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Chapter 121: Who Dares Not to Submit?

The black light shot into the clouds, causing the clouds to move and the heavens and the earth to darken. Countless dragon-like wisps of black air rose up from the ground not only within the Great Qin Village but also throughout all of the places that belonged to China in the Midland Continent, and they madly rushed towards the Great Qin Village.

This was a massive gathering of Fate, and this shocking scene caused a countless number of people who had been sleeping to wake up. They felt the Fates within their bodies feel greatly unsettled, and after seeing the massive amount of Fate rushing somewhere, many people rushed out of their houses and stood outside, gazing towards the same direction.

Soon, a massive black whirlpool formed in the sky above the Great Qin Village, covering the surrounding 1,000-kilometer radius area. A mighty aura of suppression descended, and from a distance, it seemed as if some demon god had appeared.

Within the Forest of Horrors' three main cities, three people were given a great shock. When they looked at the changes above the Great Qin Village, they felt that they couldn't simply sit by and watch. They all leaped up and disappeared.

BOOM!!!!

An indescribably powerful spirit suppression descended, and the three figures who had just disappeared reappeared in the next second, and they were smashed into a 30-meter wide crater. Within the crater, the three people coughed up mouthfuls of blood, unable to move. They felt as if all of their bones had been smashed, and they weakly lay there, looking heavily injured.

They had underestimated the power of this heaven and earth Fate – anyone who raised his or her village to an Advanced Village would be acknowledged by the heavens and the earth, and he or she would receive his or her respective empire's Fate Legacy. However, Zhao Fu was the first person to raise his Village to a Town, and all of China's Fate started to gather towards him.

China was one of the greatest ancient civilizations, and if the heaven and earth Fate was apportioned, China would have 60% of it. The Fate that was gathering towards Zhao Fu was 60% of the heaven and earth Fate, and the power it contained was not something that just anyone could endure.

The three people had underestimated this power, and even though they had special identities, they were still heavily injured in spite of their powerful cultivations.

At Eastdawn Village, Zhao Fu looked up and was quite surprised. He had never thought that leveling up to a Town would bring such an abnormal sign.

At that moment, the image of a gigantic domineering black dragon appeared beside Zhao Fu's body, and it raised its head and coldly looked at the abnormal sign in the distance.

Zhao Fu could feel changes happening within his body, and he quickly returned to the Great Qin Village.

By now, all of the Great Qin Village's residents had come to the Heaven Prayer Platform and were reverently kneeling. They all understood that Great Qin was gathering all of China's Fate, and the benefits would be unimaginable. As such, all of Great Qin's residents felt incredibly joyful and humble.

"Your Majesty! You've finally returned; hurry and put on the dragon robe," Li Si said quickly to Zhao Fu when he arrived. Even Li Si, who was normally steady, felt somewhat worried.

It was the first time that Zhao Fu had seen Li Si like this, and he smiled and nodded. A few female attendants helped Zhao Fu put on the Black Gold Dragon Robe and the Black Gold Dragon Crown.

The longer that the whirlpool swirled above the Great Qin Village, the greater the heaven and earth suppression became. The Great Qin Village's residents beside the Heaven Prayer Platform had their heads pressed against the ground, unable to move an inch.

Zhao Fu started to walk up the Heaven Prayer Platform. This time, walking up the Heaven Prayer Platform felt quite different – Zhao Fu felt quite heavy; however, it was not a physical heaviness but a mental heaviness.

It was the feeling that came from experiencing a long and arduous journey, from when the Chinese people had originated by the Yellow River and created their own civilization to modern times; the heavy feeling of 5,000 years of history.

Even though China had many different dynasties and nations, they all belonged to China. This gathering of Fate represented all of China, and Zhao Fu seemed to realize something.

Zhao Fu walked up the Heaven Prayer Platform step by step.

Finally, Zhao Fu stood at the center of the Heaven Prayer Platform and slowly spread out his arms, giving off the noble airs of an Emperor. He said with a majestic and steady voice, "I, Zhao Fu, Legatee of the Great Qin Empire, will definitely bring China to great heights in the Heaven Awaken World. Our legacy will continue forever, and it will regain its former splendor."

BOOM!

Just as Zhao Fu finished speaking, the center of the whirlpool quickly spun, and a black pillar of light descended from the sky and landed on Zhao Fu's body. Zhao Fu felt countless ancient and boundless auras enter his body.

"Roar!!!!!" a forceful and vigorous dragon's roar sounded out, and it was as if it was asking who under the heavens dared not to submit. The roar sounded out throughout the heavens and the earth, and in the surrounding 10,000-kilometer radius area, both humans and other creatures trembled and felt terror within their hearts.

The Fates within Si Ji, Di Wutian, Ji Shenming, and Liu Ye's bodies reacted like furious dragons, causing all sorts of abnormal signs. However, they were unable to resist Zhao Fu's abnormal sign.

This happened to not only those four people but also everyone with a legacy in China. All of them were incredibly prideful – how could they accept this sort of thing? All of their expressions were extremely unsightly.

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Far away, a woman stood on a hill and looked into the distance. This woman had long, golden hair and a pair of blue eyes, and her looks were incredibly beautiful. However, what people were often attracted to were not her looks but that confident, courageous, righteous, and bright smile on her face.

She was wearing a silver Knight's dress and holding a double-handed sword that gave off a golden light. She gave off the airs of a Queen that made others want to submit to her and give their lives for her.

Right now, there were 12 Knights with extraordinary auras standing behind her. One of them put his arm in front of his chest as a salute as he asked, "Queen, what is it?"

Tina Pendragon lightly smiled but did not say anything.

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Elsewhere, a handsome-looking man with golden hair stood on a tall structure and looked into the distance with a serious expression on his face. This was the Roman Empire's Legatee.

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In another place, a dark-skinned youth wearing a golden headdress and holding a golden staff looked into the distance solemnly.

Chapter 122: Four Great Generals of the Warring States Period

Back at the Great Qin Village, a massive amount of Fate streamed into Zhao Fu's body, making his Emperor's aura seem even more dignified and awe-imposing. Standing there, he seemed to give off airs that would make even gods retreat before him.

"We pay our respects to our King!" the Great Qin subjects, regardless of which race they were, knelt down and shouted out.

As the massive amount of Fate flooded into Zhao Fu, Zhao Fu's Fate Dragon next to him became completely corporeal, and it was almost 100 meters long as it coiled around the Heaven Prayer Platform. It gave off a terrifying aura, making it so that no one dared to raise his or her head.

At this moment, the black light descending from the sky gradually weakened until it disappeared. However, the abnormal sign in the sky did not disappear, and countless golden rays of light shot out from the center of the massive black whirlpool, covering Zhao Fu's body.

Following this, tens of thousands of rays of light slowly pierced through the entire black whirlpool and fell to the ground, creating a majestic scene.

By now, the center of the black whirlpool had been pierced, and it was replaced by a holy, noble, dignified golden light, within which something was slowly descending.

Suddenly, countless three-colored flowers descended. They were not real and were something formed by the condensing of Fate, and they floated down like snowflakes. This made the scene seem extremely dreamlike and beautiful.

At that moment, the object within the golden light came close enough to see what it was – it was a jade Ruler's Seal that gave off an incredibly noble aura. There were also nine golden Fate Dragons swimming around the jade Ruler's Seal as it descended.

Finally, the jade Ruler's Seal fell into Zhao Fu's hand, and the nine golden dragons entered into it. Only then did the abnormal sign start to disappear, and the black dragon entered Zhao Fu's body again.

