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Chapter 231: Eight Paths

After he entered Qian Yuan's Treasure vault, the first thing that entered his eyes was an exceedingly grand hall.

This hall seemed to have been constructed within space; above it was the sky with groups of flickering stars, below it was the ground that was paved with rare Azurelight Stones, and it was coiled with mist and smoke, causing it to seem like the surface of a mirror. In the surroundings of this hall stood numerous doors that were dense like a forest, and they were like a beehive that actually caused one to be unable to see how many doors there were.

These doors weren't motionless, but instead ceaselessly changed their positions like stars. Moreover, amongst these doors were some that emitted an aura of slaughter, some that overflowed with the aura of treasures and auspiciousness, and there were some that instead emitted the sounds of war. It seemed that extraordinary treasures were concealed behind every single one of these doors.

Of course, this didn't eliminate the possibility that they contained disaster and death.

"Chen Xi, look. These doors seem to be dense and complicated, yet eight form a group, eight groups form a body, and eight bodies form a being, and they revolve repeatedly and evolve endlessly. It's as if they're moving according to the arrangement of a formation." Ling Bai stood on Chen Xi's shoulder as he squinted to size up the surroundings for a moment before speaking suddenly.

Chen Xi had long since noticed a trace of its profundity as well, and he nodded and said, "These doors are a formation. If my deduction isn't wrong, then it ought to be a large scale Eight Path Formation, and it's divided into eight paths, namely the paths of fortune, life, harm, avoidance, scenic, death, terror, and beginning. These paths are divided into Yin and Yang, auspicious and ominous. If one enters an ominous path, it's a path of no return and certain death; if one enters an auspicious path, one can assure the safety of one's life and perhaps be able to obtain the numerous treasures within the treasure vault."

"So that's how it is. Perhaps this as a test set by the owner of the treasure vault." Ling Bai came to an understanding as he said, "Then which path should we take to be on an auspicious path?"

"According to the requirements of the formation, entering the paths of life, scenic, and beginning is an auspicious path, entering the paths of harm, terror, and fortune will instead cause heavy injury, and entering the paths of avoidance and death would instead cause death." Chen Xi frowned as he deeply pondered and spoke.

"Then what're we hesitating for? Don't we just have to enter the paths of life, scenic, or beginning?" Ling Bai couldn't help but speak with bewilderment when he saw Chen Xi speaking yet not moving.

"Something's off! I keep having the feeling that something is slightly unusual, let me deliberate for a while longer," said Chen Xi with a frown. At the same time, the Talisman Dao knowledge that he'd learned from his cultivation until now circulated at full speed, and he swiftly deduced the Eight Path Formation around him that was formed from numerous doors.

Ling Bai didn't disturb him and sized up the surroundings on his own.

After a short moment, Chen Xi's eyes lit up as he let out a long sigh of relief and said with a smile, "How dangerous, we almost stepped into the trap of the treasure vault's owner. This Eight Path Formation is unusual, as the eight doors and its Yin and Yang are inverted, so it ought to be called an Inverted Eight Path Formation. Amongst those eight doors, only two of them are auspicious paths, and all the rest are ominous paths!"

"Then where should we enter from?" Ling Bai asked hurriedly.

"The path of death!" Chen Xi stretched out his finger to point. The door he pointed at revealed an aura of slaughter as if it contained boundless danger concealed within. If it wasn't for Chen Xi having seen through the true face of this formation, he would absolutely think that behind this door was a place of death, yet it was different now, and this was the true auspicious path.

On the other hand, the doors that overflowed with the aura of treasures and auspiciousness were the true ominous paths!

Rumble!

Right at this moment, loud rumbling sounded out from outside the treasure vault, and then the tightly shut entrance opened suddenly and a rainbow bridge surged out to connect the treasure vault with the heavens and the earth.

The entrance to the treasure vault has opened. We have to go quickly or we'll be too late. Chen Xi felt apprehensive in his heart as he brought Ling Bai along to flash into the path of death and vanish.

"So many doors!"

"Could it be that various treasures are concealed and stored behind these doors?"

"My god! I can sense the aura of countless treasures just from those doors!"

Amidst a wave of the sounds of the sky being torn apart, Huangfu Chongming, Liu Fengchi, Man Hong, and the others flashed into the hall, and when they saw the dense doors that were like a beehive in the surroundings, all of them cried out in shock.

"When Qian Yuan's Treasure Vault descended into the world this time, it made too much of a commotion. The experts of the younger generation from all over have come, and there are many wolves, yet little meat. Even though there are many doors, but it doesn't seem like all the treasures within them can be obtained by all of us." Lin Moxuan sighed lightly.

"There's no need to worry. We're large in number and from numerous powers, and all of us possess a treasure vault map in our possessions. Thus, there ought to be no one that is capable of surpassing us in the amount of treasure we obtain." Huangfu Chongming lightly smiled and said, "We're currently standing in the hall of Qian Yuan's Treasure Vault, and according to the guidance of the map, how should we enter?"

"The map in my possession shows that this Qian Yuan's Treasure Vault possesses a total of 4,096 doors, and every single door contains unfathomable profundity. When one enters into a door, it would be equivalent to entering another space, so everyone must be careful," said Tantai Hong.

“Exactly. These doors have formed an Eight Path Formation. But the map in my possession has instead labeled that this formation is odd and isn’t the same from a normal Eight Path Formation. I wonder exactly what part of it is different?” Liu Fengchi spoke with a frown.

“Mine is the same as well. It says that the true treasure vault is concealed within the auspicious paths. We have to find the auspicious path amongst them before we’ll be able to safely enter into the treasure vault and obtain the treasures,” said Man Hong with a nod.

“Then let’s swiftly find the auspicious path, so as to avoid allowing others to gain the advantage.” Huangfu Chongming spoke resolutely. “Fellow Daoists Pei Zhong and Xue Chen, I heard that your Whitecrane Sect is proficient in the Dao of Talisman Formations, I’ll leave this up to the both of you.”

Pei Zhong and Xue Chen looked at each other before nodding in agreement. Qing Xiuyi wasn’t present, so the two of them had already become the weakest existences amongst this group, and if they wanted to obtain benefits from Qian Yuan’s Treasure Vault, then they naturally had to properly cooperate with the others.

This pair of senior brother and junior brother each withdrew a compass shaped Magic Treasure, and then they looked at the numerous doors that revolved ceaselessly as they started to deduce with concentration.

While they were deducing the formation, all the other cultivators had arrived as well. There was no lack of knowledgeable cultivators amongst them that discerned these doors contained numerous profundities concealed within them, and all of them started to deduce the formation themselves.

At this moment, none of them had seen the true treasure vault, so there was no competition for benefit amongst them, and they didn’t have to worry about disagreements breaking out with the others. Not to mention causing a disagreement to break out at a time like this was extremely unwise, and it would allow the others to watch the fight before reaping the advantages from their battle. In the end, it would only benefit others, and that wasn’t worth it.

Everyone was wracking their brains to deduce the true location of the door, and they seized every minute and second for fear of another seizing the lead, causing the hall to seem extremely quiet.

Chen Xi had just entered a door and saw at least an entire few tens of enormous formations circulating, and they were arranged in an interlocking pattern that was linked to each other, causing them to form a grand formation that possessed killing intent that shot into the sky and was sufficient to trap any expert below the Heavenly Immortal Realm within it.

Fortunately, this extremely large and complicated slaughter formation didn’t activate and was extremely quiet, and Chen Xi didn’t come to any harm after going deep into the formation.

“So many medicinal pills!”

Chen Xi had just passed through the slaughter formation when he saw that amidst a space that was coiled with smoke and mist was medicinal pills that were full of spirit energy floating everywhere. Every single medicinal pill seemed to possess intelligence as they danced about and fluttered in the sky, causing them to seem extremely magical.

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Chapter 232: Unbridled Plundering

Medicinal pills were in large groups as they whistled about like the rain!

As he looked at the numerous medicinal pills that were filled with intelligence and danced about in the sky, Chen Xi couldn't help but gasp. He instantly felt a strand of pure and refreshing spirit energy gush into his body, causing his spirits to suddenly be refreshing, and the True Essence within his violet palace seemed to have become a little more condensed.

This is only from breathing a mouthful of the aura they emit. If I consume one of these medicinal pills, exactly what kind of extraordinary effect would it provide? Chen Xi's heart burned as he looked at the myriad of medicinal pills.

Swoosh!

When a spirit pill flew right past him, Chen Xi raised his hand and caught it. This medicinal pill was completely translucent and crystalline, and strands of a dazzling and divine glow were faintly emitted from within it as it emitted a clear cry that was like the roar of a dragon or the howl of a tiger. The medicinal pill caused one's ears and eyes to feel clear and one's entire body to feel comfortable, and it seemed extremely profound.

"A Sky Jadeliquid Pill! It's actually an earth-rank medicinal pill that possesses a strand of intelligence!" Ling Bai stuck out his hand to grab a medicinal pill as well, and after sizing it up briefly, his eyes lit up abruptly as he cried out with excitement. "After a cultivator advances to the Golden Core Realm, ordinary spirit liquids are already incapable of suiting the cultivator's needs in cultivation. Only by relying on the energy within medicinal pills at the earth-rank and above would one be able to allow one's cultivation to advance. This Sky Jadeliquid Pill is a top-grade earth-rank medicinal pill that's well known throughout the world, and 10,000 years ago, only the Sky Dao Palace was capable of refining it. A single Sky Jadeliquid Pill is enough to compare with 50,000 kgs of spirit liquid!"

Medicinal pills were similar to Magic Treasures and were divided into the four ranks of heaven, earth, profound, and yellow. Every single rank was further divided into the four grades of top, high, intermediate, and low.

Amongst them, yellow-rank and profound-rank medicinal pills were called Origin Pills, and they were basic medicinal pills that weren't complicated to refine, whereas, earth-rank and heaven-rank medicinal pills were called Spirit Pills because they already possessed a trace of intelligence.

Obviously, this Sky Jadeliquid Pill was a type of earth-rank spirit pill, and its grade was superb, to the point of being in the ranks of the top-grade!

"Sky Jadeliquid Pill?" Even though Chen Xi didn't know exactly how great the fame of this medicinal pill was, yet he knew that once he advanced into the Golden Core Realm in the future, he would surely be unable to do without the support of earth-rank spirit pills.

Most importantly, after he advanced into the Golden Core Realm, it would be equivalent to possessing the root of the heavens and the earth in his body. When in battle, so long as he possessed sufficient earth-rank spirit pills, then he would entirely not have to worry about the embarrassing scene of being

unable to continue fighting due to his True Essence drying up. Because an earth-rank spirit pill was capable of instantly recovering one's True Essence and allowing a Golden Core Realm cultivator to maintain a lasting and exuberant combat strength!

If it was a Violet Palace Realm or Golden Hall Realm cultivator, even if the cultivator consumed an earth-rank spirit pill, the cultivator would be utterly unable to achieve this, and their Dantian would even collapse from the tremendous medicinal strength of the spirit pill and lose their lives.

This was the powerful aspect of a Golden Core Realm cultivator. The so-called great path of achieving the golden core was to establish a root of the heavens and earth within one's body, causing the Dantian to become exceedingly tough, tensile, and solid like iron. It was precisely because of this that it was capable of accommodation the surging medicinal strength of an earth-rank spirit pill.

"Great! With so many earth-rank spirit pills, then so long as I'm able to advance to the Golden Core Realm, I don't have to worry about the problem of my True Essence drying up when in battle." Chen Xi flicked his sleeve, and the myriad of Sky Jadeliquid Pills in the sky transformed into raindrops that were put away within the Buddha's Pagoda by him.

The spirit pills were like a rain and were in the thousands. The instant they entered the Buddha's Pagoda, they instantly transformed into a river of pills that hovered and danced about in streaming columns. Bai Kui, who was sound asleep at the side, suddenly shuddered as he stood up, and when he saw the countless Sky Jadeliquid Pills, he abruptly roared with excitement. Bai Kui took a step on the ground before leaping up swiftly to chase behind the cluster of medicinal pills and started eating with great pleasure.

Chen Xi noticed this scene, yet didn't stop Bai Kui. Those medicinal pills were exceedingly numerous and at least numbered over 100,000. Even if the little fellow ate continuously for an entire year, it could only be considered to be a drop in the ocean. Not to mention, this little fellow Bai Kui was extremely selective about his food now, and after he tasted something new, he would stop eating on his own.

This pill storehouse has been completely plundered by me, I wonder what other treasures are stored in the other places... After Chen Xi gathered all the medicinal pills in the surrounding space, he didn't hesitate in the slightest to flash out and head deeper towards the next door.

He didn't dare waste the slightest bit of time. The entrance to Qian Yuan's Treasure Vault had been opened now, and Huangfu Chongming and the others would probably be making every effort to crack the answer to the Eight Path Formation. If he were to wait for them to rush over, then would there be any benefit for him to reap?

Swish! Swish! Swish!

Chen Xi had just entered into another door when he heard a wave of dense sword howls that were in great strength and like a tide, and then he saw innumerable swords flying ceaselessly in the sky along a profound trajectory.

Sword lights shot out violently along with a myriad of howls that sounded out in unison, the peerlessly swift and fierce sword aura actually suppressed Chen Xi to the point of feeling suffocated, and it caused shock to emerge within his heart. Those numerous swords were actually high-grade earth-rank Magic Treasures, and they were a riot of colors as they flew and howled by themselves. Over 10,000 high-

grade earth-rank swords revolved around nine swords that were noble like kings, and they howled in unison and resonated. The sound wave emitted was sufficient to directly crush a Violet Palace Realm or even Golden Hall Realm cultivator into mush.

This was a sword formation! A large scale sword formation that was formed from over 10,000 high-grade earth-rank swords and nine top-grade earth-rank swords!

