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Chapter 601 Risking Life for Alchemy (Part 3)

Seeing this scene, everyone stopped their conversations and once again turned their eyes towards Ye Fan and the Medicine Furnace, their faces revealing a mix of tension and anticipation.

Even Chu Xuanji was no exception!

Because... he was very clear that refining the essence of the Sky Cold Mushroom and Snow Lotus King was one of the most crucial steps in concocting the Lifespan Extension Pill!

Ye Fan was completely unaware of the change in everyone's expressions.

At that moment, he had gathered his consciousness, focusing all his energy on the alchemy, controlling the 'Five Elements Formation' to ensure a continuous input of Wood Essence Energy into the Medicine Furnace, while managing the formation inside the furnace to maintain control over the temperature of the flames.

Beyond that, he also diverted a part of his mind power, applying it to the Sky Cold Mushroom, carefully sensing its changes.

Multitasking!

If this had been before Ye Fan's Magic Cultivation had broken through to the Innate Realm, it would have been very difficult to achieve.

Now, however, the strength of his mind power and his precise control over it were unmatched by any Magician of the same realm—he could multitask and simultaneously control three mid-grade mental magic tools, Xuanye Flying Blades, to carry out assassinations, so alchemy was naturally not an issue.

Hmm?

About a minute later, Ye Fan furrowed his brows.

Because he clearly sensed that the Extreme Yin Qi on the surface of the Sky Cold Mushroom hadn't decreased at all.

This meant that the flames stimulated by the Wood Essence Energy could not refine the Extreme Yin Qi!

Upon realizing this, Ye Fan promptly increased the amount of Wood Essence Energy.

"Swoosh——"

As the amount of Wood Essence Energy increased, the flames instantly grew larger and fiercely shot out of the Medicine Furnace, turning it red-hot.

However—

Even so, Ye Fan found the flames still couldn't refine the Extreme Yin Qi.

This made his frown deepen.

Seeing this scenario, Chu Xuanji suddenly thought of something, his consciousness stirred, and a mind power shot out from between his eyebrows, silently entering the Medicine Furnace, sensing everything inside.

Whoosh!

Under this sensing, Chu Xuanji's pupils suddenly constricted, his brows unconsciously furrowing.

"Master, what's wrong? Did Xiao Fan encounter trouble or did the refining fail?"

Chu Ji not only saw Ye Fan with a furrowed brow but also noticed Chu Xuanji's anomaly, asking with some concern.

The Sky Cold Mushroom is one of the most precious medicinal materials in the world, only found in spiritual lands abundant with Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi, and they are exceedingly rare.

Moreover, it is said that a Sky Cold Mushroom, from birth to maturity, takes hundreds of years.

In such circumstances, a mature Sky Cold Mushroom is virtually impossible to find; Ye Fan having been able to obtain one was a tremendous stroke of luck—if Ye Fan failed to refine the essence of Sky Cold Mushroom, finding a second mature Sky Cold Mushroom would be harder than reaching the heavens!

If that were the case, Ye Fan's attempt to concoct the Lifespan Extension Pill would be as elusive as the moon reflected in the water or flowers in a mirror.

"The Sky Cold Mushroom is an extremely cold object, covered with the purest Extreme Yin Qi between heaven and earth," Chu Xuanji explained. "At this point, the flames within the Medicine Furnace can't refine the Extreme Yin Qi on the surface of the Sky Cold Mushroom."

"Ah..."

Hearing Chu Xuanji say this, even Chu Ji, who had an excellent mental fortitude, was shocked, "So, what can be done?"

Whoosh!

Upon hearing this, Ye Wenhao and others also looked nervously at Chu Xuanji.

"I once saw in a theory passed down from an ancient alchemist that only the Heavenly and Earthly Fire can refine extremely cold substances like the Sky Cold Mushroom and Snow Lotus King and their surface Extreme Yin Qi,"

Chu Xuanji's frown deepened, "Originally, I thought it was just a fallacy, but now it seems it might very well be true."

"What is Heavenly and Earthly Fire?" Su Jindi asked impulsively.

"Heavenly and Earthly Fire, as the name suggests, is divided into Heavenly Fire and Earth Fire. There is no existence of Heavenly Fire on Earth; it only arises when an Outer Heaven Meteorite falls. Earth Fire, on the other hand, refers to the fire from the Earth's core and can only be found inside volcanoes," Chu Xuanji explained.

"Uhh..."

Hearing Chu Xuanji say this, Su Yuxin, Situ Ruoshui, Su Jindi, and Pan Jueming all opened their mouths wide, their faces blank, as if they were listening to something unimaginable.

Whereas Ye Wenhao and Chu Ji furrowed their brows immediately, with Ye Wenhao speaking first, "Divine Doctor Chu, according to what you've said, Xiao Fan can only refine the Extreme Yin Qi on the surface of the Sky Cold Mushroom and extract its essence if he gains the Heavenly and Earthly Fire. But to my knowledge, the existing active volcanoes on Earth are not many. Additionally, the magma flowing

inside volcanoes is extremely hot, and even strong people at the Gang Qi Realm entering would mostly be incinerated."

"Does that mean Xiao Fan won't be able to successfully concoct the Lifespan Extension Pill?" Chu Ji asked the most crucial question.

Whoosh!

Ye Wenhao and others once again focused their gaze on Chu Xuanji, waiting for him to provide an answer.

"If it were anyone else, there would be almost no chance, but he has hope," Chu Xuanji mused.

"Master Chu, what do you mean?"

Su Yuxin couldn't help but speak up, knowing well how important concocting the Lifespan Extension Pill was for Ye Fan—once it failed, not only would Ye Fan be affected, but the entire fabric of the Ye Family and even the entire Huaxia would change!

"At this point, the only solution is to inject Pure Yang Qi into the Medicine Furnace, merging the Pure Yang Qi with the flames to create a fire comparable to the Heavenly and Earthly Fire and refine the Extreme Yin Qi on the surface of the Sky Cold Mushroom and Snow Lotus King," Chu Xuanji revealed the solution.

"No wonder you said that only he has the hope; it's very hard to find a second Extremely Yang Body in this world!" Chu Ji's heart, which had been hanging, quietly settled down as she smiled and said.

"Phew~"

Ye Wenhao and others also breathed a sigh of relief.

"I made it very clear just now. He only has a chance of success,"

Contrary to everyone else, Chu Xuanji still frowned, his face fraught with worry, "Because, although it sounds simple to use Pure Yang Qi to refine the Extreme Yin Qi on the surface of the Sky Cold Mushroom and Snow Lotus King, it is difficult to execute. He must precisely sense the amount of Extreme Yin Qi on the surfaces of the Sky Cold Mushroom and Snow Lotus King and also precisely control the amount of Pure Yang Qi inputted into the Medicine Furnace."

"Only when the quantities of the two are equal will the Pure Yang Fire, born from the fusion of Pure Yang Qi and Wood Essence Energy, perfectly refine the Extreme Yin Qi on the surfaces of the Sky Cold Mushroom and Snow Lotus King."

"If there is even a slight excess of Pure Yang Qi, when the Extreme Yin Qi on the Sky Cold Mushroom and Snow Lotus King disappears, the flames inside the Medicine Furnace will still be Pure Yang Fire—with the protection of the Extreme Yin Qi gone, the Sky Cold Mushroom and Snow Lotus King will be turned to ashes in an instant!"

Whoosh!

The abrupt shift in Chu Xuanji's tone immediately caused Ye Wenhao, Chu Ji, and others to pale, the anxiety flooding their faces once more like a roller coaster ride, their emotions fluctuating wildly.

Ye Fan's heart sank sharply too.

He had heard Chu Xuanji's words exactly, fully aware of the difficulty involved.

Perhaps because the difficulty was indeed too great, Ye Fan did not dare attempt it right away and instead continued using the flames generated by the Wood Essence Energy to refine the Sky Cold Mushroom, hoping that accumulated quantity would lead to a qualitative change.

Seeing this, Chu Xuanji and the others guessed what was on Ye Fan's mind, harboring a glimmer of hope in their hearts.

However—

As time passed, whether it was them or Ye Fan himself, the hope in their hearts was mercilessly crushed—the Extreme Yin Qi on the surface of the Sky Cold Mushroom did not decrease at all!

Because of this, Ye Fan had to stop. The flames in the Medicine Furnace suddenly faded, and the Sky Cold Mushroom flew out of the furnace and into the Jade Box, exuding waves of chilly air.

"Phew~"

Ye Fan took a deep breath, slowly closed his eyes, and concentrated his Mind Power, once again focusing it on the Sky Cold Mushroom, meticulously sensing the Extreme Yin Qi on its surface.

One minute, two minutes, three minutes...

Time imperceptibly passed, and the moods of Chu Xuanji and the others imperceptibly became tense.

Whoosh!

Half an hour later, Ye Fan abruptly opened his eyes, a sharp gleam bursting forth!

The next moment.

Under everyone's gaze, he covered the Medicine Furnace, placed his right hand over it, and the Primordial Qi containing Pure Yang Qi slowly emerged from his palm, entering into the Medicine Furnace through the lid.

A few moments later, Ye Fan withdrew his hand, carefully sensing the amount of Pure Yang Qi inside the Medicine Furnace.

"Bang—"

"Swoosh—"

As soon as Ye Fan confirmed the amount inside the furnace, two sounds almost simultaneously erupted. The lid of the Medicine Furnace flew up, the Sky Cold Mushroom was inputted into the furnace, and then, the lid was quickly secured again.

After all this, Ye Fan did not immediately start the Five Elements Formation and activate the Formation in the Medicine Furnace to refine the Sky Cold Mushroom but rather continued to carefully sense everything inside the Medicine Furnace.

"What is Xiao Fan doing?"

"Could it be that he is still not confident?"

Seeing this scene, Ye Wenhao and Chu Ji spoke one after another, their tone laden with even heavier worry.

"If I'm not mistaken, he is sensing and calculating how much Pure Yang Qi leaked out the instant the Medicine Furnace lid was opened," Chu Xuanji said slowly, his eyes gleaming.

As if to prove Chu Xuanji's guess correct, Ye Fan once again placed his right hand on the Medicine Furnace lid, inputting the Primordial Qi containing Pure Yang Qi into the furnace.

This time, it was done in a very short moment, almost in the blink of an eye.

To ensure nothing went wrong, after withdrawing his hand, Ye Fan again used his Mind Power to enter the Medicine Furnace, clearly sensing that the amounts of Pure Yang Qi and Extreme Yin Qi were equal and attracted by the Extreme Yin Qi, surrounding the Sky Cold Mushroom without leaking out through any gap in the lid.

"Phew—"

This discovery made Ye Fan sigh with relief and then... he once again waved his hands, beginning to form the handprints for the Five Elements Formation!

Seeing this scene, everyone, including Chu Xuanji, felt their hearts hang in their throats as they stared motionlessly at the Medicine Furnace.

Soon, the Five Elements Formation was completed, and the Wood Element Qi was once again separated, descending from the sky and slowly flowing into the Medicine Furnace through the gaps in the lid.

"Wood engenders Fire, quickly!"

A few seconds later, Ye Fan exclaimed low and swiftly made another handprint, vigorously activating the Formation inside the Medicine Furnace!

Woosh!

As the Formation operated, the Wood Element Qi combined with the Pure Yang Qi to produce black Pure Yang Fire, the flames robust, and the Medicine Furnace was heated red-hot in an instant!

"Swoosh swoosh swoosh..."

Simultaneously, Ye Fan, Chu Xuanji, Ye Wenhao, and Chu Ji, without any coordination, projected their Mind Power into the Medicine Furnace, clearly sensing that the Extreme Yin Qi on the surface of the Sky Cold Mushroom was rapidly depleting.

The scene froze.

Under the blazing sun, everyone held their breath, fixated on the Medicine Furnace.

Success or failure?

They were waiting for the answer to be revealed!

Chapter 602 Dan Tribulation - Part 1

In the Medicine Furnace, the black Pure Yang Fire emitted a terrifying heat, baking the Sky Cold Mushroom.

"Sssss~"

Like the hissing of a venomous snake, the noise continued to rise as the Extreme Yin Qi on the surface of the Sky Cold Mushroom was being refined away, thread by thread, cocoon by cocoon, until it dissolved into nothingness.

Time was lost in the process, and when the noise finally ceased, the black flames turned into a yellow-red color. The roots of the Sky Cold Mushroom began to melt, transforming into a grey liquid.

"Hoo~"

Sensing all of this, Chu Xuanji, Ye Wenhao, and Chu Ji simultaneously relaxed—they knew the Pure Yang Qi and the Extreme Yin Qi in the Medicine Furnace had both vanished at the same moment!

Yet Ye Fan was still meticulously sensing every change within the Medicine Furnace!

"Clang!"

"Swish, swish, swish..."

Suddenly, the sound of the Medicine Furnace being uncovered rang out, and almost instantly, three drops of the essence of the Sky Cold Mushroom shot out from the furnace, accurately and precisely landing in the Jade Bottle beside Ye Fan.

"Hoo~"

Only then did Ye Fan finally take a long breath, his tightly furrowed brows also relaxing.

"You little brat, it seems you're destined to create a miracle today!" Seeing Ye Fan successfully refine the essence of the Sky Cold Mushroom, Chu Ji said with a laugh full of smiles.

