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Chapter 81: King Armament

The entire region trembled under the influence of these two terrifying forces, and it even affected the surface above them. Countless creatures reacted as if they had sensed a natural disaster, and the birds quickly flew away as the beasts started to run away.

In the underground area, the two sides started to release their destructive might.

The mysterious Skeleton tightly gripped its golden sword and roared as it sent all of its power into the golden sword, causing golden lightning to start encircling it.

BOOM!!

The mysterious Skeleton's strike towards Zhao Fu was simply indescribably powerful, and it seemed as if its sword could split the heavens and earth and destroy all life.

"Arghhhh!!!" Zhao Fu spread out his arms as he roared, and he was completely dyed in blood. The twelve bronze swords above his head released shocking black sword lights and let out a torrential amount of killing intent.

Zhao Fu brought his hands together with great difficulty, and the twelve bronze swords fused into an incredibly terrifying black sword light that shot towards the mysterious Skeleton.

This black sword light was also powerful beyond description, and it seemed as if it could destroy all natural laws and kill even gods.

Very soon, the golden sword light and black sword light collided.

BOOM!!

An apocalyptic explosion sounded out as everything collapsed and turned into nothing. The golden pillar of light and black pillar of light rushed up through to the surface and into the clouds, causing the blue sky to suddenly darken.

Everyone in the Forest of Horrors heard this sound, and it was extremely terrifying. The Flood dragon in the Forest of Horrors, the pure-looking young woman in Holy Light City, the man in armor in Soldier Forest, and the elder in green robes in Demon Tree City were all frightened by the sound, and they all looked in the direction of the Great Qin Village.

The ordinary people quickly recovered after receiving a small fright. They were quite curious about the sound and started to discuss it among themselves.

The Flood dragon quickly moved its nest as far away from the Great Qin Village as possible. It was deathly silent around where the pillars of light had come from – all of the birds and beasts had long since run away, and even the remnant power made it so that living creatures did not dare to go near. Soon, the two pillars disappeared by themselves.

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Five days later, Zhao Fu weakly opened his eyes and looked at Asani, who was carefully feeding him medicine.

Asani was carefully holding a bowl and using a spoon to feed Zhao Fu medicine. She was about to finish feeding him the medicine, and she was going to start healing him, as she was an Elven Priest. Even though her combat strength was not very strong, because she was still a young girl, her healing skills were abnormally powerful. As such, Li Si asked her to stay by Zhao Fu's side and take care of his injuries.

When Asani saw that Zhao Fu had woken up, she excitedly ran out and yelled, "His Majesty's alive!"

Following this, everyone ran over to Zhao Fu's side. When they saw that he was awake, they all let out sighs of relief, and Zhao Fu couldn't help but smile and say, "What are you all worried about? As a player, I won't really die. At most, I won't be able to enter the Heaven Awaken World for 10 days."

"What are you saying, Your Majesty? Even though you won't really die, you're our esteemed Majesty, so how could we not feel worried about you?" Li Si said as he cupped his fists together.

Zhao Fu felt a warmth within his heart.

At this moment, Bai Qi handed a sword-shaped shard that was glowing with a golden light to Zhao Fu and said, "Your Majesty, this was the only thing that dropped after you killed the mysterious Skeleton."

Zhao Fu received the shard. It was the shard that had been embedded in the mysterious Skeleton's chest. Zhao Fu hadn't expected to survive the battle, nor did he expect that he would have been able to kill the mysterious Skeleton. All he wanted to do was use all of his strength to land a final blow on it.

The shard was 10 centimeters long, and one side was a part of the edge of a sword, while the other side was fragmented. However, it still gave off a brilliant, golden light, and Zhao Fu looked at its description with a curious expression on his face.

[King Armament Shard]: A shard of what used to be a King Armament. It contains Ancient King Power, and it is an extremely dangerous item.

"_So this is a fragment of a King Armament, which can only be obtained after possessing 24 General Armaments. And what's Ancient King Power?_" Zhao Fu suddenly thought of the golden light around the mysterious Skeleton – could that have been Ancient King Power? Could it be that the mysterious Skeleton had been so powerful because of this shard?

It was probably possible to fuse this shard with other things. Right now, the highest grade item that Zhao Fu had was the Star Slashing Sword, but this shard was supposed to be fused with General Armaments. Right now, he had 89 Soldier Souls, so he might be able to use it quite soon. There were also two other pieces of Gold grade equipment. Since five days had passed, Gongsun Lin had most likely finished forging the Gold grade shield, and she should be working on the saber now.

Those 2 pieces of Gold grade equipment were not for Zhao Fu to use, nor did he want to use them. An idea suddenly flashed in his mind as ordered for Rhode to be summoned.

Bai Qi immediately used the teleportation channel to go to Rhode Village and brought Rhode to where Zhao Fu was. The big-bearded Grey Dwarf came to Zhao Fu's bed and asked respectfully, "What have you summoned me for, Your Majesty?"

Zhao Fu took out a rusty bronze command medallion – it was the Undead Command Seal that he had obtained from before. Zhao Fu then took off his Silver grade spatial ring and handed them to Rhode before asking, "Is it possible to fuse these two items together?"

Rhode looked at the command seal and the spatial ring closely before answering, "I can indeed fuse them, but it will take a few days, Your Majesty."

Zhao Fu nodded and said, "Please fuse them then!"

Following this, Rhode took the two items and left.

Zhao Fu turned his mind to more serious matters and asked, "Did anything happen during the few days that I was asleep for?"

Li Si thought for a moment before replying, "There are no big internal matters to speak of. General Bai Qi created four teams to continue exploring the Forest of Horrors, and he created a team for exploring the passages in the region of bones."

Hearing that last matter, Zhao Fu said with a serious expression, "The region of bones isn't simple at all, and we don't know how it was formed. Tell the exploration team to be extremely careful. If they encounter any danger, they must retreat at once."

Li Si nodded.

There was nothing much apart from that, and Zhao Fu focused on getting better. A few days passed in the blink of an eye, and because Asani stayed by his side to take care of him, they became much closer. Now, Asani was no longer as shy and scared around Zhao Fu.

Rhode soon returned to the Great Qin Village and brought the new ring to Zhao Fu.

Chapter 82: King's Undead Cavalry

"Your Majesty, I've finished forging the ring that you requested!" Rhode said as he handed over a grey-white ring.

Zhao Fu didn't bother looking at the ring's description or stats because he thought that Rhode had simply fused them together, so there would be no changes. Back then, Zhao Fu decided that it would be better to fuse the King Armament Shard with special equipment instead of normal equipment.

Zhao Fu took out the sword-shaped shard, which glowed with golden light, and fused it with the grey-white ring. Zhao Fu watched as the sword-shaped sword slowly fused into the ring, and the appearance of the ring started to change – after the shard completely fused into it, the grey-white ring became a pure golden color.

Following this, a system announcement sounded out in Zhao Fu's mind.

“System announcement! The 10 Skeleton Cavalrymen within your ring have completely fused with your ring and have become ring spirits. As long as the ring is not damaged, the 10 Skeleton Cavalrymen cannot be killed.”

“System announcement! Your 10 Skeleton Cavalrymen have received buffs from the ancient King’s Power, and they have evolved into Chief grade Undead.”

“System announcement! Your 10 Skeleton Cavalrymen have received buffs from the ancient King’s Power, and their professions have become King’s Undead Cavalry.”

“System announcement! Your 10 King’s Undead Cavalrymen’s equipment has also been affected by the ancient King’s Power and has evolved along with the King’s Undead Cavalry.”

After hearing these system announcements, Zhao Fu quickly summoned the 10 Skeleton Cavalrymen – no, the 10 King’s Undead Cavalrymen.

As soon as they appeared, the 10 King’s Undead Cavalrymen dismounted from their skeleton horses and knelt on one knee. They placed one fist over their hearts and lowered their heads as they said respectfully, “King!”

Zhao Fu was quite surprised to hear the 10 King’s Undead Cavalrymen speak. Moreover, they seemed to have some basic intelligence – after all, normal Skeletons had no intelligence and acted off of their instincts.

