caused trouble from the side as well.

Chen Xi hurriedly cupped his hands. "I deserve it, I deserve it."

"Hmph! It looks to me that he forgot all of us who're friends of his. What can we do when this fellow has become the most renowned expert of the younger generation within the Immortal Dimension? Zhao Mengli who wore a red dress and possessed a peerlessly beautiful appearance grunted.

As soon as these words were spoken, it instantly drew many teasing smiles towards Chen Xi.

Chen Xi rubbed his nose and was speechless, so he could smile bitterly and shrug.

"Chen Xi, I'm really happy to be able to go on this trip with you." Suddenly, Ao Zhanbei's voice came from afar, and he was smiling as he cupped his hands towards Chen Xi.

Chen Xi was stunned, and then his expression turned indifferent. He just silently cupped his hands towards Ao Zhanbei before turning around and chatting with Ye Tang and the others.

Because of the numerous matters of the past, his relationship with the Dragon Dimension couldn't be considered to be good, and it was even to the extent that it could be described as very bad. So, that was the reason for Chen Xi reaction when he saw Ao Zhanbei actually take the initiative to greet him at this moment.

In the distance, a wisp of embarrassment appeared on Ao Zhanbei's face, and it flashed for a moment before it vanished. He sighed in his heart. I wonder what Ancestor is thinking that he forced us members

of the Dragon Dimension to ease up the relationship between us and this fellow Yet now, this fellow actually can't be bothered to pay attention to me when I took the initiative to be friendly with him...

However, he quickly stopped caring about this. Because as a member of the Dragon Dimension, he was extremely proud in his heart.

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In their conversation, Chen Xi found out that the two men and one woman that stood in the distance were Nie Xingzhen, Gu Yueru, and Zhongli Luo.

All of these three were senior students in the inner court, and they'd advanced into the Saint Immortal Realm a long time ago. Moreover, Nie Xingzhen and Gu Yueru were even top existences that has ascended into the top two ranks on the Heavenstar Saint Rankings, whereas, Zhongli Luo wasn't much inferior as well, and he was at the 5th rank on the Heavenstar Saint Rankings.

In the recent years, the three of them had been in constant closed door cultivation to charge into the Half-step Immortal King Realm, and it caused very little information about them to spread throughout the academy. So they seemed as if they kept a rather low profile.

However, Chen Xi didn't dare underestimate them. Because there wasn't a single weakling amongst those that were able to enter the inner court of Dao Emperor Academy and occupy a position on the Heavenstar Saint Rankings. Not to mention that they were respectively ranked at the 1st, 2nd, and 5th position on the Heavenstar Saint Rankings. So they were absolutely top experts in the Saint Immortal Realm.

"In order to obtain the acknowledgement of the inheritance of the Dao Emperor, then the first step is to enter the Eternal Tomb of Kings. After that, you must find the Nether Immortal's Coffin. If you're able to pass the test of the Past Life Bloodpool, then you'll be able to obtain the acknowledgement of the Dao Emperor's inheritance." As he chatted with Ye Tang and the others, Chen Xi finally possessed a rough understanding of the entire Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds. But it was merely an understanding, whereas he would only be able to know the exact situation after he entered the grounds and experienced it for himself.

However, through these conversations, Chen Xi found out that no matter if it was Ye Tang, Zhen Lu, Ji Xuanbing, Zhao Mengli, Nie Xingzhen, Gu Yueru, or the others, all of them had placed their eyes on the Dao Emperor's inheritance.

Under such circumstances, Chen Xi couldn't help but feel a trace of pressure in his heart. *Competition really does exist everywhere.*

Swoosh!

While Chen Xi and the others were chatting, a wave of fluctuation arose in space, and then a graceful figure walked out from within. As soon as this figure appeared, it instantly drew the attention of everyone present in the surroundings.

This was a woman. She had beautiful hair that flowed down like a waterfall to her shoulder, glistening starry eyes, a fine nose, red lips, and a graceful and slender figure that was completely enveloped by strands of divine glows. She emanated a strand of a dreamlike aura, and it was divine and inviolable.

Ling Qingwu!

One of the blazing suns of the Immortal Dimension!

It was the first time she'd made an appearance in the recent years, and as soon as she appeared, she instantly shocked everyone that was present here.

Because no matter if it was Ye Tang, Ji Xuanbing, and the others, or Chen Xi himself, all of them had instantly noticed that her aura had attained the Saint Immortal Realm!

