

Unparalleled 1611

Chapter 1611 Can You Contain Me? Can You Guide Me? Visit Violet Eye Clan

“If the Spiritual Mountain is still being suppressed, where did this Great Thunder Temple come from?” Chu Kuangren could not help but scoff at it.

It did not appear while the Five Ways Pure Land was suffering immense losses, when the Buddha Destroyers tried to overrun the entire Far West Land, or even during more peaceful times like when the believers were increasing.

Therefore, Chu Kuangren had nothing but disdain for the Great Thunder Temple.

“Brother Chu, you shouldn’t look down on the Great Thunder Temple. They are quite unpredictable and have a powerful background.”

“How say? They have an Embodier?” Chu Kuangren simply asked.

Buddha Yun Lan was silenced, and her reaction surprised Chu Kuangren.

“Do they really have an Embodier?”

“Haha... It’s indeed the ‘Great’ Thunder Temple. When the Wicked Buddha tried to overrun the place, they were not there. And when the dust has settled, they come out to show off? What a bunch of narcissists.”

Chu Kuangren cackled sarcastically. “The Buddhist world is indeed full of witty geniuses who know how to seize the perfect opportunity to harvest the most out of troubled times.”

Buddha Yun Lan smiled bitterly. “The human heart is also the Buddha’s heart. The human heart can change, and the Buddha’s heart can also be stained.”

“Whatever. I’m not interested in the Buddhist world’s affairs. I’ll think of a way to deal with Shi Ying’s matter. We’ve been chatting for days now, and I should be on my way.”

With that, Chu Kuangren got up and left.

After he left, the monks of Euphoria Pure Land sighed a heavy breath of relief as if they had just escaped death.

Only they themselves knew how much of a pressure Chu Kuangren was to them.

It was like having Papiyas in Mahavira Hall. It was terrifying!

While Chu Kuangren traveled away from Euphoria Pure Land, his mind was thinking of a way to save Shi Ying.

The physical body was easy to recover, but the key here would be her soul.

After several deduction sessions with Lil Ai, he still could not come up with an effective way to execute it.

Suddenly, a thought rushed into his mind.

“Soul... Doesn’t the Soul Restricted Area practice soul-related techniques?”

Maybe his answer lay deep in the Soul Restricted Area.

However, due to his multiple conflicts with the Soul Restricted Area, it would be difficult for him to seek help from there.

“I guess I’ll have to plan it out carefully,” he thought.

“Daoist Brother, hold on!”

A voice called him from behind.

Chu Kuangren turned around and saw a young monk in a golden Kasaya and a golden Zen scepter.

The monk bore a just demeanor and had a faint smile on his face. His welcoming presence would easily increase people’s fondness for him.

“What is it?”

“My Buddhist name is Fa Zhang. I see you have quite the wisdom and are a perfect candidate to join the Buddhist world. Why don’t you join us at the Great Thunder Temple?” Fa Zhang said with a kind smile.

Great Thunder Temple?

Chu Kuangren was intrigued by the invitation. He had just gotten to know the Great Thunder Temple from Buddha Yun Lan, and he ran into a monk from there?

“Yes, Daoist Brother. Join us. Buddha will protect and bless you.”

“I see you have so much wisdom and cognizance in you. If you join the Great Thunder Temple, you’ll definitely improve your cultivation.”

“Join us, Daoist Brother.”

There were many others around Fa Zhang. Some were commoners, some were cultivators, and all of them were trying to invite Chu Kuangren to join the Great Thunder Temple. Every word they spoke carried the deep admiration they had for the temple.

Fa Zhang looked at Chu Kuangren confidently.

Chu Kuangren was an extraordinary person. His temperament, his outstanding looks, and the unusual Daoist Rhyme, every aspect of him spelled extraordinary! He might even be a Prodigy in cultivation!

If Fa Zhang could persuade him to join the Great Thunder Temple, it would be a merit for him, and he would be praised by Buddha.

“I don’t believe in Buddha. I only believe in myself,” Chu Kuangren said.

“My friend, please be mindful of what you say. Buddha’s greatness is unimaginable.”

“Yes. Join us and cultivate Buddhism with us at Great Thunder Temple.”

The group was relentless.

Fa Zhang then said with a smile, "Buddhism is boundless. If you join us, I can assure you that you will achieve Gilded Immortal in less than a hundred years."

Arch Gilded Immortals were considered great ones in the Immortal World. Therefore, Gilded Immortals were commonly known as experts.

Fa Zhang was by no means weak. He was a Gilded Immortal, and given his age, he was definitely a Prodigy.

"I'm afraid the Buddhist world can't contain me, and Buddhism can't guide me," Chu Kuangren said.

"Friend, worry not. The Great Thunder Temple's door is always open. How can it not contain you? Buddhism is boundless. Even if you have committed crimes, as long as you repent sincerely, it will be able to guide you to righteousness."

"Is that so?"

"I speak only the truth."

Kaboom!

At that very moment, a boundless killing intent erupted and shrouded heaven and earth.

The intense killing intent almost became real as it sent chills down one's spine.

Bodies of monks suddenly appeared beneath Chu Kuangren's feet, and the blood of Arhats and Bodhisattvas flowed, staining the land red.

It was like the doomsday of the Buddhist world had arrived.

Fa Zhang was petrified when Chu Kuangren manifested his killing intent.

When he saw the doomsday images, his eyes had nothing but fear.

"The Devil! He's the Devil!"

"No! Amitabha! This must be false!"

"This is impossible!"

The others behind Fa Zhang were frightened as well. They looked at Chu Kuangren as if he was a devil reincarnate; some were even knocked unconscious by the horrifying scene.

Chu Kuangren looked at Fa Zhang indifferently. "Now, answer me. Can the Buddhist world contain me, and can Buddhism guide me?"

From his chilly tone, it felt like he was speaking from the deepest part of hell.

"W-Who are you?"

"Who am I? I'm someone that the Great Thunder Temple can't afford to piss off," Chu Kuangren grunted and left.

The doomsday images branded themselves in Fa Zhang's mind and heart, scarring him permanently.

“He is Buddha’s greatest enemy!”

“If we don’t erase him from existence, the Buddhist world will never be at peace. He is more sinful than Papiyas himself!” Fa Zhang muttered to himself. His Buddhist’s core almost shattered out of shock.

Chu Kuangren did not care about what happened later. He simply sent a message to Lan Yu and the others to check on them.

After knowing they were doing well, he arrived at the Holy Violet Emperor Planet and went to the Violet Eye clan.

The Violet Eye clan was an ancient clan on the planet that excelled in utilizing soul techniques. It was said that they were related to the Soul Restricted Area and were an affiliated organization to the higher power inside.

However, they were now affiliated with Chu Kuangren because the whole planet was under his control.

Upon learning of Chu Kuangren’s arrival, the clan leader of the Violet Eye clan came out to welcome him.

Deep down, he was more afraid than ever to meet Chu Kuangren.

“Greetings, Brother Chu, I’m the Clan Leader of the Violet Eye clan,” the Violet Eye Clan Leader greeted him respectfully.

“The Violet Eye clan is known for its Soul Dao, so you guys must have collected a lot of books and scriptures on the soul cultivation technique. Where are they?”

“They are all kept in our library. If Brother Chu is interested in having a look, please follow me.”

Violet Eye Clan Leader dared not ask why Chu Kuangren wanted to see them. All he could do was lead the man to the library.

Chu Kuangren utilized his Immortal Consciousness and scanned the entire library for soul-related cultivation techniques. All the knowledge entered his mind.

“As Soul Restricted Area’s affiliated clan, you are now under my rule. Have they contacted you to spy on me or stab me in the back when you have the chance?” Chu Kuangren asked indifferently as he went through the books and scriptures.

Chapter 1612 Book Of Earth Appears, Gou Chen Imperial Commander, Monk Fa Hai, Retrieve My Precious

Violet Eye Clan Leader’s forehead was covered in glistening sweat.

Chu Kuangren might sound indifferent, but the hidden threats between the lines were enough to make the Clan Leader’s legs weak.

He fell onto his knees and pleaded, “Brother Chu...Uh... Master Chu, we are loyal to you and you only. We no longer have any contact with the Soul Restricted Area.”

“Huh? Why are you on your knees? Stand up and talk,” Chu Kuangren said.

Violet Eye Clan Leader dared not simply stand up. His heart pounded anxiously and his thoughts were a mess as he started to think about why Chu Kuangren would visit his clan.

Was it only to study the soul-related cultivation technique?

Or was it just an excuse for him to target the Violet Eye clan and remove them once and for all?

Nothing felt right.

Given Chu Kuangren's authority and power on the planet, eliminating the Violet Eye clan was easy. He did not need an excuse to do it.

Was he here to eliminate the entire clan?

Violet Eye Clan Leader said, "Master Chu, we joined the battle in the Underworld. We have pledged our unwavering loyalty to you."

"I know about the battle in the Underworld, so stand up," Chu Kuangren said.

Violet Eye Clan Leader reluctantly stood up and wiped the sweat off his forehead.

"Do you know where the Soul Restricted Area is?" Chu Kuangren asked.

