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### **The Gate Of Good Fortune**

# **Chapter 81: The Perfect Moment**

"There truly are many maps, but they are not something that I made, it was made by the person who went out before." During his talk, this grey robed man picked up a skeleton from the blood pool underneath him

Even though this skeleton had been soaking in the blood pool for a long time, it still had a pitch back colour, but what was shocking was that this skeleton was still emitting a faint pressure, making Ning Cheng immediately realize that the cultivation level of that skeleton when it was alive was definitely not low.

Although this grey robed man spoke to Ning Cheng in a very polite way, it felt that he was speaking to himself rather than Ning Cheng, "Just a single person is not enough."

He had just finished speaking the words, when the wind around the chamber started churning, and a few shadowy figures fell down. Ning Cheng then saw Pei Guang He and Yu Xing, but as for the two others with them Ning Cheng did not know, but what he did sense was that one of the two had the cultivation level of True Condensation 7th Level, and the other one had a cultivation level of True Condensation 3rd Level.

When the few people arrived, they all glanced at Ning Cheng and then at the grey robed person sitting on top of the blood pool in a very surprised manner.

"This should be enough....." the grey robed man said, as he threw out a dozen Array Flags one after another, and then said: "Well, now no one would come disturb us. Of the few people who came here, presumably your knowledge about Array Formations must be good, and thus you certainly would have a decent intelligence, the blood from the people having a good intelligence is the most suited thing for me to help me in advancing, everyone please enter the pool and help me advance in my level."

Just as this grey robed man finished speaking, Ning Cheng suddenly felt a powerful suction force pulling on him, this powerful suction force was directly pulling him into the blood pool.

Ning Cheng reacted very quickly, at this moment he understood in flash what was happening, this grey robed person actually depended on the blood lines flowing into the blood pool for his cultivation practice. Although he did not know the reason why he was doing it, but it seemed that he needed several people to enter the blood pool to help him in his cultivation practice.

Ning Cheng understood that the blood pool beneath that man was the raw material for his cultivation practice, but Ning Cheng had no intention to enter the blood pool, and immediately tried to retreat with his full force, he wanted to get away from this powerful suction force.

"Splash" Just as Ning Cheng tried to retreat, he saw the man at the True Condensation 3rd Level getting pulled into the blood pool, after this man was pulled into this blood pool, there were only a few blood bubbles that popped through the surface, before the surface of this blood pool once again turned calm.

The cultivator at the True Condensation 7th Level suddenly called out, "This person doesn't dare to go look for a cultivator of the Essence Building Realm, his cultivation is not absolutely not that high, if we all

fight desperate enough, we should be able to get out alive. If we don't resist at this time, then we will definitely die here."

Just as he finished, he immediately took out a seal, Pei Guang He said, "What this friend spoke is definitely true, we have to join hands together."

While speaking, Pei Guang He had already taken out a Flying Sword and attacked with it. Yi Xing also did not say anything, and directly took out his eight sided hammer and sent it smashing towards the grey robed man. As for what the cultivator at the True Condensation 7th Level had taken out, it was a black seal, this black seal immediately expanded to the size of a huge boulder with a diameter of about 10 feet as it rushed towards the grey robed man.

Once Ning Cheng was able to once again control his body, he also brought out a red Flying Sword and sent it forth to kill the grey robed man. He always had some doubts about Pei Guang He, so in his heart he was still maintaining a guard against Pei Guang He since the time that he met him.

The grey robed man seeing the four people simultaneously attack him, suddenly gave a cold snort. He just lifted his skinny looking hands and grasped at the air, just as he made the grasping motion in the air front of him, the Artefacts headed towards him instantly stopped in the air and were even pushed back.

"You old thing, you and I are going to fight....." Yu Xing shouted, and suddenly threw the eight sided hammer once again. While in the meantime his figure quickly retreated.

Ning Cheng's heart missed a beat, he felt that this Yu Xing's retreat was too fast, he himself was trying his best to control himself to stay in place, so how was it possible for him to retreat with such speed?

He always thought that Pei Guang He would be the one that he would have issues with, now it seems like this Yu Xing is also another person that he has to look against. Ning Cheng did not think anymore, and forcibly utilized his True Essence, and forcibly increased the distance between him and Yu Xing.

Yu Xing did not seem to have noticed that Ning Cheng had widened the distance between them, but at this moment he took out a white Flying Sword, the moment he brought it out he immediately casted out a white sword curtain with the Flying Sword, and directed it towards the back of the cultivator at the True Condensation 7th Level.

The cultivator at the True Condensation 7th Level was fully concentrating on controlling the black seal, why would he even think that he would be sneak attacked by one of the people on the same side as him? After he realized it, he subconsciously diverted his attention to take care of the white sword curtain sneak attack behind him. He had actually forgotten about the blood pool in front of him, and because of this, the powerful suction force immediately began to pull on him.

Although the cultivator at the True Condensation 7th Level was able to react to the attack, moreover he immediately knew that he wanted to kill him, but he also knew that if he fell into the blood pool then he would definitely die.

This person was very decisive, since he found that he could no longer escape from the powerful suction force and would inevitably die in the blood pool, he simply decided to fly straight towards the blood pool, once he arrived above the blood pool, he spewed out a mouthful of his blood essence, the large black seal that he was using to attack the grey robed man once again expanded suddenly.

Ning Cheng immediately came to his senses, from his actions he knew that he wanted to blow up his Artefact. He did not hesitate anymore and quietly controlled the 7 Pleiades Ice Needle along with the red Flying Sword to attack, if he did not act at this time then when would he?

The grey robed cultivator sneered, wanting to kill him by making the Artefact explode, it was just a dream. He just raised his hands, and immediately brought out a shield.

He had not even started to utilized his shield when he felt an extremely fine needle Type Artefact piercing through his body and enter his Meridians.

"Not good, I was sneak attacked." This grey robed cultivator had just thought about it, when he felt all the Meridians in his body begin to hurt, an ice cold and freezing aura reached his Dantian as it quickly expanded throughout his body. He felt that if he did not do anything, then in a short period of time his Dantian would end up completely destroyed.

At this time the huge seal above the head of the grey robed cultivator was starting to blow up, because of this he immediately forced his True Essence to circulate throughout his body, he knew that he had already been cornered by the sneak attack from Ning Cheng's 7 Pleiades Ice Needle.

Almost at the time that the True Condensation 7th Level cultivator was sneak attacked by Yu Xing, the True Condensation 7th Level Cultivator rushed towards the blood pool to prepare to explode with his Artefact, it was at this time that Ning Cheng used his 7 Pleiades Ice Needle to sneak attack the grey robed man, Pei Guang He also raised his hands and shot out a seal, without the influence from the grey robed man, that seal completely wrapped around his body, and in just a twinkling of an eye he disappeared from the blood pool chamber.

Have to say, the timing of this Pu Guang He was just right, not even waiting for half a moment. If it was any other person, even if he was in possession of a similar seal, it would be extremely rare for them to seize this kind of opportunity like Pei Guang He.

"Thump." The cultivator at the True Condensation 7th Level finally could not control his body, and fell into the blood pool, when he fell into the blood pool, it was the same as before, just a few blood bubbles popped through the surface before it became calm once again.

"Boom" a huge exploding sound could be heard, as the big black seal which was still expanding till now suddenly exploded. This powerful explosion forced the blood from the blood pool to rise up like a blood pillar.

Ning Cheng who had used his 7 Pleiades Ice Needle to attack the grey robed man, blasted out a punch. This was not ordinary punch, but was the punch filled with his comprehension of the Killing Intent of the Great Axe.

This Axe Fist filled with Killing Intent directly arrived and exploded on to the body of Yu Xing in a straight line.

Yu Xing who had just successfully sneak attacked that cultivator at the True Condensation 7th Level, did not have enough time to call back his Flying Sword, as such was stuck by Ning Cheng's sneak attack. He absolutely had no chance of escape, and was directly hit on his back by the incoming Axe Fist.

As blood spurted out from his waist, Yu Xing staggered towards the direction of the blood pool, Ning Cheng immediately followed up, he did not wait for Yu Xing to start his counter attack, and immediately punched out once again.

Yu Xing's heart was completely filled with hate, he did not think that Ning Cheng would react so quickly, moreover he was attacking him unceasingly, and had not attacked the grey robed person at all. Him wanting to take back his Artefact to block Ning Cheng's attack was already very unrealistic, the only route for him was to enter the blood pool or be killed by Ning Cheng's attack.

"Splash" Yu Xing did not think anymore and jumped into the blood pool.

Just when Yu Xing had jumped into the blood pool, Ning Cheng brought out his real Artefact, the broken Spear that he had mounted on his back, bringing it out, he immediately casted out 22 Ice Spear Shadows, these 22 Ice Spear Shadows immediately connected with each other in just a twinkling of an eye and formed an ice net.

Ning Cheng did not wait for even half a moment, he was very clear about what would happen if he did not hurry to find a way out. Now that the Artefact of the cultivator at the True Condensation 7th Level had blown up, severely injuring the grey robed cultivator, if he did not seize this opportunity, then he really would be an idiot.

The cloths of the grey robed cultivator had already disappeared, revealing his skinny stature. There was a huge bloody hole on the left side of his chest, even his face was completely burnt black by the explosion of the black seal Artefact. With no cloths to cover his body, Ning Cheng could clearly see, that this grey robed cultivator really did not have any legs.

If he did have them, then Ning Cheng's 7 Pleiades Ice Needle and the explosion from the huge Black Seal Artefact of the cultivator at the True Condensation 7th Level, then he would have at most have suffered only some minor injuries. But at the moment, not only was seriously injured, but he also could not force out the 7 Pleiades Ice Needle in him.

If Ning Cheng did not continue to attack him, then he would sooner or later be able to extract the 7 Pleiades Ice Needle, but with Ning Cheng's precise attack timing, he did not even get a shred of a chance.

The grey robed man had just raised up the hand that had the round shield, before he immediately stopped. Because the 7 Pleiades Ice Needle was still moving around in his body's Meridians, which made the True Essence in his body was extremely slow, at the same time he felt his Dantian finally detonate.

Because of 7 Pleiades Ice Needle attack on his Dantian, the Dantian of the grey robed cultivator instantly turned to ash. It was at this time that Ning Cheng's 22 Ice Spear Shadows completely fell on that person's body.

"Ka Ka...."

An intermittent breaking sound was transmitted, as the grey robed cultivator under the continuous and precise attacks of the 7 Pleiades Ice Needle and the 36 Ice Spear Technique turned into an icicle, moreover just as his body turned into ice sculpture it immediately burst apart.

Even in the instant before his death he still could not believe what had happened when he looked at Ning Cheng, in his eyes, although Ning Cheng was the first to come here, but the cultivation of Ning Cheng was the lowest, and he had thought that he would not have to care too much about him. In his final moment, he actually died at the hands of a cultivator who had the lowest cultivation out of all of them, it was not because of anything else, but his own negligence in thinking that he was the weakest among the rest. Not much of an interest, but still a lot of interest.

Not only that, he had used his most powerful attack, not at the beginning like the others, but at the last moment to give him a fatal attack.

"Crash" the grey robed person turned into a pile of ice shards not larger than small stones.

Ning Cheng felt that the surrounding pressure began to lighten up, and sat down on the ground feeling very weak. At this moment he was very grateful to the cultivator at the True Condensation 7th Level. if not for him blowing up his Artefact before dying, he would have definitely not been able to kill that grey robed person.

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### **Chapter 82: My Only Family**

After the time it takes for an incense stick to burn, Ning Cheng finally restored almost 90% of his True Essence with the help of the Spirit Stones.

The red Flying Sword that had fallen into the blood pool, Ning Cheng did not intend to get it back, he just raised his hands and recalled the 7 Pleiades Ice Needle. He did not know where this grey robed person had hidden his things, as he did not have a Storage Bag nor did he have any other storage devices.

But Ning Cheng did not care much about the things of this grey robed cultivator, as this fellow used the blood of others for his cultivation practice, even if he found something, he knew that it would not be something that he would want to partake in.

Up until this moment, he did not have the opportunity to look around the place he was in.

This place had an area of several hundred square meters, but the entire surrounding walls were shrouded by an Array Formation, making it appear indistinct. In the middle of this place was the giant pool of blood, just above this pool of blood was a bloody mist and a platform at the centre of the pool, which also made him not see the blood pool clearly. Using his Spiritual Sense to sweep through, he found that it was immediately blocked by an Array Formation.

Ning Cheng carefully looked in all the directions, and confirmed that other than the blood pool, there did not seem to have any other way out. The path that he had used earlier to come in had already been sealed off by the grey robed man, and unless he had a Talisman like that of Pei Guang He, he would not be able to leave this place.

The only hope he had at this moment was the blood pool, otherwise the only other thing that he could do was to attack the Array Formation. Not to mention that Ning Cheng not only could not understand this Array Formation, even if he could understand it, he would not dare to attack it indiscriminately.

As for the blood pool, Ning Cheng did not want to go in, when that cultivator in the True Condensation 7th Level entered the blood pool, only a few blood bubbles rose to the surface before popping, other

than that there was no movement in the blood pool and it was completely calm, it gave a really creepy feeling to Ning Cheng.

Ning Cheng hovered on top of the blood pool for a few moments on his Flying Sword, and made sure that it was no longer trying to suck him in, once he confirmed it, he directly jumped from the Flying Sword and onto the middle of the platform on which the grey robed person was sitting on.

With a wave of his hand, the residual bones on the platform were thrown into the blood pool.

Then Ning Cheng using the Spear in his hands knocked on the platform, which emitted a clear 'ding ding' sound.

Is it hollow inside? Ning Cheng immediately became excited, although he did not care about the things of this grey robed man, but he did not know for how long this grey robed man had stayed in this place. Since these ruins were genuine, then perhaps this grey robed man had collected and stored some of the things from the ruins inside.

Ning Cheng did not spend much time pondering, and immediately started to look at the Array Formation that was traced out on the platform. He concluded that this was just a simple Sealing Array Formation, after that Ning Cheng immediately threw out several Array Flags, and made a motion of lifting his hands, which raised the cover off from this platform.

A long and narrow staircase appeared under Ning Cheng's foot, Ning Cheng once again swept through it with his Spiritual Sense, certain that there were no problems, he started to descend the steps, while simultaneously covered the outside with the cover once again.

He did not know where this staircase leads to, but it was very long. Ning Cheng had already been descending for half an hour, before he finally got off the steps, but what was in front of him was a corridor filled with gravel. Around the surrounding corridor, there were a few glowing stones suspended in air providing a dim visibility.

Ning Cheng followed this trail and walked for almost an hour before arriving in front of a stone house with no doors.