"Senior Sister Ling!" A wisp of a complicated expression appeared on Ye Tang's face, but he still smiled lightheartedly in the end and greeted her.

"Junior Brother Ye Tang." Ling Qingwu nodded. Her bearing was calm, graceful, and composed. She couldn't be considered to be proud, yet she gave others the feeling that it was very difficult to come in contact with her.

Chen Xi had heard countless rumors about Ling Qingwu, but when he truly saw her at this moment, he still couldn't help but feel his breath being slightly taken away.

Her bearing was too unique. It was tranquil, elegant, aloof, and independent. It was like she didn't belong in this world at all, yet it just so happened that she didn't make others feel uncomfortable. This caused her to seem extremely special.

On the other hand, as soon as Ling Qingwu arrived, another figure appeared out of thin air!

This figure was aloof like a mountain. He wore grey clothes, had snow white hair, and striking features. As soon as he arrived, a strand of an icy cold and bone piercing breeze swept through space, and it caused space to tremble violently and freeze into layers of ice!

Hua Jiankong!

In an instant, the atmosphere in the surroundings turned deathly silent while the gazes of everyone descended onto this grey clothed and white haired young man.

"I'll be presiding over the trip to the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds this time, and I presume all of you are already aware of the rules, so I won't speak any further about it." As soon as he arrived, Hua Jiankong didn't waste his breath at all. He stretched out his right hand and pressed his fingers together into the shape of a sword, and then he slashed lightly.

Om!

The entire sky above Antiquity Mountain suddenly emanated a strand of violent spatial fluctuations. After that, a deep and mysterious door floated into appearance in midair, and it gradually revealed itself before the eyes of everyone.

"Remember, all of you only have a single month of time. If you don't return after a month, then you'll be trapped in there for your entire lifetimes!" Hua Jiankong instructed casually before he flicked his sleeve.

Rumble!

Before Chen Xi could recover from his shock, his entire body was swept by a force that was impossible to resist, and then his vision turned black before he completely lost all perception towards his surroundings.

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Chapter 1380: The Eternal Tomb Of Kings

Swish!

A wave of fluctuation arose in space before Chen Xi's figure walked out from within it in a slightly sorry state. He raised his eyes and looked at the surroundings, and only now did he realize that he'd already arrived at an unfamiliar world.

Pure white and translucent snow drifted through the heavens and the earth while gusts of cold wind whistled by like piercingly cold blades.

This was obviously a land of ice, and it was impossible to see the end of it.

I presume this is the Snowy Wind Region of the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds... Chen Xi muttered. According to the records in the jade slip that Chi Cangsheng gave him, the Ancient Dao Emperor Ground was the residence of the Dao Emperor all those years ago, and it formed a world of its own. This Snowy Wind Region was the initial area in the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds.

The initial area meant that this Snowy Wind Region led to all the other areas within the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds.

There was a total of over a hundred regions like this, and every single region was like a small world. Moreover, all sorts of paradises and fortuitous encounters existed within these regions.

Of course, since there were paradises and fortuitous encounter, they were naturally accompanied by tests and tempering. Only the students that passed through them were able to obtain the benefits hidden within.

This was unlike other Secret Realms. Other Secret Realms were filled with numerous dangers and tribulations, whereas, the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds existed specially to temper and train the students of the academy. It couldn't be considered to be very dangerous, yet if one wanted to obtain benefits, then it was similarly not easy.

Simply speaking, it was entirely suitable to call the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds as a place of training that was filled with fortuitous encounters and challenges, and it was specially prepared for the inner court students of Dao Emperor Academy.

Swish! Swish!

Along with Chen Xi's arrival here, circle after circle of fluctuations arose in the nearby space, and then the figures of Ye Tang, Zhen Lu, Zhao Mengli, Ji Xuanbing, and the other students appeared.

"This is the Snowy Wind Region?"

"Come, we only have one month of time. We can't waste this opportunity."

"Where're we going?"

"The Eternal Tomb of Kings!"

As soon as Nie Xingzhen, Gu Yueru, Zhongli Luo, and the others appeared, they spoke hastily with each other before they flashed and teleported extremely far into the distance.

Obviously, they'd made plans a long time ago, and they'd entered the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds this time precisely for the sake of obtaining the acknowledgement of the Dao Emperor's inheritance.

Swoosh!