"The Soul Restricted Area's exact location has always been a mystery. Even though we used to be its affiliated organization, we don't know where it is either. We only know that it is somewhere within the Immortal World," Violet Eye Clan Leader said after arranging his words carefully.

"I see..."

Chu Kuangren continued studying the soul-related techniques without any more questions.

There was a plethora of cultivation techniques recorded in the library, and most of them were soul-related. There were also a number of techniques for torturing, such as Soul Needle, Soul Purgatory, and more.

The names of those torturing techniques were terrifying enough.

Chu Kuangren found them interesting, so he learned some of them.

After a while, something among the cultivation techniques caught his eye. It was an article.

"Soul Concentration Flower..."

According to the article, it was a strange flower that could gather and concentrate one's soul.

It could also protect a soul cultivator's soul from being damaged while cultivating. It was quite rare to find one in the wild.

"Is there any Soul Concentration Flower here?"

"Yes, yes. We have some," Violet Eye Clan Leader said with repeated nods.

"I want to have a look."

"Right away."

Violet Eye Clan Leader immediately brought over a few stalks of Soul Concentration Flowers.

Chu Kuangren's brows slightly furrowed when he saw the flowers with only three petals.

"Only three petals?"

According to the article he just read, the best Soul Concentration Flower would have nine petals.

"These are the best Soul Concentration Flowers that we, the Violet Eye clan, can cultivate," Violet Eye Clan Leader smiled bitterly.

Then, a sudden thought rushed into his mind. His eyes shimmered as he said, "There may be higher grades of Soul Concentration Flowers in the Soul Restriction Area, where the earliest cultivation method for the flowers came from there."

"Alright." Chu Kuangren nodded. He believed the Soul Concentration Flower was the key to saving Shi Ying.

"It seems like I'll have to visit the Soul Restricted Area myself."

He went through all the books and scriptures in the Violet Eye clan's library and read all the cultivation techniques.

The only clue he got was the Soul Concentration Flower.

"I'll be taking these flowers with me," Chu Kuangren said.

"Please do, Master Chu."

After he left, Violet Eye Clan Leader finally sighed a breath of relief.

As the saying went, keeping the emperor company was like living with a tiger.

He finally experienced the meaning of that phrase firsthand.

When Chu Kuangren asked him about the Soul Restricted Area, he felt like it was the end for the Violet Eye clan.

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With the Soul Concentration Flowers, Chu Kuangren returned to Euphoria Pure Land.

After using the flower on Shi Ying, her soul did show signs of recovering and concentrating, but it was not effective.

"It's not effective enough. I must get the ones with nine petals," Chu Kuangren muttered.

In order to get a nine-petal Soul Concentration Flower, he first must locate the Soul Restricted Area.

He asked Buddha Yun Lan about it, but she barely had any understanding of that place.

Restricted Areas were all mysterious in nature, especially the Soul Restricted Area.

"It seems like I'll have to target someone from inside to get information," he muttered.

He returned to the Hundred Academy.

Since Shi Ying had consumed the Undying Elixir and the Soul Concentration Flower, she was no longer in a dire situation and would live for a little longer.

In contrast to that, something that happened recently in the Immortal World captured a lot of attention — the appearance of the Book of Earth.

In ancient times, the Immortal World once produced three mystical books— the Book of Heaven, the Book of Earth, and the Book of Human.

The Book of Heaven was the Great Deification Tablet, used by the Immortal Hall to grant qualified cultivators a position among them in ancient times. It contained the essence of how the Immortal Hall carried out the deification process.

The Book of Human was the Life-Death Note. It contained the life and death and life expectancy of all living beings in the universe.

The last one was the Book of Earth. The mystical book was said to be the fetal membrane of the Earth, and it contained absolute defensive capabilities. It also recorded the changes in the Immortal World from the beginning of formation and covered every detail of every inch of the world.

The appearance of the Book of Earth attracted much attention.

Many cultivators headed forth in an attempt to acquire the Book of Earth, which would increase one's odds to be the ruler of the Immortal World.

Meanwhile, in the Immortal Hall, a blinding light shimmered and shadowed the heavens. It felt like there was a myriad of soldiers riding and marching out from the shimmering light.

A boundless might erupted and shook the heavens.

Many of the Immortal Hall cultivators were shocked by the scene.

"It's Gou Chen Imperial Commander!"

"He has finally appeared! His energy presence is so powerful! He's already an Arch Gilded Immortal!"

After appearing in the Immortal World, Gou Chen Imperial Commander gazed in a certain direction before his figure flashed and disappeared.

"That direction is where the Book of Earth is!"

"Is the Imperial Commander going after the Book of Earth?"

"We wish him all the best!"

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Meanwhile, inside a grand Buddhist temple, many Bodhisattvas sat in a circle in the Mahavira Hall.

The one in the leading position was a Buddha with long earlobes and golden Buddhist robes.

Beneath the Buddha was a handsome young monk with a Zen scepter and a violet golden bowl.

There were Sanskrit runes floating around him, granting him a holy aura.

“Fa Hai, I want you to represent the Great Thunder Temple to acquire the Book of Earth. Are you up for the task?” said the Buddha with long earlobes.

The handsome young monk nodded. “Fa Hai will accept the task.”

“Very well. Although we Buddhists should not be greedy, the Book of Earth is a crucial item. If it falls into the wrong hands, dire consequences will follow. Especially the Demon King who killed countless of us in the Far West Land, if he gets his hands on the Book of Earth, the Buddhist world might once again face a disaster.”

“Fa Hai understands.”

“The Five Ways Pure Lands have been severely damaged by the Wicked Buddha and the Demon King. Now is the time for the Great Thunder Temple to take charge of the Buddhist world. Go and make our name known to the world!”

“I understand.”

With the golden Demonbane Zen Scepter and the violet golden bowl in his hands, Fa Hai walked out of the Great Thunder Temple, leaving a trail of blooming lotus behind with every step he took.

The appearance of the Book of Earth stirred up the Immortal World once again.

Chu Kuangren was at the Hundred Academy when he, too, got the news about the Book of Earth.

“Three books have their respective usage. I have half a Life-Death Note, which is a part of the Book of Human. However, it is lackluster compared to the complete Book of Earth. The Book of Earth can deduce changes happening to the world and record them all in detail. Maybe it can help me locate the Soul Restricted Area!”

Chu Kuangren’s eyes gleamed with interest. He had his eyes on this Book of Earth as well.

“Lan Yu, I’m going to retrieve my precious treasure.” He smiled at Lan Yu behind him.

In other words, he already saw the Book of Treasure as one of his possessions.

Chapter 1613 A Draught Demon, Please Do Not Attack, Barren Mountains And Sea

The appearance of the Book of Earth attracted much attention.

Deep inside a certain mountain ridge, a yellow barrier formed with endless mystical runes surrounding it. It looked stunning.

The barrier contained the Book of Earth.

“The appearance of the Book of Earth formed a Mountainous World around itself. In order to get the book, one must go in and search for the book’s core.”

“Hmph. The Mountainous World is a mysterious place with countless Opportunities of Fortune. It’s probably as dangerous as the Chaos Fragment.”

A crowd had gathered outside the Mountainous World and were doing their final preparations to enter. It was then that black and white Immortal Sparks swirled in the void, forming mystical runes around the area.

A powerful and suffocating pressure came in from afar and crashed down on everyone in an instant.

Then, the endless black and white Immortal Sparks gathered onto one person.

It was a young man with black and white Daoist robes. He had a slender figure and a handsome look, but for some reason, his nice looks struck fear in people's hearts.

The crowd knew they were being overpowered by the person's aura.

"Who is this? What is this strange feeling?"

"I know him. He calls himself Calamity Yin Yang, a Prodigy who has made his presence known to the world recently. Many Prodigies died because of his ruthless method. He's a scary one. People even call him the Prodigy Killer. Stay away from him."

"I've seen him fight before. His energy presence is really strange, and it's terrifying."

Some of the Prodigies gulped in fear when they saw Calamity Yin Yang. It was as if they were looking at their bane.

Calamity Yin Yang was not interested in the common sky-prides and Prodigies.

He looked at the Mountainous World that the Book of Earth manifested around it with a smile. "The Supreme Treasure manifested a world around itself? It's indeed outstanding. If I can get it, it will be of great help to me, and it will increase my chance against that monster."

The monster he was referring to was Chu Kuangren.

He had been laying low the past few days because he sensed Chu Kuangren's return to the Immortal World.

Although he did not know how Chu Kuangren returned from the Blood Ocean, he had to be careful.

He had to improve himself as soon as possible to gain a chance to rival Chu Kuangren.

"The Book of Earth will be a great help," Calamity Yin Yang muttered.

His figure flashed, and he flew toward the Mountainous World.

After he entered, the other sky-prides and Prodigies followed.

There was Fa Hai with his golden Zen scepter and violet golden bowl, looking more and more like Buddha reincarnated, especially with the Buddhist Light manifesting around him.

There was Gou Chen Imperial Commander, who had the might of a myriad of soldiers and riders behind him. He was a one-man army!

There was also the Eastern Sovereign Divine Daoist, carrying his swirling Grand Emperor qi.

Each and every one of them was a top-notch or Matchless Prodigy. They were already so far ahead that common sky-prides and Prodigies could never catch up to them.

Bang!