“Grand Qi Charge Sword, this... This is actually the Sky Dao Palace’s Grand Qi Atomic Sword Formation!” Ling Bai spoke with shock. “Once this sword formation formed from a total of 10,800 high-grade earth-rank Grand Qi Charge Swords and nine top-grade earth-rank Grand Qi Soul Swords is fully activated, then it’s sufficient to annihilate even a Nether Transformation Realm expert!” When he spoke up to here, Ling Bai stopped briefly become speaking with a firm expression. “The owner of this Qian Yuan’s Treasure Vault is surely an expert of the Sky Dao Palace. Otherwise, it would be absolutely impossible for him to be capable of setting up this sect guarding sword formation. After all, in the Sky Dao Palace is a similar grand formation formed from over 10,000 top-grade heaven-rank swords and nine Immortal Swords. Its lethality is so terrifying that it’s even a path of no return for Heavenly Immortals.”

Over 10,000 top-grade heaven-rank swords?

Nine Immortal Swords?

A strand of astonishment couldn’t help but emerge in Chen Xi’s heart. Exactly what kind of power was this Sky Dao palace to actually take so many precious treasures to set up such a terrifying sword formation?

“Chen Xi, take them, take all of them. When you establish a sect of your own in the future, set up this formation before your sect, and it’s sufficient to annihilate all people with evil intentions!” Ling Bai started shouting loudly with excitement.

This Grand Qi Atomic Sword Formation was startling indeed.

“Alright! My younger brother is rebuilding the Chen Clan now. After I take this sword formation, it will be just right to be set up around the Chen Clan to form a superb barrier that can protect the Chen Clan’s longevity!” Chen Xi didn’t hesitate in the slightest and made a move right away.

He didn’t rashly move to forcefully collect them, and he instead silently deduced this formation.

Because this Grand Qi Atomic Sword Formation didn’t possess an owner to direct it, it wasn’t activated. So long as they slowly circulated according to the positions of the formation, everything would be completely revealed before his eyes, and it was as if the formation was silently teaching Chen Xi its secrets, causing it to be effortless for him to comprehend it.

But even then, Chen Xi still spent an entire 1/8th of an hour before being able to completely grasp and memorize the various secrets and variations of this formation, and then he started collecting these 10,000 plus swords.

This time, Chen Xi was wise and placed these swords within a concealed place in the Buddha’s Pagoda. In this way, he would be able to avoid the ignorant Bai Kui foolishly eating some of these swords.

“All of the Magic Treasures behind this door have already been collected by me. Let’s go to the next door.” Chen Xi counted the time with his fingers for a moment, and he felt that time was even more pressing.

When faced with a great fortuitous encounter that allowed him to plunder without restraint by himself, who wouldn’t be worried that countless people would charge over in the next moment and enter into the ranks of plunderers?

At this moment, Chen Xi was like a locust, his speed was swift to the point of being unbelievable, and he first seized the almost 100,000 Sky Jadeliquid Pills before seizing the Grand Qi Atomic Sword Formation. Subsequently, in the next moment, he’d appeared within another door, and within this space was rare materials like White Refined Gold, Water Netherstone, Six-Yang Crimson Iron, Azure Heart Wood... Various equipment refining materials and rare and precious stones were scattered all around, and they were all spread out into piles, causing it to simply seem like a misuse of resources.

All of these were swept away cleanly by Chen Xi. At any rate, the Buddha’s Pagoda contained an entire eight spaces that were comparable to a world, and it was sufficient to hold countless treasures. So, Chen Xi didn’t have to worry about the problem of having insufficient storage Magic Treasures.

While Chen Xi was ceaselessly plundering.

Rumble!

Over ten figures break through the path of beginning in the Eight Path Formation and charged into the space where Chen Xi was earlier, and they were Huangfu Chongming, Liu Fengchi, Man Hong, and the others.

As the first group of forerunners that passed through the Eight Path Formation, every one of them was excited to the extreme. However, when their gazes swept the surroundings, the smiles of excitement on their faces froze instantly.

This space of was completely empty and without a single treasure. Obviously, someone had beat them to it, and it caused the expression of every single one of them to be extremely terrible.

“What’s going on? Why is it completely empty, and not even a hair is here? There are still traces of the aura of pills that are extremely pure remaining in the air, and it’s at least at the standard of earth-rank spirit pills. Why have all of them vanished?” Someone spoke with surprise and bewilderment.

“Dammit! There’s obviously been someone that plundered it clean before us. If I fucking find out who obtained it, I’ll cut off his hand!” Someone cursed angrily.

“Could it be that kid Chen Xi?” Someone asked.

“Chen Xi? Dammit! How could I have forgotten that kid came in first? But, that kid is too ruthless and greedy, he didn’t even give us the chance of having some leftovers. He truly deserves death!” Someone was angered to the point of stomping with rage.

All of these experts of the younger generation were normally arrogant and conceited, and they considered others to be beneath them. Since they were able to pass through the Eight Paths Formation first and leave the other cultivators behind, they were extremely excited in their hearts, and all of them

rubbed their hands as they prepared to plunder without restraint. Yet how would they know that when they expended their heart and blood and worked arduously to enter here, they actually obtained nothing? How could they endure this? All of their expressions were dark like the bottom of a pot, their eyes almost emitted flames, and they were angered to the point they almost spat out a mouthful of blood.

“Let’s quickly chase after him! Perhaps that kid is not far ahead. We’ll chase up to him and make him spit out everything he took!” Huangfu Chongming, this prince of the Darchu Dynasty, actually didn’t have the slightest bit of an elegant demeanor at this moment, and his face was warped as he gnashed his teeth and roared loudly.

No one spoke a single word as all of them urged their True Essence with all their might and charged deeper towards the next door with a murderous look on their faces.

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Chapter 233: Three Tests

While Huangfu Chongming’s group were chasing after Chen Xi, some of the cultivators that were searching for the auspicious path outside the Eight Path Formation, yet they took another route.

The Eighth Path Formation’s path of life, scenic, and beginning were auspicious paths, the paths of harm, terror, and fortune were paths that caused harm, and the paths of death and avoidance were paths that caused death. But after the owner of this treasure vault inverted Yin and Yang, the paths of death and avoidance had instead become the auspicious paths.

Amongst these two auspicious paths, the path of death was a great auspicious path, and it was the path that Chen Xi and Huangfu Chongming had entered.

The path of avoidance was a minor auspicious path, and it was instead found by the other cultivators.

Amongst these cultivators that entered the path of avoidance, it was a group of two males and a female cultivator that were the first to enter. These people were respectively the Skysplit Sword Sect’s An Qianyu, the Brightray Sect’s Wang Daoxu, and the Mistwater Pavilion’s Zhen Liuqing.

These three people were influential and well renowned figures amongst the Golden Core Realm cultivators of the younger generation. In terms of strength, status, and identity, they were formidable figures that weren’t the slightest bit inferior to Huangfu Chongming’s group, and even surpassed them.

The Darchu Dynasty’s territories were boundlessly vast, and besides the southern territory that was in extreme decline, outstanding figures were born in succession in the central plains, eastern sea, and northern barbaric lands, and they rose abruptly like mushrooms born after the rain, causing them to seem extremely prosperous and flourishing.

An Qianyu, Wang Daoxu, and Zhen Liuqing were genius figures that had risen abruptly in the recent years.

For example, An Qianyu was merely 19 years old, yet had already attained the advanced-stage of the Golden Core Realm. He’d headed over to Jadebandit Mountain, alone with his sword, and he annihilated the infamous Nine Moonhawk Bandits, thus becoming well known throughout the world.

Every single one of the Nine Moonhawk Bandits possessed cultivations at the Golden Core Realm, after all. They'd swept through the world for many years and possessed extremely abundant combat experience. Yet all of them had died within their own lair at the hands of An Qianyu alone. How could such splendid combat achievements not have drawn the attention of others?

Wang Daoxu was instead a supreme genius fostered by the Brightray Sect of the central plains, and he was born innately with a Windsoul Body. At the age of 17, he'd relied on his almost perfect Wind Dao Territory to become eminent and famous in the world, causing him to be the most outstanding genius Core Disciple of the Brightray Sect, and he wasn't inferior to An Qianyu either.

Zhen Liuqing also couldn't be underestimated. She was from the most mysterious great power in the eastern sea, the Mistwater Pavilion, and she was a person that kept an extremely low profile. The reason this woman was known widely by other cultivators was instead because of a single sentence spoken by the current Emperor Chu. "Amongst the young talents in the world, if one were to speak about extraordinary women, then there are three that aren't inferior to men. The first is the Whitecrane Sect's Qing Xiuyi, the second is my daughter Huangfu Qingying, and the third is the Mistwater Pavilion's Zhen Liuqing."

The meaning of these words was exceedingly obvious. Amongst the female cultivators in the younger generation of the Darchu Dynasty, Qing Xiuyi, Huangfu Qingying, and Zhen Liuqing were the most outstanding.

What sort of figure was Emperor Chu?

He was the supreme ruler of the Darchu Dynasty who possessed monstrous authority and controlled the world, and every single word he spoke carried weight. How could a person that was praised by him be an ordinary person? It was precisely because of these words that Zhen Liuqing, who'd always been mysterious and kept a low profile, became well known to all the cultivators in the cultivation world.

At this moment, these three outstanding figures of the younger generation were gathered together and were the first to enter the path of avoidance, so they obtained numerous treasures in the treasure vault like medicinal pills, materials, precious treasures... But the path of avoidance was a minor auspicious path and couldn't compare to the path of death that Chen Xi had entered, so the treasures they obtained were naturally inferior to the precious treasures Chen Xi obtained. But even then, their gains were already sufficient to cause one's eyes to go red with envy when compared to Huangfu Chongming's group.

"What a pity! If we were able to enter the path of death earlier on, then the amount we'd obtain would probably be more than 10 times what we've obtained now. Now it has instead benefited Huangfu Chongming's group." Wan Daoxu sighed. He wore a high hat and embroidered robes. His appearance was handsome and extraordinary, and every move he made revealed an elegant and culture bearing that caused him to seem extraordinary.

"It's fine. Huangfu Chongming's group totals over 10 people, so even though they obtained many treasures, when distributed, it's almost the same as what the three of us have obtained." An Qianyu smiled. He wore black clothes and had an appearance like was beautiful like a woman, and his body seemed frail, yet every single move of his carried a cold and grim aura of a blade that caused others to be unable to underestimate him.

“Senior Brother An is correct. Actually, the most important treasure is probably at the core hall of Qian Yuan’s Treasure Vault, and it’s at the end of these 1,080 doors. According to the information I obtained, that place is the real place the owner of Qian Yuan’s Treasure Vault stored the most valuable treasures.” Zhen Liuqing that had remained silent since the beginning spoke out suddenly, and her voice was melodious like the cry of an Oriole in a quiet gorge, pleasant and moving.

She was extremely beautiful and delicate, with a pair of clear eyes and white features, and she possessed a graceful figure. Her jet black hair was coiled into an elegant high bun, and it caused her appearance to seem even more gorgeous.

“It’s indeed so. I’ve heard as well that the core hall of the Qian Yuan’s Treasure Vault contained nine Dao Insight Origin Pills, 12 Dao Grade martial techniques, and a mysterious and formidable valuable treasure of the heavens and the earth.” Wang Daoxu sighed with emotion. “A single Dao Insight Origin Pill is already sufficient to make countless people covet it, yet this Qian Yuan’s Treasure Vault contains an entire nine pills, and it’s truly an extraordinary extravagance. Moreover, if my guess is correct, then two 12 Dao Grade martial techniques are related to the utilization of Grand Daos, and it’s absolutely not something an ordinary Dao Grade martial technique could compare to. If a sect is capable of obtaining a single one of them, it would be sufficient to be the utmost valuable treasure of the Sect.”

An Qianyu and Zhen Liuqing nodded with deep agreement when they heard this, and they were extremely shocked by the great extravagance of the owner of Qian Yuan’s Treasure Vault.

No matter if it was the Dao Insight Origin Pill or the Dao Grade martial techniques, all of them were precious and priceless treasures that could be chanced upon by luck and not sought after. If it were to appear in the outside world, it would surely cause a rain of blood in the cultivation world.

“Right, what’s the mysterious and formidable valuable treasure of the heavens and the earth?” An Qianyu asked.

“That’s hard to tell. The owner of this Qian Yuan’s Treasure Vault was a peerless Heavenly Immortal, and he was probably a great figure amongst Heavenly Immortals as well. This valuable treasure of the heavens and the earth left behind by him is surely extraordinary. As for what it actually is, that isn’t something that we can only guess.” Wang Daoxu shook his head.

“No matter what, if we want to obtain the Dao Insight Origin Pills, the Dao Grade martial techniques, and the mysterious valuable treasure, all of us have to face the three tests left behind by the owner of the treasure vault. I have a fairly good understanding of these three tests.” Zhen Liuqing spoke slowly.

An Qianyu and Wang Daoxu’s eyes lit up as they asked successively.

Zhen Liuqing didn’t hide it and spoke of all the information she’d obtained. “The first test, Slaying One’s Self. After we enter the core area of the treasure vault, every single cultivator will be sent into an illusory realm. Within the illusory realm, a person that is similar to one’s self will appear, and only by defeat one’s self would one be able to pass through the first test and obtain a Dao Grade martial technique. Be sure to keep in mind that this person that’s similar to one’s self possesses a strength that’s equal to each of us. If one fails in the first test, then one will be sent out of the treasure vault. Moreover, there are only 12 Dao Grade martial techniques, so only the first 12 people that pass the first

test are able to obtain it. So once we arrive at the central area, we must make the best use of our time to pass the test.”

An Qianyu and Wang Daoxu nodded and expressed their understanding. Slaying One’s Self, was to defeat one’s self. Not only was this test related to strength, it was also related to a contest of mentality, wisdom, and Dao Heart, and it couldn’t be underestimated.

“The second test, Dao Comprehension Fortune. This test is about comprehension, and those nine Dao Insight Origin Pills represent nine Grand Daos of the heavens and the earth. So long as the Dao Insights one possesses has surpassed nine, then one will possess the opportunity to obtain one of the Dao Insight Origin Pills. Moreover, the more Dao Insights above nine that a person possesses, the swifter one would pass through the test, and the quality of the Dao Insight Origin Pill obtained would be greater.”