After confirming that this stone house did not pose any danger to him, Ning Cheng then entered this stone house, sitting in the middle of this stone house was a white skeleton. He did not know for how many years had this skeleton been sitting here, but he could still feel a formidable pressure coming from it, this pressure was countless times more formidable that the pressure from the pitch black skeleton that the grey robed man had pulled out of the blood pool.

On both sides of this stone room, other than a stone table, there was only a stone picture frame. Whether it was the stone table or the stone picture frame, there was nothing on them. It was obvious that the people who had come before had already taken everything away.

As Ning Cheng approached the skeleton, he somewhat suspected that this skeleton might even be of the cultivator of the legendary Sea Opening Realm. On the ground in front of the skeleton, Ning Cheng saw a row of small words, 'those who want to enter my door, first kowtow 49 times'.

Not to mention that Ning Cheng did not understand much of it, even the part that he did understand, he would not kowtow 49 times to a strange skeleton for no reason at all.

Then Ning Cheng walked to wall, and with the Spear in his hands, aimed it just in front of small wordings in front of the skeleton's foot and shot out a Spear Shadow.

"Boom"

When the Spear Shadow hit the ground it was aimed at with a boom, it immediately threw up an innumerable amounts of crushed stones, the skeleton also immediately broke apart suddenly, and a dense cluster of white bone arrows shot out towards him. Ning Cheng was shocked, and immediately punched out with his Axe Fist, it looked like these white bone arrows were countless years old, as such after being struck by the Axe Fist of Ning Cheng, they immediately lost their momentum and fell in front of him, they simply could not even hurt Ning Cheng a bit.

Ning Cheng heaved a sigh, and then looked at the skeleton, that was lying, now broken, on the ground. It seems that him blasting open the ground, and the skeleton falling to the ground, did seem to have some sort of connection. But Ning Cheng was not much disappointed with the outcome, when he had come in, he knew that the first people who came in would have already cleared out the place.

At this time, a piece of the roof fell down, showing a huge hole in the roof, as yellow sand trickled down through this gaping hole in the roof.

Ning Cheng was not surprised at this but rather he was happy, since there was yellow sand falling through the roof above, then it meant that he was definitely below the Thunder Fall Desert, all he had to do was to follow this sand upstream, and he would finally arrive above in the desert.

A sharp cry came from the distant corridor, Ning Cheng immediately realized that this cry was issued by the young girl king called Xiu Xiu. He did not know how this woman entered this corridor, or if the cry was coming from someplace else. If she had entered this corridor, then it meant that she had also come here after opening the Sealing Array Formation on the platform of the blood pool.

But Ning Cheng did not want to go back, these ruins were very vast and spread out over a large area, moreover when he had come in, he had also felt a fresh breeze which did not feel right. These ruins were very strange, he did not want to continue with his idea to explore the ruins, at least not now since he found yellow sand falling from above.

Before when Ning Cheng had fired off his Spear at the ground, it was because he suddenly felt that something was wrong. He was already now a Tier 2 Array Formation Master, so he could make out that there was a Concealment Array Formation on one of the crushed stones. He immediately picked up that crushed stone, and performed a few hand seals with his hand, and immediately an exquisite jade seal appeared in his hands. this exquisite jade seal was engraved with the words, Lan Yi Country.

"Whoa...." With more and more sand falling, Ning Cheng did not think anymore and immediately put the jade seal into his Storage Bag, grabbing the Spear he, at once, rushed into the falling sand.

Under the operation of his True Essence, Ning Cheng began swimming upstream through the sand.

One hour, two hours....

Even after quite a while passed, Ning Cheng was still moving upstream in the sand, at this moment Ning Cheng felt like he was still at the bottom of the sea of sand, with the end nowhere in sight.

Fortunately, Ning Cheng was already a cultivator in the True Condensation Realm, otherwise if it was before, he would not be even able to breathe and would have suffocated to death a long time ago. After almost half a day, he stopped and rested a bit to restore his True Essence.

After travelling for another half a day, Ning Cheng became aware that the pressure on the tip of the Spear was also loosening up, the next moment he then felt the pressure on his head also loosen up considerably. After the loose yellow sand finally rolled over, Ning Cheng gave out a long sigh, as he finally arrived on top of the desert once again.

Ning Cheng did not stay at that place to rest for even half a moment, before he immediately chose a direction and quickly departed from that place. He wanted to leave this area as fast as possible, then find a safe place to clean himself up, and to quietly replenish his True Essence.

After travelling for an hour, Ning Cheng finally found a withered poplar tree, and decided to rest at that place.

Before deciding to rest, Ning Cheng swept out with his Spiritual Sense, at this time Ning Cheng could already use his Spiritual Sense to examine several tens of miles of area around him.

At this moment, a dishevelled female cultivator emerged in his peripheral vision of his Spiritual Sense, this cultivator's footsteps were staggering, it was obvious that she did not have much physical strength.

Luo Fei? Ning Cheng almost instantaneously recognised this female cultivator, this female cultivator unexpectedly turned out to be Ji Luo Fei.

Wasn't Ji Luo Fei in the Hua Continent's Falling Star Academy? How could it be possible for her to appear in the Thunder Fall Desert?

Ning Cheng did not think of anything else and immediately rushed out towards her. And in just a few short breaths, Ning Cheng already arrived in front of Ji Luo Fei.

When Ji Luo Fei saw a silhouette of a person rushing towards her, she almost instinctively raised the Flying Sword in her hand and pointed it towards Ning Cheng.

Ning Cheng simply lifted his hand, and lightly brushed away the Flying Sword in Ji Luo Fei's hand. He did not wait for Ji Luo Fei to make the next move, as Ning Cheng directly grabbed Ji Luo Fei's wrist and said, "Luo Fei, just what exactly is going on with you, I am Ning Cheng."

"Didn't you already die?" When Ji Luo Fei glanced at the face of Ning Cheng, the crazy look in her eyes immediately calmed down, and she immediately fainted in the arms of Ning Cheng. Ning Cheng immediately took out the Spiritual Qi rich water that he had collected from the Spiritual Essence Pool, and fed it to Ji Luo Fei. Although his Storage Bag contained many pills, as these pills were his spoils from the various battles, but because he did not know what these pills exactly were, so he did not dare to take them out.

Although Ji Luo Fei at the moment did not have much strength in her, but as long as she rested for while she should be able to wake up by herself.

Ning Cheng took out a rope, and placing Ji Luo Fei securely on his back with the help of the rope, he decided to change places and patiently wait for Ji Luo Fei to recover her strength.

Ji Luo Fei was now already a student of the Falling Star Academy, but for such a person to rush into the desert by themselves, it would certainly involve some major matter. If she had not met him on time, then as long as she was to encounter any one of the desert whirlpools, she would be immediately gobbled up.

Ning Cheng once again changed directions, as he simultaneously picked up his speed.

Under the stirring of some of his True Essence, Ji Luo Fei finally woke up. When Ji Luo Fei opened her eyes, she saw that she was being carried on the back of a male cultivator, she immediately wanted to pull out her Flying Sword hanging from her waist to send out a chop from it. However just as she was about to pull her Flying Sword that was on her body, she immediately remembered seeing a familiar face before she fainted.

"Ning Cheng....." She called out as she put her trembling hands and gently caressed the scruff of Ning Cheng, even her voice was trembling as she spoke, "Did we both finally die?"

When Ning Cheng felt Ji Luo Fei extremely gentle touch, he involuntarily shook, and was just about to speak, when he heard Ji Luo Fei continue speaking with a quivering voice, "I am sorry, Ning Cheng. You had asked me to take revenge for you, I am sorry that I couldn't take revenge for you.... You are my only family, for me to die with you, I really am very happy...."

Ji Luo Fei once again spoke a few words into Ning Cheng's ear.

"Do not be nervous, come with me, follow me, listen to me."

"Luo Fei, you already know my qualifications, remember that after you leave, take revenge for me...."

In her life no one had been this good to her, even if Ning Cheng had bullied her for more than 10 years, but as for that single happy day in her life, she knew that she would never be able to forget it for the rest of her life. In her entire life Ning Cheng was the only one to use his life in exchange for hers, at that time she had not wanted to leave Ning Cheng behind, but she did not have any other choice. Unfortunately, before she died, she could not help Ning Cheng in carrying out his desire for revenge.

Ning Cheng suddenly felt bitter in his heart, he really had not done anything for Ji Luo Fei, before he had come out of the prison, he knew that his predecessor had continuously bullied Ji Luo Fei for many years. But even then this woman still regarded him as his only family, compared to the things what Ji Luo Fei had done for him, Ning Cheng felt really ashamed of himself from the bottom of his heart.

Although on the surface Ji Luo Fei did not look like she cared much for him, but she had secretly fought while putting her life on the line in the Fighting Pot to win a Qi Gathering Stone, just for the sake of allowing him to be able to finally cultivate.

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#### Chapter 83: I'm Not A Fool

Ning Cheng was just about to speak, when he once again unexpectedly found a person, moreover it was not just a single person, but rather it was a group of four people.

"Hey, you let that little fish escape again, this time more than once ....." A hoarse voice spoke in a surprised tone.

"Lou Fei, are these the people that chased you?" Ning Cheng stared at the four cultivators in front of him and asked her, of the four people in front of him two of them were at True Condensation 1st Level, one at True Condensation 2nd Level while the last person was at Peak Stage Qi Gathering 9th Level.

"What...." Ji Luo Fei did not seem to understand, and for a moment forgot to reply to Ning Cheng's words, since she was just chased down and killed by these people, so how could they be back?

That cultivator at the True Condensation 2nd Level did not move, but said to the other three people, "Kill that man first, then we'll leave with the woman, we have already stayed for 6 months in this damn desert, she is already a faded out bird. The two of you be careful to not kill her, although her face is ugly but she really has a damn good figure."

The other three did not need the cultivator at the True Condensation 2nd Level to speak, since they had already blocked off Ning Cheng, one of the cultivators at the True Condensation 1st Level immediately jumped into the air, and raised his hands in order to grasp Ning Cheng's head within it.

Although Ji Luo Fei had still not replied to Ning Cheng's question, he knew that she was being chased by these four people since before, immediately bringing out his Spear he simultaneously shot out many Spear Shadows, completely enveloping the three people.

The yellow sand in front of him immediately turned into a sheet of ice emanating an intense chill, as more than 20 Ice Spear Shadows instantly connected together to form a huge Ice Spear Net, that wrapped around the three cultivators, completely trapping them within the Spear Net.

"Poof" Ning Cheng just casually leapt ahead of the cultivator of the True Condensation 1st Level who had tried to pounce on him, at this moment he simply did not even have the ability to resist even for a slightest moment, before he was directly shattered into countless ice fragments after being struck once more by one of the Ice Spear Shadow.

"He is not a cultivator at the Qi Gathering 7th Level......" the other True Condensation 1st Level cultivator had just spoken out when he was immediately bound by more than a dozen Ice Spear Shadows, he only had the time to take out his single edged knife Artefact, but before he could even use his Artefact, he was instantly pierced by a dozen of the Ice Spear Shadows. A dozen arrows of blood shot out from his body, and instantly froze into a dozen bloody icicles.

Although Ning Cheng had brought out more than 20 Spear Shadows, but he had only used them on the two cultivators of the True Condensation Realm, as for that cultivator in the Qi Gathering 9th Level, Ning Cheng did not waste a Spear Shadow on him, but rather he just threw out a punch.

Although that cultivator at the Qi Gathering 9th Level reacted quickly, but the Axe Type Killing Intent from the fist that he had punched out directly bound him, even if could react even more quickly, in front of this kind of strength, he was simply akin to floating clouds.

"Bang" Although this Qi Gathering 9th Level cultivator was able to bring out a shield to protect himself, but in front of Ning Cheng's Axe Fist, it was just like a thin paper, that broke in a twinkling. As Ning Cheng's Axe Fist detonated on the body of the Qi Gathering 9th Level Cultivator, he immediately coughed out a mouthful of blood, as he was sent flying several yards back, but by the time he fell to the ground, he was already a corpse.

The True Condensation 2nd Level Cultivator who was standing at a distance, already had enough time to react, and at this time he was holding a glowing long blue hook shaped Artefact in his hands as he stared at Ning Cheng.

"I never thought that you would turn out to be cultivator in the True Condensation Realm, since you really are a cultivator of the True Condensation Realm, for such a problem to occur is just a misunderstanding, just let it go, and in the future we will not meet each other again." The cultivator at the True Condensation 2nd Level spoke, as he simultaneously started to retreat while keeping a close eye on Ning Cheng.

Ning Cheng knew that the reason why he was saying those words was because of the Profound Grade 36 Ice Spears Technique, even if he did not recognise that it was a Profound Level technique, he could easily guess that he was not Ning Cheng's opponent, and even showed that he was afraid of him.

But Ning Cheng was not even interested in talking with him, and immediately swept out 22 Ice Spear Shadows again, these Ice Spear Shadows at once formed a vast Spear Net once again and directly sealed up the cultivator at the True Condensation 2nd Level in it.

Since this cultivator at the True Condensation 2nd Level was alert all the time, so when he saw Ning Cheng make his move, he also immediately resorted to the long blue hook in his hands.

But just as he decided to use the long blue hook in his hands, he couldn't even use it to defend himself before it was sucked away by a giant mouldy copper coin. This cultivator at the True Condensation 2nd Level could only watch helplessly as the Ice Spear Shadows plunged into his body.

He was already grasping a Talisman in his hands and had even charged it up with his True Essence to 50%, but this cultivator at the True Condensation 2nd Level could never have dared to believe that he would end up dying so quickly.

He originally wanted to use the long blue hook Magic Weapon to block Ning Cheng's Ice Spear Shadows, and then use the charged up Level 3 Thunderbolt Talisman in his hands. In his view, even if his Thunderbolt Talisman could not kill Ning Cheng, it would have at least severely injured him.

Although the Level 3 Thunderbolt Talisman was precious, but compared to his poor life, and in front of a Profound Grade Spear Technique, this Thunderbolt Talisman was not worth mentioning.

He had thought about innumerable things, but he had never once thought that he wouldn't even have enough time to charge his Thunderbolt Talisman. Not only his long blue hook Artefact could not block the Ice Spear Shadows, it was instead pulled away by his opponent.

Ning Cheng lifted his hand and the Five Elemental Treasure Fall Coins immediately fell onto it, simultaneously becoming secretly shocked in his heart, these mouldy coins really were something to be scared of. He had only refined just a single layer of Restriction on them, and it was already this powerful, once he refined all the Restrictions on it, then wouldn't it mean that as long as the opponent's Artefact was made from the five elements, he could easily snatch them? Fortunately, he still had the 7 Pleiades Ice Needle, otherwise he would have definitely have died back at that time because of this Five Elemental Treasure Fall Coins.

