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Chapter 921 The Name of Domineering Fist (Repaid 9)

Although Mahayana was the strongest among the six supreme geniuses, possessing the Mani Robe and the Relic Buddha Bead, both supreme magical artifacts, he was still forcefully killed by Ye Fan using the "Domineering Fist".

With Mahayana's death, the Mani Robe and Relic Buddha Bead, like the artifacts of Zorro and Xue Chou, became Ye Fan's spoils of war.

After acquiring the artifacts, Ye Fan didn't linger. He immediately channeled his mind into the artifacts to eliminate the spiritual imprints left behind.

"Liu Li, these two artifacts are supreme magical artifacts of the Buddhist sect, with great power, and are both offensive and defensive."

After easily erasing the spiritual imprints from the Mani Robe and Relic Buddha Bead, Ye Fan held the two artifacts and approached Su Liuli with a smile, saying, "With these, you can not only face the other three without fear but also confront them."

"These two artifacts are indeed very powerful."

Su Liuli was still shaken. Just now, she was merely affected and fell into an illusion, which speaks volumes about the incredible power of the Relic Buddha Bead.

Although the Mani Robe isn't as powerful as the Yanhuang Furnace or the Heavenly Demon Armor, it can still fly, making it a rare supreme magical artifact that integrates defense and flight. It's hard to find another like it even in the global cultivation world.

After speaking, Su Liuli didn't hesitate and reached out to take them.

Now that she had broken the glass barrier between herself and Ye Fan, acting hesitant or refusing them would seem pretentious and out of character for her.

"First, channel your mind into the two artifacts and make them yours. Then, let's search the canyon to see if we can find any strange treasures," Ye Fan said.

"Alright."

Su Liuli nodded, quickly channeling her mind into the Mani Robe and Relic Buddha Bead as Ye Fan had instructed.

Meanwhile.

Outside the Holy Land, Bei Hai Canyon fell silent once more, with only the howling mountain wind raging, swirling the fallen leaves into the distance.

Everyone's gaze was fixed on one place—the Investiture of the Gods!

Ever since Yan and Xu Tianqi, along with several supreme strongmen, activated the formation within the Investiture of the Gods, which triggered its mirage-like magical function, everyone's attention was locked on Ye Fan to see if he would kill the other supreme geniuses.

As a result, they witnessed Ye Fan forcefully kill Mahayana!

"Xiao Fan is truly strong, practically invincible! Brother Xuanji is so lucky to have such a good successor, it's really a great honor for him!"

Lv Yuan couldn't help but exclaim. In his view, the six supreme geniuses were already top young strongmen of their generation, but in front of Ye Fan, they seemed no better than chickens or dogs, utterly unable to withstand his might.

After speaking, Lv Yuan couldn't help but glance at his grandson, Lv Zhan, as a sense of powerlessness welled up in him—it was a matter of "comparison is the thief of joy"!

Hearing Lv Yuan's words and recalling Ye Fan's performances since the Hidden God List finals, the War God Alliance's strongmen in the sky felt a chill run through their bones—this young man was too strong!

They could fully expect that given enough time, once Ye Fan broke through to the Mid-stage War God Realm and the High-level War God Realm, he could sweep them away!

As for the ordinary cultivators, they had become numb, their little hearts unable to withstand shockwave after shockwave of seismic upheavals.

Ye Fan had given them so many shocks that they had become numb. No matter how incredible Ye Fan's achievements were, they were no longer surprised but found them expected.

"Killed well, killed wonderfully, killed loudly! Old man, I've long disliked that bald donkey. Calling everyone a sinner left and right, who does he think he is? Does he truly think he's the ruler of this world?"

While the contestants and observers in the canyon were numb, Lv Zhan danced with excitement once more.

Swoosh!

The words barely left his mouth when Lv Zhan's expression changed dramatically!

A piercing gaze fixed upon him!

The owner of the gaze was Shijia Mo Ye!

Being stared at by Shijia Mo Ye, Lv Zhan felt as if he were being gazed at by Death himself, as though a knife was at his throat, chilling him to the bone, his legs trembling and barely able to stand.

Seeing this, sensing Shijia Mo Ye's overwhelming killing intent, the vast Bei Hai Canyon fell silent once again, with contestants and observers feeling a great sense of danger, not daring to breathe heavily!

Even the War God Alliance strongmen in the sky felt the pressure.

"Old bald donkey, what are you intending to do?"

Lv Yuan's expression changed, angrily questioning. Although Shijia Mo Ye was strong, he couldn't accept Shijia Mo Ye bullying his grandson.

Swoosh!

Without answering, Shijia Mo Ye's gaze swept over Lv Yuan like a blade.

Lv Yuan shuddered, his heart racing, but his face remained fearless, filled only with anger!

"Master Shijia Mo Ye, why trouble a junior?"

At this moment, Yan spoke, his tone calm but filled with authority.

Shijia Mo Ye remained silent, but his brows furrowed, not retracting his killing intent.

"It's normal for Master Shijia Mo Ye to be angered by the killing of his successor," the Ross family clan leader Mei Luo interjected, trying to mediate from atop the ancient altar.

Hearing this, Shijia Mo Ye still didn't speak, but turned his gaze back to the Investiture of the Gods, seemingly wanting to immediately rush into the Holy Land to kill Ye Fan.

"Although Xuanji is greatly weakened now, his disciple is as good as my disciple. If anyone wants to break the game rules with strength and bully the weak, don't blame me for turning hostile!"

Seeing this, Yan spoke again, his tone growing cold.

"Hmph!"

With a cold snort, Shijia Mo Ye, feeling the terrifying aura emanating from Yan, reluctantly withdrew his killing intent.

"Master Shijia Mo Ye, if I'm not mistaken, your disciple not only cultivated the Tianzhu Buddhist Sect's 'Vajra Skill' but also practiced the 'Vajra Unbreakable Body,' am I correct?"

The Huang Jin Family clan leader Rodriguez hesitated before speaking and asking.

Without responding, Shijia Mo Ye's brow furrowed again.

Seeing this scene, Rodriguez knew the answer and didn't ask further.

"As far as I know, the Relic Buddha Bead is the sect's treasure of the Tianzhu Buddhist Sect. Once activated, it's incredibly powerful, and nearly no one in the same realm can withstand its spiritual attack."

The Luo Family Clan Leader Mei Luo also spoke, his tone filled with worry, "How did the Evil Emperor's disciple resist it? Was it relying on Martial Arts Will?"

"He has experienced Heavenly Tribulation and Dan Tribulation, his Martial Arts Will is strong, so it's not surprising that he could resist it."

The Xu Family Ancestor Xu Tianqi also spoke, his brows tightly furrowed, the worry on his face no less than Mei Luo's, "Compared to that kid's Martial Arts Will, I'm more curious about what cultivation technique he practiced, why is his body so strong, and his boxing technique unparalleled?"

"Domineering Fist."

Shijia Mo Ye finally spoke.

He slowly uttered two words.

As the current Sect Leader of the Tianzhu Buddhist Sect, he was well aware of the power of the 'Vajra Unbreakable Body' and the "Vajra Skill", and he had also frequently perused the ancient manuals of his sect, deeply familiar with the history of when Tyrant once single-handedly suppressed the Tianzhu Buddhist Sect.

In such a situation, even though he hadn't seen anyone perform "Domineering Fist", he could see that Ye Fan's boxing was very similar to the records about "Domineering Fist" in the ancient manuals.

"Domineering Fist reappears in the world?"

Hearing Shijia Mo Ye's words, including Xu Tianqi, the other five Supreme Strongmen were all startled.

As the helmsmen of the oldest forces on Earth, their clans possessed numerous ancient manuals, and they naturally had heard of the fame of Tyrant and "Domineering Fist".

Not only them, but in the sky, some strong people of the War God Alliance had also heard a bit about Tyrant and "Domineering Fist". Upon hearing this, they were all also shocked beyond belief.

Even Yan and Chu Xuanji were somewhat surprised!

Both of them had browsed ancient books and had seen accounts of Tyrant, but they had not delved into that content as deeply as Shijia Mo Ye, so they couldn't identify Ye Fan's boxing as "Domineering Fist"!

"What cultivation technique is "Domineering Fist"? It sounds very powerful??"

Seeing many strong people react to the words "Domineering Fist", in the canyon, a young cultivator couldn't help but ask.

""Domineering Fist" is the most domineering and fierce boxing technique since ancient times, reputed to destroy ten thousand techniques with a single punch, created by the Supreme Strongman of the Ancient Cultivation World, Tyrant!

Tyrant once dominated the world with this boxing technique, invincible!

The decline of the Tianzhu Buddhist Sect began then — Tyrant single-handedly overturned the entire Tianzhu Buddhist Sect!"

As the young cultivator's voice fell, in the canyon, an elderly elder spoke, revealing a piece of secret history.

"Uh..."

Hearing the elder's words, the contestants and observing cultivators in the canyon were utterly dumbfounded.

Meanwhile, some strong people of the War God Alliance in the sky who didn't know about Tyrant and "Domineering Fist" were also somewhat bewildered.

"After today, the name of Domineering Fist will surely shake the world!"

A few breaths later, Sect Leader Cang Bo of the Tian Shan Sword Sect snapped out of his shock and couldn't help but sigh.

No one responded, and the canyon was silent.

Whether it was the contestants or the observing cultivators in the canyon, or the strong people of the War God Alliance in the sky, all agreed with Cang Bo's words.

Even Xu Tianqi and several other Supreme Strongmen were no exception!

But —

While acknowledging this, Zorn of the American Alliance's Ross family, Essenfake of the African Union's Elfa Tribe, and Shijia Mo Ye were filled with regret and resentment.

They both hated Ye Fan and felt some regret.

If they could turn back time and knew Ye Fan inherited Tyrant's legacy, they would never have allowed their successors to provoke Ye Fan so lightly!

While the Xu Family Ancestor Xu Tianqi, Luoke Family Clan Leader Mei Luo, and Huang Jin Family Clan Leader Rodriguez's faces were full of concern — They feared their heirs would again encounter Ye Fan, following the footsteps of Zorro, Fa'er, and Mahayana!

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While ripples were caused outside the Holy Land because of Ye Fan, within the final Holy Land, Xu Wudao and the other two learned from the rankings and points changes that Mo Ke had already died at Ye Fan's hands.

"Mo Ke is also dead, now only the three of us are left in the final Holy Land, what should we do?"

Anton's brows knotted into a lump, previously he, Fa'er, Andre, and Xu Wudao had teamed up but couldn't manage Ye Fan, and instead had to flee in defeat. They intended to join forces with Mo Ke, but now that Mo He was dead, he sensed a strong crisis.

"We can only pray to God not to let us encounter that fiend, otherwise, we can only burn Gang Qi and use our family's secret techniques to fight to the death!"

Andre's attitude had shifted away from amusement to seriousness, clearly understanding that with the combat power Ye Fan had previously displayed, the three of them together would definitely not be a match for Ye Fan.

"Ahead is the Holy Mountain. I suggest we move towards the Holy Mountain, find a secluded place to cultivate, and bide our time — as long as we can endure till the end of the final, even if Ye were given ten times his courage, he wouldn't dare make a move on us!"

Xu Wudao suggested, looking at the towering Holy Mountain not far away.

"That's all we can do, let's hope our luck is good and we don't encounter that fiend!"

Andre nodded in agreement, by now he had long thrown away the pride of being a supreme genius, just hoping to end this nightmare-like Hidden God List final as soon as possible.

"Alright!"

Anton had no objections either; he could feel that the closer they got to the Holy Mountain, the denser the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi became.

If they hid within the Holy Mountain to cultivate, their cultivation speed would be faster than outside, and they could also evade Ye Fan, a double-edged strategy!

Chapter 922 Forbidden Land!

Under the watchful eyes of everyone outside the Holy Land, Ye Fan and Su Liuli almost turned the valley upside down but couldn't find the strange treasure.

"It's really strange, the previous phenomenon clearly appeared within the valley, so why can't we find the strange treasure?" Su Liuli said, somewhat puzzled.

Ye Fan also felt a bit perplexed. He squinted his eyes and glanced at the towering Holy Mountain, saying, "Maybe the phenomenon appeared on this Holy Mountain, and because we were so far away at the time, we mistakenly thought it was in the valley."

"That's possible, shall we go up the mountain to take a look?" Su Liuli thought it made sense and suggested.

"Yes."

Ye Fan nodded in agreement and then led Su Liuli away from the valley.

After they left the valley, the number of mutant beasts began to increase, and the closer they got to the Holy Mountain, the stronger the beasts became.

Some mutant beasts even reached the mid-stage War God Realm. If it were ordinary cultivators at the early-stage War God Realm, they would likely become mere meals for these beasts in no time.

However, in the face of Ye Fan's formidable strength, even mid-stage War God level mutant beasts posed no threat to him and Su Liuli, all perishing under his Domineering Fist.

When encountering early-stage War God level mutant beasts, Ye Fan always let Su Liuli take action, firstly to increase her points, and secondly to give her a rare opportunity to hone her skills.

The two advanced toward the Holy Mountain rapidly, crushing the mutant beasts along the way, quickly increasing their points.

Meanwhile, Xu Wudao and the other two also approached the Holy Mountain swiftly — although their strength was not as strong as Ye Fan's, they could all kill mid-stage War God level mutant beasts, especially when advancing together?

After four hours of fierce battles, Ye Fan and Su Liuli finally reached the foot of the Holy Mountain.

From a distance, this Holy Mountain didn't seem very large, but upon close inspection, it revealed its majestic presence, making people standing before it feel as insignificant as dust.

"Let's take a break here, eat something, and then head up the mountain."

Although Ye Fan and Su Liuli hadn't encountered any danger along the way, he had an inkling that this Holy Mountain was extraordinary and that there could be unforeseen crises up there, requiring thorough preparation and not rushing blindly.

