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Chapter 1031: Phantoms of Time

Li Xiu hovered in the air, the red and blue dual-colored light on his body spinning and ascending like a dragon, with the two colors intersecting at head and tail, constantly cycling and changing.

As the blue light reached the intersection with the red light, it transformed into red light, and when the red light reached the intersection with blue light, it transformed into blue light. The dual-colored Light of Truth cycled incessantly without any hindrance.

Bu'Er stared blankly at Li Xiu, his black and white pupils swapping again, intending to continue inverting black and white to strike Li Xiu.

But this time, Bu'Er's power to invert black and white failed to take effect. The red and blue dual-colored light on Li Xiu's body exploded fiercely, the two colors merging into one, transforming into a dark purple.

This purple seemed to coat Li Xiu with a layer of purple fluorescent film, even turning his hair, pupils, and clothes purple.

The inverting of black and white could not take effect, and for the first time, Bu'Er's expression showed fluctuation, his black and white colored eyes swapping again, yet still failing to strike Li Xiu. This time, even the purple fluorescence on Li Xiu's body showed no reaction.

"Inverting black and white has lost its effect?" Uncle Evil's face slightly changed.

Belona, however, was all smiles: "I told you, he is different."

Li Xiu looked calmly at Bu'Er; although he had been mercilessly beaten by Bu'Er using inverting black and white, seemingly quite pitiful, he was not actually greatly harmed.

On the contrary, the repeated beatings enabled Li Xiu to utilize Super Bottle Suction to absorb a great deal of Light of the Death Evil Spirit.

The absorbed Light of the Death Evil Spirit was originally incapable of transforming into Light of the Life Evil Spirit.

But Bu'Er's power to invert black and white gave Li Xiu a new understanding, revealing the marvel of Yin Yang Reversal.

The Light of the Life Evil Spirit is inherently the opposite extreme of the Light of the Death Evil Spirit; reversing the Light of the Death Evil Spirit is essentially the Light of the Life Evil Spirit.

Leveraging this insight, Li Xiu pushed the Light of the Life Evil Spirit to the pinnacle of truth, and further advanced by unifying the Light of the Life Evil Spirit and the Light of the Death Evil Spirit into a Light of Life and Death Evil Spirit.

To break the power of inverting black and white is not simply Yin Yang Unity; Yin Yang Unity cannot resist Bu'Er's inversion of black and white, because the core of inverting black and white lies in the manipulation of world forces, Yin Yang Reversal causing the space-time of the world to disturb.

As long as one exists within the space-time of this world, one cannot avoid being affected by inverting black and white.

Therefore, even possessing the Ultimate Light cannot immune oneself from the power of inverting black and white.

There are several methods to counter inverting black and white; one way is to possess power strong enough, powerful enough not to conform to the rules of this world, like an unparalleled strong presence.

Li Xiu is still some distance from the unparalleled level, so naturally, he cannot use this method.

Fortunately, he understood the Light of Life and Death Evil Spirit, so he chose another method, forming a small independent world with his own Light Energy, a cycle of life and death independent of this world. This is the method only achievable by the Light of Life and Death Evil Spirit.

The current Light of Life and Death Evil Spirit could be considered a simplified version of unparalleled; although it cannot directly escape the rules of the world, it can weaken the impact of world rules on himself. This is the foundation to break away from inverting black and white.

Finally, Li Xiu and Bu'Er returned to the same starting point.

Bu'Er knew that the power of inverting black and white could no longer harm Li Xiu. He raised the Wooden Spear again and pulled the trigger towards Li Xiu, a black-and-white intertwined bullet spinning like Tai Chi shot at Li Xiu.

Li Xiu hovered in the air, showing no intention to dodge, and similarly raised the Forbidden Spear and pulled the trigger. A Forbidden Bullet, glowing with purple fluorescence, flew out.

The Tai Chi Bullet and Forbidden Bullet collided together, and to everyone's surprise, instead of creating a light explosion, they collided and collapsed inward, forming a hole into which everything around was sucked.

The clouds in the sky fell like dragons, surging towards the hole, and the seawater sprayed and surged towards the hole as well.

The strong suction force pulled Bu'Er and Li Xiu's bodies towards the hole uncontrollably.

"Evil, don't hesitate anymore, let's end this duel. Continuing will only lead to mutual destruction." Belona said.

"Perhaps you are right, but I won't force Bu'Er. Unless she is willing, no one can compel her." Uncle Evil had a completely different view of Li Xiu now but remained stubbornly unwilling to choose Li Xiu.

The real battle had just begun. Li Xiu and Bu'Er moved rapidly in Celestial Sea Palace, one using a moment to escape the suction of the hole and creating a sufficient distance.

One directly went invisible to escape the suction, similarly creating distance.

The two continued to fight within Celestial Sea Palace, their every clash of forces forming a collapsing hole. As the holes increased, Celestial Sea Palace was already struggling to withstand the collapsing power of space, and the entire Celestial Sea Palace began to tremble, seemingly on the brink of collapse, ready to crumble at any moment.

Unable to persuade Uncle Evil, Belona could only furrow her brow, watching the rapidly collapsing Celestial Sea Palace, as the Gentleman Ancestral Spirit suddenly spoke: "Uncle Evil, if Bu'Er is defeated, would you be willing to support Li Xiu?"

"As long as Bu'Er is willing to let him become the Master of Celestial Sea, I have no objection." Uncle Evil replied.

Chapter 1032: Temporal Bubble Illusion (Part 2)

"You know that's not what I meant," the Gentleman Ancestral Spirit calmly said to Old Xie.

"Whatever you mean has nothing to do with me. I only care about Bu'Er," Old Xie replied coldly.

The Gentleman Ancestral Spirit smiled and said, "In that case, let's make a deal. If this battle continues, it's no longer a matter of winning or losing; one side might completely fall. If Bu'Er loses, we will ensure her safety. If Li Xiu loses, will you ensure his life?"

"Agreed," Old Xie nodded without much hesitation.

In fact, Li Xiu's performance had already moved Old Xie somewhat.

To be able to fight the Spirit Stone Body of Bu'Er to such a degree by himself was already considered a miracle.

Moreover, Old Xie could see that Li Xiu had always been very restrained and didn't actually intend to kill Bu'Er, always leaving room in his actions, which alone made Old Xie look at him in a new light.

It was clear that Li Xiu was not Bu'Er's match just now, yet despite that, he still held back, which is very rare.

Li Xiu was genuinely able to compete against Bu'Er only after he comprehended the Light of Life and Death Evil Spirit. Old Xie did not believe he knew from the start that he could comprehend such terrifying power. Li Xiu's Light of Life and Death Evil Spirit was clearly inspired by Bu'Er's Inverting Black and White.

