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Synopsis

Killed by a Sage Emperor and reborn as his 13 year old self, Nie Li was given a second chance at life. A second chance to change everything and save his loved ones and his beloved city. He shall once again battle with the Sage Emperor to avenge his death and those of his beloved .

With the vast knowledge of hundred years of life he accumulated in his previous life, he shall have a new starting point. Although he started as the weakest, without a doubt, he will climb the steps towards the strongest. Cultivating the strongest cultivation technique, wielding the strongest demon spirits, he shall reach the pinnacle of Martial Arts. Enmities of the past will be settled in this new lifetime.

“Since I’m back, then in this lifetime, I shall become the King of the Gods that dominate everything. Let everything else tremble beneath my feet!”

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Chapter 1: Reborn

On the colossal St. Ancestral Mountain range, sunlight shined through the gap between the mountains into the deep canyons. On the hillside beside the valley, there is some snow remaining.

Even though it's already the early summer, the snow has yet to melt. The cold here is exceptionally long. The roars of beasts can occasionally be heard.

On the surface of the valley stands a magnificent city.

The world outside of the St. Ancestral Mountains has been occupied by the beasts. The people living in the mountain range have not contacted the outside world for hundreds of years.

The people in the city are unsure of the situation of the outside world. It's been recorded that at the most glorious period of mankind, having thousands of Legend rank Fighters and Demon Spiritualists, the humans had established an empire in the vast continent, but those empires have been wiped out.

The city, due to being stealthily located geographically, was well preserved from the Age of Darkness. They would occasionally encounter attacks from powerful Snow Wind Beasts within the St. Ancestral Mountains. However, after going through numerous devastating conflicts, the city would be rebuilt again and again.

Those motley walls, were an indomitable monument.

This city is called Glory City, and it is a symbol of hope for humanity.

Holy Orchid Institute, Fighter Apprentice class

Over thirty students are sitting down and are awaiting to listen to the female teacher as she imparts her knowledge. The students are a bunch of Fighter Apprentices. They are Glory City's Holy Orchid Institute's students.

"I heard that the new teacher, Shen Xiu, is one of the Sacred Family's 3-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualists!"

A few students were discussing softly among themselves.

The attention of the students was focused on the teacher. She had a tall figure, was wearing a lavender dress that was wrapped tightly against her body, giving an emphasis of her perky chest. She had a slender, white pair of legs, and wore exquisite make up that made her look beautiful and elegant. Her eyes were full of pride and arrogance. The Sacred Family is one of the three Major families of Glory City. Because she is of noble birth, and a 3-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist, she naturally has the capital to be prideful.

As a 3-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist, she wouldn't normally come here to teach. She only agreed to because her nephew is in this class.

“Demon Spiritualists and Fighters have five different ranks, which are: Bronze, Silver, Gold, Black Gold and Legend rank. Each rank is then divided into five levels, from 1-star to 5-star.

“A Demon Spiritualist is above a Fighter. We are truly a noble existence. A Demon Spiritualist can form a soul realm within their dantian. They have the ability to integrate a captured demon into their soul realm and then merge with the demon in combat. This allows them to possess matchless strength, which is far above the strength that Fighters could compete with.” Shen Xiu raised her chin and spoke arrogantly, “Just like me, my demon is a Scarlet Flaming Fox.”

Suddenly, Shen Xiu’s face and hands underwent drastic changes. Her facial shape became sharper, her teeth and nails also became sharper. Finally, a scarlet tail emerge from her back.

“After merging with a demon, I can control its strength as well as gain fire abilities. Among the demons, the Scarlet Flaming Fox is a Gold rank beast. This means that the highest level I can reach is Gold rank Demon Spiritualist. Of course, after becoming a Gold rank Demon Spiritualist, I can replace it with a more powerful demon.”

When it came to her cultivation, the pride on Shen Xiu’s face became thicker.

Shen Xiu’s words caused a group of students to be amazed. Gold rank Demon Spiritualists are an existence beyond the reach for

most of them.

As Shen Xiu continued lecturing on the stage, Nie Li was sitting at the back row. His mind was in a trance as his soul floated around.

After a while, Nie Li slowly opened his eyes. He couldn't help being confused by the scene in front of him.

"Where am I?" Nie Li quietly asked himself.

He was utterly shocked as he realised that his hands became smaller and his skin became a lot more tender.

Shen Xiu was on the stage, talking nonstop. Nie Li clearly remembered that it was the year he joined the school. The teacher lecturing was a 3-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist and was extremely arrogant. Because of her, Nie Li was unwilling to learn for quite sometime.

"I was actually reborn?" Nie Li was deeply shocked. He remembered being surrounded and attacked by the Sage Emperor and six Deity rank beasts and died in the battle. It seems his soul was reborn to the time when he was thirteen years old.

Nie Li looked towards the side, and saw familiar faces: Lu Piao and Du Ze. These brothers that had shared life and death with him are alive, except their appearances were very immature.

And her, Nie Li looked towards the left. A few meters away from him, a beautiful flawless face came into his field of vision. Her name is Ye Zi Yun. Although her appearance is only thirteen-fourteen years old, she already looked slender and elegant with purple coloured hair pouring down to her waist. She had arched eyebrows, and an intelligent radiance was seen within her eyes. She would have deep dimples whenever she smiled.

Although she looked a little childish, Nie Li knows that, when she grows up a bit more, she will be extremely beautiful and enchanting. She wore a silk white dress that gave her a kind of unspeakable elegance. In his previous life, Nie Li had a deep affection for her ever since he was a teen.

‘She’s not dead!’

Nie Li was extremely excited in his heart, to the point he almost choked.

“I actually went back in time, is this real? Not a dream?” Nie Li questioned himself. He severely pinched himself. The clear pain tells him that this wasn’t a dream. Suddenly he thought of something.

“The Temporal Demon Spirit Book. It must be the Temporal Demon Spirit Book!”

Nie Li lowered his head and immediately searched for it, but could not find the Temporal Demon Spirit Book.

Nie Li dared not believed that his rebirth, this mysterious phenomenon that happened to him! It must be related to the mysterious Temporal Demon Spirit Book!

That Temporal Demon Spirit Book's creator was not known. It's a highly mysterious book that Nie Li always kept with him. He clearly remembered, when he was fighting with the Sage Emperor and the six Deity rank beasts, that his blood had thoroughly covered the book. It must have been the Temporal Demon Spirit Book that brought him back to when he was still thirteen.

After seeing all these familiar faces, Nie Li drifted into his distant memory.

He remembered when Glory City was under the assault of the Snow Wind beasts. Glory City's guardian, Lord Ye Mo, who was a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist, died in the battle with the beasts, among hundreds of thousands of people. Only a few thousand survived and fled to the desert, east of the St. Ancestral Mountain range. During the escape, one survivor after another died in the desert. One day, they were surrounded by the beasts in the desert. Later that night, Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun sought the comfort of each other's soul.

That night, Nie Li had finally embraced the goddess in his heart with his arms.

Under the night sky, the silver moonlight became a hazy veil. Ye Zi Yun's exquisite physique, with her crystal clear skin that looked as though she was molded from a jade sculpture. They embraced each other with a mad passion.

If it wasn't for the destruction of Glory City and for the dreadful escape, he could never have gotten the favor of Ye Zi Yun. He had ridiculously low talent and was from a declining family.

After that night, they encountered another group of beasts. In order to protect him, Ye Zi Yun died by the hands of one of the beasts. Nie Li could never forget that moment.

After he experienced the life threatening attacks, Nie Li survived and walked out of the Endless Desert.

Although his talent was low, his survival instincts allowed Nie Li to travel throughout the Divine Continent. He came across many people fighting with the beasts. He also came across many mysterious things, and of course that Temporal Demon Spirit Book. If it wasn't for the book, Nie Li wouldn't be able to come back.

That mysterious Temporal Demon Spirit Book, actually brought him back through time!

He was brought back to before Glory City's destruction. Before his parents, family and brothers death in the battle. Before Ye Zi Yun's death in the escape.

"Since I'm back, the heavens have given me another chance. I will not let the destruction of Glory City happen again!" Nie Lie said under his breath, gritting his teeth. He firmly made his decision.

He vaguely remembers that he should have just enrolled into the institute this year and he should be thirteen years old. Nie Li wanted to laugh happily, ‘I’m back, how nice!’

‘Sage Emperor, the next time we meet, I’ll slaughter you, and avenge my previous life!’

If it wasn’t for the destruction of Glory City, him and Ye Zi Yun would be from two different worlds. It wouldn’t be possible for them to be together. Ye Zi Yun was the daughter of Glory City’s City Lord, not to mention that her grandfather is the Legend rank Demon Spiritualist Ye Mo. Nie Li was from a family who was powerless and was declining. Both of them, in the midst of escape, built up deep feelings for each other.

Nie Li only knew about her identity later. When Ye Zi Yun entered the school, no one in class knew her identity.

Within Glory City, there are three Major families. The Divine Family, the Sacred Family, and the Snow Wind Family. They represented the supreme power of Glory City, the pinnacle of the noble families. The City Lord was usually born from one of these three families. After the three Major families were the seven Noble families and after them are the twelve Aristocratic families.

Nie Li belonged to the Heavenly Marks Family which stood at last place of the Aristocratic families. Although they still have a little status, there is an astronomical difference in status when compared to the three Major families and the seven Noble families.

With Nie Li's background, wanting to be with Ye Zi Yun was simply impossible.

But, with a glimpse of firmness that flashed across Nie Li's eyes, since he was reborn, is all this of still an issue? Although his foundation is poor, with the vast knowledge from his previous life, improving his talent isn't impossible.

"Nie Li, what are you smiling at?" Lu Piao asked, looking puzzled at Nie Li. He was wondering if he has crazy, since he has been giggling by himself for quite sometime and was even staring at Ye Zi Yun with a lecherous look.

"Just being happy! Good brother, great seeing you!" Nie Li stated as he excitedly hugged Lu Piao. It's a habit from his previous life.

After being ridiculously hugged by Nie Li, Lu Piao muttered angrily, "Oi, Nie Li! Who's your good brother, you gaylord?! Quickly, release me!"

Lu Piao struggled, thinking that they've just started school not long ago. They were only acquainted for only a few days. They were not close enough for this level of intimacy.

Nie Li didn't loosen his hug. He looked at Lu Piao seriously and chuckled "No matter what you're thinking, in my heart, you're always my good brother!"

Naturally Nie Li couldn't tell Lu Piao the life and death adventures in the previous life.

Looking at Nie Li's gaze, Lu Piao was stunned for a while and couldn't help saying, "Weirdo!"

However, no matter what, the words Nie Li said previously, made him feel moved.

Lu Piao looked at Nie Lie and said, "I know you're one of the nobility in Glory City, but let me warn you: Do not have any ideas for that girl. Her identity is extremely mysterious. I heard that when she joined the institute the principal personally arranged her dorm.

Nie Li slightly grinned, Lu Piao still doesn't know Ye Zi Yun's identity which he already knew.

"She's my woman!" Nie Li declared, looking at the beautiful long haired girl not far away. His heart was exceptionally firm as he thought of that night's passion. Nie Li couldn't help feeling hot in his heart.

Nie Li suddenly remembered, he and Ye Zi Yun are still only thirteen!

'Zi Yun, when will she grow up to become the beautiful, enchanting woman? I shall protect you and we will grow up together!'

Not far away, Ye Zi Yun seemed to have felt something. She turned her head and looked towards Nie Li. She gently wrinkled her brows, and thought that Nie Li must be a playful noble. Since the start of class, he has been unrestrainedly looking at her. If he dares to provoke her, she'll not let him off easy.

Ye Zi Yun didn't want to make use her status to make friends, but that doesn't mean that she'll submit to humiliation when being bullied.

Chapter 2: Ignorant

Next to Ye Zi Yun sat a tall and handsome boy who was, occasionally, catching a glimpse of Ye Zi Yun. He noticed that Ye Zi Yun's was looking at Nie Li. He threw a furious look towards Nie Li. His height were slightly taller than Nie Li, and he began to emit a faint yin aura from his brows.

Naturally, Nie Li recognized this person. He's Shen Yue. He belongs to the Sacred Family, which is one of the three Major families and has extraordinary talent. Shen Xiu, who's currently talking on the stage, is his aunt.

In Nie Li's past life, Shen Yue had always been Ye Zi Yun's pursuer. Before Glory City was destroyed, Shen Yue and Ye Zi Yun almost got married. In the eyes of their families, they had always been a perfect match. If Glory City wasn't destroyed, both of them would have definitely gotten married. Before they underwent the marriage ceremony, Glory City was under the attack of the Snow Wind Beasts. before the city was broken through by the beasts, the Sacred Family betrayed Glory City by abandoning their duties and fled.

This may be the work of fate. Ye Zi Yun did not become Shen Yue's wife in his previous life. Instead, she had some kinship activities with Nie Li.

Thinking back, Nie Li couldn't help to laugh in his heart. However, after he saw Ye Zi Yun and Shen Xiu's glare, Niu Li couldn't help feeling a headache forming. The current Ye Zi Yun had a few good impressions for Shen Yue. The look that Ye Zi Yun

give to Nie Li was full of disdain. Ye Zi Yun must have thought of him as a lazy, playful person.

When he saw Ye Zi Yun look to this direction, Nie Li felt a lag in his breath. When he saw that familiar face, he began to think of everything that has happened in his previous life. Nie Li couldn't help feeling sour in his nose. He revealed a smile while he looked deeply at Ye Zi Yun.

'Many thanks to the Temporal Demon Spirit Book, that allowed us to meet once again.' Nie Li silently thought with gratitude.

'Weirdo,' Ye Zi Yun thought in her heart. She felt that Nie Li's gaze was somewhat strange. His bright eyes shined like stars, with a touch of sadness. Ye Zi Yun's heart was filled with questions. Does she know Nie Li? Why does he look at her with this kind of gaze?

Ye Zi Yun's a beauty with white teeth and vermilion lips. She was like a lotus blooming silently, while having a sense of unspeakable cute temperament. This was why there are so many boys fascinated with her.

At this point, Shen Xiu's gaze swept passed Nie Li's body. The action of these thirteen-fourteen year old kids couldn't escape her eyes. She is a Silver rank Demon Spiritualist. She has already reached the state of having the mind and body being as one powerful sixth sense. Her eyesight was extremely keen. She could even see a fleeing rat over a hundred meters away.

Ye Zi Yun has a noble identity. She has the status of being the daughter of Glory City's City Lord, as well as being the granddaughter of the Legend rank Demon Spiritualist, Ye Mo. Not only that, she has a cyan soul realm formed within her dantian. A rare talent!

Only a few people in the Holy Orchid Institute know of Ye Zi Yun's identity. If Shen Yue manages to have Ye Zi Yun as his wife, it could strongly strengthen the Sacred Family's position in Glory City. This is also why he's in the Fighter Apprentice class. It's also the reason why Shen Xiu is teaching this class.

Shen Xiu reverted her transformation with both of her arms hugging her chest. her eyes swept across the students and said, "In the next 2 years, all of you are my students. Although the principal mentioned before that Holy Orchid Institute's students are equal, I have to let you know the ugly truth. In this world, equality doesn't exist!" Shen Xiu spoke in a slightly shrill voice. Her words were like daggers that heavily stabbed into the hearts of the students.

The students below the stage were quietly listening. No one spoke a word.

"After you have all grown up and leave this school, you will agree with my words. Equality is merely a lie that adults fill you with. You can't be living in a fairy tale forever," Shen Xiu said, lowering her head to look at the students, "Glory City is the only city that has been preserved throughout the Age of Darkness. We are the only surviving humans. Within Glory City there are two kinds of powerful existences.The Fighters and the Demon Spiritualists. A Demon Spiritualist's existence is noble. Only one Fighter within

thousands or tens of thousands could have a chance of being born a powerful Demon Spiritualist. Until now, in all of Glory City, only a few thousand Demon Spiritualists exist. We are the guardians of Glory City!”

“Fighters and Demon Spiritualists are divided into Bronze, Silver, Gold, Black Gold and Legend ranks. The higher the rank, the more powerful one is. If a family produces a Gold rank Demon Spiritualist, only then can one become an aristocratic family. If a family produced a Black Gold rank Demon Spiritualist, they can become a Noble family. If a family produces three Black Gold rank Demon Spiritualists or a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist, that family can become a Major family. We have thirty-six people here. Some come from commoner families, some come from noble families. Although your starting point is the same, your identities are not the same. I hope each and every one of you have self-awareness and have a degree of manners. Commoners will always remain as commoners. It’s impossible for you to become an Aristocratic family, so do not dream of rising up to becoming a phoenix. Even within nobility, they have a strict difference of levels which can never be exceed.”

Under Shen Xiu’s gaze, the students that are simple dressed in the class showed discomfort on their face. They were embarrassed and lowered their heads. Shen Xiu, and a few nobles, proudly pushed out their chests and showed an arrogant pride on their faces. Only Nie Li, Ye Zi Yun, Lu Piao and a few other nobles kept calm.

Nie Li looked to the side. Du Ze was wearing slightly wornout clothing. He was clenching his fists tightly, and biting his lips. Du Ze came from a commoner family. His family’s circumstance is

extremely tough. But Nie Li knows that, Du Ze's self-esteem is very strong.

In Nie Li's past life, Du Ze was very hard working, even though his family's circumstance wasn't good. His talent isn't too bad, either. With enormous effort, he became a Gold rank Demon Spiritualist. He had achieved this without the support of large resources, and no exceptional talent. He depended on his own hard work to reach such a level. One can only imagine how much effort he had to put in.

Before Glory City was destroyed, many noble families were thinking on how to escape. Only the commoners fought for Glory City down to their last breath.

Du Ze is Nie Li's friend, one of his most esteemed friends.

Seeing Shen Xiu's look full of contempt, Nie Li could not help but feel a surge of anger within his heart. In his past life, before Glory City was broken through, the Sacred Family was the first to flee. Therefore, Nie Li does not have any pleasant impressions for them. Whether it's Shen Yue or Shen Xiu, there weren't any redeeming qualities. In his past life Shen Xiu was very harsh, which lead to Nie Li disliking her.

"Teacher Shen Xiu, I have a question," Nie Li suddenly spoke.

All the students were listening quietly and Nie Li suddenly interrupted her speech lead Shen Xiu to be unhappy. Shen Xiu recognized Nie Li as he was the one who had covet over Ye Zi Yun.

The words she spoke previously was directed at Nie Li. Who would have thought Nie Li would actually speak up?

She coldly snorted, “What is it?”

“Teacher Shen Xiu says that Glory City is the only one that survived the Age of Darkness, that we are the only human beings surviving. What proof do you have on this statement? May I ask if teacher ever went out of the St. Ancestral Mountains and visited the Endless Desert, the Toxic Forest, the Blood Moon Marsh, the Spirit Gulf, the Heavenly Luster Mountains, and the Northern Snow before?” Nie Li asked.

As someone who was reborn, and retained his past experiences, Nie Li can completely look down on Shen Xiu.

“What Heavenly Luster Mountain? What Northern Snow?” Shen Xiu frowned. Endless Desert, Toxic Forest and Blood Moon Marsh she has heard of them before, but those places are very far away from the St. Ancestral Mountains. She has only heard of them in legends.

Shen Xiu snorted, “I’ve never been to those places. I have been in Glory City since birth, and have never been to those places.”

Nie Li smiled faintly and said, “Since Teacher Shen Xiu have never been to those places, how can you be so sure that we are the only human beings alive?”

Shen Xiu couldn’t help to be at loss for words.

The students in the class started to talk quietly. They have no idea what kind of places Nie Li spoke about. Ye Zi Yun, who was sitting far away, began to show interest that flashed across her eyes. She curiously look at Nie Li. How did Nie Li know of those places?

Shen Yue who was sitting beside Ye Zi Yun slightly frowned his brows. He looked towards the talking Nie Li, and realized he was quite handsome. Nie Li wasn’t below him in terms of looks. Unknowingly, he felt a sense of crisis within his heart.

Seeing the students below discussing away, Shen Xiu’s face was extremely displeased and scoffed, “So what? How can you prove that we are not the last surviving human beings?”

“Proof?”

Nie Li faintly smiled. His experiences from his past life is the proof. Mankind’s wisdom is amazing. After experiencing the Age of Darkness, a lot of humans still survived. They built many monumental cities. But he couldn’t say that out loud. Instead he calmly said, “Let me tell Teacher Shen Xiu a story. There was once a frog in the depth of the well. Since his birth, he has always been in that well. Since the start he could only see a part of the sky, so he claimed that, the sky is only as big as the hole of the well. But is the sky only the size of the hole? We could only say that the frog is ignorant.”

Listening to what Nie Li just said, the students in the class couldn't help themselves from laughing. They all felt that what Nie Li said makes sense. And the idiom, "a frog viewing the sky from the bottom of the well", is indirectly calling Teacher Shen Xiu a frog.

"Viewing the sky from the bottom of the well, what an appropriate description," a few girls said while giggling away. They all disliked Shen Xiu, and couldn't help looking at Nie Li full of admiration, since Nie Li would be the only one daring enough to openly insult a teacher in class.

"You……" Shen Xiu started as she stared at Nie Li. She was furious to the point of almost vomiting blood. Nie Li actually compared her to an ignorant frog. She has never encountered such rampant student.

Ye Zi Yun, who was sitting far away, couldn't control her laughter, as well. She realized that Nie Li is quite interesting and is rather eloquent with with his words. He had actually made Teacher Shen Xiu speechless.

Ye Zi Yun's a natural beauty. Her smile was fascinating. Nie Li winked towards Ye Zi Yun and smiled.

Seeing Nie Li's expression, Ye Zi Yun immediately turned her head back, and thought in her heart, 'Such audacity!'

Nie Li's impression in her heart still remained as a bad student.

Watching Nie Li not only choke Teacher Shen Xiu, but also tease Ye Zi Yun, Lu Piao couldn't help raising a thumb at him, thinking this guy's awesome.

Nie Li looked at Shen Xiu, and continued "Teacher Shen Xiu, I still have another question."

Shen Xiu was about to die from the anger, but she couldn't flare up here. She could only reply in bad mood, "What question do you still have?!"

"Teacher Shen Xiu said, 'a commoner will always remain a commoner, they can never become a noble.' I have a little question. wasn't the Legend rank Demon Spiritualist, Ye Mo, a commoner when he was still young?" Nie Li asked, blinking his eyes a few times, and looking at Shen Xiu. "Is Teacher Shen Xiu are not aware of this?"

Chapter 3: Punished Standing

After listening to what Nie Li said, the eyes of the commoners in the class all lit up, they are all aware of Lord Ye Mo's story, setting him as an example to follow, wanting to become a powerful existence. Except the words that Shen Xiu spoke of earlier on were simply too harsh, causing them to be depressed.

"You... In the hundreds years of Glory City, Lord Ye Mo's the only one able to climb to the peak relying on his own ability!" Shen Xiu showed a moment of lag and quickly retaliated with her far-fetched reply.

"But didn't teacher Shen Xiu say that it's impossible? Why are you self-contradicting yourself?" Nie Li coldly sneered "Lord Ye Mo is a clear cut example, no matter if it's noble, or commoner, the future's potential is infinite, nothing is difficult as long as one is willing to climb!"

Shen Xiu almost exploded, this guy Nie Li is too spiteful, catching her loophole in her words and constantly attack at it, simply no respect for the elder! She gazed coldly at Nie Li, he dared to openly contradict her in front of all the people, she'll not let Nie Li have a good time in the coming future!

Not far away from Nie Li, Du Ze looked at Nie Li, eyes full of gratefulness. Although Nie Li is a noble, he still ran the risk of offending teacher Shen Xiu, helping them commoners to speak up which made him very touched. Teenager's heart is very primitive, hence, he has already determined Nie Li as his friend.

Shen Xiu sneered “Smart mouth, you think that putting things this way could change the harsh reality? You only looked at Lord Ye Mo’s glorious moment, but didn’t to look at how many people failed. Not to mention about being a demon Spiritualist, even becoming a fighter itself is a difficult thing to achieve. Nie Li right? You can be considered a bloodline of the aristocrat family, since you don’t know when to come and leave. I’ll see what kind of talent you have!”

Shen Xiu lowered her head and took a look at the parchment paper in her hands, after taking a glimpse of the content, she mockingly laughed “Nie Li, red soul realm, current’s soul force of 5, strength of 21, with your talent you can only reach bronze rank fighter in your entire life. Wanting to become a demon Spiritualist is simply impossible, you’re even inferior compared to some of the commoners. No wonder you dared speak in this way, you are just trying to hide your own low self-esteem!”

Soul realm’s grade are differentiated by the colors, divided into red, orange, yellow, green, cyan, azure and indigo seven different grades, red is the worst, weak to the low level, an average person would have orange or yellow soul realm, having green or cyan soul realm could already be considered a genius, as for azure and purple soul realm, they have only existed in legends.

After hearing what Shen Xiu said, groups of commoner students began to feel sorry for Nie Li, as someone of nobility. Nie Li’s talent could be considered the worst, they fear that it would be difficult to have any achievements in his life.

Ye Zi Yun looked at Nie Li, sighed gently, although her

impression for Nie Li isn't good, but knowing his talent to be so terrible, she couldn't help to feel sorry for him in her heart.

Shen Yue who is sitting next to Ye Zi Yun curled his lips in disdain. If he knew sooner of Nie Li's horrible talent, he wouldn't have considered Nie Li to be a threat, because Nie Li is simply not qualified! With his horrible talent, he could only live at the lowest of Glory City, and he, Shen Yue, was one of the three major families, Sacred family's direct bloodline, how could Nie Li compete with him?

If it wasn't for Ye Zi Yun, he wouldn't even come to this trash class, having the company trash like Nie Li!

Shen Xiu aggressively continued "With such talent, even within your family, you wouldn't be able to get any attention, yet you acted so rampant, rude to elders?"

Shen Xiu words made Nie Li recall his past, before Glory City was destroyed, Nie Li is indeed very weak, just as Shen Xiu said, he remained at 3-star bronze rank unable to advance further, no attention was given to him no matter if it's in school or back in his family, treated as if he were as dust.

If it wasn't for that Nie Li saved Ye Zi Yun without any regard for his life, it wouldn't even be possible to get his goddess's favor. As Ye Zi Yun was already a 1-star gold rank demon Spiritualist at that point of time, the distance between the two was like a chasm. Nie Li wasn't even qualified to fight beside Ye Zi Yun. He could only watch Ye Zi Yun die by the claws of beast in front of him, her body slowly submerge into the desert sand.

This has always been a needle in Nie Li's heart!

With pure luck that he walked out of the Endless Desert alive. Nie Li had various mysterious encounter and realized that even the so called soul force talent could also be upgraded!

If this was in the past life, Nie Li certainly didn't have the courage to refute when being criticized by the teacher. But it isn't the same now, he's confident that one day he will let these people who looked down on him know that he will reach a realm that they can never imagine.

Since he's back, he must be indomitable, even if it means slaughtering any gods or buddha stopping his path!

But what caused everyone to be surprised is that, even though Nie Li was being ridiculed by teacher Shen Xiu, there wasn't any shame shown on his face but on the contrary, his gaze firmly locked on Shen Xiu and said "Teacher Shen Xiu, you feel that soul realm could decide a person's future right? With that despicable character of yours, you'll only defend the gifted and mock the mediocre! And even still speak a bunch of principles, you're just merely trying to cover your despicable character!"

Hearing Nie Li's words, Shen Xiu's body quivered with anger. She had never met this kind of student, who actually dared to contradict her so badly, and Nie Li's words directly poked the hidden thoughts in her heart causing her to be enraged, she cursed uncontrollably, "Silence! Who do you think you are to actually

dared to discredit your teacher!”

Nie Li curled his lips in disdain “I feel ashamed having a teacher like you. I guarantee that, in this class there would be a lot of commoners exceeding your imagination, having unimaginable achievements! Instead of coaching then patiently, you used harsh words to attack their self-confidence, you’re not worthy to be a teacher! Although my talent is weak, so what? One day, I will become a legend rank demon Spiritualist like Lord Ye Mo and marry the most beautiful women in Glory City!”

As he spoke, Nie Li’s gaze fell on the far away sitting Ye Zi Yun, eye shining with resolute.

Seeing as Nie Li looking towards herself, not knowing why, Ye Zi Yun suddenly felt her heart speed up, cheeks burning red. She never had the thought that Nie Li is actually so bold to say this kind of stuff in class, seeing Nie Li’s gaze, his meaning is clear. Except in her heart, she doesn’t have any feelings for Nie Li, after hearing Nie Li’s speech she had an indescribable feeling within her.

Seeing Ye Zi Yun’s expression, Shen Yue’s face colors turned dull. Although Nie Li and him aren’t of the same standard, he still felt a bit threatened by Nie Li.

“Hahaha! This is the funniest joke I’ve heard! A red soul realm actually said that he want to become a legend rank demon Spiritualist like Lord Ye Mo. Even when Lord Ye Mo was younger, he is already tested to have amazing talent, having cyan soul realm! You think success relies on luck alone? Ridiculous!” Shen

Xu mocked mercilessly “Rather than being a smart mouth here, why not start learning seriously!”

Nie Li’s words were powerful and resonating “I know your heart is full of contempt, but one day I will shut your mouth with hard facts! Aptitude cannot determine a person’s achievement, using weak to defeat the strong, to overcome the heavens! We practitioners are already challenging the impossible, by going against the way of heavens!”

Nie Li’s words couldn’t help but to cause the students in the class to feel their blood surging, practicing already was going against the way of heavens, if one did not oppose the heavens, how could they talk about practice?

Nie Li enunciated powerfully “Without a continuously fighting heart, without the courage to turn the impossible possible, even possessing extraordinary talent would be useless. Since I, Nie Li, was born in this world, I shall challenge the impossible! Teacher Shen Xiu, how about having a bet with me?”

Although Nie Li experienced numerous setbacks in his previous life, he never gave up, since heaven gave him a chance to be reborn, then in this life, he will use unimaginable speed to climb to the top!

“What bet?” Shen Xiu sneered.

“We’ll bet that on the coming test in two months time, I will be able to reach bronze rank. If I fail to do so, I will resign from the

school. If I reach bronze rank, then you will resign, how about it?" Nie Li said unyieldingly, looking at Shen Xiu.

Listening to what Nie Li said, everyone was taken aback by it. They are all was surprised that Nie Li actually proposed this kind of bet with teacher Shen Xiu. Although they were hoping that Nie Lie could win, they felt that there's no way that Nie Lie would win.

"Hahaha, funny enough to actually say to reach bronze rank in two months, you think you can rise your soul force from 5 to 100 in two months?" Shen Xiu face were full of despise, has Nie Li gone crazy?

"I only ask one question, do you dare or not?" Nie Li ignored what Shen Xiu just said.

"That being the case, why would I not dare! I do not believe an egotistical brat like you could achieve anything! Who do you think you are boasting around!" Shen Xiu angrily snorted "Such rudeness to your teacher, for the next two months, you will stand at the back of the classroom to listen the class!"

Shen Xiu's famous for being unreasonable, Nie Li looked contemptuously at Shen Xiu, so what if he's standing at the back of the class, for Nie Li this little thing is superficial.

"Since teacher Shen Xiu agreed to the bet, don't regret it later on!" Nie Li strolled to the back of the class.

“I’ll regret? What a joke! Don’t come crying to me later on!” Shen Xiu laughed.

Seeing Nie Li standing at the back, a few Noble kids started mockingly whispered.

“Future legend rank demon Spiritualist got punished standing!”

“Tsk tsk, so he’s afraid of withdrawal from school!”

“Weren’t you being egotistic awhile ago?”

“Two months to rise soul force from 5 to 100, who does he think he is? Even when Lord Ye Mo was younger, he doesn’t even reach such frightening speed!”

Shen Xiu sneered, so what if Nie Li is being egotistic, doesn’t she still have the saying in the classroom? She naturally didn’t bother with what Nie Li said, two month to rise soul force from 5 to 100? Shen Xiu thought of it as a joke, this kind of stuff will absolutely not happen! Just look forward to Nie Li’s withdrawal from school!

Seeing Nie Li was punished to stand at the back of the class by Shen Xiu, Du Ze was silent for a moment, gritted his teeth then rose up from his seat and went to stand beside Nie Li. Nie Li was punished for helping the commoners to speak up, so naturally he wanted to stand together with Nie Li.

Seeing as Du Ze stood beside Nie Li at the back of the class, Shen

Xiu's eyes gloomed down and hummed "Since you also like standing, then stand together with him!"

Nie Li and Du Ze looked at each other, both their eyes flashed a sense of rapport and lightly smiled at each other.

At this moment, Nie Li felt as though he went back to the past life when him and Du Ze were still best friend, Du Ze is still that Du Ze.

After Du Ze stood at the side of Nie Li, Lu Piao submerged in his thoughts for awhile and also stood beside Nie Li.

"Why are you here?" Nie Li smiled as he asked.

Lu Piao shrugged "Sitting down is pretty boring, I feel more cooling standing, can't I?"

"Haha, suits you!" Nie Li laughed, Lu Piao is still the same as the past, although he speaks a lot of bullshit, but he is very loyal. Although this thing got nothing to do with Lu Piao, but Lu Piao thought of Nie Li as friend, and friend should share the fate together.

Successively three other commoners kids stood up and stood by Nie Li's side. Nie Li belongs to a noble family, but he took the risk of withdrawing from school to speak up for them and they are grateful for it, so they felt that they have to support Nie Li.

With these brothers by his side, Nie Li felt that it wasn't so bad to

be punished and his mood turned exceptionally cheerful.

See that, Shen Xiu's facial expression turned ugly, putting on a cold face and continued her lecture.

"After being tested, among the students in the class, Ye Zi Yun have a cyan soul realm, soul force of 86, Shen Yue and Xiao Ning Er both have green soul realm, soul force of 78, they will soon reach 1-star bronze rank, congratulations to them!" Shen Xiu lightly said, her gaze fell on Nie Li for a moment, this is real talent, what's Nie Li compared to them?

Listening to Shen Xiu's words, the students in the class all cried out in surprise, cyan soul realm, soul force of 86! Such amazing person is actually in their class, with such powerful talent, she's got the chance to become a legend rank demon Spiritualist in her lifetime!

As for Shen Yue and Xiao Ning Er, both also had extraordinary talent, their future's achievements are limitless!

This Ye Zi Yun's origin is unknown, has a fresh and beautiful appearance, an extraordinary talent and even got a mysterious background. This made her the most dazzling in the class. As for Xiao Ning Er, appearance not any worst then Ye Zi Yun, but her talent is slightly inferior when compared to Ye Zi Yun.

No matter what, ordinary people have no hope of catching up to them!

Chapter 4: Million Demon Spirit Coin?

Nie Li glanced towards Xiao Ning Er. She had a slim figure, wearing a short yellow skirt, a pair of high heel boots. Her black hair draped over her shoulders, with bright clear eyes, curved eyebrows, the long eyelash slightly trembled, flawless white skin revealed touches of pink, her delicate lips were as rose petals.

Aside from having a charming feel on her, she also had an indescribable wild beauty and the cold expression on her face added a different kind of taste to it.

Nie Li's eyes went heavy and recalled, Xiao Ning Er's the first child of Xiao family, one of the seven noble families. Her soul force's talent is only beneath Ye Zi Yun, before Glory City was destroyed, she already became a silver rank demon Spiritualist. Together with Ye Zi Yun, they became the younger generation's twin gemini.

Only thing is in order to curry favor with the three major family, the Xiao family forced Xiao Ning Er to marry into the Sacred family, marrying Shen Yue's elder brother. But she was unwilling hence she left her family, and went into the St. Ancestral Mountain's Black Devil Forest and never came back.

An unyielding woman!

Nie Li felt sorry for Xiao Ning Er, if given the chance, he will definitely help Xiao Ning Er in this life. But if asked if he he had any affection for Xiao Ning Er, there would be none, in Nie Li's

heart there's only Ye Zi Yun.

"In the fighter and demon Spiritualist test in two months time, I hope that there would be a few 1-star bronze rank demon Spiritualist, both me and the Holy Orchid Institute will feel proud of you!" Shen Xiu laughed. Bronze, silver, gold, black gold, legend, these five ranks are further broken down into 1 to 5 star level, and thus 1-star bronze rank is considered the starting point.

Once a fighter's strength or demon Spiritualist's soul force reaches 100, can be considered a 1-star bronze rank.

Entering the entry level is extremely difficult, lots of people are unable to step into entry level to become a real fighter or demon Spiritualist.

Hearing Shen Xiu's words, students in the class started whispering to one another. In order to become a 1-star bronze rank fighter you must to be able to lift up hundred pound rock, breaking a tree with thickness of an arm with a punch in order to reach 1-star bronze rank. For these kids, it's simply too difficult, unless one has been consuming elixir since birth, otherwise it will be hard to achieve. As for demon Spiritualist, it requires to refine large amount of soul force within the body, which is a lot harder to accomplish compared to becoming a fighter.

Soul force is divided into seven colors: red, orange, yellow, green, cyan, azure and indigo. A normal human would have red soul force. Wanting to become a demon Spiritualist for them is near impossible. They would normally choose to become a fighter instead. As for people with orange and yellow soul force, they're

more suitable to train in soul force, and people with green or cyan soul force, are considered extraordinary talents.

Students in the class all looked at Ye Zi Yun, Shenn Yue and Xiao Ning Er, they envied that they are the only one that could accomplish in becoming a 1-star bronze rank in less than half a year.

After becoming a 1-star bronze rank, can then enter into official fighter class or official demon Spiritualist class! At that time they won't be in the same class with them!

Feeling the gaze of other students, Shen Yue proudly raises his chest out. As a member of the Sacred family, he had all kinds of elixir since young. He has already long surpass other peers. It would be an easy thing to get his soul force to hit 100 in two months, he shall await the test in two months!

Shen Yue looked at the elegant Ye Zi Yun beside him, only he's worth of her, Nie Li's considered nothing! He actually dared to bet with his aunt that he will become a 1-star bronze rank in two months, so egotistic and ignorant! Nie Li thought that it's easy to become a 1-star bronze rank? A red soul realm trash dared to make such an egotistic statement! Ha!

Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er looked at each other in the eye, they both had superior origin, certainly not bad. Ye Zi Yun always wanted to make friends with Xiao Ning Er, but Xiao Ning Er has been always seeing her as a rival, setting her as target and continue working hard to reach.

“As for those who claimed to reach 1-star bronze rank in two month, I want to see to what extent they can reach!” Shen Xiu looked towards Nie Li showing contempt in her eyes and speaking in a disdainful tone.

Soul realm and physical condition determines a person’s cultivation speed, as for Nie Li’s situation, according to normal speed, he would need at least three to five years to reach entry level, and becoming a 1-star bronze rank, as for wanting to become a demon Spiritualist with only having a red soul realm is simply dreaming.

Nie Li did not put Shen Xiu’s words in his heart.

“Two months? There’s still time to spare.” the side of Nie Li’s mouth upturned, showing faint confident smile, watch how I’ll become an 1-star bronze rank within two months!

Privately, Nie Li, Lu Piao and Du Ze were quietly conversing.

“Nie Li, do you like Ye Zi Yun?” Lu Piao asked looking at Nie Li.

“Yes!” Nie Li said truthfully.

Lu Piao staring into Nie Li’s eyes, after awhile he sighed “Ye Zi Yun’s a beauty indeed, seeing that you’re my brother, I shall not fight with you. But as a brother, I have to warn you, Ye Zi Yun’s identity is too noble, isn’t of someone we can match.” Although his

family belongs to one of the twelve aristocrat family, but Ye Zi Yun's identity compared to him is simply astronomical.

"You two, can you be more realistic? Ye Zi Yun's a super genius with cyan soul realm! Soon she'll become a 1-star bronze rank demon Spiritualist, I estimate that in two months time she'll be able to enter the official demon Spiritualist class. After entering the official demon Spiritualist class her cultivation would definitely soar. Whether she remembers you or not is still a problem. What I hate the most is your kind of noble offspring, constantly thinking of how to chase after girls, when you don't even know how to work hard and train!" Du Ze snorted, relentlessly saying.

"What do you mean by noble offspring constantly thinking of chasing after girls? You're slandering! I've always been hard-working training okay, at most I've only used half a day thinking of girls!" Lu Piao shrugged his shoulders.

"Good heavens! What kind of people did I get involved with!" Du Ze rolled his eyes.

Du Ze's talent isn't bad, having yellow soul realm and works very hard with his training, plus having a mysterious encounter later on, he reached the stage of 1-star gold rank demon Spiritualist, leading his family and became one of the aristocrat families, these are amazing achievements.

Du Ze's a very loyal person, but slightly old fashioned taking things seriously. In contrast with Du Ze, Lu Piao's a dandyish young master, although he only had a red soul realm, he had high

fighter talents. If he puts in effort and worked hard his cultivation would definitely soar, but he's simply too lazy. In the previous life he only reached silver rank, had a huge difference compared to Du Ze.

But, life is intriguing, although they are completely two different kinds of people, they still became brothers in the previous life!

Listening to Lu Piao and Du Ze's arguments, Nie Li in the previous life used to feel that it was unhealthy. But right now Nie Li's heart was touched, having these kinds of brothers, how fantastic!

"Nie Li, I recommend you to give up, focus on training instead." Du Ze persuading Nie Li seriously, if Nie Li really fell for her, it'll be an extremely sad thing.

In the past life Nie Li couldn't get away from it, after knowing Shen Yue and Ye Zi Yun's engagement, he was heart broken.

But in this life, if he's still useless as a scrap wood, he might as well commit suicide.

"Don't worry, I'm well aware of the things that I want to do and they will definitely be accomplished!" Nie Li spoke with confidence.

Listening to Nie Li's words, Du Ze and Lu Piao staggered for a moment. They're unable to imagine where did Nie Li get such

confidence? Seeing Nie Li's expression, they had a feeling that Nie Li could certainly accomplish it. They couldn't help but be influenced by Nie Li's mood.

"Fine, no matter what you do, we will always support you!" De Zu thought for a moment and spoke up.

Punished standing together, caused them to produce a strong brotherly relationship.

"Du Ze, Lu Piao, I will let the both of you become the strongest demon Spiritualist!" Nie Li spoke heavily, in his previous life Du Ze and Lu Piao shared life and death with him. They had fought and saved his life many times and now that he's back he'll naturally help Du Ze and Lu Piao to fulfill their dreams.

