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Chapter 51: Luminous Moon Artificial World, Sage Orthodoxies Sealed Off the Area

“Hey Brother Chu, so how was it?”

After returning to the inn, Li Xingchen hurriedly went up to Chu Kuangren.

“What do you mean how was it?”

“How was it between you and the Princess of course.”

“How can anything possibly happen between us? All we did was discuss and exchange knowledge about the path of Daoist cultivation. I came back right after that,” Chu Kuangren casually replied.

He did not have the habit of spreading the personal affairs of others. The issue of forming a marriage was only Princess Linglong’s matter to worry about. He would not agree to help, and he would not involve himself in that matter as well.

“Her royal highness Princess Linglong purposely kept you guys alone just to exchange knowledge about the path of Daoist cultivation?” Li Xingchen teasingly asked again, thinking Chu Kuangren was kidding with him.

“Not everyone’s minds are full of dirty thoughts like you, Brother Li.”

Chu Kuangren replied as he rolled his eyes, not saying another word after.

After that night, news of Chu Kuangren defeating the Third Crown Prince started to spread throughout the different circles of Sky-prides.

Despite that, Chu Kuangren did not care about the kinds of disturbance that got riled up as it spread.

The date for the martial arts competition for Princess Linglong's hand in marriage steadily got closer. Suddenly, something big happened within the royal Azure Dragon Domain just a few days right before the event.

The artificial world of the Luminous Moon that had disappeared for tens of thousands of years suddenly reappeared in the air above the northern seas!

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Morning came.

Chu Kuangren had just finished rolling from the lucky draw when Li Xingchen rushed into his room with an anxious look on his face, as if something serious had happened.

"Brother Li, what's up with you today?"

"Brother Chu, let's go right now. You have to follow me to the northern seas."

“To the northern seas? For what? Aren’t we joining the marriage martial arts competition?”

Chu Kuangren chuckled.

“In the air above the north seas lies the Luminous Moon’s artificial world, and there was once a sage that lived there and mysteriously disappeared for tens of thousands of years, and he’s suddenly reappeared. If we don’t go now, that opportunity will be taken by others. Participating in the martial arts competition for marriage is not something as important as this.” Li Xingchen said.

The Luminous Moon’s artificial world?

Chu Kuangren frowned curiously. Then again, anything that could be related to a sage would not be something simple. He became very interested due to that.

After calling Lan Yu, the few of them headed out to the northern seas.

Besides them, all of the great Sky-prides who were preparing to compete in the marriage martial arts competition and had been staying in the royal capital also headed towards the northern seas.

Since that happened, the event had no choice but to be delayed.

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The turbulent waves of the northern seas were covered by the dark clouds above. A pair of silver-white gates could be seen, with the image of a bright moon pattern carved onto them.

Surrounding the area, numerous groups of strong cultivators had already amassed.

Even a few Honorable Ones were present as well.

They glared at the Luminous Moon's artificial world with very stern and imposing looks.

"The Luminous Moon's artificial world was the residence of the Luminous Moon Sage tens of thousands of years ago. There has been no news about that location since then, yet it has reappeared today."

One of the Honorables from Zhiyang Valley curiously commented.

"The Luminous Moon Sage was a top-notch sage who defined the very era he lived in. He was not easily outdone even compared to a Sage Ruler, there must certainly be a lot of fortunate opportunities and items within his artificial world." Another Honorable said with a fiery look in his eyes.

Although they were all from sage orthodoxies who had produced sages in the past before, those sages mostly were either dead or in a hibernating condition. Hence, the Sage treasures within were greatly sought after by them.

Not to mention, there had not been any top-tier sages at the level of the Luminous Moon Sage that had come from the Azure Dragon's Eight Great Sage Orthodoxies.

"There's definitely no lack of treasures and other items within this artificial world. However, we have to open the thing first." Elder Ruyan from the Black Heaven sect calmly uttered upon arrival as she looked at the Luminous Moon's artificial world.

She was not wrong.

There was a strong seal of restriction placed on the Luminous Moon's artificial world entrance. Even the Honorable Realm cultivators could not hope to approach it, leading all of them to stop nearby.

They would have rushed in if that were not the case.

"While this seal is strong, it doesn't restrict cultivators below the Battle Monarch Realm from entering. We can let our disciples enter first to explore it, and whatever they obtain will be up to their luck and destiny."

Another Honorable Realm Cultivator uttered.

"They're already rushing over here from the royal capital, let's seal off our current location and prevent those cultivators from taking the opportunity to slip in unnoticed."

Said another Honorable Cultivator ruthlessly. His thoughts were obvious.

'Even our sage orthodoxy cannot enter, so small fry like you should not even come and join in on the action, but immediately leave this place instead.'

Some of the cultivators were enraged upon hearing those words, but felt frustrated They could not do anything as they could not compete with the sage orthodoxies.

Their oppression of the weak was an eternal and unchanging principle in the world of cultivation!

Very soon after, a crowd of Sky-prides reached the north seas at the same time.

Lin Batian from Zhiyang Valley, Fangtian of the Five Ways Sect, Huayun from the Serene Wisdom Sect, the Maiden Sage of the White Lotus School, and some others all arrived at the location.

Chu Kuangren and the others also just arrived.

“What a crowd.” Chu Kuangren looked at the crowd of tens of thousands of cultivators, all surrounded by the boundless crashing waves of the northern sea.

Meanwhile, the higher-ups of a few sage orthodoxies had gathered at the central area closest to the Luminous Moon’s artificial world. They were surrounded by their respective Sky-prides. All of them proudly levitated in the air, full of vigor in an imposing manner.

Especially the Royal Azure Dynasty’s Princess Linglong and Gu Changge, who sat in horse-driven carriages surrounded by a battalion of well-equipped soldiers. Each infantry unit held their heads up high, their gazes filled with seriousness, clearly showing that they were battle-hardened soldiers who had experienced and survived life on the battlefield.

The Royal Azure crown prince Gu Changge looked indifferent. He glanced around the area with a look of superiority in him like he was a Sky-pride of the heavens.

Chu Kuangren took a look at him and said, "Wow, that guy has recovered well. I almost thought he would be unable to recover from back then."

"That's how these larger great orthodoxies are with their might and imposing manner." Li Xingchen replied frustratingly, lamenting that their White Jade Hotel could never hope to compare against the sage orthodoxies.

After that, he seemingly stared straight at a certain direction in a daze. Pulling Chu Kuangren's sleeve, he told him, "Brother Chu, take a look. That's the Maiden Sage of the White Lotus School."

Chu Kuangren followed his gaze and looked, and saw a lady in white robes among the group of Sky-prides in the sage orthodoxy.

The lady had lush black hair with a glowingly delicate skin and a beautiful face. She was putting up a gentle smile, an expression that could captivate the hearts of many.

Numerous Sky-prides stared at that woman in awe of her beauty, even the Sky-prides of the sage orthodoxies also could not help but look twice at her.

"Maiden Sage of the White Lotus School, Bai Wanqing. Cultivation level – Paradise Realm..."

Chu Kuangren checked her stats using his Eye of Revelation.

He realized that of the Sky-prides of the sage orthodoxies, the White Lotus Maiden Sage was one of the strongest among them. Her strength was not far compared to Princess Linglong's.

“The White Lotus Maiden Sage still has that gentle look, like the calm surface of a lake.” Li Xingchen sighed suddenly.

“Is it bad having a gentle look like that?” Chu Kuangren asked.

“Brother Chu, you don’t know a thing about her yet. This Maiden Sage may look approachable, but she’s like a rare mountain flower. I’ve lost count of the men who had pursued her over the years, but all I know is that none of them succeeded. Besides that, I’ve also never heard of her being together with any other man as well. There isn’t even a hint of a scandal at all about her.”

While speaking of that, Li Xingchen paused and gave Chu Kuangren a weird look. “The only exception is that a few days ago, the White Lotus Maiden Sage openly declared that she wants to discuss the principles of Daoism with you, brother Chu.”

Speaking of that, Li Xingchen’s tone became a bit sour.

Chu Kuangren shrugged. “That I did not know of.”

He did not care about news of that sort.

“Brother Chu, my dear brother Chu, having Lan Yu beside you is enough. Why did both Princess Linglong and the White Lotus Maiden Sage decide to have their eyes on you?”

Li Xingchen said bitterly.

“Brother Li, take a look at my face.”

Li Xingchen turned to him for a while and his eyes started to water.

He asked himself why Chu Kuangren was a man with world-class looks, yet he was leagues below him.

No wonder both the White Lotus Maiden Sage and Princess Linglong treated him differently.

When he thought of this, Li Xingchen felt a wave of sadness overcoming him.

Chu Kuangren smiled and stopped messing around with Li Xingchen. He took Lan Yu and flew towards the direction of Elder Ruyan to greet her.

“Greetings, Elder Ruyan.”

Elder Ruyan’s eyes lit up. “Ah, you’ve come as well, Kuangren.”

Chapter 52: Supreme Spirit Blood Daoist Physique, Thunder Falcon Tribe’s Young Emperor, Just An Animal

“Elder Senior Brother!”

“Greetings Elder Senior Brother.”

Standing beside Elder Ruyan, Nangong Huang, Murong Xuan, and a few other disciples excitedly came forwards and looked at Chu Kuangren delightfully.

“Greetings fellow brothers and sisters, I hope everyone has been doing fine.”

“Haha, Elder Senior Brother. We’ve heard about the things you did these past few days. Because of this, your junior brother admires you more and more now.”

Murong Xuan held up his thumb and spoke in admiration.

Nangong Huang spoke of nothing while standing beside him, but from his passionate gaze, it was not hard to see that his adoration for Chu Kuangren was increasing day by day as well.

Chu Kuangren gently smiled and did not say a single word in return.

Being too modest might make him appear too forced and fake while being too proud would easily make others jealous and hate him. Hence, at times like this one should display an indifferent look on their face.

Sure enough, the gazes of Nangong Huang and the others became more passionate.

‘Our Elder Senior Brother really is indeed the real deal. Having achieved all these earth-shattering feats, he can still maintain such an indifferent expression and heart. He really is a role model for my generation.’

The Honorables from the other sage orthodoxies took a few glances at Chu Kuangren.

“This person is indeed the Black Heaven Sect’s Elder Senior Brother Chu Kuangren. The rumors were right, he does have an unrivaled look and an extremely refined manner.”

“Honorable Swordsman White Cloud was murdered by him...”

“Talented people indeed do exist from generation to generation. It’s just a pity that such a peerless Sky-pride did not come from my Five Ways Sect. What a pity, what a pity indeed!”

“In the world of great conflict, Sky-prides appear through all generations. This person here may just be one of the stars that shine the brightest and prettiest in this era!”

“This person can be known as a Young Emperor.”

Each of the Honorables all had a look of awe and splendor towards him.

However, the other Sky-prides and disciples at the scene who saw that their elders marveling at Chu Kuangren and filling him with praise could not help but feel unhappy and unsatisfied within their hearts.

Then again, in that moment they recalled the level of their opponent’s might, that unsatisfied anger was lost instantly.