Even if he did not use these Five Elemental Treasure Fall Coins a moment ago, he still believed that he would have been able to take care of this cultivator at the True Condensation 2nd Level albeit it would have taken a bit more time than usual. But because of the help from the Coin Artefact, this kind of thing became too simple.

"Ning Cheng, we ...." Ji Luo Fei who was still on Ning Cheng's back, called out with a trembling voice, she felt that something was not right, just what was going on? She had not died yet, but then if she had not died, then how could she have met Ning Cheng? Moreover, how could Ning Cheng be this formidable and be able to kill all those 4 powerful cultivators in under one breath?

Ning Cheng just turned his head slightly towards Ji Luo Fei and smiled, "Luo Fei, I don't know how you arrived at the Thunder Fall Desert from the Hua Continent, but you do not need to worry anymore. We are both alive and well, and are certainly not dead."

Ji Luo Fei subconsciously pinched him with her hand, for a moment she had forgotten that she was still holding onto the scruff of Ning Cheng. Ning Cheng immediately felt a bit pain, as he grimaced and said, "Luo Fei, you are pinching me."

Ji Luo Fei did not hear what Ning Cheng said, and subconsciously embraced Ning Cheng's neck, and immediately began to cry out loud. She was not glad that she had not died, but rather she was glad that Ning Cheng did not die.

Ning Cheng stretched out his hand back and patted Ji Luo Fei's back and said, "The living should be happy, don't cry."

While he said those words he was feeling somewhat strange in his heart, in his original memories, Ji Luo Fei never ever cried because of anything, thus for him this was the first time he saw Ji Luo Fei crying.

Ning Cheng saw that Ji Luo Fei did not seem to hear him, and quickly asked again, "Luo Fei, just what the hell happened? I remember that when you left Cang Qin Province, you had already advanced to the Qi Gathering 4th Level, right? So how come you are only at Qi Gathering 5th Level now? Moreover, why did you come to the Thunder Fall Desert?"

Ji Luo Fei's qualifications and talent were not bad, before when she was cultivating in the Cang Qin Academy, she was doing so without having access to any of the resources, but even then Luo Fei was able to advance to the peak of Qi Gathering 3rd Level. So it stood for good reason that when her paternal aunt Ji Yao He brought her to the Hua Continent's 5 Star Academy, she could easily have a variety of cultivation resources and even guidance from different teachers, and as such should have long since broken into the later stages of the Qi Gathering Realm.

This was when comparing to An Yi, who had always been together with him, as her cultivation speed was much faster than Ji Luo Fei's.

Ji Luo Fei just tightly hugged Ning Cheng, and did not reply to Ning Cheng's words. Which made Ning Cheng helpless, he could only tidy up the several things of the cultivators that he had killed, after doing that he carried Ji Luo Fei and rapidly departed.

After a long time, Ji Luo Fei who was still on Ning Cheng's back spoke, "I am sorry, Ning Cheng."

Ning Cheng once again turned to look at Ji Luo Fei as he smiled and said, "Luo Fei, you do not have to apologize for anything, if you would have not come back for me, then I would have long since died."

Ning Cheng knew, that if Ji Luo Fei had not promptly come to pick him from the prison entrance, then as to what kind of fate would he have, it really would not be something very difficult to predict.

"On that day when I was carrying you, I did not care much if you lived or died, it was only because I was sorry for Grandpa Ning, I am sorry...." Ji Luo Fei was talking in a very small voice, as if she was rebuking herself.

Initially when she had been carrying Ning Cheng on her back, she had wholeheartedly thought that Ning Cheng was already dead, even when afterwards Ning Cheng revived on her back, she still did not have a shred of astonishment or surprise on her. For her, at that time whether Ning Cheng was dead or alive, it really did not matter to her for even half a moment. If Ning Cheng was alive, she would look after him, if Ning Cheng was dead, she would bury him.

Ning Cheng was silent for a moment and then said, "Luo Fei, you should not blame yourself, before I was always hard on you, for you to not care about me is normal."

"No." Ji Luo Fei immediately denied Ning Cheng's words and said, "I only realized this later that you are the only one best for me, after Grandfather passed away, no one had ever been good to me like this other than you."

Ning Cheng felt really ashamed of himself and absentmindedly scratched his head and said, "Luo Fei, you should not think like this. In case you meet a person with bad intentions, they will always pretend to be good to you at first, you should really not think like this, otherwise you will really fall into their trap."

He did not know how should he explain this to Ji Luo Fei, as Ji Luo Fei was person who could easily be swindled. He himself knew that he had never done much for her in her life other than his predecessor tormenting and bullying her. If she saw someone being good to her even once, she would immediately give herself wholeheartedly to that person. Such an idea was very dangerous. Although the time that the present Ning Cheng had been living with Ji Luo Fei was shorter than what she had spent with him, but he had already come to realize that this person here was really simple and honest in nature.

Ji Luo Fei was silent for a long time, before she spoke in a low voice, "I am not a fool."

She understood the meaning behind Ning Cheng's words, but Ning Cheng could not understand what she meant.

Ning Cheng sighed, he did not continue this line of thought and asked, "Luo Fei, even you know that even an Essence Building Realm cultivator would have a tough time in the Thunder Fall Desert, aren't you clear that lightning can intermittently fall on you? You are only at Qi Gathering 5th Level, for you to come to the Thunder Fall Dessert, I really do not know what to say to you."

Ji Luo Fei still did not speak, how could she not know that with her strength coming to the Thunder Fall Dessert would be akin to suicide? But where else could she go? For a cultivator at the Qi Gathering 5th Level, just where in the world could she go? Even if she left the Falling Star Academy, she knew that if she did not find a safe place for herself, then at most she would only be able to survive for a few more years.

If it was before, then she had planned to go to the Cang Qin 2 Star Academy and then help Ning Chen escape from that place, she had thought of trying to find a few cultivation resources along the way to continue with her cultivation, and then head out to find her parents.

But after that day, she was continuously thinking about Ning Cheng more and more as Ning Cheng's shadow continued to grow in her heart. The only person willing to die for her, was her fiancé. As for finding her long lost parents, she knew that the chance for that happening were very slim. But she knew that Ning Cheng was still in the Cang Qin Province, moreover she knew that once she left, Ning Cheng's chances of surviving were very slim.

She had wanted to go back to the Cang Qin Province to look for Ning Cheng when she woke up on the airship, but she found that she had already left the Ping Continent by that time, although it had happened she still wished to go back to find him. If she was able to cross the Thunder Fall Desert, then she thought she would then have a chance to return back to the Cang Qin Province. If she ended up dying in the Thunder Fall Dessert, then at least she would still be closer to the Cang Qin Province.

Nobody knew what thoughts were going through her mind, and she also did not tell anyone about it.

### **The Gate Of Good Fortune**

### **Chapter 84: That Busy Body Grandma**

Seeing that Ji Luo Fei did not want to speak, Ning Cheng also did not continue to ask questions, as he kept thinking of Ji Luo Fei's words. Ji Luo Fei said that since her Grandfather's death, no one had been good to her. But thinking it over, didn't her being together with him not been not good for her?

It was only possible for Ji Luo Fei to feel moved towards him because when they had tried to escape back at the Cang Qin 2 Star Academy, they were blocked by two cultivators at the Late Stages of the Qi Gathering Realm, and at that point he wanted to let Ji Luo Fei to escape first. If that really was the case, then he was very ashamed about it. It was pretty obvious at that time that if they could not escape from there, both of them would have ended up dead. The reason he had asked Ji Luo Fei to go ahead first, was just in case, out of a million chances, he might be able to hold up against them, although he knew that he would not be able to block even one of the two Qi Gathering Cultivators for even half a minute, once Ji Luo Fei escaped first.

"Luo Fei, if you are thinking about the day we tried to escape, then regardless of if we were able to escape or not, if not for your paternal aunt who arrived in time to save us, then I was pretty sure that we would have ended up dead. At that time my strength truly would in no way be able to stop the two men and let them take you away, and moreover, no matter what I did you also did not want to go." After Ning Cheng thought about it, he spoke up in a simple way to clear things up.

"Star shaped poplar tree...." He did not even wait for Ji Luo Fei to reply, before Ning Cheng immediately stopped and called out in surprise.

This star shaped poplar tree was exactly the sixth mark on the desert map that he had given to Tai Shu Shi, if one wanted to find the right direction, then all they had to do walk in the opposite direction of the largest angle. If one walked straight ahead in that direction for about three days, then they would be able to see a small desert oasis.

"We will rest for a bit here." Ning Cheng said as he put down Ji Luo Fei.

Having found a new marking point on the map, Ning Cheng was really relieved, as long as he knew the correct path on which to walk on, the danger would be absolutely minimal.

In just a short period of time Ning Cheng erected a simple tent and said, "Luo Fei, you go into the tent to rest, I will keep a lookout on the surroundings, and then take a break...."

Ji Luo Fei had only exhausted her strength, and did not have any other injuries.

Ji Luo Fei looked at Ning Cheng for a while, and then she touched Ning Cheng's face, and said something that even she found inexplicable, "I will not leave you."

Ji Luo Fei then looked into the tent, as Ning Cheng shook his head helplessly, after he cleaned himself in a bit, he also changed into another set of cloths. Then started to arrange an Array Formation around the tent, just as Ning Cheng finished arranging the Array Formation around the tent, Ji Luo Fei also came out from inside the tent.

Her face was still the same as before, and was filled with many unsightly scars, but Ning Cheng actually felt that the Ji Luo Fei now and the one from before were completely different.

Although she was still wearing the same clothes, but she did use clean water to clean her hair, she had then rearranged her hair into a beautiful bun, Ning Cheng at this time knew that her hair was very beautiful, but he did not know what exactly she had done with her hair to make that beautiful bun.

The dress she was wearing was also torn up but was tied up into a neat knot, showing her slender waist, which was extremely pure looking and beautiful.

It was evident that Ji Luo Fei, even under limited conditions, still paid attention to her appearance. Looking back into his memory, Ning Cheng remembered that Ji Luo Fei had never intentionally dressed up this desirably. Although she had not intentionally dressed up like this, but even Ning Cheng could not describe the feelings that he was feeling at the moment.

But the most obvious change was not the change in her clothes or her hair, but rather her entire person seemed to be different from before, it was not something that could be seen. If one had to describe it, then before she was like a stagnant pool of water but now she was a freely flowing spring.

"Luo Fei, you should've dressed like this before, I think that the you now is even more beautiful." Ning Cheng praised her from the bottom of his heart.

Ji Luo Fei seemed to be secretly relieved, with her face slightly red, she whispered to him, "Ning Cheng, you can also come in."

"Good, I also have some things that I want to ask you." Ning Cheng said as he hurried into the tent following Ji Luo Fei.

"I have lost my bag, and do not have any other cloths." Ji Luo Fei said as she entered the tent in order to explain to him why she was wearing her clothes in such a fashion.

"Your paternal aunt is a cultivator at the Essence Building Realm, why did she not give you a Storage Bag? Even if she did not give you a Storage Bag, you should have been given at least a Storage Pocket, right?" Ning Cheng frowned and asked.

Ji Luo Fei said in a gentle tone, "The things that my aunt gave me, I have already left them back with my aunt."

"But why? Does your aunt not know that you came to the Thunder Fall Desert?" Ning Cheng blurted out.

Ji Luo Fei remained silent, Ning Cheng did not need an answer to know that something had went wrong between them.

Ning Cheng instantly understood what was happening, it seemed that Ji Luo Fei and her aunt had some kind of unpleasant thing happen between them, this kind of matter it was better to not ask about it.

Originally Ning Cheng was considering about whether to tell Ji Luo Fei about Xiong Qi Hua, but now that he understood that something unpleasant happened to Ji Luo Fei and her paternal aunt, he immediately decided to not speak about those matters. It was to not hurt Ji Luo Fei even more.

"Come here and sit down." Ning Cheng said as he took out two chairs and placed them on the ground.

After Ji Luo Fei sat down, it immediately became silent between the two.

Ji Luo Fei was never good with words, so she did not know what to say. But as for Ning Cheng, he actually very much wanted to ask why Ji Luo Fei had left the Hua Continent, but thinking about how she had not answered many of the times he had asked before, he guessed that it might me something sad, so he also did not know what to say.

"Ning Cheng, just how did your cultivation become so high?" Ji Luo Fei finally broke the silence.

Ning Cheng did not hide anything, and immediately narrated about how he escaped Cang Le City, as well as how he met An Yi, and then arrived at Mingot City. Speaking about the things that happened to him along the way, he also mentioned the Spiritual Essence Spring that he had found during his trip through the Daan Forest, and also explained how it was because of it that his cultivation also advanced a lot.

Other than the Mysterious Yellow Bead and the matter relating to Ji Luo Fei's mother, Ning Cheng spoke about everything else. He believed that Ji Luo Fei would not just casually talk about this matter with anyone, moreover some of these things were also known by An Yi. In Ning Cheng's heart, Ji Luo Fei was much closer to him than An Yi, although An Yi knew some of the things, but at least he did not have to conceal such thing with Ji Luo Fei.

After all, he and Ji Luo Fei were still a betrothed couple, which they had not yet absolved till now.

Ji Luo Fei, who was gripping her hands tight listening to Ning Cheng's narration, finally relaxed a bit. It was only until Ning Cheng said that he had just come out of the ruins of the Lan Yi Country and met her, did she finally breathed a sigh of relief. Hearing Ning Cheng had obtained hundreds of Spirit Stones, even her heart started to pound heavily. Even in the Hua Continent, her paternal aunt had only given her, at most, a few dozen Spirit Stones. But as for those Spirit Stones, she had already given them back to her paternal aunt.

But then when she heard that Ning Cheng had, even at one time, obtained thousands of Spirit Stones, she had almost gone numb from the shock.

As Ning Cheng finished speaking, he also remembered that he had also obtained the Imperial Jade Seal, but at the moment he did not intend to take it out and examine it. This was not a safe place, if even the slightest aura from the Imperial Jade Seal leaked out, then it would invite trouble for them.

Ning Cheng took out a Storage Bag, this Storage Bag already had a thousand Low Grade Spirit Stones, Ning Cheng also took out a double edged Flying Sword and put several sets of his own cloths into the Storage Bag.

"Lou Fei, this is for you. They only have my clothes at the moment, so you will have to wait until we reach the Hua Continent, then you can buy the clothes that you need." Ning Cheng said as he handed the Storage Bag to Ji Luo Fei, he was worried that Ji Luo Fei, just like her paternal aunt's Storage Bag, would also not want it.

"Hmmm." Contrary to what Ning Cheng expected, Ji Luo Fei did not even hesitate even for a moment and took the Storage Bag from Ning Cheng, then tying the Storage Bag around her waist, she did not even say a word of thanks.