"Forget it, I only have a red soul realm. With the support of my family's elixir becoming a fighter wouldn't be an issue, but becoming a demon Spiritualist is seriously too hard!" Lu Piao started to back out.

"What's the use of becoming a fighter? The higher you climb, the harder it is to train and a fighter of same rank can't be the match of an equally ranked demon Spiritualist. In the battlefield, a legend rank fighter isn't even worth a black gold demon Spiritualist. You must know that demon Spiritualist are powerful combat forces!" Du Ze however, was filled with hope to become a demon Spiritualist. If he wants to do something, he will give it his best, that's his principle.

“No need to become a legend rank fighter, if I can become a gold rank fighter I’d be satisfied!” Lu Piao said frankly, completely unmoved.

Du Ze’s speechless. Nothing can be said to an aimless person.

“Having red soul realm, so what? I’m also only a red soul realm.” Nie Li looked towards Lu Piao saying.

Lu Piao and Du Ze were puzzled, Nie Li’s only a red soul realm. He actually had the confidence to say that he’ll reach 1-star bronze rank in two months. Could he have some special methods?

“Nie Li, what method do you have to refine soul force in order to raise demon Spiritualist level?” Du Ze asked. He’s very curious, from what he knows there’s no shortcut in training soul force.

“Just listen to me, as long as you don’t back down, you can become a powerful demon Spiritualist!”

“Back down? Never!” Du Ze firmly said. He will become stronger to change his family’s fate; in this matter, he’ll never back out.

If it’s possible to become a demon Spiritualist, Lu Piao is naturally very happy. If he can become a demon Spiritualist, he wouldn’t be beaten by his dad for being lazy. Lu Piao belongs to those kind of people where if there’s an opportunity to slack off, he wouldn’t let it go.

“Will it be very troublesome?” Lu Piao mumbled.

Du Ze threw him a look, this fella is hopeless, wanting to become a demon Spiritualist without any difficulties. To become a demon Spiritualist, how can it be not troublesome? If he can become a demon Spiritualist, he’d do anything, no matter how hard it is!

“Not troublesome!” Nie Lu shook his head, his complexion went normal saying “Just need a lot of money!”

“If it can be solved as long as you have money, this is too easy!” Lu Piao loosen a breath “How much do you need? I have a lot. I saved up two thousand demon spirit coins. If can become a demon Spiritualist, I can afford to spend it all.”

If two thousand coin can become a demon Spiritualist title, it’s simply too awesome.

Nie Li looked at Lu Piao. Lu Piao had a lot of nerve, that two thousand coin of his can be considered a lot? Helplessly saying “What can two thousand demon spirit coins do? Of course it’s not enough. You’ll need at least millions of demon spirit coins, or even tens of millions of demon spirit coins!”

Tens of thousands of demon spirit coins! No matter if it’s Du Ze or Lu Piao, they all took a deep breath. One million demon spirit coins, that’s the same as an aristocrat family’s annual income! Where can they go find so much money?

Chapter 5: Alchemist

Demon Spirit Coin are the currency used in Glory City, usually two to three thousand demon spirit coin would be sufficient for a commoner family's annual expenses. The value of items in Glory City are measured with demon spirit coin for example, battle armours, demon crystal, demon beast's fur, elixir and various other items.

Holy Orchid Institute's annual school fee, would be around three thousand demon spirit coins, for a commoner family to say, would be a huge expenses for them. But a lot of commoner family would rather live frugally and send their children to Holy Orchid Institute, because once they become a fighter or demon Spiritualist, even if it's only bronze rank, can also change the family's fate.

A bronze fighter, if join the army and become a soldier, they would have an annual salary of about five to six thousand demon spirit coins. At the same time they can also venture into St. Ancestral Mountains gaining more benefits from it.

Nie Li belongs to the Heavenly Mark family, a relatively declining aristocratic family. The master of the house is a 1-star gold rank demon Spiritualist. The family's annual income is around six hundred thousand demon spirit coins. The family's annual expenses is very large, just the expenses of the family children's school fees would be around three hundred thousand demon spirit coins. Along with various other expenses often made the family struggle to make ends meet. With no choice but to sell some of the family business to support themselves, Heavenly Mark family still got all the younger generation into Holy Orchid Institute.

The master of the house once said that only an outstanding member of the younger generation could let the family rise once again. Even if they had to live with much toll, they have to let every single younger generation to get the largest nurturing they can give.

In his previous life, Nie Li doesn't quite understand this sentence. He felt strange about the Master of the house Nie Heng Xun's action, because the master of the house was very strict with them. After his rebirth, Nie Li could finally understand master of the house's care and thought.

As a member of the Heavenly Mark family, he also wanted the family to grow stronger, becoming Glory City's top level!

After his rebirth Nie Li's memory still had a lot of powerful cultivation techniques. Before that he would have to make some money to buy a few primary soul crystals, in order to test his soul realm's attributes. Then he can decide on which cultivation technique to practice with. If the cultivation technique matches one's soul realm attributes, then training would be more effective.

Dong Dong Dong!

The bell went off through out the Glory City, class has ended.

Holy Orchid Institute's students rushed out from the huge gate, passing through the bustling street in front of the gate. Merchants sounded one after another.

“Latest bronze rank battle armours! With Snow Wind Pattern inscribed on it, noble ladies and gentlemen, are you interested?” A vendor with grey tunic greeted with enthusiasm which soon attracted the attention of many students. Bronze rank armour this kind of stuff isn’t something an ordinary student can afford, but within the Holy Orchid Institute there’s still a lot of children of nobility. Some of them are extremely loaded, and they can sell to those rich students if they were lucky enough.

“Look, bronze rank armour with Snow Wind Pattern inscribed on it!” the students were excited, talking to one another. It was a pair of gauntlets, exuding deep blue light, surface covered with mysterious carvings, revealing a faint chilling frost.

“How much is this?” One student asked in low voice.

“Sixty thousand demon spirit coins!” the vendor said while smiling.

“Good heavens, so expensive!” an ordinary family couldn’t even accumulate sixty thousand demon spirit coins in ten years.

“This is a bronze rank armour with Snow Wind Pattern inscribed on it. The Snow Wind Pattern was drawn using the blood of a Snow Wind Banshee, the banshee was at its prime before being killed. Snow Wind Banshee isn’t easy to hunt, their characteristic also made the gauntlets to have strong attacking ability! This is definitely a suitable armour for Snow Wind type fighters or demon Spiritualists!” The vendor bragged as he introduced.

Many students looked at the pair of gauntlets with nostalgia but they still left, as such an expensive item isn't something they can afford.

"Bronze rank armour alone would cost sixty thousand demon spirit coins. Then wouldn't silver rank armour and gold rank armour be even more expensive!" Lu Piao muttered. His monthly allowance was only about five hundred demon spirit coins. Lu Piao's family has a lot of business, so Lu Piao can be considered well off. In the previous life Lu Piao would often help Nie Li and Du Ze. But even if Lu Piao had some money bronze rank armour isn't something he can afford.

As Nie Li, Lu Piao, and Du Ze walked they looked around. This street is filled with all kinds of items. No matter what item, be it expensive or cheap can be found here.

"Nie Li, what are you planning?" Lu Piao was confused as Nie Li looked around.

Just when they were talking, a figure arrived in front of that vendor.

"Look, it's Shen Yue!" Lu Piao directed Shen Yue's location with his mouth "And also Ye Zi Yun!"

Nie Li looked towards that direction. Only seeing Ye Zi Yun and a few girls happily chatting. That pretty face and sweet smile of hers were full of sunshine. Among the group of girls, Ye Zi Yun's

definitely the most dazzling one, which made others look at her.

Everything around here became more vibrant because of Ye Zi Yun's existence.

Shen Yue also looked at her from time to time.

"Very good,I'm lacking bronze rank gauntlets. Wrap this bronze rank gauntlet up for me!" Shen Yue lightly said to the vendor.

"YES, YOUNG MASTER!" the vendor immediately grinned upon hearing Shen Yue's words and quickly wrap the gauntlet up.

"Here's sixty thousand demon spirit coins!" Shen Yue took out six demon crystal card. A single demon crystal card represents ten thousand demon spirit coins.

Taking out sixty thousand demon spirit coins, Shen Yue made it look light. With a 'don't give a shit' kind of expression he placed the bronze ranked gauntlets into his interspatial ring.

Several girls around let out light muffled voice. Easily taking out sixty thousand demon spirit coins, so rich! Several of the slightly pretty girls had the look in their eyes brighten up. Throwing flirtatious gazes at Shen Yue. However Shen Yue treated them as though they were invisible, proudly look towards Nie Li's group of three. Then looked towards Ye Zi Yun his eyes clearly meaning that 'I only had my eyes on you'.

“How despicable!” Lu Piao growled “This is a silver bullet attack!”

“Tyrant! Easily throwing out sixty thousand demon spirit coins, and even having an interspatial ring.” Du Ze spreads out his hand. Shaking his head looking at Nie Li “Nie Li, people is handsome and rich, what can you compete against him with?”

“Hehe, Zi Yun doesn’t care about that amount of money!” Nie Li casually spoke. He swept his gaze towards Ye Zi Yun was at. She completely ignored Shen Yue’s action, talking with the few girls beside. Her eyes were looking at Xiao Ning Er from time to time, but Xiao Ning Er stood absent mindedly at one side.

Xiao Ning Er’s expression is cold. She’s usually a lone wolf, without having much contact with other students.

Nie Li knows that what Ye Zi Yun wants the most right now is friendship. In the previous life Ye Zi Yun always wanted to be friends with Xiao Ning Er, but their identity led them further apart instead.

Looking at Ye Zi Yun’s expression, Shen Yue is somewhat disappointed.

“Fine, Ye Zi Yun indeed doesn’t care about money, Nie Li, she wouldn’t like females right, if so you’re game over!” Lu Piao blinked, teasing Nie Li.

Nie Li laughed, he naturally wouldn't put Lu Piao's words in his heart. In the previous life he was Ye Zi Yun's only man, "Lets go, I'm starting my plan!"

Du Ze and Lu Piao looked straight, nodding their head.

"Lu Piao, go buy two crossbow and five hundred crossbow bolts. Crossbow cost hundred sixty demon spirit coins each and bolt cost thirty demon spirit coins each, don't get cheated by hawkers!" Nie Li told Lu Piao "We'll meet up at the school's training ground."

"Okay!" Lu Piao nodding his head feeling a bit curious in his heart, did Nie Li brought crossbow and crossbow bolt before in the past, since he knows the price of it?

Nie Li's monthly allowance is only fifty demon spirit coins, so he doesn't have enough for expensive things.

"Du Ze, we'll go buy Black Pool Grass!" Nie Li said, as Black Pool Grass has a certain paralysis effect.

Du Ze's situation is even worst then Nie Li. Naturally Nie Li wouldn't let Du Ze use his money. So when buying those stuff Nie Li was the one paying.

Black Pool Grass is very cheap, one demon spirit coin can buy a bunch of it. In addition Nie Li also brought some lower fusing agent and went to a small hill at the side of Glory City to collect some Zoysia Grass.

“What are you planning to do?” Du Ze curiously asked.

Nie Li laughed mysteriously “Black Pool Grass has a certain paralysis effect, but the efficiency is very low. Generally only used to smear on wounds to relieve some pain. As for Zoysia Grass, is a very common weed, and no one has found the usage for them yet! However if used with fusing agent and Black Pool Grass, it can greatly strengthen the paralysis effect in Black Pool Grass!”

Du Ze stunned for a moment and asked “How strong is the paralysis effect?”

Nie Li laughed saying “Doesn’t have much paralysis effect on ordinary demon beast. The effect is worst than low grade paralysis agent. But did you realize, horned sheep never eats Zoysia Grass?”

“Horned Sheep?” Du Ze went silent for a moment, as if he vaguely guessed something, his eyes lit up “Nie Li, would you happen to be an alchemist?”

“An alchemist?” Nie Li thought for awhile and laughed “I guess so”

Alchemists refers to those who use herbs to refine elixirs or people that allocate prescriptions. Nie Li isn’t an alchemist, in his previous life he only had slight knowledge of them, but Glory City’s alchemist standard is simply too low. They can’t even be considered a real alchemist! Nie Li can look down on those so called alchemist in Glory City! And when Nie Li was having his

adventure around the continent, he entered the Toxic Forest. The people living in Toxic Forest that survived countless attacks from the poisonous demon beast. They are then considered a real alchemist!

Nie Li started mixing the grass and fusing agent, getting a total of six full bottle of drug.

Holy Orchid Institute training ground. The training ground was established by a legend rank demon Spiritualist Lord Ye Mo and the principal of the school who is a black gold rank demon Spiritualist. The training ground is surrounded by towering walls. Every year experts in Glory City would capture some low level demon beast and place them into the training ground. Any Holy Orchid Institute's student who is below silver rank can enter the ground. Students can hunt demon beast inside obtaining fur, demon crystal, and various other beast materials from it and can dispose of it freely at their own choice. Some poor students can also hunt inside the training ground to help with family's financial situation.

Nie Li's group of three hasn't even reach 1-star bronze rank yet. So the place that they are going is the training ground's safest area where there are only horned sheep in that area. Although horned sheep are very aggressive in nature, they are still herbivores therefore their attacks at most would cause serious injuries, so it can still be considered safe.

Nie Li's group of three entered into the training ground after having their identity verified by the guards at the entrance.

Training ground apprenticeship area.

Within the sparse trees would often have patches grass field with horned sheep slowly pacing on it. Their eyes were red. from time to time they would prick up their ears to listen. Once an outsider enters their territory, they would mercilessly attack towards it.

Just then an abnormal sound could be heard. The horned sheep closest to Nie Li’s group lets out a growl and rushed towards the direction of the abnormal sound.

Chapter 6: Xiao Ning Er

“Nie Li that guy actually called me to be the bait. Simply outrageous!” Lu Piao looked at the horned sheep charging towards him, which scared the crap out of him, making him stumble as he ran backwards.

Meanwhile, Du Ze and Nie Li were hiding in the bush, holding crossbows in their hands.

“My goodness, this horned sheep is so scary, shoot, shoot it!” Seeing as the horned sheep was getting nearer, Lu Piao madly ran non-stop.

“Lu Piao this guy, didn’t we agree to have him stay still and not to move? The horned sheep would have surely fallen for the trap. However, once he ran, the sheep deviated from the trap’s direction!” Nie Li frowned. The trap is actually a small two finger pit and once the horned sheep carelessly step into the trap, it would have definitely fractured its leg. Firing arrows at it once it happened would have caused the result to be much better.

Seeing Lu Piao as ran in panic, Du Ze also got nervous and continuously pulled the trigger at the sheep. shu shu shu Three crossbow bolts shot out from the crossbow.

That horned sheep is a demon-ized creature, it hasn’t been injured so the reaction of the horned sheep were extremely fast and as it felt the three bolts shooting at it’s direction, with it’s fast reaction, the horned sheep immediately made a few jumps causing

the three crossbow bolts to gaze past the sheep, hence dodging the arrow.

“What? Missed?” Lu Piao was perplexed as the horned sheep’s horn were closing onto him. Thinking that Nie Li and Du Ze actually made this kind of mistake; he was almost bursting into tears in his heart, thinking that he made mistake in making friends! If the sharp horn reaches him, it will instantly be able to make his ass flowering.

Seeing as the horned sheep dodged the crossbow bolts and still was still charging at Lu Piao without stopping, Du Ze’s hand were covered in sweat. Waiting for him to load the bolt on the crossbow would be too late, he could imagine seeing Lu Piao’s butt stabbed by the horned sheep’s horn in his head.

“Nie Li, what should we do....” Du Ze immediately went silent after speaking halfway, afraid to disturb Nie Li.

Nie Li half squatted, left arm straightened, crossbow over his left arm, right hand clenching the trigger, eyes glued to the sight and the crossbow were all stable as though they were placed over a holder.

Du Ze had an indescribable kind of feeling, Nie Li had yet to fire the arrows, but Du Ze had a kind of feeling as though the arrow will surely hit the horned sheep. Nie Li at this moment was like a cheetah crouching in the bush waiting for his prey, releasing an awe-inspiring aura.

Although the physique is weak and he was not even a bronze rank fighter yet, the rich experience from his previous life was still there. The experience was accumulated with every blood battle Nie Li went through, some were even near death experience, no matter what kind of weapons. Be it swords, crossbow, or even a piece of metal, in the hands of Nie Li, they would all become a deadly weapon. Even though Nie Li wasn't a bronze rank fighter yet, he still had countless methods to kill a bronze rank or even a silver ranked fighter.

The surrounding area was as though there is only Nie Li one person, the look Nie Li had on his eyes was as though a hawk is waiting to catch its prey.

Nie Li's still slightly significant tender cheeks, firm look, and gestures gave others a feeling of 'Lake without depths'.

Shu! Nie Li pulled the trigger and a crossbow bolt was unleashed.

The bolt that left turned into a silver light, gracefully flew quickly.

The angle that Nie Li targeted is just exactly the blind spot in the horned sheep's sight.

"It hit!" Seeing as the bolt flew past, Du Ze's heart was surprised, as Nie Li gave him a kind of feeling, as though he was a veteran shooter.

The horned sheep didn’t manage to dodge in time. plop The bolt hit the back leg of the horned sheep.

thud The horned sheep fell on the ground wailing, which just nice landed in front of Lu Piao, raising dust all around.

Lu Piao was gasping for air, nervous to the extreme, seeing the non-stop wailing horned sheep, couldn’t help but think: “My god, it was too exciting! My goodness, my butt was spared.” If Nie Li’s bolt would have been slightly slower, he would have been hit by the horned sheep!

If the bolt was an ordinary bolt, this kind of injury wouldn’t even affect a demon-ized horned sheep and it would have definitely gotten up again. However, the bolt that they were using wasn’t an ordinary bolt since it was smeared with drug mixed from black pool grass and zoysia grass, it simply became the nemesis of horned sheeps.

The drug swiftly went along with the blood vessels reaching the heart of the horned sheep as the the wailing sound of horned sheep was getting softer and softer.

“So fast?” Du Ze was surprised, never did he thought that the effect of the drug that Nie Li mixed would be so strong. In just a moment, the robust sheep completely lost his resistance.

Lu Piao was also very surprised, he fully understood the strength of these sheep, which was the strength of two bronze rank fighter combined. It usually requires a long time to defeat it! But the

horned sheep was defeated with just a small little bolt?

“It was too thrilling!” Just thinking of the scene earlier on, fear was still lingering with Lu Piao..

“If you hadn’t run, that horned sheep wouldn’t even have been a threat to you!” Nie Li faintly laughed.

“Okay.” Lu Piao’s face turned red, he didn’t act according to the plan, as he immediately panicked when he saw the horned sheep charging in his direction.

Seeing the fallen horned sheep, Lu Piao felt as if he was still living in a dream. Nie Li’s look and action earlier on, up till now, was still deeply engraved in his mind, leaving him with deep admiration. Since young, this was the first time Lu Piao had truly admired someone! Nie Li’s shooting skills was simply at master level, even if an ordinary person were to train for ten years, he still wouldn’t able to reach Nie Li’s level!

“Hurry up and clean up, we do not want anything other than the horns, fur on the neck, demon crystal, and demon spirit!” Nie Li quickly ordered, horned sheep’s demon crystal and demon spirit are all at the brain area. Demon crystal are only at thumb-sized crystal and most demon beast all had demon crystal; as for demon spirit, only one or two will appear within tens of thousands of horned sheep. The shape of the demon spirit was like a candle’s flame.

A horned sheep with demon spirit would generally be stronger

than other horned sheep.

Horned sheep belongs to relatively low level 1-star bronze rank demon beast, so the materials from it are relatively cheap. A pair of horns could be sold for five demon spirit coin, the fur on it's neck could be sold for three demon spirit coin, as for demon crystal, it can be sold for five demon spirit coins.

Counting it this way, even if there is no demon spirit in it, it can also fetch a price of thirteen demon spirit coins.

They only took at most five minutes to kill a horned sheep. If so, wouldn't the three of them get thousands of demon spirit coins in one day?

Du Ze couldn't help but feel excited as his family is very poor and their income would only be two to three thousand demon spirit coin annually. In order to let him enter St. Portland College, Du Ze's family had to borrow a lot of money from relatives and friends. Du Ze is the hope of their family! If he hunts horned sheep together with Nie Li, he would be able to pay for his own school fees in the future!

Nie Li smiled and said "We have to be a little bit faster, do not rest tonight!"

"Okay!" Du Ze excitedly replied. Although they have yet to enter 1-star bronze rank, their body are extremely strong so staying up all night for them is nothing.

Lu Piao couldn't help but wail as these two guys are simply misers, forsaking rest for the sake of money! Although he's sad, he doesn't have much of a choice. Who asked him to get on the pirate ship?

The three of them worked closely together, continuously hunting horned sheep. After killing every dozens of them, Lu Piao would transport the materials out to have it sold.

In one night's time, Nie Li's group of three hunted a total of about hundred and twenty horned sheep, which was sold for about one thousand two hundred demon spirit coins. Splitting it equally, they each received about four hundred demon spirit coins.

This amount of money is simply amazing for someone that has yet to enter 1-star bronze rank students. Even for a bronze rank fighter, getting twenty to thirty demon spirit coins a day is already considered a lot.

Seven consecutive days was spent attending lesson during the day, while every night the three of them would come to the training ground to kill horned sheep. Their money has reached more than ten thousand demon spirit coins, which can be considered a huge wealth for them.

The students in St. Portland College were all wondering since recently the amount of horned sheep in the training reason suddenly dropped. In the past, just casually walking around would easily find a horned sheep often in groups. However, now one has to look around for a long time in order to find one. Could it be that there are beasts like tigers coming in and hunting these horned

sheeps? St. Portland College even specially dispatched instructors to investigate the cause, but found nothing.

On the eighth consecutive day's evening, Nie Li's group of three was still in the dark hunting horned sheep.

The sky was dark and it was already midnight.

Lu Piao yawned saying "Nie Li, I can't take it anymore. I'll take a short nap on top of the tree!" Seven consecutive days of non-stop hunting horned sheep caused him to be so tired that he couldn't continue anymore.

Not only Lu Piao, even Du Ze couldn't take it anymore.

"Nie Li, I also have to sleep first." Du Ze said. His eye lids has been fighting to stay awake for whole seven days, even man of steel wouldn't be able to endure it!

"You guys sleep first, we'll pause hunting tomorrow night. I have other plans!" Nie Li said. He has already accumulated more than sixteen thousand demon spirit coin. This is their first bucket of gold and with that they can do a lot of stuff, not necessary needing to hunt horned sheep.

Lu Piao and Du Ze climbed up a towering tree, lied down on the branch and fell asleep immediately. Both their childish face were full of exhaustion. Although they both belonged to the premature type, but in the end they're still just two teenagers.

Nie Li sped through the woods. Round moon hung on the sky, sounds of various insect sounded from time to time, causing the surrounding the be increasingly quiet.

There's no large sized demon beast around, so it's extremely safe.

Suddenly, Nie Li heard an abnormal sound from the distant jungle. It seemed as there's a vague figure.

"Who is it, still in the training ground at this time?" Nie Lie's brows frowned and ran towards that direction. Hiding in the woods while looking at the field that's covered in moonlight. Seeing only with the moonlight, a slender and slim figure stood in the middle of the moonlight, her shoulder length hair, wearing a leather jacket, exuding faint blue light.

This is the light of soul force!

Although it had yet to step into bronze rank, it should be entering bronze rank soon!

Using the light from the soul force, Nie Lie's eyes landed on her face, both her eyes were shut, her long eyelashes slightly trembled, with slender eyebrows, flawless white skin glowing healthy pink, and rich delicate lips. She and Ye Zi Yun possessed two different kinds of beauty. Ye Zi Yun possessed a silent elegance, like a beauty violet flower, while she was charming, with a bit of sexy and glamorous, like a prickly rose.

“Xiao Ning Er, never would have thought it was her!” Nie Li was slightly surprised for a moment. Xiao Ning Er was more hard working than he imagined, still training her soul force at this timing. He estimates that she’ll soon enter into bronze rank.

Thinking of the previous life, when Xiao Ning Er entered the 1-star bronze rank, she fell sick for more than two years and her cultivation regressed a lot. Although she re-trained herself all over again through efforts, but it’s said that since then she had been pain-ridden. But although she had been ill all over, in the eyes of others she had been like a dazzling star. This is a strong woman!

Thinking about how Xiao Ning Er was training here in the middle of the night, Nie Li suddenly understood a lot. Although Xiao Ning Er is very hard working, she is treating her life as joke!

After thinking for a while, Nie Li walked towards Xiao Ning Er.

“Who!?” Xiao Ning Er suddenly opens her eyes, frailly shouted, while retrieving a short dagger. Warily looking at Nie Li, her facial expression were chilling cold.

Through the moonlight, those deeply alert eye had an indescribable charming aura in it.

Although she was only thirteen years old, the current her can definitely be considered a beautiful teen. The leather jacket’s front chest area was slightly bulging. At this age, she can definitely be proud of it.

“I’m Nie Li!” Nie Li said, although he has never talked with Xiao Ning Er, they still can be considered as classmates and were still somewhat familiar.

Xiao Ning Er puts down her short dagger, but still kept her guards up looking at Nie Li saying “What are you doing here?”

Nie Li faintly smiled “What are you doing here then?”

“I’m here training my soul force!” Xiao Ning Er looked at Nie Li through the moonlight. Nie Li’s eyebrow were sharp, still had a bit of handsomeness, not like some people that looked so terrifying on the first look.

Nie Li shrugged his shoulders. “I hang out around here.”

“You’re lying. Don’t think I don’t know that these few days you guys had kept killing horned sheep.” Xiao Ning Er said, she had already seen Nie Li’s group of three, but she didn’t take any initiative to greet them. What Xiao Ning Er was curious about was that something that Nie Lie’s group smeared on the bolt was actually able to take down a horned sheep in one arrow, but she wouldn’t take the initiative to ask other people’s secret.

“So you knew long ago.” Nie Li looking at Xiao Ning Er. When she pouts her mouth, her rich delicate lips had an indescribable charm in it. But he already had Ye Zi Yun in his heart so his feeling for Xiao Ning Er’s beauty is simply appreciation. He appreciates her beauty and hard working. With XiaoNing Er’s appearance

alone, she can stand at a very high position, yet she still relied on her own strength to change other people's view towards her.

Pity that she used the wrong method.

Chapter 7: Daoyin Technique

“I’m going to continue practicing!” Xiao Ning Er coldly replied as she stared at Nie Li with her bright clear eyes.

Xiao Ning Er didn’t like being disrupted by others, she had an expression that ‘pushed people thousands of miles away’ on her face, and because she rarely associated with the other students in class, especially the boys, the friend-less her seemed somewhat eccentric.

“I will leave immediately!” Nie Li said as he faintly smiled, and checked her out from top to bottom.

Xiao Ning Er’s brows wrinkled, isn’t the way Nie Li is looking at her a bit too rude, she thought, as she couldn’t help but feel somewhat angry. There were lots of boys chasing after her in the Holy Orchid Institute, but Xiao Ning Er had always ignored them, as she wanted to focus only on her training, therefore Nie Li’s action now was no different from the other boys’ in school, it was simply hateful!

“Are you still not leaving?” Xiao Ning Er wasn’t happy by her tone, Nie Li had been disrupting her for quite some time now.

Nie Li’s gaze landed on Xiao Ning Er’s leg, she wasn’t wearing any shoes, and he could see a pair of creamy slender legs illuminated by the moonlight, which were slightly red, as he said: “When night falls, don’t both of your legs feel as if they’re being burned by fire?”

After hearing what Nie Li just said, Xiao Ning Er was slightly stunned and soon answered “How do you know?” Due to the burning heat, when training at night, Xiao Ning Er usually wouldn’t wear shoes.

“Of course I know!” Nie Li smiled, “Not only this, I know even more, not only would both of your legs feel as if they were being burned by fire, your body would be extremely cold as well! Every midnight it would feel as if it were hailing on your body, it would be terribly painful! Even training your soul force wouldn’t be possible, would it?”

Xiao Ning Er was shocked by Nie Li’s words, she had been enduring the pain alone and did not tell anyone about this, not even her family members, but how did Nie Li know about it?

Seeing the expression on Xiao Ning Er’s face, Nie Li knew that he had guessed correctly, so Xiao Ning Er’s previous life’s illness was the Arctic Disease, training at night often would lead to chilled air entering the body, blocking the veins. The Arctic Disease would, in light cases, cause the person to get seriously ill, and in serious cases, it would cause the body to explode, so Xiao Ning Er from the previous life was very lucky already to be bedridden for only two years.

“In addition to these symptoms, your body should also be bruised in certain areas. Those bruises should be extremely painful and not only do they not dissipate, they should also be spreading around the body. ” Nie Li said confidently, “You haven’t stepped into the 1-star bronze rank yet, but once you reach the 1-star bronze rank, in

the best case scenario, you will get seriously ill, and your cultivation will be greatly reduced, and in the worst case scenario, you will die.”

After hearing Nie Li’s words, Xiao Ning Er was dazed momentarily, both her fists were clenched tightly, and both her eyes reddened. How could this be? Even though she’s very strong, after hearing the news, she still couldn’t endure the blow.

Nie Li could tell what her illness was from just one glance, what he said shouldn’t be wrong.

Since she was young, her family had been wanting for her to marry into the Sacred family, by getting married to Shen Fei. As she grew up, Xiao Ning Er gradually learned what kind of person Shen Fei was, and because she didn’t want to get married to that playboy, she started practicing very hard, in hopes of getting rid of this cruel fate. Unfortunately, the heavens didn’t seem to want to let her do so, as she, who would soon reach the 1-star bronze rank, suddenly got to hear such news.

Seeing the usually strong Xiao Ning Er in this state, Nie Li couldn’t help but pity her.

“Nie Li, since you know what kind of illness I have, you should also know how to treat it right?” Xiao Ning Er, frightened by what Nie Li said, unknowingly dropped her strong guard that she had up against him and pleaded: “Can you help me?”, she was, after all, only a thirteen year old girl.

Xiao Ning Er had a strong personality and rarely asked others for help, and Nie Li, listening to her pleas, suddenly felt heart soften. He was silent only for a moment, before saying: “This illness can indeed be treated, you can look it up in the Holy Orchid Institute’s library, the illness is called the Arctic Disease.

“Really?” Xiao Ning Er’s hopes were raised “How can it be treated?”

“The Daoyin technique must be used to massage the affected areas, to dissipate the bruise. Medicine made from combining Golden Striped Grass with Imperial Sky Grass must be consumed daily, with your situation, for roughly a month or so, in the best case scenario, 10 days could be enough for you to be fully recovered from the illness.” Nie Li said, this was indeed the method to treat the Arctic Disease.

“Daoyin technique?” Xiao Ning Er knitted her brows, she’s a member of an aristocrat family, but she had never heard of any Daoyin technique before.

“In addition to these treatment methods, you must also make sure to not train your soul force at night in the future!” Nie Li said as he stretched his hand out towards Xiao Ning Er and followed up with: “Take out your cultivation technique, and let me have a look at it.”

Xiao Ning looked up at Nie Li, if a stranger were to ask her to have her take out her cultivation technique, she’d feel that they’re simply trying to swindle her, but she, after seeing Nie Li’s expression, couldn’t help but feel a sense of trust towards him in

her heart. Because Nie Li had told her so much already, she had already decided to place her complete trust in him, so she retrieved her cultivation technique from her interspatial ring.

It was a piece of slightly aged parchment paper, with bunch of densely packed words on it.

As Nie Li received the parchment paper from Xiao Ning Er, he accidentally touched the back of her jade white creamy hands, but Nie Li didn't mind, he was instead carefully reading the parchment paper.

After her hands were touched by Nie Li, Xiao Ning Er quickly withdrew her hands and felt her heart fluttering, her mood was in a mess, she had thought: What if Nie Li were to try to blackmail her, and what if he had impure thoughts about her? When she raised her head, however, she saw that Nie Li hadn't even noticed her reaction when their hands touched, and felt relieved in her heart. Nie Li's expression when he looked at the parchment paper was especially serious, causing Xiao Ning Er to be a little absent-minded, she reacted only a moment later as she lowered her head and seemed to be pondering about something.

"A huge and powerful noble family's direct bloodline actually practices this kind of low-graded cultivation technique, it's no wonder that Glory City was destroyed..." Nie Li murmured.

"What did you just say?" Xiao Ning Er widened her eyes and looked at Nie Li, she only heard some of the words Nie Li murmured, but she couldn't hear it clearly.

“Nothing!” Nie Li faintly laughed, “This cultivation technique is too poor, it’ll damage the meridians as one practices it, the reason behind your Arctic Disease can be largely attributed to this cultivation technique. Change this part from ‘psychic mind’ to ‘heavenly psychic’ and also change this to ‘soul and spirit merge’…” Nie Li continued to talk, altering the piece of soul force cultivation technique beyond recognition.

Xiao Ning Er, listening to Nie Li altering her soul force cultivation technique, felt somewhat unconvinced, this piece of cultivation technique was passed down by her ancestor, it was ranked six in the family’s collection of cultivation techniques, how could it be altered on a whim by Nie Li? Regardless, Xiao Ning Er still listened to Nie Li’s words, because she was, after all, a practitioner of this cultivation technique, so she had some experience on some matters regarding it. Gradually, Xiao Ning Er realized that the modifications Nie Li did to it were reasonable, in fact, the modifications made it much better than the original.

Xiao Ning Er’s eyes widened had an incredible look in them as she started at Nie Li.

“Nie Li, can you repeat it again, I need to remember what you just said!” Xiao Ning Er said quickly.

“Okay!” Nie Li slowed his speech, repeating the modification for the cultivation technique. After training her soul force, Xiao Ning Er got the ability to memorize anything without forgetting it, and even though she could only comprehend some of the modifications, she still managed to memorize what Nie Li said, the

more carefully she looked at it, the more she realized how much more powerful the cultivation technique that was modified by Nie Li was.

Xiao Ning Er's gaze towards Nie Li initially had a hint of confusion in it, but it was soon turned into one filled with admiration.

How much knowledge regarding soul force must one have in order to change this piece of high-ranked soul force cultivation technique to such an extent? Even black gold Spiritualists wouldn't necessarily be able to do such a thing, could Nie Li's understanding of cultivation long have surpassed black gold demon Spiritualists', even reaching towards the legend rank demon Spiritualist's realm?

Treating it as treasure, Xiao Ning Er deeply memorized all the modification that Nie Li did to her cultivation technique in her heart. She couldn't tell yet what her feelings towards Nie Li were; awe, worship?

Nie Li's age was the same as her's, but Xiao Ning Er realised that there was a wide gap between them, it was ridiculous that she used to think that Nie Li was the 'tail of the class', she realized just how ignorant teacher Shen Xiu and the other students were as they ridiculed Nie Li, she was completely convinced about what Nie Li previously said about becoming a powerful legend rank demon Spiritualist.

The words Nie Li spoke in class, were all true!

Since young age, no matter whether it's talent or intelligence, Xiao Ning Er had far surpassed her peers, this was her first time looking up to someone of her age.

Nie Li had said before that he would marry the most beautiful girl in Glory City, thinking of that, Xiao Ning Er's thoughts got messy, she speechlessly lowered her head, but all of a sudden a figure appeared in her mind, it was Ye Zi Yun. Although Xiao Ning Er was confident in her looks, she had to admit that she might not necessarily be able to compete with Ye Zi Yun.

"What are you thinking about?" Nie Li looked towards Xiao Ning Er, puzzled as her expression was a bit strange.

"No, Nothing...." Xiao Ning Er quickly shook her head, expelling all the thoughts she had in her head and asked "Nie Li, do you know the Daoyin technique?"

"Of course I do" Nie Li nodded his head and continued, "But the Daoyin technique requires direct contact with the bruised area, it wouldn't seems too appropriate if I were to be the one doing it."

Xiao Ning Er looked up at Nie Li's chiseled cheeks, he had sharp eyebrows, and deep lights flashed in his black pupils, he had a bit of handsome-ness aura around him, which was slowly merging with the image she had in her heart, she lowered her head and said: "I don't mind, weren't you just treating me? I don't want to turn into a useless person." It seemed like the last sentence Xiao Ning Er said was as to comfort herself.

In front of Nie Li, Xiao Ning Er dropped her cold guard she had up against him.

“Uh……” Nie Li went silent for a moment, even if she’s a girl and doesn’t mind, if I were to refuse I’ll be too petty, his heart already had Ye Zi Yun, towards Xiao Ning Er he only had that little good impression about her, he did not think much about it and said “Okay then, I’ll help you with Daoyin technique to treat your illness once every three days, do as I said when you go back, eat those herbs and it will soon be fine.”

“En” Xiao Ning Er nodded in silence.

“Where’s your bruised area?” Nie Li asked.

Xiao Ning Er’s cold cheek slightly blushed, pointing to the back of her leg “There’s one here!”

Nie Li lowered his head to look at it, only seeing a patch of deep purple on back of Xiao Ning Er’s silk white legs, the bruise was already this serious.

“So serious” Nie Li frowned and continue saying “Luckily it’s at the back of the leg, otherwise it would be troublesome if it’s at another area. It’s a lot more convenient since it’s at the back of the leg, it will be done soon!” Nie Li crouched down sitting on the grass patch.

“En” Xiao Ning Er nodded her head, she didn’t say that that’s the

only bruised area, placing her feet on Nie Li's legs, a light flashed across her eyes, she seemed to be thinking of something.

Chapter 8: A Girl's Heart

Gripping onto Xiao Ning Er's creamy jade white foot made Nie Li's heart swing. Nie Li could clearly see that Xiao Ning Er's smooth tight calves were simply perfect.

"Don't misunderstand, I'm only treating your illness. The girl I like is Ye Zi Yun. It's a pleasure to meet you. I hope that we can be friends in the future," Nie Li explained as he looked at Xiao Ning Er's charming face.

Hearing Nie Li's words, Xiao Ning Er's shoulders slightly shook. She nodded her head and faintly muttered, "En."

From young till now, aside from her father, Nie Li is the only male that has touched her skin directly. But, the one that Nie Li likes is Ye Zi Yun. At thought the of her, Xiao Ning Er's nose slightly turned sour.

Nie Li gripped Xiao Ning Er's foot, positioned his thumb at the bruised area and, gently, started his massage.

"Ah" Xiao Ning Er couldn't help to let out a pained sound.

"The first time will hurt a little. Bear with me for awhile," said Nie Li. He suddenly thought of something and felt embarrassed. Holding a girl's leg and saying such words, sounded a little weird. Although Xiao Ning Er is only thirteen years old, she grew up in a aristocrat family, and would, naturally, have some knowledge regarding these matters. After all, some of the girls her age are

already married with kids.

Xiao Ning Er lowered her head. Her cheeks flushed red, and couldn't help the weird feeling in her heart.

The blushing face of Xiao Ning Er was especially charming. It made Nie Li's heart jumped. Xiao Ning Er was indeed on par with Ye Zi Yun's beauty in the previous life. Although she's only thirteen years old, she is already very charming. In the previous life Xiao Ning Er and Ye Zi Yun were both goddesses that the boys looked up to. Ye Zi Yun was full of grace and elegance, while Xiao Ning Er had a cold figure, made the both of them their dream lovers.

But after thinking about Ye Zi Yun, Nie Li stop thinking and focused on treating Xiao Ning Er.

Under Nie Li's gentle massage, Xiao Ning Er felt intense pain at the beginning but the pain was soon replaced by the warmth of Nie Li's hand entering her foot. After a while, there was the feeling of hot ants drilling into her foot, making her itch, which was replaced with a blissful numbness. Xiao Ning Er couldn't help letting out a little 'ah', which made her endlessly bashful.

That bruise had been there for about six to seven months now. Over time, she would feel terrible pain from it. Xiao Ning Er had been enduring the pain with her will power this whole time. However, no matter how much she persevered, the pain had been torturing her all this time. Xiao Ning Er originally thought that treating this patch of bruise would be very uncomfortable and painful, but, to her surprise, Nie Li's massage was very gentle. She

felt the pain that has been torturing her all this time was alleviated by a lot. She couldn't help as her eyes turned watery. No one knew how hard it was to bear the pain. Every night, she would secretly cry. After wiping those tears off, she would continue to practice. She never thought that after being massaged by Nie Li, the pain would be relieved by this much. Her heart was filled with gratitude.

Under the moonlight, Nie Li's face was clear. The serious expression that he had on his face set ripples off in Xiao Ning Er's heart, making it hard for her to calm down.

"Done," said Nie Li finished the massage.

He faintly laughed and said, "For the next few day, there will still be traces of pain, but all you need to do is rest and you will be fine."

"En," said Xiao Ning Er, nodding her head. Suddenly, her cheeks flushing red, she continued to say, "I still have another bruise, could you massage it, too?"

"Another bruise?"

Nie Li thought for a moment, 'Right... there should have been another one. The bruise on her leg shouldn't have caused her to be bedridden for two years. There should be a more serious bruise!'

"Where is it?" he asked.

Xiao Ning Er felt her heart struggling.

'If it's only to let Nie Li massage my legs, it's still acceptable, but if it's that place……' Xiao Ning Er hesitated for a long time, her face shyly blushing red.

"If it's not convenient…." began Nie Li, seeing Xiao Ning Er's expression. He immediately realised that the bruised area should be at an inconvenient location.

"Nie Li, the person you like is Ye Zi Yun?"

"Yeah," Nie Li nodded his head and replied, recalling everything that happened in his previous life. The life and death situation that he and Ye Zi Yun had gone through. His heart was suddenly filled with happiness just by thinking about it. With his rebirth, he will definitely protect Ye Zi Yun.

At this moment, after listening to Nie Li's words, Xiao Ning Er had a weird taste in her heart. Nie Li was the first boy to move her heart, but the one Nie Li likes isn't her. It was Ye Zi Yun.

Xiao Ning Er's eyes flashed with disappointment, thought for a moment and asked, "Then, does Ye Zu Yun like you?"

The current Ye Zi Yun doesn't know anything about Nie Li. Not hating him would already consider very good. Nie Li shook his head, smiled and confidently said, "She will fall in love with me!"

Looking at Nie Li, Xiao Ning Er laughed, ‘So Nie Li’s love is unrequited. I don’t know where that confidence of his comes from. He actually thinks that the prideful Ye Zi Yun would fall for him.’

