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Chapter 731: Dissipation

Ning Cheng stood still while holding onto Yu Qing's cold body. Although he did speculate that Yu Qing might have fallen in Time Wilderness, he never actually believed it. Yet she died in the ice crystal forest before she could even reach the glacial canyon.

But no matter what he thought, Yu Qing died because of him. He could no longer erase Yu Qing's shadow from his memory. A persistent and determined woman with pure eyes lacking even a hint of dust.

Maybe she felt that she owed him something, or perhaps Yu Qing really fell in love with Wanderer after entering Time Wilderness, just as she said.

He truly could not understand or even fathom what she had to go through to reach this icy cave alone? Was it the cold accompanying her, or her memories and longing towards Wanderer?

Thinking of Yu Qing's lonely figure carving the ice walls and his sculpture, Ning Cheng felt tears well up in his eyes for the first time, for a woman he didn't even know. Maybe it might not have been his place to feel sorry for Yu Qing, but he just couldn't get rid of the guilt and sadness.

He wanted to stand on top of the starry skies, aimed to become one of the real powerhouses in the universe. But he still had seven passions and six desires; he couldn't look at life or death with an everyday gaze. No matter where he stood, he, Ning Cheng, still had a mortal heart.

A flash of lightning passed through his mind, and Ning Cheng seemed to have gained a kind of enlightenment. But this enlightenment flashed by in an instant, something he couldn't grasp at all.

"Yu Qing, I....." Ning Cheng lowered his head, and two teardrops fell on Yu Qing's face. He could not control his own feelings anymore. It had nothing to do with love; rather, it was something that he couldn't express in words. Was it sentimentality, nostalgia, or reluctance to give up? Or perhaps none of these. Whatever it was, a seed had begun to germinate within him.

A weak light flashed, forcing Ning Cheng to look at Yu Qing in his hands, in shock. After the two teardrops fell on Yu Qing's face, Yu Qing's body gradually started to disappear.

A forbidden technique. Ning Cheng suddenly understood. A forbidden technique used by those at the verge of death, and activated when someone touched the deceased's body. The remnant hidden celestial essence in the body would burn the body into nothingness to let others not move it.

Back when Ning Cheng first saw Yu Qing's lifeless body, he hadn't noticed the celestial essence hidden in her body.

In just a few breaths, Yu Qing's body dissipated, leaving behind only a cyan robe.

Ning Cheng gazed at the cyan robe in his hands, feeling his mind going blank. He didn't choose to stop Yu Qing from reincarnating, which was her choice. He believed that Yu Qing didn't want anyone to stop her rebirth.

Before witnessing this moment, he still had a few thoughts running in his heart. Maybe one day he could retrieve Yu Qing's soul, just like Xun Hanrui who hasn't woken up yet. If he found Yu Qing's soul, he could then do everything in his power to help resurrect Yu Qing.

Although those thoughts ran around in his mind, he still let Yu Qing's body dissipate.

A purple coloured half-moon shaped jade talisman fell into Ning Cheng's palm. Ning Cheng's spiritual consciousness shuddered on touching it, and found a few faint inscriptions on its surface:

"I want to stay here with Wanderer forever; I really don't want anyone to bother me. But on the chance that someone disturbed my body, I already made some preparations. My body will immediately dissipate into nothingness the moment someone touches it. I don't blame you; I know it might have been unintentional."

"If you would like to help, then please help me send this half-moon shaped jade talisman to my mother Shen Mengyan in Culmination Starland's Yu Clan Corner City. My mother will be grateful for it. If you have any requests, do not hesitate to mention them in Yu Clan Corner City, they will satisfy you. You have this Yu Qing's promise."

Ning Cheng gave out a long sigh; Yu Qing must have used her last bit of vitality to restore her looks to that of her prime. She even turned her white hair into black, maybe it was for the faint trace of attachment and perseverance in her heart.

Realising that he let Yi Qing die here and even let Yu Qing dissipate into reincarnation the pain erupting in his heart was something that went beyond words.

Only after a long time did Ning Cheng take out a jade box and carefully placed the jade talisman into it. Then, taking out another jade box, he carefully folded Yu Qing's cyan robes and put them inside, before sealing each box under layers of restrictions.

Even after doing this, Ning Cheng's mood still did not recover.

It was not until three days later that Ning Cheng began laying out array formations. He wanted to take this entire ice cave into his True Spirit World and bring it out of the Time Wilderness. He decided to also take away each of these ice walls. They were all now extremely precious things to him. At the same time, he also wanted to seal away this area completely, so that no one would come here in the future.

Unfortunately, his cultivation was not up to the mark; otherwise, he might have just taken away the Time Wilderness.

A few days later, this ice cave quickly rolled upon itself under the effects of Ning Cheng's array formations, and Ning Cheng dragged it out just like a long ice vein.

Rumbling sounds erupted throughout the ice crystal forest. But Ning Cheng did not bother with it and sent this ice cave along with the ten ice walls into his True Spirit World.

Despite the suppression of cultivation, it had no effect on his Array Dao, just as it had no impact on his powerful corporeal body. Therefore, other things that Celestial Gatherer cultivators would find impossible to accomplish, it was not too difficult for someone like him.

Rumbling sounds continued to spread out. Even after Ning Cheng put away this ice cave, the ice forest continued to rumble.

'Ka-Ka' sounds stretched out from under his feet, as if the ground beneath his feet would explode the next moment.

Ning Cheng flew over the ice crystal forest and found the ice crystal forest crumbling apart at a rapid pace. From the looks of it, taking away the ice cave triggered some sort of a chain reaction.

Ning Cheng grew more and more shocked the longer he looked at the collapse. From the looks of it, this ice forest would most likely collapse entirely in a few moments.

He suddenly remembered the Ladder of Life, which was another thing left behind by Yu Qing. If this large-scale collapse swept through the area, there was a good chance that it might end up destroying that ladder. Thinking of this, Ning Cheng quickly left the ice crystal forest and rushed to the location of the glacial canyon that had cracked open back then, the one in front of the transfer array. He wanted to put the Ladder of Life into his True Spirit World using array formations, just as he did with the cave a few moments ago.

However, when Ning Cheng came to the place where he had fallen, the previously cracked open glacial canyon had already disappeared. In front of him, he only saw a transfer array.

Ning Cheng deliberately walked to where the crack supposedly originated and stomped on it with his foot. Although it sounded hollow beneath, it did not give any indication that the ice here had ever cracked apart. Even using his spiritual consciousness, it couldn't go too deep. The ice and rocks beneath the surface also looked extraordinarily thick and hard.

Ning Cheng felt a little worried that if he forcibly tried to open the ice and rock beneath his feet, it might end up creating an even more massive collapse compared to the one that happened in the ice crystal forest. If that happened, the ice steps engraved by him and Yu Qing would truly disappear.

After reuniting and re-separating from Yu Qing, Ning Cheng forced himself not to think about what would happen with Yi Qing in the future. However, after experiencing all these things, especially Yu Qing dissipating right in front of his eyes, Ning Cheng grew even more sentimental. He didn't want items left by Yu Qing to disappear.

But currently, he could not take away the Ladder of Life. Therefore, he decided to come back in the future to take it away.

The rumbling sounds gradually calmed down, and when Ning Cheng looked back again, he was shocked to find that the ice crystal forest had not completely collapsed. Instead, a broad, inclining passage had appeared that went right beneath the ice crystal forest. Moreover, it looked as if carved out of pure snow.

From within, the aura of vicissitudes, as well as the mysterious aura of time radiated outward.

Ning Cheng landed on this sloping ice crystal passage and let his gaze wander. The channel appeared pure white up close, even when using his spiritual consciousness it still showed up as white.

Regardless of the danger, Ning Cheng didn't think much about it and quickly went straight along the inclined channel.

This inclined path looked very long, but unlike other passages, the passage grew wider the further down one went.

An icy chill seemed to ooze out from both sides of the passage, just like the chill from a freezing ocean or a sea, chill that always pressed down onto Ning Cheng.

However, with Ning Cheng's powerful corporeal body obtained through body forging, he didn't even need to operate his celestial essence to resist this chill. The icy cold dissipated without a trace the moment it neared his body.

After half an hour, Ning Cheng finally stopped. At the end of this inclined passaged, he found a huge triangular-shaped ice crystal door blocking the path forward.

Ning Cheng rarely saw triangular-shaped gates, but he saw one today. The door was not only triangular; it also had a different colour for its three corners.

The top corner was grey, the left corner was black, and the right corner was white.

There was a big keyhole in each corner. These three keyholes exuded an intense aura of flowing time, which would make people shiver unconsciously.

"Temple of Time?" Ning Cheng asked himself while looking at the triangular door in front of him. Although shocked by it, he felt sure that this was the entrance to the Temple of Time. There were even three keyholes, grey, black, and white in colour, which gave out the aura of time. If this was not the Temple of Time, then what else could it be?

As if confirming Ning Cheng's thoughts, the moment he said the words 'Temple of Time', three words vaguely appeared at the centre of the triangular gate. That's right; the words were 'Temple of Time'.

The entrance to the Temple of Time turned out to be under the ice crystal forest of the Sea of Twilight. Something that even Ning Cheng never thought as possible. He had always thought of the Temple of Time as something like the Perpetual Moon Fort, just another area within the Time Wilderness.

According to the distance he just walked, coupled with the direction in which he walked, along with the appearance of the Temple of Time's door, Ning Cheng concluded that the real main hall of the Temple of Time should be under the endless ice plains.

Time Wheels were quite a common sight on the icy plains. If the range of one's spiritual consciousness was too small, or if one couldn't use spiritual consciousness, one should never even think of entering the ice plains, let alone cracking open the ice plains to find the Temple of Time.

Although he found the Temple of Time, he, unfortunately, only had two keys. Could he enter the Temple of Time by himself? Ning Cheng carefully looked around the door to the Temple of Time and felt sure that it had no restrictions around it. Wouldn't it mean that one could open the door without the keys? After hesitating for a long while, Ning Cheng decided to use force to test it. What could possibly go wrong? After all, it was just a door made out of ice crystals and didn't have any array formations to support it. Even if it didn't work, it wouldn't cost him anything.

Thinking of this, Ning Cheng brought out the Nirvana Spear, aimed it at the door of the Temple of Time and immediately struck the door with it.

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"Boom...." A rumbling blast erupted the moment Ning Cheng's Nirvana Spear struck the gate.

Immediately, a horrifying wave of 'time' rushed out accompanying the blast, which turned Ning Cheng's hair white even before the explosion reached him. Ning Cheng didn't dare stay outside and entered the Mysterious Yellow Bead without hesitation.

The Mysterious Yellow Bead blocked the flowing time outside.

"So powerful...." After a while, Ning Cheng exclaimed to himself. Just the aftereffects of flowing time had turned his hair white and even sucked away a large portion of his longevity. If that wave of flowing time had reached him, there was a good chance that he wouldn't be able to resist it all and would have definitely died in this place.

At the same time, it gave him a good idea about the terrifying strength hidden in the Temple of Time. But it also made him feel terrified about Perpetual Moon Holy Emperor's power. Just what level of skill had this person reached to construct this Temple of Time with such horrifying Laws of Time? Even more, what was this person's actual strength? If he had to face a person like Perpetual Moon Holy Emperor right now, just a wave from that person's hand would be more than enough to snuff out his life in an instant.

From this display of strength alone, Perpetual Moon Holy Emperor should have stood at the peak of the universe. Yet, someone actually killed such a terrifying being. Just what level of strength did the person who murdered Perpetual Moon Holy Emperor reach?

Ning Cheng took in a deep breath. For a while, especially after killing a few Eternal cultivators, he had started to think that his strength could now compare to other Eternal cultivators. But today, on seeing the work and eventual fate of Perpetual Moon Holy Emperor, he realised who the real experts were. If someone could kill a being like Perpetual Moon Holy Emperor, then what was the extent of those real powerhouses' strength?

Ignorance truly breeds fearlessness.

Ning Cheng's spiritual consciousness carefully swept out sometime later and found that the aftershocks of flowing time had disappeared. Sensing that, he came out of the Mysterious Yellow Bead and stood outside the Temple of Time's gate. If not for the Mysterious Yellow Bead, the power of his spear strike would have killed him.

The Temple of Time might have many strange treasures inside, but those were something unreachable yet. Without the three keys of the Temple of Time, Ning Cheng felt sure that even ten Chuan Xinlous standing here would not achieve anything.

This time, Ning Cheng didn't stop for long before resolutely turning away and leaving. As long as he and Duan Gantai didn't come here at the same time, no one would achieve anything by coming to this place. As for finding Duan Gantai, Ning Cheng did not worry about it. Moreover, after completing the

Mysterious Yellow Celestial River's re-arrangement, he planned to visit Culmination Starland's Yu Clan Corner City to complete a few things.

With the word about Mysterious Yellow Celestial River and Mysterious Yellow Sect spreading, Luofei and Qionghua would not find it too difficult to find out about him.

After coming out of the Sea of Twilight using the transfer array, Ning Cheng immediately crushed the jade talisman causing the light from it to transfer him to the starry sky outside of Time Wilderness. Ning Cheng immediately recognised this place as he had come here once before, an area near the periphery of Striking Order Starland.

Ning Cheng didn't immediately plan to visit Lucky Heaven City to find Striking Order and reminisce about the past; he still had many things to finish for the establishment of the Mysterious Yellow Celestial River. Therefore, he first wanted to head back and settle it. However, just when he was about to bring out the Starry Sky Wheel, a Celestial Bridge Cultivator quickly flew over.

After the cultivator saw Ning Cheng, he quickly bowed and saluted, "Sang Yuanshang greets Senior Ning."

Ning Cheng looked at this Celestial Bridge cultivator in doubt, "Were you waiting for me here?"

Sang Yuanshang once again spoke up with a respectful tone, "Yes, this junior had been stationed here to wait for senior's arrival on the orders of the Heavenly Emperor."

Ning Cheng nodded; it should be Striking Order Heavenly Emperor. Striking Order most likely noticed that he had entered Time Wilderness by himself, so he decided to station someone to wait here. Striking Order most likely thought that if he entered Time Wilderness, he would be transferred out immediately, and would appear somewhere near this place.

"Ok, you can go first. I'll drop by at Lucky Heaven City to see Brother Striking Order." Since Striking Order Heavenly Emperor sent someone here to welcome him, it would make Striking Order Heavenly Emperor think more into it if didn't go visit him. Therefore, Ning Cheng decided to drop by for a short visit before heading back.

"Yes, this junior will take his leave...." Sang Yuanshang gave a deep bow before retreating.

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Lucky Heaven City still looked the same. Although many years have passed since Ning Cheng's last visit, coming here invoked some mixed feelings. When he first came here, he was still an early-stage Celestial Novice cultivator and saw many strong cultivators streaming the streets. Back then, Striking Order Heavenly Emperor had only used a palm to kill many cultivators fighting on the streets of Lucky Heaven City, including Distant Stellar Celestial River King and Essence Eyot Celestial River King.

The shock from that day, now felt utterly ordinary today. As long as one's cultivation reached a certain point, doing such things wouldn't even require much strength. Yet today, when he came here, Striking Order Heavenly Emperor personally would have to come out to greet him. This proved that there was no such thing as impermanence in life.

