

Unparalleled 321

Chapter 321: Killing Heavenly Emperor Sage Zhang, Extremely Unreasonable, Returning Home

Chu Kuangren walked out of the pavilion. Outside, Heavenly Emperor Sage Zhang and a crowd of elders, as well as Sages looked at him in amazement.

They were extremely shocked by the fact that Chu Kuangren had managed to gain insights into the Heart Piercing Finger Technique. Though the Sages felt even more distressed.

After all, that was an Emperor Technique!

It was just handed over to someone on a silver platter!

“Um, Sect Leader Chu, how did you manage to understand and learn that Emperor Technique?” A Sage could not help but ask.

He was just too curious.

‘No one from the Sky Emperor Palace has been able to comprehend the profound contents of that scroll, so how did Chu Kuangren achieve that?’

“If I want to gain insights on something, it’ll surely happen.”

Chu Kuangren replied, and his gaze immediately shot towards Heavenly Emperor Sage Zhang.

Without another word, a clang was heard as the sword at his waist unsheathed itself. It released an incomparably frightening sword ray that was imbued with an Emperor Aura!

The strength of that sword attack was unmatched!

It was an Emperor Technique, the Heaven-Slaying Sword Drawing Technique!

“What!”

Heavenly Emperor Sage Zhang’s expression suddenly turned horrified. Never in a million years did he expect Chu Kuangren to do as he said!

Heavenly Emperor Sage Zhang exerted his full strength as he raised his arms to block that attack!

However, the terrifying sword ray was coming at him at lightning speed, and with the help of the Descendant Self Sword, even Heavenly Emperor Sage Zhang was instantly and critically injured.

The sudden turn of events shocked the other two Sages, and they glared at Chu Kuangren.

“Chu Kuangren, what is the meaning of this!”

“D*mn it!”

Ignoring them, Chu Kuangren deployed his Sage Rule Technique, the Phantom Light Strike before arriving in front of Heavenly Emperor Sage Zhang.

With a lift of his hand, a vast Buddhist Light emanated to form a great golden palm which crashed the Heavenly Emperor Sage Zhang down into the ground!

The terrifying amount of energy shook the entire Sky Emperor Palace, and the ground had been smashed into a huge crater.

Heavenly Emperor Sage Zhang was lying at the center of the crater, spewing blood non-stop.

“You— What the hell are you doing?”

As frightening surges of sword Dao aura emanated from Chu Kuangren, he asked indifferently, “I suppose you’re very familiar with the strangeness in that scroll, right? Did you think I couldn’t see through that little scheme of yours?”

“I’ve already placed a warning on the scroll which clearly states that it’s a forbidden technique.”

“Heh, you mean the two plain strips of paper?”

Chu Kuangren grinned. “Do you think that you can get away with that little scheme you have against me with two mere strips of plain paper?”

“Besides colluding with the First City to target my Black Heaven Sect, now you’ve gone and played these tricks on me again. Cultivating to the level of a Sage is no small feat, yet time and time again, you’ve been looking for death. I’m afraid the heavens won’t be able to save you now.”

At that, Chu Kuangren unleashed another slash with his Descendant Self Sword, which instantly enveloped Heavenly Emperor Sage Zhang with a terrifying and violent surge of sword qi!

His Sage body was immediately torn apart by the sword qi!

Heavenly Emperor Sage Zhang was dead!

“How dare you! Chu Kuangren!”

“D*mn it!”

The expression on the other two Sky Emperor Palace Sages’ faces shifted as they roared angrily, unleashing a punch and palm attack respectively.

The violent energy in the attack was on the level of a Seven-Step Sage!

However, blood-colored flames began to emerge on Chu Kuangren’s body, activating the technique that was deemed forbidden by countless cultivators, the Nine Deaths Blazing Blood Art!

He then unleashed another slash in retaliation, where a vast sword ray erupted and shattered both the punch and palm attacks. The two Sages were blasted tens of meters back!

Both of them looked at Chu Kuangren with horror.

Despite coming together as Seven-Step Sages, they were both forced back by Chu Kuangren’s single sword attack!

What horrifying combat strength was that?

“Chu Kuangren, why did you kill Sage Zhang?”

One of the Sages questioned angrily.

"I'll be the one asking the questions first. So, if someone other than me were to attempt gaining insights from that scroll, what will happen to them?" Chu Kuangren asked emotionlessly.

Both of their expressions turned grim.

They were well aware of the strangeness contained in that scroll.

At best, one would end up mad, or at worst, they would die of mental exhaustion.

Chu Kuangren chuckled upon seeing both the Sages' expressions. "It seems that you two know about it as well. For plotting against me like that and the incident during the championship, don't you think he deserves to be killed after messing with me so many times?"

He was fully capable of killing Heavenly Emperor Sage Zhang at the battle in the First City back then.

No.

If he were to go all out, he could surely kill all the Sages who took part and joined forces to go against him.

The only catch was that, besides the few Sages who were at the scene that day, there were also Sages from other orthodoxies present who did not take part in the battle too. Moreover, there were Lan Yu, Nangong Huang, and the others who were at the First City as well. That was why he held back during that fight.

However, now that Heavenly Emperor Sage Zhang had messed with him again, his name would not be Chu Kuangren if he did not get rid of that person.

"But it was clearly stated on the scroll that it's a forbidden technique. Are you going to blame us even if you're the one who wanted to read it in the first place?"

One of the Sages uttered angrily.

"Then I suppose you two should be grateful for those two little pieces of paper. If it were not for that, both of you won't be alive right now."

Chu Kuangren sneered. Since there were no restrictions nor barrier seals placed on the two pieces of paper, they were clearly fakes used to trick him.

The two Sages were stunned.

'How does such an unreasonable person like him exist in this world?'

'Why is there such an unbridled person?'

"Chu Kuangren, god forbid that with your continuous killing, you shall suffer and regret when the retribution of karma rains down upon you one day."

The other Sage was so enraged that he was trembling all over.

Chu Kuangren chuckled and said, "Karmic retribution? Alright, since we're talking about cause and effect here, then let me fill you in on something. Because Sage Zhang has a deep obsession with living his life on the edge, the act of him plotting and scheming against me can be considered a 'cause', and the act of

me killing him is considered the 'effect'. So there you have it. What other karmic retributions am I to suffer from now?"

"So what if karmic retribution were to fall upon me?"

"If the heavens get in my way, then I shall turn against the heavens!"

After that, Chu Kuangren turned and left.

The two Sages could not do anything other than watch his receding figure.

Should they kill him?

They were no match for him though.

Should they reason with him then?

Heavenly Emperor Sage Zhang was at fault.

"Sage Zhang, oh, Sage Zhang. If you knew something like this was going to happen, why did you do it? The person you've pissed off can't even be reasoned with common sense at all!"

Ordinary methods were completely useless with Chu Kuangren!

The Sky Emperor Palace Lord looked at Chu Kuangren, helpless.

What happened to visiting them to go through their cultivation techniques?

Why was another Sage killed?

If he knew this was going to happen, he would have brought all their cultivation techniques over to where Chu Kuangren was, rather than having Chu Kuangren step foot in his Sky Emperor Palace!

Sure enough, wherever Chu Kuangren went, he would always turn the place upside down!

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Chu Kuangren returned to the Illusive Mirage.

Lan Yu and the others had been waiting for him for a long time by then.

"Sect Leader, we've received word from Elder Ruyan just now. She wants you back as soon as possible to discuss the unnamed island."

Nangong Huang said.

Chu Kuangren was slightly surprised. "What island?"

Having been focused on comprehending the Heart Piercing Finger Technique, he was completely unaware that the appearance of an unnamed island had caused a great stir throughout the whole Firmament Star.

Nangong Huang then briefly explained everything to him.

"Oh, something like that happened at the Outer Seas, huh?"

Chu Kuangren was a little interested, so he set a course on the Illusive Mirage back to the Black Heaven Sect. The moment he returned, Elder Ruyan and the others immediately approached him.

“Sect Leader, news of your riot in the First City has already spread through the whole Firmament Star, why is there always trouble wherever you go?”

Elder Ruyan asked frustratingly.

“Is that my fault? They’re the ones who sought trouble with us first.”

Chu Kuangren replied innocently.

The only principle he lived by as a person was that if people did not mess with him, then he would not mess with them too. If the First City had not sought trouble from him, then he would do the same to them as well.

“Haha, our Sect Leader is right. Elder Ruyan, if someone were to be blamed for this matter, it’s the Sky Emperor Palace and First City.”

An elder laughed.

Elder Ruyan shook her head. “I’m not blaming the Sect Leader for this either. Alright, let’s talk about the unnamed island first.”

Chapter 322: Onwards To The Unnamed Island, Hold Up, There’s Still People Who Don’t Know About Me

“Now that the unnamed island has been sealed off by the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands, anyone who’s not a Sage is not allowed to enter.”

“Both the Third and Second Forefather has set off to survey the area, but there’s been no news from them as of now...”

Elder Ruyan had briefly explained the details of the unnamed island, and when Chu Kuangren heard that, he could not help but feel a little curious.

“The unnamed island is suspected to be a place where an Emperor once lived, and there’s also the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands, huh? Interesting, we should go and explore that island right now.”

“Since it’s been sealed off by the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands, everyone should stay back in the sect for now. I’ll go take a look at the situation there first.”

Chu Kuangren had decided.

The Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands was a collective term for all the orthodoxies in the Outer Seas.

Among the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands, a few of them were as strong as the sage orthodoxies in the Four Domains. Joined together, they were a force to be reckoned with.

Since the Outer Seas was the main territory of the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands, which were the ones who had sealed off the unnamed island, it was hard for the orthodoxies in the Four Domains to intervene.

The only way was to let the Sages of their respective orthodoxies explore it. No matter how arrogant the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands were, they could not stop all of the Sages outside the unnamed island.

That decision would be no different from declaring war on every sage orthodoxy in the Four Domains.

“Oh, by the way, Elder Ruyan, here’s some IOUs that I got. If the owner of these IOUs doesn’t provide us with the stated amount of soulstones within a month, send them a message to remind them. If they still don’t by then, we’ll discuss how to deal with them after I return.”

At the same time, Chu Kuangren took out a stack of IOUs and handed them over to Elder Ruyan.

