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### Chapter 341 Mixing Drinks

The last few pages of "Nether Chronicles" actually describe the art of bartending.

The Nether House only stipulates that any being entering must choose a bottle of wine to drink, but doesn't say you can only drink one bottle.

The reason for the saying that drinking two kinds of wine leads to certain death is because the Demon Spirit Wines contain different attributes of Demon Spirit Essence, and drinking two wines will inevitably cause a conflict in attributes, causing great harm to the body.

However, if several Demon Spirit Wines with different attributes are mixed together to achieve balance or mutual restraint, then drinking several or more wines wouldn't be an issue.

Of course, drinking too much is not advisable because some Demon Spirit Wines contain Demon Spirit Essence that is simply too powerful, and a single drop could be lethal.

Not to mention a human body, even the body of a demon cannot withstand it.

The Demon Spirit that chose Blood Rose earlier considered it to be one of the milder Demon Spirit Wines here, as Blood Rose only absorbed Demon Spirit Blood, and the Demon Spirit Blood it absorbed was rather mixed, so the wine brewed from Blood Rose doesn't contain very concentrated Demon Spirit Essence and doesn't affect the body much.

Unfortunately, the bartending skills recorded above only explain the general principles and some recipes but do not document the characteristics and strengths of the Demon Spirit Essence in each wine.

However, for Li Xiu, these things are already sufficient. Blended Wine only requires drinking a cup to fulfill the agreement, not the whole bottle, which is also an advantage.

He memorized these contents and then returned the book to its original place.

"What's your name?" Li Xiu, already confident in leaving the Nether House, asked relaxedly.

"You can call me boss lady." The woman upstairs clearly didn't want to reveal her true identity.

"How long have you been trapped here?" Li Xiu leaned back on the sofa, asking comfortably.

He now knew that this woman who claimed to be the boss lady couldn't harm him as long as he didn't act recklessly or go upstairs, and the woman had no way to deal with him.

"Nether Chronicles" introduces that a demon spirit becoming the spirit of the Nether House can only stay upstairs to guard it until the wines in the cabinet are drunk dry, allowing her to be liberated.

But the true guardianship of the Nether House spirit is not these Demon Spirit Wines downstairs but an object upstairs, though what this object is, "Nether Chronicles" does not record.

It's estimated that the author of this book also doesn't know what the object upstairs is.

It's very likely that the woman upstairs was trapped there, becoming the spirit of the Nether House, all in pursuit of obtaining that object.

The demon spirit that just came went upstairs, probably aiming to seize that object too.

"Does that have anything to do with you?" The boss lady's voice turned cold, showing she disliked this topic.

"Boss lady, why don't we make a deal?" Li Xiu said with a smile, "I help you leave the Nether House, and you help me with a little task."

"You better think about how to get out of here yourself." As the boss lady spoke, she suddenly felt something was wrong and asked in shock, "How do you know this place is called the Nether House?"

"It's written quite clearly in 'Nether Chronicles'," Li Xiu said.

"Can you really understand the Demon Text?" The boss lady asked in surprise.

"Though it's much more complex than human language, ultimately it's just another language to learn, not difficult to master. I must thank you for choosing that picture-based book, making it much easier to learn." Li Xiu honestly replied.

"Do you mean you previously didn't know Demon Text and only learned it by looking at that picture book?" The boss lady couldn't believe Li Xiu.

How could such a thing exist, merely by looking through simple picture books, one learns a language, especially one as complicated as Demon Text.

Every symbol in Demon Text sometimes has multiple meanings, and its grammar is extremely complex, more complicated than many secret code texts. She didn't believe anyone could understand Demon Text within just a few hours based solely on this.

"Although I haven't completely learned it, knowing some common symbols and grammar is already enough. I didn't plan on becoming a Demon Text expert; there's no need to delve so deeply," Li Xiu said.

The boss lady was silent; she didn't believe Li Xiu learned it in such a short time.

But regardless of whether he learned it now or earlier, it makes no difference; since Li Xiu can understand Demon Text, he naturally knows what the Nether House is. It's pointless for her to say more.

"Even if you've seen the bartending skills, they are equally useless. Those wines mixed from the bartending might be bearable for a demon body, for a human like you, even blended Demon Spirit Wine could kill you." After a long pause, the boss lady's voice came down again.

"That's my own affair; if I manage to get out alive, would you be willing to cooperate with me?" Li Xiu casually replied.

He wasn't merely human; he had a demon spirit larva within himself. Even without the larva, he possessed Light Energy, almost similar to a demon body.

Otherwise, when he drank nearly half a bottle of Blood Rose, a normal human Trial Taker would have died long ago.

"What kind of cooperation are you proposing?" the boss lady pondered and asked.

"I find people or demon spirits to come to the Nether House to drink, letting you potentially free yourself earlier. In exchange, if I encounter a formidable enemy in Black Death City, I hope you'd lend me a hand," Li Xiu said.

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This time, the Godslayer Shrine almost got him killed. Who knows what tricks it might pull in the future.

Li Xiu is preparing in advance; no matter what else the Godslayer Shrine tries, it can only bring him into Black Death City.

With the protection of the Nether House's proprietress, Li Xiu is essentially standing undefeated.

"Since you can understand the Nether Chronicles, you should know that I can't leave the second floor." The proprietress chuckled, "But if you dare come up to the second floor, I might agree to it. I'm afraid you don't have the guts."

"I certainly don't dare go upstairs, but as the spirit of Nether House, as long as I enter, even if just on the first floor, you should be able to keep me alive, shouldn't you? Like the identity of the bartender." Li Xiu said coolly.

"You want to be a bartender? I can certainly grant you that wish." The proprietress said.

"Hmph, it seems you have no sincerity at all. In that case, there's no need for us to continue talking." Li Xiu stood up as he spoke, heading to the bar and taking a few bottles from the shelf.

The first bottle Li Xiu took down was Tender Lover, the bottle intended for himself.

This is a relatively mild drink, but when mixed with Blood Rose, Li Xiu wasn't sure if he'd be able to handle it.

However, by blending it with several other drinks, it can harmonize and balance attributes, reducing the impact of Demon Spirit Essence on his body.

He took the mixing tools from the cabinet under the bar, measured a certain amount of Tender Lover into a shaker, and then opened a bottle of Black-robed Bishop.

Upon opening, the bottle emitted a black glow, the Demon Spirit Essence within was extremely potent, and Light Energy had already begun seeping out.

Li Xiu used a spoon to scoop half a spoonful, adding it to the shaker, then capped the Black-robed Bishop and returned it to the shelf.

Next was a bottle of Purgatory Angel; as the cap was opened, the room was bathed in a blood-red light.