Their appearance had also greatly changed. Their spirit flames had become a golden color, and their bronze concentrate armor had become a faint golden color. Their Skeleton horses were now also a faint golden color, and they did not give off the eeriness of a Skeleton anymore.

Zhao Fu opened the King’s Undead Cavalry’s profession page and looked at it with great interest.

[King’s Undead Cavalry]: SS+ grade Military. Description: Skeleton Cavalry that has been transformed by the ancient King’s Power. Effect: Receives [King’s Power], [Death’s Power].

After looking at their new professions, Zhao Fu looked at the King’s Undead Cavalry’s stats, which were also abnormally powerful. Their stats were many times higher than before, and they now had 4 powerful skills.

[Undead Cavalry’s Body]: Grade: SS+ grade, Description: Reduces damage taken from skills by 50% and gives immunity to F grade skills.

[Undead Cavalry’s Charge]: Grade: SS+ grade, Description: Explosively releases a massive amount of power and rushes at all enemies.

[Undead Cavalry’s Slash]: Grade: SS+ grade, Description: Uses Death’s Power to release an incredibly terrifying slash attack.

[Undead Summon]: Grade: SS+ grade, Description: Can use corpses to summon large numbers of Undead who will listen to your commands.

Out of these 4 powerful skills, Zhao Fu was most interested in the fourth one, Undead Summon, because normal corpses were useless to Zhao Fu.

Zhao Fu had seen on the forum that other people had obtained similar skills, but those skills were quite limited. One had to grasp Death's Power, and the Undead they could summon were quite weak, only being 10% as powerful as they were at most.

Moreover, one had to use one's mind to control them. If the Undead were not controlled, they would either disappear or go out of control. Ordinary people could only control a few Undead at most, and they were not very strong.

Zhao Fu wondered how many Undead the King's Undead Cavalry could control. Luckily, they had basic intelligence, so he could conduct simple communications with them.

After talking with the King's Undead Cavalry, Zhao Fu found that the Undead that they could summon retained 80% of their strength, but they had to be weaker than the King's Undead Cavalry. In other words, this skill could not be used on corpses that were more powerful than the King's Undead Cavalry.

However, since the King's Undead Cavalry were already Chief grade Undead, they could control 300 Undead each, and with 10 of them, they could control a total of 3,000 Undead. As they became stronger, they would be able to control more Undead, and Zhao Fu would one day have an Undead army.

This made Zhao Fu quite happy – Undead consumed essentially no resources, and they were already dead. If he used his own soldiers, they would die a true death if they were killed.

After looking through all of the information about the King's Undead Cavalry, Zhao Fu did not put them back into the ring. Instead, he planned for them to join the teams exploring the Forest of Horrors. They would be able to become stronger by absorbing deathly auras, and they could start building up the Undead army, which could total 3,000 Undead.

After that, Zhao Fu looked at the ring's stats.

[King's Ring – Undead]: Grade: Legendary, Stats: All stats +5, Description: A ring that has fused with an ancient King Armament Shard and has been strengthened by it. Increases EXP gained by 400%, Achievement Points gained by 200%, chances of spawning S grade or above villagers by 200%, the maximum number of special professions by 200%, and stats of all villages by 10%.

After looking at these stats, Zhao Fu was stunned, and he wondered if it was a mistake. Putting aside the stats that it gave him, the ring also increased the amount of experience the Great Qin Village received by four times, the amount of Achievement Points he received by two times, the chances of spawning S grade or above villagers by two times, the maximum number of people for special professions by two times, and all of his villages' stats by 10%.

How could such powerful stats exist? Zhao Fu couldn't help but laugh loudly, and he slowly put the King's Ring on the index finger of his right hand. What Zhao Fu didn't expect was that another chain of system announcements would sound out.

Chapter 83: King Profession

“System announcement! You have equipped the King’s Ring, and the ancient King’s Power has entered your body.”

“System announcement! Unknown changes are happening to your body.”

After Zhao Fu put on the ring, it gave off a golden light, and the light covered Zhao Fu’s entire body. He felt a wave of energy entering his body, and he could feel that something was changing in his body.

“System announcement! The ancient King’s Power has made unknown changes to your body.”

“System announcement! Because the ancient King’s Power has entered your body and you have the Legacy of an empire and the Nation Fate Legacy, you have unlocked the King profession before creating a country, and you have received your own King’s Power.”

After hearing the final system announcement, Zhao Fu was quite confused, so he opened his stats page and had a look at the King profession.

[King]: King grade. Description: A profession unlocked after creating a country, and it can be passed down to the next generation. It surpasses grades given to Military professions and represents the sovereignty of a King. Effect: Receives [King’s Power].

After reading this, Zhao Fu looked at his stats but saw that there were no changes. He opened his hand and an orb of weak golden light appeared in his hand – this was not the ancient King’s Power from the ring, but the King’s Power that belonged to himself.

The King profession was quite different compared to normal soldier professions. The King profession did not have any skills or stat bonuses because one needed to develop one’s own King profession. It was a profession that became stronger as one advanced. As such, it was not very strong in the beginning, but in later stages, it may not be weaker than even godly spirits.

Zhao Fu had felt a lot of anguish after using up so much Fate, but it seemed that it was all worth it. The sword-shaped shard was worth much more than the Fate that he had used up. As long as he did not overuse his Fate, it would slowly recover.

In the future, there would definitely be battles between Nation Armaments, and those battles would not be any smaller than battles between godly spirits. After all, those battles would be intense battles between entire nations.

Of course, Nation Armaments were not things that ordinary nations would have. Only after establishing a dynasty would a Nation Armament be formed, so no country would have more Nation Armaments than China.

China was at the center of the ancient world, and it could be said that China was where most of the Fate was gathered. That was why there were so many dynasties and Nation Armaments.

Now that Zhao Fu had obtained the King’s Ring and received many buffs, there were many things that he needed to take care of. For example, now that the limit of people who could have special professions had doubled, Zhao Fu could choose some more people to choose those professions. Moreover, now that the chance of summoning S grade or above villagers had doubled, the Great Qin Village would spawn around four S grade villagers every month.

After taking care of these matters, a simple and straightforward-looking middle-aged man walked over to Zhao Fu with three wine bottles and said respectfully, "Your Majesty, we've finished brewing the Hundred Flower Wine."

This man was called Sun Yi, and he used to be a farmer who liked to brew wine in his free time. He had somehow raised his wine brewing skills to the Advanced level, and he was promoted to the manager of the winery. He was in charge of the wine brewing process, and the wine in his hand was the Hundred Flower Wine that he brewed from the recipe that Zhao Fu had given him.

Zhao Fu looked at the three bottles of wine curiously and Sun Yi quickly explained, "Your Majesty, these wines were made with different types of flowers. The first batch used 8 types of flowers; the second batch used 16 types of flowers; and the third batch used 32 types of flowers. All of them have different fragrances and tastes; please try them, Your Majesty."

Zhao Fu did not know much about wine. He opened the three bottles, causing the wine fragrances to come out. The fragrance of the third bottle was the strongest, and rather than wine, it seemed more like an expensive perfume.

Zhao Fu took the cup that Sun Yi offered him and poured some out from the third bottle before tasting a little. The wine was very light and smooth, and he felt as if his entire body was giving off a faint fragrance.

Following this, Zhao Fu tried the other two wines and found that the taste was not as good as the third type, but they were still high-class wines. Zhao Fu named the first batch Flower Fragrance Wine, the second one Moon Flower Wine, and the third one Drunken Flower Wine.

These three types of wine would be the Westfall Restaurant's signature wines in the future. Many of the system's restaurants saw how successful the Westfall Restaurant was, and they also started to hire player chefs, which resulted in them taking some of Zhao Fu's business.

Zhao Fu couldn't allow this to go on. After players were able to start buying land and start their own businesses, the competition would be even more intense. If he wanted to rise above them, he had to have something that others didn't. Zhao Fu asked Sun Yi how much of those wines had been brewed, and when he heard that quite a few bottles had already been made, Zhao Fu took them to the Westfall Restaurant. He would first ask others to taste them and give their opinions on them!

Everyone ran over with curious looks on their faces. The fragrance that the wine gave off would definitely be liked by the women. When Zhao Fu saw the looks of pleasure and enjoyment on everyone's faces after tasting the wine, he understood the value of it.