Zhao Fu looked at the jade Ruler's Seal. It was extremely beautiful, and there were five exquisite divine dragons carved into it. Each of the divine dragons looked incredibly real, and each one of them gave off a different aura. At the bottom of the jade Ruler's Seal were the words: 'To become Emperor by the grace of Heaven, to bless the common peoples and prosper the nation.'

Looking at these words, Zhao Fu realized that this was the Imperial Seal of China, which represented the official Emperor's authority. To every Emperor throughout China's history, this was the most important and precious item. To obtain this meant becoming an Emperor 'by the grace of Heaven,' and losing it meant that his time was up. Emperors without the Ruler's Seal were called 'Fake Emperors,' a condescending term.

The First Emperor of Qin ordered Li Si to create the Imperial Seal from 'He's Jade Disc,' an exceptional piece of jade. The words 'To become Emperor by the grace of Heaven, to bless the common peoples and prosper the nation' were carved by Li Si himself. The Imperial Seal was thought to have been lost a long time ago. Who would have thought that the Imperial Seal would return to Great Qin after gathering China's Fate?

Zhao Fu then looked at the Imperial Seal's description.

[Imperial Seal of China] (White): The symbol of the official Emperor of China, and it symbolises utmost authority.

What surprised Zhao Fu was that the Imperial Seal was a Nation Armament, but it was more powerful than most Nation Armaments, as it represented all of China. There was only one such Nation Armament in all of China, which showed its value.

However, because the Imperial Seal represented all of China, it meant that it was different compared to most normal Nation Armaments. While normal Nation Armaments could only be used by their respective Legatees and would be destroyed if anyone else took it, the Imperial Seal could be taken and used by any Chinese person.

Zhao Fu carefully put the Imperial Seal away, and after the Great Qin Village leveled up into a Town, a chain of system announcements sounded out in Zhao Fu's mind.

"System announcement! Congratulations, your Village has become a Town."

"System announcement! Congratulations, Great Qin's Fate has greatly increased."

"System announcement! The special structure Heaven Prayer Platform has automatically leveled up, and you will now be closer to the heavens."

"System Announcement! Your Town has unlocked Ministers and Generals."

“System Announcement! Under the influence of Great Qin’s Fate, the three historical figures sleeping within Great Qin’s Legacy have awakened.”

Zhao Fu ignored most of the system announcements, but the final one caught his attention.

“Three historical figures?” Zhao Fu was quite curious as to who these three historical figures would be. Historical figures like Bai Qi and Li Si were all exceptionally capable, so Zhao Fu was looking forward to meeting the three historical figures.

He slowly walked down from the Heaven Prayer Platform and went to the Origin. He waved his hand as a black light shot out, and Zhao Fu chose to awaken those three people.

Three figures appeared on the Origin. After coming to their senses, they paid their respects to Zhao Fu and said together, “Your Majesty!”

Zhao Fu nodded and looked at the three people in front of him.

He looked at the two men first. They were both around 24 or 25 years old, and one of them had a kind-looking face, a calm demeanor, and a long beard.

Name: Wang Jian

Grade: SSS

Title: [Four Great Generals of the Warring States Period]: Increases own troops’ morale.

Profession: [General], Profession Effects: Can hold two different military professions.

Achievement Points: Commoner (0/200)

Race: Human

Age: 25 (100)

Loyalty: 100

Stats: Strength: 10, Intelligence: 10, Constitution: 10. Agility: 10

Cultivation: Stage 0

Cultivation Technique: None

Skills: None

Equipment: Coarse Cloth Clothes, Cloth Shoes, Coarse Cloth Pants

It was actually one of the most famous generals in history, Wang Jian. This greatly surprised Zhao Fu.

Wang Jian was one of Great Qin’s famed Generals, and he made great contributions to Great Qin. Apart from the State of Han, the other five States were destroyed by Wang Jian and his son. It could be said that Wang Jian was the greatest contributor when Great Qin conquered the other Six States, and even the First Emperor of Qin greatly respected him.

After looking at Wang Jian's stats, Zhao Fu looked at the other man. He had a cold and handsome face, and while he stood there, he gave off the air of a sharp, unsheathed sword.

Zhao Fu thought that he was Meng Tian, but after looking at his information, Zhao Fu was quite shocked.

Name: Ge Nia

Grade: SSS

Title: None.

Profession: [Swordsman]

Achievement Points: Commoner (0/200)

Race: Human

Age: 24 (100)

Loyalty: 100

Stats: Strength: 10, Intelligence: 10, Constitution: 10. Agility: 10

Cultivation: Stage 0

Cultivation Technique: None

Skills: Sword Proficiency

Equipment: Coarse Cloth Clothes, Cloth Shoes, Coarse Cloth Pants

"This is Ge Nia?"

Ge Nia was a famous swordsman in the latter part of the Warring States Period. However, what made him famous was an extremely shocking matter: Jing Ke's failed assassination of the First Emperor of Qin, who was the King of Qin at the time.

It was said that the State of Yan's famed Assassin, Jing Ke, had faced off against Ge Nia, but what Zhao Fu had never expected was that Ge Nia was actually part of Great Qin. This was definitely a secret that not many people knew.

Chapter 123: King's Blood

Zhao Fu looked at the woman. She was quite good-looking and was wearing a plain white dress, and she gave off a gentle and wise aura.

Name: Ba Qing

Grade: SSS

Title: None.

Profession: [Merchant]

Achievement Points: Commoner (0/200)

Race: Human

Age: 25 (100)

Loyalty: 100

Stats: Strength: 8, Intelligence: 10, Constitution: 7, Agility: 8

Cultivation: Stage 0

Cultivation Technique: None

Skills: Business Operation

Equipment: Dress, Hairpin

“Ba Qing?” When Zhao Fu saw this name, he remembered the stories about her. Ba Qing was also called Widow Ba Qing, and while she was not as famous as Diaochan and Daji, anyone who was familiar with the Qin dynasty’s history would know that she was a legendary woman.

Ba Qing was China’s first entrepreneur, and her wealth could rival a nation’s. At the same time, she possessed her own army, but she was not a target of the First Emperor of Qin’s suspicions. In fact, the First Emperor of Qin treated her like an elder sister – for an Emperor to treat her like this, it was evident how capable she was.

She contributed a lot of money to the construction of the Great Wall of China and provided a lot of the mercury in the First Emperor of Qin’s tomb. However, her business empire disappeared as Great Qin fell.

These three SSS grade historical figures all had their own strengths. Zhao Fu asked Li Si to make arrangements for them and to introduce them to the Great Qin Village. After Zhao Fu finished taking care of all of his matters, he would go and chat with them at greater length.

Following this, Zhao Fu went to the City Heart and looked at the Great Qin Village’s new stats.

Village Name: Great Qin Town (Legendary)

Level: Basic (140/250,000)

Village Area: 55 square kilometers

Village Territory: 1,680 square kilometers

Residents: 12,950/120,000

Military: 5,640/34,000

Popular Support: 85

Village Special Stats: Territory Crop Output +70%, Territory Crop Growing Time -70%, Population Limit +50%, Residents’ stats can randomly +4, Soldiers’ stats +4%, Population Attraction +60%, chance of attracting higher grade population +60%

Subsidiary Village Limit: 72

Subordinate Villages: Logue Village, Jean Village, Dorun Village, Li Family Village, Wolf Village, Ferocious Tiger Village...

After looking at this information, Zhao Fu found that its stats had once again greatly increased, and most of them increased by an additional 20%.

What's more, leveling up from a Basic Town to an Intermediate Town required 250,000 EXP, while leveling up from an Advanced Village to a Basic Town required 150,000 EXP. In other words, he now required an extra 100,000 EXP to level up again.