Zhen Liuqing continued. “To tell you honestly, I possess 13 Dao Insights. Nine Minor Daos and four Grand Daos. I presume Brother An and Brother Wang won’t be much different. According to my observation, amongst the cultivators that have entered Qian Yuan’s Treasure Vault this time, only Huangfu Chongming, Liu Fengchi, Man Hong, Lin Moxuan, Xiao Linger, and a few others are equal to us. If it’s counted in this way, we have an extremely good chance of obtaining a Dao Insight Origin Pill.”

Only when one’s Dao Insights have surpassed nine types would one possess the chance to obtain a Dao Insight Origin Pill?

An Qianyu and Wang Daoxu were stunned, and then they gazed at each other with surprise as they’d completely never thought of this. But they weren’t afraid, as it was just like Zhen Liuqing had said. Both of them had similarly comprehended 13 Dao Insights, but the difference was in the Grand Dao and Minor Dao total amongst these 13 Dao Insights.

Just like Zhen Liuqing had said, amongst her 13 Dao Insights, only four were Grand Daos and the other nine were Minor Dao; An Qianyu and Wang Daoxu were almost the same.

“What’s the third test?” An Qianyu questioned.

Zhen Liuqing went quiet for a short moment before she said, “Actually, the third test is very simple. There’s a Divine Beast Suanni guarding the final mysterious valuable treasure. Even though this divine beast Suanni is only a strand of its soul, it possesses the strength of an Earthly Immortal Realm expert. If we want to obtain that mysterious treasure, we must face its menace.”

“Divine Beast Suanni!” The pupils of An Qianyu and Wang Daoxu constricted abruptly as they cried out in alarm. In the primordial era, the Suanni was an extremely terrifying existence that possessed the strength to hold up the heavens, might to trample on the lands, and it was vicious, ruthless, barbaric, and overbearing. It innately mastered various profundities of the Heaven Dao and even its fur, bones, and skin possessed extremely profound Dao markings, and an adult Suanni was even capable of slapping a Heavenly Immortal to death with a single strike of its extremely monstrous strength!

The depths of this Qian Yuan’s Treasure Vault actually had a Suanni guarding its treasures. Even though it was only a strand of a Suanni’s soul, it possessed a terrifying strength at the Earthly Immortal Realm. Who amongst them wouldn’t be terrified of such a formidable existence?

All of them were at the Golden Core Realm, after all. When compared with an Earthly Immortal Realm expert, they were still lower by the Rebirth Realm and Nether Transformation Realm. A difference of a single realm was already capable of causing one to despair, let alone two realms? It would absolutely be a distance like a chasm, a difference like the difference between the heavens and the earth!

Zhen Liuqing understood the feelings of these two people very well when she saw their expressions change, and she smiled as she consoled them. “We aren’t putting our life on the line against that Suanni. It’s sufficient so long as we avoid it and seize the treasure, so there’s no need to be afraid.”

“Exactly. There are so many cultivators that have entered the treasure vault this time, and there’re surely existences that will act recklessly. We’ll allow them to give away their lives before us while we act according to the circumstances, and it might not be impossible to obtain the treasure.” An Qianyu took a deep breath as he recovered his calm.

“Let’s speak about it after we pass through the first two tests.” Wang Daoxu shook his head instead. He didn’t hold any hope of obtaining the final treasure, and so long as he obtained a Dao Grade martial technique and a Dao Insight Origin Pill, he would be satisfied.

An Qianyu opened his mouth and was just about to say something when loud rumbling sounded out at this moment, and it abruptly resounded throughout the entire Qian Yuan’s Treasure Vault.

Then, the heavens shook as the earth swayed, and an unexpected event erupted!

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Chapter 234: The Test Begins

Chen Xi stood before a door.

Since he started plundering until now, he’d already obtained almost 100,000 Sky Jadeliquid Pills, a Sect Guarding Sword Formation formed of over 10,000 high-grade earth-rank swords and nine top-grade earth-rank swords, a few tens of thousands of various equipment refining materials, and numerous precious spirit materials...

If all these treasures were coupled together and exchanged for spirit liquid, it would simply be an astronomical figure. If it was in the southern territory, possessing such wealth was sufficient for one to establish a medium sized sect.

Regretfully, after plundering until now, he hadn’t encountered any jade slips that contained cultivation techniques, Dao Grade martial techniques, weapons refinement techniques, pill refinement techniques, and talisman crafting techniques.

Perhaps there are some books behind this door. Chen Xi was just about to push open the door and enter when he suddenly heard a wave of the sounds of the air being torn apart behind him.

“Kid, so you’re here!”

“Hahaha! Let’s see where you flee, you detestable kid.”

“Dammit! 10 spaces were wiped clean by you, and you didn’t even leave us some scraps. You’ve simply gone too far!”

“Bastard! Hand over the treasures, then kneel down and receive your death!”

Along with the sounds of the sky being torn apart, a wave of enraged curses sounded out, and Chen Xi didn't have to guess to know that it was surely Huangfu Chongming and the others.

Unfortunately, these people chased after me too quickly, and I'm afraid I won't have the chance to take all the benefits in the future. Chen Xi thought like this in his heart, yet his movements weren't slow in the slightest. At the instant he heard the sound of air being torn apart, he didn't hesitate in the slightest to push open the door and flash into the exceedingly spacious hall.

When he clearly saw the scene in his surroundings, he couldn't help but be stunned.

Unlike the space behind the doors from before, this hall was deep and spacious, with a myriad of stars in the sky and the ground covered with mountains and rivers that were vast and magnificent, and it was like a piece of land, causing shock in the hearts of all.

Neither its boundaries nor its end could be seen, and this was a marvelous space that was vast to an unknown point, whereas, at the place the sky and ground were connected stood an upright statue.

This person was extremely tall with a cold and murderous appearance, his head supported the sky while his legs stomped on the ground, and he stood towering within the heavens and the earth as if he'd stood there for a myriad of years and would remain eternally unmoving.

Seeming to have noticed Chen Xi's arrival, an ancient and vast aura abruptly effused out of the enormous statue, and practically at the exact same time, countless dazzling golden lights suddenly shot out explosively from all the apertures on the enormous statue's body.

Rumble!

Thunderclaps that were rose like tidewater resounded out, whereas, the destructive force on the enormous statue circulated out from every single aperture on its body, and Chen Xi was faintly able to hear a wave of a grand chant that was like the Sanskrit being chanted by the heavens.

The entire heavens and earth seemed to be filled with the figure of this enormous statue at this moment, extremely bright golden lights and boundless might was emitted out, causing the statue to seem like an ancient god that had been resurrected from the dead, and it caused others to feel that they were tiny.

Meanwhile, Huangfu Chongming and the others had flashed into the hall successively.

“Brat! You really fled quickly, let me see...” The voice stopped abruptly, just like Chen Xi, his entire mind and soul had been awed by the lofty figure that stood on the ground while supporting the heavens.

“Hmm? What happened...” Not long after Huangfu Chongming and the others entered, An Qianyu, Wang Daoxu, and Zhen Liuqing flashed over successively, but when they clearly saw the enormous figure, their pupils constricted as well, and they were shocked to the point of being dazed.

Along with this stone statue revealing this shocking phenomenon, intense changes occurred throughout the entire Qian Yuan's Treasure Vault. Those cultivators that were still held up outside the Eight Path Formation at this moment were teleported here by a shapeless force, and they were completely stunned by the scene before them as soon as they recovered from their shock.

At this moment, with the addition of Chen Xi, who was a Golden Hall Realm cultivator that had slipped into Qian Yuan's Treasure Vault a long time ago by relying on the Boundless Secretrealm Discovering Pearl, all the Golden Core Realm cultivators that had entered the treasure vault were gathered at this boundless space. Their hearts and minds were awed, and they were dazed and speechless.

Rumble!

Amidst the chanting that shook the heavens and the earth, the eyes of the stone statue with a cold and murderous appearance suddenly emitted a wisp of a strange light that was bright and dazzling. His right eyes emitted an extremely bright light that seemed to rise slowly like the sun and bring light and vitality to the myriad of living creatures and the world, whereas his left eye was instead pitch black like the night sky and was circulating with boundless and limitless darkness that was filled with emotionless forces like annihilation, death, coldness, and slaughter.

One black and one white, one clear and one muddy; they formed a pair of eyes that caused the hearts of countless people to palpitate in fear and feel reverence, and it seemed to be looking down on the world and examining the myriad of living beings, and it assaulted one's mind and soul extremely intensely.

"The Dao of Sky reports to the indistinct heart of the sky, and it enforces justice on behalf of the heavens; the Dao of Origin returns to the silence of nothingness, it conceals evil and boasts good, and it uproots all sin. My name is Qian Yuan, I flew into the heavens to comprehend the heart of the sky and descended onto the earth to watch all evil. I left this treasure vault for it to be taken by those who are fated, and it can be considered to be an act of benevolence that's a great virtue." Suddenly, a sonorous voice that was like a bell droned as it rolled throughout the heavens and the earth, and it was like the chanting of the Sanskrit by the heavens, causing the heavens and the earth to actually produce the magnificent scene of falling flowers from the sky and golden lotuses blooming from the ground, and it was extremely unbelievable.

Amidst this chanting, everyone present felt their entire bodies and minds were washed completely, and the reverence in their hearts towards the statue grew thicker.

"The Dao is bestowed to those who are fated. I've especially set up three tests, and those that pass will obtain the treasures, and those that fail must withdraw instead. Be sure to remember to act according to your capability and not allow greed to burn your hearts and search for a shortcut." As soon as the voice finished speaking, the statue that stood while holding up the sky abruptly transformed into a myriad of bright lights with a bang, and they curled up into the sky before vanishing. The surroundings instantly recovered its prior overcast cold and silence.

Everyone instantly felt as if they'd entered into a space filled with whiteness, and the surroundings were extremely quiet, and everyone remained alone.

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The surroundings were completely white and seemed like mist and smoke that rose into the sky. Chen Xi heaved a sigh of relief in his heart after he looked around in his surroundings. He knew that he'd already been separated from the others, and he wouldn't have to worry about Huangfu Chongming's group swarming over and attacking him.

This is the trial area left behind by the owner of the treasure vault, hmm? Chen Xi sat cross-legged on the ground and was just intending to instruct Ling Bai to be a bit more careful when he suddenly noticed that little fellow seemed to have been confined within the Buddha's Pagoda, and was completely unable to hear him speaking. Moreover, Chen Xi was incapable of summoning Ling Bai out of the Buddha's Pagoda.

Could it be that there's a mysterious and strange restriction here? Chen Xi was apprehensive in his heart. Right at this moment, he saw the exceedingly dazzling white lights in his surroundings ripple like water before suddenly transforming.

Swoosh!

A white clothed figure of light suddenly appeared from within the white light, the figure's backbone was ramrod straight like a sword, and when he carefully examined it, Chen Xi noticed that this figure of light was actually exactly similar to him, and seemed like his twin.

Of course, he understood in his heart that this figure of light was absolutely not him, and it was formed from the dazzling white lights in the surroundings.

Actually, it wasn't only Chen Xi. At this moment, the others like Huangfu Chongming, Lin Moxuan, Xian Linger, Liu Fengchi, Man Hong, An Qianyu, Wang Daoxu, Zhen Liuqing and the others; all of them were in a similar situation as Chen Xi. They were in a space that was completely cut off from the outside world and faced a version of themselves that were condensed from the dazzling white lights.

"The first test, Slaying One's Self. Killing your opponent constitutes a pass. Bear in mind that only the first 12 will be able to obtain a Dao Grade martial technique inheritance." The sonorous voice sounded out once more in the surroundings, it was indistinct yet icy cold and firm, and it didn't contain the slightest feeling.

Dao Grade martial technique? Only the first 12 are able to obtain one? Chen Xi thought in his heart.

Swoosh!

The figure of light before him took a step forward, and its speed was swift like a bolt of lightning as it instantly arrived before Chen Xi and stabbed out with its sword.

Divine Windwing Flight!

Myriad Convergence Sword Scripture's Xun Sword of Wind!

A cultivation at the perfection-stage of the Golden Hall Realm!

In an instant, Chen Xi immediately noticed that the attack technique, movement technique, and strength of this figure of light was actually exactly alike to him!

Slaying one's self. Perhaps this test is one that requires defeating one's own self... As his thoughts flickered within his mind, Chen Xi's movements weren't slow in the slightest as the Gale Sword left its sheath, and he attacked ferociously.

When he was in the Oceanic City's Treasure Heaven Pavilion, Madam Shui Hua had once instructed a female attendant to give Chen Xi ten top-grade profound-rank swords. This Gale Sword was one of those

swords, and it formed a set with the Sky Lightning Sword. He still had another set of five element swords, a set of Yin and Yang composite swords, and a Starverse Sword.

“The Xun Sword of Wind!” Chen Xi’s right wrist shook as the Gale Sword was like a wisp of an agile and soaring fairy of wind that fluttered indeterminately as it intercepted the attack.

The Xun trigram represented wind, and wind represented freedom without the slightest restraint. When it was fierce, it split seas and shattered mountains; when it was gentle, it was like the stroke of a willow leaf. Amongst the eight great sword moves of the Myriad Convergence Sword Scripture, Chen Xi’s grasp of the Xun Sword of Wind was the deepest. Moreover, when he used it against an enemy at this moment, he did it after careful thought.

After all is said and done, the first test set by the owner of Qian Yuan’s Treasure Vault, Slaying’s One’s Self, was a test to defeat one’s own self. If one wanted to defeat one’s own self, then one had to fight head on and firmly suppress the other in all aspects before it could be considered as truly defeating one’s own self. If one tried to resort to trickery, then perhaps one would forever be unable to pass this test.

What was the reason for defeating one’s own self?

