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After finishing the setup of the minor Heavenly Curtain in the Eastern Wilderness, Chen Mobai returned to Northern Abyss City and called over Song Huangdae.

"At your command, Ancestral Master."

After listening to Chen Mobai, Song Huangdae's face lit up with joy.

The minor Heavenly Curtain's Beidou Star Array, if one disregards signal strength, could entirely cover the Three Regions of the Eastern Continent Frontier. However, that territory isn't yet under the Five Elements Sect's control, so currently, Chen Mobai mainly covers the entire Eastern Wilderness, parts of Yun Meng Ze, the Eastern Yi's original Xuan Xiao Taoist Palace territory, and the Ruins at the border region.

But because the Ruins and Eastern Yi still lack the setup of the Heavenly Communication Device, the signal may cover these areas, yet the communication linkage service can't actually be activated.

This is also the next target of the linkage plan.

At least the Eastern Yi region, centered on Bright Mirror Mountain, needs to achieve signal linkage with Northern Abyss City.

However, considering that Song Huangdae still has to oversee the array transformation of Northern Abyss City, and also manages the linkage project in the Eastern Wilderness, Chen Mobai entrusted the Eastern Yi matters to Zhou Wangshen.

Zhou Wangshen, since reaching Core Formation, has been by Zhou Shengqing's side for training, stationed in the Eastern Yi for a long time, and now it's time to give him some tasks.

Zhou Wangshen was also very pleased with Chen Mobai's arrangement.

He stayed in Northern Abyss City for a while, learning from Chen Mobai about the minor Heavenly Curtain and the Heavenly Communication Device, and only after confirming he had fully understood, did he return to the Eastern Yi.

After arranging these matters, Chen Mobai went to participate in the first Eastern Wilderness Academy Array Master Competition.

The Six Great Academies of the Five Elements Sect, under the guidance of their respective teachers, showcased their learning achievements one by one.

Among them, the team competition champion was claimed by the Longevity Academy, which had the strongest teachers and student strength, while surprisingly, the individual competition was won by a student from the Earth Stem Academy of Primordial Immortal City, named Chunyu Zhengyuan.

Chunyu Zhengyuan, with his mere Qi Cultivation level, set up Rank-2 Earth Formation and Sharp Metal Formation, and on the stage, used Earth to generate Metal, mastering these two Rank-2 formations to firmly suppress the chief of the Longevity Academy, Lin Miaoning, securing victory.

"What is this person's background?"

Having watched the final match, Chen Mobai noticed Lian Maozhi awarding prizes to the winners of the individual and team competitions, and asked E Yun beside him.

"Reporting to the Sect Leader, this person is a descendant of the former Five Elements Sect Leader Chunyu Su, considered one of his grand-nephews."

After having someone investigate, E Yun relayed their findings to Chen Mobai.

"Chunyu Su? Is he still alive?"

Chen Mobai was somewhat surprised. Before the great battle with Xuan Xiao Taoist Palace, to prevent this Sun Bathing Sea spy from leaking information, he had Zhou Ye confine him.

Following local customs, after the Five Elements Sect's great victory, Zhou Ye should have removed this thorn buried in his heart for a hundred years.

"Uncle Zhou always stayed in the Eastern Yi, and the only time he returned was just to attend your sect leader ceremony, after which he took away his maid. And without your order, Uncle Zhou wouldn't dare to act arbitrarily, so Chunyu Su has been under house arrest in Primordial Immortal City all this time."

E Yun explained that Chunyu Su, as the former Five Elements Sect Leader, had been undercover for centuries, married a Daoist couple, and left behind a small family.

Before the great battle with Xuan Xiao Taoist Palace, the entire Chunyu family was also placed under house arrest.

But after the battle, knowing Chen Mobai disapproved of wanton killing, Chunyu Su remained imprisoned, while the Chunyu family was released.

Due to their background, the Chunyu family couldn't easily join the Five Elements Sect as they did before.

So the genius Chunyu Zhengyuan aimed to indirectly join the Five Elements Sect by attending the Earth Stem Academy.

"Haha, bring Kong Shanxu up here."

After hearing E Yun's words, Chen Mobai chuckled softly.

Kong Shanxu is the head of the Earth Stem Academy. Chen Mobai didn't believe that without his acquiescence, Chunyu Zhengyuan, with a questionable background, could participate in this Array Master Competition.

Perhaps it was a deliberate use of this stage to bring Chunyu Zhengyuan to his attention.

"Please forgive me, Sect Leader. The talent of this child in formations is exceptional, and I couldn't bear to let it go to waste..."

As expected, as soon as Kong Shanxu arrived, he began by apologizing.

Although Chunyu Su was an undercover, his skill in formations was among the top three within the Foundation Establishment practitioners of the Five Elements Sect, and Chunyu Zhengyuan perfectly inherited his talent. However, since Chunyu Su was confined, most of Chunyu Zhengyuan's skills were self-taught, although he occasionally sought advice from Earth Stem Academy teachers for unresolved matters.

Kong Shanxu personally watched Chunyu Zhengyuan enroll and gradually grow, undoubtedly becoming a genius in formations.

When Chen Mobai ordered the establishment of the Array Master Competition, he immediately thought of Chunyu Zhengyuan.

If it were anyone else in charge, Kong Shanxu wouldn't have allowed someone with a tainted background like Chunyu Zhengyuan to compete, but Chen Mobai was different.

Kong Shanxu once stayed in Northern Abyss City, became good friends with Qi Rui, and heard about Yu Lian from him.

Ultimately, for the sake of the Earth Stem Academy and to ensure the Five Elements Sect didn't lose a genius, and due to his trust in Chen Mobai, Kong Shanxu braved the pressure from the Earth Vein to let Chunyu Zhengyuan stand on that stage.

Chunyu Zhengyuan did not disappoint him and eventually won the individual competition.

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"The winner of this personal competition comes from your Earth Stem Academy, which shows your excellent teaching. Is there any reward you need?"

Chen Mobai spoke with a smile, allowing Kong Shanxu to finally relax.

Indeed, Ancestor Chen's generosity is as vast as the sun and moon, as boundless as the sea.

"This is just my duty as a disciple..."

Kong Shanxu immediately replied, expressing his refusal for a reward. E Yun, standing by, nodded approvingly, recognizing the wisdom in such words.

Since Chen Mobai mentioned it, a reward was certain to be given.

By saying this, Kong Shanxu not only demonstrated his selflessness and won the students' admiration but also convinced Chen Mobai, the Nascent Soul Ancestor, of his genuine dedication.

The rewards would only be more, not less.

"You were wounded in your Core Formation attempt, damaging your essence. Fortunately, Qing Nu has crafted a batch of Return Yuan Pills that can greatly restore elemental energy. Take my token to Danxia Pavilion and collect a pill. Over in Thunder County, Ming'er has just discovered a Yuan Stone mine, with a Rank-3 core. Allow me to refine an earth attribute Lifebound Artifact Embryo for you..."

As expected, Chen Mobai's rewards filled Kong Shanxu with joy.

With the establishment of the large-scale transmission array, the connection between the Eastern Wilderness and the East Land was beginning to form. Many cultivators of status and position from the Eastern Wilderness had visited the East Land.

They also knew that their Sect Leader held another identity — Yi Yuan Dao Palace's Taoist Child, Chen Qingdi.