Leveling up from an Intermediate Town to an Advanced Town required an extra 200,000 EXP, which was 450,000 EXP in total. Leveling up from an Advanced Town to a Basic City required an extra 300,000 EXP, which was 750,000 EXP in total.

750,000 EXP looked like a lot, but this was not the most difficult aspect, as the requirements for leveling up an Advanced Town to a Basic City also required one to possess three or more Towns.

In other words, if Zhao Fu wanted to level up the Great Qin Town into a City, he needed to have at least three Towns and three people who were at least Third-Ranked Barons and could act as Mayors.

This demonstrated how difficult it was to level up a Town into a City. However, the Great Qin Town was still only a Basic Town, and it would take some time for it to level up into an Advanced Town, much less a City. Moreover, the system's main cities were important cities, and they were above even Advanced Cities.

After looking at the Great Qin Town's stats, Zhao Fu took out the Imperial Seal. The jade Ruler's Seal went and floated up above the City Heart by itself and gave off a faint, majestic golden light. At this moment, Zhao Fu found that Great Qin's Nation Armament, the Twelve Metal Colossi, was giving off a faint blue light within its bronze light, so he took a look.

It turned out that the Twelve Metal Colossi had also leveled up. The description said that Nation Armaments required a large amount of Fate to level up, and now that Zhao Fu had gathered China's Fate, the Twelve Metal Colossi had obtained a large amount of Fate, rising from a Level 1 Nation Armament to a Level 2 Nation Armament.

A Level 2 Nation Armament was much more powerful than a Level 1 Nation Armament, and it could suppress Fate better, making it so that the Fate did not flow away.

Following this, Zhao Fu looked at the Heaven Prayer Platform's stats.

[Heaven Prayer Platform]: A special structure of an Empire Legacy Village. It can level up with a village.
Special Stats: Resistance to natural disasters +50%, Chance of spawning S grade or above villagers +25%

Finally, Zhao Fu went to the Barracks, as there was a system announcement that stated that the Minister and General professions had been unlocked. After arriving at the Barracks, Zhao Fu found two new stone steles.

The two stone steles could allow five people to become Generals and three people to become Ministers. Zhao Fu didn't have to think much about who to give these positions to – after all, there were many people who he wanted to nurture, but he hadn't given them a special profession yet.

What's more, if he already had five Generals, the military stone stele could be used to change a person's profession to 'Commander.' Commanders could have many Generals under their command – in other words, Commanders were ranked higher than Generals. While Generals were responsible for fighting on the field, Commanders were more for creating strategies and giving orders.

Adding on Wang Jian, who recently joined, Zhao Fu now had six Generals, so he could allow one person to become a Commander. Of course, this person was Bai Qi. Zhao Fu called Bai Qi over and told him to change his profession to Commander. The Commander profession was one that led and gave commands, rather than one of personal strength. Zhao Fu had a look at Bai Qi's new profession.

[Commander]: A grade Military, Description: The evolved profession of General, Effect: Receives skill [Army Command].

[Army Command]: All soldiers being led will receive orders easier, and not only will morale be increased, but soldiers will also not fear death. All soldiers being led will receive all stats +1 (does not stack). Receives the ability to arrange troop formations.

These were the effects of the Commander profession. Not only did it increase morale, but it also made it easier to command soldiers and gave them all stats +1, which was 4 stat points. This was equivalent to having an Exquisite Blue grade piece of equipment, and there was no limit on the number of soldiers who could be led.

However, what was most important was the ability to arrange formations. Even though they would not be able to use incredibly profound formations, they could use some basic formations to enhance defense and strengthen offense. Formations could cause soldiers to turn into killing machines, and formations allowed soldiers to unleash their full might on the battlefield.

After looking at these professions, Zhao Fu went through the other system announcements that he had received. He found that his King profession had also been affected by Fate, and he had reached the second stage, 'King's Blood.'

Chapter 124: Royal Bloodline

The second stage of the King profession turned all of his blood into King's Blood. In the future, Zhao Fu's blood would contain a massive amount of King's Power.

The Heaven Awaken World possessed many different bloodlines and rankings of bloodlines. For example, bloodlines of Angels and Demons were more powerful than bloodlines of Humans, which was why Humans became much more powerful upon obtaining a bloodline.

Zhao Fu's King's Blood was definitely not any weaker than those bloodlines, and as Zhao Fu became more powerful, his bloodline would become more powerful as well.

Bloodlines in the Heaven Awaken World were split into 24 levels: Levels 1-3 were Low-grade Bloodlines; Levels 3-6 were Mid-grade Bloodlines; Levels 6-9 were High-grade Bloodlines, Levels 9-12 were Royal Bloodlines; Levels 12-15 were Imperial Bloodlines; Levels 15-18 were Sovereign Bloodlines; Levels 18-21 were Divine Bloodlines; and Levels 21-24 were Origin Bloodlines.

Right now, Zhao Fu's bloodline was only a Level 3 Low-grade Bloodline, as the Great Qin bloodline that he possessed was not very pure. Indeed, he was part of the 'collateral family,' and even though he had gotten lucky and obtained Great Qin's Legacy, he did not yet have a High-grade Bloodline.

However, even though Zhao Fu had a Low-grade Bloodline, he went to the Heaven Prayer Platform and started to convert his bloodline into a Royal Bloodline. He sat cross-legged at the center of the Heaven Prayer Platform and closed his eyes before starting to circulate his King's Power.

Traces of black aura streamed out from within Zhao Fu's body and covered him, forming a gigantic black ball. Within the black ball, Zhao Fu felt quite warm and comfortable, and he could feel his bloodline being refined.

The sun rose and set, and soon, three days passed. The black ball slowly dispersed into traces of black aura again, revealing Zhao Fu.

Zhao Fu's appearance had greatly changed. His somewhat delicate face now looked more dignified and imposing, and it contained coldness, majesty, and elegance. His black eyes became terrifyingly deep, and his short black hair now reached his waist.

Now, Zhao Fu's bloodline was a Level 9 Royal Bloodline, and it became much more powerful. In the future, Zhao Fu's blood would naturally contain King's Power.

After coming down from the Heaven Prayer Platform, he saw that Li Si had been waiting for a long time. When Li Si saw Zhao Fu's changes, Li Si didn't dare to look at him directly. He could only lower his head as he said respectfully, "Your Majesty, everything has been taken care of, and the exploration teams have returned today."

Hearing this, Zhao Fu nodded and went to a room, which had three people, and said, "What do you think about the Great Qin Town?"

Wang Jian paid his respects to Zhao Fu before saying, "Your Majesty, we think that everything has been taken of quite well. I have faith that Great Qin will one day return to its former glory."

Zhao Fu smiled and started to talk with them. His main goal was to understand them more, and after talking with them, he decided on what to do with them.

Zhao Fu then took some of the people who had not yet become Generals and Wang Jian to the Barracks. He made Wang Jian a Commander – Wang Jian was a historical figure on the same level as Bai Qi, and he would fit this role well.

Right now, Great Qin had two Commanders, Bai Qi and Wang Jian, and 10 Generals: Zhang Dahu, Li Wen, Xiao Jian, Old Logue, Doke, Saar, Lakje, Daisy, Chen Shang, and Nico.

Wang Ergou and Liu Mei were both Assassins now, so Zhao Fu did not plan to make them Generals. Out of the 10 Generals, three were from the General Platform, Li Wen became a General through the Undead Profession Change Stone, and five were through the Great Qin's General Stone Stele.

The final General, Chen Shang, was spawned by the system. Because of the various buffs from the Great Qin Town and the Heaven Prayer Platform, they typically spawned two S grade villagers per month. The first this month was Meng Haoran, and Chen Shang spawned while Zhao Fu was refining his bloodline. Not only did he already have a [General] profession, but he was also S grade.