"Sister Chu, that's not quite right—what's a miracle to others is just a walk in the park for Brother Ye Fan!" Su Jindi grinned as he spoke.

He was just as blindly trusting in Ye Fan as ever, even equating Ye Fan to an omnipotent being in his heart!

"You kid, sure know how to butter someone up," Chu Ji teased with a laugh.

Ye Wenhao and Situ Ruoshui also revealed smiles.

However, Chu Xuanji and Su Yuxin did not smile.

Those who knew the inside story were well aware that compared to the Dan Tribulation, refining the essence at this moment was barely worth mentioning.

After all, failing to refine the essence meant only a failed Alchemy, but if Ye Fan could not withstand the Dan Tribulation, he would suffer severe injuries to both body and soul, likely making a trip to report to King Yan's Palace!

Even they thought so, let alone Ye Fan himself?

After a brief pause, Ye Fan once again calmed his mind and began refining the essence of the Snow Lotus King, following the same process.

With the experience of refining the essence of the Sky Cold Mushroom, Ye Fan had a much easier time refining the essence of the Snow Lotus King. In just ten minutes, he had successfully extracted it.

Having refined the essences of the four main materials—Yin Spirit Flower, Immortal Grass, Sky Cold Mushroom, and Snow Lotus King—Ye Fan did not delay and began refining the essences of the other five auxiliary ingredients. There were no difficulties encountered, the process could even be described as effortless.

"Yuxin, you take Master and the others to eat," Ye Fan said as he looked up at the sky and noticed the sun beginning to set in the west. Knowing it was past noon, he turned to Su Yuxin and suggested.

"What about you?" Su Yuxin asked.

"Although the Jade Bottle is the best container for holding the essence of medicine, it cannot prevent the loss of the essence. It only slows the rate of loss to the minimum."

Ye Fan indirectly replied, "I won't go with you. I'll try to complete the Lifespan Extension Pill in one go."

"Brother Ye Fan, didn't you say that forming the pill requires forty-nine hours? How can you go forty-nine hours without eating?" Su Jindi said.

"With his current strength, going three days and nights without food or water won't pose much of a problem."

Chu Ji said with a smile, explaining that once a cultivator's strength reaches a certain level, their robust body can withstand short periods without food or drink.

"Yuxin, why don't you take the three of them to eat, and then come back?"

Ye Wenhao suggested, knowing that he, along with Chu Xuanji and Chu Ji, could handle it, but Su Yuxin and the others would definitely not be able to go without food or drink for forty-nine hours.

"Brother Pan, why don't you take Jin Emperor and Situ Ruo to eat, and I will eat in the afternoon," Su Yuxin suggested.

"No, I want to witness Brother Ye Fan refining the Immortal Pill with my own eyes!" Su Jindi shook his head vehemently like a rattle-drum.

Situ Ruoshui also shook her head in refusal. Her curiosity was completely piqued, and she had no appetite for food.

"How about this, I'll call someone to deliver some boxed meals here," Pan Jueming thought for a moment and then suggested.

"Great."

Su Yuxin's eyes brightened at the idea—it was perfect. Everyone could eat while watching Ye Fan perform Alchemy, without missing out on either.

Seeing that no one wanted to leave, Ye Fan gave a wry smile and then redirected his focus, once again gathering his consciousness, preparing for the third step of Alchemy: Core Formation!

The so-called Core Formation involves merging the essences of nine ingredients, then baking them with the flames generated by Wood Element Qi for forty-nine hours to solidify the pill.

"Swish, swish, swish, swish..."

Mind activated, a Golden Light flashed between Ye Fan's eyebrows, and his telekinesis surged forth. The essences of the nine ingredients flew one after another into the Medicine Furnace, swift as streaks of light, with incredible speed.

"Combine!"

As the last ingredient's essence entered the furnace, Ye Fan used his Mind to seal the lid of the Medicine Furnace, then let out a low shout as his hands swiftly formed a 'Combine' handprint.

Within the Medicine Furnace, the Formation was once again activated; an invisible force gathered the essences of the nine ingredients, fusing them with each other, and eventually formed an egg-sized essence mixture that was multi-colored and somewhat eerie in appearance.

"Wood engenders fire, fast!"

The essence was successfully fused, and Ye Fan struck another handprint with both hands, activating the 'Fire Phoenix Array' within the Medicine Furnace. A yellowish-red flame burst forth from the mouth of the phoenix, and the mixed essence of the nine medicinal ingredients slowly rose from the bottom of the furnace, eventually hovering above the flame.

Ye Fan sat cross-legged, his Mind Power highly concentrated, carefully controlling the temperature of the flame while using Telekinesis to rotate the mixture of the nine medicinal essences at a consistent speed, refining away the impurities.

"Next, for forty-nine hours, you must keep the flame at a constant temperature, while also maintaining the steady rotation of the mixed essence. Only in this way can all the impurities be completely removed. Otherwise, even if the Core Formation is successful, the Elixir Pills will be impure, and might even turn into wasted pills," Chu Xuanji, monitoring everything within the Medicine Furnace through mental perception, reminded him.

"Understood, Master."

Ye Fan replied softly, not daring to be careless at all.

Although with his current precision in controlling Mind Power, maintaining both the temperature of the flame and the steady rotation of the medicinal essence was not difficult, sustaining this for forty-nine hours was still no easy task.

After all, it was a very mentally exhausting and patience-testing task—he had to stay highly focused for forty-nine hours!

An hour later, a core member of the Dong hai Gang personally delivered ten servings of abalone porridge.

In order not to disturb Ye Fan's alchemy, Pan Jueming waited outside the villa and personally brought in the boxed meals, first to Chu Xuanji and Ye Wenhao, but both shook their heads to decline.

"They're not eating, so let's eat. After all, nothing's going to change in the upcoming scene; there's nothing to watch," Chu Ji said with a wry smile, upon seeing this.

Clearly, she knew that if she didn't eat, Su Yuxin and the others probably wouldn't either.

Hearing Chu Ji speak like this, Su Jindi, Situ Ruoshui, and Pan Jueming each took a boxed meal, eating while keeping their eyes fixed on Ye Fan.

"Yuxin, why aren't you eating?" Chu Ji also picked up a portion and seeing Su Yuxin unmoved, she asked.

"Sister Chu, I just don't have an appetite for the moment."

Su Yuxin shook her head. For her, without seeing Ye Fan successfully refine the Lifespan Extension Pill and safe and sound, she probably couldn't even swallow the flesh of a dragon from the heavens.

Hearing this, Chu Ji subconsciously thought Su Yuxin was worried about Ye Fan's failure in alchemy and didn't urge her further.

Without realizing it, the sun was setting in the west, dusk arrived, and Ye Fan had been sitting motionless in front of the Medicine Furnace for four hours.

"What's that smell?"

Originally, Su Jindi had thought Ye Fan would keep casting Magic as before, but seeing him just sitting still, she felt quite bored. She was considering leaving for a while, when suddenly she sniffed a fragrance.

"It's the scent of the medicinal essence."

Chu Ji remarked, then turned to Su Yuxin and the others, "The Lifespan Extension Pill is considered the most miraculous pill in this world, acclaimed as an Immortal Pill. Even the scent it exudes is extremely precious. All four of you should go next to the Medicine Furnace and meditate to absorb it—even though the scent can't extend your lifespans, it can greatly enhance your physical constitutions."

"Is it that amazing?"

Shocked by Chu Ji's words, Su Jindi's eyes widened. She suddenly abandoned the idea of leaving.

"Sister Chu, aren't you going over?" Su Yuxin asked.

"The three of us already have very powerful bodily functions, and absorbing the scent of the Lifespan Extension Pill won't improve our constitutions further," Chu Ji replied.

"I see..." Su Yuxin suddenly realized, and then she said to Su Jindi, Situ Ruoshui, and Pan Jueming, "Let's go over."

The three nodded and followed Su Yuxin to sit beside the Jade stone, crossing their legs and entering a meditation state as instructed by Chu Ji.

Next to the Jade stone, Little Wolf was no longer lazily lying on the ground. Instead, it was sniffing vigorously with its wolfish nose, absorbing the medicinal scent.

Meanwhile.

A flight from Yanjing to Dong hai City landed on schedule at Dong hai Pudong International Airport. Jie Dao and Emperor Bai, his apprentice, were the first to disembark from the plane but didn't head to the waiting airport shuttle bus. Instead, they made a beeline for a Hongqi H8 sedan parked not far away, which bore the license plate number of Dong hai Municipal Committee 1.

Inside the H8 sedan, Bai Guotao saw the two approaching, opened the car door, stepped out, and went to meet them proactively.

Seeing this, the other passengers who disembarked afterwards were so stunned that their eyes nearly popped out of their sockets!

Although most of them did not recognize Bai Guotao, they all recognized the car with the Municipal Committee 1 license plate!

This made them curious about Jie Dao and Emperor Bai's identities amidst their shock.

Without paying attention to the astonished gazes from the crowd, Bai Guotao briskly walked up to Jie Dao and Emperor Bai, greeting them with a smile, "Master Jie Dao, welcome and thank you for the trouble."

"Flying in an airplane doesn't entail hardship," Jie Dao responded blandly, with a resentment clearly reflected in his expression. If not for being severely injured by Chu Xuanji, he would have flown to Donghai using Qi Manipulation with Emperor Bai, rather than taking a plane.

"Master Jie Dao, are you sure that Ye Family's bastard can't successfully refine the Lifespan Extension Pill?" Upon sensing the hatred emanating from Jie Dao, Bai Guotao knew Jie Dao deeply despised Chu Xuanji and Ye Fan, so he skipped the pleasantries and went straight to the point.

"Of course, the might of the Dan Tribulation is not something that little beast can withstand, and even Chu Xuanji can't cope with it!" Jie Dao scoffed. He and Emperor Bai had traveled from Yanjing all this way to personally witness Ye Fan being obliterated by the Dan Tribulation!

"It's a pity I can't personally behead him," Emperor Bai said with a tone of regret.

"Compared to the future of the clan and the world's power, such regret is negligible," Bai Guotao reassured him, the worry fading from his eyes, replaced by a radiant smile.

"Little Emperor, your uncle is right," Jie Dao's smile also brightened, "although you cannot personally behead that little beast, you can later behead Old Dog Chu and unite the Hua Xia Cultivation World!!"

Chapter 603 Dan Tribulation - Part 2

The May sky over the Eastern Sea was like the face of an actor, prone to sudden change. Just two days before, it had been a bright, sunny day, but today dark clouds loomed overhead, as if a torrential downpour was imminent.

At Ao Xiang Villa, in the courtyard of Villa No. 7,

the rich fragrance of medicine overflowed from the Medicine Furnace and filled the courtyard.

Around the Medicine Furnace, Su Yuxin, Situ Ruoshui, Su Jindi, and Pan Jueming sat like old monks in deep meditation, cross-legged as they continuously absorbed the scent of the medicine.

Their bodies seemed cleansed, expelling much dirt, which was black and smeared all over their clothes, emitting a rather foul odor.

However—

Foul as it was, over the past two days, they had been sitting cross-legged around the Medicine Furnace, absorbing its fragrance.

Because Chu Ji had told them that this was a rare opportunity to improve their physiques, far more effective than a year of arduous cultivation.

"Clang, clang, clang..."

After Ye Fan had controlled the flames to refine the Lifespan Extension Pill for a full forty-eight hours, a crisp sound rang out, and the Medicine Furnace trembled slightly.

Swish!

The sudden noise startled Su Yuxin and the others awake. They came to their senses from their meditative state and looked at the Medicine Furnace with surprise.

At the same time, Chu Xuanji, Ye Wenhao, and Chu Ji were also staring intently at the Medicine Furnace.

"It looks like the elixir has taken shape."

Chu Ji sent her consciousness into the Medicine Furnace and felt that the originally egg-sized mixture of nine ingredients had now shrunk to the size of a marble. She then said to Su Yuxin and the others, "Yuxin, there's one more hour until Core Formation, you all should get up and clean yourselves."

"I'll wait for him to finish refining the elixir before I wash; you guys go ahead," Su Yuxin said, not minding the stench, as she stood up and left the Medicine Furnace, addressing Situ Ruoshui and the others.

Upon hearing this, the other three shook their heads, indicating they wouldn't wash either.

Seeing this, Chu Ji didn't say anything further, but her beautiful eyes remained fixed on Ye Fan, suddenly noticing that Ye Fan's brow was furrowed and his forehead was covered in fine beads of sweat, looking somewhat strained.

"Master, what's wrong with Xiao Fan?"

Seeing this, Chu Ji felt a sense of unease and couldn't help but ask.

"A sign of excessively depleted Mind Power," Chu Xuanji responded indifferently, his brows slowly knitting together.

"I see... then it's nothing to worry about, he previously consumed a Plant Essence, which should allow him to quickly recover his Mind Power," Chu Ji sighed in relief.

Chu Xuanji said nothing further but continued to sense everything that was happening with Ye Fan and the Medicine Furnace intently.

As he sensed, Chu Xuanji's brow furrowed tighter.

Reason told him that if Ye Fan was merely suffering from excessive Mind Power depletion, he should not be experiencing an unstable Consciousness and fluctuating breath.

Just as Chu Xuanji had expected, the current situation with Ye Fan was not as simple as just an exhaustion of Mind Power.