Heaven and earth exploded with a terrifying energy presence.

A scorching energy spread across the air and blanketed several million kilometers in range. In the blink of an eye, the scorching heat burned and dried up the land.

Trees withered, rivers dried up, and many sky-prides and Prodigies felt like their blood and fluids were boiling. The heat was terrifying.

“Look, there!”

Someone pointed further away.

Looking toward the origin of the heat, they saw a voluptuous woman with beautiful facial features and aquamarine long hair.

The woman also had slender legs and fair skin that complemented her brilliant demeanor.

However, the scorching temperature that she emanated shocked everyone who laid eyes on her.

“The scorching energy presence even contains an indescribable Yin qi. She’s... Jiangshi Hanba!”

Those who guessed her identity were in awe.

In ancient legends, the world had something that was beyond the six Dao, something that could not be killed and destroyed, and it was named Jiangshi¹.

The four oldest Jiangshi were Hanba, Jiangchen, Houqing, and Yinggou.

The later Jiangshi were all from one of the four bloodlines.

The woman emanated scorching heat in her presence, similar to Hanba’s traits of scorching the earth wherever it went. It was almost certain that she came from Hanba’s bloodline.

“A Prodigy from the Jiangshi Restricted Area is here.”

“Oh my, her energy presence is terrifying. She’s definitely a Matchless Prodigy.”

The crowd felt like their bodies were disintegrating under the scorching heat as the woman approached.

The woman ignored all the curious gazes on her and went straight into the Mountainous World.

Even after she left, the temperature in the area remained high for quite a while.

“The fight for the Book of Earth will be a fierce one.”

“Yeah. But will that person be here?”

Someone mentioned that person.

His question intrigued the others, and they knew who he was referring to.

They also knew that if that person came, there was a high chance that he would probably get the Book of Earth.

“Hey, are you guys talking about him?” one of the sky-prides said in a trembling voice.

The others looked in the direction that he was pointing to and saw a man and a woman coming closer.

The leading man wore snowy white robes, but the energy presence he emanated was not that strong. In fact, it could be considered plain and dull.

He paled in comparison to those Prodigies who made their grand entrance.

However, everyone else knew that the person needed not make an entrance for himself. As long as he appeared, he would naturally be the center of attention.

Many of the sky-prides and Prodigies gasped in fear at his arrival.

“He’s here!”

It was none other than Chu Kuangren.

He arrived before the Book of Earth’s Mountainous World. He glanced at the others and smiled.

“Everyone, I’m taking the Book of Earth. If you see it, please leave it. Let’s do this the peaceful way.”

The others wondered whether they should call him arrogant or overconfident when they heard him.

However, they knew that he had the confidence and the strength to speak in such a manner.

“Yes, yes. Brother Chu is right. We’re searching for our own Opportunities of Fortune in the Mountainous World, but Brother Chu can have the Book of Earth.”

“Yeah. I can’t think of anyone being worthy of the Book of Earth other than you, Brother Chu.”

“Brother Chu, don’t worry. We won’t compete with you over the Book of Earth.

It was not a joking matter because they would be courting death if they were to compete with Chu Kuangren for the Book of Earth.

Chu Kuangren then led Lan Yu into the Mountainous World.

After going into the yellow barrier, what he saw was a spacious world.

There were lush mountains and refreshing rivers, and they looked vividly real.

There were peaks that pierced the clouds, mist that surrounded mountain ridges, and Immortal Sparks glimmering in the air. There were even many Immortal trees with mystical fruits on them, which was a sight to behold.

The vast sea further away had many islands as well as though they were stars in the Milky Way.

However, the mountainous land was not in a peaceful state.

Many mystical beasts roamed across the land with growls and grunts, blood splattering everywhere, and sounds of tearing flesh.

The land before his eyes was a vast and dangerous place, covered with mountains and sea.

Chapter 1614 Eighth-Grade Soul Flower, Spirit Expulsion Cursing Seal, Life-Death Arch Gilded Intent

Chu Kuangren and Lan Yu arrived in the Mountainous World manifested by the Book of Earth.

Other than the two of them, many familiar faces were there as well, such as Ye Zhu and Yu Zhi.

They all helped to defend him against multiple forces back at the Chaos Fragment, and he had yet to find a chance to express his gratitude.

After a brief conversation with them, he realized that they were exploring the Mountainous World on their own, so it was probably not a good time for him to interrupt them.

“Let’s go.”

He and Lan Yu started their own exploration of the world.

The place was filled with strange but mystical fruits, and all kinds of treasures were within sight. Unfortunately, most of them were useless to Chu Kuangren at his current level, so he simply kept all of them for a rainy day.

After all, he was no longer alone. He had to take care of the entire Firmament Star and manage their resources.

“Hmm? What kind of Immortal Fruit is this?”

Chu Kuangren saw an Immortal tree while exploring. The tree had several red fruits hanging on the branches, and they released a strange aroma into the air.

When he sniffed the aroma, it somehow energized and refreshed his mind.

“Lil Ai, analyze this.”

“Yes...”

After a brief analysis, the fruit turned out to be one that could increase one’s soul energy.

“Increase one’s soul energy? Will it be useful to treat Shi Ying’s injuries?”

“Report. Shi Ying’s injuries aren’t caused by the strength of her soul. It’s the separation. If her soul is not gathered and concentrated, any soul-boosting methods would be useless.”

“Okay. I got it.” Chu Kuangren nodded.

Nevertheless, he took the fruits and planned to use them to increase his own soul energy.

After setting up restriction seals in the area, and with Lan Yu guarding him, he consumed them.

As soon as the fruit entered his stomach, a warm and refreshing stream of energy gushed into his mind and started to nourish his soul in the mind ocean.

Gradually, all three of his souls grew stronger.

A soul had eight realms as mentioned before — Normal Soul, Immortal Soul, True Consciousness, Gilded Soul, Desolation, Requiescence, Chaos, and Transcendence.

His soul realm had reached the Desolation realm, and his Soul Flower had broken through to the sixth grade.

After consuming the fruits, his soul energy received a boost, and the Soul Flower broke through to the eighth grade.

He was four grades away from achieving the twelfth grade.

He did not consume all the fruits though but kept a few for Lan Yu. With the help of the fruits, Lan Yu would be able to manifest her Soul Flower a lot easier.

“Out of three flowers in the Trinity Flower realm, the Immortal’s Core Flower, the Life’s Core Flower, and the Soul Flower, I have already manifested the two of them. I think it’s time for me to manifest the third and the last one,” Chu Kuangren muttered.

The Life’s Core Flower represented a cultivator’s life force. In common sense, the longer one’s life expectancy, the higher the grade of the manifested Life’s Core Flower.

Chu Kuangren had the Indestructible Body and was almost unkillable.

He wondered what kind of Life’s Core Flower would manifest under such amazing conditions. He was curious.

Without further ado, he opened the Fantasy Roulette and did a gacha roll.

“Congratulations, Host! You’ve won the God-tier prize, Spirit Expulsion Cursing Seal.”

“Huh?”

Chu Kuangren curiously tapped on his Inventory and saw three strange talisman seals laying inside.

The Spirit Expulsion Cursing Seal was a terrifying talisman seal.

As its name suggested, it could be used to expel or control a person’s soul. No one under the Embodier Realm could resist or escape the control of the talisman seal.

“This is interesting. I have three Spirit Expulsion Cursing Seals, which means I can control three Arch Gilded Immortals.” Chu Kuangren rubbed his chin.

He had no interest in common Arch Gilded Immortals. After all, the strength of the target was not as important as the person’s value.

“Interesting...”

He started to think of several suitable candidates to use the talisman seals on.

After keeping the Spirit Expulsion Cursing Seals away, he continued his casual exploration in the Mountainous World, looking for the world’s core.

Only by controlling the Mountainous World’s core could one control the Book of Earth.

However, the core was hidden well, and no one had found it until now.

Maybe the core would only appear during a certain time period.

Boom...

After traveling for a while, he heard noises of a fierce battle ahead of him.

As he went forward to have a look, he saw a woman blast a bunch of sky-prides away with a raise of her hand, blasting out tsunami-like Immortal's Core energy at them.

The terrifying power made her resemble an Immortal Queen.

The woman was fighting the sky-prides over a stem of Immortal Herbs. Her power soon gave her the upper hand over the others.

"A bunch of trash trying to fight me?" The woman grunted coldly.

She was none other than the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden from the Eastern Sovereign Immortal Hall.

She was already an Arch Gilded Immortal, so common Prodigies and sky-prides were no longer her match. On top of her status as the Divine Maiden, she had access to a plethora of trump cards and techniques.

"This Immortal Herb can help increase the grade of my Immortal's Core Flower. It can at least break through to fourth grade after I consume it!"

The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden was delighted.

However, just when she was about to search for a place to refine the Immortal Herb, someone stood in her way.

The person was also a woman with silver hair and armor. The scepter in her hand granted her a grand and righteous aura as if she was a Valkyrie.

"Lan Yu?!"

The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden narrowed her eyes at Lan Yu as she kept the Immortal Herb away. She asked coldly, "What's wrong? Do you want this Immortal Herb as well? You will have to fight me for it."

Her Immortal's Core energy erupted, followed by a dense Arch Gilded Intent.