Their battle grew increasingly terrifying, with collapsed voids everywhere in the Celestial Sea Palace, many cracks appearing across it, with destruction being only a matter of time.

Despite reaching such an extent, Bu'Er remained indifferent, fighting like a soulless machine, disregarding her own life and death, solely aiming to kill Li Xiu.

"Old Xie, what exactly is going on with Bu'Er's state?" Belona asked with a frown.

Old Xie sighed softly before explaining, "I initially incorporated the Spirit Suppressing Stone fragments into Bu'Er's body. Bu'Er is the Spirit Suppressing Stone, and the Spirit Suppressing Stone is Bu'Er. The two have become inseparable."

"We can see that. To prevent Li Boyang from stealing the Spirit Suppressing Stone through unscrupulous means, this was indeed the best approach. But now, what's wrong with Bu'Er? Her consciousness must have issues, right?" said the Gentleman Ancestral Spirit.

Old Xie replied with a complicated expression, "Bu'Er's Spiritual Sense is already very strong, but ultimately still weaker than the Spirit Suppressing Stone. The fusion was originally dominated by Bu'Er, but as the fusion continued, the Spirit Suppressing Stone increasingly influenced Bu'Er's Spiritual Sense, especially when she used its power."

"So right now, Bu'Er's consciousness is mainly driven by the Spirit Suppressing Stone, is that right?" Belona asked with a frown.

"If she doesn't use the Spirit Suppressing Stone's power, it would be fine, but now, indeed, the will of the Spirit Suppressing Stone dominates," Old Xie answered.

"Then why did you say you would prioritize Bu'Er's will? Isn't it not her will at all now?" Belona questioned, frowning.

"Bu'Er is fully aware of this herself, and should she decide to use the Spirit Suppressing Stone's power, it means she has made up her mind," Old Xie persistently replied.

Belona and the Gentleman Ancestral Spirit had no way with Old Xie and could only wait for the two to determine the outcome.

Inside the Celestial Sea Palace, Bu'Er exhibited an almost imperceptible deviation.

As the Spirit Stone Body, originally there should not have been any deviation from her anywhere in this world.

Yet, the chaotic voids generated by their power clashes had faintly reached an unparalleled level, freeing themselves from some rule constraints.

Due to these voids, Bu'Er was affected, resulting in a deviation almost negligible.

This almost undetectable deviation allowed Li Xiu to seize the opportunity, appearing near Bu'Er and pinning her from behind.

The energy from Bu'Er's body surged toward Li Xiu like a breached dam, being avidly devoured by Li Xiu's body.

"The outcome has been decided," Belona exclaimed joyfully.

Old Xie nodded slightly with a peculiar expression, acknowledging Belona's view; he too had noticed Bu'Er's deviation.

For Bu'Er, as the Spirit Stone Body, to experience deviation in such an environment, while Li Xiu exhibited no flaws, he was indeed superior.

"Then let's end this duel. In essence, our goals align, and it would be unfortunate for either to get hurt," Belona said, attempting to enter the Celestial Sea Palace to stop the fight.

Old Xie didn't oppose it, intending to follow Belona into the Celestial Sea Palace to conclude the duel.

However, before they could step into the Celestial Sea Palace, they suddenly saw the black and white Light of Truth from Bu'Er, who was pinned by Li Xiu, suddenly explode, transforming into a gray chaotic radiance, rising like the sun.

"Not good!" Old Xie's expression changed drastically, emitting Unknown Evil Spirit Light from his body, cutting through the light like a Divine Sword and rushing into the Celestial Sea Palace.

Belona and the Gentleman Ancestral Spirit also dashed inside with extreme speed, almost teleporting into the Celestial Sea Palace, arriving at the site of Li Xiu and Bu'Er's struggle.

Yet, there was no trace of the two, as the chaotic light had condensed into a point, vanishing like a bubble, even Old Xie failed to stop it.

"What's going on?" Belona anxiously looked towards Old Xie.

Chapter 1033: Time Mirage (Part 3)

Old Xie shook his head, judging by his expression, he seemed to know something but didn't speak.

"At this point, what are you still hiding?" Belona shouted angrily, "If anything happens to Li Xiu, we'll risk our lives to make you pay the price."

"Do you think this is the outcome I wanted?" Old Xie looked at the empty Celestial Sea Palace and said, "Whether they can come back depends on themselves, no one can help them."

"What's going on?" the Gentleman Ancestral Spirit frowned and asked.

"Don't you understand? Bu'Er should be considered Li Boyang's descendant." Old Xie sighed.

"We certainly know Bu'Er is Li Boyang's descendant, so you can use her body as a medium to merge her with the Spirit Suppressing Stone. No matter how evil Li Boyang is, he won't kill his own daughter for the Spirit Suppressing Stone, he has to honor the agreement." Belona said.

"No, you're mistaken. With Li Boyang's temperament, even if Bu'Er is his descendant, he may not spare her. The reason he hasn't acted is not entirely because Bu'Er is his descendant, but because even if he kills Bu'Er, he won't obtain the Spirit Suppressing Stone."

"How could that be?" Belona and the Gentleman Ancestral Spirit were somewhat shocked, not understanding what Old Xie meant.

Old Xie hesitated for a moment before speaking, "You've entered the Time Tunnel, haven't you thought that Bu'Er might be a person who doesn't exist at all?"

"A person who doesn't exist... could she be... that's impossible... is the Time Tunnel truly capable of reversing past and future?" Belona widened her beautiful eyes, looking at Old Xie in disbelief.

"Sigh, before you went to the Time Tunnel, I had already been there and brought Bu'Er out from it." Old Xie said with a bitter expression.

"It's impossible. We've been to the Time Tunnel; it indeed allows access to past and future, and you can meet people from past and future, but they are just time illusions, not real living beings, and certainly cannot be brought out..." Belona said.

"Yes, under normal circumstances it's indeed impossible to bring out, unless possessing a Spirit Suppressing Stone fragment." Old Xie slowly said.

Belona and the Gentleman Ancestral Spirit suddenly understood, they finally knew why Old Xie was so certain Li Boyang could not take the Spirit Suppressing Stone from Bu'Er.

Bu'Er is not a person who exists in this world; she is merely a time illusion from the Time Tunnel.

Originally, such a person couldn't exist in the Real World, but the Spirit Suppressing Stone, the world's origin, made the impossible possible.

But all this is based on the Spirit Suppressing Stone; that is to say, now the Spirit Suppressing Stone exists on a person who doesn't exist.

This person doesn't exist at all; even if she's killed, the Spirit Suppressing Stone cannot be taken from her, as Bu'Er dies, the Spirit Suppressing Stone will disappear along with her. Since Bu'Er no longer exists, the Spirit Suppressing Stone that is one with her naturally cannot exist either.