Ning Cheng felt relieved, as for that Storage Bag, he already had lots of them with him. At the moment, not only Ji Luo Fei's cultivation was poor, she also did not have sufficient cultivation resources, and was only able to achieve this level due to the Cultivation Method that she cultivated in.

"Luo Fei, do you know what your Spiritual Roots are?" Ning Cheng also had a Profound Grade Water Type Cultivation Method and a Profound Grade Earth Type Cultivation Method. If Ji Luo Fei did not have a water type or an earthen type Spiritual Root, then he had decided to look for a suitable more powerful Cultivation Method for her.

"I have a water and fire dual Main Spiritual Root, but my Main Spiritual Root is more deviated towards the Water Spiritual Root." Ji Luo Fei replied when she was asked about her Spiritual Roots by Ning Cheng. But then she immediately thought about Ning Cheng's Spiritual Roots. She knew that Ning Cheng's Spiritual Roots were very poor, even if he encountered many miraculous opportunities, just how was he able to cultivate this fast?

Ning Cheng then clapped his hands and said while laughing, "That's great, I just happened to have a Profound Grade Water Type Cultivation Method, from now on you do not have to practice the Cultivation Method you are using till now, you can directly use this Profound Grade Water Type Cultivation Method."

Saying that, Ning Cheng took out a Jade Piece and handed it to Ji Luo Fei and said, "Whether you are able to read the contents in this Jade Piece or not, does not matter, since we already have a relationship since early, I will help to teach it to you, and soon you would be able to leave me behind in dust."

"Yes." Ji Luo Fei said, at this moment she did not understand the significance of a Profound Grade Cultivation Method, but what she did know was that it should be much more powerful than the Cultivation Method that she had been cultivating in.

"Luo Fei, you already have a thousand Low Grade Spirit Stones in your Storage Bag, later you can use those Spirit Stones for your cultivation. With your qualifications, you will certainly reach the True Condensation ......"

Hearing Ning Cheng say that he had already put 1,000 Spirit Stones in the Storage Bag, Ji Luo Fei immediately became stunned and stood up in shock. Even among the core students of the Falling Star Academy, there were only a handful of students in the True Condensation Realm that had a net worth of a few hundred to a thousand Spirit Stones, and almost all of them had very influential family backgrounds. As she had dual Spiritual Root, although she had quite a good treatment in the Falling Star Academy but in comparison to those people it was a lot worse. Moreover, if she wanted to remain in the Academy and study then she would also have to earn the money for it, for that she would have to take up a number of tasks, but since she had only arrived at the Falling Star Academy recently, so she did not have the chance to pick up any of the tasks to earn Spirit Stones.

"Ning Cheng, my qualifications are better than you, so it would be better if you keep the Spirit Stones for your use." Ji Luo Fei quickly started taking out the Spirit Stones. Moreover, she was even not clear about the fact that the Profound Grade Cultivation Method was countless times much more valuable than just a mere 1000 Low Grade Spirit Stones.

But Ning Cheng just patted his own Storage Bag and said, "I already have several thousands of Spirit Stones with me, you do not need to worry about it. Now can you tell me why you came alone to the Thunder Fall Desert."

Seeing Ji Luo Fei a bit calmer than before, Ning Cheng knew that this time she would definitely answer if he asked.

Ji Luo Fei simply lowered her head, and spoke as if she was lost, "My aunt insisted that I marry into the Shui Clan, which is one of the seven great clans of the Hua Continent, but I did not agree. I wanted to go back to the Cang Qin Province to see you, so I entered the Thunder Fall Desert by myself...."

"That busy body grandma....." Ning Cheng spoke in an angry voice.

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### Chapter 85: You Lied To Me

"What is a busy body grandma?" Ji Luo Fei asked Ning Cheng as she could not understand it when she heard Ning Cheng call her paternal aunt a busy body grandma.

Ning Cheng just smiled lightly and quickly changed the subject, "Didn't your paternal aunt tell you about other things, I heard that a 6 Star Academy would be established in the Hua Academy, and would be selected from a tournament between the five 5 Star Academies? Don't you know about this matter."

Ji Luo Fei nodded her head and said, "Yes, there is indeed such a thing, this tournament not only will take into the account of the overall strength of the Hua Continent's five 5 Star Academies, but it will also take into consideration even the underlying strength and influence of those five 5 Star Academies. The resulting decision will be based on the potential strength and overall strength. This potential strength is determined by the five disciples from the True Condensation Realm from each of the five 5 Star Academies, who will take part in all the rounds of the tournament."

"So the one with the good results will not be chosen to go to an Intermediate Class Continent?" Ning Cheng quickly asked again, these were the words that he wanted to ask. He had the Clear Sky 5 Star Academy's Command Medallion, if he could join the 5 Star Academy, he believed that he could quickly reach the Late Stages of the True Condensation Realm, and improve his strength dramatically. This

tournament did not compare the real strength of the strong and the weak, so even if his strength was just good enough, then he could obtain a position in the 5 Star Academy, and if he could also go to an Intermediate Class Continent, then that really would be a lucky thing.

Ning Cheng already knew that if he wanted to cultivate to a higher realm, then remaining in a Lower Class Continent would simply not work, the only way that this kind of thing would be possible was if he went to an Intermediate Class or an Advanced Class Continent, only then would he have the opportunity to advance to a higher realm.

"I am not very clear on that, as I only stayed at the Falling Star Academy for a just short time, most of my time was spent here in the Thunder Fall Desert. I only heard that the top few people would receive a very handsome reward, other than that......"

Ning Cheng once again interrupted Ji Luo Fei's words and said, "Luo Fei, you are only at Qi Gathering 5th Level, how were you able to survive in this Thunder Fall Desert for so long? Also how could you come here alone?"

Ji Luo Fei's eyes revealed a trace of sadness as she replied, "When I was walking through this Thunder Fall Desert, I was able to meet a kind hearted man, they were also forced out of the continent by their enemies, and were making their way to the Yuan Continent. I had been together with them since, they seem to know about a safer route, and with the help of it we were able to walk for a couple of months in this desert, moreover we did not encounter much danger. But three days ago, we met a sand dragon......"

When Ning Cheng heard about this, he immediately knew that their situation had turned bad. Initially the reason why he had deviated from his position all those days ago was because he was also sucked up by a passing yellow sand dragon. Meanwhile he sighed in his heart, this kind of family migration was pretty common in this world. Once you offended a powerful person, then if they did not hide immediately from them, then the only way to escape from them was to risk migrating to another continent. Back when he was still living in the Ning Clan that year, didn't he hear such a thing happening to Ji Clan?

"That sand dragon was very terrible, and as a result all of us separated, I followed a few people but we had already deviated from the original path. Afterwards, we met with a few rogue cultivators, they were the four people that you killed before. After they blocked our way forward, we immediately ran away in different directions to escape."

"Maybe it was because I had a disfigured face, along with my low cultivation level, moreover they were also a bit shorthanded, which unexpectedly helped me escape from them. Then I crazily ran in a particular direction, I always felt that this was the direction that I had to go in. Afterwards, I really met you...." Ji Luo Fei's tone was very low, it was clear that she was worried about that good man who had helped her.

Ning Cheng did not know how to comfort Ji Luo Fei, so he once again changed the subject and asked, "Luo Fei, I want to ask you about a person from the Falling Star Academy, is it possible that you know this person called Meng Yu Jing?"

For Ji Luo Fei to know about Meng Yu Jing, Ning Cheng did not have much hope for it. The Falling Star Academy had many people in it, moreover Ji Luo Fei did not spend much time in the Falling Star Academy, so for her to not know about Meng Yu Jing was also normal.

Ji Luo Fei looked at Ning Cheng in a puzzling way and replied, "How do you know her? Meng Yu Jing is not only a student of the Falling Star Academy, but is also one of the core disciples of the Academy. She has the cultivation level of True Condensation 7th Level and is also one of the personal disciples of the Profound Core Realm Dean, she is also the only disciple of the three disciples of the Profound Core Realm Dean that I have seen so far."

"Didn't I tell you before that in the Daan Forest I had met Kou Hong, he wanted me to pass something to Meng Yu Jing through me, but I actually do not know who this Meng Yu Jing is." Ning Cheng explained.

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After the two people started to talk to each other, Ning Cheng was finally able to glimpse into Ji Luo Fei's heart, this woman really was very kind and also full of gratitude.

Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei only rested there for a day before they packed up and left. Now that Ji Luo Fei had finally found Ning Cheng, it was obvious that she would return to the Hua Continent together with Ning Cheng. As for the matter relating to her parents, she decided to wait till her cultivation was high enough, and only then would she make a trip to the Daan Forest to find them.

Along the way, Ning Cheng constantly taught her the mnemonic chants of the Cultivation Method to Ji Luo Fei. Ji Luo Fei was already at Qi Gathering 5th Level, and at the moment was only focusing on cultivating her Spiritual Sense. Moreover, Ning Cheng also had many Spirit Stones with him, and did not hide anything from her, and as a result Ji Luo Fei was able to progress very quickly.

Three days later, Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei arrived at a small oasis, at this time Ji Luo Fei was already able to manifest a sliver of her Spiritual Sense.

Ning Cheng recalled from the map that originally this small oasis was marked as a medium sized lake, and this lake was encircled with lots of Jujube (Date) Trees along with Red Willow Trees. However, when Ning Cheng finally arrived here, they found that the Jujube and the Red Willow Trees had already disappeared. Even the lake had turned into a small pool not larger than a big bathtub.

"What's wrong?" Ji Luo Fei saw Ning Cheng stopped walking forward, and asked in a puzzling way.

Ning Cheng pointed to the sand pit in front of them and said, "From the map that I had obtained, this oasis had been existing for countless years, and has never dried up, but then how come is it dried up when we came here?"

Ji Luo Fei had not yet answered, when a heavy Spiritual Qi emerged, coming from below the sand pit.

"This Qi....." Ji Luo Fei also could feel the rich and strong Qi, and looked in surprise at Ning Cheng.

But Ning Cheng was staring at the sand pit where the Spiritual Qi was getting more and more concentrated, and was already preparing to enter this sand pit to have a look. Since the Spiritual Qi here was so rich, so it was quite possible that this sand pit may even have some good things.

"There seemed to be only a few people traveling through this path, otherwise the good thing here, would have very likely been carried off by them a long time ago." Ji Luo Fei also certainly understood that there must be some kind of treasure due to the emergence of such a dense and rich Spiritual Qi.

When Ning Cheng heard Ji Luo Fei's words he immediately stopped himself from going forward and asked, "Luo Fei, you said that you followed the other people into the Thunder Fall Desert, then is it possible that they showed the map of the Thunder Fall Desert to you too?"

Ji Luo Fei simply said, "That's right, we had walked for a couple of months together, and did not meet any danger, so they should have the correct map. But this path is probably not the map that we followed."

Ning Cheng frowned, although Thunder Fall Desert is incomparably dangerous, but due to the passage of innumerable years, there still have been many low levelled cultivators who were able to pass through the Thunder Fall Desert. The maps that these lower levelled cultivators had were obviously not the same. If they were the same, then they would have been able to secure their paths, and helped the others to come out safely. Moreover, with the oasis here, people would have definitely come to know about it.

Since, theoretically speaking, others knew about this place, why would they wait for so many years. When they arrived here, did they not feel such a rich and strong Spiritual Qi here? Why did they not come and collect the treasure from here?

In this desert, the number of mystical things were too many, if one did not have enough strength to obtain it, then they could only forget about. Just like that mysterious North Jue Tribe, even to this day Ning Cheng still did not know just where the tribe was located.

"Luo Fei, let's go." Ning Cheng gave up on jumping into the sand pit to go find the treasure, he just turned around and spoke to Ji Luo Fei and started to move away from there.

At this time, the sand pit in front of them suddenly started to cave in all around them, the place that it started to cave in was also quite near to the place where Ning Cheng was just standing in, just as it started to cave in, two pitch black withered looking palms emerged and moved to grab onto the legs of Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei.

Ning Cheng knew at once that it was not going to end in a good way, just as the two withered pitch black palms emerged, almost at the same time he grabbed onto Ji Luo Fei and threw her out of the sand pit and shouted, "Luo Fei, quickly leave."

Saying that, he immediately threw out his broken Spear Artefact. He immediately used up almost the entire strength that he could muster and struck out with it, without any reservations.

"Boom" The Spear struck the palm of the pitch black withered hand, and immediately delayed it for a bit, as Ning Cheng spouted a mouthful of blood, and flew out tumbling by borrowing the strength of the recoil.

Just as Ning Cheng borrowed the power of the recoil, the original pitch black withered hand that was moving towards Ji Luo Fei caught up to him. With a formidable strength, it pulled Ning Cheng towards its other counterpart.

Ning Cheng did not know if he would be able to break free from those pitch black withered hands, he knew that he did not have any other choice. At this moment, he did not hesitate for even a moment as he threw out all the Artefacts he had, except for his Spear Artefact, towards the palm. He was going with the approach that the True Condensation 7th Level cultivator had done in the Lan Yi Country's ruins, completely stirring up his True Essence, he simultaneously crazily burnt up his own essence and blood.

"Boom Boom Boom...." several explosions sounded in succession, and the withered palm gripping onto Ning Cheng blew up into several pieces because of the explosion of the Artefacts.

Ning Cheng also sprayed out several mouthfuls of blood, although he managed to temporarily escape from the palm, but he still fell into the sand pit. Because of the exploding Artefacts, at this moment, he did not even have half a shred of strength to return back to the top of the sand pit.

Ji Luo Fei who was thrown out of the way by Ning Cheng a moment ago, knew that something bad had happened. Turning back, she immediately saw a huge sand pit appear, along with a pitch black shrivelled hand that grabbed onto Ning Cheng, she saw Ning Cheng falling on top of the palm of that hand and into the sand pit. She almost immediately, without thinking, moved towards Ning Cheng.

She had sworn to herself that she would absolutely not let similar things in the past to happen again. When Ning Cheng fell into the sand pit, she immediately decided to save him and bring him out, if she could not bring Ning Cheng out, then she might as well die together with Ning Cheng by jumping into the sand pit.

At this moment, there were no other ideas in her mind.

Because of the huge force from the detonation of the various Artefacts, Ning Cheng was also blasted high into the air, but Ning Cheng soon fell down again. At this time, Ji Luo Fei had just entered the sand pit, and she immediately wielded a long belt. She had tied up one end of the long belt to her hand while the other end, she whipped out with it, coiling it around Ning Cheng, and unexpectedly was able to pull Ning Cheng out of the sand pit.

Ji Luo Fei held back her excitement, as she grabbed Ning Cheng and escaped from there at her top speed. She rejoiced that Ning Cheng always carried a long belt with his clothes, which at the moment, was also being worn by her, she was glad that she did not hesitate to rush over, she knew that if she hesitated for even half a moment, then even if she arrived at the edge of the sand pit, she could only helplessly watch as Ning Cheng fell to his death in the sand pit.