It was the Life-Death Arch Gilded Intent!

"Oh? Interesting," a surprised voice said.

A blast of Immortal Sparks erupted in the air and shrouded the area instantly.

A white figure emerged from the blast, and when the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden had a good look at the person, her eyes widened in shock. Her Life-Death Arch Gilded Intent dispersed in an instant.

"F*ck! It's him!"

The prestigious Divine Maiden could not help but curse when she saw Chu Kuangren.

Her beautiful eyes widened, and her face turned pale. She turned around and tried to run, but the area was already covered in silvery-white Daoist patterns.

The Spacetime Sealing Technique had sealed all her escape routes!

The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden fell into despair.

She thought that would be it for her.

Running into the grim reaper was the worst thing that could happen, especially with his grudge against the Immortal Hall. There was almost no way that she could escape alive.

The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden shut her eyes and waited for death to descend upon her.

However, after a while, the expected pain did not arrive.

She carefully opened her eyes and saw Chu Kuangren smiling at her.

“Are you not attacking?” he asked.

“Fighting you is courting death,” the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden said with despair in her tone.

“Do you really think I won’t kill you just because you’re not attacking?”

“Do whatever you want.”

“I can give you a chance. I’m standing here. If you can move me for even half a step, I’ll spare your life.”

As if his words were a silver lining to her, her eyes gleamed brightly as she said, “For real?”

“I never go back on my words.”

“Fine!”

Hope was ignited in her heart as Immortal’s Core energy gushed out like a geyser. Life-Death Arch Gilded Intent gathered at the tip of her finger and was shot at him.

“Arbitrary Art, Lifeless Finger!”

Countless Daoist patterns intertwined with the Life-Death Arch Gilded Intent and formed a massive finger shadow that would be shot at Chu Kuangren.

That energy could crush planets and eliminate thousands of lives with ease.

Chu Kuangren stood on the spot with a smile. “It’s really the Life-Death Arch Gilded Intent.”

Chapter 1615 How Much Of A Monster Is He? Great Arbiter Divine Maiden Submits

“It’s really the Life-Death Arch Gilded Intent!”

Chu Kuangren looked at the massive finger energy being shot at him. His lips curled into a smile, and he then activated his Chaos Celestial Demon Immortal Physique.

Life-Death Immortal Sparks swirled and formed a massive Yin Yang Life-Death Symbol to counter the finger energy.

Bang!

The two similar energies collided and caused a massive explosion.

Chu Kuangren simply used his pure Immortal's Core energy without the Arch Gilded Intent, yet he was able to match the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden's attack.

His Immortal's Core energy was much stronger than the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden.

Even if he did not use his Arch Gilded Intent, he did not fall behind too much.

The deafening blast destroyed mountains and rivers, causing a dust storm to rumble outward. The Life-Death energy wreaked havoc in the area.

"That's all a Divine Maiden of the Immortal Hall can do?" Chu Kuangren said.

"Arbitrary Art, Life-Death Heavenly Slash!"

The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden channeled her Immortal's Core energy into a massive saber shadow. Its terrifying might could even tear the heavens apart!

Chu Kuangren remained unfazed.

Universal Life-Death Cycle was channeled to release Life-Death Immortal Sparks. Its power seemingly could destroy heavens and worlds.

As the Life-Death energy intertwined, an even larger surge of stray energy burst in all directions.

"Damn it!"

The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden was aware that Chu Kuangren remained standing and unfazed.

He did not even use his Arch Gilded Intent to reach that level of power.

She could already imagine how easy it could be for him to kill her.

"Chu Kuangren! Take this! Arbitrary Art, Arch Gilded Deceased Mantra!"

She had cast another powerful Immortal Technique, but she still could not move Chu Kuangren, not even half an inch.

The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden used everything she got — all kinds of Immortal Techniques and divine abilities — and even shot her surging Immortal's Core energy at him.

Everything in a million-kilometer radius was leveled to the ground, turning the place into a wasteland.

The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden panted heavily after using all her attacks. She fell to her knees with sweat dripping off her forehead, and she looked terribly exhausted.

On the other hand, Chu Kuangren remained standing in his snowy white robes, free of a single speck of dust.

Lan Yu watched from the side with a ridiculing gaze.

The two of them were unmatched in that era. They looked perfect for each other when they stood by each other's side.

The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden somehow felt jealous, but the emotion was soon replaced by embarrassment and anger.

"Chu Kuangren, are you insulting me? You could've killed me with ease, yet you didn't do it. I shall let you know that the Divine Maiden of the Immortal Hall isn't someone you can toy with!" the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden shouted.

Her eyes suddenly shimmered brightly, and Life-Death Immortal Sparks started to swirl around her, boosting her energy to a whole new level.

"This is..." Chu Kuangren looked surprised.

"Her Life's Core is fading rapidly," Lil Ai's voice sounded in his head.

Only then did Chu Kuangren remember that the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden had a highly effective technique to boost her power by ignoring her own life force.

However, she had only used it on others before. She never thought she would have to use it on herself because Chu Kuangren forced her to.

"Life becomes Death, with Death comes Life! Arbitrary Art, Life-Death All Destruction!"

The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden used the damage-reversing Technique to push her power to the limit. Terrifying Life-Death Immortal Sparks shone brightly in the sky and shed its light across the land.

She was like the Supreme Divine Maiden who controlled life and death!

She threw a palm strike with boundless Immortal's Core energy forward, forming a dazzling palm projection with runes and Life-Death energy surrounding it. One palm could destroy all life on earth and split heaven in two.

It would be difficult for Chu Kuangren to block the attack without using his Arch Gilded Intent.

After all, it was the ultimate strike of a Divine Maiden of the Immortal Hall.

"Hoho. You have mastered it quite well." Chu Kuangren chuckled as if he had gained a certain insight based on the battle itself.

As he raised his hand, Celestial Demon qi intertwined, and a violent Life-Death Arch Gilded Intent spread outward to form a tremendous light wheel.

"Universal Life-Death Cycle!"

The massive bang shook heaven and earth.

Universal Life-Death Cycle pressed forward in an indomitable manner and collided with the massive palm projection.

The vast and boundless Life-Death Immortal Sparks swept across the land, destroying everything visible to the eye.

Heaven collapsed, and all life was destroyed!

Even Gods could not survive the attack unscathed.

As the blast stirred up a violent dust storm, the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden was sent flying backward.

Her energy presence had weakened tremendously. She had decided to put the damage-reversing Technique away at the very last moment because if she continued, she would kill herself using it.

It was indeed a dangerous technique.

If she did not stop, she might fall on her own after burning all of her life force out.

“That’s my strongest attack. He should...”

The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden looked into the rumbling dust.

As the dust settled, Chu Kuangren remained standing arrogantly, looking calmer than ever. His feet remained deeply rooted on the ground, not budging for even an inch.

In fact, he had massive Life-Death Arch Gilded Intent swirling around him.

The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden was in despair.

She had given everything in the attack, but Chu Kuangren did not even flinch. He was like the tallest mountain that she failed to conquer.

“He did not have that Arch Gilded Intent before. How did he suddenly possess it?”

She strongly believed she could defeat Chu Kuangren if not for the Life-Death Arch Gilded Intent.

Unfortunately, he used his Arch Gilded Intent in the end.

Then, a sudden epiphany rushed into her mind, and it caused her eyes to widen in shock.

Something was not right.

If Chu Kuangren wanted her dead, she would already be dead. Why would he challenge her to move him from the spot?

Was he really toying with her?

What about the Life-Death Arch Gilded Intent that was so similar to hers?

When the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden related the situation to the fact that Chu Kuangren possessed multiple Arch Gilded Intents, she finally realized what had happened.

“You’re using me to comprehend the Life-Death Arch Gilded Intent?!” The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden looked at Chu Kuangren in utmost disbelief.

“How could you comprehend an Arch Gilded Intent in the midst of a battle? What? How did you do it?”

It was unbelievable, but once she thought of all the miracles caused by the man, she suddenly felt it was only natural that he comprehended the Arch Gilded Intent mid-battle.

"You... What kind of monster are you?" she muttered.

"You failed to move me from the spot. Since you helped me to comprehend the Life-Death Arch Gilded Intent, I'll grant you a swift death," Chu Kuangren said.

He pointed his sword hand sign forward and wanted to end her life.

Upon learning that he had just toyed with her, the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden felt a sense of despair and grief.

However, her strong desire to live made her kneel on the floor with a thud.

"I'm the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden, and I have a certain level of authority and power in the Immortal Hall. Spare me and I will do whatever you want."

Chu Kuangren was intrigued. He thought of the Spirit Expulsion Cursing Seal that he had just gotten.

The target for the talisman seal could be anyone. There was no cultivation requirement, but in terms of value, the Divine Maiden of the Immortal Hall could rival that of a Perfected Arch Gilded Immortal.

Since he would be going against the Immortal Hall in the future, he should start preparing for it now.

"Interesting."

Chu Kuangren revealed a Spirit Expulsion Cursing Seal, or more precisely, a talisman.

"Go!" he bellowed.

The talisman seal transformed into a streak of light and was shot at the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden's body.

Chapter 1616 How Do You Feel? Wuzhuang Temple, Pepino Melon

The moment Spirit Expulsion Cursing Seal entered the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden's body, it went straight to her soul.