After Nie Xingzhen and the others left, the figure of Ling Qingwu who was all alone flashed as well, and she vanished within the wind and snow that covered the sky. From the beginning until the end, she didn't talk to anyone.

However, Chen Xi was already clearly aware now that Ling Qingwu's disposition had always been like this. It couldn't be considered to be aloof and proud, and it could just be said that she was accustomed to doing things by herself.

"Where do all of you intend to go?" asked Chen Xi.

"The Eternal Tomb of Kings of course." Ye Tang, Zhen Lu, Zhao Mengli, and Ji Xuanbing practically spoke simultaneously.

Chen Xi couldn't help but smile. "Then let's go together."

All of them immediately set out and flew towards the distance.

Only Ao Zhanbei remained on the spot, and he was silent and hesitated without end. Before he participated in the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds this time, he'd already received instructions from the seniors of the Dragon Dimension within the Scripture Reserve asking him to head to a region called the Dragonblood Battlefield.

However, he was extremely tempted by the Eternal Tomb of Kings, and he felt it was slightly difficult to decide.

After all, after he passed through the Eternal Tomb of Kings, he would have the chance to obtain the acknowledgement of the Dao Emperor's inheritance, and such a fortune was something that probably no one wouldn't be tempted by.

Forget it, I'll head to the Eternal Tomb of Kings to have a look first. If it's difficult to pass through its test, then I can just go to the Dragonblood Battlefield after that... After struggling with this for a long time, Ao Zhanbei gritted his teeth and decided.

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The Snowy Wind Region was extremely vast, and it was covered in over a hundred paths that led to the other regions. The Eternal Tomb of Kings was one such region.

Before all ten of these students entered the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds, each of them obtained a jade slip that contained information related to this place. So after they entered the Snowy Wind Region, they didn't have to worry about being unable to find the exact location of the Eternal Tomb of Kings.

After flying for almost ten minutes, an ancient door appeared within the snowy world.

This door appeared to be extremely lofty, and it seemed as if it was laid into space itself. The view through the door was completely deep and quiet, and it seemed like a path that led to another world.

When Chen Xi and the others arrived here, the figures of Nie Xingzhen and the others had vanished a long time ago.

"The Eternal Tomb of Kings is right behind this door. According to legend, when Senior Dao Emperor established this place, he gathered the marks of the various Immortal Kings that perished during the primeval times and fused them into a supreme restriction in order to create such a Secret Realm." Ye Tang sighed with emotion before leading the group through the door.

Om!

After he entered the door, Chen Xi felt the scene before his eyes change, and he actually appeared within a vast starry sky!

The vast starry sky was studded with a myriad of stars, and they flickered with a mysterious and dazzling glow.

Shockingly, there were numerous ancient tombs standing on this expanse of starry sky! Every single tomb seemed capable of holding up the heavens. They were completely pitch black, and emanated a desolate, ancient, solemn, and oppressive aura.

If he wasn't within the starry sky, Chen Xi would have almost thought he'd entered a burial ground!

However, these tombs were unlike those he'd seen in the past. Every single one of them spanned across over a hundred stars. They were tall, powerful, and boundless, and it was an unbelievable scene. It was truly impossible to imagine how the Dao Emperor had established such a place all those years ago.

According to the records within the jade slip, this was the Eternal Tomb of Kings. There was a total of three thousand tombs, and the mark of an Immortal King that fell during the primeval times was buried within every single one of these tombs!

The mark of Immortal Kings was the strand of will left behind by these Immortal Kings when they fell. This sort of will was supreme and formidable, and unless it was refined and absorbed by someone, otherwise, it would be impossible for them to fade away after experiencing the passage of countless years!

The three thousand marks of Immortal Kings that the Dao Emperor travelled through the world to gather during the primeval times was buried within these three thousand tombs before their eyes, and they were fused into supreme restrictions in order to form this grand scene before them.

"Immortal Kings are such supreme existences, yet who would have imagined that so many Immortal Kings had perished during the primeval times? I truly don't dare imagine exactly how many

extraordinary and paramount existences existed during the primeval times." Ji Xuanbing sighed with emotion, and his expression carried a wisp of shock.

The expressions of the others were more or less like Ji Xuanbing, and their hearts were unable to calm down for a long time after witnessing such a scene.

Only Chen Xi seemed to be much calmer. Because after he experienced the trip to the God Attainment Region, he was already clearly aware that there were still gods above the Immortal Kings!

Immortal Kings could only be considered supreme in the three dimensions, whereas gods were paramount in the three dimensions!