This Chen Qingdi first appeared in the East Continent, at the Dao Sect of Star Heaven in East Yu, demonstrating his quasi-Rank-5 Artifact Refining Mastery.

Such skill undoubtedly made him the top Artifact Refiner in the Eastern Wilderness, and even in the East, he was recognized as a master.

Chen Mobai, to forge the Taiyuan Blue Pearl for Qing Nu, continuously improved his refining techniques, and the best way to enhance refining skills was undoubtedly through practice.

Using the abundant resources of the Eastern Wilderness, he crafted many magic artifacts to strengthen his foundational skills.

In his eyes, these practice artifacts became top-grade items when scattered throughout the Eastern Wilderness.

Even works crafted by Sheng Zhaoxi could not compare to his in terms of quality.

This naturally reinforced his reputation as a quasi-Rank-5 Artifact Refiner.

Some of these artifacts he crafted also made their way to the East, intensifying the perception of him as Chen Qingdi.

Among Chen Mobai's creations, the most sought-after by Foundation Establishment practitioners was undoubtedly the Lifebound Artifact Embryo.

Compared to other casually made artifacts, since these were intended to be refined as a cultivator's lifebound items, Chen Mobai always strove for excellence, perfectly leveraging the materials' properties and even leaving room for future upgrades.

Yet, dedicated works are rare, so even within the Five Elements Sect, it was challenging for a Foundation Establishment completion practitioner to obtain one with matching attributes.

Kong Shanxu could be said to be the first from the Earth Vein to receive a Lifebound Artifact Embryo personally crafted by Chen Mobai as a Foundation Establishment practitioner.

“Since Chunyu Su is an array master, keeping him confined is a waste. Ask if he’s willing to work; it’s perfect timing for the reconstruction of the protective formation in the Primordial Immortal City, as we lack someone to oversee it,”

After speaking, Chen Mobai, realizing the acute shortage of array masters in the Five Elements Sect, knew Chunyu Su could not be wasted and instructed Kong Shanxu accordingly.

“Yes, Sect Leader. However, since formations are the sect’s foundation, having him involved might pose future risks.”

Kong Shanxu nodded, noticing E Yun’s face change slightly, and immediately voiced this concern.

If Chunyu Su were to reveal changes in the Five Elements Sect’s formations to the Sun Bathing Sea, anyone who recommended Chunyu Zhengyuan would certainly get implicated.

“No need for concern. Once the Mysterious Five Elements Array is in place, even if those at the Sun Bathing Sea know the entire formation diagram, it won’t affect the structure of the great formation.”

The Sky Curtain Ground Network Formation’s core lies in adapting and evolving with the spirit veins and water systems, making it a living formation.

This represents the essence of the Immortal Gate’s Formation Dao, which keeps changing and adapting with the world.

Thus, it integrates with nature at all times, utilizing the grand forces of the world.

This was imparted to Chen Mobai by Ancestor Qian Xing.

However, this method also has a drawback: its power depends on the world it is rooted in. When the world's vitality wanes, the formation's power will inevitably diminish.

For this reason, when the Sect Master attempted to erect the Ultimate Dao Array using the Sky Curtain Ground Network on the Earth Element Star for cultivating the void, it ended in failure.

Chen Mobai speculated that Ancestor Qian Xing had likely comprehended the Ultimate Dao Array but realized, through the realm of infinity, that cultivating the void on the Earth Element Star was impossible. Hence, he hesitated to take that step.

"These two have remarkable talent in formations. Give them special training,"

Chen Mobai glanced at the youth Chunyu Zhengyuan, standing on the platform with a vacant expression despite his win, and Lin Miaoning, the chief of the Longevity Academy beside him, with a frown of reluctance.

Both were already at the Qi Refining Ninth Layer, and their talent in formations was exceptional. If they successfully reached Foundation Establishment, under Song Huangdae's guidance for a time, they could oversee the setup of Rank-3 formations.

"Yes, Sect Leader!"

E Yun and Kong Shanxu immediately nodded in agreement.

The array master competition among the Six Great Academies this time ended perfectly.

Chen Mobai's esteemed presence, even attending the competition personally, sent a signal to all the cultivators in the Eastern Wilderness.

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Many cultivator families and even small sects have decided to slightly focus on formations when recruiting disciples in the future.

Compared to projects like developing spirit fields, opening up wide rivers, and afforestation, setting up formations cannot be hastily advanced through manpower and resources.

This project truly requires some technical expertise.

Precisely because of this, Chen Mobai can only start from scratch, letting the Five Elements Sect begin cultivating talent in formations from the scholarly mansion.

Meanwhile, while the Eastern Wilderness is thriving, its neighbor, East Wu, is becoming increasingly weakened.

Although Yu Ji's identity as a Devil Cultivator was exposed, the Foundation Establishment families she brought to Northern Abyss City in the Eastern Wilderness became sparks of inspiration.

Especially Miao Yibao, whom Chen Mobai rescued from Zhu Jun's hands; he has completely become a supporter of the Five Elements Sect, using his status as a resident of Northern Abyss City to frequently travel to East Wu, where he extols the wonders of the Eastern Wilderness to the Foundation Establishment families he knows, alongside the open markets for all kinds of resources.

The most important thing is safety!

In the Eastern Wilderness, as long as you follow the rules set by Immortal Venerate Chen of the Five Elements Sect, even if someone from the Holy Land comes, he can protect your life.

Those who reach the Foundation Building Realm in East Wu are naturally resolute and won't easily believe Miao Yibao's words.

However, due to the extensive development of the Eastern Wilderness, they can enter Northern Abyss City directly through the medium-sized teleportation array at Fengyu Dock.

When Sun Huanglong from the Sun family, the supreme of East Wu, visited Northern Abyss City, he was utterly stunned, let alone these small families.

Under the guidance of Miao Yibao, they toured Northern Abyss City for the first time, overwhelmed by the myriad of rare resources, and couldn't help but open their storage bags to purchase items that, in East Wu, could only be acquired through the likes of the Starry Sky Commerce Guild.

And these things, in Northern Abyss City, were surprisingly common goods.

Miao Yibao, seeing the behavior of his fellow villagers, remembered his past self; back then, he couldn't tear himself away upon seeing a second rank high-grade magic artifact.

After touring Northern Abyss City, three Foundation Establishment practitioners from East Wu immediately decided to settle there.

However, with their financial status, they found they couldn't afford houses in the core area of the main city.

Miao Yibao promptly took them to a new district with a large-scale transmission array, where the property prices hadn't soared yet. Some of those displaced from the old settlement wanted to sell their houses, and he acted as a middleman, earning a commission.

As for the Foundation Establishment practitioners returning to East Wu, they couldn't help but run frequently to Northern Abyss City, soon realizing after a few trips that, although their ancestral lands had a Rank-3 spirit vein, cultivation was far superior in resource-rich Northern Abyss City.

Thus, they bit the bullet, using their family's savings to purchase a Rank-3 cave dwelling in the new district.

Soon, this trend spread across all of East Wu.

Those cultivators from affluent families, upon visiting Northern Abyss City once, spent lavishly to purchase various cave dwellings and shops, settling there.

And even if the Foundation Establishment practitioners from small families didn't move themselves, they bought school district houses and sent their talented disciples to the Eastern Wilderness.

