

## **The Growth 708**

Chapter 708 14: Supreme Sun

[Is the target the Mountain and Sea Realm?]

The commotion caused by the Hunting Fish and the Shimmering World could not have been overlooked by Li Hao, the Creator of the Mountain and Sea Realm.

In fact, as soon as the Shimmering World emerged from the Dimensional Gap, Li Hao received the prayers of the Hunting Fish.

In the perspective of the Hunting Fish, it had merely discovered a peculiar "toy."

Until the Shimmering World drew closer and closer to the Mountain and Sea Realm.

Only then did the naive Hunting Fish realize that the situation seemed somewhat different from what it had imagined.

The Hunting Fish did not know of the Mountain and Sea Realm, but it could sense Li Hao's aura.

Upon realizing that its "toy" was targeting Li Hao, the Hunting Fish's attitude shifted from "toy" to "prey."

This is also why the Hunting Fish became increasingly aggressive, its actions more and more frenzied.

[What is this world all about?]

Watching the Hunting Fish unable to stop the Shimmering World's approach, Li Hao couldn't help but wonder.

What exactly is this mysterious world?

Why does it insist on approaching the Mountain and Sea Realm?

Li Hao couldn't shake the feeling that this unknown world was coming for him.

[Carefully comparing the timing, did the revival of this world begin when I obtained the 'Bai Ze Map?']

Looking at the dazzling world in the chaos, Li Hao felt he might have guessed its origins.

[In any case, I should first confirm the identity of the other party!]

With this thought flashing through his mind, Li Hao knew exactly whom he should seek out at this moment.

Thus, Li Hao's gaze returned to the Mountain and Sea Realm.

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Mountain and Sea Realm, Ancient Marsh Border, Phoenix Mountain.

This is an ancient place at the border of Mountain and Sea, shrouded in volcanoes and miasma all year round.

Due to its detachment from the continental plate.

Although called a mountain, Phoenix Mountain is more like an island drifting with the ocean currents.

But this island is far larger than one might imagine, with a diameter of nearly ten thousand kilometers, giving it a sense of being a realm unto itself.

In the resource-rich, boundless Mountain and Sea Realm, such a landmass could indeed be called an "island."

As for the owner of this island?

None other than the recently returned Xuan Niao — Nine Heavens Profound Lady.

With Li Hao's tacit approval, the Nine Heavens Profound Lady returned to the Mountain and Sea Realm and settled on Phoenix Mountain with her clan, creating a place akin to the Peach Blossom Spring.

Countless divine birds and animals hovered in the skies above Phoenix Mountain...

The Kunpeng, covering the sky, changed its form at the border of mountains and sea...

Phoenixes, born of flames, rested in the craters of volcanoes...

Azure Birds, calling forth thunder and lightning, flapped their wings freely...

Kunpeng, Fire Phoenix, Azure Luan, Vermilion Bird, Bi Fang, Jingwei...

Numerous birds, known and unknown to Li Hao, inhabited Phoenix Mountain, creating a magnificent scene of myriad birds paying homage and all bird species spreading their wings.

At the center, the incarnation of the Nine Heavens Profound Lady, the ruler of these birds, quietly remained in the volcanic depths, absorbing the benefits recently gained from the Disaster Realm.

Swoosh!

From a distance, the giant black Xuan Niao lay in the volcanic depths, with each breath igniting the flames of Phoenix Mountain to greater intensity.

Clearly, not only Li Hao gained benefits from the Disaster Realm.

The Nine Heavens Profound Lady, already a half-complete Creator herself, was on the verge of becoming a true Creator following her journey to the Disaster Realm.

Though it was uncertain how long this process would take, it at least illuminated the path forward for the Nine Heavens Profound Lady, bringing her closer to the true Supreme Tao.

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Silently, Yao Xin's figure appeared before the black Xuan Niao.

The Nine Heavens Profound Lady, who had been immersed in her understanding, immediately opened her eyes, looking puzzled at Yao Xin before her.

"Why have you come again?"

Yao Xin, the Supreme Death God of the Mountain and Sea Realm, was also its sole Death God.

Her path bore some resemblance to that of the Nine Heavens Profound Lady, also aspiring to attain Creator status as a Supreme God.

Since the Nine Heavens Profound Lady settled on Phoenix Mountain, Yao Xin's incarnation occasionally appeared to seek guidance from her.

The Nine Heavens Profound Lady's intentions were unclear regarding befriending Yao Xin.

Nonetheless, Yao Xin indeed gained substantial benefits from her.

Over time, Yao Xin's incarnation even developed a bird-like head similar to the Nine Heavens Profound Lady.

"This time, I'm not here to seek your advice."

With a slight nod and a courteous gesture to the Nine Heavens Profound Lady, Yao Xin maintained her customary politeness.

"This time, I have come on behalf of Father God to inquire about a few questions."

With a slow turn of her bird's head, the Nine Heavens Profound Lady narrowed her eyes slightly, already grasping the situation.

"So something significant has happened outside?"

Engrossed in her cultivation, the Nine Heavens Profound Lady hadn't noticed the various anomalies in the Mountain and Sea Realm or the Shimmering World rapidly approaching it.

"Yes, Father God wishes for me to ask if you know about the origins of that world?"

Despite the Nine Heavens Profound Lady's seemingly prescient insights, Yao Xin showed little surprise.

After all, Yao Xin herself could accomplish similar feats, let alone a Supreme God like the Nine Heavens Profound Lady.

"I do not know the origins of that world, but I can roughly guess who its ruler might be..."

Patently waiting for the Nine Heavens Profound Lady to elaborate, Yao Xin remained silent, not interrupting her.

"Across the All Heavens and Myriad Realms, there aren't few who ascend to the position of Supreme God as a 'Sun God.'

"However, related to the Mountain and Sea Realm and long missing, I recall only one such Supreme Sun God...

"The ancient ruler of the Mountain and Sea Realm, who once scorched the earth with ten suns, the 'Supreme Sun'—Ancient Emperor Jun."

As the Nine Heavens Profound Lady recounted bit by bit, tales and images of Di Jun imprinted vividly in Yao Xin's mind, as if she had witnessed them firsthand.

In the ancient Mountain and Sea Realm, before the Candle Dragon became a Creator, Supreme Gods were the peak of the Mountain and Sea Realm.

Those who reached the zenith of a Supreme God's position and once ruled over the Mountain and Sea Realm were posthumously titled "Emperor" by successors.

Among those ancient emperors, Jun was one of the most powerful and also the most tyrannical.

By scorching the earth with ten suns and recreating the world, Di Jun nearly annihilated the gods of that time.

If not for another powerful "Emperor" who rose in the face of crisis, extinguishing the ten suns and severely wounding Di Jun, there might not have been anything left of the Mountain and Sea Dragon Race.

After that, Di Jun vanished, leaving no trace of where he had gone.

Only a few strong enough to reach the level of the Nine Heavens Profound Lady knew that Di Jun's disappearance was merely a retreat to gather strength.

This ancient "Emperor" had not given up on annihilating the world again to seize divine authority and achieve Creator status.

Unfortunately, in his intent to make a comeback, Di Jun encountered his destined adversary — Bai Ze.

The Mountain and Sea Realm harbors many myths about that war.

The War of the Ancient Emperors, the Battle of Buzhou Mountain, the Outer Realm Invasion...

These accounts are records and descriptions of that war by successors.

Alas, the Nine Heavens Profound Lady had not yet achieved her path at that time, so she was unsure of its truth or details.

Her only certainty was that after that battle, both Di Jun and Bai Ze vanished.