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### Chapter 861 The True Face of the Magic Armor Master (Part 2)

Unexpectedly, even the Magic Armor Masters of the Space City have learned this move. Now Li Xiu could not help but suspect that the Hand of God and these skills were leaked by Bai Qiuyi. No one else would know so many of Li Xiu's techniques.

Especially that Reverse Charge move, which he had only used in front of Bai Qiuyi, as no one else had the Hand of God. He simply had no chance to use this move in front of others.

When Li Xiu saw this Reverse Charge move, he was already about to make his move, because this move was almost impossible to counter when it came to restraining the Hand of God. Back then, Bai Qiuyi could only admit defeat when faced with this Reverse Charge move.

Li Xiu had yet to charge forward when he saw Ye Xiyuan make an unexpected move, causing him to halt in his tracks.

Li Xiu was both shocked and delighted by Ye Xiyuan's move, for it was indeed the solution to the Reverse Charge.

This solution could easily result in mutual destruction, but it was the only solution in such a situation.

Li Xiu did not know if Bai Qiuyi had thought of it at the time, because the two were merely sparring, unlike now, where a battle of life and death ensued. Even if he had thought of it, it was impossible to execute.

The fact that Ye Xiyuan could come up with the solution in an instant and execute it without hesitation spoke volumes of his innate sharpness and boldness, which were incomparable to ordinary people.

The ultimate counterattack regardless of life and death, the final strike in a desperate situation, could only be successful for the brave. Any slight hesitation would not only fail to resolve the predicament but would lead to an even worse defeat.

The difference between victory and defeat lay in a single thought, a mere thread apart.

Boom!

A terrifying explosion of light erupted between the Bloodlight Angel and Ye Xiyuan, and the blinding radiance forced people to instinctively shield their eyes with their hands.

When the light gradually faded, people eagerly looked toward the arena, only to see a crater with a diameter of over a hundred meters, within which stood Ye Xiyuan and that Magic Armor Master.

However, the Magic Armors on both were damaged to varying degrees, and the two Magic Armor Masters stared at each other from a distance without moving.

Thud!

The Magic Armor Master from Space City fell to the ground, the front shell of his chest armor shattered, with some of his chest bones seemingly caved in.

Ye Xiyuan's Magic Armor also had some cracks, but they were not severely damaged.

Ye Xiyuan glanced at the struggling Magic Armor Master in the pit, then turned and returned to Li Xiu's side, saluting: "Mission accomplished."

"Good job, you did great." Li Xiu waved his hand, and Ye Xiyuan returned to stand in front of the Magic Armor Master squad.

The Fishman Magic Armor Masters who followed Ye Xiyuan now looked at him differently.

Previously, they obeyed Ye Xiyuan's orders, albeit strictly, not because they felt Ye Xiyuan was qualified to be their leader, but because Li Xiu had ordered them to obey Ye Xiyuan—they were merely following Li Xiu's orders.

In fact, they were not very convinced of a Magic Armor Master outside of Changshengtian being their leader, but seeing today's battle between Ye Xiyuan and the Bloodlight Angel, they truly felt Ye Xiyuan was qualified to be their leader.

"The Frost Leaves Magic Armor Master from the City of Light is indeed top-notch, even the top Magic Armor Masters from Space City with the latest God's Magic Armor were no match for her. Truly impressive beyond words."

"There are probably very few female Magic Armor Masters who can reach this level, perhaps just her alone."

"I said before, Frost Leaves is the female version of God; she could absolutely never lose."

People discussed fervently, while Rakshasa's expression turned somewhat grim, but fortunately, she wore her Magic Armor, and no one could see her expression.

"Trial Taker's Sanctuary, Magic Armor Masters from the City of Light are indeed strong." Anyone could hear the sarcasm in Rakshasa's words aimed at Li Xiu and the City of Light.

Before Li Xiu could respond, Rakshasa continued: "This time we lost, but we have plenty of such Magic Armor Masters in Space City. I wonder how many more the City of Light has."

"You can find out," Ye Xiyuan retorted boldly.

The Magic Armor Masters behind Ye Xiyuan all activated their light energy into a Super Spirit State instantly, their radiance no less intense than that of the Bloodlight Angels.

"Oh my, the Magic Armor Master squad from the City of Light seems to be something beyond ordinary S-level; their Magic Armor looks amazing too."

"Those must be new-type Magic Armors too! The Magic Armor level in the City of Light seems to rival that of Space City. Have I gone mad, or has the world? Isn't the City of Light the Trial Taker's sanctuary? Their Magic Armor level is terrifying!"

"The Magic Armors on those City of Light Magic Armor Masters seem to bear the emblem of White Night City, meaning they are from White Night City."

"Exactly, it was mentioned online earlier that those are the latest Magic Armors from White Night City."

"No wonder they challenge Space City. White Night City's speed in developing Magic Armors is just as fast, truly confronting each other—it's remarkable how their new-type Magic Armors emerged simultaneously."

Old Master Chu's grin was so wide it was crooked, as the batch of Magic Armors sponsored to Li Xiu yielded unexpectedly excellent results.

Li Xiu gestured for Ye Xiyuan and the Magic Armor Master squad to step back.

Ye Xiyuan and the Magic Armor Masters then gathered their light patterns and retreated behind Li Xiu.

"What a sanctuary for Trial Takers, the City of Light." Rakshasa said mockingly.

"The City of Light has never claimed to be any sanctuary for Trial Takers. The principle the City of Light has always adhered to is to enable everyone to have the ability to protect their family and homeland. Whether as a Magic Armor Master or a Trial Taker, as long as it is a power to protect friends and family, the City of Light is willing to accept and attempt, and has always been actively promoting this. Those with the talent for Magic Armor can become Magic Armor Masters, and those without can become Trial Takers. We want everyone to possess the ability to protect their family. This was the case in the past, and will continue to be so in the future. The Magic Spirit Tournament, Light Planting Technique, Trial Taker Tournament, and these new-type Magic Armors are efforts by the inhabitants of the City of Light for this cause, supported by many willing to contribute to the safety and peace of all humanity. These new-type Magic Armors are sponsored for testing and research by White Night City, for which we are extremely grateful. Thanks to the existence of many such individuals, the City of Light has reached where it is today, a fortune for both the City of Light and all humanity."

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"City Lord Li is quite good at advertising," Rakshasa sneered.

Li Xiu remained unmoved, simply looking coldly at Rakshasa and said, "If Space City can develop such advanced Demon Armor, it should be a blessing for all humanity. But instead of using these advanced Demon Armor to kill demon spirits and protect humanity's homes, you flaunt them in my City of Light. Is this the purpose of Space City's Demon Armor research? Are you researching Demon Armor to deal with demon spirits, or to confront your own kind?"