After deciding what Wang Jian would do, Zhao Fu turned his attention to the cold and handsome Ge Nia, who gave off a cold sword aura.

Ge Nia was SSS grade and extremely talented at swordsmanship. By the end of the Warring States Period, he was already a famed swordsman, so Zhao Fu decided to make him his bodyguard. With his supreme swordsmanship, he was worthy of this position.

Before, when he lacked people, Zhao Fu used Bai Qi as both a General and a bodyguard. However, he could no longer do this, as Bai Qi had become a great Commander in charge of thousands of people.

Finally, Zhao Fu turned to Ba Qing. Of course, Zhao Fu gave her all of the businesses to manage. Before, they were managed by Xia Ming, but with Ba Qing in charge, Zhao Fu felt even more assured.

After giving the three of them roles, Zhao Fu remembered that there was still something he had not taken care of because of how busy he had been.

It was about something interesting that one of the exploration teams had brought back. The item was quite special, and it looked like a little temple that was about 1 meter wide and 1 meter tall. There was also a statue of a little old man within it, who had a long beard and was holding a wooden staff, and he had an amicable and kindly appearance.

[Earth Temple]: Contains a trace of divine power and can protect a piece of land. It requires sacrifices of incense, and the more incense there is, the more powerful the Earth Temple will become. Current stats: Crop production time -10%, crop output +10%, resistance to natural disasters +5%

Compared to western godly spirits, Zhao Fu preferred eastern godly spirits. This was because while western godly spirits were above the rule of Kings and Emperors, eastern godly spirits were below the rule of Kings and Emperors. Zhao Fu believed that a King's authority should surpass all – even a god should submit to a King or an Emperor.

The Earth Temple's stats were quite good – after all, even a Normal grade Village would not have such stats. The 5% resistance to natural disasters was of key importance, and it was not something that just any item would have.

What's more, the Earth Temple seemed to be upgradable through incense sacrifices. Incense seemed to be like faith or worship, but the difference was that incense was a type of sacrifice that was below a King's rule, so Zhao Fu permitted this.

Zhao Fu allowed faith and worship, but no matter what it was, it had to submit to him. Zhao Fu would absolutely not allow situations like in the western world where religion trumped the rule of the King.

After finding a place for the Earth Temple and making arrangements for its incense sacrifices, Zhao Fu prepared to open up a path to the outside world. However, what Zhao Fu didn't know was that the real world had exploded into chaos because of him, and countless people almost went mad.

Chapter 125: Emperor's Fate

This chaos had been caused by Zhao Fu, but to be more precise, it was because of that domineering dragon's roar.

These people were all of noble descent, and they were incredibly prideful; how could they allow someone to suppress them? What made them even angrier was that their Fate Dragons were unable to resist that mighty dragon's roar, making them feel incredibly resentful. They couldn't help but gnash their teeth and roar, "Great Qin!!"

At the same time, the dragon's roar was heard not only by the people of China, but also by factions that were keeping an eye on China. After hearing this roar, which could shake the world, they were all greatly dismayed.

Everyone who heard the roar felt incredibly small and weak, and everyone reconsidered whether he or she wanted to make an enemy out of China.

China once again became the focus of the entire world, and one name resounded in everyone's ears: Great Qin!

Great Qin had now caught the attention of countless factions, and everyone wanted to know everything about Great Qin. Now, even an idiot would know that Great Qin would become one of the most powerful factions in the world, and this made the other factions feel terror and despair due to how suffocatingly powerful Great Qin was.

However, they could not find any information about Great Qin's Legatee. There seemed to be a mysterious veil placed over all of Great Qin, and it was always those who were shrouded in mystery who were the most terrifying. As such, all of the other factions desperately wanted to tear apart this veil and see what Great Qin was like.

In fact, many Presidents, Prime Ministers, and Kings in the real world expressed their desire to meet with Great Qin's Legatee, and there were many foreign media channels that reported about a dormant dragon awakening in China and that China would once again lead the advancement of the world.

There were even some foreign media channels that had unfavorable opinions of China, and they reported that China would unify the world and enslave all other races and that the rest of the world should unite against this terrifying, evil dragon.

No matter which country it was, anyone who did not know of Great Qin's name must have been living under a rock.

Of course, many people in other countries did not realize the true danger, and they started to search things about China online, especially information about Great Qin.

The leaders of the factions who knew that the real world would be devoured by the Heaven Awaken World in the future started to deeply worry about facing China. At the same time, they ordered their subordinates to find out who Great Qin's Legatee was and to befriend him so that they could rely on his power to continue surviving.

Of course, facing that domineering dragon's roar, there were people who were unwilling to submit, such as Oda Nobunaga's descendant, Oda Kamiya. Before, he had wanted to not only unify Japan but also take over China as well. However, only now did he realize how naive and weak he was. Great Qin alone was already something that he could only look up at, but he still refused to give in. His great dream had been suppressed by Great Qin, but he would not give up.

At this moment, Oda Kamiya was holding a large katana that was shining with a blood-red light and giving off an evil aura. He swung it around madly and even killed a few female attendants.

Half an hour later, Oda Kamiya finally stopped his rampage, and he stood with his hair disheveled and with corpses of female attendants around him. The katana, dripping with blood, gave off an even brighter blood-red light, and its evil aura became denser. This katana was the famous Muramasa.

With the other countries going mad, this was even more so for those within China. The Legatees of various dynasties and nations desperately searched for any information about Great Qin's Legatee. However, if even the Ying family was unable to find anything, how could anyone else?

As such, various factions ordered their subordinates with special abilities to use all of their powers to find the Great Qin's Legatee. However, all of them failed and died.

Back when Zhao Fu had first obtained Great Qin's Legacy, his Fate had already become an Emperor's Fate. Anyone who tried to use divination or Heaven's Secrets to uncover information about someone with an Emperor's Fate who had also gathered a lot of Fate would receive a powerful backlash from Fate.

It was quite dangerous to find out information about Zhao Fu through such methods, and this was even more so now that Zhao Fu had gathered all of China's Fate. No one could survive the backlash.

Fuxi's Legatee took the risk and performed a divination, but in the next second, he immediately coughed up a mouthful of blood and fell to the ground with severe injuries. If he wasn't a Legatee and hadn't used many methods to avoid Heaven's Secrets, he would have died on the spot.

Si Ji quickly helped Fuxi's Legatee up from the ground and asked with a concerned expression, "Fu Hao, are you alright?"

Fu Hao lightly nodded and said apologetically, "The Heaven's Secrets protecting him are too powerful, and his Emperor's Fate has already formed. He'll be a powerful opponent in your conquest of China!"

Hearing this, Si Ji sighed and replied, "I know; it's just that troubled times will be coming. People will fall on hard times, and corpses will fill the land. However, in order to unify China, this is something that we must face. In this world, there will always be winners and losers, and I don't wish to become a loser."

After saying this, Si Ji's gaze became incredibly resolute.

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Elsewhere, Di Wutian stood on a tall building, and he looked into the distance. There was a cold, domineering aura about him, and there were five enchanting women behind him who had blood leaking from their lips and had pale faces. It seemed that they had used some sort of secret technique.

“Hmph, Great Qin, I, Di Wutian, will take you down one day,” Di Wutian said in an arrogant tone as he coldly gazed into the distance.

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Ji Shenming and Liu Ye’s expressions were also unsightly, and their relationship with Great Qin was quite special. Because Great Zhou had been destroyed by Great Qin, there was irreconcilable hatred between them, and the first thing that Ji Shenming wanted to do was destroy Great Qin. However, Great Qin had now become a massive stone that weighed on everyone’s heart.