Not that Xiao Ning Er feels that Nie Li is unworthy of Ye Zi Yun’s love, but the neither of them has any understanding towards each other. The chances of them coming together is too slim. The current Ye Zi Yun still doesn’t have any understanding towards Nie Li, hence, she would definitely have no feelings for him. But if one day, if Ye Zi Yun understood Nie Li’s character, she might really fall for him.

Till now, no one seems to have realise Nie Li’s talent. However, one day Nie Li will definitely shine. By then, she fears that even a prideful girl like Ye Zi Yun will be subdued by Nie Li.

In the eyes of others, Nie Li is still an ignorant boy, but Xiao Ning Er knows that Nie Li’s ability is far beyond the imagination of other people. Nie Li will definitely become a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist like Lord Ye Mo in the future or become an even more powerful existance.

Xiao Ning Er struggled for awhile in her heart. ‘If the illness doesn’t get treated, I will get thrown further and further apart from the surrounding genius of my age.’

Since the one helping her with the treatment is Nie Li, it wasn’t that hard to accept. Grinding her teeth, she began to undo the buttons on her shirt. Seeing Xiao Ning Er’s action, Nie Li couldn’t

help feeling embarrassed.

He rubbed his nose and said, “This doesn’t look good. I’m a decent person.”

He watched as Xiao Ning Er slowly removed her shirt. Her cold figure had an unspeakable charm to it.

Xiao Ning Er stared at Nie Li as she thought, ‘Then is she a ** kind of girl?’

If it wasn’t for her treatment, she wouldn’t even take the initiative to undo her shirt. As she unbuttoned her shirt, her hands slightly trembled and her inner struggle could be seen.

Nie Li thought for awhile. ‘I know it is to save her, so I can’t think too much about other stuff. I can’t let Xiao Ning Er’s hope be crumbled by the disease.’

The surrounding atmosphere turned charming. The first button, then the second button. Xiao Ning Er’s fat-less smooth white skin was already visible, glowing under the moonlight.

After the fifth button was undone, Xiao Ning Er’s perfect curves were absolutely shattering. Her chest was tied with a bandage with a beautiful bulge pushing out. Although Nie Li was reborn, seeing this scene, he couldn’t help to swallow down a mouthful of saliva. He thought back on his previous life. Although Xiao Ning Er dressed extremely conservative, her figure can be described as

extremely hot. With only a glance, she would drive many men crazy.

Soon, Xiao Ning Er will grow up to be that charming and attractive women. Her cold and noble character would made her the object that many men wish to conquer.

Nie Li calmed his mind for a bit and his eyes fell on Xiao Ning Er's ribs. On her lower rib sat an extremely shocking bruise. Although it is only the size of a thumb, the colour of the bruise was very deep. His heart was full of pity for Xiao Ning Er.

'How can such a delicate and pitiful young girl endure such intense pain?' he asked himself.

Nie Li placed his hands on the bruised area and gently massage it. Xiao Ning Er's skin was as cold as water. Her well-proportioned body had a creamy smooth texture, which he felt through his hand, making his heart swing. He tilted his head up to look at Xiao Ning Er's face. She was burning red, almost as though she had just had a drink of alcohol, giving her a sense of unspeakable beauty. Looking from above, he could see Xiao Ning Er's jade white shoulders, and realized a scent of female fragrance coming from her.

Silently, the both of them did not speak and the woods were quiet and serene.

Xiao Ning Er could feel the warmth from Nie Li's palm. From young till now, this is the first time a guy was so intimately in

contact with her body. Right now, her shirt was half removed, revealing a large patch of skin, making her bashful. Even though her heart is strong, in the dead silent night, her heart was very lonely. When was experiencing the unbearable pain caused by the bruise, she wanted to find someone to rely on. But in the family, no matter if it's her brothers or father, she felt deeply indifferent.Nie Li, at this moment, was the only one, she felt, that she could rely on.

The best she has was shown toNie Li. She glanced at Nie Li and realised that Nie Li, at this moment, was focused on massaging her bruised area. That serious attitude of his made her to feel gratitude, but at the same time she felt lost.

While Nie Li's thumb was massaging the bruised area, he would accidentally touched Xiao Ning Er's jade white arms from time to time. That delicate touch would make anyone distracted, even if it's Nie Li. Nie Li's mind would return to the scenes of him and Ye Zi Yun's one night of passion.

Ye Zi Yun, at that time, had developed much better than the current Xiao Ning Er, but the current Xiao Ning Er is still young. Once she grows up, she shouldn't have that much difference compared to Ye Zi Yun.

Ye Zi Yun's charming and elegant look would appear in Nie Li's mind from time to time and he would remember that Ye Zi Yun died to save him Therefore, after his rebirth, Nie Li definitely cannot let her down. Thinking of that, Nie Li's heart finally calmed down.

While Nie Li was carefully massaging the bruised area with his thumb, he would tapon several important acupuncture points. Because of Xiao Ning Er's well-proportioned body, he would occasionally massage a sensitive spot and would feel the soft bulge, leaving Nie Li slightly embarrassed.

Xiao Ning Er felt the surge of heat coming from Nie Li's hand as it moved around the rib area. From time to time she would even feel a blissful numbness. Nie Li's hand would occasionally touch the twin perks that no other man has touched before, making her blush wine red. The look she had when she's blushing was extremely attractive. That girl's charming and enchanting looks would make others unable to do anything but want to take her in their arms.

This was a really tough ordeal. After massaging for a long time, Nie Li let out a breath, smiled and said, "Done!"

Feeling Nie Li's hand move away, Xiao Ning Er felt a sense of loss. She had to admit, Nie Li's massage technique was amazing. It helped her relieve the pain that tortured her for so long.

"Thank you," Xiao Ning Er whispered as she started to button her shirt. Seeing the jade white skin, graceful curves slowly disappearing from his sight, Nie Li's ups and downs mood was calmed down.

With a stern face, he said, "Rest well for the next few days. This should help to alleviate the pain. I'll give you a massage every three days, a few times more and the roots of the illness will be removed. Before reaching Bronze rank, don't train your soul force

at night. Absorbing too much moonlight essence, if you are unable to harmonize with it, would cause serious consequences!”

“En,” Xiao Ning Er nodded her head. She no longer dared to practice, anyhow. If it wasn’t for Nie Li, she can imagine how terrible the situation would’ve been in the future. All of her efforts and hard work would’ve been in vain.

Seeing Xiao Ning Er without any other issue, Nie Li stood up and said, “It’s time for me to leave.”

“Oh.”

She couldn’t tell what her feelings were. Xiao Ning Er nodded and went silent for a moment before saying, “Nie Li, you’ve helped me. If there’s anything you need my help with in the future, I will spare no effort to help you!”

Seeing Xiao Ning Er’s serious expression, Nie Li smiled. While nodding his head, he said “Okay, if I need your help in the future, I’ll find you!”

Truth is, Nie Li helped Xiao Ning Er out of pity towards her. He never thought of getting anything back in return.

Nie Li turned around and left, his shadow slowly disappeared into the forest.

Xiao Ning Er stared at Nie Li’s leaving figure. She stood on the

spot for a long time, feeling that the illness in her body has already alleviated by a lot. Her mood became cheerful again.

“Nie Li, what kind of person are you, actually?” Xiao Ning Er muttered, watching Nie Li from the back. When she could no longer see him, she turned around and walk towards the exit of the training ground.

The moon was like water. As the moonlight shined, it would sprinkle a layer of veil over the night.

Chapter 9: Goddess's Breakfast

It's time for Shen Xiu's lesson again. However, Nie Li, Du Ze and Lu Piao felt that her lessons were simply pointless and boring. All she did was gabble away at the stage daily. Of course, during Shen Xiu's lesson, Nie Li, Du Ze, and Lu Piao would be standing at the back of the class. The lesson will be starting soon and students were gathering in small groups, chit chatting.

Despite Ye Zi Yun's status, she didn't have much of a barrier with the other students. She, quickly, became friendly with many female students in the class. Naturally, Shen Yue would pridefully sit at a corner. With his status, he couldn't be bothered to interact with the other students in the class. If it wasn't for Ye Zi Yun being in this class, he wouldn't be coming in the first place.

At the coming test in two months time, no matter if it's him or Ye Zi Yun, both of them would definitely enter into the junior Demon Spiritualist class. Shen Yue looked at Nie Li standing at the back of the class. His face stretched into a sarcastic smile.

"Reaching 1-star Bronze rank in two months, if trash like you can accomplish that, then the sun would be rising from the west!" he muttered sarcastically.

Nie Li, Du Ze and Lu Piao were at the back, chatting among themselves. In addition, there were a few commoner students that built good relationship with Nie Li's group. Since Nie Li had a lot of ideas, he would coach them in their training from time to time. With how much he helped them, he naturally became the leader of

this small group. Even Du Ze, who had more prestige within the commoner student body, was willing to listen to what Nie Li said.

In just a few days, Nie Lie led the two of them and earned roughly around sixteen thousand Demon Spirit coins. Du Ze never imagined he would earn such a large amount of money. He fully trusted and admired Nie Li, feeling that Nie Li was very capable.

“Nie Li, what’s our next step?” Du Ze asked. After all, Nie Li previously said that they were not going to continue hunting horned sheep. What are they going to do now?

“You’ll know after school!” Nie Li said, smiling mysteriously. He already had everything planned out. The first step is to buy some soul crystals to test their talent property and immediate begin their training. Nie Li still has his bet with Shen Xiu. He must become a 1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist in two months!

Leaving his training aside, Nie Li looked towards Ye Zi Yun who was sitting with a group of girls chit chatting. How can he get close to Ye Zi Yun? How can her get Ye Zi Yun to fall for him?

Just as Nie Li was lost in his thoughts, Xiao Ning Er, who was sitting at the front row, suddenly stood up and walked towards Nie Li’s direction.

Xiao Ning Er was the only girl in the class who is beautiful, outstanding and comparable to Ye Zi Yun. The two girl’s every move and action would attract the direction of everyone in the class. Ye Zi Yun’s character was gentle. She never looked down on

others nor was she arrogant. Therefore many commoner girls are willing to be friends with her. As for Xiao Ning Er, her character came off as cold and aloof, making her an ice beauty.

Even a girl couldn't get close to her, let alone a boy. Could it be that Nie Li provoked Xiao Ning Er?

"Nie Li's dead!" Seeing Xiao Ning Er's back in their view, a few of the noble kids started to discuss while they laughed. For Xiao Ning Er to take the initiative to go to Nie Li it would certainly not be a good thing. Otherwise, how could an ice beauty like Xiao Ning Er have any relationship with Nie Li? If such a thing happened, the sun would really rise from the west.

Xiao Ning Er's cultivation will soon reach 1-star Bronze rank's realm. If there was any conflict between them, Nie Li would certainly be the one getting trashed!

These noble kids were prepared to watch a good show. Among them there were a lot of boys that liked Xiao Ning Er. After all, Xiao Ning Er is a super beauty that is not a bit inferior to Ye Zi Yun.

Today, Xiao Ning Er deliberately wore a checker laced dress. Her ink black hair scattered around on her back. She wore a bracelet on her jade white wrist, becoming extraordinarily beautiful and charming. Usually, Xiao Ning Er would wear a tight fitting jacket as it was convenient to train with.With her beauty, the tight fitting jacket gained a unique flavor when she wore it. However, she seemed to have meticulously dressed herself up today. She was even more beautiful compared to how she usually dressed. This

made it harder for the others to look away after taking a glance at her.

Being meticulously dressed up was a first for Xiao Ning Er.

Nie Li, Du Ze, and Lu Piao were talking among themselves when Xiao Ning Er reached Nie Li's table. Xiao Ning Er seemed to have some sort of unique aura around her. As she walked her way here, Du Ze and Lu Piao nervously stood up from their seat. Xiao Ning Er's usually icy, indifferent attitude towards others would cause other people to back away from her. The both of them are worried for Nie Li.

Xiao Ning Er looked at Nie Li as he casually sat on the chair. His gaze would occasionally look towards Ye Zi Yun, causing Xiao Ning Er to be discouraged. Nie Li only had Ye Zi Yun in his eyes. He doesn't seem to even notice her existence.

Last night, after she had been massaged by Nie Li, Xiao Ning Er's body became a lot better, and she slept particularly sweet that night. Xiao Ning Er visited the library early in the morning. She was trying to find the origin of the Daoyin Technique. However, to her surprise, the Daoyin Technique was only briefly recorded in the library. It was known as a cheat technique that was handed down from the Snow Wind Empire Age!

In addition, the cultivation technique that was modified by Nie Li became more advanced. Her soul force grew by two with only half an hour of training in the morning. The effect of that half an hour of training was even better than training for an entire day!

In the heart of Xiao Ning Er, Nie Li is a mysterious and powerful being. What made Xiao Ning Er proud was that in this class, she was the only one that knew of Nie Li's talent! For those in the class that laughed at Nie Li were simply ignorant! She stood by the side of Nie Li's table and quietly looked at Nie Li as he continued to talk and laugh as though nothing had happened.

Several noble kids continued to discuss quietly.

"How do you think Xiao Ning Er will teach Nie Li a lesson?"

"Nie Li's soul force is only 5, he will probably be thrown out of the class!"

"Haha, this Nie Li doesn't know his place. After he offended teacher Shen Xiu, he actually went and provoked Xiao Ning Er as well. His life will be very miserable!"

Even Du Ze, and Lu Piao were nervously looking at Xiao Ning Er. They didn't understand why a prideful girl like Xiao Ning Er would suddenly walk towards them. The both of them began cursing Nie Li to death in their hearts. Nie Li actually went around looking for trouble again! If Xiao Ning Er wants to beat Nie Li up, they will naturally lend a hand. But even if the three of them worked together,they couldn't fight against the 78 soul force of Xiao Ning Er.Xiao Ning Er will soon reach 1-star Bronze rank, becoming an actual Demon Spiritualist!

At this moment, even Ye Zi Yun and Shen Yue looked towards

Nie Li's direction. Ye Zi Yun has some doubts. She doesn't know how Nie Li provoked Xiao Ning Er. Could Nie Li have done "something" to Xiao Ning Er? A lecher like Nie Li should really be taught a lesson!

Everyone had doubts in their eyes. They watched as Xiao Ning Er stood in front of his table. Nie Li couldn't help feeling a little surprised.

He raised his head and asked, "Is there something wrong?"

Currently, Nie Li didn't know how to address Xiao Ning Er. He began to think of the things that happened yesterday. He still felt a little awkward inside of himself. After interacting with Xiao Ning Er, Nie Li realised she wasn't that cold and aloof girl that everyone imagined. In her heart, Xiao Ning Er was actually a gentle and cute girl!

Xiao Ning Er's right hand slightly moved.

She took out a paper bag from her interspatial ring and gently said, "This is the breakfast that I've made. I didn't know what you liked to eat, so I made a few sets."

Xiao Ning Er gently placed the paper bag on the table.

What? What's happening?

The whole classroom went silent. If a needle were to be dropped

onto the floor, it would be clearly heard. Everyone thought that they misheard what Xiao Ning Er just said.

Du Ze and Lu Piao dropped their jaws and dumbly stared at the scene. With how open their mouths were, one can simply fit an egg into them. They were unable to believe the scene before their eyes. Xiao Ning Er is one of the two goddesses in their class. Even if they were compared to all the beauties in the school, they would definitely get the top few positions as the school's top beauties. Her beauty and her usual icy cold attitude made her seem unapproachable. However, today, what do they see? Xiao Ning Er actually made breakfast for Nie Li, and even a few sets of it.

Was the sun sun rising from the west? Is this real? Everyone thought they were struck by lightning. They were standing there, dumbfounded.

"I must be dreaming, I need to wake up!" one student murmured.

"Hsss!" A few students thought that they're also dreaming, therefore, they pinched themselves. However, the pain they felt clearly told them that this was not a dream.

"This doesn't making sense!" A few noble kids wailed in their heart. They still don't know what happened. They couldn't believe the clothes and the gentleness that Xiao Ning Er revealed. They originally thought that their Ning Er goddess was going to find trouble with Nie Li. They never thought, in their wildest imaginations, that she was actually giving Nie Li breakfast! If Xiao Ning Er were to give them breakfast, even if it's swine food, they would still find it sweet!

Xiao Ning Er usually doesn't have many female friends. She ignored the boys that approached her, except for that trash Nie Li. She would actually put down her status to serve breakfast to Nie Li. This.....this..... simply doesn't make any sense! Is it because Nie Li contradicted teacher Shen Xiu and was punished by standing? If so, even if they were punished to stand for several years, they, too, would contradict teacher Shen Xiu!

Xiao Ning Er did not think of it that much. She only wanted to show her gratitude to Nie Li. She didn't even care about the opinion of what the others thought about her. After all, she has always been a lone wolf. Xiao Ning Er doesn't care for other people's thoughts. Those who ridiculed and contempted Nie Li, were simply ignorant. There will be a day when they realise that their view was wrong!

In this world, only she knows of Nie Li's talent! In this moment, even Ye Zi yun and Shen Yue were stunned in their seats. They were unable to believe what they just saw. What happened was simply unbelievable!

"How is this happening?" Shen Yue's face became sullen. 'How could a prideful girl like Xiao Ning Er fancy trash like Nie Li, and even took the initiative to approach him?'

At this moment, Ye Zi Yun felt deeply curious about Nie Li. Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er had been close friends when they were young. However, due to the decline of Xiao Ning Er's family, the two family no longer interacted. Since then, Ye Zi Yun has never made a true friend. She would, sometime, reminisce about the

playful times she had with Xiao Ning Er. When she found out that Xiao Ning Er entered the Holy Orchid Institute, Ye Zi Yun got her father to arrange for her to enter as well.

Because of Xiao Ning Er, Ye Zi Yun began to take notice of Nie Li. What's the reason that caused Xiao Ning Er to take the initiative to chase after someone like Nie Li with no contributions at all? She couldn't understand the meaning behind Xiao Ning Er's action.

"Can I sit down and eat with you?" Xiao Ning Er looked at Nie Li and then towards Du Ze and Lu Piao while she asked.

Du Ze and Lu Piao's gaze fell onto Nie Li. Although the both of them wouldn't dare to have any thoughts about Xiao Ning Er, having a beauty like Xiao Ning Er to sit beside them was still good to the eyes.

Nie Li was silent for a moment. He nodded his head and said, "Okay!"

Without knowing why, after seeing Xiao Ning Er, Nie Li couldn't help to think of last night's scene. Xiao Ning Er's soft, boneless figure, with her creamy jade white skin still made him feel a bit awkward in his heart.

Xiao Ning Er took the breakfast out. There was all types of pastries inside. Seeing those pastries caused others to suddenly have the appetite to eat. The fragrance wafted into every corner of the classroom.

“Du Ze, Lu Piao, you guys dig in, too!” Xiao Ning Er said, looking towards Du Ze and Lu Piao.

They couldn’t help feeling flattered when Xiao Ning Er called out their names. The icy cold Ning Er goddess isn’t that hard to interact with, unlike what others have said.

“Then we’ve benefited because of Nie Li!” Lu Piao laughed as he took one of pastries and started to eat. With his mouth bulging with food, he muttered “Delicious!”

Seeing Lu Piao’s action, Du Ze became somewhat speechless. Xiao Ning Er couldn’t help but smile. Her smile was both charming and attractive, making the students in the class look somewhat dull. They rarely saw Xiao Ning Er’s smile. Their whole world collapsed in front of it.

Nie Li slightly sigh in his heart. He shared life and death with Ye Zi Yun in his past life and experienced way too much. Therefore, the relationship between him and Xiao Ning Er was only friends.

Chapter 10: Book Of Divine Lightning Flame

Seeing pieces of delicate pastries being wiped clean by Nie Li, Du Ze, and Lu Piao, the noble kids felt depressed and heart broken. Why didn't they have such treatment?

Xiao Ning Er also ate a few pieces of the pastries. Watching her leisurely eat was a sight that warms the heart and delights the eyes.

After chatting with Nie Li for awhile, Xiao Ning Er returned to her seat.

Lu Piao patted Nie Li's shoulder, winked, and asked, "Since when did you get hooked with our Ning Er goddess? Justify yourself."

Nie Li shrugged, "We're just normal friends!"

"Tsk, who'll believe that!"

Whether if it's Du Ze or Lu Piao, both of them looked at Nie Li with contempt.

"If you're just normal friends, why would Ning Er goddess make breakfast for you?" asked Du Ze.

No matter how Nie Li explained it, Du Ze and Lu Piao wouldn't believe in him. Several noble kids in the class looked at Nie Li.

Their faces were full of hostility. Nie Li stole one of their goddesses. How could they give him good faces?

“Maybe she needed my help,” Nie Li replied.

‘Nie Li, this brat, is actually so tight-lipped, thought Du Ze.

No matter how Du Ze or Lu Piao tried to get something out of him, Nie Li just wouldn’t tell them anything. They realized that they could only, bitterly, give up. They decided to investigate the relationship between Nie Li and Xiao Ning Er.

As the bell for lesson to start rang, Shen Xiu twisted her waist, and walked into the classroom. Unlike her usual arrogant attitude, the smile on her face looked like a chrysanthemum.

“The three of you return to your seats!” Shen Xiu said, looking at Nie Li, Du Ze and Lu Piao. There’re VIP’s here to observe her lectures, naturally she wouldn’t dare to be rash.

“Today I’m going to talk about Inscription Patterns. Whether if it’s fighters or demon Spiritualists, Inscription Patterns are very important. Inscription Patterns are separated into two parts, respectively the Enchanting Patterns and the Battle Patterns. Enchanting Patterns can be inscribed on armours and weapons. As it can greatly enhance the combat abilities those armours and weapons, especially if it’s used by a Demon Spiritualist, they can make use of weapons and armours with Enchanting Patterns on it to release far more power than their base strength. As for Battle Patterns, they are used with Inscription Pattern Scrolls. By

inscribing it onto the scroll and then activating it, can have a sudden burst of fighting power!”

The shocking thing is, Shen Xiu began saying substantial content today.

“Inscription Patterns are extremely profound and mysterious. They have been around since the Snow Wind Empire’s age. They are being continuously improved on as time goes by. But during the Age of Darkness, the mainland was under the attack of many demon beasts. Glory City only managed to inherited a small portion of them, coming from three categories. Snow Wind Patterns, Sacred Flaming Patterns, War Prime Patterns. Which are the Snow Wind attributes, Fire attributes and Neutral attributes.”

“Today we will be talking about Enchanting Patterns.” Shen Xiu said softly, her tone became more gentle compared to the usual tone.

Outside the classroom, three elderly men sat together, listening to the lecture.

“The knowledge from the members of the Sacred family is quite profound. Having her teach these students is definitely more then enough!” one of the elderly men said with a smile. He is Ye Sheng, the vice-principal of Holy Orchid Institute.

“A few students in this class are quite good, no matter if it’s Ye Zi Yun, Shen Yue or Xiao Ning Er,” one of the elderly men said sounding very pleased. He is a professor in Holy Orchid Institute

named Lu Ye.

Other than Ye Sheng, a grey robed, elderly man sat beside them. Lu Ye doesn't know this grey robed elder's identity. This grey robed elder just casually sat down but he gives off a powerful, prestige aura, causing Lu Ye to be careful with his words when he spoke. He didn't dare to make a slight mistake with his speech.

"How is it?" Ye Sheng asked, looking at the grey robe elder.

"Mhm," Grey robed elder non-committally replied.

Lu Ye whispered in his heart, 'What's the identity of this grey robed elder. He actually treated Lu Sheng vice-principal with indifference. His status mustn't be low. I fear that his status might even be higher than Holy Orchid Institute's principal.'

After thinking about it, Lu Ye dared not to speak any more.

The students in the classroom didn't know that there were people outside the class observing to the lecture. It was hard to imagine that Shen Xiu actually talked about some substantial stuff, so everyone paid attention and listened.

Shen Xiu slightly raised her chest. Her face, which was full of pride, and said, "Today I want to talk about Sacred Flaming Patterns! In the research on Sacred Flaming Patterns, the Sacred family is no doubt has a well-deserved lead!"

“The Sacred Flaming Patterns has 66 foundation patterns. This pattern, for example….,” Shen Xiu drew a totem formed from many patterns coming together on the blackboard, “This is the Scarlet Sunburst Pattern. This pattern was created by Sacred family’s first generation house master. It’s the most powerful Bronze pattern! This pattern is made up of 36 foundation patterns combined together. It’s, also the most complex pattern among the Bronze patterns. Next we’ll talk about these 36 foundation patterns.”

Shen Xiu began to talk non-stop.

Most of the students in the class were listening with great interest, however Nie Li was the only one not paying attention. He doesn’t have any interest with these foundation patterns. Further more there are more than 600 foundation patterns in the Sacred Flaming Pattern, not 66.

If it wasn’t for Ye Zi Yun and the treasure in the Holy Orchid Institute, Nie Li wouldn’t even be staying in the class listening to Shen Xiu’s pointless teaching. In his view, her knowledge itself was full of flaws. Her lesson simply cannot be listened to. Stating that a simple Scarlet Sunburst Pattern was claimed to be the strongest bronze inscription pattern is simply bragging.

Shen Xiu’s gaze swept across the students in the class, and lastly fell onto Nie Li. Previously, Nie Li contradicted and looked down on her. He even made a bet with her. She had been hating him in her heart all this time. When she saw that Nie Li was not paying attention to the lesson, she laughed in her heart. She finally found her chance! Shen Xiu continued gabble about the 36 foundation

patterns. Nie Li doesn't have a single interest in it and simply lied down on the table.

At this moment, Ye Sheng Vice Principal, who has been sitting outside, wasn't very happy when he saw that. He looked at the grey robed elder beside him. There's a important figure here today to observe the lecture and that student was actually sleeping in class. He was simply throwing mud on the Holy Orchid Institute's face. He didn't know the name of that student. if he did, he would definitely expel him from the institute and never let him back!

Seeing that the grey robed elder didn't have any reaction to Nie Li's action, Ye Sheng Vice-Principal was secretly relieved.

Lu Ye, who is sitting beside them, sternly said, "In the Fighter Apprentice class, it would inevitably have good and bad students mixed together. I will certainly punish this student later! Parents spend so much money on him to send him to school, not to let him sleep!"

Ye Sheng nodded his head. Lu Ye knows his stuff.

Because Nie Li fell asleep, everyone saw that Shen Xiu's face went heavy. Isn't a student sleeping in class imply that her lesson is boring?

"Nie Li!" Shen Xiu spoke in a deep voice as she walked towards the side of Nie Li.

Nie Li was sleeping happily as he hadn't had any good sleep for the past week. He barely opened his eyes, seeing as he's still quite sleepy, and said, "What's the matter?"

Seeing Shen Xiu wake Nie Li up, a bunch of noble kids secretly laughed. They wanted to see Nie Li in trouble the most. Who asked him to steal the goddess of their heart from them?

"He's doomed this time!"

Du Ze and Pu Liao smiled bitterly at each other. No matter what, sleeping in class is something they didn't dare do.

Nie Li's attitude made Shen Xiu even more furious. She said in a deep voice, "You are actually sleeping in my class. Do you already know all of this stuff?"

"Yeah," Nie Li calmly said.

"You....." Shen Xiu became speechless from being choked by Nie Li's words. Since the start of the lesson Nie Li has been sleeping. He actually said that he knows it already. Who would believe in his words?

Shen Xiu coldly sneered, "Since you already know, why don't you tell us about the inscription pattern on the board?"

Nie Li's eyes swept across the inscription pattern and said, "This is a low graded Sacred Flaming Pattern. It can barely be considered

a Bronze pattern. With 38 patterns in it's structure, it's power is weak, but if used to boil water, it would be good enough"

Hearing what Nie Li just said, the whole class started laughing.

"Haha, I almost died from laughing. He really did not listen to anything teacher said. To actually say that this Scarlet Sunburst Pattern has 38 foundation pattern in it's structure when, earlier on, teacher Shen Xiu just introduced that there are 36 foundation patterns in it's structure!"

"I laughed to the point that tears began to come out. He actually said that it's used to boil water!" one of the noble kid said while he's laughing.

While Ye Zi Yun couldn't help but smile, Shen Yue became a little angry. Nie Li just said that the Bronze pattern that's been passed down in his family is actually used to boil water. This, simply, cannot be tolerated! Among all the students, only Xiao Ning Er remained calm, Xiao Ning Er feels that Nie Li didn't avoid doing something that would cause others to feel depressed. These people don't know of Nie Li's real talent.

At that moment, outside of the classroom, Lu Ye also laughed. "This student is really funny. That smart aleck actually said that there are 38 foundation patterns in Scarlet Sunburst's structure and even said that it is only used to boil water!"

While he's laughing, he noticed that the Vice-Principal, Ye Sheng, and the grey robed elder did not laugh. He suddenly

stopped by pushing his laughter back into his stomach.

"What's so funny? The Scarlet Sunburst is indeed made from 38 foundation patterns." Vice-Principal Ye Sheng calmly said. At his and grey robed elder's level, with in-depth investigation they would find that there are 2 foundation patterns in the Scarlet Sunburst pattern that are actually not only made from 2 foundation patterns, but made from 4 foundation patterns. However, what made them feel shocked is that this information actually came from a student. Was this student randomly guessing? And for experts like them, the Scarlet Sunburst, this sort of rubbish inscription pattern, can only be used to boil water; it's actual effect in battle is very small.

A light flashed across the grey robed elder's eye, but he did not say anything and remained silent.

"Bullshit!" Shen Xiu grunted angrily. Her face turned grim. As a member of the Sacred family, naturally, she couldn't tolerate anyone degrading the Scarlet Sunburst pattern in front of them.

Nie Li did not pay any attention to the students that were laughing at him and continued,"This inscription pattern was originated from the seventh volume of the Book of Divine Lightning Fire. The original name of this inscription pattern is called Lightning Flame Burst Pattern. It consisted of 60 foundation patterns. It can be considered a little complicated, but some smart ass went and cut part of the inscription pattern, slightly changed it, and turned it into this nondescript Scarlet Sunburst Pattern. With no real combat capabilities, it could only be given to the Sacred Flame Pattern practitioners to study."

Book of Divine Lightning Fire, what is that? The students in the class looked at each other.

Nie Li actually said that the first generation house master of the Sacred family is a smart ass? Shen Xiu was beyond furious. She doesn't know of any Book of Divine Lightning Fire or what was recorded in the seventh volume of it.

"Ridiculous! Such book does not exist in the world!" Shen Xiu thought for awhile and countered. 'What seventh volume of the Book of Divine Lightning Fire? It was probably one of Nie Li's nonsense!'

Chapter 11: Threatened

Seeing how furious Shen Xiu was, Nie Li chuckled lightly and said, “Teacher Shen Xiu is so knowledgeable, saying the book doesn’t exist because you’ve never seen it before. Does that mean that teacher Shen Xiu has read all the books in the world?”

In his previous life, Shen Xiu was also unreasonable.

“Book of Divine Lightning Fire? Oh I remembered, I think I’ve borrowed such a book from the library!” a commoner student suddenly said in a frightened voice. He borrowed three books, one of them was the Book of Divine Lightning Fire. However, the content inside the Book of Divine Lightning Fire was too profound. He couldn’t understand any of it. He forgot to return the book back after he looked in it.

The voice of this commoner student caused Shen Xiu’s face to darken. This commoner student flipped the Book of Divine Lightning Fire open. This book is a copied version, not the original copy. It was written with words that belonged to the language of Snow Wind Empire. The first volume was translated but not the other volumes. The language written in the Snow Wind Empire’s age is very obscure Ordinary people couldn’t understand it.

Never expecting that this book actually existed, even Vice-Principal Ye Sheng and Lu Ye looked at each other with surprise. Although they are the Vice-Principal and professor of Holy Orchid Institute, the amount of books in the library easily numbered hundred thousands and 90% of them were left behind from the ancient times. Even they couldn’t say the names of every single

book. There are also many books that even they couldn't translate.

During his roaming on the continent during his previous life, Nie Li was proficient with seven languages. Upon reaching Legend rank, he read various books and never forgot their content. Not to mention, in his previous life, Nie Li stayed in the stationary space-time realm within the Temporal Demon Spirit Book for hundreds of years, reading millions of books while he's inside.

There isn't any obstacles in reading the words written by the language of Snow Wind Empire for Nie Li.

Even the grey robe elder sitting beside Ye Sheng and Lu Ye had his face coloured with surprise. Even he has never read the Book of Divine Lightning Fire before.

"Ye Sheng, send someone to the library to retrieve the Book of Divine Lightning Fire!" the grey robed elder ordered.

"Yes!" Ye Sheng looked at Lu Ye beside him. Lu Ye dared not to neglect and quickly bolted away.

Every student in the class focused their eyes on the Book of Divine Lightning Fire that the commoner student was holding. Both Ye Zi Yun and Shen Yue were also very surprised. Being a member of the three major families, they also read a lot of books, but they didn't know that such a book called the Book of Divine Lightning Fire existed. This book is too side door, therefore very few would take the initiative to learn from it.

Within Glory City, there are three types of inscription patterns that are more complete which are the Snow Wind, Sacred Flame, and War Prime. Almost everyone practices these three types of inscription patterns. Since Lightning Fire inscription patterns have been long lost during the Age of Darkness, there were only a few books, such as the Book of Divine Lightning Fire, lying around. All of these were untranslated, so they were shelved. Occasionally, there would be some students borrowing them, but after realising that they couldn't understand the content, they would immediately put them back.

"Let me see, Book of Divine Lightning Fire volume seven."

The commoner student immediately began rummaging through the book. This Book of Divine Lightning Fire was several hundred pages thick. Inside, the book was filled with illustrations, text, and Lightning Fire inscription pattern diagrams. There was no translation for it after the first volume. The complex, ancient words caused many people to have a headache just by looking at it. After turning to volume seven, the commoner student realized that this volume alone had hundreds of inscription patterns. He started comparing them one by one with the one on the board, searching for the one that looked similar to the Scarlet Sunburst inscription pattern.

Everyone in the class was getting impatient. When is the search going to end?

Shen Xiu's face frosted coldly and said, "You probably found this book in some corner of the library and don't even know what was written in it. Yet, you say that the Scarlet Sunburst originated

from that book! Arrogant child, you dare defile the ancestors of my Sacred family! If you can't find the inscription pattern, I'll go to the Saint Judgement Hall to sue you for defiling my ancestors!"

Nie Li laughed loudly and said, "Teacher Shen Xiu, it's still too early to say this kind of stuff. This book was left over during the Snow Wind Empire's time, existing over a few thousand years. The timing of its creation is far longer than the creation of the Sacred family, right?"

"Correct!" answered Shen Xiu nodding her head. This was a hard fact that she couldn't deny.

"Then, it's simple." Nie Li looked at the commoner student and said, "Flip thirty pages backwards from volume seven. The sixth diagram in page thirty. Compare it with the Scarlet Sunburst inscription pattern."

Seeing Nie Li's face full of confidence, Shen Xiu's heart sank. If Nie Li were to find out the origin of Scarlet Sunburst inscription pattern, it would be the stain of Sacred family. Because Sacred family had publicly announced that the Scarlet Sunburst inscription pattern, as well as 16 other inscription patterns, were self-created by the first generation house master of the Sacred family. This caused a huge increase in the Sacred family's reputation. If the public were to find out that Sacred family's inscription patterns were plagiarized from the ancient book, then the reputation of the Sacred family would be greatly affected.

Seeing Shen Xiu's face show traces of fear, Nie Li secretly smiled. The Sacred family's fame mostly came from being the bearer of the

Sacred Flame inscription patterns, which was claimed by many past house masters, to have been self-created inscription patterns. Their extraordinary talent is what saved the Glory City from distress. However, truth is, the Sacred family is just a bunch of hypocrites!

In Nie Li's previous life, during the destruction of Glory City, every family was fighting for the survival of the city. The Sacred family was supposed to guard the west gate of the Glory City, but during the outbreak of the war, in order to save their own strength, they got every single one of the family's experts to enter into the St. Ancestral Mountain. This caused the west gate to be breached, and allowed the Snow Wind demon beasts to march into the city. Nie Li still remembers the horrifying scene caused by the demon beasts massacre.

Nie Li and the rest had no choice but to leave leaving Glory City! After his rebirth, Nie Li didn't have any good impressions towards the Sacred family.

'In this life, I will let this hypocratic family be removed from Glory City!'

If he wanted to have the Sacred family to be disdained by all the citizens in Glory City, then he will need to reveal the true nature of this hypocratic family, first!

"Page thirty, sixth diagram?" The commoner student murmured. After being guided, he found the Lightning Fire inscription pattern.

“Ya!”

The crowd of students let out a sound of surprise. The Lightning Fire Inscription Pattern consisted of two-parts. with one part looking exactly like the Scarlet Sunburst inscription pattern. The Scarlet Sunburst inscription pattern was much more simple compared to the Lightning Fire inscription pattern, which was the same as cutting out half of it.

Nie Li is actually correct!

Shen Xiu clenched her fist tightly, her fingers turned white. When Shen Yue who was among the crowd of student, looked towards Nie Li, his eyes became full of hatred. Nie Li is discrediting their Sacred family!

Nie Li, naturally, noticed both Shen Xiu and Shen Yue’s hostile look and coldly laughed in his heart. Sacred family are all exactly the same. When they didn’t find the reason out themselves, they will push the blame onto others. ff it wasn’t their own flaws, why would they worry about other people exposing them?

“So what if the first generation house master of my Sacred family took it from the Book of Divine Lightning Fire?” Shen Xiu coldly replied.

Nie Li laughed, “Teacher Shen Yue, looks like you’re not familiar with the Demon Spiritualist code of conduct. Do you want me to explain it to you? The Demon Spiritualist code of conduct has been

around for three thousands years. Almost every demon Spiritualist follows the code of conduct. Demon Spiritualist code of conduct article 161: taking inscription patterns or copying inscription patterns from other demon Spiritualists must indicate their source and cannot claim them to be self-created. This is the ethics of Demon Spiritualists!”

“You….you……” Shen Xiu trembled from the anger. Nie Li’s words directly hit on the weak spot. He directly said that Sacred family did not follow the Demon Spiritualist’s ethics, but even so, she couldn’t refute Nie Li’s statement.

“If they were learning from the Lightning Flame inscription patterns in order to create their own inscription pattern, then it’s fine. However, the Sacred family’s first generation house master directly took half of it and claimed it to be his own. Isn’t it a little too….. absurd? Could the first generation house master of the Sacred family have some unspeakable difficulties?” Nie Li blinked his eyes aws he talked innocently.

Nie Li’s sharp words were directed at the Sacred family’s weak spot, and still pretended to look innocent. This caused Shen Xiu and Shen Yue to want to kill someone.

The students all whispered their discussions.

“So the first generation house master of Sacred family is such a person.”

“It’s said that, although the first house master of the Sacred

family was only a gold rank demon Spiritualist, in the studies of inscription patterns, he was a great master who self-created several Sacred Flame inscription patterns. Has the Sacred family always been the torch bearers of the Sacred Flame Inscriptions?"

"Never thought that the Scarlet Sunburst is actually copied from an ancient book."

"I looked at the Snow Wind inscription pattern's record. The inscriptions inside has been reproduced or taken from ancient books but they always indicated their source. They never claimed it to be self-created."

"This is the ethics of Demon Spiritualists. Every noble demon Spiritualist would do the same!"

A group of students began to wondered, could the great master of inscription patterns in their hearts be nothing more than someone who's fishing for compliments?

Listening to the discussions of the students, Shen Yue's heart became even more unhappy, he already saw Nie Li as an enemy.

With his face ashened, he stood up from his seat and said, "Nie Li, my Sacred family has been passed down for three hundred years. We are one of the three major families in Glory City. We aren't something someone like you, who's from an ordinary noble family, can criticize! This Scarlet Sunburst is written in the first house master's notes. Originally, it was not publicly announced. We younger generations found it when we were arranging the first

house master's notes. So we thought that it was created by him. That's normal."

Nie Li looked at Shen Yue. He was indeed a member of the Sacred family. He made an excuse of this to wash the responsibility off!

Shen Yue deepened his voice when he mentioned "Major Family", and pointed out Nie Li as a member of the ordinary noble family, making his words very clear. If Nie Li were to pursue it further, then, as the Sacred family, being one of the major families definitely wouldn't let him off.

As for Shen Yue, Nie Li also disdained him. Before Shen Yue and Ye Zi Yun's marriage, the war began, and Shen Yue immediately ran away. Hearing Shen Yue's words, Nie Li became even more unhappy.

"Student Shen Yue is an arrogant bully. Ah, fortunately there's a strict law in Glory City. Otherwise, I'd really be worried that the Sacred family would....." Nie Li being like a pig who's unafraid of the boiling water, blinked his eyes and said "Believe that a big family like the Sacred Family would protect my safety. If anything were to happen to me, I'm afraid the Sacred family wouldn't be able to wipe that stain off."

Chapter 12: Soul Realm

Nie Li put it this way, if Sacred family were to go after Nie Li, wouldn't that indicate that the Sacred family is a villainous bunch?

No matter if it's Shen Xiu or Shen Yue, both were angered to the point they almost vomited blood.

Ye Zi Yun couldn't help but to look at Nie Li again, never did she think that Nie Li is so daring to actually offend the Sacred family, one of the three major family in Glory City. Recently, Nie Li's actions made her unable to ignore his existence. Curiosity rose from Ye Zi Yun's heart, what kind of person is Nie Li actually?

As for Xiao Ning Er, hearing how Nie Li uses his sharp words to attack the weak spot of Sacred family, she couldn't help but to feel happy. Her family has always been wanting to marry her off to the Sacred family, but in her heart she is conflicted. From the start her impression towards the Sacred family hasn't been good. Hearing how Nie Li subdued ShenXue and Shen Yue with his words to the point that they are speechless all while playing a rascal, she couldn't help laughing. At the same time her heart is deeply filled with adoration for Nie Li. How profound must one's knowledge need to be in order to tell the source of Scarlet Sunburst inscription pattern with just a glance? So while these people are busy wasting their time, Nie Li has been reading books all along.

At this moment outside the classroom, Lu Ye hastily ran towards the grey robed elder and the vice principal's direction and passed the Book of Divine Lightning Fire to the grey robed elder.

Vice-Principal Ye Sheng repeatedly directed his attention to the grey robed elder's expression.

The grey robed elder flipped the Book of Divine Lightning Fire to page 30, diagram six. Seeing the Lightning Fire Inscription Pattern on the book, then comparing it with Scarlet Sunburst Inscription Pattern, his face became sullen and did not say anything.