"You could come up with such a method; who would've thought Li Boyang obeyed the agreement for years, I thought it was because a tiger wouldn't eat its cub, but it turns out to be like this." Belona was shocked.

"So what's the situation now?" The Gentleman Ancestral Spirit asked.

"If my speculation is correct, they should have been taken to where Bu'Er originally was." Old Xie said.

"The Time Tunnel? That's good, Li Xiu has the ability to come out from there." Belona slightly breathed a sigh of relief.

"Theoretically, that's right, but a problem has arisen." Old Xie said painfully.

"What problem?" Belona hurriedly asked.

"I brought Bu'Er out from the City of Love, which is a past time illusion city. Since I brought the little Bu'Er from there out, theoretically, Bu'Er should no longer exist, right? In the same space-time, there shouldn't be two identical people. Yet Li Xiu told me he went to the City of Love and still saw little Bu'Er..."

Belona and the Gentleman Ancestral Spirit's expression suddenly changed, realizing the seriousness of the issue.

The little Bu'Er from the City of Love had already been brought out by Old Xie, theoretically, there shouldn't be another little Bu'Er there, but now there's another. Can two same persons coexist in the same time illusion?

If Bu'Er and little Bu'Er cannot coexist, then who would disappear?

If Bu'Er disappears, then the Spirit Suppressing Stone will disappear with her.

If little Bu'Er disappears, even if little Bu'Er is gone, can Bu'Er, who exists based on little Bu'Er, still exist?

"Perhaps, they can coexist." Cold sweat broke out on Belona's forehead; such a matter is difficult even for the Ancestral Spirit to understand, as no one has experience with it.

"Now we can only hope they can coexist." Pain showed on Old Xie's face; he somewhat regretted not stopping that confrontation earlier.

Li Xiu felt like his body was turned into dough, endlessly kneaded by an unknown force into various strange shapes, unable to stop it with his own power.

When he felt his body return to normal, he was suddenly thrown to the ground.

Li Xiu jumped up from the ground, quickly scanning around, wanting to determine where Bu'Er was.

But when he saw what was before him, he froze, his pupils dilating.

Familiar buildings, a familiar city, familiar faces, a cute little girl standing in front of him, looking at him curiously.

"Uncle, you're very strange? I didn't see you just now, but you suddenly appeared in front of me. Where did you come from?" The little girl's big bright eyes sized up Li Xiu, curiously asking.

"Little Bu'Er..." Li Xiu's expression was complex as he looked at the little girl before him; he had unexpectedly arrived in the City of Love.

Chapter 1034: Another Battle with the Mysterious Man

"Hey, old man, I'm talking to you, what are you daydreaming about?" Little Bu'Er waved her small hand in front of Li Xiu's face.

"Are you Little Bu'Er?" Li Xiu looked at Little Bu'Er and asked.

Of course he knew this was Little Bu'Er, but why did she come to the City of Love? He was clearly fighting Bu'Er, just about to subdue her, when he found himself here.

By now, anyone could guess that there must be some connection between Bu'Er and Little Bu'Er. Li Xiu was just uncertain—was this really Little Bu'Er in front of him, and where had Bu'Er gone?

He had just scanned the surroundings and saw no trace of Bu'Er. Was it that Bu'Er didn't come here with him at all, or was there some other reason? Li Xiu didn't know yet.

"Even an outsider has heard of my name?" Little Bu'Er said with a bit of pride, puffing out her chest.

Seeing Little Bu'Er's tone and demeanor, Li Xiu felt she must be the real Little Bu'Er.

"Of course I've heard of your name. You're quite famous," Li Xiu said, his eyes still scanning around but still finding no trace of Bu'Er.

"Strange, I just sensed Bu'Er's power pulling me in here. She should have come in with me. Why is she not here?" Li Xiu pondered to himself.

"Am I really that famous? Where did you hear about me?" Little Bu'Er suspiciously scrutinized Li Xiu.

"I came from the Celestial Sea; I heard about your name there." Li Xiu tried to figure out the relationship between Little Bu'Er and Celestial Sea's Bu'Er.

"Are you from the Celestial Sea?" Little Bu'Er was surprised and delighted. "You heard my name in the Celestial Sea. Did my father tell you?"

"What's your father's name?" Li Xiu asked Little Bu'Er.

"Didn't you hear about my name from my father?" Little Bu'Er asked guardedly, looking at Li Xiu.

"No," Li Xiu shook his head slightly.

"Then how did you know my name?" Little Bu'Er asked, confused.

"Everyone in the Celestial Sea knows that the City of Love has a little princess named Little Bu'Er. As for who mentioned it first, I'm really not sure. So your father is in the Celestial Sea; I guess he must have said it." Li Xiu said with a smile.

"It must have been my father who said it," Little Bu'Er said joyfully. "My father always remembers me; why hasn't he come back to take me away?"

"I still don't know who your father is, so how can I answer your question?" Li Xiu said.

At this moment, Little Bu'Er was eager to know news of her father, and without hesitation, she said, "My father is..."

"Little Bu'Er." Just as Little Bu'Er was about to say her father's name, a voice interrupted.

Wulao, with a stern face, walked over, pulled Little Bu'Er behind him, and looked at Li Xiu with cold eyes. "Who are you?"

"Wulao, he's a man from the Celestial Sea. He might know about my father..." Little Bu'Er struggled to come out from behind Wulao but was held back.

"Are you really from the Celestial Sea?" Wulao's eyes became sharper, as if he had already decided Li Xiu was a fraud.

"Yes." Li Xiu said this with complete honesty; he truly came from the Celestial Sea.

"Hmph, the passage between the City of Love and the Celestial Sea has long been severed. How did you come from the Celestial Sea to the City of Love? Kid, what's your scheme? Tell me honestly, or I'll crush your head." Wulao glared menacingly at Li Xiu.

"Why waste words with him? Arrest him first and let me interrogate him; I assure you he'll spill everything." The Blind Tailor came over and said sinisterly.

Li Xiu knew it was useless to explain to them. He had experience with this before; rather than wasting his breath, it was better to solve the issue directly.

The next second, Li Xiu directly summoned the Forbidden Spear and pointed the gun at the Blind Tailor.

"Handsome, you'd better not play with guns in front of me." A sultry voice came, and the tavern owner, wearing a bright red dress, swayed her way over.

As she walked, she lifted her skirt, revealing long legs and garter stockings, plus a holster on her thigh.

She drew her pistols, holding one in each hand, aimed at Li Xiu and said coquettishly, "Handsome, put down your gun, or I'll shoot off the gun in your crotch too."