Just as Ji Luo Fei left the sand pit with Ning Cheng, that shrivelled up pitch black hand once again emerged, but found no one around the periphery, and slowly retracted back into the sand pit.

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After running for about half an hour, Ji Luo Fei finally eased up and putting Ning Cheng down started to catch her breath. Then once again putting Ning Cheng back on her back, she secured him with the long belt, and grasped Ning Cheng's Spear in her own hands tightly.

"Luo Fei, thank you. If not for you, then this time I would have truly died." Ning Cheng said while he was being carried on Ji Luo Fei's back, he even had fear lingering in his voice.

"You lied to me." Ji Luo Fei suddenly said in a strange way.

"Ah...." Ning Cheng felt surprised, as he did not know the meaning behind the words spoken by Ji Luo Fei.

"You knew that the result would have been the same as that day, when you asked me to run ahead, as you brought up the rear." Ji Luo Fei bit her lips as she continued, "But why were you like this today?"

Ning Cheng opened his mouth, but didn't speak as there was too much to think about. He just subconsciously said, "If there were two people rather than one, then it would be better for one to walk away, otherwise, how would you be able to come back and save me."

"No, all you had to do was throw me towards those black withered hands, and then you would definitely be able to escape with your strength." Ji Luo Fei said, while crying a little bit. Ning Cheng had not done this, instead he had grabbed her and thrown her out of the danger, but in the process, Ning Cheng himself fell into the sand pit even quicker.

Just why are you so good to me?

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## **Chapter 86: Mysterious Yellow Origin**

Ning Cheng did not answer, rather he was absolutely not in the mood to answer. He was just, at this moment, looking over the extent of his injuries. He found that his Meridians were already torn to shreds, and even his Dantian was completely filled with cracks.

This was a very terrible injury, not to mention him, even if it was the top most senior of this continent, it was something that could not be treated. To put it simply, because of his injuries from his previous fight, he has been truly turned into a cripple. Let alone cultivating, even wanting to just protect his life would be extremely difficult from now on.

During the confrontation with the pitch black giant shrivelled up hand, he had frantically burned up his blood essence to blow up all of the low level Artefacts that he had, save for the Spear, and was indeed able to blow open one of those giant pitch black withered hands. But at the same time, he was also stuck by the powerful explosions from behind. If not for him wearing the dragon hide armour inside, then perhaps he also might have ended up being blown to bits because of the explosion.

Before he was full of happiness because he survived, but that joy had completely disappeared in just a twinkling of an eye, as waves of pain starting to spread throughout his body from his chest, he could not help but cough out a few times.

Although there were a lot of thoughts going through Ji Luo Fei's mind, but after Ning Cheng said those words of thanks previously, both of them became dead silent, which was then followed by Ning Cheng's continuous coughs, she understood that Ning Cheng's injury might possibly be a major one.

"Where are you intended on going?" Ji Luo Fei cautiously asked.

Ning Cheng was silent for a long time, then said, "I wanted to make a trip to the Falling Star Academy, but now I think, I think ......"

Ning Cheng wanted to give a few things to Ji Luo Fei, and help make sure Ji Luo Fei reached her place safely. He still had the things that he had received from Kou Hong, and Ning Cheng was still looking for

the opportunity to deliver them. It was partly because of the map that he had received from Kou Hong, but he knew that even without the map he would have survived somehow, it is just that if he did not complete the last wishes of Kou Hong, he knew that he would never feel right again.

He had thanked Kou Hong from the bottom of his heart for his map, although the map given to him by Kou Hong was very simplistic, but the fact was, he did not know how many bones were stacked up just to create this map. This kind of kindness, is something that should be recorded and carried out to the last bit.

However, thinking that Ji Luo Fei was compelled to leave the Falling Star Academy, he also did not want to Ji Luo Fei to return back to that place again.

"Do not worry, the Hua Continent have a lot of healing pills, now that we also have a large amount of Spirit Stones, your injuries can be easily cured." Ji Luo Fei consoled Ning Cheng.

Ning Cheng was just about to speak, when he felt that the Mysterious Yellow Bead in his Zifu suddenly started to spin, he could not recognize the Qi that was being released by the Mysterious Yellow Bead which was, at this moment, dissipating throughout his body. This Qi that was being released by the Mysterious Yellow Bead was slowly starting to mend and reshape his shredded Meridians and even his Dantian was slowly getting repaired.

As this Qi passed through his Meridians, Ning Cheng slowly became aware that the Mysterious Yellow Bead was gradually fusing into him as a single entity. This kind of mysterious yellow Qi could now be controlled by his mind, and was already starting to have a huge impact on him.

Was this the Mysterious Yellow Origin?

That's right, this has to be the Mysterious Yellow Origin that he felt from before. Ning Cheng was completely stunned and almost shouted out in happiness.

He had thought that he would only be able to feel the Mysterious Yellow Origin only at the time when he reached a very high level in his cultivation, he never imagined that he would be able to feel the Mysterious Yellow Origin with just the cultivation of True Condensation Realm. If he knew that he would be able to utilize the Mysterious Yellow Origin to help him repair his torn Meridians and cracked Dantian, he would have done so earlier on.

If he cultivated within the Mysterious Yellow Bead, he knew that his speed would become several times faster than before, but the reason why he had been afraid to re-enter the Mysterious Yellow Bead to cultivate was because he was afraid of exposing the Mysterious Yellow Bead to the outside. Even during the trip to the Hua Continent, he was somewhat fearful that some high level expert would be able to see the Mysterious Yellow Bead right through his body.

Now that the Mysterious Yellow Origin was finally stimulated, and even started to repair and transform his Meridians by completely rebuilding it anew, he was now completely certain that the Mysterious Yellow Bead had finally fully integrated with his body, and thus could not be perceived by anyone outside even if they ripped his body apart piece by piece.

Ning Cheng's happiness lasted for only the time it takes for an incense stick to burn, before he once again began to worry. Going by the speed with which the Mysterious Yellow Origin was transforming his

Meridians and repairing his Dantian, he could estimate that it would take nearly 3 months' time to fully transform the Meridians and repair his Dantian.

For these three months he would not have much physical strength, not even enough to retreat in the face of danger, but he also knew that he would not be able to get out of this desert within those three months, moreover there was still Ji Luo Fei to think of, just what should he do?

With Ji Luo Fei's strength alone, it was impossible to guarantee the safety of both of them, so should he find a place to hole up in this desert, or should they really continue on their way?

Ning Cheng soon abandoned the idea of trying to find a secluded place in the desert to retreat, trying to seek a secluded and undisturbed place in this desert to hole up for three months, they might as well continue along their way out of here then.

If one went into seclusion for a few months in this Thunder Fall Desert, anything could happen, he was clear that there was absolutely no safe place for them in this desert. Regardless of if they stopped or walked, the danger to their life was the same. He calculated that if they could somehow speed up their journey, then maybe in two months' time, they would be able to come out of this Thunder Fall Desert.

Seeing Ning Cheng did not answer, Ji Luo Fei seems to know what things were going on in Ning Cheng's mind, she decided in her heart to secretly, no matter what, help Ning Cheng heal his wounds.

"Wait a minute." At this time when Ji Luo Fei wanted to hurry up and continue to get out of this place and help Ning Cheng as soon as possible, Ning Cheng once again stopped her and pointed in a particular direction that was marked on the map that he had memorized, and let Ji Luo Fei hurry in the direction that he pointed.

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Ji Luo Fei was carrying Ning Cheng on her back and hurrying along nonstop. As Ning Cheng let Ji Luo Fei carry him on her back, the Mysterious Yellow Origin was also constantly transforming his Meridians and also repairing his Dantian. Unfortunately, this process, Ning Cheng was simply powerless to control it, otherwise he would have done everything in his power to hurry up the repairing process.

Along the way, other than Ji Luo Fei encountering a few simple desert whirlpools, as well as evading a few low levelled desert Monstrous Beasts, the two of them did not encounter any other dangers.

Two months later, Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei could hear a faint sound, then they were able to see that the yellow fog the desert was finally dispersing, it was then that they came to know that, they could finally see the end of the Thunder Fall Desert up ahead, and quickly made haste to leave the Thunder Fall Desert behind.

"We have arrived at the Hua Continent." Ji Luo Fei looked at the distant hazy mountains, and the original tension in her also finally disappeared. Now that they finally arrived here, she must take care of Ning Cheng's injuries, and also look after Ning Cheng till he's finally healed, therefore it was needless to speak about parting ways here.

Ning Cheng coughed a few times, Ji Luo Fei immediately put Ning Cheng down and gently patted Ning Cheng's back and said, "First let us find a place to rest, then I will help you go look for healing herbs."

Ning Cheng quickly said, "Luo Fei, you do not need to find healing herbs for my injury, I already know about my injuries and have already started to heal them, and in at most 1.5 months, the injuries should be fully healed."

Ji Luo Fei did not believe Ning Cheng, during the past two months, Ning Cheng had been coughing nonstop, moreover even she could tell that his True Essence had never recovered even the slightest, how could she believe that Ning Cheng has already started healing his own wounds?

At this distance the singing sound that they were hearing was almost close to them, it turned out that it was a beast carriage that was coming towards them. The one who was singing the song was actually the driver of the carriage, when the carriage arrived near Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei, he took the initiative and stopped as he asked, "Do the two of you want to take my beast carriage to the Sha Pi Town? My carriage is already on its way back to my Sha Pi Town, if you want to come, then I can give you a ride."

Ji Luo Fei was just about to refuse, as even though she was carrying Ning Cheng on her back she was not the least bit slow, but then Ning Cheng pulled on her robe and said, "Let us take the beast carriage to the Sha Pi Town, you also can take rest in the meantime."

To the words spoken by Ning Cheng, Ji Luo Fei never could refute, and immediately said to the driver, "Such being the case, we'll take your beast carriage to Sha Pi Town."

After hearing that, the carriage driver quickly got off and opened the door to the carriage and said, "The two of you please come in."

Ning Cheng saw that there was only a young woman sitting inside the carriage, but to him it felt a bit strange, noticing the strange expression on Ning Cheng's face, the driver quickly replied, "My carriage is coming from the Peng Cun Relay Station at the edge of the Thunder Fall Desert, so the people coming back from there are actually very few."

Ning Cheng then came to understand, it seems that this carriage was returning back. It was just like Li Shao's carriage, except that his was empty.

The driver seeing that Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei finally sat inside, quickly shut the door and once again rushed his beast carriage out of the area. For people that he met near the edge of the desert, he never talked about the price. As when these people finally got off, the price that they would usually give out would not be much lower. If he talked about the price with them, not only would it make a bad impression on them, he may even get less. Since he has been plying his carriage on this path for a long time, so he had been long since been aware of this rule.

In his good times, he once managed to pick up a person, who had even paid him in gold coins just to drop him off at the town.

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The young woman who was sitting in the carriage along with them, was wearing a tight black dress, with her face hidden behind a thin veil. Ning Cheng looked at her and could tell that she had the cultivation level of Qi Gathering 9th Level. Even though she was only sitting, one could still see that this woman's figure was very seductive, the cloths that she was wearing also very clearly outlined the curves of her

body, even her skin that was showing was smooth and fair, well in other words she was definitely a beautiful woman.

But when she saw that Ning Cheng needed the help of Ji Luo Fei to enter the carriage, and was even coughing a few times, disdain flashed in her eyes that was very apparent. Then she swept her eyes towards the Spear that was in the hands of Ji Luo Fei that she had handed over to Ning Cheng once they boarded the carriage, the disdain her eyes grew even more. Although the Spear was still wrapped up in a cloth for the moment, but from the grip that was exposed she could see that it was broken.

Ji Luo Fei had never been a talkative person, and even when she spoke, she would only speak to Ning Cheng. As to the black robed woman inside the carriage, she only glanced at her, and no longer paid any attention towards her. Ning Cheng, of course, was also not going to focus on the woman who they were sharing the carriage with.

Although there were three people inside the carriage, but it was extremely quiet, other than the song that the driver was singing and the occasional howl and the hoof beat of the beast pulling the carriage, there was no other voices.

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### **Chapter 87: Remoulding Of The Meridians**

But this quiet did not last long, as Ning Cheng's coughing bouts time and time again broke the silence in the carriage.

The black clothed woman looked at Ning Cheng and then looked at Ji Luo Fei, thinking for a while she suddenly came to understand something, and the disdain in her eyes gradually disappeared. She estimated that she had guessed wrong before, and she thought that these two people who had entered the carriage should not be husband and wife, but rather had a brother and sister relationship. Ning Cheng seemed to have experienced a lot in his life, she guessed that his age was not low, and that he should be the elder brother.

Otherwise with the strength of Ji Luo Fei, how would it be possible for such a woman to be together with a disease ridden ghost of a man?

In her view, although Ji Luo Fei was disfigured, but regardless of that, she was not a match for Ning Cheng in any way. If she could restore her appearance, then she felt that even she would feel inferior to the woman in front of her.

"You ought to be brother and sister, right?" The block clothed woman took the initiative and asked.

Ji Luo Fei's complexion slightly turned red, she seemed to be worried about Ning Cheng. Now that the black robed woman had asked her a question, she only gave a noncommittal 'um', neither approving or disapproving her relationship with Ning Cheng.

"I really did not guess wrong, did your elder brother received a serious injury or does he have a serious illness?" The black robed woman took it as a sign that she had guessed correctly, and immediately her mood turned guite friendly.

"He is seriously injured." Ji Luo Fei was not accustomed to ignoring people, now that someone had asked, she also responded with her answer.

"I have a healing pill with me, I can give it to you. Don't worry, as long as your elder brother takes this healing pill, your elder brother's injury will definitely heal." The black clothed woman suddenly took out a white coloured pill and handed it Ji Luo Fei.

Ji Luo Fei was never a person who would take things from a stranger, but when she heard this woman say that this white healing pill can help Ning Cheng recover from her injuries, she immediately wanted to bring it over to him.

However, she was still looked towards Ning Cheng, as she wanted to know Ning Cheng's opinion about it.

Ning Cheng knew that although he was severely wounded, but now that the Mysterious Yellow Origin was remoulding his Meridians, why would he need to take the healing pill? Even if it was an immortal elixir, he did not want to use it.

Besides the black robed woman was only at Qi Gathering 9th Level, how would she even have any good pills?

Thinking about this, Ning Cheng subconsciously glanced at the pill in the hands of the black robed woman. When he saw the pill in hands of the black robed woman, he was instantly surprised in his heart, it turned out the pill in her hands was actually a Level 3 Spiritual Invigorating Pill.