Within the camp of the Royal Azure Dynasty.

Seeing Chu Kuangren again, Gu Changge's heart trembled fiercely. The scene of a terrifying sword beam appeared within the depths of his mind.

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It was the sword beam from Chu Kuangren's single attack that defeated him.

He thought that he had gradually forgotten about it as time went by.

However, seeing Chu Kuangren again made him realize that he had not forgotten at all. He had suppressed that memory deep down within the inner part of his heart instead, not thinking about it ever again.

"Chu Kuangren!" Gu Changge gripped his fists, veins popping on his forehead as his eyes filled with rage and swelling anger.

It was because of that person that his Heart of Invincibility was shattered. After returning to the palace, he had to expend countless priceless treasures to rejuvenate his body and recover.

"Calm down, elder brother." Princess Linglong gently said.

Gu Changge took a deep breath and calmed himself down. He looked at the Secret Realm of the Luminous Moon with a fiery passion in his eyes.

This time, he had to get his hands on the treasures and the Opportunities of Fortune within that Secret Realm.

Only by doing that could he stand a chance of defeating Chu Kuangren!

Not only him, but the other Sky-prides at the scene all also had the same idea: Getting the Sage's Opportunity of Fortune and surpassing Chu Kuangren!

"Haha, how can my Yasha Tribe be absent during the exploration of the Secret Realm of the Sage?" At that moment, a great laugh could be heard from the clouds far away.

An Honorable Cultivator's poise started to linger through the air.

An elderly man in blood-colored robes could be seen arriving in flight.

"It's him, the Honorable Ye Xue of the Yasha Tribe!"

"I can't believe he's here as well."

The people in the crowd were surprised.

The Yasha Tribe was a different race from the humans. It could be said to be among the best tribes in the Firmament Star and could go head to head against the sage orthodoxies.

That tribe was also known as the Yasha Sage Tribe!

The elderly man in the blood-colored robe was a strong Honorable Cultivator of the Yasha Tribe. He used to excel over his peers back in the day and was among the top Sky-prides of that time. His other name was Honorable Ye Xue.

“Greetings fellow Daoists, I hope everyone has been doing well.”

The Honorable Ye Xue let out a laugh to the crowd, and they returned the greeting politely. However, everyone also noticed a young man standing beside him.

The young man who wore the same blood-colored robe as Honorable Ye Xue had a devilishly handsome face. There was a drop of crimson cinnabar between his brows, overflowing with Daoist Rhymes.

“Who’s that young man? Why have we not heard of him before.”

“An unknown Sky-pride.”

The crowd was astonished and observed silently.

“Spirit Blood Child; cultivation level – Paradise Realm, bred from and hatched by the sea of blood within the Yasha Tribe; Possesses the Supreme Spirit Blood Daoist Physique...”

The information obtained from the Eye of Revelation shocked Chu Kuangren greatly.

A Supreme Daoist Physique.

That Spirit Blood Child has a Supreme Daoist Physique!

He had read about the Supreme Spirit Blood Daoist Physique in the archives. That physique could be ranked top thirty amongst the three thousand types of physiques. According to an ancient legend, there existed a great emperor once on the Firmament Star who possessed a similar physique. With that power, he managed to rule undefeated throughout a whole era.

“That blood-colored robed young man can’t be messed with.” Elder Ruyan looked at the Spirit Blood Child and reminded Chu Kuangren.

Chu Kuangren calmly nodded and said, “He has the Supreme Spirit Blood Daoist Physique.”

“What?”

Elder Ruyan’s expression changed slightly, “How do you know?”

“I have a method of sensing, and I’m able to sense it from him.”

Since there existed many similar sensing methods on the Firmament Star, Elder Ruyan did not think much about it. She then moved her focus onto the Spirit Blood Child.

“Records regarding the Supreme Spirit Blood Daoist physique are little and scarce, hence I did not realize just now. Now that you’ve said it, it somewhat makes sense .”

Elder Ruyan said seriously.

Nangong Huang and the others were reminded of Chu Kuangren, and it left an impression within their hearts. Each Supreme Daoist Physique wielder was no joke.

Crackle, crackle...

During that time in the skies far away, dark clouds surged forth while thunder and lightning boomed and flashed.

Several huge silver-white falcon eagles could be seen flying towards the surrounding area. Thunder rumbled everywhere and crackled as they flew.

Similarly, an Honorable’s poise lingered in the air.

“Who is it now?”

“It’s the Thunder Falcon Tribe! Another sage tribe arrives!”

“Hold up, if the Thunder Falcon Tribe is here, then that guy will also be here as well!”

The many Sky-prides present had a stern look on their face.

Chu Kuangren was a little surprised.

‘Everyone here comes from a sage orthodoxy themselves. There are many sage orthodoxies that have arrived, yet I do not see you all being so cautious as the rest came. What’s so special about this Thunder Falcon Tribe?’

**“Since the Thunder Falcon Tribe is here, then their Young Emperor should also be here as well.”
Nangong Huang uttered beside Chu Kuangren.**

Only then did he understand why.

Young Emperor. There was a Young Emperor within the Thunder Falcon tribe!

Several huge thunder falcons landed in front of the crowd. After a sudden flash of light burst forth, they all turned into their human forms. Among them was an eye-catching young man in a white long robe, whose whole body was overflowing with terrifyingly brutal thunder Daoist Rhymes.

That man was the Young Emperor of the Thunder Falcon tribe... Lei Ao!

The most outstanding one among the eight remarkable Sky-prides on the Firmament Star!

“This Secret Realm of the Luminous Moon has really attracted a lot of people here. All kinds of groups and Sky-prides have all appeared on the stage now.”

“After one finishes performing, the other will immediately carry on. It’s very lively here indeed.”

“Even if you can’t personally enter and explore the Secret Realm, it’s still a worthwhile trip to be able to witness so many rivaling Sky-prides that are present here.”

“Even the Young Emperor is here too. I wonder whether Chu Kuangren can fight with him equally though. As you know, he was also dubbed the Young Emperor by some people as well.”

The people in the crowd avidly discussed.

Just as Lei Ao arrived, he gazed through the crowd of Sky-prides and loudly said, “Which one of you is Chu Kuangren, step out now!”

The gazes of everyone swiped here and there...

Eventually, everyone in the crowd had their eyes locked onto Chu Kuangren.

“Looks like you’re Chu Kuangren then. Someone said that you can be deemed a Young Emperor, what a joke! During this excursion into the Secret Realm, you better don’t cross paths with me, or else I will show you what it means to truly be a Young Emperor!”

Lei Ao was extremely domineering and already sent out a challenge without haste after arriving.

Chu Kuangren only smiled gently. “It’s funny, I thought only animals covered in fur barked and roared here like this. I want to kill you and turn you into a roasted chicken!”

That moment those words went out, the other strong cultivators from the Thunder Falcon tribe were furiously enraged!

“Insolent fool!”

“How dare you disrespect our Young Emperor! That’s seeking death!”

Multiple surges of poise from the experienced cultivators pressed towards Chu Kuangren.

Chapter 53: Strange Mystery Within the Secret Realm, Qi of Death, Full Moon Blade

That single word “animal” enraged every skilled cultivator from the Thunder Falcon Tribe.

All of them stared daggers at Chu Kuangren as their momentum exploded. Terrifyingly violent lightning-based Daoist Rhymes reverberated through the void in the air and pressed towards Chu Kuangren.

At that time, Elder Ruyan coldly asked, “Who dares to make a move here?”

Stepping one foot forward, a domineering aura that was close to the level of an Honorable One erupted instantly!

The auras from the two sides clashed and rumbled the surrounding void.

Chu Kuangren stood in front of the domineering auras indifferently. Normally, a cultivator would be so frightened by that power they would be petrified and immobilized on the spot.

However, he stood his ground, calmly unmoved. The winds that were generated by the domineering auras blew through caused the ends of his robes and his hair to sway violently.

At that point, he looked like a dark fairy, and even more so like an insane fairy!

Many female cultivators were entranced by his looks.

“So crazy, so wonderful.”

“He dared to insult a Young Emperor, this man is crazy and unrestrained.”

“When you take a closer look at that Young Emperor, his looks are far below par when compared to brother Chu over there. Since he’s the one who provoked and challenged Chu Kuangren first, I’d say he fully deserves it.”

“Well spoken, if one were to be provoked as such, naturally they would retaliate back in the same manner.”

“I’m afraid the Young Emperor will not let this slide and surrender easily.”

Numerous female cultivators were secretly rooting for Chu Kuangren.

They were also worried for him as well since Lei Ao was a Young Emperor. That title was a symbol of being one of the strongest among the younger generation.

Seeing the Black Heaven Sect and the Thunder Falcon Tribe holding up arms against each other, the experienced cultivators from the other sage orthodoxies all wanted to guard their own interests. Hence, they did not stop whatever was happening.

In other words, they wanted both sides to fight, so that they might have the opportunity to slip in and reap whatever rewards in the end.

“Alright, that’s enough everyone.”

During that moment, the Honorable Cultivator of the Thunder Falcon Tribe calmly spoke.

Not that he was afraid of Elder Ruyan; on the contrary, Elder Ruyan was only at the later stages of Honorable Realm cultivation. She was not a match for him.

It was due to the situation surrounding the Secret Realm of the Luminous Moon being more important.

Moreover, he could also sense that there was an even more terrifying existence within the Black Heaven Sect's camp, and was worried that it might be more powerful than he was.

The experienced cultivators from the Thunder Falcon tribe grunted and retracted their auras respectively.

Lei Ao stared at Chu Kuangren and cunningly laughed. He made a gesture of swiping his finger across his neck. "Chu Kuangren, I'm going to be waiting for you in the Secret Realm!"

Chu Kuangren snorted. "Oh wow, I'm so afraid."

When Nangong Huang, Murong Xuan, and the others beside him saw that, they could not hold back and let out a little laugh. Everyone knew that Chu Kuangren was not taking Lei Ao seriously.

Not far away, the White Lotus Maiden Sage checked out Chu Kuangren with a calm unchanging smile on her face. The only thing new was the added curiosity she had in her eyes.

Beside her, the White Lotus Bachelor Sage gripped his fists as the rage that filled his eyes almost seethed out.

Almost all of the powerful forces and sage orthodoxies from all around the world had gathered. Following that, everyone then decided to start exploring the Secret Realm of the Luminous Moon.

Since those above Battle Monarch were not allowed entry, those that qualify would be the Sky-prides from each group. After receiving advice and guidance from their elders, they were all allowed to set foot into that realm.

Whoosh...

A blood-colored beam of light turned into a long rainbow as someone immediately took the lead and went into the Secret Realm.

It was the Spirit Blood Child of the Yasha tribe.

Fangtian, Lin Batian, Gu Changge, and the others followed suit right after.

“Hey kid, I’ll not be able to enter this Secret Realm, so you’ll have to be ever so cautious when you’re inside.” The Seventh Forefather’s voice resounded in Chu Kuangren’s mind.

Chu Kuangren nodded slightly and led the others into the Secret Realm.