It was for the sake of strengthening one’s path to the Dao, to be fearless towards the past, fearless towards the future, and never retreat within the vast Grand Dao. This wasn’t a competition of technique and strength, but a test of the Dao Heart, and the strength of one’s Dao Heart was the core of this test.

Hiss~ Hiss~ Hiss~

The Xun Sword of Wind against the Xun Sword of Wing, the two swords were like agile wind that fluttered indeterminately in the sky as they tangled with each other and shot out sword lights, yet they weren’t fighting head on with force, but instead seemed to be finding the others weakness.

Om!

When the figure of light saw it was unable to do anything to Chen Xi, it promptly decided to change the sword move and transformed to the Li Sword of Fire that was like scorching flames that raged violently as it set the prairie ablaze.

Chen Xi similarly swapped to the Li Sword of Fire and charged over to greet the figure of light head on.

Just like this, the eight great sword moves of the Myriad Convergence Sword Scripture were changed mutually by the figure of light and Chen Xi as they fought each other, and they were locked in battle for a time.

However, in the next moment!

Pu!

A muffled sound was emitted as the figure of light suddenly had a hold penetrated on its throat, and it once again split into white lights before vanishing.

Even though its strength was equal to mine, yet an inanimate object is inanimate in the end. So long as my Dao Heart is firm, and I sever all obsessions, sever my ego, and sever any heart devils, then it would be unable to do anything to me. So how could it possibly be a match for me?

Chen Xi shook his head. Everything he'd experienced during these past few years had long since tempered his Dao Heart to the point of being fired like steel and hard like a rock. How could he possibly be beaten down by an image of himself?

"If one cultivates and cultivates, yet is unable to control one's heart, then how can one transcend all living beings? If one seeks and seeks the Dao, yet is unable to restrain one's mind, it's insufficient to become immortal." The sonorous voice sounded out once more. "Congratulations on being the fourth person to pass the test. Please select one of the remaining nine Dao Grade martial techniques and kindly accept it."

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Chapter 235: Grand Obliteration Fist

Fourth?

Chen Xi wasn't surprised in his heart. All the cultivators that had entered Qian Yuan's Treasure Vault this time were Golden Core Realm experts of the younger generation, and they were people with great reputations in the entire Darchu Dynasty. Chen Xi being capable of obtaining the result of fourth place while relying on a cultivation at the perfection-stage of the Golden Hall Realm was something that was sufficient to be proud of.

Of course, he felt slightly regretful in his heart as well. The 12 Dao Grade martial techniques left behind by the owner of the treasure vault were surely distinguished by quality. So if one was ranked in the first three positions, then one would naturally be able to choose a cultivation technique that was the most superb in quality, and the cultivation techniques that remained after being chosen by the top three people probably possessed slightly inferior quality.

Swish!

Right at the instant Chen Xi was pondering, the surrounding white light swiftly parted to reveal nine things that emitted misty rays of light. Emerging before Chen Xi's eyes were jade slips, they were around the size of a thumb and appeared dark gold in color, and their surfaces actually emitted traces of Dao Insight fluctuations as divine music drifted out from them, causing them to seem extremely miraculous.

"Divine Waterfist, a Dao Grade martial technique that's divided into 36 moves. Its moves are like raging water and violent storms, roiling and billowing, and those with extremely strong comprehension ability will be capable of comprehending Ragewater Dao Insight..." Chen Xi opened the first jade slip, and it recorded the Dao Grade martial technique Divine Waterfist. But there was a formidable restriction set up on this jade slip, causing him to be only capable of reading some of its introduction yet be unable to see the content behind.

"The Ragewater Dao Insight is only a Minor Dao, and it's a branch of the Grand Dao of Water. Moreover, it's not suitable for me to utilize my strength, so it doesn't matter if I don't cultivate it." Chen Xi scanned it for a moment before shaking his head, and then he immediately looked at the second jade slip.

Dao Grade martial techniques were divided by quality as well, and if one wanted to distinguish its quality, one only had to figure out the quality of the Dao Insight it contained. A Grand Dao was the best, its might was formidable, but it was the most difficult to cultivate. Even though Minor Daos were slightly inferior, yet they were easy to get a hang of, and so long as one completely grasped its profundity, then its might would be terrifying to the point of being shocking as well.

Actually, the principle was extremely simple. When all was said and done, martial techniques were used by people and its might depended on the cultivator's comprehension ability and strength.

So, when one cultivated a Dao Grade martial technique, not only must one pay attention to its quality, one also had to see if it was suitable to one's cultivation.

"Azurelotus Divinelight Slash, a Dao Grade martial technique that's divided into 18 levels. Every level is fiercer than the previous, and when cultivated to the limit, a myriad of lotuses will bleed to cover the world. One with extremely high comprehension ability will be able to comprehend the Azurelotus Dao Insight..." Chen Xi shook his head once more. The Azurelotus Dao Insight was similarly a Minor Dao and belonged to the Grand Dao of Wood. He'd already grasped the Grand Dao of Wing, so cultivating the Azurelotus Dao Insight was instead a misuse of ability, and he once again looked at the third jade slip.

"Icesplit Yin Palm..."

"Blazing Prairie Seven Styles..."

"Shadowless Steps..."

"Minor Ghastly Composite Sword..."

"Seven-Emotion Annihilation Point..."

"Snowlion Soundwave..."

After he successively looked through eight jade slips, if it was in terms of fondness, then Chen Xi was fond of all of them, yet none of them caused his heart to palpitate and made him feel unable to bear to part with them.

Actually, he himself knew that he was slightly too picky. If these eight Dao Grade martial techniques fell into the outside world, then every single one of them would cause cultivators to fight with their lives on the line for it. But how should it be said? What was unsuitable was unsuitable, and Chen Xi was unwilling to force himself.

If he still didn't take a fancy on anything in the end, then he could only give up his original objective and choose the Dao Grade martial technique that he was most satisfied with.

Unfortunately, only a single Dao Grade martial technique remained for him to look through at this moment, and the number of choices that were available to him was pitifully few.

Nevermind. If it really doesn't work out, then I'll choose the Snowlion Soundwave. I can grasp a rhythmic Dao Insight that would allow me to take my enemies by surprise, and it's not bad... Chen Xi sighed in his heart as he looked at the last jade slip.

“Grand Obliteration Fist, a Half-step Dao Grade martial technique and an incomplete technique that’s divided into three levels. In this fist technique, one is Yin, the other Yang, one forward, the other reverse, and its strength is divided into two extremes. Ying and Yang collide with each other, forward and reverse repel each other, when the two extremes stimulate each other, its might is so great it’s capable of obliterating everything and turning everything into powder... However, with my ability, I was only capable of obtaining superficial comprehension of the Dao of Obliteration and was unable to attain perfection, sigh.”

A Half-step Dao Grade martial technique was also called a Pseudo Dao Grade martial technique, and in the cultivation world, it usually pointed towards those Dao Grade martial technique that hadn’t been perfected. In other words, this Dao Grade martial technique was only an incomplete technique, and unless one’s cultivation in martial techniques attains an extremely terrifying state, otherwise, it would be impossible to perfect it and comprehend the Dao Insight contained within the martial technique after cultivating it to a substantial amount.

For example, this Grand Obliteration Fist only contained a superficial amount of Obliteration Dao Insight, and to ordinary geniuses, no matter how they cultivated, they would be unable to grasp the Obliteration Dao Insight contained within it.

No wonder no one chose this cultivation technique. So it turns out that it’s a Half-step Dao Grade martial technique created by the owner of the treasure vault, and it’s only at the level of being an incomplete technique... Chen Xi’s heart jerked abruptly instead, as he faintly felt that this fist technique was extremely suitable for him.

According to his deduction, after he cultivated this fist technique, even though he would be unable to grasp the Obliteration Dao Insight within it, the skills contained within this fist technique were instead capable of allowing him to utilize the Yin, Yang, Fire, Water, Sky, and Ground Dao Insights with it, and it would create unbelievable might with these Dao Insights.

After all, the six Dao Insights of Yin, Yang, Fire, Water, Sky, and Ground were all pairs that repelled each other and were Dao Insights that were on two extremes, whereas, Chen Xi had already grasped these six Dao Insights. If he utilized it in the Grand Obliteration Fist, every single move would contain Dao Insight, and its might would surely be on par with other Dao Grade martial techniques.

To sum it up, according to Chen Xi’s thoughts, he would take this Grand Obliteration Fist to be a shell, a skill to utilize his strength, whereas, the essence of the strength utilized in the skill will instead be changed from the Obliteration Dao Insight to the Yin, Yang, Fire, Water, Sky, and Ground Dao Insights.

A thought like this was extremely bold and novel, but only a freak like Chen Xi would be able to think of it. After all, not everyone was like him and capable of mastering many Supreme Grand Daos. Perhaps there were shocking geniuses like him, but at this moment, only Chen Xi was able to see the Grand Obliteration First, and only he dared think like this.

This was called a fortuitous encounter, when it was fated, one would obtain it, yet when it wasn’t fated, even if one tried forcefully, it would not appear.

“I’ll take this!” Chen Xi didn’t hesitate in the slightest to bit open his finger and pressed down the fresh blood on the tip of his finger onto the final jade slip.

Om!

The jade slip was suffused with a layer of billowing golden light before it obediently descended into Chen Xi's hand, and with a brief look, he felt a wave of excitement in his heart. As expected, it was as he'd deduced, because this Grand Obliteration Fist wasn't completed, it provided him with room to utilize it freely. Moreover, the utilization technique of two extreme forces was even unbelievable and filled with powerful and unconstrained creativity. If it wasn't for the situation disallowing him from doing it, he wished for nothing more than to sit cross-legged on the ground right now and properly comprehend it.

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"Hmm?"

"Dammit! It's actually this Bastard!"

"Miss Zhen had the honor of taking first, Young Prince Huangfu occupied second, yet I never imagined that the fourth person would actually be you, kid!"

Within a beautifully decorated hall, two men and a woman stood there at this moment.

Chen Xi knew two of them, they were respectively the Young Prince of the Wise King's Estate, Huangfu Chongming, and the Dragonshark Isle's Liu Fengchi, whereas, he didn't know the remaining woman.

This woman had bright eyes and clear skin, her figure was graceful, and her jet black hair was coiled into a beautiful and simple high bun that caused her appearance to seem gorgeous. She was Mistwater Pavilion's Zhen Liuqing.

Obviously, these three people were the top three that were the first to pass through the first test, and that Zhen Liuqing had even crushed Huangfu Chongming and Liu Fengchi to be ranked at the first!

Needless to say, this mysterious female cultivator that usually kept a low profile and was indeed worthy of Emperor Chu's praise. Just for the fact that she was the first to pass the first test left behind by the owner of the treasure vault, one was able to deduce exactly how formidable her strength and Dao Heart was.

Chen Xi wasn't afraid when he saw these three people, as he'd already discerned that Zhen Liuqing was obviously not of the same group as Huangfu Chongming and Liu Fengchi, so he didn't have to be too worried. Even if it was only Huangfu Chongming's group of two, even though he wasn't certain of his ability to defeat the joint forces of the two, he was still capable of safely escaping.

He had this type of confidence because after the extremely absurd mutual cultivation he experienced with Qing Xiuyi and Fan Yunlan, his strength could no longer be compared to the past. Even if he encountered Qing Xiuyi who was a reincarnated Heavenly Immortal, he would still dare fight her, much less Huangfu Chongming and Liu Fengchi.

Huangfu Chongming was first shocked when he saw Chen Xi appear, and then he was greatly delighted. At this moment, he spoke out with a cold and indifferent voice, and his eyes were already emitting killing intent. "Hahaha! You avoided the path to the heavens but chose to force your way into hell. I'll

give you a chance now, hand over all the treasures you plundered in the treasure vault and the Dao Grade martial technique you obtained earlier, and I'll let you die a swift death!"

Huangfu Chongming truly hated Chen Xi too much. In his heart, since this fellow Chen Xi had entered the Oceanic Desert, Chen Xi's strength had been advancing by leaps and bounds and Chen Xi even possessed heaven defying luck. The demon beasts in the Five Element Ruins didn't kill Chen Xi, but instead caused Chen Xi's body refinement cultivation to improve greatly. He, Qing Xiuyi, Liu Fengchi, Man Hong, and the others had surrounded and sieged Chen Xi with the intent of seizing the three Immortal Artifacts in Chen Xi's possession, yet who would have imagined that Chen Xi had destroyed their siege with a strand of a mysterious Heavenly Immortal's will, and Chen Xi had even taken away the treasures they were proud of!

Most infuriating to Huangfu Chongming was after they entered Qian Yuan's Treasure Vault, they originally intended to plunder it without restraint. But unexpectedly, all the spaces behind the doors they passed all along the way had been wiped clean by Chen Xi, to the point of being clean and slippery, and they even didn't get any leftovers. Who could possibly endure this feeling of rage and grievance?

Only by killing Chen Xi and seizing all the treasures in Chen Xi's possession would Huangfu Chongming be able to vent the billowing flames of rage in his heart!

"Exactly. We'll do as Brother Huangfu says. This kid is too detestable and must be eliminated!" Liu Fengchi stood out as well and laughed coldly.

When faced with this, Chen Xi's expression was calm like water. He even turned around and didn't spare another glance on the two of them. He instead started sizing up this beautifully decorated hall with interest, and the attitude of disregard that he unintentionally revealed irritated Huangfu Chongming and Liu Fengchi to the point that their expressions instantly became exceedingly unsightly.

I've actually been disregarded by an ant at the Golden Hall Realm?

I'll kill him!

No matter what, I must hack this bastard into a thousand pieces this time!

The aura on their bodies erupted with a bang, and they revealed their entire cultivation without the slightest scruples, and they were about to attack and kill Chen Xi in unison.

However, right at this moment, Zhen Liuqing that was silent since the beginning spoke out abruptly, and her voice was like the cry of an Oriole in a silent gorge, pleasing and moving. "Fellow Daoists, even though I don't know what enmity you have between each other, but I have to remind you that it's impossible to injure another until these three tests have passed."