"Everyone, the three thousand Eternal Tombs of Kings represent the three thousand Grand Daos, and every single tomb contains the will of an Immortal King. In order to obtain the acknowledgement of the Dao Emperor's inheritance, the first step is to choose a tomb and enter it to receive the test within. Only by passing the test would one be able to enter the area where the Nether Immortal's Coffin is kept!" Ye Tang took a deep breath, and his eyes burned with desire as he said, "I heard that there's only a single opponent during the test in the Eternal Tomb of Kings, and it's the opponent formed from the eternal will of Immortal Kings. Every single opponent we face will be slightly higher in cultivation than us, so it'll be even more difficult to pass."

"Yes, I heard that the tests within the Eternal Tomb of Kings only allowed a thousand failures, and we'll be teleported out of the tomb if we fail more than one thousand times in the test. Moreover, we won't have the chance to enter the next test any longer." Ji Xuanbing spoke with a solemn expression. "It's common knowledge that ten students will enter the Ancient Dao Emperor Grounds every time it's opened. Moreover, these students will mostly be targeting the Dao Emperor's inheritance. However, according to my knowledge, merely the test of this Eternal Tomb of Kings prevents almost ninety percent of the students from progressing any further, and there has been no lack of situations where all the students failed."

As soon as these words were spoken, the expressions of everyone became even more serious.

Chen Xi was similarly clearly aware that even though one had a thousand chances to pass the test within the tomb, one's opponent within the tomb was extremely terrifying. So, if one wasn't able to defeat this opponent within a thousand tries, then one would lose all chances of obtaining the Dao Emperor's inheritance.

"I presume that Senior Brother Nie Xingzhen and the others have already started to enter the tombs and undergo the tests. There's no time to lose, let's set out as well." Zhao Mengli's red lips parted lightly as she spoke slowly, and the jade white space between her brows faintly carried a wisp of burning anticipation while she seemed to be unable to help but burn with eagerness.

"Alright, then I'll chose the tomb that represents the Grand Dao of the Blade." Ye Tang smiled lightheartedly before his figure flashed, and he vanished into thin air. Under the gazes of everyone present in the surroundings, he arrived before a tomb in the depths of the starry sky, and he didn't hesitate at all before he entered it and vanished.

The Grand Dao of the Blade! Chen Xi thought in his heart. His Immortal Sense swept out, and sure enough, he noticed that every single one of the tombs scattered in the starry sky revealed the aura of a different Grand Dao, and none of them were similar.

"Hahaha! I intend to experience how extraordinary the tomb that represents the Grand Dao of Fire is." Ji Xuanbing roared with laughter before his figure flashed.

"All the profundities of the Buddha Dimension are actually gathered here. Since it's like that, then I'll chose the Emptiness Dao." Zhen Lu pondered for a moment before he chanted the name of the Buddha, and then he left swiftly.

In the blink of an eye, only Chen Xi and Zhao Mengli remained here.

"Which Grand Dao do you intend to choose?" Zhao Mengli couldn't help but ask when she say Chen Xi remaining still on the spot.

"I'm thinking about it." Chen Xi replied in a casual manner. According to his heart, he actually intended to choose the tomb that represented the Talisman Dao. Because in this way, the test might be beneficial to the establishment of his Talisman Saint Dao.

However, in this way, his strength would definitely be limited. After all, his strongest combat strength at this moment was related to his cultivation at the realm of Sword God in the Sword Dao.

Moreover, his objective when he came to the Eternal Tomb of Kings wasn't to establish his own Talisman Saint Dao, and it was to obtain the acknowledgement of the Dao Emperor's inheritance. In this way, he had to ponder over whether he chose the Sword Dao or Talisman Dao to fight with.

"Oh, then I'll be going first." When she saw this, Zhao Mengli immediately stopped hesitating and left.

Nevermind, I'll choose the tomb that represents the Sword Dao. As for establishing my Talisman Saint Dao, I'll have plenty of chances in the future... After a short moment, Chen Xi took a deep breath and decided. His gaze swept through the starry sky, and then he noticed the tomb that represented the Sword Dao.

His figure immediately flashed, and it flickered a few times through the starry sky before he arrived in front of that tomb. He raised his eyes to look at it, and it shockingly had six ancient words written with vigorous strokes on it — Tomb of The Primeval Sword Exalt.

These words wound about like a serpent, and when he looked at it from afar, an oppressive imposing aura assaulted his face.