Elder Ruyan looked at the pile of IOUs in her hand.

“IOUs? There are so many of them.” Upon seeing the amount stated on them, her eyes widened with shock.

“The Daoist School of Dedication owes us two hundred million top-tier soulstones, while the Eight Wind Palace needs to pay us fifty million top-tier soulstones, then there’s another four hundred and fifty million from the Thunder Falcon Tribe...”

“B-by the heavens!”

“Sect Leader, what have you done to get all of these IOUs?”

Elder Ruyan raised her head and looked at Chu Kuangren with disbelief. The other elders around them were also stunned when they saw the IOUs as well.

“These are all bets that I’ve won. You can ask Nangong Huang and the others for details. Alright, I’ll be on my way now.”

With that, Chu Kuangren left the Black Heaven Sect. This time, he was going out on his own, not even the inseparable Lan Yu was going with him.

Since the situation at the unnamed island was uncertain and most of the people headed there were Sages, that matter was not something an ordinary cultivator could take part in.

If something were to happen to the people that he brought with him, Chu Kuangren was worried that he might not be able to look over everything at once.

Outer Seas, unnamed island.

Having been sealed off by the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands, the area within a radius of tens of thousands of kilometers that surrounded the unnamed island was full of Fairy Boats. They were all set up to form countless checkpoints.

Every cultivator who passed through that area would be stopped to have their identities verified.

As for the cultivators who intended to break in, they would be killed on sight by the merciless cultivators from the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands.

Chu Kuangren was not afraid of being discovered by the Outer Seas cultivators because of his cultivation level. He turned into a stream of light and darted towards the unnamed island.

His journey to the island was almost uninterrupted.

No one was able to catch up to him anyway.

The closer he got to the island, the more Chu Kuangren could sense a very dominating Daoist Rhyme. It was an extremely dense Emperor's Aura!

Soon after.

A huge island appeared in his sights.

Although the island was covered by surrounding clouds and fog, he could vaguely make out from some of the scenery that it was like a fairy realm.

Besides that, the island was also the source of the Emperor Aura.

"So this is the unnamed island."

Chu Kuangren's eyes lit up.

However, just as he was about to approach, an invisible barrier suddenly appeared in front of him, blocking his path towards the island.

"An enchanted boundary?"

Amid Chu Kuangren's surprise, numerous figures who possessed abnormal auras suddenly appeared before him.

Even the weakest among them was a True Honorable.

"This area is sealed off by our Thirty-Six Oceanic Alliance. Cultivators below the level of a Sage are forbidden to enter. Please leave now!" An elderly man who was their leader uttered.

He glanced at Chu Kuangren and frowned.

Although Chu Kuangren had quite an extraordinary appearance, he was just too young. Due to that, the elderly man suspected that he was not even an Honorable, let alone a Sage.

'How did someone like him manage to get here?'

'Are all the patrols outside blind?'

"Oh, the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands."

Chu Kuangren activated his Eye of Revelation as he swept his gaze across everyone.

"Liao Yun, Wind Spirit Island Chieftain, cultivation level, Honorable Supreme..."

"Chu Shan, Thousand Boulder Island cultivator, cultivation level, True Honorable..."

They were the higher-ups of the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands, and there was a Chieftain among them as well — a sign that this was a powerful group of people.

This was especially Liao Yun, the elderly man leading the group, who was the Wind Spirit Island Chieftain. His position was more or less equal to that of a Sect Leader in a sage orthodoxy.

"I'm Chu Kuangren, the Black Heaven Sect Leader. Please give way, everyone."

Chu Kuangren said indifferently.

Few of the people in that group looked at each other upon hearing his name. However, Liao Yun simply frowned as he said, "I don't care who you are. If you're not a Sage, leave here at once!"

Chu Kuangren was stunned for a while.

'No way, there are still people who don't know who I am?'

"Have you guys from the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands been living under a rock or something? How can you possibly not know my name?" Chu Kuangren asked in shock.

"Are you famous?"

One of the cultivators asked.

Chu Kuangren was speechless. He had heard that Outer Seas cultivators rarely communicate with the ones from the Four Domains. It took some of them more than ten years to receive news about the happenings on land.

He did not expect that to be true.

Since he had started to make a name for himself in the past few years, everyone in the Four Domains knew who he was. However, not many from the Outer Seas knew about him.

"Should I barge in head-on anyways?"

A chilling gaze lit up from Chu Kuangren's eyes as his hand instinctively reached the pommel of his Descendant Self Sword.

In that instant, Liao Yun and the others suddenly felt their scalp going numb. A terrifying chill ran down their spine, seeping through their very bones.

A dangerous enemy!

Liao Yun's and the others' expressions turned incredibly stern. Just when Chu Kuangren was going to force his way in, a sudden stream of light approached from afar.

It was an elderly man in long purple robes who looked serious.

Upon seeing that person, Liao Yun's and the others' expressions shifted again.

"Greetings, Lifeblood Sage."

Liao Yun and the others bowed before him.

Compared to Chu Kuangren, Lifeblood Sage had made a name for himself several thousands of years ago. His reputation was so great that everyone during that time knew who he was.

"Mhm."

Lifeblood Sage nodded.

He then took a look at Chu Kuangren. When he had gotten a clearer look at the latter, his expression slightly changed and he went up to greet Chu Kuangren.

“Greetings, Brother Chu.”

“Greetings, you are...”

“I’m the Sage of the Zhiyang Valley, Lifeblood Sage.”

Lifeblood Sage smiled.

“Oh, a fellow Daoist Brother from the Zhiyang Valley. Greetings to you as well.”

“I didn’t expect Brother Chu to head out here to explore the unnamed island immediately after you returned from the First City. Why don’t we head in together?”

Lifeblood Sage replied.

He knew about Chu Kuangren’s shocking combat strength, so it would be greatly beneficial for him to explore the island together with Chu Kuangren.

One could say that he was riding on Chu Kuangren’s coattails.

“Oh, I really want to, but these Outer Seas cultivators told me that only a Sage can enter. They aren’t allowing me to go in.”

“What? How dare they do something like this!”

Lifeblood Sage’s expression turned slightly grim as he looked towards Liao Yun and the others. He told them, “Although Brother Chu’s cultivation is not on the level of a Sage, his combat strength has far exceeded one. He’s definitely strong enough to qualify! Now get out of his way!”

What were they thinking?

Did they not want their lives for daring to stop Chu Kuangren like that?

Chapter 323: Bountiful Treasures On The Unnamed Island, Looks Like I Can’t Stand Aside And Do Nothing Any Longer

Liao Yun and the others were dumbfounded.

Since a Sage respected him so much, then what was this young man capable of? Even someone on the level of a Sage would not be treated like that, so just what kind of person had they stopped?

“We apologize for the trouble caused earlier, Sect Leader Chu. I hope you won’t take this personally to heart.”

Liao Yun and the others were not stupid. They knew that someone was by no means an ordinary person for Lifeblood Sage to treat him as such.

That person’s identity might be even more horrifying than a normal Sage!

At times like these, it would be best to concede and go along with their demands.

“So I can enter now, right?”

“Please, go ahead.” Not daring to stop him any longer, Liao Yun hurriedly opened the enchanted boundary and allowed both Chu Kuangren and Lifeblood Sage to enter.

Within the unnamed island.

Chu Kuangren and Lifeblood Sage had arrived.

The moment they stepped foot on the island, an extremely dense surge of Emperor Aura immediately enveloped and suppressed their strengths.

“What a dense Emperor Aura! It seems that this really is the place where an Emperor once lived,” Lifeblood Sage said in surprise.

“Yeah.”

Chu Kuangren nodded.

He felt a slight relief that he had not brought anyone with him. With such a dense Emperor Aura in the area, anyone below the cultivation level of a Sage would be pressed to the ground immobilized, let alone explore the unnamed island with him.

The moment he entered the unnamed island, Chu Kuangren immediately activated his Treasure Locating Skill.

That divine power was most suited to locate the Opportunity of Fortunes.

Chu Kuangren was instantly speechless the moment the search began.

There were indeed a lot of treasures, with the most common being Supreme Elixirs that grew in the wild. Even the ones with the lowest quality were at the Honorable grade. Besides that, there were a lot of Sage-grade herbs which were usually very rare in the outside world as well.

Buzz!

At that time, a strange fluctuation suddenly came from nearby. It was the fluctuation of a Supreme Elixir that was imbued with an extremely dense Daoist Rhyme and wood qi aura.

The Lifeblood Sage was delighted upon sensing this fluctuation.

“This is great! I can’t believe we’ve stumbled upon such a great Supreme Elixir the moment we arrive. Brother Chu, let’s go and check it out,” Lifeblood Sage said excitedly.

Chu Kuangren pondered for a bit before he replied, “Lifeblood Sage, this is an aura of a Supreme Elixir which has just upped a grade. I’m sure many other Sages must’ve sensed this as well, and a fight will bound to happen. I don’t wish to waste my time here, so I’ve decided to go explore somewhere else instead.”

The Lifeblood Sage was taken aback.

‘What?’

'Is Chu Kuangren afraid of a fight?'

He thought about it and soon figured that Chu Kuangren might have some other plans of his own, so he nodded. "Then I shall go and check it out."

He could not resist the temptation of that Supreme Elixir.

Judging from its aura, it could even be a Sage-grade herb!

"Do be careful, Lifeblood Sage."

"Alright, same goes to you as well, Brother Chu. Take care."

The Lifeblood Sage immediately darted toward the Supreme Elixir.

As for Chu Kuangren, he dashed towards another direction instead.

There was a Sage-grade herb over there as well!

Moreover, this Sage-grade herb was a lot more valuable compared to that Sage-grade herb which was emanating a strong aura just now.

The Sage-grade herb that Lifeblood Sage sensed was a herb that had just upgraded to a higher level, hence the strong wave of aura which emanated everywhere. On the other hand, the Sage-grade herb that Chu Kuangren had located through his Treasure Locating Skill was a herb that had been a Sage-grade herb for a very long time.

Not only that, but the recently upgraded Sage-grade herb would undoubtedly attract the attention of many Sages, so a battle would be inevitable.