Entering Lucky Heaven City, Ning Cheng stood at the door of a rest stop for a long time in silence. When he first came here, Xu Binglan had stopped him here, but Yu Qing had come out to help him.

This rest stop was still the same, but that person would no longer return.

"Giggle, this little big brother, it looks like we really do have a fated connection between us to meet again at this place after such a long time. I hope you're not waiting for your lover again. Are you, little brother Ning Cheng?" A frivolous yet familiar voice emerged. Moreover, the transition from 'little big brother' to 'little brother' felt almost natural through that mouth.

Ning Cheng turned back and saw two familiar faces. What he saw back then was just a familiar face, but today he saw two girls who looked almost similar to each other.

The girl on the left looked like a porcelain doll. Not only was she beautiful, but even her skin had an extremely white colour. With a pair of bright yet dark eyes, it gave her an appearance of innocence and purity when she blinked. It made people voluntarily approach her on first sight.

As for the girl on the right, she looked more mature but with the same pure and beautiful appearance as the other girl.

However, Ning Cheng knew it very well that neither of the two women was pure and innocent. The mature-looking girl on the right was the younger one, while the naive looking girl on the left, the one who looked like a porcelain doll, was actually the ancestor of the girl on the right.

He knew both women, the woman on the left was Xu Binglan, and the woman on the right was Xu Yingdei. Xu Binglan was the founder and progenitor of the Severing Emotions Dao Sect, a sect of perversions and the same faction that nurtured Xu Anzhen and Xu Yingdei. So perverted, that people refused to comprehend it.

When Ning Cheng's gaze fell on Xu Binglan's face, he didn't speak a word for a long time as Yu Qing's figure had suddenly appeared in front of his eyes. Back then, when he had first seen Xu Binglan at this place, and because of the uncanny resemblance between Xu Binglan and Xu Yingdei, he had gone into a daze unable to find an excuse to get out of this situation. But at that very moment, Yu Qing helped him out. "Replying to senior, this is my friend Ning Cheng. We were supposed to meet here."

This place remained the same, and that person also remained the same, but Yu Qing was the only one missing. Why didn't Xu Binglan go missing instead of her?

As for Xu Yingdei, she never expected to see Ning Cheng here. She had chosen him to sever her emotions and had presumed him dead back then. However, this man did not die. He not only managed to keep his life, he even came to the starry sky and even seemed to know his grandmother[1], Xu Binglan.

No one knew that she truly had fallen in love with Ning Cheng. Back then, if not for Yin Kongchan's sudden and abrupt appearance, she would have already become Ning Cheng's woman. If she had become Ning Cheng's woman, she would have never used Ning Cheng to sever her emotions. But nothing of that sort happened, which doomed everything to oblivion.

She kept staring at Ning Cheng, the man she once liked, the man who she used to sever her emotions[2].

In the Severing Emotions Dao Sect, it would already be a miracle for a man who experienced emotion severing to even stay alive, let alone grow strong enough to enter the starry skies. But Ning Cheng might have been the first, perhaps the only one.

However, no one knew that when she learned that Ning Cheng and her master Shi Qionghua became Dao Companions, it had caused extreme jealousy and torment to erupt from the depths of her heart. Regardless of her man dying or not under her, she couldn't bear the idea of another woman holding him.

"Little Dei, do you know him?" Since Xu Binglan could enter the void, and as the progenitor of her sect, how could she be a simple person? Therefore, when she looked at Xu Yingdei's eyes, she instantly understood that Xu Yingdei knew Ning Cheng.

Xu Yingdei spoke up with a dry voice, "Yes, he was the man I used for my emotion-severing."

"Oh, with my Xu Clan's woman, yet daring to sleep with other sluts, you kid, sure are something." Xu Binglan raised her eyebrows, and her porcelain doll-like face showed a trace of anger.

Ning Cheng's tone suddenly turned cold, "Xu Binglan, originally, I only had a hatred for Xu Yingdei and Xu Anzhen. But if you dare say even half a disrespectful word about her[3], this father wouldn't mind turning you into ashes."

"Hehe, this Xu Binglan wants to see how you would turn me into ashes... Believe it or not, even if I killed you here in Lucky Heaven City, nothing would happen to me at all." While talking, Xu Binglan's murderous aura also started to spread out. Almost like a blade about to come out of its sheath.

Ning Cheng didn't respond. Back then, Xu Binglan's cultivation originally was at the Celestial Bridge Realm, but she managed to advance to the Undead Realm by now. Presumably, in her opinion, it would only be a matter of a few moments to kill an 'ant' like him.

"Sister Lan.... Don't kill him." Xu Yingdei anxiously stopped Xu Binglan.

Xu Binglan looked at Xu Yingdei in surprise and asked, "Why not kill him? This man did not die under your emotion severing. I don't mind if you pity him, but this man dared to sleep with other women and even protected other women....."

"Sister Lan?" Ning Cheng looked at Xu Binglan and Xu Yingdei in surprise. Just how many generations separated them, why did she call her 'Sister Lan'?

"Ning Cheng, let's talk about it in private. I have a few words to say to you." Xu Yingdei looked at Ning Cheng and spoke with a soft voice.

Ning Cheng only glanced at Xu Yingdei with disdain before calmly replying, "A perverted sect indeed only brings up perverted women."

"Ant looking for death...." Xu Binglan's killing intent burst out. However, before her killing intent and domain could press down on Ning Cheng, they suddenly disappeared.

Then, her angry expression suddenly turned into a soft, lovable smile as she took a few steps forward and spoke, "What brings the Heavenly Emperor here?"

She could see that Striking Order Heavenly Emperor had come here in a hurry. But in any case, she had to first greet Striking Order Heavenly Emperor.

Striking Order Heavenly Emperor apparently saw that she wanted to deal with Ning Cheng; therefore, he immediately slapped Xu Binglan's face the moment she looked up, "Get lost, Sect Master Ning is my most honourable guest. Yet, a woman like you dares to act with such disrespect. If you don't apologise to Sect Master Ning immediately, you better end yourself quickly."

Striking Order Heavenly Emperor's words came with absolute authority; it even contained a hint of chill.

Ning Cheng sighed in his heart on hearing those words. He could tell that Striking Order Heavenly Emperor had a soft spot for Xu Binglan. Otherwise, with Striking Order Heavenly Emperor's nature, Xu Binglan would have already died. Why would he just slap Xu Binglan and force her to apologise to him?

Xu Binglan and Xu Yingdei stood still as if time had frozen for them. They never expected Striking Order Heavenly Emperor to attach so much importance to Ning Cheng. He even explicitly mentioned that Ning Cheng was his 'most honourable guest'. From this, they could tell that Striking Order Heavenly Emperor had hurried over to this place to greet Ning Cheng especially. Just what was going on?

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Xu Binglan reacted faster than Xu Yingdei did. Despite Striking Order Heavenly Emperor slapping her, she quickly came up and bowed to Ning Cheng, "This Binglan spoke inappropriately just now. I hope Big Brother Ning would find it in his heart to forgive me. This Binglan is willing to accept any punishment; even if Big Brother Ning asks for Binglan to die, this Binglan will not hesitate."

By the time she finished speaking those words, her expression had changed to a look of regret and horror. Combined with her already beautiful and innocent-looking face, it truly made people feel pity for her.

After apologising to Ning Cheng, she didn't stop there; she turned around and started crying silently in front of Striking Order Heavenly Emperor. "This Binglan brought shame to the Heavenly Emperor's name and asks the Heavenly Emperor to punish her. Because Big Brother Ning was once Little Dei's Dao Companion, I wanted to stop him from holding Little Dei responsible, so...."

Ning Cheng felt speechless. Looks like this woman truly had no shame at all. However, he also knew that he couldn't deal with Xu Yingdei right away. He and Striking Order were currently in the testing phase of their 'friendship'. At this time, if he did anything to Xu Yingdei, even if Striking Order remained silent today, it would be equivalent to slapping Striking Order's face in public.

With Striking Order's calculating character, if an ordinary woman had dared to treat him this way, Striking Order would have killed her long before giving her the chance to talk, rather than just slapping Xu Binglan and letting her apologise. From this, he could also tell that Striking Order Heavenly Emperor felt very concerned about Xu Binglan. Moreover, with the Mysterious Yellow Celestial River just established, not only did Striking Order need him as an ally, but he also required Striking Order as an ally.

When Striking Order heard Xu Binglan's words, his eyes flashed in surprise. He already had a thing going on with Xu Binglan. But if Xu Binglan's sister Xu Yingdei and Ning Cheng could rekindle that flame, wouldn't they come even closer?

Seeing that Striking Order wanted to speak, Ning Cheng quickly guessed the intentions and immediately stopped him, "Brother Striking Order, let's go in and talk."

He and Striking Order thought of the same thing. But he didn't want to voice those words in front of these two, lest they got some ideas. Besides, he would flat out reject Striking Order Heavenly Emperor's offer. Regardless of what thoughts Striking Order had in his mind, now that he stopped Striking Order from raising the matter openly, it was much better than rejecting it outright.

As a Heavenly Emperor, playing around with women was quite a regular thing. Besides, why would he willingly refuse a chance to 'deepen' friendships by using such women? It's just that Striking Order didn't understand much about Ning Cheng's personality.

However, Striking Order Heavenly Emperor controlled the Striking Order Starry Sky for many years. Therefore, as soon as Ning Cheng spoke those words, he immediately understood that Ning Cheng had thought nothing of Xu Yingdei. Because of this, Striking Order didn't mention it again. Showing a smile, he spoke up, "Yes, yes, let's go in and talk. Brother Ning, please...."

Having said that, Striking Order Heavenly Emperor led the way and personally escorted Ning Cheng inside.

"Little Dei, what's going on?" Xu Binglan finally asked in a shocked voice, looking at Ning Cheng and Striking Order Heavenly Emperor's backs.

"I don't know either." Xu Yingdei was also at a complete loss. She also couldn't figure out what was going on. Even if Ning Cheng grew powerful, reaching a level where Striking Order Heavenly Emperor addressed him as a 'brother', shouldn't be possible, right?

Xu Binglan's expression turned heavy, pulling Xu Yingdei to a remote corner, she asked her again, "What is Ning Cheng's origin? Don't you know anything about it?"

Xu Yingdei hesitated for a while before speaking, "He is a bit mysterious and has always been strong. The Forsaken Land had sealed Yin Kongchan and my cultivation, we couldn't even stretch out our spiritual consciousness, but he could. He always seemed to have some means to utilise whenever in danger, which I couldn't grasp at all."

After Xu Binglan heard Xu Yingdei's words, she frowned, and only spoke up after a while, "This kid definitely has a huge secret on him. Otherwise, it wouldn't be possible for Striking Order Heavenly Emperor to not only address him but also treat him as brothers. Strangely, with Striking Order Heavenly Emperor's character, he didn't use any hard tactics to look into him. Instead, he's actually using such a method....."

Xu Binglan looked she was talking to herself. Only after a long time did she raise her head. She stared at Xu Yingdei, and spoke with a quivering voice, "Striking Order definitely is not a kind-hearted man, nor is he a person influenced by feelings. For him to treat Ning Cheng this way, the only possibility is that...."

Xu Yingdei also understood Xu Binglan's implication, and spoke up in disbelief, "This, this shouldn't be the case, right? How long has he been in the starry sky?"

"What's not possible? I know Striking Order, that old sack, too well. If I couldn't please him in bed, that son-of-a-bitch would have certainly killed me today. Ning Cheng has to be on the same level of power as him if not higher, it's the only explanation to his attitude towards Ning Cheng. At the very least, Ning Cheng is as powerful as he is. For Ning Cheng to reach the level of strength no less than Striking Order, this Ning Cheng definitely is a monster....."

The more Xu Binglan spoke, the brighter the light grew in her eyes.

Xu Yingdei recalled the strength showcased by Ning Cheng in Graceful Star Mainland, and somewhat started to believe in her ancestor's speculations and muttered, "It's also possible that he was already powerful during his time in Graceful Star Mainland. He not only destroyed a major sect, and strengthened the Rainbow Fall Sword Sect, he also killed his way into our Severing Emotions Dao Sect, challenged the Heaven Alliance, and eventually reached the point that no one would even dare to get in his way....."

"He killed his way into my Severing Emotions Dao Sect?" Xu Binglan looked at Xu Yingdei in amazement.

Xu Yingdei couldn't keep it hidden anymore, and spoke about it, "Yes, he not only killed his way into the Severing Emotions Dao Sect, but he also successfully managed to get out....."

The root cause of this incident was Xu Yingdei herself. Back then, she had truly fallen in love with Ning Cheng and had even wished to give up her little life to Ning Cheng. If she had not left the Forsaken Lands, she believed that she and Ning Cheng would have already become husband and wife. But unfortunately, fate itself didn't want her together with Ning Cheng. When she was about to consummate with Ning Cheng, Yin Kongchan had suddenly interrupted them, and eventually, the three of them came out of the Forsaken Land. But because of the cultivation method she practised, she could not hesitate to perform emotion severing on Ning Cheng the moment they came out.

She didn't say this before, but she really didn't want to kill Ning Cheng after successfully completing the emotion severing, which was why she had left.

"You really are stupid. Why did you use Ning Cheng for emotion severing? You should have taken hold of him. If you had taken control of his heart, how could we be so miserable now? I have to take off my clothes to sleep with others, and use various means to please them, yet what does it bring us? People can still slap us around, force me to apologise." Xu Binglan's tone grew worse with each word she spoke.

Xu Yingdei weakly spoke up, "I was at the tipping point of emotion severing. If I hadn't performed the emotion severing, it would have become tough for me to make any progress, even if I gave in to him later."

"Bah, emotion severing, severing those damn emotions, you had a good man right in front of you, and you still felt afraid that you wouldn't find a better cultivation method than that?" Xu Binglan cursed a few times under her breath and spoke with a gloomy voice.

Xu Yingdei mumbled in her heart 'wasn't this cultivation left behind by you?' But how could she dare to talk back?

Xu Binglan remained angry for a long time before she suddenly said, "Little Dei, maybe you can go and rekindle things with him, maybe he will....."

Xu Yingdei didn't wait for Xu Binglan to finish and immediately shook her head, "It's impossible. I know a little about him, he eats soft food but refuses hard food[1]. It would be even more impossible with a woman who betrayed him. If I hadn't protected him with my life a few times in that place, then even if I took off my clothes right in front of him, he wouldn't show even the slightest of temptation or care."

Xu Binglan grabbed Xu Yingdei's hand and eagerly said, "It doesn't matter, I will teach you some skills that will make his little man not want to stop. You saw how proud and arrogant Striking Order is, yet didn't I put him under me? If not for that, he definitely would have killed me today."

Xu Yingdei just shook her head and didn't speak. Instead, she suddenly found a renewed hate for Yin Kongchan. If it weren't for Yin Kongchan, she would have been Ning Cheng's woman right now.

Seeing Xu Yingdei not speaking, Xu Binglan spoke with an almost feverish tone, "Maybe I should go take the lead first. I don't believe that he would remain indifferent under my means....."

"Ah...." Xu Yingdei looked at Xu Binglan in shock. She couldn't believe what Xu Binglan just said. She was the founder of Severing Emotions Dao Sect; did she truly have no shame?