Ye Sheng dared not speak. This truly is a scandal of the Sacred family. This matter involved the upper level of Glory City, therefore on this matter he dared not say anything.

Grey robed elder looked at the Book of Divine Lightning Fire. The words on it are very complex, even he only recognizes small part of the words. Nie Li actually had such profound knowledge, causing him to be astonished. He remained silent for a moment before saying ,"This student, how is the innate talent of Nie Li?"

Ye Sheng looked at Lu Ye. Regarding such nameless student, the Vice-Principal wouldn't know much about the student.

Lu Ye hastily reply "I just looked him, he only has a red soul realm."

Grey robed elder nodded his head "Such a pity, this child is so well educated. A pity that his innate talent is only this much, otherwise his future would be promising. Lu Sheng, arrange for him a library clerk position!"

“Yes!” Lu Sheng hastily nodded his head, he knew of grey robed elder’s love for talented individuals. Although Nie Li’s innate talent is poor, he is knowledgeable and could even read the Book of Divine Lightning Fire. By becoming a library clerk, he could also research and study more books like these. Everyone in Glory City has their priority on training their cultivation. Very few would research and study these kind of ancient books. This arrangement of the grey robed elder is in order to protect Nie Li. After all, the job of library clerk is to work inside the school, this way Sacred family wouldn’t be able to suppress Nie Li.

But, would Nie Li fear the suppression of Sacred family? If it was in the past life, Nie Li would definitely have his tail between his legs, fearing Sacred family to the extreme. But in this life Nie Li definitely wouldn’t swallow his grievances.

This resentment , Nie Li has kept tabs on it all and still has to repay the Sacred family!

Shen Xiu looked at Nie Li with enmity. Her hatred for Nie Li has reached the limit, coldly saying, “Today’s matters, I will remember it!” Shen Xiu is a vindictive person, and, as Nie Li’s teacher, she naturally had a lot of ways to cause trouble for Nie Li.

Heh heh, Nie Li sneered incessantly. As a teacher, she actually threatened a student in her class, so shameless! Even if Sacred family doesn’t look to trouble him, he will take initiative to trouble the Sacred family!

This is still the first battle, Nie Li still has a lot of tactics to deploy. However, he didn’t want to reveal his hand at the moment

as his current strength is still not enough. He couldn't offend the Sacred family too much, after all they are still one of the major family of Glory City. Nie Li clearly understands that he desperately needs to enhance his strength.

After that, Shen Xiu didn't have the mood to continue the lecture, and hastily ended the lesson.

The things that happened in the lesson spread quickly among the students, passing from one to another. The usually lofty Sacred family, no matter how much they try to cover it, this kind of action violates the demon Spiritualist's code of conduct and thus would be disdained by all demon Spiritualist. Sacred family can only see Nie Li as the thorn in their side, but can't do anything to Nie Li. On the contrary, if anything were to happen to Nie Li, everyone would suspect the Sacred family. Such a blatant action, even the Sacred family couldn't dare do it, after all Sacred family couldn't hide the truth from the masses.

After this incident, Sacred family's prestige was greatly affected. It's said that the house master of the Sacred family tried to visit Ye Zi Yun's father, the city lord of Glory City, but was rejected.

For Nie Li, this is something to be happy about.

Although he doesn't know how to get near to Ye Zi Yun, if he could destroy the marriage between Shen Yue and Ye Zi Yun, then it's something to be happy about.

After today's incident, Ye Zi Yun's image of Shen Yue was

reduced by quite a bit.

Vice-Principal's office.

Shen Xiu's sharp voice sounded.

"Vice-Principal Ye Sheng, this student Nie Li has no respect for his elders. He openly contradicts his teacher in class. Simply, nasty to no extent. I request the approval of vice principal to have him expelled from school!" Shen Xiu said emotionally.

Even without the elder's words, with Nie Li's profound knowledge, even if he couldn't become a powerful demon Spiritualist in the future, he could still become an important individual of some powerful demon Spiritualist, how could Ye Sheng expel such a student? Moreover Nie Li had the appreciation of that elder. But after all, Shen Xiu is a member of Sacred family, he still needs to give her some face, smiling as he reply "I will consider this matter. To let a student be expelled from school would still have great impact."

"Vice-Principal Ye Sheng, there's nothing to consider. I request the immediate expulsion of Nie Li, otherwise I will not teach the class!!" Shen Xiu said angrily.

Ye Sheng's eye flashed, Shen Xiu this woman doesn't know when to stop. Putting on a smiling face, he said "That being the case, how about I transfer you to other class then?"

Shen Xiu slightly hesitated, she thought that Ye Sheng would give some face to the Sacred family, but in his words, Shen Xiu heard some meaning, Ye Sheng has firmly decided to protect Nie Li. If she was transferred to other class, she wouldn't have any way to trouble Nie Li. Shen Xiu cursed Ye Sheng in her heart, and swallowed this feeling and said, "No need then. Let's forget today's matter. Two months later there'll be the apprentice fighter test. If he's ranked in the the last three in the fighter apprentice class, then vice-principal Ye Sheng would have nothing else to say right? According to the rules of Holy Orchid Institute, being ranked in the last three would require them to be expelled from the school!"

"No problem with that!" Ye Sheng laughed.

Shen Xiu lets out a grunt, turned around walking towards the door.

Seeing Shen Xiu leaving, Ye Sheng's eye flashed a hint of chill. Shen Xiu relied on being a member of the Sacred family and was a little too arrogant and domineering. Ye Sheng thought again, even if Nie Li's results are poor, with his profound knowledge, he wouldn't be in the bottom three. Even if he is in the bottom three and is expelled from school, that elder would probably reach out to recruit Nie Li.

At this moment in the school library's 3rd floor, there's a lot of small rooms Originally meant as Holy Orchid Institute's student reading rooms, but at this moment, they became the base of Nie Li and his group because Nie Li has been hired by Holy Orchid Institute to be a library clerk. Being a clerk doesn't require one to do anything and would receive three hundred demon spirit coin

every month, getting these kind of benefits who wouldn't agree?

The action of Holy Orchid Institute hiring Nie Li is very strange, but once giving it a little thought for a moment, Nie Li understood why. The higher level of Holy Orchid Institute did this to protect Nie Li from the suppression of Sacred family! Although the position of library clerk isn't big, but is still a clerk of Holy Orchid Institute, even if it's Sacred family, would still worry about repercussions.

In this matter, Nie Li is grateful towards Holy Orchid Institute.

Vice-Principal Ye Sheng doesn't know that, because of the elder's words that caused Nie Li to be hired as a library clerk, Holy Orchid Institute would greatly benefit in the near future.

"Nie Li, offending Sacred family like this, wouldn't it be bad?" Du Ze spoke after being silent for a momen. He's more of a cautious man.

"Who cares if it's good or not, it's fine as long as it feels great." Lu Piao curled his lips. Seeing Shen Xiu's face become distorted from anger, he felt great about it. In any case he had been unhappy about this woman.

Nie Li looked towards Du Ze nodding his head "I know! In the last few days we haven't gone to class, Shen Xiu is probably anxious."

Since Nie Li already put it this way, Du Ze also didn't say anything else.

At this moment beside Nie Li,Du Ze, and Lu Piao, there are still three more commoner students. They were the ones who stood at the back of the class with Nie Li. Their innate talent wasn't that good as well, only having red soul realm. As for these three commoner, their names are, Wei Nan, Zhu Xiang Jun and Zhang Ming. Nie Li still trusts them, in the previous life they were all Du Ze's direct subordinates, their relations with Nie Li couldn't be considered good but they were all loyal towards Du Ze. In the battle with the demon beast before Glory City was destroyed, they defended the city to their last breath and died in the battle with Du Ze, are all blood brothers!

And in this life, the small group of them are being led by Nie Li.

"I just spent more than six thousand demon spirit coins to purchase six primary soul crystals. I want to test your aptitude!" Nie Li said while looking at them.

"Test aptitude? Didn't we already have our aptitude tested when we enrolled into school?" Du Ze asked feeling puzzled.

Nie Li mysteriously smiled saying "My test are different from that one!"

Everyone in the room had their doubts. Ever since the establishment of Glory City, they have been always using the usual method. Their soul force has already been determined, what does

Nie Li want to test? One primary soul crystal cost one thousand demon spirit coin and Nie Li actually brought six in one go! Although they had some doubts regarding Nie Li's words, due to the profound knowledge that Nie Li showed earlier on, they were convinced in Nie Li's words without any discussion.

"Generally, unused soul crystals are the most sensitive. If it is used to test a person's soul realm they will be extremely accurate. But once there is more than one person who has used the same soul crystal, the soul crystal will have interference and can barely test the soul realm's type and the strength of the soul force," Nie Li said, laughing.

"Other than soul realm's type and the strength of the soul force, what else can be tested?" Lu Piao asked curiously.

"The attributes and form of the soul realm!" Nie Li answered with a smile.

Du Ze, Lu Piao and the rest all looked at each other, what Nie Li just said sounds very profound.

Chapter 13: Testing The Innate Talent!

“Everyone take one soul crystal. These primary soul crystals are to be well kept. Before reaching a soul force of 500, this primary soul crystal can be used to check the level of your soul force. Once your soul force passes 500, you will need to get intermediate soul crystal!” Nie Li said as he distributed the soul crystals to everyone.

Seeing Nie Li passing the soul crystals to them, Wei Nan, Zhu Xiang Jun and Zhang Ming expressions were terrified.

“How can we take such expensive stuff?” Wei Nan said. One primary soul crystal was worth a thousands demon spirit coins; their living expenses for two years wouldn’t even reach that much and Nie Li was actually gifting them a soul crystal.

“Yeah, we can’t accept this!” Zhu Xiang Jun quickly added.

Zhang Ming also did the same. They are all commoner students, when had they had such an expensive things before?

“It’s given by Nie Li, take it! Unless, you don’t consider us as brothers?” Du Ze spoke in a deep voice as he frowned his brows.

Although Du Ze is a commoner, he still has prestige. The trio looked at each other for awhile and nodded their heads. Taking the soul crystal from Nie Li’s hand their hearts are filled with gratitude.

“Nie Li, thanks, from now on you will be our boss. If there’s anything just order us to do it.” the trio said. They have already approved of Nie Li in their hearts and decided to follow Nie Li.

Hearing the trio’s words, Nie Li slightly smiled. Having these brothers, the things Nie Li plans to do would have its’ workload reduced by half!

“Du Ze, you’ll test first!” Nie Li looked at Du Ze saying “Just do the same thing like what you did during enrollment!”

“Right,” Du Ze nodded his head. Lifting the primary soul crystal, he slowly injecting soul force into the it. The soul crystal gradually started to shine. Getting brighter and brighter, shining on Du Ze’s tender yet slightly matured face, speckles began appearing dancing around inside the soul crystal. Judging from this level of brightness, there is still quite a distance until reaching 1-star bronze demon Spiritualist.

The rest swept their gaze across it and are able to tell the the approximate number of dots in the speckle, every single dot represent one soul force.

“Du Ze, you improved very fast. You already have soul force of 52!” Lu Piao said excitedly, with soul force of 52, Du Ze would probably be the first among them to have his soul force to reach 100 first, becoming a 1-star demon Spiritualist.

Du Ze looked at Nie Li. Nie Li is currently concentrating on watching the soul crystal.

In Nie Li's view, the amount of soul force doesn't matter, be it tens or hundreds doesn't mean a thing, the most important thing would be the attributes and the form.

Within the soul crystal there are some dots of white light, glittering with reddish grey rays of light occasionally coming together changing into various shapes, just like a cloud.

Seeing this scene, Nie Li showed surprised over his face, speechlessly said "It's actually Lightning Fire attribute and it's also Heavenly Thundercloud form." No wonder Du Ze's cultivation training speed is so fast. With Heavenly Thundercloud form along with the Lightning Fire attribute simply made a perfect match. It was a pity that in the previous life Du Ze practised the Sacred Flame inscription pattern, so upon reaching 1-star gold rank demon Spiritualist he had already had reached his limit. But in this life, with Nie Li, Du Ze would have great changes.

"Lightning Fire attribute, Heavenly Thundercloud form?" Everyone present was puzzled by what Nie Li just said.

"In this world, there are no crippled soul realms. Red, orange, yellow, green, cyan, azure, and indigo are the seven colour types of soul realm. Each represents a person's unique personality and talents. Due to various reason, some soul realms are more easy to train, but that doesn't mean that red soul realms are crippled. If you find the right cultivation technique to train with, even with red soul realm, you can also unleash powerful strength. For those who grade the soul realm into different grades, in terms of soul force cultivation, they are a bunch of amateurs!" Nie Li faintly

smiled as he said those stuff.

Hearing Nie Li's words, for Du Ze, Lu Piao and the rest were thunderstruck This is too shocking, since the beginning of Glory City, those legend rank experts told them that the soul realm are graded. Orange is stronger than red, yellow is stronger than orange... didn't he say that those of legend rank experts were just a bunch of amateurs?

In the understanding on soul realm, even legend rank experts are not at the same level as Nie Li, Nie Li can contest any legend rank expert in soul realm knowledge. Because in his previous life, Nie Li reached a level above legend rank; a rank that is unimaginable for them.

Nie Li continued saying, "Once you find a suitable cultivation technique, any colour of soul realm can also reach the legend rank! Du Ze has a yellow soul realm with Lightning Fire attribute and the Heavenly Thundercloud form. With a suitable cultivation technique, inscription pattern and a Heavenly Thunder Demon Beast for his Lightning Fire attribute, his achievements will be shocking. Comparatively, his power would drop if he practiced other things, not to mention his cultivation would progress a lot slower."

Hearing Nie Li's words, Du Ze showed a distress look on his face, saying "Unfortunately, the Lightning Fire cultivation techniques in Glory City are incomplete. Even if they are recorded in ancient books, the language of the words would be from ancient times as well-" Half way through speaking Du Ze suddenly had a thought. Nie Li could even read the Book of Divine Lightning Fire. He

looked towards Nie Li with hope filled eyes.

At this moment, Nie Li revealed a smile as though he had a card up his sleeve. He said, “With me here, there is nothing to worry about. It’s just Lightning Fire cultivation techniques, nothing too difficult for me. I have with me the 69 strongest Lightning Fire cultivation techniques, which one do you want to practice?”

Heavenly Scarlet Lightning technique? No, this technique is too overbearing, especially once training reaches the ending, it can easy to damage one’s meridians. Heavenly Qilin technique? This technique is indeed suitable for Du Ze’s physique. This Heavenly Qilin technique doesn’t have any issue with it but there isn’t anyone that has tried practising it before, including the creator of this technique. But in Nie Li’s view, the first 9 stages of this technique are very safe, and only the last 3 stages would have some difficulties.

The strength of Heavenly Qilin technique needs no mention. Practising up to the 9th stage is already shocking and amazing. As for the last 3 stages, that would depend on Du Ze’s fate.

“You’ll practice Heavenly Qilin technique, one of the three strongest Lightning Flame cultivation techniques. I will impart you with the chants for the technique and I’ll also make a copy of the various martial arts for it in the future!” Nie Li soon imparted the chant for the technique to Du Ze. Heavenly Qilin technique’s chant isn’t too cryptic, so Du Ze remembered it very quickly.

Softly contemplating the chant inwards, Du Ze was extremely shocked by it. The Heavenly Qilin technique is definitely stronger

than any other cultivation technique that he had seen in the past! Just by chanting, Du Ze already felt his soul realm frantically surging; his soul force also had obvious signs of strengthening. He has yet to begin training and his soul force already began to expand and increase!

It's foreseeable that after practising this Heavenly Qilin cultivation technique, Du Ze will have all kinds of leaps and bounds with his soul force!

All this time, Du Ze has been struggling with the bleak fate of his family. His dream is to change the fate of his parents and family, but he clearly knew that this goal was too far away. But at this moment, Du Ze felt that by diligently practising the Heavenly Qilin cultivation technique, all of this wouldn't pose a problem! All of this is given to him by Nie Li!

"I will record for you all the details of the cultivation technique in a few days!" Nie Li said as he faintly smiled.

Du Ze is filled with gratitude for Nie Li. His eye redden, solemnly saying, "The kindness of imparting Heavenly Qilin technique to me, I appreciate it. If you have anything I could be of help to you in the future, even if it's to hike the blade mountains or to enter the sea of flames, if I, Du Ze were to slightly hesitate, I'll be willing to die by the curse of heavens!"

"Don't put it this way, we're good brothers! It's just a cultivation technique!" Nie Li slightly smiled as he patted on Du Ze's back.

To Nie Li, this is just a piece of cultivation technique, but for Du Ze to say, the significance of it would be different!

At this moment, Lu Piao already couldn't wait anymore from the excitement, saying at the side "You guys talk too mushy, as brothers we should share the blessings and the misfortune together! Nie Li, I'm just a red soul realm, am I also suitable to train soul force?"

"Of course, everyone can train in soul force, even if it's red soul realm, except there's a difference in the cultivation technique that is suited for red soul realm!" Nie Li said, smiling.

Lu Piao began injecting his soul force into the soul crystal. Quickly, the soul crystal began to glimmer. A dozen dots of lights carrying a little redness spun within the crystal. The brightness of the glow was smaller than Du Ze's by a lot! Seeing this scene, Lu Piao's face turned red. His soul force was simply too low.

"Red soul realm, with Chaos Attribute and the Scarlet Sun form!" Nie Li frowned his brows for a moment, "Scarlet Sun soul form, although is considered common, but it actually Chaos attributed which is surprisingly rare, there wouldn't be one Chaos attribute in hundreds of thousands of people. Why not practice the Holy Primal Chaos technique?"

"Holy Primal Chaos technique? Is it strong?" Lu Piao asked excitedly, as it sounded powerful from the name itself.

"Of course, Holy Primal Chaos technique isn't in any way inferior

to Heavenly Qilin technique. As it doesn't require much practice, only the need to foster the Chaos Qi in your body, it suits you." Nie Li said, laughing, "It will depends on your luck as for training to the highest level."

Listening Nie Li's words, Lu Piao's eyes instantly shined. This piece of cultivation technique is too suitable for him. He chuckled as he said, "I don't need to practice to the highest level, I will be satisfied as long as I can reach 1-star silver rank demon Spiritualist."

1-star silver rank demon Spiritualist... If the creator of Holy Primal Chaos technique knew how "big" Lu Piao's ideal was the creator would have choked at the thought.

"1-star silver rank..." Nie Li is speechless. He estimated that before long Lu Piao will realise how laughable his dream is. Practising Holy Primal Chaos cultivation technique, it would be impossible to stabilize in 1-star silver rank. As the Chaos Qi accumulates in his body, Lu Piao's cultivation will also advance by leaps and bounds reaching a frightening level!

Nie Li also began to test Wei Nan, Zhu Xiang Jun, Zhang Ming and gift them each with a set of powerful cultivation techniques. Although it can't be compare with Holy Primal Chaos or Heavenly Qilin technique,they are still cultivation techniques that no other technique in Glory City can be compared to. Not to mention the cultivation techniques were also the best suited to their aptitudes and soul realms, their future practice would also be more effective!

Wait till reaching 5-star bronze rank and find a suitable demon

spirit, then their combat capabilities would also rapidly increase!

Glancing at the the piece of soul crystal in his hand, Nie Li prepared to test his own innate talent. Due to various reasons in his previous life, Nie Li took a lot of detours and the cultivation techniques he practised were very messy. This resulted in him lacking strength at the end of his training. Therefore in this life, he wanted to find the most suitable cultivation technique for himself!

Chapter 14: Heavenly God Cultivation Technique

After injecting soul force into the soul crystal, a few bright spots appeared floating around in the soul crystal, but the soul crystal is basically dark.

“I suddenly feel relieved, Nie Li’s soul force is a lot weaker than mine!” Lu Piao blinked his eyes as he laughed.

Du Ze gave Lu Piao a hard look.

Nie Li didn’t mind. The amount of soul force doesn’t matter much to him, at this moment Nie Li paid attention to the soul realm.

Red soul realm, fragmented and disordered forms with no attributes.

“Attributeless with a disordered soul realm,” Nie Li smiled bitterly. “All soul realms are very strong, but if I were to say which kind of soul realm was the weakest, it would be the non-attributed soul realm. This is because it doesn’t have any characteristic at all and the soul realm form is not condensed. Originally, my starting soul realm was like this but after practising various other cultivation techniques that caused it to become even more unruly.”

“No wonder after spending a long amount of time practicing inside the Temporal Demon Spirit Book, I was still unable to

breakthrough. So the root of the issue was this."

Attributeless soul realms are the most unstable and are the most likely to be changed.

Nie Li submerged deep into his thoughts. If there were any cultivation techniques suitable for attributeless soul realms, then there would only be three options: Heavenly God cultivation technique, War God cultivation technique, and Void God cultivation technique. Among these the Heavenly God technique was the most profound, the War God technique was the most overbearing, and the Void God technique was the most secretive. Based on future potential, the Heavenly God technique had the highest potential, but Heavenly God technique was also the hardest to practice.

With an attributeless soul realm, practising any kind of cultivation technique will be much slower than others. But if one is able to practice with the Heavenly God technique, it would be the strongest overall cultivation technique, since it shares various properties similar to attributeless soul realms. Once one succeeds in practicing with the Heavenly God cultivation technique, one would be able to practice all kinds of cultivation technique from all the different attributes, resulting in one having supreme power and being able to create their own path.

Practicing normal cultivation techniques, the soul realm would only be able to contain one demon spirit. If you get a stronger demon spirit then the previous spirit would need to be replaced. But with the Heavenly God cultivation technique, one can contain seven different demon spirits, each with a different attribute.

Every time one integrated a demon spirit, one's strength would surge by a fold. Gathering seven powerful demon spirit can cause the cultivation and combat abilities to reach an alarming unimaginable level.

He was hesitant for quite awhile. Although the training speed isn't fast, much slower compared to Du Ze's, Lu Piao's and the trio's, once training and cultivation is successfully completed, then Heavenly God cultivation technique is without a doubt the strongest!

Nie Li mediated the chants, and began the most basic practice. In the future he may need the support of large amount of elixirs, but for now he would only need to practice the basic fundamentals.

Seeing as Nie Li begin his training, Du Ze, Pu Liao and the rest that were present in the room also began to practice their own cultivation techniques and began to absorb the energy from heaven and earth to strengthen their soul realms. The more they practice, the more they realise how mysterious and profound those cultivation techniques were.

Six people had their six soul realm rapidly rotating, surging up and expanding.

Whether it's Du Ze, Lu Piao, or the 3 commoner students, their soul force begin to significantly enhance.

The process of enhancing is simply astonishingly fast. After all, the cultivation technique given to them by Nie Li are all earth-

shatteringly powerful techniques, that once started, the speed of practicing with it compared to normal cultivation techniques are ten or even more than hundred times faster.

Nie Li was practicing the Heavenly God technique, currently he doesn't seek fast cultivating, but prefered steadily laying the his foundation one step at a time. His soul realm was like the sea surging, constantly changing it's shape. Portions of soul force ebbing and flowing, Nie Li felt that his soul force already had been significantly strengthen.

The first stage of soul force practice is to reach the level of heart and soul as one. With the continuous enhancing of soul force, the soul realm began to surge over and over, gradually releasing cyan glow.

Nie Li and his group remained in the library devoting themselves into practice.

One day, two days... Over time, Nie Li's soul force rose from 5 to over 30.

This speed was simply amazing. If Shen Xiu were to know of Nie Li's cultivation speed reaching such frightening speed, what kind thoughts would she have.

Nie Li's speed, however, is considered slow. Du Ze's, Lu Piao's, and the trio's cultivation speeds were even faster than Nie Li's. Especially Du Ze, perhaps it wouldn't be long until he reach the 1-star bronze rank.

One can only imagine, after finishing a stage of their cultivation, how far would their soul force have risen?

Reaching 1-star bronze rank in two months, for Nie Li this isn't anything. Nie Li might even be able to reach 2-star or 3-star within this two months! During test in two months, what would Shen Xiu's expression be like?

At this moment, in the fighter apprentice class.

For the last couple of days, Nie Li and his group's seats were empty, no one knows where have they gone.

"Soon it'll be the 3rd night, Nie Li wouldn't have forgotten would he?" Xiao Ning Er looked forward for the arrival of night in her heart. Thinking of the things that happened on that day, the quietly sitting down Xiao Ning Er slightly blushed. Her face had a gentle pure smile, beautiful and attractive, causing the surrounding boys to become dumbfounded.

Ye Zi Yun is very puzzled inside her heart. Recently Xiao Ning Er often was blankly lost in thought, causing her to have some curiosity over it. What actually happened causing Xiao Ning Er to be so preoccupied in thought. "Xiao Ning Er wouldn't have a crush on Nie Li, right?" Ye Zi Yun didn't understand, "what's so good about that kid called Nie Li, to actually have made a prideful girl like Xiao Ning Er to fall for him?"

As Shen Xiu is teaching in the class, her gaze swept past the 6

empty seats, sneered in her heart. “Nie Li’s probably bitterly practising right? Even so, so what? Nie Li thought that if he were to bitterly practice, he would be able to rise his soul force from 5 to 100 in just two months frame of time? This is absolutely impossible!”

If Nie Li had green soul realm or above, then he might have the chance to accomplish it. But Nie Li has a red soul realm! In her view, Nie Li is bound to lose! Nie Li actually dared to contradict her in class publicly, this would be the price!

She can only imagine, after being expelled how pitiful Nie Li’s situation would be!

Shen Xiu revealed a faint sneer on her face as she continued to tirelessly lecturing “Red, orange, yellow, green, cyan, azure, and indigo are the seven different soul realms, with red as the lowest grade. Within the hundreds years of Glory City history, only a few managed to practice up to silver rank demon Spiritualist level. Unless having some fortuitous circumstances, red soul realms have a limit for the soul force it can contain, which is 600, the higher it goes, the harder it is!”

Hearing Shen Xiu’s words, the crowd of commoner students below the stage revealed disappointed expressions on their face. Soul force could only reach a maximum of 600, which means that unless one to have good fortune , the maximum they can reach is just the 5-star bronze rank.

Those students with red soul realm couldn’t help to complain at the injustice, why do they only have red soul realm.

“There are some things that are decided by heavens upon birth, we have to succumb to our fate. Some people would be sheltered upon birth, and some would be an inferior commoner upon birth!” Shen Xiu laughed a cry.

Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er frowned their brows in disgust upon hearing Shen Xiu’s words. They didn’t like Shen Xiu since the beginning, and the words Shen Xiu spoke were too much. With Glory City under the threats of demon beast, Shen Xiu still continued to try and stir up conflicts between commoners and nobles, simply disregarding the situation.

Listening Shen Xiu’s words, those commoner students tightly clenched their fist, blood almost oozed out from their palms. Although they were very angry about what Shen Xiu said, but most of them still endured it. Not everyone had the courage to contradict the teacher with withdrawing from school as a bet.

They wouldn’t and didn’t dare to do it, and because of that, they had deep admiration for Nie Li in their heart.

What Nie Li didn’t know that the constant mocking of the commoner students by Shen Xiu actually became the spiritual motivation for the commoner students. Almost every single commoner student wished Nie Li to win, chasing this vicious Shen Xiu away. The recent action of Nie Li won the hearts of these commoner students.

As time went on, the incident of Nie Li giving sacred family a

hard slap in their face and his bet with Shen Xiu soon became well known, almost everyone throughout Holy Orchid Institute were discussing about this matter.

“He actually said that he’ll raise his soul force from 5 to 100 in two months! He simply doesn’t know his place!”

“Yeah, even a cyan soul realm super genius might not be able to accomplish it!”

“I hope Nie Li would win, really hate that mean woman.”

“Me too, although his chances of winning is very slim.” 70% of the students in Holy Orchid Institute are commoners. Nie Li offended Shen Xiu and the Sacred family for standing up for them causing them to support Nie Li in their heart.

A lot of people didn’t like the Sacred family, some of the noble children still disapprove of Nie Li.

Even if Sacred family was in the wrong, Sacred family are still one of the 3 major family in Glory City. Nie Li’s action is offending his superiors, it showed contempt for authority! They even look at Nie Li as the scum within nobles.

“Some people just like to stand together with commoners, what can you do about it?” they were ridiculing Nie Li.

Late in the afternoon.

Majority of the students in Holy Orchid Institute all went to eat. The library was exceedingly quiet, Nie Li and the group of people ate together and went back to the library to continue their practice.

“Nie Li, my soul force is already 89! With the current speed, I would be able to breakthrough into 1-star bronze rank in a week!” Du Ze whispered, his voice had unquenchable excitement in it. This speed of cultivation in his view is impossible to imagine!

“Not bad” Nie Li chuckled, this speed is within Nie Li’s expectation.

Not just Du Ze, Lu Piao and the others were also in ecstasy and excitement, their soul force also made great progress. With the current speed, even for them to reach 1-star bronze rank in two months would be possible.

They strengthen of soul force is too fast. So fast, that it was to the point that it was no longer a lofty goal. It was just like living within a dream!

“We need to get some elixirs, with elixirs only then will our cultivation speed be faster!” Nie Li said.

Listening to Nie Li’s words, Du Ze and the group of people were shocked. Yeah, they hadn’t taken any elixirs and their cultivation speed was already this fast. If they were to consume some elixirs, how fast would their cultivation speed become?

But. where would they find elixirs?

Elixirs that could enhance cultivation, could cost tens of thousands of demon spirit coins!

Although they earned roughly 16 thousands demon spirit coin from killing horned sheep, buying the soul crystals alone spent quite a lot of it leaving them with barely 10 thousand demon spirit coins.

“You guys continue training in the library, I have some matters to attend to tonight. I need to find a way to make more money with the remaining 10 thousand demon spirit coins!” Nie Li said laughing. With more money, they can purchase the elixirs that enhance the cultivation.

They didn’t know what Nie Li planned to do, but since Nie Li already had his plan, they wouldn’t ask much about it.

Tonight, Nie Li and Xiao Ning Er had promised to meet! If Nie Li helped Xiao Ning Er to rid her of her illness, that can also be considered a good deed.

Du Ze, Lu Piao and the trio did not think that the reason Nie Li left was to go meet with Goddess Xiao Ning Er. If they were to know, they would definitely be depressed, Nie Li preferred girls over his friends!

Chapter 15: Guidance

Just when Nie Li and his group were chatting, Nie Li's gaze suddenly turned towards a distant direction. Amongst the rows of book shelves, a graceful figure was currently holding a thick book looking down at it. A head of purple hair was like a waterfall falling. Beside the ears, bundles of hair were tied up with silk thread adding more lovely temperament to her.

The evening sunlight shined on her delicate face, making her more elegant and attractive.

Nie Li's heartbeat fasten by just looking at her. For an instant, countless memories flooded his head. At the Endless Desert, hiding and running from the chase of countless demon beast, in those death and life situations, with Nie Li's sharp sense of danger, he saved the survivors countless times and gradually got together with Ye Zi Yun as they grew to know each other better.

Although Nie Li's cultivation was extremely poor and the gap between him and Ye Zi Yun was as wide as the sky, both of them still got together.

That night, Nie Li touched Ye Zi Yun's smooth back, the crazy love for her in his heart couldn't be suppressed much longer. Ye Zi Yun under the moonlight, were as a perfect image of a goddess statue, her attractive face, her curvy body, smooth and dedicate jade arms, perky twin perks... Those crazy scenes were deeply imprinted in Nie Li's heart.

Nie Li of that time, never in his imagination that a goddess-like beautiful like Ye Zi Yun actually fell for him.

Later, in order to cover himself and other survivors to escape, Ye Zi Yun died in the battle. Seeing that scene, Nie Li's heart were as though it was stabbed by someone. He still remembers that kind of piercing pain. If it wasn't to fulfill Ye Zi Yun's wishes to protect her family to safety, Nie Li of that time would definitely follow her together.

'If it wasn't that mysterious Temporal Demon Spirit Book, I wouldn't be able to come back to life, wouldn't be able to see her again!'

Nie Li inhaled a deep breath, calming himself down from his inner excitement. He had always been searching for a chance to get close to Ye Zi Yun, but he didn't want to disturb her. Anyways since the marriage between her and Shen Yue had not been set yet, the current Nie Li felt an urgent need to enhance his strength.

Only by having strength, he could deter Sacred family, and then be able to snatch Ye Zi Yun from the hands of Shen Yue.

"You guys go up first, I still have some matters to attend!" Nie Li looked towards Du Ze, Pu Liao and the trio saying.

Du Ze and Lu Piao followed Nie Li's gaze. Hands holding onto an ancient book, the beauty quietly reading was like an elf in the evening, simply perfect. Wearing a white silk dress, having a graceful demeanour, leaning against the bookshelf. With a

dignified posture, quiet and elegant like a lotus out of the water, holy and noble causing one not dare to profane. They instantly knew what Nie Li wanted to do.

Everyone likes beautiful things. It was just that when facing Ye Zi Yun, they didn't even have the courage to go forward due to their low self-esteem .

Nie Li walked towards Ye Zi Yun's direction.

"I bet Nie Li will fail in 15 minutes, the prettiest girl in class would definitely ignore him!" Lu Piao said confidently smiling.

"I hope Nie Li wouldn't get a blow too big for him." Du Ze murmured.

They hid in a corner looking at Nie Li. "He'll probably get ignored by her. The prettiest girl in class isn't that easy to go near to, even Shen Yue also failed to get close to her numerous times."

Ye Zi Yun quietly reading books at dusk, this beautiful scene Nie Li couldn't bear to break it.

Nie Li, unexpectedly, found that the book Ye Zi Yun is reading is actually that Book of Divine Lightning Fire.

Ye Zi Yun furrowed her brows while flipping through the book. She is someone that has a strong competitive spirit and is also very hard working, no matter if it's the talent, cultivation, or even her

knowledge, they are also far stronger that ordinary people. She still had that little pride in her heart, but she actually realised the gap between her and Nie Li was actually so huge.

The stuff in the Book of Divine Lightning Fire is too profound!

The first volume was translated, which was okay, but, after the first volume, the other volumes were written with the language of Snow Wind Empire. She didn't understand any of it!

On knowledge, Ye Zi Yun is indeed stronger than her peers, but she found the wrong guy to compare herself to. After all Nie Li had been reborn.

Seeing Ye Zi Yun holding and flipping through the Book of Divine Lightning Fire, with Nie Li's understanding towards Ye Zi Yun, he naturally guessed Ye Zi Yun's mind. He couldn't help but smile as he walked to the side of Ye Zi Yun, and teasingly said "So, student Ye Zi Yun is also interested in Book of Divine Lightning Fire?"

Ye Zi Yun then recovered from her deep thoughts. Looking at Nie Li, her face revealed a surprised expression, she obviously did not expect to bump into Nie Li here. Think again, Nie Li is probably here reading books, otherwise how could he have that much knowledge?

"This book is too profound, I just took a skimmed through them and realised that I couldn't read a lot of things inside!" Ye Zi Yun closed the Book of Divine Lightning Fire, elegantly saying while politely keeping her distance with Nie Li.

Ye Zi Yun's slender figure, although she was a few steps away, subtle fragrance could be smelt from her. Nie Li knew that this is her unique body fragrance, causing one to be mesmerized. This fragrance, so familiar and intimate, is the fragrance in his memories.

"This Book of Divine Lightning Fire is written with the words from the Snow Wind Empire era. The words from that era are slightly esoteric and hard to understand, but if you can first learn the words from the Black Gold Empire era, you will find them easier to understand and can read the words from the Snow Wind Empire era much more easily." Nie Li smiled saying.

"Words from Black Gold Empire era?" Ye Zi Yun carefully recalled, before the Age of Darkness, there were 3 eras that were rather well recorded the most powerful empires for each era are, respectively, the Saint Spirit Empire era, the Snow Wind Empire era, and the Sacred Empire era. Black Gold Empire is a relatively big empire in the era of Snow Wind Empire.

Nie Li is well-learnt and knows a lot of stuff, Ye Zi Yun couldn't help to feel a little admiration.

"But to learn an era's language to read this book is not necessary. Also with your aptitude, is not too suitable to practice Lightning Fire cultivation techniques." Nie Li's expressions were calm, unlike other boys who're so reserved and stiff in front of Ye Zi Yun.

After all, Nie Li understands Ye Zi Yun too well, down to the depth of bones.

“Oh? Then what cultivation technique is suitable for me?” Ye Zi Yun sizing the boy in front of her, Nie Li’s knowledge caused her to feel a little dejected and depressed.

“If I guessed correctly, with your family, someone in the family used soul force to examine your body before, you’re currently practicing Snow Wind cultivation technique, so Snow Wind cultivation technique is probably the best suited for your physique!” Nie Li faintly smiled saying.

Ye Zi Yun’s eyes widened, shocked as she look at Nie Li, Nie Li actually guessed correctly, her grandfather indeed used his soul force to examine her body before, but that was a secret not known to others, after all by examining once used up large amount of soul force, how did Nie Li know of this?

Seeing Ye Zi Yun’s expression, Nie Li knew that he guessed correctly, smiled saying “Although your family examined your physique before, but he definitely couldn’t detect your soul realm’s form, so the cultivation technique he chose might not be suitable for you.”

“The form of the soul realm?” Ye Zi Yun frowned her brows, she didn’t know what that is.

“How about taking a little bit of time and let me examine your soul force’s form?” Nie Li asked towards Ye Zi Yun.

Ye Zi Yun raised her head looking at Nie Li, thought for a moment and shook her head, “No need!” She still kept her distance from Nie Li. If Nie Li’s method of examining is similar to her grandfather, then there will be bound to have some skin contact. Ye Zi Yun still have some precautions against Nie Li.

Seems to guessed what Ye Zi Yun is thinking, Nie Li smiled. He knew that Ye Zi Yun thought too much, saying, “Actually the method of examining is very simple, get an unused soul crystal when you get back, then by injecting your soul force into the soul crystal, I just need to observe the soul crystal awhile to tell your soul realm’s form.”

“Oh? That simple?” Ye Zi Yun apologetically looked at Nie Li, seems like she misunderstood Nie Li, a single soul crystal wouldn’t need that much money.

“If you want to test the form of your soul realm, look for me here tomorrow around this time.” Nie Li finished his words, turned around and left.

Ye Zi Yun astounded looking at Nie Li. Usually when boys talked to her, they would want to chat for a little longer, but Nie Li is actually an exception. What kind of person is Nie Li actually? She realised she doesn’t understand this classmate at all.

Nie Li’s gasped Ye Zi Yun’s character. The more he tries to get closer to Ye Zi Yun, the further Ye Zi Yun will distance herself against him. The time in the future is still long, first leave a good

impression in Ye Zi Yun then slowly build up their relationship.

Ye Zi Yun clenched her teeth, sounded “Classmate Nie Li.”

“What’s the matter?” Nie Li turned his head asking.

Seeing that Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun were talking in the distance and when Nie Li walked away, Ye Zi Yun actually called out to him, caused Du Ze, Lu Piao and the group to look at each other dumbfounded.

“Sure enough, he deserves to be the boss. First, he made Ning Er Goddess to take the initiative to send breakfast, and now actually made Ye Goddess call out to him For the happiness of the rest of my life, I need to ask boss for some guidance.” Wei Nan murmured.

This caused jealousy from bystanders, to be able to speak with Ye Goddess, how many men wished for that kind of thing?

Du Ze and Li Piao looked at each other.

“Seems like we underestimated Nie Li!”

“This guy is secretive of his skills!”

“Nie Li hooked up with Ning Er goddess, and he definitely can also hook up with Ye Goddess. holding one on the left and on the

right hugging the other, his happiness is boundless!”

Nie Li doesn’t know of the discussions between these brothers, hearing Ye Zi Yun calling for him was unexpected, he surprised turning his head back.

“Classmate Nie Li’s knowledge on inscription patterns is profound. I have some questions for Nie Li, is it okay?” Ye Zi Yun asked with her bright eyes looking at Nie Li.

“Of course you can, pray tell.” Nie Li laughed

Ye Zi Yun did not get her hopes too high, after all the questions that she wanted to ask weren’t things that ordinary people can solve. In the terms of understand inscription patterns, the knowledge of Ye Zi Yun, who was born into one of the major families, learned was far surpassed her peers.

Chapter 16: Demonic Magic?

Ye Zi Yun took out two inscription scrolls from her interspatial ring.

Experts usually store their techniques in inscription patterns. Writing them onto inscription scrolls, then when in battle, they can activate the inscription scroll to release powerful battle techniques, much faster than if they were to perform the techniques themselves. But inscription scrolls are usually very expensive. Just a blank inscription scroll would cost up to hundreds of demon spirit coins, a bronze rank inscription scroll would cost thousands of demon spirit coins, and a silver rank inscription scroll would cost more than 10 thousand demon spirit coins. As for gold rank, the price of it is simply unimaginable.

They are extremely precious things which ordinary people can not afford.

“These two inscription scrolls are Snow Wind inscriptions.” Ye Zi Yun’s pale fingers slowly opened one of the bronze rank inscription scrolls, “These two inscription scrolls seem to had some error when it was drawn, and thus left them unable to be activated but I can’t find the root of the issue.”

Nie Li’s gaze swept pass these two inscription patterns on the scroll, and found the problem with the two inscription patterns.

He spent so much time in his previous life inside the Temporal Demon Spirit Book, that Nie Li’s knowledge about inscription

patterns had reached perfection, regardless of attribute. To him inscription patterns of all kinds were simple to grasp. Correcting two bronze rank inscription scrolls to him held no challenge.

"Even if the professors couldn't tell the root of the problem with these two bronze inscription patterns, with your family background, couldn't you ask your father for the answer?" Nie Li asked, looking at Ye Zi Yun.

Within Ye Zi Yun's lavender coloured eyes, flashed a hint of sadness in it.

Nie Li suddenly understood. Ye Zi Yun never had a mother since birth, and with her father being the City Lord, he was busy throughout the day. Her grandfather was a legend rank demon Spiritualist, so he had to lead his men to explore St. Ancestral Mountains, eliminating any potential crisis for Glory City. So naturally no one could help Ye Zi Yun.

Thinking of this, Nie Li felt pity for Ye Zi Yun, saying "In the future if there's any problems, you can find me here around this time!"