Upon entering the Secret Realm, Chu Kuangren instantly felt a surge of spatial energy dragging his body.

Following that, a bright light flashed across his eyes, and the next thing he knew, he was somewhere beside a lake.

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However, Lan Yu, Nangong Huang, and the others were nowhere to be seen.

“We must have been separated by some sort of spatial energy just now.” Chu Kuangren frowned and let his spiritual thoughts flow and spread out. After searching outwards for hundreds of miles, he still could not find Lan Yu and the others.

“Based on Lan Yu and the others’ abilities, they should be fine. Let’s start first by exploring this area.” Chu Kuangren thought.

The area of this Luminous Moon Secret Realm was more vast compared to Yuan Ling’s artificial realm that Chu Kuangren went to last time. The end of the Spirit Realm in each direction was out of sight.

Chu Kuangren walked for half a day within the Secret Realm. He did not encounter anything like the Opportunities of Fortune. He instead found out that the area of the Secret Realm he was in was very... Corrupted!

Within the Secret Realm, the water there was polluted, still, and dead, while the trees consisted of deadwood void of any signs of life. Not even a single sparrow or ant could be found anywhere.

The heavens and earth in that realm were filled with a silent atmosphere of death.

Some areas were even riddled with a gray-colored mist.

“This mist seems unpleasant.”

Chu Kuangren frowned and looked at the gray mist before him. He felt that the air around him was filled and permeated by a rotting death-like qi.

At that moment, a chilling shriek could be heard from afar.

Chu Kuangren moved instantly and headed towards the source of that cry.

Within the mountain range, around ten well-equipped soldiers were surrounding and attacking a mysterious monster with black fur all over its back.

That monster looked like a dog with its bloodshot eyes. It let out a menacingly frightful killing aura, which frightened everyone in the vicinity.

The surrounding soldiers attacked the beast with swords and spears. However, their attacks were ineffective as the beast's hide was impenetrable.

On the contrary, the sharp claws and teeth of the beast could easily tear through the armor on their bodies and critically wound them.

"Step aside!"

Chu Kuangren darted out and came before everyone.

With the Descendant Self sword in his grip, he swung the blade and let out an incomparably razor-sharp sword qi, easily splitting the beast in half.

“It’s Chu Kuangren!”

“Thank god, we’re saved.”

“He’s truly a peerless Sky-pride, being able to defeat a monster like that.”

The soldiers around him gave him a feeling that they were the remaining ones left behind by someone.

Then again, there was only one type of soldier that entered the Luminous Moon Secret Realm, which was the ones that came from the Royal Azure Dynasty under Princess Linglong and Gu Changge’s command.

Chu Kuangren ignored them and investigated the body of the monster that he had slain. Its body also emanated the same aura as the gray-colored mist earlier, an aura full of decadence, decay, and rot.

“This aura, what in the world is it?”

Chu Kuangren murmured.

“That’s the Qi of Death!” Right then, a female voice was heard from somewhere.

From the distance came a woman in Chinese robes. The surrounding soldiers saw her and immediately saluted. “Greetings your royal highness.”

The one who came was Princess Linglong. Although surprised, Chu Kuangren was more interested in the Qi of Death that she had mentioned.

Princess Linglong came and said, "This Qi of Death is very archaic, and can even be traced back to the time of the body of an ancient emperor. It has also appeared several times in eras without an emperor."

"This Qi of Death is lethal and contains the very essence of death within. Any monsters or beasts which are infected by this qi will lose their minds and grow black hair or fur on their bodies. The records labeled them as... Black Death Beasts!"

Chu Kuangren's expression tightened after hearing those words.

'First of all, why did the Qi of Death appear inside the Secret Realm of the Luminous Moon?'

"There's no doubt that the Luminous Moon Sage has fallen. According to ancient records, once the Luminous Moon Sage fell, red rain fell from the sky. The days were endless and a weird occurrence of a Heavenly Dog eating the moon happened. The heavens and earth are filled with sorrow because of this."

"But why does the Qi of Death appear within his Secret Realm? This is very puzzling indeed." Even Princess Linglong was confused in thought.

"No point thinking about this too much, let's continue exploring." Chu Kuangren said.

“Alright.”

Princess Linglong nodded. There were indeed too many uncertain factors in this mysterious Secret Realm of the Luminous Moon. With another person around it meant another additional portion of strength gained. The two of them unspokenly partnered up and ventured out.

“Look over there!”

A blade could be seen stuck onto the ground, located on the peak of a nearby mountain. Multiple lines of runes and even a pattern of a full moon could be seen carved onto the sword.

The blade stuck on the mountain peak was emanating surges of Sage Qi. Perhaps it was due to the influence of the Sage Qi that the surrounding lands around the mountain were still lush green, and not as ruined and decaying as the other locations.

“The Full Moon Blade! The Luminous Moon Sage’s sword!”

Chapter 54: Battle Against Young Emperor Lei Ao, Black Wings of Lightning, No Feeling

“The Luminous Moon Sage’s Full Moon Blade!”

“Not only that, there’s still some residual Sage Qi remaining on the blade. This means there are still some Sage Daoist Rhymes on it, if one manages to comprehend it properly themselves, the benefit they would gain will be tremendous!”

“You’re right.”

No matter the quantity, each sage orthodoxy would have at least a few sacred weapons of that caliber.

Then again, sacred weapons that had residual Sage Daoist Rhyme on them were few and far between. That would mean the Full Moon Blade before them was an extraordinary sacred weapon. Its value as an item would be beyond priceless compared to normal sacred weapons.

“But why is the Full Moon Blade stuck here?”

Princess Linglong was puzzled.

She glanced around the surrounding area nearby and saw a giant crack on the ground at the foot of the mountain. Along that giant crack, the surrounding mountains had their peaks destroyed. There were still remnants of Sword Qi around the top of the cracks.

It was as if the Full Moon Blade was flung over and the sword qi from the blade left a path of destruction shown by those cracks. Then, as the sword ran out of power, it was later stuck here on top of the mountain.

Could it be that the Luminous Moon Sage was battling someone?

Was that what caused the Full Moon Blade to be flung out of the fight?

Thinking of that, Princess Linglong was a bit shocked.

However, no matter what the reason was, that sacred weapon was just in front of them. How could they not bother and leave it unattended?

Chu Kuangren's and Princess Linglong's gazes crossed as they dashed out instantly.

Both of them were unrelenting!

"This sacred weapon is mine."

"Wow, women really do change fast . Let's see whoever gets it first then."

Chu Kuangren chuckled, not being obscure at all with the speed he was going at.

At that point, a flash of silver-white lightning erupted emanating with monstrous Daoist Rhymes. It blasted towards both of them at a breakneck speed.

Princess Linglong's expression changed and she made a sudden retreat hurriedly.

However, Chu Kuangren did not dodge nor back down as the Descendant Self Sword in his hands slashed forth and released a bright purple sword beam which destroyed the incoming lightning!

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Not only that, the sword beam headed towards the source of the lightning attack around the mountain ranges and instantly leveled a few mountain peaks.

The terrifying power gave Princess Linglong an uncontrollable shiver down her spine.

“What a powerful slash!”

“He was not using his full strength during the banquet at all!”

Princess Linglong was filled with jealousy within her.

Initially thinking that her abilities were comparable to Chu Kuangren’s with only a small difference between them, she now realized that she was fantasizing too much.

Both of them were not on a similar level at all!

The mountain peaks then exploded and out came a figure in white robes. His whole body was surrounded with delicate sparks of lightning, radiating an overbearing momentum which spread out in all directions.

It was the Young Emperor of the Thunder Falcon tribe... Lei Ao!

"I can't believe we've already meet so soon... Animal." Chu Kuangren giggled as he removed the Full Moon Sword stuck on the mountain peak and stored it into his Yin and Yang ring in front of Lei Ao's face.

Lei Ao stared at Chu Kuangren. He recalled the might of his opponent's sword beam just now and grinned. "Very well, it seems that you do indeed have some strength, that shall give you enough worth to die by my hands."

"You really think you can kill me? Where did you get that foolish idea from?"

Chu Kuangren snorted as the Sword Daoist Rhymes from his body emanated.

However, Lei Ao was not afraid of a fight and accumulated the Lightning Daoist Rhyme in his body to the extreme. Dark clouds started to gather above him and sounds of thunder crackling could be heard.

A surge of transformation energy erupted.

"Behold my Daoist Physique transformation, Thousand-fold Thunderclap!" Lei Ao let out a great roar as thunder surrounded his body which made him seem like a thunder god.

The mighty domineering force of thunder swept in all directions, beaming with the poise of a Young Emperor. Princess Linglong and the other soldiers could not help but feel mortified at the sight of it.

"Isn't that just a transformation? As if no one else has them, sheesh." Chu Kuangren's Sword Daoist Rhymes spread out, the Sword of The Heavens manifested above him while the Thirty Sixth-Tier Green Lotus Sword Qi was deployed and circled around his feet. The power of those two great transformations erupted!

Boom, kaboom, boom!

Horrifying levels of transformation energy all clashed together high up in the air.

The surrounding landscape rumbled violently.

Many Sky-prides who were exploring the secret realm nearby were attracted by the ruckus and went to check out what was happening.

Atop an altar within the gray-colored mist, a figure bound by countless seals and great chains suddenly opened his eyes and stared a deathly stare towards the source of that transformation energy. He then burst into great bouts of laughter.

“Lightning Daoist Physique, Exquisite Nine Orifices Sword Heart, hahaha, these are an excellent assortment of consumables I can have! As long as I can absorb them, I will then be able to regain one ten-thousandth of my original strength and break out of this seal!”

“All that effort consuming my time and sage spiritual power to repair the secret realm while adding extra restrictions are all starting to bear fruit!”

“Luminous Moon Sage, you can’t keep me here forever!”

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The force of the transformations all collided violently with each other as Chu Kuangren battled the Young Emperor Lei Ao alone.

Chu Kuangren was a Supreme Daoist Physique wielder. Although he was only at the Nascent Soul Realm cultivation level, his three great Supreme Daoist Foundations strengthened the power of his technique transformations and made them stronger than that of Lei Ao's.

There was no need to deploy all three, but only two transformations were enough to hold back Lei Ao's Thousand-fold Thunderclap transformation.

"The Supreme Daoist Physique is really no small force!" Lei Ao coldly said. He then gripped his five fingers, and bolts of terrifying lightning pulsed between them. He proceeded to let out a punch and a silver-white bolt of lightning shot out instantly.

That bolt of lightning was even more terrifying than before due to the strengthening of the transformations!

Unfortunately, it was useless!

A swing from the Descendant Self Sword enabled the Heaven-Slaying Sword Wielding Technique to erupt forth. The menacingly horrifying purple sword beam which broke out with an unstoppable might split the lightning apart!

One slash and the lightning was split!

“This sword beam can’t be overcome by the silver lightning.”

“Well then take a load of this, Black Water Falling Thunder! ”

The silver-white lightning surrounding Lei Ao turned into a dark ink-like color. The immensely darkened black-colored lightning was ever more menacing and possessed an even more domineering intent.