Ever since the Lifespan Extension Pill inside the Medicine Furnace began to jump and strike the walls of the furnace, not only had he felt his Mind Power being depleted more rapidly, but an inexplicable sense of crisis also welled up in his heart, as if fated to encounter doom!

The sudden sense of crisis grew stronger, to the point where it disturbed his Consciousness, making it unstable.

"The Dan Tribulation has not yet appeared, but just the premonition is disturbing my Consciousness; could it be that the Dan Tribulation for refining the Lifespan Extension Pill is even more terrifying than the Heavenly Tribulation from the Heaven-defying Fate Changing?"

Ye Fan couldn't help but internally question himself, then tried to sense the Crimson Golden Crown with his consciousness again, only to find, as before, that he couldn't sense it at all, as if the Crimson Golden Crown didn't exist.

This discovery made his heart sink, intensifying the unease within him!

"So what if the Crimson Golden Crown isn't there to protect me? Having come this far, even if the Dan Tribulation arrives, I have to resist to the end and not allow the refinement to fail!"

Ye Fan gritted his teeth, stopped trying to sense the Crimson Golden Crown, and instead solidified his resolve, eliminated distractions in his heart, and dispelled the unease.

Gradually, Ye Fan's heart became clear, devoid of all distractions. He began to absorb and Refine the essence of the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi inside his body to replenish the depleted Mind Power, preparing to face the impending Dan Tribulation!

Sensing all this, Chu Xuanji quietly breathed a sigh of relief, but his furrowed brow did not relax.

Clearly... he knew that the real test had not yet started; this was merely a prelude!

As if to confirm Chu Xuanji's guess, half an hour later, after Ye Fan had completely restored his depleted Mind Power, the Primordial Qi of Heaven and Earth above Ao Xiang Villa suddenly began to fluctuate, gathering towards the sky above Villa No. 7.

"What's that?"

In the courtyard of the villa, Su Jindi exclaimed in shock, staring at the sky with horror.

In the sky, the gathered Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi spontaneously formed a Primordial Qi Vortex, dispersing all the surrounding dark clouds.

"Boom~"

Just then, a terrifying thunderclap suddenly exploded, reverberating powerfully as if to tear open a black hole in the sky.

The fearsome sound of thunder seemed like a summon, calling for the Primordial Qi of Heaven and Earth around Ao Xiang Villa.

After the thunder, almost all the Primordial Qi in the entire Eastern Sea began to stir, as if heeding a call, autonomously flowing toward Ao Xiang Villa.

Masses of ink-like clouds also surged towards the sky above Ao Xiang Villa, coiling around the Primordial Qi Vortex and forming a black hole, as if heralding the end of days.

The sudden strange phenomenon left Su Yuxin, Situ Ruoshui, Su Jindi, and Pan Jueming completely dumbfounded!

At the time Ye Fan used the Heaven-defying Fate Changing Technique to prolong Ye Yuanshan's life, they were not present and had no idea what Heavenly Tribulation was like nor had they seen any strange phenomenon.

Not just them, even Ye Wenhao and Chu Ji were taken aback!

They had witnessed the Heavenly Tribulation induced by Ye Fan's use of the Heaven-defying Fate Changing Technique and had seen the phenomenon, but the phenomenon at that time was nowhere near as terrifying as it was now!

"Master, why do I feel something is not quite right? Isn't this Dan Tribulation a bit too arcane? Even before it has started, it is so magnificent; can Xiao Fan withstand it?"

Shock soon gave way to concern as Chu Ji immediately looked towards Chu Xuanji, only to find his brows furrowed even tighter, which made her feel uneasy.

Upon hearing Chu Ji's words, Ye Wenhao and others gradually snapped out of their surprise and turned their gazes towards Chu Xuanji.

"You all retreat outside the courtyard, better yet, get beyond the villa." Chu Xuanji looked up at the sky, his response seemingly off-topic, his expression more serious than ever.

Huh?

As soon as Chu Xuanji uttered those words, Ye Wenhao, Chu Ji, and the others were sharply taken aback!

"Chu... Miracle Doctor Chu, do you mean Xiao Fan might be in danger?" Ye Wenhao was the first to regain his composure, asking with a face full of concern.

"The Dan Tribulation is more fearsome than I anticipated," said Chu Xuanji slowly.

"So what do we do? Should we stop?"

Chu Ji's face also showed her worry, deducing from Chu Xuanji's words and changing expressions that Ye Fan was in grave danger.

"Yes, stop. It doesn't matter if the alchemy fails, Xiao Fan absolutely must not come to harm!" Ye Wenhao declared with unusual determination; to him, nothing in this world was more important than Ye Fan's life.

"Heaven unleashes its killing intent as stars shift positions. He has triggered the Dan Tribulation. Even if he stops now, the Dan Tribulation will descend," Chu Xuanji shook his head and explained.

Whoosh!

Hearing Chu Xuanji's words once again, the complexions of Ye Wenhao and the others changed dramatically!

"You all get out of here, I'll stay behind and lend him a hand," Chu Xuanji withdrew his gaze and spoke again with an unquestionable tone.

"Chu... Miracle Doctor Chu, how confident are you in ensuring Xiao Fan's safety?"

Even though Ye Wenhao had long been as stable as a rock, at this moment, he panicked, his voice slightly trembling.

Whoosh!

Answering Ye Wenhao was the sound of something cutting through the air!

With a wave of his hand, Chu Xuanji sent out a burst of Gang Qi from his palm, turning it into a stream of air that swept up Ye Wenhao and the others, eventually landing them hundreds of meters away from Villa No. 7.

"Chu... Master Chu!"

Ye Wenhao was now completely frantic. After landing, he immediately let out a roar and tried to rush back towards the villa.

Although Su Yuxin did not speak, she followed close behind Ye Wenhao.

"Even if we go over there, we wouldn't be of any help to Xiao Fan, but instead, we might disturb him."

Chu Ji, too, wanted to go over, but she understood the intention behind Chu Xuanji sending them away from the villa, and she now stood in front of both Ye Wenhao and Su Yuxin.

"Why didn't you tell me earlier that Xiao Fan would be in danger?" Ye Wenhao seemed desperate, challenging Chu Ji with his question.

"I..."

Chu Ji opened her mouth to speak but was at a loss for words—she had assumed that the Crimson Golden Crown would help Ye Fan resist the Dan Tribulation and had never thought Ye Fan would be in any danger!

"Sigh... I just hope Xiao Fan will be alright."

Seeing this, Ye Wenhao knew that anger would serve no purpose at this point and could only silently pray.

Su Yuxin had wanted to say something, seeing that Ye Wenhao was no longer pressing her, she swallowed her words and also prayed in her heart.

Even Pan Jueming, who had been confident in Ye Fan, felt his faith waver at this sight.

After all, even Chu Xuanji, the second-ranked on the Dragon Ranking and the number one in Huaxia's magical skills, had said that Ye Fan was in danger!

The only one who remained confident in Ye Fan was Su Jindi.

But—

Seeing everyone's worried expressions, he dared not speak a word.

Inside the villa, Chu Xuanji no longer looked to the sky but refocused his gaze, looking at Ye Fan with a face full of concern.

As someone who had browsed ancient texts, he knew that the Dan Tribulation descended just before core formation. As long as the alchemist could withstand the Dan Tribulation, they could ensure the success of the elixir pills; otherwise, both the alchemist and the elixir would be annihilated.

At this moment, with nearly half an hour to go until core formation, massive amounts of Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi were gathering in the sky, and more was crazily surging towards this place!

How could he not be worried?

"It seems that the tribulation for the Lifespan Extension Pill is far more terrifying than the Heaven-defying Fate Changing Technique."

Feeling the Primordial Qi coursing through the sky, Ye Fan acknowledged this fact but was neither anxiously concerned nor giving up. Instead, with a move of his consciousness, he began to compress the Mind Power within the Mental Seed frantically.

He intended to use this method to break through his limits, making the Mind Power more condensed and increase its quantity and quality!

Because...

Besides the terrifying Primordial Qi Column striking him, the Dan Tribulation would also bring with it fearsome Mind Attacks.

Without the protection of the Crimson Golden Crown, he could only rely on his own will and Mind to resist the Mind Attacks of the Dan Tribulation!

"Swoosh—"

Just then, a current of air whistled towards Ao Xiang Villa, carrying two figures that were faintly visible.

Before the Dan Tribulation descended, Jie Dao and Emperor Bai, master and disciple, had arrived first!

They came to witness Ye Fan's soul scatter!

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In the blink of an eye, Jie Dao and Emperor Bai, utilizing Qi Control Flight, arrived at the entrance of Ao Xiang Villa, floating in the air.

Amid the flowing air, the two stood proudly, enveloped by Blood Qi. A terrifying aura spread out, akin to the arrival of divine beings.

Whoosh!

Ye Wenhao and Chu Ji almost simultaneously sensed the presence of Jie Dao and Emperor Bai. They looked in horror through the blood mist and saw the two, their pupils suddenly constricting before they quickly averted their gazes and looked at each other as if asking, "How did they get here?"

"Their aura is so powerful!"

As an Early Innate Realm Magician, Situ Ruoshui, although not deeply skilled in Magic, had a strong mind. She quickly sensed the aura of both Jie Dao and Emperor Bai, staring in astonishment.

Although Pan Jueming and Su Jindi were weaker, since Jie Dao and Emperor Bai did not deliberately hide their aura, they also sensed it, but they couldn't see their forms.

"What... what is that?"

Meanwhile, at the entrance of the villa, four elites of Dong Hai Gang also felt the terrifying aura of Jie Dao and Emperor Bai. They instinctively looked up and saw a faint blood mist and two indistinct figures.

"Cursing!"

Upon seeing this, Emperor Bai frowned and swept a gaze sharp as a knife towards the four men.

The four only felt as though they were being targeted by a Killing God, the frightening murderous intent hitting their minds and making them feel as if they were in extreme cold, chilling them from head to toe. Then, their vision darkened, their legs went soft, and they fainted on the spot.

Emperor Bai, a being unrivaled below the Gang Qi Realm, had simply frightened four elites of Dong Hai Gang into unconsciousness with a look!

"Could it be that they are here to sabotage Xiao Fan's alchemy?" Ye Wenhao narrowed his eyes upon seeing this, immediately infuriated.

"Heh, with my master here, even if they had ten times the courage, they wouldn't dare. It seems they are playing with fire!" Chu Ji scoffed coldly.

"Jie Dao, since you seek death, I shall fulfill your wish!"

As if to prove Chu Ji's guess, following her remarks, Master Chu from Villa Number Seven suddenly coldly shouted, like a clap of thunder, resonating across the entire Ao Xiang Villa's skies, lingering for a long time.

"Whoosh——"

After his cold shout, Master Chu sprang from the ground, soared into the air, and, like a streak of flowing light, flew toward Jie Dao and Emperor Bai.

"Master Chu, we did not come to cause trouble."

As Master Chu's cold shout echoed in his ear and feeling the formidable aura of Master Chu and remembering the beating he had received from Master Chu's three strikes before, Jie Dao felt somewhat uneasy and resentful, yet he did not show fear or resentment on his face but coldly smiled in response, "My apprentice and I heard that your disciple is going to refine the legendary Immortal Pill using Innate Perfection Magic Cultivation, and we specially came to witness it."

"Get out! I am only giving you three breaths' time!"

Master Chu stopped his advance and stood a hundred meters away from Jie Dao and Emperor Bai, his gaze locked onto them like daggers.

A hundred meters!

To a Gang Qi Realm strongman, that was but the blink of an eye.

If Master Chu made a move, Jie Dao and Emperor Bai would have no chance to dodge!

Aware of this fact, Jie Dao, himself a Gang Qi Realm strongman, was like a mirror reflecting this harsh reality, yet he did not retreat but solemnly replied: "Master Chu, if your disciple dares to defy the heavens and refine the legendary Immortal Pill, why won't he allow others to watch?"

"One!"

Master Chu's expression was icy.

"Master Chu..."

"Two!"

Master Chu coldly interrupted, his internal Gang Qi beginning to surge.

"Master Chu, many fellow cultivators are coming today to witness your disciple's defiant act. Do you intend to drive them all away?"

As Jie Dao spoke, he suddenly sensed two auras rapidly flying towards their location, and he smiled as he spoke.

Hmm?

Master Chu also sensed the two auras, and immediately looked towards the west, spotting two figures coming on their Qi.

One of them wore a dark blue Taoist robe and a Taoist crown, his body enveloped by Qi and looking, at first glance, like an Immortal descending to the mortal realm.

The other was a young man dressed in a black-and-white Taoist robe with Tai Chi patterns, being led by the older Taoist, his head tilted back, an air of imperiousness about him.

"Sect Leader Zhang, congratulations on advancing further in your cultivation, successfully entering the Peak of Gang Qi!"

Aware of the auras of the two Taoists, Jie Dao greeted them from afar, but a hint of surprise flashed in his eyes.

For one thing, he hadn't expected the Wudang Sect Leader, Heavenly Master Zhang, to have broken through to the Peak of Gang Qi. Moreover, he sharply realized that the young man by Zhang's side, just like his disciple Emperor Bai, was at the Half-step Gang Qi realm but, solely based on aura, much stronger than the typical Half-step Gang Qi realm cultivator!

Emperor Bai was also surprised!