At this moment, He Xianru, who wore her veil and gave off the aura of a beauty, walked over. However, just as her eyes fell on Zhao Fu's body, two golden rays shot towards her and pierced into her eyes. The pain caused her to subconsciously retreat.

Zhao Fu noticed this and curiously asked, "What is it?"

He Xianru lightly shook her head and gradually recovered. She looked at Zhao Fu with her bloodshot eyes and said, "Zhao! I need to talk to you."

Zhao Fu felt this was quite strange, but he still nodded and agreed.

They went to a private room and He Xianru paid her respects to Zhao Fu before saying, "Congratulations Your Majesty for receiving King's Power!"

Zhao Fu was quite shocked, but when he remembered her reaction from when she first came over, he inwardly sighed, " _People from the Hundred Schools of Thought are indeed quite extraordinary!_ "

Zhao Fu nodded, acknowledging what He Xianru had just said.

He Xianru once again spoke, saying, "Your Majesty, would you like to hear some suggestions from this lowly one?"

Zhao Fu thought about it before replying, "What is it?"

"Your Majesty, your King's Power has not fused with your Fate. King's Power is incredibly powerful. It has the power to unite a nation and cause one to not even fear godly spirits, but one needs to fuse the King's Power with the Fates of all creatures on heaven and earth."

Zhao Fu was quite confused because he knew little to nothing about these matters. However, it seemed that she understood quite a bit of this power and knew how to use it.

Following this, Zhao Fu and He Xianru started to discuss this matter in detail. Zhao Fu asked about everything he was not sure about, and He Xianru answered all of them in great depth.

After a few hours, Zhao Fu felt that he had made great gains in his understanding, and his attitude towards He Xianru greatly changed.

Chapter 84: Godly Armament List

The two of them talked and laughed as they came out of the room, and they were seen by Huo Qing. He quickly ran over and said, "Beautiful teacher, I've been looking for you for a while. What were you doing with the boss in that room? Don't tell me that the boss did something to my teacher in that room?"

Zhao Fu was speechless and stared at Huo Qing. After monitoring him for a while, Zhao Fu found out that Huo Qing might have some sort of special background, but he did not mention it. Zhao Fu did not know why He Xianru had accepted him as a student either.

He Xianru glared at Huo Qing and said, "You impudent student, go cut a hundred radishes!"

A bitter expression appeared on Huo Qing's face as he replied, "Please, no! Beautiful teacher, I was wrong; I just want you to teach me how to cook."

He Xianru and Huo Qing returned to the kitchen, while Zhao Fu went to the entrance of the Westfall Restaurant. He poured out 3 bowls of flower wine and placed them on a table at the front of the Westfall Restaurant, causing the intoxicating fragrance to spread into the street.

Countless people crowded around and asked, "Boss Zhao, what sort of wine is this? It's so fragrant!"

Zhao Fu smiled and replied, "These are three types of flower wine that Westfall Restaurant has developed. Right now, they're all 50% off, but this will only be for three days!"

“Alright, alright, Boss Zhao, please sell me one pot!” Countless people swarmed into the Westfall Restaurant to try the three types of flower wine.

Zhao Fu set the price of the Flower Fragrance Wine at 8 silver coins, the Moon Flower Wine at 30 silver coins, and the Drunken Flower Wine at 500 silver coins.

In actuality, brewing the Hundred Flower Wine only cost 20 copper coins per bottle, and the returns were incredibly high. This was especially so for the Drunken Flower Wine, which cost the equivalent of 50,000 copper coins. That was more than 2,000 times the original cost. One could even say that Zhao Fu was committing daylight robbery.

However, it was not Zhao Fu’s fault for setting prices so high. People oftentimes didn’t eat food for its taste but as a show of their status and wealth. If the price was not high, the value of the wine couldn’t be shown. The third type of wine, Drunken Flower Wine, was for upper-class society, and to them, 500 silver coins weren’t much.

News of the Westfall Restaurant’s flower wine quickly spread, and many people came just to try the wine. Business became many times better, making many people feel both admiration and envy.

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Following this, Zhao Fu went to a Smithy and knocked on the door before walking in. Gongsun Lin was preparing something, and when she saw Zhao Fu walk in, she smiled and said, “Zhao Xin! I’ve finished forging both pieces of Gold grade equipment. Have a look!”

Zhao Fu looked over and saw a large, golden shield. It was about half as tall as a person and was rhombus-shaped. There was also a saber that was long and thin, and it had a groove in the middle. The blade was also exceptionally sharp.

Just as Zhao Fu was about to look at the stats, he curiously asked, “Why don’t they have names?”

Gongsun Lin took out a small book and ran over while saying, “I haven’t thought of names for them yet; Zhao Xin, what do you think they should be called?”

Zhao Fu thought about it before replying, “Heroic Shield and Nine Mystic Sabre?”

Gongsun Lin happily nodded as she smiled and replied, “Zhao Xin, your naming sense is much better than mine. I thought about it for a long time, but I still wasn’t able to think of anything.” After saying this, Gongsun Lin took out a pen and started to write in the book.

“What are you doing?” Zhao Fu asked with a curious expression on his face.

Gongsun Lin replied while she wrote, “This is a tradition held by forging families. Every time we forge an item that we’re satisfied with, we record it in detail. This is our ‘Godly Armament List,’ and everyone has his or her own. It records everything that we’ve forged in our lifetimes.”

“Oh!” Zhao Fu said as Gongsun Lin waved her hand, causing rays of light to shoot into the two pieces of equipment. Now, they both had names.

[Heroic Shield]: Grade: Gold, Stats: Strength +10, Constitution +12, Description: A large shield forged from Hardearth Rock. It has an extremely strong defense.

[Nine Mystic Sabre]: Grade: Gold, Stats: Strength +8, Constitution +8, Agility +6, Description: A saber forged from Black Iron Ore. It is incredibly sharp.

“I’m going now, Zhao Xin. Let’s meet again in the future if we have the opportunity!”

As Zhao Fu was looking at the equipment, Gongsun Lin finished writing in her book. She put it away as she spoke to Zhao Fu.

Zhao Fu felt a strange sense of disappointment in his heart when he heard that Gongsun Lin was going to go. However, he understood that she was only making equipment for him, and now that she had finished them, it was time for her to leave.

Zhao Fu thought about it – since players couldn’t leave the Forest of Horrors for now, with Gongsun Lin’s ability to forge Gold grade equipment, Zhao Fu couldn’t help but ask her to join him.

However, Gongsun Lin lightly shook her head and refused, saying, “Thank you, Zhao Xin, but I’m from a forging family. We wander here and there and spend our lives finding exquisite materials and forging godly armaments. As such, we won’t stay at the same place for a long time. Plus, there are other places that I want to see.”

Zhao Fu understood that she wanted to leave the main cities and the Forest of Horrors and journey to other places. However, considering her age, could she really survive in the wilderness? The Great Qin Village was in the wilderness, and Zhao Fu understood just how dangerous it was, so he couldn’t help but remind her, “It’ll be quite dangerous!”

“Mm, I know,” Gongsun Lin replied as she lightly smiled.

Seeing how fearless and resolute she was, Zhao Fu couldn’t resist but ask, “Is forging really that important to you?”

“Mhmm!”

Gongsun Lin looked mature beyond her years as she said, “We live to forge and die for forging. Perhaps that’s the fate of everyone from the forging families!”

Zhao Fu fell silent, and Gongsun Lin did not say anything else. She packed her things and looked at Zhao Fu before squeezing out a smile and saying, “Let’s meet again, Zhao Xin!”

Zhao Fu sighed and said, “Wait a moment!”

Gongsun Lin nodded with a curious expression on his face.

Zhao Fu left the Smithy and came back after a while, and he placed a ring in her hand.

This ring could store living things, and it was worth 10 times more than a normal spatial ring. It was also smaller than a normal spatial ring because it only had around six square meters of space. Within it was a good quality Black Forest Horse.

The main cities still did not sell horses, and normal people used ordinary brown horses. Anyone who saw Zhao Fu’s Black Forest Horses would be incredibly shocked. Zhao Fu gave this Black Forest Horse to

Gongsun Lin in the hopes that she would be able to escape if she met any danger. Black Forest Horses were incredibly adept at going over obstacles, and it could outrun almost anything.