Finish saying his words, Nie Li's gaze fell onto the two bronze rank inscription scrolls, pointing to one of the two bronze rank inscription scrolls saying "This Bronze rank inscription scroll is the Snow Wind Attribute's <<Icy Wind, Sharp as Knifes>> inscription, the inscription structure has no issue with it, but this is a faulty scroll."

“Faulty scroll?” Ye Zi Yun asked surprised.

“Right, the person who made this faulty scroll is an expert fraud. if one’s eyesight is not sharp enough, being led into buying this scroll is understandable.” Nie Li said laughing, “<<Icy Wind, Sharp as Knifes>> inscription is drawn using the blood of Snow Wind Spiritual Worm. The blood of Snow Wind Spiritual Worm is usually a silver-grey colour, not this bright silvery-red colour. My guess is that this is written with the blood of Snow Wind Spiritual Worm’s larva. The larva of Snow Wind Spiritual Worm isn’t strong enough, and therefore caused this <<Icy Wind, Sharp as Knifes>>inscription to be unable to activate.”

An adult Snow Wind Spiritual Worm’s blood being silvery-grey colour while their blood’s colour being silvery-red when they are in their larval stage, Ye Zi Yun never thought that the problem was actually something like this. She took this inscription scroll that was unable to activate and asked several professors in the school, and even the vice-principal, but none of them were able to find the problem with it because the bronze rank inscription scroll was correct drawn!

This mystery was hidden within her heart for a long time now. That was until today, when this mystery was finally resolved.

So her perspective was wrong, the inscription had no issues, thus her wanting to find a problem with the inscription was naturally impossible!

This kind of issue, Nie Li could actually tell with just a look, how profound must one’s knowledge be to accomplish this? Was the

knowledge of those professors and the vice-principal below Nie Li's?

A deep admiration emerged within Ye Zi Yun for Nie Li, as she also gradually lowered her guard against Nie Li.'A person with such vast knowledge, presumably their character wouldn't be too bad right?'

"What about this bronze rank Inscription?" Ye Zi Yun pointed towards the other bronze rank inscription scroll. While she pointing towards the scroll, she looked at him again. Nie Li was slightly taller than her by a little bit, with a chiselled face, sharp brows, and bright eyes, he was quite handsome.

In the past, Nie Li's presence in the class was very low. Until today when Ye Zi Yun began to have some understanding towards Nie Li did her heart begin to feel deep admiration for Nie Li.

"This inscription pattern is Snow Wind attribute's <<Icy Wind, Sudden Snow>> inscription. <<Icy Wind, Sudden Snow>> is originally a silver rank inscription pattern, but the <<Icy Wind, Sudden Snow>> left behind by the Age of Darkness was incomplete. Afterwards people tried to patch it and in the process caused it to drop a level becoming a bronze rank inscription pattern." Nie Li said.

Ye Zi Yun had her doubts, she never thought that there is still such history behind it. Which book was it recorded in, and how come she have never seen it before?

She heard Nie Li continue his speech, “In addition to dropping to bronze rank inscription pattern, their patches for <<Icy Wind, Sudden Snow>> caused it to gain a problem with it’s structure, and thus often it should have problems when activating causing it to be unusable. It just needs to be adjusted a little.”

“Structural changes? How would you change it?” Ye Zi Yun’s eyes were filled with doubts, even if it’s her grandfather, he dared not tamper with the structure of a inscription pattern because inscription patterns passed down from ancient eras were already in a perfect form. Although her grandfather is a legend rank demon Spiritualist and can create inscription patterns, it’s still very hard to adjust a inscription pattern.

“Do you have pen?” Nie Li asked, looking at Ye Zi Yun.

Ye Zi Yun’s right hand moved, retrieving a silver horn pen from her interspatial ring made from the horns of a horned sheep.

As Nie Li took the silver horn pen from Ye Zi Yun’s hand, his finger accidentally touched Ye Zi Yun’s palm. That soft skin contact made his heart flutter.

She immediately drew her hand back, suddenly raising her head. Her alert eyes looking at Nie Li. She thought that Nie Li intentionally tried to take advantage of the situation, but was surprised to find Nie Li holding onto the silver horn pen with dignified look on his face.

Perhaps she thought too much, the contact earlier made her feel

a strange feeling.

Nie Li drew a few simple strokes on the white paper, and an inscription pattern more complete than <<Icy Wind, Sudden Snow>> appeared on the paper. The shape of the strokes were exactly well-proportioned, as though they were printed.

Nie Li ended up drawing such complex inscription patterns with just a few random looking strokes, such frightening ability made her gasp in amazement. This adjusted <<Icy Wind, Sudden Snow>> inscription became even more complex and difficult to understand, even Ye Zi Yun couldn't understand it.

"This is the completed <<Icy Wind, Sudden Snow>> inscription." Nie Li said looking towards Ye Zi Yun, "It's a silver rank inscription pattern."

Ye Zi Yun's gaze fell onto this <<Icy Wind, Sudden Snow>> inscription pattern, her brows furrowed, this adjusted <<Icy Wind, Sudden Snow>> turned out to be twice as complex compared to before. The current her couldn't verify how effective is the inscription pattern, unless someone were to make it into a scroll.

She had not seen this kind of inscription pattern before!

"This Inscription Pattern is made with 36 foundation patterns in it's structure" Nie Li explained, "This is a stable structure, the previous structure wasn't stable!"

Ye Zi Yun let out an ‘en’ full of doubts. She didn’t ask any further, only keeping the inscription pattern altered by Nie Li, preparing to get people to make this into a scroll to test it out to see if it was as Nie Li said, a silver rank inscription pattern.

She then sought further guidance about some problems she had with Snow Wind inscription patterns as well as cultivation techniques. Nie Li’s answers were calm and smooth. Under Nie Li’s tutoring, Ye Zi Yun eased her doubts about Nie Li, admiring him even more. How much time would a person need to spend in order to have profound knowledge like Nie Li?

“Classmate Nie Li, thanks a lot for your answers. Don’t forget our deal about meeting here tomorrow; rain or shine” Before leaving, Ye Zi Yun smiled graceful as pearl, beautiful and refined.

That bright smile caused Nie Li to be a little absent-minded. Ye Zi Yun left waving her hand. The tender view of her back leaving was graceful and attractive.

Nie Li’s mood suddenly became even more cheerful, very satisfied with his first chat with Ye Zi Yun.

Just when Nie Li was preparing to leave, a hand emerge from the side, grabbing onto Nie Li’s collar.

“You,” Nie Li’s eyes landed on the person and his expression darkened. This person was Shen Yue.

Shen Yue's right hand grabbed onto Nie Li's collar as he stared fiercely at Nie Li "What did Ye Zi Yun talk to you about?"

"Release your hand, otherwise I won't be polite." Nie Li coldly replied.

"Heh, heh, won't be polite to me? Nie Li, you think too highly of yourself, who do you think you are? Thinking you're so great just because you know a few inscription pattern? You're still far too lowly! Stay away from Ye Zi Yun, otherwise, I'll show you a good time!" Shen Yue said fiercely.

Du Ze, Li Piao, and the trio upon seeing that, immediately rushed over. At this moment there were about six or seven lackeys by Shen Yue's side, glaring at Du Ze, Lu Piao and the trio, both sides' fighting spirit ignited.

The other students in the library upon seeing this, started to distance themselves, fearing that they would become involved in this.

"What happened?"

"I heard that Shen Yue and Nie Li had a conflict regarding Ye Goddess, looks like they'll be soon fighting."

"Who is this Nie Li? To actually dare offend Shen Yue, he's a member of the Sacred family!"

“Nie Li is crazy, he doesn’t know his place! Shen Yue will soon reach 1-star bronze rank. How can Nie Li be able to do anything to him.”

In Shen Yue’s view, with his strength, handling Nie Li is very easy. He only needed to use 1/10th of his strength to be able to suppress Nie Li!

Nie Li looked at the arrogant Shen Yue with contempt. In his view, Shen Yue is just a kid, he never thought of Shen Yue as a threat since the start! ‘Even if your whole Sacred family could only barely play with me, who do you think you are Shen Yue?’

No matter if it’s strength or soul force level, the current Nie Li is inferior compared to Shen Yue. After all Nie Li only started practicing Heavenly God Cultivation Technique 2 days ago. But in Nie Li’s view, Shen Yue’s ability of using his strength and soul force is no different from a primitive human.

‘Although my current physical strength is only 38 and my soul force is 32, to force you to faint I am more then enough.’

“You think that by relying on having Sacred family as a background, you can be arrogant and despotic? Having green soul realm is a genius? You’re still far from it!” Nie Li holding onto Shen Yue’s fist, pressed his middle finger onto the joint of the wrist. His strength passed from his middle finger onto the joint, slowly breaking open Shen Yue’s hold.

Shen Yue was surprised to find that when Nie Li gripped his

hand, his whole arm went numb. Numb and weak, no matter how he tried to use his strength, his hand couldn't resist being forced open.

In just a moment, Nie Li's hand was like a steel clamp, clamping onto Shen Yue's hand, a sharp terrible pain was felt which cause Shen Yue's face to be distorted.

'How did Nie Li do that? My strength is obviously stronger than Nie Li's, but I couldn't even resist?'

In Shen Yue's mind, his impression of Nie Li has always been that of someone with a bottom rank, poor innate soul realm talent, and weak physique. While in his mind, he was the genius in the class, blessed with green soul realm, and had been taking all sorts of elixir from a young age, causing his physique to be stronger than his peers.

But, in this short battle of strength, he's totally unable to beat Nie Li!

What kind of demonic magic did Nie Li use?!

Nie Li faintly sneered. Although his strength at this moment has not been enhanced, Nie Li's ability to control his strength isn't something that Shen Yue can match. Nie Li penetrated into Shen Yue's acupuncture point on his wrist with the power in his fingertip to instantly cause Shen Yue's arm to lose its' strength.

Chapter 17: Thrown Out

Seeing how his fist was opened by Nie Li, and Shen Yue's face twisted in a pained expression. Shen Yue's lackeys were all dumbfounded.

"What happened? What happened to Boss Shen Yue?"

They blankly stared at Shen Yue. In their opinion, Shen Yue was certainly more than enough to handle Nie Li, but then why would Shen Yue have such painful expression on his face? What was going on?

Du Ze, Lu Piao and the trio weren't too surprised. Seeing that scene, they were very calm. Ever since practicing the cultivation techniques imparted to them by Nie Li, their cultivation advanced by leaps and bounds. Although their soul force had yet to reach 100, their strength had already undergone a large enhancement.

The cultivation technique that Nie Li practised must be stronger than theirs. They didn't know how high Nie Li's cultivation had reached but to suppress Shen Yue it was still more then enough!

What they didn't know was that Nie Li's current cultivation speed is slightly slower than theirs. Although his strength is still weak, with the vast, profound knowledge from his previous life, even if Nie Li was ordinary person with no cultivation, he was still more then enough to mess with Shen Yue.

Nie Li coldly said, "Zi Yun's name isn't something you are

worthy of saying. If I were to find out that you're following Zi Yun again, when I see you again I'll hit you once!" After his rebirth, Nie Li wouldn't allow anyone to have any evil intentions towards Zi Yun! That kind of life and death they had as well as the feeling they shared isn't Shen Yue, this garbage, can understand.

"This is impossible, how can I lose!" Shen Yue unwilling to accept the fact, never in his imagination that he would lose to Nie Li, his expressions became sinister, "You forced my hand!"

Shen Yue's soul realm started surging, spirals of soul force came out of Shen Yue's body, bombarding towards Nie Li.

Although he had no demon spirit combat abilities, Shen Yue could already use his soul force to bombard Nie Li's soul realm directly.

Shen Yue's soul force already reached 78, and as for Nie Li's soul force, two days ago it was still 5, but now it had already reached over 30.

Nie Li's soul force is still only half ofShen Yue's!

"Not good, Nie Li just started cultivating his soul force for two days. His soul force won't be able to fight against Shen Yue." Du Ze's facial expression changed, but he was still quite far from Nie Li. Not only that, there was still also Shen Yue's lackeys blocking the way Those 6 lackeys were already bronze rank, so Du Ze and the others couldn't get near Nie Li.

Shen Yue rotated his soul realm, his soul force rushing towards Nie Li's direction.

"Ha ha, such weak and small soul force and still dared be arrogant in front of me!" Shen Yue felt that Nie Li's soul force was very weak and small, with his current strength of soul force, could easily crush Nie Li!

"Ridiculous!" Nie Li contemptuously sneered, he challenged numerous master demon Spiritualist with powerful peerless super demon spirits in his previous life. Those master demon Spiritualists, aside from having super powerful demon spirits and soul forces, their control over their soul forces had also been at a frightening level.

Although in this life, Nie Li's soul force is still weak, Nie Li still had the accumulated experience of his countless deathmatches from his past life. His control over soul force is still present, even if the soul force is only at 30 level but even if a bronze rank demon Spiritualist were to face him, they wouldn't have a single advantage when facing him!

Shen Yue's usage of soul force was simply boorish and crude, only knowing how to bombard his enemy's soul realm. In Nie Li's view, this kind of control over soul force is simply no different from barbarians.

Soul force isn't to be used in this way!

In Nie Li's view, there are weak spots all over Shen Yue. If Nie Li

desired, Shen Yue would already be a dead corpse on the floor in a breath's time.

Nie Li did not bother to kill Shen Yue, because to Nie Li, Shen Yue could not threaten him even a little bit!

Would a tiger treat a chicken as a threat?

Laughable that some people aren't self-aware of themselves. Shen Yue felt that his own soul force is an irresistible force. An expression of ecstasy appeared on his face, imagining Nie Li's suffering expression.

Right when Shen Yue's soul force was about to bombard Nie Li's soul realm, Nie Li's soul force condensed into a set of fine needles, attacking Shen Yue's soul realm.

One point penetration!

Shen Yue's soul force was spread flat, while Nie Li's soul force condensed into fine needles. Although Nie Li only used a small portion of soul force, his soul force needles slammed onto Shen Yue's soul force.

"Urghh!" Shen Yue suddenly let out a shrill, similar to when pig is being slaughtered. Wherever Nie Li's soul force needles attacked, Shen Yue's soul force punctured and unable to stop the advancing needles. Nie Li's soul force needles bombarded onto Shen Yue's soul realm.

With a ripping pain in his soul realm, Shen Yue's sweat started rolling down all over, gasping to breath, as though he saw something horrifying.

His soul realm jolted, and his mind was in shock. Shen Yue's vision gradually blurred, and Nie Li in front of him suddenly became as majestic as a mountain! This caused him to felt that he couldn't resist! Nie Li's cold gaze, caused him to feel chill deep in his heart.

Nie Li's gaze was as a sword released from it's scabbard. After experiencing countless life and death battles in his previous life, and with countless experts who died by Nie Li's hand,, Nie Li's soul contained a bone-penetrating chill. With such a frightening aura, it wasn't odd that a child like Shen Yue couldn't resist.

Too frightened, Shen Yue felt his pants warming He'd been so scared that he urinated.

"What happened? What actually happened?" Shen Yue's few 1-star bronze rank lackeys revealed puzzled expression.

They clearly felt that Shen Yue's soul force is way stronger then Nie Li's. Shen Yue had the obvious advantage, so how would he have his soul realm defeated? What actually happened just now?

Nie Li's actions were too quick, leaving ShenYue without any chance to react!

“So scared you peed yourself. You smell, just a trash like you actually dared to threaten me. I’m lazy to waste any more time on you, get lost, and stay away from me!” Nie Li picked Shen Yue up with one hand. With a thrust Nie Li flung his hand towards outside.

Boom!

Shen Yue was thrown out of the window, heavily landing onto the ground, raising thick dust.

“Boss!”

“Boss!”

Shen Yue’s lackeys immediately rushed out, and hurriedly helped Shen Yue up. They saw that Shen Yue’s pants were actually wet.

“Quickly bring me away!” Shen Yue’s eyes furrowed. He still felt extreme fear and the flow of heat on his crotch.

Shen Yue’s lackeys immediately brought him away.

The few that know Nie Li and Shen Yue were all dumbfounded. Nie Li actually lifted Shen Yue in one hand and threw him out of the window! Was this a dream?

In the fighter apprentice class, Nie Li's innate talent was completely unable to compete against Shen Yue. Everyone thought that Nie Li would be taught a lesson, but didn't expect that the one being taught a lesson wasn't Nie Li, but Shen Yue!

Although a lot people didn't see the process of the fight, Shen Yue was defeated, this was an indisputable fact.

"Ha ha, Shen Yue was actually scared to the point he peed. It is obviously his soul realm was penetrated, could Nie Li's soul force is already stronger than Shen Yue's?"

"It's said that Nie Li had a bet with teacher Shen Xiu! If he managed to reach 1-star bronze rank in two months, teacher Shen Xiu would automatically resign. So Nie Li had a card up his sleeves!"

"Nie Li only has a red soul realm, how did he get enhanced so fast?"

Everyone in the Library were talking about the matter.

Nie Li, Du Ze, Lu Piao, and the trio exchanged looks. Du Ze and the others had red faces from the sense of extreme excitement and ecstasy. Today Shen Yue was taught a lesson, that was simply too satisfying. Up until today, Shen Yue had been too arrogant, they all longed see him unhappy!

The incident in the Library created ripples among the students,

but in the huge Holy Orchid Institute, it did not have too big of an impact and eventually it soon calmed down. Nie Li and the others continued to practice diligently.

In Shen Xiu's office.

"What did you say? You were thrown out of Library by Nie Li?" Shen Xiu put on a calm face, "Your strength has already reached 63 and your soul force has also reached 78, could Nie Li be stronger than you?"

Fear lingered as Shen Yue thought of what happened earlier. That kind of murderous chill had left a deep shadow within his heart. Whenever he thought about it would get frightened by it, that jolt to his soul realm. It would take him at least a month to be able to heal as the fear that would make his cultivation speed very slow.

"Aunt, Nie Li that guy knows demonic magic. His strength is clearly weaker than mine, but when he gripped my hand, my whole arm felt strengthless. My soul force is also clearly much stronger than his, but, I have no idea why, when his soul force came in contact with mine, mine was instantly defeated." Shen Yue recalled. He still puzzled over it, and still couldn't figure out how he lost to Nie Li!

Shen Xiu's face ashened, twitching from the anger. Shen Yue got scared to the point of pissing his pants, this thing was too embarrassing!

Nie Li, I'll get you! Shen Yue's fist clenched to the point it released some cracking sounds. This enmity is absolutely irreconcilable!

"How much is his strength and soul force?" Shen Xiu's brows furrowed, she naturally didn't forget her bet with Nie Li. If Nie Li managed to advance to the 1-star bronze rank in two months then she will need to resign!

"His strength is only 30 at most and his soul force I estimate it is at maximum of 10!" Shen Yue said what he felt.

"Useless, you still lost to him?" Shen Xiu reprimanded.

Shen Yue opened his mouth trying to refute, but could only shut his mouth in grievance. He never imagined that he'd lose. Nie Li's soul force is so weak but he still was able to beat him so easily, and broke through his soul force!

"Maybe this brat excels in the control of strength and soul force!" Shen Xiu was someone that had seen some sights. She guessed, "Some people although they have weak soul force, they have very strong control and are able to defeat the strong with the weak. But, him wanting to reach 1-star bronze rank in two months won't be that easy!" Shen Xiu crooned.

"Right" Shen Yue nodded his head. Nie Li coming into contact with Ye Zi Yun made him feel a strong sense of threat. He wanted Nie Li to leave the school and scram far away!

Chapter 18: Inscription Master?

The night slowly arrives, moon shined brightly, covering everything with a veil.

Training grounds.

Nie Li walking towards the area where he first met Xiao Ning Er. Seeing far away, under the moonlight, there standing quietly was Xiao Ning Er. It seems that today she went through meticulous dressing up. Pure black hair cascading down, studded with silver ribbons. White delicate face, slender eyebrows, elegant and refined, without the slightest sense of reality.

Really worth being a beauty on par with Ye Zi Yun.

“Thought you weren’t coming?” Xiao Ning Er’s eyes fell on Nie Li.

“How can that be, I’m someone that keeps my promises.” Nie Li faintly smiled saying, “No matter how busy I am, first I have to treat the illness on your body.”

“Thank you.” Xiao Ning Er whispered, lowering her head. Her heart filled with gratitude.

Nie Li lowered his head looking at Xiao Ning Er. Xiao Ning Er’s outfit seems to be more attractive compared to her usual. That white silk dress showing her seductive figure, from her chest the

long dress stretches all the way to the knee. Slender legs shaped by diligent practice and full of elasticity could be seen.

“Should be a little better by now.” Nie Li held onto Xiao Ning Er’s feet. Her delicate ankle, was as beautiful as sparkling crystal, smooth and delicate. The bruise that was there had slightly lighten.

“Yeah, it has,” Xiao Ning Er nodded her head. Her heart was filled with gratitude for Nie Li. After being massaged by Nie Li, these few nights she slept especially soundly, unlike before where it was torturing.

Although she has been massaged once before by Nie Li, when her feet were being held by Nie Li, her face couldn’t help to show a little shyness.

While helping Xiao Ning Er, Nie Li asked “I have a favor to ask you, I wonder if you can help me?”

“No matter what is it, as long as it can be done.” Xiao Ning Er’s eyes filled with sincerity.

“I have 10 thousand demon spirit coins here, I want you to send someone to the herb store and help me buy Purple Haze Grass.” Nie Li said.

“Purple Haze Grass?” Xiao Ning Er were confused by it and asked, “What do you need Purple Haze Grass for?” Purple Haze Grass is a

type of extremely cheap herb, usually only used for its' smoke. Upon drying the Purple Haze Grass then burn it as firewood, the smoke generated by it had an insect repellant effect.

There's a lot of Purple Haze Grass and it is very cheap. 1 demon spirit coin can buy a lot of it. Every year, every household in Glory City burns an unimaginable amount of it.

Other than using the smoke, Purple Haze Grass has no other usage. So, what does Nie Li need such large amount of Purple Haze Grass for?

"I naturally have a use for it." Nie Li said, the reason why he wanted to let Xiao Ning Er help him is because that if Xiao Ning Er were to be the one handling it, it wouldn't attract much attention. Nie Li currently too eye-grabbing, therefore he has to be low-key.

"How much Purple Haze Grass do you need?"

"The more the better, I want all the Purple Haze Grass that is out there on the market." Nie Li said.

Xiao Ning Er doesn't get it, what can this large amount of Purple Haze Grass be used for?

"Leave this matter to me. I will help you pay first, 10 thousand demon spirit coins isn't a matter to me!" Although Xiao Ning Er's family is slightly declining, it's still one of the aristocratic families. Xiao Ning Er, as one of it's members as well as having

extraordinary talent, hasn't lacked money. She usually doesn't spend any money, so having saved all her money, she has accumulated hundred thousands demon spirit coins.

Nie Li thought for a moment and nodded his head saying "Okay, you'll help me buy it first, the more the better. Whatever you pay on my part, I'll return you double."

"No need, this amount of money isn't much." Xiao Ning Er quickly added. She was delighted that she is able to help Nie Li, after all Nie Li's kindness to her was too great. She still didn't know how to repay him, a bit of demon spirit coins couldn't balance her gratitude.

After the massaging of her leg finished, Xiao Ning Er's face redden. Even though it was done before, massaging that awkward spot she was still very shy. She lowered her head and silently unbuttoned the buttons one by one. Today, Xiao Ning Er had a pink lace ribbon around her chest, causing her to be more charming and attractive than before. That slightly bulged area and that delicate white skin was faintly discernible.

The pink allure, more sexy than before, revealed a faint ravine. Nie Li quickly shifted his gaze away, focusing on helping Xiao Ning Er to massage her bruise.

"Did you take the medicine when you went back?" Nie Li asked, both his hand gently kneading on the bruise, as well as the surrounding area. The bruise slowly spreads and begins to disperse, while from time to time he felt a seductive softness.

“En,” Xiao Ning Er’s face flushed red, charming and attractive. Thinking about Nie Li helping her to modify her cultivation technique earlier on, she put on a serious look asking, “Nie Li, ever since my cultivation technique has been modified by you, my soul force gotten a lot stronger. I feel that you are a real genius, although everyone has yet to take notice of your talents yet, but when the day you reveal your talent to the public, you will definitely shine!”

Xiao Ning Er stared at Nie Li’s handsome face becoming slightly intoxicated by it. Deep within her heart flashed a sense of loneliness and sadness, because when the day Nie Li shines arrives, she would no longer be able to stand by his side. Under such pressure, Xiao Ning Er has been practising very hard for the past few days.

Hearing Xiao Ning Er’s words, Nie Li slightly smiled. He knows that Xiao Ning Er is encouraging him. After his rebirth, Nie Li’s heart is already very strong. He had no doubts that he will one day stand at the peak. Aiming to be a powerful existence far beyond Xiao Ning Er’s and others’ imaginations!

But nevertheless, Nie Li is grateful for Xiao Ning Er’s concern.

Sacred family.

Hall of Main Affairs Elder.

The Main Affair Elder of Sacred family, Shen Ming, is a silver

rank demon Spiritualist. Although his cultivation isn't very strong, he still has the position within the Sacred family because he is capable in handling Sacred family's affairs.

After hearing the report, Shen Ming wrath appeared on his face.

"A student of the fighter apprentice class dared to challenge my Sacred family!" Shen Ming exposing a brutal look on his face, Nie Li's exposure of <<Scarlet Sunburst>> inscription pattern caused bad impression of them by various families. In order to remove their bad impression, Shen Ming used a lot of means to send people to various families to explain.

This matter affected Sacred family's fundamental interest, but the Sacred family couldn't go after Nie Li because they heard that certain powerful figure took an interest in him.

Just a few days later, another piece of news came, Nie Li beat up Shen Yue, a direct descendent of Sacred family.

"Isn't Young Master Shen Yue soon going to reach the 1-star bronze rank? How could he not be Nie Li's opponent?" Puzzled, Shen Ming looked at the underling below him.

That underling felt the chill within Shen Ming's expression, which sent shivers down his spine, before saying, "I'm not very sure of it, Young Master Shen Yue said that his strength and soul force is clearly above Nie Li, but was not sure what demonic magic Nie Li used and to defeat Young Master Shen Yue."

Hearing the words of his underling, Shen Ming frowned. ‘What demonic magic? He’s definitely not as good as the other and found some excuse after he lost, but how strong could a student from fighter apprentice class be? Probably not even 1-star bronze rank.’

“Main Affair Elder, should we report this matter to the House Master?”

“No, this matter cannot be told to the House Master. House Master is trying to breakthrough into becoming a legend rank demon Spiritualist. As long as it’s not a matter of life and death of the family, then there wouldn’t be a need for House Master to know.” In Shen Ming’s view, Nie Li couldn’t pose any threat to Sacred family, “Did you find out what family does Nie Li belongs to?”

“Yes, Elder, we have already checked, it’s Heavenly Mark Family!”

“Heavenly Mark Family? Heh heh, how could a normal noble family challenge us, a major family? This ignorant brat probably stumbled across the origin of <<Scarlet Sunburst>> inscription pattern and couldn’t wait to show off with it.” Shen Ming thought, it’s impossible for the Sacred Family to put a small noble family in their sights. If he were to send someone to take care of the Heavenly Mark Family, other families will definitely find out and at that time the Sacred Family would definitely be looked as petty, “Let Young Master Shen Fei take note of this Nie Li, if a few teenagers were to have some conflicts and fought in school then it’d be reasonable to understand!”

Upon hearing it, Shen Ming's underling immediately understood the meaning behind it. Shen Fei is already a 1-star silver demon Spiritualist, his strength is more to enough to handle Nie Li. Shen Ming's meaning is to let Young Master Shen Fei to beat Nie Li up in school.

Thinking again, Shen Ming said "The storm caused by this matter is not gone yet, wait for awhile then tell him. Let the storm subsidise a little, then let Young Master Shen Fei act!" As the Main Affair Elder of Sacred Family, he must handle it perfectly, can't let anyone to gossip.

"Yes!"

City Lord's Mansion, in Ye Zi Yun's room, the room was very well decorated and exquisite.

In front of a desk, Ye Zi Yun's head was bowed down to research something. She occasionally stopped, furrowed her brows in thought. She had been trying to find the <<Icy Wind, Sudden Snow>> pattern drawn by Nie Li in ancient books but failed to find any.

Where did Nie Li find this Inscription Pattern?

In a moment, a beautiful woman wearing blue veil came in.

"Miss, what matters did you call me for?" the beautiful married woman revealed a humble smile.

“Aunt Xue, you are an inscription master, do you know the origin of this inscription pattern?” Ye Zi Yun raised her head looking at the beautiful married woman and asked.

Xue Yin’s gaze fell onto the paper in front of Ye Zi Yun. Her eyes filled with astonishment as she asked, “Miss, where did you get this inscription pattern, how come I’ve never seen it before?”

“Even Aunt Xue has never seen this inscription pattern before?” Ye Zi Yun was shocked, Xue Yin is a Inscription Master! Even she have never seen it before, could this be randomly drawn by Nie Li?

“Looks like <<Icy Wind, Sudden Snow>>, but at the same time it’s not. It seems like it’s much stronger than <<Icy Wind, Sudden Snow>>.” Xue Yin made a few hand gesture on the inscription pattern, saying, “These well-proportioned lines, not sure which master is this work from, Xue Yin admits defeat. Could it be that Miss met an inscription master?”

‘Nie Li is an inscription master? How could that be possible? Nie Li can’t be an inscription master at his age!’ Thinking of how Nie Li took the pen with ease and with a few stoke, drew this inscription pattern, Ye Zi Yun’s heart became even more confused!

Chapter 19: Childrens Of Influential Family

Under the bright moonlight, the forest is filled with mottled shadows.

A romantic atmosphere.

After helping Xiao Ning Er massage her bruises, Nie Li watched as Xiao Ning Er slowly put her clothes on. Both of them did not speak a word.

Xiao Ning Er raised her head looking at Nie Li. That serious and calm expression on his face, feeling the warmth from her bruised area, Xiao Ning Er is filled with gratitude. If it wasn't for Nie Li, she wouldn't know how long she would be struggling in the pain. It was Nie Li that rescued her from the endless mire.

Nie Li felt somewhat awkward being stared by Xiao Ning Er. After all, some places that should not have been touched had already been touched, and they felt good.

"Nie Li, you've offended Sacred Family, you must be careful." Xiao Ning Er knows that the Sacred family is despicable and shameless. That year when her Winged Dragon Family declined was due to them falling into Sacred Family's trap causing more than 80% of the family property to enter the Sacred Family's control, leaving them no choice but to attach themselves to the Sacred Family.

Until now the Winged Dragon Family still has yet to recover

from it, becoming the last of all the noble family and soon will fall to an aristocrat family.

"I'm well-aware. The Sacred Family is a fame seeking family, so they can't go after me. I reckon they will need to wait for a few months until everything calms down before they can go after me." Nie Li said, faintly laughing. After those few months, he will already have a counter-measure.

Seeing Nie Li's eyes were filled with self-confidence, Xiao Ning Er had a feeling that no matter what problems are in front of Nie Li, to him those are not issues. Her heart was filled with admiration for Nie Li.

"Get a piece of unused soul crystal after you go back, I'll help you test your innate talent." Nie Li said towards Xiao Ning Er. With the deepening of their mutual understanding, Nie Li feels that Xiao Ning Er is a good girl. Who knows one day she might even become his powerful helper. Nie Li decided to teach her a powerful cultivation technique.

"Unused soul crystal? What for?" Xiao Ning Er asked while taking a piece of soul crystal out from her interspatial ring, "I have 3 piece here."

"So you have it with you, that's great." Nie Li laughed, taking a piece among the three, "Inject your soul force into it and let me see."

"Okay," Xiao Ning Er nodded her head and injected her soul force

into the crystal, the crystal released a dazzling light. Inside the light, slowly forming into a Winged Dragon shape, flying.

Nie Li looked at Xiao Ning Er astoundedly “Soul force of 83, Wind Lightning attribute, Winged Dragon soul form.”

No wonder Xiao Ning Er trained so fast in the previous life. Eventhough she was bedridden for two years, her cultivation still increased quickly. She actually had Winged Dragon soul form, a peerless talent within ten thousand people. Having that kind of soul form, no matter which cultivation technique was practiced, the cultivation will increase very fast. If she were to practice Wind Lightning attribute’s cultivation technique then it will be even more incredible.

“Wind Lightning Attribute, Winged Dragon shaped soul form, what are they?” Xiao Ning Er couldn’t understand what Nie Li just said. Doubt filled her beautiful pupils.

“It means that you are suitable for Wind Lightning Attribute’s cultivation technique.” Nie Li thought for awhile and said, “I have a cultivation technique here with me, I’ll give it to you.”

This cultivation technique was found by Nie Li in a lost ancient city. It was the most suitable for people with Winged Dragon shaped soul form to practice. Once she start practising it, her cultivation will advance by leaps and bounds, much faster than Nie Li and the others..

Winged Dragon shaped soul form, this talent is so excellent that

even Nie Li felt jealous!

"This cultivation technique is much stronger than the one you're practising!" Nie Li said as he imparted the chant to the cultivation technique to Xiao Ning Er.

Xiao Ning Er memorized the cultivation technique, and upon chanting, the power she felt was really that of a wind lightning attributed cultivation method and it was simply too strong and unparalleled! All those cultivation techniques that she had seen before are all trash before this cultivation technique!

"This cultivation technique is called [Wind Lightning Winged Dragon Technique]!" Nie Li laughed, "It's the most suited cultivation technique for you!|

"Thank you." Xiao Ning Er raised her head gratefully looking at Nie Li. She doesn't even know how to repay Nie Li's kindness, first he freed her from the pain and suffering, then he gave her such a powerful cultivation technique. Nibbling on her lips as her complexion started to heat up, "I don't know how to repay you. But no matter what you want me to do, I am willing."

Hearing Xiao Ning Er's gentle words caused Nie Li's heart to shake Looking at the charming Xiao Ning Er, he bitterly smiled and said, "We're friends, it's natural to help each other. When I have trouble in the future, you will also help me right?"

"En," Xiao Ning Er nodded, briefly disappointment flashed through her beautiful pupils. If Nie Li were to ask her to become

his girlfriend at this moment, she will certainly agree without hesitation.

They both practised for a few hours. Xiao Ning Er practised the [Lightning Dragon Technique] for awhile. The surge in her cultivation was unimaginable. People with Winged Dragon shaped soul form were already peerless talents that appeared once in tens of thousands, combining with practising superior cultivation techniques suitable for their physique, their cultivation speed would simply advance explosively.

Although the [Heavenly God Technique] is way stronger than the [Lightning Dragon Technique] in the end, during the early phases of practice the speed of cultivation increased by practising the [Lightning Dragon Technique] is much faster than practising the [Heavenly God Technique]!

When dawn arrives, Xiao Ning Er's body emitted faint cyan light.

"Lightning Dragon Technique's cultivating speed is too fearsome. In just a little while, she actually touched the edge of 1-star bronze." Nie Li couldn't help but sigh in sorrow, Him, Du Ze, Lu Piao, and the trio are a lot more mediocre compared to her.

When Xiao Ning Er opened her eyes, Nie Li had already left. Xiao Ning Er's eyes flashed with a hint of disappointment. Since she was young, she rarely associated with boys. Nie Li is the only boy which caused her to view him in a new light. Thinking about Nie Li, Xiao Ning Er's heart felt warmth.

If she never met Nie Li, how dark will her life be? Without him how could it be like this, full of hope?

She had already decided. It doesn't matter if Nie Li likes her or not, she will always be by Nie Li's side, until the day when Nie Li takes note of her existence.

If at this moment, those boys who have crushes on Ning Er knew of her decision, how heartbroken would they be.

"Soul force of 92, I'll soon reach the 1-star bronze rank!" Xiao Ning Er is covered with sweat, that stickiness caused a little uncomfort, but her skin seemed to have become even more tender and crystal clear.

After taking a look at the direction which Nie Li left in, Xiao Ning Er packed her stuff and walked towards the exit of the training ground.

After dawn.

Every single herbal store in Glory -City had mysterious people, dressed as they were servants from a large family, frantically buying Purple Haze Grass in the shops. With the volume they were buying the Purple Haze Grass in the stores and their inventories going back for several years had all been cleared out.

"Why are they buying so much Purple Haze Grass?"

“I think I know those guys, it’s the Winged Dragon Family’s Miss Ning Er’s servants!”

“Why would Miss Xiao Ning Er need so much Purple Haze Grass for? Really, I can’t figure it out!”

Purple Haze Grass, other than using for it’s insect repellant smoke by burning it, there was no other use for it. Base on the size of the Winged Dragon Family’s house ten pound of Purple Haze Grass would be more than enough, but these servant brought hundreds of thousands pound of Purple Haze Grass, this amount caused people to be stupefied.

All of the Purple Haze Grass was acquired by the servants sent by Xiao Ning Er. Some shops even picked out Purple Haze Grass in their herb garden in order to sell it all. Probably in the next 3 years, Glory City will have a shortage of Purple Haze Grass. But no one cares about if Purple Haze Grass is available or not.

When Nie Li received the interspatial ring filled with Purple Haze Grass, he was simply stupefied. Several hundreds of thousands of pounds of Purple Haze Grass, he feared that it would have totaled several hundreds of thousands of demon spirit coins. Such large amount of money, was not a small sum!

But Xiao Ning Er didn’t care about it, if Nie Li was happy, she’s willing to do anything. Further more it was only several hundreds of thousands of demon spirit coins. On value, several hundreds of thousands of demon spirit coins wasn’t even the worth 1% of the [Lightning Dragon Technique].

Knowing that Xiao Ning Er's cultivation advanced by leaps and bounds, reaching over 90 in just a few days and soon reaching 1-star bronze rank, the whole Winged Dragon Family grew excited. They gave Xiao Ning Er hundreds of thousands of demon spirit coins and a variety of valuable training materials, so Xiao Ning Er is not lack a bit of money.

Although in decline, a skinny camel is bigger than a horse. The Winged Dragon Family's finances are still quite amazing, and they are not a bit stingy when it comes to training of the younger generation.

With so much Purple Haze Grass, Nie Li is very satisfied. Although he had no way to return the money to Xiao Ning Er now, it shouldn't be long before he can repay her.

Whether it's Du Ze or Lu Piao, they were very puzzled. They couldn't understand what Nie Li intended to do with so much Purple Haze Grass. Nie Li found a seat in the library and started writing.

That afternoon, lots of people were going in and out of the library. Du Ze and Lu Piao were reading some books related to inscription patterns and combat skills under Nie Li's guidance. Wanting to cultivate to a high level, first one would need to become a knowledgeable master.

After practising their cultivation techniques, their brain underwent a certain level of development. They would not forget

general knowledge and their learning ability also became very fast.

A distance away from Nie Li and the others, a group of students gatheredtogether, extremely lively.

“This piece of armour in my hand is called Flaming dark armour. It’s bronze ranked and unless one had hundred thousand demon spirit coins, they wouldn’t be able to get it!” One student proudly showing off his red armour. With his tall build wearing that armour, he had some martial aura around him.

He is Chen Lin Jian, belonging to one of the major families. He is one of the Divine Family’s direct descendent, 15 years old and already at the 5-star bronze rank, soon reaching 1-star silver rank. Among the major family, Divine Family is the wealthiest. Chen Lin Jian is quite prestigious among the students, with a bunch of brothers.

“Putting on this Flaming dark armour, invincible under silver rank!”

“Cool armour!”

Upon seeing it, several girls beside revealed envious expression. Among them quite a few of them threw flirtatious glance towards Chen Jian Lin from time to time.

“I gift you this!” Chen Lin Jian waved his hand, throwing that Flaming dark armour to one of his men.

Battle armour that was worth 100 thousand demon spirit coins, gifted just like this? Everyone was a little dumbfounded.

It was just that 100 thousand demon spirit coins wasn't much to Chen Lin Jian. Faintly laughing, he said, "There is six 5-year old Holy Dark Grass here. They were taken from my home, as long as you follow me and work hard, there won't be any lack of benefits for you guys!"

Chapter 20: Purple Haze Grass

Holy Dark Grass is solely the Divine Family's. It has the effect of strengthening one's soul force based on the age of the grass, the older it is, the stronger it becomes. A single 5-year Holy Dark Grass is worth 50 thousand demon spirit coins, as for 10-year and 20-year Holy Dark Grasses, they are several or even dozen times more expensive.

"We'll listen to Young Master Chen!"

"Yeah, we'll listen to you!"

Chen Lin Jian looked around and counted the amount of people present saying "A total of 20 people, but we still need to find some more!"

Recently, there were a city ruins found. Most likely left behind during the Age of Darkness, quite a number of people went there to explore. Therefore, Chen Lin Jian was now finding more people to explore together.

Du Ze, Lu Piao, and the others looked towards the distant crowd.

"If we had Holy Dark Grass, Du Ze would definitely breakthrough into 1-star bronze rank!" Lu Piao murmured, but things like Holy Dark Grass wasn't something someone like them could afford.

If they had the money, they would be able to buy large amount of

precious herbs and elixirs to assist in their training!

What Nie Li cared about wasn't money, but it was something else. In his previous life, a lot of experts went to explore the ancient ruins outside of Glory City but couldn't find anything. Who would have thought that Chen Lin Jian and his bunch found a secret passage, and eventually found a large amount of treasures.

Nie Li heard the entire detail of what happened in the exploration as Ye Zi Yun also participated in that event. Shen Yue also found a Spiritual Lamp from the exploration which was auctioned for 1 million demon spirit coins.

It wouldn't be worth Nie Li's attention if it's only just 1 million demon spirit coins, but Nie Li knew the usage of that Spiritual Lamp. If he were to obtain that Spiritual Lamp, it will be of great help to his future.

That Spiritual Lamp, he must have it!

Nie Li got up and walked towards Chen Lin Jian's direction.

"I wish to join your team, wonder if Young Master Chen is willing?" When Nie Li looked at Chen Lin Jian, hint of memories floated in his head. Chen Lin Jian was very outstanding among the other members of nobility, he was one step from black gold rank demon Spiritualist in the previous life. He couldn't be considered good or bad as Nie Li doesn't know him too well, but in the final battle of Glory City, once Chen Lin Jian knew that Sacred Family ran away from the battle allowing the west gate to be broken

through, he, in a rage, beheaded 6 members of Sacred Family.

He can be considered as someone who knows his grudges well!

Chen Lin Jian raised his head, looking at Nie Li for awhile and non-committally replied, “Who are you? Do you know what we are going to do?”