For a Qi Gathering 9th Level Cultivator, to casually take out a Top Quality Level 3 Spiritual Invigorating Pill, this woman certainly had an unusual background. For this kind of woman, to take a Beast Carriage was really very strange, Ning Cheng at this moment could only use a little bit of his Spiritual Sense, he could vaguely feel that this unusual looking woman was concealing her Qi.

"You need not give it to us, thank you." Ning Cheng directly rejected the Spiritual Invigorating Pill in the hands of the black robed woman. Regardless of even if she was doing it out of her consideration, he did not want to associate much with this woman other than talking.

While Ji Luo Fei was very much interested in the healing pill for Ning Cheng, but after she heard the words of Ning Cheng, she also refused her by saying, "Thank you, but we do not need it."

The black woman put away the white pill in her hands as she glanced at Ning Cheng and muttered, "Can't even judge the quality of the goods, and also do not recognize the good intentions of people."

Ning Cheng did not bother to pay any attention to this black robed woman, and although Ji Luo Fei was really worried about the injuries of Ning Cheng, but she also no longer spoke.

As the beast carriage ran along the way, other than the driver stopping for rest halfway through the journey, they did not stop anywhere else. It seemed that the black robed woman was unhappy with Ning Cheng in her heart, and as such did not bother to speak to them again.

Just as the day was finally turning dark, the driver's voice boomed from the front, "We'll be arriving at Sha Pi Town soon......"

"Wait, I'll get off here." The black robed woman suddenly stopped the driver and spoke.

Ji Luo Fei was surprised as she looked at the black robed woman in a puzzling way, they were soon going to arrive at the Sha Pi Town, why would she want to get off here?

After the black robed woman got off from the beast carriage, in just the time it takes for an incense stick to burn, the beast carriage entered the Sha Pi Town, and stopped in front of a courtyard.

Just as Ji Luo Fei was helping Ning Cheng get up, the driver of the carriage opened the door.

"Two guests, we have arrived at Sha Pi Town." The coachman spoke in a warm and polite tone.

"Where is this?" Ning Cheng looked at the courtyard in front of them and asked, he did not see the streets as he expected, nor was he able to see the rest stop or the relay station that he had seen in the towns before.

The driver quickly said, "This the courtyard of my family's home, if you friends go through the front street, you will arrive at the main street, it is not far from here. My beast carriage is not allowed to go onto the main street, and can only stop at my courtyard entrance."

"All right, so how many gold coins?" Ning Cheng just nodded and asked.

The coachman said in a very casual tone, "Just give me a few coins if it is convenient to you, if not it also doesn't matter. My beast carriage was just on its way home, so it did not take any effort."

Ning Cheng knew what the driver was thinking, and as a result had a bit of favourable impression of him. He took out a handful of coins and handed it to the driver and said, "These are for you."

Gold Coins did not have much use for Ning Cheng, moreover he already had many hundreds of gold coins with him at the moment.

The driver's eyes lit up on seeing this much gold, but then he immediately said, "This, this is too much."

Ning Cheng once again stuffed the gold coins back into the hands of the driver and said, "If we had not met you, then it would have been very difficult for us to get to Sha Pi Town. Just tell me, which of the rest stops are better."

The coachman took the gold coins given by Ning Cheng with excitement in his eyes and then said carefully, "My family's courtyard is large, and there are also many empty rooms. If you friends don't mind, then you can live here. But if you still want to go to a rest stop then, the Sha Pei Rest Stop is the biggest one in the town."

Ning Cheng felt moved in his heart, although this courtyard was really not small, moreover not only was it not small, it even had much of the surroundings open. If he lived here, then he would be much more comfortable here than living in a rest stop.

"Thank you very much, we do not pay much attention to where we live." Ning Cheng hurriedly thanked the coachman, for him, if he lived in a coachman's house without cultivation, it would be much better that living in the crowded rest stop.

This courtyard was really good, and the coachman not only continuously thanked Ning Cheng who had given him a lot of gold, but had even chosen the largest of the rooms available for Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei.

After the coachman left, Ning Cheng took out a bunch of Array Flags and handed them over to Ji Luo Fei and said, "Luo Fei, we will be living here for almost 1.5 months. I have to heal myself, after these 1.5 month pass by, then we will depart from here. These Array Flags are for the Concealment and Defence Array Formations, the injury to my Zifu is not light, moreover I only have a very scant Spiritual Sense available to me at the moment, so you will have to arrange these Array Formations for me."

"Ok." Ji Luo Fei knew that Ning Cheng was severely injured, and was unable to go farther, staying in this Sha Pi Town was really the best choice.

Under Ning Cheng's step by step directions, Ji Luo Fei was barely able to arrange the Level 1 Defensive Array Formation and Concealment Array Formations. As for the Spiritual Qi Gathering Array Formation, Ning Cheng was a bit afraid in arranging it, once he arranged the Array Formation, the Spiritual Qi from the surroundings would immediately rush towards inside, and as such it would not be good. In the Sha Pi Town. cultivators were very few, so the Level 1 Concealment Array Formation would be more than enough for Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei.

"Luo Fei, you also stay here and cultivate, and as far as possible try not to go into the crowded places of the Sha Pi Town. The condition of my injury, I already have a pretty good idea of it in my mind, and as such I know that recovering from it would not be an issue for me."

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As time passed by, Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei lived in seclusion in the courtyard of the coachman, and in just a blink of an eye over half a month passed by.

Ning Cheng could feel that his Meridians have recovered by more than 90 percent and even his Dantian was also becoming increasingly perfect. He believed that as long as there was enough time, his Meridians would be completely remoulded. When that time came, even if his cultivation did not advance, his True Essence would be much more vigorous and smoother than before.

Ji Luo Fei also could feel Ning Cheng's slow recovery, and the tension that was building up in her also gradually relaxed. Meanwhile even her cultivation was soaring leaps and bounds, and not only was her control over her Spiritual Sense increasing, but she had also advanced from the early Qi Gathering 5th Level to peak stage Qi Gathering 5th Level during this time.

The carriage driver seemed to know that Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei were not ordinary people, since the time he had settled the two people in his home's courtyard, he did not come there to disturb them.

On this day, Ning Cheng was calculating how long would it probably take for his Meridians to completely remodel, when he suddenly felt that the Qi emanating from the Mysterious Yellow Origin suddenly quicken up, and even the rate of reshaping of his Meridians also suddenly increased.

Originally there was only 10% of the Meridians remaining to be remoulded, but in just a short amount of time, the remoulding of his Meridians was becoming faster and faster. Even the last few cracks in his Dantian, under the influence of the Qi from the Mysterious Yellow Origin, in just a twinkling of an eye, completely disappeared, and not even a shadow of a crack could be visible on it.

Ning Cheng at this moment did not know what had happened, but he knew that this definitely was his chance. If he was to get distracted here, then all the time that he spent in remoulding his Meridians would be wasted and immediately focussed his entire mind and heart on the recovery.

Soft Ka Ka sounds emerged from his Meridians of his body, as well as the flowing sounds of his True Essence could be heard coming from the Meridians, even Ning Cheng could hear it clearly resounding throughout his body.

Although the Meridians had not yet completely healed, but Ning Cheng was well aware of this kind of strong feeling.

He did not know how long it took, but after a while Ning Cheng's body started to tremble, and the next moment his face revealed the expression of wild joy.

His cultivation had not regressed but rather progressed forward, but all of this did not matter, because Ning Cheng clearly understood the reason why his cultivation had so many setbacks. That was because his Meridians were extremely thin before, but now not only they were very wide, they were even a lot tougher than before.

The tenacity and the fortitude of his Meridians made Ning Cheng really surprised, with his Meridians this tough, it meant that they could not only withstand a greater pressure but also meant that he also had an even greater potential for development, and in the future he would be able to easily ascend to higher realms when compared to others.

The reason why his cultivation was backwards till now was because his Meridians simply could not withstand such a pressure. If his True Essence now was compared to flowing water, then his Meridians had changed it from a stream to a river. If he just kept cultivating like this, then he could feel that the strength of his cultivation of True Condensation Realm was even a few notches stronger than what it was previously.

But what was even more different, was that after the remoulding from the Mysterious Yellow Origin, not only were his Meridians no longer fragile as before, even his body had become much more tough and resilient than before.

Ning Cheng lifted his hands, and the broken Spear landed on his palms, he wanted to try out his most powerful attack with his Spear.

But after heaving a sigh, Ning Cheng put away the Spear, he thought that he should first tell Ji Luo Fei, he could not let Ji Luo Fei continue to be worried about him.

Ning Cheng had just stood up, when he frowned, he once again saw the black robed woman. Only this time that black robed woman was stained with blood, and was anxiously standing inside the courtyard and saying something to Ji Luo Fei.

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## **Chapter 88: The Tough Imperial Jade Seal**

Ning Cheng could make out that this black robed woman had already suffered some heavy injuries, but fortunately the healing pills on her were clearly very good, and her injuries were also recovering at a very fast rate.

"Are you feeling better?" Ji Luo Fei asked as she saw Ning Cheng come out, moreover his facial complexion also looked much better than before, but she still quickly stepped forward to support Ning Cheng, and asked in a tone of surprise.

"Much better, I think that we should be able to move out from here in two days." Ning Cheng looked at Ji Luo Fei and said while smiling.

If not for his plan to study that Imperial Jade Seal that he had obtained, perhaps he would have already walked away from here today along with her.

Ji Luo Fei remembered that the black robed woman was still standing on one side, and spoke to Ning Cheng in a somewhat hesitant manner, "Because she was attacked, she was badly wounded, at the moment she does not have any place to hide, and could only return to the Sha Pi Town. She did not dare to go to any of the rest stops in Sha Pi Town, but as she happened to see me passing through here, so......"

Ning Cheng finally came to understand that he was really not mistaken, this woman really was a hassle to deal with. It was probably because she herself does not know the value of the pills that she has, and carelessly revealed her fortune, and was attacked as a result of it. With the cultivation of this woman only at Qi Gathering 9th Level, combined with her nature of taking out high quality pills in front of complete strangers, sooner or later she would have been attacked. Although Ning Cheng did not care about these things, but it did not mean that others would also not care about it.

Now that this black robed woman finally met trouble, Ning Cheng simply did not need to ask and could correctly guess that this woman had definitely carelessly took out her pills, resulting in such a thing to happen to her. This woman who seemed to look deep and astute, turned out to be an idiot. And moreover with her seductive body, taking part in outside battles, and even wearing a tight set of cloths over her body, revealing her seductive curves, it showed that she really had very little experience of dealing with the outside world.

"This elder brother, I just want to stay here for just two days, as long as you allow me to rest here for two days, I will be able to recover from my injuries, once my injuries recover, I will be able to get out of here." The black robed woman saw Ning Cheng frown, and immediately thought about the first time that he had met Ning Cheng and had looked at them with disdain, but she could see it clearly, that in between Ji Luo Fei and Ning Cheng, Ning Cheng was the one who called the shots.

Ji Luo Fei was also looking at Ning Cheng with some hope in her eyes, she hoped that Ning Cheng would give shelter to this injured black robed woman, as she also had a few healing pills on her. Of course, this woman had no reason to give them the healing pills, and although Ning Cheng had not taken them, Ji Luo Fei still felt a bit grateful in her heart towards her. She was the kind of person who always repays the gratitude that she received from others.

Ning Cheng nodded and said, "Well, you can live with us for two days, but after the passing of two days, we will be leaving this place."

"This really is good, many thanks elder brother, I am called Zhu Mu Er, I really do not know by what names to call you two." When the black robed woman heard that Ning Cheng was willing to give shelter to her for two days, she immediately became happy.

"You can just call me Luo Fei from now on." Ji Luo Fei quickly replied.

"I am called Ning Xiao Cheng, Luo Fei, why don't you show Zhu Mu Er to the rightmost room to let her rest. I am going into closed door cultivation for two days." Ning Cheng was not willing to become close friends with this Zhu Mu Er, instead he wanted to go into closed door cultivation in order to study the Imperial Jade Seal.

With regards to Zhu Mu Er taking shelter with them, Ning Cheng was not worried. With Zhu Mu Er's cultivation level, she was able to escape and arrive here safely albeit with a few injuries, moreover it also showed that her opponent was also someone of at least the same level as her. Now that his cultivation was already restored, moreover it was even stronger than before by many folds. Even if the enemy of Zhu Mu Er was to find trouble for him, he would not be afraid.

"You have to go into closed door cultivation?" Zhu Mu Er looked at Ning Cheng in amazement, in her opinion, Ning Cheng was just a sickly person. How could a sickly person dare to go into closed door cultivation? Fortunately, it was she who had come here to seek shelter, seeing that Ning Cheng didn't answer her, she also did not dare talk any more nonsense.

Ji Luo Fei felt that Ning Cheng did not like Zhu Mu Er, and quickly took Zhu Mu Er in the rightmost room in the corner, and told Zhu Mu Er to not to disturb Ning Cheng.

"Sister Luo Fei, do not worry, I myself do not have enough time to heal myself, where would I have the time to go disturb your elder brother. Thank you for giving me a place to rest, if it's possible you can come to visit my home in the future." Zhu Mu Er suddenly had a bit of doubt flash through her eyes but it quickly disappeared.

After settling Zhu Mu Er in her room, Ji Luo Fei once more returned to Ning Cheng's room and said, "Ning Cheng...."

Ning Cheng stopped Ji Luo Fei and said, "Luo Fei, it would be better if you call me Ning Xiao Cheng from now on. Before that woman called Zhu Mu Er had not come here, I was going to tell you this. But in that beast carriage Zhu Mu Er had casually brought out a Level 3 Spiritual Invigorating Pill, which shows her unusual origins. Both of us are people who do not have any backing at the moment, so it would be better to reduce our contact with such people."

"Ah, I understand." Ji Luo Fei nodded, and approached Ning Cheng, she then grabbed onto Ning Cheng's wrist, she wanted to confirm for herself if Ning Cheng's injuries had improved or not.

Ning Cheng patted Ji Luo Fei's hand lightly and said, "Luo Fei, don't worry, my injuries have almost recovered, you do not have to worry about it. But still I have to say this to you, for these two days I will be behind closed doors as I have to study something, you must also seize this time and improve your cultivation."

Hearing that Ning Cheng's injuries were almost healed, Ji Luo Fei was overjoyed and quickly replied, "I know, you first go into closed door cultivation, I will come again when you come out."

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After Ji Luo Fei left, Ning Cheng arranged several Concealment Array Formations inside the room, and then took out the Imperial Jade Seal.