Rakshasa was at a loss for words, and Li Xiu didn't give him a chance to speak, coldly sweeping a glance at those Bloodlight Angels and said, "There's no difference in status between Magic Armor Masters and Trial Takers, merely the path chosen. But if you insist on determining superiority, let me make it clear to you: Space City's Demon Armor is worthless in my eyes, nothing but a pile of scrap metal."

Asura wanted to say something, but Li Xiu directly interrupted him: "Want answers, do you? Then bring it on."

With that, Li Xiu summoned the Fire Lotus Sword and held it in his hand, as a red light integrated from his body into the Fire Lotus Sword.

"City Lord Li, you probably misunderstood us..." Asura began.

"Let's just assume I misunderstood you, enough talk," Li Xiu interrupted Asura again, holding the Fire Lotus Sword with its flickering light flame, looking at Rakshasa and said, "Whether it's Space City or God himself, whoever offends my City of Light must pay the price. Her life, I'll collect it. Go back and tell Guan Jinghao that I'll visit Space City another day, and ask him to be prepared."

"You think you're worthy? If you wish to die, then I shall oblige you, kill him," Rakshasa ordered the two Bloodlight Angels to charge at Li Xiu.

Li Xiu remained silent, directly drew his sword and struck, the sword light split into two, instantly reaching the two Bloodlight Angels.

The two Bloodlight Angels immediately extended their hands to use the Hand of God, attempting to absorb the sword light that Li Xiu had unleashed.

But the sword light was not absorbed by the Hand of God, it flashed across their bodies.

Crack!

The Demon Armor of the two Bloodlight Angels split into two, their Demon Armor exploded, and the naked Magic Armor Masters fell out.

The audience was already beyond shocked, super Magic Armor Masters capable of using Hand of God and Angel's Wings were defeated by Li Xiu with one strike.

He only cut the Demon Armor without harming the Magic Armor Masters, what is this Immortal Sword Skill, what kind of power is this as if it were demon technique.

At this moment, they felt not only the might of the Trial Taker, but were also overwhelmed by those methods akin to demon techniques, their scalps tingled.

Rakshasa was horrified, she could not believe what her eyes saw.

Others might not know the details of Li Xiu, but she did very well. Li Xiu was a Magic Armor Master, formerly the strongest Magic Armor Master, and he never had contact with trials. How could he become so powerful in just over a year since becoming a Trial Taker?

Rakshasa initially thought that even if Li Xiu wore Demon Armor again and transformed into that omnipotent Magic Armor God, at most he'd only be a bit stronger than Bloodlight Angels.

But now, it seemed she had seriously underestimated Li Xiu, he doesn't even need Demon Armor, he just killed two Bloodlight Angels with one sword strike. At this moment, Rakshasa recalled Li Xiu's earlier words and finally felt fear.

"All of you attack, kill him," Rakshasa ordered all the Bloodlight Angels to charge at Li Xiu, while she quickly retreated.

Li Xiu stared blankly at the two Magic Armor Masters who fell out after the Demon Armor was slashed, pupils dilating as if he saw something unbelievable.

He would never forget that face in his lifetime, because that was the first friend he sincerely acknowledged, someone whom he was willing to entrust his back to, a soulmate.

The appearance of those two people was exactly the same as Bai Qiuyi, only their demeanor was somewhat different.

Bai Qiuyi was gentle and cheerful, the kind of person whose conversations always brought warmth and closeness.

He was gentlemanly and adventurous, curious and always noticing details others missed.

These two look exactly like Bai Qiuyi, yet their demeanor was entirely different, expressionless with icy faces and eyes devoid of emotion, like trained killing machines.

Seeing them for just a moment, Li Xiu pieced together many things.

He finally knew why the person pretending to be God used the Hand of God and various divine skills, finally knew why these Bloodlight Angels could even use Reverse Charge.

The Magic Armor Masters controlling Bloodlight Angels were Bai Qiuyi, or clones of Bai Qiuyi. Li Xiu didn't know what kind of technology Guan Jinghao used, but they were undoubtedly clones of Bai Qiuyi, hence they could use the techniques only Bai Qiuyi knew.

Li Xiu felt immeasurable fury at this moment, Guan Jinghao wouldn't even let someone who was already dead rest in peace.

Over a hundred Bloodlight Angels unleashed terrifying Light Blades at Li Xiu, akin to the Blade of Celestial Punishment, the Blade of Judgment skill Li Xiu frequently used in the past.

The sky was filled with blood-colored Blades of Judgment, yet Li Xiu did not even glance at them, his gaze fixed rigidly on those two who resembled Bai Qiuyi, as if stunned and obsessed.

Even as the blood-glowing Blades of Judgment descended upon him, he didn't lift his head to look, merely swinging the Fire Lotus Sword in his hand.

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Li Xiu swung his sword, and layers of sword light blossomed like petals, or erupted like a volcano, facing the descending blood-colored Blades of Judgment.

Under the dense impact of sword light, the blades in the sky were instantly shattered, but the Lotus Sword Light continued onward, heading towards the hundred-plus Bloodlight Angels in the sky.

The Bloodlight Angels activated their Demonic Light system one after another, using Light Blades to slice through the sword light, or using Angel's Wings to dodge.

Yet, under the blossoming layers of Lotus Sword Light, it seemed to have no effect. In an instant, the Lotus Sword Light flashed past the Bloodlight Angels.

The sound of shattering and explosion was incessant, as the God's Magic Armor on the hundred-plus Bloodlight Angels disintegrated like fireworks, revealing the naked Magic Armor Masters inside, who fell to the ground along with the broken parts. The myriad Lotus Sword Light reflected back onto the sword body, and when the last strand of sword light returned to the Fire Lotus Sword, Li Xiu reversed it back to his waist, while the Magic Armor Masters and countless parts lay scattered on the ground.

Everyone stared at this scene dumbfounded, seemingly forgetting to breathe.

The Bloodlight Angels, akin to powerful gods, and the once unbeatable Hand of God and Angel's Wings were so easily defeated by Li Xiu.

That dazzlingly explosive Lotus Sword Light, the reverse sweep of the sky, like a red-hot iron, ruthlessly branded into the souls of many spectators, causing their souls to tremble.

Li Xiu glanced coldly at the naked Magic Armor Master's bodies on the ground, each one identical to Bai Qiuyi, undoubtedly all clones.

Rakshasa had already leapt up, attempting to flee the arena, but before even leaving the Trial Taker's range, a Magic Armor Master's figure suddenly appeared before her.

"The City Lord said you must leave your life." Ye Xiyuan erupted with Demonic Light, directly blasting Rakshasa downward.

The light energy on Rakshasa exploded, blocking Ye Xiyuan's Demonic Light, but she fell down again, filled with extreme fear. Looking up, she saw Li Xiu still standing there watching her, while Ye Xiyuan had already landed behind her.