Meanwhile, the Sage-grade herb that Chu Kuangren had found through his Treasure Locating Skill was likely undiscovered yet; obtaining it would be effortless.

He did not tell the Lifeblood Sage about any of that.

After all, Chu Kuangren had the Treasure Locating Skill, so he could easily and quickly locate various kinds of treasures. If the Lifeblood Sage were to follow him by then, Chu Kuangren would no doubt need to split them with him.

If it were him alone, Chu Kuangren could keep all the treasures he found!

The human heart was always selfish.

Besides, Chu Kuangren was not someone who would generously give out everything without a price.

He soon arrived at a mountain valley that had a Sage-grade herb growing out from one of its walls. It was golden all over with mysterious Daoist Rhymes swirling around each of its leaves.

Chu Kuangren came to the mountain wall, quickly picked it, and stored it inside his Yin and Yang ring.

"One Sage-grade herb in the bag. Easy peasy." Chu Kuangren grinned. Feeling extremely pleased, he proceeded to search for more items using his Treasure Locating Skill.

Information surrounding the various treasures located around the entire island flooded Chu Kuangren's mind continuously.

The center of the island, especially, hid treasures that responded strongly to the Treasure Hunting Skill.

"Unknown Emperor-Grade item, located eight kilometers south."

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Unknown Emperor-Grade item — it was a first for Chu Kuangren to receive such feedback. However, he had also managed to figure out something from that.

There must be some sort of treasure concealing mechanism set up at the center of the island, which explained why the Treasure Locating Skill could not sense what type of item it was.

Then again, items related to an Emperor would no doubt be very extraordinary.

Chu Kuangren pondered for a while. He was not in a hurry to head there immediately since the treasure concealing mechanism would not be discovered by the other Sages that easily for now. He carefully planned his route, seeking out treasures on the island as he made his way to the center of the island.

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Many Sages had gathered at the unnamed island.

While the Sages were each looking for various Opportunity of Fortunes on that island, they were greatly shocked by how many they had discovered, which were tons.

The fact that an Emperor once lived here must be true. The surrounding area had been under the influence of the Emperor Aura for so long that many treasures appeared.

If one person's Emperor Aura could fill a large plot of land with treasures, then the Emperor's power was unimaginable.

However, so many treasures would no doubt cause many gruesome battles.

Besides, those battles were between fellow Sages as well!

A magnitude of a fight like that was not only rare in ancient but in current times as well.

While he was on the way to pick up treasures and other valuable items, Chu Kuangren would come across Sages fighting from time to time. The scale and impact of such battles were earth-shattering.

In the outside world, Sages were held as higher beings whose existence was above the millions in this world. Seeing one was considered extremely difficult and rare, let alone seeing them fight. However, over here, Sages fighting were as common as dirt.

Sages would fight to their deaths over a piece of treasure that could be found everywhere.

Boom!

When Chu Kuangren had just arrived at the mountain cliff, he suddenly heard a large commotion coming from nearby which shook the surrounding mountains.

Needless to say, it was no doubt a battle between Sages again.

Chu Kuangren was not interested in those battles. In fact, he was busy collecting all kinds of treasures around the island.

Though one's plans would not always work out.

Just as Chu Kuangren was about to pick up another treasure and leave, a surge of palm strength suddenly brushed past him and hit the face of the mountain.

With a loud boom, the mountain face was instantly destroyed!

Although Chu Kuangren was fine, that palm strength had turned the Boundary Sage-Grade herb that he was intending to collect to nothing.

He still had piles of similar Boundary Sage-grade herbs inside his Yin and Yang ring, and he did not care that much about the Boundary Sage-grade herb either.

However, he had his eyes on that herb after all. Since the herb was now destroyed, Chu Kuangren could not let this slide that easily.

He spread his spiritual thoughts out in all directions. "Now, let's see who's the b*st*rd who smashed my Supreme Elixir to nothing."

In a short while, his spiritual thoughts arrived at the location where two Sages were battling.

Although his spiritual thoughts were destroyed by the battle's shockwaves as soon as it got closer, he still managed to take a clear look at both parties involved.

One of them looked quite familiar to him.

"That's the School of White Lotus's Sage. It looks like I can't stand aside and do nothing any longer."

Chu Kuangren murmured as his figure turned into a stream of light and dashed towards that battle.

Chapter 324: The Ravenblade Sage And Immemorial Sage's Bad Blood, Tortured To Death

The School of White Lotus and Black Heaven Sect had an alliance. When Chu Kuangren was still a greenhorn cultivator, the White Lotus School had assigned an Honorable Supreme for Chu Kuangren's protection. Then when they were at the First City, the School of White Lotus's Sage had also stated their allegiance and was willing to fight by Chu Kuangren's side to defeat the joined forces of several other Sages.

Now that the School of White Lotus's Sage was in trouble, Chu Kuangren naturally would not just stand idly by and watch. His figure instantly turned into a stream of light and darted towards her.

At this time.

Two Sages, a man and a woman were in the midst of their battle in the air above a mountain valley. The female person was naturally the School of White Lotus's Sage.

On the other hand, her opponent was a man in black armor, armed with a long spear. His aura was so imposing that every thrust turned into a terrifying black hurricane, which forced the School of White Lotus's Sage to retreat backward.

"Just surrender obediently, Immemorial Sage."

Immemorial Sage was the true name of the School of White Lotus's Sage, and it seemed like the man in black armor was quite familiar with her.

"You think I'm just going to give up that easily, Ravenblade Sage? In your dreams!"

The Immemorial Sage shot Ravenblade Sage a cold gaze that was filled with a bitter hatred.

The Ravenblade Sage grinned upon seeing the hatred in his opponent's eyes. "I see you're still not over what happened to Qian Yin."

"Shut up, you have no right to speak of that name!"

The Immemorial Sage replied coldly, waved her palm, and unleashed another palm attack. A ray of white light burst forth like a violent river, but it was easily shattered by the Ravenblade Sage.

"What do you mean I have no right? No matter how you put it, she was my wife too." The Ravenblade Sage chuckled. He looked like he wanted to provoke the Immemorial Sage even more.

"You b*st*rd! When Qian Yin was married to you, you gave me your word that you'll protect her no matter what. But because of your desire to become a Sage, you sacrificed her to your so-called Serpent Deity! You deserve nothing less than a gruesome death for your sins!"

The School of White Lotus's Sage was fuming with rage. As she waved her palms, countless streaks of white light shot out from the center. That was the White Lotus School's Light of Purification!

However, the Ravenblade Sage was obviously much stronger than her. He waved his spear and swirls of black-colored gales surrounded his body, destroying the incoming rays of white light.

"Alright, that's enough catching up. Now is the time for me to end you once and for all. Don't you worry, I'll be sure to bring your body back with me, and when the time comes to worship the Serpent Deity, your Sage body shall be the best sacrifice!"

The Ravenblade Sage laughed out loud and an extremely powerful surge of Sage Daoist Rhyme erupted from his body. "Black Devouring Serpent!"

With a thrust of his spear, he unleashed a surge of overbearing Daoist Rhyme that was mixed with spiritual power. Then, it turned into a ferocious black serpent shadow that raged towards the Immemorial Sage.

The Immemorial Sage could hardly resist the might of that incoming attack.

At that exact moment.

Numerous white lotuses that contained the power of purifying suddenly surrounded the Immemorial Sage, disintegrating and breaking down the Ravenblade Sage's attacks. Those attacks could not reach the Immemorial Sage at all.

“What?”

The Ravenblade Sage’s expression changed. “You’ve managed to learn the White Lotus Light of Purification that was left behind by the White Lotus Sage Ruler?”

He had some knowledge about the Light of Purification, so he knew that those white lotuses were the ultimate defense technique from the School of White Lotus — the White Lotus Light of Purification!

“No, you’re not the one who’s doing this.”

It did not take long for the Ravenblade Sage to notice that the Daoist Rhyme in the white lotuses in front of him did not belong to the Immemorial Sage, but someone else instead.

Meanwhile, the Immemorial Sage could not help but smile. It was as if she had thought of something. “Ravenblade Sage, your end is here!”

She then turned her body toward somewhere not far away.

A wide-sleeved, white-robed figure whose otherworldly poise outshone everything else around him was approaching them from the air.

The Ravenblade Sage looked solemnly at the newly arrived figure. “Who are you?”

“The Immemorial Sage is under my protection.”

Chu Kuangren said immediately.

“Hmph, do you think you can claim she’s under your protection just like that? It seems you’ve underestimated me there.” The Ravenblade Sage immediately lifted his hand and attacked Chu Kuangren.

He thrust his spear forward and a black gust of storm instantly swept out.

However, Chu Kuangren merely stood unmoved as numerous mysterious white lotuses appeared around him, which gradually broke down the incoming black storm.

“The White Lotus Light of Purification. What are you to the School of White Lotus?”

The Ravenblade Sage was shocked.

That person had used the White Lotus Light of Purification again and again to block all his attacks. Not even the White Lotus Sage Ruler possessed that level of power.

“Brother Chu, don’t let that person leave!” The Immemorial Sage yelled with deep hatred in her voice.

Chu Kuangren was slightly surprised.

It seemed that the Immemorial Sage had some bad blood with this Sage.

“The situation doesn’t look good. I’ll withdraw for now!”

Upon realizing that Chu Kuangren could not be easily defeated, Ravenblade Sage did not dare to stay around any longer. His figure immediately disappeared from the spot, leaving only an afterimage behind.

“Oh, you’re leaving?”

Chu Kuangren chuckled as a black chain suddenly appeared in his grasps. That was the Soul Retriever which he had not used for quite a long time.

The Soul Retriever turned into a black ray of light and dashed out towards the escaping Ravenblade Sage. Since it was much faster than Ravenblade Sage, it only took a short while for the Soul Retriever to catch up, immobilize him, and drag him back.

“Godd*mn it! What the hell is this?”

“Release me at once!”

Although the Ravenblade Sage continuously channeled his spiritual power to resist the Soul Retriever, his efforts were futile. With Chu Kuangren’s current cultivation level, even a Sage would find it hard to escape once the Soul Retriever had caught them.

Only a Great Sage might have a chance of escaping.

“Many thanks, Brother Chu!”

The Immemorial Sage walked up to the Ravenblade Sage with deep hatred in her eyes. “I’m going to avenge Qian Yin today!”