As she spoke, her starry eyes revolved as she took a glance at Chen Xi, and she couldn't refrain a wisp of curiosity from flashed past the depths of her eyes. Exactly who is this fellow? He only possesses a cultivation at the Golden Hall Realm, yet how did he offend Huangfu Chongming and Liu Fengchi to the point that they're gnashing their teeth and intend to kill him?

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Chapter 236: Equipment Emperor's Dao Measuring Stone

Unable to injure another?

Huangfu Chongming and Liu Fengchi were both stunned when they heard Zhen Liuqing, and their unsightly expressions instantly became surprised and doubtful.

The two of them seemed to not believe it and secretly circulated their True Essence yet instantly noticed that there seemed to be a layer of incorporeal restriction around their bodies. This restriction didn't restrict their freedom, yet it possessed a copious and irresistible suppressive effect against various energies, causing one to have to destroy this layer of restriction to attack another.

However, regretfully, they were utterly unable to touch this layer of restriction with their current strengths, let alone destroy it.

No wonder. This kid obviously noticed the existence of this layer of restriction, so that's why he dared be so arrogant!

The two of them raised their eyes to look at Chen Xi, and they were aggrieved and enraged in their hearts, causing their expressions to be extremely ominous. They were truly unable to understand why this kid's luck was so good every single time, and it was as if he imperceptibly received the providence of the heavens, causing his luck to be good to the point that even they were extremely envious.

"Young Prince, there's no need to be enraged. We'll just be patient for now. Even though we're unable to kill each other during the three tests, there's a divine beast Suanni guarding the treasure in the third test. With this kid's cultivation, he'll surely be killed instantly by the Suanni. At that time, we only have to plunder the treasures in his possession." Liu Fengchi took a deep breath as he sent a voice transmission with a gloomy voice.

"We can only do that!" Huangfu Chongming gritted his teeth as he spoke, and his voice revealed unconcealable hatred. "This kid's luck is too great. If we allow him to grow, then he'll absolutely be a calamity to us. This time, we must annihilate him no matter what!"

Liu Fengchi's eyes narrowed slightly as he nodded in his heart. When faced with an enemy that possessed boundless potential and great luck, then only by killing this enemy before he grew, killing him while he was still in his cradle, would Liu Fengchi be able to be fully at ease.

These two people are revealing killing intent towards me, I must eliminate them as soon as possible! The nearby Chen Xi acutely noticed the killing intent the two of them had towards him, and he planned in his heart.

Interesting, interesting, all of these three people have their own schemes in their hearts and wish for nothing more than to kill the other. I wonder why they would have such great hatred between each other. I should find a chance to find out about this young man's background. At the other side, Zhen Liuqing, who was a bystander, had numerous thoughts emerging from her heart, and she seemed to be lost in thought.

Swoosh!

A white light flashed as another cultivator passed the first test to become the fifth fortunate person that obtained a Dao Grade martial technique, and when Chen Xi raised his eyes to glance over, it was the Earthly Heaven Sect's Lin Moxuan.

After Lin Moxuan appeared, his gaze swept the surrounding people, and when he saw Chen Xi had actually appeared a step before him, his arrogant and conceited face instantly flashed with a trace of gloominess. Obviously, losing in the ranking of passing the first test to Chen Xi had caused him to feel extremely humiliated.

I must find a chance to kill this kid! Lin Moxuan wished for nothing more than to kill Chen Xi as soon as possessed as well, and the reason behind this was exactly the same as Huangfu Chongming and Liu Fengchi.

Not long after Lin Moxuan appeared, Man Hong, An Qianyu, Pei Zhong, Xiao Linger, Wang Daoxu, Xue Chen, Tantai Hong, and the others, including the various other cultivators of the younger generation that had passed through the first test, had appeared within the hall.

Based on the order of their appearance, it could be discerned that Man Hong was ranked sixth, An Qianyu was seventh, Pei Zhong was eighth, Xiao Linger was ninth, Wang Daoxu was tenth, Xue Chen was eleventh...

But twelfth wasn't Tantai Hong, and it was instead a young cultivator from the southern barbaric lands' Ancientmoon Sect, Yue Qi. He wore grey clothes and possessed an ordinary appearance that was extremely easy to be overlooked. But since Yue Qi was capable of being the twelfth cultivator that passed through the first test, no matter how ordinary he looked, he still drew the attention of everyone.

This was a black horse!

Everyone thought so. But compared to Yue Qi, the amount of attention Chen Xi received was even higher. After all, he was a perfection-stage Golden Hall Realm cultivator, yet had fought his way into the rank of fourth and obtained a Dao Grade martial technique. How could this not astonish the other Golden Core Realm disciples that didn't obtain a rank?

There were even some people that had already aroused malicious intentions, and they intended to carry out the deed of killing Chen Xi and seizing his treasures after they left the treasure vault.

When being repeatedly paid attention to by the numerous Golden Core Realm cultivators of the younger generation, Chen Xi instead seemed to have nothing to do with it and was like a wild crane flying in the clouds. His expression was calm as he remained unmoved, and he was instead laughing coldly without end in his heart.

The strengths of these people were obviously weaker than Huangfu Chongming and the others, so if they dared think about going against him, he wouldn't mind giving them a painful lesson that they'll be unable to forget for their entire lives!

Rumble!

When the last cultivator to pass the first test appeared before everyone, the ground at the center of the hall shattered as an ancient stone tablet that seemed like a pillar that held up the skies surged out from beneath. The stone tablet emitted countless types of auras such as the aura of wind, water, earth, fire, sun, moon, star... Amidst these boundless auras was actually a trace of the aura of Dao Insights!

"It's actually the Equipment Emperor's Dao Measuring Stone. According to legend, during the primordial error, for the sake of measuring the Dao Insight stage of the cultivators in the world, the Equipment

Emperor's Dao of Equipment Refinement possessed thorough knowledge of the universe and had gathered Chaotic Divinestones from the absolute beginning of the world, spent a few thousand years to refine 99,999 Dao Measuring Stones, and then he distributed it throughout the myriad of worlds to become the Saint Artifact that measured Dao Insight in the three dimensions. I never imagined that I'd actually have the fortune of seeing it here, I really don't dare believe this is real."

"Yeah, in the entire boundlessly vast territory of the Darchu Dynasty, only the Imperial Palace in Silken City possesses a Saint Artifact like this, and it's obvious just how precious it is. According to legend, not only is this stone capable of measuring the Dao Insights a cultivator has comprehended, it's even capable of measuring concealed Dao Insights that the cultivator hasn't noticed. It's simply a divine creation that's extremely miraculous."

"Concealed Dao Insight?"

"Exactly. Us cultivators are comprehending the Grand Dao of the heavens and the earth all day and night, and everything we experience including principles and comprehension is accumulated ceaselessly. But we just don't know about it. With this Dao Measuring Stone, we'll be capable of measuring if there are any concealed Dao Insights within the comprehensions we have accumulated."

"It's so formidable? Then wouldn't it mean that once these concealed Dao Insights are measured, we can instantly comprehend them and transform it into something we can use?"

"If only it was so easy. Concealed Dao Insights are mostly incomplete and in terrible states, like a bunch of pearls that are scattered all over the floor. After it's measured by the Dao Measuring Stone, we still have to comprehend it ourselves and string them together before we'll have the chance of mastering its essence and utilizing it."

"I understand now. The function of the Dao Measuring Stone is to guide cultivators on the direction of comprehension and help one obtain twice the result because of this guidance, and not blindly look for the way on a single path and comprehend nothing in the end."

When they saw the ancient and lofty stone tablet that appeared at the center of the hall, the hall resounded with a wave of shocked exclamations and noise. Chen Xi listened to all these words and instantly understood the miraculous function of the Equipment Emperor's Dao Measuring Stone, and it caused him to exclaim endlessly with admiration in his heart.

In the heavens and the earth, there were an infinite amount of Grand Daos and Minor Daos, and they were like the amount of sand in the Ganges River. Cultivators were unable to completely master all Dao Insights in their entire lifetime. Moreover, on the path of comprehending Dao Insights, most cultivators were muddled and didn't know where to search for Dao Insights, nor did they know what Dao Insight they'd always wanted to cultivate in their hearts, or if the Dao Insight was suitable for them, or if they were capable of comprehending it.

In this way, most cultivators died with regret on the path to comprehending Dao Insights. It was either because their comprehension ability was too terrible, or because they stubbornly comprehended a Dao Insight that wasn't suitable for them, thus they were utterly unable to master it.

There were even some people with shocking comprehension ability that exhausted all their lifespan because they chose to comprehend a Dao Insight that wasn't suitable to themselves, causing them to be unable to touch the borders of the Dao Insight, and finally resentfully be stuck on the path of cultivation.

The appearance of the Equipment Emperor's Dao Measuring Stone had solved these malpractices during the comprehension of Dao Insights. It was capable of measuring the concealed Dao Insights within all the comprehensions a cultivator had accumulated, and even though these concealed Dao Insights were incomplete Dao Insights that were in pieces, it had undoubtedly pointed the cultivators on the path of comprehension. How could such a miraculous function not cause one to be moved?

I wonder how formidable of an existence that Equipment Emperor is. He was actually capable of refining such a Saint Artifact, and it's no different than seizing extremely great fortune for the myriad of living beings in the myriad of worlds. This achievement of his established his eternal fame, and it can be considered to be an immeasurable kindness! Infinite yearning emerged within Chen Xi's heart, and he admired this Equipment Emperor extremely.

"The second test, Dao Comprehension Fortune. The top nine people that have comprehended the most Dao Insights will be able to obtain a Dao Insight Origin Pill." Suddenly, the aged and sonorous voice sounded out once more, and it spread out into the ears of everyone present.

Dao Insight Origin Pill!

When they heard these four words, the breathing of everyone present within the hall became heavy, and their gazes burned to the point of being capable of melting everything in the world.

"I'll go first!"

"Motherfucker! Let me see who dares fight me to be the first!"

"Fuck off! If your strength is lousy then stand back! Watch out or you'll get harmed!"

...

The aged voice had just finished speaking when everyone roared loudly and charged towards the Dao Measuring Stone like a swarm of bees. Their desperate appearances seemed as if they wished for nothing more than their parents to have given birth to them with two more legs.

The scene was in chaos as everyone seemed to have fallen into a state of madness, and all of them wished for nothing more than to measure their Dao comprehension as soon as possible so that they could seize a Dao Insight Origin Pill.

Just think about it, a single Dao Insight Origin Pill was capable of allowing a cultivator to instantly master a Dao Insight, and it was a rare treasure that could only be chanced upon by luck. Who wouldn't be moved when faced with such temptation?

Chen Xi was moved as well, yet he stood silently at the back and didn't move forward.

Because of the existence of the layer of shapeless restriction within the hall, it was impossible for cultivators to fight each other. Not to mention only after measuring the last person could the people who'd comprehended the most and least Dao Insights be distinguished, and then be ranked, so there was utterly no need to charge forward impatiently.

There were many people that held the same way of thinking as Chen Xi, like Zhen Liuqing, Yue Qi, and so on and so forth.

“Hmph! All of you don’t know what’s good for you! I, Huangfu Chongming will be the first to be measured, does anyone have an objection?” Right at this moment, Huangfu Chongming’s loud shout sounded out abruptly from within the crowd.

Instantly, the expressions of the crowd of people that were squeezing forward froze, and they seemed to be afraid of Huangfu Chongming’s power and influence as they unwillingly opened up a path.

Huangfu Chongming snorted coldly when he saw this, and then he held his hands behind his back as he stepped forward to arrive before the Dao Measuring Stone and sat down cross-legged.

Om!

The surface of the Dao Measuring Stone was suddenly suffused with a layer of ripples, and it revealed an extremely magical scene.

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Chapter 237: Competing In Dao Insight

Om!

At the instant Huangfu Chongming sat cross-legged on the ground, the surface of the Dao Measuring Stone became black in color, and it was like the color of the night before the absolute beginning of the world, without stars, the moon, or the sun, nor did it have any light or flames. It was a pure black, utmost darkness. When looked at from afar, the darkness seemed to be capable of absorbing one’s soul into it, and it seemed to be extremely mysterious and profound.

The atmosphere in the hall instantly became silent when they saw this scene, and it was perfectly silent to the point that a falling needle could be heard.

Everyone held their breaths and concentrated their gazes as they stared fixedly at the Dao Measuring Stone, and their appearance seemed as if they were afraid they would miss the slightest detail.

Swish!

Huangfu Chongming who sat cross-legged on the ground was completely bathed within the black radiance, whereas, a dazzling and resplendent ray of light swiftly emerged from above him, and revealed the Dao Measuring Stone while becoming the only wisp of light in the boundless darkness.

“In the boundless universe when chaos was just born, the heavens once revealed the signs of Dao Insight, and it was a dazzling ray of divine light. The rumors are really true, the divine light that emerged from the Dao Measuring Stone is a Dao Insight comprehended by a cultivator, and every divine light represents a type of Dao Insight!” Someone cried out in shock, and it seemed extremely clear in this silent atmosphere.

Only now did Chen Xi who stood far away at the back of the crowd understand that every ray of light that emerged from the Dao Measuring Stone represented a type of Dao Insight that Huangfu Chongming had comprehended. As for what Dao Insight it was, or if it was a Grand Dao or Minor Dao, it was something that couldn’t be discerned.

Swish! Swish! Swish!

Subsequently, numerous divine lights gushed out from above Huangfu Chongming and appeared on the Dao Measuring Stone, and in only the time for a few breaths, 15 types of Dao Insights had been measured!

“My god! It’s actually 15 types of Dao Insights. Young Prince Huangfu is worthy of being a rare genius of the Wise King’s Estate, and he’ll surely obtain one of those nine Dao Insight Origin Pills!”

Numerous surprised voices sounded out from the surroundings of the hall. Obviously, the amount of Dao Insights Huangfu Chongming had comprehended had already exceeded the imagination of many people.