A punch was let out as the Black Lightning managed to block the sword beam. After that, he waved both of his fists and caused jolts of black thunder to intertwine into a terrifying vast net that covered a large portion of the sky. It then started to went down towards Chu Kuangren.

“Hmph, what a useless technique!”

Chu Kuangren swung his blade and a violent sword beam was let out. That was an unspeakably brutal and boundlessly offensive slash!

The sword beam tore apart the black lightning web and landed onto Lei Ao, pushing him back hundreds of feet back and smashed him into a mountain.

The rushing crowd of Sky-prides bore witness to these events as they arrived at the scene.

They were immediately confused by that sight.

The Young Emperor was flung back by a single slash!

“What... What the f*ck!”

“Anyone who dares to tell me that Chu Kuangren does not deserve to be called a Young Emperor will have to deal with me! With that kind of strength, he definitely can be classified as a Young Emperor.”

“It’s too strong, that single slash has the domineering aura of a Battle Monarch!”

“Terrifying, how terrifying indeed!”

Chu Kuangren’s hair swayed as he held the Descendant Self Sword. His glorious look in that fight dazzled the crowds of Sky-prides and completely amazed them.

“What’s the matter, didn’t you say you were going to kill me? How can you even hope to fight me with that kind of strength?” Chu Kuangren said casually.

A pile of rubble exploded and out came Lei Ao, who flew out while staring menacingly at Chu Kuangren. His eyes were filled with a fit of indescribable anger and hate.

Crackle...

Extremely dense black jets of lightning surrounded Lei Ao’s body. Every jolt of it had the power to level mountains and divert rivers.

Those jolts of lightning gradually formed into a large black lightning pair of wings with large amounts of runes carved onto them.

The pair of wings flapped and horrifying powers of lightning swept through everywhere. Those that spread to the ground instantly blew up the land and sent dust flying.

“Sage Technique, Black Wings of Lightning!”

“Chu Kuangren, let me show you my true strength!”

Lei Ao’s wings flapped and his figure seemingly turned into a jolt of lightning as he flew towards Chu Kuangren at an extremely fast speed in a blink of an eye.

“Die!”

His fists waved and numerous streaks of lightning landed on Chu Kuangren.

Most of the lightning was blocked by Chu Kuangren, but a few bolts managed to go through and injure him!

After that violent attack, Lei Ao’s anger was almost fully vented out and he immediately took a few steps back while laughing at Chu Kuangren cunningly.

Even a Battle Monarch cultivator would no doubt be killed by the sheer power of that barrage of attacks he sent out.

“Chu Kuangren, your body has now been corroded by the black lightning. That black lightning will gradually destroy internal organs and eventually your whole body!”

“Really? Then why am I not feeling anything.”

At that point, Chu Kuangren had a slight laugh and immediately let out another slash with his sword!

The intensity of the sword beam was not weakened a single bit!

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The sword beam remained a peerless and brutal offensive force!

Lei Ao’s pupils shrank upon witnessing that. He then flapped his black lightning wings, which released a terrifying surge of lightning that blocked the sword beam!

He almost could not believe it.

How did his opponent’s strength remain the same?

Why did his power not cause any effect on Chu Kuangren?

“What the hell is going on!”

No matter how hard Lei Ao tried to figure it out, he did not consider the possibility that an ability far stronger than the Supreme Daoist Physique existed. It was known as ... The Immortal Body!

The black lightning from Lei Ao had indeed affected Chu Kuangren, as some lightning energy managed to get inside the latter's body and caused a certain amount of damage.

However, those injuries and wounds were healed by the Immortal Body ability in an instant.

'Shouldn't you say that I'm definitely a Young Emperor indeed?'

Chu Kuangren thought in his mind.

Ever since descending down from the mountains, there was not a single person that had ever managed to wound him. That included even the Battle Monarch cultivators from the White Cloud City Hall.

Unbelievably so, it was Lei Ao who managed to do it.

"Not bad for an animal. However, an animal will always stay an animal!" Chu Kuangren's spiritual power welled up within his body as his Golden Jade Body deployed while his Sword-based Daoist Rhymes raged and surged.

Just when he was about to resume the battle with Lei Ao, a wave of gray-colored mist suddenly crept forth from somewhere far away.

“What’s this?”

“How can there be so much of this mist!”

The fog was surging unstopably, forcing the onlooking crowd to retreat. Although no one knew what that was, they still did not dare to touch it.

However, several tentacles suddenly reached out from the gray fog and entangled a few Sky-prides in a blink of an eye, dragging them into it.

The turn of events caused everyone’s expression to change greatly.

“What in the world is that?”

“Let’s leave, quickly!”

A crowd of Sky-prides dashed towards the opposite direction of the gray fog. Chu Kuangren and Lei Ao also stopped their fight as both of them decided to leave temporarily.

At that moment, Chu Kuangren caught a glimpse of a few figures being trapped by the tentacles and were desperately trying to escape.

“It’s Nangong Huang and the others!”

Chu Kuangren frowned and leaped forth without hesitation towards them. He landed before them and let out a hard slash with the sacred blade in his hands !

The sword beam rushed forth and decimated the tentacles to bits!

“Elder Senior Brother!”

“How fortunate, it’s our Elder Senior Brother.”

Nangong Huang and the others were delighted.

Chu Kuangren however said with a stern expression, “Let’s go, quickly!”

“Elder senior brother, Lan Yu was also dragged into the fog just now.” Nangong Huang suddenly told him, making Chu Kuangren’s expression change drastically.

‘G*d d*mn it!’

That gray fog really was a mysterious one. There was no telling whether Lan Yu could be dead or alive after being dragged into it. Chu Kuangren’s anxiety rose within him, yet his gaze was as cold as ice.

“You guys leave first.” Chu Kuangren said calmly.

“Elder senior brother, do you...”

Murong Xuan’s expression changed as he wished to advise him, yet Chu Kuangren who seemingly knew what he was going to say coldly commanded. “Leave this place, now!”

“Let’s go now! We can’t be here holding our Elder Senior Brother back.”

Nangong Huang gritted his teeth and said.

They took a look at Chu Kuangren and left right after.

“Not to worry, I have the Immortal Body. Besides that, I really want to find out what kind mysterious beings are living within this gray fog!” Chu Kuangren took a deep breath and rushed into the gray fog, with an extremely sturdy gaze in his eyes.

Far away, Lei Ao coldly commented upon seeing him do that. “Bold of him to rush into the Qi of Death, he’s basically seeking instant death.”

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Within the gray fog.

A figure dashed right into it.

That figure was Chu Kuangren. Upon entering the mist, he suddenly felt a strange force exerting its pressure on him.

Under the influence of that strange force, his body felt like it had been drenched in acid. His skin and flesh was constantly being broken down and decomposed.

The Immortal Body ability started to activate, repairing the damage to his body quickly. Chu Kuangren then urged forth his spiritual power to cover his body, using that layer of spiritual power to hold back the peculiar corrosive ability of the fog.

“This gray mist can decompose and corrode living beings! I can’t stay here for long. I need to quickly find Lan Yu as soon as possible.” Chu Kuangren thought within his mind.

Based on Lan Yu’s abilities, even she would only be able to hold on for a while under this fog, only for a short period of time.

Chu Kuangren’s spiritual thoughts spread out in all directions as he kept searching for Lan Yu’s whereabouts.

Suddenly, his spiritual thoughts came into contact with a barrier and was reflected back at him. His gaze changed and he immediately let out a slash from his sword!

The overwhelming purple sword beam landed on the barrier, exploding with a boom!

However, Chu Kuangren could sense that the barrier was unscathed from his attack!

“There’s a barrier here. Can it be that it’s here to keep us trapped in this gray mist?” Chu Kuangren thought.

At that point, sounds of fighting and strange roaring voices could be heard from afar.

Chu Kuangren dashed towards the source of the sound and saw a group of tentacle monsters attacking and surrounding a lady.

“It’s her, Princess Linglong!” Chu Kuangren said in surprise, not expecting that her royal highness was also dragged into the strange gray fog.

Those tentacle beasts were very terrifying. Each of them had the cultivation level at the Battle Monarch Realm. Princess Linglong had trouble fending them off and could only dodge their attacks in haste embarrassingly.

“Chu Kuangren, save me!”

Princess Linglong had a very happy look on her face when she saw Chu Kuangren.

Chu Kuangren turned his back instead without hesitation.

What a joke, he had to go find Lan Yu first.

Every second he wasted in this fog meant that Lan Yu could be even more in danger. Compared to Lan Yu, Princess Linglong was worthless in the eyes of Chu Kuangren!

Seeing Chu Kuangren leaving immediately made Princess Linglong enraged and anxious. She shouted again, "I know what is going on within this gray fog, help me please!"

Chu Kuangren's footsteps stopped when he heard that.

The affected area of that gray fog was unknown and it would not be very effective if he were to look for Lan Yu aimlessly. However, if he could find out about the origins of that gray fog, then that might help somewhat him save her faster.

Thinking of that, Chu Kuangren made his move without a second thought.

The sacred sword slashed and out came that terrifying purple sword beam which pulverized the tentacles of those monsters in an instant!

A shrieking infant-like cry could be heard from those strange beasts. Following that, the beasts all locked on to Chu Kuangren, their eyes red with cruelty and killing intent as countless tentacles all darted towards Chu Kuangren.

"Are these the monsters hiding within the gray mist?"

"Their cultivation levels are no joke."

Chu Kuangren's Eye of Revelation activated.

Strings of information all appeared hurriedly across his eyes.

Those monsters were also a type of Black Death Beast.

"Mutated Black Death Beast, cultivation level – peak of Battle Monarch Realm, developed and fed using the Qi of Death by the Black Light Sage, specifically used by him to capture living beings..."

Black Light Sage? Now who could this person be?

Chu Kuangren picked out the key information from those messages and suppressed his doubts for a while. Then, he told Princess Linglong. "Get behind me!"

Princess Linglong did not think twice and did as he said, quickly hiding behind Chu Kuangren.

"I don't have time to waste dealing with you." Chu Kuangren took out a jade bottle from his Yin and Yang ring and proceeded to smash it.

A burst of invisible dust spread out through the air. Chu Kuangren used his spiritual power to manipulate that dust and hurled it towards the Black Death Beasts surrounding him.

Upon coming into contact with it, those Black Death Beasts immediately let out a screeching cry as their bodies started to disintegrate into blood.

Around the time it took to take two or three breaths, the Black Death Beasts all turned into a puddle of blood and internal organs, exuding a foul disgusting stench.

Princess Linglong trembled at that sight. "The Threefold Dark Ruler Obliterating Dust!"

She had read about it in the old records but had never seen it in real life before. It's terrifying power truly horrified her.

Those were peak Battle Monarch Black Death Beasts, and they all turned into a bloody puddle in such a short time. It was terrifying indeed!

"I can't believe I wasted a bottle of Threefold Dark Ruler Obliterating Dust because of this. I hope you better know about the secrets here, if not I'll make sure you will end up worse than if not similar to those beasts!" Chu Kuangren coldly told Princess Linglong as he glared at her.