She raised her hand and blasted a palm technique on the Ravenblade Sage’s body.

That terrifying amount of energy instantly sent the Ravenblade Sage flying as he spewed out blood. He eventually smashed into the ground and created a crater that was dozens of meters in diameter.

Despite that, the Immemorial Sage was still not done with him. She came to the crater and unleashed multiple barrages of palm attacks towards the Ravenblade Sage. One after another, violent surges of strength qi spread and expanded the crater to at least a hundred meters wide.

Chu Kuangren was secretly stunned as he watched by the side.

It seemed like there was a very serious grudge between both parties.

However, he also did not ask anything, and neither did he stop the Immemorial Sage. Since one of them was his ally and another was a stranger, it was a no-brainer for him when it came to choosing who he should help.

Bounded by the Soul Retriever, the Ravenblade Sage could no longer resist, and very quickly, he was beaten to the brink of death.

“Killing you just like that will be too easy.” The Immemorial Sage stared coldly at the Ravenblade Sage who, by then, was already covered in blood.

Standing at the side, Chu Kuangren gently tugged the Soul Retriever and its hook pierced through the Ravenblade Sage’s body. Only after stirring in him for a while did the hook drag his soul out.

“This is his soul. If you attack his soul, he’ll experience pain a hundred times worse than what he felt earlier,” Chu Kuangren explained beside her.

The Immemorial Sage's eyes lit up. "Thanks a lot."

"You're welcome."

The Ravenblade Sage stared at Chu Kuangren with resentment. "You *sshole, why do you have to make me suffer like this! I don't even know you at all!"

"Scum like you will always be punished, no matter who you meet!"

The Immemorial Sage channeled her spiritual power to form a white needle before mercilessly piercing it into the Ravenblade Sage's soul.

"Argh..." The soul-crushing pain that the Ravenblade Sage felt made him shriek as his soul began to tremble violently.

However, the Immemorial Sage did not stop there. Instead, she continued to plunge the white needle deeper into the Ravenblade Sage's soul. The more the white needle pierced him, the weaker his soul became.

In the end, the Ravenblade Sage was tortured to death by the Immemorial Sage under that intense pain!

Chapter 325: The Emperor-Grade Treasure Appears, Who Has The Guts To Force Us To Leave

After killing the Ravenblade Sage, the Immemorial Sage breathed a sigh of relief and yelled to the skies, "Qian Yin, I've finally avenged you!"

Chu Kuangren stood aside and watched while silently putting the Soul Retriever away.

"Brother Chu, thank you very much for your assistance." After venting her emotions, the Immemorial Sage walked to Chu Kuangren and bowed to him.

"I'm glad to help."

Chu Kuangren replied and showed some curiosity. "I just wonder, fellow Daoist Sister, what did that Sage do to make you hate him so much?"

"It's a long story." The Immemorial Sage let out a bitter smile.

She then told Chu Kuangren what happened in brief.

It turned out that the Immemorial Sage had a younger sister, who used to journey all over the world and during then met the then Ravenblade Sage who was also doing the same.

The two of them got to know each other better after they met and eventually fell in love. Despite the School of White Lotus's opposition, the Immemorial Sage's younger sister ignored them and was determined to live with the Ravenblade Sage in the Outer Seas, to which she became the Ravengale Island's Chieftainess.

As time went by, the Ravenblade Sage started to change.

To ensure that he could complete the ascension trial and become a Sage, the Ravenblade Sage sacrificed his beloved to a terrifying being known as the Serpent Deity in the Outer Seas.

The Immemorial Sage was overcome with grief and rage upon learning about what happened. She tried going to Ravengale Island in the past, but because of her limited strength, she could not take revenge for her younger sister.

“For all these years, if it were not for my duty of guarding the School of White Lotus, I would’ve dragged that scum down into the pits of hell even if I were to join him in the process!”

“I can’t believe that I’d meet this person again when exploring this unnamed island and receive Brother Chu’s helping hand as well. For that, I am deeply grateful.”

The Immemorial Sage bowed once more.

For a dignified Sage to bow to someone, again and again, it was not hard to tell that she was extremely grateful to Chu Kuangren.

“It’s my pleasure to help you, Immemorial Sage. After all, the Black Heaven Sect and School of White Lotus are comrades in arms, and this human scum deserves to be punished.”

Chu Kuangren took a look at the Ravenblade Sage’s corpse and activated the Gluttonous Devouring Technique with a raise of his hand, absorbing it into the Avarice Dimension for further refining.

The Immemorial Sage was delighted to see that.

‘Good, now there’s nothing left of the Ravenblade Sage.’

“Come to think about it, I’m quite interested in that Serpent Deity you’ve mentioned earlier. Daoist Sister Immemorial, do you happen to know what kind of being it is?” Chu Kuangren asked.

The Immemorial Sage shook her head. “The origin of that Serpent Deity is unknown, but I do know that it’s extremely terrifying. It’s a Deity that’s worshipped by the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands, and they’ll offer large sacrifices every once in a while.”

“So even the Sages there have to pledge allegiance to it?”

“Yes.”

The Immemorial Sage nodded.

“Seems like it is a terrifying being indeed.” Said Chu Kuangren pondered for a bit before he temporarily put that matter aside.

Boom!

At that moment, the whole island suddenly shook.

Waves of rippled could be seen in the air some distance away as an immeasurably dense surge of Emperor Aura instantly engulfed the entire island!

That surge of Emperor Aura was far stronger than the ones before.

Chu Kuangren’s eyes slightly moved as he gazed into the distance.

“Boundary Emperor corpse, located three kilometers south...”

“Incomplete Emperor corpse, located three kilometers south...”

“Damaged Emperor Weapon, located three kilometers south...”

The Treasure Locating Skill displayed the information.

He could now accurately sense those few items’ auras.

“The mechanism that was concealing those items has finally disappeared.” A glint of surprise flashed across in Chu Kuangren’s eyes before he darted towards the center of that island.

The Immemorial Sage followed suit as well.

At the center of the unnamed island.

A single cottage had suddenly appeared there, and that was where the incomparably dense Emperor Aura emanated from.

The Sages on the island rushed to that area upon sensing that aura.

In a short while, Sages had surrounded thirty meters beyond that cottage. However, no one dared to simply step foot within that thirty meters from the cottage.

It was as if the thirty meters distance between them and the cottage was a forbidden area.

“Since this island appeared in the Outer Seas and not the Four Domains, the items inside that cottage naturally belongs to us Sages from the Outer Seas”

At that time, a Sage from the Outer Seas spoke.

The other Outer Seas’ Sages agreed to that too.

“That’s right, Sage Liu has a point.”

“Logically speaking, this unnamed island belongs to the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands, not to mention the things inside that cottage. The fact that we’re allowing you Sages from the Four Domains to come and explore it is already the kindest gesture we can offer.”

“That’s right, so please leave now.”

The Sages from the Outer Seas began to dismiss the Sages from the Four Domains.

The Sages from the Four Domains were not happy.

“Aren’t you Outer Seas’ Sages a little too unreasonable? This unnamed island has no owner, so what makes you think that it belongs to you? Is it just because it appeared on the Outer Seas? That’s hilarious.”

The Black Heaven’s Second Forefather snorted coldly.

The other Four Domains’ Sages also voiced their support.

“The Black Heaven’s Second Forefather is right. Based on that logic, it means that the whole Scarlet Phoenix Domain belongs to me because I live there.”

“That’s right. Don’t you think before you speak? What you said earlier is simply preposterous.”

A heated quarrel broke out between the Sages from the Four Domains and Outer Seas.

However, it was obvious that the Four Domains’ Sages were at a disadvantage. After all, they were currently at the Outer Seas and the territory of the Outer Seas Sages.

When the unnamed island appeared, the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands were the fastest to notice it. Hence, their Sages made up most of the numbers among everyone who was currently on the island, numbering around thirty and above.

On the other hand, the Sages from the Four Domains were much less. Although they could sense the unnamed island, there were less than twenty of them who managed to get to the island.

“Hmph, let’s cut to the chase. Because this cottage belongs to the Outer Seas, you guys from the Four Domains are not allowed to interfere. Don’t blame us for taking action otherwise.”

A Sage from the Outer Seas snorted coldly.

He was the leading Sage amongst the others and having reached the level of a Great Sage, he was the one with the highest cultivation level on the scene.

The Four Domains’ Sages were extremely dissatisfied with what he said. Some of the short-tempered ones were so enraged that they rolled up their sleeves to prepare for battle. However, they were stopped by some of the more rational-minded Sages.

Since the Outer Seas’ Sages outnumbered them, the situation did not look good for the Four Domains’ Sages if a battle were to happen.

“D*mn it, are we just going to stand and watch as those Outer Seas’ Sages do whatever they want?” a Sage uttered in dissatisfaction.

“Everyone, it’s time for you to leave now.”

The Outer Seas’ leading Sage replied.

“Do you really want to go there, Eversodden Sage?”

The Black Heaven’s Second Forefather said in a chilling tone.

“So what if I do!” The Eversodden Sage snorted. “If all of you don’t leave, then don’t blame us for making you leave by force!”

As soon as he said that, the atmosphere on the scene suddenly turned incredibly tense.

One by one, the Outer Seas’ Sages stood behind the Eversodden Sage while they glared at the Sages from the Four Domains.

It was as if anyone could attack at any time.

“Oh, I’m curious to see who has the guts to make us leave!”

At that moment, an impartial voice rang in everyone’s ears.

A man and woman were walking forward from behind the Four Domains' Sages. The young man walking in front was the one who spoke just now.

"It's the School of White Lotus's Immemorial Sage and... Chu Kuangren!"

"He's here!"

The Sages of the Four Domains looked at the approaching figure with gleaming eyes.

As Chu Kuangren walked into the crowd, the Sages around him all stepped back to give way for him.

"Greetings, Second Forefather, Third Forefather." Chu Kuangren came before the Black Heaven's Second and Third Forefather and greeted them with a fist salute.

"You're here, Kuangren."

The Black Heaven's Second Forefather looked at Chu Kuangren with relief in his eyes.