As for Liu Ye, he understood that Great Qin would not spare Great Han, as Great Qin had fallen because of Great Han. This sort of hatred was not one that could be put aside, and it would be repaid in full.

“Great Qin! Great Han was able to take you down back then, and we’ll do it again in the future!” Liu Ye gritted his teeth as his body slightly trembled.

Only Zhao Fu was able to make China’s four Great Legatees, the top four people on the Heaven’s Pride Rankings, react in such a way.

Chapter 126: Stirring The World

At a long table within the Li family’s hall, the Li family’s old patriarch sat at the head seat with Li Baiqing sitting next to him. Sitting around the table were other important members of the Li family’s main family.

The Li family’s old patriarch said with a serious expression, “Now, Great Qin’s Legatee has revealed his ferocity, and he has caused an uproar throughout the world. Various factions are trying to investigate Great Qin’s Legatee, the Li family should also make preparations. After all, Great Qin is simply too powerful, and even China’s four Great Families have become incredibly wary of Great Qin. The Great Tang Legacy, which is slightly weaker, should do the same. Tell me what you all think.”

Sitting next to Li Baiqing was a middle-aged man who was the patriarch of another one of the Li family’s bloodlines. However, because Li Baiqing had received Great Tang’s Legacy, all of the other bloodlines had to acknowledge Li Baiqing’s bloodline as sovereign and submit.

When he thought back to the scene from before, his face became somewhat pale. As a patriarch of one of the Li family’s main bloodlines, his bloodline was extremely pure, and he possessed some of Great Tang’s Fate. As such, he had also heard the domineering roar from Zhao Fu’s Fate Dragon.

At the time, he felt as if there was a savage black dragon that was tens of thousands of meters long in front of him, and its terrifying aura made his entire soul tremble. As such, he said, “I believe we should try to establish friendly relations with Great Qin’s Legatee; at the very least, we must not become enemies!”

Those who had pure bloodlines heard the dragon's roar, and they became somewhat pale. They could not resist the terror within them, so they all nodded and expressed their agreement.

Seeing how cowardly they were acting, the Li family's old patriarch became quite displeased, and he said angrily, "Look how stupid and cowardly you're all acting. We have the Great Tang Empire's Legacy, and we were called the 'Celestial Empire' long ago. Do we really have to fear Great Qin's Legatee when he doesn't even have the Ying family's support?"

Hearing this, the others felt a bit more courage and confidence, but they still could not forget the trauma that the dragon's roar had left on them.

At this moment, Li Baiqing lightly smiled and stood up as he said, "I believe that even though Great Qin is quite dangerous, it's not yet time to focus on allies and enemies. Right now, the most important thing to do is to upgrade the Advanced Village into a Town, and it's best if we do this before the four Great Families. Even though roughly 70% of China's Fate has been gathered by Great Qin, there's still about 30% remaining. Even though 30% does not look like much, it's still a massive amount, and it is all that is left for China's other Legatees. The Li family must not give up on the Fate that is remaining."

Those who heard Li Baiqing's words all nodded, and they approved of what he said.

Following this, someone said, "I think that Great Qin's Legatee must have some conflict with the Ying family, and now that the Ying family has almost gone mad, they still haven't found him. He must have a very good reason to not join the Ying family. I believe that we should try to convince Great Qin's Legatee to join us; by openly working with the Wu family, the Ying family is blatantly disrespecting the Li family."

Many people also agreed with this. However, the problem was that there was no information on Great Qin's Legatee at all. Let alone trying to curry favor with him, they didn't even know who he was.

Following this, after discussing some more things, the meeting was concluded. After everyone left, only the Li family's old patriarch and Li Baiqing were left.

The Li family's old patriarch's attitude was no longer as tough – he had also heard the terrifying dragon's roar, and his expression became grim as he sighed and said, "Qing'Er, right now, Great Qin has taken the number one spot in China. It's far more dangerous than any other faction, and it will be your greatest obstacle. You must not relax for even a moment."

Li Baiqing sincerely nodded and said, "I understand, grandpa."

The Li family's old patriarch cast aside his worries, and a kind smile appeared on his face as he chatted for a while longer. After this, Li Baiqing left to take care of some other matters.

Watching Li Baiqing leave, the Li family's old patriarch mused to himself. He was quite satisfied that he had such a talented grandson, and he had no more regrets. He only hoped that his grandson would be able to become Emperor while he was still alive.

As for everything that stood in his way... the Li family's old patriarch's gaze became cold as he said, "Butler! Find Great Qin's Legatee at all costs!"

The butler outside walked in and nodded before leaving.

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As for the Ying family, they had nearly gone mad. They had looked almost everywhere, but they still could not find Great Qin's Legatee.

They didn't mind searching slowly, but their mysterious Legatee had caused shock after shock, each one greater than the last. Ever since Zhao Fu had obtained the Fate Legacy from last time, the Ying family had been the focus of all of China, and it was now even more so. Now, there were definitely hundreds of spies monitoring the Ying family.

The person who had obtained their ancestor's legacy had now gathered China's Fate, which brought them glory and made them the focus of the entire world. However, the Legatee had also indirectly slapped them in the face, as he still refused to join the Ying family.

For the Legatee to obtain Great Qin's Legacy and cause such a disturbance but not join the Ying family, how could that not be interpreted as a slap to the Ying family's face?

In actuality, most of the Ying family's bloodlines had harbored evil thoughts towards the Legatee. They wanted to find him and find a way to take their ancestor's legacy.

However, things were different now. Great Qin's Legatee had made Great Qin the focus of the world without any help – this was enough to demonstrate his extraordinary abilities.

With his abilities, he could surpass everyone in the Ying family. Even though they all looked down on the collateral family bloodlines, if he could really bring Great Qin to glory, the Ying family would truly consider submitting to the Legatee.

However, Great Qin's Legatee refused to reveal himself, and they were at their wit's end. By this point, a few of the leaders of the Ying family were prepared to kneel down and beg for him to appear. However, this was too shameful, and if it weren't for the other large families, they most likely would have done something along those lines already.

So far, there were only slight clues as to where Great Qin's Legatee was, based on the direction that China's Fate had flowed. From this, people had deduced that he was in the northern area of Midland Continent.

However, the northern area of Midland Continent was a large place, and a single region in the Heaven Awaken World was larger than an entire Province in China. There were thousands of regions in the north, and the total area was five times that of the entire earth's. Even though they had a general direction, it would still be like looking for a needle in a haystack.

However, the northern area of Midland Continent became a forbidden region to all factions because they all knew that a terrifying existence resided there.

Chapter 127: Path of Kings

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Within a beautiful and elegantly-decorated room, Ying Xi sat on a white sofa with a cold expression on her face as she said, "Who is the person who has obtained the ancestor's legacy? He's truly gained face

for the Ying family. However, the longer it takes to find him, the more powerful he'll become, and once he becomes too powerful to control, the entire Ying family will have to submit to him."

Opposite her, Wu Qingniang lifted her cup of coffee and took a sip, and a slight smile appeared on her face as she said, "What are you going to do then? He'll be able to affect our plans greatly!"

Ying Xi lightly harrumphed, "Now that he's gathered most of China's Fate, the leaders of most of the Ying family's main bloodlines want to make him the successor of the Ying family and hand over all of the Ying family's forces to him. If he reveals himself, he'll become the leader of the Ying family, while the others and I will have no chance to succeed the Ying family."

Hearing this, Wu Qingniang smiled as she replied, "You'll have to act before he can reveal himself, and you need to develop your faction's strength to the point that you can stand firmly on the ground. When that time comes, you'll have much more power and authority. Even if you don't want to submit to him, you'll at least be able to keep your independence."