Chapter 56: Having Sky-prides As Food, A Sage Is Not Easily Killed

"Don't you worry, I'm not lying." Upon seeing Chu Kuangren staring at her coldly, Princess Linglong could not help but feel a sudden beat in her heart.

She was one of the best women in the world and also a Princess of the Royal Azure Dynasty at that, so why did she have to always forcibly yield when it came to Chu Kuangren?

Princess Linglong was very puzzled.

She then continued, "This gray fog here is special, it was made from condensing the Qi of Death. Taking into account the barriers all around its edge, I have read about this Qi of Death in the scripts that recorded situations like these. I'm afraid that this is a type of... Domain!"

"Domain? Carry on."

"According to ancient records, this kind of gray fog appeared around ten thousand years ago. At that time, it enveloped a whole city. When people went to investigate right after, only a few survivors were found remaining in that city, while the rest were all broken down and decomposed by the corrosion."

Princess Linglong stopped talking after that.

Chu Kuangren frowned and asked, "That's all?"

"The records only kept note of this much."

"Domains... Battle Monarch cultivators can create their own domains. Besides that, some cultivators specialized in the practice of domain creation. As their cultivation level increases, the domains they create will also experience some change as well. Could it be that this domain is made by someone?"

Chu Kuangren kept thinking and tried to piece together the pieces of information gained by his Eye of Revelation. His gaze gradually became very grim.

"The Black Light Sage!"

“The Black Death Beasts were fed and developed by the Black Light Sage. Besides that, this domain has the possibility of being a man-made one. Hence, it has to be him that’s pulling the strings behind the scenes.

“However, that person is a Sage. If he can even kill us with a single finger if he really wants to, why go through all this trouble? This domain, the Black Death Beasts, and even this Secret Realm could all possibly be his doing.

“This may mean that he probably is under... Some sort of restriction.”

Countless thoughts were thrown around within Chu Kuangren’s mind as they emerged.

No matter what, the Black Light Sage could be the source of all their problems. If they wanted to get rid of this gray mist, then they would have to find him first.

“While searching for Lan Yu, we can also search for that person’s whereabouts. If this domain really is his dirty work, then he must certainly be inside it as well!”

Chu Kuangren decided on a plan and left the place.

Princess Linglong followed him. She could not deny that in times like that, following Chu Kuangren would make her feel the most secure.

Along the way, the two of them encountered another Sky-pride.

It was Huayun of the Serene Wisdom Sect.

However, he had already suffered major injuries at that point. His spiritual power was fading and he had no strength to muster up any protection with it. Without the protection of his spiritual power, his body started to break down and decompose instantly. Upon seeing Chu Kuangren and the princess, he immediately pleaded with them for help.

“Please brother Chu, your highness, please save me.”

Princess Linglong took a look at Chu Kuangren.

It was clear that every move she made now was based on Chu Kuangren’s decision.

Chu Kuangren turned a deaf ear beside him, watching Huayun who was being corroded and decomposed non-stop. A sudden thought popped into his mind.

‘The gray fog constantly decomposes and breaks down human flesh.

‘Then what will happen next once it completely breaks down everything?’

The Black Light Sage went to great lengths to drag them into this domain field. Could it really be that he just simply wanted to kill them?

When he thought of that, Chu Kuangren observed Huayun with a chilling gaze, having no intention of lending a helping hand at all.

Huayun shuddered and continued pleading. "Brother Chu, I apologize for what I said during the banquet. I beg you, please save me."

However, Chu Kuangren did not bother answering him.

"My dear Princess Linglong, please, save me please." Seeing that Chu Kuangren did not care, Huayun shifted his gaze onto Princess Linglong.

Princess Linglong was a bit hesitant. "Chu Kuangren, having another person with us meant another portion of strength, how about we..."

"Shut it." Chu Kuangren glared at Princess Linglong with a cold gaze.

That reply was like a choke on Princess Linglong's neck. She instantly stopped speaking.

"Another portion of strength for another person added? What a joke, can a person like him even be considered strong? He'll only be a burden to us."

Chu Kuangren said with an indifferent tone.

"Chu Kuangren! How can you be so cruel!"

Huayun knowing that there was no hope of getting help started to show resentment and anger in his eyes.

“Just because I insulted you a bit during the banquet, you now decide not to save me even when I’m dying in need of help. Shame on you for being a Sky-pride, shame on you for being a human being!

“I curse you to end up in a similar fate, to die slowly in suffering worse than me now!”

Huayun continued to hiss and cursed.

However, Chu Kuangren’s gaze was unmoving and he kept on observing him.

Huayun’s cursing did not affect him in the slightest. Chu Kuangren just watched silently as his opponent was broken down gradually into nothingness.

Princess Linglong, who stood beside him could not help but feel fearful.

At that instant when Huayun was completely broken down and decomposed, a blood-colored light appeared and flew towards a certain direction.

“Something is going on after all.”

Chu Kuangren’s eyes lit up and went to follow that blood-colored light.

Princess Linglong tagged along with him closely as well.

She had only realized at that point why Chu Kuangren coldly watched Huayun get broken down alive and could not help but lament his courage and cautiousness.

However, he was willing to watch a person die in front of him to confirm his suspicions.

This man was cold-hearted.

Chu Kuangren followed the blood-colored light and reached the depths of the gray mist.

From afar they saw an altar with an elderly man on top of it. He was bound by chains and sealing tags with runes written all over them.

The blood-colored light came to the altar and entered the old man's mouth.

"Delicious... So this is the taste of a Sky-pride."

The old man let out a delighted look on his face.

When Princess Linglong arrived soon after, her pupils shrank when she saw what had happened. "This elderly man is consuming Sky-prides as his nourishment!"

Chu Kuangren took out the Descendant Self sword and slowly walked towards the old man. At the same time, countless strings of runes swirled within his eyes, analyzing the old man's information.

"Black Light Sage, one of the guardians of the Sacred Palace of Death, cultivation level – Great Sage peak, in a crippled state, under the suppression of a seal, cultivated Sage Techniques..."

Because his opponent was a Sage, Chu Kuangren's Eye of Revelation could only reveal a limited amount of information from him at his current cultivation level. He could not completely see-through his opponent like could with the others in the past.

Despite that, he still gained a lot of useful information.

For example, the Sacred Palace of Death.

That was an unknown force to him. Chu Kuangren secretly noted it down.

Bang, bang...

At that point, a few chains and sealing tags on top of the altar were broken off.

"Absorbing the flesh and blood essence of numerous Sky-prides and using it to break through the seals. This Gluttonous Devouring Sage technique of yours is truly extraordinary."

Chu Kuangren calmly said.

On the altar, the Black Light Sage squinted and asked. "Who are you, little guy? I can't believe you know about my cultivation techniques and practices."

By the time he started speaking, Chu Kuangren dashed towards him and made a move.

The Heaven-Slaying Sword Wielding Technique was immediately deployed!

That domineering purple sword beam headed towards the Black Light Sage's head. However, his gaze became stern and let out a loud roar. Terrifying surges of Death Qi then oozed out from his mouth, brutally blocking the attack of the purple sword beam.

"Haha, what a decisive Sky-pride!

"First you speak of the school of cultivation that I am under and take the opportunity when I am distracted to send out an attack. If only you are a bit stronger or that I'm a bit weaker, then perhaps this method could have worked. What a shame, what a shame."

The Black Light Sage grinned and had a look of admiration in his eyes.

Chu Kuangren was silent and immediately deployed all three transformations of his Daoist Physique, and once again let out another attack with his Heaven-Slaying Sword Wielding Technique, intent on killing the Black Light Sage in one single move.

However, a terrifying Sage Daoist Rhymes could be seen coming out and surrounding the Black Light Sage which formed into a veil of Qi. It blocked all of the incoming attacks!

“This Sage truly is a Sage indeed. No matter if he’s in a weakened state or sealed, he really is tough to kill.” Chu Kuangren murmured.

Although Princess Linglong, who stood aside him, did not fully understand the situation, she still sensed the terror of the old man on top of the altar. Her heart was overcome with fear and shock, as she did not expect that a Sage was sealed within the Secret Realm of the Luminous Moon!

Chapter 57: The Godly Essence, Supreme Ninth Grade Purple Palace Hall

“Human Mountain Stamp!

“Heaven-Slaying Sword Wielding Technique!”

Within the gray mist, horrifying noises continued to resound greatly.

Chu Kuangren kept letting out one attack after another, intending to slay the Black Light Sage.

Then again, when was a Sage ever killed that easily. The area surrounding the opponent’s body had been condensed into a veil of Qi. No matter how hard Chu Kuangren tried, it was to no avail.

On top of that, this was the power of the already weakened Sage.

It could even be less than one ten-thousandth of his original strength!

One could imagine how terrifyingly strong that Sage was during his prime.

“It’s no use little fellow, your power is still too weak to even touch me, let alone kill me!

“Go find a good place for yourself and wait for your impending death. You’re a Supreme Daoist Physique wielder, so your flesh and body essence will be a great supplement to me!”

The Black Light Sage stared at Chu Kuangren with a very strong desire.

Like a hungry ghost witnessing a full house banquet of guests.

Chu Kuangren stopped attacking and coldly said, “Is it you who made the Luminous Moon Secret Realm reappear? Just to attract us Sky-prides here to be converted into food for you to regain your strength and break from this seal?”

“You’re correct, but it’s too late knowing this now. Within this domain of mine, you won’t be able to escape. You can’t hope to kill me either.”

The Black Light Sage grinned in delight.

At that time, another blood-colored light came from somewhere far away and entered the body of the Black Light Sage. His momentum rose and his strength increased by a few portions.

“Tsk tsk, the taste of the Sky-prides is delicious indeed. How wonderful!” The Black Light Sage showed a very happy expression on his face.

"I have exhausted great amounts of time to add extra restrictions within this Luminous Moon Secret Realm, which only allows cultivators that are below Battle Monarch Realm to enter. This is a Sage's secret realm, and because of this the Sage orthodoxies would not let this opportunity slip by easily and let their respective Sky-prides enter, unknowingly sending them to their deaths as my nourishment.

"At this moment, no one else can save you from this secret realm. When my strength recovers more, I will expand the range of my domain further. When the time comes, none of the Sky-prides in this realm will be able to escape! Haha..."

The Black Light Sage laughed and his eyes filled with delight, not even concerned that revealing his plan to others might lead to it failing.

He had been planning this for such a long time, now everything has been going on smoothly. Even if he completely revealed his plans, who could ever hope to stop him!

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"Luminous Moon Sage, that time when I kindly came to invite you to join the Sacred Temple, not only did you not appreciate my offer but you decided to instead suppress me. Good for me, although I'm now sealed, you suffered major injuries instead and died by my hands!

"Now that I'm close to completely breaking the seal, it's my victory in the end!"

The Black Light Sage laughed in delight. That battle he had with the Luminous Moon Sage was going to come to a decisive end after ten thousand years!