Seeing Xu Binglan about to say something, Xu Yingdei resolutely shook her head. If she let Xu Binglan continue, she might just come up with even more outrageous ideas. "I would rather die. I won't do it."

Seeing Xu Yingdei's firm refusal, the frantic look in Xu Binglan's eyes disappeared, and she gave a sigh, "In that case, we need to leave this place. If we continue to stay in Striking Order Starland, it truly will become a dead-end for us. Striking Order Heavenly Emperor is a ruthless person. The only reason he didn't kill me right away is that he still has some affection towards me. In the future, he might actually decide to kill us to please that person surnamed Ning. Only when our cultivation reaches the Eternal Realm can we return and talk about revenge."

Xu Yingdei looked in the direction Ning Cheng left and murmured after a long time, "Let's leave."

She understood what Xu Binglan wanted to say. If the two did not leave immediately, they would definitely face death in the future. For people like Striking Order Heavenly Emperor, killing people like the two of them was as easy as killing an ant.

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Striking Order Heavenly Emperor had a simple accommodation compared to Levelled Heart Emperor Mountain. He poured a cup of spiritual tea for Ning Cheng and spoke apologetically, "Brother Ning, I have some ties to Xu Binglan. She's probably worried that I would find her to settle accounts later, forcing her to leave immediately; I don't think she will come back, alas....."

After finishing his words, Striking Order Heavenly Emperor gave another sigh before continuing, "Brother Ning, please give me some face. The next time you meet her, please spare her for my sake."

Ning Cheng felt a little surprised in his heart, when did Striking Order Heavenly Emperor become so emotional? For an individual in an immoral relationship[2], was it really worth that much to plead with others for it? Striking Order Heavenly Emperor was a decisive person and usually took care not to talk

about his private affairs. What's more, didn't Striking Order protect Xu Binglan once already, despite the two being in an improper relationship? Yet, he pleaded for her again, was that woman this important to him?

Moreover, Xu Binglan clearly had no choice but to leave, yet he didn't even stop her.

"Looks like Brother Striking Order is a man who holds great love in his heart. Actually, I don't have that big of a feud with her. But since Brother Striking Order said that, I will not pay attention to it." Ning Cheng said with a slight smile. With such a request from Striking Order Heavenly Emperor, if he said no to it, then it would be equivalent to slapping his face. In fact, because of the pleadings from Striking Order, him impression about Striking Order actually improved by quite a bit.

"Many thanks, Brother Ning." Striking Order deliberately cupped his fists towards Ning Cheng.

However, Ning Cheng suddenly realised something. Striking Order Heavenly Emperor had most likely tried to investigate him, learned something about his character, and then said those words on purpose.

Striking Order and Xu Binglan definitely had a thing going on with each other on the side. But if he had abandoned Xu Binglan for the sake of their friendship, it wouldn't have made much of a favourable impression with Ning Cheng. On the contrary, it would have made him feel that Striking Order was not a person worthy of deep friendship, but just a person who only cared about his interests.

Striking Order struck Xu Binglan in front of him a few moments ago and now pleaded for Xu Binglan to him, all to make him look at Striking Order differently. People like these truly had a calculating mind.

After understanding this, Ning Cheng simply showed a smile and said, "These are just trivial matters, I came here for something else. One was to visit Brother Striking Order, and the other is to invite Brother Striking Order to the Ancient Shadow Temple."

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Chapter 734: A Blind Dog

Striking Order sighed and said, "Brother Ning, I've been trying to contact you for the past few days. Gua Sangan invited more than a dozen Eternal experts, including seven or eight Starry Sky Emperors to Mysterious Yellow Celestial River. Among them, there are not only Chuan Xinlou and Yi Jiufeng, but also Demon Domain's Zhangkang Tianji and Devil Domain's Qian Jierui."

Ning Cheng suddenly stood up, and his expressions turned hard to look at. He didn't expect that just after establishing and leaving Mysterious Yellow Celestial River, this Gua Sangan would actually make such waves.

No, Gua Sangan would never dare to do this by himself; Ning Cheng instantly understood the problem. Chuan Xinlou definitely was the one pulling strings behind Gua Sangan; otherwise, how could Gua Sangan dare to do this?

"Because Brother Ning stated that Mysterious Yellow Celestial River stands alone and not subject to the laws of Grand Culmination Starry Sky, I couldn't say anything to stop them. I'm afraid it's Chuan Xinlou pulling strings behind all of this. Chuan Xinlou most likely is targeting you. Otherwise, he would never invite Qian Jierui and Zhangkang Tianji." Striking Order could perceive Ning Cheng's anxiety. Although he

had an alliance with Ning Cheng, he truly couldn't help Ning Cheng in this matter, unless he decided to declare an open war against everyone, especially against his 'boss'.

"Brother Striking Order, I'm returning to Mysterious Yellow Celestial River immediately." Ning Cheng quickly sobered up. With a dozen or so Eternal experts in his Mysterious Yellow Celestial River, he can't remain at ease for even a single moment.

Striking Order also stood up, "I'm coming with you. Brother Ning, don't worry, as long as you and I remain alive for even a day more, those people would not dare do anything excessive in your Mysterious Yellow Celestial River. Moreover, I already explained things to Brother Tang and asked Brother Tang to inform me immediately if anything happens."

Ning Cheng spoke up with an ice-cold tone, "If they dare to move even a tree or a blade of grass from my Mysterious Yellow Celestial River, then they better not blame me for cutting off their roots. I, Ning Cheng, will do it."

Hearing Ning Cheng's words, Striking Order Heavenly Emperor felt an inexplicable chill pass through his heart for no reason at all. Internally, he decided never to offend Ning Cheng. If he crossed someone like Ning Cheng, he would have to make sure to kill him; otherwise, it would only bring endless suffering.

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Jiangzhou Star. Covered Snow City's City Master Mansion. Cang Caihe sat with a group of Eternal experts in a guest hall talking about the Dao of Alchemy and appeared to be in high spirits. As for the Covered Snow City's Deputy City Master Helian, the one currently responsible for the city, he knew that he wasn't even qualified to enter such an event.

"Sect Master Cang, we've been talking about the boring Dao of Alchemy for quite a few days now. None of us is a Pill Emperor, and it's truly boring for us to sit here and talk about nothing other than the Dao of Alchemy." A middle-aged man with a folding fan in his hand, who looked very elegant, spoke up with a strange accent.

"Yes, Brother Fu is right. Although Sect Master Cang is the foremost Pill Emperor, if we continue to talk about the Dao of Alchemy, we really wouldn't understand much of it. How about letting those who don't understand the Dao of Alchemy retire from this place. When Sect Master Ning comes back, we can then go together to explore the Ancient Shadow Temple." Another one spoke up.

Cang Caihe replied with a flat tone, "Sect Master Ning is currently not here, and I don't know where to put you all for now. I can only ask Brother Fu and Brother Guo to bear it."

Ning Cheng was currently not in Covered Snow City, so Cang Caihe was the only person here who could handle these people. He knew that he couldn't let these experts go out of sight even for a moment. Otherwise, if something untoward happened, he would truly feel sorry for the substantial trust Ning Cheng placed in him.

That cultivator surnamed Guo was just about to say something, when everyone heard a chilling voice, "If you can't listen anymore, then get the fuck out of this place. Don't chirp around like an insect on this Emperor's turf."

The expression of that cultivator surnamed Guo changed immediately. He was about to stand up and retort when Gua Sangan, sitting beside him, quickly pulled him back. Gua Sangan knew that Ning Cheng had returned.

"Sect Master." Cang Caihe stood up with a delighted expression. In all honesty, managing more than a dozen Eternal experts, including the four grand starry sky emperors, definitely put a lot of stress on him. Now that Ning Cheng has returned, he finally felt relieved.

"Haha, Brother Ning, I didn't expect you to return so soon." Heavenly Emperor Wu Hong laughed in delight before standing up and speaking to Ning Cheng with cupped fists.

Then, one by one, everyone in the room stood up and greeted Ning Cheng. After all, this was Ning Cheng's territory, and they all wanted to make a fortune from this place.

"You're Sect Master Ning Cheng?" An old man with a dark face asked Ning Cheng.

Ning Cheng knew at a glance that this was an expert on the same level of Chuan Xinlou. Moreover, he had seen this person before.

Cang Caihe quickly stepped forward and introduced him to Ning Cheng, "This is Heavenly Emperor Qian Jierui, the Starry Sky Emperor of Devil Domain, who came here on the invitation of Endless Void Dock's Gua Sangan."

Could someone like Gua Sangan really invite Qian Jierui? Ning Cheng sneered. Besides my Covered Snow City's Ancient Shadow Temple, what else could Gua Sangan use as a lure? But now was not the time to attack. Since Gua Sangan came here looking for death, let him stay here permanently.

"Ning Cheng greets Brother Qian. For Heavenly Emperor Jierui to come to my Covered Snow City, it is the honour of my Mysterious Yellow Sect." Ning Cheng spoke with a smile on his face.

Qian Jierui hesitated for a moment. He had heard that Ning Cheng was a young and aggressive fellow and that he had no regard for anyone. Moreover, as soon as Ning Cheng came in, he had dismissed Gua Sangan directly. It made him almost think that the rumours were true and would have definitely stepped forward to teach Ning Cheng a lesson if Ning Cheng ever directed his mouth at him. However, he didn't expect that Ning Cheng would actually talk to him in such a polite manner.

Cang Caihe naturally didn't want Ning Cheng and Heavenly Emperor Jierui to get into a conflict with each other, and quickly pointed to a strong, bare-chested man and introduced, "This is Heavenly Emperor Zhangkang Tianji"

Although Zhangkang Tianji looked like a savage, he was actually much more polite to Ning Cheng compared to Qian Jierui.

With Cang Caihe introducing everyone one by one, Ning Cheng finally familiarised himself with the identities of these people.

The ordinary-looking middle-aged man sitting next to Chuan Xinlou had the name Yang Yu, at the middle-level of Eternal Realm, and one of Chuan Xinlou's men. The one sitting next to Yi Jiufeng was a very handsome looking male cultivator. Not only was he handsome, but he was also tall, with the name Shi Jinyu, at the early stage Eternal Realm. His face had some points of similarity with Yi Jiufeng.

The middle stage Eternal expert sitting next to the black-robed Qian Jierui had the name Shi Haoyan, and most likely a cultivator from Devil Domain. In addition to those two, there was also Fu Yingkui, the middle-aged man who called Cang Caihe's Dao of Alchemy boring. Carrying a folding fan in his hand, he was the Starry Sky Emperor of Silver Feather Starry Sky and was at the middle-stage Eternal Realm. Mu Hao, the one without expressions on his face, almost looking like a corpse, was the Starry Sky Emperor from Heaven Seizing Starry Sky, at the late stage Eternal Realm.

Xun Zhihe, the Starry Sky Emperor of Water Immortal[1] Starry Sky, was at the late-stage Eternal Realm. This woman had a smile on her face and seemed very kind. Although not as pretty as Yi Jiufeng, her lengthy hair made her stand out.

As for Heavenly Emperor Wu Hong of Bright Heaven Starry Sky, Heavenly Emperor Shen Mao of Snagging Ascendance Starry Sky, Weapon Emperor Jinming Qianbo, and Tang Yitang, they already knew Ning Cheng.

As for Gua Sangan of Endless Void Docks and that early-stage Eternal Realm cultivator sitting next to Gua Sangan, Cang Caihe didn't introduce them at all. This made Ning Cheng feel very appreciative of Cang Caihe. Obviously, Cang Caihe heard him tell that Eternal cultivator surnamed Guo to get the fuck out, which was tantamount to completely offending him; as such, there was no need to even bother with trying to mend the relationship between them.

Ning Cheng faced everyone and cupped his fists before speaking, "Today, this Ning invites you all to the Covered Snow City for the Ancient Shadow Temple. Many thanks to all Heavenly Emperors here for giving me some face and accepting the invitation to come to my Jiangzhou Star."

"Sect Master Ning, I think you might be mistaken here. We came here because of the invitation from the Endless Void Docks. It doesn't seem to have much of a connection to you, does it?" The Eternal Realm cultivator sitting next to Gua Sangan stood up once again and spoke with an upset tone.

"Are you a spring onion?" Ning Cheng looked at the early-stage Eternal Realm cultivator and asked in doubt.

The cultivator sneered, "I'm Emperor Guo Jingtian, this emperor had sent out each invitation personally. As an Eternal expert, it seems like you like to run your mouth off quite frequently."

"Is the Ancient Shadow Temple at the Endless Void Docks?" Ning Cheng asked another question with a frown.

Guo Jingtian spoke up with disdain, "The Ancient Shadow Temple is in your Covered Snow City, so what? This ancient relic....."

Ning Cheng didn't wait for Guo Jingtian to finish speaking, and without hesitation, he immediately interrupted him, "So you do know that the Ancient Shadow Temple is within my Jiangzhou Star's Covered Snow city, right? So what about the ancient relic? Don't tell me that your Endless Void Docks doesn't have any ancient relics? If so, would you make that ancient relic available for everyone to grab?"

"If not, then shut that beak of yours. My Covered Snow City's Ancient Shadow Temple doesn't have a shred of relationship with your Endless Void Docks. You're not this emperor's dog, so what gave you the right to help this emperor invite people here? This emperor did invite guests but did not invite anyone

from your Endless Void Docks. So, let me ask you, what are you doing here? You better get the fuck out of this place; my Jiangzhou Star doesn't welcome the likes of you."

Chuan Xinlou's expressions had also turned ugly to look at. He knew that Ning Cheng calling Guo Jingtian as a 'dog' was an indirect method of calling out to him.

"You're looking for death....." Guo Jingtian's killing intent exploded, and his domain crashed down towards Ning Cheng.

Gua Sangan didn't move. He knew that he couldn't stand out at this time. Only if others came forward to help, only then could he stand up.

But to the disappointment of Guo Jingtian, no one came forward to respond to his sentiments. Although his Endless Void Docks invited these people, they came here not because of the respect they felt towards the Endless Void Docks, but because of the Ancient Shadow Temple. Without the Ancient Shadow Temple, no one would bother to give Endless Void Docks this much face. All of them came for their own benefit. Moreover, if they actually stood up to help his Endless Void Docks, it would also mean that the Endless Void Docks was using them for its own benefit. Invited by the Endless Void Docks and even want to take advantage of it, hehe, Gua Sangan, you thought too highly of yourself.

Ning Cheng didn't care about Guo Jingtian's killing intent, but looked at Cang Caihe and asked, "Sect Master Cang, didn't we send out the invitations long ago?"

Cang Caihe was a veteran rogue cultivator of the starry skies, so he instantly understood what Ning Cheng wanted to do after listening to his words. Why would Ning Cheng, in his right mind, invite people to the Ancient Shadow Temple? Understanding that Ning Cheng was just using this as a pretext to establish prestige, he quickly spoke up, "That's right, we had already sent out all our invitations. I'm afraid that someone might have robbed our invitations on their way, as the person who we sent it out with never send back a message."

Ning Cheng then coldly looked at Guo Jingtian, "From the looks of it, you already knew about all the guests that I invited, which means you killed the messenger I sent out the invitations with, and then sent out invitation under your Endless Void Docks' name. Isn't that right? You not only harmed my men but also bared your killing intent against me; did you really think that someone like you could bully my Mysterious Yellow Celestial River? Did you think that you could bully my Mysterious Yellow Sect and me, Ning Cheng? If so, then you really are a blind dog....."