If they couldn't afford school district houses in Northern Abyss City, they went to the other five great immortal cities.

They were all very clear; as long as their disciples could join the Five Elements Sect, then in the future, even the Sun family couldn't freely slaughter these small families like before.

They would have to consider the face of the Five Elements Sect.

In this situation, the spirit stones and various wealth accumulated over thousands of years by the major cultivator families in East Wu began to flow into the Eastern Wilderness at an astonishing speed.

E Yun, as the sect leader, was the first to notice this.

He was naturally delighted by this and even summoned Miao Yibao privately to encourage his actions.

When Chen Mobai found out about this, he merely advised E Yun to monitor the Sun family's movements.

If it were the past, Chen Mobai might have stopped this, but after successfully forming his Nascent Soul, he no longer needed to worry about such things.

Moreover, it wasn't really undermining the Sun family, since these cultivator families were not originally under the Sun's banner.

In East Wu, while the Sun family was a leader, the alliance was formed loosely under the threat of the Cloud Dream Marsh Monsters.

Only during the demonic beast tides did the Sun family have the authority to command all the families of East Wu.

If Sun Huangwu had succeeded in his Nascent Soul Formation, the East Wu Alliance might have consolidated all families under the Sun family name, similar to the Five Elements Sect.

Unfortunately, Sun Huangwu failed.

This matter, of course, could not be kept from the Sun family.

Sun Huanglong listened to the reports from his family, his brow furrowing tightly.

"Family head, if we continue like this, during the next demonic beast tide, this group might hide in Northern Abyss City, and we won't be able to summon them," said a horse-faced Sun family cultivator darkly.

He was Sun Jude, a heterodox Golden Core of the Sun family, responsible for leading the family's cultivators in hunting demonic beasts, farming spirit fish, or harvesting aquatic herbs on the waters of Yun Meng Ze during peacetime.

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But in recent days, the reputation of Northern Abyss Immortal City in the Eastern Wilderness has spread even among the lower-level cultivators of East Wu.

Many loose cultivators have started to group together, attempting to cross the border to enter the Eastern Wilderness and enjoy the free air.

Sun Jude captured several batches of loose cultivators, and after interrogating them, he learned about this matter and immediately went to report to Sun Huanglong at the main house.

"Deploy all the idle cultivators and treasure ships of the clan and set up along the border to prevent the cultivators of East Wu from disturbing the Eastern Wilderness."

Sun Huanglong thought for a moment and could only do so for now.

“Family Head, shouldn’t we negotiate with the Five Elements Sect? Surely they’re behind instigating this matter?”

Sun Jude spoke with some reluctance but was immediately met with a stern gaze from Sun Huanglong.

“Do not say this outside, if word reaches the two Nascent Soul Ancestors of the Five Elements Sect, the face left by Ancestor Huang Wu may not be useful.”

Sun Huanglong, as the leader of East Wu, was well aware of the weight carried by Nascent Soul Cultivators.

Even though their Sun family was considered a dominant force, once more powerful than the branch sect Five Elements Sect, in the face of two Nascent Soul Cultivators like Chen Mobai and Zhou Shengqing, they wouldn’t qualify to inquire with a Nascent Soul Major Faction, even with twenty more Golden Core cultivators.

The Sect Master Chen of the Five Elements Sect had a record of destroying countless sects since his debut, even trampled the Eastern Barbarian Profound Arrogance Dao Palace personally. If he got wind of the Sun family’s grievances, he might use it as an excuse for preventative measures and wipe out their family.

Sun Huanglong was most clear about the locals’ way of doing things.

Because if he were in Chen Mobai’s position, he would do the same.

“Yes, Family Head!”

Sun Jude, after hearing this, understood and could only leave with reluctance.

He returned to the shore, leading the Sun family's cultivators and treasure ships back to the border lines of Yun Meng Ze, setting up in a line formation to stop East Wu's cultivators from running into the Eastern Wilderness.

But this method couldn't completely prevent it.

Since not everyone in the Sun family was loyal and diligent.

With such a long border line, there were always some greedy people, receiving Spirit Stones, then turning a blind eye and letting East Wu's cultivators through.

Some powerful cultivator families even directly set up small teleportation arrays, charging other minor loose cultivator families.

Under different circumstances, these families wouldn't dare offend the Sun family, but now many top cultivators of these families had already settled in Northern Abyss City. Even if the family cultivators left in East Wu were caught, they were unafraid.

Sun Jude, responsible for guarding the border, was naturally well aware of these matters.

But his slaying of family traitors and the massacre of East Wu's minor families made East Wu cultivators even more inclined towards the Eastern Wilderness, increasing the trend of escape.

"Cursed Five Elements Sect!"

Sun Jude discovered this point, angrily smashed the wine cup in his hand but dared not speak the words, only dared to shout in his heart.

"Father, East Wu's decline is already a trend, why don't we take this chance and make a significant gain?"

At this moment, a handsome armored young man with red lips and white teeth entered, seeing the shattered wine cup on the ground, and spoke.

“What do you want to say?”

The young man, named Sun Baili, was a Foundation Establishment practitioner at a young age and was considered the most likely to form a Golden Core among the Sun family’s next generation, always a source of pride for Sun Jude.

“I know a senior cultivator hiding on a Spiritual Island in Yun Meng Ze. He wants to take this opportunity and use East Wu’s defectors to ritual a Great Method, willing to pay a big price.”

Upon Sun Baili’s words, Sun Jude’s eyes widened, and he unleashed a fierce surge of Spiritual Power, forming an invisible pressure surrounding the young man tightly.

“You are colluding with the Demon Path!”

Only the Demon Path needed to use cultivators to ritual cultivation techniques, and Sun Baili’s words made Sun Jude understand his implication.

“Father, viewing the Five Elements Sect’s conduct, without Nascent Soul cultivators, the Sun family will sooner or later be annexed. The Family Head has a weak character and might be the first to surrender the whole family, we have to prepare for ourselves early!”

Sun Baili, however, remained unchanged in expression, speaking out his already prepared words, and simultaneously shimmering with an extremely strange Spiritual Power, actually breaking free from Sun Jude’s restraint.

Seeing this, Sun Jude’s pupils dilated, anger surging.

“You have cultivated Demonic Arts!”

“Father, if I am discovered by the Nine Heavens Morality Sect, you can hardly escape death, even the whole Sun family might be implicated.”

Sun Baili was also risking it all today, holding fame as a young genius thanks to the Demonic Arts, something which could not be concealed when the Heavenly Tribulation of Core Formation was invoked.

Moreover, his cultivation level was already Foundation Establishment Late Stage, so upon seeing this opportunity, he decided to expose it in front of Sun Jude.

But because it was his father in front of him, he dared to do so.

“Who is the Demon Path cultivator behind you?”

Sure enough, upon discovering his son cultivated Demonic Arts, Sun Jude quickly calmed down, asking.

“Father, please follow me!”

As the father and son went to meet the Demon Path cultivator, Sun Huanglong was also looking at the letter newly delivered to his hand, trembling slightly.

This letter had mysteriously appeared in his study, indicating that the one who delivered it had cultivation far beyond his own.

And Sun Huanglong was already Perfect Core Formation, those above him...

But why would such a cultivator do these things?

The letter simply stated one thing.

It was about the identity and origin of Zhou Ye, the Earth Vein Elder of the Five Elements Sect.