Chu Kuangren retracted his transformations, turned around, and left.

“You’re leaving, just like that?” Princess Linglong confusedly asked.

“Should I not? Are we supposed to listen to him yapping away?” Chu Kuangren replied coldly, not even turning his head around as he walked away.

“Leave? Where can you even go? Within my domain, what can you do aside from waiting for your impending deaths!” Upon seeing the figure of both of them leaving, the Black Light Sage said in disdain.

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After leaving the sealed area, Chu Kuangren found a cave within the gray fog. He went into it and took out a large pile of treasures and items.

Those were the ones he took from Honorable Yuan Ling’s treasury.

Every item he took out was very priceless and valuable.

“What are you trying to do?” Princess Linglong was confused.

“Meditate, break through, and kill the Sage!”

Chu Kuangren replied coldly.

However, he had a frustrating and panicked look in his eyes, which was rare even for him.

Princess Linglong noticed he was panicking and said, "Even if you were to meditate and cultivate more, you'll need days to increase your strength no matter how gifted you are. Even after those few days, everything that entered the gray mist will already be dead.

"That Sage's strength will keep increasing gradually. Even if you manage to break through and reach the Paradise realm, can you even hope to defeat him?"

When Princess Linglong finished saying that, what came after was silence.

She was correct.

Chu Kuangren knew that what she said made sense.

Adding to the fact that Lan Yu's conditions were now unknown, whether he could properly calm himself down to meditate and cultivate was also an unknown factor.

"I have another idea." Princess Linglong said suddenly.

"What idea?"

“My Godly Essence!”

“Come again?” Chu Kuangren was startled in disbelief.

“I’ll give you the Godly Essence so that you can use its power to break through and increase your strength in a short period.” Princess Linglong said calmly, as if she was not talking about something as important as her purity and innocence.

“Are you serious?”

Chu Kuangren’s gaze became very stern.

“What do you think?” Princess Linglong took a deep breath, as she slowly loosened her robes, revealing her smooth and white body.

No one could deny that Princess Linglong was a very beautiful lady.

Besides that, she also had an irresistible smoking hot figure.

**Chu Kuangren was in a daze momentarily as he looked at her, but turned and looked away soon after.
“I do not need methods like these to break through.”**

Princess Linglong who saw him in a daze for a short while just now could not help but feel a little excited.

It appears that she was not unattractive to him after all.

“You don’t have any other choice.” Princess Linglong slowly walked towards him and hugged him, exhaling beside his ears as she said that.

Without waiting for Chu Kuangren to do anything, she took the initiative to undress him. She did not know that Chu Kuangren himself felt like he was taken advantage of by her.

“Chu Kuangren, don’t tell me you’re not ready to go?”

Princess Linglong said upon noticing Chu Kuangren standing frozen in his place.

“You forced me into this!”

After saying that, Chu Kuangren started to move as well.

He flipped the script from becoming submissive and turned into the dominating party, pinning Princess Linglong onto the ground.

For a while, the atmosphere within the cave was filled with passion and lust.

Not long after, a series of mysterious Daoist patterns circulated and swirled between the two of them, forming into a white bundle of light that encroached upon them.

Within the bundle of light that was shaking up and down, a moaning sound could be heard faintly resounding.

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Chu Kuangren could feel like he was surrounded within a hot spring, where surges upon surges of Daoist Rhymes rushed into his heart. An incomparably pure burst of energy entered his body, and exploded within his spiritual Meridian, completely sweeping through his limbs and bones!

The Golden Core, Nascent Soul and Daoist foundations within his body were all beaming with delight.

Great amounts of spiritual power gathered at his spiritual Meridian, gradually condensing and forming into nine purple pillars with large mysterious Daoist runes carved into them.

With the nine spiritual pillars as the foundation, a gorgeous Daoist Palace started to take form!

That was the Purple Palace Hall!

The foundations of the Purple Palace Hall symbolized the Paradise Realm!

While the nine spiritual pillars represented the Supreme Ninth Grade Purple Palace Hall!

Just when Chu Kuangren succeeded in cultivating the Supreme Ninth Grade Purple Palace Hall, a terrible occurrence happened outside the domain.

Daoist Rhymes reverberated through the heavens and skies as spiritual Qi surged violently. A purple light shone through the gray mist as a brilliant glorious Purple Palace appeared.

The Black Light Sage, who was sealed, witnessed it the moment it happened, and his expression changed drastically. “The Supreme Daoist Foundation and the Supreme Ninth Grade Purple Palace Hall!”

Supreme Daoist Foundations were very hard to cultivate, becoming more difficult the higher the Realm was!

A Nine-Color Nascent Soul was already rare enough.

Now there was a Supreme Ninth Grade Purple Palace Hall, and only a handful of them had appeared in tens of thousands of years!

“Who is this? Who cultivated and condensed this level of foundation!”

“Can it possibly be...”

The Black Light Sage instantly thought of Chu Kuangren.

In the entire domain, Chu Kuangren was the only one who had a complete Nascent Soul Realm cultivation, and only he could manage to condense and cultivate this level of Supreme Daoist Foundation!

“Yet breaking through to the Paradise Realm in such a short time, and even managing to cultivate the Supreme Purple Palace Hall, how is he able to do it!”

The Black Light Sage’s expression was terrifyingly grim.

An unknown variable had appeared in his plans!

“So what if you manage to create the Supreme Purple Palace Hall, it’ll not be so easy to kill me, for I am a Sage!”

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Chapter 58: Daoist Enlightenment, I’m Going to Slay a Sage, Luminous Moon Reappears

As the Supreme Ninth Grade Purple Palace Hall formed, something strange happened around them.

Daoist Rhymes spread and resounded in all directions.

That surge of Daoist Rhymes could not even be isolated within the domain of the Black Light Sage, since he was in a weakened state.

Bursts of Daoist Rhymes permeated the surroundings, spreading across the whole secret realm.

Many Sky-prides had also noticed it.

All of them looked towards the gray mist and only saw a faint purple light glowing and swirling from within, as a towering and somewhat illusory Daoist palace emerged.

The Daoist palace was extremely gorgeous and contained nine spiritual pillars within.

When the crowd saw that scene, they all thought of something.

“That is ... The Purple Palace?”

“One, two, three... D*mn, that’s a total of nine spiritual pillars! That’s the Ninth Grade Purple Palace Hall! How is it possible that someone managed to cultivate and condense such a remarkable foundation!”

“Who can that be? Who can even do something like that within the gray fog!”

“Hold up, rumors say that the Black Heaven Sect’s Elder Senior Brother single-handedly cultivated three great Supreme Daoist Foundations, could it be him that did it?”

“If that’s the case, that’s terrifying!”

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On top of a certain mountain peak, Lei Ao stared at the gray mist with a solemn expression in his eyes.
“Ninth Grade Purple Palace Hall, who can this be?”

“Don’t tell me that it’s Chu Kuangren?”

When he thought of that, Lei Ao’s heart sank.

Chu Kuangren already gave him so much trouble before he ascended to Paradise Realm cultivation level.
If he were to break through the Paradise Realm and further cultivated the Ninth Grade Purple Palace Hall...

Lei Ao dared not think further...

Now he only hoped that the existence within the gray fog would be able to kill Chu Kuangren. If that were the case, he would have one less opponent to deal with.

Somewhere else.

Gu Changge stared intently at the gray fog.

“It’s him, it must be him!”

“There aren’t many Nascent Soul cultivators that entered the secret realm and he is definitely the most remarkable of them all. If anyone can cultivate the Ninth Grade Purple Palace Hall, it has to be him!

“As if it’s not enough that he consecutively cultivated the three great Supreme Daoist Foundations before me previously, now this guy went and cultivated the Supreme Purple Palace as well!

“Oh, Heavens, how unfair you are!”

Gu Changge had a feeling that the one who cultivated the Supreme Ninth Grade Purple Palace Hall must be Chu Kuangren. The thought made him swell up in anger.

Before that, his three great Supreme Foundation Levels were enough to suppress him.

What about now?

He would be nothing in his opponent’s eyes then!

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“Hahaha, the Ninth Grade Purple Palace Hall, it must be our Elder Senior Brother!”

“Besides our Elder Senior Brother, who else has that kind of ability to achieve that!”

Unlike Lei Ao and Gu Changge, Nangong Huang, Murong Xuan, and the others were full of delight and excitement.

“Supreme Daoist Physique, Supreme Golden Jade, Supreme Nascent Soul, and now the Supreme Purple Palace! Our Elder Senior Brother is even mightier now!”

“There will be only one name that is known throughout this whole generation, and that is Chu Kuangren!”

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Within the gray mist domain.

Chu Kuangren used the Godly Essence to cultivate and condense the Supreme Ninth Grade Purple Palace Hall, but that was not all that happened. Other than that, the effect of the Godly Essence made both him and Princess Linglong enter the state of Daoist enlightenment, where both of them simultaneously felt the mysterious and profound essence of the Dao.

Everything that they had learned up until that point was completely readjusted and tweaked.

Techniques like the Human Mountain Stamp, Heaven-Slaying Sword Wielding Technique, Heavenly Crepe-myrtle Sword Art were all thoroughly refined and improved throughout that state of enlightenment.

Detecting any weaknesses, covering them up, and improving them to the next level!

Especially the Heavenly Crepe-myrtle Sword Art, that Sage Technique was already refined by Chu Kuangren properly and had been elevated to the level of a Great Sage Technique.

The sort of mysteriousness they experienced was unique beyond words.

Not only that, both of their cultivation levels also improved rapidly.

Paradise Realm – early stage, Paradise Realm – middle stage, Paradise Realm – late stage...

Right then, Chu Kuangren suddenly opened his eyes.

Inside the cave, the white bundle of light shattered and Chu Kuangren stood up naked. He then took out a white robe and wore it.

“Wait for me here, I’m going to ... Slay a Sage.”

Chu Kuangren said calmly.

Princess Linglong stretched and nodded embarrassingly.

Whoosh...

Chu Kuangren disappeared into thin air and was already at the altar the next time he landed. A surge of terrifying Sword-based Daoist Rhymes immediately burst out!

While the Black Light Sage guessed that Chu Kuangren would come to find him, he was not surprised but shockingly said, "I can't believe you can break through the Paradise realm in such a short time, and cultivated the Supreme Purple Palace Hall..."

Before he finished speaking, he was interrupted by a sword beam that greeted him!

A peerless offensive attack was let out in the form of a bright and stunning purple sword beam!

The Black Light Sage opened his mouth and released large amounts of Qi of Death which gushed out.

The two different forces collided together, the terrifying shockwaves that formed from it rumbled the entire domain violently. It was extremely shocking indeed.

The Sky-prides who were dragged into the gray fog were all shocked.

"What's going on?"

"Don't tell me something's happening again right now."

Within the gray fog, a figure wearing gorgeous silver armor headed towards the source of the shockwaves. That person was Lan Yu.

“The Ninth Grade Purple Palace Hall just now was definitely Master! Not good, I have to hurry to his side as soon as possible.” Lan Yu thought.