“Thank you, Zhao Xin!” Gongsun Lin said happily to Zhao Fu.

“It’s nothing; I wasn’t even able to properly thank you for forging those two pieces of Gold grade equipment for me.”

“Not at all, we were helping each other – I need high-quality materials to develop my abilities.”

Afterwards, the two of them said their goodbyes. Zhao Fu watched Gongsun Lin’s figure slowly disappear into the distance and sighed before returning to the Great Qin Village.

Chapter 85: King’s Domain

After returning to the Great Qin Village, Zhao Fu gave the Nine Mystic Sabre to Zhang Dahu. As for the Heroic Shield, Zhao Fu gave it to a Goblin Warrior with unrivaled strength. If he obtained an S grade Orb in the future, he would give it to him as well and greatly nurture him.

After taking care of these matters, Zhao Fu went to the Heaven Prayer Platform. Right now, he needed to fuse his King’s Power with his Fate. Zhao Fu sat cross-legged on the Heaven Prayer Platform and quietened his mind. He followed the method that He Xianru had taught him, and Fate from all over the Great Qin Village spiraled towards him.

Within his body, a savage black dragon and a brilliant golden orb of light slowly fused together.

Following this, Zhao Fu opened his eyes. He stretched out his hand, and a black orb of light appeared. This orb of light looked exactly like the golden orb of light except for the color, and there seemed to be some faint dragon-like inscriptions moving around in the black orb of light.

Zhao Fu pressed the black orb of light down on the Heaven Prayer Platform, and a black semicircle expanded outwards. The black area also seemed to have dragon-like inscriptions moving around within it – this was Zhao Fu’s King’s Domain. It could be viewed as a barrier or a protective shield.

This Domain could negate all damage and all skills. However, because Zhao Fu’s current King’s Power was still quite weak, it could not negate everything. In the later stages, it would become much more powerful, and battles between Kings relied on their Domains.

Zhao Fu changed his thinking from before and decided to start participating in battles instead of hiding in the back. In the future, after obtaining some good materials, he would forge his own King’s Sword.

After fusing his King’s Power with his Fate, Zhao Fu realized that he had not left the Heaven Awaken World in a long time. He returned to the real world and had some food before looking at the Heaven Awaken World forum as he normally did.

Quite a few things had happened. Relations were tense between China and its neighbouring countries. Now that China was no longer dominated by Confucianism and did not value peace as much, China was instead filled with the clamoring of large families and the influence of the Hundred Schools of Thoughts,

and it started to engage in conflicts with other countries. After all, in the end, this world was one where the powerful devoured the weak.

Some of the weaker countries had immediately been scared, and some of their officials even made speeches in the real world about how hope and peace were extremely valuable and that it was better to live in peace than to fight.

Right now, China was like a dormant dragon that was slowly awakening and revealing its terrifying might. It had already taken the number one spot in the world, and it also became the country with the most attention on it.

Great Xia, Great Shang, Great Zhou, and Great Han's Legatees also made declarations that they wished to meet with Great Qin's Legatee.

Countless factions were interested in this because Great Qin was not just some small nation but one of China's Five Great Empires. Putting aside how dangerous it was, Great Qin's mysterious Legatee had not appeared even once this entire time. Now that the other four Legatees had all said such things, just what was going on?

Now that so many factions were paying such close attention to this matter, the Ying family started to go mad with desperation as well. They still had not found their Legatee despite looking for so long because the bloodlines were quite complicated. One person could have hundreds of descendants, resulting in tens of thousands of descendants over the ages. Now that thousands of years had passed, it was impossible for the Ying family to gather everyone who possessed their bloodline.

Even though this matter was being watched by so many people, Great Qin's mysterious Legatee still had not appeared. This Legatee was like a thorn in many faction's hearts, making it so that they could not rest easy at night. As long as the Legatee appeared, no matter how powerful he was, they would at least know something about him. However, because they had no feel for his strength, they were absolutely terrified of him.

Zhao Fu did not plan on revealing himself anytime soon. There wasn't a benefit to revealing himself, while there were many disadvantages. Zhao Fu wasn't an idiot.

He ignored all of those discussions about himself and looked at other threads. Suddenly, he found a method to gain unlimited Achievement Points.

"Unlimited Achievement Points... is that possible?"

Zhao Fu curiously looked at the thread, which said: _I'm going to teach you all a great method on how to gain unlimited Achievement Points in the Heaven Awaken World. If you don't have many Achievement Points, have a look!_

There are two main ways to get Achievement Points: attacking and conquering villages and killing powerful magic beasts.

What I'm going to teach you all is how to use attacking and conquering villages to gain many Achievement Points. You'll need a City Creation Stone and a person to work with.

First, you use a City Creation Stone to build a village and then let the other person attack and conquer it. Afterwards, you attack the village that he conquered, and after repeating that a few times, your Achievement Points will shoot up.

However, that method can only be used a few times. What I'm trying to teach everyone is how to obtain unlimited Achievement Points, so listen carefully to the next part. After farming Achievement Points a few times using that first method, choose to [Relocate] the village and continue doing the steps from before, then rinse and repeat. Trust me, it might not work if you only try it one or two times, but if you do it again and again, it'll definitely work! I promise I'm not lying!

Zhao Fu thought that the thread made some sense, but he still felt that something was off. “_If someone had really discovered such a massive secret, the benefits he would have received from selling that secret to a large family would have been infinitely great. Would he really give such a secret for free?_”

Zhao Fu looked through the replies, and the first reply was from a person called East Sun Wind, who said, “_It's true! This boss is right; I got so many Achievement Points!_”_

The second person to reply, a Lil Girly, said, “_OP, I love you so much! Thanks for teaching us such a good method!_”_

The third person to reply, Fifth Brother, posted, “_Boss, you're such a good person! You're a living buddha!_”_

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There were about 10 replies on the first page, all of which said that the method worked. However, the thread already had tens of thousands of replies, so Zhao Fu looked at a few at the end.

Wolf Fang: “_Goddamit, you stupid troll! Re-conquering the same village doesn't give any Achievement Points, and after continuously relocating the village, the City Creation Stone was damaged!!!”_

Loner: “_OP, I'm gonna screw your ass! I can't believe that I trusted you! Compensate me for my City Creation Stone!!”_

Prodigal Son: “_You frickin troll!!! I'll screw your ancestors!!! Your elder was going to dominate this world, but now that's all been ruined!! Tell us your address if you dare, you goddamn asshole!!”_

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Zhao Fu looked through 10 or so pages, and apart from the people on the first page, everyone was cursing at the poster of the thread. This thread wasn't one that taught how to gain unlimited Achievement Points but one that trolled and screwed people over.

This 'do-gooder' had probably thought of this method to earn unlimited Achievement Points but had destroyed his City Heart trying to do so, so he decided to take some others down with him. The first few people were most likely accounts made by him to trick others.

Anyone who understood the Heaven Awaken World and had a little bit of common sense would not believe such a thing. Some people who were curious might try once or twice, but after not receiving

Achievement Points, they would stop. Of course, there were those who were silly enough to blindly trust that person, and they followed his instructions until they damaged their City Hearts.

Chapter 86: 10 Legendary Swords

Zhao Fu smiled. There was no such thing as a free lunch, nor could someone rise to success in a single step. It was impossible to reap rewards without putting in effort, and those people had paid the price for thinking otherwise.

Zhao Fu continued reading through the forum and looked at some other news.