Hearing Wu Qingniang's words, Ying Xi frowned and said, "It's not that simple – even though I have most of my bloodline's resources, I didn't receive much of the Fate Legacy, unlike the Wu family, which received some of Great Tang's Fate and a Gold grade City Creation stone. In terms of legacy, I'm worse off than the Wu family."

"Haha!" Wu Qingniang laughed before replying, "But in terms of resources, the Wu family can't compare to you. Because of the Li family's suppression, all of the Wu family's resources can't even compare to half of yours, and right now, we have to work together to become even more powerful while he hasn't revealed himself."

Ying Xi nodded. Right now, she would only be able to stand on her own feet by becoming stronger.

At this moment, Wu Qingniang thought of something, and her expression became serious as she said, "The main thing is that we don't know when he'll reveal himself. The Ying family must be desperately trying to find him, and they will give all of the resources to him. I think that he didn't have the means to protect himself before, so he was reluctant to join the Ying family; however, as his strength grows, he'll definitely reveal himself to obtain those resources.

"Of course, you heard the domineering dragon's roar, right? Anyone who can receive a Legacy like that isn't a kind-hearted individual – that person walks on the Path of Kings, and those like him are fated to be merciless individuals. If he reveals himself, it'll be beneficial for the Ying family, but your position will be dangerous.

"He's someone from the collateral family and must have estrangements with the Ying family, so the Ying family will definitely do all they can to get rid of those estrangements. The most direct way is to marry someone from the main family to him. Out of the Ying family's bloodlines, based on status, bloodline, looks, and talent, that woman will very likely be you."

Hearing Wu Qingniang's words, Ying Xi's expression became somewhat unsightly. What Wu Qingniang said was quite true. This was what large families often did. If that person appeared, she would become a tool for her family to use to bring him closer to the Ying family. However, Ying Xi didn't want to be married off to someone who she didn't know or like.

However, she had to face reality – she could not resist the Ying family, as she was born in the Ying family and everything she had came from the Ying family. She felt a wave of helplessness, making her feel quite uncomfortable. She lowered her head and looked quite distraught.

Seeing this, Wu Qingniang felt quite sympathetic. She understood the difficulties of being born into a large family, but she wanted to change her predicament.

Seeing her good friend of many years looking like this, Wu Qingniang came over and sat by Ying Xi's side, putting her arm around Ying Xi. She smiled as she comforted her, saying, "Alright, Lil Xi, it's not as bad as you think. As your longtime friend, I'll definitely help you!"

Hearing Wu Qingniang's words, Ying Xi felt quite touched, and she looked at her with gratitude as she said, "Thank you, Qingniang!"

Seeing that Ying Xi had recovered, Wu Qingniang wickedly smiled and asked, "How are you going to thank me then?"

Hearing this, Ying Xi frowned slightly and started to think it over.

Suddenly, Wu Qingniang pulled Ying Xi over, her red lips pressing against Ying Xi's lips. Before Ying Xi could react, she stuck her tongue into Ying Xi's mouth, her tongue intertwining with Ying Xi's tongue.

Under Wu Qingniang's intense assault, Ying Xi could not contain her emotions, and her body became hotter and her breathing became quicker. Wu Qingniang grinned wickedly and started to slowly and gently rub Ying Xi's large breasts.

Feeling her sensitive parts being attacked, Ying Xi was shocked back to her senses, and she pushed Wu Qingniang away with a reddened face as she said, "Alright, Qingniang, stop fooling around."

Wu Qingniang looked at Ying Xi's red face and stopped. Then, she started to laugh.

Seeing this, Ying Xi felt both embarrassed and annoyed, and she pushed Wu Qingniang down. The two women began to tussle about.

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A while later, Wu Qingniang left the room, and a few female bodyguards followed behind her. Her expression was no longer as relaxed as it was before, and it was instead quite serious as she thought to herself. After all, Great Qin's Legatee was quite dangerous.

Of course, when she had first heard the dragon's roar, her heart had been filled with terror and panic, something that had never happened before. Even though she wanted to help Ying Xi, could she really stand up to Great Qin's Legatee?

It was the first time that Wu Qingniang had felt so unconfident, but this was not her fault – with her mental fortitude, very few things were able to affect her, but that dragon's roar was simply too powerful and overbearing.

Wu Qingniang had planned to go to Zhao Fu's place to ask him what he thought of this, but she then realized that because Zhao Fu was part of the collateral family and his bloodline wasn't very pure, he might not have heard the Fate Dragon's roar. However, Wu Qingniang still wanted to have a chat with

him. She held him in high esteem, so she wanted to ask him his views – perhaps he would be able to help her.”

After coming to Zhao Fu’s door, her bodyguard knocked a few times, but there was no response. Wu Qingniang guessed that Zhao Fu was most likely in the Heaven Awaken World, and while in that state, one could not be woken up. Only if one was physically shaken or moved in the real world would one receive a system announcement in the Heaven Awaken World.

As such, Wu Qingniang did not persist, and she left in slight disappointment.

People from large families did not spend much time in the real world, and they usually spent most of their time in the Heaven Awaken World. If it wasn’t for Great Qin’s Legatee, most people would not have been willing to come out of the Heaven Awaken World.

Chapter 128: Little Valley

The cause of all of this panic and madness, Zhao Fu, had no idea about all of this. Instead, he was about to create a path to another region. If he knew that he had received such attention, he would have kept a lower-profile.

Right now, Zhao Fu did not have the strength to reveal himself and ask who did not dare to submit. That would simply be drawing hatred to himself, and even though Zhao Fu was quite powerful, he was not strong enough to fight against the entire world.

As such, it was better to keep a low-profile. Zhao Fu did not like showing off and trying to look cool, as being watched by the entire world gave him immense pressure. Right now, Zhao Fu just wanted to silently accumulate a massive fortune, but the situation had become like this.

Of course, Zhao Fu currently had no idea about all of this. Only after he exited the Heaven Awaken World would he find out.

It had now been three days, and the Special Den spawned a new Void Beast, which would allow Zhao Fu to open up two paths to other regions.

Zhao Fu decided to open up a path to Little Valley first, as it was the closest. The teleportation channels leading there had already been completed, and when Zhao Fu thought of Little Valley, he couldn’t help but think of Zhang Heng, who he had met on the way.

Zhao Fu felt that Zhang Heng was quite dangerous, and he was apprehensive about what Zhang Heng had said about meeting again.

At this moment, on a silent path in Little Valley, Zhang Heng was riding on his donkey, which was slowly trotting along. How could he not have known about the shocking event from three days ago?

He had been leisurely sitting on the donkey and had casually plucked a ripe fruit from a tree. Just as he was about to take a bite, the sudden changes in the heaven and earth Fate gave him a big fright, causing his entire body to freeze.

Such a massive amount of Fate would only gather if a shocking event had happened, and he looked towards where the Fate was gathering. However, he could only see a murky chaos – whatever was happening had been blocked by Heaven's Secrets.

Following this, an extremely domineering dragon's roar sounded out, causing his face to pale, and he cried out, "Great Qin!"

Even after the abnormal signs had disappeared for a while, Zhang Heng continued to space out, deep in thought. Only after a while did he come back to his senses and mutter in a low voice, "Even though Great Qin is powerful, it's unable to change my decision!"

After saying this, Zhang Heng bit into the fruit. However, he immediately frowned, feeling that there was something wrong with the fruit. He looked down and found that the fruit had long since been eaten by worms on the inside, and he threw away the fruit and spat out the mouthful he had just bitten.

The donkey he was riding seemed to laugh, not giving him any face at all, so Zhang Heng hit its bottom in dissatisfaction.