This time, Li Xiu only took a drop. According to the Nether Chronicles, even a top-tier Demon Spirit would die instantly from just a sip of Purgatory Angel.

Li Xiu picked a few more bottles, some glowing faintly, some brilliantly radiant, some almost devoid of light.

Once all the drinks were poured into the shaker, Li Xiu closed the lid, grabbed the shaker, and began to shake, mixing the drinks thoroughly.

Li Xiu didn't understand any special techniques, and the Nether Chronicles didn't provide any guidance. He simply aimed to mix them thoroughly.

The shaker was not made of ordinary metal, but a kind of black crystal, appearing somewhat transparent but indistinct.

As he shook it, the various colors collided and sparkled inside, outshining fireworks, like a cosmic collision.

Li Xiu was somewhat stunned because he sensed terrifying energy waves inside the shaker. Luckily, the shaker could shield these energy waves; otherwise, they might obliterate him.

"This energy is so strong, is it really okay to drink it?" Li Xiu wondered, but he had no other choice.

As the dazzling lights inside the shaker gradually harmonized into a faint red hue, Li Xiu knew it was ready.

He poured the drink into a glass, a pale red liquid exuding an extremely rich aroma.

Its name was Redemption, one of the blending formulas recorded in the Nether Chronicles.

"You actually blended Redemption. Congratulations!" The proprietress's tone was full of mockery, "Too bad you don't know who this Redemption is meant for."

"Oh, does who drinks it matter?" Li Xiu asked, staring at the pale red liquid in the glass.

"Did you really think mixed drinks are harmless? Without special constitution, even mixed drinks can be deadly. This Redemption was specifically blended by the previous bartender for the Radiant Demon Spirit Dark Knight King. The Dark Knight King drank this Redemption, used its energy to refine his body and soul, breaking free and achieving Super Spirit. You're a mere E-grade Trial Taker; I'm curious how you will die drinking Redemption."

"I hope to satisfy your curiosity." Li Xiu raised the glass of Redemption and drank it all in one gulp.

Having chosen the drink, he couldn't change his mind, nor was there any need. Other blended formulas might not be better than Redemption.

The pale red fluorescent liquid flowed down his throat into his stomach, and the intense aroma filled Li Xiu's mouth and nose.

The next second, Li Xiu felt a force spreading from his stomach throughout his body, as if he was being consumed by flames.

In fact, his entire body began to glow like fire, as if bathing in flames.

"Naive little darling, not everyone can be redeemed. The strong are redeemed because they're worthy. For the weak, redemption is often a more terrifying disaster." The proprietress's voice was filled with disdain.

But soon, the disdain in her voice turned to surprise, and then to disbelief.

The fiery glow on Li Xiu's body gradually faded, revealing his true self, his skin shining with a lustrous sheen, as if blessed by Holy Light.

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Each strand of hair was as crystalline and translucent as a gemstone, the whole person exuding an incredible Holy Light.

When the radiance completely faded, Li Xiu was already like an angel bathed in Holy Light, becoming immaculate and so clean as if he didn't belong to this world.

"You..." The landlady was too shocked to speak. An E-level Trial Taker could actually drink a cup of Redemption without any trouble; it was simply unbelievable.

Not to mention an E-level Trial Taker, even an E-level Radiant Demon Spirit would probably not be able to drink a cup of Redemption without harm.

"Really good wine," Li Xiu sincerely praised, because his Primordial Embryo Quality directly reached 2.0 from that one cup, though he didn't know why he hadn't advanced to D-level.

He felt this cup of Redemption was not as powerful as the landlady claimed, the energy shouldn't be capable of directly making a Demon Spirit become a Super Spirit.

Probably that Dark Knight King was already on the verge of becoming a Super Spirit, just lacking an opportunity, which is why a cup of Redemption pushed him over the edge.

The remaining wine was put back in the liquor cabinet.

Only one cup of Blended Wine was needed, no need to drink the whole bottle, he was already able to leave.

Li Xiu didn't intend to leave, he took down the Gentle Lover again, wanting to blend a second cup.

Such good wine, how could he only drink just one cup? If he could drink another cup, he could advance to D-level.

If he could drink a few more cups, perhaps today he could rocket from E-level straight to S-level, maybe even have a chance to become a Super Spirit.

Li Xiu blended another cup of Redemption using the previous method.

But when he lifted the cup to drink again, the wine flowed out of the cup but disappeared at the brim, not entering his mouth.

He summoned a Demon Spirit to drink it, but the result was the same.

"Can't have a refill?" Li Xiu was greatly disappointed, the dream of becoming a Super Spirit shattered in an instant.

"You really are quite greedy, but I like it," the landlady said with a smile. "If one could drink a second cup, this Demon Spirit Wine would have long been consumed by those terrifyingly powerful beings, it wouldn't have been your turn."

"What a pity." Li Xiu calculated silently in his heart, although he couldn't drink a second cup, he could scrounge for wine.

Just like that Demon Spirit before, who allowed Li Xiu to drink the wine it opened. In the future, if other Demon Spirits come to drink, he could totally scrounge some.

The premise was that he could save his life in front of those Demon Spirits, otherwise, if he couldn't drink the wine and lost his life, that would be bad.

"Goodbye, landlady." Li Xiu packed his belongings and turned to leave the room.

"Wait a moment," the landlady called out to Li Xiu. "I agree to the cooperation you mentioned earlier."

"If I don't go to the second floor, can you save my life?" Li Xiu stopped and asked.

"If you don't go to the second floor, I can't help you kill enemies, but keeping you alive won't be an issue. After all, I'm the landlady of the Nether House, if I don't want you to die here, no one can take your life," the landlady paused before asking, "When will you bring people to drink?"

"When I find people, I'll bring them," Li Xiu said, then pushed the door open without any fuss with the landlady.

Just outside the door, Li Xiu was about to pick up the Demon Core on the ground when suddenly everything went dark, and he found himself back in his room.

"Why did I come out so quickly!" Li Xiu muttered as he got up from the floor.

The Godslayer Shrine lying on the bed suddenly jumped up, seemingly incredulous, circling Li Xiu again and again.

"How could you possibly come out alive?" The Godslayer Shrine couldn't help but write this question.

This time, Li Xiu rudely grabbed the Godslayer Shrine, placed it on the table, and patted its top like a child's head, saying, "Kid, next time there's something good like this, remember to send me over immediately."

After saying this, leaving the Godslayer Shrine in a confused state, he went to pick up the scattered items on the floor.

Although only part of the items were brought back, they were top-quality goods among them.

The Talent Gemstone, Skill Ring, and Demon Spirit Ring were all brought back, and so was part of the Radiant Demon Core.

Li Xiu didn't bother picking up the Radiant Demon Core himself; he directly summoned the Black Death Demon King to consume it.