"City Lord Li, can you spare her life?" Asura walked up to Rakshasa, asking Li Xiu.

"What do you think?" Li Xiu replied with a question.

Asura sighed, reached to his waist, and tossed a Jade Token to Li Xiu: "Fortunately, your city hasn't suffered much, exchange this for her life, I hope the City Lord will agree."

"What is this?" Li Xiu asked, examining the Jade Token.

"If the City Lord requires, I can stay to explain, but please let them leave the City of Light." Asura said.

Li Xiu looked at the Jade Token in hand, then at Li Qingyi and Wan Chaocun in the rest area, seeing them nod, he said: "Let's do it this way, we'll temporarily store her life today."

"City Lord Li's graciousness." Asura bowed, then turned to Rakshasa: "Take them back first, don't delay on the way, and avoid any accidents, or the consequences, I hope you understand."

Rakshasa gritted her teeth, turned around silently, and left the arena with the identical Magic Armor Masters.

Li Xiu refraining from killing these Magic Armor Masters, firstly because they looked identical to Bai Qiuyi, he couldn't bear to do it, and secondly, even if he killed them it was useless, as Space City already mastered the technology to create a hundred and twenty clones, they could surely make more.

Li Xiu's video of one sword slashing through the Blood Light Angel Legion went viral online, filmed from different angles by audience members on their phones, reaching frenzy on video websites, shared in various groups with countless clips.

Originally, City of Light was only considered a Trial Taker's sanctuary online due to its contributions to its spread, with many Trial Takers not acknowledging this.

But Li Xiu's sword united external Trial Takers, agreeing that City of Light is indeed a sanctuary, and Li Xiu as the strongest Trial Taker currently.

Slashing through one hundred-plus God's Magic Armors with one sword, such a feat is surely unprecedented and unmatched.

Prior to this, the term "god" was synonymous with invincible, God's Magic Armor wasn't a god, but possessed similar abilities. Li Xiu's sword instantly elevated the Trial Takers' status, they were no longer inferior to Magic Armor Masters, allowing many who were forced into Trial Takers to suddenly find pride.

"The strongest Magic Armor Master is called god, shouldn't our strongest Trial Taker have a resounding name? How about Heavenly Lord?"

"Heavenly Lord and god are the same, I think Sword God fits better, that sword was absolute, so strong..."

"Can you be any tackier? Boring names like Heavenly Emperor, Sword God, sound so outdated. I think it should just be called Number One Under Heaven."

Many posts sprang up online attempting to give Li Xiu a title, yet opinions varied, none reaching unanimous agreement.

Magic Armor Masters seeing these Trial Taker posts using god as a sidekick, titles like god-daddy mocking titles, angered the Magic Armor Masters greatly.

Many Magic Armor Masters posted claiming Li Xiu defeated things that weren't actual gods, just Space City's armor, asserting that if the true god appeared, Li Xiu wouldn't necessarily be able to match it.

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With exchanges back and forth, the two factions started cursing each other online.

Many people also paid attention to those Magic Armor Masters in Space City. Anyone could see that they were likely Replicants. If Space City had mastered such technology, doesn't that mean Magic Armor Masters could be mass-produced in the future?

Although Space City suffered a terrible defeat this time, those who were truly knowledgeable knew how terrifying this Replicant technology was. If it could be mass-produced, it would be much faster than Trial Takers cultivating.

Li Xiu could defeat a hundred and twenty Bloodlight Angels, but what if there were twelve thousand? Or 1.2 million?

The discussion sparked by Space City's new Magic Armor and Replicant Magic Armor Masters was no less than that of Li Xiu's one sword strike.

"What is this?" Li Xiu brought Asura to his resting room, holding the Jade Token and asked.

"It's a token of Changsheng Heaven. With your ability, you should be at the top of Changsheng Heaven, right? You don't recognize it?" Asura looked at Li Xiu and said.

"Do I need to recognize it?" Li Xiu retorted.

"If you did recognize it, I think I would be a bit better off now." Asura smiled bitterly and said, "You must have noticed that those Spirit Forging Level Trial Takers from Changsheng Heaven all stepped back upon seeing this Jade Token. That's because this token represents the president of Changsheng Heaven, a bit like an ancient imperial edict."

"How do you have something like this?" Li Xiu was a bit surprised. He didn't expect this Jade Token to have such a significant effect. Even Li Qingyi and Wan Chaocun would have to retreat upon seeing it.

How could such a token fall into the hands of someone from Space City, and the president didn't take it back? It's too strange.

"It's not mine. As for why it's in my hands, I can't answer that for you. You can ask the president of Changsheng Heaven." Asura said.

"Alright, since we can't talk about that, let's talk about Bai Qiuyi." Li Xiu stared at Asura, speaking word by word.

"As you can see, those are all Bai Qiuyi's clones. As for the technology, it's inconvenient to disclose, and I don't understand it either." Asura spread out his hands and said.

"Who is Bai Qiuyi? Did you clone him because of me?" Li Xiu asked, fixedly staring at Asura.

Asura understood what Li Xiu meant and sighed, "You don't have to worry about that. Even if Bai Qiuyi doesn't understand the Hand of God, the Replicants would still use him as a template."

"Why?" Li Xiu asked.

"Because the Bai Qiuyi you know is also a Replicant himself. He is the fourth generation. If you hadn't appeared, Replicants using him as a template would still be studied generation after generation with the same outcome." Asura said.

"Bai Qiuyi is the fourth generation Replicant? You would give an experimental Replicant that much power?" Li Xiu couldn't accept this answer.

Asura said, "Yes, we call him Number Four. He's very special. The consciousness capabilities of the previous three generations of Replicants were very poor. They couldn't even think like normal adults, let alone becoming Magic Armor Masters. Number Four was the first one with a complete mental capacity

and could awaken a Magic Armor Master's talent. But his uniqueness doesn't stop there; he also has a complete personal character, a very strong personality, and a powerful learning ability. Even several generations of Replicants after him haven't reached this level. The ones present today are twelfth-generation Replicants. Their cognitive abilities and personalities are relatively complete but still can't compare with Number Four. However, as war machines, the twelfth generation is far more qualified than Number Four."

"At that time, Number Four indeed brought us great surprises. The City Lord also had high hopes for him, so a lot of time and effort was invested into him, allowing him to leave the laboratory, live like a normal person, and even become a high rank within the city. The facts also proved that Number Four not only could handle those tasks but did them excellently, to the point of being impeccable. He even brought you to Space City and had the whimsical idea of becoming a Trial Taker, ultimately gambling his life away." Asura finished and looked at Li Xiu.

Li Xiu had never known the origin of Bai Qiuyi, nor had he heard Bai Qiuyi talk about his family. Now he finally understood why. It wasn't that Bai Qiuyi didn't want to say, but simply because he didn't have one.