“A remnant seed of the Zhou family...”

After reading, Sun Huanglong gripped the letter tightly, recalling how, during the Five Elements Sect’s grand ceremony for Patriarch Chen in Northern Abyss City, Zhou Ye had specially come over to greet him.

He now fully understood the meaning of Zhou Ye’s words back then.

Sun Huanglong also remembered the intelligence about Zhou Ye.

A Heavenly Earth Spirit Root, an inheritor of the Primordial Dao Fruit, a Perfect Core Formation cultivator, the third possible person in the Five Elements Sect to achieve Nascent Soul Formation.

If Zhou Ye truly achieved Nascent Soul Formation, would the Sun family, who eradicated the Zhou family, still have a chance to survive!?

Sun Huanglong’s heart suddenly filled with shadows!

And at this moment, he understood the reason why this letter was delivered to him!

Was it an enemy of the Five Elements Sect?

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Chen Mobai naturally knew nothing of what was happening in East Wu.

He was currently at the Jumang Academy.

And in front of him was Yan Bingxuan, who had just emerged from Core Formation seclusion.

After listening to Chen Mobai's apologetic confession, Yan Bingxuan looked at him coldly without speaking a word.

After a while, she transformed directly into an icy light, disappearing from the water surface.

Chen Mobai hesitated for a moment but could only sigh.

"Aren't you going to follow and comfort her?"

A flash of silver light appeared, and Wenren Xuewei materialized beside Chen Mobai, tilting her head and squinting her eyes, asking.

"Oh, you've mastered Void Walking."

Chen Mobai, however, didn't answer her question; what good would it do to appease her even if he caught up. Ever since announcing Shi Wanyu and mother and daughter, he had already prepared for this.

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"This is all thanks to the paper you uploaded. Though I failed to form my Nascent Soul this time, I used the brief surge in my cultivation level to comprehend void walking."

Wenren Xuewei said with a smile.

After attending Ye Yune's wedding, she also returned and began her first attempt at Nascent Soul Formation.

This time, she hadn't planned on succeeding; her main goal was to understand void walking.

She had long been able to perform Void Teleportation, but it wasn't her own skill; it was bestowed by the Great Chun Tree.

As one of the core spiritual pivots of the Sky Curtain Ground Network, the roots of the Great Chun Tree spread throughout the Thirty-Six Heavenly Caves and Seventy-Two Blessed Lands of the Immortal Gate, allowing practitioners of the Lasting Spring Cultivation to teleport through it.

It was also because of this that Wenren Xuewei could perform Void Teleportation without needing the Sky Curtain Ground Network Management Bureau's positioning permissions, yet she couldn't void walk.

This time, apart from having extraordinary talent, she comprehended it also because, after Chen Mobai became a Fifth Rank Formation Master, he realized he had practiced for so many years without contributing a paper to the Immortal Gate. So, he wrote a paper on the deconstructed cultivation method for void walking.

As standard for Nascent Soul Cultivators of the Immortal Gate, he was able to learn void walking during the Golden Core Realm by chance.

However, with his cultivation level at Chen Mobai's stage, he could use the Guidance Book to reconstruct these coincidences using the Immortal Gate's rigorous validation methods.

He deconstructed his process of learning void walking into three layers.

Sensing the void, utilizing the void, walking the void!

Given the conditions of the Immortal Gate, it was naturally impossible to practice as extravagantly as he did, so he made a simplified three-step method to practice these three layers.

The first layer was using a Short Teleportation Talisman, the second layer was the Underworld Array, and only the third layer was true void walking.

Among these, the first layer with the Short Teleportation Talisman was the simplest. It is an introductory talisman in the path of space within the Immortal Gate, and with prolonged use, it allows the cultivator's

body to adapt to the power of the void. Those with sharp divine sense and outstanding talent might even be able to capture and sense it.

Chen Mobai himself could reach this step, mainly by refining a large amount of Void Stone while cultivating the All Laws Persona.

Chen Xiaohei and Yan Bingxuan utilized the "Void Stone" he gifted them.

The three of them were considered to be resource-oriented, unlike others like Lan Haitian and Yan Qiongzhi, who had seventy percent talent and thirty percent cultivation technique.

Chen Mobai proposed using the Short Teleportation Talisman to sense the void, which could reduce the influence of talent to about half, enabling more people who were just a step away to sense the power of the void at the Foundation Building Realm and thus open a domain.

In fact, people in the Immortal Gate suggested this theory before, but while they believed the Short Teleportation Talisman should assist cultivators in sensing the void, they didn't know how to validate this theory.

Kunpeng Daoist Institute had also experimented with this subject to cultivate more people who could open a domain at the foundational level.

However, after selecting a generation of the twenty most outstanding Foundation Establishment students and using nearly ten thousand Short Teleportation Talismans, none succeeded in opening a domain at the Ninth Layer of Foundation Building.

After that, the subject was shelved.

Until Chen Mobai wrote this paper—"On the Feasibility of Deconstructed Cultivation of Void Walking"!

After contemplating the Universe Scripture, Chen Mobai became an undisputed master in the space path within the Immortal Gate.

He had also recently passed the exam for a Rank-4 Talisman Maker, equipping him with the skills to modify the second-ranked Short Teleportation Talisman to better assist cultivators in sensing the void.

The direction of this modification was to reduce the number of uses of the Short Teleportation Talisman. For example, it was originally set to teleport a cultivator a hundred times, but Chen Mobai changed it to only teleport twenty times.

This way, each teleportation would result in a concentration of the power of the void several times over, changing the situation to let originally imperceptible Foundation Establishment practitioners' divine sense feel it.

If financially capable, the one hundred uses could be condensed into one. Chen Mobai tested this, and basically, all talent-level Foundation Establishment cultivators from the Four Great Daoist Sects could sense the power of the void through this.

As a result, the Short Teleportation Talisman was no longer the Short Teleportation Talisman.

Therefore, Chen Mobai renamed it to the Little Void Talisman!

Merely inventing this Little Void Talisman is considered the greatest invention of the Immortal Gate in the past decade.

What followed was Chen Mobai's "invention" of the Underworld Array, which earned him a nomination for the Flying Immortal Award.

This demon path formation from the Tianhe Realm was also renamed to "Void Law Domain Array."

On the Immortal Gate's side, any cultivator with a domain, proficient in Body Refining Technique, and skilled in the art of formation could use this "Void Law Domain Array" to teleport.

Wenren Xuewei mainly depended on this to comprehend void walking.

With her talent, Array Refining into Body was easy, and after several uses of the "Void Law Domain Array" for teleportation, combined with years of her body being torn by the power of the void, it became easy to comprehend true void walking after her failure in Nascent Soul Formation.

"In the Immortal Gate, you are the third to master void walking using my method, and the only one at the Golden Core Realm, thus proving my paper. Thank you."

Chen Mobai said to Wenren Xuewei. While he used the Guidance Book to deconstruct his process of mastering void walking and wrote that paper, it still posed some difficulties and barriers for others in the Immortal Gate.

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So apart from Nangong Xuanyu and Ye Yune, who soon mastered this, it was only a year later that Wenren Xuewei succeeded before him.

And this sample also makes his chance of winning the Flying Immortal Award even greater.