After this, Zhao Fu looked at the 10 Great Ancient Swords: the first was the Regulus Sword, the Sword of Holiness; the second was the Clear Sable Sword, the Sword of Mercy; the third was the Scarlet Firmament Sword, the Sword of Sovereignty; the fourth was the Taia Sword, the Sword of Might; the fifth was the Seven Star Dragon Abyss Sword, the Sword of Integrity; the sixth and seventh were a pair of swords, Ganjiang and Moxie, the Swords of True Love; the eighth was the Fish Intestine Sword, the Sword of Bravery; the ninth was the True Excellence Sword, the Sword of Matchless Honour; and the tenth was the Vague Shadow Sword, the Sword of Exquisite Elegance.[TLN: For those who are interested, these are all real swords in China's history]

These were only the top 10 famed swords, and there were many other famed swords. For example, the founder of sword-forging, Ou Yezi, many of whose swords were in the top 10, forged many other swords as well: the Gongbu Sword, Evil-Suppressing Sword, Great Ravager Sword, Panying Sword, and Haocao Sword. There were also famed swords forged during the Spring and Autumn period: Sun-Shrouding Sword, Water-Ending Sword, Soul-Turning Sword, Leviathan Sword, Spirit-Destroying Sword, Evil-Repelling Sword, and Truesteel Sword. There were also other famed swords forged during the Tang Dynasty: Ninecrow Sword, Azure Frost Sword, Infirmity Sword, Azure Dragon Sword, etc...

There were also many other swords that had not been mentioned. Swords symbolized the Path of Kings, and blades were the symbol of the Path of Overlords. As such, most kings used swords. Who knew how many of the ancient swords still existed; all of them were incredibly powerful weapons.

In terms of weapons, Zhao Fu quite liked swords. Perhaps in the future he would gather some rare materials and have people forge for him a few famed swords that would become legends as well.

After looking through this information, just as Zhao Fu was about to turn off his computer and enter the Heaven Awaken World again, someone knocked on his door. Following this, a voice sounded out, "Mr. Zhao, Big Miss Xi would like to invite you over."

It was the bodyguard who was responsible for looking after him, so Zhao Fu decided it was best to go and meet Ying Xi.

Zhao Fu followed the bodyguard to where Ying Xi was, and she was sitting elegantly beside a lake. There were a few attendants beside her, which indicated to Zhao Fu her status in the family. When he saw her, he asked, "Big Miss Xi, what would you like to talk about?"

Ying Xi replied somewhat unhappily, "Zhao Fu, I said that you don't need to be so courteous. You're part of the Ying family, so you can just call me by my name!"

Since she was the dominant party, what she said was law. Zhao Fu could only apologize and say, "Alright, Ying Xi."

Ying Xi lightly smiled and said, "There'll be a gathering later, so prepare to come with me."

"Gathering?" Zhao Fu didn't want to go to the gathering. First, he didn't like lively and raucous atmospheres, and second, he was worried about his identity being exposed. He was especially worried about running into someone who was familiar with Fate, so he did not leave the house much. Now that Ying Xi wanted him to go to this gathering, he quickly refused, "Ying Xi! I don't really like those sorts of things, so I must apologize."

Before Zhao Fu could finish his sentence, Ying Xi cut him off, "Mm, that's fine! I just want to take you to meet someone; you can leave right after you've met that person."

Since there was no way for him to refuse, Zhao Fu could only agree. He followed a person who seemed to be a butler and was given a suit to put on.

Following this, Zhao Fu waited in a room. When he saw Ying Xi again, she was wearing a beautiful white dress.

She looked incredibly beautiful with her delicately-shaped face and tender skin. With the snow-white dress and the crystal necklace around her neck, she looked like a real princess. However, right now, Zhao Fu was not in a mood to appreciate her beauty, and he had countless thoughts running through his head.

"Zhao Fu, let's go!" Ying Xi said to Zhao Fu when she saw him with his head lowered.

Zhao Fu came back to his senses and nodded before silently following behind her. They soon arrived in a large hall, where the banquet had already begun. There were many handsome men and beautiful women, and each of them possessed extraordinary bearings. They were all most likely a part of the Ying family's main family.

Seeing Ying Xi, they all smiled and greeted her. Ying Xi smiled back and responded to their greetings, while Zhao Fu was completely ignored.

"Zhao Fu, wait for me here. There are some matters I need to take care of," Ying Xi suddenly said.

Zhao Fu nodded to show that he understood. Ying Xi walked to the front of the hall, where a few elders and a few young men and women were standing – they were most likely the other successors of the Ying family. Zhao Fu stood in the center of the hall, and no one paid any attention to him. In the end, Zhao Fu decided to stand in a reclusive corner to avoid drawing any attention to himself.

"Are you Zhao Fu?" a voice suddenly said from behind him. Zhao Fu turned around and curiously looked over, and he saw a woman who was 1 or 2 years older than him. She was wearing a red dress and her hair was in a bob. She had a pretty-looking face and had red lipstick on, but she also gave off a sense of heroism and a slightly domineering air.

Zhao Fu recognized this woman: she was the Student President of the university he studied at before, and she was called Wu Qingniang. They had met a few times in the past, and he had never expected to see her here.

Zhao Fu nodded and replied, "Student President!"

Wu Qingniang smiled, walked over, and said, "Don't call me that here; just call me by my name. I was quite surprised when I heard that you dropped out, and I didn't think that I would meet you here!"

Zhao Fu was also quite surprised. However, more so than meeting her here, he was surprised that she remembered him. After all, they had only met a few times in the past.

"Do you have the Ying family's bloodline?" Wu Qingniang asked as she went to Zhao Fu's side and looked at him with a surprised expression and lightly smiled.

It wasn't a secret, so Zhao Fu nodded and curiously asked, "Do you also have the Ying family's bloodline?"

Wu Qingniang lightly shook her head and said, "I don't have the Ying family's bloodline; I have the Wu family's bloodline!"

"Wu family?"

Zhao Fu had no idea which historical family the Wu family was.

"Qingniang!" at this moment, Ying Xi finally finished her matters and called out to Wu Qingniang when she saw her by Zhao Fu's side.

Wu Qingniang looked at Ying Xi, smiled, and said, "Lil Xi!"

Zhao Fu saw that they seemed quite familiar with each other, so he stood there without saying anything.

Ying Xi walked over and looked at Wu Qingniang and Zhao Fu, and Ying Xi smiled as she said, "I wanted to introduce you two, but who would have thought that you already knew each other?"

"Lil Xi, the person you were talking about before was Zhao Fu?" Wu Qingniang asked as she looked at Zhao Fu with a surprised expression.

Ying Xi smiled and nodded.

Wu Qingniang thought for a moment and seemed to realize something, causing her to smile.

Zhao Fu had not spoken this entire time, and he watched them as they started chatting. Since it was getting late, he said his farewells and left first.

Chapter 87: Ten Thousand Flower Festival

When Wu Qingniang saw Zhao Fu leave, she smiled and said, "Lil Xi, there's no way for you to control Zhao Fu."

"Hm?" Ying Xi was quite surprised and asked, "Why's that?"

Wu Qingniang looked into Ying Xi's eyes and a trace of a domineering smile appeared on her face as she said, "Because he's the man I've set my eyes on!"

"Did something happen between you two before?" Ying Xi asked.

“Mm! It was something small, but I was able to see his potential. He’s too big for this small pond, and he has the potential to become a dragon. I have a feeling the whole world will know his name in the future,” Wu Qingniang replied as she calmly smiled.

“Really? Why don’t I feel that sort of feeling from him?” Ying Xi asked with a curious expression on her face.

Wu Qingniang replied, “It’s because you haven’t been able to completely see through him. My instincts have always been correct, so let’s wait for that day!”

Ying Xi lightly nodded.

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Zhao Fu had no idea that those two women were still talking about him. Right now, he just wanted to be an unnoticed minor figure so that he could properly develop the Great Qin Village.

After returning to his room, Zhao Fu took out the Heaven Awaken Stone and entered the Heaven Awaken World.

By now, the four exploration teams had returned and brought with them large amounts of money and equipment, and they also brought two S grade corpses and 100 or so A grade corpses. There were also 900 or so villagers, two Normal grade City Creation Stones, and 1 Silver grade City Creation Stone. All of this caused Zhao Fu to feel incredibly happy.

The 10 King’s Undead Cavalry had gained 1,000 or so Skeleton soldiers. Of course, they were not as powerful as the Skeleton soldiers within the passage, but they were definitely stronger than normal Skeletons. The weapons they used were those that they wielded while they were still alive.

Now, Zhao Fu controlled 30 villages, and the total population was more than 18,000 villagers. Despite having so many villagers, he did not have to worry about food because the crops only took around one month or so to grow with the Great Qin Village’s bonus stats, and the output was much greater than normal.