"Yeah." Chu Kuangren nodded. Then, he looked to the Outer Seas' Sages and said, "The treasures inside this cottage shall belong to the one who's capable of getting them, and everyone here shall compete against each other fair and square. Let's see who has the guts to force us to leave."

Chapter 326: One Hundred Meters of Emperor's Aura, Leaving Everyone In The Dust

"Let's see who has the guts to force us to leave!"

As soon as he said those words, multiple powerful surges of aura erupted from the Four Domains' Sages behind him.

A glint flashed in Eversodden Sage's eyes as he glared at Chu Kuangren.

He noticed that Chu Kuangren's presence had instilled a strong sense of confidence among the Four Domains' Sages who were currently at a disadvantage!

He was like the main piece of support that held the Four Domains' Sages together!

'When the hell did someone like this appear in the Four Domains?'

The Eversodden Sage was slightly confused.

"Dare I ask, what is your name?"

"I'm Chu Kuangren, Sect Leader of the Black Heaven Sect."

The Eversodden Sage was even more shocked to hear that name.

He had heard of Chu Kuangren's name before.

That name had been quite well-known and reputable for the past few years. Although he was not as famous in the Outer Seas, Eversodden Sage still knew of that name.

'This person is a peerless sky-pride.'

'But how does a single sky-pride bring so much confidence to the Sages?'

‘Isn’t that a bit too weird?’

What a shame it was that Eversodden Sage only knew of Chu Kuangren but knew nothing about him. Otherwise, Eversodden Sage would not be that confused right now.

The current Chu Kuangren was no longer the same as he was in the past. With him single-handedly defeating six Sages in the First City and overpowering a Great Sage, that level of strength he possessed had been acknowledged by the crowd of Sages behind him.

At this point, Chu Kuangren was undoubtedly the most reliable comrade they had.

“Hmph, these Four Domains’ Sages are becoming more and more decrepit every time we see them. Now they’re relying on some so-called Black Heaven Sect Leader, a nobody who’s not even a Sage to give them orders. What a joke.”

One of the Outer Seas’ Sage could not help but sneer.

He then looked at Chu Kuangren. “Boy, you may be a peerless sky-pride in the Four Domains for becoming a Sect Leader at such a young age, but why don’t you open your eyes and take a look at the situation you’re in. Everyone here is a Sage, through and through. This is not a place for a brat like you to run his mouth, so get lost!”

The Outer Seas’ Sage snorted coldly before he raised his hand to unleash a palm attack at Chu Kuangren. His motive was clear and simple. First, he would destroy Chu Kuangren and then force the Four Domains’ Sages to leave the area.

No matter how strong Chu Kuangren was, even with the boldest and craziest assumption that he could face off against a Sage, what could he possibly do?

The Outer Seas’ Sages were at an absolute advantage here. Even if a battle were to break out, the Four Domains’ Sages would gain nothing from it as well.

The raging surge of Sage Daoist Rhyme locked on to Chu Kuangren. That incoming palm attack was like a bolt of thunder, and it was hard to resist for a non-Sage cultivator.

Just when the Outer Seas’ Sages expected the attack to critically injure Chu Kuangren, the latter gracefully lifted his jade-white palm and lightly released a palm attack of his own.

The moment the jade-white palm of his collided with the incoming Sage’s palm attack, the two different Daoist Rhymes crashed into each other and a terrifying shockwave instantly erupted.

The result of that exchange was clear!

The Outer Seas’ Sage let out a scream as his palm qi’s Daoist Rhyme was brutally destroyed by Chu Kuangren. Just like that, he was sent flying nearly a hundred meters away with his arm broken and his shattered bones piercing through his skin.

The Outer Seas’ Sages were extremely shocked and horrified at what they were witnessing. On the other hand, the Four Domains’ Sages were all calm and composed, clearly not surprised at all by this scene.

“How is this possible!”

“What a terrifying level of energy that was. Is that the power of someone below a Sage’s level? How did this person manage to do it?”

Having witnessed Chu Kuangren’s combat strength for the first time, the Outer Seas’ Sages could not contain their shock. Even their Daoist core trembled at the thought of it.

“Does anyone else want to force us to leave now?” Chu Kuangren swept his gaze across the whole area as a surge of Sword-based Daoist Rhyme rapidly increased around his body.

The crowd of Outer Seas’ Sages was terrified.

Even their leader, the Eversodden Sage continued to stare at Chu Kuangren as his poise rose and a horrifying surge of Great Sage Daoist Rhyme emanated.

Meanwhile, Chu Kuangren merely stood still as the Daoist Rhyme that was surrounding his body turned into the Daoist Rhyme of the Eight Celestial Demonic Chords and it swept outward in an instant.

Faint sounds of guqin music resounded in the void.

It was the stringless guqin Dao!

Guqin music could be played without a string!

That level of guqin Dao and also its Daoist Rhyme caused the Eversodden Sage’s expression to turn grim. He had never looked like this before.

“This person is not a Sage, yet his Daoist Rhyme can still face-off with a Great Sage like me. How does he do it?”

The Eversodden Sage was puzzled yet extremely frightened.

“Alright, then we’ll do it according to what you proposed. The treasures in that cottage shall belong to the ones who are capable of getting it!” Eversodden Sage announced after a short ponder.

Since Chu Kuangren’s abilities were unknown and their main goal of obtaining the treasures inside that cottage, Eversodden Sage did not wish to have any conflict with him for the time being.

“Very well.” Chu Kuangren nodded.

With that, everyone shifted their gazes again to the cottage that was located thirty meters away with a fiery passion in their eyes.

The cottage must contain an extremely valuable treasure since it had such a dense and overbearing Emperor’s Aura.

Would it be an Emperor Scripture? An Emperor Weapon? Or even some Great Emperor’s remains?

Everyone got more riled up the more they guessed what the treasures inside could be.

“The Emperor’s Aura within thirty meters of this cottage is on a completely different level to the one beyond it. If we want to go inside this cottage, we have to go through this thirty-meter distance of Emperor Aura. This will be an incredibly difficult task even for a Sage.”

Eversodden Sage remarked.

"It's all up to our abilities and strengths then. This means that the treasures inside that cottage shall belong to whoever enters first," a Sage uttered and took the first step into the thirty-meter distance of Emperor Aura, gradually heading towards that cottage.

The other Sages rushed in as well.

For a Sage, covering thousands of kilometers with a single step was a simple matter. Yet now, this crowd of Sages was faltering in their walk towards the hundred-meter domain!

There was no telling the amount of shock that would garner if word of that scene were to spread.

"Let's go in as well, Kuangren." The Black Heaven's Third and Second Forefathers said as they too entered the domain of Emperor's Aura.

Chu Kuangren had taken a step inside it as well, but the moment he did, an immeasurably horrifying surge of Emperor's Aura instantly weighed down on him like a great mountain.

"It's quite strong."

Chu Kuangren's expression darkened.

Anyone below the level of a Sage could never bear such Emperor's Aura. Even a Sage would find it extremely difficult to bear, let alone an Honorable Supreme, who would be forced to the ground as soon as they got near it.

Not only that, but the closer they got to the cottage, the more terrifying the Emperor's Aura became!

Slam!

After walking three meters forward, a Sage could no longer bear it anymore and was instantly slammed into the ground by the Emperor's Aura.

Slam, slam, slam...

A few other Sages were forced onto the ground as well.

"It's just too strong!"

"How can us Sages deal with an Emperor's Aura like this?!"

"Too frightening!"

A few of the Sages who were slammed onto the ground looked towards the cottage with a horrified look. That was the might of the Emperor's Aura!

Besides, that was an incomplete Emperor's Aura at that, yet it was already enough to crush a Sage onto the ground.

At this moment, a white figure effortlessly walked past several Sages.

They all stared at the figure's back, full of disbelief.

“How can he walk so easily when we’ve all been forced onto the ground?!”

“Godd*mn it, are we the Sage here?”

“By the heavens.”

That white figure was indeed Chu Kuangren!

He had immersed himself in the knowledge of an Emperor’s Scripture all year round, so his resistance towards the Emperor’s Aura was much greater compared to the other Sages.

Adding to that fact that he had gained several Emperor Techniques, which contained their own Emperor’s Aura, it enabled him to effortlessly walk through the thirty-meter domain of Emperor’s Aura. In a short time, he had left them behind in the dust, taking a strong lead ahead of everyone.

“Who the hell is this guy?”

Eversodden Sage and the other Outer Seas’ Sages were stunned speechless.

Chapter 327: Entering The Cottage, A White-haired Man And A Woman’s Head

Chu Kuangren walked towards the cottage, one step after another.

His pace was not fast, but it was extraordinarily steady. On the other hand, the other Sages could only move ahead by one or two steps at once despite doing their best.

“This is bad. If this goes on, the treasures in the cottage will be taken away by this guy!” Eversodden Sage thought.

He took a deep breath and then took out a piece of jade talisman. Its surface was exquisite, bright, fine-textured, and it contained a surge of Emperor’s Aura as well!

Everyone’s expressions changed slightly upon seeing that. “An Emperor Weapon?”

“No, that’s not an Emperor Weapon. It could just be something that an Emperor had worn during their lifetime, so it eventually has an aura of its own after being influenced by the Emperor’s energy.”

“I can’t believe Eversodden Sage has an item like this on him.”

Everyone was a little bit surprised.

Once he took out that jade talisman, the Emperor’s Aura on it started to collide and resist with the one that was coming from the cottage, making things a lot easier for Eversodden Sage. As his pace quickened, he soon caught up with Chu Kuangren.

The other Sages had started to use their tricks or techniques as well.

Some of them used a secret technique to enhance their body’s Daoist Rhyme, while some used Sage Weapons to increase their strength, and some started to emanate their hard-cultivated Sage Daoist Rhyme...

However, no matter what kind of techniques they used, they still could not top the Eversodden Sage's jade talisman. Just that jade talisman alone was enough to replace all of the other Sages' techniques combined. Only an Emperor's Aura could resist another!

This was the most effective method there was.

An Emperor Suppressing All Abilities!

Any other techniques would only be suppressed by the Emperor Dao.

Very soon, Eversodden Sage was walking side by side with Chu Kuangren. There were only twelve meters left to go between them and the cottage.