"Your paper will soon likely lead to the Immortal Gate having dozens of cultivators who can teleport at the Golden Core Realm, and countless more in the future, truly a boundless merit."

Wenren Xuewei also spoke admiringly, mentioning that Chen Mobai's method only consumes Rank-2 Small Void Talismans.

For a Golden Core Master, they can afford Rank-2 talisman paper and talisman ink.

As for the Body Refining Technique, many Golden Core Masters, when bored waiting for Infant Forming Spirit Medicine, either enhance their Spiritual Roots or refine their bodies. After this paper is published, it's estimated that 99% will focus on body refining.

The last person to win the Flying Immortal Award was Yuan Xu Superior for the synthetic Terrestrial Evil Qi paper.

But Chen Mobai's Void Walking Three-Step not only created a method of practicing the Space Path in the Immortal Gate from scratch but also holds great significance.

"In the Immortal Gate, although there are countless cultivation methods, there is notably a lack of those related to the Space Path. Since I can comprehend the Universe Scripture, I will strive to fill this gap in my lifetime."

In front of Wenren Xuwei, Chen Mobai did not hide his grand ambition.

Besides the abundant resources of the Tianhe Realm, he could achieve today thanks to the predecessors' wisdom left in the Immortal Gate.

After Nascent Soul Formation, the next level, Divinity Transformation, will take at least a hundred years, so apart from developing the Five Elements Sect, he also plans to write a cultivation technique on the Space Path in the Immortal Gate.

He has already thought of the name: "Sutra of Void."

However, his personal accumulation is relatively shallow, so he plans to first publish each segment as a paper, including Void Walking, external small void, Void Teleportation, Void Replacement, etc.

His mastery of these does not mean others in the Immortal Gate will achieve the same.

It requires extensive experimentation before truly developing a cultivation manual to be put in the national library.

Now that Nangong Xuanyu and Wenren Xuwei, using his first paper, succeeded in Void Walking, it signifies the first paper is universal enough to be included in the Sutra of Void.

Besides these, Chen Mobai has another idea, that in the future, after he reaches the end of his understanding of the Space Path, he would invite Qian Xing Ancestor to discuss the Blade of the Void, and Spiritual Venerable to elaborate on the Law Domain and other supplemental contents.

His aspiration is to carve out a cultivation path related to the Space Path for the Immortal Gate, which would be beneficial for thousands of generations. He presumed these two ancestors would not refuse.

"May I ask about your cultivation experiences?"

Seeing Wenren Xuewei distracted by the subject shift from Yan Bingxuan, Chen Mobai immediately continued the diversion, and she pondered for a moment before stating that she needed some time to organize her thoughts.

They chatted for a while longer, and then Chen Mobai took his leave.

After returning to Wangwu Cave Heaven, he found more people visiting.

Since the paper was published, Chen Mobai, though the youngest Nascent Soul Superior in the Immortal Gate, had already become the most renowned, with many speculating if he was the mythical Void Spirit Body.

In response, Chen Mobai declined visits under the pretense of deep retreat.

However, there were some whom he had to show respect to.

Such as Beiming Master from Kunpeng Daoist Institute.

After seeing the Void Walking Three-Step method, Beiming Master was so excited that he personally booked a flight to Wangwu Cave Heaven.

For other Immortal Gate cultivators, the focus was on achieving Void Walk at the Golden Core Realm.

But for Kunpeng Daoist Institute, the emphasis was more on the first step.

Because for their lineage, being able to carve out a Domain at the Foundation Building Realm is extremely significant.

Achieving this means having the potential for Nascent Soul.

Even filtered through this method, the talent may not compare to Lan Haitian or Yan Qiongzhi, and Divinity Transformation might be impossible, but Kunpeng Daoist Institute could at least fill five Nascent Soul slots.

Chen Mobai's change from Short Teleportation Talisman to Small Void Talisman was as significant for Kunpeng Daoist Institute as evergreen cultivation for successive generations at Jumang Academy.

Hence, Beiming Master had no choice but to express gratitude personally.

Besides, he also wished for Chen Mobai to try cultivating the Six Imperial Scripture.

"With Pure Yang Master's talent in the Space Path, I believe there is a strong possibility he is a Void Spirit Body, and might become the first cultivator in the Immortal Gate to establish the Law Domain!"

Beiming Master spoke solemnly, the ultimate realm of the Six Imperial Scripture is to sublimate one's Domain into a Law Domain.

At that point, regardless of how perilous the universe might be, unfolding the Law Domain ensures supremacy.

However, even Beiming Master's Beiming Domain is nearly a Law Domain but not truly one, so he continues to sleep and wait.

Establishing a Law Domain is akin to Cultivating Void utilizing the Six Imperial Scripture.

A Void Spirit Body is the easiest to achieve the Law Domain, which is the words left by Ancestor Zhong Li.

"My foundations are set; it is impossible to switch from the Pure Yang path and disappoint Beiming Master."

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But Chen Mobai directly shook his head and refused.

He had already invested so much in the Pure Yang Scroll, even cultivating an Acquired Pure Yang Body, how could he possibly switch to cultivating the Six Imperial Scripture after Nascent Soul Formation?

Even if he did want to switch, it would definitely be because his Pure Yang Scroll Divinity Transformation failed, leaving him no other choice.

"I have been presumptuous. However, if Pure Yang Master wishes to compile the Sutra of Void, our Kunpeng Daoist Institute has the most in-depth research in this area. The library contains many materials and documents on this subject. Why not invite you to become our academy's honorary principal? This way, you can access all our academy's resources."

Beiming Master suggested another idea, at which Chen Mobai hesitated for a moment, saying he needed to consult with Master Chengxuan before giving an answer.

After all, he was not even the honorary principal of Dance Tool Dao Academy yet, and suddenly having such a status with Kunpeng Daoist Institute would easily be misunderstood by those unaware of the situation.

After Beiming Master took his leave, Chen Mobai immediately called Cheng Xuan, who, after hearing about it, couldn't help but chuckle.

"That guy Beiming seems straightforward, but he's actually full of little schemes. Your Divinity Transformation is practically assured, and by making you Kunpeng's honorary principal, he could leverage your background in the future..."

What Master Chengxuan said was something Chen Mobai naturally understood as well.

Back then, Qian Xing Ancestor became the honorary principal of Repairing Heaven Institute in a similar fashion, and after he achieved Divinity Transformation, he was directly promoted as a Divinity Transformation Ancestor of Repairing Heaven. Many in the Immortal Gate didn't know he actually hailed from Primordial Elemental Academy and was merely studying at Repairing Heaven.

“You should agree to it. Our Dance Tool is not Primordial Elemental Academy.”

Master Chengxuan spoke nonchalantly. Compared to the weak influence within the Immortal Gate, belonging fundamentally to the Repairing Heaven background, their Dance Tool is one of the four pillars of the Immortal Gate.

Moreover, they have two future Divinity Transformation Ancestors, husband and wife both, and Master Chengxuan did not believe Kunpeng would dare publicly make propaganda before Bai Guang Ancestor.

“Alright, I'll serve as Kunpeng's honorary principal for now. Later, when our Dance Tool has successors, I'll retire from the Hall of Orthodox Law and formally take over as your principal.”

Upon hearing this, Chen Mobai smiled broadly, and Master Chengxuan wasn't angry; he even expressed great anticipation.