Ning Cheng didn't finish his words when his Celestial River Domain erupted with a violent explosion while punching out at the same time. If he didn't stand up today, then no one would look at his Mysterious Yellow Sect with any respect. Besides, he also couldn't bear the tone of this person's voice.

This was Ning Cheng's nearly full-powered attack, and he didn't hold back at all.

"Kaka....." The moment the two domains collided, Guo Jingtian's domain instantly shattered.

Guo Jingtian felt truly murderous in his heart and believed that Ning Cheng wouldn't dare to attack him, which was the reason why he acted in such an unbridled manner. Unexpectedly, Ning Cheng seemed to have enough courage that could blot out the skies. Not only did he not hesitate to attack him, he even used such a powerful move.

Sensing that, he immediately brought out a weapon. However, he suddenly felt everything stagnating around him; not to mention time, even the space around him seemed to have stopped flowing.

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Chapter 735: Let's Start With Hate

A beautiful red setting sun appeared in front Guo Jingtian, making him reluctant to destroy it with the weapon in hand. No, it wasn't that he couldn't bear to do it, but the overwhelming sadness emanating from the setting sun had caused him to stop moving. It felt like he saw the dusk of his life.

Time Law Spirit Technique......

Guo Jingtian felt horrified. Feeling death creeping up, he frantically started burning his essence blood and longevity.

"Poof....." A large-scale blood mist erupted, but Guo Jingtian managed to twist his body forcibly just before Ning Cheng's Nirvana Spear struck his chest. But despite using such methods, Ning Cheng's Nirvana Spear still managed to smash one of his arms into a bloody mist.

Guo Jingtian madly retreated, and at the same time, raised his other hand to take out several medicinal pills before swallowing them. In just a few breaths, the arm that had turned into a blood mist reformed. But the newly reformed limb gave off a weak aura, much more fragile compared to the previous one.

After the arm took shape, he looked at Ning Cheng in shock. He understood that it was not a real technique relating to the Laws of Time, but that single spear technique had reached infinitesimally close to the actual Laws of Time. If it were a technique with real Laws of Time, then Ning Cheng's spear would have definitely killed him in an instant.

Ning Cheng coldly looked at Guo Jingtian, while his killing intent quietly fused with the spear in hand.

In truth, he didn't use his full strength just now. He used the same Sunset's Twilight he used in the past, without the real Laws of Time.

When he came out of the Time Wilderness for the second time, he had already realised the real Laws of Time. At the very least, he now controlled a corner of the Laws of Time. But he intentionally hid his actual ability. Although he could have easily killed Guo Jingtian using the real Laws of Time and his spear, it would have also revealed one of his ace cards. Besides, this Guo Jingtian was only a trivial ant.

For Ning Cheng right now, if he could kill his opponent, then he would kill them, if he can't kill them, then so be it. He wouldn't publically use the Laws of Time to execute Guo Jingtian.

All the Eternal-level experts in the guest hall felt shocked by the power of Ning Cheng's spear. What would happen if they were to face such a spear? Fortunately, Ning Cheng didn't understand the real Laws of Time. As such, that spear was just a little more than a bluff.

A flash of horror passed through Chuan Xinlou's eyes. He also understood that Ning Cheng's spear technique was not truly a technique that used Laws of Time. At best, it was a technique that compressed time infinitesimally, which caused an illusion of stopping time. This kid cannot stay alive; since he already can squeeze time, it means this bastard is infinitely close to the Laws of Time, and would

undoubtedly realise the actual Laws of Time in the future. Once Ning Cheng understood the real Laws of Time, even Chuan Xinlou might not be an opponent for Ning Cheng.

"Old bastard, daring to be arrogant in my territory, let's see if you can actually take another of this emperor's spear." Ning Cheng's domain exploded outwards. He felt confident of killing Guo Jingtian this time as long as no one else stepped in, and he wouldn't need to use his trump cards.

Guo Jingtian, who had already burned a lot of his longevity and essence blood, looked like a dying old man. He looked pale and could feel Ning Cheng's domain completely suppressing his domain. This caused his eyes to fill up with fear and horror.

Gua Sangan's expressions turned ugly. If Chuan Xinlou didn't stand up now, he would have to stand up. He could not let an Eternal-level expert from his Endless Void Docks die at Ning Cheng's hands. Fortunately, although Ning Cheng had tremendous strength, he wasn't as strong as he appeared.

"Alright." Chuan Xinlou finally stood up, "Dao Friend Guo, you shouldn't have spoken rudely in Sect Master Ning's house. Since Sect Master Ning has already taught you a lesson, let's put it to rest. Since we're all here today, let's talk about exploring the Ancient Shadow Temple."

Ning Cheng showed a slight smile and put away his Nirvana Spear, "Since Levelled Heart Heavenly Emperor has said so I'll let this trash go. But if he dares to even open his mouth the next time, I will not remain polite about it."

Although Ning Cheng showed a smile on the surface, his heart had nothing but killing intent. This Chuan Xinlou truly had no good intentions; unfortunately, he didn't have the required strength to deal with Chuan Xinlou. If he continued to force this matter, it would mean completely tearing off all face with Chuan Xinlou.

But he also regretted it a little. Although not at full strength, he could have killed Guo Jingtian with another spear strike without using any real Laws of Time.

At this point, Ning Cheng didn't tell Guo Jingtian to get lost. If he said Guo Jingtian to get lost, and he truly went away, how would he scheme against this fellow inside the Ancient Shadow Temple?

Although it's never late for a man to take revenge ten years later, for Ning Cheng, even one extra day felt too much. He didn't care about being such a person; he decided to take his revenge by the end of the day.

"Sect Master Ning's Laws of Time look truly amazing." Silver Feather Starry Sky Emperor Fu Yingkui spoke with a smile, while also opening the folding fan in his hand.

However, everyone could see the sarcasm at the corner of his mouth.

Initially, Fu Yingkui felt truly scared by the strength displayed by Ning Cheng when he first stepped in. But after Ning Cheng made that move, he realised that the spear technique did not contain the real Laws of Time. Therefore, even if Ning Cheng's power exceeded him, it still had a limit. As such, there was no need for him to be so afraid of Ning Cheng.

Ning Cheng's expressions remained calm, and he didn't respond to Fu Yingkui's words at all. He intentionally concealed the real Laws of Time in his spirit technique, not to deal with a little ant-like Fu Yingkui, but to deal with Chun Xinlou later.

Zhangkang Tianji turned towards Fu Yingkui and said, "Stop blabbering words and waste everyone's time. We came here to enter the Ancient Shadow Temple. Since the Ancient Shadow Temple appeared in Sect Master Ning's territory and also sealed away by Sect Master Ning after he went in once, let's talk about it."

Ning Cheng ignored Fu Yingkui but remained very polite with Zhangkang Tianji, "Heaven Crossing[1] Heavenly Emperor, I can open the Ancient Shadow Temple at any time, but there is a unique kind of poison mist inside, so everyone should be careful about it. We can go in now if you want."

"That's the best. I don't like to procrastinate." Zhangkang Tianji gave a straightforward reply.

Ning Cheng then turned and smiled towards Chuan Xinlou before cupping his fists and said, "Levelled Heart Heavenly Emperor, I want to ask you something first."

Chuan Xinlou replied with a calm voice, "If Sect Master Ning has something to ask, and as long as I know about it, I will naturally answer it to the best of my abilities."

"I heard that a patch of Breath Soil had appeared in Culmination Starland sometime in the past and that it was Levelled Heart Heavenly Emperor who obtained this patch of Breath Soil. Is this news true? I've always wondered what Breath Soil looks like; can you take it out and help me open my eyes?" Ning Cheng said with a smile.

As soon as Ning Cheng's words ended, everyone immediately shifted their gazes to Chuan Xinlou. Yi Jiufeng had even started panting a little. Her Wind Thunder Apricot Tree was essentially half-dead. If she could obtain even a small patch of Breath Soil, her Wind Thunder Apricot would not only rejuvenate, it might even grow a Thunder Apricot.

Chuan Xinlou felt anger rising in his heart, but he didn't show it on his face. Instead, he said with a slight smile, "Sect Master Ning, I think you might be mistaken about it. It wasn't a patch of Breath Soil but a patch of dirt that once stored Breath Soil. Someone had put it up for auction in Culmination Starland, and I had indeed purchased it, but its value doesn't even match the price I had to pay for it. I placed it in the Levelled Heart Emperor Mountain, but its effect is as not obvious as the legends."

"Oh, if that's the case, then it seems those rumours can't be trusted, eh." Ning Cheng sighed and asked again, "Levelled Heart Heavenly Emperor, since you placed that patch of Breath Soil in your Levelled Heart Emperor Mountain, then you presumably must have found the source of this breath soil, right?"

Chuan Xinlou was turning angrier by the moment. He felt sure that Ning Cheng already knew that it was not Breath Soil, yet this bastard deliberately addressed it repeatedly as Breath Soil.

"I didn't find it. This kind of treasure only forms during the formation of heaven and earth. How could it be easy for people to obtain it by just running around on their feet?" Chuan Xinlou clenched his fists but spoke with a flat tone.

Ning Cheng sighed and spoke with a regretful voice, "I thought that Levelled Heart Heavenly Emperor used that patch of Breath Soil because you found the source. If it were I, I would have never used it

without finding the origins of that patch of Breath Soil. Still, I think Levelled Heart Heavenly Emperor must have carefully pondered over it."

Chuan Xinlou grew so angry that his heart had almost started to bleed. This son-of-a-bitch was pulling hatred from everyone onto him. He only needed to look at the eyes of the Eternal-level Heavenly Emperors around him to figure it out. If it truly were a patch of dirt that once stored Breath Soil, no one would use it before actually finding its origin. If one used it, then there were only two possibilities. One is that this patch of dirt did not store Breath Soil, but was the real Breath Soil. The other was that he already found the origin of the Breath Soil it once contained.

What made Chuan Xinlou almost vomit blood was that Ning Cheng didn't even wait for him to speak at all, and spoke up once again, "Once this matter with the Ancient Shadow Temple concludes, maybe I should go to Culmination Starland to look around? Oh right, the last time I was there, I heard people say that Levelled Heart Heavenly Emperor obtained a fragment of the Good Fortune Indestructible Axe. Would it be possible to at least have a look at it and broaden my horizons?"

"Sect Master Ning, although we came to visit you and your Jiangzhou Star, you should pay a little more attention to your words, you know. A Good Fortune Treasure is not something anyone can obtain. If I say that there is a Good Fortune Treasure with Sect Master Ning, maybe Sect Master Ning will turn unhappy too, right?" Chuan Xinlou spoke with a trace of killing intent in his voice.

Ning Cheng spoke with a surprised tone, "Why would I turn unhappy about it? If I obtained a Good Fortune Treasure, why wouldn't I be happy? If I would be happy about it, why would I be unhappy? Does it mean that Levelled Heart Heavenly Emperor did not obtain the Good Fortune Treasure? Oh right, now that I think about it, shouldn't it be Brother Zhongming[2] who obtained it? When the Good Fortune Treasure appeared in Culmination Starland, I remember Brother Zhongming also being there."

Although Zhongming Qianbo was a Weapon Emperor, it didn't mean anything here. Not to mention that he couldn't measure up to Ning Cheng, he couldn't measure up to quite a few Starry Sky Heavenly Emperors here. Now that Ning Cheng lit the flame over his head, he quickly waved his hands and said, "This has nothing to do with me, nothing to do with me. I didn't steal it...."

As soon as Zhongming Qianbo spoke those words, Ning Cheng knew that he achieved his purpose, and simply nodded and said, "Yeah, now that I think about it, although Brother Zhongming has his strength, this Good Fortune Treasure should still be some distance from Brother Zhongming's capabilities. Ok, let's stop this nonsense now, and hurry to the Ancient Shadow Temple."

Although Ning Cheng blatantly stated that he was not qualified for owning the Good Fortune Indestructible Axe fragment, Zhongming Qianbo did not dare to speak even half a word of nonsense.

Chuan Xinlou's face grew more and more livid with anger. Although Ning Cheng didn't explicitly state it, his roundabout way with words and Zhongming Qianbo's reply already confirmed to everyone that a fragment of Good Fortune Indestructible Axe had indeed appeared in Culmination Starland. What's more, this bastard had directly referred to it as Good Fortune Treasure. Even if the matter settled right away, everyone's focus had already shifted to Chuan Xinlou's head without this bastard saying anything explicitly. In fact, the execution was so intricate that everyone had no choice but to suspect that Chuan Xinlou had a Good Fortune Treasure. If Culmination Starland's Zhongming Qianbo could not qualify to keep it, then who else would be qualified to keep it in Culmination Starland apart from Chuan Xinlou?

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Chapter 736: Joining hands to break into the temple

"Sect Master Cang, you don't need to enter the Ancient Shadow Temple for now. Please stay here and take care of the sect. I'm afraid some thief would take advantage of Jiangzhou Star not having any Heavenly Emperors and steal it from under our noses." Ning Cheng knew that the real Ancient Shadow Temple would contain many dangers. Moreover, once he secretly played everyone against each other, people would definitely be at odds with one another. Therefore, he didn't want Cang Caihe to go in and take risks.

Ning Cheng felt very confident in provoking these people and knew that he cannot let Chuan Xinlou and the other Heavenly Emperors join forces at any cost. Therefore, he definitely would have to unhinge or at least unsettle Chuan Xinlou; otherwise, he wouldn't even know how he died.

In fact, Ning Cheng thought a bit too deeply about this situation. Even if he didn't openly make provocations, Chuan Xinlou would never piss together with Zhangkang Tianji and Qiao Jierui.

"Yes, Sect Master, I will keep Jiangzhou Star and Mysterious Yellow Sect safe." Cang Caihe gave a quick reply.

Ning Cheng only showed a smile before turning around and walking out of the guest hall. He felt too lazy to talk back anymore. Ning Cheng knew about his current limits. Once he advanced to the Eternal Realm without dying, these fellows would have to behave obediently in front of him.

The rest of the cultivators, on seeing Ning Cheng walk away, quickly followed Ning Cheng out of the guest hall.

Chuan Xinlou's anger flared for a short time before he calmed down, and didn't even bother to provide any explanation. He quite admired this fellow named Ning Cheng. If replaced with him in this situation, he would have recused himself. Looks like this fellow's mind had yet to develop to the level of those like Chuan Xinlou.

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After Ning Cheng closed the entrance to the Ancient Shadow Temple, he had enforced a strict control over all entry points to Jiangzhou Star. This restriction, coupled with the lack of people and activity, invariantly caused snow to once again return and cover up the area around the Ancient Shadow Temple's ruins. The excitement from a few months ago seemed to have disappeared and turned cold.

"Sect Master Ning's attainments in the Dao of Arrays seems to have reached a very profound level. Even when standing here, I can only feel a faint presence of some array formations, I can't detect where the array base is." Xun Zhihe, the one with a perpetual smile on her face, suddenly spoke up.

Fu Yingkui immediately spoke up, "That's right if we all enter the Ancient Shadow Temple and Sect Master Ning suddenly blocks the entrance to the Ancient Shadow Temple, hehe....."