"Who is Bai Qiuyi's prototype?" Li Xiu thought for a moment and asked.

"I don't know." Seeing Li Xiu's disbelief, Asura smiled bitterly and said, "You don't have to look at me like that; I really don't know. Probably only two people can answer that question for you: one is our City Lord, and the other is Professor Fu Dongsheng, who researches and creates these Replicants."

"Professor Fu Dongsheng of Laboratory Number One?" Li Xiu had often visited Laboratory Number One and frequently dealt with Fu Dongsheng. He didn't expect that, besides researching Magic Armor, Laboratory Number One also studied Replicants, and he had never noticed.

"City Lord Li, there's actually something I've always wanted to ask you." Asura suddenly looked at Li Xiu and said.

"Go ahead." Li Xiu didn't have much of a negative impression of Asura. Though they serve different masters, Li Xiu appreciated Asura's style and conduct.

"Why did you leave Space City to become a Trial Taker?" Asura asked.

"Bai Qiuyi told me that the Trial Ground is where I should be, saying it was a paradise for men, so I went to take a look." Li Xiu said honestly.

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Asura smiled bitterly and said, "It really is both success and failure with Number Four. Number Four brought you to Space City, ushering in the three years of its fastest development. But it was also he who made you leave Space City. Had you not left, you would certainly have a place here, and we wouldn't be enemies now."

After pausing for a moment, Asura continued, "But now, you probably wouldn't think much of Space City. In just over a year, you've already become a Spirit Forging Level Trial Taker. Indeed, true geniuses excel at whatever they do."

"Some things are destined." Li Xiu stood up and said, "You should go now. Go back and tell Guan Jinghao that I will definitely visit in the future."

"I will convey the message, but we've worked together for three years, and I want to say something to you personally," Asura said seriously.

"Please speak," Li Xiu said, somewhat puzzled by what Asura wanted to say, looking at him in confusion.

"Never come to Space City," Asura said slowly. "Don't ask why. If you trust me, just heed my advice."

"I remember your words." Li Xiu nodded slightly and asked no further questions.

Watching Asura leave, Li Xiu couldn't help but recall when he first entered Space City with Bai Qiuyi, and the first Magic Armor Master he met at the City Lord's Mansion was Asura.

Among Space City's Four Kings, Li Xiu had little interaction with them, but Asura was the one who had the most contact with Bai Qiuyi, so Li Xiu was relatively familiar with him.

Now, in retrospect, Asura must have been tasked with observing Bai Qiuyi's situation.

Because the Powerful Divine Machine was damaged and couldn't be repaired in a short time, the final battle of the Powerful Divine War had to be postponed.

However, the competition didn't stop. The speed race, decided beforehand, continued the next day.

The speed race was all about who ran the fastest. Li Xiu wasn't in the mood to watch the competition. He took the Jade Token and found Li Qingyi, wanting to figure out what the token was.

When Li Qingyi saw Li Xiu coming with the Jade Token, she knew why he came and said directly, "I only know this token represents the president; seeing it is like seeing the president himself. As for why it's in someone from Space City, I don't know."

"Are there people from Changsheng Heaven in Space City?" Li Xiu pondered and asked.

"Yes, but they're just spies. Guan Jinghao and the higher-ups haven't joined Changsheng Heaven," Li Qingyi said with a bitter smile. "I also wonder why Space City has this token."

Li Xiu also went to Wan Chaocun and got similar answers. Wan Chaocun knew of the Jade Token but didn't know why it was in Space City. To get answers, he would likely have to ask Guan Jinghao or the president.

The competition was intense, with many Trial Takers racing on the track, making it far more exciting than the Powerful Divine War.

Some Trial Takers raced themselves, while others used Demon Armor, creating a thrilling scene of human and magic beings competing for first place. But since Li Xiu's spectacular sword display earlier, these races felt somewhat underwhelming.

Nonetheless, the audience was large, with many people comparing the competitors to Li Xiu as they watched.

"Who is stronger, Li Xiu or Wan Chaocun?"

"If the Lord of Light City were to compete, he'd likely win all five crowns. He's not competing to maintain suspense in the race!"

"I don't know about that. Wan Chaocun, Li Qingyi, and the other Trial Takers seem just as capable as Li Xiu."

Following Li Xiu's earlier display, Han Daoliang and the other big shots didn't hold back anymore. Each used their full strength in the competition, hoping to recruit promising Trial Takers in the future.

Space City.

Guan Jinghao sat on the sofa, with Rakshasa and Asura kneeling on one knee in front of him.

"The mission failed. Please punish us, City Lord," Asura said, bowing his head.

Guan Jinghao responded indifferently, "This isn't your fault. You've done well enough."

Rakshasa said from the side, "City Lord, no one expected Li Xiu to already be a Spirit Forging Level Trial Taker. How could he advance so quickly? Could it be that he was a covert agent from Changsheng Heaven planted in Space City from the start?"

"Before you left, what did I tell you?" Guan Jinghao asked, expressionless, looking at Rakshasa.

Rakshasa couldn't answer for a moment, as Guan Jinghao continued, "I told you, if you want to go, you can, but remember that Asura is responsible for this operation."

"City Lord, I realize my mistake. I just didn't expect Li Xiu to be a Spirit Forger Tester already..." Rakshasa hurriedly explained.

Guan Jinghao lifted her chin, looking at her stunningly beautiful face and said, "Still so beautiful."

Rakshasa's face flushed slightly as she cooed, "It's all my fault this time. You may punish me in any way you see fit."

"Really? Any way I see fit?" Guan Jinghao's eyes roamed over Rakshasa's alluring figure.

"Any way is fine," Rakshasa's face grew even redder, pleased that Asura was still kneeling beside her.

In the past, when Guan Jinghao favored her, he would never let anyone know, nor did he allow her to reveal their relationship. Now, Guan Jinghao was treating her this way in front of Asura, suggesting he planned to make their relationship public. Rakshasa's heart was filled with joy.

Crack!

Rakshasa's shy, smiling expression froze on her face, but her face was twisted 180 degrees, with her face facing her back and her head at her chest.

"Take her for a proper burial, you handle it personally. We've fought together for so many years, and let her leave with dignity." Guan Jinghao sighed.

Asura wanted to say something but ultimately remained silent. With her dead already, saying anything was pointless.

"I know what you're thinking. She's lived a comfortable life too long; she's no longer the Rakshasa she once was. This time she nearly got you and the Magic Armor Master corps killed and lost the Jade Token. Next time, what will she lose? The whole of Space City? I can't afford such a cost," Guan Jinghao said.

"Understood. I'll take care of it," Asura said, picking up Rakshasa's body and walking toward the door.