Bam!

Li Xiu fired directly, and the tavern owner's face changed suddenly as she opened fire with both her guns, shooting bullets at Li Xiu.

But those bullets bounced off Li Xiu's Light Bullets, and the Forbidden Bullet hit the tavern owner's chest directly.

"This kid dares to make a move in the City of Love." Wulao and the Blind Tailor were furious, and rushed at Li Xiu simultaneously.

Li Xiu shot them each once, the Light Bullets consecutively hitting Wulao and the Blind Tailor, knocking them away.

All around, the City of Love residents rushed in. The down-and-out Violinist played soundwave Light Blades; the chubby cook swung a cleaver down, the blade light like a Heaven-Slaying Blade.

The strength each of these unremarkable residents erupted with was in no way inferior to Wulao and the Blind Tailor.

But their powers were very strange; they looked impressive, but their actual power wasn't very strong.

Li Xiu couldn't care about all that now. He directly transformed the Forbidden Spear into a Gatling mode, spun his body 360 degrees, and crazily fired, sweeping all the City of Love residents charging from all directions away, and a large number of them fell to the ground on the street and square.

Chapter 1035: Battle with the Mysterious Man (Part 2)

Looking at the large group of people that had been knocked down, Li Xiu couldn't help but frown slightly.

The strength of these people posed no real threat to the current Li Xiu, yet strangely, after being shot, they quickly got up again and charged once more.

Li Xiu was very clear that the Forbidden Spear hadn't caused them any harm. He hadn't used bullets meant to kill, but for them to be completely unaffected by the seven great taboos was peculiar.

Even for individuals at the level of a Divine Position, it should be impossible to ignore the effects of the Forbidden Bullet.

It's plausible for one or two people to be immune to the effects of the Forbidden Bullet, but for everyone to be unaffected, something isn't right.

"Could it be..." Li Xiu's mind raced as he fired the Forbidden Spear again in a frenzy, knocking the charging residents into disarray.

The result was the same; they were completely unaffected by the Forbidden Bullet.

This reminded Li Xiu of the time he arrived in the City of Love. He had also tried to engage with a mysterious figure, who was similarly unaffected by his powers. At that time, Li Xiu thought it was due to the mysterious figure's immense power; now it seemed that maybe everyone in the City of Love was immune to his powers.

Indeed, when Li Xiu attempted to directly harm the residents of the City of Love, he found his powers had no effect on them, even when using the Light of Life and Death Evil Spirit. It was as if his powers were completely nullified here, unable to harm anyone at all.

Bang!

A gunshot rang out as a bullet glowing with white light shot through the space towards Li Xiu. He turned to dodge, seeing that it was Bu'Er who was firing at him.

Bu'Er, holding the gun with both hands, glared at him: "You're not allowed to harm them."

Li Xiu thought to himself, "Even if I wanted to harm them, I don't have that capability."

"When did I harm them? You see, aren't they all fine? It's not my fault they keep charging at me," Li Xiu said with a smile.

Bu'Er hesitated slightly, noticing that indeed, Uncle Wu and the others weren't injured at all.

"Who exactly are you?" the tavern keeper's wife demanded as she stared at Li Xiu, with everyone surrounding him but not moving forward again.

"I told you, I come from the Celestial Sea," Li Xiu replied.

"Nonsense! The passage between the Celestial Sea and the City of Love has long been severed. Not even the Heavenly King can cross the Celestial Sea to get here. What do you think you are?" Uncle Wu shouted angrily.

"You asked me where I came from. I told you, but you don't believe me. What else can I do?" Li Xiu spread his hands and said.

"If you really come from the Celestial Sea, you should know, what's the most precious thing in the Celestial Sea?" Bu'Er suddenly asked.

"There are many precious things in the Celestial Sea, what are you referring to?" Li Xiu asked in return.

"Hmph, you don't even know what's the most precious thing in the Celestial Sea, yet you dare claim you're from there?" Bu'Er scoffed.

"I really don't know," Li Xiu said looking at Bu'Er, "How about giving me a hint?"

"Unknown means unknown. I don't care where you come from, leave the City of Love immediately. You're not welcome here," Uncle Wu said coldly.

"Alright," Li Xiu surprisingly turned to leave, which caught Uncle Wu and the others off guard.

"Seriously, are you going to let me leave or not?" Li Xiu asked the people blocking his way, who seemed yet to respond.

"Let him leave," Uncle Wu shouted, and then they finally reacted and made way.

Li Xiu walked towards the city gate leading to the Sea of Love, the same direction the mysterious figure had come from. He intended to verify something.

Everyone watched Li Xiu walk out of the city gate. Bu'Er looked at Uncle Wu in confusion and asked, "Old man, could he really be from the Celestial Sea?"

"Absolutely impossible," Uncle Wu said decisively.

"Is there really no possibility? Then how did my father cross the Sea of Love?" Bu'Er asked Uncle Wu, looking puzzled.

"Your father is different, how could that kid compare to your father?" Uncle Wu explained.

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Outside the city, Li Xiu saw those sea turtles and directly punched one. The red Light of the Life Evil Spirit on his fist directly incinerated a sea turtle into ash, and a Demon Core fell out.

"My powers are useless against people inside the city but can kill the demon spirits outside," Li Xiu picked up the demon spirit and gazed at the endless sea, deep in thought.

This left him puzzled; if the City of Love was just an illusion, making him unable to harm Uncle Wu and the others, then why were the demon spirits outside unaffected?

Li Xiu continued to kill sea turtles along the beach while waiting for nightfall. Since he couldn't find Bu'Er, he planned to wait until night to see where the mysterious figure who slaughtered the City of Love came from.

"Hey, are you really from the Celestial Sea?" Bu'Er suddenly came over to the beach, shouting at Li Xiu from afar.

"I already told you, if you don't believe it, why ask again?" Li Xiu chuckled.

"If you really came from the Celestial Sea, then tell me, have you ever met someone called the Celestial Emperor?" Bu'Er hesitated before asking.

Upon hearing Bu'Er's words, Li Xiu was momentarily stunned, then looked at Bu'Er with a complex expression and asked, "The Celestial Emperor you mentioned, is it the Demon Country Celestial Emperor? Is his name Li Boyang?"

Chapter 1036: Rematch with the Mysterious Figure (Part 3)

"I don't know any Demon Country Celestial Emperor, nor do I know Li Boyang. I only know that my father is the Celestial Emperor," said little Bu'Er.

"Could this little Bu'Er be the president's child again?" Li Xiu's expression grew increasingly complex, and many thoughts crossed his mind.

If little Bu'Er's father truly is the president, then many things would make sense, but there would still be many things that couldn't be explained.

