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With the evolution inside the Fixed Star Tripod Furnace.

The past and conflicts between Bai Ze and Di Jun vividly unfolded before everyone's eyes.

According to the memories obtained from Yao Xin, the first contact between Bai Ze and Di Jun can even be traced back to when the Ten Suns scorched the earth.

As an ancient tyrant, Di Jun had once wished to reshape the earth using the power of the Ten Suns.

Although Di Jun's apocalyptic actions were eventually stopped by Da Yi, the scorching of the earth by the Ten Suns left indelible scars on the Mountain and Sea Realm.

Countless lives were forcefully sun-dried to death, countless races were thus exterminated...

Bai Ze was one of the survivors of that disaster.

From then on, Bai Ze was at odds with Di Jun.

Di Jun's descendants descended to the lower realm as demons, and Bai Ze specifically compiled a "Demon Hunting Chart" against them — the initial version of the "Bai Ze Monster Map."

From terrestrial disasters to floods, wherever there was Di Jun's manipulations behind the scenes, there was Bai Ze's presence.

The continued confrontation between both sides lasted until the end of the "Ancient Emperor Era" and the rise of the Mountain and Sea Dragon Race.

In the late Ancient Emperor Period, Di Jun, who had made a comeback, rebuilt the Heaven-Reaching Jianmu and reconnected with other ancient emperors who had long left the Mountain and Sea Realm.

It was an apocalyptic disaster mingled with foreign invasion and internal civil war within the Mountain and Sea Realm.

Fu Xi, Nuwa, Zhurong, Gonggong, Luwu, Yingzhao, Shennong, Xuanyuan, Chiyu, Queen Mother of the West, Eastern King...

Countless mythological figures familiar to Li Hao appeared in that war as stars on stage.

Whether ancient emperors, foreign gods, or local rebels, those mythological figures used the Mountain and Sea Realm as a battlefield for an epic war.

And then, the final outcome of the war was more or less the same as the mythology familiar to Li Hao.

Gonggong, filled with rage, crashed into Buzhou Mountain, destroying the Heaven-Reaching Jianmu...

One of the ancient emperors who had left the Mountain and Sea Realm long ago - Empress wa-Nuwa, chose to mend the heavens and left behind the ten-god legend of "Nuwa's Intestines."

—Classic of Mountains and Seas: Western Wilderness Chapter.

—There are ten people called Nuwa's Intestines, who became gods and dwelt in the Wilderness of Li Guang, residing across the road.

—Nuwa, an ancient goddess and emperor, with a human face and snake body, transforms seventy times a day, her abdomen becoming these gods.

Simply put, Nuwa possessed ever-changing divine techniques, capable of transforming seventy times a day.

In that great war, Nuwa's injured abdomen left in the Mountain and Sea Realm transformed into ten gods, robbing and looting in a place known as the "Wilderness of Li Guang."

Though the fates of other mythological figures were a bit better than Nuwa's, they were not much better.

The ancient emperors chose to leave, the invading gods were repelled, and the local resistors of the Mountain and Sea Realm suffered heavy losses...

Thus, with the conclusion of the "Ancient Emperor Period."

The remaining creatures in the Mountain and Sea Realm finally once again moved towards prosperity, ushering in the era of the Mountain and Sea Dragon Race's rule.

Crown Prince Changqin, Nine Heavens Profound Lady, Zhu Jiuyin, Guang Chengzi, Chi Songzi, Yinglong, Nvba...

These renowned figures were the trendsetters of this period, the vanguard of the new era in the Mountain and Sea Realm.

However, the dawn of a new era did not mean the remnants of the old era would vanish without a trace.

The war between Di Jun and Bai Ze continued, but its battlefield had shifted from the former Mountain and Sea Realm to the broader All Heavens and Myriad Realms.

As for what Bai Ze had experienced, Yao Xin did not know.

In the evolution of the Fixed Star Tripod Furnace, the three saw the series of experiences Di Jun encountered after leaving the Mountain and Sea Realm.

In the "Ascension Area," worlds were indeed everywhere to be seen.

But not all worlds had birthed life, and certainly not all worlds welcomed foreign gods.

Even though Di Jun's essence was the Supreme Sun, a Supreme God capable of bringing prosperity and civilization to worlds.

Therefore, the three, including Nine Heavens Profound Lady, saw how Di Jun wandered in the All Heavens and Myriad Realms, how he repeatedly encountered setbacks, and was repeatedly driven away as an invader.

The once "Ancient Tyrant" seemed to have become far less obstinate and arrogant in this process.

When the three came to their senses, they finally saw one world accepting Di Jun, allowing him to become a member of that world.

It was a cold, dark world, a world devoid of life.

Even if it were the former Di Jun, even if he continued to wander the All Heavens and Myriad Realms, he would absolutely not settle and take root in such a world.

However, after wandering for countless years, Di Jun was no longer the tyrant he once was.

Having witnessed too much madness among gods, seen the demise of countless worlds...

Di Jun suddenly realized how laughable the war he instigated in the Mountain and Sea Realm was.

Compared to the highest authority, there were obviously many more meaningful things in this world waiting for him to seek and discover.

Yet he had indulged in a mere ephemeral dream, neglecting those gods and humans who had once accompanied him.

[Xi He, I miss you...]

Even from across a Fixed Star Tripod Furnace, the three, including Nine Heavens Profound Lady, seemed to hear Di Jun's whisper.

It was Di Jun's first time showing his human side other than being a tyrant, a rare moment of tenderness for this ancient emperor.

Xi He is Di Jun's wife, who bore him ten suns.

However, since Xi He herself was also a Sun God, with a personality as strong as Di Jun's, it directly led to the breakdown of their marriage.

Therefore, when Di Jun had an affair with Xi He's sister, Chang Xi (Changyi), and fathered twelve moons, Xi He left the Mountain and Sea Realm, never to be seen again.

On one side, there was the gentle and serene Moon God; on the other, the strong and impatient Sun Emperor...

Di Jun thought he would never regret his choice.

But after wandering the All Heavens and Myriad Realms for so long, Di Jun suddenly realized Xi He's importance to him.

When Xi He was around, although Di Jun was the sun of the Mountain and Sea Realm, a powerful being crowned with the title of "Emperor," he still had family to rely on and confide in.

After Xi He left, Di Jun might have obtained even greater power and authority than before, becoming the sole sun of the Mountain and Sea Realm.

But correspondingly, Di Jun also lost the safe haven where he could temporarily let go of all defenses.

Words of absolute credibility, above all...

These things Di Jun once pursued became the factors that ultimately led him down the path of obsession and madness.

"This... doesn't quite match the tyrant I imagined, does it?"

Looking at each other, both Hua She and Nine Heavens Profound Lady cautiously asked the question they both wanted to know.

The ancient tyrant, the father of the Ten Suns, instigator of the war between gods and humans...

Di Jun, who held these titles and achievements, seemingly had a tender side unique to himself.

"Because this is the real Di Jun, a living god, not just a simple symbolic figure."

Gently answering Hua She's question, Yao Xin's gaze never wavered from Di Jun in the Fixed Star Tripod Furnace.