In the following time, Chen Mobai tried his hand at crafting Rank-5 Water Spirit Talismans while enhancing his Artifact Refining Techniques and made time to download all the accumulated literature on the Power of Void and Space Path from Kunpeng Daoist Institute into his Heavenly Calculation Bead, beginning his attempts to compile the “Sutra of Void”.

Time slipped away, and three years passed in the blink of an eye.

On this day, while refining a Sea-settling Pearl, Chen Mobai suddenly sensed the originally stable Power of Void throughout the world suddenly heating and boiling as if dropped into an oil pot.

His heart and mind unsteady, the Rank-3 Pearl in his hand immediately cracked open.

This meant the refinement had failed, but Chen Mobai didn't care in the slightest.

The Five Elements Commerce Association had purchased twelve of such Pearls for him from the East Land.

They were for practice, primarily used to master refining the Taiyuan Blue Pearl.

Of the previous ten, he had succeeded with eight, showing he had thoroughly mastered the refining method; a failure with one mattered not.

Compared to this, he was more concerned with why the Power of Void in the Immortal Gate suddenly boiled.

Soon enough, he figured out the cause.

Amid flickering silver light, he had already left his home artifact refining workshop, arriving directly at the Five Peaks Immortal Mountains.

Here everything seemed calm, but Chen Mobai floated mid-air, his gaze fixed toward Gathering-Immortals Peak.

Simultaneously, two other strands of silver light flickered beside him.

Qi Yuheng, Master Chengxuan, and Wenren Xuwei had also used Void Teleportation to arrive.

And following them, Ying Guanghua, Narcissus, Ye Yune, Gongye Zhixu, and other Nascent Soul Cultivators from Wangwu Cave Heaven shimmered in silver light, stepping out from the void.

"Pure Yang Master, you are a grandmaster of the Space Path; could you tell us what's happening?"

It was Wenren Xuewei who spoke. Among those present, she alone was not a Nascent Soul, yet everyone treated her with utmost respect.

These past three years, using Chen Mobai's Stat Fire, she had condensed enough Evergreen Qi, several times triggering Nascent Soul Formation phenomena, though she deliberately interrupted them for wanting to lay a perfect foundation.

Now the higher-ups of the Immortal Gate knew, as soon as Wenren Xuewei wished, she could step into that realm, becoming yet another Nascent Soul Superior of the Immortal Gate.

"Another Different World is beginning to connect with ours; the Powers of Void from both worlds are starting to clash, creating this abnormal space instability."

Chen Mobai spoke his judgment, now recognized as the foremost in the Space Path under Divinity Transformation.

In the eyes of many, even some Divinity Transformation Ancestors pale compared to Chen Mobai merely in the void aspect.

"The timing projected by Qian Xing Ancestor, it's indeed time!"

Upon hearing Chen Mobai's words, Ying Guanghua muttered to himself, among them Wangwu Cave Heaven's Nascent Soul cultivators, with only Nangong Xuanyu absent.

At this moment, a brilliant silver glow soared from the mountaintop where Qian Xing Ancestor resided not far away.

The radiance, like a pillar, seemed endless, piercing through the heavenly curtain, into the vast, deep Vast Starry Sky.

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Chen Mobai and the others also showed slight changes in their expressions, as the void power from the Immortal Gate began to fluctuate more intensely.

"Notify the Sky Curtain Ground Network Management Bureau to stabilize the void of the Earth Element Star."

Ying Guanghua immediately made a phone call. With the portal opening and the gap between the two worlds, the fluctuations of void power will become increasingly terrifying.

In recent years, the Immortal Gate, through Chen Mobai's Sutra of Void, has produced many cultivators who can easily perceive void power. If they're careless, they might get injured by this violently boiling void power.

Fortunately, the Sky Curtain Ground Network Formation on the Immortal Gate's side also possesses the power to stabilize the void.

"Everyone, come up!"

And at this moment, the voice of Ancestor Qian Xing rang in everyone's ears.

Chen Mobai and the others immediately nodded in the direction of Gathering-Immortals Peak and then each used Void Walk to arrive at the foot of the mountain.

Originally thinking that Chen Chun would need to lead the way, they found that the restrictions of Gathering-Immortals Peak had been lifted at this moment. After hesitating for a moment, they heard Ancestor Qian Xing's voice inviting them up.

"Greetings, Ancestor!"

In a flash of silver light, this group of top cultivators from the Immortal Gate all saluted Ancestor Qian Xing standing before the portal.

"I have already sent Nangong Xuanyu and the others over. To avoid being detected over there, we need to seal the portal's fluctuations. Little Chen, come with me."

As soon as Ancestor Qian Xing's words were finished, Chen Mobai immediately nodded and walked to his side.

Over the years, his work on writing the Sutra of Void was also relayed to Ancestor Qian Xing, who specifically called him up to discuss his understanding of the Space Path and expressed strong support for his actions.

During this time, Ancestor Qian Xing also let him try touching the portal.

However, every time he stood before the portal, Turtle Treasure would violently pop up. Before reaching Divinity Transformation, Chen Mobai dared not swallow the so-called "Gate of Taixu," so he always told Ancestor Qian Xing that he had no insights into the portal.

To this, Ancestor Qian Xing seemed somewhat disappointed.

Yet, he still imparted to him all the mantras and mental methods concerning the portal within the Immortal Gate.

These were left behind by past Deity Transformations before they sat down, hoping to use the portal to cultivate void or directly visit an unknown different world.

The understanding and insights of these predecessors regarding the portal were passed down from generation to generation, now conveyed from Ancestor Qian Xing to Chen Mobai.

It was precisely because of this that Ancestor Qian Xing asked Chen Mobai to help seal the portal's fluctuations.

Because Ancestor Qian Xing discovered that Chen Mobai's sensing and mastery of void power were on par with his own as a Deity Transformation True Monarch.

"Rise!"

Chen Mobai and Ancestor Qian Xing arrived before the portal together. They each grasped a side, and with a loud shout, lifted this ancient stone gate, transforming into two silvery glows flying towards the heavens.

Ying Guanghua and the others immediately used Escaping Light to follow!

Before long, they arrived before the Heavenly Curtain. A treasure bead rotated within Ancestor Qian Xing's eyes, instantly opening a hole in the Heavenly Curtain wide enough to pass the portal.

The group immediately left the Earth Element Star's Tian Gang and flew into the cosmic starry sky.

"Here will do!"

After flying a long distance from the Earth Element Star, Ancestor Qian Xing spoke, and Chen Mobai immediately stopped.

Then the two began to perform hand seals, rapidly spinning threads from void power, stitching them over the portal's opening seam.

After half a day, Chen Mobai, looking somewhat pale, sat down on the Tai Yi Wu Yan Luo.

But Ancestor Qian Xing appeared calm.

By this time, the portal had returned to its initial tranquility and plainness, but the opening seam was visible to all.

Through the seam, they saw a sky full of yellow sand.

The different world on the other side seemed to be a desolate wasteland!

"Nangong Xuanyu and the others have the latest signal transmitters from the Immortal Gate, which can send signals back through this portal seam, though some may be missed. A department will be set up at Xianwu Hall specifically for this task."

Ancestor Qian Xing spoke to Ying Guanghua, who nodded immediately; preparations had already been made, and personnel had been assembled, waiting for this day.