"Asura, do you think our dreams could become reality?" Guan Jinghao asked, looking at Asura's back.

"They certainly can." Asura paused, saying as much, then continued toward the door, stopping briefly at the doorway to say, "Also, Li Xiu said he will come to visit you someday."

"If he's coming, let him come," Guan Jinghao's eyes flickered, then quickly returned to his usual expressionless demeanor.

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The Challenger Tournament is hosted by Sha Chu and Chu Jun, with Li Qingyi and Wan Chaocun overseeing it, which puts Li Xiu somewhat at ease.

He wasn't in the mood to stay and watch the tournament and took the Jade Token back to Changsheng Heaven. He needed to clarify the relationship between Space City and the Chairman before going to Space City.

Upon returning to Changsheng Heaven, Li Xiu noticed that today's gaze from those within Changsheng Heaven was particularly different.

Li Xiu did not return to Courtyard No. 7 but went directly to the City Lord's Mansion.

"Commander Li." The guard at the City Lord's Mansion greeted Li Xiu very respectfully.

"I request to see the Chairman, could you both please deliver my message?" Li Xiu returned the salute.

"Commander Li, the Chairman isn't seeing guests today," said one of the older guards.

"When will the Chairman be seeing guests?" Li Xiu asked.

The guard pondered for a moment, and then approached, whispering to Li Xiu, "Commander Li, if it were someone else, I wouldn't say much. But I heard what you said at the Challenger Tournament and have great respect for it. If you don't mind me being a little nosy, I'd like to say a few words."

"Please go ahead." Li Xiu quickly replied.

The old guard whispered, "If you're here to discuss Space City with the Chairman, I advise you not to come."

"Why?" Li Xiu was somewhat surprised.

"I've guarded this gate for over sixty years and have seen non-stop people seeking the Chairman due to matters concerning Space City, including Commanders and Vice-Chairmen, and even Patriarchs. The results have been less than satisfactory." The old guard spoke in a very low voice, audible only to Li Xiu.

His words were somewhat cryptic, but Li Xiu was no fool and naturally understood that the outcome was likely not just unsatisfactory.

"Thank you." Li Xiu bowed to the old guard, then took out the Jade Token and handed it to the old guard: "Since the Chairman isn't seeing guests, please pass this Jade Token to him on my behalf."

Seeing the old guard take the Jade Token, Li Xiu finally turned and left.

After Li Xiu left, the old guard brought the Jade Token into the City Lord's Mansion and soon arrived outside a hall.

"Has Li Xiu gone?" The Chairman's voice came from within the hall.

The old guard entered the hall and handed the Jade Token to the Chairman with a smile, "Yes, he's gone."

"What did he say?" The Chairman asked upon receiving the Jade Token.

"Commander Li did not say anything, just passed along the Jade Token," the old guard said.

"Lao Jia, how do you find Li Xiu?" The Chairman played with the Jade Token and asked.

"Commander Li, although young, carries the drive of youth, yet he acts with restraint and has a certain vision, which is rare," answered the guard Lao Jia respectfully.

"It seems you quite like him. You've guarded this gate for sixty-three years, and no matter what happened before, you never spoke more than a word. Yet today, you spoke two sentences," the Chairman said calmly.

Lao Jia immediately bowed with fear and trembling and said, "I spoke too much; please punish me, my Lord City."

"Rise. To err is human; you have been cautious for sixty-three years, which is commendable. Among those old comrades who have guarded the gate with you, you are the last remaining. There aren't many left with whom I can reminisce about the past, only you," said the Chairman lightly, "Lao Jia, what do you think if I give this Jade Token to Li Xiu?"

Upon hearing the Chairman's words, Lao Jia hurriedly said, "Although Commander Li is extraordinarily talented and has an unparalleled vision, he is still too young, and his cultivation time has been short. Isn't it too soon to give him the Jade Token?"

"It is indeed a bit early, but since the Jade Token has returned, it can't be handed back again. It must be given a new owner," the Chairman said lightly.

"The Chairman is right," Lao Jia dared not say more.

The Chairman tossed the Jade Token to Lao Jia and said lightly, "Take the Jade Token to him, and stay with him from now on."

"Chairman... I..." Lao Jia knelt in fear.

"Don't overthink. Once he has the Jade Token, the responsibility naturally falls on him as well. Someone must guide him on what to do. So you should accompany him and offer some guidance, so he doesn't waste precious time," the Chairman smiled and said.

"I obey, Chairman, please take care; I can no longer serve as your gatekeeper," Lao Jia said with tearful eyes and bowed deeply.

"Go on." The Chairman waved his hand.

Lao Jia then got up and left, knowing he would never return.

Li Xiu hadn't returned to Courtyard No. 7 yet when he saw the old guard from the City Gate Mansion catching up with him.

"Commander Li, please hold." Lao Jia caught up with Li Xiu and said.

"Old Sir, has the Chairman changed his mind and wants to see me?" Li Xiu thought Lao Jia must have come to bring him back.

Lao Jia shook his head and handed the Jade Token to Li Xiu, "Commander, the Chairman asked me to pass this Jade Token to you; from now on, it belongs to you."

"The Chairman gave me the Jade Token?" Li Xiu looked at Lao Jia in amazement.

"Yes, this Jade Token is now yours. The Chairman instructed me to accompany you from now on," Lao Jia said, bowing.

Li Xiu immediately understood something, quickly supporting Lao Jia, "It's my fault for implicating you, Old Sir, my apologies. You will join my Technician Team; just relax and enjoy, if I may ask how can I address you, Old Sir?"

"Commander, please call me Lao Jia," Lao Jia replied promptly.

"Lao Jia, then let's head back together. Do you have a place to stay? If not, stay at my Courtyard No. 7; I will prepare a side room for you." Li Xiu felt a bit guilty; if not for Lao Jia's advice, he wouldn't have been brought here by the Chairman.

## Chapter 867 The Burden I Took Back Myself (2)

"Commander, there's no need for formalities between us. I've guarded the door for the president my entire life. I don't know how to do anything else. If you don't mind, let me guard the door for you. I have no children or family, I don't need a fancy room. Living in the gatehouse will do." Old Jia said.

"As long as you're happy with it." Li Xiu replied with a smile.

Li Xiu brought Old Jia back to Courtyard No. 7, found someone to help clean the gatehouse for Old Jia, and let him move in.

Just as Li Xiu was preparing to get some food, he was stopped by Old Jia.

"Commander, do you know why the president gave you the Jade Token?" Old Jia asked.

"You know?" Li Xiu looked at Old Jia with some surprise.

"I know a bit. If you have time, Commander, I can explain it in detail." Old Jia smiled.

"I'll get some food, and we can chat while eating." Li Xiu said, about to head to the kitchen.