The Great Qin Village’s territory was 300 square kilometers, and everything within that area benefited from the Great Qin Village’s bonus stats. As such, to most major factions, food was the resource that they lacked the least.

Zhao Fu did not continue to expand his army because 5,000 soldiers were already enough. Adding on the King’s Undead Cavalry and the army of 3,000 Undead that they would have, his military would definitely be sufficient.

Because Zhao Fu had only just obtained the King’s Ring, the Great Qin Village only had a little more than 20,000 EXP and Zhao Fu only had 400 or so Achievement Points towards the next rank up, Second-Ranked Baron. However, leveling up would be much faster this time with 4x EXP and 2x Achievement Points.

Finally, regarding the God-Refining Plan, because Zhao Fu was continuously using the energy from the energy stones to refine corpses and he needed to prepare some other things, it kept being pushed back.

At this moment, Bai Shan came to report that they had successfully researched the language skill, and Zhao Fu went over to take a look with great interest.

[Language Stone Stele]: Can learn: Chinese, Elvish, Orcish, Dwarvish, Kobold language, Goblin language, and Gnome language.

Zhao Fu nodded with satisfaction when he saw the stone stele. Now that he had this stone stele, he could directly learn the languages recorded on there and wouldn't need interpreters anymore. Anyone who used this stone stele would be able to learn those languages.

Zhao Fu learned all of the languages on there apart from Chinese and then ordered Bai Shan to start researching Intermediate teleportation channels because he wanted to leave the Forest of Horrors. One could only rely on one's own strength to break through from one region to another.

Basic teleportation channels could only transport one to a main city, one's own teleportation channels, or a random place up to 500 kilometers away. Without Intermediate or Advanced teleportation channels, it would be impossible for one to leave the region one was spawned in.

After taking care of matters in the Great Qin Village, Zhao Fu went to Holy Light City and was surprised to see that all of Holy Light City seemed to be in a festive mood. There were many flowery banners in the streets, and all of the residents were in public places with big smiles on their faces.

"_What's going on? Is Holy Light City having some sort of festival?_" Zhao Fu went to the Westfall Restaurant and asked his employees what was going on.

It turned out that today was a festival of the Heaven Awaken World called the Ten Thousand Flower Festival. The festival went on for 7 days, and during those 7 days, all of the flowers bloomed together in the Heaven Awaken World and released something called a Flower Tear. By collecting Flower Tears, one would be able to exchange them for countless things at the special stone steles in main cities.

The residents said that this was a blessing from the heavens, but Zhao Fu felt like it was like an event in a game. He went to Holy Light City's Central Plaza and saw that there was indeed a new stone stele. It was completely crowded with people, and after taking a look, Zhao Fu was incredibly shocked.

There was almost every type of reward possible: Legendary grade equipment, S grade skills, Gold grade City Creation Stones, extremely high-grade medicinal pills, special items...

Zhao Fu became incredibly excited when he saw those things. However, this event was one that the whole world would participate in, so indigenous residents of the Heaven Awaken World would also participate. The competition would be quite intense, and although the rewards were amazing, whether or not he could obtain them was another matter.

The Ten Thousand Flower Festival would officially begin at 12 AM the next morning, so Zhao Fu returned to the Great Qin Village and started to make preparations. The other factions all did the same thing and started to wait for the festival to begin.

12 AM the next morning, a large, round moon hung high in the sky. The pure moonlight made it so that it was not dark at all despite it being midnight. Under the beautiful moonlight, flowers started to slowly bloom – there were truly ten thousand flowers blooming together, giving off a dream-like feeling.

Only a small percentage of flowers had a bean-sized, transparent orb at the center. Under the moonlight, they looked quite beautiful – these were most likely the Flower Tears.

Zhao Fu had already ordered all of his subordinates to collect these Flower Tears, including the four exploration teams.

Because the Great Qin Village brewed Hundred Flower Wine, the villagers knew where the large patches of flowers were. Moreover, because the surrounding 200-kilometer radius area was under Zhao Fu's control, there was very little competition, and barely anyone dared to fight over the Flower Tears with Zhao Fu. This gave Zhao Fu an incredibly big advantage, and it also gave him the confidence that no one in the Forest of Horrors would be able to obtain more Flower Tears than him.

However, this was not necessarily the case for the system's factions. There were roughly 300,000 residents and 100,000 soldiers in each of the main cities, adding up to 400,000 people per city. As for players, there were around 1 million per main city.

The next day, when Zhao Fu went to Holy Light City, there were not only player factions buying Flower Tears for incredibly high prices, but the system's factions were also desperately buying Flower Tears. In fact, even the system's main cities started to send large numbers of soldiers and guards into the Forest of Horrors to collect Flower Tears.

All of this made Zhao Fu's forces seem extremely weak. Zhao Fu knew that he would not be able to compete against the system's factions if he didn't think of anything.

Chapter 88: Legendary Rankings

There were people busily walking around, and others were yelling out, "Super high price, buying Flower Tears for 20 silver coins. Hurry and contact me!"

There were others yelling, "Selling equipment for Flower Tears, super good deal! Don't miss this opportunity!"

There was also a group shouting, "Anyone who sells Flower Tears to White Tiger Gang will become one of our brothers. We'll protect him or her and make sure he or she eats and drinks well!"

There were even pretty-looking women calling out, "Anyone who gives me 100 Flower Tears can have me as his girlfriend for one day and can do anything he wants to me!"

The outskirts of the main cities were filled with people, and the scene was in complete disorder. The outskirts of the main cities had been cleared of Flower Tears by players and residents in an instant, and there wasn't even a single drop remaining. With 1 million or so people scanning every inch of land, how could there be any left?

As the areas near the main cities were cleared, people started to venture further and further away from the main cities. However, this also increased the danger for them.

They not only had to be wary of Outlanders but also of other people who would steal their Flower Tears. One could not assume that the Flower Tears was one's after collecting them. In the face of such great profits, most people would not hold back. If anyone was robbed, no one would seek justice for him or her. Only by converting the Flower Tears into rewards would they truly belong to that person.

Now, almost everyone knew the value of Flower Tears, and no one wanted to sell them. Occasionally, when someone announced that they were selling Flower Tears, they would instantly be surrounded by people and an auction would ensue. It would usually be the system's factions that obtained the Flower Tears – in terms of strength, the players simply could not compete.

Zhao Fu also planned to use some money to buy Flower Tears. Even though the Great Qin Village was quite far away and was able to obtain Flower Tears without any competition, allowing him to collect more Flower Tears than normal system factions, he would not be able to beat the system's governmental factions.

Normal people wanted to use Flower Tears to buy things that could not be bought with money, such as City Creation Stones. However, what the system's governmental factions were crazy about were the 37 pieces of Legendary grade equipment.

Even the system's main cities' Legendary grade equipment could be counted on a single hand, and they were even more attractive to players who did not even have Gold grade equipment. This was even more so for the top three of the 37 pieces of Legendary grade equipment, which were Half-Epic grade. Some people had even created a Legendary Ranking based on their stats:

Number 1, [Sky Demon]: Sword-type Weapon (Half-Epic), a weapon forged from a Sky Demon's corpse, and it contains [Sky Demon's Power].

Number 2, [Dragon Soul]: Sabre-type Weapon (Half-Epic), a weapon forged from a divine dragon's dragon soul, and it contains [Divine Dragon's Power].

Number 3, [Demigod]: Hammer-type Weapon (Half-Epic), an ordinary Legendary grade weapon that came into contact with great quantities of Demigod blood, and it contains [Demigod's Power].

Number 4, [Vast Sun]: Bow-type Weapon (Legendary), a weapon forged from an Extreme Sun Stone and Extreme Sun Flames, and it contains [Sun's Power].

Number 5, [Eighth Mountain]: Shield-type Defensive Item (Legendary), a defensive item forged from the Heart of the Eighth Mountain, and it contains [Eighth Mountain's Power].

Number 6, [Djinn]: Stick-type Weapon (Legendary), a weapon that a Djinn was born with, and it contains [Djinn's Power].

Number 7, [Sacred Heaven]: Armor-type Defensive Item (Legendary), an armor that can only be worn by high-tier Angels, and it contains [Holy Light's Power].