In the cultivation world of the Darchu Dynasty, geniuses were divided into numerous grades. Normally, Golden Core Realm cultivators of the younger generation that were capable of comprehending five Dao Insights were considered to possess outstanding talent, those who comprehended six to nine Dao Insights were instead considered to possess extraordinary talent, those who comprehended 10 to 13 Dao Insights were instead considered to be shocking prodigies, and those that have comprehended more than 13 Dao Insights already stood at the peak of the ranks of geniuses!

Obviously, in the eyes of everyone present, Huangfu Chongming was a genius that stood at the peak of the ranks of geniuses.

When faced with this scene, even the nearby Liu Fengchi, Lin Moxuan, Man Hong, Xiao Linger, An Qianyu, and Wang Daoxu revealed a trace of shock. Because according to their knowledge, the amount of Dao Insights that Huangfu Chongming actually possessed should only be 13.

But they understood soon after. Huangfu Chongming surely possessed two concealed Dao Insights that were noticed by the Dao Measuring Stone, and that’s why it could make up the number 15 appear in the form of divine lights.

Top figures at the Golden Core Realm of the younger generation like them were at almost the same level of comprehension in Dao Insight and were equal to each other, and it was extremely difficult for them to pull open a great distance between each other.

After all, they were already at the top amongst cultivators of the same generation, and it was extremely difficult to take a small step forward. Unless they were a reincarnated Heavenly Immortal like Qing Xiuyi, then they would perhaps be capable of surpassing the others by a great extent.

15 Dao Insights? I didn’t expect that this fellow would actually be so strong. The Dao Insights I possess right now are only the 13 Dao Insights of the Five Elements, Yin, Yang, Lightning, Wind, Star, Sky, Paramita, and Oblivion. I wonder if I can be ranked within the top nine and obtain a Dao Insight Origin Pill... After seeing Huangfu Chongming’s shocking display, if Chen Xi said he wasn’t nervous, then it would absolutely be a lie. The Dao Insight Origin Pill was a precious treasure capable of allowing a cultivator to instantly master a Dao Insight, and there was no one that was willing to watch idly by as it was obtained by another.

“The Dragonshark Isle’s Liu Fengchi is going to measure his Dao Insights as well...” Right when everyone was exclaiming in shock because of Huangfu Chongming, a blue clothed Liu Fengchi that seemed

unrestrained and elegant in bearing walked forward slowly to sit cross-legged beneath the Dao Measuring Stone.

“Brother Liu, don’t be pressured. Good luck! Hahaha!” Huangfu Chongming who was withdrawing himself patted Liu Fengchi on the shoulder as he laughed out loud and a wisp of complacency flashed in the depths of his eyes. Even though he and Liu Fengchi had a cooperative relationship now, he didn’t think that Liu Fengchi could surpass him in Dao comprehension.

Liu Fengchi smiled as he took a deep breath and went silent.

Om!

Under the focused attention of everyone within the hall, Liu Fengchi’s entire body was covered by the black colored Dao Measuring Stone, however, numerous divine lights swiftly gushed out from above him, and they appeared on the surface of the Dao Measuring Stone.

14 Dao Insights! Only a single Dao Insight inferior to Huangfu Chongming.

Liu Fengchi’s measurement caused exclamations of admiration in the surroundings once more. A result like this was already considered to be fairly strong. At least, he was already considered to be a peak existence amongst the geniuses in Darchu Dynasty.

“Let me try!” At the instant Liu Fengchi withdrew, Man Hong, who bared his upper body and had a stalwart figure, walked forward with large strides, and he pushed Lin Moxuan who intended to move forward aside before sitting cross-legged before the Dao Measuring Stone.

Truly a boorish barbarian. Let me see how many Dao Insights you’re capable of displaying! Lin Moxuan’s eyes flashed with an expression of rage, yet he puckered his lips and remained silent.

In next to no time, the outcome was apparent. Man Hong was similarly measured to possess 14 Dao Insights and was equal to Liu Fengchi, yet was a single Dao Insight away from chasing up to Huangfu Chongming.

When they saw this scene, besides exclaiming with admiration, the others couldn’t help but feel anxious in their hearts. Three people who’d been measured successively were all so formidable, yet there were only a mere nine Dao Insight Origin Pills. In this way, how many more opportunities for them to obtain a Dao Insight Origin Pill remained?

However, along with the appearance of Lin Moxuan, Xiao Linger, Pei Zhong, Xue Chen, and the others, the feelings of the people in the surroundings slowly sank and were almost at the bottom.

Nothing could be done. These Core Disciples of the younger generation of the various sects were too ferocious. Lin Moxuan, Xiao Linger, and Pei Zhong all possessed 13 Dao Insights, and they were ranked third when compared with Huangfu Chongming, Liu Fengchi, and Man Hong. Only Xue Chen possessed 12 Dao Insights, but a result like this was still something that most people were incapable of reaching, and this was obvious from the following measurements.

After Huangfu Chongming and the others withdrew to the side, the other cultivators impatiently moved forward to be measured. They already placed no hope on the Dao Insights they had grasped, and they instead hoped that some concealed Dao Insight could be noticed and allow them to enter the top nine.

But regretfully, after measuring a few hundreds of people, no one was capable of exceeding ten types of Dao Insights, and it was only nine types at most. If nothing unexpected happened, then they'd already lost the qualifications to obtain a Dao Insight Origin Pill.

At this moment, only Chen Xi, An Qianyu, Wang Daoxu, Zhen Liuqing, and Yue Qi hadn't measured their Dao insights, and the gazes of everyone descended onto the five of them in unison.

Or perhaps, it could be said that their gazes descended onto An Qianyu, Wang Daoxu, and Zhen Liuqing, who were famous outstanding talents of the younger generation. As for Chen Xi and Yue Qi, one was a little fellow at the perfection-stage of the Golden Hall Realm, and the other was an unknown figure with an ordinary appearance. So, they were naturally unable to compare with An Qianyu's group of three.

But due to Chen Xi and Yue Qi having fought their way into fourth and twelfth of the first test respectively, so even though the two of them kept a low profile, they still drew the attention of a small portion of people.

"Miss Zhen, I've always heard that your strength is unfathomable, and you even been personally praised by his Majesty Emperor Chu. He praised you as a genius that's equal to Qing Xiuyi and Huangfu Qingying. I dare conclude that one of the nine Dao Insight Origin Pills will surely be yours." Huangfu Chongming's gaze swept out and directly ignored Chen Xi and the others to descend instantly onto Zhen Liuqing, and he said with a burning gaze, "With this opportunity, why don't you allow all of us to witness how many Dao Insights Miss Zhen has mastered?"

In his eyes, since Zhen Liuqing was capable of dominating in the first test and obtaining the position of first, it had proven that her strength was extremely unfathomable. Amongst the people present, he only didn't dare overlook Zhen Liuqing, and he even felt that first in the second test was bound to be born from between himself and Zhen Liuqing.

Huangfu Chongming took An Qianyu and Wang Daoxu extremely seriously as well, but he automatically placed them into the ranks of being slightly inferior to himself in his heart.

As for Chen Xi and the black horse that had suddenly emerged, Yue Qi, he'd never taken them seriously from the beginning until the end. It wasn't that he didn't care, but as far as he was concerned, it was impossible for people with no reputation like them to possess a comprehension in Dao Insights that could catch up to him, so why should he pay attention to them?

Huangfu Chongming's words instantly drew the attention of everyone, whereas, Zhen Liuqing had become the place of convergence of the gazes of everyone, causing An Qianyu and Wang Daoxu beside her to dim in comparison.

Chen Xi noticed acutely that because of these words that Huangfu Chongming spoke, a wisp of imperceptible anger had flashed on the faces of An Qianyu and Wang Daoxu that had been overlooked, whereas, Yue Qi instead seemed like a block of wood, and he seemed to be extremely calm and unconcerned towards everything in his surroundings.

Interesting, Zhen Liuqing is undoubtedly extremely strong, whereas, An Qianyu and Wang Daoxu are obviously slightly inferior, but comparatively speaking, perhaps this Yue Qi is the person that's most worthy of paying attention to... Chen Xi seemed to be lost in thought, and he faintly felt that Yue Qi wasn't as simple as he seemed on the surface.

“Since the Young Prince has spoken like this, then how can I dare disobey?” When being stared at by numerous gazes, Zhen Liuqing still seemed to be indifferent and calm, and she lightly smiled before moving forward and sitting cross-legged under the Dao Measuring Stone.

Om!

Under the concentrated gazes of everyone present, the divine lights that gushed out from Zhen Liuqing seemed like numerous dazzling fireworks that bloomed within the cold darkness of the Dao Measuring Stone, and it seemed to be extremely resplendent.

“Five.”

“Nine.”

“13! She actually surpassed the Whitecrane Sect’s Xue Chen and is equal to Lin Moxuan and the others!”

“Wait, it still isn’t over. My god! 14! She has completely chased up to Liu Fengchi and Man Hong!”

As they gazed at the numerous Dao Insight divine lights that gushed into appearance on the Dao Measuring Stone, the hall was instantly in an uproar as people exclaimed successively in astonishment.

When they saw the Dao Insight divine lights of Zhen Liuqing finally stopping at the number 16, there were instead no more exclamations of shock, because everyone present was already dumbstruck.

16 Dao Insights!

Not only had it surpassed Xue Chen, surpassed Lin Moxuan and the others, and surpassed Liu Fengchi and Man Hong, even Huangfu Chongming that was originally ranked first had been forced down. Who wouldn’t be shocked by an outcome like this?

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Chapter 238: Yue Qi Making A Name For Himself

Zhen Liuqing seemed to have not noticed the shock of the surrounding people as she stood up by herself and straightened out her dress, and she nodded her head and said as she passed by Huangfu Chongming, “Young Prince, I wonder if an outcome like this has caused you to be disappointed?”

“Miss Zhen’s comprehension ability is extraordinary, and you deserve your reputation.” Huangfu Chongming smiled, but his smile seemed to be slightly forced. Obviously, being forced down by Zhen Liuqing caused him to be extremely displeased as well.

Extraordinary. This woman doesn’t seem to be the slightest bit inferior to Qing Xiuyi... Chen Xi sighed endlessly with emotion in his heart as he watched the events unfold. He was extremely curious that if Qing Xiuyi was here, what outcome would be measured by the Dao Measuring Stone?

Subsequently, it was An Qianyu and Wang Daoxu that were measured. These two people had already been restraining themselves since a long time ago, and it was precisely for the sake of amazing everyone at the last moment.

The outcome appeared quickly. Both of them possessed 14 Dao Insights and were still inferior to Huangfu Chongming by a single Dao Insight. This outcome caused the two of them to be slightly

displeased, as when they considered it carefully, they were only equal to Liu Fengchi and Man Hong, let alone comparing with Zhen Liuqing that was ranked at the top.

But this outcome still caused a wave of shocked exclamations from the surroundings, and it slightly eased up the depression in their hearts.

Up until now, the rankings of the test could already be roughly ordered in the hearts of everyone. Zhen Liuqing was ranked first and Huangfu Chongming was second. Liu Fengchi, Man Hong, An Qianyu, and Wang Daoxu were equal and could be temporarily ranked as the third, fourth, fifth, and sixth.

The remaining people were Lin Moxuan, Xiao Linger, and Pei Zhong, who similarly possessed 13 Dao Insights, and they could be ranked as number seven, eight, and nine.

In this way, Xue Chen, who possessed 12 Dao Insights, had been squeezed out from the top nine rankings now, and he had no fortune to obtain a Dao Insight Origin Pill as a prize.

This caused Xue Chen's expression to become exceedingly unsightly. As far as he was concerned, if it wasn't for An Qianyu and Wang Daoxu appeared at the last moment, there would absolutely be a place for him amongst the top 10, and it was precisely because of this knot in his heart that the depression in his heart was obvious.

I've currently mastered 13 Dao Insights. Logically speaking, I ought to be more or less equal to Lin Moxuan and the others. Unfortunately, the nine positions have already been filled. I wonder if I can blast my way in... Chen Xi was silently calculating in his heart.

Stomp! Stomp! Stomp!

A wave of footsteps sounded out, and even though the sound was slight, yet in this deathly silent atmosphere, it instantly jolted the people who were pondering back to their senses. When they raised their heads to look, they saw Yue Qi who had an ordinary appearance and no reputation walking towards the Equipment Emperor's Dao Measuring Stone.

Only now did everyone realize that there were still two people that hadn't been measured yet!

They couldn't be blamed for leaving out Chen Xi and Yue Qi. After all, one of these two people only possessed a cultivation at the perfection-stage of the Golden Hall Realm, and the other had no reputation and was too ordinary. Compared to the outstanding figures of the younger generation dazzling and well renowned, these two people were indeed extremely easy to be overlooked.

When he saw Yue Qi walk forward, Chen Xi couldn't help but feel a wave of helplessness in his heart. He was originally thinking of going up first, yet never had he imagined that this fellow would be a step ahead of him.

"Alas, this fellow still isn't giving up. The top nine are already set in stone, what's the point of undergoing the measurement?"

"Don't look down on this person. This fellow fought his way into the twelfth position in the first test and obtained a Dao Grade martial technique. Perhaps he's a black horse."

"Black horse? Hmph! If his comprehension in Dao Insight is shocking, I'm afraid he would be renowned in the world since long ago. Did you no see that even the Whitecrane Sect's Golden Core Realm Core

Disciple, Xue Chen, has been forced down? No matter how formidable he is, can he compare to Xue Chen?"

"Shut up and watch him undergo the measurement. We can't enter the grounds of the third test without waiting for him and that kid at the Golden Hall Realm to undergo their measurements."

When faced with the animated discussion of everyone, Yue Qi still had a stiff expression as he silently sat cross-legged under the Dao Measuring Stone and closed his eyes without saying a word.

Om!

A shocking scene appeared. The instant Yue Qi sat down, numerous divine lights seemed as if they'd gone mad as they sprayed out from above him to appear on the surface of the Dao Measuring Stone.