Ning Cheng didn't bother with Fu Yingkui at all and raised his hands to send out several array flags. A moment later, a dark entrance appeared in front of everyone.

In fact, not only Ning Cheng, but the other Eternal-level experts also didn't take Fu Yingkui's words seriously. Therefore, as soon as the entrance to the Ancient Shadow Temple appeared, Zhangkang Tianji quickly rushed in. Immediately following him, the other Eternal-level experts also promptly rushed into the Ancient Shadow Temple.

Ning Cheng remained unmoving, watching Fu Yingkui still hesitating on staying outside or not. A few moments later, Ning Cheng gave a cold snort and said, "If you don't want to go in then just get the fuck out of this emperor's Jiangzhou Star. Don't make a fool of yourself by standing here."

"You....." Fu Yingkui heard Ning Cheng's words and immediately felt his anger rising.

Ning Cheng raised his hand and brought out his Nirvana Spear before giving a calm reply, "I'll give you three breaths, either go in or get out of Jiangzhou Star; otherwise....."

Ning Cheng purposefully didn't speak the rest of the words, but Fu Yingkui could clearly feel the murderous intent seeping out from Ning Cheng's Celestial River Domain.

After knowing that Ning Cheng's hadn't grasped the real Laws of Time, Fu Yingkui's assessment of Ning Cheng's strength had dropped by a full level. However, now that everyone had already stepped inside the Ancient Shadow Temple, he would have to face Ning Cheng alone, which formed an inexplicable sense of fear within his heart. For a moment, he truly wanted to leave Jiangzhou Star.

Eventually, self-esteem overcame fear, and he gave a cold grunt before rushing into the Ancient Shadow Temple.

Ning Cheng entered the Ancient Shadow Temple at the end and sealed up the entrance while going in.

When Ning Cheng came in, the group had already gathered in the innermost part of the temple. The things outside the Ancient Shadow Temple were far less attractive to these Eternal-level experts. Moreover, none of these Eternal-level powerhouses wanted to stay at the outer edges; instead, they all chose to rush to the depths.

As for worrying about Ning Cheng's array formations trapping them, they all considered it a joke. Even if Ning Cheng's array formations grew more powerful, it couldn't hold more than a dozen Eternal-level cultivators for a long time.

The poison mist from before had disappeared, so Ning Cheng even did not linger around the periphery. He quickly rushed towards the real entrance of the Ancient Shadow Temple.

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By the time Ning Cheng reached the edge of the Ancient Shadow Temple, the origin point of that poison mist, he finally saw all of the Eternal-level experts once again. However, no one rushed inside. Apparently, everyone could sense that this mist contained some terrifying properties.

This place looked no different from the last time he came in, still covered in poison mist, and one's spiritual consciousness could only extend to a little more than ten feet in range.

"Spiritual Consciousness cannot spread out in this place, and this mist also seems to carry a trace of killing aura, which is quite strange." Fu Yingkui stood behind Gua Sangan and spoke up with a worried tone.

Yi Jiufeng sneered, "If your Spiritual Consciousness cannot spread out, that doesn't mean others' can't spread out."

Ning Cheng glanced at Yi Jiufeng in doubt. Yi Jiufeng seemed to have a close relationship with Chuan Xinlou. So it didn't make much sense for her to mock Chuan Xinlou's underling Fu Yingkui.

"Sect Master Ning, you've been here once. Do you have any good ideas?" After Yi Jiufeng finished satirizing Fu Yingkui, she then asked Ning Cheng with a smile.

Ning Cheng quickly waved his hand and said, "My cultivation is still low, so it's already a blessing that I can stand in this place. How could I come up with a method? I'll let the several Starry Sky Heavenly Emperor's ponder over it. But fret not; I'll be cheering for you with all my heart from the back."

Qiao Jierui snorted, "It's useless to shout and cheer. Since we came here together, we need to work together. If you don't have the skills, then walk away from this place. If you want a share of things inside Ancient Shadow Temple, better work together to get inside or stay outside if you don't think you're eligible."

With that, Qiao Jierui rushed in headfirst.

Ning Cheng thought that Zhangkang Tianji of the Demon Domain would be the first to rush in; he didn't expect Qiao Jierui to take the lead here.

After Qiao Jierui rushed in, the rest of the Eternal cultivators naturally would not prefer to show weakness. Since they came here, no one wanted to give up obtaining treasures.

After entering the poison mist, one could easily distinguish the cultivations of each person passing through the fog. Among the people rushing through, except for the four grand starry sky's Starry Sky Emperors, everyone else had to use different weapons to protect himself or herself.

Chuan Xinlou, Qiao Jierui, Zhangkang Tianji, and Yi Jiufeng didn't bring out any defensive weapons. But when the mist touched them, it did not affect them at all.

As for those with worse cultivation, especially Guo Jingtian who 'earned' a lesson from Ning Cheng, he not only brought out a weapon but also donned a set of defensive armour over his body.

Ning Cheng followed them closely. He was already a body-forging powerhouse with a Starry Sky Body, which meant that he naturally didn't need to bring out any weapons. However, Ning Cheng still brought out a defensive shield for the act. He could also tell that Chuan Xinlou and Zhangkang Tianji were both body-forging experts, which meant that they also didn't need to fear this poison mist. As for Yi Jiufeng and Qiao Jierui, they should have cultivated in a particularly powerful defensive cultivation method.

Seeing Ning Cheng bring out a defensive shield, Gua Sangan felt an inexplicable sense of relief.

After the crowd entered the mist, all of them eventually reached the gate with the words 'Ancient Shadow Temple'. Bursts of whining-like sounds came from behind the gate, which sounded weird. But in this place, the early stage of the Eternal Realm was the worst cultivation level. As such, no one felt any fear about the whining-like noises coming from behind the gate.

"Sure enough, this is the real Ancient Shadow Temple." Qiao Jierui's eyes glowed with heat. "Let's attack this gate together. With more than a dozen Eternals attacking together, this gate shouldn't last for long."

"I agree. We'll attack it directly. I will start first." Zhangkang Tianji immediately stepped up. A moment later, the others also quickly agreed on attacking together.

But then Ning Cheng suddenly spoke up, "I also agree with all the Dao Friends here attacking together. However, before we commence with the attacks, I hope that the Dao Friends here would allow me to place a Shielding Array Formation in this place. No one knows what's inside this Ancient Shadow Temple. In case something terrible comes out, everyone can just pat his or her asses and leave. It's my Jiangzhou Star outside, and I'm responsible for the countless lives of my Jiangzhou Star."

"Humph, just a group of ants. If they die, then they die, don't need to waste so many words on them." Qiao Jierui gave a cold snort. He felt too lazy to pay any attention to Ning Cheng, especially since it had nothing to do with his interests. Right now, it was paramount for them to enter the Ancient Shadow Temple. So when Ning Cheng spoke about wasting time to lay out an array formation for some ants, it naturally made him unhappy.

Ning Cheng's tone suddenly turned cold, "Qiao Jierui, you might have the right to say that, but if anything on the inside caused the destruction of my Jiangzhou Star, I would make sure to go to the Grand Devil Domain Starry Sky and refine every single planet one after another, and use them as ordinary stones for my back garden."

"You dare....." Qiao Jierui felt anger rising within him. He didn't pay much attention to Ning Cheng before because Ning Cheng didn't provoke him, Qiao Jierui, head-on. Did he think that he was the same as that underling Guo Jingtian? This was simply courting death.

Ning Cheng didn't fear Qiao Jierui's power at all and spoke with an even colder voice, "So all life on my Jiangzhou Star are ants, and all life in your Devil Domain is noble, is that right? Qiao Jierui, do you really think that I wouldn't dare."

Qiao Jierui suddenly shuddered when he sensed that his domain couldn't even dent, let alone tear apart, Ning Cheng's domain. He never expected that apart from the three Heavenly Emperors, other people could compete with him when it came to domains. If such a person couldn't be killed swiftly and in one go, it would truly bring forth a disaster.

Yi Jiufeng smiled and came forward before saying, "Sect Master Ning doesn't need much time to arrange an array formation. We can at least wait till he finishes."

Qiao Jierui didn't speak anymore. After his domain clashed with Ning Cheng, he felt unwilling to butt heads with Ning Cheng right now. No one here thought that Qiao Jierui acquiesced to Yi Jiufeng's words; rather, everyone understood that Qiao Jierui sensed something in Ning Cheng that made him stop. Seeing this, Chuan Xinlou showed a slight frown. Did Ning Cheng really have the power to let Qiao Jierui feel fear?

In any case, Yi Jiufeng said at least one thing correct. Ning Cheng managed to arrange the array formation quickly. In only half an hour, Ning Cheng placed a Shielding Array Formation outside the Ancient Shadow Temple's gate. Although this array formation would also block cultivators from coming

out, no one particularly cared about it. Everyone here was an Eternal Realm powerhouse, so why would fear a Rank 8 Sealing Array Formation arranged by Ning Cheng?

"Now that the array formation is laid out let's start the attack." Zhangkang Tianji finished. Without waiting for others to start, he brought out an iron rod. As he lifted it over his head, the iron rod instantly turned into a huge cylinder.

The cylinder then violently slammed down on the Ancient Shadow Temple's gate, causing a dull rumble to erupt. Although it was just a single strike, everyone could feel the ground beneath his or her feet vibrating.

The Gate Of Good Fortune

Chapter 737: Fighting Chuan Xinlou

With Zhangkang Tianji taking the lead, the rest did not stay idle and brought out their weapons to attack.

All the Eternal-level experts attacked the gate of the Ancient Shadow Temple at the same time. Just as Qiao Jierui guessed, the entrance of the Ancient Shadow Temple started to tremble after a few rounds, as if it would blow open the next moment.

"Katcha...." Another round of attacks struck the gate, and the Ancient Shadow Temple's gate finally opened a crack. The moment this small crack opened, a wave of gloomy winds started spreading outwards.

The gate to the Ancient Shadow Temple was just a tightly shut small gate, but the dozen Eternal-level experts attacking it at once created a mighty force that managed to crack it open. Ning Cheng, however, didn't even come forward at all, let alone attack.

But when the gate cracked open, spewing this barely discernible wave of gloomy winds, Ning Cheng suddenly felt something wrong and quickly retreated.

Cultivating to the Eternal Realm, all the cultivators here had a very highly polished sixth sense for danger. Therefore, not only Ning Cheng but the rest of the people here also sensed danger from this gloomy wind.

Just when everyone stopped attacking and were about to retreat, the Ancient Shadow Temple's gate suddenly burst open.

A violent, almost berserk, wave of gloomy winds rushed out, which forced the four premier Heavenly Emperors to bring out weapons and defend against it. From this, Ning Cheng noticed that Chuan Xinlou's defensive weapon was a pagoda, while Qiao Jierui's defensive weapon was a devilish gong.

No one expected that after this wave of violent yet gloomy wind would suddenly change its flow after rushing out, instead of clashing directly with everyone's weapons. After the initial explosion, the outward force had suddenly reversed into a powerful suction force.

Under such an unexpected and powerful reversal, ordinary cultivators would have turned into slag even before they could get the chance to react. However, among the dozen Eternal-level cultivators here, only Guo Jingtian, who Ning Cheng had severely injured previously, could not resist this suction force.

The sudden reversal caught him off guard and sucked him through the Ancient Shadow Temple's gate. He kept screaming before disappearing without a trace.

Fu Yingkui was at the middle level of the Eternal Realm, and could clearly see Guo Jingtian's expressions as he disappeared. Seeing that, his courage and wits instantly shattered, and he immediately used every bit of ability to retreat.

Maybe because he put every bit of effort into retreating, he unknowingly ended up running towards Ning Cheng. Since Ning Cheng purposefully kept an eye out for opportunities to take care of this unpleasant fellow, he lifted his feet without hesitation and immediately kicked him away the moment he came near him.

Fu Yingkui clearly felt Ning Cheng's foot aimed at him, but couldn't avoid it at all. His domain had shattered instantly like a thin sheet of ice in front of Ning Cheng's kick.

"Bang!" Ning Cheng kick connected with Fu Yingkui's back. Combined with the powerful suction force, Fu Yingkui flew towards the Ancient Shadow Temple's open gate like a kite with a broken string flying into a storm.

Fu Yingkui felt horrified. Only now did he seemed to have understood Ning Cheng's sinister plan. In just a single moment, Ning Cheng shattered his domain, making it impossible to put up any sort of resistance against this gloomy wind.

Just as Fu Yingkui was about to enter the Ancient Shadow Temple's door, Chuan Xinlou's pagoda suddenly slammed down, acting as a wall to stop Fu Yingkui.

Cold sweat drenched Fu Yingkui's back. But feeling the control over his celestial essence and spiritual consciousness returning, he sighed and bowed to Chuan Xinlou, "Many thanks for Heavenly Emperor's help."

Chuan Xinlou nodded to Fu Yingkui before turning his gaze towards Ning Cheng, "Sect Master Ning, what's the meaning of this? Everyone here agreed to join forces to enter the Ancient Shadow temple. Or do you like to kick people in their backs?"

Most people here had already noticed Ning Cheng's kick. Therefore, when Chuan Xinlou rescued Fu Yingkui and questioned Ning Cheng, everyone immediately shifted their focus to Ning Cheng and wondered how Ning Cheng would explain it.

Ning Cheng simply spoke up with a calm voice, "Levelled Heart Heavenly Emperor, you can eat whatever you want, but you can't just say anything you like. What about kicking people in the back? At that time, who didn't want to protect themselves? Was I supposed to remain unprotected? Moreover, Fu Yingkui ran straight into me, how could I know that he didn't purposefully run towards me with nefarious intentions? Is it wrong for me to defend myself? If I wanted to deal with this Fu Yingkui, hehe, I would only need to use one move. Why would I need to kick him openly and in front of everyone?"

"Could it be that Levelled Heart Heavenly Emperor thinks that I should have just stood still, even if someone wants to plot against me? Should I have just let him strike me? Chuan Xinlou, did you think that this emperor owes you something? Or did you forget that this emperor let you search for treasures in my Jiangzhou Star's Ancient Shadow Temple? Or did you think that you could go around trying to

embarrass this emperor everywhere just because you're powerful? Despite having a Good Fortune Treasure, did I ask you for it? Or did you think you were channelling the energy of a pimp[1]? If you don't want to stay here then just get the fuck out of this place for this emperor. This emperor doesn't welcome such a shameless bastard."

If one considered the first half of Ning Cheng's words as 'polite', then the second half was simply a direct reprimand.

Chuan Xinlou's face turned livid with rage, while murderous aura overflowed from his body. At the same time, his pagoda also started giving out hissing-like sounds.

Everyone could tell that Chuan Xinlou and Ning Cheng were about to duke it out; as such, no one wanted to come forward and stop them. Striking Order Heavenly Emperor wanted to help as he had allied himself with Ning Cheng, but he could not openly help Ning Cheng deal with his own boss. Qiao Jierui, however, looked forward to Chuan Xinlou and Ning Cheng exhausting each other to death in this fight. As for, Yi Jiufeng, she pretended not to know the reason for this fight and didn't even speak about it.

"Looking for death, daring to be rude to this Heavenly Emperor." The ordinary-looking middle-stage Eternal-level expert standing next to Chuan Xinlou took a step forward and snapped.