The people beside Chen Lin Jian looked towards Nie Li, showing hint of ridicule.

“Brat, have you reached bronze rank? If you haven’t, then don’t come here to join the fun.”

Nie Li turned facing those that ridiculed him, saying, “Of course I know what you guys are intending on doing. You people are preparing to explore the Ancient Orchid City Ruins, right?”

Chen Lin Jian showed hint of astonishment on his face. ‘How did this guy know that we are going to explore the Ancient Orchid City Ruins? This matter has always been carried out in secret without telling anyone, if our families were to know of this matter, then we will certainly be prevented from going.’

“Who are you?” Chen Lin Jian slightly narrowed his eyes, within flashed a hint of dangerous light.

“Nie Li.”

“Nie Li?” Chen Lin Jian suddenly remembered, recently Nie Li has been famous. It was said that he even damaged the Sacred Family’s reputation over a matter of inscription pattern fraud, even Chen Lin Jian felt shame for them. “They say that you have read all sorts of ancient books?”

“Right, I have read anything that can be found in the library.” Nie Li slightly nodded, revealing strong sense of self-confidence.

“Ha ha, such big tone!”

“You have yet to undergo puberty, but dare to say that you’ve read all the ancient books in the library. How laughable. Even if you have been reading since you were in the womb, you couldn’t have read so many books.”

A few people by the side mocked.

‘Nie Li, this person is indeed interesting,’ Chen Lin Jian didn’t doubt Nie Li’s words, gently tapping his finger on the desk as he and said, “Since you have read so many books, do you know what era the Ancient Orchid City Ruins belong to?”

“According to the present clues found, Ancient Orchid City Ruins’ buildings are round, however the whole city is square, and with such construction there are only two compatible eras. One would be the Snow Wind Empire Era and the other would be the Sacred Empire Era. However taking into account murals, I heard that some people found a large lotus mural. Lotus murals were

popular at the later period of the Sacred Empire, so I can be sure that the Ancient Orchid City Ruins belonged to the era between the later period of Sacred Empire to the Age of Darkness's period...." Nie Li's tone wasn't gentle nor swift as analysing the origin of Ancient Orchid City Ruins.

Upon hearing Nie Li's speech, Chen Lin Jian's underlings were dumbfounded, they only half understood Nie Li's speech.

"Good!" Chen Lin Jian suddenly got up. He never thought that Nie Li could easily determine the origin of Ancient Orchid City Ruins. Although the knowledge may seem simple but some of Glory City's historians might not even be able to have such in depth investigations. He looked at Nie Li, revealing admiration through his eyes, "Follow me from now on, I'll provide you with training and learning materials, how about it?"

Chen Lin Jian's underlings were a little surprised, they did not expect Chen Lin Jian to value Nie Li like this.

Becoming Chen Lin Jian's underling? Nie Li faintly laughed, saying "This time it's cooperation, each takes what he needs. I believe no one understands the structure of Ancient Orchid City Ruins better than me. If there is treasure, I will first choose one item, the others will be yours. If that's not possible then I will have to go by myself."

"Choose one item first, who do you think you are?"

"Have not even step into bronze rank and dared to talk terms

with our Young Master Chen?”

Chen Lin Jian looked at Nie Li. His body emitted a strong sense of self-confidence, causing him to be puzzled in his heart. Nie Li have not even reached bronze rank, where did he get his confidence from?

“I guarantee that there would be definitely be harvest if you bring me along!” Nie Li said proudly. He clearly knew of the location of the treasure in Ancient Orchid City Ruins, that’s precisely why he’s so confident.

Chen Lin Jian had a piece of Ancient Orchid City Ruins’ map, however it was incomplete. He was silent for a moment, could it be that Nie Li had a more completed treasure map in his hands?

“Okay, you got the deal! I’ll repeat myself, if you were to follow me, there wouldn’t be any lack of benefits, if you’re unwilling, I still believe that there will be chances to cooperate in the future.” Chen Lin Jian proudly laughed.

Chen Lin Jian’s underlings were surprised, he actually agreed to it?

“Hope that we can cooperate happily.” Nie Li calmly said then turned around and left.

“3 days from now at 6 o’clock in the morning, we’ll meet here!” Chen Lin Jian looked at the back of Nie Li who is currently walking

away, and revealed a little playful smile on his face. ‘Nie Li, this guy, is quite interesting.’

“Exploring Ancient Orchid City Ruins? Seems that there is still some preparations that need to be done.” Nie Li murmured. He’d need to prepare as if going alone because going to Ancient Orchid City Ruins without reaching bronze rank was still quite dangerous.

Time slowly went by and afternoon arrived.

Glory City Alchemy Association.

The director of the Alchemy Association is a women called Yang Xin. Although she’s only 25 years old, she achieved success at young age. Yang Xin is only a gold rank demon Spiritualist,and, although it could not be considered outstanding, her achievements already surpassed some of the older guys in the Alchemy Association.

As she is very beautiful, when she just started as the Director of Alchemy Association the people in Alchemy Association all thought that she used her looks to get that position, But as Yang Xin slowly revealed her talent, those who gossiped about her shut up quickly.

As usual, Yang Xin is collecting all the letters in the Alchemy Association’s mail box. lot of alchemist would write their experience they had when refining medicine in a letter and then Alchemy Association would arrange those letters containing the experiences of these alchemist into a book which they would

distribute to every alchemist.

With 90% of the ancient alchemy books being lost, although an alchemist is very important, due to the limited effects of the elixirs, alchemist became an embarrassing occupation in Glory City.

Yang Xin opened one letter after another. Some of the letters were love letters confessing their love for her, but those were thrown aside by her unhesitantly, and soon, one of the letter caught Yang Xin's attention.

"Regarding Purple Haze Grass's application on alchemy?" Yang Xin slightly frowned, doubt showing on her delicate white face.

What other effects are there for Purple Haze Grass other than burning it to repel insects?

Yang Xin continued reading the letter which described the uses of Purple Haze Grass. When refining Soul Assembling Pill and Spiritual Enhancing Pill, by adding a little Purple Haze Grass in it could increase the effect of the pill by 30%. By combining Purple Haze Grass and 5 other herbs and taking a herbal bath with them, one could nourish the soul force and so on.

More than sixty uses of Purple Haze Grass were listed. Within those sixty uses, almost half of them were extremely valuable. If all of them were proven then the price of Purple Haze Grass would skyrocket several dozen times!

Yang Xin coldly sneered “Trying to borrow my hand to raise the price of Purple Haze Grass? You’ll at least have to come up with something more realistic! This person is definitely a liar!”

Yang Xin threw the letter aside as she couldn’t believe that an ordinary Purple Haze Grass would have this much effects!

Looking over the other letters, Yang Xin had some hesitation. If Purple Haze Grass were to have so much uses then it would greatly affect the development of countless alchemist.

“Forget it, I’ll just give it a try! Come, pass me some Purple Haze Grass!” Yang Xin yelled. There are quite a few storage of herbs in Alchemy Association, so someone should be able to find some Purple Haze Grass for her.

Soon, someone brought over some Purple Haze Grass.

“Yang Director, our storage of Purple Haze Grass isn’t a lot, we only have 3 pounds of it.”

Yang Xin slightly frowned. Recently there had been a large acquisition of Purple Haze Grass by someone, as a Director of Alchemy Association how would she not know.

“Okay, I know!” Yang Xin nodded her head, started using Purple Haze Grass to refine Soul Assembling Pill and Spiritual Enhancing Pill.

Soul Assembling Pill and Spiritual Enhancing Pills' formula has been passed down in Glory City for hundreds of years. No one dared to alter the formula for Soul Assembling Pill and Spiritual Enhancing Pill, after all the raw materials needed for these 2 pills were very expensive. Failing it once would cause the alchemist to feel heartache because of it, so who would still dare to casually add other materials?

Chapter 21: Usage Of Purple Haze Grass

After two hours of refining, the results caused Yang Xin to be astonished.

Adding Purple Haze Grass into Soul Assembling Pill and Spiritual Enhancing Pill indeed increase it's effect by 30% not only that, it also increased the success rate by 50%.

The results of this experiment is significant for Alchemist! Soul Assembling Pill and Spiritual Enhancing Pill are unable to be produced in large amount is due to it's low success rate, insufficient efficiency and not cost effective. Now that the effect and refining success rate of these pill has been greatly increased, Soul Assembling Pill and Spiritual Enhancing Pill could be produced in large amount now.

Although all the Purple Haze Grass in Glory City have all been cleared out, but the maturity of Purple Haze Grass is 3 years, after 3 years when large amount of Purple Haze Grass has matured, it will be of importance to Glory City.

As Glory City is always under the threat of demon beast, but with large amount of Soul Assembling Pill and Spiritual Enhancing Pill production, can greatly increase Glory City's experts.

"Although knowing that you will earn a fortune with this, but see that you contributed this much to Glory City and Alchemy Association, I'll let you guys earn that money then!" Yang Xin revealed a cheerful expression on her face, she know that this

letter is definitely sent by the ones that bought all the Purple Haze Grass.

The second usage of Purple Haze Grass, by bathing in Purple Haze Grass combined with five other common herb could nourish the soul force?

Yang Xin thought for awhile and closed the door to her room, and according to the letter, she mixed the several herbs, pouring hot water into a wooden barrel, slowly removing her dress revealing her smooth body, her figure was hot, twin peaks proudly standing, she had the mature attractive aura around her, slowly, she step into the wooden barrel.

The essence of the herbs were slowly released and was absorbed into the body, Yang Xin's skin slightly flushed, becoming more smooth and delicate, her soul force also received nourishments.

"The effect is very obvious!" Yang Xin was shocked, she did not expect that this simple and common Purple Haze Grass would actually have such magical usage, how many family had burned these Purple Haze Grass in the past! The thought of it caused Yang Xin to feel heartache for all the burnt Purple Haze Grass!

After soaking in it for around one hour until the herbs were fully absorbed, she then stood up, wiped herself, wearing her clothes and walked out of her room.

"Director, what happened? You suddenly seemed younger!" The mens in Alchemy Association had their eyes onto Yang Xin, hard to

shift their gaze from her.

Yang Xin's skin were rosy, smooth and moist, simply beautiful to no extent.

Herbal medicine mixed with Purple Haze Grass, aside from giving soul force nourishment, it can also nourish the skin, which is a beautifying effect!

Yang Xin secretly joyed, there isn't a woman that doesn't feel happy about their beauty. But it was a pity that the 3 pound of Purple Haze Grass was quickly used up. Yang Xin soon compiled the magical usage and effect of the Purple Haze Grass into a book and send every single Alchemist a copy of it, indicating on it that the first and second usage of Purple Haze Grass has been personally tested by her and is indeed effective, as for the other usage of it, due to the lack of Purple Haze Grass, has still yet to verify them.

For Purple Haze Grass to have such huge amount of magical usage, it caused commotions within the Alchemy Association, every Alchemist began to frantically search for Purple Haze Grass and even brought them from the commoners who had Purple Haze Grass stored up in their house and began to verify the usage of Purple Haze Grass.

All the sixty over usage and functions were verified, not missing any of them!

This news caused huge sensation within the alchemy circles.

In a short amount of time, the price of Purple Haze Grass began to skyrocket, because of the enormous value of Purple Haze Grass and there isn't any Purple Haze Grass that can be found in the market.

The price of Purple Haze Grass went from 1 demon spirit coin for a few pound of Purple Haze Grass to a few demon spirit coins for 1 pound of Purple Haze Grass, and the price continued to soar to 10 demon spirit coins for 1 pound of Purple Haze Grass, the price of it increased insanely hundredfold. Some nobility even offered few hundred demon spirit coins to acquire 1 pound of Purple Haze Grass, the beauty effect of Purple Haze Grass nourishing the skin caused the ladies to go crazy for it.

After all, Yang Xin is a living example! Those ladies doesn't want their own husband to be abducted by those gorgeously dressed women outside.

Every garden nursery began to planting Purple Haze Grass, but within 3 years, there would be an extreme shortage of Purple Haze Grass in Glory City.

Pterosaur Family

While Xiao Ning Er is currently focused on practising the cultivation technique that was given by Nie li, several servants hastily ran inside.

“Gone crazy gone crazy. Miss, good news!”

“What news” Xiao Ning Er asked, puzzled.

A maid breathlessly said “Miss, didn’t you recently brought a lot of Purple Haze Grass? Outside, the price of Purple Haze Grass has soared to dozens or even hundreds of demon spirit coin for 1 pound of it, it’s said that Sacred Family even offered the price of 300 demon spirit coins for a pound Purple Haze Grass to acquire 100 pound of Purple Haze Grass!”

Xiao Ning Er was astounded by the news, she immediately fell into her thoughts for a moment and understood that this matter is definitely caused by Nie Li, other than Nie Li, who else had this kind of midas touch ability? Thinking about Nie Li, Xiao Ning Er’s face couldn’t help but blush, at this moment in this teen girl’s heart, Nie Li’s shadow is already impossible to get rid of.

The price of Purple Grass has skyrocketed to a frightening level, Du Ze and Lu Piao were dumbfounded because right now, Nie Li had hundred of thousands pound of Purple Haze Grass in his hand!

Even if it can be sold for dozens of demon spirit coin on average, that amount would also be nearing 10 million demon spirit coins, not to mention some nobility family already raise the price of it to a hundred or even a few hundred demon spirit coins, how much money would that be?

Thinking of this amount simply caused people to be dizzy! In this short while, Nie Li already managed to accumulate wealth equivalent to the 10 years fortune of an aristocratic family!

With so much demon spirit coins, they would have a very very very large amount of training resources!

Nie Li faintly smiled, this is simply the beginning to his plan! Nie Li visited several pharmacist to slowly sell the Purple Haze Grass with the price of 300 demon spirit coin, he sold around one thousand pound of Purple Haze Grass, those that can afford Purple Haze Grass at this price are mostly nobilities, among them are mostly womens.

In this short while, Nie Li gained a total of 3 million demon spirit coins. But then, he shouldn’t be able to sell at such high price anymore, after all, the amount that the market can digest is very limited, hence, Nie Li prepared to slowly lower the price and

selling them slowly.

In the library.

“These are yours!” Nie Li passed Du Ze, Lu Piao and the trio some Superior Soul Assembling Pill and Spiritual Enhancing Pill.

One Superior Soul Assembling Pill or Spiritual Enhancing Pill can be sold for over 6 thousand demon spirit coins!

Six person, every person is distributed with ten, that would be already more than 300 thousand demon spirit coins!

Even some members of nobility also dare not to be so extravagant!

After knowing that every one of these pills cost more than 6 thousand demon spirit coins, Du Ze, Lu Piao and the trio couldn’t help as their hands slightly trembled while holding these pills.

“Hurry up and practice and take some Purple Haze Grass to soak in them at night to nourish the soul force!” Nie Li said faintly laughing, after gaining such large amount of money, as long as they don’t buy any expensive battle armour or weapons, in the short amount of time they wouldn’t be short of money to spend.

Nie Li sat crossed legged, popping a Soul Assembling Pill into his mouth, he felt the heat slowly rising from his abdomen, slowly moving towards his soul realm and his soul realm causing it to

continuously surging.

Soul force surging within the soul realm, although his soul realm were as scattered clouds, upon thorough inspection, Nie Li realised that there is something within his soul realm, his wave of soul force continued to frantically surging.

Slowly, Nie Li's body emitted trace of cyan glimmer.

The drug efficacy of Soul Assembling Pill is very strong, if an ordinary person are able to absorb a tenth of it would already be considered very good, but because of Nie Li practising [Heavenly God Cultivation Technique], he could fully absorb the Soul Assembling Pill in his body. Nie Li felt that his soul force is rapidly increasing.

After absorbing one Soul Assembling Pill, Nie Li's soul force raised from 32 to 51, the effect is simply astonishing, next he still wants to digest the remaining 5 pill!

Just while Nie Li is practising, a 'boom' was heard, beside him flashed cyan glow, Du Ze is one step ahead of them, stepping into bronze rank realm, becoming a 1-star bronze rank demon Spiritualist.

Three hours later, Lu Piao is also reached 1-star bronze rank.

Compared to the cultivation technique Du Ze and Lu Piao are practising, Heavenly God Cultivation Technique does progress

powerfully but wins in building the foundation, having extraordinary future achievements.

“1-star bronze rank, it’s too great!” Du Ze clasped his fist tightly, the strengthening of cultivation caused him to be excited and filling his future full of hope, he gratefully glanced at Nie Li, this everything is given by Nie Li!

Lu Piao were also very excited as he had reached 1-star bronze rank, his father wouldn’t have any reason to beat him when he returns!

They were filled with expectation for the test in two months, in two months, how far are they able to reach? Although Nie Li progressed a little slower, but breakthrough into 1-star bronze rank in that time is still easy, who knows he might even be able to reach a higher rank.

Afraid that Shen Yue and those people would never imagined that the trash in their eyes, Du Ze and Li Piao already stepped into 1-star bronze rank before them, and this is also achieved in just a few days!

In the evening.

Library’s first floor, Nie Li once again saw Ye Zi Yun, she is currently sitting down on the table reading book, but looked a little absent-minded, she wore a white dress and her delicate face were as a beauty angel.

Nie Li strolled towards Ye Zi Yun.

Shen Yue and his bunch appeared at the corner of the library, seeing this scene, his eyes turned frightening chill.

“Boss Shen Yue, this brat seems to have a date with Miss Ye Zi Yun! Ye Zi Yun seems to be waiting here specially for him!” A youngster wearing cyan shirt and looked 16-17 said.

Although his age is slightly older than Shen Yue, but they all listened to Shen Yue’s orders, because Shen Yue is a member of the Sacred Family and his family are better than theirs, by listening to Shen Yue, they could get quite a bit of money from him every month. And after they grow up, they would become the warrior attendant of Shen Yue!

three 1-star bronze warrior, three 2-star bronze warrior, as warrior, taking refuge in a aristocrat demon Spiritualist is the best choice.

Shen Yue coldly snorted, he couldn’t endure it any longer, base on family or innate talent, which part of it that he couldn’t compete against Nie Li with? When he chase after Ye Zi Yun, she ignored him, her seeing Nie Li in new light caused Shen Yue to be furious with jealousy.

If it’s a commoner family’s girl, Shen Yue only needed to use some means and the other party would be obediently in his hand, but Ye Zi Yun has a strong background, hence, he is afraid to move.

“Boss, should we beat this kid up?” a few warrior asked.

“En” Shen Yue nodded his head, although he suffered loss in Nie Li’s hand but until today, he still doesn’t know how did he lost to Nie Li, “This kid has some method, we’ll find a chance to teach him a lesson, this sort of thing must be done in secret, Ye Zi Yun cannot know of this!”

Shen Yue’s eye flashed a hint of ruthless, saying “Best to let that brat suffer internal injury, can’t let others see it and also can’t let others know that Sacred Family did it!”

Chapter 22: Ice Phoenix

Nie Li sat down in front of Ye Zi Yun.

“Ye Zi Yun classmate, we met again.”Nie Li said, as he smiled faintly.

Nie Li had a kind of calm and self-confident temperament, boys of his age are far from him. But right now, Ye Zi Yun doesn’t have any special affection for Nie Li, only a little curiosity as well as her heartfelt admiration for Nie Li.

Nie Li’s knowledge is indeed vast and profound, even Aunt Xue thought that Nie Li is an inscription master.

Nie Li’s altered inscription pattern was made into a scroll by Aunt Xue and it is indeed a silver ranked inscription pattern. Can you imagine the psychological impact Ye Zi Yun felt finding out Nie Li even knows a silver ranked inscription pattern!

“Nie Li, I tested the inscription pattern when I got back, and it is indeed the completed version of <<Icy Wind, Sudden Snow>> inscription pattern!” Ye Zi Yun said looking towards Nie Li.

But Nie Li’s face showed no prideful expression, he only replied with “oh”, for Nie Li this sort of thing isn’t something worthy to show off.

As a member of Snow Wind Family, although Ye Zi Yun doesn’t

show it but she is still a little prideful in her heart. When she thinks back, although Nie Li is talented, he has always been low-profile in class and never showed off his talents. Until Shen Xiu's words angered him only then did he retort. In contrast, Ye Zi Yun felt a little ashamed. Compared to Nie Li she really has nothing to show off.

At this moment, Ye Zi Yun began admire Nie Li a little. Although it couldn't go to the extent of liking him, but Nie Li has already been the only boy that she is willing to contact with.

But for Nie Li, this is already a big improvement.

"Nie Li, here is the soul crystal that you told me to bring." Ye Zi Yun brought out her Soul Crystal.

"Inject your soul force into the soul crystal!" Nie Li said, looking towards Ye Zi Yun. In the previous life, Ye Zi Yun have always been his woman, therefore he will not be stingy towards her.

After seeing the shape of Ye Zi Yun's soul, Nie Li gasped. He never thought that Ye Zi Yun's talent is even above of Xiao Ning Er's. Her soul form were a mass of ice and within it, sleeps a phoenix.

This is the legendary Ice Phoenix's soul shape.

One of the most powerful soul forms.

Ice Phoenix cultivation speed would be the same as Winged Dragon, but once stepping into Black Gold rank, the Ice Phoenix will hatch and the cultivation will advance by leaps and bounds. Pity that in the previous life Ye Zi Yun didn't managed to reach the Black Gold Rank realm and died in battle. Otherwise Ye Zi Yun will most likely become one of Glory City's pillars.

"Snow Wind Attributes, Ice Phoenix soul form!" Nie Li raised his head looking at Ye Zi Yun, his eyes contained full of excitement saying, "I'll teach you a cultivation technique!"

"Teach me cultivation technique? What technique is it?" Ye Zi Yun looked at Nie Li in surprise. Her cultivation technique is already the strongest Snow Wind cultivation technique in the Snow Wind Family. Does Nie Li have a better cultivation technique than that?

Snow Wind Family is the number one family in Glory City. Even the Sacred Family and Divine Family cannot be compared to it, because Snow Wind Family has a legendary demon Spiritualist watching over it, the legendary figure Ye Mo! The various collections of Snow Wind Family isn't that of ordinary person can imagine. Because Ye Mo loves to explore the Divine Continent, he explored ancient ruins in St. Ancestral Mountains, obtaining many powerful cultivation techniques and then translated them.

"Nine Revolving Ice Phoenix Technique!" Nie Li imparted the chants and cultivation technique to Ye Zi Yun. Although [Nine Revolving Ice Phoenix Technique] isn't the strongest technique that Ye Zi Yun is able to practice but it is the most mysterious technique. Upon success in practising this technique, she would be

able to have nine lives As long as the soul doesn't get destroyed she can be revived.

In this life, Nie Li will not let Ye Zi Yun leave him again!

Ye Zi Yun chanted the technique for a few times silently. She was shocked to find how powerful this technique is! The techniques that Snow Wind Family has collected could not be compared to this!

"Thank you, Nie Li!" Ye Zi Yun sincerely thanked him. It was a little unexpected that Nie Li actually impart such precious cultivation technique to her, after all they have just met.

In Ye Zi Yun's view she and Nie Li have just met for a while, but in Nie Li's view he have already known Ye Zi Yun far too long and in his heart. Ye Zi Yun is already his woman therefore, a piece of [Nine Revolving Ice Phoenix Technique] couldn't be considered much.

Ye Zi Yun started the [Nine Revolving Ice Phoenix Technique] for awhile and her soul force in her soul realm started surging up violently. This cultivation technique is simply tailor-made for her!

Just as Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun chatting away, a person walked towards the direction of them both, that person is Shen Yue.

Seeing Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun happily chatting and the beautiful charming smile revealed on Ye Zi Yun's face. Shen Yue couldn't

suppress the jealousy inside his heart much longer and walk towards them from a distance away.

“Zi Yun!” Shen Yue faintly smiled as he looked towards Ye Zi Yun.

“En.” Ye Zi Yun softly replied. The current her already doesn’t have any good impressions about Shen Yue.

Shen Yue sat down beside looking at Nie Li with hint of chill in his eyes.

The atmosphere between three person suddenly got awkward.

“Nie Li, we met again.” Shen Yue sneered, revealing faint hostility.

“What, was the lesson last time not enough?” Nie Li had a face of leisure as from the start to finish, he have never place Shen Yue in his eyes.

“You……” Shen Yue clenched his fist tightly, if it wasn’t that Ye Zi Yun is present, he will definitely let his underling to teach Nie Li a lesson.

Ye Zi Yun revealed a look of surprise, hearing from the conversation between Nie Li and Shen Yue, it seems that Shen Yue suffered loss from the hands of Nie Li. She is a little curious, Shen Yue as a direct descendent of Sacred Family, how would he be able

to swallow the loss he suffered from Nie Li?

Shen Yue forcibly suppress the grievance within him, he looked at Ye Zi Yun saying “My family and Zi Yun’s family are friends, the both of us has been playing together from young and we’re familiar with each other. Our elders are also very supportive of us associating together.”

Shen Yue’s words is to remind Nie Li that only him and Zi Yun are an appropriate match and received the consent of both side’s elders, what is Nie Li considered? Actually wanting to snatch Ye Zi Yun with him?

Upon listening to Shen Yue’s words, Nie Li couldn’t help but sneer deep in his heart. In terms of familiarity, could Shen Yue know about her more then him?

Shen Yue looked at Ye Zi Yun, revealing a gentle smile on his face “It can be said that me and Zi Yun have mutual understanding of each other’s preference and habits of life.”

Listening to Shen Yue’s words, Ye Zi Yun showed a hint of unpleasant expression on her face, she wanted to refute Shen Yue’s claims, since when did the familiarity between the both of them has reached that degree? After the few incidents in class, Ye Zi Yun felt a little disgust towards Shen Yue, Sacred Family isn’t as glorious and sacred as they show on the surface.

Ye Zi Yun couldn’t help to look at Nie Li, Nie Li wouldn’t misunderstand right.

“Then why don’t you say what do you understand, I’d like to know.” Nie Li’s finger gently tapping onto the table, in the previous life, Ye Zi Yun was almost married to Shen Yue, therefore, in this life he couldn’t let the same thing happen again.

“Ye Zi Yun loves to eat Acampe Rigida, reading books and daze off staring outside the window…” Shen Yue looked at Ye Zi Yun affectionately.

Nie Li faintly laughed and said “Actually, she doesn’t like to eat Acampe Rigida, it was Lord Ye Mo that bluffed her saying that eating Acampe Rigida could strengthen one’s soul force, only fools would love to read those difficult books, Zi Yun loves to explore the most, dazing off while starting at the window is because she longed for the outside world.”

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Ye Zi Yun were lightning-strucked, staring at Nie Li, how did Nie Li know of these stuff? She absolutely never expected that there would be someone that understand her so well.

Nie Li took a deep breath, so much he wished that he could take Ye Zi Yun travel throughout the continent, but that wish couldn’t be fulfilled in the previous life, therefore in this life, he will fulfil Ye Zi Yun’s wish.

“You’re talking nonsense…” Shen Yue tried to argued but looking at Ye Zi Yun’s expression, he opened his mouth but couldn’t say anything out.

“Since you understand Ye Zi Yun so much, there’s a butterfly-shaped mark on her body, do you know where the mark is at?” Nie Li faintly smiled as he looked towards Shen Yue.

“How would I know!” Shen Yue angrily replied.

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Ye Zi Yun’s face flushed red, how would Nie Li know of the butterfly-shaped mark on her body? A strange feeling surged up within Ye Zi Yun and she stood up, “Nie Li you rogue!” Ye Zi Yun stamped her feet onto the ground, mingled with shame as she ran away.

Ye Zi Yun’s slim back, long white dress and slender legs caused her to look more attractive.

Seeing Ye Zi Yun’s strange reaction, Shen Yue’s face sullen, the relationship between Ye Zi Yun and Nie Li is absolutely not that simple, maybe they had adultery, his face went horribly gloomy “Nie Li, remember this, I will let you die a horrible death!”

Nie Li looked at Shen Yue with disdain, sneered as he spoke “You are still far from being able to compete with me, if you still doesn’t grow some eyes, I wouldn’t mind giving you some lesson.” Nie Li stood up and left.

City Lord’s Mansion.

Ye Zi Yun’s crimson red face has not receded.

“Nie Li, you scoundrel! Scoundrel!” Ye Zi Yun angrily stamping her feet, how did Nie Li know that there’s a butterfly-shaped mark on her left chest? Thinking about it here, Ye Zi Yun felt unease in her heart, could it be that Nie Li peek at her while she’s bathing?

If Nie Li have seen the butterfly-shaped mark on her body, doesn’t that mean that he have seen every part of her body?

No, I have to question that scoundrel!

Ye Zi Yun is extremely shy in her heart, he gaze outside, how did Nie Li understand her so well? Nie Li couldn’t have been always peeking by her side? But the City Lord Mansion is huge and heavily guarded, afraid that not even a fly can come in.

Chapter 23: Murder!

Ye Zi Yun was distraught with anxiety. She took out the [Nine Revolving Ice Phoenix Technique] given by Nie Li. The value of this [Nine Revolving Ice Phoenix Technique] is absolutely unimaginable and Nie Li is actually willing to give her such a precious cultivation technique?

With both anger and gratitude, the two emotions intertwined within her heart, causing her to be unable to calm down.

After a long while, Ye Zi Yun finally managed to suppress the indignation in her heart and focused on practising the [Nine Revolving Ice Phoenix] cultivation technique. Her inner heart also began to slowly calm down. Her soul realm were tough as icy frost, crystal clear energy began moving around the body.

Ye Zi Yun's skin turned crystal clear like jade's luster, becoming a lot more beautiful than it used to be. She's as though a fairy descending from the heavens.

With the soul force continuously to improve, the impurities were being discharged out of Ye Zi Yun's body. Body is covered in sweat, suddenly a cyan light bloomed, they were as though a huge cyan lotus.

Ye Zi Yun suddenly opened her eyes, her beautiful pupils were as pure as gems. The power of [Nine Revolving Ice Phoenix] technique far surpassed her expectations. She's already near the borders of 1-star bronze rank but after practising [Nine Revolving

Ice Phoenix] cultivating technique, she directly broke through the barrier and became a 1-star bronze rank.

Feeling the stickiness on her body. This was extremely uncomfortable and Ye Zi Yun immediately got the maid to prepare the water for bath.

Fragrance emitted from the flower pedals in the bath barrel. Ye Zi Yun slowly removed her clothes revealing her curvaceous figure. Her white and exquisite skin were as though they were sculpted from jade. After practising the [Nine Revolving Ice Phoenix] technique, Ye Zi Yun became even more beautiful and charming. Although she has not reached the blooming age, but her development is already considered quite good.

Her exquisite ankle slowly enters into the sea of pedals. Feeling the hot water washing off the stains on her body and the flower fragrance leaving behind on her body. Ye Zi Yun's mood couldn't help but turn happy. Her fine fingers slowly stroking her smooth skin. Seeing the butterfly-shaped birthmark on her left chest, her heart couldn't help but flutter.

This butterfly-shaped birthmark has been with her since birth. Slightly touching the birthmark, although she still hasn't reach the bloom age for girls, but the slightly elevated peaks are already very attractive.

So has Nie Li seen her birthmark before?

Ye Zi Yun felt her heart flutter. If Nie Li has seen it before, then

doesn’t that mean that everything else has been seen by Nie Li?

Just then, rustling sound suddenly sounded from outside.

“Who? Who’s peeking?” Ye Zi Yun immediate cover her chest with her hands, indignant flashed on her face. Nie Li that scoundrel!

“Miss, it’s me!” A pretty maid came out from behind the curtains.

It turned out to be the maid Xiao Die. Ye Zi Yun breathed a sigh of relief, her face slightly heats up. Nie Li hasn’t even reached 1-star bronze rank yet, how could he be able to break into the heavily guarded City Lord Mansion? She’s being too paranoid! So how did Nie Li actually see her birthmark?

A night of silence.

Second day, Secret Treasure Pavilion.

This is a large shop that specialize in variety of armours, weapons, and inscription scrolls. The shop is located a few hundred meters from Holy Orchid Institute.

“Boss, I’ll take that bronze Ragefire armour set, and this Wrath of Inflammation sword!” Nie Li said, pointing towards at the bronze armour and bronze weapon.

“This set of Ragefire suit consist of 4 parts. Which is relatively the armour, gauntlets, leggings and boots, the price would be 500 thousand demon spirit coins. These are the pinnacles of bronze level, made from the scales of a Ragefire demon beast. Bronze ranked demon beast wouldn’t be able to break the armour, even silver ranked demon beast would require large effort to break it. Young Master are you sure you want to buy this?” The boss said sizing Nie Li up.

“Of course! Do you think I’m joking with you?” Nie Li flings his hand throwing a bag out and continued “There’s 70 ten thousand demon spirit cards.”

“Okay! I’ll wrap it up for Young Master immediately!” The boss’s eyes beaming with joy.

“I still want this set of armour, and these inscription scrolls. I want it all, wrap them up for me. And this, this, this...” After selling a large amount of Purple Haze Grass, the amount of money in Nie Li’s hand is simply frightening. Therefore buying these items isn’t a problem at all.

Unsure which of the super families the young man belonged to, the shop owner’s teeth almost dropped from his smile. The generosity of Nie Li’s spending spree caused the sales of one day to top the sales of several months.

Nie Li also bought a 5-6 cubic meter space Interspatial Ring and placed all the items into the Interspatial Ring. As for the Ragefire suit, it was directly worn on his body. This Ragefire suit is extremely light, wearing a shirt over it would have the suit covered

up.

“I’ll make a trip today to the classroom to return the money to Xiao Ning Er!” Nie Li thought for awhile and said to himself. Then he walked towards the school’s direction.

A few people suddenly appeared in front of Nie Li when he walked to a corner in the school.

“Brat, we’ve finally caught you!” Shen Yue coldly sneered looking at Nie Li. The six lackeys behind Shen Yue also looked at Nie Li with ridicule in their eyes. Nie Li was already well aware that Shen Yue and his bunch had been following him. He deliberately went to a remote area to wait for Shen Yue and his bunch to block him. Nie Li had an imperceptible smile on his face, look how I’ll mess with you guys next!

“What do you guys want?” Nie Li pretended to look afraid.

“Brat, you finally know fear. Damn, I have been unhappy with you for all these days. Today you’re seeking your own death! Beat him up mercilessly!” Shen Yue thundered.

The six lackeys behind Shen Yue charged towards Nie Li, like starving tiger going for it’s food.

“Beat him! Beat him up mercilessly, until he can’t crawl up!” Shen Yue revealed a cruel and enjoying smile on his face.

“Don’t come here, I’ll retaliate!” Nie Li dodging while at the same time shouting using his soul force, “Murder! Sacred Family is going to murder me!” such a good chance to soil Sacred family’s name, Nie Li definitely wouldn’t let it go.

Nie Li used a secret soul technique, his voice was as loud as thunder, causing other’s eardrum to sting.

“Damn, shut that brat’s mouth! Hurry up and shut them!” Hearing Nie Li’s yell, Shen Yue’s face almost twitched. Damn, Nie Li’s yell can be heard throughout the whole Holy Orchid Institute. Even more miserable than pigs that are beings butchered!

Bang Bang Bang!

The attacks of Shen Yue’s lackeys were as raindrops falling onto Nie Li’s body. Within these six lackeys, three of them is 1-star bronze rank and another three of them is 2-star bronze rank. By right, a few fist from them should be able to beat Nie Li down. But after Nie Li receiving few blows, he didn’t have any reaction. His yell is still as loud, echoing back and forth between several school buildings.

“Murder! Sacred Family is going to murder me!”

The power of his voice penetration simply shook the school building. Hastily, the whole Holy Orchid Institute was alarmed by it and lots of people leaned out against the window, wanting to see what’s going on.

In just one look, they saw six people surrounding Nie Li beating him, and standing behind them is Shen Yue of Sacred Family.

“Isn’t that Nie Li?”

“I heard that Nie Li offended the Sacred Family!”

“I heard that because of Nie Li exposing the plagiarism behind <<Scarlet Sunburst Inscription Pattern>>, Sacred Family is planning to secretly get rid of Nie Li!”

“Sacred Family is too dark, actually trying to kill a student in Holy Orchid Institute!”

“Hurry and report this to the Principal!”

Students began talking among themselves, even the people that are unhappy of Nie Li in the past also felt sympathy for Nie Li. Including several nobility kids within. Everyone were displeased with the methods of Shen Yue. This is Holy Orchid Institute, Sacred Family actually dared to kill someone in here? Isn’t it a little too lawless?

Nie Li looked at the Shen Yue in front of him, the corner of his mouth raised. Shen Yue is still too inexperienced to play with him!

When surrounded by the six people, Nie li is using his quick movements so the attacks of Shen Yue’s lackeys all fell on the Ragefire armour. Not only are they unable to hurt Nie Li, they

even got hurt by the impact of their own attacks causing their hand to numb. The bones on their hand felt as though they were on the verge of breaking.

While dodging, Nie Li secretly had his fist strike onto the bodies of Shen Yue's lackeys, causing them to grimace from the pain. Strictly speaking, with Nie Li's current strength, he shouldn't be able to cause any harm to the few 1-star and 2-star bronze rank fighters. But Nie Li's fist is a little strange, his light punch hurts even more then being hit on the head with a rod.

"Damn, you bunch of imbeciles! Do you even lift?" Shen Yue roared. Under the crowd's view, Shen Yue felt that his face is all thrown away. After so long not only did his six lackeys unable to beat Nie Li down, but Nie Li's yell is getting louder and louder.

Nie Li yelling for help alone is fine, but Nie Li yelled that Sacred Family is committing murder. That's simply pouring the foul water onto Sacred Family, branding them as criminals!

Shen Yue is simply about to go mad. Right now he can't retreat.

"Beat him up, ruthlessly beat him up!" Shen Yue roared.

Shen Yue's lackeys were filled with grievances. They have already tried hard enough. But no matter how they attack Nie Li, he didn't have any injuries, but rather they were beaten by Nie Li until their bones are about to scatter. Nie Li's punch seemed light, but it's full of power, beating them blue and black.

“What are you guys doing?” a lovable voice sounded soon after. A slender figure skimmed over, It’s Xiao Ning Er.

Xiao Ning Er stood guard in front of Nie Li, furiously glaring at Shen Yue and bunch. Cyan glow shined on her body, she’s already a 1-star bronze rank demon Spiritualist. Her hands holding onto a Blue Moon Dagger, preparing to act any time.

“Shen Yue, you’re too much.” Another lovely voice sounded. A beautiful slender figure skimmed over from the side, it’s Ye Zi Yun. She furiously glared at Shen Yue saying, “Shen Yue, I never thought that you’re this kind of person!”

“Nie Li, are you okay?” Xiao Ning Er and Ye Zi Yun both looked towards Nie Li at the same time.

Seeing Ye Zi Yun’s concern for Nie Li, Xiao Ning Er’s face froze, casting her head away.

Ye Zi Yun is also slightly awkward, turning her head towards Shen Yue.

“Zi Yun, you misunderstood, it isn’t like that!” Shen Yue tried to explain. Seeing the faint mockery on Nie Li’s face, he came to understand what happened. He was fooled by Nie Li! Shen Yue pointed towards Nie Li saying, “It’s this brat that lured us here, he’s behind it!”

“Shen Yue, who are you trying to fool?” Xiao Ning Er got angrier,

“Isn’t the excuse that you’re finding a little too retarded?”

At this moment, Nie Li’s face is looked full of innocence. Nie Li righteously rebuked Shen Yue saying “I admit that I have offended your Sacred Family, but weren’t you guys too much. Actually wanting to kill someone in school? What do you think this Holy Orchid Institute is? Although my family couldn’t be compared to yours, but I’m not at the mercy of you. I’d like to see to what extend is your Sacred Family overbearing to! I, Nie Li am proud, unless you kill me, it’s impossible for me to yield to you villans!

Nie Li’s righteous words simply caused Shen Yue to vomit in anger.

Hearing Nie Li’s words, no matter if it’s Xiao Ning Er or Ye Zi Yun, couldn’t help to look at Nie Li with admiringly. and Xiao Ning Er’s heart is filled with admiration for Nie Li.

“I too, will not yield to Sacred Family!” Xiao Ning Er secretly thought. She is simply filled with hatred for Sacred Family! In her view, Sacred Family was always vile and repulsive. Just forcing her to marry to Shen Fei alone can see that!

Chapter 24: Set Off

At this moment Du Ze, Lu Piao, and others also rushed over.

“Shen Yue, you’re too despicable. Having six people surround Nie Li!” Du Ze felt indignant at injustice. Seeing that Nie Li doesn’t have any issue only then he eased down. Although Nie Li pretended to be in a very miserable state, but the actual fact is that Nie Li doesn’t have any injuries at all.

A crowd of students viewing from far away also criticized Shen Yue’s action.

“I didn’t even do anything to him!” Shen Yue became depressed as he refuted. The explanation was lambasted by everyone.

When Nie Li exchanged looks with Lu Piao and the bunch, Lu Piao suddenly understood.

“Having so many people beating Nie Li up, how would he be fine? Do you want me to try beating you up?” Lu Piao roared pridefully, “Shen Yue, you dare to swear that earlier on, you didn’t get the few of your lackeys to beat Nie Li to death? Even if you want deny it, the lots of students in the school all heard what you’ve said!”

“I did say that, but I really didn’t…” Shen Yue anxiously trying to justify himself.

Xiao Ning Er and Ye Zi Yun both looked at Shen Yue with disgust.

He actually tried to kill someone in school? He's simply too outrageous! Ye Zi Yun's image of Shen Yue has simply been dropped to the extreme.

He had been speaking the truth. Although he told his lackeys to beat Nie Li to death, but that's only casually saying. Killing someone in school is something he absolutely doesn't dare to do. If he did it, then even Sacred Family wouldn't be able to cover him!

But for others that are listening to those ruthless words, the meaning naturally wouldn't be the same!

"Ye Sheng Vice-Principal has arrived!"

"Nie Li, I admit defeat today, you better watch out!" Shen Yue spatted. Then he and his lackeys fled the place.

"Nie Li, are you okay?" Xiao Ning Er had a face full of concern, nervously clutching onto Nie Li's arm.

"I suffered a little injury, nothing too serious. Luckily you guys arrived early." Nie Li said, smiling while looking at Xiao Ning Er and Ye Zi Yun.

After Xiao Ning Er practised the new cultivation technique. Her complexion and skin became much better. Much more beautiful compared to the past, exuding an indescribable charm from her body. As for Ye Zi Yun, she also became more beautiful, slender, elegant, and attractive.