"How could I let the Commander cook personally? Let me handle it, I'm good at this." Old Jia said and ran to the kitchen, not giving Li Xiu a chance to refuse.

In no time, Old Jia had prepared a few delicious and aromatic dishes.

"Didn't prepare much today, Commander, I hope you don't mind." Old Jia put the dishes on the table.

"Old Jia, sit down, let's drink and chat." Li Xiu took out a bottle of wine and poured some for both Old Jia and himself.

Old Jia didn't hold back, sitting down without grabbing any food, he just drank a sip of the wine and said with a smile, "Commander, do you know what this Jade Token represents?"

"I heard it represents the president, seeing the token is like seeing the person, akin to the ancient notion of 'as if I am personally present'." Li Xiu said while eating; he prefers to eat his fill before drinking.

"Indeed. With this Jade Token, everyone within the Space City must give you respect. Even if you were to kill someone in the city, the law enforcement would see the token and wouldn't dare apprehend you without first consulting the president. No one would dare touch you without his personal approval." Old Jia, who prefers drinking without eating, took another sip.

"This Jade Token comes with such benefits and authority, why would the president give it to me?" Li Xiu asked while twirling the Jade Token in his hand.

"With authority comes responsibility; there's no such thing as a free lunch." Old Jia replied.

"Oh, what kind of responsibility?" Li Xiu asked somewhat puzzled.

"Holding this Jade Token means you are second to none in the Space City; whatever you desire, no one dares to challenge. However, having such benefits means you have to sacrifice in return."

"Sacrifice what?"

"You have to risk your life for this Jade Token."

"Risk my life? How?"

Old Jia looked at the Jade Token in Li Xiu's hand and said, "Did you notice the Demon Text engraved on the Jade Token?"

"The engraving looks like a timeline, right?" Li Xiu had noticed it long ago.

"Yes, it's a timeline. The Commander is indeed knowledgeable, even recognizing the Demon Text." Old Jia said earnestly. "With this Jade Token, when the time on the token arrives, you must risk your life. Win, and the Jade Token remains yours. Afterwards, you can have whatever you want, and even if your desire is a bit excessive, the president won't mind."

"When the time arrives, who do I have to risk my life against?" Li Xiu asked Old Jia intently, knowing he was close to the core of this secret.

"I don't know." Surprisingly, Old Jia shook his head. "Don't look at me like that, Commander, I truly don't know. Sixty years ago, I saw someone take the Jade Token and leave with the president, but he never returned. The president said he lost the fight and his life as well."

"Who was the person sixty years ago?" Li Xiu inquired.

"He was very famous in the Space City back then, named Guan Qingzhai." Old Jia replied slowly.

"Guan Qingzhai? What's his relationship to Guan Jinghao of the Space City?" Li Xiu had already guessed who the person might be.

"No one knows. I guess Guan Jinghao is likely a descendant of Guan Qingzhai; otherwise, the Jade Token wouldn't have been in the hands of the Space City. But that's just my guess." Old Jia said with a bitter smile. "If you hadn't taken the Jade Token back, then it would be someone from the Guan Family going to risk their life. But now you have taken it back, and the president has given it to you, so it's you who must risk your life."

"Can I return the Jade Token to Guan Jinghao?" Li Xiu asked bitterly.

"I'm afraid that's not possible." Old Jia shook his head.

"This timeline only shows the date but not the year, unsure which year?" Li Xiu looked at the Jade Token, pondering.

"It's this year, exactly sixty years later." Old Jia said.

"This year? Calculating that, there's only a few months left. Haven't I just taken someone else's trouble upon myself?" Li Xiu felt he had truly been trapped.

"Isn't that just the way it is? But you still have some time; you can do something with this Jade Token." Old Jia sighed.

"Such as?" Li Xiu asked.

"For instance, you can request resources from the city treasury, borrow some to use for now." Old Jia suggested with a smile.

"I like that idea." Li Xiu's eyes lighted up at hearing this, clutching the token as he asked, "If I borrow them, do I have to return them?"

"In a few months, if you don't win the fight, you won't be alive to return anything. If you win, you'll be a significant contributor, and the token will remain yours. Who would dare ask you to repay?" Old Jia explained.

"Makes sense. I'll head over to the city treasury now." Li Xiu said, getting ready to leave.

Chapter 868 The Authority Won Back (Part 3)

"Commander, don't rush to go. It's true that there are plenty of resources in the City Lord's mansion, but they may not be of great use to someone of your level," said Old Jia hurriedly.

"Then can I borrow something from the president's vault?" Li Xiu blinked and asked.

"You want to steal treasures from those who granted you authority, do you think that's feasible?" Old Jia replied with a bitter smile.

"The resources in the City Lord's mansion are too low-level, and borrowing from the president's vault is not an option, so isn't my Jade Token just a chicken rib?" Li Xiu frowned.

"Of course, you can't borrow from the president's vault, but it's not only the president who has a vault in the city. There are several aristocratic families with thousands of years of heritage, and they also have many good things," Old Jia squinted and said.

"The Four Families!" Li Xiu's eyes lit up, and he finally figured out how to use this thing.

But on second thought, even if the Four Families have good things, they won't just let him choose at will. Even if he visits the Four Families, at best, they might show him some scraps in deference to the Jade Token.

Just like in the myth where Sun Wukong went to borrow treasures from the Dragon King, the Dragon King only gave him some junk to brush him off.

If it weren't for Sun Wukong being shameless and refusing to leave the Dragon King's Crystal Palace, he wouldn't have gotten the Ruyi Golden Cudgel and those armors and boots.

Even then, the Dragon King only gave Sun Wukong things of little use, nothing that could truly be called treasures.

Except for the ability to change size, the Ruyi Golden Cudgel wasn't useful for much else, and paled in comparison to genuine powerful artifacts.

If Li Xiu went to borrow things from the Four Families, could he really expect them to bring out the good stuff for him to choose from? Common sense says it's definitely impossible.

After all, the Jade Token in his hand is not the imperial edict for confiscation, unlike Wei Xiaobao's confiscation of Ao Bai's home where all treasures were laid out.

"Old Jia, what do you think I can borrow from the Four Families?" Li Xiu had no choice but to throw the question back to Old Jia.

Since this idea was Old Jia's suggestion, he must have a plan and wouldn't just send Li Xiu on a fool's errand.

"Commander, take a look at this." Old Jia pulled out an old notebook from his pocket and handed it to Li Xiu.

Li Xiu flipped through a few pages of the notebook, and his face was filled with a continuous smile.

The notebook recorded what each family had received on certain dates, every item listed was a treasure worth a fortune.

"Old Jia, you really helped me a lot," Li Xiu said joyfully.

"Commander, although these items are recorded here, their dates are ancient, it's hard to say whether they are still with the families. Whether they can be borrowed depends on your luck," Old Jia said.