Su Liuli had no objection to Ye Fan's decision. After roasting a mutant beast and satisfying their hunger, they were about to climb the mountain when Ye Fan's eyebrows suddenly twitched!

"What's wrong?" Su Liuli asked.

"Those three guys have arrived; let's hide our presence and wait for them here."

Ye Fan squinted as he spoke; he possessed the Ghost Ring, capable of concealing his presence, and Su Liuli had inherited the secret technique to hide her presence from Bodhi Wu Yin.

Back during the first Global Cultivation Conference, Bodhi Wu Yin hid in the sky above the conference site, leaving Yan, Chu Xuanji, and Chen Daozang—a group of strong people—unable to detect him.

As his words fell, a strong killing intent surged in Ye Fan's eyes.

After exiting seclusion, these three had repeatedly threatened to kill him, and they were eager to make their move even before the Hidden God List competition, launching a siege attack in the Trial Holy Land...

All of this stirred Ye Fan to a killing intent, planning to use the competition opportunity to eliminate the three.

In doing so, the forces behind them would have to swallow their defeat quietly without complaint.

Otherwise, if he waited until after the competition to deal with the three, eliminating them and removing the threat would be extremely difficult.

Soon, as Ye Fan and Su Liuli waited, Xu Wudao, Anton, and Andre arrived at the foot of the Holy Mountain, looking dusty and weary.

"There are footprints there, and there's a fire pit too; that guy named Ye and his woman have been here! Moreover, the fire pit was extinguished not long ago, meaning they just left not long ago!"

Xu Wudao not only had deep schemes but also extremely strong observational skills, immediately noticing the traces left by Ye Fan and Su Liuli, frowning.

What?

Hearing Xu Wudao's words, Anton and Andre were initially kind of stunned, then they saw those traces.

"Since they've been here, we need to quickly leave this place and find a spot to hide—staying here a minute longer means a minute of danger!" Anton said, his face serious.

"Hide? Is that possible??"

As Anton's words fell, a voice rang out, startling Xu Wudao, Anton, and Andre and making them all instinctively look towards the direction of the sound.

From afar, they saw Ye Fan and Su Liuli strolling hand in hand towards them, looking like immortal lovers.

As they say, fear what comes true!

Originally, Xu Wudao, Anton, and Andre came to the Holy Mountain mainly to avoid Ye Fan, but as fate would have it, despite all calculations, they ended up running into him.

Escape!

After exchanging glances, the three saw the word "escape" in each other's eyes and immediately bolted away like panicked deer.

"Can you escape?"

Ye Fan shouted coldly, Gang Qi and Blood Qi surging within him as he chased after the three with Su Liuli like a stream of flowing light.

Ye Fan's voice sounded like a death knell from Hell, terrifying Xu Wudao, Anton, and Andre, leaving them too scared and panicked to determine direction, merely fleeing up the mountain path.

You chase, I flee.

For a time, under the eyes of everyone outside the Holy Land, Xu Wudao, Anton, and Andre looked like stray dogs being pursued by Ye Fan and Su Liuli.

Some mutant beasts were startled along the way but were left far behind them in moments.

As the pursuit and escape continued, an hour quickly passed, and they reached halfway up the Holy Mountain.

"Ye Fan, don't push us too far!"

Xu Wudao felt utterly frustrated, thinking the finals would be a hunting game, with the hunter and prey having switched roles in a stunning reversal, he felt like a hunted creature, frightened and disoriented.

Not only him, but Anton and Andre felt the same way, though too busy fleeing to voice their feelings, running as if their lives depended on it with every ounce of strength.

"Too much bullying? You all keep saying you want to put me to death, and now you say I'm the one bullying you too much, don't you find it amusing?"

Ye Fan responded with a cold laugh, constantly closing the distance between him and the three men, with Su Liuli in tow.

Only now did Su Liuli realize just how vast the gap was between herself and Ye Fan. Being pulled by him felt as if she were soaring through the clouds, at an extremely fast pace!

Moreover, she faintly believed that Ye Fan was holding back his ultimate speed to accommodate her, otherwise he would have already caught up with Xu Wudao and the other two.

Unknowingly, the distance had closed to three hundred meters. Xu Wudao and the other two were using all their strength to escape, but Ye Fan's speed was too fast. Despite their best efforts, the distance continued to shrink bit by bit.

At this moment, Andre suddenly cried out, "Look, what is that?"

Following his words, Xu Wudao and Anton hurriedly looked ahead, only to see a huge opening on the Holy Mountain not far ahead. At the entrance stood a ten-meter-high stele.

The body of the stele had two large characters carved in an iron-drawn silver-gouged script, the earliest plum blossom seal script. Below them were some small characters, too tiny to be identified. They hadn't seen what was inscribed at all.

Anton and Andre were quite knowledgeable about simplified Chinese characters, but such ancient plum blossom seal script was unrecognizable to anyone who hadn't specifically studied them.

Xu Wudao, still running, focused and speculated that the two large characters might be the words "Forbidden Land."

"Forbidden Land?"

Andre raised an eyebrow, knowing that any place called a forbidden land often harbors immense danger, as a descendent of the Huang Jin Family.

Not only him, Xu Wudao and Anton naturally understood this very clearly.

"With our strength, it's difficult to contend with that guy even if we use the family's secret technique. Why not enter the forbidden land to seek a chance of survival? Ye might not dare to chase us there."

Xu Wudao spoke again. Their distance from Ye Fan was getting closer and closer. Once caught by Ye Fan, the consequences would be unimaginable.

"Indeed, although there's immense danger within the forbidden land, we won't delve deeply. Entering and finding a relatively safe place to hide until the Hidden God List competition ends!"

Anton agreed to temporarily hide within the forbidden land.

Although he knew the forbidden land was likely very perilous, the dangers within weren't solely against the three of them. If Ye Fan dared to enter, he would face the same immense risks.

In that case, the three could join forces and leverage the crises in the holy land against Ye Fan, with far higher chances of success than outside!

And if Ye Fan didn't dare to chase into the forbidden land, then they could hide until the competition time ended and naturally escape this calamity.

With their decision made, Xu Wudao and Anton did not hesitate, fleeing straight into the cave behind the stele. They were cunning and decisive, never procrastinating.

Although Andre didn't want to venture into the forbidden land, seeing the other two rushing in regardless, he knew he'd die for sure if left alone against Ye Fan, so he gritted his teeth and followed them in.

Meanwhile, Ye Fan and Su Liuli halted before the stele outside the forbidden land!

"I never would have thought that there would be a legendary forbidden land here!" Su Liuli exclaimed in surprise.

Without replying, Ye Fan intently observed the stele.

Besides the two large characters on the stele, there were some small characters below.

Xu Wudao had guessed at the ancient plum blossom script, but these weren't difficult for Ye Fan to recognize.

Chu Xuanji's extensive studies included many books that were unique copies, some having ancient plum blossom script recovered from tombs. Ye Fan learned this script from Chu Xuanji, who specifically studied it to understand the books' content. While most may find this difficult, Ye Fan wasn't among them.

However—

Due to the stele's age, its lower small characters appeared blurry, prompting Ye Fan to step forward, brushing away the moss so the characters gradually became clearer.

"Ye Fan, what do these say? They look like ghost talismans." Su Liuli, seeing Ye Fan study the small characters, curiously asked.

"The small characters below describe the forbidden land. It contains vicious mutant beasts and killing arrays, warning people not to venture in lightly."

Ye Fan finished reading the small characters one by one and replied, "But risk often accompanies opportunity. Although dangers abound in the forbidden land, so do great opportunities, though not specified."

"Shall we enter?" Su Liuli asked.

"To be safe, I'll go in alone to hunt them down and see if there's a chance of encounters. You leave here to kill some early-stage War God level mutant beasts," Ye Fan reflected before speaking.

"No way, if you're going in, I'll accompany you!"

Su Liuli shook her head resolutely, "We agreed, no matter the danger, I will face it with you!"

"Alright."

Ye Fan heard Su Liuli's words, seeing her firm expression, hesitated briefly before agreeing.

On one hand, he had promised Su Liuli not to leave her in any danger. Besides, the holy mountain had numerous mid-stage War God level mutant beasts. She wouldn't be completely safe, even with the Heavenly Demon Armor and Mani Robe.

Swish!

Without further ado, Ye Fan led Su Liuli, flashed forward, and entered the forbidden land!

Chapter 923 Difficult to Predict Fortune or Misfortune (Make-up 10)

Outside the Holy Land, most cultivators were closely watching, staring at the mirage-like reflection above the Investiture of the Gods list, until the figures of Ye Fan and Su Liuli vanished one after another.

"Oh my god! What on earth happened?"

"How could there be a Forbidden Land within the Trial Holy Land?"

"What kind of place is this Forbidden Land? What dangers might it hold?"

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The Holy Land was once again boiling with excitement, and the spectators and cultivators in the canyon erupted in exclamations.

Not just them, but even the strong people from the War God Alliance in the sky wore expressions of shock.

Even Yan and Xu Tianqi, the Supreme Strongmen, were surprised.

Though they could jointly open the Bei Hai Holy Land, it was their first time opening the final stage Holy Land; they hadn't known there would be a Forbidden Land within!

Yan's eyebrows slightly furrowed, his expression showing a hint of seriousness, as the development had completely surpassed his expectations. He worried that Ye Fan and others might face unforeseen crises inside.

Due to the rules of the Bei Hai Holy Land, he and the other strong people were simply unable to enter to rescue.

Compared to Yan, Zhe Xuanji appeared even more worried!

He had absolute confidence in Ye Fan's strength, believing Ye Fan could overwhelm all young geniuses. But at the same time, he knew, according to notes from the Ancient Cultivation World, that so-called Forbidden Lands were places of great peril, and those who entered were likely to face Nine Deaths and One Life!

For Xu Tianqi, Anton, and the clan leaders Mei Luo of the Luoke Family and Rodriguez of the Huang Jin Family, it was a mix of joy and concern!

Joy because their protégés temporarily escaped the danger of being killed by Ye Fan.

Concern because they couldn't predict what unknown dangers the Forbidden Land might hold, worrying it might bring fatal harm to their protégés!

"Xu Wudao, Andre, and Anton truly are geniuses! They came up with the brilliant idea of hiding in the Forbidden Land to evade Ye Zi's reckoning, truly deserving the title of Supreme Geniuses!"

As everyone was debating over the matter of Ye Fan and the others entering the Forbidden Land, such a comment suddenly emerged from the crowd.

Boom!

The crowd burst into laughter; this guy's words were far too sarcastic. It was intended to provoke Xu Tianqi and the others, making them furious!

Following the voice, everyone's gaze naturally fell on Lv Zhan, who was smugly winking at Xu Tianqi and the others—unlike Yan and Zhe Xuanji, he wasn't worried about Ye Fan's safety; he had blind faith in Ye Fan, believing not only would Ye Fan survive the Forbidden Land, but he might even gain great opportunities.

Lv Zhan's words were undeniably sharp; even at this moment, calling the three Xu Wudao geniuses seemed like a slap in the face!

Can geniuses be chased until they lack the courage to fight, desperately fleeing like stray dogs, frantically diving into a Forbidden Land like fish through a leak?

Upon hearing Lv Zhan's words, and seeing his gloating demeanor, Xu Tianqi's face turned ashen, as though he were about to drip water from his dark expression.

Mei Luo and Rodriguez's faces also turned grim; at this time, calling their protégés geniuses was indirectly suggesting Ye Fan was even stronger.

Driving Supreme Geniuses to the point of having no courage to fight, chasing them directly into the Forbidden Land—everyone who wasn't blind could see that Lv Zhan's words were more mockery than praise, like slapping the faces of three old gentlemen!

But Xu Tianqi and the others couldn't refute him at all, swallowing their bitterness silently.

However—

Despite that hint of anger, their concerns were greater!

They were worried both that their protégés might encounter unsolvable troubles within the Golden Land and that Ye Fan might clash with them.

Considering Ye Fan's display of strength during Mo Ke's slaying, it wasn't difficult to determine that Ye Fan's might had reached a terrifying level; it was certainly possible for him alone to crush Xu Wudao and the others.

This was the reason their hearts had been in their throats before!

Ordinary cultivators, meanwhile, didn't care about the fate of Xu Wudao, Andre, and Anton, but had varied opinions on Ye Fan's decision.

Some believed Xu Wudao, Andre, and Anton, unable to escape Ye Fan's pursuit, could only make a desperate gamble, using a dead horse as if it were living medicine, by hiding in the Forbidden Land; understanding such sentiments was possible.

But regarding Ye Fan also rushing into the Forbidden Land, they were particularly puzzled.

Note that there wasn't much time left until the end of the finals; all Ye Fan had to do was guard the entrance to the Forbidden Land, and Xu Wudao and the others wouldn't safely emerge from it.

This approach of waiting for the rabbit was optimal, but unexpectedly, after some thinking, Ye Fan ultimately chose to chase them into the Forbidden Land.

In their view, this was certainly a case of adding unnecessary moves; following them was needless risk-taking.

However, some cultivators held differing opinions, deeming Ye Fan's actions necessary, remembering the insolence of Xu Wudao and others before the competition, bragging about hunting Ye Fan like prey, even treating it as a competitive game.

Such humiliation couldn't be tolerated by any sensible person; had Ye Fan not been strong, he would have surely been their hunting target, mocked like cats play with mice.

However, since Ye Fan now had the ability to kill them, naturally he should not let them go. Chasing them into the Forbidden Land was also a normal occurrence.

"Leader Yan, how is there a Forbidden Land within the Trial Holy Land? What unknown dangers exist in the Forbidden Land?"

Sect Leader Cang Bo of the Tian Shan Sword Sect couldn't help but ask Yan, expressing the concern of everyone present. For a moment, all the cultivators in Bei Hai Canyon focused their gaze on Yan.

Yan laughed bitterly and said, "I don't know either. It's well-known that previous Hidden God List tournaments were usually arena battles. This is the first time the Holy Land has been opened, so no one knows why there is a Forbidden Land in the Holy Land, or what dangers lurk there."