"Besides Nangong Xuanyu, there are some cultivators from the Immortal Gate. Due to their cultivation level, the signals they can send are few, yet we cannot relax since intelligence isn't always correlated with higher cultivation."

"Additionally, I had Nangong Xuanyu take ten of my puppet avatars, each equipped with a fully charged Supreme Grade Spirit Stone, but given the environment over there, I'm not sure how long they'll last."

"For the next twenty years, the two worlds will fully connect, and the portal will completely open then. Hopefully, the world on the other side is lifeless yet rich in resources."

After finishing these words, Chen Mobai and the others saluted Ancestor Qian Xing.

"With the Ancestor personally leading, this expedition is surely a safe bet."

Ying Guanghua spoke first, but Ancestor Qian Xing shook his head, waving his hand.

"Once Nangong Xuanyu and the others arrive and spread out my puppets, I'm going to focus entirely on exploring the other side of the different world; don't cause me any trouble in the Immortal Gate."

At this, everyone's complexion grew serious.

This was the first time Chen Mobai had heard Ancestor Qian Xing speak with such gravity, understanding the meaning behind his words.

In the face of pioneering warfare, if internal sabotage occurs, this Deity Transformation Ancestor will surely show no mercy.

"Yes, Ancestor!"

Ying Guanghua, Chen Mobai, and Qi Yuheng all spoke up first.

Everyone knew Ancestor Qian Xing's words were a warning to their three factions.

"Now retreat. If anything happens, I'll let Chen Chun notify you. If the portal fluctuates again and I haven't emerged, Little Chen, you'll need to handle it."

Hearing this, Chen Mobai nodded with a wry smile.

He had struggled quite a bit with Ancestor Qian Xing in suppressing the void power fluctuations caused by the portal just now, and if the two worlds merge and the seal bursts open, he might only be able to watch helplessly.

Fortunately, the seal laid down now, with Ancestor Qian Xing as the main reinforcement, should last around ten years.

Ten years later, about half the portal will open.

At that time, the turbulent void power from both worlds will tear apart the seal, and even Ancestor Qian Xing cannot reseal it.

In the sky over the different world, a half-opened portal will appear, allowing not only people from the Immortal Gate to go over but also creatures from the other side, if they find it, to come to the Earth Element Star.

If Nangong Xuanyu is strong enough, he may be able to guard the portal's opening, establishing a beachhead for the Immortal Gate.

If the beings from that different world are too formidable, then the Immortal Gate will have to hold fast on this side.

It was precisely to avoid this that they moved the portal away from the Earth Element Star, preventing it from becoming the initial battleground!

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After bidding farewell to Ancestor Qian Xing, Chen Mobai and his party returned to Wangwu Cave Heaven.

According to the plan set long ago, all departments of the Three Great Halls of the Immortal Gate began to operate, serving the purpose of the portal opening event.

At this moment, all the Nascent Soul Cultivators who were not in Wangwu Cave Heaven had also rushed over.

In Kaiyuan Hall, it was rare for all sixteen Nascent Soul Superiors of the Immortal Gate to gather in one place.

As a small meeting among the Nascent Souls, everyone sat together according to their social circles.

They were mainly divided into three groups.

On the Patching Heaven side, since Nangong Xuanyu led a team to the Different World, there were only five people left, led by Ying Guanghua.

On the Kunpeng side, there were Qi Yuheng, Narcissus, Beiming, Yunhai, and Ye Yune, also five people.

Finally, there were Dance Instruments and Jumang. Chen Mobai sat in the middle, with Cheng Xuan and Yuxiao on the left, and Three Extremes and Tao Hua on the right, making it five people.

The Nascent Soul Superior Yu Yi, who had no four-lineage background, frowned and sat in the corner, listening to the whole event.

Mainly, it was the three giants, Ying Guanghua, Qi Yuheng, and Chen Mobai, communicating with each other.

Qi Yuheng first expressed his thoughts: "The strategic reserve resources can be activated now."

Over the years, the Immortal Gate had lived frugally, saving countless Spirit Stone resources and top-ranked Spiritual Objects. Usually, even if a Nascent Soul Cultivator wanted to use Rank-4 Spirit Materials, it was very hard to get permission.

He hoped to take this opportunity to lift these restrictions.

Chen Mobai naturally agreed to this, as the opening of resources at the Immortal Gate would facilitate the laundering of resources from the Tianhe Realm on his side.

Seeing that both of them agreed, Ying Guanghua did not directly oppose but instead proposed something more specific: "Should places like the Dance Tool Dao Academy's Treasure Trove, the Lingbao Study Palace's Heavenly Treasure Hall, the Mountain and Sea Academy's Sword Tower, the Heavenly Book Academy's Ten Thousand Symbol Pavilion, the Five Thunder Academy's Divine Thunder Warehouse, the Kunpeng Daoist Institute's Sea Territory, the True Spiritual Academy's Yuling Court, the Six Great Medicine Realms... open exchange eligibility to the cultivators of the Three Great Halls?"

These places were essentially the most refined wealth accumulated by the Immortal Gate over thousands of years.

If they were all opened, the overall strength of the Immortal Gate could at least double in a short period.

After all, there were simply too many cultivators stuck at the Perfect Realm, and if there were enough Spiritual Medicine, the number of Nascent Soul Cultivators could very well increase explosively.

"Let's be more cautious with this. After all, the Spirit Veins of the Immortal Gate are insufficient to support so many people."

Master Chengxuan immediately spoke up, expressing his opposition subtly. After half-step into Divinity Transformation, he had evidently heard from Ancestor Qian Xing about the quota of cultivators the Earth Element Star could support.

"True, although we should prepare for the potential opening war due to the fusion of the two realms, we are not yet at a life-and-death juncture that requires utilizing all the Immortal Gate's resources."

Yunhai Master also intervened to mediate the situation.

"Then let's discuss roughly how much of the resources to activate..."

Qi Yuheng spoke up. He belonged to the war faction and was eager to seize enough resources through war to achieve his Divinity Transformation. Although his main goal and hope lay in the Different World, getting some resources from the Immortal Gate would also be beneficial for him.

Chen Mobai was well aware of his intentions. To launder resources and as the Vice Hall Master of the Hall of Orthodox Law, he also had to disguise himself as a war faction member.

However, since the Xianwu Hall oversaw River Mountain, this matter required Ying Guanghua's agreement.

Not being the one responsible, they wouldn't know the value of resources. Qi Yuheng and Chen Mobai, with just a flick of the tongue, would like to squander the Immortal Gate's millennium savings as war funds, so naturally, Ying Guanghua wasn't inclined to agree.

Aside from the Immortal Gate being unable to support such expenditure, it was also because both Qi Yuheng and Chen Mobai possessed the Qualification of Deification.

If indeed a world-level war were to open, Qi Yuheng might breakthrough and Chen Mobai could shorten his cultivation time, all of which were not favorable outcomes for him.

But the words of Ancestor Qian Xing still resonated in his ears, so Ying Guanghua didn't directly oppose; instead, he resorted to a "house dismantling" strategy.

You propose to open a window, and someone might oppose, but if you suggest taking off the roof for better lighting, the opposition might agree to just opening a skylight.

Sure enough, when Ying Guanghua suggested mobilizing all the Immortal Gate's resources, senior Nascent Soul cultivators like Cheng Xuan and Yunhai all quickly proposed compromise and mediation.