Based on what he knew, the Wudang Sect's martial arts genius, Murong Sheng, had been slain by Ye Fan, and one of Wudang Sect's treasures, the Taiyin Xuan Sword, had also been taken by Ye Fan.

Yet now, the strength of the young man accompanying Zhang was far beyond that of the former Murong Sheng, even surpassing the martial arts genius of Tian Shan Sword Sect, Xiao Selang!

Although Master Chu's face did not show shock, his pupils also widened slightly.

"Sword King flatters me, I am merely following in your and Master Chu's footsteps," Heavenly Master Zhang responded as he stopped, his words sounding modest, but his haughty demeanor betrayed his innermost thoughts.

These years, he had been stuck at the threshold of the Peak of Gang Qi, unable to break through. However, a few days ago, the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi suddenly increased, and he glimpsed a hint of fate, stepping into the Peak of Gang Qi and officially joining the ranks of the Supreme Strongmen, naturally feeling

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"Dare I ask, Sect Leader Zhang, who is the young man by your side?" Jie Dao asked with some curiosity.

"He is my youngest disciple, Yuan Feng," Heavenly Master Zhang said, his face flush with pride.

Yuan Feng was his youngest disciple, with exceptional talent from a young age. He had deliberately kept him hidden, personally imparting Martial Arts, preparing to create a sensation at the Qing bang contest hosted by Wudang, to enhance Wudang's prestige.

Now, with Yan Jiang deciding to hold the Qing bang contest at Mount Tian, Wudang's reputation had suffered. Upon learning that Ye Fan was going to defy nature and refine the Lifespan Extension Pill, Heavenly Master Zhang immediately decided to bring Yuan Feng to witness the event.

In doing so, not only could he introduce Yuan Feng to the public and create a sensation, regaining some face for Wudang, but it could also act as revenge for the day Ye Fan had slain Murong Sheng—by bringing his most outstanding disciple to witness Ye Fan being obliterated by the Dan Tribulation!

Sure enough, upon hearing Heavenly Master Zhang's words, both Jie Dao and Emperor Bai's expressions changed subtly, silently acknowledging Heavenly Master Zhang's cunning and deep plans.

Master Chu, however, saw right through Heavenly Master Zhang's mind and said coldly, "Heavenly Master Zhang, don't tell me you and Jie Dao are both seeking death?"

"Master Chu misunderstands, we are here simply to admire the peerless grace of your disciple, not to cause trouble," Heavenly Master Zhang replied with a smile.

"Leave within three breaths!"

Master Chu's tone was harsh; with Ye Fan in immediate peril, if these people affected Ye Fan's resistance to the Dan Tribulation, they could have a negative impact on him.

"Evil Emperor, long time no see. You still have quite the imposing manner, just like in the old days."

The next moment.

Before Heavenly Master Zhang and Jie Dao could respond, a voice came from afar.

Yet another current of air rolled in from the south of Ao Xiang Villa, with two figures standing motionless within the air current.

One of the figures, an old man in a gray robe, had white hair but a ruddy complexion and sparkling eyes. A terrifying aura emanated from him, spreading out in all directions.

Standing beside the old man was a young man.

The young man had long flowing hair, a proud stature, star-like eyes, and a burly figure, radiating immense power and carrying a halberd in his hand that was extremely rare in modern times, bearing a close resemblance to the Fangtian Halberd wielded by Lu Bu in the Three Kingdoms era.

Whoosh!

The arrival of the old man and the young man immediately caused Jie Dao, Emperor Bai's disciples, Heavenly Master Zhang, and Yuan Feng's disciples' expressions to change.

Even... Master Chu's expression shifted subtly!

As one of the banner figures of the Hua Xia Cultivation World, he recognized the old man in front.

The elder was the Family Head of the Martial Arts Family, the Lv Family, Lv Yuan.

The Lv Family was said to be related to Lu Bu from the Three Kingdoms, its legacy passed down since ancient times, never declining but had withdrawn from the world in recent times, completely hidden from public view. It was unexpected that they would reveal themselves today.

"Master Chu, your disciple sure commands a lot of respect, even the hidden Martial Arts Family, the Lv Family, has been stirred by his actions!"

After a brief moment of shock, Jie Dao laughed mockingly. He had the Bai Family spread the news of Ye Fan's plans to defy nature and refine the Lifespan Extension Pill in secret, with the intention of attracting various figures from the Hua Xia Cultivation World, hoping for Ye Fan to be killed by the Dan Tribulation in front of everyone, thereby causing Master Chu to lose face.

"It seems I've come late!"

Shortly afterward, without waiting for Master Chu's response to Lv Yuan's remark, another current of air roared in, an old crone flying in the air with a young girl.

The old crone's aura was terrifying, no weaker than that of Jie Dao or Heavenly Master Zhang, even comparable to Master Chu!

The girl had a delicate face that looked sweet and amiable at first glance, but when looking at Wudang's Yuan Feng and the Lv Family's young man, her eyes were full of pride, as if she would not be satisfied until she was on top of the world. Only when looking at Emperor Bai did she show a hint of wariness.

"Jie Dao, I'll only ask you once, will you leave or not?"

Seeing that representatives from two great Martial Arts Families had arrived after years of seclusion, Master Chu immediately guessed the trick at play and once again directed a terrifying deadly intent towards Jie Dao, making no attempt to conceal it.

"Master Chu, we are all here to admire the splendor of your disciple, yet you are so overbearing as to drive us away. What is the meaning of this? Do you intend to defy the rules of the Yanhuang Organization and help your disciple refine the pill blatantly, interfering with state affairs?"

Faced with Master Chu's terrifying intent to kill, Jie Dao was not afraid. Firstly, he did not believe Master Chu would dare to strike, and besides, Ye Fan had slain Murong Sheng, making enemies with Wudang—if Master Chu made a move, he could join forces with Heavenly Master Zhang to fight back.

"You're courting death!"

Master Chu's faced turned cold, ready to take action.

"Xuanji, do not strike!"

Just at that moment, a voice drifted from afar.

As the voice ceased, a person appeared.

As the number one figure on both the Dragon Ranking and Divine List, Leader Yan made his presence known, stepping through the air towards Master Chu.

"Leader Yan!"

When Yan Yi appeared, Jie Dao, Heavenly Master Zhang, Lv Yuan, and the old matron from the Jiang Family all clasped their hands and bowed in greeting.

Yan smiled and returned the greeting, then noticed Master Chu looking at him with an unhappy expression.

"Your disciple's pill refining has spread throughout the entire Cultivation World. Today, those who have come to watch him refining pills aren't limited to just them," Yan said with a wry smile.

Hmm?

Upon hearing this, Master Chu unleashed his mind, and immediately sensed currents of aura streaming in from all directions towards Ao Xiang Villa.

Realizing this, Master Chu's heart stirred, and he understood the cause—Earth's Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi had suddenly increased, and various factions were dispatched to find the truth. Upon suddenly hearing that Ye Fan was about to refine the legendary Immortal Pill, it was natural for them to come and watch!

"The Lifespan Extension Pill, even in the Ancient Cultivation World, is a unique Immortal Pill, rarely refined successfully. The Evil Emperor's disciple, daring to refine this pill with his Innate Perfection Magic Cultivation, just this audacity alone is enough to look down on the younger generation!"

Heavenly Master Zhang originally feared Master Chu and didn't dare to provoke him, but now seeing Yan appear, the fear in his heart completely dissipated, and he started to mock openly.

"Indeed, the younger generation is to be feared. After today, the name of the Evil Emperor's disciple will probably resonate throughout the Hua Xia Cultivation World, and even the global Cultivation World!"

Jie Dao sneered in agreement, the sarcasm in his words self-evident—he simply didn't believe that Ye Fan could withstand the Dan Tribulation and succeed in pill refining!

"Evil Emperor, as I know, refining the Lifespan Extension Pill can attract a terrible Dan Tribulation. How is your disciple going to resist it?"

Upon hearing this, Lv Family Patriarch Lv Yuan looked up at the increasingly dense Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi in the sky, and asked with a hint of curiosity.

Shua!

Lv Yuan's question was exactly what everyone wanted to know. Instantly, including Yan, everyone's gaze turned to Master Chu.

"Hmph!"

Master Chu snorted coldly and did not answer. Instead, he turned and flew towards Villa Number Seven.

Clearly... he also knew that, at this point, even if he knew Jie Dao and Heavenly Master Zhang were here to gloat, it was no longer appropriate to take action, lest he publicly embarrass Yan.

And the Lv Family, Jiang Family, and the cultivators rushing towards the villa, though drawn by curiosity, most likely also didn't believe that Ye Fan could successfully refine the Lifespan Extension Pill.

"Xuanji, today is a great opportunity for your disciple to make a name for himself. Why are you driving them away?"

Yan quickly followed Master Chu, asking with full curiosity.

He had personally witnessed Ye Fan resisting the Heavenly Tribulation with a mysterious Crimson Gold Crown inside his body, it never crossed his mind that Ye Fan couldn't withstand the Dan Tribulation.

In his view, the more people who came to watch Ye Fan's pill refining, the happier Master Chu should be, not the other way around!

"That Crimson Gold Crown inside him is damaged," Master Chu said with a grave tone.

"What... what?" Startled by Master Chu's words, Yan was shocked, "Then what will he rely on to resist the Dan Tribulation?"

"He's gambling on that mysterious Crimson Gold Crown appearing at the most critical moment to save him," Master Chu explained, his brows completely knitted together.

"To help his father reach the top, he doesn't hesitate to bet with his life. Compared to him, those so-called privileged young masters truly have no shame in living," said Yan, his heart stirred by Master Chu's words, guessing the reason behind Ye Fan's insistence and heaving a sigh, "But... this is too risky—with the concentration of Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi gathered in the sky, today's Dan Tribulation will be extraordinarily terrifying. If that mysterious Crimson Gold Crown inside him doesn't appear in time to help him resist the Dan Tribulation, even our help would be futile!"

Master Chu remained silent, a hint of regret surfacing in his heart.

Yan said no more and fixed his gaze on Ye Fan.

Defying the heavens, becoming known throughout the world?

Overestimating oneself, seeking one's own death?

He silently questioned himself.

"Swish swish swish swish swish..."

Without an answer, one figure after another appeared on the hills surrounding Ao Xiang Villa, their gazes unanimously fixed on Ye Fan.

Shua!

Ye Fan opened his eyes and looked up at the sky.

He was the center of attention.

Yet he had no way out.

Chapter 606 Resisting the Dan Tribulation, Shocking Everyone!

"A Magician at the Innate Great Perfection realm, attempting to concoct the legendary Immortal Pill, is simply courting death!"

"That's right, even if he is a disciple of Divine Doctor Chu Xuanji, it won't work!"

"Not to mention him, even Divine Doctor Chu Xuanji might not be able to do it, right?"

"I really suspect this guy's brain is waterlogged, otherwise, why would he be so overconfident?"

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On the eastern mountain of Ao Xiang Villa, those cultivators who had come to watch Ye Fan concoct pills gathered together, a dense and dark mass, numbering over a hundred.

They looked at Villa No.7 where Ye Fan was located, discussing animatedly, with almost everyone believing that Ye Fan wouldn't be able to defy the heavens and make the legendary Immortal Pill.

"Who are those people above the entrance of the villa? Their aura is terrifying!"

"Yes, even the weakest among them is at the Half-step Gang Qi realm, could they be those legendary demons?"

Quickly, those cultivators shifted their gaze from Ye Fan to the entrance of Ao Xiang Villa, their curiosity piqued.

"That faint red flow contains Sword King Jiedao and Little Saber King Bai Di; they practice the Blood Shadow Saber Technique, which has a rich Blood Qi and is easy to recognize."

"The one to the west is Sect Leader Zhang of the Wudang Sect, and the young man beside him, I don't know who he is, must be the peerless genius that Sect Leader Zhang has been secretly grooming!"

"To the east is Lv Yuan, the Family Head of the powerful Martial Arts Family, the Lv Family, along with their Martial Arts demon, Lv Zhan."

"To the south is Granny Jiang, the Great Elder of the ancient Martial Arts Family, Jiang Family and their demon, Jiang Ying."

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In the midst of the crowd, an elder at the Half-step Gang Qi realm, suddenly spoke up to clear everyone's doubts.

"My God, even the people from the legendary Lv and Jiang families have come!"

"The aura of those four demons is too terrifying; they're definitely existences that could sweep across the younger generation!"

"Compared to them, the disciple of the Evil Emperor is simply not worth mentioning, totally not on the same level!"

"I really don't know what the Evil Emperor was thinking; it's bad enough his disciple is weak, but he's also so ignorantly arrogant!"

As his words ended, the crowd, like a pot of boiling water, immediately bubbled over with excitement, and many compared Ye Fan with the four demons like Bai Di.

At the same time, in the air above the villa, Yuan Feng, who was next to Heavenly Master Zhang, suddenly asked Bai Di, "Bai Di, I heard that kid called Ye Fan challenged you in the Qing bang competition?"

"Hmm."

Bai Di responded indifferently, not even glancing at Yuan Feng.

"This kid really doesn't know whether to live or die, daring to challenge you! What a pity that he's bound to die today, otherwise, during the Qing bang competition, you wouldn't even need to move; I'll personally execute him and avenge my unworthy senior brother!"

Perhaps it was Bai Di's immense reputation, or perhaps the overwhelming killing intent emanating from him that was too formidable; the young and successful Yuan Feng only looked down on Ye Fan without daring to disrespect Bai Di.