After Guo Jingtian's 'death', Gua Sangan's sullen expression never recovered. Now that he 'saw' Ning Cheng's death, he actively took the initiative to fight alongside Chuan Xinlou. He also took a step forward and spoke with a sneer, "Ning, I've long been tired of seeing you, but you picked the wrong Heavenly Emperor....."

In just a blink of an eye, it became three to one.

Zhangkang Tianji showed a smile and immediately interrupted, "Looks like you really don't care about your face. Fighting one against three, Brother Levelled Heart, I have to admire you for it."

Chuan Xinlou's expressions turned ugly at this comment. Moreover, although he had saved Fu Yingkui's life, Ning Cheng had already scared this bastard to the point that he couldn't even stand up to defend himself despite the overwhelming advantage. He truly had turned into a coward.

It indeed was the truth; Ning Cheng's way of dealing with things had truly frightened Fu Yingkui. Only he and Guo Jingtian had clashed openly with Ning Cheng. But Guo Jingtian died even before entering the Ancient Shadow Temple, while Ning Cheng almost successfully managed to kill him a moment ago. If not for Chuan Xinlou's help, he would have definitely perished before stepping into the Ancient Shadow Temple.

Besides, it was not as if he was the one with the lowest cultivation in this place. Tang Yitang was only at the early stage of the Eternal Realm. Even Jinming Qianbo had lower cultivation compared to him. So why was he the one with a target on the back?

He had already started doubting his stance with Ning Cheng. Should he really go against Ning Cheng? As these thoughts went through his head, he didn't even dare to look at Ning Cheng anymore, let alone find trouble with him.

Yi Jiufeng could tell that Chuan Xinlou didn't want to kill Ning Cheng in this place and simply spoke up as if it was an everyday occurrence, "Everyone, let's not quarrel with each other like kids. That gloomy wind from the inside of Ancient Shadow Temple has already disappeared. We can go in and have a look now."

Sure enough, everyone found that the gloomy wind that had emerged from the Ancient Shadow Temple had already disappeared. Instead, a dark channel appeared in front of them. Moreover, no one could find any trace of Guo Jingtian in or around this dark channel.

Seeing that no one took the initiative to go in, Zhangkang Tianji gave a snort, "Since you all don't have the balls to go in, I'll be going in first."

Saying that Zhangkang Tianji actually took the initiative to enter the Ancient Shadow Temple. But just as Zhangkang Tianji stepped onto the dark channel, it created an empty echo that made people feel like hairs were slowly pricking into their hearts.

With Zhangkang Tianji taking the lead, the rest of them naturally felt embarrassed to stay outside, and quickly stepped onto the dark channel. Zhangkang Tianji's footsteps had only created an empty echo that seemed to infiltrate into one's heart, but this feeling grew several-fold the moment others stepped onto the dark channel at the same time. It felt as if their hearts would collapse at any time.

Ning Cheng was still the last to enter, but he did so only after arranging several Sealing Arrays at the entrance of the Ancient Shadow Temple. Although everyone knew about Ning Cheng's action, no one felt willing enough to stand up to stop him.

Since Ning Cheng didn't even bother giving some face to Chuan Xinlou, everyone could imagine that whoever stood in the way, would receive the same treatment. Moreover, instead of stopping Ning Cheng, they would only be offending Ning Cheng.

The dark passageway was not a long one, and in just a few moments, everyone reached a pentagonal-shaped hall.

This pentagonal-shaped hall also had a restriction covering it. However, by the time that Ning Cheng arranged the sealing array formations and reached this place, the rest had already finished breaking open the restriction and were just about to enter. Five golden chests appeared in the five corners of the hall. Even though more restrictions covered each chest, one still couldn't look straight at them without squinting because of the almost-blinding golden light.

Ning Cheng had always tuned his senses to a very high level when it came to seeking out treasures. Therefore, he quickly rushed to the box in the middle and right in front of him the moment he got there and threw out several array flags to protect his position. Out of the five chests, no matter what the others contained, choosing the middle one was always the best move, as it was the closest. Moreover, the chest in the middle would not be the worst no matter if the previous owner arranged the items from left to right or right to left. If the treasures in it turned out to be the best, he would have definitely picked up a bargain.

Ning Cheng responded quickly, but the others could not react in time. But despite that, Zhangkang Tianji, Yi Jiufeng and her follower Shi Jinyu, Qiao Jierui and Devil Domain's Shi Haoyan each occupied a

corner. While Striking Order, Tang Yitang, and Shen Mao, Wu Hong, Xun Zhihe, Mu Hao and Gua Sangan lay siege to the only remaining corner.

The only ones who couldn't pick a chest were Chuan Xinlou and Jinming Qianbo, Fu Yingkui and Chuan Xinlou's follower Yang Yu.

Jinming Qianbo didn't have the strength to compete with anyone here and had decided to forgo the opportunity, while Fu Yingkui felt so scared of Ning Cheng that he didn't dare to snatch anything from him. As for Chuan Xinlou and Yang Yu, they couldn't grab a corner because Ning Cheng had already occupied the position they wanted.

In fact, when the five chests appeared, Chuan Xinlou had the same thought process as Ning Cheng and wanted to snatch the one in the middle. It's just that Ning Cheng came at the most opportune moment and had rushed in at full speed, grabbing that location before Chuan Xinlou.

By the time Chuan Xinlou arrived in front of Ning Cheng, Ning Cheng had already deployed several defensive array formations around that particular corner. Ning Cheng had already realised that he wouldn't be able to break the restriction and take away the box in a short time. Therefore, he simply decided to set up defensive array formations around the area to protect the chest.

"Get out of the way." At this moment, Chuan Xinlou no longer cared about losing face. After finally reaching this place and not obtaining anything, why would he care about his face anymore?

Ning Cheng looked at Chuan Xinlou and spoke with a sarcastic voice, "What? Ready to rob from others already?"

Chuan Xinlou gave a cold reply, "You didn't even do anything to the defensive array around this hall; so, what right do you have to snatch a chest?"

Ning Cheng laughed, "I've seen shameless people before, but it's the first time I've seen someone as shameless as you. Didn't do anything? Did you go blind? When you came in, who arranged the array formation outside? Did I ask your help to set up those sealing arrays? Yet, here you are talking about shamelessness in front of me."

Chuan Xinlou looked at Ning Cheng as if he was looking at a dead person, before slightly turning his head and speaking to Yang Yu behind him, "I'm going to take a look at Sect Master Ning's abilities and see if it's as good as his mouth. You don't need to step in."

Yang Yu immediately retreated; however, everyone here understood that Chuan Xinlou's words were not just for Yang Yu but for the other Heavenly Emperors present here. He didn't want people to talk nonsense on the sidelines when he and Ning Cheng started fighting.

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Chapter 738: The Real Law

Chuan Xinlou looked very casual. He calmly raised his hand and threw out the white pagoda still hovering in the air. He didn't bring out any attack-type weapons, which showed that he didn't put Ning Cheng in his eyes at all.

Ning Cheng wanted Chuan Xinlou to look down on him. However, he decided not to use the Nirvana Spear. Although sturdy and resilient, the Nirvana Spear was only an unprocessed raw material. It would not provide him with much help in a fight of this level.

Instead, Ning Cheng took out a different spear, a pseudo-top ranked Dao Artefact. Ning Cheng created this weapon during the arrangement of the Star Protecting Grand Array. Moreover, it was the best weapon of the batch.

Ning Cheng had not yet fully activated the spear when Chuan Xinlou's white pagoda shot out several deadly looking white beams of light one after another.

Ning Cheng, as a body-refining powerhouse with a Starry Sky Body, didn't initially care about these white beams of light. However, when these light beams tore through his domain, Ning Cheng knew that he had underestimated their power. The white beams quickly tore through his domain and carried a faint aural trace of Dao Charms, which had almost instantly suppressed him to the point that he found it somewhat difficult to breathe. It felt as if these white lights wanted him to kneel.

Chuan Xinlou hasn't even used his killing move, yet that faint aural trace had suppressed him to the point of having difficulty in breathing. It showed everyone that Ning Cheng's imposing aura was the one on the losing end.

This Chuan Xinlou truly has the strength to back up his words. Ning Cheng initially wanted to keep the Everlasting Blue Thunder Fort hidden, but at this time, how could dare do such a thing? The next moment, he brought out the Everlasting Blue Thunder Fort. The moment it came out, its overflowing thunder rays created another vague projection of a fortress around it. Although the thunder rays that made up this new fortress grew indistinct closer to the centre, one could clearly make out the ancient walls at the edge. Regardless, the flashing thunder that flowed through the thunder fort gave it a mighty appearance.

"PaPaPaPa...." A moment later, the white rays of light from Chuan Xinlou's white pagoda collided with the thunder rays of Ning Cheng's Everlasting Blue Thunder Fort, creating bursts of crackling-like noises as the white beams of light exploded. At the same time, the suppressive force around Ning Cheng also disappeared almost instantly, which made him feel quite relieved.

The cultivators standing on the sidelines looked on in shocked silence; not only did Chuan Xinlou's display of strength shock them, but the power of Ning Cheng's heaven-defying thunder fort had also surprised them thoroughly.

Moreover, the spectating Heavenly Emperors had to work together to negate the explosive force and still suffered injuries, but the explosion had no visible effect on this hall.

"Good thunder fort, it really is a good weapon....." Yi Jiufeng was a fanatic when it came to collecting weapons. Therefore, the moment she saw Ning Cheng's thunder fort, her eyes instantly lit up.

Everyone understood that Ning Cheng most likely was not an opponent against Chuan Xinlou based on the previous exchange. The fight hadn't even started, and Chuan Xinlou hadn't even gone all out, yet Ning Cheng already looked like a rat trapped in a box.

When Chuan Xinlou saw Ning Cheng's thunder fort, his eyes also lit up, "Sect Master Ning's treasury seems to contain some interesting things. It even has a thunder fort that can block the circulation of my Burning Sky Eroding Sun Pagoda's Dao Charm. But if Sect Master Ning only has such skills, then better not blame me for being rude....."

Ning Cheng gave a calm retort, "I may have more treasures, but they can't compare to your Good Fortune Treasure."

Knowing that Ning Cheng was very good at sophistry, Chuan Xinlou chose not to talk to Ning Cheng anymore. Instead, he just chuckled and spoke in a calm voice, "Sword Dao Mountain...."

"Chichi....." Sounds similar to something tearing the void suddenly emerged. At the same time, the white radiance filled with Dao Charm that circulated around the Burning Sky Eroding Sun Pagoda suddenly reversed. In its place, thousands of cyan-coloured sword-lights started condensing before shooting out from the periphery of the Burning Sky Eroding Sun Pagoda.

These thousands of cyan sword lights then transformed into a sword array, which completely locked down the area surrounding Ning Cheng. At the same time, the Dao Charm flowing around the Burning Sky Eroding Sun Pagoda flowed out and connected with the sword formation to form several sword waterfalls that blotted the sky.

Stuck under Chuan Xinlou's sword array filled with his weapon's Dao Charm and domain, ordinary Eternal Realm cultivators would find it impossible to move. If they couldn't even move, they might as well give up resisting at all. Moreover, although it was a spirit technique, it was much more effective and more powerful compared to other spirit techniques. Using a weapon to manifest a sword waterfall that could suppress space directly, it left no room for any form of resistance.

Moreover, although these sword waterfalls had merged with Chuan Xinlou's Dao Charm to become powerful enough to suppress space, these sword waterfalls were not the end of its transformation. After connecting these sword waterfalls together, the sword waterfalls then suddenly turned upside down, forming into sword peaks, looking just like an endless mountain range. Any living creature, trapped within this inter-changing sword waterfall and mountain range, would turn into dregs within seconds.

Ning Cheng's Everlasting Blue Thunder Fort kept shrinking under this spirit technique, and the thunder rays flowing around it started disappearing one after another, annihilated by the sword lights. Under the continuous onslaught, the blue thunder fort's projection finally started crumbling. In the end, it looked nothing like a fort but more like a dilapidated ruin.

"Boundless Maximal Flames....." Ning Cheng remained calm. Although he could feel that a gap still existed between him and Chuan Xinlou, Chuan Xinlou can only dream about killing him off this quickly.

"Boom....." A fiery explosion ripped through the centre of the sword mountain.

A raging void collapse followed, and the sword mountain and the sword waterfalls formed by Chuan Xinlou disappeared into the violent void collapse. A moment later, a horrifying flame burst out from the origin of the collapse, followed by a flame trace, an axe intent, and a hint of spear intent.

The explosion following the void collapse had already blown away 70% of Chuan Xinlou's sword mountain, while the flame trace and the murderous axe and spear intents annihilated the rest.

After that blinding explosion, the entire hall turned quite once again, while Ning Cheng stood still in the same spot. Except for slightly messy hair, no one could tell that he was in a disadvantageous position just a moment ago. As for the Chuan Xinlou's Burning Sky Eroding Sun Pagoda, it had visibly dimmed, which forced Chuan Xinlou to look at Ning Cheng in some disbelief.

"It was not a real space spirit technique just now, but a spirit technique infinitely close to the laws of space." Yi Jiufeng sucked in a cold breath and spoke in a low voice.

Qiao Jierui sneered, "Infinitely close to the Laws of Time, and even infinitely close to the Laws of Space. Hehe, let's all just get a fake spirit technique and forget about the rest. Since everything is just a fake, why do we need to put in a lot of effort to cultivate and grow stronger?"

Nobody spoke or chimed in; everybody understood that even if Ning Cheng used a fake space spirit technique, it was not a small matter at all. If they were in Ning Cheng's spot, even they couldn't guarantee a successful block against Chuan Xinlou's Sword Dao Mountain.

"No wonder you're so arrogant. You indeed have a few tricks up your sleeves, using fake laws to cover up the flames you use." Chuan Xinlou taunted. At the same time, the Burning Sky Eroding Sun Pagoda started powering up again, transforming into a tall white pagoda. If it weren't for the temple having a ceiling so high that no one could see it, this Burning Sky Eroding Sun Pagoda would have most likely broken through it.

This time, the Burning Sky Eroding Sun Pagoda directly smashed down towards Ning Cheng, causing Ning Cheng's Celestial River Domain to crack apart like a spider web. This Burning Sky Eroding Sun Pagoda even suppressed the newly re-formed Everlasting Blue Thunder Fort, forcing it to shrink once again. This time, the lightning arcs around the blue thunder fort did not pose even half a threat to the Burning Sky Eroding Sun Pagoda.

"Kacha....." The blue thunder fort issued a crisp sound, which forced Ning Cheng to spit out a mouthful of blood. Chuan Xinlou's strength had reached such a high degree that he couldn't put up even a decent defence with the Everlasting Blue Thunder Fort.

Seeing Ning Cheng spit out blood, Chuan Xinlou sneered, "You think you're the only one who can use fire? Let me show you my Burning Sky Eroding Sun....."

Burning Sky Eroding Sun was actually a spirit technique; rather, the Burning Sky Eroding Sun Pagoda formed because of this spirit technique. With Ning Cheng successfully angering Chuan Xinlou, Chuan Xinlou decided to use this spirit technique in tandem with the pagoda to crush Ning Cheng into slag, despite having access to other spirit techniques.

A powerful suppressive force covered the entire hall. Not to mention Ning Cheng, even the cultivators on the sidelines started to feel difficulty in breathing.