Li Xiu only picked up the Talent Gemstone, Skill Ring, and Demon Spirit Ring, then placed them into his small Vault.

There was quite a lot left from last time, and this time he managed to acquire so much more that Li Xiu began scheming about how to make these things shine in the Magic Spirit Competition and sell them at a high price.

After tidying up, Li Xiu went out to look for Chu Jun, he wanted to ask Chu Jun how he advanced to D-level, and why he hadn't advanced despite already having a 2.0 Primordial Embryo Quality.

"You're damn right I'm the kid, your whole family are kids..." After Li Xiu left, the Godslayer Shrine finally snapped out of it and fiercely began its rant, the words on the plaque flowed rapidly like advertising text.

"Someone's actually organizing a Magic Spirit Competition? Who is this Lord of Light City, and how dare he do such a thing?" said a tall girl, who was already an imposing presence despite her young age, her face filled with astonishment when she saw the news online.

"Probably some fool who doesn't know his limits," scoffed a cute girl with a slightly shorter stature beside her.

"Don't say that, he's doing what I wanted but couldn't do. I think this Lord of Light City is a very respectable person," the long-legged and buxom girl said.

Hearing this, the cute girl Bai Ying's eyes suddenly lit up, "Qingyi, why don't we join the Magic Spirit Competition?"

"Isn't that inappropriate? If we enter the Magic Spirit Competition, wouldn't it be bullying?" Li Qingyi hesitated.

Bai Ying giggled, her big eyes twinkling as she said, "This is what you've always wanted to do, right? Only if you join can this Magic Spirit Competition actually take place. Otherwise, with that fool Lord of Light City, the event venue might just get trashed by others."

"You do have a point, if someone is willing to take such a large risk to push Demon Spirits and Trial Takers to the forefront, we should indeed do something," Li Qingyi thought for a moment and then said to Bai Ying, "Quick, go sign us up for the Magic Spirit Competition."

"Already signed us up," Bai Ying said with a smug face, opening the registration form, "I signed you up under the name Qingyi, and me as Bai Yi. Together we'll be the combined Green and White Swords, taking the top two places in the Magic Spirit Competition. It'll definitely be fun."

#### Chapter 344 The Perverted Black Death Demon King

Li Xiu learned from Chu Jun that the level advancement of a Trial Taker actually mainly depends on the Symbiotic Contract.

When the energy accumulation of the Symbiotic Contract reaches a level sufficient for advancement, the level will naturally advance, unlike the Parasitic Contract, which requires a certain opportunity to elevate the level.

The process of energy accumulation in the Symbiotic Contract is actually the process of humans enhancing their Primordial Embryo Quality. Because it is a symbiotic relationship, as the host enhances their Primordial Embryo Quality, the Symbiotic Contract also siphons off a portion of the energy and enhances along with it.

Li Xiu looked at the Primordial Embryo Qualities of the Evil Spirit Token and the Forbidden Spear and found it indeed to be the case. Both of their Primordial Embryo Qualities had reached the same level as Li Xiu, at 2.0.

No wonder Li Xiu always felt his Primordial Embryo Quality was improving so slowly, it turned out these two entities were always leeching from him.

Li Xiu's Primordial Embryo Quality could align with the Symbiotic Contract because both had full base Primordial Embryo Qualities, allowing for uniform values.

Actually, many Trial Takers may not be able to reach uniformity.

For instance, if a Trial Taker's Primordial Embryo Quality is 0.9 and their Symbiotic Contract's Primordial Embryo Quality is only 0.7, then when the Trial Taker's Primordial Embryo Quality reaches 0.7, the Symbiotic Contract can already advance its level.

At this time, if the Symbiotic Contract is allowed to advance, the Trial Taker's own Primordial Embryo Quality would suffer a loss.

If the Primordial Embryo Quality of the Symbiotic Contract is 0.9 and the Trial Taker's Primordial Embryo Quality is 0.7, then once the Trial Taker's Primordial Embryo Quality reaches 0.7, it cannot continue to grow. However, enhancements obtained after the trial can still be provided to the Symbiotic Contract for continued growth.

So theoretically, only the Trial Taker can suppress the Symbiotic Contract to prevent it from advancing levels too early. But in the case of Li Xiu, where both the host and Symbiotic Contract have fully maxed Primordial Embryo Qualities, yet the Symbiotic Contract hasn't reacted, Chu Jun hasn't heard of such a scenario and is unclear about what's going on.

Li Xiu pondered repeatedly, estimating the issue might lie in his aurora quality and the parasitic magic spirit embryo within him.

Although he is human, having the aurora and Ultimate Light, from certain perspectives, he also possesses characteristics of the magic spirit.

Coupled with the reason for the magic spirit embryo, it may have prevented him from advancing levels as typical Trial Takers do.

Li Xiu was unable to figure out the specific reason for the moment, so he could only continue attempting to enter the Trial Ground to enhance his Primordial Embryo Quality.

Yet there was no reaction from enhancement, which was rather frustrating for Li Xiu.

The only good news was that after the Masked Emperor burned a large amount of topaz, it finally advanced by another level, reaching B-level, surprisingly awakening a talent skill, "Super Acceleration."

The Masked Emperor, once Super Acceleration is activated, moves faster than a plane. The only downside is that it requires good road conditions; in unfavorable terrain, Li Xiu dares not let it run too fast, otherwise it would surely crash.

"You're a B-level magic spirit, and yet you have requirements concerning the road conditions, which is quite ridiculous," Li Xiu remarked helplessly, only hoping the Masked Emperor can rid itself of this predicament by advancing to a higher level.

The Black Death Demon King, after consuming the Demon Cores of the Radiant Black Death Demons, also advanced by one level, reaching C-level, surprisingly awakening another skill, "King's Roar."

King's Roar and Death Aura, these two talent skills, are not offensive skills but types of enhancement skills.

Death Aura endows the Black Death Demon army with self-healing abilities, allowing general injuries to automatically recover.

King's Roar triggers the potential of the Black Death Demon army, granting them temporary increases in strength and speed.

Black Death Legion: Able to summon the Black Death Demon army, currently able to summon thirty Black Death Demons, effective for twenty-four hours.

C-level Black Death Demon King can summon thirty Black Death Demons, with their quality becoming radiant.

Calculating based on such growth speed, B-level can summon forty Radiant Black Death Demons, A-level can summon fifty Radiant Demon Spirits, so how would S-level improve? Could it possibly summon sixty aurora Black Death Demons?

Li Xiu feels this is basically impossible; otherwise, the Black Death Legion talent skill would truly defy the heavens.

Currently, Li Xiu is very much looking forward to the growth of the Black Death Demon King, but unfortunately, he no longer has resources to further its growth.