"There have not been many cultivators since ancient times who have cultivated to Innate Great Perfection in both Magic and Martial Arts. I was planning to toy with him during the Qing bang competition, but I didn't think that before it even began, he'd be seeking his own death. How boring."

The demon of the Lv Family, Lv Zhan, sighed. He came here today following the Lv Family Patriarch, Lv Yuan, seemingly to watch Ye Fan concocting pills but actually wanted to witness the legendary Bai Di.

"Sparring with that waste would degrade our status. However, that waste was disrespectful to Brother Bai Di back in Mount Tian; he deserves to have his head chopped off by Brother Bai Di!"

Jiang Ying, the demon of the Jiang Family, also spoke up, not only elevating Bai Di but also showing a charming smile, as if to curry favor with Bai Di, "Regrettably, that waste will die today, and Brother Bai Di won't be able to avenge the disgrace in Mount Tian, which is somewhat disappointing."

"If I can't execute him, I'll cut down Chu Xuanji in the future, so he and his disciple can keep each other company in Yama Palace!"

Upon hearing that, Bai Di glanced at Jiang Ying; his killing intent surged, projecting an aura as if he alone was supreme under the heavens.

Whoosh!

Hearing the domineering words of Bai Di and sensing the terrifying killing intent from him, not only were Jiang Ying, Yuan Feng, and Lv Zhan taken aback, but even Heavenly Master Zhang, Lv Yuan, and Granny Jiang's expressions changed slightly, inwardly marvelling that Bai Di being unparalleled among the younger generation was no fluke.

"Sect Leader Zhang, Wudang also specializes in alchemy; how likely do you think it is for that beast to successfully concoct the Lifespan Extension Pill?" Noticing the expressions of everyone change, Jiedao arrogantly smirked, then asked Sect Leader Zhang.

"No chance at all! Not even Chu Xuanji could!" Sect Leader Zhang sneered.

"Since it's impossible, why does he insist on defying the natural order?" Lv Family Patriarch, Lv Yuan, was somewhat puzzled.

"Boom..."

In response to Lv Family Patriarch Lv Yuan, a thunderous roar sounded!

The thunder roared, and the dark clouds above Villa No.7 were dispersed, with the terrifying Primordial Qi Vortex starting to churn in the sky like the eye of a hurricane.

The Dan Tribulation was imminent!

The sudden turn of events caused everyone to look up at the sky in unison.

Whoosh!

In Villa No.7, Ye Fan once again opened his eyes!

He hadn't expected that concocting the Lifespan Extension Pill would attract so much attention, but at this moment, he no longer cared about who had arrived, as all his focus was on resisting the imminent Dan Tribulation.

"Boom..."

Just then, another thunderous roar sounded, and the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi gathering in the sky seemed to suddenly boil, beginning to fuse.

"My God, how could there be such rich Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi?"

"It's even richer than the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi contained within Essence Stones!"

"With such rich Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi, if it all rushes into his body, won't he instantly burst and die?"

"Don't mention him, even a Supreme Strongman at the Gang Qi Realm would definitely burst and die!"

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As the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi in the sky began to merge, atop the mountain, the cultivators exclaimed in surprise, all thinking that Ye Fan was doomed to die.

Above the entrance of the villa, apart from Lv Family Patriarch Lv Yuan and Granny Jiang, Jiedao, Sect Leader Zhang, and the four demons, including Bai Di, all wore a cold smile, seemingly already envisioning Ye Fan being exploded by the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi.

Meanwhile, Ye Wenhao, Chu Ji, Su Yuxin and others looked worriedly at the increasingly dense Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi above, hanging by a thread in suspense.

"Will the mysterious Crimson Golden Crown appear?"

In Villa No.7, both Chu Xuanji and Yan turned their gazes towards Ye Fan, quietly asking themselves.

"Boom~"

What responded to the two of them was an earth-shattering boom!

Following the colossal boom, the rich Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi transformed into a column of Primordial Qi as thick as a bucket, flickered with a faint light, and descended from the sky, rushing towards Ye Fan!

"Uh..."

Watching the flickering light of the Primordial Qi Column, not only the cultivators on the mountain top but also Chu Xuanji and Yan were shocked—the Dan Tribulation was much more terrifying than they had anticipated!

However—

Facing such a horrifying Dan Tribulation, not a trace of surprise or fear appeared on Ye Fan's face.

He simply sat quietly on the ground, entering a Meditation State!

Swipe!

The next moment.

Under the watchful eyes of everyone, that terrifying column of Primordial Qi, gleaming with light like a white torrent, smashed through the Bai Hui point on the top of Ye Fan's head and burst into his body!

In an instant, a flash of white light submerged Ye Fan.

Within the white light, a golden light twinkled on Ye Fan's forehead as his mind surged, refining the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi that had rushed into his body at the first chance!

Inside Ye Fan's body, all 100 Power Seeds were completely dried up, devoid of any Power—before refining the Lifespan Extension Pill, he had purposely exhausted all the Power in his body.

At this moment, the 100 dried-up Power Seeds began to spin crazily, turning into a series of vortexes, drawing in the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi, and then transforming it into pure Power!

"Heavens... Heaven, why is his speed of absorbing and refining Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi so incredibly fast?"

Atop the mountain, an elder in the Innate Great Perfection Realm sensed Ye Fan's extremely rapid absorption and refining of Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi—nearly a hundred times faster than his own—and was completely dumbfounded!

"Uh..."

Around him, other cultivators were similarly shocked to the point of gaping mouths and bulging eyes, motionless, as if they were lifelike statues!

At this moment, they all had the same thought in their hearts: Impossible!

They couldn't believe that a cultivator in the Innate Great Perfection Realm could absorb and refine Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi at a speed a hundred times that of their peers at the same realm!

This completely overturned their understanding of the Cultivation World!!

Over the entrance of the villa, Jie Dao, Heavenly Master Zhang, Emperor Bai, and four other geniuses had their sneers solidify instantly, replaced by stunned expressions!

Lv Family Patriarch Lv Yuan and Granny Jiang were in the same boat!

If it weren't for their absolute confidence in their mental perception, they would have even doubted if they were hallucinating!

"This is unbelievable; even in the Ancient Cultivation World, no one could achieve this!"

A few seconds later, the incomprehensibly powerful Granny Jiang recovered from her shock and murmured to herself.

Upon hearing this, Lv Yuan came back to his senses, silent, as if conceding to Granny Jiang's words.

The expressions on Jie Dao and Heavenly Master Zhang's faces were particularly ugly!

Since they were not as powerful as Chu Xuanji, they could only find a sense of superiority when their disciples were stronger than Ye Fan, but now, Ye Fan's speed at absorbing and refining Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi was a hundred times that of practitioners at the same realm...

That meant, as long as Ye Fan's comprehension was good enough, his cultivation speed would leave the younger generation far behind, rendering everyone else utterly incapable of catching up!

"This is impossible!"

Emperor Bai, Yuan Feng, Lv Zhan, and Jiang Ying, the four geniuses, nearly simultaneously snapped back to reality, simultaneously exclaiming, with their faces still filled with shock, as if they had witnessed the most inconceivable miracle in this world!

They all thought Ye Fan would be burst by the Primordial Qi Column at first contact, utterly obliterated, but now, Ye Fan was using the Dan Tribulation for cultivation!

And moreover... his cultivation speed was dozens of times theirs!

This stark contrast felt like a resounding slap to their faces, almost knocking them from the heavens to the ground!!

"Xuanji... Xuanji, how can little Fan's speed of absorbing and refining Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi be so fast?"

Inside Villa No.7, Yan was also stunned by the baffling scene before him.

"He has 100 Power Seeds."

Chu Xuanji spoke slowly, sighing in relief to himself.

"What... What??"

Yan's eyes widened in disbelief.

As the Supreme Strongman who topped both the Dragon Ranking and Divine List and represented the peak of Earth's personal martial power, he was an unbeatable existence!

No one dared claim to have a deeper comprehension of the path of cultivation than him!

But... at this moment, he truly was scared!

A hundred Power Seeds...

What that meant, he could figure out with just his toes!!

"When he steps into the Innate Great Perfection Realm, he will have 108 Power Seeds in his body."

Chu Xuanji spoke with shocking calmness.

Yan was rendered dumbfounded!

Chapter 607 Turn Crisis into Opportunity, Breakthrough!

"Resisting the Dan Tribulation in such a way is unheard of."

"Yes, who would have thought the Evil Emperor's disciple could face the Dan Tribulation with such ease?"

"Perhaps we've underestimated him?"

Atop the eastern mountainside of Ao Xiang Villa, the cultivators who had come to watch Ye Fan's alchemy gradually snapped out of their shock and resumed their fervent discussions.

It had to be said, the techniques Ye Fan displayed had stunned them, prompting the majority to completely change their perception of him.

"Although I don't know why he can absorb and refine Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi at a rate a hundred times that of his peers, thinking he can easily resist the Dan Tribulation is like a fool's dream!"

"That's right, through his inconceivable method, he has achieved a delicate balance between the speed of absorption and refinement and the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi rushing into his body, but no one can guarantee the speed at which the Primordial Qi enters his body won't increase."

"Even if both speeds remain the same, he is still doomed to die—The amount of Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi that just struck him is less than one-fifth of the total in the sky, not to mention the amount of Primordial Qi in the sky is still increasing. If all Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi enters his body, he'll surely explode and die!"

Three elders spoke up in succession. Among them, two were at the Half-step Gang Qi Realm, and one was at the Innate Great Perfection Realm. They were the strongest three among all the cultivators on the mountainside, with far superior sensing and observation abilities.

The moment these three spoke, the voices of the other cultivators were immediately suppressed. The crowd, as if waking from a dream, started to agree with the elders' perspective.

If the three elders on the mountaintop had noticed this, what about those like Jie Dao and others in the sky above the villa's gate?

"So what if he absorbs and refines the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi quickly? Such an immense amount of Primordial Qi will definitely cause him to burst and die."

Yuan Feng, who had achieved success at a young age, was the first to speak, his tone tinged with sourness. He had always prided himself and believed that with enough time, surpassing the young generation's king, Emperor Bai, was not an issue.

But once Ye Fan showed his terrifying cultivation speed, Yuan Feng knew clearly that, given sufficient time, not only could Ye Fan surpass Emperor Bai, but he could also potentially catch up to Supreme Strongmen like Chu Xuanji and Yan.

"I'm very curious, with such a fast cultivation speed, why is he only at Innate Great Perfection Realm now?"

From the east side, Lv Zhan, the prodigy of the Lv Family, also spoke up, still seeming unable to believe that Ye Fan's cultivation speed could be so swift.

"Isn't that obvious? It's because that waste has poor comprehension—Advancing in realm is not only about the speed of absorbing and refining Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi, it's more importantly about comprehension. If his comprehension is poor, even if he miraculously survives today, he'll never advance beyond the Innate Great Perfection Realm in his lifetime!"

Jiang Ying of the Jiang Family mocked with a sneering laugh.

She had come today following Granny Jiang, mainly to ingratiate herself with Emperor Bai.

On one hand, Emperor Bai had dazzling talent, standing unrivalled among the young generation and was the object of admiration for all young female cultivators, Jiang Ying included.

On the other, with the earth's sudden increase in Primordial Qi, the Jiang Family's ancients believed the world was changing. They decided to emerge from seclusion, aiming to forge a good relationship with the Emperor's family—the Bai Family—even considering a marital alliance with them by having Jiang Ying marry Emperor Bai, thereby leveraging the Bai's secular influence to vie for the title of the number one Martial Arts Family.

"Although I really want to behead him in the Qing bang competition, he's doomed today without any suspense," said Emperor Bai with a cold sneer, looking at Ye Fan as if he were looking at a corpse.

Jie Dao and Heavenly Master Zhang shared this sentiment, not believing for a second that Ye Fan could defy fate and survive.

Only the Lv Family Patriarch, Lv Yuan, and Granny Jiang of the Jiang Family had some doubts in their hearts.

Though reason told them that Ye Fan could only resist for a moment and that, after a short while, he would be burst by the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi, the Evil Emperor Chu Xuanji was recognized in the cultivation world as a genius with involvement in many domains and such strong talent that it made the older generation of cultivators pale in comparison.

Now that Chu Xuanji had agreed to let Ye Fan defy the heavens and refine the Lifespan Extension Pill, they vaguely felt there might be a trick to it!

However, considering that the Dan Tribulation had just begun, and there were even more terrifying Dan Tribulation to come, they felt that even with Chu Xuanji's sky-reaching abilities, he couldn't possibly preserve Ye Fan's life.

Outside Villa Number Seven.

Ye Wenhao, Chu Ji, Su Yuxin, Situ Ruoshui, and Pan Jueming, unable to see what Ye Fan was doing, could sense through mental perception that Ye Fan's breath was still present, and the amount of Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi bombarding down was decreasing.

This allowed them to breathe a sigh of relief for the moment, and they continued to sense everything about Ye Fan.

"These idiots actually dare to come and watch Brother Ye Fan's misfortune; just wait for the tragedy to unfold!"

Su Jindi, being too weak and not strong enough in mind to sense all this, had no trace of worry on his face. On the contrary, he was looking mockingly at the space above the entrance to the villa and to the eastern hillside.