Two beauties, one on the left and right, each possessing beauty not losing to the other.

Seeing Xiao Ning Er's concern for Nie Li, Ye Zi Yun had a strange feeling.

"It is good that you're fine." Ye Zi Yun awkwardly laughed.

Seeing this scene, the surrounding boys couldn't calm down. How good would it be if they were the one getting beaten up and then standing in the middle of these two goddesses. The surrounding girls also noticed for the first time that Nie Li is quite handsome. They couldn't help taking more glances at Nie Li, feeling that Nie Li is more and more up to their taste. No wonder Nie Li is so popular with the goddesses Ning Er and Zi Yun.

Some boys started to hate Nie Li even more, snatching one of the goddesses is enough but he actually snatched two of them! This is too unbearable, why didn't he get beaten to death by Shen Yue? Seeing the two beauties, their sympathy for Nie Li was thrown far away.

Seeing the beautiful Ye Zi Yun besides Nie Li, Xiao Ning Er couldn't help to feel a sense of crisis within her heart. She knows that the one Nie Li likes is Ye Zi Yun, but she couldn't suppress her strong inner feeling. Nie Li is the first and only boy that stepped into her heart. She thought that only she had notice Nie Li's talents, hence, she can slowly turn Nie Li's gaze from Ye Zi Yun to her. However she never thought that unknowingly, Nie Li and Ye

Zi Yun seem to became familiar with each other.

"Nie Li, I'll help you back class, I've brought breakfast for you." Xiao Ning Er said in a gentle voice with both hands supporting Nie Li. The slightly bulged area in front of her chest were pressed against Nie Li's arm.

Feeling that softness, Nie Li couldn't help to have an alluring trouble, awkwardly looking at Ye Zi Yun, "Zi Yun, I..."

"Since the issue is settled, I should be going!" Ye Zi Yun pretended that she didn't hear it, she turned around and left. She also couldn't tell what the strange feeling is. She still hasn't gotten to the degree of falling for Nie Li yet, but she doesn't know why that when she saw how intimate Xiao Ning Er and Nie Li are, her heart feels uncomfortable.

"Also it isn't my business," Ye Zi Yun mumbled. Nie Li and Xiao Ning Er can do what they want.

Du Ze and Lu Piao beside smiled weirdly while raising their thumbs up. Nie Li is really capable, actually managed to be get close to the two goddess in the class. Although Ye Zi Yun doesn't have much reaction, but when Nie Li was getting beaten up by Shen Yue's lackeys, that concern expression on her face can't be faked.

Far away within the crowd, Shen Fei's face became gloomy. Seeing how Xiao Ning Er supporting Nie Li and slowly leaving, .

“He dared to go against my Sacred Family and hooked up with my woman? You’re simply tired of living!” crackling sound can be heard from Shen Fei’s tightly clenched fist. He’s the elder brother of Shen Yue and have already reached silver rank. He still has a spot even in the Genius Demon Spiritualist class, therefore he wouldn’t put Nie Li in his eyes.

But with the recent events, Nie Li’s standing has already gone completely opposite with Sacred Family.

After returning to the class, although Xiao Ning Er doesn’t want it, Nie Li still returned the hundred thousands demon spirit coins to Xiao Ning Er. Right now for Nie Li. A hundred thousands demon spirit coins isn’t considered anything. As Purple Haze Grass is still selling well. Although the price dropped a little, every pound of Purple Haze Grass still maintained above 200 demon spirit coins. Since within 3 years, Glory City will have continuous demand for Purple Haze Grass, therefore, he can slowly get rid of them.

Nie Li has already become the subject of talk in the school. Whether if it’s going against Sacred Family, or his ambiguous relationship with Xiao Ning Er and Ye Zi Yun. All this has made Nie Li the focus attention among students. There are even love letters under his desk placed by girls, expressing their love for him. Within those girls, there are a few with pretty good looks.

Nie Li in his previous life was a nobody with no one paying any attention to him. Having low-sense of presence in school. He never thought that in this life he would be so popular.

Those love letters were gotten rid of by Nie Li, after rebirth, his

heart only has Ye Zi Yun. How could these girls be compared to Ye Zi Yun? After all, Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun have experienced life and death in the previous life together. As for Xiao Ning Er, Nie Li is more than willing to become good friends with her.

With the constant practising of [Heavenly God Technique] Nie Li's soul force has been rapidly rising. Believing that in two months time, would be more then enough to allow Nie Li to be reborn.

Every night, Nie Li would take one Soul Assembling Pill and Spiritual Enhancing Pill. Then soak himself in Purple Haze Grass liquid medicine. This allowed his soul force to receive the maximum nourishment.

Other than practising soul force, Nie Li also trained various physical enhancing his physical strength. Although practising soul force can also strengthen the physical body, but practising is still necessary to strengthen the body. Upon reaching silver rank, demon Spiritualist would be able to integrate demon spirit in their soul realm. The stronger the physical body, the more powerful the demon spirit that one can integrate into their soul realm. If the physical body is too weak, it can easily explode from the overflowing demon spirit power.

A lot of demon Spiritualist would cram train their physical body after reaching silver rank and having a choice of demon spirit, but by that time would already too late.

Nie Li wants to lay his foundation starting now. Everyday running, mountain climbing and weight training.

In a blink of an eye, two days has passed. Nie Li's soul force already reached 76, estimated that in a few days, he would be able to reach 1-star bronze rank like Du Ze and Lu Piao.

Third day morning.

Chen Lin Jian and bunch had already been waiting in the Library.

Other than Chen Lin Jian, Ye Zi Yun, and Shen Yue are also present. Chen Lin Jian belongs to the Divine Family, while Ye Zi Yun belongs to the Snow Wind Family and Shen Yue belongs to the Sacred Family. They have known each other since they were little. Therefore it's not surprising that they would come together to explore the Ancient Orchid City Ruins.

"You also came?" Ye Zi Yun looked at Nie Li with astonishment. This adventure was organized by Chen Lin Jian. Since when did Nie Li come in contact with Chen Lin Jian? It seems that she underestimated Nie Li.

"Yep" Nie Li smiled nodding his head.

Seeing as Nie Li walking over, Shen Yue's face became more gloomy. Earlier on when he tried find Ye Zi Yun to explain, only to be coldly rejected by her. She now always maintained a five to six meters distance away from him, causing him to feel depressed.

All this is caused by Nie Li! If Nie Li didn't appear then Ye Zi Yun wouldn't be so cold to him!

Shen Yue placed all the faults onto Nie Li.

"Since you came on your own to die, then don't blame others!" Shen Yue ruthlessly thought while talking to one of his lackeys. The lackeys threw a glance at Nie Li and left the place. The two times that he suffered from Nie Li's hands allowed Shen Yue to understand that with the strength of bronze rank he wouldn't be able to do anything to Nie Li. So he got people to get some experts from home.

Nie Li sneered in his heart as all Shen Yue's action was seen by him.

Chen Lin Jian's gaze fell onto Nie Li. He faintly smiled while saying,"Okay! It seems we're all here. I think it's about time we set off!"

Chen Lin Jian brought a total of 28 people for their trip to Ancient Orchid City Ruins, Shen Yue brought 7, and further more adding Ye Zi Yun and Nie Li. Nie Li didn't tell this matter to Du Ze, Lu Piao, and others. He Let them practice in the library. After all the Ancient Orchid City Ruins would have some danger and Nie Li couldn't look after them all.

All thirty seven people prepared some essential items such as food, camping tents, and hunting crossbows before setting off.

Their adventure this time is done secretly, so it was very low-profile, telling others that they are going to the mountain valley to practice.

Chapter 25: Winged Dragon Family

A group of people were walking on the street, with Ye Zi Yun and Nie Li walking right behind the team.

“Since when have you known Chen Lin Jian?” Ye Zi Yun asked. Looking at Nie Li, she seems to be trying to see through Nie Li.

“I don’t know him that well, we’ve only chatted once in the library.” Nie Li shrugged.

“And he actually allowed you to join?” Ye Zi Yun was surprised. Chen Lin Jian and her can be considered childhood acquaintances. They’ve known each other since they were young. Although neither of them could be considered very close, their relationship isn’t that bad either. Chen Lin Jian’s prideful character rarely places his peers into his eyes. Of course, Chen Lin Jian isn’t an annoying guy, otherwise, Ye Zi Yun wouldn’t have bothered with him.

Thinking of all of Nie Li’s mysteries, Ye Zi Yun understood it all. Although she doesn’t know what method Nie Li used to convince Chen Lin Jian, however since Nie Li is very resourceful, nothing is difficult to him.

Seeing how lovely Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun were chatting and laughing away, this almost drove Shen Yue mad with jealousy.

In his view, Ye Zi Yun can only laugh with him!

Nie Li supposedly snatched his spot!

Nie Li must die! Shen Yue's expression turned ruthless. After going into the wilds, Nie Li can give up on going back to Glory City! But this matter mustn't be known to others, especially Ye Zi Yun. Shen Yue has already been mulling over on how to deal with Nie Li in his heart.

The group of people left Glory City, advancing forward on a rugged path on St. Ancestral Mountains.

The trip to Ancient Orchid City Ruins would take about five to six days of travelling. It's still possible that they would be subjected to Demon Beasts attacks when camping in the wild.

But Nie Li's has a natural accurate intuition for dangers combined with his experience from the previous life. Although currently he's not even a bronze rank yet. But general demon beast wouldn't be able to harm him. Not to mention that the route that they are taking is a rather safer route.

The strength among these 37 people is relatively decent Six have reached silver rank and the rest are all mostly above 3-star bronze rank.

Even Ye Zi Yun has reached 1-star bronze rank. Therefore within the group only Nie Li and Shen Yue's strength is the weakest.

However, the news of Ye Zi Yun reaching 1-star bronze rank was not openly known to others, so others are still unaware of it yet.

After travelling for over 10 hours the group walked through the rugged mountain road. Nearing into evening the group arrived at a wide flat land. Chen Lin Jian glanced at the surroundings. With those tall trees the place would still quite hidden and said “Today, we’ll be camping here!”

Shen Yue walked towards the side of Ye Zi Yun saying “Zi Yun, why don’t we set out camp together? This way I can protect you.”

“No need!” Ye Zi Yun’s snow white face showed traces of displeasure. She doesn’t want to camp together with Shen Yue. Since the last incident, her image of Shen Yue had fallen from bad to the worse.

Ye Zi Yun chose an area and camped together with several girls. Although Nie Li wishes to camp together with Ye Zi Yun, he didn’t go invite a snub like Shen Yue. Therefore, Nie Li found a rather remote area and camped right below the tree’s shade.

The night deepened and a burst of insect sounds can be heard from the forest.

Drifting into his thoughts, Nie Li recalled back to the past. Wondering how his family is doing. Although he longed to return and visit his parents and relatives, he still endured that feeling. Holy Orchid Institute is a boarding school, other than members of the Major Family and Noble Family, any other students who

secretly returns home would be punished. Furthermore, if his family knew that he ran away from school, they would also punish him severely.

Only after the test in two months will the students have one month time or so to go back home and reunite with their families.

Before the destruction of Glory City, even though Nie Li's family is a little economy tight and in dire straits, they still got by day to day.

Thinking of the destruction scenes of Glory City, Nie Li tightly clenched his fist. In just a few years time, Glory City would be under the madness of attacks by Demon Beasts. He must definitely become a super expert before that happens, at least reaching black gold rank or even legend rank. Only then can he help Glory City to avoid the crisis.

Therefore, time is very tight and he wants to go according to his plan; enhancing himself step by step.

The next thing he needs to do is to get that Spiritual Lamp! Because that Spiritual Lamp is essential for his future training!

Nie Li sat down under the tree's shade, operating his soul realm. His soul realm seems to have something hidden in it, which caused Nie Li to be extremely curious about it. In his previous life, he didn't have this kind of feeling when he's practising until now, but with Nie Li's current cultivation, he is still unable to explore the depths of his soul realm.

The soul realm is originally misty, without an actual shape. With the strengthening of Nie Li's soul force, the soul realm shone a faint cyan light, slowly forming into a spherical shape.

With in-depth cultivation and the strengthening of soul force, the soul realm's shape will start to have some changes as [Heavenly God Technique] slowly plays its part.

Dead silence into the night.

Currently, in Glory City's Winged Dragon Family.

At this moment, Xiao Ning Er is quietly staring out the window. In the noon, she received a letter from Nie Li saying that he's going to leave for some time, instructing her to rest well at home and also giving her a prescription. After being massaged twice by Nie Li and practising [Lightning Winged Dragon Technique], her illness is a lot better. Therefore, wouldn't be any problem in this short period of time.

Later, Xiao Ning Er learnt that Nie Li went to explore with Chen Lin Jian's group and that Ye Zi Yun also went along. Xiao Ning Er felt resentment. Why didn't Nie Li bring her along?

"Miss, Master asked for your presence in the Main Hall!" A servant hurriedly ran in, speaking in an anxious tone.

Xiao Ning Er frowned, not knowing what had happened. She

stood up and walked towards the Main Hall.

Winged Dragon Family's Main Hall.

The house master of Winged Dragon Family, Xiao Yun Feng, is currently sitting on the front seat in the main hall. The two columns beside sat a total of six middle aged man. They are the cousins of Xiao Yun Feng and the Elders of Winged Dragon Family.

"Father, is there anything for why you are looking for me?" Xiao Ning Er said, slightly bend herself towards Xiao Yun Feng then her eyes swept past the six elders.

"We called you here because there's something I want to ask you." Xiao Yun Feng's face remained somewhat unhappy. Xiao Ning Er knows that this is must be because of the few uncles. Since becoming the house master of Winged Dragon Family, the three uncles haven't been on good terms with Xiao Yun Feng.

The elder Xiao Yi sitting beside faintly laughed, "Niece Ning Er, I heard that some time ago, you paid large amount of money to acquire quite lots of Purple Haze Grass. Now that the price of Purple Haze Grass has already skyrocketed by several hundredfold, I fear that the price of those Purple Haze Grass has already reached hundreds of millions. With so many Demon Spirit Coin, our Winged Dragon Family's comeback wouldn't be long now. Niece Ning Er has made such huge contribution to the family, really is the lucky star of our Winged Dragon Family!"

Hearing Xiao Yi's words, Xiao Ning Er understood what was

going on. Xiao Yi heard from somewhere that she had bought a large amount of Purple Haze Grass, so he came to pressure her father, wanting to take a portion of the Purple Haze Grass!

Regarding this matter, Xiao Yun Feng is naturally unhappy about it. No matter how much Purple Haze Grass Xiao Ning Er has bought, this matter is not related to the family. This is Xiao Ning Er's personal action! Therefore, how the Purple Haze Grass is being disposed of has nothing to do with the family!

But Xiao Yi didn't give up, fixed on having Xiao Ning Er to give an explanation.

Xiao Ning Er stood proudly, having a firm expression and said, "Xiao Yi Elder, I spent my own money to buy those Purple Haze Grass, this matter doesn't concern the family. Does it? Or is it that the herbs and armours bought by Xiao Yi Elder also needs to be submitted to the family?"

"You..." Xiao Yi never thought that the usually gentle Xiao Ning Er would refute him so fiercely.

What Xiao Yi didn't know is that Xiao Ning Er's image in the family had always been submissive. But after having contacts with Nie Li, Xiao Ning Er's heart had undergone slight subtle changes. Nie Li allowed her to understand one thing: That when one encounters unfair things, one must stand and fight!

Xiao Yun Feng felt rather pleased upon hearing Xiao Ning Er's words. He then looked towards Xiao Yi saying "Xiao Yi, what Ning

Er said is correct, I believe that this is not an obligation of the family!”

Xiao Yi did not giving up and continued “This matter cannot be compared to ordinary matters, those Purple Haze Grass worth hundreds of millions or even billions of Demon Spirit Coin. It can greatly alleviate the family crisis and we wouldn’t be controlled by Sacred Family anymore.” Xiao Yi looked at Xiao Ning Er, tempting, “If Ning Er contributes the Purple Haze Grass to the family, then Ning Er Niece wouldn’t need to marry to Shen Fei anymore!”

Truth is, Xiao Yi didn’t think that way, conning Xiao Ning Er to surrender the Purple Haze Grass first before deciding anything else. As for marrying Shen Fei or not, that doesn’t depend on their decision, but depends on the Sacred Family.

The remaining five elders also agreed with Xiao Yi’s suggestion. If the Purple Haze Grass is placed in Xiao Ning Er’s hands, then it wouldn’t have anything to do with them. But if it was contributed to the family, then the whole family will also benefit from it. Even the two elders that usually stand on Xiao Yun Feng’s side also had the same thoughts.

Seeing the situation, Xiao Yun Feng guiltily glanced at Xiao Ning Er and sighed.

Xiao Ning Er felt wronged in her heart. Why does she needs to be sacrificed every time when the family experienced difficulties? Where did the others go to? Luckily Nie Li had already taken the Purple Haze Grass away from her. Xiao Ning Er said boldly and confidently, “Those Purple Haze Grass were bought on behalf of a

friend, and everything was given to him before the price of Purple Haze Grass skyrocketed. He had already passed me the money for buying those Purple Haze Grass, therefore, the Purple Haze Grass is already none of my business!”

“What?” Xiao Yi’s face immediately turned ugly again.

Xiao Yun Feng looked at Xiao Ning Er and asked, “Ning Er, is this true?”

“En.” Xiao Ning Er nodded her head and calmly replied, “It’s the truth. Said Purple Haze Grass is already no longer in my hands!”

Xiao Yi’s expression went gloomy, saying “What’s the name of your friend and what is his background?”

“I promised him that I would keep it a secret!” Xiao Ning Er solemnly said, she definitely would not reveal Nie Li’s name to others. She had already decided, no matter how much pressure she suffers, she must secure Nie Li’s secret.

Chapter 26: Soul Forming

Xiao Yi stared coldly at Xiao Ning Er. “This wouldn’t be an excuse, right?” Xiao Yi then threw a glance at Xiao Yun Feng. This father and daughter are definitely hiding something!

Xiao Ning Er’s brows slightly twitched while she stared at Xiao Yi and said, “Uncle, isn’t what you say a little bit too much? I, Xiao Ning Er swear to the heavens that every single word I’ve said is absolutely the truth!”

After hearing Xiao Ning Er’s words, Xiao Yi slightly believed in her words as he thoroughly understands the character of Xiao Ning Er. Xiao Yi went silent for a moment before continuing. “Since that friend is Ning Er Niece’s friend, why doesn’t Ning Er Niece go and ask for those Purple Haze Grass back?”

Hearing Xiao Yi’s words, Xiao Ning Er’s expression changed. “Uncle what do you mean?! He was the one that asked me to buy those Purple Haze Grass. If I were to ask him for it back, wouldn’t I become someone who goes back on her words?”

“This matter concerns the interest of the family!”Xiao Yi’s face reddened as he argued.

“Xiao Yi, let this matter rest. Even if we were to ask him back for it, would he give it back?” Xiao Yun Feng’s eye lightly swept past Xiao Yi. Naturally, he wouldn’t allow Xiao Yi to force Ning Er like this.

“Not necessary, we must see the origin of the other party!” Xiao Yi slightly sneered and continued, “If the other party doesn’t have any origin, this does not necessarily mean that we can’t try to get them to take it out!”

Hearing what Xiao Yi had said, Xiao Ning Er’s anger within her began to surge. The [Lightning Winged Dragon Technique] within her could not be suppressed any longer and began to operate, her soul realm constantly shook. Faint sounds of wind and thunder could be heard, a cyan light burst into the sky, powerful aura began spreading throughout four directions.

In just a moment, being affected by intense emotion caused Xiao Ning Er’s soul force to jump, her soul realm seemed to be undergoing transformation.

“What happened? What’s happening to Ning Er?” Xiao Yun Feng widened his eyes and looked at Xiao Ning Er in astonishment. Xiao Ning Er had just stepped into 1-star bronze rank not long ago. How could she have such powerful soul force? The soul force emitting out from Xiao Ning Er’s body caused even a gold rank demon Spiritualist like him to feel pressured!

Xiao Yi also stared at Xiao Ning Er in astonishment. What cultivation technique did Xiao Ning Er practice? Such powerful soul force isn’t from someone who had just stepped into the 1-star bronze rank.

Streams of light overflowing all over four directions with Xiao Ning Er as center. Soul force were as ribbons surrounding Xiao Ning Er making her look sacred, as though the arrival of heavenly

fairy. As the soul force condensed, it gradually gathered at the back of Xiao Ning Er forming a pair transparent wings.

"Soul forming!" Seeing this scene, including Xiao Yi, the six elders all stood up from their seat, with a faces full of shock.

Even Xiao Yun Feng was shocked by this scene. He would have never thought that his daughter's cultivation would be this rapid. Actually reaching the level of soul forming!

Soul forming. This is the caused by the ultimate pureness of soul force! Demon Spiritualist that could soul form is extremely rare and normally only can be done by gold ranked genius demon Spiritualist. Within every ten gold rank demon Spiritualist, there might not even be one that could reach the realm of soul forming. However, once a demon Spiritualist gain the ability to soul form, his soul force would be extremely powerful. The future achievements are at least a black gold rank demon Spiritualist and above, there are even possibility of reaching legend rank!

Xiao Ning Er raise her head, coldly looked at Xiao Yi and firmly said, "That person entrusted me to acquire Purple Haze Grass is my benefactor. If uncle plans anything unfavourable against him, then even if my cultivation is far from uncle's, I will still fight with my life to stop uncle!"

The expression on Xiao Ning Er is resolute, her voice was as solid icicles, directly striking at people's heart.

Bronze rank and could already soul form. That proves that the

talent has reached an unimaginable level. Not to mention that Xiao Ning Er is still only 13 years old; however, what would it be like in a few years? This kind of genius cultivation speed is extremely shocking. In a few years she would be able to reach silver rank, gold rank or even much high rank!

Xiao Yi flinched. According to the family rules, as Xiao Ning Er has shown the ability to soul form, from today onwards, her place in the family would be even higher than Xiao Yun Feng!

In the ancestor teachings of Winged Dragon Family, no matter when is it, the status of martial genius in the family is extremely high. If there is any cyan or azure soul realm, the family would have spared no effort to nurture them and their position in the family was very important. This was because only a genius could allow the family to reach the peak of it's peak!

Despite Xiao Ning Er only having green soul realm, she was able to soul form at green soul realm, which is even more rare than cyan soul realm! Because in history, there are a lot of cyan soul realm demon Spiritualist; however, they are all unknown. Only a tenth of them managed to reach the realm higher than gold rank. Which is completely different from one that can soul form since those who can soul form are capable of achievement which are all not below gold rank!

Once the family confirmed that a certain young generation member is a genius, then the whole family would have to pave the way for this super genius at all cost!

The group of elders looked at each other and even the two elders

who opposed Xiao Yun Feng also did not hesitate to agree with him.

“Ning Er is only at bronze rank and is already able to soul form. Her future achievements would be extraordinary!”

“Congratulations to house master, congratulations Ning Er. Our Winged Dragon Family will finally have its day!”

Even the few elders who originally wanted Xiao Ning Er to hand over the Purple Haze Grass all revealed a pleased smile on their face and couldn’t help to speak words of praise for her! The talent that Xiao Ning Er revealed was too shocking. No one can imagine to what extent that Xiao Ning Er can grow to.

Hearing the praise of the few elders, Xiao Yun Feng felt comfortable and laughed.

“What about the wedding agreement with Sacred Family?” Xiao Yi murmured. As Xiao Yun Feng only had one daughter, if Xiao Ning Er were to be married off to Sacred Family, Xiao Yi would be able to take the house master position. But now, the situation was not as he had expected.

“Xiao Yi, must we give our only genius young generation that could make the comeback of our family to Sacred Family?” One elder retorted. If Xiao Ning Er were to be wed off to Sacred Family, then she would become one of Sacred Family’s and will have nothing to do with Winged Dragon Family anymore. Therefore, they absolutely cannot let that happen.

Xiao Yi felt depressed since he originally had gathered several elders as preparation to snatch the house master position from Xiao Yun Feng. But after Xiao Ning Er's display of her talent, it caused those all elders to go to Xiao Yun Feng.

"With the good news which Ning Er has brought us, how can that be compared to some Purple Haze Grass?" Another elder chuckled.

Xiao Ning Er was a little surprised by the sudden changes in the Elders' attitude. Earlier on under the overflowing emotion, her soul force inadvertently had a breakthrough, causing her to actually reached the level of soul forming. If it wasn't for the [Lightning Winged Dragon Technique], Xiao Ning Er definitely wouldn't even be able to release the powerful talents in her soul realm!

Even with practising [Lightning Winged Dragon Technique], the chances of soul forming is still very low. Xiao Ning Er can be considered to have been granted a blessing in disguise.

Xiao Ning Er became even more grateful towards Nie Li. If it wasn't for him, Xiao Ning Er wouldn't know how her current situation to be like.

"Regarding Sacred Family, we still currently can't afford to offend them. There's still two years from the engagement, so we'll drag it first, need not worry!" Xiao Yun Feng proudly laughed. Although he's the house master, he had been under the pressure of several elders. However, today he can finally lets out a breath since

Ning Er hasn't disappoint him.

"Ning Er, what's your current soul force?" Xiao Yun Feng asked.

"The last time I took a test, it was 105." Xiao Ning Er replied. It seems the after soul forming, her soul force appeared to have grown stronger.

"Take the soul crystal out and test it!" Xiao Yun Feng lightly smiled.

Xiao Ning Er took out the soul crystal and injected her soul force into the soul crystal. The soul crystal got more and more dazzling and bright, faint sounds of wind and thunder can also be heard.

But Xiao Yun Feng and the rest were only focused on seeing the strength of soul force.

"Soul force of 362?!" Whether it's Xiao Yun Feng or the other elders, all gasped in surprise.

Few days ago, Xiao Ning Er's soul force was only at 105 and in a few days time it had reached 365? Already a 3-star bronze rank?

"Indeed worthy of being the genius that comprehended the soul forming!" The group of elders are all both surprised and overjoyed, only Xiao Yi who was gloomy.

Xiao Ning Er was also very surprised by the results. She would have never imagined that her soul force would enhance so rapidly. With this, the elders in the family wouldn't force her to be married to Sacred Family again. Thinking again that all of this is given by Nie Li. Thinking back of everything that Nie Li has done for her, she couldn't help but to feel sweetness in her heart.

Xiao Ning Er clenched her fist tightly. She must continue to work hard! Only by having sufficient strength would she be able to get rid of the need to succumb under the pressure of Sacred Family and be married off to Shen Fei!

In the silent night.

Nie Li is currently practising while sitting cross-legged. Gradually entering into the meditation state, his soul realm is also in a very calm state.

Operating the [Heavenly God Technique], the heaven and earth energies around began to converge in Nie Li's body. His soul force continued growing constantly.

Slight breeze whistling pass, the night became increasingly quiet.

Under Nie Li's control, the soul force hovered around the body. The muscles throughout the body began to tremble in a rhythm and growing stronger, just like a zithers' string after being struck. This is the effect caused by [Heavenly God Technique], able to train both the soul force and enhance the strength of the physical body together.

Nie Li stopped practising after midnight. He had to do so until the soul force is strong enough, otherwise practising in midnight would cause side effects.

He took out the soul crystal and began to test his soul force. His soul force already reached 82. It seems that the results of these few days of practice is quite good.

Looking afar, there are a few shadows talking back and forth. They are the people who are in charged of staying watch.

Suddenly, a trace of strange odor came over, it seemed to be some kind of demon beast's scent. Nie Li's face became alert and he stood up.

It would be troubling if the camp were to be under demon beast's attack!

Nie Li immediately stood up and walked towards the depth of the forest.

Chapter 27: Leave It To Me!

In the 10 meters radius space in the depth of the forest, various kinds of branches were scattered all over the area. The smell of urine still lingered in the air and there was also grey coloured fur on the branches.

The length of these furs was of two inches.

Seeing these furs, Nie Li immediately identified that it as the Fox Bear demon beast!

“Who is it?” Suddenly, an alert voice sounded.

Nie Li looked towards the direction of the voice, and a figure appeared from behind the tree. Seeing the other party, Nie Li was slightly surprised that it’s actually Chen Lin Jian. Shortly after, a few people appeared behind Chen Lin Jian, two of them were the underlings of Chen Lin Jian, and one of them was actually Shen Yue.

“How come are you here?” Chen Lin Jian looked towards Nie Li and asked.

“When I was practising, I smelled a trace of strange odor around the air and followed it here!” Nie Li said as he swept his gaze between Chen Lin Jian and Shen Yue. Chen Lin Jian and Shen Yue are only familiar with each other and were not a group, otherwise Chen Lin Jian wouldn’t have killed so many of Sacred Family’s member in the previous life.

Shen Yue coldly looked at Nie Li, that gloomy gaze of his were filled with darkness.

Strange odor? Why haven't they smelled it earlier??

"When two of my underlings were searching the place, they found this place so Shen Yue and I came together to take a look!" Chen Lin Jian said. The relation between the current him and Shen Yue is still quite good. Both are the direct descendants of the major family, so they both maintained a clear relationship on the surface.

Shen Yue coldly said, "Alone here in the middle of the night, you might be harbouring ulterior motive." Shen Yue couldn't wait to pour all the foul water onto Nie Li.

Nie Li was too lazy to refute. This kind of speculative words that have no evidence backing it, as if Chen Lin Jian would believe it.

Chen Lin Jian looked at Shen Yue, then looked at Nie Li again. He had heard of the conflict between Shen Yue and Nie Li. Someone with little background actually dared to confront the Sacred Family, is Nie Li self-confident or is he ignorant?

"This demon beast nest has already been abandoned for a long time." Shen Yue glanced around the area. After Nie Li coming here, he is too lazy to stay any longer. Since this trip is to the Ancient Orchid City Ruins, he would have plenty of chance to deal with Nie Li. There was no point talking to much nonsense with Nie

Li here.

“This demon beast nest is indeed abandoned for a long time!” Chen Lin Jian said nodding his head while looking at the surrounding scattered branches. Suddenly, he seems to have noticed something. He turned towards Nie Li and asked, “How do you see it?” as Nie Li’s knowledge is still quite vast.

“On this side of the trunk, there is some fur residue. Also with how the nest is being stacked, according to my judgement, it should belong to demon beasts called Fox Bear. The size of Fox Bear isn’t too big, an adult Fox Bear have the height of one meter and two meters would already be very strong build. This nest is so huge, so there should once have a whole population of Fox Bear living here.” Nie Li analysed.

Hearing Nie Li’s words, whether if it was Chen Lin Jian or the two underlings behind him, they were all looking at Nie Li dumbfounded. With so little information, Nie Li was actually able to analyse what kind demon beast once lived here. This is simply too scary. After all, in St. Ancestral Mountains, there are if not tens or hundreds of thousands of species of beasts around.

Seems that the decision of bring Nie Li here was correct, Chen Lin Jian thought.

“With so little information and you were able to deduce that this was once the nest of Fox Bears. Isn’t that too arbitrary!?” Shen Yue refuted at one side. As long as it was Nie Lie’s words, he will oppose it.

“Continue talking.” Chen Lin Jian did not bother with Shen Yue as he faced Nie Li and asked.

Shen Yue opened his mouth in discontent but he did not say anything. Although both him and Chen Lin Jian are the direct descendants of major families, there were seven direct descendants in Sacred Family that are at the same age as him and he isn’t the one being paid attention to. If he is able to marry Ye Zi Yun, only then his position in Sacred Family will rise, becoming one of the candidates to the next house master. Chen Lin Jian was not the same as him, since his birth, Chen Lin Jian had already been determined to become the next house master of his family and his talent is extraordinary. Therefore, Shen Yue did not dare to strain their relationship.

Nie Li completely treated Shen Yue as invisible and continued, “Generally, adult Fox Bear are of silver rank demon beasts. Based on Fox Bear’s living habits, three fifths of Fox Bear’s time every year would be in their cave hibernating, passing the time when St. Ancestral Mountains is at its coldest. Only in the early summer would they would then come out from the caves and hunt in the forest.”

“Is it this at time of the year?” Chen Lin Jian asked astounded.

“Correct” Nie Li nodded his head, “The air in this area carries the smell of urine, if this is left last year, after long time of wind and rain, the smell would already be long gone. Fox Bears are very conscious of their area, marking them with urine. I guess they will appear soon!”

Nie Li thought carefully and only through careful observation he was able to obtain so much information, which caused Chen Lin Jian to admire him. He looked at Nie Li in a different light. Nie Li is simply a Demon Beast Encyclopaedia!

“Then what should we do?” Chen Lin Jian asked, he began to seek the views of Nie Li.

“We have to leave this place immediately, go in the night. The Fox Bear’s sense of smell is very sensitive, if the Fox Bear found out that someone has invaded their area, I’m afraid that they will go on all out war with us. Although we have sufficient strength to kill this Fox Bear group, it’s inevitable that we will also have causalities. Our goal is the Ancient Orchid City Ruins!” Nie Li recalled, in the previous life, Ye Zi Yun mentioned that on their trip to Ancient Orchid City Ruins, they were once attacked by Fox Bears, which killed a few people. This allowed Nie Li to be even more assured that this area was dangerous.

Chen Lin Jian drifted in his thoughts for a moment and said, “Okay, we’ll leave by the night!”

“Chen Young Master, don’t listen to his nonsense. Since this place is empty, there wouldn’t be any Fox Bear appearing. It would be even more dangerous to travel in the night. We should wait until daybreak before traveling!” Shen Yue immediately rebutted.

Nie Li spread both his hand up. Staying or not is Chen Lin Jian’s decision. Anyway,it wouldn’t be a threat to him.

“Leave!” Chen Lin Jian firmly decided. Without a question, he chose to believe in Nie Li’s judgement more.

Chen Lin Jian is a wise man, he knows who to believe and who not to.

Back to the camp, Chen Lin Jian gathered everyone who were still dreaming moments before..

“Chen Young Master, what’s going on?”

“Yeah, why did you get us to travel in the dark?”

Everyone was filled with endless doubts.

“Never mind anything, just listen to my order!” Chen Lin Jian said firmly. Disregarding the persuasion of others, he led the group towards the exit of the forest.

Nie Li was together with Ye Zi Yun and although Ye Zi Yun was also a little confused, she did not ask anything.

After the group of people just stepped out of the forest, they felt the trembling earth tremors and roars of bears sounding from the forest. Instantly, everyone understood what happened.

“Chen Young Master is wise!”

“Fortunately Chen Young Master brought us out, otherwise, we would have inevitably had a war with those Fox Bears!”

Everyone commended Chen Lin Jian. However, Chen Lin Jian clearly knows that it all was to Nie Li’s credit. If it wasn’t because of listening to Nie Li’s words, they would have definitely been attacked by those Fox Bear. Although they can win against those Fox Bears, it was inevitable that there would also be causalities!

At this moment in Chen Lin Jian’s heart, he was already full of admiration for Nie Li. Since young, he had always been a excellent leader among his peers. However, for the first time, he had to admit that his knowledge was far from Nie Lis’. One must know that Nie Li’s age is still lower than him by a few years!

At this moment Shen Yue felt depressed. He would have never thought that Nie Li really hit the spot and Fox Bears actually appeared. After several confrontations with Nie Li, he had been below Nie Li. This built up more and more resentment in his heart.

Fortunately, the Main Affairs Elder sent 3 silver ranked expert to follow behind. Shen Yue’s gaze was gloomy. Once Nie Li separates from the group, he will find the opportunity to kill Nie Li!

Nie Li is quietly walking at the back of the group together with Ye Zi Yun. He looked backwards and his mouth revealed traces of sneers, he is already well aware that there are people following behind the group. Seeing Shen Yue’s unfocused look, Nie Li could guess that the few following behind are definitely from Sacred

Family.

They are probably looking for a chance to lay their hands on Nie Li!

Ye Zi Yun and the others still did not notice that they were being followed; however, all this could not escape the keen sense of Nie Li. If he was being followed by several silver rank and was unable to notice it, then he would have lived in vain.

“One, Two, Three… Three silver ranked!” Nie Li walking quietly.

The dawn gradually arrived. Chen Lin Jian slowly walked to the side of Nie Li, looking at Nie Li and said, “Thanks to the foresight of Nie Li Bro, otherwise we would have surely been attacked by those Fox Bears. Although we wouldn’t be annihilated by them, we would have been inevitable had causalities. I, Chen Lin Jian owe you one.” If there were casualties in the first day, then the morale of the team would be greatly affected.

Hearing Chen Lin Jian’s words, Ye Zi Yun looked at Nie Li astounded. She would have never expected that it was actually Nie Li whom noticed the Fox Bears.

“Chen Young Master is too kind.” Nie Li calmly said without t a hint of arrogance.

Chen Lin Jian slightly nodded. Since coming into contact with Nie Li, he realised that Nie Li is quite capable. Seeing Nie Li’s

calmness from the praise, he admired Nie Li even more.

Nie Li lowered his voice saying, “Chen Young Master, we’re being followed.”

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Chen Lin Jian got surprised. He turned his head and looked at the forest behind.

“Don’t look, there are three silver ranked. I don’t know who they were sent by.” Nie Li said immediately.

Chen Lin Jian quickly retracted his gaze, pretended to be at ease, saying, “What are their motives?” Chen Lin Jian frowned, he didn’t offend anyone in Glory City!

“They might be from the Dark Guilds!” Nie Li said. Although is can determine that those three were from the Sacred Family, Nie Li still said that those three silver ranked people are from the Dark Guild.

After hearing Nie Li’s words, Chen Lin Jian’s eye flashed cold. Dark Guild is notorious in Glory City since they are a secret organization created by criminals. Dark Guild generally doesn’t dare to appear in broad daylight so they secretly do all kind of evil deeds and are the common enemy of all Glory City’s families!

“You can leave this matter to me!” Chen Lin Jian patted on Nie Li’s shoulders and walked to the front.

Chapter 28: Hu Yan Lan Ruo

Shen Yue never imagined that the three silver ranked underlings sent by Sacred Family were actually eyed by Chen Lin Jian. Chen Lin Jian will definitely think of every possible way to kill those three people!

If he knew that the three people belong to Sacred Family, Chen Lin Jian wouldn't be too harsh on them. However after hearing from Nie Li that the three should belong to the Dark Guild, Chen Lin Jian will definitely not let them go!

You want to play with me? You're still too inexperienced! Nie Li doesn't need to act himself to mess Shen Yue to death!

Ye Zi Yun is a hard-worker, and knowing that the Nie Li beside her is a giant vault, she would ask him about various inscription patterns as well as martial arts aspect, Nie Li answered all her questions.

The look of the two of them talking and laughing, caused the surrounding boys couldn't help to feel envious.

The beautiful Ye Zi Yun is a goddess in the eyes of these boys. However because of the noble status of Ye Zi Yun, most of the boys don't dare to go near her. They would even feel low-esteem when facing her. In addition, the slightly cold personality of her's, cause her to be distant to others.

Although they admire Ye Zi Yun, they don't even have the

courage to start a conversation with her.

But why when Ye Zi Yun and Nie Li were chatting, why was it so natural. That elegant smile of her charmed the boys.

The surrounding boys couldn't help to sneak a peek at it.

Looking at the sweetly smiling Ye Zi Yun Nie Li couldn't help to recall back the previous life. At that time Ye Zi Yun is even more charming compared to now. Looking at this girl in front of him he thought, 'when will she grow into that absolute beauty?'

Seeing that Nie Li has been staring at her Ye Zi Yun couldn't help to blush. She lowered her head seemingly thinking of something. Recalling back to the bold confession of Nie Li in the class. Before she felt annoyed by it. However, at this moment she couldn't make out what kind of feeling is that in her heart.

When she's with Nie Li, she would recall that scene and couldn't help feeling shy.

There seems to be some ambiguous feelings between Nie Li and Xiao Ning Er.

Just as Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun were chatting ripples of soul force were emitting from the forest indicating a fierce fight.

The three silver ranked strangers were surrounded by the five silver rank experts brought by Chen Lin Jian.

“Speak! Where are you from? What do you intend to do? If you don’t speak, don’t blame me for being ruthless!” Chen Lin Jian thundered, as he stood there.

Because of being constantly attacked by demon beasts, every family in the Glory City are very united. Therefore they generally wouldn’t kill members of other families. The Dark Guild is a group of murderers. If they’re confirmed to be from the Dark Guild, then Chen Lin Jian definitely wouldn’t let them go.

Those three silver rank experts looked at each other. How would they dare to reveal that they are from the Sacred Family? If this is pursued, they will bring great trouble to the family! Therefore those three silver ranked experts did not say anything and charged out.

“Since you guys doesn’t want to identify yourself… don’t blame me for being impolite!” Seeing that the three of them remaining silence Chen Lin Jian decided that they are definitely from the Dark Guild and shouted, “Kill them!”

Chen Lin Jian’s men rushed forward. Both sides engaged in a fierce battle. After the fierce battle, among the three silver ranked experts one of them died and two fled with serious injuries.

Hearing the news Shen Yue almost went crazy. The three silver ranked experts were arranged by him to deal with Nie Li, but he never expect that the plan was destroyed by Chen Lin Jian. What he’s unaware of is that Nie Li was the one to provide the news to

Chen Lin Jian. This led to Chen Lin Jian taking actions.

"Seems like I will have to do this myself!" Shen Yue gloomed in his heart. He brought six people with him, three of them are 1-star bronze rank and the other three are 2-star bronze rank. The last time he suffered under Nie Li's hand was because he didn't know that Nie Li was wearing a set of bronze ranked armor. If he were to attack Nie Li's head to begin with, he doesn't believe that Nie Li could dodge those attacks!

Noticing Shen Yue's gloomy looks, Nie Li knows that this guy is definitely planning something.

Shortly after Chen Lin Jian brought the five silver ranked experts back.

"Chen Young Master, what were the identity of those three?" A friend of Chen Lin Jian asked.

"From my guesses... They should be from the Dark Guild!" Chen Lin Jian replied.

"So they are from the Dark Guild, they deserves death!"

Hearing their conversation Shen Yue's expression twitched. Chen Lin Jian was ruthless with those three because he thought that those three are from the Dark Guild. Otherwise chasing them off would be enough. However he couldn't say anything. He couldn't tell them that those three are sent from the Sacred Family

right?

One man died in vain and the location of the two others are unknown. Shen Yue has no choice but to stomach all the grievances.

Nie Li that bastard!