Li Xiu understood Old Jia's point. Yes, the items were with the families, but if they didn't admit it, he had no way to force them, so borrowing needed strategic negotiation.

"Don't worry, I'll have a good chat with them," Li Xiu said with a smile.

After talking with Old Jia all night, Li Xiu asked everything he could think of, but Old Jia didn't reveal much.

Li Xiu knew that Old Jia surely knew more, but there were certain things he couldn't disclose.

Old Jia didn't know much about Space City either, nor about who would be in danger, so Li Xiu could only inquire about Guan Qingzhai.

According to Old Jia, Guan Qingzhai was personally recruited back by the president, just like Li Xiu now, Guan Qingzhai was in the limelight for a time within the Longevity Heaven.

Of course, Guan Qingzhai's rise to fame was somewhat different from Li Xiu's. Li Xiu fought his way through the ranks upon entering the Longevity Heaven, earning every accolade.

Guan Qingzhai was different; upon arriving at the Longevity Heaven, the president directly granted him the Jade Token, making him influential and causing chaos among the major aristocratic families.

Li Xiu wasn't interested in these historical details; he just wanted to know what level Guan Qingzhai was when he followed the president to face danger.

If it turned out that Guan Qingzhai was a Divine Position Level figure and still didn't return alive, Li Xiu needed to reconsider whether he should escape now.

After all, he still had to go out and preside over the Trial Taker competition, using that as an excuse to escape into the deep mountains and forests, even if he couldn't hide from the president for a lifetime, he could lay low for a few months until things calmed down.

He had just been promoted to Spirit Casting, and there were only a few months left until the time on the Jade Token expired. Elevating to a Divine Position Level was indeed difficult. Li Xiu enjoyed adventures, not surrendering himself; running was still the wisest choice.

Old Jia's answer was Spirit Casting Peak, which Li Xiu had difficulty believing, planning to confirm with the president again when the opportunity arose, or inquire from others. Ba Ye and Wan Chaocun should know something about Guan Qingzhai.

Li Xiu still found this matter full of doubts. If Guan Jinghao were Guan Qingzhai's descendant and had to strive like Guan Qingzhai, so the president tolerated the existence of Space City, then what exactly could Guan Jinghao rely on to strive?

Even at the lowest, Guan Qingzhai's power was Spirit Casting Third Form. Although Guan Jinghao was a Trial Taker too, Space City had pitifully scarce Gemstone and Trial Gate resources. Having barely left Space City, how would Guan Jinghao elevate his Trial Taker level?

In Li Xiu's three years at Space City, he saw neither Guan Jinghao controlling Demon Armor nor showcasing Trial Taker methods. Without special circumstances, he hadn't even left the City Lord's Mansion.

If Li Xiu hadn't seized the Jade Token, what could Guan Jinghao possibly contribute in a critical situation?

"Would Asura agree to exchange the Jade Token so readily for Rakshasa's life under Guan Jinghao's instruction?" Li Xiu thought he might still need to take a trip to Space City.

Even if seizing the Jade Token didn't alter anything, Guan Jinghao must pay a price, as Li Xiu remembered Cullinan No.2 should be at Space City.

Chapter 869 Duel at the Celestial Sea

Early the next morning, Li Xiu arrived again at the City Lord's Mansion. Without waiting for Li Xiu to request a guard to announce his visit, the guard laughed and said, "Commander Li, the president has been waiting for you in the back garden for quite some time."

He didn't even need to be led there; the guard merely pointed a direction for Li Xiu and let him proceed on his own.

Following the guard's direction, Li Xiu soon arrived at the back garden where he saw the president feeding fish by the pool.

"You've come, try some of the tea I recently acquired." Upon seeing Li Xiu, the president called him over to sit down and personally brewed a cup of tea for him.

Li Xiu took a sip, shook his head and said, "President, I truly don't understand this tea; please enlighten me."

"What you wish for me to enlighten you on is not merely this tea, am I right?" the president replied with a smile.

"President, you are wise." Li Xiu took out the Jade Token and said, "Since the president wants me to go, at least explain the matter clearly so I can prepare and won't disgrace you."

The president put down the teacup, took the Jade Token, toyed with it for a moment, then placed it back in front of Li Xiu: "You must have heard of the Four Major Forbidden Zones of the Demon Kingdom."

"I've heard a bit and even visited some places: Celestial Gate, Longevity Island, Bottomless Pit, and the Celestial Sea. I've been to Celestial Gate a few times before; it's truly a mysterious place. Does the president want me to do something related to the Four Major Forbidden Zones?" Li Xiu replied.

"Celestial Gate was the imperial city of the Demon Kingdom back then, concealing many secrets within. To this day, we've only explored thirty to forty percent; as for Longevity Island, there's no need to mention. You managed to return with Ming'Er, so you shouldn't be unfamiliar with Longevity Island; Bottomless Pit is the most eerie, also a place where living beings mustn't enter; and regarding the Celestial Sea, it's a very interesting place, this Jade Token comes from the Celestial Sea." The president said with a smile.

Hearing this, Li Xiu sighed: "So, my task is to explore the Celestial Sea?"

Upon hearing this, the president laughed and said: "With your current strength, exploring the Celestial Sea equates to courting death, plus the Celestial Sea doesn't require exploration by you."

Li Xiu was slightly taken aback: "Not exploring the Celestial Sea?"

"Yes, but not for exploration, rather for confrontations." The president said with a smile.

"Confrontations with whom?" Li Xiu's heart sank, fighting terrifying creatures of the Celestial Sea seemed like an unpromising endeavor.

The president gave Li Xiu a meaningful look and said: "The owner of the Celestial Sea."

"The owner of the Celestial Sea... Might as well just kill me directly..." Li Xiu spread his hands. Although he didn't know who exactly was the owner of the Celestial Sea, anyone that controls one of the Four Major Forbidden Zones must inevitably be Divine Position Level, certainly not an ordinary one.

The president laughed: "If you truly wish for death, I can certainly fulfill that now."

Li Xiu said helplessly: "It's not that I want to seek death; it's just that with my current strength, challenging the owner of the Celestial Sea is akin to seeking death, isn't it?"

"The difference is that not going is certain death, going holds a slim chance." The president continued: "And don't bother cursing me in your heart; I'm sending you for a reason other than just to die. You are to fight against the owner of the Celestial Sea, but not the current one, rather the future owner."

"Future owner of the Celestial Sea?" Li Xiu was slightly taken aback.

"To put it simply, I had an agreement with the owner of the Celestial Sea, every sixty years, my successor and his heir must duel; you are my chosen representative for this occasion." The president replied with a merry smile.

"I see, then what is the level of the Celestial Sea's heir? It's surely not Divine Level, is it?" Li Xiu asked cautiously.