They say ignorance is bliss. Within this group, he was the one with the utmost confidence in Ye Fan!

In the villa's courtyard, after his initial shock had passed, Yan came to his senses. Seeing Ye Fan calmly absorbing and refining the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi, he asked in a low voice, "Xuanji, do you think it's possible that the mysterious Crimson Golden Crown has already appeared, but this kid is intentionally not using it?"

"Hard to say."

Although Ye Fan appeared calm, Chu Xuanji knew that Ye Fan had intended to use this alchemy opportunity to break through to the Innate Great Perfection realm in his Martial Arts Cultivation; it was impossible to tell whether the mysterious Crimson Golden Crown inside Ye Fan had emerged or not.

Ye Fan was unaware of all this.

At this moment, he was wholeheartedly devoted to absorbing and refining Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi.

The Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi was refined by him into Power, which he then compressed and condensed into the Essence of Power, pouring it into the originally dried out Power Seeds within him.

At the same time, the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi continuously cleansed his body, enabling his body's functions to gradually strengthen at a barely noticeable rate.

After an indeterminate amount of time, when Power had been fully restored in all 100 Power Seeds within his body, the dense Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi still entered his body at a rapid pace just as before.

Without pausing, Ye Fan continued to absorb and refine the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi. He also split off a part of his mind to begin controlling the Power within his body that couldn't be stored!

Under Ye Fan's control, streams of Power converged together, like a torrential flow, and crashed toward the 101st vital acupoint inside his body with an unstoppable force.

Just as before, the moment the Power surged into the 101st acupoint, it was as if an invisible gate stood before the acupoint, keeping all the Power out and preventing it from advancing even half a step!

The barrier appeared again. Ye Fan would only be able to store Power in the 101st acupoint, condense the Essence of Power, and form Power Seeds after breaking through the barrier.

"Break for me!"

After the failure of the first assault, Ye Fan's acupoints and meridians sent waves of intense pain, but he paid no attention to it and once again controlled the Essence of Power to strike the barrier of the acupoint.

Once!

Twice!

Three times!

After the third assault, the barrier of the 101st vital acupoint shattered, and power surged into the acupoint.

In light of this, Ye Fan dared not be the slightest bit careless. Instead, he continued to multitask, absorbing and refining the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi while focusing his mind to compress the power, forming the Essence of Power and condensing the Power Seed.

Normally, achieving just this wouldn't be difficult, but at this moment, Ye Fan found multitasking quite challenging.

Had it not been for his Magic Cultivation breaking through to the Innate Great Perfection Realm and the fact that practicing the "Flying Sword Skill" had sharpened his mental focus, he might not have been able to manage both tasks simultaneously.

Finally, thanks to Ye Fan's relentless effort, a Power Seed condensed within the 101st vital acupoint.

Ye Fan secretly sighed in relief and started pouring power into the Power Seed, continuously compressing and refining it into the Essence of Power.

Once the Essence of Power within the 101 Power Seeds was completely saturated, Ye Fan proceeded with the same method, beginning his assault on the 102nd vital acupoint!

"What's going on? His cultivation is only at the Innate Great Perfection Realm. How can he absorb and refine such a vast amount of Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi?"

At the same time, on a hillside to the east of Ao Xiang Villa, an old man at the Innate Great Perfection Realm wore a look of disbelief on his face.

The other cultivators around him seemed to have turned to stone, simply staring blankly at Ye Fan, sensing his seemingly endless absorption and refining of the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi.

Because, what was happening before their eyes had completely surpassed their understanding!

"It's truly unbelievable, he can actually absorb and refine such a tremendous amount of Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi!"

In the sky above the entrance of the villa, the Lv Family's demon, Lv Zhan, couldn't help but speak up.

He had no past grudges with Ye Fan and bore no animosity towards him, his intervention being merely due to his excessive pride, which had led him to dismiss Ye Fan previously.

At this moment, when he saw Ye Fan's body acting like a bottomless pit, endlessly absorbing and refining Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi, he no longer held any contempt for Ye Fan!

Because, even with a speed of absorption and refinement as incredible as Ye Fan's, he himself would not be able to achieve all this!

Even... in his opinion, not even a Gang Qi Introduction Realm strong person would be capable of absorbing and refining such an amount of Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi!

"Hmph, compared to the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi in the sky, what he's absorbing is merely a drop in the ocean."

"Ultimately, he won't be able to change his fate of dying from his body exploding!"

Yuan Feng and Jiang Ying also spoke up, their words were such, but the shock in their eyes couldn't be concealed. What Ye Fan was doing completely exceeded their imagination and understanding.

It wasn't just them; Emperor Bai was also deeply shocked.

The astonishment prevented him from making any more arrogant claims and looking down on everything. Instead, he furrowed his brows and watched Ye Fan motionlessly.

"The disciple of Evil Emperor really is full of surprises, one after another. I wonder what other surprises will come next?"

The Lv Family Patriarch, Lv Yuan, was also quite surprised in his heart, but more than that, he was expectant, looking forward to how Ye Fan would continue to perform miracles.

Hearing Lv Zhan's words, Jie Dao and Heavenly Master Zhang's expressions turned extremely sour.

They had intended to regain face in front of Chu Xuanji by proving their disciples superior to Ye Fan, but Ye Fan's performance shattered their wishful thinking into illusions as intangible as the moon reflected in water or a flower in a mirror!

The ridiculous sense of superiority they once harbored vanished into thin air, leaving a feeling more uncomfortable than swallowing a fly while eating!

Because, they were well aware that although Ye Fan's current Cultivation wasn't on par with Emperor Bai and Yuan Feng, the methods and potential he was displaying were far beyond what the two could match!

"Hmph, all struggles are in vain; his death is certain!"

Feeling disgruntled, Jie Dao huffed coldly, wishing he could witness Ye Fan's body exploding and him dying immediately.

The reality is often starkly different from hopeful expectations!

The very instant Jie Dao's words fell, Ye Fan, with a momentum of charging bravely forward, successfully broke through the barrier of the 108th vital acupoint and condensed the 108th Power Seed!

Crackle and pop!

The next moment.

All the bones in Ye Fan's body rattled in unison, his bodily functions rapidly enhanced, and his aura surged!

"He... he has actually broken through while resisting the Dan Tribulation?!"

Atop the hill, the old man at the Innate Great Perfection Realm bulged his eyes and let out an incredulous shriek.

There was no response.

In the vast Ao Xiang Villa, there was complete silence.

Chapter 608 Crisis Resurfaces, Taking a Different Path!

Facing the legendary Dan Tribulation, Ye Fan was not only fearless but actually used the opportunity presented by the Dan Tribulation to boost his cultivation to a new level.

This... was beyond the expectations of everyone except Chu Xuanji and shocked them all so much that it left the vast Ao Xiang Villa in complete silence for the next few seconds.

However—

After a brief moment of stillness, Ao Xiang Villa exploded like a bomb had been set off, creating chaos!

"My god, he actually made a breakthrough amidst the legendary Dan Tribulation, how unbelievable is that?"

"This guy is simply a freak, his actions can't be described with common sense!"

"Today, even if he ultimately perishes in his pursuit, his name will definitely resonate throughout the entire Hua Xia Cultivation World, and even shock the global cultivation community!"

Atop the mountain peak, those cultivators gradually recovered from their shock, and started discussing animatedly again, looking at Ye Fan as though they were looking at a monster.

"Initially, he was at the Innate Great Perfection Realm and withstood Little Saber King Bai Di's peerless strike. Now having successfully broken through to the Half-step Gang Qi Realm, if he were to face Bai Di again, he would probably stand a good chance in combat, right?"

After the shock subsided, a cultivator suddenly remembered the previous encounter between Ye Fan and Bai Di and couldn't help but speak up.

"He is still in the Innate Great Perfection Realm."

In the midst of the crowd, the strongest elder, who was at the Half-step Gang Qi Realm, spoke with a startling statement.

"He didn't break through??"

Hearing this, the other cultivators all looked at the elder with shocked expressions.

"He did break through. His Martial Arts Cultivation has broken through the Innate Great Perfection Realm."

The Half-step Gang Qi elder spoke again, feeling a sense of unreality. He could not imagine how powerful a Half-step Gang Qi Ye Fan would be, but he believed that Ye Fan, at that point, would be able to kill cultivators of the same realm as easily as chopping vegetables.

"Uh..."

Hearing the Half-step Gang Qi elder's words again, the other cultivators felt like they had heard the most incredible thing in the world, went blank in their minds, and were petrified on the spot.

"It looks like we've all been deceived by him. Previously, only his Magic Cultivation was at the Innate Great Perfection, and the Dual Cultivation of Magic and Martial Arts is truly miraculous."

Above the entrance of the villa, Lv Zhan, the demon of the Lv family, also realized that Ye Fan had not broken through to the Half-step Gang Qi Realm, but rather, it was his Martial Arts Cultivation that had made the breakthrough. After being momentarily stunned, he couldn't help but sigh in admiration, looking at Ye Fan with newfound respect.

"Say what you will, he's still at the Innate Great Perfection Realm, and I can slay him as easily as slaughtering a chicken!" Yuan Feng declared arrogantly.

"Hehe..."

Lv Zhan looked at Yuan Feng with a gaze similar to that directed at an idiot. "On that day, without having made a breakthrough, he was able to defeat Xiao Selang of Tian Shan Sword Sect. If he were to face Xiao Selang today, it would be as easy as turning over his hand. And as I know, Xiao Selang had already reached the Half-step Gang Qi Realm before that battle and had mastered the unique skills of the Tian Shan Sword Sect. Little brother Yuan Feng is so confident, does it mean that your strength far exceeds that of Xiao Selang, and you even aspire to compete with Brother Bai?"

Yuan Feng's confidence wavered when he heard Lv Zhan compare him to Bai Di, and he also knew that he had been blinded by jealousy and hatred—the current Ye Fan definitely possessed the power to battle him, and he might even lose!

"On that day, with his Martial Arts at the Peak of Innate and Magic at Innate Great Perfection, he could withstand a strike from Brother Bai. Now, his Martial Arts Cultivation has broken through the Innate Great Perfection Realm, and his strength has increased, I wonder how many of Brother Bai's strikes he could now withstand?" Lv Zhan said, casting a meaningful glance at Bai Di.

"That waste's main reliance is on his Magic Cultivation. The improvement in his Martial Arts Cultivation gives him only a limited boost to his combat power."

Before Bai Di could speak, Jiang Ying took the lead with her usual disdain, completely disregarding Ye Fan.

"That day, he was lucky to dodge my strike. If there's a next time, one slash would be enough to finish him!" Bai Di laughed coldly, as arrogant as ever, clearly agreeing with Jiang Ying's words.

"What if his Dual Cultivation of Magic and Martial Arts both reach the Half-step Gang Qi Realm?" Lv Zhan asked with a smile, posing a hypothetical question.

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Whether it was Yuan Feng or Jiang Ying, even Bai Di was rendered silent.

Unconsciously, two words emerged in their minds: invincible!

With Ye Fan's current combat power being so fearsome, if he really could reach the Half-step Gang Qi Realm with his Dual Cultivation, he would be undoubtedly able to sweep the younger generation and achieve true invincibility under the Gang Qi Realm!

"Hmph, the Dan Tribulation is just beginning, he'd better survive today first!"

After the silence, Yuan Feng spoke somewhat discontentedly, as he feared that if Ye Fan survived today, he would pose a great threat to him in the future.

Not just him, Jiang Ying also felt a certain apprehension towards the growing Ye Fan, secretly hoping that Ye Fan would perish today.

"Even if he survives today by chance, I'll take him down in the Qing bang competition!"

Bai Di maintained his domineering atmosphere, but knew in his heart that if Ye Fan survived today and elected not to participate in this Qing bang competition, with Ye Fan's demonstrated speed of cultivation, he would surely become a huge threat in the future, perhaps even surpassing him to become the foremost among the younger generation.

"He must die today!"

Heavenly Master Zhang's face turned extremely grim, his rational mind telling him that Yuan Feng was no match for Ye Fan after the breakthrough, leaving him only to hope Ye Fan would die today. Otherwise, if Ye Fan defeated or even killed Yuan Feng in the Qing bang competition, the Wudang Sect would lose all face.

"The descending Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi is beginning to decrease, could it be that the legendary Dan Tribulation is ending just like that?"

As Heavenly Master Zhang's words ended, another exclamation came from atop the mountain peak.

Shortly after, everyone clearly sensed that the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi in the sky, although it gathered more and more, had stopped striking Ye Fan and was gradually returning to calm.

"The kid's impressive, not only did he successfully withstand the first wave of the Dan Tribulation, but he also made a breakthrough in his Martial Arts Cultivation to the Innate Great Perfection Realm."

Different from the cultivators atop the mountain peak, Chu Ji had witnessed Ye Fan helping Ye Yuanshan defy heaven and withstand Heaven's Tribulation, and knew that what had just occurred was only the first wave of the Dan Tribulation. Still, she let out a sigh of relief, then showed a hint of confusion, "I really don't know what Master is worried about. Is it concern over the later waves of the Dan Tribulation? But Xiao Fan has that mysterious Crimson Golden Crown, which should be completely capable of withstanding it."

"Hopefully, everything will be safe," Ye Wenhao still looked worried.

"The crimson Gold crown inside his body is damaged, and it can't shield him from the Dan Tribulation," Su Yuxin sighed deeply, revealing the inside story.