"However, since it is a Forbidden Land, it must not be a benign place, or the ancients wouldn't have called it a Forbidden Land. Let's just hope they come out safely."

Upon hearing Leader Yan's words, everyone exchanged looks. Even Leader Yan didn't know what was in the Forbidden Land, and now they couldn't use the Investiture of the Gods to observe Ye Fan and the others' situation; all they could do was pray silently.

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The cultivators outside the Holy Land gradually fell silent, while inside the Holy Land, Ye Fan and Su Liuli also entered the Forbidden Land, disappearing completely from the Investiture of the Gods.

Upon entering the Forbidden Land, Ye Fan and Su Liuli felt a moment of dizziness, as if blood-red light wove in front of them.

In just a moment, the two of them found themselves within the Forbidden Land. Looking back, there was a bottomless, slowly rotating black vortex behind them, resembling a black hole in the universe.

Hmm?

The two furrowed their brows slightly and then carefully observed the surrounding environment, simultaneously trying to sense the aura of the Xu Wudao trio.

However—

Ye Fan couldn't sense any aura from the Xu Wudao trio. In front of him was a vast desolation, and he and Su Liuli found themselves standing at the edge of a cliff, utterly unsure of how they suddenly arrived there.

"Awooo..."

In the distance, the faint roars of mutant beasts reached them, mingling with various screams, the sound of wind, flowing water, and so on, creating a scene of desolate wilderness.

If he didn't know he was in the Forbidden Land, Ye Fan might have suspected he had traveled through time back to the Ancient Primordial Period.

"Ye Fan, look over there, what's that?"

As she gradually adapted, Su Liuli also started to look around, suddenly noticing a small black dot spiraling in the far-off sky.

Ye Fan focused his eye power and looked in the direction Su Liuli pointed, immediately taking a deep breath and murmured, "That looks like the legendary Kunpeng! Only much smaller than the legend."

After focusing his eye power, Ye Fan saw that the spiraling small black dot was indeed a large bird, which seemed to be clutching a bull about ten feet long in its talons.

Judging from the glossy dark horns, this bull must also be a creature with developed Spiritual Wisdom, its strength not weak, yet it had become food for the bird, indicating this bird had an even stronger cultivation.

"Kunpeng? Could it be that such a legendary creature really exists in this world?"

Su Liuli was well aware of what Kunpeng signified.

In Zhuangzi's Carefree Travel, it was recorded: In the North Sea, there is a fish, its name is Kun. Kun is so huge, no one knows how many thousand miles it measures. It turns into a bird, its name is Peng. Peng's back is so vast, no one knows how many thousand miles it measures. When it is angry and flies, its wings are like clouds hanging from the sky. When the ocean transports it, it will migrate to the Southern Netherworld. And the Southern Netherworld is the Heavenly Pond.

According to Zhuangzi's description, the size of Kunpeng was outrageously massive, so much so that most people didn't believe such a creature could exist in this world, dismissing it as Zhuangzi's imagination.

Now, Ye Fan claimed that this bird closely resembled the legendary Kunpeng; how could she not be amazed?

"Let's go; this place is full of hidden dangers. We must be extremely careful. Before we find them, we must first ensure our safety."

Ye Fan took just one glance and no longer looked at the bird, instead calling for Su Liuli to move forward with him. He had no idea that after entering the Forbidden Land, those outside couldn't even determine whether they were alive or dead.

After a quarter-hour, the two arrived by a pool at the foot of a hillside, where the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi was incredibly dense, hundreds, or even thousands of times more than that of the outside world!

The surrounding area was filled with an exotic fragrance, and some precious Spiritual Medicine could be seen blooming in the grass.

"This is simply an ideal Holy Land for cultivators!"

Su Liuli exclaimed in awe. No one had expected that the Forbidden Land would be so full of Spiritual Medicine, with such dense Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi.

"Humans, you have great courage to intrude into my territory. Prepare to die!"

As the two were marveling, a heavy, muffled voice suddenly echoed in their minds, and at the same time, a bulky, red-furred bear came lumbering out of a tree hole, facing the two from afar.

Mid-stage War God Realm Mutant Beast!

Ye Fan and Su Liuli had just entered the Forbidden Land when they encountered a Mid-stage War God Realm Mutant Beast!

Moreover, by sensing its aura, the two were almost certain that the strength of the red bear in front of them was much greater than that of the Mid-stage War God Realm Mutant Beasts on the Holy Mountain!

Chapter 924 - Peril Everywhere

Like human cultivators, the strength of mutant beasts at each realm is also divided into varying levels.

For example, the Vajra Monkey that Ye Fan once encountered in the Holy Land of the Australia Continent was an Imperial Family mutant beast from the Ancient Cultivation World, and coupled with cultivated Beast Techniques, its strength was formidable. It left all the young geniuses, including Ye Fan, helpless. Ultimately, it was Ye Fan's comprehension of the Four Directions Sword Formation within the Gu Sword Formation that led to defeating the Mid-stage War God Level Vajra Monkey.

Compared to the Vajra Monkey, the Mid-stage War God Level mutant beasts that Ye Fan and Su Liuli encountered on the Holy Mountain were relatively weaker.

At this moment, the Red Bear that Ye Fan and Su Liuli encountered, judging solely from its aura, was significantly stronger than those Mid-stage War God Level mutant beasts encountered on the Holy Mountain.

Hence, Ye Fan did not rashly attack as before but frowned and stared at the Red Bear.

On one hand, it was his first time encountering a red bear, and he did not know what special abilities it might have. Furthermore, the Forbidden Land was utterly mysterious, and he dared not be careless.

Additionally, he searched his mind for information about bear-type mutant beasts.

Chu Xuanji's interests were quite broad, and his collection contained many books similar to those of strange creatures, specifically introducing rare birds and beasts that had long been lost in the river of history, most of which were already extinct.

Ye Fan often browsed these books during his cultivation, for, being on a mountain meant there wasn't much entertainment. Reading these books was just for some curiosity and storytelling, at least it was a way to pass the time.

Upon initially encountering the red-haired bear, Ye Fan had a vague feeling of familiarity, but he could not recall where he had seen it before.

This kind of mutant beast definitely does not exist in real life, so if he'd seen it before, it must have been described in ancient texts.

Suddenly, Ye Fan thought of a mutant beast that existed in legend.

Bloodthirsty Mad Bear!

A renowned mutant beast among the Bear Clan in the Ancient Cultivation World, known for its bloodthirst and cruelty.

There were records of the Bloodthirsty Bear in ancient texts, and even images; due to its mutations, its black fur turned into blood-red fur, with a powerful talent ability of blood-rage, making it exceptionally troublesome.

The Bloodthirsty Bear doesn't rank top among Mid-stage War God Level mutant beasts, but rather middle-upper tier. However, after unlocking Spiritual Wisdom, these Bloodthirsty Mad Bears become highly cunning; though their combat power is average, they are very difficult to deal with.

"Hehe... Today I have a feast, I can't remember how many years it has been since I tasted the flavor of human flesh and blood. Just coming out today and I can have a full meal, what a boon!"

While Ye Fan pondered over the Bloodthirsty Mad Bear's information, the bear seemed to consider Ye Fan and Su Liuli as prime meat ready for the taking, not in a hurry to make a move, but instead used its Mind to communicate with them.

"Liuli, I won't give you a chance to practice, but try to make a move against it,"

Ye Fan softly told Su Liuli, deciding to resolve the battle as quickly as possible, not allowing the Bloodthirsty Bear to escape, as it might draw other mutant beasts.

Ye Fan saw that mutant beasts in the Forbidden Land were universally powerful; Early-stage War God Level mutant beasts had no right to survive here. If the Bloodthirsty Bear drew several strong Mid-stage War God Level mutant beasts, it would be highly unfavorable.

Nonetheless, Su Liuli's heart pounded excitedly!

After all, among the younger generation, Ye Fan was absolutely the first to remain calm facing a formidable Mid-stage War God Level mutant beast like the Bloodthirsty Mad Bear!

Plus, this was in the Forbidden Land; letting the Bloodthirsty Bear escape might plunge them into danger.

Of course, she also knew that Ye Fan's confidence in making this decision stemmed from his absolute trust in his own strength.

With her heart flutter, Su Liuli wasted no words, rapidly arousing the Gang Qi within her. One after another, dense streams of Gang Qi surged from the top of her head, forming a lush Bodhi Tree. Though illusory, it appeared almost identical to a real Bodhi Tree.

Through the training in this round of the Hidden God List competition, her mastery of the Bodhi Tree had grown more proficient, and its power was constantly increasing.

"Before me, you have no chance, so just become my food!"

Though aware of the Bodhi Tree's immense power, the Bloodthirsty Mad Bear didn't take it seriously; in its view, both were at the Early-stage War God realm, a whole Great Realm apart from itself, making desperate attempts futile. The ability to reverse defeat Immortals could only be achieved by ancient-era demons.

Moreover, so-called reverse defeating Immortals was merely happening among human cultivators; the body strength of mutant beasts far surpassed human cultivators, an undisputed fact.

Swoosh!

Su Liuli paused for no moment, her hands positioned in front of her chest, suddenly thrusting forward. The Bodhi Tree evolved by Gang Qi suddenly flew up, akin to a mountain peak, rushing rapidly toward the Bloodthirsty Mad Bear.

Ye Fan, expressionless, suddenly shot two beams of strange light from his eyes, directly toward the Bloodthirsty Mad Bear's eyes, employing spiritual attacks to interfere with the bear.

"Roar..."

Though having unlocked Spiritual Wisdom, and possessing an exceptionally powerful body with unparalleled melee prowess, the Bloodthirsty Mad Bear's spiritual power was not quite strong.

Caught off guard by Ye Fan's spiritual attack, it hastily circulated its Mind to resist Ye Fan's Mind Attack, while simultaneously swinging its giant bear paw with Gang Qi surging within, fiercely striking the rapidly approaching Bodhi Tree.

Boom!

A loud explosion ensued; the Bloodthirsty Mad Bear's paw struck the Bodhi Tree with great force, causing the Bodhi Tree to tremble violently before exploding, with Energy Waves sweeping in all directions.

Being the first to bear the impact, the Bloodthirsty Mad Bear was battered by waves of Energy, but its Protective Aura repelled them, not causing it any harm.

Yet, after destroying the Bodhi Tree, it experienced dreadful rebounding force, which directly pushed it back three steps!

Whiz—

Just at that moment...

A sharp sound piercing through space rang out!

A Xuanye Flying Blade whizzed out from Ye Fan's sleeve, furiously absorbing the surrounding Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi, instantly transforming into fierce Blade Energy, becoming a sword light as it violently slashed toward the Bloodthirsty Mad Bear.

Realizing Su Liuli's killing move couldn't inflict substantial damage on the Bloodthirsty Mad Bear, Ye Fan decisively took action, using the third style of Flying Sword Skill, 'Flowing Light'!

"Roar~"

Feeling the sword light emanating formidable energy waves, the Bloodthirsty Mad Bear shrieked in terror, attempting to flash to dodge.

However—

The bear's strengths lay in attack and defense, speed was its weak point.

"Pff—"

Blood erupted, flesh flew.

The Xuanye Flying Blade, with a long trail of sword light, sliced the Bloodthirsty Mad Bear in half as effortlessly as cutting tofu!

One hit killed!

Even though the Bloodthirsty Bear's defense was remarkable, it was still instantly killed by Ye Fan with one strike!

The massive body of the Bloodthirsty Bear twitched twice before splitting in half and collapsing to the ground with a loud bang, sending dust flying everywhere.

Although Su Liuli had already witnessed Ye Fan's tremendous power, she was still in awe to see him take down the Bloodthirsty Bear with one blow.

However—

Amidst her amazement, she also felt a faint sense of worry.

She and Ye Fan had just entered the Forbidden Land and already encountered a formidable Bloodthirsty Bear. Who knows what they might face next.

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At the same time as Ye Fan and Su Liuli were slaying the Bloodthirsty Bear, Xu Wudao and the other two were facing great difficulties as they encountered a dominant presence among the Mid-stage War God Level Mutant Beasts.

It was a Dual-headed Lion, over ten meters in length, with a dark golden mane and two massive heads on its neck.

The moment it saw them, the Dual-headed Lion launched an attack, first roaring, sending rolling sound waves that made their blood boil and caused them to experience tinnitus and dizziness.

"Be careful and deal with it!"

Xu Wudao shouted fiercely, taking out his ancestral black spear and adopting a ready stance.

Without needing his warning, Andre and Anton also knew that this Dual-headed Lion was no easy opponent and prepared for a desperate fight!

"Grr..."

The Dual-headed Lion roared, pouncing on the three like lightning, its two enormous mouths wide open, aiming to bite Anton and Xu Wudao, while its sharp claws slashed toward Andre's chest.

"Vile creature, looking for death!"

Xu Wudao thrust his black spear straight toward the lion head aiming at him, the spearhead surging with Gang Qi, flickering with light.

Whish!

Anton also used his desperate technique, transforming his right hand into a blade and swiftly launching a sword light slashing toward the Dual-headed Lion.

"Get out of my way!"

Andre raised his golden spear and slashed fiercely at the Dual-headed Lion.

The three of them went all out from the start!

Because they all knew that the strength of this Dual-headed Lion was among the top even within the Mid-stage War God Level Mutant Beast, and they absolutely couldn't hold back.

Bam!

Andre's golden spear turned into a spear shadow, slashing at the Dual-headed Lion's sharp claws, producing a crisp sound.

With this strike, he used all his might, splitting the snarling lion's sharp claws, but his right hand was jolted, and the golden spear nearly slipped, causing his palm to ache, and he was sent flying backward, his internal state somewhat unstable.

Bam!

Bam!

At the same time, the two giant heads of the Dual-headed Lion opened their vast mouths and spat out two dark golden beast cores, each countering the attacks of Xu Wudao and Anton.