Li Xiu didn't relax due to this information, considering someone like Li Ming'Er, a Longevity Island heir, is Divine Position Level, the Celestial Sea's heir may also conceivably be Divine Position Level.

"Last time Guan Qingzhai dueled with him, he was at Spirit Forging Level." The president looked at Li Xiu.

"Wasn't that sixty years ago? After sixty years, might the future owner of the Celestial Sea have advanced to Divine Position Level?" Li Xiu asked, clinging to a last hope.

"It's not possible; it's certain he has already advanced to Divine Level." The president mercilessly shattered Li Xiu's last bit of hope.

"President, how is this different from sending me to die?" Li Xiu said with a bitter expression: "If you're choosing someone to go, at least choose someone evenly matched? Whether I die or not is unimportant, but losing this duel would tarnish your reputation, wouldn't it?"

"My reputation is inconsequential." The president's reply made Li Xiu even more dispirited.

Seeing Li Xiu's dispirited look, the president laughed instead: "I'm sending you, rest assured, not to commit suicide. Old Jia should have told you, with the Jade Token in hand, you can freely utilize resources from the Celestial Sea to enhance your level before going. If you can advance to Divine Position Level, the outcome of the duel is still uncertain."

"There's only about four months left before the time on the Jade Token. Even if I push myself, advancing to Divine Position Level seems challenging, doesn't it?" Li Xiu said.

"That's your concern now, I've given you the tools and resources, if you don't make something of yourself, you can't blame me." The president said smilingly while patting Li Xiu's shoulder: "I believe in you, you can win."

"President, you overestimate me." Li Xiu said helplessly; he didn't know what made the president choose him. If given another chance, he would certainly change his decision.

Chapter 870 Duel Invitation at the Celestial Sea (2)

"Alright, stop complaining here and hurry back to level up," the President said as he handed a box to Li Xiu, "This is all I can help you with."

Seeing that the President had intentions of seeing him off, Li Xiu had no choice but to stand up and take his leave. Before leaving, he asked, "I want to make a trip to Space City. Do you have any instructions?"

The President pondered for a moment before speaking, "You'd better not provoke Guan Jinghao. At present, you might not be his match. Space City is not as simple as you think."

"Given that Guan Jinghao is so powerful, why don't you take him to the Celestial Sea?" Li Xiu asked in confusion.

"The Guan Family is ultimately not part of our Longevity Sky. Even if he wins, it doesn't benefit us greatly. Moreover, the Guan Family has sacrificed once already; since they don't wish to sacrifice a second time, I should not make it difficult for them." After a brief pause, the President continued, "In short, before you ascend to the Divine Position, it's best not to go to Space City to seek Guan Jinghao."

Since the President seemed unwilling to discuss Space City and Guan Jinghao further, Li Xiu refrained from asking more questions. Cautiously, he asked, "President, am I free to borrow any resources within Longevity Sky?"

"Of course, as long as the resources are available within Longevity Sky, you can borrow them at will," the President responded straightforwardly.

"Including the treasures of the Four Great Families?" Li Xiu confirmed once more.

"That's right," the President nodded slightly.

"What if they're unwilling to lend them?" Li Xiu pursued.

"As long as they have them, you can borrow them. If they're unwilling, I will make the decision for you. However, if they don't have them, you cannot force the issue," the President's point was clear: if you want to borrow something, you must first ensure they have it.

"With the President's words, I can rest easy now." Only then did Li Xiu leave the City Lord's Mansion satisfied.

After Li Xiu returned to the Seventh Court, he opened the box the President had given him.

"Could what the President gave me be a Divine Position Gemstone?" Li Xiu speculated in his heart.

Since his opponent was at the Divine Position Level, if the President didn't want him to lose, he would have to help him ascend to the Divine Position.

Ascension to the Divine Position requires a Divine Position Gemstone. In Longevity Sky, probably only those at the Divine Position Level could obtain it. To provide him with one or several Divine Position Gemstones to ensure his ascension to the Divine Position would be reasonable.

However, upon opening the box, Li Xiu was so disappointed he nearly vomited blood.

Forget the Divine Position Gemstone; there wasn't even an ordinary gemstone inside, just a thin book.

"Damn it, sending me out on missions on your behalf again, and you can't even spare a gemstone. Clearly, you want me to fend for myself!" Now Li Xiu felt an urge to flee Longevity Sky immediately.

Taking out the thin book and glancing at it, Li Xiu was amazed to discover it was the translation of the "Jade Emperor Scripture."

Yet, this version of the Jade Emperor Scripture was more complete than the Great Celestial King's, with quite similar contents, but with many annotations at the end.

"What good is this to me now that I've reached Spirit Forging Level?" Li Xiu thought internally, but he still read through the "Jade Emperor Scripture."

After reading all the annotations, he realized that he hadn't truly understood the "Jade Emperor Scripture" before.

It's not that he didn't understand it; he had only grasped the cultivation method of the Jade Emperor Scripture, while it recorded some things not present in the other version, specifically about Light Veins.

Previously, Li Xiu focused on the number of Light Veins. The more Light Veins, the more Light Energy stored, theoretically making one stronger.

While those points were correct, this version of the "Jade Emperor Scripture" detailed special usage methods for Light Veins.

According to this, Light Veins are not merely for storing Light Energy; different Light Veins can imbue Light Energy with special attributes and abilities.

From Li Xiu's understanding, the quantity of Light Veins forms the foundation; the better the foundation, the greater the Light Energy's potential explosion. But however much Light Energy there is, it remains just Light Energy.

In simple terms, Light Veins are akin to iron ore veins; there's much iron ore inside, but utilizing it is a skill in itself.

Iron ore can be refined to make swords, fashioned into knives, lances, swords, and halberds, or even used to manufacture machinery.

Each Light Vein in the Jade Emperor Scripture has a corresponding method to transform the Light Energy within into stronger combat power.

The Jade Emperor Scripture may not have the most Light Veins, but each one can produce special abilities when used, which is quite terrifying.

Originally, everyone played with iron ore, while the Jade Emperor Scripture suddenly turned iron ore into swords, shields, throwing knives, or even firearms and cannons. How could one compete with that?

Moreover, different Light Vein abilities can be combined to create infinite variations. These abilities can be utilized even at the Spirit Forging Level, which is somewhat alarming.

Nevertheless, activating these Light Vein abilities requires long-term cultivation and comprehension; it's not something that can be learned instantly just by knowing the theory.

Fortunately, Light Vein abilities can be activated anytime, as long as one has the corresponding Light Veins. Li Xiu is not too late to begin learning now.

After studying for half a day, Li Xiu realized the abilities generated by the twelve positive and twelve inverse Light Veins in the Jade Emperor Scripture are all-encompassing; an average person couldn't master them all in a lifetime.