For a moment there, she felt like she had lost control of her own life and death. However, she had a feeling that it would only take one thought from Chu Kuangren to kill her.

"What is this?" The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden was horrified.

"Something that I can use to control you," Chu Kuangren said indifferently.

With a single thought from him, the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden's face turned pale. She covered her head and collapsed on the ground, screaming excruciatingly.

It was not the physical pain that tormented her; it was the pain from her soul, which was a hundred times more tormenting than physical pain.

Not even the toughest of men could endure such pain, let alone a woman like her.

Her mind was being ravaged mercilessly.

She would rather be dead than suffer such torments.

Her screams lasted for a while before they eventually grew soft. She lay on the ground, weak and wretched.

“How do you feel?” Chu Kuangren asked as he sized up the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden.

She looked at the man with utmost fear. He was like the living devil asking her the most common question.

“What do you want?”

“Nothing much. I’m just testing out the Spirit Expulsion Cursing Seal’s effect,” he said.

The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden got up on her feet slowly. “What do you want me to do?”

“Go back to your Immortal Hall. When I need you, I will contact you,” he said.

With that, he turned around and planned to leave. However, before he could, a thought rushed into his mind.

“Your damage-reversing technique is quite interesting. Give it to me.”

“Alright.”

The Great Arbiter Divine Maiden dared not defy him anymore. She immediately handed over her damage-reversing technique to Chu Kuangren.

After that, the two parted ways.

As Chu Kuangren slowly left her sight, the Great Arbiter Divine Maiden wore a conflicted look on her. She knew Chu Kuangren had branded her with his mark permanently.

It was an insult that she could not erase for the rest of her life.

“Damn it!”

She dished out a palm strike at the nearby mountain, crushing it into dust.

Chu Kuangren was aware of the little commotion behind him. He smiled but was not bothered.

“I have two more Spirit Expulsion Cursing Seals. Who should I use them on?”

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A few days after the Book of Earth’s Mountainous World opened, a beam of light shot up into the sky from inside it.

Daoist laws surrounded the pillar of light like stars in the galaxy.

A powerful energy presence spread outward in all directions.

All the sky-prides and Prodigies who were exploring the Mountainous World sensed it. They all turned in that direction and responded with an odd look.

“This energy presence means some big Opportunity of Fortune has appeared.”

"It's definitely unusual. It seems like only the Book of Earth's core can release such a powerful energy presence. Who got it?"

"We shall find out."

Almost everyone flew toward the source of the powerful energy presence with overflowing desire and excitement.

Somewhere on a mountain, a blue-haired woman stood tall on its peak. Boundless scorching energy surrounded her and turned the area around her into charred lands.

She was in the center of the massive charred land!

She stared into the light pillar further away and muttered, "This energy presence belongs to the Book of Earth's core. It's showtime."

Her figure flashed and disappeared from the spot.

On the other hand, a man in bronze armor threw a punch, creating an image of a massive army.

The ferocious beast before him was torn apart by his fist energy.

The man was Gou Chen Imperial Commander of the Immortal Hall.

He turned to the light pillar with gleaming eyes. "Chu Kuangren, will you be there?"

With a step forward, he traversed more than a million kilometers, leaving a trail of quakes in his wake as if a massive army was marching forward with him.

Each of his movements brought forth the might of an army.

On a random island within the Mountainous World, another black and white light beam shot up into the sky with Yin Yang energy manifesting from it. It somehow released a strange energy fluctuation in the air.

The beam faded after a while.

Calamity Yin Yang, with his hands behind his back, stepped out from it.

Behind him was a pile of dead sky-prides and Prodigies, whose blood stained the river red.

"Interesting. If the Book of Earth's core has appeared, many other sky-prides and Prodigies will be there. I wonder how many Peerless Prodigies I can kill," he said in a ridiculing tone.

Then, his figure flashed and disappeared as he flew toward the light beam.

"Amitabha."

As the mantra echoed, Fa Hai looked towards the light beam while wielding his scepter and bowl.

"The Book of Earth cannot fall into the wrong hands."

"As the Buddha wills it!"

Behind Fa Hai were a number of sky-prides and Prodigies, putting their hands together and praying with utmost sincerity.

They were all from different forces and orthodoxies. They used to be talented sky-prides with a bright future, but they had now all become Fa Hai's followers.

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Thousands of Daoist laws circulated a massive mountain ridge, making it look like the spine of the galaxy.

Beneath the mountain ridge was a massive Daoist temple.

In front of its gates was a massive signage with its name carved on it — Wuzhuang Temple.

Inside the Daoist temple were pavements made of Immortals Stones. Immortal Trees were dancing in the front yard, and there was an orchard with boundless qi and Immortal Sparks emanating from it.

Countless sky-prides and Prodigies were in awe of the grand Daoist temple.

"So this is the source of the light pillar? But where's the Book of Earth's core?"

"Look. The Daoist temple looks strange."

"Wuzhuang Temple."

Someone suddenly remembered the origin of the Daoist temple's name.

With a surprised squeal, he said, "Could this be where Zhen Yuanzi, the Earthen Immortal's ancestor, cultivated?"

Powerful elites roamed free during ancient times.

Other than a handful of Primordials, the others also possessed powers that should not be underestimated, such as the Nether River Forefather and West Ruler Matriarch.

Zhen Yuanzi was a top Embodier. Be it his strength, status, or reputation, he was on par with, or even surpassed, the Nether River Forefather.

Zhen Yuanzi called himself the Earthen Immortal's ancestor. He was also the owner of the Book of Earth, and the place he resided was Wuzhuang Temple.

"It was said that the Earthen Immortal's ancestor possessed not only the Book of Earth but also an Innate Spiritual Root, the Pepino melon. The melon could extend one's lifespan and help an Arch Gilded Immortal to manifest the Life's Core Flower. It's really powerful," someone said after a quick glance.

Soon, the group noticed the Pepino tree.

A massive tree was located in a corner of the front yard, and hanging on the branches were crystal clear fruits that were shaped like a human baby.

"The Innate Spiritual Root is really something different."

The group gulped nervously.

The Pepino melon was a rare fruit that was assumed extinct in the current era.

If anyone could have a bite, it would definitely boost his or her cultivation level greatly.

“Let’s just get one first.”

One of the sky-prides grew restless and flew toward Wuzhuang Temple.

However, a surge of sword qi came in so fast that it blasted the sky-pride away.

Chapter 1617 Gou Chen Imperial Commander Versus Calamity Yin Yang, Lil Fox Is One Step Ahead

“The Pepino melon is not something anyone can have their eyes on,” a cold voice said.

A man in bronze armor, whose hand wielded a sword and back carried a bow, came over confidently.

A terrifying energy presence overflowed as he approached. It felt like a massive army had arrived.

“It’s Gou Chen Imperial Commander!”

“It’s him!?”

“One of the six Imperial Commanders of the Immortal Hall? He has finally appeared?”

His arrival put a heavy look on the crowd’s faces.

Following his arrival, more powerful energy presences appeared one after another.

One of them carried scorching energy presence, and the sheer heat scorched the land charred.

The mysterious blue-haired woman appeared.

The Gou Chen Imperial Commander was slightly surprised by the woman’s arrival.

“A Prodigy from the Jiangshi Restricted Area? Who are you?”

“Hanba, Drought Maiden.”

“Oh, the current era’s Drought Maiden. Please excuse my impoliteness.”

The Drought Maiden was a title given to the best sky-pride of the Hanba Tribe, and it granted the sky-pride a prestigious status among the tribe.

Following Drought Maiden’s arrival, another substantial Buddhist Light shone into the sky.

Conjurations of flowers dancing in the sky appeared, and an ancient Buddha apparition manifested.

A handsome monk in white Kasaya, wielding a golden Zen scepter and a violet golden bowl came over.

Behind him were other sky-prides and Prodigies, all bald. Some of them were quite famous in the Immortal World, and they all followed Fa Hai around with the most devoted look.

“Damn. Isn’t that Ultimate Sword Shadow? Why is he a monk now?”

“That’s the Flowery Deity! Where’s her hair?”

“What happened? Why are they all monks and nuns now? Who is that monk in white Kasaya?”

The group was dumbfounded by the strange scene.

The Gou Chen Imperial Commander and Drought Maiden looked at the incoming group, their expressions dark.

“Since when did the Buddhist world have such a strange cultivator?” the Gou Chen Imperial Commander said.

“Amitabha. I’m Fa Hai, a disciple of the Great Thunder Temple.”

Everyone had heard of the Great Thunder Temple.

“I heard that two years ago, the Far West Land’s Five Ways Pure Land suffered a catastrophic Buddha Destroyer incident. They were heavily impacted, and after that, it paved the way for the Great Thunder Temple to rise to power.”

“Hmph. Fa Hai seems unusual.”

Bang!

Then, black and white Immortal Sparks exploded in the air.

A streak of light flew in with extreme speed, leaving a trail of destruction behind.

A number of the crowd could sense a terrifying aura from the streak of light.

“Hahaha! There are so many sky-prides and Prodigies here. It seems like I can go on a killing spree!”

A burst of laughter sounded.

Calamity Yin Yang had arrived.