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“What a powerful sword beam. Having recently reached the Paradise realm, you can already output such strong levels of power. You really are extraordinary!

“Devouring you alone is better compared to eating tens of other Sky-prides!”

The Black Light Sage greedily looked towards Chu Kuangren.

On the other hand, Chu Kuangren had also noticed that his opponent’s strength had increased a bit compared to before. Obviously, he had ingested a few Sky-prides during that time.

There were more chains and sealing tags that were missing from the altar as well.

“I can’t let this guy break loose from the seals!” Chu Kuangren’s gaze was stern and the three great transformations of his Supreme Daoist Physique were all activated at the same time.

Sword of The Heavens, Nine Heaven Sword Prison, Green Lotus Sword Song. Those three transformations circled and swirled around Chu Kuangren. At that moment, Chu Kuangren's Sword-based Daoist Rhymes had already reached their peak!

Not only that, the four Supreme Foundation Levels in his body all bloomed with a supreme heavenly light. The surface of his body all became crystal clear like a piece of golden jade.

Sparkle, crackle...

Within his body, the spiritual power all surged forth like a crashing wave!

Just then Chu Kuangren was about to draw his blade, a sense of surprise flashed across his eyes. However, he continued to swing the sacred sword as if nothing had happened.

"Heaven-Slaying Sword Drawing Technique!"

The terrifying surges of purple-colored sword beams almost fully enveloped the whole sky and covered the sun!

The sword beam locked onto the Black Light Sage. The Qi of Death which covered him up like a shield surrounding him now started to gain a few cracks.

Boom, boom...

As the cracks started to grow, they eventually expanded and burst!

The sword beam violently landed onto the body of his opponent. However, that old body suddenly burst out in bright blinding light, and actually blocked the sword beam!

“Haha, although my strength now is not even a fraction of what it was, my body as a Sage is still the real deal. It’s made by concentrated and condensed Daoist patterns. Do you think that your blade can possibly hurt me?”

The Black Light Sage let out great bouts of laughter, as he had no fear regarding his body.

How could any ordinary cultivator hope to destroy the body of a Sage?

“I still have this sword here!”

Chu Kuangren spoke indifferently as he held out another great blade and hurled it towards his opponent. The long blade pierced through the void like a meteor raging through the skies.

“That’s... The Full Moon Blade! No!”

The Black Light Sage’s pupils shrank and his expressions changed.

As he moved to defend, Chu Kuangren was already one step ahead of him. His majestic Earth Qi emerged and turned into a sacred mountain which weighed upon his opponent!

Under the suppression of the sacred mountain, the movement of the Black Light Sage was slowed down.

The Full Moon blade radiated with a dazzling brightness. Suddenly, a figure in white clothing appeared. He had the look of a middle-aged man.

The Black Light Sage saw that man as if he had seen a ghost. Feeling terrified, he yelled. “The Luminous Moon Sage! How is this possible!”

Everything happened right after within a flicker of light or a spark of lightning. The Luminous Moon Sage held the Full Moon Blade and slashed forth, his Sage Daoist Rhymes instantly erupted and tore apart the Black Light Sage’s body, chopping his head right off!

At that point, an illusory figure broke away from the corpse of the Black Light Sage and flew away towards the distance frantically.

That was the spirit of the Sage, the Sage Spirit!

Chapter 59: The Sage Has Fallen, The Luminous Moon Bows, Paying for Service?

“Hmmp, you want to escape? There’s no exit here for you!”

Chu Kuangren had already anticipated that the Sage spirit of the Black Light Sage would attempt to escape, so he activated his Nine Heaven Sword Prison which sealed the whole area off with twelve long Sword Qi pillars!

Without the body of the Sage, the Sage's spirit could only be described as a sitting duck. In addition to that, because the Black Light Sage had spent a vast amount of spiritual power over the years to restore the secret realm and adding extra restrictions, his Sage spirit's condition had deteriorated to be worse than a cultivator's depleted cultivation base!

Right then within the Nine Heaven Sword Prison, there was nowhere to run!

"Now die!!"

Although it would be a waste to not capture a Sage's spirit, Chu Kuangren did not care and swung his Descendant Self Sword. Horrifying beams of sword light enveloped the skies and locked onto the Sage's spirit!

After a shrieking cry was heard... The Sage's spirit turned to ashes and disappeared!

The Sage had fallen!

Within an instant, the whole secret realm started to rumble.

The gray mist also started to disperse and collapse as it lost its master.

From the heavens and earth came a downpour of red-colored rain as all the living beasts, birds and other animals let out a sorrowful scream!

A Sage had fallen, the skies were dyed red and all living creatures mourned in sadness!

Outside the secret realm.

The skies started rumbling and red-colored rain fell onto the land.

The waters of the northern seas were turbulent while fierce winds started to blow violently. Every beast, no matter on land or in the sky that lacked intellect all started to let out sad cries and screams.

That sudden occurrence shocked everyone.

“This is something that happens when a Sage dies!”

“Who is it? Who is it that has fallen?”

“Oh the heavens, it’s been a long time since I saw these signs that a Sage has fallen. What is going on? How can a Sage die so suddenly?”

“Can it be that one of the Sages has reached the end of their lives?”

The faces of Elder Ruyan, the experienced cultivators of the Thunder Falcon tribe, and the Honorables from the other Sage orthodoxies had all changed greatly. Each of them contacted their respective orthodoxies to find out.

After some inquiries were made, everyone was confused.

None of them had received any bad news. If that was the case, then who caused that red-colored rain and the cries of all living beasts?

“Could it be that something happened inside the secret realm?”

“It’s impossible. According to the records, the Luminous Moon Sage passed away long ago. Unless there’s a second Sage within the secret realm!”

Everyone in the crowd was dumbfounded.

At the same time, inside the Luminous Moon secret realm.

After the gray mist had collapsed, what everyone saw next was Chu Kuangren standing proudly in the air along with the Luminous Moon Sage who walked to his side while brandishing his blade.

Some of the people within the crowd recognized the Luminous Moon Sage.

“Hey, take a look, that’s the Luminous Moon Sage. Isn’t he already dead?”

“What exactly is going on?”

“That blade in his hand is indeed the Full Moon Blade. It’s the sacred weapon of the Luminous Moon Sage, but he already passed away tens of thousands of years ago.”

“Why is Chu Kuangren there as well?”

Everyone in the crowd was either surprised or confused at that time.

However, Chu Kuangren glared at the Luminous Moon Sage with a cautious gaze and asked instead. “My elder, may I ask you to give me an explanation for all of this.”

Just now when he was battling the Black Light Sage, something abnormal happened with the Full Moon Blade within his Yin and Yang ring. He heard the voice of the Luminous Moon Sage which guided him to toss his blade towards the Black Light Sage, and also cautioned him to prevent the Sage’s spirit from escaping.

The Luminous Moon Sage calmly smiled. “Sky-pride of the future, fear me not and retract your caution, for I am already long dead, and there is no doubt about it.

“What is now standing before you is but a remnant essence of my spirit. There is no need for you to take action, for it will disappear by itself later. This remnant spirit essence of mine has been stored within the Full Moon Blade for many years, waiting for the opportunity of killing the Black Light Sage. Whatever has happened today is due to your efforts. I hereby thank you sincerely for your assistance.”

After speaking, the Luminous Moon Sage took a bow before Chu Kuangren.

That very scene left everyone shocked in disbelief.

A powerful Sage bowing to someone younger and less powerful than he was?

Chu Kuangren did not move and calmly accepted that bow. After that he took a look at the corpse of the Black Light Sage and asked, "That dead body shall fall into my possession, I take it that my senior elder has no opinions about that?"

The Luminous Moon Sage calmly smiled. "Well of course, naturally so. Slaying the Black Light Sage was also due to your assistance as well. I killed the body and flesh while you killed the Sage's spirit. Of course, you have the right to deal with this corpse in any matter you prefer."

Right at that moment, the other Sky-prides that rushed to the scene were all dumbfounded as they heard the recent exchange. Chu Kuangren joined forces with the Luminous Moon Sage to kill another Sage?

Was that real or fake?

Another Sky-pride gulped and said. "Red rain is falling from the skies, and all living beasts are now wailing in sorrow. All the signs about the passing of a Sage are already there, so how can this be fake?"

"How can Chu Kuangren be so terrifyingly strong!"

"Didn't he kill another Honorable Supreme before? How come he can already kill another Sage not long after now? What's he going to do next, proclaim himself Emperor?"

“In the world of great chaos, such a horrifying beast appears!”

The crowd of Sky-prides was extremely shocked.

Glancing towards the peerless figure in white robes, they could not bring out any intention to fight and battle with him at all.

How could they?

How could a firefly possibly compare with the brightness of a full moon?

“I’m afraid that in this life of mine, it’s impossible to surpass someone like him.” Fangtian murmured with a bitter expression on his face.

Lin Batian who was beside him also frustratingly sighed, “Living with someone like this in the same era really is ... Sorrowful!”

The crowd of Sky-prides was all lamenting the difference in strength.

At that point, everyone had the same thought in their minds.

What era of great chaos, it was all a pile of d*g sh*t!

Wherever Chu Kuangren went, what chance would the others have battling against him? Even when it came to that, they could only battle against each other, while their main opponent was already leagues above them!

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"I bid you farewell, Sky-pride of the future."

The remnant spirit of the Luminous Moon Sage started to disappear.

"Take care, my senior elder." Chu Kuangren slightly bowed.

If not for him, he would not have been able to kill the Black Light Sage. That was why Chu Kuangren was very grateful from the bottom of his heart towards the Luminous Moon Sage.

"It's only a shame that I'm not able to personally witness this era of great battles!"

A sense of regret flashed by across the Luminous Moon Sage's eyes.

Chu Kuangren was startled.

How did he know that this was the era of great battles?

Before Chu Kuangren could ask any further, the Luminous Moon Sage turned around towards the corpse of the Black Light Sage on top of the altar. He happily said, "My fellow Daoist, the Sage of Black Light. Although it has been tens of thousands of years, it seems that victory is mine at the end of this battle after all."

The sound of laughter gradually disappeared along with the remnant spirit essence.

Chu Kuangren took the Full Moon Blade as there were still some Sage Daoist Rhymes left on it. Although the Sage Daoist Rhymes were not as strong as before, if he could properly comprehend it, then it would benefit even an Honorable cultivator tremendously not to mention himself.

After all, that was the Dao of a Sage.

Keeping away the blade, Chu Kuangren headed towards the altar and looked at the dead body of the Black Light Sage with a smile on his face.

The Qi of a Sage, the Daoist Rhyme of a Sage, and the sacred weapons of the Sage were all rare priceless treasures, then there was the body of a recently dead Sage!

Whether it was used to comprehend the Dao or to refine weapons, puppets, etc. That Sage carcass would be excellent material.

The value of that corpse would be equivalent to at least ten sacred weapons!

Chu Kuangren kept the dead body inside his Yin and Yang ring.

“Master!”

A voice of surprise resounded from afar.

Chu Kuangren turned around, looked, and saw Lan Yu flapping her wings and rushing towards him. A delighted look was on his face.