Even now, the combat power of the Black Death Demon King is incredibly strong; a C-level Radiant Demon Spirit, accompanied by thirty C-level radiant magic spirits, instantly elevates Li Xiu's overall combat power.

With the Black Death Demon King, Li Xiu doesn't need to nurture so many cannon fodder demon spirits; focusing on cultivating a few elites is sufficient.

"The Black Death Demon King must be nurtured carefully; eventually it will become a prominent emblem in my City of Light and must shine conspicuously in the magic tournament. Only then can my Black Death Demon Rings be sold more effectively," Li Xiu initially intended to fully elevate the level of the Jedi Knight, but he now has to pause on that plan.

Li Xiu plans to invest all his funds into the Black Death Demon King, aiming to elevate its level to B or A before the magic tournament.

Speaking of assets, Li Xiu's property basically consists of the one Ruby Ball; those Skill Rings, Demon Spirit Rings, Talent Gemstones, so forth, for now, cannot fetch high prices, and are not easy to sell.

"Should I sell the Ruby Ball?" Li Xiu considered targeting the Ruby Ball, but such a large piece of ruby must fetch a premium price; who could afford it, and be willing to buy it?

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Although larger gemstones are generally more valuable, it's hardly worth using them to open the Trial Gate for most people; they're usually just used to feed the Demon Spirits.

When used to feed Demon Spirits, buying smaller rubies is clearly more cost-effective. Therefore, Li Xiu's Ruby Ball, despite appearing priceless, is quite the challenge to sell.

If sold cheaply, Li Xiu wouldn't be willing; if sold expensively, no one would want to buy it unless they encountered a wealthy buyer. Otherwise, it's quite difficult to sell this thing.

"Where can I find a big-time wealthy buyer willing to pay the price?" Li Xiu thought over and over. Most of the people around him were similar to him, nearly all poor, except for Chu Jun, who was super rich.

So, Li Xiu planned to hand over the task of selling the Ruby Ball to Chu Jun, hoping he could find an appropriate buyer.

After assigning the task to Chu Jun, Li Xiu then asked Sha Chu to help him purchase black spinels.

Black spinels are quite inexpensive themselves, much cheaper than red apatites. Although a large number of black spinels have been used recently for the opening of the Hero Trial Ground, this is just a

drop in the bucket for the entire market; only here in the City of Light have black spinels slightly increased in price, but their cost-effectiveness is still high.

Li Xiu asked Sha Chu to collect a large quantity of black spinels, to try to buy as many back as possible, predicting that after the Demon Spirit competition, black spinels will surely experience a significant rise.

Fortunately, Sha Chu had the investment from Boss Qiu; otherwise, he wouldn't have had money to help Li Xiu purchase black spinels.

Of course, Li Xiu called it an advance payment, promising to cover the deficit once he sold the Ruby Ball.

By now, Sha Chu was somewhat numb, too lazy to advise Li Xiu, who he saw as a spendthrift. In phrases like "after the Demon Spirit competition, black spinels must soar," Sha Chu scoffed at such nonsense.

Nevertheless, since the City of Light belonged to Li Xiu, if he wanted to squander, let him squander. Attempts to persuade him were futile, instead leaving Sha Chu feeling exasperated. Sha Chu felt he had aged noticeably recently; wrinkles seemed ready to emerge at his eye corners.

"That's not right, I need a milk bath. Though the city belongs to someone else, my body and beauty are my own, and I won't ruin my precious youth and looks for others' belongings," Sha Chu thought to himself. But before she could buy milk, various matters arose again, keeping her too busy managing the city's affairs to enjoy herself.

She had to visit the construction site, oversee the market, and attend to the City Lord's Mansion's matters; her schedule left no time for enjoyment.

Sha Chu now somewhat doubted if her initial decision was wrong, wondering why life was more challenging than before.

Li Xiu, on the other hand, took things easy. Each day, he reported to the Trial Ground, then fed the Black Death Demon King and Masked Emperor with the black spinels and topaz Sha Chu had collected.

Day by day passed as they watched the Demon Spirit Arena gradually being built. Although it's merely a small part of the planned structure, it already looked quite impressive.

It's estimated that it should be ready for formal use before the Demon Spirit competition begins.

Finally, after countless trials at the Trial Ground, Li Xiu randomly received a ticket, granting him entry once again into the Black Death City.

Inside the Black Death City, there was no Blood Moon. After easily eliminating the ordinary Black Death Demons, Li Xiu began to wander around the city.

He needed to locate the smallest stone house mentioned by the Unparalleled King, which might come in handy later.

After circling one more time, Li Xiu discovered an astonishing fact: the smallest stone house in Black Death City was indeed the one where he found the Godslayer Shrine.

"Could the shrine mentioned by the Unparalleled King be the Godslayer Shrine?" Li Xiu unwillingly took another look several times, but the result remained the same; no stone house was smaller than the one with the Godslayer Shrine.

"No way, could the shrine mentioned by the Unparalleled King truly be the Godslayer Shrine? But except for being able to pull people into the Blood Moon Black Death City, it seems to have no other powers, does it warrant such reverence from the Unparalleled King?" Li Xiu pondered extensively.

Upon leaving, he battled another round of mechanical skeletons, obtaining nothing remarkable besides Demon Cores. The only A-class Flowing Color Demon Core he acquired, Li Xiu then gave to the Jedi Knight, as a slow nurturing investment.

Returning to the city, Li Xiu visited the Nether House; the lady boss thought he brought company, but resulted in seeing only him, greatly disappointing her.

"Take it easy, lady boss, I'm selecting people for you," Li Xiu laughed as he said this.

This liquor wasn't just for anyone to drink. If after drinking someone just dies, the liquor would be essentially consumed in vain, eventually returning itself inside the bottle.

"Humph!" The lady boss just let out a cold snort without saying anything.

As Li Xiu left, he thought to himself: "Looks like the Blood Moon Black Death City and the ordinary Black Death City should indeed be the same place. If they were two cities in different space-times, the lady boss wouldn't recognize me."

"Li Xiu, a buyer has been found for the Ruby Ball, but they don't have enough cash and want to barter with other items. What's your opinion?" As Li Xiu just exited the Black Death City, Chu Jun approached him.

"What do they want to trade with?" Li Xiu asked.

"A Demon Spirit Ring, an S-class Demon Spirit Ring." Chu Jun spoke, his eyes gleaming.

"What S-class Demon Spirit Ring?" Li Xiu frowned as he inquired.

"The data sent by the opposite party is here for you to review; I think it's quite suitable, although the Ruby Ball itself is priceless, an S-class Demon Spirit is indeed remarkable, especially with a Shining Quality." Chu Jun opened up a laptop, showing Li Xiu the data sent by the other party.