In only an instant, 15 Dao Insights had actually appeared. It completely surpassed Lin Moxuan's group and Liu Fengchi's group to be equal with Huangfu Chongming, and it was only a single Dao Insight inferior to Zhen Liuqing!

Everyone instantly went into an uproar when they saw this outcome, and all of them almost didn't dare believe their eyes. There was only a single thought within their hearts. A black horse! This kid is absolutely a black horse!

Huangfu Chongming was stunned, and he started to size up Yue Qi, whose rank was equal to himself, for the first time.

Liu Fengchi, Man Hong, An Qianyu, and Wang Daoxu instantly became surprised and bewildered, and just like Huangfu Chongming, the four of them quickly pondered about Yue Qi's origins. The northern barbaric lands' Ancientmoon Sect? When did such an extraordinary genius appear in a sect like this?

On the other hand, the expressions of Lin Moxuan, Xiao Linger, and Pei Zhong darkened instantly. Yue Qi's appearance had caused their rankings to be in placed in jeopardy. If nothing unexpected occurred, then one of them would surely be eliminated. An outcome like this was something that none of them were willing to see.

"Hahaha! I, Yue Qi, have cultivated 19 years, and I concealed my ability and endured by every means just for the sake of making a name for myself at this moment and to spread my name throughout the world. Now I've finally achieved it. Not only have I obtained a Dao Grade martial technique, I even possess the qualification to obtain a Dao Insight Origin Pill. I'm bound to yield brilliant results during the Allstar Meeting five years from now and cause all the cultivators in the world to be shocked!" Yue Qi stood up from under the Dao Measuring Stone and laughed loudly towards the sky. His sedate and ordinary face actually revealed a frenzied and warped expression, and he seemed to be extremely insane and arrogant. He was simply like a different person when compared to the young man that had no reputation from before.

No one spoke when they saw this scene. Perhaps they detested this fellow that had two faces in their hearts, but they were unable to refute his words. Because after this incident and once they left Qian Yuan's Treasure Vault, Yue Qi's name was bound to be noticed by the various large powers of the Darchu Dynasty and become one of the high and mighty influential figures of the younger generation.

Enduring bitterly all for the sake of a vain piece of reputation. Why bother? Chen Xi couldn't help but sigh in his heart, and the slight favorable impression he had of Yue Qi vanished.

"Chen Xi, you kid! What are you standing there for? Why are you wasting the time of everyone? Can you undertake the responsibility for such a crime? Quickly undergo the measurement!" Right at this moment, Liu Fengchi suddenly turned around to look unhappily at Chen Xi as he grunted coldly.

When they saw Liu Fengchi speak out, Huangfu Chongming, Lin Moxuan, Xiao Linger, Man Hong, and the others started laughing coldly without end as well, and the gazes they shot at Chen Xi completely revealed their deep hatred towards him.

If it wasn't for them being unable to fight during the tests, they'd probably have killed Chen Xi long ago.

This kid seems to have offended many people?

The eyesight of every single person present was exceedingly discerning, and they acutely noticed that Chen Xi seemed to have an irreconcilable enmity between Huangfu Chongming and the others.

They couldn't help but feel a wave of curiosity in their hearts. This kid is only at the Golden Hall Realm, so how could he possibly offend so many experts of the younger generation, yet still be living until now?

Even Zhen Liuqing couldn't help but be surprised. She originally thought that Chen Xi had only offended Huangfu Chongming and Liu Fengchi, yet never had she imagined that he'd actually even offended another few more experts of the younger generation?

This fellow is really interesting... Zhen Liuqing was even more curious about Chen Xi. She really wanted to know how a fellow with a cultivation at the Golden Hall Realm was able to live until now after offending so many experts of the younger generation. Moreover, he seemed to be living comfortably.

When faced with a variety of gazes from everyone, Chen Xi's expression remained unmoved as he glanced indifferently at Huangfu Chongming and the others before silently walking forward to arrive before the Dao Measuring Stone, and then he sat down cross-legged. From the beginning until the end, he didn't reveal a trace of cowardice or anger, and he had a carefree expression.

Nevermind. No matter if I'm able to charge into the top nine or not, being able to experience the wonders of the Equipment Emperor's Dao Measuring Stone isn't bad as well... Chen Xi cleared his mind as he slowly closed his eyes.

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Chapter 239: Shocking Dao Insight

Chen Xi sat cross-legged beneath the Equipment Emperor's Dao Measuring Stone, yet he didn't draw too much attention from the other cultivators. After all, no one believed that a kid at the Golden Hall Realm whose cultivation was inferior to them by an entire realm could bring put forth a shocking display.

They were chatting.

They were discussing in groups of two and three about how they should deal with the divine beast Suanni in the third test in order to seize the final treasure.

That or they were congratulating Yue Qi, hoping to form a relationship with this dark horse that had amazed everyone with a single brilliant feat. A figure that possessed extraordinary natural talent like this might possess the chance of transforming into a dragon and soaring into the sky one day, so they were seizing the opportunity before he rose up in the world to form some goodwill with him, and it would perhaps be of use in the future.

Or they were deducing exactly which Dao Insight was contained within each of the nine Dao Insight Origin Pills. Was it a Grand Dao? Or a Minor Dao?

These were all topics of extreme interest to everyone.

All in all, Chen Xi who was the last to undergo the Dao Insight measuring test, had become an existence that no one paid attention to within the hall.

But Chen Xi couldn't care about all this at this moment, as at the instant he closed his eyes, the black color that gushed out from the Dao Measuring Stone had surged into his sea of consciousness.

In the next moment, he felt the heavens and the earth spin before him, and in a dazed moment, he arrived at a chaotic world. This world didn't have any living beings yet, nor did it have a heaven and earth, and everything seemed to be blurred like the primordial state before the heavens and the earth were created.

After that, he sensed infinite auras developing and breathing within this world, they were of a great variety and complicated like the milky way, and not a single one of them were similar.

To Chen Xi's shock, these auras actually developed into the appearance that belonged to Dao Insights!

Exactly. Dao Insights.

The infinite auras of a great variety represented the most primitive and primeval Dao Insights of the heaven and earth, and they were a superb collection of Dao Insights that were too numerous to count!

Supposedly, before the absolute beginning of the world, everything was enveloped in chaos. The Yin and Yang were still united, the heaven and earth didn't exist. It was called the origin of the world, the end of the universe. There was nothing at that place, and only the Dao Insights that represented the limits of the Grand Dao were developed there... Could it be that I'm within the chaotic area that's developing the origin of the world? Boundless shock emerged in Chen Xi's heart as he looked around towards his surroundings.

Om! Om!

Accompanied by these sounds that were special like the sounds of nature, five rays of light appeared out of nowhere in this chaotic world. Gold, green, blue, crimson, and yellow, they respectively represented the auras of the five types of Grand Daos of Metal, Wood, Water, Fire, and Earth.

The five Dao Insights were connected to each other in a circle and revolved ceaselessly, and they formed a completely round hazy circle of light that was like a convergence of Yin and Yang. The divine light shot out violently while accompanied by tremendous auspicious qi as it illuminated the chaotic world.

The entire world wasn't greyish and chaotic any longer, it was instead tainted with a layer of five colors that were lustrous and dazzling. Mountains, rivers, plants, animals, lava, earth, ores, and various others

things gushed into appearance, and they just happened to correspond with the circle of five elements that were the principle behind the development of everything within the world!

Bang!

Another divine light gushed into appearance, and it was the Lightning Dao Insight. At the instant it appeared, it was like the first sound when the world was created as it blasted and shook within the heavens and the earth.

When the thunder of spring sounds, the beings in the world awaken!

At this moment, the deathly silent heavens and earth had an extra trace of vitality, an extra bit of aura of living beings, causing it to seem as if infinite lives had emerged from their shells to bathe beneath the brilliance of the heavens and the earth, and the world became full of magnificence and beauty because of this.

After that, the two divine lights that represented Yin and Yang shot out into the sky. From then onwards, the heavens and the earth had the sun and moon hanging high above in the sky, allowing differentiation between day and night, causing all living beings to arise and move about in the day and rest when night descended.

Subsequently —

A myriad of stars appeared to add a trace of profoundness and vastness to the world.

A vast and azure sky appeared to bring color to the sky where the sun and moon resided.

The fluttering and shapeless wind appeared to add a trace of variation and freedom to the world.

The path illuminated by fire that was covered in Paramita flowers appeared to guide living beings towards their final resting place.

The muddy and boundless sea of bitterness and oblivion appeared to judge all sins and evil in the world.

13 Dao Insights constructed a world. Perhaps there were places that were incomplete and blurry, yet it represented Chen Xi's comprehension and knowledge towards the Grand Dao of the heavens and the earth.

However, to Chen Xi's surprise, all of this hadn't ended, as after the Oblivion Dao Insight, another divine light had gushed into appearance.

The appearance of this divine light caused the entire heavens and earth to have an indescribable aura, and it was represented in the veins of leaves, the striations on rocks, the physiology of living beings, and the principles of the world. Everything in the world possessed a layer of boundlessly profound 'truth,' and because this 'truth' was present, it provided living beings a path to follow when seeking the Heaven's Dao.

This divine light represented the Grand Dao of Talismans!

Chen Xi still hadn't completely mastered this Grand Dao up until now. Obviously, this was probably a type of concealed Dao Insight measured by the Dao Measuring Stone.

With the addition of the Dao of Talismans, I already possess 14 types of Dao Insights now, and I ought to be able to surpass Lin Moxuan and the others to be on par with Liu Fengchi and the others. In this way, one of the nine Dao Insight Origin Pills will surely be mine. Chen Xi heaved a sigh of relief in his heart when he saw this scene, however, before he could return to his senses, another divine light shot into the sky once more...

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Chen Xi was observing the changes in Dao Insight within the chaotic world and wasn't aware of the passage of time, but to the outside world, only an instant had passed.

Om! Om! Om!

A wave of rapid buzzing that was like tidewater sounded out successively from the Dao Measuring Stone, and expressions of everyone that were in animated discussion turned blank as they raised their head to look doubtfully at the place the sounds were emitted from.

Then everyone was dumbstruck.

They saw that five divine lights had actually appeared at the same instant on the exceedingly black surface of the Dao Measuring Stone. This scene instantly shocked everyone because during the previous measurements, the Dao Insights of everyone appeared one by one, and there was no one like Chen Xi who instantly caused an entire five types of Dao Insights to appear at the same instant.

What did this represent?

Practically everyone present knew clearly in their hearts that these five Dao Insights were surely existences that complemented each other. In other words, these five Dao Insights surely possessed an extremely intimate connection and were not separated from each other!

There were infinite Dao Insights in the heavens and the earth, but there were some Dao Insights that were intimately connected, like the Dao Insights of the five elements and the Dao Insights of Yin and Yang, all of them were independent to each other, yet complimented each other.

If a cultivator was capable of mastering these Dao Insights that possessed an intimate connection, it would undoubtedly possess a might greater than that of any single one of these Dao Insights, and it would provide a deeper and more thorough understanding of the essence of Dao Insights.

Moreover, there was a publicly acknowledged rule in the cultivation world that only Grand Daos were capable of possessing this type of intimate relationship!

Unlike Dao Insights that were fused with each other, this was a relationship that originated from the essence of Dao Insight and was formed naturally, and it was an existence that was absolutely impossible to be changed by the might of man.

"This kid has actually comprehended five Grand Daos! Is... Is this something a Golden Hall Realm cultivator is capable of achieving?"

"Five types of Dao Insights that compliment each other, could it be the Dao Insights of the five elements? If it's really like this, then this kid's comprehension ability is so high that it's sufficient to be the best in the world and go down in history!"

“How can this be possible?”

Everyone opened their eyes widely as they the expression of having seen a ghost appeared on their faces. At this moment, they suddenly realized that this Golden Hall Realm kid that was the last to undergo measuring and had been ignored by them possessed a level of Dao Insight that was so high that it even surpassed every single person present here!

The reason they thought like this was that these were five Grand Daos and not Minor Daos.

Comprehending the Dao had always been extremely difficult for cultivators, whereas, comprehending Grand Daos was infinitely more difficult than comprehending Minor Daos. It was a difference in quality, and it was absolutely not something that number could weigh up to.

For example, when an Earthly Immortal Realm expert underwent the Heavenly Tribulation, an expert that mastered a single Grand Dao had a greater certainty and possibility of overcoming the Heavenly Tribulation when compared to an expert that mastered 10 Minor Daos. This was the might of mastering a Grand Dao!

I’ve only mastered four Grand Daos and nine Minor Daos now, and the Dao Measuring Stone detected another three Minor Daos, allowing me to be ranked first. Never had I imagined that this fellow has actually mastered five Grand Daos. His comprehension ability is so great that he’s simply equal to Eldest Senior Brother. Zhen Liuqing’s beautiful eyes rippled with extraordinary splendor. If it was said that she was only curious about Chen Xi in the past, then she’d already taken him to be a person that was worthy of being paid attention to now. It was even to the extent that Chen Xi’s shocking display had caused her to recall her own Eldest Senior Brother, the person that was praised to be the most dazzling genius in the past few thousand years of history of the Mistwater Pavilion.

Eldest Senior Brother is in closed door cultivation now for the sake of preparing for the Allstar Meeting that’s held five years from now. If this fellow is capable of advancing to the Golden Core Realm, then he would have the chance of meeting Eldest Senior Brother during the Allstar Meeting. Unfortunately, this fellow’s cultivation is too low. If he was at the perfection-stage of the Golden Core Realm, then perhaps he would be capable of sparring for a while with Eldest Senior Brother. Or if I take a step back, even if he’s able to advance to the Golden Core Realm before the Allstar Meeting that’s held five years from now and participated in it, I’m afraid he wouldn’t even be capable of defeating me, let alone battle Eldest Senior Brother... Zhen Liuqing sighed endlessly with emotion in her heart, and she felt rather regretful that Chen Xi’s cultivation was too low.

Unlike Zhen Liuqing’s admiration, the expressions of Huangfu Chongming and the others had darkened. In their hearts, Chen Xi was an ant that was a lucky bastard and possessed a strength that wasn’t worth mentioning, yet the scene before their eyes instead caused them to arouse the thought that the Dao Measuring Stone might be broken.