"Hiss~"

Xu Wudao, Anton, and Andre gasped in shock!

They knew very well that ordinary mutant beasts had only one beast core, and those with two beast cores were absolutely dominant among mutant beasts!

At this moment, the Dual-headed Lion they encountered was like that, not only withstanding their attacks but also remaining completely unfazed!

"It's too strong, we can't kill it quickly, and there are other mutant beasts around. Continuing the fight is extremely dangerous, we should part ways here and escape with our skills!"

After the shock, Xu Wudao immediately regained his composure. Sensing the presence of three other mutant beasts around, he decided to flee as he eyed the Dual-headed Lion ahead.

Swish!

Swish!

Without any hesitation, Anton and Andre instantly fled, the former using a Flying Martial Technique and the latter activating golden wings, turning into a golden streak, moving at incredible speed.

After entering the Forbidden Land, they had found out that flying artifacts were usable within it.

"Boom~"

At the same time, Xu Wudao summoned his ancient war chariot, and upon being filled with Gang Qi, it suddenly expanded, exuding a sense of iron-blooded history and age.

Xu Wudao leaped onto the ancient war chariot, sweeping over the Dual-headed Lion's head.

"Roar~"

Xu Wudao, Anton, and Andre decisively fled with incredible speed, leaving the Dual-headed Lion unable to pursue them. Watching them leave, it roared furiously.

Half an hour later, Xu Wudao stopped on a hilltop, with a lingering sense of fear.

The beasts in the Forbidden Land were incredibly powerful. During his escape, he encountered several Mid-stage War God Level Mutant Beasts no weaker than the Dual-headed Lion. If not for the ancient war chariot, he would have long become their food.

"I must find a safe place to enter closed cultivation, strive to break through soon, and reach the realm of Mid-stage War God to survive in the Forbidden Land."

Xu Wudao gazed at the vast mountains below, with a sinister gleam in his eyes, muttering, "Once I break through to the Mid-stage War God Realm, combined with the ancestral ancient war chariot, the Forbidden Land will become my main battlefield! By then, regardless of mutant beasts or the scum named Ye, they will all be annihilated!"

Simultaneously, both Anton and Andre found relatively safe places and decided to enter closed cultivation to reach the Mid-stage War God Realm!

Like Xu Wudao, they had already cultivated to the Great Perfection of the Early-Stage War God Realm, ready to break through at any time, and once they do, their combat power will skyrocket!

Chapter 925 - The Graveyard of Human Geniuses (Making up for 11 Shortcomings)

For cultivators at the Early-Stage War God Realm, the Forbidden Land is truly fraught with dangers. Any random mutant beast could shred an ordinary cultivator at this realm into pieces.

Even peerless geniuses like Xu Wudao, Anton, and Andre are almost invincible at the Early-Stage War God level, except when they encounter Ye Fan. Yet, when faced with Mid-stage War God Realm Mutant Beast Dominator, they can only flee.

This Forbidden Land is quite targeted, aiming specifically at cultivators of the Early-Stage War God Realm. Once someone breaks through this realm, the dangers within the Forbidden Land greatly diminish.

Xu Wudao, Anton, and Andre all realized this point, so after escaping, they all chose to go into seclusion to charge toward the Mid-level War God Realm.

Not only they, but Ye Fan also realized this.

After killing the Bloodthirsty Mad Bear with Su Liuli, he decided to first find a place for Su Liuli to quickly break through to the Mid-stage War God Realm. This way, at least, she would have the strength to contend when facing Mid-stage War God Realm Mutant Beasts.

As for him...

Currently, his Magic Cultivation is nearing the Great Perfection of the Early-Stage War God Realm. Breaking through the Martial Arts Cultivation to the Mid-stage War God Realm is not so easy, so his goal is merely to further condense his Gang Qi, quickly reach the Great Perfection of the Early-Stage War God Realm, and simultaneously enhance his combat power.

A moment later, Ye Fan finally found an ideal place for seclusion. It was a picturesque small mountain valley, with a waterfall cascading down like a white silk ribbon from a high mountain top, producing a deafening roar.

The whole valley seemed to be shrouded in a thin veil, reminiscent of an earthly paradise.

Moreover, the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi here was visibly more concentrated than elsewhere. Some Spirit Grass, rarely seen in the outside world, was plentiful throughout this small valley!

These Spirit Grasses are incredibly valuable to cultivators below the Early-Stage War God Realm, but once they break through to this realm, their usefulness dramatically decreases.

However, these Spirit Grasses can still be refined into some ordinary Elixir Pills, although Ye Fan currently has no interest in dealing with them.

In the valley, there was a natural cave, winding and twisting, with its entrance polished to a shiny surface by some unknown mutant beast.

The reason Ye Fan favored this location was not just due to the pleasant environment, but also because hardly any mutant beasts dared to come here.

It was evident that a very powerful mutant beast must be occupying this place, and if he could manage to kill it, not only could they undergo seclusion and cultivation here without disturbance from other mutant beasts, but they could also obtain a beast core of considerable quality.

However—

What Ye Fan did not expect was that after careful probing, he couldn't sense the presence of a mutant beast.

Because of this, Ye Fan knew there were only two possibilities!

First, the mutant beast had gone out, temporarily absent from its lair.

Second, the mutant beast had concealed its presence through some special method.

To be safe, Ye Fan and Su Liuli hid themselves atop a lush tree, concealing their presence, and closely monitored the cave entrance within the valley—his instincts told him it was the mutant beast's lair!

Whether the mutant beast had temporarily left or hidden its presence within its lair, it would eventually appear at the cave entrance. At that moment, they could first identify and assess the mutant beast's type and gauge its power.

As time slowly passed by, it soon reached midnight when a silver moon hung in the sky, illuminating the entire valley as if it were daylight.

"Gulu... gulu... gulu..."

At this moment, a sound suddenly echoed in Ye Fan's ear, like the noise one makes when their stomach growls with hunger.

However, this sound was much louder than a growling stomach, sinking Ye Fan's heart because he could not determine what type of mutant beast it was just from the sound.

Su Liuli was even more puzzled. In terms of knowledge about mutant beasts, she lagged far behind Ye Fan since their life experiences were distinct and she hadn't perused ancient books.

As the sound emerged, Ye Fan quickly saw an oddly shaped creature crawling out from the cave. It was larger than a buffalo, yet had very short legs.

Its body was covered in various-sized bumps, with bulging eyes, resembling a giant version of a toad, yet it had a strong, crocodile-like tail!

Additionally, a silver, sparkling horn jutted from its head, looking mismatched; it was impossible to identify what this creature truly was.

With its short legs, it slowly crawled out of the cave towards a deep pool not far away, a pool formed by the waterfall, with its depth unknown.

Quickly, the creature arrived at the pool's edge and plopped in, not resurfacing for a long while!

The mutant beast's peculiar actions first stunned Ye Fan and Su Liuli, then made them realize that this bizarre creature might be an amphibious mutant beast.

Indeed, after some waiting, there came a splash as the ugly beast emerged from the water, its eyes gleaming, and the silver horn on its head glowing brightly.

Simultaneously, it floated on the water's surface and began a swallowing motion toward the moon, clearly absorbing the moonlight to enhance its cultivation.

"Ye Fan, what do you think this creature is? What is it doing?" Su Liuli whispered to Ye Fan from their perch atop the tree.

"I don't know either, but it's certain this creature's strength should be at the Overlord Level among Mid-stage War God Realm Mutant Beasts. Firstly, there's no sign of any other Mid-stage War God Realm Mutant Beast in this area, indicating it's its territory; secondly, it may have used some Secret Technique to conceal its presence, and it might have Beast Techniques." Ye Fan mused.

"So when should we take action?"

"Wait, wait for the moment when it is most lax and launch a fatal strike, aim for a one-hit kill!"

Although Ye Fan had absolute confidence in his own strength, the mysterious mutant beast ahead was clearly not easy to deal with, and this forbidden land was too mysterious and dangerous. He dared not be careless, deciding to launch a sneak attack, hoping to kill the mutant beast in one blow.

"Gululu... Gululu..."

As the two were talking, a strange sound echoed again, and then the bizarre mutant beast leapt from the water, its cold gaze sweeping towards the tree where Ye Fan and Su Liuli were hiding.

Hmm?

Ye Fan's expression changed slightly. Although he and Su Liuli had kept their voices very low, unexpectedly, the bizarre mutant beast had still heard them and had located their hiding spot immediately.

The opportunity is lost; a sneak attack is impossible!

"Whoosh—"

The sound of cutting through the air rang out as Ye Fan, without hesitation, activated the Xuanye Flying Blade. The fierce blade energy enveloped the Xuanye Flying Blade, transforming into a nearly solid sword light, swiftly shooting towards the bizarre mutant beast.

Swish!

Su Liuli also moved, swiftly waving her hands, deploying her strongest killing move, the Bodhi Tree, as a verdant and ancient tree descended from the sky, aiming for the monster!

"Humans, you seek death!"

Facing the combined attack from Ye Fan and Su Liuli, the bizarre mutant beast transmitted mind communication, simultaneously shooting a silver light from the horn on its head towards the Xuanye Flying Blade.

"Clang!"

With a crisp sound, the silver light hit the sword light, causing the sword light to explode violently, blade energy scattering, and Xuanye Flying Blade was shocked into the sky.

Swish!

This discovery made Ye Fan's face change once more!

Since he comprehended the third style of the "Flying Sword Skill," 'Flowing Light,' all mutant beasts he encountered could not withstand his blade, only awaiting instant death.

Yet, the mutant beast in front not only dispelled his 'Flowing Light,' but also sent the Xuanye Flying Blade flying!

In comparison to Ye Fan, the shock within the mutant beast's heart was even greater!

It didn't expect that the two before it, merely early-stage War God Realm young cultivators, could actually fight it head-on without falling behind.

However—

Despite the shock, upon breaking Ye Fan's assassination attempt, the bizarre mutant beast's bumps seemed to turn into a toxic mist emitter, spraying copious amounts of dark green toxic mist, swiftly corroding Su Liuli's Bodhi Tree entirely.

"Whoosh—"

After breaking the move, the bizarre mutant beast suddenly spat out a sticky white tongue from its mouth, which transformed into a white light and rolled towards Ye Fan and Su Liuli.

Swish!

Ye Fan was shocked and, without a word, grabbed Su Liuli's hand, fully activating Gang Qi, leaping into the air like a circling large bird, swiftly descending from the tree and floating towards the distance.

Boom!!

A loud noise erupted, and the tree where Ye Fan and Su Liuli had hid was rolled by the bizarre mutant beast's tongue, instantly turned into nothingness, even the rocks behind it exploded, reduced to powder.

"So strong!"

This scene shocked both Ye Fan and Su Liuli.

Although they guessed the monster was strong, they did not expect it to be this formidable. Not only did it easily block their attacks, but it also swiftly turned defense into attack and launched a counterattack!

"This is the forbidden land for human cultivators; it's also known as the graveyard of human young geniuses, where countless human cultivator geniuses' bones have been buried."

After missing a hit, the bizarre mutant beast did not continue attacking but coldly stared at Ye Fan and Su Liuli, mind communicating, "Your strength is too weak, coming here is simply delivering yourselves to death!"

"With just you, wanting to kill us, I'm afraid it's not possible!"

Ye Fan responded with mind communication, then fully activated his internal Blood Qi and Gang Qi, preparing for a battle!

Chapter 926 - Ye Fan Loses His Temper

After entering the sanctuary of the finals, Ye Fan only used his full strength when he encountered the combined attack of Xu Wudao, Anton, Andre, and Fa'er.

At this moment, he and Su Liuli had just entered the Forbidden Land and were already forced into an all-out battle.

"Stop struggling. Even if you're a cultivator at the Early-Stage War God level, you'll still become my food," the unicorn said.

Ye Fan's sudden burst of powerful aura surprised the unicorn, but it was merely a moment of surprise. It lifted its head high and looked at Ye Fan with disdain, once again transmitting its thoughts.

"Hoo!"

Without answering, Ye Fan opened his mouth and expelled a burst of Gang Qi.

Transforming breath into arrows!

In the sky, the Gang Qi expelled by Ye Fan suddenly transformed into countless Qi Arrows, whistling towards the mutant beast's eyes.

For any creature, even a mutant beast, the eyes are a fatal spot.

"Humph!"

The unicorn was not afraid of Ye Fan's Qi Arrows. Instead, it snorted disdainfully through mind transmission.

"Bang bang bang bang bang bang..."

In the next moment, the Qi Arrows densely struck the unicorn but caused it no harm, all shattered by its Protective Aura.

At this moment...

Ye Fan's eyes flashed with a golden light, and a golden beam instantly shot into the unicorn, penetrating its body.

Spiritual attack!

Ye Fan's attack with Qi Arrows was a feint, creating an opportunity for a mental assault!

As the golden light entered, the unicorn's consciousness shuddered violently, its entire body quivering with a brief moment of disorientation.

Whoosh—

At the same time, a sharp sound sliced through the air, the Xuanye Flying Blade suddenly darted forth, enveloped in blade energy, turning into a sword light that whistled toward the unicorn.

One must say, Ye Fan's combat experience was exceedingly rich. First using an Illusion Technique, then a spiritual attack, finally taking advantage of the unicorn's moment of bewilderment, deploying the third style of Flying Sword Skill 'Flowing Light,' a seamless execution with perfect precision.

However—

The unicorn's strength exceeded Ye Fan's expectations.

"Cunning human!"

Just as the sword light was less than ten meters away from the unicorn, the unicorn suddenly regained clarity, utterly enraged, its forehead horn shooting another silver beam towards the incoming sword light.

Boom——

A massive explosion ensued as the sword light and silver beam exploded simultaneously, Gang Qi sweeping in all directions, shattering the surrounding flora, trees, and rocks to oblivion.