The other sky-prides and Prodigies reacted heavily to his arrival.

“What is this strange energy presence?”

“Why do I feel like he’s oppressing me?”

Calamity Yin Yang was someone they could not understand.

He cultivated the Yin Yang Dao and had merged himself with the calamitous energy of the world. Hence, he had a natural oppression toward all the living beings in this world.

Those who were weaker or on par with him might face a huge disadvantage if they engaged him in a fight.

Ever since his appearance, many sky-prides and Prodigies had fallen to his might. Even the great ones of the Immortal World wanted to eliminate him.

Unfortunately, he snatched the will of the Immortal World from a Heavenly Champion and became one of them, which prevented the great ones from targeting him.

“Oh? Is this the legendary Pepino melon? Interesting.”

Calamity Yin Yang reached out to the Pepino tree, but the Gou Chen Imperial Commander stood right before him.

With a single slash, he was able to force Calamity Yin Yang away.

“Interesting.”

Calamity Yin Yang stared at the Gou Chen Imperial Commander with slight surprise.

Ever since his appearance, rarely any sky-prides or Prodigies could force him back. The Gou Chen Imperial Commander would be the first one.

“Is this the power of a Peerless Prodigy? Very well, I shall test your strength myself.”

Calamity Yin Yang’s Yin Yang Immortal Sparks swirled, and he unleashed his Arch Gilded Intent mixed with the calamitous energy at the Gou Chen Imperial Commander. In the process, the void shattered.

The Gou Chen Imperial Commander might be surprised at the strangeness of the calamitous energy, but as a Peeress Prodigy, he was also powerful.

He swung a slash forward, releasing the power of a massive army in the sword ray.

When the two energies clashed, the void shattered.

Calamity Yin Yang and the Gou Chen Imperial Commander were both blasted away.

“My Arch Gilded Intent was overpowered by ten percent...”

The Gou Chen Imperial Commander reacted grimly to the blast. It was his first time running into such a strange opponent.

Fortunately, even though he was overpowered, he could still put up a fight with his remaining strength.

Calamity Yin Yang might be a powerful opponent, but his cultivation base was not ridiculously powerful. It was even slightly weaker than the Gou Chen Imperial Commander.

He could overpower the Gou Chen Imperial Commander because of the calamitous energy.

“Haha. You are indeed powerful.”

After having a grasp of the Gou Chen Imperial Commander, the arrogance in Calamity Yin Yang toned down.

He might possess the Calamitous energy of the world, but it was not enough for him to disregard everyone. He still had to strengthen himself for future challenges.

“The Pepino melon can help one manifest the Life’s Core Flower. I must get it,” Calamity Yin Yang thought.

Unfortunately, with the Gou Chen Imperial Commander in his way, it would not be easy for him to get the fruit.

“There are quite a number of Pepino melons here. Why don’t we just split it?” Calamity Yin Yang suggested.

His words made the Gou Chen Imperial Commander, Drought Maiden, and the others ponder.

“There are only forty-nine of the Pepino melons. How are we going to split it?” the Drought Maiden asked.

“We’ll see who gets the most!”

Calamity Yin Yang’s figure flashed as he dashed forward like a bolt of lightning and headed straight for the Pepino tree.

“Hmph! You’re not the one with speed here!” The Gou Chen Imperial Commander grinned.

The others also joined the fray.

Yu Zhi, Ye Zhu, and others who were rather close to Chu Kuangren also joined the competition.

They, too, were tempted by the Pepino melons.

However, Wuzhuang Temple was surrounded by layers of restriction seals, stopping intruders from entering.

While the group tried their best to break the restriction seals to enter the temple, one of the sky-prides noticed someone had made it through.

“Look! There’s a fox inside!”

The group turned in that direction.

A girl with fox ears swiftly passed through the restriction seals and arrived before the Pepino tree before everyone else.

The girl had a Moonfang Mark on her forehead that released a faint but substantial Daoist Rhyme.

“It’s the Moonlight Fox!”

“A Moonlight Fox can ignore restriction seals! Damn it! We must stop her!”

The one who passed through the restriction seals without hindrance was indeed Lil Fox.

She grinned at the others who were trying to break through the restriction seals. “You guys can take your time. I’ll be taking the Pepino melons.”

She reached out to one of the Pepino melons, but no matter how hard she tried, she could not pluck it.

“What fruit is this? I can’t pluck it.”

“Lil Fox, those are the Pepino melons. It will only fall when it touches metal, and it will sink when it lands on the ground. Try to pluck it with metal and do not let it fall on the ground,” Ye Zhu telepathically informed Lil Fox from outside.

He knew Lil Fox from the Chaos Fragment because she appeared and helped Chu Kuangren.

She was an ally.

“I see.”

Sudden realization hit Lil Fox. She pulled out a small mallet and hammered the Pepino melons.

Bang!

The Pepino fruits fell, and Lil Fox quickly caught them using her Yin and Yang Ring.

Then, she happily continued malleting the other fruits from the tree.

Chapter 1618 Not Interested In Jiangshi, Four Peerless Prodigies Teamed Up Against Chu Kuangren

While Lil Fox was on a plucking spree inside the Daoist temple's yard, Calamity Yin Yang, Drought Maiden, and the others were engaged in a fierce fight.

"Gou Chen Imperial Commander!" Calamity Yin Yang shouted.

The Gou Chen Imperial Commander looked at him, and both of them exchanged a tacit glance.

"We should deal with Lil Fox first."

Calamity Yin Yang gathered Yin Yang energy at his hand and shot a beam of light forward. It was similar to Chu Kuangren's Divine Yin Yang Rejuvenation Light.

The Gou Chen Imperial Commander swirled his sword in a flurry and released a sharp sword qi forward.

The Yin Yang beam and the sword qi struck the restriction seals at a single point.

When Fa Hai noticed the combined attack, he also joined the fray and released a massive palm strike at the same location.

Bang!

The combination of three different energies shattered the restriction seals with an indomitable force.

After shattering the restriction seals, the combined attack continued forward to Lil Fox.

Lil Fox did not expect that a combined attack would be shot at her.

Her face turned pale. "Damn!"

She was not yet an Arch Gilded Immortal, and even though the combined attack had weakened after breaking through the restriction seals, it was enough to kill her ten times over.

It was at that moment, countless sword qi appeared in the realm and formed multiple sword barriers in front of Lil Fox.

Having been blocked by the sword qi barrier, the combined attack disappeared after a massive explosion.

"That's the Nine-layered Sword Barrier!"

"Only a handful of people in the Immortal World cultivate this technique. It must be him!"

The Nine-layered Sword Barrier was one of the Twenty-four Sword Dao Techniques.

Throughout the entire Immortal World, other than those lost in the river of time, a number of swordsmen cultivated the Nine-layered Sword Barrier. However, there was only one man who could use it to block the combined attack of three Peerless Prodigies.

Everyone stopped fighting.

They looked up into the sky. As their gazes pierced the clouds, they spotted a figure in white standing on a mountain peak further away, bearing an arrogant demeanor and absolute confidence.

He looked down at the crowd with a ridiculing grin.

“Chu Kuangren is here.”

“It’s really him.”

Everyone’s heart grew heavy.

Gou Chen Imperial Commander narrowed his gleaming eyes. He grew restless as he thought, “He is the one who defeated the Holy Violet Imperial Commander and Qinghua Imperial Commander. He is really strong.”

Fa Hai put his hands together and chanted the mantra. Then, he looked at Chu Kuangren with overflowing hostility in his eyes.

“The Demon King!”

To the Buddhist world, Chu Kuangren was the representation of the title.

He had the Papiyas energy and the Desire Flower. On top of that, he had killed countless monks, Arhats, and even Bodhisattvas in the Far West Land two years ago.

The sins that he had committed rivaled that of Papiyas.

“This energy presence...”

The Drought Maiden looked at Chu Kuangren strangely as she sensed a similar energy presence from Chu Kuangren.

Was he a Jiangshi as well?

No. He did not possess the Jiangshi qi.

She sized him up with a strange gaze.

At the same time, Calamity Yin Yang’s expression sank. The Great Dao qi in his body grew restless, and it was resisting Chu Kuangren’s presence.

He possessed the Calamitous energy, which naturally oppressed and overpowered all the sky-prides and Prodigies in this world, except for Chu Kuangren.

“Master!”

Lil Fox was delighted when she saw Chu Kuangren.

At the next moment, Chu Kuangren took a step out from the mountain, disappeared, and reappeared on the battlefield in a split second, next to Lil Fox.

He patted and caressed Lil Fox's head and said, "You're safe now."

His words gave her the best assurance that she could ask for.

No matter how many more Arch Gilded Immortals or even Embodier would try to harm her, she was no longer afraid because she knew the man before her eyes would protect her from harm.

Chu Kuangren sized up the group with a sharp gaze. Then, he smiled and said, "Everyone, can I have the Pepino melons? Please?"

His charming smile melted the hearts of all the female cultivators, even the Drought Maiden.

Her withered heart was nourished with the dew of affection once more.

She looked at Chu Kuangren with a determined gaze.

She had to get Chu Kuangren for herself!

The other cultivators exchanged a quick look with each other before they all chose to stay away.