Striking Order's eyes flashed with horror. He had thought that joining forces with Ning Cheng would scare Chuan Xinlou into taking a step back. But now he understood that if Chuan Xinlou wanted to kill him, then even if he teamed up with Ning Cheng, it wouldn't make much of a difference. Chuan Xinlou's strength practically knew no bounds, and he couldn't even dare to imagine the limits of it.

Despite Ning Cheng bearing the full brunt of it, he could still feel the suppressive force acutely while breathing even when standing on the sidelines. Could he have survived if Chuan Xinlou had directed this power at him? He knew his own limits and knew that he couldn't be like Ning Cheng, who still could stand while facing this horrifying suppressive force. If it's this difficult for Ning Cheng, then it's already a blessing that he hadn't broken off all ties with Chuan Xinlou.

Not only Striking Order but Yi Jiufeng, Qiao Jierui, Zhangkang Tianji and the others also felt the same fear. Chuan Xinlou rarely if ever used his real skills, so today was the first time for most to witness at least a fraction of Chuan Xinlou's real power.

Seeing Ning Cheng vomit another mouthful of blood under the suppression, Chuan Xinlou taunted him once again, "Sect Master Ning, this isn't even my most powerful Dao Charm spirit technique. If you can actually withstand it, I might consider showing you what a real Dao Charm spirit technique looks like. Unfortunately, looking at your conditions, it doesn't look like you can hold for much longer under my Burning Sky Eroding Sun."

Chuan Xinlou's words caused the hearts of Yi Jiufeng and the others to sink even further. Yi Jiufeng always had the impression that Zhangkang Tianji was the most powerful of the four. But now it seems that Chuan Xinlou, who usually laughs around and reads a lot, was the most terrifying of all.

"Boom...." Immediately following Chuan Xinlou's words, a blazing white sun violently burst out from the Burning Sky Eroding Sun Pagoda. Everyone could feel the suppressive force even when the blazing sun hadn't come out. But now that it actually came out, the horrifying heat made the suppression even more unbearable.

Tang Yitang and Striking Order looked at Ning Cheng sympathetically. Under such conditions, it would already be a miracle if one could use a defensive weapon against this horrifying burning sun, let alone fight back.

Striking Order quickly made up his mind. After this incident, he would definitely return to Chuan Xinlou's camp once again. Even if Chuan Xinlou wanted to take away his Striking Order Starry Sky, he would have to let it go.

Ning Cheng felt neither sorrow nor joy. When it came to Chuan Xinlou's blazing sun, he didn't bring out any weapon. Although this Burning Sky Eroding Sun looked powerful, as long as it did not make physical contact with him, it would have no effect on his Starry Sky Body.

Just when the Burning Sky Eroding Sun Pagoda and the seemingly boundless white blazing sun were about to completely envelop Ning Cheng, and burn him into slag, the long spear in Ning Cheng's hand slowly pierced out.

The way Ning Cheng controlled the long spear looked as if Ning Cheng was not attacking his opponent at all, but sending a flower to his lover. A gentle, soft and graceful push without any hints of impatience.

"What does he want to do?" Everyone looked at Ning Cheng in surprise. No one knew what Ning Cheng wanted to do.

Something's not right; the sky burning sun doesn't seem to have any effect on him, strange...

Yi Jiufeng was the first to notice this difference in Ning Cheng, and her eyes immediately lit up. Chuan Xinlou also felt something wrong. Ning Cheng didn't seem to show any fear towards his Burning Sky Eroding Sun Spirit Technique or the pressure from his Burning Sky Eroding Sun Pagoda that had transformed into a giant peak thousands of feet tall.

However, at this exact moment, Chuan Xinlou felt the time around him stagnate. A setting dun appeared right in front of his eyes; although it moved quite slowly, it overflowed with sadness and melancholy.

Chuan Xinlou showed a sneer. Did he really want to use that pseudo-spirit technique? Did Ning Cheng go blind already?

However, the next moment, Chuan Xinlou quickly realised that something had gone horribly wrong. He couldn't break free from this pseudo-spirit technique.

No, this was not a pseudo-spirit technique, but the real Laws of Time. Time had truly gone still at this moment. Even his Burning Sky Eroding Sun Pagoda and his Burning Sky Sun Eroding Spirit Technique had stopped moving as if frozen in time. Moreover, he couldn't feel the flow of anything around him. When Chuan Xinlou tried to connect with his thoughts, he found that even his consciousness had turned immobile. He could only stare with horrified eyes as Ning Cheng's long spear 'slowly' approached him.

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Chapter 739: Ning Cheng's Trump Card

"Laws of Time, a true time law spirit technique....." Qiao Jierui stared at the frozen Chuan Xinlou and murmured as a flash of terror appeared in his eyes.

Even he couldn't touch the Laws of Time, let alone control it; yet Ning Cheng actually commanded a bit of the real Laws of Time. This definitely was not a pseudo-spirit technique. This was the actual Laws of Time, without anything false about it. When Qiao Jierui saw Ning Cheng's Laws of Time, he immediately felt regret building up in his heart. He shouldn't have offended Ning Cheng for those trivial things.

Since Ning Cheng can control a portion of the Laws of Time at such a young age, then as long as he didn't fall, he would eventually surpass Qian Jierui.

Not just Qiao Jierui, Yi Jiufeng, Zhangkang Tianji and the others also thought of the same thing. Yi Jiufeng had already made plans of snatching things from Ning Cheng's body, but as soon as Ning Cheng's Laws of Time came out, those thoughts disappeared instantly. Ning Cheng had truly surpassed her scariest expectations. No wonder Cang Caihe addressed him as a senior.

Even if one looked at the person with supposedly the most Time Stones, Striking Order Heaven Emperor was the only one among everyone else here closest to the Laws of Time. Yet, even he could only look at Ning Cheng with an open mouth, not wanting to believe that Ning Cheng controlled a portion of the real Laws of Time.

Everyone could only stare at the long spear, which Ning Cheng thrust forward ever so slowly. Although not the ones facing the long spear, every cultivator present here could see a melancholy-filled sunset in front of his or her eyes. They vaguely saw their own dusk within that sunset.

Cultivators who looked at Ning Cheng's technique always held on to the hope that the bleak sunset would not end. Because once this sunset ended, it would mean an end of their lives too, without any time for glory.

Ning Cheng held a calm expression, and his spear still moved slowly. Despite that, his celestial essence had completely stimulated this spear, not reserving anything at all. Facing a powerhouse like Chuan Xinlou, Ning Cheng understood that he couldn't hold anything in reserve. However, this single spear wasn't the most potent spirit technique in Ning Cheng's arsenal. After coming in contact with the Dao of Returning-to-one, it had helped him create an even more powerful Sunset's Twilight by fusing it with the None-to-depend-on Spirit Technique.

Any spirit technique can fuse together. That was what Returning-to-one implied.

However, he didn't integrate the None-to-depend-on in the current spear strike; he wanted to have a hand to play when needed.

But because of Chuan Xinlou's strength and a miscalculation on Ning Cheng's part, Ning Cheng could only move the long spear very slowly despite stimulating all of his celestial essence. From this, Ning Cheng also understood that if he merged None-to-depend-on into this spear technique, the long spear's speed would fall even lower and the consumption would increase exponentially. In any case, Ning Cheng couldn't control the Laws of Time for too long. If he fused too many spirit techniques, Chuan Xinlou might break free before he even got close.

Besides, if it were any other Eternal-level cultivator, Ning Cheng's spear would have already pierced through that person's glabella, killing them instantly.

"Poof....." Ning Cheng's long spear finally penetrated into Chuan Xinlou's heart, causing blood to spurt out. At the same time, Chuan Xinlou also returned to his senses.

The Sky Burning Sun Eroding Pagoda blasting towards Ning Cheng instantly weakened, and the blazing white sun that had burst out from it also immediately dissipated. As the Sky Burning Sun Eroding Pagoda dimmed, it quickly flew back before changing directions and shooting down in a straight line.

"Boom...." The Sky Burning Sun Eroding Pagoda almost instantaneously clashed with the tip of Ning Cheng's long spear. With Ning Cheng's long spear jolted, everything still around it suddenly came to life.

"Ka....." As the celestial essence blew up and scattered all over the place, the long spear in Ning Cheng also got blown away, forcing Ning Cheng to open his mouth and spurt out another mouthful of blood.

Chuan Xinlou's mouth overflowed with blood, while his heart also oozed with blood through the hole created by the spear. However, he didn't seem to care about it. He still looked at Ning Cheng with a cold and venom-filled gaze, "You definitely have the capital to be arrogant. But even if you comprehending the real Laws of Time, you still can't do anything to me."

Ning Cheng remained calm; however, he felt a similar level of shock as Chuan Xinlou. From the looks of it, Chuan Xinlou not only was a body-refining powerhouse with a Starry Sky Body, he even seemed to have an inner armour integrated with his body. Otherwise, even if that spear did not have the speed, it would have been more than enough to injure Chuan Xinlou severely, if not fatally. As long as it struck

Chuan Xinlou, Ning Cheng had felt sure that Chuan Xinlou wouldn't be able to leave unscathed. Moreover, he had arranged all those Sealing Array Formations for this very reason.

Chuan Xinlou's murderous aura rapidly started to overflow, and the killing intent from his body grew stronger at an alarming rate.

Ning Cheng clasped the half top-ranked Dao Artefact long spear in his hand, while his own killing intent also flared up, closely following Chuan Xinlou's levels. However, he felt confident that Chuan Xinlou wouldn't do anything despite the soaring imposing aura unless he was an idiot. If Chuan Xinlou truly dared to clash once again, then Ning Cheng would also go all out to kill this fellow.

In fact, if Chuan Xinlou did give up, Ning Cheng also wouldn't push it any further. When glancing at the expressions on the faces of those Eternal-level experts around them, Ning Cheng understood that he had already achieved his purpose. Besides, Ning Cheng had an inkling feeling that even his new Sunset's Twilight wouldn't kill Chuan Xinlou. In fact, he not only expected that Sunset's Twilight would not kill Chuan Xinlou, it most likely wouldn't even cause any fatal injuries to Chuan Xinlou.

The primary purpose of showing this hand to Chuan Xinlou was mainly to frighten him and everyone else. When these Eternal-level experts came to his Jiangzhou Star, they didn't even see Ning Cheng as their equal. They didn't even bother to greet him, which made Ning Cheng truly angry, but also helpless at the same time.

To instil the fear of his Jiangzhou Star and even the Mysterious Yellow Celestial River in the future, he had to show at least a part of his real strength. Otherwise, even Striking Order, who wanted to rope him in, would quickly turn against him in a heartbeat.

Chuan Xinlou was the best litmus test. Today, using the Laws of Time against Chuan Xinlou resulted in both suffering some loss and injuries. But Ning Cheng believed that from now on, as long as Ning Cheng stayed alive, no one would dare to have other intentions about his Jiangzhou Star. Since he did not fear even the four top Heaven Emperors, why would he need to worry about other ordinary Eternal experts?

If not for the Jiangzhou Star and the Mysterious Yellow Celestial River, Ning Cheng would have definitely chosen to kill Chuan Xinlou in secret, not unlike now. He had to let everyone know that he Ning Cheng was not a soft persimmon.

While Chuan Xinlou's killing intent kept soaring, Ning Cheng's killing intent also kept pace. For an added precaution, Ning Cheng even linked his consciousness with the five-coloured Star Splitter Arrow on his wrist. Whether to kill or to block Chuan Xinlou's next attack, Ning Cheng wasn't strong enough at present. Therefore, if he had to succeed, other than the Five-coloured Star Splitter Arrow, Ning Cheng could not think of any better trump card.

Ning Cheng's killing intent and imposing aura merged with that of the five-coloured Star Splitter Arrow and grew even more powerful. This caused Chuan Xinlou's gaze to become more and more solemn. In truth, Ning Cheng's spirit technique containing the Laws of Time had almost fatally injured him, to the point that it could have actually killed him. If not for his unique forged body and if not for that armour, would Chuan Xinlou still be standing?

When he finally calmed down and analysed the decision to kill Ning Cheng, he finally started to feel a threat of death from Ning Cheng. A feeling that he had not felt in a long time, yet today he felt it while

facing Ning Cheng. Because of this, Chuan Xinlou suddenly had a bad premonition emerging in his heart. No matter if he managed to kill Ning Cheng, it would definitely put him in a perilous spot.

This was the first time Chuan Xinlou felt regret about moving against Ning Cheng. He was an extremely cautious person and took extreme measures against putting himself in mortal danger. But today, looking at Ning Cheng's increasing imposing aura, even if he managed to kill Ning Cheng, he would have to suffer severe losses.

If it were any other place, he would have definitely gone all out, but not in this place. Quite a few Heavenly Emperor were staring at him in this place. If he actually went all out here against Ning Cheng, it would definitely result in his death.

Could he count on his followers Yang Yu and Gua Sangan to help him? It was definitely a joke.

After carefully analysing the situation, Chuan Xinlou grumbled and raised his hand, causing his killing power, which intertwined with Ning Cheng's killing power, to separate immediately. With the killing intent and celestial essence of one of the involved party disappearing, the suppressive confrontation in the middle suddenly disappeared without a trace.

Ning Cheng felt secretly relieved. Chuan Xinlou, sure enough, did not want to go all out in this place. But if Chuan Xinlou did dare to go all out, he would have also had to use the five-coloured Star Splitter Arrow. It's just that Chuan Xinlou still had control on the initiative. Therefore, if Chuan Xinlou didn't go through with it, he also cannot start.

"Today, for the sake of coming to Jiangzhou Star's treasure hunt, this emperor will let you go once. Next time, you will not have such good luck." Chuan Xinlou spoke up in a cold voice but felt slightly relieved after seeing Ning Cheng slowly pull back his killing intent.

He felt afraid that Ning Cheng might not have thought it through. In any case, even if he survived, the rest would definitely kill the remaining survivor.

Qiao Jierui, on seeing that Ning Cheng and Chuan Xinlou didn't fight to the death, felt a little disappointed. But after seeing Ning Cheng's power, he no longer dared to sneer at him. Moreover, despite Chuan Xinlou saying those words, no one laughed. Everyone could clearly gauge the current situation. That is, although Ning Cheng did not fear Chuan Xinlou, Chuan Xinlou still had the upper hand.

Ning Cheng only gave a calm reply, "Levelled Heart Heavenly Emperor really speaks some strange words. First, this Ning Cheng never needed anyone to let me go. Second, Levelled Heart Heavenly Emperor took the first shot, yet now you talk about letting me go. Oh, could it be that Levelled Heart Heavenly Emperor thought there were only two of us here? Or did you think that I'm the only one who heard what you just said?"

After Ning Cheng said those words, even Zhangkang Tianji's gaze turned a little more dignified. Since Ning Cheng dared to speak such provocative words, it showed that he really did not feel any fear towards Chuan Xinlou. Otherwise, once Chuan Xinlou spoke about letting him go once, he would have definitely backed away, and would never have continued to trigger the fight.