This time, Ye Fan was not astonished by the power of the mutant beast's horn. Instead, when he saw the silver light shoot from the unicorn's horn, he knew the sword light couldn't harm the unicorn, thus springing forward towards the unicorn.

A figure moved, Iron Fist swung!

Hoo!

Amidst his flickering silhouette, Ye Fan pushed his speed to the limit, like shrinking the ground to inches, instantly reaching the unicorn, unleashing a punch!

In an instant, the boiling Blood Qi and Gang Qi perfectly merged, pouring into the Black Iron Fist set, its brilliance flickering with intense energy waves, slamming towards the unicorn at close range!

Domineering Fist's first style, Blood Gang!

Ye Fan attacked in rapid succession, not only utilizing the Domineering Fist but also choosing close combat to maximize its power.

"Whoosh——"

Facing Ye Fan's imposing punch, the unicorn suddenly opened its mouth, its tongue swiftly shooting out, wrapping around Ye Fan's right fist.

"Bang——"

A dull sound resounded, and Ye Fan felt his otherwise unbeatable Iron Fist plunge into a cotton heap, devoid of any leverage.

Moreover, the unicorn's tongue was coated with slimy liquid, wrapping around him, making him feel nauseated, prompting him to quickly retract his fist.

However—

The unicorn gave him no chance to withdraw. Its slimy tongue, like a vine, entirely ensnared Ye Fan's fist, rendering him immobile.

Simultaneously, its horn glowed, intent on launching another silver light attack!

Ye Fan appeared as a live target, about to be shot by the unicorn!

"Break for me!"

In this dire moment, Ye Fan remained composed, shouting fiercely, and the Xuanye Flying Blade once again emerged from his sleeve, enveloped in fierce blade energy, whirling towards the unicorn's tongue like a meat grinder.

"Puff——"

Ye Fan's sudden move, swift and uncanny, took the unicorn by surprise. It had no time to dodge. Its tongue was caught in the blade energy, leaving it with cuts and spurting blood.

"Roar~"

The unicorn let out a pained wail, its body springing, leaping a hundred meters away, temporarily avoiding Ye Fan's sharpness.

At that moment...

Su Liuli also sprang into action. Behind her appeared a Bodhi Tree once more, though less vivid and solid compared to the first time.

This time, Su Liuli did not use the Bodhi Tree to confront the beast but transformed its branches into whips, lashing at the beast's wounded tongue!

Pow! Pow! Pow!

The branches formed by Gang Qi, like rapid winds, struck hard at the unicorn's tongue, forcing it to retract.

So strong!

Witnessing this scene, Su Liuli exchanged glances with Ye Fan, both seeing surprise in each other's eyes.

Ye Fan and Su Liuli had fully engaged, yet only managed to wound the unicorn's tongue!

If not for the previous clash with Ye Fan, where the unicorn's tongue's Gang Qi was depleted, even Ye Fan's Flying Sword Skill wouldn't have wounded its tongue, let alone Su Liuli's Gang Qi branches, which would have been futile.

"Cunning humans, you've enraged me!!"

The unicorn, relying on its tongue for hunting, considered it one of its most vital organs. Now, its tongue was battered, utterly infuriating it. While roaring through mind transmission, it fiercely lifted its front paw.

"Not good!"

Seeing the unicorn lift its front paw, Ye Fan sensed danger, quickly pulling Su Liuli aside.

Boom!

At the moment Ye Fan pulled Su Liuli away, a massive beast claw condensed from Primordial Qi suddenly appeared above their previous location, crashing down, dispersing the afterimage they left behind and directly clawing at the earth until it cracked, leaving a claw-shaped deep pit.

Cracks spread across the ground around the pit, densely packed like a spider web.

"Hiss~"

This strike from the unicorn didn't hit Ye Fan and Su Liuli, but it made them gasp in shock.

The already formidable mutant beast was frightening, and now mastering beast techniques, it was truly the king among Mid-stage War God Realm Mutant Beasts, even more terrifying than the Vajra Monkey Ye Fan encountered in the sanctuary of the Australia Continent!

"Liu Li, get away a bit, I'll fight it alone."

Even though the mutant beast was absurdly powerful, Ye Fan did not shy away from the battle.

"This mutant beast can be considered invincible among mid-stage War God realm mutant beasts. Why don't we leave?" Su Liuli said, somewhat worried.

"Though it's powerful, it's not impossible to kill it."

Ye Fan was determined to slay the unicorn.

On one hand, retreating in fear was not Ye Fan's style.

On the other hand, this valley's location was excellent, with abundant Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi and no disturbances from mutant beasts around. It was a perfect place for seclusion, and he was reluctant to give it up so easily.

"Human, I must admit, you truly can be called a genius, and I must also admire your courage, but you wanting to kill me is a dream!"

The unicorn once again transmitted its thoughts, then made a "gurgling" sound as its body inflated like it was being pumped up, making the bumps on its body appear more pronounced!

Originally dark green, its body became as translucent as jade, and within each bump, there seemed to be mist-like poison vapor.

Crackle!

At this moment, Ye Fan noticed that there seemed to be lightning flickering on the unicorn's silver horn, and his heart sank. Could it be that this unicorn's horn had other divine skills?

Su Liuli also noticed this phenomenon and directed the branches of the Bodhi Tree to whip at its silver horn, while using its lush foliage to disrupt its vision!

"Swish—"

Seeing Su Liuli make a move, Ye Fan wouldn't let the opportunity slip by. With a thought, the Xuanye Flying Blade once again whizzed out, aiming for the unicorn's head!

The unicorn not only had a strong protective aura defense but its body was robust as well, with the head being its weakest point in defense!

Whoosh!

The unicorn's horn on its head shone brightly, once again shooting out a silver light, breaking Ye Fan's flying knife assassination.

Crack!

Meanwhile, its four limbs suddenly stomped on the ground, causing it to shatter, and its body bounced up, like a beam of light, swiftly charging at Ye Fan and Su Liuli.

"Whoosh!"

Seeing the unicorn soaring towards them, Su Liuli suddenly pushed her hands, and the Gang Qi-transformed Bodhi Tree crashed towards the unicorn.

Boom!

In the sky, the unicorn's body spun like a top, suddenly swinging its thick and powerful tail, shattering the Bodhi Tree in mid-air!

At the same time, Ye Fan suddenly propelled the Flying Shuttle, soaring into the sky, fists clenched, charging towards the unicorn.

"Whoosh!"

At this moment, the unicorn suddenly opened its mouth, once again spraying a thick poison liquid towards Ye Fan.

Having already witnessed the power of the unicorn's poison liquid, Ye Fan dared not face it head-on, swiftly dodging to the side.

"Whoosh!"

Missing a strike, the unicorn did not continue to attack Ye Fan, but instead opened its mouth and sprayed a mouthful of poison liquid towards Su Liuli.

"Sizzling..."

The poison liquid sprayed with extreme speed, and Su Liuli couldn't dodge in time, getting splattered with it, and her protective aura was instantly corroded, emitting a burst of green smoke.

"Liu Li!"

Seeing this, Ye Fan's expression changed, shouting hoarsely.

There was no response as the poison quickly entered Su Liuli's body, turning her complexion instantly black as she convulsed uncontrollably.

"Beast, you look for death!!"

Seeing Su Liuli poisoned filled Ye Fan with rage.

With a furious roar, Gang Qi surged!

In an instant, the Gang Qi within Ye Fan's body surged wildly, his aura continuously rising as if it were endless.

Burn the Gang Qi Essence!

Originally, Ye Fan intended to slowly exhaust the unicorn with his combat experience, but upon seeing Su Liuli poisoned and injured, eager to save her, he directly burned the Gang Qi Essence, making his combat power soar crazily!

Huh?!

Noticing Ye Fan's change in aura, the unicorn's gaze turned from mockery to severity as the power of this human was beyond its expectations.

"Sinister beast, meet your end!!"

With a furious shout, Ye Fan stepped on the Flying Shuttle, turning into a streak of light, and instantly appeared in front of the unicorn, swinging his right fist at the unicorn's head!

It was still the domineering fist 'Blood Gang', but Ye Fan had burned the Gang Qi Essence, causing his combat power to soar, delivering the most perfect and potent punch ever!

This punch unleashed the full power of the first form of the domineering fist 'Blood Gang'!

This punch was his peak combat power!!

Swoosh!

Although shocked by Ye Fan's incredible strength, the unicorn showed no fear. Seeing Ye Fan's punch coming, it neither dodged nor evaded and directly swung its front claw, with Gang Qi surging, turning it into a beam of light.

Beast Techniques!

The unicorn used Beast Techniques to counter Ye Fan's domineering fist!

"Boom——"

The punch and claw collided, energy bursting forth, and the unicorn's claw shattered, its protective aura dimming as its body was sent flying backward, spitting a mouthful of blood.

Ye Fan completely gained the upper hand with this punch, injuring the unicorn!

This result was completely unexpected for the unicorn, its eyes filled with shock, as if questioning: How... how is this possible?

Is it possible??

"Swish—"

It was answered by a sharp tearing sound!

The Xuanye Flying Blade shot out again, spinning like a vortex, madly absorbing the surrounding Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi, transforming into fierce blade energy. The blade energy condensed together, forming a massive sword light, which violently slashed at the unicorn's body.

"Puff—"

The protective aura dimmed, greatly reducing the unicorn's defenses. Struck by the blade energy, its body was directly cleaved in two, showering a rain of blood as it crashed heavily onto the ground, perishing on the spot!

Chapter 927 - Secluded Cultivation

After Ye Fan burned the Gang Qi Essence, his combat power surged, and with two moves, he killed the unicorn, the king among mid-stage War God level mutant beasts.

For all this, Ye Fan felt no joy in his heart; instead, his brows were furrowed with worry.

"Liu Li!"

Ye Fan shouted loudly, stepping on the Flying Shuttle, and swiftly flew down in front of Su Liuli. He lifted Su Liuli and found that she was still breathing, which slightly eased his tension.

Without any hesitation, Ye Fan immediately placed his hand on Su Liuli, mobilizing the Pure Yang Qi within his body to enter hers, intending to help her detoxify and heal.

However—

What Ye Fan did not expect was that the unicorn's poison was extremely terrifying. Even though he infused Pure Yang Qi into Su Liuli's body, he could only stabilize her injury, unable to remove and expel the poison.

This discovery made Ye Fan's heart tighten!

"What should I do?"

Despite being very worried about Su Liuli's safety, Ye Fan forced himself to calm down and silently asked himself, his peripheral vision suddenly catching the unicorn's corpse.

Hmm?

Suddenly, Ye Fan's gaze swept over the unicorn's corpse and saw the cave not far away, his heart stirred.

"According to ancient books, around any poisonous mutant beast, there must be detoxifying plants living there!"

Recollecting the record in the ancient books, Ye Fan immediately picked up Su Liuli and quickly entered the cave.

The entire cave was winding and twisting, nine curves and eighteen bends, polished exceptionally smooth by years of abrasion, and filled with a type of plant having nine leaves.

Ye Fan placed Su Liuli on a flat stone, then swiftly picked a plant, observing it carefully and utilizing his Mind to check, discovering that this unknown plant contained astonishing Heaven and Earth Essence.

"It should be this one!"

Thinking so, Ye Fan quickly picked several unknown plants, crushed them, and dripped the juice into Su Liuli's mouth.

Just as Ye Fan had judged, this unknown plant could indeed dispel the unicorn's venom—after Su Liuli took the plant juice, the dark energy on her body gradually dimmed, and the toxins within gradually reduced and were expelled from her body.

"Hoo~"

Ye Fan let out a long sigh of relief, then set Su Liuli down again.

For safety's sake, he didn't immediately go out to retrieve the unicorn's Beast Core, but carefully inspected the cave. Only after confirming there was no danger did he confidently dart out of the cave.

Outside the cave, the unicorn's body lay split into two in a pool of blood, with the flesh and bones at the wounds shredded by Blade Energy, though the other parts remained intact.

"This unicorn's physical defense is truly astounding."

Ye Fan secretly marveled, skillfully extracting the unicorn's Beast Core. Sensing it slightly, he noticed it contained astonishing energy fluctuations.

This was the essence of the unicorn's entire cultivation, all condensed within!

After collecting the unicorn's Beast Core, Ye Fan's gaze lingered on its horn. He immediately activated the Xuanyue Flying Blade to carve out the horn, finding it extremely hard and capable of infusing Gang Qi, making it an excellent material for crafting Magic Artifacts. He then pocketed it.

Having done all this, thinking that Su Liuli would take some time to awaken, Ye Fan used the Xuanyue Flying Blade to dismember the unicorn, chose a tender piece of meat, washed it in the pond by the cave entrance, then lit a fire to roast the meat.

This unicorn was the king among mid-stage War God level mutant beasts, and its body was a rare treasure. If cooked and consumed, it could certainly allow an ordinary cultivator to be reborn, even providing great nourishment for cultivators.

Because the unicorn's body was too robust, even in death, its flesh still contained astonishing Gang Qi. Ye Fan, using the Wood Element Qi within Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi to light the fire, took four hours to cook the unicorn meat thoroughly.

"Ye Fan..."

At the same time, Su Liuli's long eyelashes fluttered several times before she slowly opened her eyes, instinctively calling Ye Fan's name.

"Liu Li!"

Ye Fan was overjoyed, quickly moving over to support Su Liuli.

"Where... where is this? Where is that unicorn?"

Su Liuli instinctively asked. After being sprayed by the unicorn's poison, she lost consciousness and did not see Ye Fan kill the unicorn.

"This is the unicorn's cave. It's turned into roasted meat now."

Ye Fan pointed to the roasted meat not far away and said with a smile, while checking Su Liuli's injuries again, finding that the poison in her body had been completely removed.

"Uh..."

Hearing Ye Fan's words and looking at the fragrant roasted meat, Su Liuli was stunned.

"Go get washed up, and when you come back, the roasted meat will be ready to replenish our energy."

Ye Fan said with a smile. He and Su Liuli had just gone through a big battle, consuming a lot, and eating the unicorn's roast meat would replenish their energy.