Fighting Chu Kuangren was suicidal.

None of them had the guts or nerves to challenge him.

"Leave!"

"The Pepino melon is good but not as good as staying alive."

"Yeah."

A number of the sky-prides and Prodigies decided to step away.

Soon, only the Gou Chen Imperial Commander, the Drought Demon, Fa Hai, and Calamity Yin Yang were left.

The four of them surrounded Chu Kuangren in a square formation with each of them taking one edge.

Chu Kuangren smiled. "The stronger you are, the bolder you become? I guess that saying is right. You people are bold, but are you strong enough to take me on?"

"Chu Kuangren, are you taking all the Pepino melons? Can you even consume that many?" the Gou Chen Imperial Commander said coldly.

The Drought Maiden licked her lips affectionately. "I don't want the Pepino melon. I just want to test your strength. I want to see if you are worthy to be my man."

Her words attracted all the remaining attention to herself.

Yu Zhi frowned. "What an arrogant person!"

Lan Yu gripped her scepter tightly and grunted. "A dead Jiangshi eyeing over my master?!"

Chu Kuangren was not bothered at all. "Unfortunately, I'm not interested in Jiangshi."

"That won't be a problem. I will make you hard for me." The Drought Maiden grinned perversely.

Her voluptuous body tensed and dashed forward at Chu Kuangren like a bolt of lightning.

She threw a punch containing the True Flame at Chu Kuangren.

It was the Drought Demon True Flame!

Chu Kuangren's eyes gleamed. "Hanba the Drought Demon? Interesting."

He activated the Enchanted Sleeve and kept Lil Fox inside before he, too, activated his Drought Demon True Body.

He countered her punch with his own.

The two fair fists collided!

The overflowing fist energy crushed mountains and stirred up a whirlwind that wreaked havoc.

The entire Wuzhuang Temple trembled violently.

"Drought Demon True Body?!"

The Drought Maiden's eyes shimmered. "No wonder I sensed a similar energy presence from you. You've cultivated the Drought Demon True Body!"

"Haha. I'm the one embarrassing myself for using the Drought Demon True Body in front of the real Drought Demon, Hanba." Chu Kuangren smiled.

The clash pushed the two of them back.

Chu Kuangren countered only with his physical body and not his Immortal's Core energy, but it was more than enough to prove how powerful the Drought Maiden was.

"No, no. It's not embarrassing at all. You're beautiful!" The Drought Maiden smiled. Her interest in Chu Kuangren seemed to have grown deeper.

She took a step forward and swung her punches in a flurry.

Her Drought Demon True Body was channeled to the limit. It contained the True Flame energy within, which power could destroy an entire ancient planet with ease.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

Chu Kuangren exchanged a dozen punches with the Drought Maiden.

Even his body started to shake, which gave him a rare feeling of refreshment.

Suddenly, a sword ray fell from the sky, containing endless sharpness as though an entire army was falling.

Buddhist Light also manifested into a massive Swastika symbol in the air and crashed down at Chu Kuangren.

As Yin Yang Immortal Sparks swirled, a black and white beam formed and shot at Chu Kuangren.

Gou Chen Imperial Commander, Fa Hai, and Calamity Yin Yang joined the battle.

Chapter 1619 The Ultimates Of Four Peerless Prodigies, Let Me Show You What True Power Is

While Chu Kuangren was engaged in a fight with the Drought Maiden, the other three Prodigies joined the battle.

Sword ray, a golden Swastika crashing from the sky, and the Yin Yang beam that was shot forth — all three attacks came in from three different directions, carrying a terrifying and indomitable might.

Chu Kuangren chuckled in the middle of his fight with the Drought Maiden. His Immortal's Core energy erupted like a volcano and shook the void like raging tides.

Bang!

He threw a punch out. The fist energy contained his Immortal's Core energy.

Thousands of crimson thunderbolts mixed with his Immortal's Core energy burst as he landed the punch on the Drought Maiden's beautiful face, blasting her away and sending her crashing through several mountains.

Then, he channeled his Celestial Demon qi to the limit.

Life-Death intent swirled and transformed into the Yin Yang Life and Death Symbol.

With that, the Yin Yang Life and Death Symbol collided with all three attacks.

As the sword ray shattered, the golden Buddhist Light dispersed, and the Yin Yang beam diminished.

The overflowing Yin Yang energy from Yin Yang Life and Death Symbol scattered out, forcing all three of them away.

Calamity Yin Yang, Fa Hai, and Gou Chen Imperial Commander had grave looks on their faces as they were forced back.

Chu Kuangren looked at Calamity Yin Yang with an odd look. "Your energy presence is unusual... It seems like you're the one who hatched from the Void Egg. Interesting."

Xu Wu once said that the Void Egg carried a massive threat.

However, based on what Chu Kuangren saw in Calamity Yin Yang, there was nothing to be afraid of, or maybe it was only to him?

Swoosh.

Chu Kuangren dashed toward Calamity Yin Yang in a flash.

Calamity Yin Yang's eyes shrank in fear.

He was the nemesis of the sky-prides and Prodigies in the world, but Chu Kuangren was his bane.

"Calamitous Yin Yang, Realm Desolation!"

Calamity Yin Yang channeled his Immortal's Core energy, Calamitous energy, and Yin Yang Arch Gilded Intent all together. The three energies merged into a beam of Immortal Sparks that blasted at Chu Kuangren.

It was a tremendously powerful attack.

Chu Kuangren, however, responded indifferently. Life-Death energy intertwined behind him and formed a massive light wheel.

A destructive intent came from the wheel and expanded in all directions.

It was the Universal Life-Death Cycle!

When Yin Yang and Life-Death energies clashed, heaven and earth shook, and the surrounding void was destroyed.

Calamity Yin Yang was pushed back for a dozen meters. With a long face, he said, "You are indeed the bane of Calamities. If your existence is not erased, when the other Calamities arrive, we will face a massive hindrance."

"Calamities? So it means there are others like you? Are there more Void Eggs out there? Interesting."

Chu Kuangren continued smiling while he used Lil Ai to scan Calamity Yin Yang.

On the other hand, Fa Hai and Gou Chen Imperial Commander attacked once more.

"Thousand Army Sword, Invincible Army!"

Gou Chen Imperial Commander narrowed his eyes sharply and released a myriad of sword rays from his body.

Each sword ray represented a soldier, and a myriad represented ten thousand soldiers! Murderous qi instantly filled the realm.

"Oh? Invincible Army? I wonder how you hold against Chiyou, the Lord of Soldiers?" Chu Kuangren chuckled.

The Great Wasteland Halberd was already in his hand.

Massive amounts of demonic qi swept across the field, carrying a vast demonic might. It was as though the Demonic Forefather Chiyou had arrived again.

Other than being the Demonic Forefather, Chiyou was also known as the Lord of Soldiers, leading tens of thousands of soldiers onto the battlefield and dominating his enemies!

Chu Kuangren faced Gou Chen Imperial Commander's sword qi head-on by swinging his Great Wasteland Halberd in a flurry, releasing tremendous murderous qi and demonic qi together.

It was as though Chiyou had descended on the battlefield with his Eighty-one Demonic Generals, dominating the battlefield and subjugating the wasteland!

The third technique of the Great Wasteland Halberd Technique, Great Wasteland Subjugation!

Bang!

The sword ray clashed with demonic qi.

When an explosion erupted in the void, multiple dark holes cracked open in the sky. A massive amount of stray spatial energy streams gushed forward, almost tearing the Deep Void apart.

Spat!

Gou Chen Imperial Commander spat a mouthful of blood as he was blasted away.

Then, a massive shadow appeared above Chu Kuangren's head.

He looked up and saw a massive violet-golden bowl falling from the sky.

As the bowl crashed onto him, images of ancient Buddhas manifested.

Brahmic rhymes echoed, sounding holistic and ancient, and a massive pressure enveloped Chu Kuangren from above as if he was facing ten thousand mountains.

"Buddha? The Five Ways Pure Land doesn't have a Prodigy like you. You must be from the Great Thunder Temple." Chu Kuangren chuckled.

The Great Wasteland Halberd in his hand continued to unleash endless demonic aura.

Mysterious violet demonic patterns appeared on his face, and strong battle intents surged

It was Chiyou's Demonic Pattern and the Battle Secret Art!

With two secret techniques buffing his attack, Murderous Arch Gilded Intent erupted.

He swung his halberd forward, unleashing millions of halberd rays at the massive violet-golden bowl above his head and crashing into the ancient Buddhas one by one.

A deafening blast later, the violet-golden bowl was blasted away.

Fa Hai's expression changed. He quickly retrieved the violet-golden bowl, and as soon as he saw a crack in it, he felt bad for damaging the bowl.

"Demon King, your obstinate murderous desire ends today. I will remove you from this world for the sake of the living," Fa Hai said righteously.

He performed a series of hand seals with his hands, and Buddhist Light started to shine from his body.

Meanwhile, Buddhist characters manifested around him and formed golden dragons above his head.

There were a total of eight dragons summoned, each reaching a million meters in length.

The boundless aura shook heaven and earth.

"Supreme Ksitigarbha, Astasena!"

On the other hand, Calamity Yin Yang also channeled his Immortal's Core energy to the limit and shot forth black and white Immortal Sparks.