“Lan Yu, are you alright?”

“I’m fine, Master. What about you Master, are you hurt?”

“I’m alright.”

After asking her, he learned that Lan Yu had encountered a few Black Death Beasts when she was dragged into the gray mist. However, despite seemingly being in a frightful situation, she was not in any danger in the end.

“Oh, pardon me both of you.”

Princess Linglong suddenly walked over to them.

Upon seeing her, Chu Kuangren’s face froze and his body became stiff. Lan Yu however frowned instead as she felt that this woman was behaving strangely in front of her.

That tone she had just now, it seemed a bit ... Sour?

Or did she misread her?

“You came.”

Chu Kuangren took a deep breath and looked at her with a complicated gaze in his eyes.

“I...”

“There’s no need for you to say anything. It was for us both to survive, and I was the one who initiated it just now.” Princess Linglong calmly said.

She had an open-minded look on that matter.

“Then again, no matter how you look at it, I was one of the reasons why you are able to kill the Sage. I demand to have the Full Moon Blade and half of the Sage corpse.”

Princess Linglong further added.

“Of course.” Chu Kuangren nodded.

He took out the Full Moon Blade and the Black Light Sage’s corpse.

Princess Linglong instead took the blade, intending to split the corpse equally in half. However, she realized that the body of that Sage was near indestructible. Frustrated, she could only take the head that was chopped down by the Luminous Moon Sage.

Since the head of a person served as the hub of all six meridian points for the body and was also the location where the consciousness was held, it was equivalent in worth compared to the remaining parts of the corpse.

“Farewell.” Princess Linglong took the items and left gracefully, leaving Chu Kuangren who stood in his place with a frown.

Am I... Paying for the services that she offered with her body?

Chapter 60: The Luminous Moon Sage’s Body, Chaotic Battle of Sky-prides

“Master, did something happen between you and the princess?”

Lan Yu asked confusingly.

“Sheesh, it’s all because of my bad luck.” Chu Kuangren looked up to the skies and lamented.

Lan Yu was even more dumbfounded then as her blue eyes stared at Chu Kuangren without ever blinking, shining like jewels. She waited for him to explain after that.

“It’s nothing much, let’s go find Nangong Huang and the others.”

“Uhh... Alright.” Lan Yu nodded. Although she was a bit bothered, she would not prod further as Chu Kuangren did not feel like telling her.

Both of them packed up and left.

On top of a mountain peak somewhere.

A group of Sky-prides was gathered together over there.

The center of the location at which they gathered was Daoist grounds. At the center of the Daoist grounds sat a person in white robes. He had the complexion of a middle-aged man and his skin was as white as jade.

The only thing was that there was no sign of life in that person.

He was like a statue.

If Chu Kuangren was here he would recognize that person as the Luminous Moon Sage!

Accurately speaking, it was the corpse of the Luminous Moon Sage!

The white-robed corpse was stained with blood. It seemed to have gone through a great battle and returned to that very place, laid down some sealing restrictions, and passed away in a sitting position.

“The Luminous Moon Sage’s body is still so well preserved although he has been dead for tens of thousands of years. Sages are indeed skilled and unpredictable!”

“I don’t know who it was that managed to kill the Luminous Moon Sage, but could it be that mysterious existence that lies within the depths of that gray fog?”

“Although this Sage has passed away in this sitting position for tens of thousands of years, it has far fewer Daoist Rhymes emanating compared to when he just passed away. However, this body still contains Sage Qi, and if one makes good use out of it, it will benefit even someone who’s already an Honorable cultivator.”

“That’s correct.”

“Then again, let’s undo the seals and talk later.”

At the areas surrounding the Daoist grounds, there laid a layer of restriction seals.

It was placed by the Sage himself. Originally, that seal was unbreakable even for an Honorable level cultivator, but due to the passing of time added with the corrosion of the Qi of Death, only a thin layer of restriction seals remained. This presented an opportunity for everyone in the crowd.

“So, everyone, how’s the discussion?”

At that point, the Young Emperor Lei Ao spoke.

Surrounding him, the White Lotus Maiden Sage, White Lotus Bachelor Sage, Gu Changge, Yuanhong of the Dharma Sect, and the other Sky-prides all looked at each other without saying a word.

Lei Ao continued speaking, "What's the matter, don't tell me you all are planning to just stare at this Sage body before you and leave empty-handed?"

"If it wasn't for my lack of strength to break through this sealing restriction, I wouldn't bother asking for you idiots to help out."

The White Lotus Maiden Sage's face turned grim. She coldly replied. "Lei Ao, don't you think that using that kind of attitude to ask us for help is a bit too much?"

"Don't be mistaken, I'm not asking for you people to help me, I'm allowing you all to help me. Unless you don't want to get the Sage's corpse of course."

Lei Ao replied indifferently. He had confidence that no matter who chanced upon this Sage's body would not be unmoved by the sight of it even if it were an Honorable Cultivator.

"After getting rid of the restrictions, who gets to keep the Sage's body?"

The White Lotus Maiden Sage finally asked the question that everyone was most concerned about.

“Heh, it will be up to each of your abilities then, of course!” Lei Ao laughed.

Everyone in the crowd had different looks on their faces when they heard this.

When it came to that, it was no doubt that the strongest force to be reckoned with at that time will be the Young Emperor Lei Ao.

If everyone were to rely on their skills, the one who had the upper hand would also be Lei Ao.

“Aren’t you all top-notch Sky-prides within your respective orthodoxies? How could you not have the courage to do this? It’s no wonder none of you can defeat Chu Kuangren.”

Lei Ao’s tone was calm but indifferent.

When he heard that, Gu Changge’s face turned grim. “Alright, we’ll do just as you wish then. Once the seals are removed, it’ll be to each of their own abilities!”

Upon hearing Chu Kuangren’s name, the White Lotus Maiden Sage was unhappy as well. “Hmmp, I don’t have any opinions on that as well.”

The other remaining Sky-prides all agreed as well.

Actually, all of them had unknowingly fallen victim to Lei Ao’s provocation tactic.

After all, the body of the Sage was right before them. They could not just leave empty-handed!

Rather than sitting by the sidelines, they might as well gave it their all and try!

“Very well!” Lei Ao laughed as he figured for himself that Chu Kuangren really was disliked by everyone. Just a mere mention of his name was enough to rile everyone up.

Not far away, Nangong Huang and the others looked at each other.

“Tsk, it’s a shame that our Elder Senior Brother is not here now. Otherwise, would they even have a chance to get their hands on that Sage’s corpse?”

“Although our Elder Senior Brother is not here, he exists everywhere. Even Lei Ao has to mention our Elder Senior Brother’s name when he intends to grab the Sage’s corpse for himself.”

Murong Xuan shook his head, his heart filled with even more admiration for Chu Kuangren.

“Shall we make a move later?”

“Well of course, even if the Elder Senior Brother is not here, we can’t let the Black Heaven Sect’s name fall into the mud.” Nangong Huang calmly said.

They were the disciples of the Black Heaven Sect and were also top-notch Sky-prides as well.

Besides truly acknowledging Chu Kuangren, other people and even top-tiered Sky-prides like Lei Ao dared not to challenge him.

“I shall attack first!”

Lei Ao took the lead and leaped into the air. Overbearing Lightning-based Daoist Rhymes swirled around his whole body, which formed into a pair of Black Lightning wings!

“Black Water Falling Thunder!”

The violent black lightning shot towards the restriction seal!

Within an instant, the White Lotus Maiden Sage, White Lotus Bachelor Sage, Gu Changge, Yuanhong, and the others also immediately followed and let out their attacks, demonstrating the different techniques from their orthodoxies.

“White rainbow Charge!”

The White Lotus Maiden Sage and White Lotus Bachelor Sage both let out a palm attack which condensed into a form of shining white light, rushing towards the seal like a flying rainbow.

That was a top-tiered Supreme Technique!

“Concurrent Worldly Flow!” Yuanhong of the Dharma Sect gathered the spiritual qi in the skies and land instead and formed it into a horrifying surge of spiritual qi torrent which burst forth towards the seal.

Gu Changge raised his hand and let out a punch as the roar of a dragon resounded in the skies!

Each Sky-pride of the different orthodoxies all sent out their attacks one by one.

Terrifying bursts of Daoist Rhymes spread shockwaves everywhere. When they hit the restriction seal on the Daoist grounds, an explosion that rocked the earth could be heard, causing the whole mountain terrain to rumble as well.

Even the surrounding void was twisting and trembling.

Something cracking could then be heard...

The simultaneous attacks from all the top-notch Sky-prides caused a few cracks to start appearing on the restriction seal which was full of Daoist runes. The cracks were also starting to get bigger as they spread further.

Finally, in the end, that restriction seal which had stood the test of time for tens of thousands of years, while being constantly corroded by the Qi of Death eventually could not withstand the incoming blows. It broke and shattered on the spot!

The force that was released upon the seal breaking caused many of the weaker Sky-prides to be flung around hundreds of feet away as they looked at the Daoist grounds in amazement.

“It’s time!”

Nangong Huang, Murong Xuan, and the others instantly moved.

The few of them rushed towards the Daoist grounds, trying to snatch the body of the Sage!

“You dare go against me with just a few of you!” Lei Ao sneered coldly as he flapped his Black Lightning wings. His figure turned into a bolt of lightning which dashed towards them. Lei Ao reached Nangong Huang and the others and followed on with another punch attack.

The crackling of thunder and lightning boomed as a few of them were flung out of the battle by that punch.

After that, Lei Ao reached out intending to grab the Sage’s body.

However, in that moment, multiple surges of Daoist Rhymes reverberated and locked onto Lei Ao. The White Lotus Maiden Sage, White Lotus Bachelor Sage, Gu Changge, and Yuanhong all immediately attacked Lei Ao at once!

Facing the four of those top-notch Sky-prides as opponents, Lei Ao could not help but retract his grasps and use his spiritual energy to battle against them instead.

“Hmmp, I guess you all know that you’re no match for me one on one, so you have decided earlier on to band together and fight against me instead?” Lei Ao flapped his wings as he fought against the four of them unyieldingly.

“We’ll defeat you first and split the Sage’s corpse later among ourselves!” Gu Changge coldly replied, and immediately urged his Sage technique Dragon Slaughter Fist towards him!

“Hmph, even you who lost after a single slash by Chu Kuangren dares to fight against me.” Lei Ao gathered his black lightning and made his opponent retreat with a single attack.

The White Lotus Maiden Sage, White Lotus Bachelor Sage, and Yuanhong all sent out their techniques. While that was happening, Nangong Huang who was recently flung out rejoined the battle wielding a sacred sword!

Lei Ao suddenly found himself facing five of them at once!

Within an instant, Supreme Techniques, Sage Techniques, Daoist Physique transformations, and other techniques were all simultaneously let out from those Sky-prides.

The whole Daoist grounds overflowed with a violent overbearing mix of Daoist Rhymes which intertwined and clashed against each other. The surrounding areas were continuously destroyed and ruptured as the void around that area trembled.