Qi Yuheng and Chen Mobai exchanged a glance and didn't insist. They nodded in agreement.

Everyone was looking at the bigger picture.

It was indeed not the time yet.

After the group agreed on the rough range of resource usage, Chen Mobai finally spoke to add: "I also think those Fifth Rank Artifacts being nurtured in each Daoist Academy and Scholarly Mansion could be awakened and prepared for activation anytime."

As soon as he said this, some agreed, while others opposed.

However, after voting, it was still approved.

In the end, a compromise was reached, selecting some Fifth Rank Artifacts that might be useful for the opening war to prepare and awaken.

Due to the preceding words from Ancestor Qian Xing, the overall atmosphere remained relatively amicable.

Every Nascent Soul Cultivator chose one Fifth Rank Artifact for themselves, and Ying Guanghua even kindly invited Wenren Xuewei, a prospective Nascent Soul, allowing her to choose one as well.

Of course, it was only a choice. If it was determined these would be used, the artifacts would be self-sustained. Only when a full-scale opening war truly came would the Xianwu Hall provide Spirit Stone subsidies.

Some Nascent Souls were satisfied with this, while others showed little interest.

Take Cheng Xuan, Beiming, Tao Hua, Yuan Xu, these principals of the Four Great Daoist Sects, for example; they were not short on Fifth Rank Artifacts. The Dance Tool Dao Academy even had the Nine Dragon Cauldron. Did they lack artifacts? What they lacked was Spirit Stones!

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However, the other Nascent Soul cultivators at the Scholarly Mansion without fifth rank artifacts were enthusiastically selecting fifth rank artifacts that suited their attributes.

Chen Mobai had no other requirements; he simply wanted the Primordial Yang Sword.

Unfortunately, this fifth-rank flying sword was being used as the core of Little Red Sky, so unless it was a last resort, it wouldn't be given to him.

But considering Chen Mobai's unparalleled sword Dao talent, to avoid delaying him, Ying Guanghua agreed to the utilization of another fifth-rank superior flying sword from the Immortal Gate.

The Sea-settling Sword nourished at the Mountain and Sea Academy!

The Immortal Gate had a total of seven fifth-rank flying swords, among which only three were top-notch fifth-rank superior.

They were: Primordial Yang, Sea-settling, and Mystic Finger!

Among them, the Mystic Finger Sword had long been refined by Bai Guang Ancestor.

The Primordial Yang Sword had been sent to Little Red Sky, leaving only the Sea-settling Sword.

However, Ying Guanghua also said that if Chen Mobai didn't want the Sea-settling Sword, any other fifth-rank flying sword he fancied could be negotiated.

After all, the attribute of the Sea-settling Sword didn't quite match Chen Mobai's Pure Yang Scroll.

But Chen Mobai's Purple Electric Sword was already a fifth-rank lower-grade; the other fifth-rank flying swords would certainly not be as handy as the Purple Electric Sword he had used for years.

So after thinking it over, he still chose the Immortal Gate's most top-notch Sea-settling Sword.

He was confident that even if the attributes of the Sea-settling Sword didn't match his, he could still achieve harmony with this top-notch flying sword.

Another reason was that the attributes of the Sea-settling Sword were very suitable for Qing Nu.

His Taiyuan Blue Pearl had not yet been refined into a magic artifact, and Qing Nu still only had a few ragged flags, which he found unacceptable.

It didn't make sense that he was almost fully equipped with divine armor while his Dao companion Qing Nu was still so shabby.

Moreover, in the Tianhe Realm, Qing Nu's Core Formation cultivation level was still too low. With the protection of the Sea-settling Sword, even when encountering a Nascent Soul, at least she would have some fighting power.

Sixteen Nascent Souls, along with Wenren Xuwei, a quasi-Nascent Soul, all selected their desired fifth-rank artifacts, and this small gathering concluded in a friendly atmosphere.

After the meeting, everyone dispersed one by one.

Chen Mobai invited Cheng Xuan, who rarely visited, over to his home for a meal. However, just as they were joking and laughing, Cheng Xuan claimed he had just selected the Nine Dragon Cauldron and wanted to go back to bond with this Daoist Academy's greatest treasure to see if he could comprehend it.

Chen Mobai expressed his admiration for Master Chengxuan's persistent diligence, even at his age.

As for Master Yuxiao, he directly declined, stating he wanted to return to Dance Tool Dao Academy with Master Chengxuan, as he chose a fifth-rank Mingxiao Sword in the Treasure Trove and wanted to see if he could awaken and communicate with it.

Chen Mobai could only send both off with regret. Master Chengxuan immediately teleported back via the Void, while Master Yuxiao needed to take a flying artifact.

Chen Mobai then turned to invite Three Extremes Sage and Peach Blossom Sage, but both declined with the same excuse, saying they'd visit Chen Mobai's home next time when they had the time.

However, Wenren Xuewei was in no hurry to leave, after all she could also teleport through the Void. Once Chen Mobai saw off Three Extremes and Peach Blossom, he noticed her chatting happily with Upper Yu Yi in a corner.

By now, only the three of them were left in the meeting room.

"On this matter, I hope Master you can lend a hand..."

Wenren Xuewei implored earnestly, and Upper Yu Yi pondered, seemingly contemplating whether to agree.

They were discussing the fifth rank Water Spirit Talisman.

Over the years, Chen Mobai realized one thing.

Many things are a waste of time without talent, no matter how hard you try.

In these three years, he had mastered the fourth-rank Water Spirit Talisman thoroughly, but he just couldn't cross the threshold to draw a fifth-rank Water Spirit Talisman.

After attempting with the fifth-rank talisman paper, made by drying the leaves of the Sun God Tree, and left with only three pieces, Chen Mobai confirmed he wasn't suited for it.

Although the learning ability of the Guidance Book gave him confidence that after failing twenty to thirty more times, he might roughly learn it.

But since there were professionals in the Immortal Gate, why not seek help from professionals?

Coincidentally, now that Ancestor Qian Xing was guarding the portal on the Earth Element Star, Ancestor Bai Guang was in seclusion; within the Immortal Gate, he, Chen Mobai, was one of the top three giants. The matter of a mere fifth-rank Water Spirit Talisman, he could completely handle it.

So he agreed to the plan Wenren Xuewei mentioned earlier, to have her represent Jumang Academy and request Upper Yu Yi to help draw the fifth-rank Water Spirit Talisman.

However, creating a fifth rank spirit talisman with a Nascent Soul realm, especially inscribing it on a sixth-rank tree heart, would likely cost Upper Yu Yi some of his essence, so she hesitated.

"You two, it's getting late. How about we go to my place and have a meal while discussing slowly?"

At this moment, Chen Mobai also came over and spoke to Wenren Xuewei and Upper Yu Yi.

"This matter involves whether Jumang Academy could inherit the Lasting Spring Cultivation in perpetuity, a significant foundational issue, hence I hope Upper Yu Yi can lend a helping hand..."

Upon hearing this, Upper Yu Yi, who was preparing to refuse the meal invitation, instantly understood that this Pure Yang Master intended to intercede on behalf of his ally Jumang Academy.

Upper Yu Yi: "It's not impossible, but this Water Spirit Talisman isn't an ordinary fifth-rank talisman, I can't guarantee success..."