"Fellow Daoist Brother, your abilities are truly remarkable. But this is still the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands' territory, so the treasures inside that cottage will undoubtedly belong to us," Eversodden Sage said confidently.

Chu Kuangren took a glance at him but said nothing.

Crack.

At that time, a clear and crisp sound was heard.

Multiple cracks were forming on Eversodden Sage's jade talisman, which meant that the Emperor's Aura from that talisman was nearly depleted!

As more crisp cracking sounds were heard, the jade talisman in Eversodden Sage's hand shattered into dust upon the final crack.

It was then carried away by a gust of wind.

"What?" Eversodden Sage's expression changed.

After losing the Emperor's Aura's resistance from the destroyed jade talisman, Eversodden Sage was almost crushed onto the ground.

"D*mn it!" Eversodden Sage bent his knees as he channeled every ounce of strength from his body to resist the extremely overbearing Emperor's Aura that surrounded him.

"Heh, I suggest you focus on standing up first before saying anything else."

Chu Kuangren chuckled.

He then straightened his back and walked towards the cottage slowly.

"D*mn that brat!"

Eversodden Sage was so angry by Chu Kuangren mocking him, and even though he so desperately wanted to catch up to his opponent, he could not.

Then, he took out a piece of broken saber.

A horrifying surge of Emperor's Aura emanated from that piece of broken saber.

“That’s an Emperor Weapon, and a broken Emperor Weapon it seems.”

A look of surprise flashed in Chu Kuangren’s eyes.

He did not expect Eversodden Sage to have something like that, nor the jade talisman which contained an Emperor’s Aura.

It seemed that the Eversodden Sage’s Opportunity of Fortune was quite good.

“Everything inside that cottage can only be mine!” Holding that piece of broken saber, the Eversodden Sage unleashed the Emperor’s Aura it contained.

He soon caught up with Chu Kuangren again.

By then, both of them were only about six meters away from the cottage, leaving all the other Sages behind them.

“The items inside there belong to me.”

The Eversodden Sage walked past Chu Kuangren as he headed towards the cottage quickly. Five meters, five and a half meters, four meters, four and a half meters...

When there were only three meters left to go, Eversodden Sage’s pace began to slow down again. Each step he took was extremely difficult.

Behind him, Chu Kuangren too noticed that the Emperor’s Aura at the last three meters to the cottage was on a level higher.

Chu Kuangren also felt its pressure bearing upon him.

‘Am I going to give up just like that?’

‘No!’

‘How can I ever give up!’

Within Chu Kuangren’s spiritual mound, his Six Supreme Foundation Levels radiated brightly and his three Supreme Daoist Physiques activated all at once to resist the suppression of the Emperor’s Aura!

The crowd of Sages behind Chu Kuangren were all dumbfounded and could not believe that they were seeing surges of various Daoist Rhymes surges swirling around his body.

“F*ck me! He has that many Daoist Physiques?”

“How the hell did he manage to do it?”

“Three Supreme Daoist Physiques? By the heavens, how can such a horrifying being exist in this world! I can’t believe someone like this has emerged within the Four Domains!”

The Sages were extremely shocked.

At that moment, Chu Kuangren was within three meters before the cottage, standing beside the Eversodden Sage who was holding the piece of broken saber.

He had also felt the frightening surge of Emperor's Aura.

'No wonder Eversodden Sage looks so exhausted even with that broken Emperor Weapon. The Emperor's Aura here is extremely terrifying.'

Despite giving it his all, Chu Kuangren still felt it was extremely laborious. Just as he was about to use the Nine Deaths Blazing Blood Art, the Eternal Emperor Scripture and Mindful Emperor Scripture inside his Yin and Yang ring suddenly unleashed two different surges of Emperor's Aura at the same time! It was as if they had sensed something.

Seemingly triggered by the Emperor's Aura within that cottage, the aura that was released by the two Emperor Scriptures was far stronger this time than when Chu Kuangren had gained insights from them.

The two surges of Emperor's Aura surrounded Chu Kuangren, repelling the Emperor's Aura that was coming from the cottage.

"I didn't know something like this can happen."

Chu Kuangren grinned as he walked towards the cottage in a leisurely manner, like he was strolling through a courtyard. His pace now was quicker than it was before.

Upon seeing this, Eversodden Sage, who was desperately urging all his strength to resist the Emperor's Aura, was stunned. He did not dare believe his eyes.

"What's going on? How can he walk so effortlessly?"

"What technique is he using?"

Besides the Eversodden Sage, the other Sages at the scene, including the Four Domains' Sages who were familiar with Chu Kuangren's strength, were astonished.

'The Emperor's Aura is supposedly the densest and strongest at the last three meters to the cottage so it's the hardest to go through. But how is Chu Kuangren walking through it so easily?'

Very quickly, Chu Kuangren had arrived at the cottage entrance.

"No, you shall not enter!"

"Everything inside belongs to me! You're now allowed to take any of them!"

Eversodden Sage yelled behind Chu Kuangren.

He urged forth all his strength and managed to take two steps ahead. However, he was still around two meters away from Chu Kuangren.

In a moment of panic, he tried to channel his spiritual power and unleash a palm attack at Chu Kuangren. However, the palm qi was disintegrated by the Emperor's Aura before it could even reach his opponent. His attack did not reach Chu Kuangren at all.

"Heh, just take your time and walk slowly. I'll go in and have a look first." Chu Kuangren smiled cheerfully as he pushed open the cottage's wooden door.

When he went in, he noticed that the inside was no different from any other cottage, but there was a man who was sitting with his legs crossed on the bed.

It was a huge, handsome, white-haired man who had mysterious Daoist Rhymes swirling around his body. Despite sitting there unmoved, he still let off an overbearing presence.

However, it was not the white-haired man who had attracted Chu Kuangren's attention but the item that was in front of him instead. It was someone's... head!

It was a woman's head, to be precise. Her face had beautiful features and had the appearance of a jade sculpture. This head was simply placed on the bed.

As for the Emperor's Aura that came out from the cottage and filled the whole island, it was emanating from that woman's head!

That was right! It was not from that complete white-haired man, but the woman's remaining head instead!

"What kind of person was she during her lifetime?"

Such a thought could not help but pop up in Chu Kuangren's mind.

Chapter 328: The Boundary Emperor's Journal And The Headless Woman's Existence

"What kind of person was she during her lifetime?"

Such a thought could not help but pop up in Chu Kuangren's mind.

Just the Emperor's Aura that was emanating from her head alone was enough to engulf the whole unnamed island and made it extremely challenging for a group of Sages to approach.

If that was the case, then what kind of person was she when she was alive?

His eyes focused as he activated the Eye of Revelation.

When his gaze landed on that lady's head, only a small amount of information appeared. "Head of a Great Emperor, name – unknown, cultivation level – unknown, currently in an undead state, do handle with caution, Host..."

'What?'

'Undead state?'

'What kind of situation is this? Her head has already been cut off and every other part of her body is nowhere to be seen, yet it's still in an undead state?'

'But come to think of it, I have the Immortal Body ability too. So even if my head were to be blown off during battle, I can still recover and come back to life.'

'Doesn't that make me more badass than this woman then?'

He became relieved at that thought.

Chu Kuangren then took a look at the white-haired man.

“Heavenly Wargod Sage Ruler, cultivation level – Boundary Emperor, currently in a deceased state...”

He was a Boundary Emperor.

Although a Boundary Emperor was still within the category of a Sage Ruler, the difference was similar to comparing an Honorable Supreme with a Boundary Sage, which was simply worlds apart. Chu Kuangren wondered how the strongest being beneath the level of an Emperor could die here.

He then channeled more spiritual power into his Eye of Revelation to analyze that Boundary Emperor deeper. “Amount of Daoist Rhyme preserved in his body – forty percent, time of death estimated to be around seventy thousand years ago, suspected to have gone mad to death...”

After analyzing for a while, Chu Kuangren did not immediately move those two... no, one and a half pieces of a corpse but started to check out the entire cottage instead.

He soon found a few items that were placed on the table inside the cottage. It was a wooden box, a booklet, and a broken bronze mirror.

Chu Kuangren then walked towards it and picked up the booklet first. Upon reading through it, a surprised look flashed across his face.

“A journal?”

That booklet was someone’s journal.

“Although it’s not good to go through someone else’s journal, I suppose you won’t mind, since you’re already dead.” Chu Kuangren glanced at that white-haired man before flipping through that journal in his hand.

“I’ve failed again today. Although I’m already a Boundary Emperor, I can’t seem to break through that final barrier. Does that mean that no one will ever become an Emperor during this Era of Dharma’s End?”

“This woman is definitely an incredibly powerful being when she was alive, with such an immense Emperor’s Aura from just her head alone. This is a tremendous Opportunity of Fortune for me. I can now regain hope of becoming an Emperor...”

“This is just too terrifying! I can’t believe this woman is still alive! She’s releasing some sort of fluctuations into the air as if sending some kind of signal...”

“She’s here, that woman is here! Having lost her head, she has come to reclaim it from me! But I can’t give it back to her yet for that’s my only chance of becoming an Emperor. I fought with her, and perhaps because she has no head, she could not fully utilize her Emperor’s combat strength. At the cost of damaging my Emperor Weapon, the Azure Magic Mirror, I am so fortunate to have escaped this great disaster...”

“I’ve come to the Outer Seas today. After finding an island, I placed several layers of enchanted boundaries to hide this island into the void, taking this opportunity to isolate it from the headless woman’s senses. Hopefully, I’ll be able to break through the next time we meet and I’ll definitely return this head to her then...”

“Numerous Supreme Elixirs have been sprouting around the island recently and it must be due to the influence of that woman’s head. the Emperor Realm is truly fascinating and mysterious...”

“Alright, that’s it. I’m going to start my closed doors meditation today! This time, it’s either I succeed or I die, I don’t believe that no one can become an Emperor in this Era of Dharma’s End!”

The Era of Dharma’s End, where none could become an Emperor!

The journal came to an abrupt end after that.

The result of his closed-door meditation was clear. The Heavenly Wargod Sage Ruler had failed in his attempt to break through the Emperor Realm by going mad, which led to his death.

As for Chu Kuangren, he could not help but feel a chill run down his spine after reading that journal. The owner of that head, a headless woman, was still searching for her head!