The outside of the Imperial Jade Seal was covered in a pale gold colour with some markings, which made it look like it was a very delicate object, but he could feel that it was considerably heavy. Ning Cheng had also seen some general pictures of some other Imperial Jade Seals, but the Imperial Jade Seals that he had seen were somewhat different than what he had in his hands. As they usually had a dragon shaped carving on top of it. But as for the Imperial Jade Seal in his hands, it had a bird shape carving on top of the cube, moreover it was a carving of a bird that he did not know about, and at the bottom of the cube there were three words written 'Lan Yi Country'.

Ning Cheng touched the carvings of the 'Lan Yi Country', but did not feel anything special. He swept the surface of the Imperial Jade Seal with his Spiritual Sense, but was actually not able to sweep through the inside of it.

Ning Cheng then tried to use his Spiritual Sense to refine this Imperial Jade Seal, but even after half a day later, he did not even have the slightest of reaction from the Imperial Jade Seal, it seemed as if it really was not an Artefact.

If it was not an Artefact, then Ning Cheng was sure that his own Spiritual Sense would have been able to penetrate into the interiors of the Imperial Jade Seal, but he knew that his Spiritual Sense could not even penetrate even the tiniest bit inside.

Ning Cheng took out his Spear, and used approximately 10% of his True Essence and struck Imperial Jade Seal with the Spear.

When the Spear hit the top of the Imperial Jade Seal, that sound that it made was as if he had hit a beat up leather cloth, there was no clear and crisp sound that he expected, and even the Imperial Jade Seal was absolutely still, not to mention that the Imperial Jade Seal did not break open as expected, but there was not even a single scratch to be seen on it.

This Imperial Jade Seal was really very strong and tough, this kind of strength and toughness definitely proved that it was something like a Magic Weapon. Ning Cheng once again took the Imperial Jade Seal back into his hands and once again started to try and refine it.

As two days flashed by, the Imperial Jade Seal in his hands had still not changed even one bit, and was still motionless. Ning Cheng, amidst some disappointment, finally put down the Imperial Jade Seal, he had no way to open the Imperial Jade Seal.

Under such helplessness, Ning Cheng could only put away the Imperial Jade Seal, and opened the door.

"Since you have come out of your closed door training, I just came to inform you that it is time for me to go. This time I really thank you from the bottom of my heart, although those people who were pursuing me think that I have not returned to Sha Pi Town, I am still very grateful to you."

Zhu Mu Er and Ji Luo Fei were sitting outside and talking to each other, on seeing Ning Cheng coming out, Zhu Mu Er immediately stood up and took the initiative to greet him. Zhu Mu Er had removed the veil on her face, revealing a delicate oval face, coupled with a pair of big doe like eyes, and combined with her stature, she really looked very pretty.

"Then I wish you good luck in your journey." Ning Cheng hurriedly replied.

Zhu Mu Er just waved her hands and said, "Do not worry, didn't you also say that you were going to leave today, where do you intend to go? If it's on the same way as my own, we might as well go along."

She did not wait for Ning Cheng to reply, as Zhu Mu Er once again took the initiative to speak, "I am actually going to the Mo Ze City where the Falling Star 5 Star Academy is located, but to reach there I have to take the airship from Xi Qin City. If you want to go to either of the two places, we three can go together."

"What are you going to do at the Falling Star Academy?" Ning Cheng already was intending to go to the Falling Star 5 Star Academy, and then go to the Clear Sky Academy later. Now that Zhu Mu Er coincidentally was also going to the Falling Star Academy, it made him even more cautious towards her.

Zhu Mu Er glanced at Ning Cheng but this time spoke in a somewhat arrogant tone, "Ning Xiao Cheng, if I were you, I would bring my sister to the Mo Ze City. Mo Ze City has one of the five 5 Star Academies of the Hua Continent, and moreover it is also the season of recruitment for the 5 Star Academies. I am going there to participate in the enrolment, and of course have been doing major preparations to enter the inner circle of the 5 Star Academy. Although your qualifications are poor, but I think that Luo Fei's qualifications are very good, although her cultivation is not that high and so will not be able to enter the inner circle, but she could still enter the outer circle of the 5 Star Academy. If you don't bring Luo Fei, and let her stay in a place that even birds do not shit on, she will never improve, and forever would be fated to only mix with the people of the lowest level."

Ning Cheng gave a glance at the curves of Zhu Mu Er and abruptly spoke, "I presume that Miss Zhu comes from a rich family, me and Luo Fei are not naive people, although we also are going towards Mo Ze City, but it would be better for us to just walk there. If Miss Zhu wants to leave then by all means leave first, we can walk by ourselves."

Seeing Ning Cheng sweep a glance at the skin tight dress that she was wearing, Zhu Mu Er's face immediately turned red, "Wait a minute." She said as she immediately entered the room.

After just a short while later, Zhu Mu Er once again comes out, but this time she had changed into a long woman's dress which looked very common. Then she proudly looked at Ning Cheng and said, "With this you should not have much pressure on you right? I was displeased when my father said that I was too squeamish, capricious, and too dependent on others, and I wanted to come out and prove it to him that I could handle myself outside. When he sees me, who ends up being selected by a 5 Star Academy, moreover even able to enter the inner circle of the Academy, he will then come to know that his Zhu Mu Er was definitely not what he had thought about."

Ning Cheng then came to understand that originally this young lady Zhu Mu Er had run away from her home, to prove to her father that he had thought wrong about her daughter.

"I will lead you to Mo Ze City, at most it would only take a few days to reach there, if you went by yourself, then you may not even reach there even in a few months." Zhu Mu Er saw that Ning Cheng was not saying anything and once again said in a triumphant tone.

Ning Cheng felt a bit relieved in his heart, such being the case, then it would be better to follow Zhu Mu Er to Mo Ze City. In this place like the Hua Continent, trying to ride a Flying Swords was much more dangerous than in the Ping Continent.

#### **The Gate Of Good Fortune**

## **Chapter 89: Arriving At Mo Ze City**

Along the way, it was apparent that Zhu Mu Er had not lied or boasted about not knowing the correct way. Under her leadership, the three of them just spent two days on the road, before they arrived at Xi Qin City to board the airship to Mo Ze City. Although this airship did not have individual cabins, however the main hall of the airship had various kinds of services, they even had several sound broadcasting Talismans distributed throughout the hall which were even better than the one's he remembered.

Only the relatively rich cultivators were able to afford to board the airship, as this kind of airship did not accept gold coins, and only received their fee in Spirit Stones. As Ning Cheng looked at the various cultivators that had already filled up the hall, he finally came to know that the people of the Hua Continent were much richer than the people from the Ping Continent.

Although Ning Cheng had taken out the required Spirit Stones for him and Ji Luo Fei so that Zhu Mu Er could leave them alone, but then Zhu Mu Er displayed her generosity as always, and basically did not let Ji Luo Fei to pay her share of the Spirit Stones for the fare.

The three people took a table by the side of the hall-like cabin and sat down, the airship would be flying for two days before arriving at their destination, moreover for a cultivator sitting for two days really was nothing.

Most of the cultivators in the hall were talking about the admissions of the 5 Star Academy, after Ning Cheng listened for a while, he also began to have a certain understanding towards it. Because this time the few big 5 Star Academies were recruiting students from Mo Ze City, and as a result almost all the cultivators in the Hua Continent were rushing towards that place in order to not to miss such an opportunity. In addition to the cultivators from the Hua Continent, there were even other cultivators from the Ping and the Yuan Continent who were mixed into the crowd heading in the same direction.

Because of these many people, there were also a few people who were going to the recruitment at the Mo Ze City in the hopes of getting selected for some of the 3 and 4 Star Academies which would also be conducting their recruitment there.

After all, there would only be a few people who would be qualified to be selected for a 5 Star Academy, and as such it was definite that a lot of people would not be able to join the 5 Star Academies, so such being the case, many of these cultivators would choose entering a 3 or 4 Star Academy or in some case even joining some big Clans and Sects would also be good for them.

This scenario reminded Ning Cheng of the Clear Hear Academy of the Nan Yuan City, it seemed that no matter where you were, as long as it was to enrol the students, the Academies would always attract a large number of people.

Zhu Mu Er looking at those cultivators talk so extravagantly, said with a despising tone in her voice, "A group of people who does not know the immensity of the heavens and the earth, they think that just by going to Mo Ze City they would be selected by one of the Advanced Level Academies, that is just a dream for them. If it was this easy to get into an Advanced Level Academy, then it would never would have been an Advanced Level Academy in the first place."

Although Ning Cheng could hear what she spoke but he just was not in a mood to talk to her, Zhu Mu Er was going to Mo Ze City to participate in the enrolment of the Advanced Level Academies, as long as she could get away from them, it would be much better for the both of them.

The usually quite Ji Luo Fei who never talked much with others suddenly asked, "Sister Mu Er, during this selection of the 5 Star Academy, if a person's results are outstanding, then would they be selected to go to an Intermediate Class Continent?"

Ning Cheng immediately knew that Ji Luo Fei had asked those words for his own benefit, as he had also asked the same question to Ji Luo Fei before.

When Zhu Mu Er heard Ji Luo Fei call her Sister Mu Er, she appeared to be extremely happy, and also answered carefully, "This time the reason why the five 5 Star Academies of Hua Continent are competing with each other, is because one of them would be promoted to a 6 Star Academy by the end of it. And as to the students with the best results in the Tournament, they are sure to be selected to go to an Intermediate Class Continent. Besides, even if they were not selected to go to the Intermediate Class Continent, the rewards for the top spots are also extremely amazing. I heard that the reward for the top spot is an actual Spiritual Grade Artefact, other than that, the reward also contains a Storage Bag with a storage space of 10 cubic meters, plus an Essence Building Pill and 3,000 High Grade Spirit Stones."

When Ning Cheng heard about the Storage Bag with the storage space of 10 cubic Meters, his heart was immediately moved, although he also had a Storage Bag, but it only had a storage space of 1 cubic meter, it was simply not enough to store the Spear that he always had to carry on his back. If he had a Storage Bag with a storage space of 10 cubic meters, he would then definitely be able to put his Spear in it and not carry it in hands or strapped to his back.

The price of a Storage Bag was also very high, with each increase in 1 cubic meter of volume, the price of the Storage Bag would be even more than 20 times than the price before. Ning Cheng knew that at the moment, he could not even afford to buy a simple basic Storage Bag.

"Good heavens, 3,000 High Grade Spirit Stones, isn't that equivalent to 300,000 Low Grade Spirit Stones, or even more ...." When some of the people nearby heard the words spoken by Zhu Mu Er, they immediately exclaimed out loud.

"When compared to an Essence Building Pill, and a Storage Bag with a storage space of 10 cubic meters, just what good are 3,000 High Grade Spirit Stones?" Someone called out.

"In fact, these are not even the best reward, I heard that the top 20 people would even have the opportunity to go to the Angry Axe Valley, where there are several High Ranked Spiritual Grasses in abundance, you would just have to take a few steps and can even casually pick up not only High Ranked Spiritual Grasses but even top quality raw materials for crafting Artefacts...."

"Just what is this Angry Axe Valley? Why haven't I heard about it?" A torrent of questions from the other cultivators interrupted him.

"I do not know, I have only heard people talk about it, the only thing that I know is that it is place that has many treasures, but it is not in the Hua Continent."

"Everyone knows that you are talking nonsense, if there really was such a place, it would have already been cleared out by others, why would someone even wait for others for such an opportunity?"

As these two cultivators argued with each other, someone explained, "The Angry Axe Valley really exists, I have also heard about it, but I heard that if you wanted to go in, then there is a limit on one's cultivation level. Moreover, this Angry Axe Valley was formed because an axe that was dropped from the sky which ended up splitting the land it was dropped on. After that axe fell and formed the valley, it immediately filled it with a very rich Spiritual Qi. Afterwards, more and more treasures began to appear there, and as a result more and more people went there to explore for treasures. However, it is an extremely dangerous place, and a lot of people had already died there. After experiencing this kind of situation for countless years, many limitations were placed on entering the Angry Axe Valley, and thus not everyone can go in."

"Do you mean to say, that this valley is a tomb of some mighty cultivator?"

"I also heard about it, but whether it is true or not I do not know. Moreover, even if it was true, we really would have no chance, not only would the top 20 people of the entire Hua Continent would be powerful, they would definitely be even more powerful than even some of the core students of the 5 Star Academies."

"Not only from the Hua Continent, I heard that the 5 Star Academies had even recruited some talented students from the Ping Continent and the Yuan Continent, moreover I even heard that the qualifications of these talented students were also very good, as soon as they enter the Hua Continent, they absolutely would not be any weaker than those geniuses of the 5 Star Academies."

Because of the issues with the ranking tournament, more and more people were now joining in the discussion. Soon the topic of their conversation changed to the 5 Star Academies, which was an even better topic for them.

Seeing that Ji Luo Fei and Ning Cheng did not speak, Zhu Mu Er took the initiative and spoke, "Sister Luo Fei, with your qualifications, even if you do not get selected by the 5 Star Academies, you would definitely be selected for one of the 4 Star Academies."

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The airship was very fast, and in less two days, it landed outside the Mo Ze City's Relay Station. This kind of foreign ship was not allowed to directly fly into the Mo Ze City.

Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei just followed the crowd down the airship, and decided to find a rest stop for them first, and then go to the Flying Star Academy to seek out Meng Yu Jing.

After the talks between the cultivators on the airship, Ning Cheng already came to be acquainted with the names of the five 5 Star Academies of the Hua Continent, they were, the Thunder Academy, the Clear Sky Academy, the Falling Star Academy, the Luo Hou Academy and the God Wind Academy.

The reason why these five 5 Star Academies were conducting their recruitment in the Mo Ze City was not because Falling Star Academy was the most powerful of them, but because there were some mighty people from an Intermediate Class Continent who had come to stay in the Mo Ze City. Since these

mighty characters who were from an Intermediate Class Continent came to stay in the Mo Ze City, it was natural for the rest of the Academies of the Hua Continent also came to the Mo Ze City.

"Ning Xiao Cheng and Luo Fei, I will go first, so that when I join the Falling Star Academy, perhaps I could still be able to help you." After Zhu Mu Er got down from the airship, she was very jubilant and waved to Ning Cheng, as she, with extreme impatience, had already began rushing towards Mo Ze City along with the rest of the crowd.

Ji Luo Fei looked at the countless tides of people moving towards Mo Ze City, and said with some worry in her voice, "Xiao Cheng, before when I left this place, it did not have this many people, now that I look at these many people here, I'm afraid that it would be very difficult for us to find a place to stay. Without...."

Ji Luo Fei had always called him Xiao Cheng all along the way and was already used to it, now that Zhu Mu Er was gone, she still did not change the way she addressed him.

Ning Cheng on hearing Ji Luo Fei's words understood her meaning, he just simply waved his hands and said, "Luo Fei, even if we do not enter Mo Ze City, I will not go look for your paternal aunt, the kind of person that your aunt is, is not something that I like."