"Mm..."

Hearing this, Su Liuli returned to her senses from shock, displaying a somewhat complicated expression. Having experienced this battle, Su Liuli also felt a huge sense of crisis. Ye Fan's progress was too rapid, and with dangers lurking in the Forbidden Land, she urgently needed to increase her strength.

"Don't blame yourself, that unicorn was indeed very strong. I only managed to kill it after burning the Gang Qi Essence."

Ye Fan noticed Su Liuli's anomaly, smiled, patting Su Liuli's shoulder in encouragement, "In the days ahead, let's stay in this valley to cultivate. Once you break through to the mid-stage War God realm, you'll easily be able to kill mid-stage War God level mutant beasts."

"Absolutely."

Su Liuli nodded decisively, internally resolved that she must break through to the mid-stage War God realm. Only then would she not be a burden, and instead be able to fight mutant beasts alongside Ye Fan.

Ye Fan and Su Liuli finished eating that roasted meat clean, and then set up a complex Mysterious Formation in the valley, immediately starting meditation cultivation to recover Gang Qi consumption.

After a night of cultivation, not only did Ye Fan and Su Liuli fully recover their consumed Gang Qi, but their spiritual energy also reached the optimal state.

Su Liuli decided to continue retreating to break through the Mid-level War God Realm, while Ye Fan left the cave to patrol around the valley, ensuring there were no mutant beasts before returning to the valley for his own retreat.

Unlike Su Liuli, Ye Fan didn't aim to break through the Mid-level War God Realm.

On one hand, although his Magic Cultivation had reached the peak of the Early-Stage War God Realm, he wanted to go further, making his mental energy more condensed so that when he breaks through the Mid-level War God Realm, his Magic Cultivation would be stronger.

On the other hand, his Martial Arts Cultivation hadn't reached the peak of the Early-Stage War God Realm, unable to challenge the Mid-level War God Realm.

Therefore, he decided to spend the next period mainly on condensing mental energy and Gang Qi, while also gaining inspiration from the second move of "Domineering Fist" - 'Azure Sky Overlord Blood'!

In his view, as long as Su Liuli breaks through the Mid-level War God Realm and consolidates her cultivation, with the Mani Robe for protection, she would have no problem ensuring her safety.

Meanwhile, if his Magic Cultivation breaks through the Mid-level War God Realm or he understands the second move of Domineering Fist 'Azure Sky Overlord Blood,' killing Mid-stage War God Realm mutant beast kings would be as easy as cutting grass, posing no danger!

While Ye Fan and Su Liuli were in retreat cultivating, Xu Wudao, Anton, and Andre were not idle either—they each selected ideal places for their retreat cultivation, aiming to break through the Mid-level War God Realm.

Clearly, they all felt enormous crises, knowing that only by breaking through the Mid-level War God Realm could they survive in the Forbidden Land!

Besides, they all knew Ye Fan had recently broken through to the Early-Stage War God Realm, subjectively believing that even if Ye Fan was lucky enough to survive in the Forbidden Land, he wouldn't be able to break through to Mid-level War God Realm in the short term.

In this way, as long as they break through to Mid-level War God Realm, if they encounter Ye Fan again, they could crush him like a dog!

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In the mountains, time is forgotten; days passed unknowingly, with Ye Fan and the others immersed in cultivation, forgetting about the passage of time, while the outside world was in an uproar!

Since Ye Fan and others entered the Forbidden Land, their names and points disappeared from the Investiture of the Gods list, and Yan and others could not use the list to locate them.

Initially, everyone could remain calm and patiently wait for Ye Fan and others to appear.

However—

As time passed, initially, it was the contestants in the canyon and cultivation spectators who couldn't retain their composure, speculating that Ye Fan and others faced a huge crisis, even believing Ye Fan and the others had died in the Forbidden Land.

By the fifth day, even members of the War God Alliance began to think so.

And by the tenth day, the entire Bei Hai Canyon erupted!

"It's already been ten days, it seems certain that Ye Fan and others must have encountered misfortune and died in the Forbidden Land."

"Yes, if they weren't dead, they should have come out by now."

"Hey, since it's a Forbidden Land, it's not that easy to enter; going in is easy, coming out is hard!"

"What a pity, they were all supreme geniuses among human cultivators, didn't expect such misfortune."

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In the canyon, many cultivators were discussing fervently; they almost all believed Ye Fan and others were dead, some felt sorry for them, while others were gloating.

"If it weren't for the Evil Emperor's disciple insisting on hunting Xu Wudao, Anton, and Andre, how could they have died in the Forbidden Land?"

"Exactly, not only did he die himself, but he also forced Anton, Xu Wudao, and Andre into the Forbidden Land to die; he is simply a sinner in the human cultivation world!"

Seeing supreme strongmen like Yan and Xu Tianqi also start worrying whether Ye Fan and others died in the Forbidden Land, the young geniuses following Xu Wudao, Anton, and Andre began blaming Ye Fan.

"Damn it, you guys shut your mouths! If those three idiots hadn't hunted Ye Zi, would Ye Zi have chased them?"

As those young geniuses voiced their thoughts, Lv Zhan cursed furiously with eyes blazing.

He was already extremely worried about Ye Fan's safety, anxious to the extreme, now hearing someone blame Ye Fan and pinning the blame on Ye Fan, how could he not be angry?

"__"

Facing Lv Zhan's angry rebuke, those geniuses following Xu Wudao, Anton, and Andre, while unhappy, couldn't refute.

And the Xu Family Ancestor Xu Tianqi, the Luoke Family Clan Leader Mei Luo, and the Huang Jin Family Clan Leader Rodriguez, all frowning with their faces full of worry.

It wasn't just them; even Yan and Chu Xuanji had worried expressions.

The strength Ye Fan showed amazed them, but they couldn't predict what dangers lay in the Forbidden Land, worry was unavoidable.

"If others died, it's a loss for the cultivation world, but as for that surnamed Ye brat, he's completely looking for death himself, can't blame others!"

While Yan and Chu Xuanji were worrying about Ye Fan's safety, a malicious voice sounded.

The owner of the voice was Jiang Yurong!

At this moment, she seemed like a petty person who had achieved success, gloating to the extreme!

Chapter 928 - Chu Xuanji's Decision!

Because of Ye Fan's impressive strength and stunning performance, Jiang Yurong was very worried that once Ye Fan grew up, he would cause trouble for the Xu Family. Therefore, when Ye Fan and others entered the Forbidden Land, she kept hoping, hoping that Ye Fan and them would be buried in the Forbidden Land!

Now, ten days have passed, and there's no news of Ye Fan and the others. Almost everyone believes that something has happened to them, which has removed the worry from her heart, replacing it with excitement!

"Old witch, your face really makes people want to vomit!"

As Jiang Yurong's venomous words echoed in his ears, Lv Yuan looked at Jiang Yurong's petty triumphant look and said coldly.

"Boy from the Lv Family, who are you cursing?"

Jiang Yurong's eyebrows arched, and she said angrily.

She was wary of Yan and the once supreme Chu Xuanji, but she didn't pay any attention to Lv Yuan.

On one hand, Lv Yuan's strength may not necessarily surpass hers; on the other hand, in terms of seniority, Lv Yuan was her junior.

At this moment, Lv Yuan, a junior, scolding her in front of many strong people in the global cultivation world, how could this not make her angry?

"Besides you, old witch, who else?"

Lv Yuan confronted head-on. Jiang Yurong wasn't afraid of him, and naturally, he wasn't afraid of her either.

"Hey, what's this? Boy from the Lv Family, do you really think that brat Ye and his friends are still alive?"

When Lv Yuan publicly insulted her, Jiang Yurong was so angry she trembled all over, but then, she wasn't overwhelmed by anger. Instead, she sharply asked, "If that brat Ye died in the Forbidden Land, do you still want me to fulfill the bet?"

"Isn't it too early to say Xiao Fan died in the Forbidden Land? As long as Ye Fan hasn't come out for a day, who can guarantee that he's dead in the Forbidden Land?!"

Lv Yuan responded coldly.

He didn't want Ye Fan to die in the Forbidden Land at all.

To him, witnessing Jiang Yurong publicly take her life was secondary. The key was he saw Ye Fan's potential and the invincible aura about him.

In his eyes, as long as Ye Fan didn't die young and grew up smoothly, he could definitely become a leader in the human cultivation world in the future.

If that happens, his grandson Lv Zhan, and even the entire Lv Family, would benefit!

"Hey, boy from the Lv Family, I think you've lost your mind——at this time, you still think that brat is alive!" Jiang Yurong sneered.

"Old witch, I've put up with you for a long time. If you want to fight, I'm all in!"

Lv Yuan was furious, stood up in a rage, waved his hand, and a black Big Halberd appeared in his hand, making him look imposing, as if War God Lv Bu was reborn.

"Great, since you're stubborn and insist on standing up for the Ye Family boy, don't blame me for teaching you a lesson, and I'll also give your dead father a lesson on your behalf!"

Jiang Yurong sneered, and two treasure swords appeared in her hands at the same time.

Yin Yang Sword!

The Jiang Family's ancestral magic artifact!

The Jiang Family's Yin Yang Sword and the matching "Yin Yang Swordsmanship" can be said to dominate the entire Huaxia Cultivation World. It is the Jiang Family's foundation and reliance in the treacherous cultivation world.

"Old witch, don't be arrogant. I want to see if your Kung Fu has improved over the years." Lv Yuan swung the Big Halberd and flew directly to a clearing near the Investiture of the Gods.

Seeing Jiang Yurong and Lv Yuan about to fight, the cultivators in the canyon shifted their focus from the life and death of Ye Fan and the others to them, looking expectant.

"Lv Yuan, forget it!"

Just as the fierce battle was about to begin, a voice suddenly rang out in the canyon.

Hmm?

The crowd looked puzzled and began looking in the direction of the voice, wanting to see who was trying to stop this impending battle.

The crowd followed the sound and saw Chu Xuanji, with a calm expression, walking out from an inconspicuous corner, heading straight for the ancient altar.

Seeing this, the crowd in front automatically parted, giving Chu Xuanji a path.

Although Chu Xuanji had fallen from grace, he once stood at the peak, and even after burning Gang Qi Essence and mental energy essence, he lost much of his cultivation but was not a complete ruin.

In this situation, none of the cultivators in the canyon dared to underestimate him!

Furthermore, Ye Fan strongly crushed six peerless geniuses, killed Zorro, Fa'er, and Mahayana, and forced Xu Wudao and others to hide in the Forbidden Land.

As Ye Fan's master, he was respected by the vast majority of people present!

"Brother Xuanji, what are you doing?"

Lv Yuan, hearing this, did not make a move but looked confused.

"Thank you for defending Xiao Fan, but there's no need to stoop to the level of that kind of trash." Chu Xuanji said.

"Chu Xuanji, what did you say?" Jiang Yurong yelled upon hearing this, her gaze sharp as a knife directed towards Chu Xuanji.

"Enough, Jiang Yurong?"

At this moment, Yan spoke up. His voice wasn't loud, but it was full of authority.

"__"

Jiang Yurong pursed her lips but ultimately dared not say anything more.

Although her strength was not weak, and the Jiang Family's overall strength was strong, plus they relied on the powerful Xu Family, she didn't have the courage to challenge Yan.

"Yan, I, Chu Xuanji, have never owed anyone a favor in my life, but this time I want to ask you for a favor!"

Jiang Yurong bit her lips tightly, but Chu Xuanji turned his gaze to Yan, speaking with determination.

"Xuanji, what is this about?" Yan looked confused.

Not only him, but the others also looked puzzled, not knowing what Chu Xuanji wanted to do at this moment.

"I want to enter the Holy Land."

Then, under everyone's gaze, Chu Xuanji spoke resolutely, revealing the mystery.

Enter the Holy Land?!

With Chu Xuanji's words echoing in their ears, seeing his determined face, everyone, including Yan, was stunned!

Obviously, no one expected that in the uncertain life and death of Ye Fan and others, Chu Xuanji, who had already fallen from grace, would actively request to enter the Holy Land!

"Xuanji, entering the Holy Land requires strength at the Early-Stage War God Realm; otherwise, even if I help you, you can't get in!"

Yan sighed, feeling quite emotional.

In the past, even though Chu Xuanji was not as strong as he was, he stood at the pinnacle, and his potential was even greater.

But now, Chu Xuanji was merely at the Innate Realm, without even the qualification to enter the Beihai Holy Land!

"Alas... who would've thought that the Evil Emperor, who once shook the cultivation world, would fall to such a state today, truly making people sigh."

"Indeed, the Evil Emperor dared to risk life and death to enter the Holy Land for the sake of his disciple, yet he doesn't even have the qualification to enter. Such is the whim of fate!"

While Yan lamented internally, many cultivators also began to express their admiration and sympathy for Chu Xuanji, their gazes full of respect and compassion.

"Master, let me go!"

Chu Ji's eyes reddened, stepping forward and speaking with a trembling voice.

Clearly, she knew that Chu Xuanji wanted to enter the Holy Land to find Ye Fan.

"There's no need for you to worry about this. Since I'm determined to go in, I'm bound to break through."

Chu Xuanji ignored Chu Ji, his gaze always fixed on Yan.

Breakthrough?!

Upon hearing those two words, the vast Bei Hai Canyon fell silent instantly!

"Oh my, did I hear wrong? The Evil Emperor can actually break through to the Early-Stage War God Realm anytime?"

"Could it be that after that battle, the Evil Emperor lost all cultivation and started anew in the Innate Realm? Otherwise, how could he possibly break through?"

After a brief silence, the Bei Hai Canyon erupted in commotion once more. Apart from Yan and Chu Ji who were in the know, everyone else looked at Chu Xuanji with disbelief.

"Xuanji, Xiao Fan may not necessarily have met with misfortune. Why are you doing this?"