That was five Grand Daos! How could it appear on a bastard that deserves death?

“Hmph!” When Yue Qi saw the attention he’d endured for over ten years to obtain had been seized by Chen Xi in an instant, an uncomfortable feeling instantly gushed out from his heart, and it felt more disgusting than eating a fly. He grunted coldly in an attempt to reclaim the attention of some people,

but unfortunately, the minds of everyone in the hall was concentrated on Chen Xi, so who would have the time to pay attention to him?

This caused Yue Qi to utterly detest Chen Xi even more.

But no matter what everyone thought in their hearts, the divine lights of the surface of the Dao Measuring Stone showed no signs of vanishing suddenly. Shockingly, after the appearance of the five Dao Insights, another two Dao Insights appeared at the same time!

What did this scene represent?

It represented Chen Xi had mastered seven Grand Daos!

“My god! Where did this freak come from? Seven Grand Daos! There’s such a ferocious and imposing person in this world?” Someone couldn’t endure the shock in his heart and cried out involuntarily with shock.

Even though the others didn’t speak, but their stiff and shocked expressions revealed their extremely surging feelings, and they were unable to maintain their calm any longer.

Because within their field of vision, the divine lights were still appearing ceaselessly on the Dao Measuring Stone. Eight, nine, ten... In next to no time, it had already surpassed Xue Chen to arrive at 13 divine lights. This number was already capable of being equal with Lin Moxuan, Xiao Linger, Pei Zhong, and the others!

However, this wasn’t the end of everything...

Talisman Emperor

Chapter 240: Shocking Everyone

In the world that seemed to be formed from Dao Insights, Chen Xi saw the various Dao Insights he’d comprehended, and he similarly saw a concealed Dao Insight of his — The Grand Dao of Talismans.

Om!

However, just when he thought everything was over, a divine light gushed out once more to lay across the heavens and the earth.

This divine light was upright and dignified, lofty and mighty, and it filled the heavens and the earth and thrived within the hearts of all beings, causing every being in the world to become civilized, capable of knowing black from white, true from false, righteous, unyielding, lofty, and honorable.

Chen Xi couldn’t help but be stunned when he saw this divine light.

Amongst all the Dao Insights, his understanding towards the Righteous Dao Insight was the shallowest, as he’d only briefly felt a trace of the righteous aura from the Righteous Sword Dao of Chen Hao’s. However, he didn’t know exactly how he was supposed to comprehend it. Because this Grand Dao existed within the sects of Confucianists and sages, causing its method of comprehension to be completely different than normal, and it was passed down via a completely different method than how the current cultivation world passed down their Dao Insights.

In other words, the Dao of Confucianists and sages were similar to the Dao of the Buddhist sect and devil sect. They sought for Heavens Dao for the same reasons, yet their understanding and method of cultivating the Heavens Dao was completely different and each had their own unique feature. So not everyone could comprehend it just because they wanted to.

According to Chen Xi's knowledge, Chen Hao was exiled to Dragonhell Peak by his Master, Daoist Wen Xuan, for the sake of cultivating the Righteous Sword Insight. He was sent to strain and starve himself while cultivating his will, and he'd even carefully studied numerous Confucianist records and scriptures and the writing of sage, allowing him to develop the unbending righteous aura in his chest before comprehending a strand of the true essence of the Righteous Sword Dao. The process was so arduous and painful that it was beyond imagination.

Righteous Dao Insight, I never imagined that it would be my second concealed Dao Insight... Could it be that all of this is related to that iron sword? Chen Xi suddenly recalled that before he entered Qian Yuan's Treasure Vault, he'd obtained an iron sword filled with righteousness from beneath a stone tablet in the Baleful Fiend Burial Grounds. The aura of that iron sword contained the principle behind the rise, fall, and replacement of dynasties, the feeling of the myriad of conditions of life in the mortal world, and the history of all eternity. The great spirit it carried was extremely miraculous, to the point of causing his soul to seem to instantly experience 100 reincarnations and observe all the changes in the world.

Om!

Before Chen Xi could wrap his head around it, another divine light tore through the sky, causing the heavens and the earth to be covered in a layer of dusk. It was born at the end of the day, the moment before the night, and it was bleak and sorrowful. Its appearance seemed to cause everything in the world to fall into silence, ending everything, and they accumulated strength for the dawn of tomorrow.

This divine light was actually the Grand Dao of Terminus!

Suddenly Chen Xi's heart went cold. He still remembered that the mysterious great figure within the Netherworld Register had once said that the Grand Dao of Terminus was envied by all the great beings in this world. Once it appeared in the world, it would surely suffer complete annihilation. Even with the might of the mysterious great figure, he'd still died with hatred in his heart in the end, and it was obvious from this that the Grand Dao of Terminus was absolutely a taboo that couldn't be allowed in the hearts of the great beings in this world.

Fortunately, it's only a concealed Dao Insight. So long as I refrain from comprehending it, it ought to not be noticed by others... Chen Xi comforted himself in his head. He was only at the Golden Hall Realm now, and compared to the great beings in the world that reigned supreme, he was simply inferior to an ant, so how could he dare comprehend the Grand Dao of Terminus?

After the Grand Dao of Terminus appeared, the heavens and the earth seemed to have fallen into temporary silence, and it seemed as if no more divine lights would appear anymore. But, an outcome like this was already extremely satisfying to Chen Xi. Coupled with the Talisman Dao Insight, the Righteous Dao Insight, and the Terminus Dao Insight, he already possessed 16 Dao Insights now, and obtaining a Dao Insight Origin Pill was something set in stone.

However, the heavens seemed to want to play an exceedingly great joke on Chen Xi. Right when he thought the measuring this time would come to an end, boundless divine lights gushed into appearance from all over this world, and they formed a dense mass like clusters of fireflies that completely illuminated the world!

Om! Om! Om!

Chen Xi suddenly realized that the mysterious River Diagram fragments that floated within his sea of consciousness were buzzing and fluctuating, and it was precisely because this strand of strange fluctuation had surged out to cause the entire world to be filled with a myriad of divine lights that swarmed out into appearance.

How could this be possible? The River Diagram fragments had always been silent and motionless within my sea of consciousness. Why are they suddenly acting like this now and causing such a shocking scene? Could it be that the River Diagram fragments are related to the Equipment Emperor's Dao Measuring Stone? A wave of tempestuous waves raged within Chen Xi's heart as this wasn't the first time he'd seen the River Diagram fragments reveal such an unusual change.

"Ha!" Right at this moment, a calm and indifferent sound that seemed to have come from above the nine heavens tore through the sky like a thunderclap, and it rumbled and exploded out within his sea of consciousness. At practically the exact same instant, the Fuxi Divine Statue that sat cross-legged within the depths of his sea of consciousness opened its eyes abruptly, causing golden lights to shoot out explosively and seem like a long chain of the gods that penetrated through infinite space. Instantly, it kept the buzzing and fluctuation River Diagram fragments in place.

Then everything returned to calm, whereas, the myriad of divine lights that had suddenly gushed out into appearance didn't have the chance to condense into form in the world before vanishing without a trace.

From the beginning until the end, all of this occurred in an instant. Chen Xi utterly didn't have the slightest opportunity to react, and this feeling was slightly difficult for him to accept.

Because all these changes had exceeded his control, and he didn't like this feeling.

I'll surely completely control the secrets of the River Diagram's fragments one day, and I'll completely comprehend the Fuxi Divine Statue and make it mine. Otherwise, once some change occurs, I wouldn't even have the room to struggle... Chen Xi resolved in his heart. It wasn't that he didn't trust the Fuxi Divine Statue, but the feeling of things being out of his control was something he opposed from the bottom of his heart.

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"14 Dao Insights, he has already left Lin Moxuan and the others behind and has chased up to Liu Fengchi, Man Hong, An Qianyu, and Wang Daoxu..." An exclamation of astonishment suddenly exploded out within the hall as the gazes of every stared fixedly at the Dao Measuring Stone, because the Dao Insight divine lights that gushed out into appearance there had already attained the number of 14!

A kid at the Golden Hall Realm that no one paid attention to had comprehended 14 Dao Insights. Moreover, the known number of Grand Daos amongst those 14 was at 7. Who amongst the people present was capable of attaining such a terrifying level of Dao comprehension?

Everyone felt that blood that flowed within their veins seemed to be burning, and this feeling was full of anticipation and shock as if they were witnessing the birth of a legend.

The expressions of Lin Moxuan, Xiao Linger, Pei Zhong, and the others turned unsightly when they saw this scene. I've actually been surpassed by a kid at the Golden Hall Realm?

"Hmph! Who cares if it's a Grand Dao or Minor Dao? He's still inferior to me in the end, and his ranking is bound to be below me. He's nothing worth mentioning!" Yue Qi grunted coldly once more. When he saw Chen Xi entering the limelight and becoming the center of attention, and no one showed interest towards him, he felt more and more uncomfortable in his heart. So he could only use the fact that he'd been measured as possessing 15 Dao Insights to display his dominance.

"Another divine light has appeared, it's the 15th already!" Right when Yue Qi had finished speaking, the surroundings once again exploded out with astonished cries, and another divine light had shockingly appeared on the Dao Measuring Stone.

"Dammit! Bastard! I'll kill this kid!" When he saw a divine light once again gush into appearance from the Dao Measuring Stone right after he said Chen Xi was incapable of surpassing himself, Yue Qi's expression instantly went extremely livid. It was as if he was fiercely slapped on the face and wished for nothing more than to find a hole to hide in.

But no one was paying attention to his embarrassed appearance at this moment, as their hearts and minds were concentrated onto the Dao measuring Stone. At this moment, the situation was already extremely obvious, Chen Xi who possessed 15 Dao Insights had already left Liu Fengchi and the others far behind him to become equal with Huangfu Chongming and Yue Qi, and he was only inferior to Zhen Liuqing that was ranked first!

The hall was in deathly silence as the expressions of everyone had frozen to the point they even forgot to breathe. No one would believe that an unknown young man's comprehension in Dao Insight could actually attain such a height!

Those people that were ranked at the top were famous experts of the younger generation of the various areas in the Darchu Dynasty, and they were geniuses with extraordinary natural talent. Yet now, they were surpassed step by step by a young man at the Golden Hall Realm...

They could imagine the stir this incident would cause in the entire cultivation world once the incident here was spread to the outside world.

At this moment, the gazes of everyone was burning hot as they stared unblinkingly at the Dao Measuring Stone. They knew that so long as another divine light appeared, Chen Xi would rise a rank higher and achieve the height of first, to be ranked equal to Zhen Liuqing!

What he capable of attaining it?

At this moment, even people as arrogant and conceited as Huangfu Chongming and the others puckered their lips and couldn't refrain from clenching their fists tightly. They knew that if they were able to fight

here, they would absolutely make a move to kill Chen Xi at the first possible moment. Because they were certain that with such a terrifying natural talent in Dao comprehension to rely on, if they allowed Chen Xi to mature, then he would absolutely be a great calamity for all of them!

Om!

Under the gazes of everyone present, another divine light coiled up to appear on the Dao Measuring Stone, and the hearts of everyone that were at their throats had instantly fallen into the deepest pits. They felt both shock and bitterness as their scalps went numb.

They knew that the appearance of this divine light meant that Chen Xi possessed 16 types of Dao Insights and had completely caught up to Zhen Liuqing who was ranked at the top!

“Impossible! How could a kid at the Golden Hall Realm like him possibly surpass me and be ranked ahead of me?” Yue Qi shouted out explosively as he charged towards Chen Xi with a warped expression and eyes that emitted a ferocious light. Obviously, he wanted to seize this opportunity to get rid of Chen Xi.

Never had anyone imagined that this young man that had always been stiff and ordinary earlier would be so hot-tempered and disturbed, and his temperament would be so unreasonable and warped.

But there was indeed no one who stopped him. Truthfully speaking, they were extremely envious of Chen Xi’s natural talent in Dao comprehension, and they would be happy to see Chen Xi being eliminated.

“Hmph! This idiot.” Huangfu Chongming grunted coldly in disdain. If he could kill Chen Xi, he would have done it a long time ago. Would Yue Qi even have a chance?

Sure enough, it didn’t exceed Huangfu Chongming’s expectations, and Yue Qi hadn’t even charged to arrive before Chen Xi when he seemed to have been smashed by a shapeless sledgehammer, causing him to be blasted flying to where he came from, and he almost fell flat on the ground. He was in an unspeakably sorry state, and his expression flushed red to the point it seemed as if blood was about to drip out from it.

Om!

Right at this moment, the surface of the Dao Measuring Stone suddenly emitted a myriad of divine lights that instantly shocked the people present to the point their jaws almost fell off.

A myriad of divine lights?

Would that represent a myriad of Dao Insights?

But, these divine lights vanished in an instant as if they’d utterly never appeared. On the surface of the Dao Measuring Stone, the Dao Insights that Chen Xi revealed still remained at 16 types.

This caused everyone to heave a sigh of relief. If Chen Xi really possessed a myriad of Dao Insights, then it would truly be shocking...

Chen Xi opened his eyes before standing up silently, and he seemed as if he’d completely didn’t notice that unusual gazes in the eyes of everyone as he walked back to the remote corner he was at before.

But when he walked past Yue Qi, Chen Xi's gaze spun to seemingly unintentionally glance at this person. He'd already awoken earlier and noticed Yue Qi's movements with the intention of annihilating him, and he'd already given this person the death sentence in his heart.

"The second test, Dao Comprehension Fortune, has ended. The names of the people that are ranked in the top nine will appear on the surface of the Dao Measuring Stone. Every single one of these nine people will be able to obtain a Dao Insight Origin Pill as a reward." Suddenly, the aged and sonorous voice resounded within the hall and reverberated endlessly.

Swoosh!

The voice hadn't died down when the gazes of everyone had already descended onto the surface of the Dao Measuring Stone in unison.