“Yin Yang Cycling, creating duality and killing all enemies with its divine light!”

Black and white intertwined to form a divine light that shone across the realm.

The divine light contained a massive amount of Calamitous qi as if it would consume the world.

“Chu Kuangren, take this!”

Gou Chen Imperial Commander recovered and flew up into the sky, where he sheathed his sword and retrieved his bow from his back.

With the string drawn, the arrow was loaded before it was released.

All actions were done in a smooth and seamless sequence.

An arrow formed by endless mystical runes formed in the sky.

The spiritual qi of the realm gathered at the flying arrow’s tip frantically, increasing its power as it traveled.

The powerful arrow carried explosive strength with it!

“The divine arrow that pierces clouds, gathering the strength of a myriad army into one. Godbreaker!”

In fact, before Gou Chen Imperial Commander even released his arrow, his endless aura had already shaken the void.

The phenomenon of a myriad of soldiers charging on the battlefield appeared once more, and their power was all fused into the arrow.

The power of a myriad of soldiers gathered in an arrow could demolish anything that stood in its way, including Gods and demons.

Bang!

A scorching energy burst out from the mountains, charring the land.

The Drought Maiden emerged from the mountains. Her blue hair fluttered along the wind, but her nose was bleeding and slightly dislocated.

Her beautiful face looked ferocious. “Even if you are my ideal man, I won’t forgive you for hitting my face!”

Drought Demon True Flame was blasted forward in the form of a fireball.

Its power rivaled even the other three Prodigies and their respective ultimate attack.

Those who watched from afar gulped nervously.

The combination of all four attacks was enough to wipe out everyone on the field.

However, Chu Kuangren remained calm and cool despite being the target of all four ultimate attacks.

His Immortal Sparks swirled and started to bring out an entirely different Arch Gilded Intent.

“Very well. I shall use this fist to show you people what true power is.”

Chu Kuangren clenched his fist, and billions of Immortal Sparks overflowed from the seams of his fingers as he charged his attack.

Chapter 1620 The Might of the Arch Gilded Godly Fist, Four Peerless Prodigies Defeated

Chu Kuangren was fearless against the ultimate techniques of all four Prodigies. He even wore a smile on his face.

He clenched his fist, and billions of Immortal Sparks overflowed from the seams of his fingers.

Powerful Arch Gilded Intent overflowed from within and swept the field.

Samsara Arch Gilded Intent, Destructive Arch Gilded Intent, Merciful Arch Gilded Intent, Life-Death Arch Gilded Intent — all Arch Gilded Intent intertwined and shone brightly.

When everyone else sensed the various Arch Gilded Intent from Chu Kuangren, their eyes shrank in fear and admiration.

“What? How can he possess that many Arch Gilded Intent?”

“How did he do it?”

All of them were dumbfounded.

Arch Gilded Intent was a standard measurement unit for an Arch Gilded Immortal’s strength. The stronger the Arch Gilded Intent, the more powerful the Arch Gilded Immortal.

However, no matter how strong an Arch Gilded Immortal would be, he or she would only cultivate one or two Arch Gilded Intent.

It was quality over quantity.

Arch Gilded Immortals who possessed multiple Arch Gilded Intent like Chu Kuangren were non-existent.

Following the appearance of multiple Arch Gilded Intent, Chu Kuangren’s energy presence surged to a terrifying level.

The Arch Gilded Intent intertwined in his fist and formed something even more horrifying than himself.

“Now!”

Calamity Yin Yang’s pupils widened in fear as he pushed his attack forward.

Terrifying Yin Yang Immortal Sparks shot forward in a destructive manner, demolishing everything in its path.

Gou Chen Imperial Commander and the others also launched their attacks.

“Go!”

The Gou Chen Imperial Commander drew the string of his bow, accumulating the power of a myriad of soldiers into his arrow, and released it. The power that could shoot a planet down was shot toward Chu Kuangren.

The Drought Maiden shouted as she gathered the Drought Demon True Flame into a fireball before she hurled it at Chu Kuangren.

Similarly, Fa Hai released eight of his dragons at Chu Kuangren, carrying heaven-shaking, earth-shattering power. The roars alone felt like they could crush planets.

Chu Kuangren scanned over the incoming attacks swiftly.

Another Arch Gilded Intent gathered in his fist. Then, he got into a firm stance by lowering his waist and threw his punch at the incoming attacks.

Billions of Immortal Sparks shot out in a blinding manner. They were so bright that they shadowed the sun!

Multiple Arch Gilded Intent intertwined, collided, and fused with countless Daoist patterns in his fist energy.

The Arch Gilded Godly Fist was a special technique that was used to control all the Arch Gilded Intent he mastered.

Bang!

The Arch Gilded Godly Fist shook the realm.

It clashed with the massive stream of energy from all four of the attacks.

There was no deafening explosion during the clash; only the void breaking and shattering in silence.

Mountains and rivers withered and dried up in dead silence, disintegrating into dust.

Everything in the area was erased by the colorful shockwaves from the blast.

Many sky-prides and Prodigies widened their eyes in shock. They all channeled their Immortal's Core energy to the limit just to defend against the terrifying energy shockwaves.

Bang!

After a moment of dead silence, a deafening explosion happened, shaking the land across a million kilometers.

Billions of Immortal Sparks intertwined and collided before everyone's eyes. The countless Daoist runes were like strokes of a master painter on a canvas, highlighting the void in a mystical and colorful pattern.

It was dazzling and blinding.

Beneath the beautiful scene was a terrifying murderous intent.

Countless sky-prides and Prodigies felt that they would be killed within an instant if they were caught in between the clash or got hit by the stray energy.

It was beyond terrifying.

Bang!

After the collision, four figures were blasted away from the billion Immortal Sparks.

It was Gou Chen Imperial Commander and the others.

Each of them was injured to a different degree.

The Drought Maiden was a little better as she had a powerful body and high resistance to damage.

Next would be the Gou Chen Imperial Commander because he had a full set of armor equipped.

However, Fa Hai and Calamity Yin Yang had it the worst. The Daoist patterns on their body had cracked, and they did not look happy.

"They've been injured! What about Chu Kuangren? What happened to him?"

"I don't know..."

Everyone tried to search for Chu Kuangren in the dust storm.

All they saw was a white figure standing tall in the center of the dust storm, releasing a steady and pure presence.

It was Chu Kuangren!

Compared to the four Prodigies who were in a wretched state, he looked like he was fine.

His white robes remained unstained.

He stood with his hands behind his back, and Immortal Sparks continued to surround him like he was the Immortal King who peered down at all lives.

He was unscathed!

The attacks from all four Prodigies did not even make him flinch!

Everyone gasped in fear as they looked at him as if he was a monster.

"I know he's powerful but not this powerful."

"Is there a limit to his power?"

Even Ye Zhu, Yu Zhi, and the others who knew Chu Kuangren better were shocked.

"I have never seen Brother Chu use that fist technique before."

"Yeah. Is it new?"

It was Chu Kuangren's first time using the Arch Gilded Godly Fist.

It was a strange cultivation technique that was considered rare in the Immortal Sparks because no one cultivated that many Arch Gilded Intentions as Chu Kuangren.

Chu Kuangren looked at the four Prodigies and then his fist. After that, he chuckled, seemingly satisfied with the strength of his punch.

He did not even use his full strength in that punch.

He only merged half of the Arch Gilded Intent he mastered into the attack. If he merged all, its power would rise to a terrifying new level.

The more Arch Gilded Intent he mastered, the stronger the punch would be.

The Arch Gilded Godly Fist could be considered an ultimate skill before he completely mastered and comprehended his own Invincible Self-empowerment Dao.

“Now, let us continue,” Chu Kuangren said as he looked at the four Prodigies coldly.

Aside from the Drought Maiden, who had barely any conflict with him, there was the Immortal Hall and Great Thunder Temple.

Amongst the four of them, Fa Hai bore the strongest killing intent against him.

It seemed like Fa Hai was treating him as the real Demon King and felt more threatened by him than the Papiyas. Otherwise, no monk should bear such a strong killing intent.

“No!”

When Chu Kuangren’s eyes narrowed, Gou Chen Imperial Commander’s expression turned sour.

He quickly took a talisman out and crushed it.

At the same exact moment, a beam of light shrouded him and teleported him away.

It was a runic treasure that would enable its user to escape in the nick of time.

“He’s fast.” Chu Kuangren grunted.

Then, he looked at Fa Hai and the manifested Buddhist Light. It looked like Fa Hai also wanted to leave.

When Chu Kuangren wanted to take Fa Hai down, the other cultivators behind Fa Hai jumped in.

“Hurry, protect the Buddhist Scholar!”

“Demon King, do not lay a finger on the Buddhist Scholar!”

Chu Kuangren looked at the bald sky-prides and Prodigies and scoffed, “Fa Ha’s brainwashing technique is quite something.”

Without any mercy, he channeled his Immortal’s Core and transformed them into energy that blasted them away.

Black and white Immortal Sparks swirled and shot toward the distance. It was Calamity Yin Yang, who also wanted to leave.

Unfortunately, Chu Kuangren already had his eyes on him.

Compared to the other three, Calamity Yin Yang caught his attention the most.