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They actually have a photo of the demon spirit, showing a silver lion. While not exactly huge, it's at least twice the size of a typical lion, with its silver mane complementing its hefty build. Coupled with the silver light patterns and gemstone glow on its body, it looks incredibly captivating.

"This has already been contracted and summoned, how is he going to sell it?" Li Xiu frowned after reading the information.

"This photo was taken earlier, and the previous owner is already dead. Now this Demon Spirit Ring is contract-free and can be contracted with anyone," Chu Jun explained.

"I don't think it's suitable." Li Xiu didn't fancy this S-Class Silver Light Lion, which only had a shining quality and two talent skills. Such a demon spirit, aside from having a higher level, was considered by Li Xiu to be quite worthless.

"Why? An S-Class demon spirit, how many resources would it take to bring it up to this level? Even if that Ruby Ball were exchanged for resources, it's questionable whether we could raise an S-Class demon spirit. This one is readily available, and it has a shining quality with dual skills. I think it's quite suitable," Chu Jun paused to catch his breath before continuing, "Besides, at the magic competition, having this S-Class Silver Light Lion to intimidate the crowd will surely shock the world."

"Only a shining quality, and it's awakened merely two talent skills. Such an S-Class demon spirit will eventually be phased out. We only have that one Ruby Ball, and it will be hard to find another one in the future; this matter isn't urgent." Li Xiu smiled and added, "As for the magic competition, don't worry. I've already prepared to use it as the ace up my sleeve."

With that, Li Xiu summoned the Black Death Demon King.

"Radiant Black Death Demon!" Chu Jun was astonished upon seeing the Black Death Demon King, his eyes almost bulging out, "How did you get so lucky? I've been to Black Death City so many times and never saw a Radiant Level Black Death Demon."

"Having good luck makes all the difference," Li Xiu chuckled, "I'm planning to have it as our main force in the magic competition. After all, the Black Death Demon is the hallmark of our City of Light; it should attract people here. Other demon spirits aren't quite suitable."

"What level is it now?" Chu Jun considered that Li Xiu had a point.

Indeed, only the Black Death Demon could truly represent the City of Light. Once the Black Death Demon's reputation is established, attracting visitors to the City of Light won't be a concern. More visitors mean the City of Light can really grow.

"C-Class," Li Xiu replied.

"C-Class seems a bit low; if someone comes to cause trouble, it might not be able to suppress them," Chu Jun pondered aloud.

"That's why I need a large amount of gems to nurture it now. The Ruby Ball must be exchanged for gemstones, not demon spirits," Li Xiu explained.

"There isn't much time until the magic competition; even if we convert it to gem resources now, is it enough?" Chu Jun expressed some concern.

Not all demon spirits can incessantly consume like the Jedi Knight; ordinary demon spirits require time to convert gemstone energy. Just like the Masked Emperor, it isn't that joining Topa allows immediate advancement.

Only the Jedi Knight infected by Evil Parasite and Demigod Shana can keep consuming resources nonstop, rapidly growing as long as they have resources.

"Before the competition, advancing to A-Class should be feasible, but B-Class might be a bit tight," Li Xiu thought out loud.

"What if an S-Class demon spirit appears? Like the Silver Light Lion," Chu Jun suggested.

"If the Black Death Demon King advances to A-Class, defeating a Silver Light Lion is just child's play. For B-Class, some maneuvering is required, but it's manageable," Li Xiu smiled.

"How many talent skills has the Black Death Demon King awakened? Look at you bragging," Chu Jun teased.

Li Xiu stretched out three fingers, waving them in front of Chu Jun.

"Are you serious? Isn't your Black Death Demon King only C-Class? Even if it awakens a talent skill each time it levels up, one from E to D, one from D to C, that's only two, so where's the third? You've lost your mind," Chu Jun retorted with a sneer.

"I'm serious. It's three; the Black Death Demon Light came with one talent skill at E-Class," Li Xiu grinned.

"Wow, there's such a thing? I've never heard of it," Chu Jun's eyes widened.

"Check out the skills of my Black Death Demon King," Li Xiu had the Black Death Demon King unleash its Black Death Legion skill.

As a series of radiant Black Death Demons appeared, Chu Jun was dumbfounded.

Now, Chu Jun finally understood why Li Xiu dismissed the Silver Light Lion. Who would buy a Silver Light Lion with such an incredible demon spirit available? Naturally, one would devote resources to upgrading the Black Death Demon instead.

Li Xiu explained the detailed information about the Black Death Legion skill to Chu Jun, and then shared his own predictions.

After listening, Chu Jun resolutely declared, "Even if we have to sell everything, we must elevate the level of the Black Death Demon King. For this magic competition, it will be the ace demon spirit of our City of Light."

Chu Jun contacted the buyers, firmly informing them that they only accepted money or gemstones, not demon spirits.

Li Qingyi frowned slightly upon receiving the reply.

She hadn't expected the other party to reject such a deal. An S-Class shining demon spirit with dual talent skills, if released, countless Trial Takers would spend fortunes to claim it.

The other party actually turned down the Silver Light Lion, indicating they only accepted money and gemstones, which was beyond Li Qingyi's expectations.

If Li Qingyi herself hadn't known the origins of that Ruby Ball and urgently needed it, she wouldn't have brought out the Silver Light Lion.

By offering the Silver Light Lion, she aimed to secure it, preventing the Ruby Ball from being snatched by others. Unexpectedly, the other party turned out to be a peculiar one, preferring money over demon spirits, leaving her at a loss.

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"That Lord of Light City really doesn't know what's good for him. He doesn't want the Silver Light Lion, just money and gemstones. Is there something wrong with his head? Doesn't he know how precious an S-level dual talent skill magic spirit is?" Bai Ying pouted.

Li Qingyi chuckled and said, "In terms of rarity, the Ruby Ball might be even rarer than the Silver Light Lion. It's a pure conglomerate of rubies left after the Stone Breaker devours a Ruby Mine and separates the impurities. Such a thing is exceedingly rare. The Stone Breaker must consume a Ruby Mine, which is already hard to come by. You can't kill it too early; if you do, it won't have consumed enough raw stones, and the gathered ruby inside will be too little. Nor can you kill it too late; if you do, it would've digested all the rubies, and you'd get nothing from killing it."

"Think about it, who would feed a Stone Breaker with an entire Ruby Mine and kill it at just the right time? Given the weight of this Ruby Ball, the Stone Breaker probably consumed a considerable Ruby Mine and was killed at the perfect moment to obtain such a large Ruby Ball. Its rarity is certainly not less than, if not greater than, the Silver Light Lion. My Red Armored Evil Spirit needs such a Ruby Ball as a catalyst to advance to S-level. This way, the chances of awakening talent skills are much higher. If possible, I'd still like to buy the Ruby Ball."