Yan sighed, knowing about Chu Xuanji's re-cultivation. He understood that since Chu Xuanji spoke like this, he could definitely publicly break through to the Early-Stage War God Realm.

"My decision is firm."

Chu Xuanji slowly uttered four words, showing his determination.

"Are you three going to send people in?"

Seeing Chu Xuanji's firm attitude, Yan did not try to dissuade him but instead turned to look at Xu Tianqi, Mei Luo, and Rodriguez.

It must be said that Yan was very astute. Although he decided to help Chu Xuanji, he couldn't open the Holy Land alone, and Xu Tianqi, Mei Luo, and Rodriguez were surely eager to send people in to investigate.

If all three agree, then Clan Leader Zorn of the Ross family, Shijia Mo Ye, and Elfa Tribe Chief Essenfake from the African Union would naturally not refuse.

"Of course!"

Xu Tianqi, Mei Luo, and Rodriguez spoke in unison.

"In that case, once Xuanji breaks through to the Early-Stage War God Realm, we will unite once again to open the Holy Land and send someone in to investigate," Yan said.

No response came, as Xu Tianqi and others turned their gaze toward Chu Xuanji.

Swish!

Swish!

Swish!

Simultaneously, everyone else also turned their attention to Chu Xuanji.

They wanted to see how Chu Xuanji, who had fallen from his pedestal, would publicly break through to the Early-Stage War God Realm!

For a moment, Chu Xuanji became the sole focal point of the entire venue!

"Master..."

Chu Ji's eyes turned red, trying to dissuade him once more.

Because, in her view, even if Chu Xuanji broke through to the Early-Stage War God Realm and gained the qualification to enter the Holy Land, entering the Holy Land was mostly a Nine Deaths and One Life situation.

"Give me the beast core you acquired in the Holy Land," Chu Xuanji interrupted Chu Ji, his tone indisputable.

Upon hearing this, Chu Ji wanted to say something but saw Chu Xuanji's determined attitude. Tears instantly streamed down her face, and she silently handed over the beast core she had obtained in the ranking tournament to Chu Xuanji.

"Elder Chu, I have some too!"

Soon, Lv Zhan rushed out from the crowd, taking the essence stones and beast cores from himself and placing them beside Chu Xuanji.

"Elder Chu, these are mine!"

"And mine..."

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Ye Hei, Wu Zi, and Xiao Selang, seeing this, didn't hesitate to contribute their essence stones and beast cores.

They were all friends of Ye Fan, even brothers who had gone through life and death together. Ye Fan was always generous to them; now it was time for them to reciprocate.

"Xuanji, I didn't bring many essence stones!"

Soon, Lv Yuan waved his large hand, and a bag of essence stones whistled over and landed beside Chu Xuanji.

Swoosh!

Swoosh!

Swoosh!

At the same time, Killing Emperor Ye Feng, Wu Sect Leader Wushan, and Tian Shan Sword Sect's Cang Bo also handed over their own essence stones to aid Chu Xuanji's breakthrough!

Soon, a large pile of beast cores and essence stones gathered in front of Chu Xuanji, with the dense Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi radiating light.

"Thank you, everyone!"

Chu Xuanji bowed with a hunch, thanking them.

"Venerable Evil Emperor, I am friends with Ye Fan, and these essence stones and beast cores are my small gesture, please accept them."

Just as Chu Xuanji was expressing his gratitude, Olivia suddenly stepped out from the crowd, bringing out all the essence stones and beast cores she had and placing them in front of him.

"Evil Emperor, I came in a rush this time and didn't carry essence stones. If you don't have enough for your breakthrough, I'll promptly send them over."

Hei Emperor Augustine spoke up. He originally had no dealings with Chu Xuanji, but Ye Fan previously killed Zorro as revenge for his adopted son Doug, a gesture Augustine remembered gratefully.

"Thank you for your kindness, Hei Emperor. These essence stones and beast cores are sufficient."

Chu Xuanji bowed to Hei Emperor Augustine, then sat cross-legged on the ground, ready to break through under the watchful eyes of all, reaching the Early-Stage War God Realm as quickly as possible.

Chapter 929 - Alive, We Must See the Person; Dead, We Must See the Corpse (Makeup - 12)

The Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi in Bei Hai Canyon is naturally denser than in other places, as it leaks from the Holy Land.

At this moment, not far from the ancient altar, the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi is extremely dense, swirling like a colorful cloud.

This current of Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi does not flow aimlessly, but instead rotates rapidly in a vortex pattern!

Chu Xuanji is seated cross-legged at the center of the Qi vortex, entering a Meditation State.

"Why does the Evil Emperor require so many Essence Stones and Beast Cores to impact the Early-Stage War God Realm?"

Seeing this scene, everyone except Yan and Chu Ji suddenly realizes something is wrong—Chu Xuanji needs an incredible amount of Essence Stones and Beast Cores for the challenge!

Why??

There is no answer, and everyone stares fixedly at Chu Xuanji.

Under the gaze of all, the Essence Stones and Beast Cores beside Chu Xuanji shine with light, as a massive amount of Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi continually surges into his body, causing the Power in his 108 vital acupoints to surge and swell slightly!

"Wh...what's going on? Why do I feel that the Evil Emperor isn't just having a violent power surge at his Dantian, but his whole body seems to be frantically surging?"

"Could it be that the Evil Emperor is treating his whole body as a Power Seed, using his entire being as the seed?"

"It's very possible! Because, on that day, the Evil Emperor burned Gang Qi Essence and Mind Power Essence in battle, and the Qi Vortex was destroyed, yet he now possesses Innate Realm cultivation. It could very well be through the rare method of treating his body as a seed, rebuilding from scratch!"

"The Evil...the Evil Emperor is going to defy the heavens!!"

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Upon noticing Chu Xuanji's abnormality, everyone but the informed Chu Xuanji and Chu Ji is shocked.

"If you wish to defy the heavens, in the end, it might surely end in tragedy!"

Shijia Mo Ye gazes coldly at Chu Xuanji in the Yuan Qi Vortex.

Back when Chu Xuanji unleashed a massacre at Tianzhu Buddhism, and his protégé Shijia Mo Ke was slain by Ye Fan, the enmity was firmly established. Naturally, he does not wish to see Chu Xuanji succeed in this heaven-defying manner.

For reason tells him, Chu Xuanji once stood at the pinnacle, and if he rebuilds himself with this kind of method, his future power would be unimaginable!

"That's right, from ancient times to the present, no one has been able to cultivate using such a heaven-defying method! Moreover, the amount of Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi contained in so many Essence Stones is astonishing. He will likely explode and perish!"

The Clan Leader Zorn of the Ross family also sneers repeatedly.

"I hope he succeeds in breaking through!"

Xu Tianqi's eyes shimmer with harsh light, recognizing the terrifying potential of Chu Xuanji's heaven-defying cultivation method. If Chu Xuanji re-cultivates to the Top-Level War God Realm in this way, he would undoubtedly surpass Yan and become the highest combat power of the current era!

Jiang Yurong was initially stunned, but upon seeing the fierce look in Xu Tianqi's eyes, she immediately understood his meaning and joined in with her own sinister smile.

If Chu Xuanji can't break through to the Early-Stage War God Realm on the spot, he naturally can't enter the Trial Holy Land, which might save his life.

For though the mutant beasts in the trial matches of the Trial Holy Land are relatively weak, those in the final match become exceedingly strong, and even if Chu Xuanji breaks through to the Early-Stage War God Realm, he will find it difficult to stabilize his cultivation in a short time, let alone perfect it!

As such, entering the final trial holy land would likely be perilous for Chu Xuanji!

Moreover, how did Ye Fan and others disappear in the Forbidden Land?

If even the geniuses like Ye Fan and others can't withstand the dangers in the Forbidden Land, then Chu Xuanji, who just broke through to the Early-Stage War God Realm, would be seeking death by entering!

"Can the Evil Emperor break through to the Early-Stage War God Realm using such a heaven-defying cultivation method?"

Apart from Xu Tianqi and six Supreme Strongmen and their followers, others hold no grudge against Chu Xuanji and Ye Fan, yearning for the final result.

In their view, Chu Xuanji, although he once climbed to the pinnacle and has rich cultivation experience,

But...at this moment, Chu Xuanji is not forming a Qi Vortex in his Dantian but rather attempting to form vortices in all 108 vital acupoints across his body, attempting to break through to the Early-Stage War God Realm in a heaven-defying manner.

In this situation, they don't believe that Chu Xuanji can succeed with absolute certainty.

Can he??

"Boom!"

Suddenly, as if thunder struck, Chu Xuanji's entire body shook as the power seeds in all 108 acupoints burst simultaneously!

To break through to the Early-Stage War God Realm as soon as possible, Chu Xuanji chose to simultaneously shatter all 108 power seeds, producing a violent shudder in his body and a trickle of blood at his lips, as his aura also became chaotic.

"Did he fail?"

Seeing this, almost everyone has this thought in their minds, eyes widening as they observe Chu Xuanji without blinking, unwilling to miss any small detail.

Seed shatters, Vortex forms!

With the shattering of the power seeds, Chu Xuanji's spiritual energy did not wither but instead reached its peak, swiftly forming a vortex.

Under everyone's senses and gazes, Chu Xuanji rapidly condensed a Gang Qi Vortex, his Gang Qi gradually stabilizing within his body.

Breakthrough success!

Having fallen from the height of glory, Chu Xuanji, using his body as a seed and defying the heavens, successfully charged into the Early-Stage War God Realm in a short time, accomplishing an unprecedented feat!

After breaking through, Chu Xuanji did not immediately stand up but used his previous experience to immediately continue absorbing Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi to consolidate his newfound realm.

Half an hour passes again, and the Essence Stones and Beast Cores in front of Chu Xuanji burst and lost their original value, with all the Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi and Life Essence Energy absorbed by Chu Xuanji.

"My god...the Evil Emperor indeed used such a heaven-defying method to rebuild and successfully break through the Early-Stage War God Realm?!"

"If he had rebuilt in a conventional manner and broken through before the public, I wouldn't be surprised; but to use such a heaven-defying method, it's simply unbelievable!"

As Chu Xuanji successfully broke through to the Early-Stage War God Realm, the previously quiet Bei Hai Canyon erupted, both participants and spectating cultivators exclaiming in amazement.

Not only them, even the War God Alliance's strongmen in the sky, including the six Supreme Strongmen including Xu Tianqi, were astonished! "Master, congratulations!"

Simultaneously, Chu Ji immediately approached, her face full of excitement as she spoke.

"Congratulations, Master Chu!"

Lv Zhan, Ye Hei, Wu Zi, Xiao Selang, and Olivia also stepped forward to congratulate Chu Xuanji, though each person's face was shrouded in a faint worry.

They also knew that the reason Chu Xuanji chose to break through in front of everyone was mainly due to concern for Ye Fan's safety; indeed, they are all concerned as well.

"Break and Stand, and in such unimaginable manner, Xuanji, I'm thoroughly convinced!"

Lv Yuan spoke as well, full of admiration.

The Killing Emperor Ye Feng, Wushan, and Cang Bo did not speak, but they also nodded in agreement.

And Yan was both happy and worried.

"Let it begin!"

Chu Xuanji nodded in response to everyone, then looked at Yan and said.

"Xuanji, have you really thought this through? You should know that even though you've broken through to the Early-Stage War God Realm, it's very dangerous to encounter a Mid-stage War God

Realm Mutant Beast in the Trial Holy Land finals! Moreover, that Forbidden Land is mysterious and unpredictable. If even Xiao Fan and the others can't make it out alive, you..."

Although Yan knew that once Chu Xuanji made up his mind, he wouldn't change it due to any external force—his stubbornness was worse than a stone in a pit—he still wanted to make one last effort as an old friend.

"No need to say more!"

Chu Xuanji interrupted Yan, resolutely saying, "Alive, I need to see the person; dead, I need to see the body—I must go in and find out!"

"Alright."

At this point, Yan couldn't say anything else, helplessly nodding his head, then turned to Xu Tianqi, Mei Luo, and Rodriguez, saying, "Who are each of you sending in?"

"Our people are ready!" Xu Tianqi responded gravely.

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

With Xu Tianqi's words, six cultivators of the Early-Stage War God Realm darted out from the crowd towards the altar.

They were each from the Xu Family, the Luoke Family, and the Huang Jin Family, prepared to go in to find Xu Wudao, Anton, and Andre.

"Master, I'll go in too. One more person, more strength!" Chu Ji stood in front of Chu Xuanji, proactively asking to enter.

"I'm going too, it's better than waiting outside aimlessly!"

Lv Zhan, holding his Big Spear, rushed towards Chu Xuanji. Ye Fan was his good brother, and now that his brother was in trouble, he couldn't just stand by!

"That's right, more people make things easier. We'll go together too! This way, there's a much higher chance of finding Brother Ye Fan!"

Ye Hei, Wu Zi, and Xiao Selang also walked over, ready to enter the Holy Land with Chu Xuanji to find Ye Fan.

"Nonsense, Lv Zhan, come back here!"

Lv Yuan glared harshly at Lv Zhan, shouting coldly.

"Grandfather..." Lv Zhan pleaded.

Lv Yuan coldly interrupted: "In the Trial Holy Land finals, there are Mid-stage War God Realm Mutant Beasts— it's far beyond your capability. You'll surely die if you encounter them! Moreover, that Forbidden Land is mysterious and devious, dangerously unpredictable; going in would just be throwing your life away!"

Lv Zhan shuddered violently!

He knew that his grandfather was speaking the truth!

With his ability, surviving in the Trial Holy Land was difficult enough, not to mention entering the mysterious and unpredictable Forbidden Land!

"Ye Zi saved my life; even if it's Nine Deaths and One Life, I must go in!!"

After a brief moment of shock, Lv Zhan reaffirmed his conviction and still chose to enter the Holy Land.

Xiao Selang, Ye Hei, and Wu Zi said nothing but followed behind Lv Zhan.

"Nonsense!!"