"What... What??"

Ye Wenhao and Chu Ji exclaimed in shock and alarm simultaneously.

Both of them had witnessed the terror of the Heavenly Tribulation caused by defying fate, and the Dan Tribulation was even more terrifying than the Heavenly Tribulation of defying fate!

In this situation, without the crimson Gold crown, how would Ye Fan withstand it?

"Yuxin, since you knew this, why didn't you stop him?" Ye Wenhao's emotions became somewhat out of control as he questioned her.

"Both Master Chu and I tried to stop him, but he insisted on refining the Lifespan Extension Pill," Su Yuxin's eyes rimmed with redness, her concern no less than that of Ye Wenhao and Chu Ji.

Hearing Su Yuxin say so, Ye Wenhao became desperately anxious as if he wished he could immediately rush into the villa courtyard and take upon himself the Dan Tribulation in Ye Fan's place.

However—

Despite his desperation, the only vestige of rationality in him said that both the Dan Tribulation and Heavenly Tribulation were punishments from heaven for those who defied fate, equivalent to Heaven and Earth Laws.

The person who defied heaven to refine the Lifespan Extension Pill was Ye Fan; no one could replace Ye Fan in bearing the Dan Tribulation!

Chu Ji also paced anxiously, completely helpless, and could only look toward the sky with great apprehension, hoping that the Dan Tribulation would end there.

But as she looked up, Chu Ji's face paled instantly!

For though Ye Fan had just absorbed and refined quite a bit of Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi, there was now even more Primordial Qi in the sky than before, the terrifying Primordial Qi Vortex increasing in rotation speed, causing the rate of fusion to also quicken.

Beyond that, countless strands of Primordial Qi were gathering rapidly above Ao Xiang Villa.

A frightening aura enveloped the entire sky.

That aura seemed to forewarn everyone that the upcoming Dan Tribulation would be exceedingly horrific!

"It seems he resisted too easily just now, and now heaven is enraged, preparing to unleash an even more terrifying Dan Tribulation," Yan said thoughtfully, realizing the abnormality in the sky: "Next, if he tries to fend off the Dan Tribulation by absorbing and refining Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi like before, it will be utterly impossible!"

Chu Xuanji's mind was like a clear mirror, and his expression became grave again as he took in the sight of Ye Fan in silence.

Ye Fan continued to sit cross-legged with closed eyes, refining the remaining Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi within his body, but he was no longer converting it into Power; instead, he was transforming it into Mind Power!

Earlier, by absorbing and refining the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi from the Dan Tribulation, he had successfully broken through to the Innate Great Perfection Realm, but it had cost him an immense amount of Mind Power.

Now, naturally, he had to replenish what he had expended during the interlude when the attack of Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi had ceased, preparing to meet the next wave of the Dan Tribulation!

"Xiao Fan, has the crimson Gold crown appeared inside you?"

Yan hesitated for a moment before finally asking Ye Fan, who was beside the jade stone, well aware that the appearance of the crimson Gold crown would be a decisive factor in whether Ye Fan could successfully resist the Dan Tribulation!

"Mhm."

Upon hearing the question, Ye Fan slowly opened his eyes and nodded casually, feigning ease.

"Then we can rest easy," Yan said with a smile.

"Really?"

Chu Xuanji, however, was somewhat skeptical, his gaze piercing as he scrutinized Ye Fan as if trying to see into his soul.

"Really, old man, don't worry about me," Ye Fan replied, smiling easily in the face of Chu Xuanji's sharp gaze, though inwardly he was silently sighing.

Because, until now, he still couldn't sense the crimson Gold crown!

He was lying again, merely not wishing to let Chu Xuanji worry about him!

"Boom—"

"Crack—"

As Ye Fan's voice fell, strange phenomena reappeared in the sky, with dark clouds swirling and lightning flashing, as if doomsday had arrived.

"Boom—"

Suddenly, a tremendous roar echoed through the heavens, like the furious bellow of the sky gods, instantly dispersing the dark clouds and sending a chill through everyone present with its formidable presence.

After the roar, a Primordial Energy Light Column as thick as a water vat descended from the heavens as a flash of white light, resembling a spilt Milky Way, carrying a horrifying aura as it barreled towards Ye Fan.

"At this point, I can only gamble!"

Facing a life-or-death situation, Ye Fan gave up hoping for the appearance of the crimson Gold crown and decided to take another path!

Chapter 609 Another Miracle Happens!

"He's done for!"

Sensing the column of Primordial Qi descending from the heavens, the cultivators atop the mountain simultaneously harbored this thought.

In the sky above the manor's entrance, Emperor Bai among the four demons, shared the same belief. Among them, Emperor Bai, Jiang Ying, and Yuan Feng wore cold smirks on their faces, while Lv Zhan's expression was complex.

On one hand, he didn't wish for Ye Fan to fall today, hoping to witness the might of a Half-step Gang Qi realm practitioner who dual cultivated Magic and Martial Arts in the future; on the other hand, he worried that once Ye Fan grew in strength, he would completely suppress him.

Just like their own disciple, Jie Dao, Heavenly Master Zhang, and Granny Jiang all wore mocking smiles, seemingly already visualizing the scene of Ye Fan's body exploding from the impact of the Primordial Qi Column. However, Lv Yuan, the Lv Family Patriarch, was somewhat expectant, hoping for Ye Fan to perform a miracle once again.

"The crimson Gold crown is truly damaged!"

At the same time, outside Villa No. 7, Ye Wenhao and Chu Ji also clearly sensed the terrifying column of Primordial Qi. They had illusioned that the mystical crimson Gold crown inside Ye Fan would appear. However, looking through the courtyard's main gate, they found no glimmer of gold above Ye Fan's head.

This discovery, confirming what Su Yuxin had said earlier, instantly drained the color from their faces, as their hearts leapt into their throats!

"Is he lying?"

Seeing that the mysterious crimson Gold crown had not appeared, Yan's face also changed, and he instinctively asked Chu Xuanji.

Without an answer, Chu Xuanji's complexion turned extremely ugly.

Previously, he had suspected that Ye Fan was lying, but seeing Ye Fan's confidence and composure, he had not made any preparations to help Ye Fan. Now, it was too late to offer assistance.

"Whoosh—"

Moments later, under everyone's watch, a sound of something piercing through the air suddenly erupted.

As the sound resonated, a red and black token flew up from Ye Fan's waist, suspending above his head.

"What is that?"

Seeing the black and red token, the cultivators on the mountain, Jie Dao and others in the sky above the manor's entrance, as well as Chu Xuanji and Yan, all wore stunned expressions—Ye Fan had never mentioned to Chu Xuanji about obtaining a Bloodline Token.

No answer was given.

The next moment.

Under everyone's gaze, the column of Primordial Qi sparkling with white light thundered down. It didn't enter Ye Fan's body directly, but instead, disappeared straight into the red and black token!

"Eh..."

Seeing this unbelievable scene, the cultivators on the mountain, Jie Dao, and the others in the sky above the manor, and even Chu Xuanji and Yan were all dumbstruck.

If not for the clear sensation of Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi rapidly flowing into the token, they would have doubted if all they were witnessing was an illusion!

An illusion?

The Bloodline Token was something Ye Fan had scraped from Rock, the Half-step Gang Qi realm expert of the Giant Axe Organization, after his nine deaths and one life experience in the Southeast Asia Special Zone.

Back then, inside the Bloodline Token, there were two powerful souls: Pope Louis III from the Ancient Cultivation World and the then-leader of the Xue Clan, Dracula.

Both were Supreme Strongmen of the west during the Ancient Cultivation World era with extraordinarily terrifying soul presences, but ultimately, they were absorbed by the mysterious crimson Gold crown, converted into pure Essence of Heaven and Earth, and absorbed by Ye Fan to enhance his strength.

At this moment, unable to sense the mysterious crimson Gold crown and facing an inevitable death, Ye Fan thought that if the Bloodline Token could allow two ancient souls to survive, it might vaguely also store Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi. Taking a chance by treating a dead horse as if it were alive, he summoned the Bloodline Token. To his disbelief, it worked!

"Phew~"

Ye Fan took a long breath of relief. The Bloodline Token not only had resolved the second wave of the Dan Tribulation for him but also helped him store a massive amount of Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi for his future cultivation. It was truly killing two birds with one stone.

"What on earth is that thing that can absorb Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi?"

Atop the mountain, a cultivator recovered from the shock and exclaimed.

Whoosh!

As his words faded, the other cultivators also came back to their senses one after another, casting their gazes toward an elderly Half-step Gang Qi cultivator.

This elder was not only powerful but also advanced in years, regarded as an antique in the Cultivation World, with insight and experience far surpassing theirs.

"If I'm not mistaken, that token is a mysterious Magic Artifact," the elder intently stared at the Bloodline Token, which was engulfed in white light, his expression filled with amazement and uncertainty.

"Elder Mo, what kind of Magic Artifact can absorb Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi? Could it be a high-level Magical Artifact?"

As soon as Elder Mo finished speaking, another cultivator promptly inquired, while the others remained silent, awaiting Elder Mo's answer.

"I've read about some secrets in an Ancient Book. There was a type of mysterious Magic Artifact in the Ancient Cultivation World that could not attack or defend, but could store Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi, and even allow a Consciousness to reside within it—ensuring that the Consciousness within the Magic Artifact would never perish."

Elder Mo explained, his face still covered with shock, "Originally, I thought everything written in that Ancient Book was fiction, but I didn't expect it to be true!"

Rustle—

Hearing Elder Mo's explanation, the crowd buzzed with surprise.

The cultivators, one by one, had their eyes wide open, staring motionlessly at the Bloodline Token in amazement, as if they couldn't believe that such a bizarre Magic Artifact existed in this world.

It wasn't just them, at the entrance to the villa, Jie Dao and others were also gobsmacked.

"He has a Magic Artifact that can store Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi. No wonder he dares to defy the heavens and refine the Lifespan Extension Pill!" After a brief moment of shock, Lv Yuan, the Lv Family Patriarch, couldn't help but exclaim in surprise.

The Lv Family had been around since the Ancient Cultivation World and had a very strong foundation, with numerous records about the Ancient Cultivation World among the family.

As the Family Head of the Lv Family, Lv Yuan had already finished reading the books and letters passed down by the Lv Family, so he naturally knew of such Magic Artifacts.

"Such Artifacts were rare even in the Ancient Cultivation World, let alone in the present world; how could he possibly have one?"

Granny Jiang was also shocked. She knew very well how rare such Artifacts were, even more so than High-level Magical Artifacts, and that with the current level of the Artifact Refiners, it was simply impossible to refine one successfully.

Hearing Lv Yuan's and Granny Jiang's words one after another, the expressions on Jie Dao's and Heavenly Master Zhang's faces were extremely ugly.

Originally, they had believed that Ye Fan would undoubtedly die today. However, from the beginning till now, Ye Fan had performed miracles one after another, as if deliberately mocking them, making them feel utterly humiliated!

If even they felt this way, what about their disciples, Emperor Bai and Yuan Feng?

"It seems that today, he may very well achieve a feat never done before in history, using Innate Perfection Magic Cultivation to refine the legendary Immortal Pill!"

Lv Zhan couldn't help but speak up. By now, far from looking down on Ye Fan, he had begun to admire him.

Whoosh!

Upon hearing Lv Zhan's words again, Emperor Bai, Yuan Feng, and Jiang Ying's expressions changed once more!

Among them, Yuan Feng was worried that if Ye Fan defied the heavens and succeeded today, they would meet in the Qing bang competition.

Emperor Bai and Jiang Ying had previously belittled Ye Fan over and over, wanting to see him made fun of, but in the end, it was they who became the laughing stock in the eyes of Lv Yuan and Lv Zhan.

It was an immense irony!

"Is that the legendary Magic Artifact that can store Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi?"

At the entrance of Villa No. 7, Chu Ji had her eyes wide open, looking at the Bloodline Token enveloped in white light, similarly shocked. "When did this kid get his hands on this Artifact? How come I don't know about it?"

"Back then, when Xiao Fan was in the Southeast Asia Special Zone, he was chased by three Half-step Gang Qi realm masters from the Dark Council, the Yakuza, and the Giant Axe Organization. He ended up killing Rock from the Giant Axe Organization by himself and obtained that Token from him."

Ye Wenhao's nervousness and worries eased somewhat; he also recalled the events that had taken place in the Southeast Asia Special Zone. "According to Xiao Fan, this token is an ancestral Bloodline Token of the Blood Clan from the Ancient Cultivation World. Unexpectedly, it can absorb and store Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi."

"No wonder this kid dared to refine the Lifespan Extension Pill even though the Crimson Golden Crown was damaged; he was well-prepared." Chu Ji couldn't help but laugh. Today, Ye Fan had performed miracles one after another; it was hard not to become famous all over the world.

Hearing Chu Ji say this, Ye Wenhao, Su Yuxin, Pan Jueming, and Situ Ruoshui all secretly heaved a sigh of relief. They were unaware that the Dan Tribulation involved Mind Attacks, believing that after this wave of Dan Tribulation ended, the ordeal would be over.

"I've always said, there's nothing in this world my brother Ye Fan can't do; those fools who wanted to laugh at Ye Fan, they're really blind!"

Su Jindi stood tall and proud, speaking with conviction as if he was the one who had accomplished the great feat, not Ye Fan.