"Little Bu'Er is the president's daughter, and the president is the Demon Country Celestial Emperor, so it's understandable that Uncle Wu and the others would protect little Bu'Er. But if little Bu'Er is indeed the president's daughter, then what is the relationship between Bu'Er and her? If Bu'Er is little Bu'Er, then why doesn't she recognize the president and even sees him as an enemy?" Li Xiu seemed to have a flash of realization, yet he found himself with even more confusion.

"I only know the Demon Country Celestial Emperor. If your father isn't him, then I don't know," Li Xiu said.

"What does the Demon Country Celestial Emperor look like?" little Bu'Er asked.

"He is a lech... old man..." Li Xiu wanted to say a lecherous old man, but considering if little Bu'Er was indeed the president's daughter, it seemed inappropriate to say that in front of her, so he swallowed his words.

After Li Xiu described the president's appearance, little Bu'Er immediately shook her head and said, "No... no... Uncle Wu and the others said my father is a very handsome and charismatic man... how could he look like what you described..."

"How many years has it been since your father left? Everyone grows old as they age," Li Xiu said.

Little Bu'Er was slightly taken aback and asked in confusion, "Do people grow old?"

"Yes, everyone grows old," Li Xiu replied.

"No, how can people grow old? You're lying. Why haven't Uncle Wu, the Blind Tailor, and the landlady aged like you said?" Little Bu'Er looked at Li Xiu as if he were a big liar.

Li Xiu sighed inwardly. Hearing this from little Bu'Er, he was almost certain that the City of Love was not a place that truly existed, and the people within it were probably not real.

Elder Xie once said that the City of Love is a place that doesn't exist. Now, Li Xiu had two guesses: the City of Love is either a fragment of time or an illusion created by someone, just like the Happy Village he visited on the small train back in the day.

Li Xiu even began to suspect that the City of Love was the Happy Village he encountered, and everything here was born from little Bu'Er's true fantasies.

Only in this way could it explain why the City of Love was so peculiar.

Seeing Li Xiu not responding, little Bu'Er continued, "Then tell me, what kind of person is the Demon Country Celestial Emperor?"

Li Xiu engaged in intermittent conversation with little Bu'Er, as time slowly passed and night quietly descended.

Li Xiu kept observing the sea but never saw a large ship appear.

He calculated the time and estimated that it should soon be the time for the mystery person to enter the city. Yet, there wasn't a single ship on the sea; how was the mystery person arriving at the City of Love? Could it be that the mystery person had the ability for spatial teleportation and directly teleported to the City of Love?

"No, no, the Demon Country Celestial Emperor you're talking about is not the same as the father Uncle Wu and the others told me about." Little Bu'Er increasingly felt that what Li Xiu was saying was completely incorrect and that the person he described was nothing like her father.

"I never said the Demon Country Celestial Emperor was your father; it's you who asked me to describe him," Li Xiu looked up at the sky. Time had passed, but there was no sign of the mysterious person.

"Little Bu'Er, let's go into the city and take a look," Li Xiu seemed to have thought of something and headed towards the city gates.

"Uncle Wu won't allow you to enter the City of Love again..." Little Bu'Er chased after Li Xiu.

Li Xiu ignored her, approached the city gate, and opened the locked doors. The sight that met his eyes made his expression change abruptly.

The City of Love was brightly lit, but corpses were everywhere. In the vast City of Love, it was almost impossible to see a living person anymore.

They happened to see the mysterious person grabbing the landlady by the neck and hanging her in the air.

"Landlady!" Little Bu'Er screamed as she rushed over.

"Little... Bu'Er... quickly..." The landlady struggled to speak in a hoarse, broken voice, but before she could finish, the mysterious person twisted her neck and tossed her aside like throwing garbage.

Little Bu'Er's eyes were filled with wrath, almost spewing blood. She took out a wooden handgun and frantically shot at the mysterious person.

But those bullets had no effect on the mysterious person.

The mysterious figure's silhouette flashed, and he appeared in front of little Bu'Er, reaching out to grab her neck.

Boom!

A beam of light with a purple glow blasted horizontally at the mysterious person, forcing them back several steps.

Li Xiu rushed behind little Bu'Er, trying to pick her up, but it was too late.

The Forbidden Cannon infused with the Light of Life and Death Evil Spirit didn't harm the mysterious person at all. With just a stretch of the mysterious person's hand, little Bu'Er strangely disappeared, leaving Li Xiu grasping at empty air.

Looking up, little Bu'Er was already in the mysterious person's hand, her neck grasped and lifted into the air.

Crack!

Li Xiu watched as little Bu'Er's neck was twisted by the mysterious person, and he sighed internally, believing that this trip to the City of Love would once again end in failure.

But Li Xiu quickly realized, after little Bu'Er's death, he wasn't transported out of the City of Love like last time; he still remained inside the city.

"Could it be that it wasn't the Godslayer Shrine that brought me in, so I can't leave the City of Love?" Li Xiu's expression subtly changed.

Boom!

A pillar of light, black and white intertwined, shot skyward, forcibly repelling the mysterious person. Even with her neck twisted by the mysterious person, little Bu'Er's body floated in the air, undergoing strange changes along with the rising black and white flames.

In the blink of an eye, little Bu'Er transformed into the form of Bu'Er, the black and white rays on her body merging into a gray Light of Chaos.

"Little Bu'Er really is Bu'Er!" Li Xiu gazed at what seemed like the witch-like Bu'Er, his expression shifting unpredictably.

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The mysterious figure saw Bu'Er's transformation and lifted the stele, hurling it toward Bu'Er hovering in the air.

Li Xiu had witnessed the power of that stele — its force capable of nearly destroying a city, insurmountable and unstoppable.

However, when the stele reached Bu'Er, she stopped it with one hand, and despite the mysterious figure's efforts, it could not move any further down.

Boom!

A gray light erupted from Bu'Er's palm like a volcanic explosion, blasting the mysterious figure along with the stele far away. The terrifying light surged through the entire street like a flood.

The street's cobblestones shattered instantly, and buildings on both sides were wiped clean by the light, leaving a deep trench leading straight to the city gate.

The mysterious figure's body was blasted into the half-collapsed city gate, with the Godslaying Stele dropping beside it.

Bu'Er glared at the mysterious figure, her eyes filled with endless hatred. As the light in her eyes flickered, torrents repeatedly struck the mysterious figure like the replay of the previous blow.

Yet the mysterious figure's wounds weren't replayed. Each strike inflicted even greater damage on his body.

"Bu'Er's power can be used like this?" Li Xiu had always thought that Bu'Er's power could only reflect the opponent's attack, not expecting that even her own attacks could be repeated endlessly. This was truly terrifying.