Lv Yuan instantly became anxious, letting out an angry shout, and with a large hand, struck out Gang Qi, forming a massive net to grasp Lv Zhan in the air, preventing him from entering.

"You all return too!"

At this moment, Killing Emperor Ye Feng, Wu Sect Leader Wu Shan, and Sect Leader Cang Bo of the Tian Shan Sword Sect also intervened to restrain their heirs, unwilling to let them go to their deaths.

"Grand...Grandfather, please.... let me go in!"

"Grand...Grandfather, I beg you to let me go in!!"

Captured by Lv Yuan, Lv Zhan struggled ineffectively and then desperately pleaded, but Lv Yuan remained unmoved.

"Ah... Ah!! Ye... Ye Zi, I let you down!!"

Struggling until the end, Lv Zhan looked up and howled, eventually bowing his head, letting the scorching tears stream down.

Ye Hei, Wu Zi, and Xiao Selang did not shed tears, but their faces were filled with pain.

"You go back too."

At the same time, Chu Xuanji stopped his steps, frowned at Chu Ji, sternly refusing without room for argument.

"No, Master, ever since I was young, I only disobeyed you that one time, and this time I cannot obey you either—Xiao Fan is your disciple and my nephew; I must go in!"

Chu Ji's attitude was quite resolute; she decided to defy Chu Xuanji's wishes for the second time.

Upon hearing this, Chu Xuanji stared at Chu Ji for several seconds, eventually saying nothing more, turning around with a hunched back, and slowly walked towards the altar.

Seeing this, Chu Ji let out a long sigh of relief and followed closely behind.

Besides them, six Early-Stage War Gods from Xu Family, Luoke Family, and the Huang Jin Family also walked toward the altar.

"Everyone, let's begin!"

Seeing this, Yan Chong said to Xu Tianqi and the others and then took the lead, striking a Gang Qi into the Investiture of the Gods.

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

Without a second thought, Xu Tianqi and the others raised their hands and struck Gang Qi into the Investiture of the Gods, activating the formation within.

The formation activated, the Investiture of the Gods shone brightly, and thick Heaven and Earth Primordial Qi leaked from the Holy Land, spreading over the aged altar.

"Xuanji, come back alive!"

With the Holy Land opened, Yan shouted toward Chu Xuanji's back.

Without a response, Chu Xuanji straightened his back suddenly, his figure flashed, and he was the first to dart into the Light Gate!

Chapter 930 - Taking the Lead to Breakthrough

In order to investigate further, Chu Xuanji searched for Ye Fan and publicly made a breakthrough in the Early-Stage War God Realm in a defiant manner, entering the Holy Land, which garnered admiration from most of those present.

Lv Zhan, Xiao Selang, Ye Hei, and Wu Zi all originally wanted to enter as well, but they were detained by their elders and felt extremely distressed.

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

As Chu Xuanji, Chu Ji, and the Early-Stage War Gods of the three major clans entered the Holy Land for the ranking competition, Yan wasted no time, immediately waving his hands, and once again infused Gang Qi into the Investiture of the Gods, activating the formation.

Inside the Holy Land, as Chu Xuanji and others appeared, a light enveloped them, and they vanished instantly, reappearing in the Holy Land of the finals.

Chu Xuanji and the other six did not feel any surprise about this—they entered the Holy Land, not to hunt mutant beasts, but to find the whereabouts of Ye Fan and others.

The finals' Holy Land was not that large, and the towering Holy Mountain in the center was particularly striking, which Chu Xuanji noticed immediately, advancing towards it without a second thought.

Chu Ji and the six Early-Stage War Gods from the three major clans did the same!

Meanwhile, outside the Holy Land, Yan and Xu Tianqi once again infused Gang Qi into the Investiture of the Gods, activating its formation.

Moments later, the Investiture of the Gods shimmered, and a projection reappeared.

This time, it featured Chu Xuanji.

Under everyone's gaze, Chu Xuanji maintained a stern expression, sprinting quickly, and ignoring the Early-Stage War God Level Mutant Beasts he encountered along the way, easily outpacing them with sheer speed.

However—

As he approached the Holy Mountain, the number of mutant beasts increased, forcing Chu Xuanji to kill a few that blocked his path.

"Instant... instakill!"

"Evil Emperor has just broken through to the Early-Stage War God Realm, yet he can instakill the king among Early-Stage War God Level Mutant Beasts, truly astonishing!"

"What's so surprising about that? The Evil Emperor once stood at the pinnacle. His combat experience and martial arts insight cannot be matched by young geniuses, compensating for his lack of strength."

"Indeed! Moreover, don't forget that the Evil Emperor broke through to the Early-Stage War God Realm in a special manner, different from us!"

Seeing Chu Xuanji take action, the silence in the canyon was broken, and the young contestants and cultivators watching the competition began to buzz with discussion.

Even the strong people from the War God Alliance in the sky were somewhat moved by this.

The only ones who remained unfazed were Yan and the six Supreme Strongmen like Xu Tianqi.

Like the former Chu Xuanji, they had all once stood at the pinnacle, and they knew that Chu Xuanji's combat experience and martial arts insight surpassed even theirs.

"Although the Evil Emperor can easily kill Early-Stage War God Level Mutant Beasts, it might not be the same if he encounters a Mid-stage War God Level Mutant Beast."

As Chu Xuanji started ascending the Holy Mountain, a cultivator voiced his opinion.

As his words fell, Chu Xuanji encountered another mutant beast.

It was a Mid-stage War God Level Mutant Beast, blocking the path up the mountain. If Chu Xuanji wanted to climb successfully, he had to kill it.

"Can the Evil Emperor defeat a Mid-stage War God Level Mutant Beast?"

Seeing the ferocious Mid-stage War God Level Mutant Beast on the projection, most cultivators in the canyon were struck with this doubt.

Swish!

Within the Holy Land, Chu Xuanji responded with action. With a flash of his body, he charged at the Mid-stage War God Level Mutant Beast, throwing a punch!

"Xuansha Fist" Killing Move, 'Qi Rushes to the Sky' Ninth Layer!

Chu Xuanji never struck lightly, always going for the kill.

The same "Xuansha Fist", the same 'Qi Rushes to the Sky', but when Chu Xuanji used it, its power far exceeded Ye Fan's.

However—

Even so, Chu Xuanji's punch hit the Mid-stage War God Level Mutant Beast, but he was unable to deliver a one-hit kill, not even inflicting a fatal injury on the beast.

This was all because he had just broken through the Early-Stage War God Realm, with his Gang Qi's quality and power simply too weak.

"So strong!"

Even so, this result still exceeded the expectations of most people, causing them to exclaim in surprise.

Then, before they could recover from their shock, Chu Xuanji pressed on, continuing his attack, relying on his rich combat experience to relentlessly assault and eventually blow apart the Mid-stage War God Level Mutant Beast after eighteen punches!

This scene deeply impressed the young geniuses and observing cultivators!

In their view, even though Chu Xuanji had just broken through to the Early-Stage War God Realm, in terms of combat power, he was certainly not inferior to supreme geniuses like Xu Wudao and others, but he couldn't compare to the exceptional Ye Fan.

Chu Xuanji took the Beast Core and immediately absorbed its energy to replenish his depleted Gang Qi.

After finishing all that, Chu Xuanji made no stops and continued his ascent.

Subsequently, Chu Xuanji's luck improved, encountering no other powerful Mid-stage War God Level Mutant Beasts, and successfully arrived at the entrance to the Forbidden Land.

The Forbidden Land, which is specifically targeted at human cultivators, seemed to exert some deterrence towards mutant beasts too—there were no mutant beasts in its vicinity.

Upon reaching the entrance to the Forbidden Land, Chu Xuanji did not immediately enter but advanced to carefully examine the words on the Stele at the entrance, pondering over them for a long time.

Then, he sat cross-legged and entered a meditation state.

Seeing this, everyone understood that Chu Xuanji was waiting for Chu Ji.

As everyone anticipated, Chu Xuanji was indeed waiting for Chu Ji.

After half a day, Chu Ji finally arrived at the entrance of the Forbidden Land.

Unlike Chu Xuanji, she was not alone but was accompanied by six Early-Stage War Gods from the other three clans.

"Master Chu!"

The six Early-Stage War Gods were surprised to see Chu Xuanji arrive first, exchanged glances, and then stepped forward to greet him.

"Ji, let's go in."

Chu Xuanji completely ignored the six Early-Stage War Gods from the three major clans, stood up, and addressed Chu Ji.

"Yes, Master!"

Chu Ji responded immediately, nodded, and then approached to hold Chu Xuanji's arm, like a daughter supporting her father, as they entered the Holy Land together.

"A half-disabled person, what's so proud?"

An Early-Stage War God from the Huang Jin Family snorted coldly.

"Heh, maybe he still thinks of himself as the former Evil Emperor!"

A warrior at the Early-Stage War God Realm from the Xu Family smirked coldly and suggested, "Since Chu Xuanji doesn't appreciate the courtesy, there's no need to pay attention to him. I propose we enter together for mutual support. What do you all think?"

"Agreed!"

The other five Early-Stage War Gods nodded in agreement.

The next moment, under the watchful eyes of the crowd outside the Holy Land, six Early-Stage War Gods from the three major families entered the Forbidden Land together.

At this point, the projection on the Investiture of the Gods disappeared once again.

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Seeing Chu Xuanji walk resolutely into the Forbidden Land, Yan couldn't help but let out a sigh in his heart. He asked himself if he could ever risk danger like Chu Xuanji to search for his disciple.

Because one's status determines one's decisions.

His identity and position dictated that he was destined not to live for himself in this lifetime!

Xu Tianqi, Mei Luo, and Rodriguez felt slightly relieved seeing that the Early-Stage War Gods of their own families had also entered the Holy Land.

They had prepared for the worst but still hoped for a miracle — that Xu Wudao, Anton, and Andre were not dead and had only yet to find a way out of the Forbidden Land!

Waiting is tormenting, and purposeless waiting is even more unbearable.

During the wait, three days passed in the blink of an eye. Neither Ye Fan and others who went in earlier nor the eight who entered later, including Chu Xuanji, had come out.

This led many to believe even more firmly that the Forbidden Land was extremely dangerous and that those who went in had all perished.

In such a situation, some chose to leave, and quite a few did, amounting to a quarter!

"Have they died?"

Those who stayed, including Yan, Xu Tianqi, and the six Supreme Strongmen, were all filled with this question.

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On this day, in a valley within the Forbidden Land.

"Ha... hahaha... I've successfully broken through to the Mid-stage War God Realm!"

Wild laughter echoed in the valley, startling birds that flapped their wings away, as if a thousand-year-old demon had emerged!

With the cessation of laughter, a stone entrance was shattered from within, and amidst flying debris, a golden-haired youth stepped out of the cave with determined strides.

Andre!

After many days of seclusion, he was the first to break through to the Mid-stage War God Realm!

"From now on, I shall fear nothing in the Forbidden Land!"

Successfully breaking through inflated Andre's confidence wildly. He unrestrainedly released his aura with a manic and sinister grin on his face, "Besides, it's best if I encounter that bastard again! Damn it, for pursuing me! If I see him again, I'll tear him to pieces and feed his flesh to the mutant beasts!!"

After saying this, Andre picked up his golden Big Spear, his figure blurred as he dashed out of the valley with astonishing speed.

Andre's breakthrough to the Mid-stage War God Realm resulted in a significant boost in his power, and naturally, his speed was no exception.

All of this formed the foundation for his regained arrogance!

However—

Arrogant as he might be, there's no denying that after his advancement, Andre's power was undeniably formidable. Some of the ordinary Mid-stage War God level mutant beasts in the Forbidden Land were no match for him.

Even if encountered by a king among the Mid-stage War God level mutant beasts, they could hardly pose a significant threat to him and ended up dying at his hands one after another.

In half a day's work, the number of mutant beasts he killed had exceeded double digits, and the count continued to rise!

"Pfft!"

After stabbing a mutant beast to death with his spear, Andre licked his somewhat parched lips, absorbed the Beast Core into his palm with a grasp.

Having done all this, Andre kept moving forward.

A moment later, he came upon a trickling mountain spring, ready to fetch water, when he suddenly sensed two auras. Upon careful examination, he realized they did not belong to Ye Fan, Su Liuli, or Anton!

This made him feel quite puzzled, and he found a concealed spot to hide.

Soon enough, while Andre was waiting, two old men in black cloaks arrived by the spring.

Huh?

Seeing the two black-clad elders, Andre's pupils instantly dilated, his face full of astonishment!

Because the two black-clad figures were from the Huang Jin Family, considered among the strong at the Early-Stage War God Realm, their power was quite substantial, even comparable to his before his breakthrough.

"What brings you to the Forbidden Land?"

After overcoming his surprise, Andre stepped out of hiding and questioned the two old men.

Hmm?!

Hearing Andre's voice, and seeing his safe condition, the two black-clad elders were at first stunned, then overjoyed!

"Master Andre, you're safe, that's wonderful!"

One of the black-clad elders exclaimed excitedly and then explained, "On the tenth day after that kid Ye forced you into the Forbidden Land, Chu Xuanji insisted on entering to search for his disciple; the Clan Leader sent us in to find you."

"What?"

Upon hearing this, Andre's eyes lit up, "You say the Evil Emperor Chu Xuanji entered the Forbidden Land too? I remember, he's not at the Early-Stage War God level!"

"Master Andre, here's what happened..."

The other black-clad elder quickly began to explain the whole story.

"Heh, using oneself as the seed to defy heaven and break through; the Evil Emperor is truly astonishing!"

Having heard the black-clad elder's tale, Andre inquired, "Do you know where the Evil Emperor and his female disciple are now?"

"We encountered them half a day ago, on a mountain not far from here."

"Lead me to them!"

Andre licked his lips with a cold smile, a murderous glint in his eyes, "Before I find that bastard Ye, I'll slash the Evil Emperor and his female disciple, just to collect some interest!!"