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Elsewhere, Zhao Fu felt that he was overthinking things – why should he fear Zhang Heng? Since he was going to open up paths everywhere, they were bound to meet again someday. There was no need to worry about meeting him again.

Afterwards, Zhao Fu decided to open up paths to Little Valley and Hundred Bamboo, as they were both relatively close to the Great Qin Town.

Zhao Fu took off his Dragon Robe and Crown, and he put on his black cloak, covering his appearance and body. As he changed, he touched his long hair – as someone living in the modern age, he was unused to having such long hair, but he did not mind it.

Following this, Zhao Fu took 10 or so soldiers and five Scholars to the teleportation channel that they had constructed before, and after teleporting 20 or so times, they once again reached the boundary.

They found a hidden place, which was a cave this time, and built a teleportation channel in it. In order to guarantee its safety, Zhao Fu personally destroyed the entrance to the cave.

The five Scholars quickly built the teleportation channel, but because it was within a Void Zone and couldn't be used, it did not give off any light.

At this moment, Zhao Fu took out a Void Crystal and gave it to one of the Scholars. The Scholar took the Void Crystal and fixed it to the center of the teleportation channel.

After being attached to the teleportation channel, the Void Crystal gave off a silver light, and the teleportation channel seemed to come to life, shining with the white light that teleportation channels normally gave off.

Seeing this, Zhao Fu and his party entered the teleportation channel, and this time, they were able to use it.

After a dizzying blur, the party came to a region with rocks strewn everywhere. There weren't any strange trees like those in the Forest of Horrors – it was a new region.

“System announcement! Congratulations, you have come to a new region, ‘Little Valley.’ You have received 10 Achievement Points.”

Zhao Fu had never thought that he would be awarded Achievement Points for coming to a new region. However, 10 Achievement Points were not much, and they weren't affected by his King's Ring's effect, which made Zhao Fu quite curious.

However, that was not the main issue. Zhao Fu quickly led his people to look for a cave.

Soon, they found a cave that was 100 meters wide. Zhao Fu took out the Sky Demon Sword at his waist – it now had a sheath made from a Silver grade material called Black Iron. Its color went well with the Sky Demon Sword, so it was used as the material to forge the sheath.

Zhao Fu circulated his King's Power and slashed the side of the cave entrance. The rocks immediately came tumbling down, sealing the entrance to the cave. Zhao Fu then took out a White grade City Creation Stone and pressed it against the ground before choosing to use it.

A white ripple of light spread out and a few buildings appeared. Zhao Fu then ordered the Scholars to create a teleportation channel, which was soon completed. Zhao Fu stood on the teleportation channel and four options jumped out: Cow Mountain City, Battle City, Firelight City, and Solestep City.

This was why Zhao Fu had established a village here: a teleportation channel in a village could link to the system's main cities in that region. Otherwise, he would have to continuously build teleportation channels as he went around looking for a main city.

Now that Zhao Fu had blocked off the entrance to the cave, he clearly couldn't develop this village. After all, in such a remote place, it would require a few hundred soldiers to protect it, or he would have to worry about other people attacking it. If Zhao Fu left behind a few hundred soldiers whenever he opened up a new path, he wouldn't have any soldiers left.

As such, it would be better not to develop this village. However, Zhao Fu would still send a few people here to manage the place and to take the newly-spawned villagers to the Great Qin Village. White grade City Creation Stones were not very useful, and they were only used to increase the population. The other stats were completely useless to Zhao Fu.

Looking at these four main cities, Zhao Fu chose Battle City.

Chapter 129: Peerless Swordsman

This was the first time that Zhao Fu had gone to a main city of a different region, and he looked around with interest. He came here alone because he would be immediately put on the city's blacklist if he brought so many soldiers along.

Even though Battle City was a main city, it was a fairly rough and crude place. Most of the structures were built from unrefined stone, and most residents wore fairly crude clothes, looking somewhat wild.

Zhao Fu asked someone and found out why this city was called Battle City: normal system main cities prohibited personal fights and provided Arenas for people to settle their grievances. However, Battle City had a massive Arena and encouraged fights.

Here, one could earn Merit Points not only by completing quests but also by fighting in the Arena. What's more, the Lord of the city organized betting according to the strength of both parties, and anyone could bet.

As such, there were many Arenas, and there were seats for spectators to watch.

No wonder the atmosphere here was so tough and wild – the Arenas here were one of the biggest attractions. Zhao Fu was interested, so he went over to one to have a look.

The Arena was a circular structure, and there were rows of chairs made from Ironwood. At the center, there was a 100-meter wide cage, and inside of it, two people were fighting against each other.

There were many people here, and it was quite raucous. All of their eyes were glued on the two people battling in the cage as they cheered and shouted loudly.

One of the fighters swung his sword, slashing open the other person's stomach, causing his guts to fall out. The scene instantly became incredibly bloody and gory.

Seeing this scene, the audience cheered even louder, and the victor lopped off the head of the loser and excitedly yelled at the audience around him.

After this, someone who seemed to be a referee walked into the cage and announced that the person had won. Now, people could either redeem prizes for the money they had bet on this person or convert the prize into money.

The victors received not only Merit Points but also money and other prizes, so many players fought in these Arenas. There were many different races that participated: players, indigenous residents, and even Outlanders and beasts.

After watching for a while and thinking to himself, Zhao Fu left the Arena and started to take care of the more serious matters. He first went to the real estate office and used his status to purchase 20 lots of land, and he started to prepare to open a restaurant.

After dealing with these matters in two hours, Zhao Fu went to the other three main cities and repeated what he had just done. Afterwards, he looked at Little Valley's special products, and he only returned to the Great Qin Town when it was nighttime.

After returning to the Great Qin Town, Zhao Fu discussed with his main subordinates about starting up a Business Department that would take care of all of Zhao Fu's businesses.

Before, business matters fell under the Internal Affairs Department. Zhao Fu employed many players and indigenous residents, but he only had a few managers. Now that he would be opening up paths to new regions, he needed a Department to look after these businesses.

For example, managing the restaurants, buying specialty products, selling specialty products, and conducting trade required many people, and the current Departments couldn't take care of these matters well, so Zhao Fu left this to Ba Qing.

After discussing this matter, everyone left except Zhao Fu and Ge Nia. Of course, Zhao Fu had asked Ge Nia to stay behind because he wanted to talk to him in private. Zhao Fu wanted to nurture Ge Nia into a peerless swordsman, the type of person who had exceptional insight on the way of the sword; a sword saint who could instantly kill a crowd of people with a flick of his sword.

From what Zhao Fu had seen in the Arenas, that sort of cruel, bloody, and cold place was quite suitable for Ge Nia, and he could gain enlightenment on his sword skills through endless fighting and killing.

Zhao Fu told Ge Nia about everything he had seen today, and he asked him for his opinion.

After listening to Zhao Fu, Ge Nia did not think for long before cupping his hands and saying, “Your Majesty, I feel like that place will be quite suitable for me to train my skills; I’m willing to go!”

Hearing this, Zhao Fu reminded him, “It’s quite dangerous there. You could die, so be prepared for that!”

Ge Nia earnestly nodded, indicating that he understood.

Seeing this, Zhao Fu took out a Silver grade sword from his King’s Ring and gave it to Ge Nia, saying, “I’ll give this sword to you; I’ll prepare some high-grade skills for you soon!”

Hearing Zhao Fu’s words, Ge Nia surprisingly apologized, “I thank Your Majesty for your generosity, but this subordinate would like to choose a sword. Moreover, it’s enough for Your Majesty to just give me a few basic skills.”

Zhao Fu was quite surprised by Ge Nia’s words, but he understood Ge Nia’s thinking – those who pursued the way of the sword could not overly rely on external things.