Essentially, once struck by Bu'Er's attack, one could never escape, repeatedly attacked, with no chance to dodge or block.

Boom!

The city gate, unable to withstand the consecutive strikes, finally shattered into pieces, turning into a field of rubble.

"Incredible, Bu'Er has grown even stronger than during the battle at the Celestial Sea Palace. What is the reason?" Li Xiu was deeply shocked.

Though Li Xiu was not at the Unparalleled level, this level of attack seemed infinitely close to it. Although that divine-ranked person was strong, they seemed to not yet reach the Unparalleled level, likely unable to withstand such consecutive attacks.

"I wonder if little Bu'Er, after becoming Bu'Er, still remembers me? If she only has Bu'Er's memories..." Li Xiu pondered, when suddenly a clattering noise came from the ruins of the city gate. The mysterious figure, subjected to Bu'Er's terrifying attacks, crawled out of the debris.

What shocked Li Xiu even more was that the mysterious figure's wounds had completely disappeared in such a short time. He seemed completely unharmed.

Seeing this, Bu'Er's face turned grim, raising her wooden spear, transforming it into a Gatling gun state of the Forbidden Spear, and frantically firing at the mysterious figure.

Li Xiu could clearly see that the raindrop-like bullets contained the power of the seven prohibitions.

The mysterious figure still didn't dodge, reaching out to grab the stele, which automatically returned to his hand. He slammed the stele into the ground, using it as a shield.

All the bullets hit the stele but left no mark on it.

The wooden spear in Bu'Er's hand changed again, transforming into the Forbidden Cannon state that Li Xiu once used, and unleashed a terrifying light beam at the mysterious figure.

The mysterious figure still didn't evade, grabbing the stele and swinging it against the terrifying light beam.

Boom!

The stele shattered the beam into pieces, scattering light that blasted large holes in the surrounding buildings.

The mysterious figure was blown away by the terrifying light energy, his body strangely dissipating.

Logically, no matter how strong the light energy damage was, the clothes on the mysterious figure should have long been torn apart.

However, his clothes seemed like a part of his body, disintegrating along with his flesh, even when injured, it was difficult to see his true face.

More terrifying, the mysterious figure's injured body healed in an instant, as if never injured, with his combat power unaffected.

Bu'Er and the mysterious figure raged in battle throughout the City of Love, tearing it apart in moments. The nearby seas and mountains were laid bare and even destroyed in the battle.

The mysterious figure appeared ordinary with no display of powerful light energy. If not for his terrifying combat ability, Li Xiu would have thought his exhibited level was below Divine Position Level.

But oddly enough, the mysterious figure, seemingly ordinary in actions, could fight on par with the powerful Bu'Er.

Indeed, thanks to his infinite self-regeneration, Bu'Er found herself at a disadvantage.

Suddenly, a bullet from Bu'Er struck the mysterious figure, exploding with a blue eerie light, instantly freezing his body.

Clearly, this was Li Xiu's Light of the Death Evil Spirit. But the frozen mysterious figure merely shook his body, and the Light of the Death Evil Spirit shattered.

Killing intent surged in Bu'Er's eyes as she gathered the gray Light of Chaos with one hand, and a purple fluorescence with the other — astonishingly, Li Xiu's Light of Life and Death Evil Spirit.

Bu'Er grasped the wooden spear in both hands, the gray and purple light energies fused into one, firing a bullet that distorted space directly from the wooden spear.

Boom!

The mysterious figure blocked with the stele in an instant, but the bullet turned into a void, absorbing the mysterious figure and the stele into the void together.

Seeing this, Li Xiu heaved a slight sigh of relief. He knew well the might of that void. Formed by the forces of both, the void possessed Unparalleled level strength, capable of breaking the original rules of order. Even an Unparalleled powerhouse, if sucked into it, might not emerge alive.

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Bu'Er actually could easily simulate his Light of Life and Death Evil Spirit, and could use her own Light of Truth simultaneously and merge them into one. Such ability and talent truly made people feel terrified.

But the next second, Li Xiu saw a shocking scene—an arm reached out from the void, grasped the edge of the void, and slowly climbed out.

The mysterious figure actually crawled out from the void, and the clothes on his body swayed continually but couldn't even damage the void.

Bang bang bang!

Gunfire continued as Bu'Er fired round after round of void bullets. However, this time, she couldn't even pull the mysterious figure into the void.

The mysterious figure's body twisted bizarrely, unbelievably passing through the gaps of the void bullets, continuously approaching Bu'Er.

Bang!

As Little Bu'Er transformed into Bu'Er, she was injured for the first time, being punched to the ground by the mysterious figure and then kicked heavily into the floor.

Such a powerful Bu'Er was suppressed again by the mysterious figure, almost leaving her without a chance to retaliate.

"Bu'Er, you have to believe in yourself; this is your home, your domain. As long as you believe in yourself, you are invincible." Li Xiu shouted loudly at Bu'Er.

Although Li Xiu hadn't completely figured out the truth of the whole incident, he already had a general outline.

He was certain that this City of Love should be a place like a happy hometown; whether the mysterious figure or Wu Old Dad and the others, they were just fantasy creations because of Little Bu'Er, not real people.

Of course, their true selves must exist, but they are likely somewhat different from these fantasies.

Take Wu Old Dad, for example. Wu Old Dad, as the Fifth Celestial King of the Demon Kingdom, absolutely wouldn't be so weak. The reason his ability is so poor is possibly because in Bu'Er's memory, he imagined him this way, so he only has this level.

And the mysterious figure is exactly the opposite; in Bu'Er's memory, he is a strong and invincible existence, so no matter how strong Bu'Er is, or how weak he appears, Bu'Er is not his match.

Unless Bu'Er could change her own thoughts, otherwise, she couldn't change the outcome where the mysterious figure kills her.

Bu'Er, being attacked crazily, looked at Li Xiu with a complicated gaze; from her eyes, Li Xiu saw the shadow of Little Bu'Er.

Li Xiu was now certain that Bu'Er was definitely not the same as the Bu'Er of the Celestial Sea Palace before, or at least not completely; she already had Little Bu'Er's memories, just not sure how many of Little Bu'Er's memories she had.

Li Xiu felt anxious inside, wanting to save her but knowing it useless; his strength couldn't kill Bu'Er's fantasy creations. Only Bu'Er could kill these fantasies.

What's more, just now Bu'Er used his most potent Light of Life and Death Evil Spirit and still couldn't kill the mysterious figure. Before Bu'Er's thoughts were changed, even his intervention was useless.

Bang!

The mysterious figure directly smashed Bu'Er's neck on the ground with a stone tablet; the earth, centering on Bu'Er's neck, shattered like a spider web and created a giant crater several times larger than the City of Love, with surrounding mountains directly collapsing, and the sea shook, retreating several miles.