"That's simple. He wants gemstones, so we'll give him gemstones. I'll pay for them," Bai Ying said.

"No need, I'll pay for the gemstones myself," Li Qingyi shook his head.

Bai Ying blinked and said, "I'm not paying for the gemstones for nothing; you give me the Silver Light Lion."

"What are you up to?" Li Qingyi knew Bai Ying too well, sensing she was planning something.

"Since he doesn't want the Silver Light Lion, I'll use it to win the championship in his magic spirit contest. Let's see if he'll regret it later," Bai Ying stuck out her tongue.

"You can use the Silver Light Lion to compete, but don't go overboard. The Lord of Light City probably has his reasons for wanting gemstones instead of the Silver Light Lion. Besides, it's a good thing he's hosting the magic spirit contest; don't ruin it," Li Qingyi said earnestly.

"I know this is something you've always wanted to do; how can I mess it up? I'll just participate with the Silver Light Lion according to the rules. Is it wrong to win first place with strong abilities?" Bai Ying stuck out her tongue.

"That's fine, but during the magic spirit contest, don't harm the other contestants' magic spirits," Li Qingyi stated.

"I know, don't worry. With his so-called magic spirit contest, there are hardly any participants. With the Silver Light Lion's strength, getting first place will be easy. Let his envy and regret consume him," Bai Ying laughed.

Li Qingyi said nothing more and handed the ring of the Silver Light Lion to Bai Ying.

Li Qingyi thought Bai Ying had a point. The City of Light barely has any fame or prestige in the Southern Cross Federation. You could even say it's unknown. With so few participants in such a contest, no truly powerful Trial Takers have signed up. The chances of winning the championship with the Silver Light Lion are still very high.

Li Xiu was naturally unaware of Bai Ying's plan. He was currently immersed in the joy of selling the Ruby Ball for a high price.

No matter how precious the Ruby Ball was, it was of no use to him. Exchanging it for a large number of gemstones was tangible, especially since the other party also paid with a significant amount of high-quality Black Apatite. The high-quality Black Apatite is very beneficial for the Black Death Demon's evolution.

Though average Black Apatite can also help the Black Death Demon evolve, lower quality Black Apatite isn't conducive to awakening its talent skill. And same weight of Black Apatite, the higher quality ones contain more energy; the same amount eaten allows the Black Death Demon to evolve faster.

After all, the Black Death Demon's digestion speed is limited, so the higher the quality of Black Apatite it consumes, the faster it evolves in a short time.

Li Xiu planned to use the Black Death Demon as his main ace. Before the competition starts, evolving to a higher level is certainly better.

Apart from this batch of Black Apatite, the other party also agreed to pay with some high-quality rubies, sapphires, and red apatite. The red apatite offered by the other party would reach the Jedi Knight color level, just right for the Jedi Knight to make use of.

Originally, Li Xiu didn't want rubies and sapphires; he wanted some blue diamonds. However, the Southern Cross Federation doesn't produce blue diamonds. Although the other party could pay with some blue diamonds, the cost-effectiveness wasn't high, so Li Xiu gave up in the end.

"Finally, I'm rich," Li Xiu thought, as he received the boxes of gemstones. Since becoming a Trial Taker, it was the first time he felt he didn't have to worry about money.

"Come, eat, eat as much as you can, don't save money for me," Li Xiu said as he directly placed a box of high-quality Black Apatite in front of the Black Death Demon, letting him eat freely.

The Black Death Demon ate frantically but could only finish half a box before he couldn't eat any more. He could only wait to convert the consumed gemstones into energy before continuing to eat.

In the other small boxes, there were Jedi Knight Apatite, rubies, and sapphires.

The quality of the rubies and sapphires was also very high, with the smallest being over three carats. Any one of them could cover an ordinary person's living expenses for years.

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The box of Jedi crystals, although not the best Namiya Jedi Knight crystals, the ones from the Manxin mine are not too bad either.

The crystals from the Namiya mine have a slight pink hue, with the strongest fluorescence.

In comparison, the crystals from the Manxin mine have a reddish hue, and their fluorescence is equally impressive.

Looking at the intensely fluorescent red crystals inside the small box, Li Xiu generously handed them to the Jedi Knight.

The Jedi Knight devoured them like a whirlwind, consuming the entire small box of Manxin Jedi Knight crystals in no time, leaving not a single one behind.

"Look at him, then look at you. How come you eat so little? When will you ever grow up?" Li Xiu glanced at the Black Death Demon King, who was busy digesting, and couldn't help but shake his head.

Suddenly, red light flames erupted from the Jedi Knight's body. After consuming so many Jedi Knight crystals, along with previous high-quality, high-level Demon Cores, he ascended in level once again.

Without a doubt, the Jedi Knight was once again promoted with the awakening of a talent skill.

"It's still faster to promote with matching gemstones." Li Xiu praised in his heart.

Unfortunately, this small box of Jedi crystals is invaluable, and without that Ruby Ball, Li Xiu doesn't know how long it would take to gather such a box.

In the strong fluorescence, the Jedi Knight's body became more crystalline, his armor turned semi-transparent with intense fluorescence, and the samurai sword in his hand was flooding with pink fluorescence, resembling more and more a Light Saber.

Of course, there were still some differences in shape compared to a Light Saber; it still looked like a samurai sword.

Jedi Knight: Evolving Magic Spirit.

Quality: None.

Level: A.

Talent Skills: Blood Light Slash, Desperate Realm, Martial Spirit, Unrivaled National Hero.

The Jedi Knight's four skills, with Blood Light Slash being the only actual attack skill, seemed a bit simplistic.

However, the Desperate Realm skill allows it to explode with terrifying combat power when in danger.

Li Xiu studied the Martial Spirit talent skill for a long time, as it didn't seem like an active skill but more of a passive talent.

Without Martial Spirit, the Jedi Knight would rely on brute strength to fight, but with it, it started using technique.

It can absorb combat experience during battles, allowing it to use different techniques against various enemies, a talent that makes it stronger as it fights.

As for the newly awakened Unrivaled National Hero talent skill, Li Xiu was pleasantly surprised after testing it.

Upon activating the Unrivaled National Hero talent skill, the Jedi Knight could control his own light energy, unleashing all of it at once, creating destructive power far beyond his normal level, making it an unbeatable skill for slaying enemies above his rank.

"It seems like there's only the Blood Light Slash skill, but in reality, the Jedi Knight's combat power is already off the charts. I really don't know how much stronger he will become once he levels up to S rank." Li Xiu initially planned to ensure the Black Death Demon King's victory, but with the Jedi Knight as a backup, that's even better.