"Xuanji, your prized disciple is truly astonishing. He even has such a legendary Artifact." Yan said with a wry smile in the courtyard of Villa No. 7.

Even though he had witnessed the wonders of the Crimson Golden Crown, he was still amazed to see Ye Fan take out a legendary Artifact, resist the Dan Tribulation, and absorb Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi.

Hearing Yan's words, Chu Xuanji remained silent, his brows still tightly furrowed.

"Are you worried about the Third Level of the Dan Tribulation, the Mind Attack?" Yan asked, restraining his smile.

"Yes."

Chu Xuanji nodded.

Back in the day, when Ye Fan was defying heaven to change Ye Yuanshan's fate, he incurred the punishment of the Heavenly Tribulation. Despite the protection of the mysterious Crimson Golden Crown, he still suffered damage to his Consciousness.

Today, with the Crimson Golden Crown damaged, Ye Fan had unexpectedly resisted the first two waves of the Dan Tribulation, but the Third Level's Mind Attack was practically unsolvable—even if he wanted to help Ye Fan, he was powerless to do so.

Seeing Chu Xuanji nod, Yan also fell silent.

As the top strongman of the Dragon Ranking and Divine List, his Martial Arts Will was strong enough, but he had no confidence in resisting the Dan Tribulation's Mind Attack, let alone Ye Fan, whose strength was far inferior to his.

Shortly after, under everyone's perception, that terrifying column of Primordial Qi almost entirely disappeared into the Bloodline Token, and the phenomenon in the sky dissipated. Still, an aura that made everyone's souls tremble lingered.

In the unseen realm, a Mind was locking onto Ye Fan with a death grip.

The Mind was so powerful and terrifying that Ye Fan felt not the slightest confidence to resist and instead felt that no matter how he struggled, it would be to no avail. He would ultimately be soul-shattered, disappearing from the world forever!

"Is death inevitable today?"

Ye Fan looked up at the sky, his fists clenched, his face filled with unwillingness!

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Suddenly, the aura in the sky became even more terrifying, locking onto Ye Fan, causing his consciousness to shiver and his body to shudder uncontrollably.

"It seems the Dan Tribulation is not over yet, the third level must be a Mind Attack."

Atop the mountain, Elder Mo, who was at the Half-step Gang Qi realm, noticed the terrible aura in the sky and, upon seeing Ye Fan's reaction, immediately guessed something.

"My God, the Dan Tribulation is too terrifying!"

"This aura, it's completely beyond human resistance!"

"Yes, just sensing this aura makes my consciousness shiver, it's unimaginable how terrifying the Mind Attack must be!"

"It seems, the disciple of the Evil Emperor will ultimately fail to defy heaven and refine the Lifespan Extension Pill, ending up with his soul scattered!"

"Maybe he can still perform a miracle?"

As Elder Mo spoke, the other cultivators began to discuss among themselves, with the vast majority believing that Ye Fan would definitely have his soul scattered under the heavenly Mind Attack, while a few were full of anticipation, hoping Ye Fan would perform a miracle once again.

"Hey, do you really think the Lifespan Extension Pill is so easy to refine? I want to see how he resists the Mind Attack triggered by the Dan Tribulation!"

Over the entrance of the Ao Xiang Villa, Heavenly Master Zhang sneered.

As the Wudang Sect Leader, he was proficient in alchemy, although he had never experienced the Dan Tribulation, he had read about it in ancient books passed down in Wudang and knew just how terrifying the Mind Attack of the Dan Tribulation was.

"What a dramatic turn of events! The Mind Attack of the Dan Tribulation is like an invisible mental force sent by the heavens to annihilate those who defy the natural order. No one in this world can withstand it; he is certainly doomed!" Jie Dao also laughed, not expecting the Dan Tribulation to still be ongoing.

"Such a fearsome Dan Tribulation; if he doesn't die, it would truly defy all reason." Granny Jiang nodded in agreement.

"He won't be able to escape this calamity, what a pity," Lv Yuan, the Patriarch of the Lv Family, sighed lightly. Although he was hopeful Ye Fan would perform another miracle, he knew that was absolutely impossible.

After hearing statements from four Gang Qi realm supreme strongmen, Emperor Bai, Yuan Feng, and Jiang Ying, once again revealed mocking smiles, while Lv Zhan, like Patriarch Lv Yuan, sighed lightly, seemingly not wanting Ye Fan to be mercilessly obliterated by heaven!

"What's happening? Is the Dan Tribulation not over yet?" Ye Wenhao exclaimed at the entrance of Villa Number Seven.

Previously, although there was a Mind Attack during the Heavenly Tribulation triggered by Ye Fan changing Ye Yuanshan's fate against heaven, the aura was not terrifying, and Ye Wenhao had not noticed it, instead subjectively thinking it was the backlash from the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi that harmed Ye Fan.

Because of this, having just seen Ye Fan use the Bloodline Token to absorb that terrifying Primordial Qi Column, he thought the Dan Tribulation was over.

Now, feeling the aura in the sky that caused one's consciousness to shiver, his heart was once again stuck in his throat.

"It probably hasn't ended."

Chu Ji's expression also became serious again; although she was a disciple of Chu Xuanji, she had not studied alchemy, disliked reading ancient books, and did not know about the Mind Attack in Heavenly and Dan Tribulations.

"Ye Fan brother won't be in trouble, right?"

As an Early Innate Mage, Situ Ruoshui's sensing power was not weak, and she could feel how terrifying the aura in the sky was, looking visibly worried.

Shua!

There was no response, and everyone spontaneously turned their gaze towards Ye Fan inside the villa, feeling extremely tense.

Even Su Jindi was no exception!

Although he had always been full of confidence in Ye Fan, the aura permeating the sky at the moment was truly terrifying, giving him a sense of horror.

Inside the villa, Chu Xuanji and Yan were equally tense.

They just quietly watched Ye Fan, without uttering a word.

For a time, Ao Xiang Villa once again fell into dead silence, with everyone's gaze fixed on Ye Fan.

Just then, the aura in the sky suddenly surged, and a terrible oppressive force emerged, making everyone feel terrified.

Even the bystanders felt this way, let alone Ye Fan, who was resisting the Dan Tribulation?

With the emergence of that terrible oppressive force, Ye Fan's pressure drastically increased, as if a huge mountain were pressing down on him, causing his originally straight body to start bending, and his legs twitched uncontrollably, as if cramping.

"Xiao Fan!"

Seeing this scene, Ye Wenhao yelled anxiously, wanting to rush into the villa.

"Do not come in!"

Chu Xuanji shouted coldly, stopping Ye Wenhao's actions, then turned to Ye Fan and said, "The mind attack of the Dan Tribulation will descend soon, quickly concentrate your consciousness, and use your mind combined with your Martial Arts Will to resist!"

Without responding, Ye Fan seemed overwhelmed, suddenly collapsing to the ground, drenched in cold sweat, with his complexion deathly pale.

Seeing this scene, Chu Xuanji's heart sank into the abyss.

Merely the oppressive aura was so terrifying, he could not imagine how dreadful the mind attack of the Third Level Dan Tribulation would be, but his reason told him that Ye Fan absolutely could not resist it!

Even in his view, even if he and Yan were to face the upcoming mind attack of the Dan Tribulation, they would also be instantly shattered!

"Huff... huff..."

Hearing Chu Xuanji's words, Ye Fan breathed heavily, trying hard to stabilize his mind, only to find that no matter how hard he tried, he could not calm his mind.

Nervousness, fear, despair, and other negative emotions, like a tide, continually battered Ye Fan's mind, coaxing him to give up resistance and accept Heaven's punishment.

"I cannot die!"

"I absolutely cannot die here!!"

Ye Fan roared in his heart unwillingly, but still could not resist the oppressive force, feeling like a lamb encountering a fierce tiger king, where struggle was futile.

However, Ye Fan did not give up, but painstakingly resisted with his will, while no longer being impatient, he tried to feel his own heart.

Upon feeling, Ye Fan's originally agitated mood calmed somewhat, he vaguely sensed his own heart and discovered that deep inside, his own self was collapsed on the ground, clutching his head in a fetal position, his face filled with fear and despair.

"I must not fear, nor despair!"

Ye Fan encouraged himself in his heart, then tried to step into his heart to completely dispel the negative emotions within.

Gradually, gradually, Ye Fan entered into his own heart, and then found himself seemingly in another world.

This world had no sky, no earth, no flowers, grass, or trees, just a gloomy expanse that stretched endlessly.

Gray.

This was the dominant color of this world.

Buddha said, "Born from the Heart."

Whatever the world in your heart looks like, that is what you see.

At this moment, Ye Fan, due to negative emotions such as fear, retreat, and despair, saw a world that was gray in his heart.

In the world of his heart, he was like a coward, slumped on the ground, holding his head, trembling violently as if lacking the courage to even look at the world, but in fact, he was lacking the courage to resist the Dan Tribulation's mental attacks!

"Since I left Spirit Mountain, I have faced difficulties time and time again, been chased multiple times, and ultimately bore it all; why should I fail in the face of the Dan Tribulation? Moreover, the Dan Tribulation hasn't truly arrived yet; it's only a mere pressure!"

Ye Fan tried hard to rid himself of the negative emotions inside his heart, released his arms, and slowly... slowly stood up, looked up at the bleak sky, and roared hoarsely, "To falter before battling is not my Martial Arts way! What about the Dan Tribulation? Even if my soul disperses, I will fight until the very last second—my world should not be gray!"

Whish—

Following Ye Fan's roar, the negative emotions in his heart were swept away, his previously loose will became firm, and his inner world transformed, no longer gray, but bright with sunshine, lush with green trees, chirping birds, and fragrant flowers, displaying a scene brimming with life everywhere.

At this moment, he had conquered himself!

More precisely, he had defeated the 'weak self' in his inner world, reigniting his fighting spirit!

"What is that?"

Suddenly, Ye Fan spotted a dazzling golden light shining on the horizon ahead.

"Could that be the Crimson Golden Crown?"

Ye Fan was moved, and then he rapidly ran forward, only to discover a crown within the bushes ahead.

"It really is the Crimson Golden Crown!"

Ye Fan became excited and quickly stooped to pick it up, noticing that the crown's main material was made from crimson gold, inlaid with nine dimly colored jewels, covered by a faint aura of the Crimson Golden Crown, which would have been undetectable were he not nearby.

Aside from the nine dim jewels, Ye Fan also noticed a clear crack on the crown, startling as if it would break at any moment.

"It seems the Crimson Golden Crown is indeed damaged; I wonder if it can still help me resist the upcoming mental attacks?"

Ye Fan pondered, then tried to wear it, only to find an invisible force preventing him, and no matter how hard he tried, he couldn't place the Crimson Golden Crown on his head.

Unable to wear it, Ye Fan wasn't anxious but tried to let his mind enter the Crimson Golden Crown, yet still was blocked by an invisible force, completely unable to enter.

After failing, Ye Fan did not give up but calmed himself and sensed carefully again.

Once, twice, thrice...

At that moment, Ye Fan, forgetting his extreme peril, time and again used his mind to sense the Crimson Golden Crown, trying to connect with it and control it to resist the imminent Dan Tribulation mental attacks.

"It seems impossible to connect with the Crimson Golden Crown, I must still rely on myself to resist the mental attacks of the Dran Tribulation!"

After the ninth failure, Ye Fan had to give up.

He placed the Crimson Golden Crown aside, then sat down with crossed legs on the ground, gathered his consciousness, and continuously compressed and refined the telekinetic power in his Mental Seed, waiting for the final Dan Tribulation to arrive.

Everything was happening in Ye Fan's inner world; the external him was now helplessly sprawled on the ground, his eyes vacant as he stared at the sky, unmoving, as if he had lost his soul.

"What's happening? He seemed to be at his last breath, so why is his aura getting stronger?"

Above the mountain top, those cultivators saw this scene, feeling Ye Fan's aura growing stronger, were all shocked.

"Could it be... could he still perform a miracle, truly defying heaven and succeeding?"

In the sky above the villa entrance, Lv Yuan, the Lv Family Patriarch, was hopeful again as his eyes brightened.

"This is just the pressure of the Dan Tribulation, the mental attacks haven't descended yet. Once they do, he will instantly disintegrate!"

Heavenly Master Zhang sneered, being a Dual Cultivator of Magic and Martial Arts himself, he was sensitive to mental attacks and had not yet detected them descending.

As if to prove Heavenly Master Zhang's words, with his voice falling, the pressure in the sky suddenly multiplied severalfold!

Swish!

The sudden change startled everyone, their complexions shifted!

Immediately, the pressure reached its peak, and outside Villa Number Seven, Su Yuxin, Situ Ruoshui, Su Jindi, and Pan Jueming, unable to withstand this force, collapsed to the ground.

Ye Wenhao and Chu Ji barely stood up; their bodies trembled violently as if electrocuted!

"Awoo~"

In the villa's courtyard, Little Wolf was lying on the ground, trembling violently, growling in fear.

Even Chu Xuanji and Yan also felt the intense oppression, their consciousnesses trembling!

"Boom~"

Suddenly, there was a loud thunder.

A terrifying mental force emitting a heart-palpitating aura descended from the sky, striking Ye Fan!

The Third Level of the Dan Tribulation had finally arrived!

"Swish!

In his inner world, Ye Fan abruptly opened his eyes, fearless!