Ji Luo Fei just gave a tiny smile, "Ah, then I'll just listen to you." As she also from the bottom of her heart, did not wish to go seek out her aunt, but she was afraid that Ning Cheng would not be able to find a place to rest.

Mo Ze City was not like other cities, they charged a fee to let one enter the city, though did not charge Spirit Stones but rather gold coins, if one wanted to enter the city then one would have to pay 10 Gold Coins.

If it was an ordinary cultivator, it would basically wouldn't even be considered as money. But for the people who did not cultivate, this was a sky high price.

Although Mo Ze City was a big city, it was basically a place where only cultivators lived, as for the people who could not cultivate, other than the slaves in those large clans, most of such people did not live inside the Mo Ze City, but rather lived around the outside of the Mo Ze City.

When Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei entered the Mo Ze City, they immediately could see a 10 feet wide street in front of them. This street was too conspicuous, as not only was it spacious, but also was very prosperous.

From time to time, there were even a few people passing by through the streets who were riding on fierce beasts, Ji Luo Fei whispered to Ning Cheng and said, "Those people who are riding those tamed fierce beasts are the mark of them being from a very influential family, as for the foreign people here, there are only a very few of them who ride tamed fierce beasts."

At this time, no one knew what scared a red fierce beast but it suddenly roared, and rushed into the crowd.

Ning Cheng was a surprised for a moment in his heart, was this Mo Ze City also like the Cang Le City, to even let a fierce beast to go into wanton rampage in the streets?

Ning Cheng soon came to know that that really was not the case, he saw that there was a young teenager wearing silk clothes on the back of the fierce beast, moreover he had a frightened expression on his face, apparently he did not think that his fierce beast would suddenly go on a rampage.

Although there were several people on the road, none of them were hit by this fierce beast. as fortunately, in this street almost all of them were cultivators, and thus were able to easily escape on time. Although that beast ran for about a dozen meters, there were no casualties.

But seeing that the fierce beast was getting faster and faster, and was going towards an even more dense crowd of people, suddenly a white shadow leapt out from a restaurant nearby. This white shadow immediately grabbed onto the head of the incoming fierce beast, then as if the fierce beast had rammed into an iron wall it suddenly stopped, uttered a loud roar, then taking a few step backs, fell down on the ground with froth coming out of its mouth.

At this time the surrounding people could clearly see that that white shadow was a young man dressed in white, he was the one who had just used his hand to abruptly bring the fierce beast under control.

A burst of cheers and applause erupted, as many of the people had come to the Mo Ze City for the first time, as such many of them were actually looking forward to such displays of power in the Mo Ze City.

Ji Luo Fei immediately took Ning Cheng to the side, and whispered into Ning Cheng's ears, "That person is the Mo Ze City's Shui Clan's Shui Yu, my aunt had given me a portrait of him to look at, this is the person that my aunt wanted me to marry."

#### **The Gate Of Good Fortune**

## **Chapter 90: Rules Of The Preliminary Tournament**

"Is he that son of a bitch?" Ning Cheng looked at that white robed man who had cupped his fists towards the applause from the crowd, and suddenly did not feel quite well in his heart. It was not much of a big deal that this person looked much better than him, but what he was bitter about was that he was already at the peak of the True Condensation 6th Level, just a step away from the Late Stages of the True Condensation Realm.

"It looks like he really has some good qualifications when compared to me, moreover he already is at the peak of True Condensation 6th Level." Although in his heart he was a bit unhappy with this guy called Shui Yu, Ning Cheng still admired the speed with which he cultivated.

When Ji Luo Fei heard Ning Cheng's words, she said with a disapproving tone in her voice, "He is much older than you, I heard that he is already 30 years old. Moreover, he also has a Pure Dual Line Main Spiritual Root, in addition to that he is also considered a genius within the Shui Clan and even the Hua Continent, as a result almost all the cultivation resources were piled up onto him since the beginning, in my opinion, he is just simply not as good as you."

"Let's first find a place to settle down for a bit, lest you are found out by the people from the Shui Clan or your paternal aunt." Ning Cheng said as he did not want to continue wandering on the streets anymore.

Ji Luo Fei also clearly did not want to walk on these streets, if not for accompanying Ning Cheng here, she did not want to even come to the Mo Ze City.

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Searching for a rest stop, Ning Cheng came to know that what Ji Luo Fei said was really not wrong, as the two people ended up looking for nearly 2 hours, and even when the sky turned dark, did they not find a place to rest.

"Luo Fei, since we cannot find a place to stay here, then let's go out of the city to stay." Ning Cheng finally said with some frustration in his voice.

Ji Luo Fei was just going to agree, when she heard a surprised voice say, "Ning Cheng? How in the world are you here? Were you not chased out of the Cang Le City by Gu Fei....."

"Hou Chuan?" Ning Cheng immediately knew who the person was, it was Hou Chuan, one of the 10 students selected from the Cang Qin 2 Star Academy. At the gate of the Cang Qin 2 Star Academy, when Gu Fei had challenged him, Hou Chuan had also come out and said something in his favour. At this time on the side of Hou Chuan was standing a girl with a good appearance, it was evident that she had also come together with Hou Chuan.

After having been recognised by Hou Chuan, Ning Cheng quickly came to understand, that Huo Chuan was now a student of the Falling Star Academy, and since Falling Star Academy was in situated in the Mo Ze City, it was normal for them to run into Huo Chuan or other students from the Academy.

Hou Chuan did not finish his words, but from the expressions of the two, Ning Cheng immediately knew what he meant, since he was chased out of the Cang Le City, so how could he appear in the Hua Continent's Mo Ze City which was so far away from the Ping Continent? It stood for reason that he should have been the one who had killed Gu Fei.

"I did not think that I would be able to meet Brother Hou like this, initially when I was forced out of the Cang Le City by Gu Fei, the two of us ended up fighting with each other, I was just lucky enough and killed Gu Fei in the fight." Ning Cheng casually explained it superficially, even if he encountered others, he would still give the same kind of off-handed explanation to them.

Hou Chuan obviously did not believe Ning Cheng's explanation, he knew that Gu Fei was also followed by Gu Yuming, so for Ning Cheng to be able to fight with Gu Fei was really odd. But he did not continue to enquire, looking at Ji Luo Fei who was standing beside Ning Cheng, he immediately understood that Ning Cheng should have come here to seek out Ji Luo Fei.

At this time, his view about Ning Cheng had completely changed, some things that could not have been completed at all, were actually completed by Ning Cheng. Not to mention that that he not only escaped from the Gu Brothers, but even reached the Hua Continent from the Ping Continent, that itself was not a simple matter. Even if he came to the Hua Continent, trying to look for Ji Luo Fei in the Falling Star Academy, that was in itself an extremely hard task. But all these things were actually done by Ning Cheng, not only he was the one who did it, but he even did it perfectly.

Just as before, when he looked at Ning Cheng's cultivation, there did not seem to be any change, as a result he was not clear on what he saw. He only recently successfully advanced to the Qi Gathering 7th Level, so he did not believe that Ning Cheng's cultivation was actually higher than him.

"Brother Ning, are you looking for a place to stay?" Now that Hou Chuan's opinion of Ning Cheng completely changed, even the tone of his voice conveyed that he wanted to make friends with him.

"That's right, but at the moment we cannot find any place for us to live in this Mo Ze City." Ning Cheng said with some regret in his voice.

Hou Chuan looked at Ji Luo Fei, and spoke with some doubt, "Junior Apprentice Sister Ji Luo Fei is already a student of the Falling Star Academy, as long as Junior Apprentice Sister just shows her identity, you can easily find any kind of accommodation to rest in."

Ning Cheng said hastily, "Luo Fei is not a student of the Falling Star Academy at the moment, moreover we came to Mo Ze City without informing anyone, so I request Brother Hou to not say anything about the matter that Luo Fei came to the Mo Ze City."

Hou Chuan nodded, even if Ning Cheng had not asked, he would not have told anybody about it, he simply was not a person who liked to gossip about people.

"I'll help you look." This kind of simple favour, Hou Chuan had already planned to carry out.

Hou Chuan along with Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei arrived at a nearby rest stop, this rest stop was the same rest stop that Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei had just came from. However, this time when Hou Chuan showed his Academy's Identity, it easily helped Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei to book a room.

Seeing that Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei had only asked for a single room, Hou Chuan did not speak anymore. After saying a few words with Ning Cheng, he left the rest stop along with woman on his side.

The reason why Ning Cheng and Ji Luo Fei chose to live together in the same room, was not because they were nervous, but because both of them just did not want to cause too much trouble to Hou Chuan, besides the main reason was to basically take mutual care of each other.

"I forgot to ask Hou Chuan about Meng Yu Jing." With Hou Chuan already gone, Ning Cheng suddenly patted his head, this kind of thing he should have asked first. For him to go find Meng Yu Jing by himself, he knew that he would have to face many difficulties.

Ji Luo Fei just shook her head and said, "Hou Chuan has never seen Meng Yu Jing, for him to help you, is just too difficult."

"If that is the case, then I will have to find a different approach. Now that the Mo Ze Grand Plaza is currently hosting a mass recruitment of students, then I will go to the Clear Sky Academy tomorrow to have a look, while you stay here inside and cultivate."

Ning Cheng thought that although Ji Luo Fei only spent a little time in Mo Ze City before, but he knew that there were definitely many people in this city who knew her. It would be much better for her to stay here in the room rather than roaming outside.

Ning Cheng's thinking was relatively simple, he and Ji Luo Fei wanted to go to an Intermediate Class Continent, so it was necessary for them to join a 5 Star Academy. Enjoying the cool air under the shade of a big tree, these words were not without reason.

Moreover, the Clear Sky Academy was the best choice at the moment, Ning Cheng believed that he had the ability to be selected for the Clear Sky Academy and would not have to face much problem. As for Ji Luo Fei, he would use the Clear Sky Command Medallion for her that he had got from Kou Hong.

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The second day, early in the morning, Ning Cheng arrived at the Mo Ze Grand Plaza.

The Hua Continent had too many Academies, Sects and Clans, and all of them had opened their stalls in the Mo Ze City in the hopes of selecting disciples, Ning Cheng guessed that these Sects who could set up these temporary stalls in the Mo Ze Grand Plaza were definitely not small entities.

When Ning Cheng saw the Mo Ze Grand Plaza, he actually did not expect it to be this huge. Ning Cheng made an initial estimate, that this Grand Plaza actually had an area of dozens of square kilometres at the very least.

Gathered on the plaza were numerous stalls of the Academies and several big and small Clans and Sects, and were packed with innumerable disciples who came here for taking part in the selection exam of these Academies.

Nevertheless, that markings of the five 5 Star Academies were very clear, and Ning Cheng in just a single glance was able to make out the stall for the Clear Sky Academy.

Ning Cheng did not immediately go to the selection area of the Clear Sky Academy, but rather just followed the crowd from the Mo Ze City who had just come in to read the selection exam rules, these selection exam rules were carved onto a huge stone stele at the entrance of the plaza.

After reading the words on the huge stone and asking around, Ning Cheng came to understand that his previous thinking was wrong. This Hua Continent had so many Academies, Sects and Clans and all of them had gathered here in this extremely large Mo Ze Grand Plaza, it was basically not a selection of disciples, rather it might be more accurate to say that it was a preliminary elimination round. Only the people with the most outstanding performance in this preliminary round, would be eligible to participate in the actual selection of disciples, and would continue on to take part in the second round.

The rules for this first round were very clear, moreover the first round was a written exam. All the cultivators who wanted to get into the second round must pass through the written test of this preliminary round, only after passing through the written test would they be eligible to participate in the second round.

There were two ways to obtain the qualifications and get through the written exam. The first one was, if one had a Pure Main Spiritual Root, or a Dual Main Spiritual Root, then with it they could directly enter any Academy that he/she desires. The second way, was for the rest of the cultivators with other kinds of Spiritual Roots, only after passing the written exam would they be able to gain the qualifications to participate in the true selection of disciples for the 5 Star Academies.

Third, a person can only give the written test a total of five times, moreover each time there can only be 5000 people that can participate. This written exam would be held once every month, for 5 continuous months.

Ning Cheng sighed darkly in his heart, there were many cultivators who had come to Mo Ze City, but the total amount of people who could participate in the first round that was the written test was only 25,000. In other words, over 90% of the people here, would be ineligible to participate in the first round.

But Ning Cheng knew that this was very fair, at least the ones participating would have a lot of chances. With so many stalls here to try, maybe they would be able to find a stall where they would be able to get a quota to enter the first round of qualifications. Moreover, this preliminary round would go on for about 6 months, so everyone would have a lot of time to prepare.

"If I could not gain the qualifications to enter the written round, then wouldn't it mean that then there would be no opportunity to participate in the first round itself?" Someone immediately called out in surprise, as that person apparently though that this rule was wrong.

"Each of the Sects and Clans have a set amount of quota that are eligible to participate in the First Round of the written exam, although for the low levelled Academies and the rest, the examination quota given to them is smaller than that that given to the 5 Star Academies. So if you have the ability, how would it not be possible for you to get in? But then again if you do not have the ability, then what are you doing here?" Someone next to him immediately refuted the person who had just spoken.

"You all know that the quotas are already limited, so if someone secretly works behind the scenes, and have already reserved the quotas for someone else, why would they even wait for us?" The person who thought that the rule was wrong, still disagreed.

But that person who had refuted him before just continued to ignore him, and did not pay any attention to him, while he talked to the others besides him, "Are you stupid, you know that a Lower Level Academy can send their students to a 5 Star Academy, don't you know just how big that kind of reward is? Or is it that you really do not have any idea about it. But that is still not the main point, if any of these Academies manage to get a good score during the written round, that Academy would instantly become famous, and more and more people would come rushing towards them, whether it was an Academy or a Sect or a Clan all of them are obviously doing this for promotion. In that case, even if there were some people who dare to operate such shenanigans in secret, they would only do so if they really are tired of living. The higher the ability you have, then even in the Lower Level Academies, you would be much more popular."

"I know that last month was the fourth First Round, and there was student from a 2 Star Academy who had scored 76 points in this Preliminary Round, and as a result was selected to go to the Clear Sky Academy. Even if that student was able to advance just to a 3 Star Academy, he would have gained a substantial amount of resources."

"Just what is this written test about?" Someone asked.

"Who knows what the test is about? If it was known previously, would they still hold the written test? I only know that the contents of the 5 preliminary exams will always be different."

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Ning Cheng came to understand, that if your qualifications were good, then you can directly go the 5 Star Academies, and participate in the preliminary written examination round on behalf of the 5 Star

Academies. Even if your qualifications were not good, then you can still go look at the other Lower Level Academies, and then take the preliminary exam as a representative of the Lower Level Academies.