Li Xiu intended for the Jedi Knight, the Black Death Demon King, and the Masked Emperor to participate in the Magic Spirit Tournament.

Of course, the Masked Emperor wasn't intended for the magic spirit duel; Li Xiu had Sha Chu add a speed contest to the tournament specifically for mount-type magic spirits.

Initially, he planned for the Pink Nightmare to enter, but eventually decided to have the Masked Emperor compete instead.

After all, the first Magic Spirit Tournament had to have something to draw attention, and the Masked Emperor undoubtedly had more appeal.

Of course, the speed contest wasn't the main event; it was more of an exhibition match, beginning before the magic spirit duel, held as part of the opening ceremony to warm up the event.

In the following period, Li Xiu continued entering the Trial Ground every day for enhancement, but no matter how much he tried, he couldn't ascend to D rank, with his Primordial Embryo Quality stuck at 2.0, without any improvement.

This made Li Xiu realize that conventional enhancement might not allow him to level up, and he would need to find a different path.

Li Xiu thought long and hard, considering that the Unparalleled King and Old Saber might be able to help him.

But when he went to the Golden Gate, he found that Old Saber was no longer there; it seemed it had been taken to the Heavenly Gate by the Eternal Heaven, leaving this path unexplored.

"It looks like I'll have to approach that unreliable Unparalleled King again." If there were any other choice, Li Xiu wouldn't want to seek out the Unparalleled King.

That guy was not reliable at all, and who knows how much of what it said could be trusted.

"Why are you here again? What do you want?" The Unparalleled King glanced at Li Xiu, feeling a bit impatient.

Although a little scatterbrained, the Unparalleled King wasn't stupid. It had only been a few days, and the Ruby Ball definitely hadn't been brought into Black Death City by Li Xiu yet, so he must have another issue.

"Oh, supreme... Unparalleled King, under your guidance, my Primordial Embryo Quality has made tremendous progress and is now at its limit, but for some reason, I can't ascend to D rank..." Li Xiu flattered a bit, making the Unparalleled King feel a bit complacent.

Without even recalling whether it ever advised Li Xiu on this, the Unparalleled King proudly stated, "I thought it was something important, and you can't even solve such a small matter. If it weren't for your commendable loyalty, you wouldn't be fit to be my lieutenant."

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"Please, Your Majesty, enlighten me." Li Xiu earnestly sought guidance. In this matter, the Unparalleled King indeed had the qualifications to instruct him. Li Xiu saw no shame in asking for advice from a stronger being.

"Summon your Symbiotic Contract and let me have a look. I estimate the problem lies with your Symbiotic Contract," said the Unparalleled King.

Li Xiu summoned the Forbidden Spear, holding it in his hand.

Even while wearing the Demon Armor, it didn't hinder the summoning of the Symbiotic Contract.

"This is... the Forbidden Artifact of the Celestial Sea..." The Unparalleled King seemed startled.

"What is the Celestial Sea?" Hearing this name, Li Xiu guessed that it should correspond to the Land of Trial associated with the Sea Heaven Trial Ground.

However, the fact that the Unparalleled King could recognize it at a glance, and seemed so surprised, was quite intriguing.

"It seems you haven't entered the Celestial Sea. Indeed, for a weak human like you, entering the Celestial Sea would mean certain death," the Unparalleled King snorted coldly.

"What kind of place is the Celestial Sea exactly?" Li Xiu asked quickly, taking the opportunity to gather some intelligence.

"The Demon Kingdom's Four Major Forbidden Zones: Tianmen, Longevity Island, Bottomless Pit, and Celestial Sea. Each is an extremely terrifying place. Not to mention mere humans, even the top Demon Spirits of the Demon Kingdom, would likely face death upon entering the Four Major Forbidden Zones. Among them, Tianmen is the most terrifying, Longevity Island the most mysterious, Bottomless Pit has yet to see anyone come out alive, and Celestial Sea is the restricted zone for living beings, only spirits of the dead can enter."

"Spirits of the dead can enter, does that mean only deceased beings can enter the Celestial Sea?" Li Xiu pondered.

"You're not dumb." For the Unparalleled King, saying this was already a compliment.

"How does one enter after death?" Li Xiu asked, puzzled.

"Don't worry about that. Just make sure you don't go there unless you've had enough of life," the Unparalleled King didn't elaborate further, just continued, "It's quite lucky for you to acquire the Forbidden Artifact of the Celestial Sea as your Symbiotic Contract. You indeed have potential for the future."

"Is it because of the Forbidden Spear that I can't advance to D-level?" Li Xiu asked.

"I don't know much about the Forbidden Artifacts of the Celestial Sea, but they shouldn't affect your level advancement... This is quite strange..." the Unparalleled King pondered for a while before suddenly saying, "Could it be that something on you is affecting the Forbidden Spear, preventing it from advancing in level?"

"Things on me that could affect it... there are quite a few..." Li Xiu chuckled bitterly to himself.

Aside from possessing Light Energy and the Evil Spirit Token, he also had the Demon Spirit parasitically inside him.

However, after the Unparalleled King's words, Li Xiu recalled something.

He had previously ingested that peculiar Demon Spirit Ruby, but the Ruby hadn't been expelled nor had it turned into a Demon Spirit Ring. It's still inside his body, and he doesn't know if it will have any effects on him.

He was reluctant to let others know about his possession of Light Energy, so he couldn't easily tell the Unparalleled King.

However, he had no qualms about the peculiar Ruby incident and thought it might be a good chance to let the Unparalleled King help analyze what was going on.

After explaining the incident of swallowing the Demon Spirit Ruby in detail, the Unparalleled King exclaimed in surprise, "Are you insane? You swallowed the Demon Spirit Gemstone. Aren't you afraid that the Demon Spirit within the Gemstone will take over your body and replace you as the owner of that body?"

Li Xiu had considered this possibility before, but he wasn't too concerned about it.

His Spiritual Sense was strong enough that if the Demon Spirit tried to compete for control of his body, it would be akin to seeking death.

Moreover, since he could feel hunger, it indicated that the Demon Spirit larva inside should be confident in handling the Demon Spirit in the Gemstone; otherwise, it wouldn't want Li Xiu to swallow the Demon Spirit Gemstone.

"The Demon Spirit within the Gemstone can also occupy a human body?" Li Xiu asked as if unaware.

"Heh, the so-called Demon Spirit Gemstone operates on the same principle as the Spirit Technique. A human soul is planted into the Gemstone, and upon merging with it, it becomes a Gem Demon Spirit. Of course, ordinary human souls are too weak; once the body dies, the soul dissipates and cannot be planted into the Gemstone. Only some extremely special humans, after death, can have their souls planted into the Gemstone... originally being human... they can indeed occupy human bodies..."