‘F*ck, it feels like I’m watching a horror movie.’

Chu Kuangren shuddered.

Then, he seemed to have realized something. “This island used to be hidden in the void, with multiple enchanted boundaries set up to prevent that headless woman from sensing it. If that’s the case then... F*ck!”

Chu Kuangren’s expression turned grim.

Since the island had reappeared above the Outer Seas, with no noticeable energy responses around it, did that mean that the barriers and enchanted boundaries had malfunctioned?

If that were the case, then that headless woman would most likely detect her head’s presence once again and come here to look for it. If a Boundary Emperor could not deal with her, how could someone as weak as him possibly deal with her?

“This is bad. I have to find a way and do something.”

Chu Kuangren was anxious.

Suddenly, his eyes lit up with an idea. He then opened his inventory and brought out a talisman.

“Starlight Grade talisman, the Forbidden Sealing Talisman is a talisman that can seal and suppress any unusual items. I’m not sure if this will work.”

That Forbidden Sealing Talisman was something he had obtained from the Fantasy Roulette. He did not know what that item was used for at first, but he figured that it might help in a situation like this.

He then walked towards the head, intending to place the talisman onto it. However, he halted for a while before he turned around and placed the journal, bronze mirror, and that mystery wooden box into his Yin and Yang Ring.

At the same time, he tossed in that Boundary Emperor’s body as well.

After he was done with all that, he carefully walked towards the woman and placed that talisman on her head.

The moment his fingers came into contact with that woman's forehead, he felt a warm sensation that was similar to touching a living person.

Upon attaching the talisman, the woman's head started to twitch. From Chu Kuangren's perspective, he suddenly saw a hint of struggle on the emotionless face, which shocked him so much that he almost pulled out his Descendant Self Sword.

However, the woman's head turned calm and her face returned to an expressionless state once again. With that, the Emperor's Aura in his surroundings had started to disperse as well.

"It succeeded."

Chu Kuangren's eyes lit up in delight as he kept that woman's head inside his Yin and Yang ring. Meanwhile, the Sages outside were initially taken aback when the Emperor's Aura disappeared, but their expressions soon changed.

"The Emperor's Aura is gone. It's definitely because of that kid."

"What did he do inside?"

"Quick, we must go in and see!"

Being the one at the forefront, Eversodden Sage immediately rushed into the cottage. By the time he entered, Chu Kuangren had already kept all the valuables from that cottage, including the woman's head that was kept inside his Yin and Yang ring.

The Eversodden Sage's expression darkened upon seeing the empty cottage. "You better hand over the treasures, kid! Or I won't let you ever leave this island!"

Chu Kuangren chuckled. "Threatening me huh?"

"So what if I am?"

"Heh, feel free to try then."

Chu Kuangren was not afraid either.

His opponent was only a Great Sage after all, not that he was unfamiliar with fighting one.

"Then don't blame me if I do!"

"Daylight Ripple Palm!"

The Eversodden Sage immediately raised his hand and unleashed a palm attack. A violent palm qi which contained a surge of Daoist Rhyme akin to a raging tsunami instantly erupted!

That palm attack created waves of ripples in the void.

Chu Kuangren unleashed a palm attack as well.

An incredibly devastating human mountain energy erupted!

The impact created by the collision of two Daoist Rhymes swept outward, instantly destroying the cottage which had been rid of the Emperor's Aura's suppression. The shockwave had blasted the Sages outside the cottage back several steps too.

"They've started to fight!"

"I guess that kid did take away all the treasures inside. Hmph, this is the Outer Seas, did he think he can take the treasures away just like that? When were things that easy?"

"Did he think the Eversodden Sage would let him slip away?"

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As the two palm attacks collided, a violent impact swept out.

Both Chu Kuangren and Eversodden Sage were also pushed back from the impact. At that moment, all the Outer Seas' Sages rushed towards them to surround Chu Kuangren.

"Hand over all the treasures you took, kid, and we shall let you live."

"That's right. Otherwise, you might as well give up on leaving this island."

The Outer Seas' Sages glared at Chu Kuangren.

Upon seeing this, Chu Kuangren simply replied lightly, "Oh, is that so? I'm curious to see you try.."

The moment he finished speaking, his guqin, the Lingering Song, had already appeared before him.

His fingers were placed onto the guqin strings, ready to play it at any moment!

The Four Domains' Sages turned grim when Chu Kuangren brought out that guqin and they hurriedly backed away as they knew what was about to happen.

They could not help but look at the Outer Seas' Sages with pity since those guys did not know what kind of lunatic they were messing with!

"Hmph, guqin Dao? No matter how powerful your guqin music is, can you standoff against all of us thirty Sages here?"

One of the Sage sneered. Then, his figure dashed towards Chu Kuangren as his horrifying surge of Daoist Rhyme erupted!

At that, Chu Kuangren began to pluck the guqin strings which let out a sudden clang!

"Third movement of the Eight Celestial Demonic Chords, Profound Carillon Resonance!"

His terrifying guqin music instantly burst out!

That Sage's Daoist Rhyme was torn apart by the guqin music, and its violent energy sent that Sage flying hundreds of meters away, where he crashed into the ground. His bones were all broken, his ligaments were all damaged, and there was no sign of life left in him!

This shocked everyone present!

A Sage was killed by a single guqin music attack!

‘What kind of terrifying guqin music Dao is that?’

“What the hell is going on with that guy’s cultivation level?”

“Isn’t he just a mere Honorable?”

The Outer Seas’ Sages were extremely frightened.

Honorables were the ones who were killed off by a Sage in one move, not the other way around. The fact that the latter happened almost crumbled their worldview.

“Everyone, please go ahead and start.”

Arrogantly, Chu Kuangren casually plucked his guqin as a gesture to everyone, and since he had killed a Sage with one move, no one dared to act hastily anymore.

When Eversodden Sage saw that, he took the lead and attacked first.

A Great Sage like him was no doubt strong enough to do so.

As soon as Chu Kuangren noticed that, he activated his Nine Deaths Blazing Blood Art. His energy and aura rapidly increased while his fingers danced quickly on the guqin strings.

“Unending Voracious Vigor!”

“Devastating Cyclone Barrage!”

The fifth and sixth movements of the Eight Celestial Demonic Chords were unleashed together.

The incredibly violent energy from the guqin music landed on the Eversodden Sage and clashed with the Daoist Rhyme on his body, causing the surrounding void to rumble.

All of the Sages were so terrified by that horrifying strength that none of them dared to step forward. Instead, they hurriedly retreated, in fear that they would be caught up in that battle.

“That’s too powerful. Who the hell is that person anyway?”

“Putting aside the guqin Daoist Technique that he’s using, why do the red flames on his body look so similar to the infamous Nine Deaths Blazing Blood Art?”

“Is this a joke? Isn’t the Nine Deaths Blazing Blood Art a suicide technique that’s forbidden even for the Sages? How could he dare to use it?”

Even the Four Domains’ Sages were secretly stunned, let alone the Outer Seas’ Sages.

They were aware that Chu Kuangren knew the Nine Deaths Blazing Blood Art, yet none of them expected him to use that technique in such an ordinary and casual manner!

“Since he could use this forbidden technique as he wishes, could he have a technique or method to negate its side effects?”

“Impossible. Generations of Sages have been struggling to come up with one that could negate the side effect for a long time. Why else do you think it’s deemed a forbidden technique?”

“Just because the Sages in the past were unsuccessful, it doesn’t mean that Chu Kuangren will end up the same as well. Don’t you guys forget, that guy can’t be measured by ordinary common sense.”

The Sages immediately fell silent.

In the past few years, they had seen their fair share of how terrifying Chu Kuangren’s combat strength was.

Countless feats that were deemed impossible by everyone? He had achieved them all. So it was not out of the ordinary if he did have a way to negate the side effects of the Nine Deaths Blazing Blood Art.

“Torrential Cascade!”

Eversodden Sage[1] let out a sudden roar, and a terrifying surge of Daoist Rhyme erupted from his body as sounds of water gushing rang out from the void.

That surge of Daoist Rhyme contained quite an extremely chilling energy that entangled itself with the guqin music, eventually overpowering it in a split second!

“Oh, it’s some sort of Sage Ruler Technique, and since the user is already a Great Sage, it’s no surprise that it could display such a remarkable combat strength.”

Chu Kuangren uttered softly. Although he possessed multiple Sage Ruler Techniques and Emperor Techniques, he knew that Sage Ruler Techniques were quite uncommon as most of the Sages only used common Sage Techniques.

In the face of Eversodden Sage’s Daoist Rhyme attack, Chu Kuangren abruptly changed his tune, unleashing an even more terrifying burst of guqin music Daoist Rhyme.

In a split second, clouds gathered and winds billowed while thunder rumbled in the sky. The ground was affected too as earth qi surged and the lands shook.

It was as if the heavens and earth were accompanying the tune of that guqin music!

“Seventh movement of the Eight Celestial Demonic Chords, Synchronous Overworld Anarchy!”

A piece of immeasurably terrifying guqin music erupted, and wave after wave, it fixed its target onto the Eversodden Sage from all directions.

That energy was just sensational!

Even the Eversodden Sage’s face turned pale as he frantically channeled his Daoist Rhyme to resist the incoming guqin music Daoist Rhyme.

The sound of water gushing continuously clashed with the overbearing guqin music. Gradually, the sound of water faded while the guqin music became increasingly stronger.

“Damn it!”

“Ten Thousand Rivers Convergence!”

The Eversodden Sage screamed as he channeled his spiritual power to its limit. He even took out the broken saber that he had used earlier to resist the Emperor's Aura, to increase the power of his cultivation technique.

Suddenly, it was as if thousands of rivers and streams were converging towards the Eversodden Sage, forming into an incredibly dominating and horrifying Daoist Rhyme that was akin to a vast ocean. Then, it headed straight for Chu Kuangren.

His guqin music was brutally torn apart by that attack!

"Time for you to die, kid!"

This technique was the Eversodden Sage's strongest attack!

It was so powerful that the surrounding void became distorted. It was as if there was really a vast ocean converging on the Eversodden Sage, and it crashed on Chu Kuangren after that

"That guy is as good as dead!"

The Outer Seas' Sages fixed their eyes on that scene.