Zhao Fu agreed to Ge Nia’s requests, and he took Ge Nia to the Great Qin Armory. In the armory, there were weapons from the region of bones, equipment forged from bronze concentrate, and equipment brought back by the exploration teams.

Ge Nia looked around at the countless weapons around him and lightly breathed in as he closed his eyes. He walked step by step past weapon after weapon, and he continued this for a while.

Seeing this, Zhao Fu frowned slightly and thought to himself, “With so many weapons, surely there’s one that Ge Nia’s happy with!”

Ge Nia continued to walk, and as he was about to reach the end of the Armory, he suddenly opened his eyes. His hand shot out and grabbed a sword that was covered with bloodstains.

After picking up the sword, Ge Nia gently caressed it, feeling the coldness radiating from the sword, and he gave a satisfied smile.

This smile caused Zhao Fu to feel quite surprised. After interacting with him for so long, Ge Nia had seemed like an ice block, and he always had a cold expression on his face. This was the very first time that Zhao Fu had seen him smile.

After choosing a sword, Ge Nia returned to Zhao Fu’s side and bowed as he said, “Your Majesty, I’ve chosen my sword.”

Hearing this, Zhao Fu curiously looked at Ge Nia's sword. He thought that Ge Nia had chosen a sword of excellent quality, but it was only a White grade sword that they had most likely obtained after conquering a village. What's more, there was nothing special about it.

However, since Ge Nia had chosen it, there was definitely something special about it. Following this, Zhao Fu went to Holy Light City and prepared to choose a few basic skills for Ge Nia when he heard a shocking piece of news: the Lord of Holy Light City had been heavily injured!

Chapter 130: Ge Nia

Zhao Fu was stunned when he heard that the Lord of a main city could be heavily injured. Just what had happened? A Lord of a main city was definitely an unimaginable expert who was at least Stage 4. They were undeniably powerful, and something shocking must have occurred for one of them to be heavily injured to the point that he or she could not resist it at all. Nothing big had happened in the Heaven Awaken World over the past few days, except...

Suddenly, Zhao Fu realized that the City Lord had been injured when he had caused the abnormal sign.

This surprised Zhao Fu, but he was certain that the City Lord's injury had to do with him.

Now that the City Lord had been seriously injured, the main city fell into a special state. The number of guards on duty increased, and patrols became more frequent in order to prevent anything from happening. The atmosphere in the main city was quite suppressed, but they had no choice but to do this. With the City Lord injured, this was the only way to make sure that the city remained safe.

Zhao Fu went to find Qin Nan and asked about this. Qin Nan said with a serious expression and a slightly apprehensive tone, "I don't know what happened, and the City Lord doesn't remember either. All the City Lord remembers is that an unimaginably powerful energy descended and smashed the City Lord against the ground. The mighty City Lord wasn't even able to retaliate."

At this moment, Zhao Fu curiously asked, "Big brother Qin, have you heard anything else about the City Lord being injured?"

Hearing this, Qin Nan looked around before whispering with a serious expression, "This matter has been listed as taboo, so it's best that you don't ask too much about it; otherwise, you'll bring trouble on yourself. The event that took place isn't something that we should pay attention to. After all, we are just small figures."

Qin Nan would never have thought that the reason why the City Lord had been injured would be right in front of him. By now, Zhao Fu was more or less certain that this matter was related to him, but he still nodded and promised that he wouldn't ask about it further.

After saying goodbye to Qin Nan, Zhao Fu found six basic sword skills for Ge Nia and returned to the Great Qin Town to give them to him.

Following this, Zhao Fu didn't have much to do, so he entered a state where he was asleep but cultivating. Soon, Zhao Fu reached Stage 0-8, and he was only a little bit away from breaking through to Stage 0-9.

Early the next morning, as the golden sun slowly rose from the east, Zhao Fu woke up from cultivating and ate a simple breakfast before taking Ge Nia to Battle City.

After arriving at Battle City, Zhao Fu and Ge Nia went to an Arena. Battles had not yet begun for the day, so it was relatively empty and quiet.

Following this, they came before a tough-looking big man and Zhao Fu asked, "Is this where we can register fighters?"

Zhao Fu had done his research, and he knew that one would receive a wooden token after registering for the Arena. This token did not have any use, but it could level up. As a fighter won more and more matches, it would become an iron token, then a bronze token, silver token, gold token, etc.

Having such a token brought quite a few benefits. Iron tokens allowed one to buy houses in the Residential District; bronze tokens gave one a discount in system shops; and gold tokens gave one a status that was even a bit better than Barons.

At the same time, it also gave Merit Points. Winning battles in the Arena gave many more Merit Points than completing ordinary quests, and the Merit Points could be exchanged for good items. There were Gold grade equipment, Gold grade City Creation Stones, high-grade medicinal pills, and even official government positions.

The big man was sitting with one leg over the other. Because it was so early, he was yawning and sitting quite lazily. He looked up and saw two mysterious people in black cloaks, and he replied, "Yes, registering costs five silver coins."

Zhao Fu handed over a pouch containing 50 gold coins and said, "I want to register one fighter. The rest is to buy you some wine. My treat. I hope you'll be able to help us out in the future."

When the big man received the pouch of money and looked inside, a wide smile appeared on his face. To him, 50 gold coins were quite a lot of money, so he said, "No problem, brother, let me know if you need anything in the future!"

Indeed, money seemed to be able to bring people closer. In just an instant, this man was calling him brother.

Zhao Fu smiled and replied, "Many thanks!"

The big man took out a pen and paper and started to write as he said, "Don't worry; I'll help brother find some softies to fight!"

Hearing this, Zhao Fu shook his head and said, "It's not me who's registering to fight; it's the one behind me."

Following this, Zhao Fu called Ge Nia over.

The big man looked at Ge Nia and could feel weak cultivation ripples coming from him, and he was quite surprised. He laughed as he said, "Really, brother? Him? He seems to have only cultivated for a few days. This place isn't for someone like him. With his current strength, he'll simply be committing suicide. Anyone will be able to easily kill him!"

Hearing this, Zhao Fu laughed, as he knew Ge Nia's potential and his true strength, so he said, "That's right; it's him!"

The big man once again looked at Ge Nia before tilting his head and asking, "Are you sure? This isn't a place to play; brother, I can tell that you're quite strong, so how about you fight?"

This big man didn't believe that Ge Nia could survive here, and it was as if he could already see him dying. Because his eyes were quite sharp, he could tell that Zhao Fu was a good fighter, so he wanted to pull Zhao Fu in.

Of course, Zhao Fu refused and said, "I'm not suited to fighting in a place like this. Don't worry; I'm sure he's strong enough to survive here."

Hearing Zhao Fu's words, the big man once again looked at Ge Nia. Since Zhao Fu was so insistent, he had nothing to say, so he asked, "Do you want to use your real name or use an alias?"

Some people used their real names, but because others did not want to expose their real names, they made up aliases for themselves. Normally, it was something like Starving Wolf or Ferocious Tiger.

Zhao Fu looked at Ge Nia and waited for him to think of a name. Zhao Fu was quite certain that Ge Nia wouldn't use his real name.

"Sword Training!" Ge Nia coldly said those two words. His aim here was to simply train his sword skills.

Hearing this, the big man nodded and recorded that before handing Ge Nia a wooden token with the name 'Sword Training' on it. Following this, the big man took out a list of fighters and said worriedly to Zhao Fu, "Brother, it's too hard to find anyone with cultivation below Stage 0-1."

Zhao Fu lightly smiled and replied, "Just find someone around Stage 0-3!"

"What?" The big man was completely flabbergasted.