The Unparalleled King couldn't resist lecturing Li Xiu again, "You're incredibly foolish to swallow a Demon Spirit Gemstone; it's like presenting yourself as easy prey. Only ignorant carbon-based life forms would do such a thing."

"Is there any way to deal with it?" Although Li Xiu wasn't too worried about being possessed by the Demon Spirit Gemstone, knowing how to resolve it would certainly be advantageous.

"Simple." The Unparalleled King said, "You've had that Demon Spirit Gemstone inside you for a while now. Since it hasn't taken over your body, this indicates the Demon Spirit within is not strong or, more accurately, very weak, and getting rid of it shouldn't be hard."

The Unparalleled King seemed to think of something and suddenly exclaimed, "I see, I know now. No wonder you can't advance in level; it must be the fault of that Demon Spirit Gemstone. The Demon Spirit within the Gemstone has absorbed your energy, preventing you from reaching the energy required for advancement, so even though your Primordial Embryo Quality is adequate, you can't advance in level."

Although Li Xiu didn't fully agree with the Unparalleled King, he thought it was probably quite close to the truth.

The Unparalleled King was unaware that aside from the Demon Spirit Gemstone, there was also a Demon Spirit larva and the Evil Spirit Token parasitically inside him, both potentially greedier than the Demon Spirit Gemstone.

The Evil Spirit Token's Primordial Embryo Quality had reached max value, so it shouldn't need to absorb more of Li Xiu's energy, leaving the Demon Spirit larva and Demon Spirit Gemstone. They must be the reasons he couldn't advance to D-level.

#### Chapter 350 Seed Spirit Technique

"If you don't get rid of the Gem Demon Spirit inside your body, your energy will only nourish it, allowing it to grow stronger while you find it difficult to advance in level. Even if you luckily advance to D rank now, it will become increasingly difficult in the future, and you might even be countered by the Gem Demon Spirit when it matures," the Unparalleled King pondered aloud.

"Do you have a solution, Your Majesty?" Li Xiu asked.

"You are my brother; how could I stand by while a mere Gem Demon Spirit takes over you? I have a secret technique that can help you get rid of it," the Unparalleled King's voice echoed in Li Xiu's mind. "Remember, this secret technique must not be shared, or dire consequences will ensue. Even if others don't kill you, I will. Do not let a word of it escape."

After listening to the Unparalleled King's secret technique, Li Xiu left the Underworld with a strange expression.

Although the Unparalleled King did not explicitly tell him what the secret technique was, Li Xiu vaguely guessed that it might be the Seed Spirit Technique or a branch of it.

First, Li Xiu needed to find a clean gemstone, one that didn't contain a spirit or even a trace of Spiritual Qi.

Then, using the method taught by the Unparalleled King, he would perform the Seed Spirit Technique, simultaneously nurturing the implanted spirit in a manner akin to "prenatal education."

Once the Demon Spirit inside the gemstone successfully matures, even without a contract, it will be in sync with its master and will not harm them.

He would then nurture it continuously until it became stronger than the Gem Demon Spirit Li Xiu had consumed before, then swallow the gemstone to let the Gem Demon Spirit defeat the Gem Demon Spirit.

The Unparalleled King told Li Xiu that when using this method, one must not contract the spirit beforehand. Only after it kills the Gem Demon Spirit in his stomach can he form a contract with it; otherwise, all efforts will be wasted.

Though Li Xiu remembered the method, he did not really intend to do it because the Seed Spirit Technique was too cruel; he wouldn't possibly do such a thing.

However, the Unparalleled King's Seed Spirit Technique gave Li Xiu some conjectures.

Not everyone can be used for the Seed Spirit Technique. According to the Unparalleled King's descriptions, those capable of Seed Spirit Technique have very strong Spiritual Sense—doesn't that refer to Magic Armor Masters?

The Unparalleled King, trapped for unknown years, seemed unaware of the existence of human Magic Armor Masters, yet his descriptions pointed unmistakably to them.

"So, those Gem Demon Spirits were people with the Magic Armor Master talent who, due to some fortuitous chance, naturally completed the Seed Spirit Technique and became Demon Spirits..." Li Xiu felt a chill down his spine at the thought. If he were to die in the future, he'd prefer to die completely rather than become a Gem Demon Spirit.

While the problem wasn't solved, the Unparalleled King did give Li Xiu some new ideas.

"The Demon Spirit embryo and the Ruby Demon Spirit within me have reached a deadlock. All I need is bait; perhaps I can reap the benefits without effort," Li Xiu realized, inspired by the Seed Spirit Technique, though he needed to consider it more thoroughly.

The Demon Spirit Arena was being constructed day by day, already entering the final stages, with not many days left until the magic tournament.

Some contestants registered for the competition had already arrived in the City of Light, along with some spectators who had come early. Although there weren't many humans, and they were all from nearby cities, it was gratifying.

Originally, Li Xiu thought there might not be many spectators for this first magic tournament.

The Black Death Demon King had advanced another level, reaching B rank, and astonishingly awakened a new talent skill, the "King's Pardon."

After using the King's Pardon, the shackles on the Black Death Demon King and its Black Death Army's hands and feet would automatically open and fall off. Freed, the combat power of the Black Death Demon King and its demons would reach a higher level.

As Li Xiu had speculated, the B-rank Black Death Army skill could summon forty B-rank Radiant Black Death Demons.

"The Demon Spirits created by some rogue are truly formidable. Just how powerful could it be at S rank?" Li Xiu was increasingly expectant, continuously feeding it daily, hoping the Black Death Demon King could advance to A rank before the magic tournament.

"God has appeared again," A Fei said, bringing his phone to show Li Xiu a news report.

The report covered God, clad in the Red Flower Magic Armor, slaying an S-Class Demon Spirit at the Space City and Southern Cross Federation borders, and it included video footage.

After watching, Li Xiu frowned, convinced that the person impersonating God earlier was already dead.

Yet in the video, the person controlling the Red Flower Magic Armor could also use the Hand of God and Angel's Wings.

"How strange!" Li Xiu muttered, not thinking the Hand of God and Angel's Wings were extraordinary techniques, but he had indeed not seen other Magic Armor Masters casually mastering them before.

Especially the Hand of God. Aside from Bai Qiuyi, who learned it with his help, Li Xiu hadn't seen a second instance.

Even someone as talented as Ye Xiyuan, with Li Xiu's guidance, hadn't fully mastered the Hand of God yet.

"Just where did Guan Jinghao find these Magic Armor Masters?" Li Xiu couldn't help but frown privately.

"Is this God the one you're looking for?" Li Xiu looked up to ask A Fei.