"Little Bu'Er, trust me, you can do it; as long as you believe, you will definitely win. Did you forget? I told you I want to take you to the Celestial Sea to find your father; you can't lose, you must win." Li Xiu desperately tried to make Bu'Er realize she could win.

Bu'Er's neck twisted, blood covered her face and body, yet her eyes gradually shone with light.

As the mysterious figure raised the stone tablet and smashed down again, Bu'Er held up the stone tablet with one hand, and as the stone tablet was slowly lifted, the blood-covered Bu'Er also stood up, her twisted body returning to normal.

The mysterious figure frantically pressed down the stone tablet but still couldn't withstand Bu'Er's power, and the gray-purple Light Energy burst forth like the sun.

If when Bu'Er's Light of Truth and Light of Life and Death Evil Spirit merged, they could create a void that devours everything, then when the two powers interfaced, the resulting power was like the big bang of a planet's annihilation.

Li Xiu watched gray-purple suns rise from the ground, increasing in number, and could only swiftly retreat while gathering all his strength to withstand that terrifying explosion.

Bang!

Li Xiu felt a great force hit, as if struck by a hammer, and flew backward over ten miles, crashing into the sea.

At the terrifying light explosion's center, the mysterious figure's armor vaporized instantly; as his flesh was about to vaporize, Bu'Er saw his face.

Bu'Er suddenly froze, surprisingly raising the light explosion with all her might and throwing it into the sky.

The sun-like self-destructive Light Energy illuminated the whole world but couldn't light up Bu'Er's cold heart at this moment.

Spurt!

Forcedly reversing her own released terrifying power, Bu'Er suffered a backlash, spitting out fresh blood from her mouth.

Before she could recover, the mysterious figure's fist had already punched heavily into Bu'Er's chest, directly blasting her away.

"Why..." Bu'Er's eyes filled with confusion, anger, despair, and disbelief.

When Li Xiu emerged from the sea, he saw Bu'Er crashing onto the beach, staring fixatedly at the mysterious figure with a heart feeling like dead ashes.

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Li Xiu was astonished, not knowing what had happened. He clearly saw that Bu'Er had already freed herself from the heart demon; she should have been able to kill the mysterious figure. Why hadn't she managed to kill the mysterious figure, and instead looked like she was about to be killed by them?

"Something's wrong... this feels too wrong..." Seeing the mysterious figure bridging the distance between them in one step, and the stele about to smash down on the helpless Bu'Er, Li Xiu gritted his teeth. His figure blurred like a mirage as he rushed in front of Bu'Er, unleashing the light of the life and death evil spirit, meeting the fiercely descending Godslaying Stele with a punch.

Boom!

The earth cracked, gravel and sand flew skyward, and the seawater surged towards the heavens.

Li Xiu truly felt what absolute power meant. The mysterious figure hadn't even used light energy; just the force emanating from the stele was enough to shatter the light of the life and death evil spirit, even preventing his self-contained microcosm from operating.

The mysterious figure stared coldly at Li Xiu as the stele pressed down bit by bit, forcing Li Xiu to resist with all his might. If he let go now, he feared he wouldn't even have the time to dodge, and would be directly crushed into a pulp by the stele.

Li Xiu exerted himself with every ounce of strength he had, employing all his power, and even utilizing the Ultimate Light. Surprisingly, despite being of only a Spirit Forging Level, the Ultimate Light indeed had some effect, leaving shallow white marks on the stele.

Li Xiu was overjoyed. He had originally believed his power couldn't harm these fantasy constructs, but unexpectedly, the Ultimate Light had an effect. However, it was a pity that the level of the Ultimate Light was too low to have any significant impact.

If the Ultimate Light could reach Divine Position Level, perhaps he could use it to slay the mysterious figure, sparing Bu'Er the need to act.

At present, there was naturally no possibility of the Ultimate Light ascending to Divine Position, leaving Li Xiu to internally bemoan his situation. His flickering body, oppressed by the terrifying power of the mysterious figure, sank continuously, already half-kneeling on the ground.

"Bu'Er, trust me, trust yourself. As long as you want to win, you can definitely win." Li Xiu thought Bu'Er hadn't fully freed herself from the heart demon and wanted to wake her up.

He had originally thought that as long as he could block an attack from the mysterious figure and allow Bu'Er time to recover, then persuade her to believe in herself, they could defeat the mysterious figure.

At the very least, after saving Bu'Er, she should have helped him deal with the mysterious figure, but after being saved by him, Bu'Er was unresponsive, lying on the ground as if she'd lost her soul.

"Bu'Er, wake up, all of this is just your own fantasy. Trust me, as long as you're willing, all of this can disappear at any time..." As Li Xiu blocked the mysterious figure's power, he shouted loudly.

"Uncle... I trust you... but I really can't do it... I'm sorry... Uncle..." Bu'Er's voice reached Li Xiu's ears as her body came up behind him, pressing against his back, her arms circling her chest.

Li Xiu didn't understand what was happening with Bu'Er. While he was confused, he suddenly felt a soft, boundless energy coming from Bu'Er, engulfing him.

This power was almost endless, yet it wasn't at all turbulent. It was like a quiet void, seemingly capable of encompassing everything.

"Bu'Er, what are you doing?" Li Xiu didn't understand why Bu'Er was suddenly infusing her light energy into his body.

"Uncle... living is really too hard... I'm someone who was never meant to live... If I'm alive, I only bring too much misfortune to this world. Maybe only in my death can everyone find happiness..." Bu'Er murmured.

"What foolishness are you talking about? No one gains happiness from another's death. Only by living can you create happiness for others..." Li Xiu found himself bereft of strength, realizing Bu'Er's body was vanishing.

As Bu'Er's light energy flooded into Li Xiu's body, her body, once indistinguishable from a real person's, gradually became ghostly and ethereal.

"Uncle, you're right. Only living can create happiness for others. But I was never a living person; I'm just someone else's fantasy. How could someone who's never really lived create happiness for others?" Bu'Er's voice trembled, as if she was holding back tears.

Li Xiu's body shook as he listened to Bu'Er's words, suddenly understanding everything.

Originally, Li Xiu thought that the City of Love and little Bu'Er were created from Bu'Er's imagination, but now he understood that this wasn't the case at all.

Bu'Er, too, was a fantasy construct, a part of the City of Love, though somehow brought out by someone else from the City of Love.

"So... the little Bu'Er from Black Death City is the real little Bu'Er... Only this can explain why the City of Love exists, and why Bu'Er exists... But if the little Bu'Er from Black Death City died, and then someone reached the City of Love and took Bu'Er out, why does the City of Love still have a little Bu'Er, and why does the little Bu'Er from the City of Love affect the dead little Bu'Er's spirit in Black Death City?"