Chuan Xinlou's heart skipped a beat at this moment. He also thought and even believed that once he took the initiative to stop, Ning Cheng would also know when to stop and back off. He stopped not

because of the fear of Ning Cheng, but because he worried more about the people around him. Yet Ning Cheng continued to provoke him, which meant that Ning Cheng truly did not fear him at all. From this, he could tell that Ning Cheng most likely had another trump card. Thinking back to Ning Cheng's everincreasing imposing aura, Chuan Xinlou frowned before speaking up with a faint voice, "Since you want to die so much, let me fulfil that wish."

Although Chuan Xinlou felt that the situation was not an ideal one, he would never allow juniors like Ning Cheng to suppress him. He wouldn't have any prestige left if he didn't do anything despite Ning Cheng's aggressive behaviour.

Ning Cheng showed a faint smile, "Although Levelled Heart Heavenly Emperor might have the strength to continue, and although I don't fear you, I don't want either of us to lose. My Jiangzhou Star is not a place where any random cat or dog can show arrogance. Moreover, I don't have a high tolerance level, especially for those fellows who like to act arrogantly on my turf; I always take that to heart. Besides, even if you died just now, there still remains a few more......"

Ning Cheng's powerful spirit technique had already scared Fu Yingkui to the point that cold sweat poured out from him in buckets. Plus, when Ning Cheng kicked him back then, it had ended up creating an inexplicable and profoundly rooted fear towards Ning Cheng in him. Therefore, when he saw Ning Cheng's eyes glance at him, how could he not know that Ning Cheng was talking about him?

Moreover, when he saw Chuan Xinlou frown, Fu Yingkui's heart sank to the bottom and knew that he wouldn't get any help. Since Ning Cheng could contend against someone like Chuan Xinlou, Fu Yingkui would definitely face death against him. Therefore, without even waiting for Ning Cheng to speak up, he quickly cupped his fists and spoke up, "I offended Brother Ning previously, so even though Brother Ning didn't call out, I do feel really guilty about it. After all, coming to the Ancient Shadow Temple on Brother Ning's site was already taking too much advantage of Brother Ning's kindness. Therefore, I decided to hand over my Silver Feather Starry Sky to Brother Ning. I hope that Brother Ning will not refuse."

Ning Cheng immediately dissolved his killing intent and spoke with a smile, "The things that Heavenly Emperor Yingkui said, I had never taken it to heart. But I have to thank Heavenly Emperor Yingkui for showing such generosity, especially since you know that I just entered the starry sky, and don't have much of a place to live in. Since Heavenly Emperor Yingkui feels so passionate about it, I definitely wouldn't dare to refuse it. Many thanks, Heavenly Emperor Yingkui."

Although Chuan Xinlou showed a calm face, he had already killed Fu Yingkui a thousand times in his heart. If someone else had forced Fu Yingkui out of his domain, he could have still re-captured it. But this Ning Cheng was just too strong. As long as he didn't have a sure-shot way of killing Ning Cheng, he can't even think about taking advantage of Ning Cheng.

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Chapter 740: The Five Golden Chests

Seeing Ning Cheng's power, Striking Order Heavenly Emperor felt excited and worried at the same time. Ning Cheng's strength would definitely be an advantage to him, but the current Ning Cheng was just too powerful. One day, if Ning Cheng took fancy to his Striking Order Starry Sky, would he have to give up his Striking Order Starry Sky to Ning Cheng just like Fu Yingkui?

However, Striking Order Heavenly Emperor quickly put aside these thoughts. Whether or not Ning Cheng would end up fancying his Striking Order Starry Sky, he must cooperate with Ning Cheng. If Striking Order didn't work with Ning Cheng, Chuan Xinlou would definitely want his Striking Order Starry Sky. Previously, he worried more about Chuan Xinlou killing Ning Cheng in a few moments, which was why he had thoughts of shifting allegiances. But now he found this worry unnecessary. Ning Cheng's strength truly went beyond his imagination.

Moreover, Ning Cheng seemed like a person who wouldn't offend you unless you hurt him. At first, when he gave the Named Descendant Celestial River to Ning Cheng, Ning Cheng didn't particularly want it. It was only after he persuaded him about the benefits did Ning Cheng actually agree to it. In other words, if it weren't for Named Descendant Celestial River's Ji Clan provoking Ning Cheng, Ning Cheng wouldn't even want Jiangzhou Star. Facing such a person, as long as he didn't do anything secretly, how could the other side rob him of the Striking Order Starry Sky?

With the confrontation between Ning Cheng and Chuan Xinlou coming to an apparent end, Qiao Jierui and the others quickly went back to attacking the restrictions to reach their respective golden chests. Ning Cheng naturally did not want to show others a moment of weakness, so he also began attacking the restrictions at his corner.

Although upset, Chuan Xinlou didn't come forward to stop Ning Cheng. He knew it very well that if he tried stopping Ning Cheng again, the two of them would definitely end up in a fight to the death. Moreover, Ning Cheng wouldn't even give a damn about the other Heavenly Emperors at that point.

Out of the five chests, apart from the ones taken over by Zhangkang Tianji and Ning Cheng, who dealt with the restrictions individually, the rest attacked in groups of two or more.

Zhangkang Tianji's body seemed to contain infinite power, as with each attack the defensive restriction would split open a sliver more. Similarly, no one here could match Ning Cheng in terms of the Dao of Arrays. Therefore, every time he struck, it would be precisely at the critical points of the restrictions.

By the time the rest of the people broke open their respective restrictions, Ning Cheng had already taken hold of the chest in his corner.

Similarly, Zhangkang Tianji also broke through the restriction but didn't put the chest away. Instead, he moved it to the front of him and said, "It's better to open all the chests here. Maybe the real treasures within the Ancient Shadow Temple have something to do with these chests. What do you all think?"

Naturally, no one actually thought that these chests contained the real treasures of Ancient Shadow Temple. Moreover, apart from opening these chests, the main hall gave them no other options.

Qiao Jierui and Yi Jiufeng hesitated for a bit but spoke up at the same time, "No problem."

Wu Hong, Striking Order, and the others had worked together to obtain a chest, so they didn't have any idea on how to allocate it. Therefore, they naturally put it up without any squabbles.

Seeing everyone else looking at him, Ning Cheng also spoke up, "Naturally, I also have no problems with it."

Even if there was a problem, he had to agree here. He picked a fight with Chuan Xinlou, but it was primarily to establish his might and prestige. If he dared to offend everyone here, it wouldn't offer any help in setting up his strength or influence, but would definitely result in his death.

Zhangkang Tianji opened his box first and found only a palm-sized piece of dark-grey coloured wood.

"Reincarnation Soul Wood...." When Zhangkang Tianji took out that piece of wood, Yi Jiufeng, Chuan Xinlou and the others spoke up almost at the same time.

Even Ning Cheng looked at the piece of wood in Zhangkang Tianji's hand with shock. He naturally knew about Reincarnation Soul Wood. An extremely heaven-defying treasure without a price. When it came to its value, it was no worse than the highest grade of treasures.

Reincarnation Soul Wood had only one use, to help one reincarnate on the verge of death. Moreover, after reincarnating, one would have a trace of memories from his or her past life. As that reincarnated individual's cultivation improved, the memories would also recover proportionally. Almost every cultivator in the world coveted such a treasure.

Even Zhangkang Tianji felt happy about obtaining the Reincarnation Soul Wood, but he didn't feel too thrilled about it. For him, reincarnation was never an option anyway. Therefore, even if this soul wood had an even higher value, it didn't have much use for him.

When Ning Cheng saw Zhangkang Tianji's expression, he started thinking about opportunities to exchange this soul wood in the hands of Zhangkang Tianji in secret.

Seeing Zhangkang Tianji obtain a piece of Reincarnation Soul Wood, Qiao Jierui couldn't wait to open the box in front of him. Opening the chest, he found a dark high-necked jade bottle. As Qiao Jierui's hand reached out to grab the jade bottle, he discovered that he couldn't lift it at all; rather, he found it extremely heavy. Qiao Jierui gave a snort, and redirecting his celestial essence towards his hands, he grabbed at the jade bottle again. Finally holding the jade bottle up in his hand, he pulled the stopper on it.

Qiao Jierui didn't call out, but Yi Jiufeng called out for him, "Single Essence Heavy Water!"

Chuan Xinlou clenched his fists. Everything here looked so heaven defying. Not to mention the Reincarnation Soul Wood, even this bottle of Single Essence Heavy Water was also a priceless treasure. A drop of Single Essence Heavy Water was equivalent to a small star in weight.

One could even refine that single drop into a peerless weapon; unfortunately, he couldn't obtain even a golden chest.

Ning Cheng also felt a little fiery in his heart. Each chest seemed to contain a priceless treasure. If he had the Single Essence Heavenly Water, he could add a drop of it to the Good Fortune Spirit Spear. At that time, the power of Good Fortune Spirit Spear would definitely increase by a lot.

Yi Jiufeng became a little more excited and opened the golden chest in front of her. However, it only contained a very ordinary-looking talisman.

Yi Jiufeng grabbed the talisman with some disappointment. Why was there a useless thing in her chest?

Qiao Jierui felt secretly proud about it. Yi Jiufeng was a weapon collector and liked collecting unique weapons the most. But what she obtained now was just an ordinary talisman, which felt ironic.

Ning Cheng clenched his fists. In his opinion, the contents of Yi Jiufeng's chest was the most useful out of all. That talisman was actually a Child Talisman of the Heaven Opening Talisman. How precious was the Heaven Opening Talisman? In a way, the Heaven Opening Talisman was on the same level as those treasures formed at the beginning of heaven and earth. Moreover, this was a child talisman of that very same Heaven Opening Talisman. From this, he could tell that the Ancient Shadow Temple was not as simple as it looked on the surface.

Yi Jiufeng and the others did not know that it was the Heaven Opening Talisman's Child Talisman, but he did. He had even used a similar thing before. However, he had used up the Dao Charm of the Heaven Opening Talisman's child talisman after activating the talisman twice, which made it no longer operational.

"Oh, why do I have such bad luck? Only a broken talisman." Yi Jiufeng groaned after grabbing the Heaven Opening Talisman's child talisman.

Chuan Xinlou suddenly smiled and spoke up, "Junior Apprentice Sister Nine Phoenix, if you don't like this talisman, you might as well trade it with me. I like collecting such broken talismans."

Yi Jiufeng turned her gaze to him and spoke, "Does Senior Apprentice Brother Levelled Heart really want this talisman? If Senior Apprentice Brother Levelled Heart can give me the patch of dirt that stored the Breath Soil, then this talisman....."

Before Yi Jiufeng finished speaking, Ning Cheng also smiled and suddenly spoke up, "Senior Apprentice Sister Nine Phoenix, I'm also interested in this talisman. Of course, I can also conduct an exchange with Senior Apprentice Sister Nine Phoenix, but can Senior Apprentice Sister Nine Phoenix enlighten me about what you like?"

Controlling a Grand Starry Sky, Yi Jiufeng naturally was not an idiot. When Chuan Xinlou suggested an exchange, she had already guessed that the talisman might be an unusual one. The reason she asked for that patch of dirt was to see if Chuan Xinlou would agree to it or not. If Chuan Xinlou accepted the exchange, then it would have meant that this talisman had a much higher value compared to what she had initially thought. But whether Chuan Xinlou agreed or disagreed, Yi Jiufeng would never exchange the talisman until she knew the origin of the talisman.

Now that Ning Cheng also proposed an exchange, she became even more convinced that this talisman was not an ordinary one. Others might think that Ning Cheng wanted to muddle the waters for Chuan Xinlou deliberately and thus decided to oppose Chuan Xinlou, but Yi Jiufeng did not think so.

"Oh, you see, I like strong junior brothers the most. If you can stay with this big sister for a few days, this big sister might just give the talisman to you. What do you say?" Although Yi Jiufeng spoke those words, she didn't let go of the talisman in her hand.

Standing next to Yi Jiufeng, the tall and handsome looking male cultivator, called Shi Jinyu, looked uncomfortable. Obviously, Yi Jiufeng's words about Ning Cheng made him very dissatisfied. It's just that when it came to Yi Jiufeng or Ning Cheng, both were people who he can't afford to offend.

Seeing Yi Jiufeng put away the talisman, Chuan Xinlou only glanced at Ning Cheng before shifting to Striking Order and the others.

Striking Order Heavenly Emperor took a deep breath before turning to Heavenly Emperor Shen Mao from Snagging Ascendance Starry Sky and cupping his fists, "Brother Shen Mao, this chest is yours to open."

Shen Mao smiled, "In that case, I will not be polite about it."

After that, he raised his hand and opened the golden chest in front of him.

A dazzling red light shot out from inside, revealing a red jade box sitting inside the golden chest. Moreover, the red light coming from the jade box gave it a mysterious feel at first glance.

Shen Mao carefully picked up the jade box before opening the lid and finding a blood-red fruit the size of a baby's hand lying inside. The faint scent that wafted out immediately aroused the consciousness of any cultivator who sniffed at it. Everyone felt as if their cultivations had taken an invisible step forward, along with a refreshing sensation that spread through their mind. Just above the blood-red fruit, one could also see faint Dao Traces reflecting off one another, giving the fruit a very mysterious feel.

"Is this the legendary Dao Fruit?" Although Yi Jiufeng didn't know about the Heaven Opening Talisman's child talisman, she really was knowledgeable about many other things.

Qiao Jierui took in a deep breath and spoke up slowly, "Yes, that's definitely the Dao Fruit. I heard Daoist Crow succeeded in confirming his Dao and managed to leave this positional plane because of a Dao Fruit."

If he could, he would rather use his Single Essence Heavy Water to exchange for this Dao Fruit. For people at their level, it was a hard thing to place a value on a Dao Fruit's Dao Trace.

"Who will keep this fruit?" Xun Zhihe said from the side. Although she felt excited about it, she knew that this Dao Fruit would never come into her personal possession.

"From the looks of it, it's better to leave this Dao Fruit with Levelled Heart Heavenly Emperor for safekeeping. After we're done with this place, we can then talk about distribution." Gua Sangan also technically owned a part of this Dao Fruit; therefore, no one felt surprised when he gave a suggestion.

However, everyone knew that Gua Sangan was Chuan Xinlou's follower. Therefore, once this Dao Fruit made its way to Chuan Xinlou's hand, it would truly be a strange event if he actually gave it back to them or anyone else for the matter.

Striking Order Heavenly Emperor immediately looked at Ning Cheng; even the rest of the people here shifted their gazes towards Ning Cheng. Obviously, they all wanted Ning Cheng to raise an objection so that Chuan Xinlou wouldn't get to keep this Dao Fruit.

Ning Cheng sighed in his heart; he didn't want this type of distinction. He also didn't wish to let this Dao Fruit fall into Chuan Xinlou's hand. In case Chuan Xinlou obtained this Dao Fruit, his strength would definitely double at the very least. However, if he raised an objection at this time, Chuan Xinlou definitely would not endure it and immediately start a life and death fight. Chuan Xinlou might have tolerated Ning Cheng's previous act, but he wouldn't tolerate Ning Cheng blocking the chance to

confirm his Dao. Moreover, Chuan Xinlou had no idea that this golden chest contained such a treasure. If he had known about it, he would have gone all out from the start and wouldn't care about Ning Cheng getting in the way.

Right now, he already knew that he couldn't contend against Chuan Xinlou. Therefore, if he stood up to oppose it, he'd only be helping others by offering himself up as cannon fodder.