Number 8, [Lightning Fang]: Hatchet-type Weapon (Legendary), a weapon forged from a massive Lightning Beast's fang, and it contains [Tribulation Lightning's Power].

Number 9, [Frozen Soul]: Sword-type Weapon (Legendary), a weapon formed from the combination of thousands of chilling-ice souls, and it contains [Extreme Cold's Power].

Number 10, [Spirit Tree]: Staff-type Weapon (Legendary), a weapon forged from a White Pagoda Spirit Tree that was over 1,000 years old, and it contains [Dryad's Power].

Those were the top 10 pieces of equipment on the Legendary Rankings.

They were enough to make everyone burn with desire and go crazy. Zhao Fu also desired them greatly, but people from all over the world were competing for them, so Zhao Fu felt quite a bit of pressure. As such, he started to plan what he would do next.

Suddenly, Zhao Fu had an idea and he returned to the Great Qin Village. Right now, teleportation channels had three main functions. The first was to allow the user to travel between one teleportation channel and another. This sort of transportation was extremely accurate. The second was to send the user to a random place, which was quite risky.

The third function was to send the user in a particular direction. If one chose to be sent east, one would appear somewhere to the east of where one had been before.

Zhao Fu ordered all of his people to continue collecting Flower Tears. He took Bai Shan and another Scholar to the teleportation channel and used the third function, sending northward.

Because Basic teleportation channels could only send the user a maximum of 500 kilometers when traveling without a set destination, Zhao Fu appeared at a mountainous region that seemed to be about 500 kilometers away from the Great Qin Village. He found a hidden place and asked Bai Shan and the other Scholar to quickly set up another teleportation channel here.

About half an hour later, Bai Shan and the other Scholar quickly finished setting up the teleportation channel. Following this, Zhao Fu, Bai Shan, and the other Scholar used the third function northward again, sending them another 500 kilometers.

This time, Zhao Fu appeared near a waterfall. He didn't waste any time and quickly found a cave. He then asked Bai Shan and the other Scholar to set up another teleportation channel here.

After this teleportation channel was completed, the three of them once again traveled northward again.

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After doing this 20 or so times, Zhao Fu and the two others arrived at a forest. Just as they were transported here, they heard a few wild beasts screaming pitifully. Following this, they saw 30 or so Orcs carrying a few wild boars walking towards them.

When the Orcs saw them, they looked at each other before throwing down the wild boars, taking out their weapons, and rushing at Zhao Fu and his subordinates. This was the relationship between Humans and Outlanders: they were like water and fire.

However, by the time the group of Orcs arrived at where Zhao Fu and his subordinates were, they saw that Zhao Fu showed no fear at all. Zhao Fu made a few strange sounds, causing the Orcs to immediately stop in their tracks. They looked at each other in shock – this human could speak Orcish.

What Zhao Fu had just said was, "Wait, Orc warriors, I need to talk to you."

Even though Zhao Fu had spoken to them in Orcish, the Orcs still surrounded him to stop him from escaping. At this moment, the leader of these Orcs said, "Human, hurry and spit out what you have to say."

Chapter 89: Orc City

Zhao Fu lightly laughed as he said, "I've brought the things that you want the most: lots of food and equipment. This matter is extremely important, and I'm sure that your great Lord Kaki will be very willing to meet with me!"

The Orc leader asked with a shocked expression, "How did you know that we were great Lord Kaki's people?"

Inwardly, Zhao Fu thought about the quest that required him to kill Kaki. It had given him the rough location, and after continuously teleporting northward, he had arrived in Kaki's territory. Now that he had met these Orcs, Zhao Fu had deduced that this was most likely Kaki's territory. Now that these Orcs had admitted it, Zhao Fu was even more certain.

Of course, he couldn't say such a thing to these Orcs. Zhao Fu said, "I've long since heard of Lord Kaki's great name, and I've brought some generous gifts to present to him. I hope you can take me to meet him or at least report this matter."

After hearing that Zhao Fu had brought gifts, with the Orcs' personalities, how could they do as Zhao Fu asked? They savagely laughed and prepared to rush up and take the items by force.

Zhao Fu's expression did not change in the slightest when he saw this because he was no longer the same person as before. Now, he had not only gained the King profession, but he had also gained King's Power. Zhao Fu slowly drew the Silver grade sword at his side when he saw the Orcs rush at him and casually slashed them with it.

Bang!

A massive wave of sword qi rushed out, knocking back the 10 or so Orcs at the front by 10 meters. The aura around Zhao Fu also became abnormally powerful, and the black cloak he wore gave off an incredibly deep and mysterious feeling, causing the other Orcs to retreat.

"Will you report this to your Lord now?" Zhao Fu calmly asked.

The Orcs did not have any principles, and they only understood that strength was supreme. The 10 or so Orcs on the ground quickly got to their feet – of course, Zhao Fu had restrained himself so as to not kill them. Following this, the Orcs' gazes towards them changed from viewing them as prey to viewing them as powerful enemies.

Some of the Orcs departed to report this, while the rest continued to surround Zhao Fu and the two Scholars.

Soon, a group of Orc Cavalry riding on Grey Wolves arrived. This was the first time Zhao Fu had seen Orc Cavalry, surprising him.

“Human, come with us,” the muscular Orc in the lead said as he looked at Zhao Fu.

Hearing this, Zhao Fu nodded. He was glad that Kaki wasn’t an idiot and hadn’t sent an army to kill him. Anyone who was able to build a city of Orcs was definitely intelligent, and he probably had abilities that greatly surpassed those of ordinary Orcs.

Afterwards, Zhao Fu and his two Scholars followed the Orc Cavalry to a city. The city looked quite crude, and its walls were built from large rocks. There were many Orc Archers stationed on the walls, and the city gave off a mighty feeling. This was truly an Orc City.

After entering the city, the Orcs on the streets curiously looked at Zhao Fu and the two Scholars.

Zhao Fu silently observed the Orc City’s strength as he walked along. Apart from Orcs, he saw other races kept as slaves, such as Goblins and Gnomes. However, there were no Humans because Humans were usually immediately killed by Orcs.

Furthermore, the Orc City had a great variety of military professions. Apart from Wolf Cavalry and Archers, they also had Heavy Shieldbearers. However, the Orcs did not have much armor because they could only forge simple equipment. At the same time, they were not a farming race and primarily obtained their food from hunting. As such, the food and equipment that Zhao Fu had offered were quite tempting to the Orcs.

After continuing onwards, Zhao Fu saw a few Orc Shamans waving bone staffs on top of an altar, and a green light shot out. He had no idea what sort of ceremony they were performing.

Finally, the Wolf Cavalry took the three of them to a large tent. The leader of the group spoke to the guards before bringing Zhao Fu and the two Scholars in.

After entering, Zhao Fu saw an elderly Orc sitting within. Zhao Fu felt that he was not the Lord because he did not give off the unique aura of a Lord. However, he definitely had an important status.

The elderly Orc’s eyes were filled with intelligence, and he smiled as he stretched out his hand towards them and said, “Please sit, esteemed guests!”

Zhao Fu nodded and sat on a chair covered with bear fur.

“My name is Gunador, Kaki City’s Vice-Lord! You can tell me what you have to say; I make decisions about things in Kaki City,” Gunador, the elderly Orc, said.

Zhao Fu did not beat around the bush because he could sense that Gunador was quite a wise Orc, so he got to the point and said, “Respected Vice-Lord, I’m sure you know about the Ten Thousand Flower Festival. Today, I have brought large amounts of food and equipment to exchange for Flower Tears, which are useless to you.”

Only the system’s main cities had stone steles that could be used to exchange Flower Tears for rewards, so Flower Tears were useless to Outlanders. Zhao Fu had realized this, and he had daringly come all this way to Kaki City.

Gunador smiled and nodded. Orcs were not a farming race, and they relied on hunting. Because Orcs all had large appetites, they sometimes lacked food if hunting did not go well. Moreover, they were not skilled at forging, so they could only forge simple, crude equipment.

Since Flower Tears were useless to Outlanders, it would be better to trade them for things that they actually needed – this was something that Gunador knew very well. He had long since guessed that this was the purpose for Zhao Fu’s visit, so he had personally received him.