Li Xiu immediately realized that there was one possibility which could explain everything.

If the little Bu'Er from Black Death City never experienced the slaughter of the City of Love, she actually wasn't dead, but because someone entered the City of Love—much like how Li Xiu entered Happiness Homeland—and killed the little Bu'Er from the City of Love, it in turn affected the death of the little Bu'Er in Black Death City, then everything made sense.

It was like someone went back in time to change history, causing the living to die. The spirit of the little Bu'Er from Black Death City should be that kind of existence.

Whether Happiness Homeland could be considered as returning to the past was something even Li Xiu found hard to determine, even though the sister from there was fake. However, the barbeque and such had real energy, which Li Xiu couldn't quite fathom.

Now, Li Xiu could only speculate that someone entered an earlier Black Death City, which was the City of Love, took a little Bu'Er away—specifically the Bu'Er from Celestial Sea Palace—and killed another little Bu'Er. This turned the City of Love into Black Death City. As for why they took away one little Bu'Er, Li Xiu had a rough idea of why, but he couldn't understand why another little Bu'Er had to be killed.

"As long as you believe you're alive, then you're truly alive." Li Xiu said firmly, "Bu'Er, listen to me, don't do anything foolish."

Bu'Er's body trembled, but a small smile appeared on her tear-streaked face. "Uncle, you're right. Just believing I'm alive means I'm truly alive. But Uncle, my life is so tiring, I don't want to go on anymore. Uncle, please bear a little more, let me walk no further..."

Li Xiu sensed something was wrong. Ignoring the pressure from the mysterious figure, he forcefully turned to look at Bu'Er behind him, only to see her smiling face instantly shattered, transforming into countless shimmering gemstone specks that surged into Li Xiu's body.

Chapter 1040: Ascending to the Divine Position

Such a massive energy surged into his body, Li Xiu had no chance to refuse, his entire being was filled with terrifying Light Energy, his body was unable to bear it, but if he expelled it, Bu'Er's death would be meaningless.

Li Xiu gritted his teeth and forcefully operated the Light Planting Technique, guiding the fearsome power to merge with his Ultimate Light.

Li Xiu didn't know if this energy could replace the Divine Position Gemstone and push his Ultimate Light to the Divine Position; if not, his current body definitely couldn't withstand such dreadful Light Energy.

As Bu'Er's Light Energy was guided into the Ultimate Light, the Ultimate Light grew increasingly strong, encountering almost no obstacles.

Bu'Er's Light Energy was so accommodating that it hardly needed any effort to transform, already integrating into the Ultimate Light.

Naturally, Li Xiu was unaware that a large part of Bu'Er's Light Energy came from the Spirit Suppressing Stone, which was originally the source of the world and would not reject any power of this world.

As the Light Energy was transformed, the Ultimate Light grew stronger, the stele that had almost crushed Li Xiu was forcibly held up by him; no matter how much effort the mysterious figure exerted, he couldn't press the stele towards Li Xiu any further.

The more intensely he applied pressure, the faster the Light Energy integrated, and the stronger the Ultimate Light became.

Li Xiu's body had completely disappeared within the transparent Light Flame; from a distance, the stele seemed to be blocked by an invisible wall, suspended in mid-air.

The Ultimate Light grew ever stronger, yet it never quite ascended to the Divine Position, and Li Xiu felt his body was nearly melted by the Ultimate Light, transforming into something akin to a light body.

Li Xiu knew this was a sign that his body's endurance had reached its limit; if he continued transforming Light Energy without rising to the Divine Position, no one knew what the consequences would be.

The reason humans needed a Divine Position Gemstone to ascend the Divine Position was because humans did not naturally possess the seed of Light of Truth; they needed the Divine Position Gemstone as the seed of Light of Truth to transform their bodies once more.

This was essentially the reason for the Light Planting Technique; the difference was that the Light Planting Technique could use any Light Energy as a seed, whereas ascending the Divine Position required the seed of the Light of Truth.

Slowly unable to ascend the Divine Position, Li Xiu could barely hold on, but suddenly his body lacked much of the Light Energy.

"That guy finally moved." Li Xiu sighed slightly with relief; he had originally planned to use the demon spirit larva within his body to absorb some of the Light Energy, otherwise, just his own body couldn't withstand the seemingly infinite Light Energy.

He hadn't expected the demon spirit larva to be so patient, it was only when Li Xiu was on the brink of giving up that it made a move.

Li Xiu could clearly feel the massive consumption of Light Energy within his body.

As the Light Energy was absorbed by the demon spirit larva, Li Xiu's invisible body began to reveal white particles; those particles seemed like his cells, increasingly appearing, emitting a white glow.

The white particles multiplied, gradually connecting, forming bones and flesh, but the bones and flesh were unlike human flesh, resembling porcelain instead.

Even Li Xiu found it incredible; clearly he was still here, yet within his body another form emerged, perfectly overlapping but unaffected.

Before long, the white particles completed a full humanoid shape, resembling a humanoid monster draped in snow-white porcelain armor.

The monster's build was identical to Li Xiu's; the complete armor had no seams, the face was featureless, making it appear eerily unsettling.

Li Xiu exerted a slight force, gradually lifting the stele, and with his body's movements, the white monster-like form mirrored the actions; Li Xiu could sense its presence, feel it pervading his body, yet the two were not one, a peculiar yet terrifying sensation.

The mysterious figure seemed to realize he was facing a threat, roaring as he desperately unleashed power, pressing the stele down like a mountain.

Yet Li Xiu, holding the stele with a single hand, showed no sign of being pressed down; the snow-white armored hand remained immobile like a rock, regardless of how the mysterious figure exerted himself, unable to shake it at all.

Boom!

The transparent radiance on Li Xiu's body erupted skyward like fire, forcibly blasting the mysterious figure along with the stele far away.

The stele that hadn't suffered the slightest damage through the immensely terrifying battle was now shattered, with cracks appearing under this force; the mysterious figure's clothing was torn, wounds on his body gushing with fresh blood.

Originally as if any injury could promptly recover, the wounds on the mysterious figure now showed no sign of healing, continually bleeding.

Along with the transparent radiance, white radiance surged, and within that towering white light column, the humanoid monster spread its arms as if silently roaring at the sky, while undergoing bizarre changes.

The mysterious figure rose, grabbing the stele, eyes coldly fixated on Li Xiu, and as the light column gradually dissipated, he finally saw clearly what was inside.

The entire snow-white armored monster, with wings on its back resembling those of a butterfly; those wings thinner than paper, almost transparent, yet shared the same texture as the armor.