They did not think that Chu Kuangren could resist and survive that attack because not many among the Thirty-Six Oceanic Islands could.

Under the eyes of the Sages, Chu Kuangren plucked his guqin string once again. The moment he did, guqin music abruptly halted and a chilling silence fell upon the whole area!

However, a surge of earth-shattering and undescribable Daoist Rhyme was gathering around Chu Kuangren's body and his fingertips that were on his guqin.

"Final movement of the Eight Celestial Demonic Chords... Grand Melodic Void!"

Chu Kuangren released his fingers from the guqin strings, and although no sound came out, a bloodcurdling surge of Daoist Rhyme had already erupted!

As the great Dao was formless, so was the Grand Melodic Void!

That was the pinnacle of guqin music Dao. It was not that there was no sound, but the sound had already blended and merged with the Dao, so it was inaudible, intangible...

Nobody knew when it started and when it would disappear.

The silence was louder than sound!

The instant Chu Kuangren loosened his fingers from the guqin strings, Eversodden Sage could suddenly feel his heart thumping as a chill ran down his spine!

The boundless and majestic guqin music Daoist Rhyme rushed towards him. Despite its silence and unobtrusiveness, it effortlessly destroyed his Daoist Rhyme!

The moment his Daoist Rhyme dispersed, the guqin music Daoist Rhyme hit the Eversodden Sage's body and sent him flying like a kite with a broken string. Even for someone with the body of a Great Sage, his muscles and ligaments were brutally broken and torn apart.

[1] “尊者” is supposed to mean Honorable, but it is assumed to be a typo

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The Grand Melodic Void instantly shattered the Eversodden Sage’s Daoist Rhyme. Before everyone could recover from their shock, Chu Kuangren slowly walked up to his opponent, where he unsheathed the longsword at his waist and beheaded that Great Sage!

Every Outer Seas’ Sage was as appalled by what just happened.

‘That’s a Great Sage we’re talking about here, and he’s killing one as he likes?’

‘His level of strength is just too terrifying!’

Chu Kuangren stood with a sword in one hand and a guqin in another. He said indifferently, “Now, is there anyone else who’d like my treasures?”

He asked politely.

However, no one dared to speak a single word.

Every one of them looked at Chu Kuangren as if he was an evil Ashura.

‘If he’s capable of killing a Great Sage, then I guess no one here can be his match. So shall we attack him together then?’

‘Stop joking, whether we can kill Chu Kuangren is another matter, but there will definitely be casualties. Besides, the Four Domains’ Sages are here as well.’

For a moment, none of the Outer Seas’ Sages dared to take action.

“Oh, then I guess the treasures are mine then.”

Chu Kuangren chuckled, raised his hand, and unleashed a horrifying surge of absorption energy to suck the Eversodden Sage’s corpse into the Avarice Dimension for refining.

For the past few days, he had encountered quite many Sages and killed several of them as well. Now that he had the Great Sage’s corpse too, he had refined so much blood and flesh essences that he was showing signs of breaking through his cultivation level.

He was one step away from becoming an Honorable Supreme.

“Third Forefather, Second Forefather, shall we leave now?”

Chu Kuangren asked the two Black Heaven Sect forefathers.

The two of them nodded.

With that, the three of them left.

The remaining Sages looked at each other. Since there was nothing valuable left here, they might as well explore somewhere else.

The rest of them continued to explore the island.

Chu Kuangren and his two forefathers also went on a looting spree around the island. With the Treasure Locating Skill, he was much more efficient in obtaining treasures than the other Sages.

Both the Black Heaven's Third and Second Forefathers were secretly amazed and stunned as they followed him.

They felt as if Chu Kuangren was walking around in his garden since he knew the exact location of where each treasure was hidden.

While others went through so much trouble just to obtain a single Sage-Grade herb, Chu Kuangren had already found piles of them. They simply could not compare themselves to him!

Along with the Emperor-Grade items from the cottage earlier, Chu Kuangren had taken about seventy to eighty percent of all the most valuable treasures on this unnamed island.

"It's almost time for us to leave."

Chu Kuangren said.

The Third and Second Forefathers nodded.

At that time.

The sky suddenly went dark.

Suddenly, there were several Fairy Boats in not only the air but there were a bunch of strange-looking people on the ocean as well.

These people had parts of their bodies covered with scales. There were so many of them that the ocean surface became densely packed.

In a short time, the whole unnamed island was surrounded by them.

"There people are... the Scaled Tribe!"

Chu Kuangren frowned. He had heard of a group who lived under the ocean before. Known as the Scaled Tribe, their people were the overlord masters of the seas.

"That's right, it's the Scaled Tribe. Why are they here?"

The Black Heaven's Second Forefather was frowning as well.

"I'm the Scaled Tribe's Young Master, Bei Mingsan, seeking to meet the Black Heaven's Sect Leader, Chu Kuangren. Please step out and show yourself!" At that moment, a voice rang out from the sky.

A young man, with long black hair and armed with a silver Trident Halberd, was hovering in the air as incredibly dense Daoist Rhyme surged around his body.

What grabbed everyone's attention was the fact that besides the few golden scales on the black-haired young man's forehead, every other part of his body looked no different to an ordinary person.

Among the Scaled Tribe, a person's talent was determined by the number of scales they had on them. The lesser the number of scales, the more talented they were.

It was obvious that the black-haired young man possessed extraordinary talents.

“Little guy, do you have any grudge with the Scaled Tribe? They’re already looking for you the moment they arrive,” the Black Heaven’s Second Forefather asked curiously.

Chu Kuangren let out a short peel of laughter. “How can I possibly have anything to do with them? This is my first time meeting the Scaled Tribe after all.”

“Since that’s the case, I suppose they only have one goal, which is the Emperor-Grade treasures in your hands,” the Third Forefather uttered with a serious look.

“I’ll go meet him to find out what he wants.”

Chu Kuangren replied.

His figure then turned into a stream of light and disappeared.

The moment he reappeared, he was already standing before Bei Mingsan. He simply glanced at his opponent and activated the Eye of Revelation, rapidly gaining information about Bei Mingsan.

“Bei Mingsan, Scaled Tribe’s Young Master, an ancient sky-pride that came from seventy thousand years ago, cultivation level – Honorable Supreme, cultivation technique – Rippling Dark Northern Tidal Art, incomplete Scaled Tribe’s Emperor Scripture, possesses combat strength comparable to an ordinary Sage...”

‘Huh, an incomplete Emperor’s Scripture?’

An Emperor’s Scripture related to the cultivation’s root foundation at that!

Chu Kuangren was a little surprised.

Emperor Scriptures related to the cultivation’s root foundation were extremely rare. Even Chu Kuangren who possessed two Emperor Scriptures did not have such a technique.

The only thing he gained was a Great Emperor’s experience and their cultivated Emperor Techniques.

However, Bei Mingsan had an Emperor’s Scripture about the cultivation’s root foundation. Although incomplete, it was still much greater than learning a Sage Ruler Technique.

Even his Heavenly Crepe-myrtle Sword Art could not compare to that, since it used to be an ordinary Sage Technique.

Although he had modified and improved it countless times for it to become a Sage Ruler Technique, there was still a huge difference between that and the Emperor’s Scripture.

“Am I finally meeting a sky-pride who’s a match for me?” Chu Kuangren thought and started to feel a little excited.

“You’re Chu Kuangren?”

The Scaled Tribe’s Young Master, Bei Mingsan asked, but the Trident Halberd in his hand suddenly vibrated. Even though it was only a second, he still noticed it. He then started to ponder.

“Yes.”

“I want to ask, do you currently possess a halberd? Or to put it in another way, is a halberd one of the items you obtained from the cottage earlier?”

Bei Mingsan’s had a piercing gleam in his eyes. The Trident Halberd’s strange behavior seemed to have reminded him of something, and he could not help but feel a little excited.

He had initially come to obtain the Emperor-Grade treasures, but now it seemed that he had encountered something unexpected too.

“I’m not obligated to tell you about this.”

“How about this? Why don’t we have a little match to decide then? If you lose, you shall hand over all the treasures that you’ve gained from that cottage. What do you think?”

“What if you’re the one who loses?”

“That’s impossible!”

Bei Mingsan replied arrogantly, “Ever since I’ve awakened in this era, I’ve never suffered a single defeat. Even the strongest sky-prides in the Scaled Tribe, other than me, can’t even take three moves from me. You’re definitely not a match for me.”

He held the Trident Halberd as his momentum surged. The Daoist Rhyme around his body emitted a crashing sound that was similar to a roaring ocean, and it continuously struck the void.

“Don’t get too cocky. Okay, how about this? If you lose, I won’t demand too much from you. All I seek to have is that Trident Halberd that you have. What do you say?”

One look was all it took for Chu Kuangren to pick up on how unique that Trident Halberd was. It was surrounded by an aura that was close to that of an Emperor’s Aura.

That was a Boundary Emperor weapon!

Not only that but the moment he saw that Boundary Emperor Weapon, he could feel the Heavenly Halberd inside his Yin and Yang ring reacting weirdly as well.

It was clear that these two items were related in some manner, especially since Bei Mingsan asked if he possessed a halberd.

“Do you know what kind of item this Trident Halberd is?”

Bei Mingsan’s expression turned grim.

“What?”

“This halberd is the greatest and most supreme treasure of my Scaled Tribe, and it’s the symbol of my position as the Scaled Tribe’s Young Master as well. Do you think you’re worthy of such an item?”

The domineering poise of his Daoist Rhyme became stronger as it swept towards Chu Kuangren.

However, Chu Kuangren merely stood still. In fact, that incoming violent Daoist Rhyme was nothing but a soothing breeze to him. It could not affect him at all.

“If that’s the case, then do you know how valuable the treasures I’ve obtained from the cottage earlier are compared to your Trident Halberd? Do you think you’re worthy of those treasures?”

Chu Kuangren replied coldly. Forget the others, but just that Boundary Emperor’s corpse alone was already much more valuable than that Trident Halberd.

Not to mention that horrifying female Emperor’s head.

“So? Are we going to fight or not? It’s just a simple question so cut the bullsh*t and quit being such a p*ssy.”

Chu Kuangren bellowed coldly, to which Bei Mingsan’s expression darkened even more.

“Alright, so be it!”