After a lot of negotiating and bargaining, Zhao Fu and Gunador settled on a price for the food and equipment. Zhao Fu was incredibly happy – dealing with intelligent people was quite pleasant.

Zhao Fu took out thousands of kilograms of food and hundreds of pieces of equipment from within the King’s Ring. These pieces of equipment were ones that were no longer used by the Great Qin Village, and some of them were from the passage. Only a small portion of them was bronze concentrate equipment.

After Zhao Fu fused the ring with the King Armament Shard, the storage increased from 300 square meters to 10,000 square meters, which was why he was able to bring so many things.

After taking these things out, Zhao Fu smiled and cupped his hands as he said, “These are just a small gift to Vice-Lord; I hope that we’ll be able to work together more in the future!”

“Ah, yes, yes!”

Gunador laughed and agreed. Indeed, there were many more opportunities for them to work together in the future. Gunador also gave Zhao Fu a command medallion – with this command medallion, Zhao Fu would be able to come and see Gunador anytime, so Zhao Fu accepted it.

Afterwards, Zhao Fu ordered Bai Shan and the other Scholar to construct another teleportation channel that connected to the teleportation channel at the Great Qin Village. Zhao Fu set this teleportation channel to be only usable by the Great Qin Village’s villagers and hid it in an extremely concealed place.

Now that there were over 200,000 Orcs collecting Flower Tears for him, Zhao Fu was ecstatic. Moreover, Zhao Fu did not have to worry about the Orc City becoming more powerful – that was something for the system’s three main cities to worry about. It would perhaps be difficult for a single main city to deal with the Orc City, but it would be no problem for the three main cities working together to defeat the Orc City.

Right now, the Great Qin Village could not keep up with the Orc City’s demand for food. Zhao Fu planned to go to the main cities to buy some food, and he did not have to worry about the price – after all, food was one of the cheapest resources right now!

Chapter 90: Communicating With the Heavens and the Earth

Of course, to avoid unnecessary trouble, Zhao Fu did not personally go to buy food. He arranged for some of his subordinates to do this. He also stationed 50 or so people in each of the three main cities to find out any secrets, to monitor the other factions, and to cover up some things that Zhao Fu could not do openly.

The person in charge of this was called Guo Binglin. Last time, when Zhao Fu had obtained two S grade Orbs, he had given one to a Goblin Warrior and one to this man. Zhao Fu ordered him to never expose

his identity – after all, this matter related to the Orc City, which the governmental factions were quite sensitive about.

Guo Binglin acknowledged his instructions and left. Following this, news of a mysterious faction buying large amounts of food spread throughout the three main cities.

All of the other factions were quite surprised about this, but because they all needed massive amounts of money to purchase Flower Tears and had too much food for their own forces anyway, they were quite delighted to hear that someone was buying so much food.

As such, all of the factions brought large amounts of food to the main cities, and Zhao Fu bought all of it. Because food was quite cheap, he did not spend much money.

Right now, all of the factions were quickly gathering Flower Tears, and Zhao Fu was no exception because he also wanted the Legendary grade equipment.

Late at night, Zhao Fu asked Li Si to calculate their gains today.

After going through the calculations, Li Si reported, “Your Majesty, the Great Qin Village obtained 100,000 Flower Tears.”

Hearing this, Zhao Fu sighed. If it was any other faction, it would have been delirious with joy, but Zhao Fu could only sigh. The Great Qin Village had obtained 100,000 Flower Tears through its massive advantages, but it was still far from enough.

One Flower Tear could be exchanged for 10 Flower Tear Points, so 100,000 Flower Tears could be exchanged for 1 million Flower Tear Points. However, the equipment on the Legendary Rankings required at least 30 million Flower Tear Points. The Ten Thousand Flower Festival only lasted for 7 days, so if he only gained 100,000 Flower Tears every day, he would only have 7 million Flower Tear Points at the end of the festival. That was definitely not enough, which was why Zhao Fu had sighed.

Right now, Zhao Fu could only place his hopes in the Orc City. During the day, the Great Qin Village had also collected five special Flower Tears. Instead of being transparent, they were pink-colored.

The pink Flower Tears could be exchanged for 1,000 Flower Tear Points, so it was worth 100 Flower Tears. Moreover, he would be able to obtain a Flower Fairy’s Blessing if he collected 10 pink Flower Tears.

[Flower Fairy’s Blessing: Effectiveness: Three years, Description: The Flower Fairy’s wonderful blessing. It increases the speed at which flowers within your territory grow by 100% and the time it takes for flowers to wilt by 100%. Has a small chance to attract Flower Spirits.

On the surface, this blessing did not seem to be very useful apart from beautifying the environment. However, it was quite useful to the Great Qin Village for brewing Hundred Flower Wine.

Zhao Fu felt that the best part of the blessing was the final effect, ‘Has a small chance of attracting Flower Spirits.’

“What are Flower Spirits?” Zhao Fu did not know much about them, but he could guess that they were useful creatures.

At this moment, a soldier came to report that He Xianru wanted to see him. Zhao Fu was quite surprised, but he still went to Holy Light City.

“What is it?” Zhao Fu said as he arrived at the third floor of the Westfall Restaurant and saw He Xianru sitting under the moonlight. There were some dishes on the table and a pot of wine.

He Xianru slightly smiled and replied, “Please sit, Your Majesty. Let’s talk as we eat.”

Zhao Fu nodded and sat down.

At this moment, He Xianru stood up and poured a cup of wine for Zhao Fu before saying, “Your Majesty, are you feeling frustrated about the Flower Tears?”

Zhao Fu smiled and said, “Looks like there’s nothing that I can keep from you. I was just feeling annoyed about them. At the rate that I’m collecting them, it will be impossible for me to obtain a Legendary grade equipment.”

“I have an idea, Your Majesty,” He Xianru said softly.

Zhao Fu asked, shocked, “What is it?”

“Has Your Majesty read the description of the Heaven Prayer Platform?” He Xianru asked.

Zhao Fu nodded.

He Xianru continued, “The Heaven Prayer Platform is not just for giving stat bonuses; its true use is to allow one to communicate with the Heavens and Earth.”

Upon hearing this, Zhao Fu suddenly realized something and asked, “How do we do this?”

Following this, He Xianru gave Zhao Fu a comprehensive explanation. After listening to her explanation, Zhao Fu immediately got up and ordered his people to make some preparations.

“Your Majesty, you’ll only be able to carry this out after the sun rises tomorrow. There’s no need to be so hurried; try some of my dishes first,” He Xianru said as she lightly laughed.

Zhao Fu understood that he was in too much of a hurry and smiled apologetically. He sat back down and drank all of the wine in his cup, and He Xianru helped him pour another cup.

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Elsewhere, a handsome, pale-skinned young man with an extraordinary aura was standing on his Heaven Prayer Platform. He was Great Xia’s Legatee, Si Ji.

Beside Si Ji, there was a youth who gave off a mysterious aura and was fiddling around with an Eight Trigram Tablet. This youth’s background was quite extraordinary as well – it was said that he was a descendant of Fuxi, and the youth was proficient at the Eight Trigrams Divination.

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In another place, a well-built, muscular young man with a pointed face stood on the balcony of a building completely naked, and he gave off a cold and overbearing aura.

At this moment, a few incredibly enchanting women who only wore light muslin and had incredibly seductive bodies came out and coyly laughed as they pulled Di Wutian into the room, saying, "Don't worry, Your Majesty, just leave this to us sisters. Just enjoy yourself."

These women were also of incredible origins, and it was said that they were of the Nine-tailed Fox bloodline.

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Somewhere else, a handsome young man smiled and chatted with a sagely and wise-looking elder. He was Ji Shenming, and the elder by his side was a legendary figure, Jiang Ziya.

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Elsewhere, a graceful-looking young man was talking with a scholarly young man. He was Great Han's Legatee, Liu Ye, while the scholarly young man was from the Confucian faction, Li Mo. By now, almost the entire Confucian faction had joined Great Han because Liu Ye had maintained the ideology that Great Han had, which was rejecting the other Schools of Thought and accepting only Confucianism.

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Finally, Li Baiqing stood with an immortal-like Taoist. Of course, this Taoist was quite a prominent figure as well, and he was quite famous among the Taoists and was called Qing Shui.