Knowing that Chen Lin Jian highly valued Nie Li. Nie Li's standings in the group began to rise. Some of Chen Lin Jian's friends also began to start conversations with Nie Li.

"My name is Hu Yan Lan Ruo, a friend of Chen Young Master and I'm from the Hu Yan Family." Hua Yan Lan Ruo smiled. She looks around 16/17. Her body is extremely hot and sexy. Especially the twin peaks in front of her chest. Those are simply domineering. The white silk dress simply could not cover the deep ravine, and they would quiver when walking. Her eyes displayed trace of loveliness.

This woman is definitely a stunner!

Although the Hu Yan Family isn't one of the three major family, but it's also a relatively powerful family among the Noble Family.

"Nice to meet you, you can call me Nie Li!" Nie Li calmly said. Looking at Hu Yan Lan Ruo he wasn't enticed by her beauty. He slightly had impressions of Hu Yan Lan Ruo. Also her talent is extremely high. Already a 3-star silver rank as of now. After a few

years Hu Yan Lan Ruo would become the substitute house master of Hu Yan Family.

If people were to think that Hu Yan Lan Ruo is just a pretty weak girl, then that would be a big mistake. To be able to climb up the higher levels of a noble family, even if it's only a substitute house master, without a few methods would be impossible.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo is a little surprised that Nie Li wasn't affected by her beauty. Given Nie Li's age he should already have understandings towards male and female matters. Lots of boys had their face blushed red and stunned in front of her, but Nie Li had a calm appearance.

There would even be some boys full of lust looking at her chest and bottom. Although Nie Li is looking straight at her, his eyes are very clear. He turned a blind eye against her seductive body.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo kind of likes this boy.

"I'm only older than you by a few years, you can call me Yan Ruo Sis in the future." Hu Yan Lan Ruo said with full of smiles.

"Call you sis……" Nie Li looked a little embarrassed. If Hu Yan Lan Ruo were to know his true age, what reaction would she have?

"What's wrong? can't be done?" Hu Yan Lan Ruo tenderly laughed.

The Ye Zi Yun besides Nie Li doesn't have any good impression of Hu Yan Lan Ruo. Hearing the tender laughter of Hu Yan Lan Ruo she impatiently turned her head away.

Although Ye Zi Yun isn't as beautiful as Hu Yan Lan Ruo, but the sense of elegance around her isn't what Hu Yan Lan Ruo can match either. In just a few more years Ye Zi Yun would be even more charming than Hu Yan Lan Ruo. Ye Zi Yun had already rose Nie Li's eye for women to a high level, even if a beauty like Hu Yan Lan Ruo standing in front of him he wouldn't be affected by her.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo blinked her eyes she's still somewhat interested in Nie Li.

Seeing the lovely and charming Ye Zi Yun by Nie Li's side, and still chatting cheerfully and wittily with the hot sexy Hu Yan Lan Ruo, caused several boys to be unhappy with him.

One guy walked towards Nie Li's directions, his figure is tall and skinny wearing a white robe. Around him there was a noble aura around him. His skin is slightly pale, and his steps were light. His name is Chu Yuan, also from a noble family.

His eyes swept across Ye Zi Yun's body his eye flashed a hint of greed. Although she's still young Ye Zi Yun has already demonstrated the potential to become the source of calamity. In the future she will definitely become a devastating beauty.

Unfortunately he understands the noble status of Ye Zi Yun. She isn't someone he can reach!

In contrast, Hu Yan Lan Ruo's status is somewhat similar to him. If he's able to get Hu Yan Lan Ruo it would be very helpful to his position in the family. Future more seeing Hu Yan Lan Ruo's lovely body made his heart to burn even more.

"What are you guys chatting about. May I join in?" Chu Yuan said while smiling. When looking at Nie Li his eyes flashed with contempt. According to his information Nie Li is from a small family. Further more he's not even a 1-star bronze rank yet. Not to mention the fact that Nie Li have already offended the Sacred Family. Although the Sacred Family didn't take any action against Nie Li. Would Nie Li be able to still continue to be arrogant? That's simply looking down on Sacred Family!

"We're currently discussing about inscription pattern." Hu Yan Lan Ruo casually finds an excuse. At the same time her expression displayed trace of disgust and impatient. She doesn't like Chu Yuan, but with the fact that his Chu Family has some position in Glory Family she only maintained the harmonious surface between them.

"Inscription pattern is my speciality! If Lan Ruo has anything that you are unsure of you can always find me. After all my studies in inscription pattern are still a lot more vast compared to a 13 years old kid!" Chu Yuan said laughing, his face full of pride.

Ye Zi Yun disapproved of that statement in her heart. No matter how proficient Chu Yuan may be in inscription pattern, can he be compared to Aunt Xue? Yet even Aunt Xue herself admitted that Nie Li is a master!

Boasting Shamelessly! Hu Yan Lan Ruo mocked in her heart. The reason as of why Hu Yan Lan Ruo is a little interested in Nie Li is because he saw through the origin of <<Scarlet Sunburst Pattern>> with a look. If he wasn't proficient with inscription pattern how would he have know that the <<Scarlet Sunburst Pattern>> comes from the Book of Divine Lightning Fire? Most people have not even seen the Book of Divine Lightning Fire. This act already couldn't be explained with pure luck.

"I see not a lot of time age can't represent anything. There are always people that break the boundaries of age. Which we commonly call them geniuses." Hu Yan Lan Ruo said. Slightly with the intention of flattering swept her gaze past Nie Li.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo thought that Nie Li is a genius? Chu Yuan contemptuously smiled. If you say that Ye Zi Yun is a genius he wouldn't deny it as she have already broke through into 1-star bronze level. However Nie Li only has a red soul realm and his soul force is ridiculously low. If this kind of person can be considered a genius, then the name genius is a little too worthless isn't it?

Even if he have some knowledge about inscription pattern. So what? Glory City holds experts in esteem. Only an expert could gain the respect of others!

Chapter 29: One Punch

Chu Yuan sneered, however, he did not refute Hu Yan Lan Ruo's words. Instead, his tone and manner speaks of his attitude.

Nie Li didn't have any reaction, no matter whether if it's Hu Yan Lan Ruo's praise or Chu Yuan's contempt. Their words were unable to affect him in the slightest. After his rebirth, Nie Li couldn't be bothered with a vile person like Chu Yuan, since Chu Yuan doesn't have the qualifications to talk to him.

"Chu Yuan, what's with your attitude?" snapped Hu Yan Lan Ruo, wrinkling her brows.

"I'm laughing because I don't know what bewitching soup this brat gave you and you actually think that he's a genius! Someone with only red soul realm, what achievements could he have in the future? This kind of garbage isn't fit to be associating with us." Chu Yuan sneered.

His relation with Shen Yue's brother, Shen Fei isn't bad, moreover, he's been unhappy with Nie Li.

"You're too much!" exclaimed Ye Zi, Yun knitting her brows. Feeling indignant for Nie Li. Although Nie Li is a little annoying, she believes that Nie Li truly is the real thing. However, Nie Li is too low profile, therefore, a lot of people don't know of Nie Li's talent.

Nie Li's gaze turned slightly cold. Although he did not put Chu

Yuan in his eyes, which is why he's lazy to bother about Chu Yuan, that didn't mean that he will tolerate a clown to dance around in front of him.

"Chu Yuan, your talent doesn't seem to be any better. You're older than Nie Li by three years, however, you're only at 3-star Bronze rank and you still have the cheek to comment others." Hu Yan Lan Ruo laughed. There's a lot of peer nobilities that were already nearing silver rank, and Chu Yuan still remained at 3-star Bronze rank.

Hearing Hu Yan Lan Ruo's words, Chu Yuan felt a little embarrassed. Within his peers, his talent isn't considered the worst, however, he doesn't work hard. Soaking himself into women daily, naturally, he doesn't have the mood to practice which is why he remained as 3-star bronze rank.

"So what, at least I have a yellow soul realm. If I were to work hard a little, breaking through into silver rank isn't difficult. As for him, I estimate that he will remain in 1-star Bronze rank for his entire life!" Chu Yuan refuted while mocking Nie Li mercilessly.

Because of Nie Li's silence, Chu Yuan believes that he's definitely afraid. People like Nie Li only have good looks and flowery words to coax others. How could he have any talent?

Red soul realm are simply garbage!

Nie Li's sharp eyes swept across Chu Yuan and he indifferently chuckled, "Then, I'll challenge you here. Whoever loses will need

to imitate a dog and crawl three rounds. How about it?”

Upon hearing Nie Li’s words, Ye Zi Yun anxiously pulled Nie Li.

What’s wrong with Nie Li? He actually wants to challenge Chu Yuan? Nie Li is not even 1-star Bronze yet and Chu Yuan is already 3-star Bronze rank! This kind of gap was like heaven and earth. It’s simply impossible to break through.

Seeing Ye Zi Yun’s anxious look, Nie Li felt his heart warm since Ye Zi Yun is still very concern about him.

After Hu Yan Lan Ruo felt stunned by Nie Li’s speech, her eyes profoundly glanced at Nie Li, since Nie Li doesn’t seem to be a rash person.

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Chu Yuan froze on the spot for a moment, then frantically laughed, “What did I just hear? You actually want to challenge me? Haha, this is the funniest joke that I’ve heard. He’s barely a 1-star Bronze rank, yet he actually wants to challenge me. Such impudence!”

“Nie Li, don’t be rash!” pleaded Ye Zi Yun, thinking that Nie Li had irrationally challenged Chu Yuan after being enraged by Chu Yuan’s mocking.

“Even if I do not use my soul force, with my physical strength alone, I can beat the crap out of you!” Chu Yuan arrogantly laughed. His physical strength alone is already 1-star bronze rank,

“Brat, if you’re afraid, it’s not too late to take back your words!”

Nie Li moved his fingers, letting off an explosive sound of cracking of his finger joints. He indifferently looked at Chu Yuan and said, “If garbage like you keeps on dancing around in my face everyday, then I’ll be busy! Since you do not have any eyes, I’ll have to act to teach you guys that there are some people that you people can never offend!” After talking, Nie Li’s gaze swept across Shen Yue and his bunch.

Chu Yuan’s facial expression darkened. He fiercely stared at Nie Li and said, “You ask for it!”

Chen Lin Jian was also alarmed. Although Nie Li is very knowledgeable, his cultivation has not reached 1-star Bronze rank yet. How can he win against Chu Yuan? Just as Chu Yuan said, even if he doesn’t use his soul force, he can easily crush Nie Li!

But Nie Li isn’t the kind of rash person. Chen Lin Jian couldn’t help to feel curious in his heart. He waved his hand at the surrounding bystanders to move a distance away.

“Rest assured, as your man, if I couldn’t manage this kind of situation, then I might as well kill myself!” Nie Li laughed while seeing Ye Zi Yun’s anxious expression beside him.

“You…” Ye Zi Yun’s face suddenly flushed red. She stomped her feet onto the ground. Nie Li this guy is too annoying! She only showed her concern for him as a friend, but never expected that Nie Li would be this glib which caused her to be angry in her heart.

Should just let Chu Yuan beat Nie Li up!

Seeing Ye Zi Yun's indignant look, Hu Yan Lan Ruo faintly smiled at Nie Li. Nie Li isn't a boring piece of wood and seems to know how to provoke a girl's heart. But since just now, Nie Li has been cold towards her, is she not charming enough?! Because she feel, with her beauty, she could easily make a little boy like him go head over heels for her! Hence, she felt more interested towards Nie Li.

The surrounding people moved away, giving Nie Li and Chu Yuan some space.

Seeing this scene, Chu Yuan's eye shined with a chill. Nie Li actually dares to challenge him, he's simply seeking his own death. He spoke with Shen Fei a few times. If given the chance, he will definitely kill Nie Li! However, not knowing why, when he saw the assured look of Nie Li's, his heart felt uneasy.

Will Chu Yuan lose? That's simply an impossible thing. Everyone here knows that Chu Yuan's soul force has already reached 3-star Bronze rank.

Even though Nie Li's soul force is only 88 and his physical strength is only around 50, Nie Li has a deeper understanding towards soul force and physical strength.

Nie Li operated his soul force to strengthen his physical body. The muscles on his body began to pump up. Although the pumped muscle on Nie Li's body isn't obvious, they contained explosive power.

“I’ll give you three moves, lest you say that I’m bullying the young,” declared Chu Yuan, placing his arms behind his back. He proudly looked at Nie Li with his eyes showing hints of contempt.

“Okay!” said Nie Li as he suddenly accelerated. He charged towards Chen Yue, preparing to use an elbow strike on Chu Yuan’s abdomen.

“This kind of kiddy punch, you think that we’re playing family?” Chu Yuan mockingly laughed. Seeing Nie Li’s elbow was about to strike onto his abdomen, he swept his hand and maintained a certain distance with Nie Li.

In Chu Yuan’s view, Nie Li’s elbow wouldn’t even be able to land on his body. However, this moment, the corner of Nie Li’s lips slightly raised.

Chu Yuan is being too conceited!

Nie Li suddenly accelerated, his elbow changed to a fist and, in a flash, he bombarded onto Chu Yuan’s abdomen. As Chu Yuan is borne from a Noble Family, his steps were superficial. It’s obvious that Chu Yuan doesn’t have much fighting experience. Although his physical strength has reached 1-star bronze rank, it’s obvious that they were obtained from consuming elixirs. Nie Li only needed to use a little fighting trick and he can easily overwhelm Chu Yuan!

Only at this level, isn’t playing you to death simple?

‘And I even prepared so many backup methods too. But it turns out that they don’t even need to be used on you.’

When he bombarded onto Chu Yuan’s abdomen, the muscles in Nie Li’s arm tightened. One can see how awful the burst of power from Nie Li’s fist was.

The complacent look on Chu Yuan’s face suddenly froze. He clutched his belly like a shrimp, arched his back while falling onto the ground. His body twitched non stop as vomiting sounds can be heard from him. The punch from Nie Li simply wanted to turn his intestines inside out!

Seeing this scene, the surrounding people were all dumbfounded.

Chu Yuan was a 3-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist. Just his physical body alone has reached 1-star Bronze rank, but he actually got beat down from Nie Li’s fist?

Did Chu Yuan underestimated his opponent too much? Allowing Nie Li to take the advantage?

“This isn’t right. Based on physical strength alone, even if Nie Li’s fist landed onto Chu Yuan’s abdomen, he shouldn’t have been able to cause any substantial damage to Chu Yuan. The gap in power is too wide. What is this sitaution? Chu Yuan actually got beaten down by a single punch?”

At this moment, everyone came to an understanding. Nie Li must be hiding his strength. His physical strength should have already reached 1-star Bronze rank, right?

What they don't know is that Nie Li actually hasn't stepped into 1-star Bronze rank yet, but his control of his strength isn't what others can imagine. When he used his fist, he focused all his strength into his fist. Furthermore, the place that he attacked was the weakest spot on Chu Yuan's waist. It's already merciful that the punch didn't cripple Chu Yuan.

In the terms of controlling power, Nie Li is definitely a master! Let alone Chu Yuan's 1-star Bronze rank physical body, even if a 5-star Bronze rank or even a Silver rank were to get a punch from the current Nie Li, they would also be rolling on the floor!

People who only know how to go head to head base on one's strength, in Nie Li's view, are no different from primitive man.

Ye Zi Yun's clear eyes showed deep shock. Nie Li's punch brought Chu Yuan onto the ground. One can only imagine the ripples that were being caused in this young girl's mind. Nie Li is not even a 1-star bronze rank yet. How did he manage do it? Ye Zi Yun now realised that she has always been underestimating Nie Li's strength.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo looked at Nie Li in an interesting manner. The strength that Nie Li has shown also caused her to be shocked, but at the same time, it also made her interest towards Nie Li to deepen.

“Interesting,” muttered Chen Lin Jian, watching Nie Li with great interest.

Chu Yuan rolled on the ground for a long time, unable to get up. As a member of nobility, since when has he has ever been beaten so badly. He thought that his strength was far above Nie Li’s and he would contempt him completely, which is why he said he’d give Nie Li 3 moves. However, he never expected that after one punch, he’d already fall onto the ground, unable to get up.

His intestines were in a mess with an unimaginable pain. If he hadn’t forcefully endure it, he’s afraid that he would have already fainted.

At this moment, Nie Li looked at the Chu Yuan on the ground, with a harmless look and said, “You said that you’ll let me three moves. This is only the first move. There is still two more left.”

Hearing Nie Li’s words, the eyes of Chu Yuan, who is currently enduring the pain and was trying to stand up, turned black.

F*ck, does he have any humanity? That earlier move already took half of his life and Nie Li actually wants me to give him two more moves?!

Chapter 30: Contest Of Soul Force

Hearing Nie Li's words, Chen Lin Jian and the surrounding people couldn't help laughing bitterly.

If Chu Yuan were to face Nie Li head on as an opponent, he wouldn't have been this in this pathetic state. In the end, Chu Yuan was being too conceited. He put his hands behind his back and gave Nie Li three moves, which ended up in him lying on the floor with only one move. He pretended to be cool and ended up as an idiot, this was a painful lesson.

Seeing Nie Li's harmless expression, Ye Zi Yun couldn't giggle, Nie Li is so bad!

After a long time, Chu Yuan, finally managed to get up. His face was pale and the muscles on his face would twitch occasionally, showing that he's still brimming with pain. The laughters of the surrounding people was ear piercing for Chu Yuan. His eyes flashed with murderous intent.

"You asked for it, I'll kill you!" exclaimed Chu Yuan as he suddenly leaped. He kicked a leg whip towards Nie Li. Although martial arts can only be learnt after becoming a Silver rank Demon Spiritualist, as a member of nobility, Chu Yuan still learnt some of the more superficial martial arts. This kick that Chu Yuan displayed originated from the Chu Family's <<Hurricane Whirling Kick>>.

The sound of whistling wind can be heard from Chu Yuan's kick.

Naturally, Nie Li can't use his physical body to confront Chu Yuan. Nie Li slightly leaned to the side, causing Chu Yuan's leg whip to graze passed his cheek. Afterwards, he executed a high kick towards Chu Yuan's chin.

Although Nie Li's strength couldn't be compared to Chu Yuan,his moves from executing martial techniques and his grasp in fighting were much more precise than Chu Yuan. His attacks were all accurately targeting Chu Yuan's blind spot.

Seeing this scene, Chen Lin Jian's eyebrow twitched. Nie Li, this brat is really a monster! He's only 13 years old and already has a vast knowledge towards inscription pattern while, at the same time, his grasp towards martial arts is also very proficient. Although Nie Li's moves may seem simple, they are extremely sharp. If he were to be standing in Chu Yuan's position, afraid that even he wouldn't be able to react in time. He can't imagine how strong Nie Li would become after reaching silver rank and integrate with a demon spirit.

Chu Yuan suddenly felt that his eyes lost the target. He was shockingly surprised in his heart. The next moment, he felt a sharp pain on his chin and his whole body flew back five-six meters, and heavily fell onto the ground.

Everyone was dead silent. It became so quiet, one could clearly hear if a needle drop to the ground.

"What's going on?" someone asked, breaking the silence.

Earlier on, when Nie Li beat Chu Yuan down onto the floor, everyone felt that Chu Yuan underestimated his opponent too much which led to Nie Li's sneak attack to succeed. However, in contrary to everyone's expectations, when he was facing Chu Yuan's attack, Nie Li used only one move to beat him to the ground again.

If it is the first time, that can be explained with luck. However, it was two successive time, how can this be simply explained as luck?

Everyone looked at the somewhat, immature young teen with inexplicable shock. The keen aura emitting from Nie Li was overbearing. It doesn't feel like it's coming from a 13 year old teen at all.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo looked at the back view of Nie Li, splendor filling her eyes.

"It seems that this sister may have underestimated you," Hu Yan Lan Ruo said, slightly opening and closing her charming red lips, it looked indescribably sexy.

There are too many secrets on Nie Li's body waiting to be discovered.

Ye Zi Yun was also shocked by the scene, but then she immediately felt relieved. The [Nine Revolving Ice Phoenix Technique] that Nie Li imparted to her was more powerful than any of the cultivation techniques she has ever seen. Therefore, Nie

Li must also have practiced a powerful technique. Hence, he's able to leap levels. For him, this challenge isn't something difficult.

Seeing Chu Yuan blown away, Shen Yue tightly clenched his fist, nails almost pierce into his flesh. Nie Li appeared to be a much more difficult person to deal with than he had imagined!

After being beaten onto the floor two successive times, Chu Yuan felt deeply humiliated. He is a 3-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist, just his physical body alone is already 1-star Bronze rank and Nie Li is not even a 1-star Bronze rank!

He can clearly feel that Nie Li's strength isn't powerful, it's a lot more weaker compared to him!

However, he was defeated. his defeat is so ridiculous and shameful!

Chu Yuan stared at Nie Li. His eyes turned red. His Soul realm began to operate fiercely, causing his soul force to surge and come out of his body.

Without the integration of demon spirit, the soul force has no substantial means of attacking, hence it can only be used to bombard into an opponent's soul realm.

Chu Yuan's soul force is already 376, not far from reaching 4-star Bronze rank. If he forced all of his soul force into bombarding an opponent's soul realm, it was possible for him to overflow an

opponent's soul realm and make it explode. If the soul realm overflowed and exploded, that would mean that, for the rest of their life, they would be unable to become a demon Spiritualist! Without a soul realm, it's absolutely impossible to train the soul force!

Because Glory City is constantly under the threats of demon beasts, all of the Demon Spiritualists are quite united. They wouldn't generally kill each other, even if it's a duel. They also wouldn't be so ruthless!

However, Chu Yuan at this moment, couldn't care less!

"Die!" Chu Yuan declared, a viciousness flashing in his eyes, exposing a grim smile. His soul force was like a tidal wave. It began bombarding towards Nie Li's soul realm.

"Chu Yuan! Stop!" Hu Yan Lan Ruo trembled as she shouted. Chu Yuan intend to be ruthless towards Nie Li. Once Nie Li's soul realm exploded, Nie Li would become a waste!

Ye Zi Yun's face also paled. Although she said that Nie Li should be beaten up, she still worried for Nie Li in that critical moment. Although this was only the concern she had for a friends.

With the strength of Chu Yuan's soul realm, he can easily crush Nie Li!

Chen Lin Jian calmly looked at Nie Li. What would Nie Li's next

move be? After all, it was Nie Li that challenged Chu Yuan, therefore, he should have a backup plan, right?

The surrounding people also gasped while they closely watched Nie Li.

Feeling the surging of soul force towards him, Nie Li's eye flashed with a chill. Before, when he won with weak against the strong, he used the one point focus method to defeat Shen Yue's soul force but only because it was only twice above his. However, when facing Chu Yuan, whose soul force is more than four times above him, the same method could no longer be used.

As a 3-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist, the control over his soul force isn't what Shen Yue can compare to.

"Since you want to explode my soul realm, then come on!" Nie Li coldly snorted, opportunities and danger always coexisted together.

Feeling Nie Li's soul force retreat without any resistance, Chu Yuan sneered in his heart, 'I'll see what method you still have, die!'

Chu Yuan's soul force slammed into Nie Li's soul realm without any obstruction.

Hiss! Nie Li inhaled. That turbulent soul force was raging within his soul realm, wanting to overflow and explode his soul realm.

Although Nie Li had countless experiences from his previous life, he had just begun training his soul force. Therefore, his soul realm is still very small and was unable to contain so much soul force that was forced inside. Cracks began to appear on the surface of Nie Li's soul realm.

The pain caused Nie Li's face to pale. The pain of a soul realm fragmenting isn't something an ordinary person could endure.

Nie Li kept quietly chanting the [Heavenly God Technique] non-stop and operated his soul force to repair the cracks to prevent his soul realm from exploding.

Seeing Nie Li's paled face and the sweat beads rolling down Nie Li's face, Chu Yuan rejoiced in his heart. Soul force is the weak spot of Nie Li, because Nie Li's soul force is too small! He frantically controlled his soul force and kept on bombarding Nie Li's soul realm in waves.

'Burst it!' he thought, a crazed excitement showing on his face. As long as Nie Li's soul realm explodes, Nie Li will become a waste!

Wave after wave of soul force rushed into Nie Li's soul realm. Under the impact of this soul force, Nie Li's soul realm began to swell up little by little. Every time it swelled up, Nie Li would experienced unimaginable pain. Every time, it felt like his soul realm was about to explode, but with the [Heavenly God Technique], Nie Li's soul realm managed to barely endure it.

Cracks would constantly appear and they were constantly being

repaired.

Under this terrible ordeal, Nie Li's soul force was like a steam. It would gather together and would gradually increase.

"What's going on?" Chu Yuan frowned, realizing something was wrong. Every time his soul force was about to overflow Nie Li's soul realm, Nie Li was, somehow, able to manage to forcefully push it back down. He realized he had no choice but to control even more of his soul force and bombard it into Nie Li's soul realm.

'A little bit more,' he thought, 'Just a little bit more...'

However, Chu Yuan gradually realised that even when his soul force was about to approach exhaustion, Nie Li's soul realm still hasn't exploded.

'How is this happening?' he thought, 'How come after enduring all of my soul force, Nie Li's soul realm hasn't exploded?'

Nie Li still suffers from the intense pain of his soul force overflowing, however, his eyes gradually became clear and bright. Because as his soul force expanded and strengthened, the intense pain eased a little.

Soul force is a mysterious power, it's invisible. But with enough practice, one can feel the existence of soul force within them.

Legend has it that soul force is a gift from the gods!

With a powerful soul force, one would be able to break the limits of the human body and step onto the road towards ultimate power.

In everyone's body, there's a soul realm in the depths of one's mind. With the practice of soul force, the soul realm would gradually become larger and larger.

When the amount of soul force exceeds the capacity of the soul realm, the soul realm would easily burst.

But this is also an opportunity. Not only was Chu Yuan unable to burst Nie Li's soul realm, it helped Nie Li's soul realm to expand. After receiving a large amount of soul force, Nie Li's soul realm grew 30% larger.

"Since you've decided to come, don't leave!" Nie Li pronounced as lights flashed in his eyes as he began to close off his soul realm.

"Not good!" Chu Yuan exclaimed, feeling his soul realm tearing. His face paled as he began to frantically pull his soul force back.

What kind of monster is this guy! Generally, only Silver rank, Gold rank, or even above that would have the skills to close off their soul realm. At that time, they would be able to contain a demon spirit. But Nie Li is not even a 1-star Bronze rank. How can he already know how to close off his soul realm?!

Once Nie Li's soul realm closes off, Chu Yuan's soul force would

be trapped within Nie Li's soul realm and would be unable to get out. At that time, Nie Li would be able to slowly absorb Chu Yuan's soul force and make it his own.

Hardly earned soul force from practicing becoming other people's property, it's no wonder that Chu Yuan got scared out of his wits.

Chapter 31: Snow Sakura Demon Spirit

Chu Yuan frantically tried to pull his soul force out from Nie Li's soul realm. However, the speed of Nie Li' soul realm closing was too fast. Chu Yuan only had the time to pull out half of his soul force.

Chu Yuan felt his soul force tear a little, at first, but soon felt it tear in half. Half of it was left in Nie Li's soul realm forever. His face paled and his steps were unsteady, almost making him fall down. Having his soul force torn in half caused him serious injuries. His whole body felt as though all of his strength had been drained from him. Blood began to leak from the corner of his mouth.

Seeing this scene, the surrounding people looked at each other.

It's very hard for others to clearly see the confrontation of soul force. Therefore, they didn't know that half of Chu Yuan's soul force was left in Nie Li's soul realm forever. They only saw the painful and fearful expression on Chu Yuan's face , while Nie Li looked energetic. This implied that in the confrontation earlier on, Chu Yuan was inferior to Nie Li.

What they couldn't understand was that Nie Li, who was clearly not even a 1-star Bronze rank, was able to beat Chu Yuan, who's a 3-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist!

Why did Chu Yuan suffer from the battle?

Nie Li felt the surging power within his soul realm. His eyes flashed with light, although the soul force's level of integration within his body isn't very high, he still managed to fuse a portion of it. His soul realm just bursted out with dazzling cyan light. The light became more and more flourished.

Nie Li can clearly feel that he is already very close to 1-star Bronze rank. At this moment, if he were to test his soul force, he believes that it would already be above 95.

Within his soul realm, the cracks that surfaced on the barrier to 1-star Bronze rank soon burst

The soul force continues to fuse.

Boom!

Nie Li heard a booming sound in his head. Ripples were set off in his soul realm and the faint roaring sound of a dragon can be heard. It would seem that the thing that is hiding within his soul realm got stronger.

1-star Bronze rank!

Lights flashed within Nie Li's eyes. He doesn't know what is hiding within his soul realm. In his previous life, when he practiced, he didn't feel that there was anything hidden within his soul realm. However, in this life, his soul realm seems to be a little different. Could this be related to the Temporal Demon Spirit

Book?

With the breakthrough of his cultivation, although Nie Li had his previous life experiences, he still couldn't refrain from being excited. Because this means that he has made an important first step onto the road of cultivation. He had embarked on a different road of fate compared to his previous life!

Nie Li was only able to refined a portion of Chu Yuan's soul force, but by spending a little more time, he would be able to refine all of the soul force and make it his own. Once it has been refined, Nie Li might be able to reach 2-star Bronze rank.

What would Shen Xiu think if she knew that Nie Li's cultivation is being enhanced so fast?

"Chu Yuan was actually defeated?" someone stated in an astonished voice.

"I never imagined this outcome!" said another.

"If he didn't have any means to counter, Nie Li probably wouldn't have even challenged Chu Yuan! I originally thought that Nie Li was too proud, but I never thought that he would have such strength!"

Everyone was shocked by the outcome and began their own discussions.

This kind of outcome, no matter if it's Ye Zi Yun, Chen Lin Jian, Hu Yan Lan Ruo, or even Shen Yue, everyone couldn't help being surprised.

"It seems that I have underestimated him too much!" Chen Lin Jian murmured. Challenging 3 levels above himself, this can only be done by a super genius! Does Nie Li really only have a red soul realm? Chen Lin Jian wasn't quite convinced of that. If someone were to say that Nie Li has an extremely rare azure soul realm, it's even more believable than saying that he only has a red soul realm.

Ye Zi Yun's eyes were flashing in astonishment. Although she doesn't like Nie Li, and feels indignant towards Nie Li's glib, that doesn't prevent her from worrying for Nie Li. When Nie Li challenged Chu Yuan, she was also a little nervous. She never thought that Nie Li would actually win. This was a little out of her expectation.

Shen Yue fixedly stared at Nie Li's back, gritting his teeth. He always thought that Nie Li was lucky to be able to win against him, and never expected that Nie Li has been playing with him this whole time. No wonder that when three of his 2-star Bronze rank underlings surrounded and tried to beat Nie Li, they weren't able to harm him. Not only did he wear bronze armour, he also far surpassed 2-star Bronze rank. That pain expression that Nie Li had on his face that day was all an act! Thinking of himself being wronged by so many people, the anger within his chest was overflowing, simply ready to blow up.

Nie Li, that treacherous wretch!

The towering chest of Hu Yan Lan Ruo's began to heave violently. Someone who's not even 1-star Bronze rank was actually able to leap level and challenged a 3-star Bronze rank expert. This surprise that Nie Li gave her was too much. How many more secrets are there in Nie Li's body?

"This sister has to find some time to dig everything out of you and see what else are you hiding!" Hu Yan Lan Ruo stated, with her cheeks flushed red and her eyes flashing with the thought of love.

At this moment, Chu Yuan, who fought with Nie Li, was drenched in sweat and was panting for air. Such serious injuries to his soul force had caused a serious impact to his strength. He would need, at least, half a year to recover.

"Today's matter will not end here!" Chu Yuan declared, staring at Nie Li with hatred.

"Anytime!" Nie Li announced, his brows twitching slightly. He didn't even place Chu Yuan into his eyes. After his rebirth, Nie Li had a bigger goal. Therefore, he did not even consider these kinds of people to be his opponent. The injuries that Chu Yuan sustained would need at least half a year or longer to recover. In these few months, Chu Yuan will realise that he could only look at Nie Li from afar.

Would a soaring eagle place the dust on the ground into it's eye?

Chu Yuan turned around, looking somewhat awkward and ran.

Nie Li's and Chu Yuan's battle soon became the focus topic and discussion among everyone. And no one would underestimate Nie Li anymore just because he hadn't reached 1-star Bronze rank yet.

They aren't aware of is that after the battle from earlier, Nie Li had already reached 1-star Bronze rank!

After reaching 1-star bronze rank, Nie Li's strength was raised even further. At this moment, he wouldn't be inferior to anyone else if a fight were to begin.

After this incident, the group continued walking on the narrow rugged mountain road.

"Little brother, you really made your sister surprised. Yesterday, I saw you setting up your tent alone in a corner. Why don't you set your tent beside sister's tonight and we can discuss the aspects of cultivation?" suggested Hu Yan Lan Ruo, walking to the front of Nie Li. At this moment, the distance between Nie Li and her is extremely close.

Looking down, Hu Yan Lan Ruo's towering peaks were almost attached onto Nie Li's body. One can vaguely see the deep rich ravine, especially the two raised points, which made it even more seductive.

He could smell the fragrance of orchid from her. He has to admit, Hu Yan Lan Ruo is still very charming.

In his previous life, Nie Li was only an ordinary boy. Naturally, none of the girls would give him any favours. It wasn't until the destruction of Glory City when he had the chance to come in contact with Ye Zi Yun. Having the goddess in his heart, he never thought that in this life, he would come to know Xiao Ning Er, and now, Hu Yan Lan Ruo who was taking the initiative to seduce him. It seems that his romance is a little too much.

It's a pity that Nie Li was no longer the ordinary boy from his past. He can't be seduced so easily by beauty alone. In his heart, there was only Ye Zi Yun. After all,t was Ye Zi Yun that was in love with the ordinary Nie Li in his previous life, which caused Nie Li's life to change. Soon after that, Ye Zi Yun left the world with regrets. Therefore, after his rebirth, one of Nie Li's important purposes was to guard Ye Zi Yun.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo thought that she could seduce Nie Li base on beauty alone. She really thought Nie Li would be so simple.

Seeing Hu Yan Lan Ruo luring Nie Li with her seductive body, Ye Zi Yun pouted. She doesn't like this woman because Hu Yan Lan Ruo is too seductive, which caused her to be unable to stand it. Ye Zi Yun took a glance at Nie Li. With Hu Yan Lan Ruo seducing a brat like this, this brat will probably throw himself onto her.

'Heck care, isn't my problem to begin with,' Ye Zi Yun thought, turning herself around.

"I thank Miss Hu Yan's good intentions, but Miss Hu Yan is already a Silver rank. I'm afraid that I don't have anything to discuss with Miss Hu Yan. Let's forget about it!" Nie Li said, softly

refusing her seductive invite.

Ye Zi Yun paused for a moment and looked at Nie Li in astonishment. She never thought that Nie Li would actually refuse.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo's charming eyes were all written with misbelief. Although she hasn't slept with any man, she clearly knows her own impressive capital. She would often mess with many men that would approach her. In her view, seducing a small boy like Nie Li was an easy thing to do. She never thought, since she first had contact with Nie Li, his eyes have always been lucid. She never expected him to flatly refuse her request in resolution.

She couldn't help feeling ashamed and resentful at the same time. Her eyes suddenly turned sharp, bursting with charm, and spoke in a soft and shy voice, "Doesn't little brother Nie Li want to get closer with sister?"

Nie Li's eye contracted, waves of fragrance penetrated his nose. The Hu Yan Lan Ruo in front of him had her skin emitted a moist light, her towering peaks, her curvy waist, she was without a doubt completely filled with seductive charm. Any other man that sees this would want to press her under them and merciless ravage her.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo maintained a step distance with Nie Li. However, Nie Li's mind was filled with all kinds of imagination. The chest of Hu Yan Lan Ruo closely attached to his and that soft touch, she proudly hugged her chest while looking at Nie Li with great interest.

‘After you take my art of charm, we’ll see how long you can continue to pretend!’ she pridefully thought.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo felt that Nie Li only refused her to put up a show in front of Ye Zi Yun. Nie Li’s heart is definitely filled with lust! As long as she cast her art of charm, Nie Li will be completely attached to her.

Nie Li’s heart shook, a light flashed across his eyes, and his pupils immediately become clear, ridding himself of those illusions.

Wanting to control Nie Li with a little charming technique, she is underestimating Nie Li a little too much. That charming technique could only work on those whom lack willpower. Nie Li had lived two lives. His heart has already solidified. How could he be tempted so easily?

“Snow Sakura Demon Spirit. I never thought that Miss Hu Yan would have such a rare demon spirit!” Nie Li exclaimed, looking at Hu Yan Lan Ruo in an interesting manner.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo stared at Nie Li at this moment, feeling like she was struck by lightning.

Chapter 32: Relic

What kind of monster is he?!

Hu Yan Lan Ruo is already a 2-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist. Her soul realm is integrated with the Snow Sakura Demon Spirit. This extremely rare demon spirit lived in the depths of the St. Ancestral Mountains. It has strong charming abilities. All kinds of creatures couldn't help going near the Snow Sakura Demon Spirit and were swallowed by it. Hu Yan Lan Ruo, later, integrated with the Snow Sakura Demon. Charming a demon Spiritualist of the same level was an easy thing to do.

If Hu Yan Lan Ruo were to exert a little trick, there would be a lot of men willing become her escorts. Her charming technique hasn't failed a single time and she never thought that she would actually fail today!

Not only was the charming technique seen though, her demon spirit was also seen through by Nie Li with one look. Isn't this boy in front of her a little too mysterious? The Snow Sakura Demon Spirit is an extremely rare demon spirit caught and given to her by her grandfather. Most people wouldn't have even heard of it before, let alone knowing it's abilities and origin.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo felt like she was struck by lightning. She remained speechless for a long while.

The main point is that, the receiver of the charming technique was only a little boy who's not even a 1-star Bronze rank!

There are two kinds of people that wouldn't be affected by the charming technique. One kind would be a person who has a mind not corrupted with impurities, for example a 5 years old boy. Another kind would be a super expert who is well knowledgeable of the charming technique.

Nie Li is already 13 years old and already has some knowledge between man and woman matters. Therefore, he shouldn't be able to achieve the pure mind of a child. The only possibility would be the second kind.

But... How is that possible?

Hu Yan Lan Ruo would have never imagined that inside the shell of this small boy in front of her, lies the soul of a super expert. A super expert that even surpassed legend rank.

Seeing Hu Yan Lan Ruo's startled expression, Nie Li faintly smiled and continued to walk pass Hu Yan Lan Ruo's side.

"Nie Li, was Hu Yan Lan Ruo not pretty?" Ye Zi Yun looked at Nie Li, blinking her eyes with a curious baby look.

Under that kind of temptation, Nie Li actually refused. Nie Li couldn't have some special unspeakable secrets, right?

Nie Li smiled, looked at Ye Zi Yun and said, "Hu Yan Lan Ruo is indeed very pretty, but how can she be compared to you?"

Hearing Nie Li's rubbish, Ye Zi Yun stamped her feet onto the ground and said, "I can't be compared to Hu Yan Lan Ruo. There are a lot of people that fancy her!"

Ye Zi Yun clearly knows that. Even some of her cousins in Snow Wind Family fancy Hu Yan Lan Ruo.

Nie Li knows that Ye Zi Yun meant the body aspects. Ye Zi Yun's temperament and beauty has far exceeded Hu Yan Lan Ruo. However, in terms of figure, she is still a little less compared to Hu Yan Lan Ruo. Nie Li couldn't help but laugh. He smiled as he looked up and down of Ye Zi Yun. In just a few years, Ye Zi Yun's figure wouldn't lose to Hu Yan Lan Ruo and only Nie Li knows how sexy and beautiful Ye Zi Yun will be at that time. Ye Zi Yun wouldn't be like Hu Yan Lan Ruo flaunting her sexyness, but would be kind and elegant, which isn't what Hu Yan Lan Ruo can compete to.

Seeing the strange and perverted look in Nie Li's eyes, Ye Zi Yun pouted in dissatisfaction. Becoming friends with Nie Li isn't bad, however, going a step further, she have never thought of it before. Ye Zi Yun only thinks about practising in her heart. She wants to become a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist like her grandfather.

The [Nine Revolving Ice Phoenix Technique] that Nie Li gave her, allowed her to be one step closer to her dreams. Therefore, in her heart, she is very grateful towards Nie Li. If it was any of the other boys that glibbed towards her, without any sense of seriousness, she would have already turned around and left.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo turned her head and looked at Nie Li's back. Angrily she said, "I don't believe that I can't subdue a small kid like you!"

Hu Yan Lan Ruo felt a little indignant in her heart. Could it be that her charm can't be compared to Ye Zi Yun?

Hu Yan Lan Ruo turned around, pointed at Nie Li and exclaimed at the crowd, "Nie Li, I will one day make you a slave under my skirt! I have decided, I will chase after this kid. In the future, this kid will be mine. Anyone that wants to touch him would have to ask if I agree to it! If anyone snatches him from me, I'll not let them off!"

Hearing Hu Yan Lan Ruo's domineering declaration, everyone became dumbfounded.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo actually wanted to chase after Nie Li? Everyone looked at Nie Li, then stared at Hu Yan Lan Ruo again.

A beauty like Hu Yan Lan Ruo would only need to wave her finger and a lot of men would surround her like flies. However, Hu Yan Lan Ruo wants to reverse it and chase after Nie Li? This is too weird.

Ye Zi Yun look at Nie Li with a 'wanting to smile yet did not' expression, it seemed that Nie Li has a lot of romance. First, it was Xiao Ning Er taking the initiative to send breakfast and now, he's being chased by Hu Yan Lan Ruo. She can't really see that Nie Li would actually be so attractive.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo's declaration caused a ripples among everyone and became the topic of talk. Even Chen Lin Jian couldn't help but to be astonished.

The group continued moving forwards, passing through several mountains.

"Nie Li, this is an apricot cake, do you want to eat?"

"Nie Li, are you tired? Do you want me to lay a cushion for you to rest?"

Hu Yan Lan Ruo would appear by the side of Nie Li from time to time, like a ghost, and would, from time to time, rush here. The well developed chest would occasionally graze Nie Li's arm accompanied by the fragrance of a woman's scent that would linger around. If it was any other boys, after being provoked by such a sexy beauty, they would definitely be unable to control and eat Hu Yan Lan Ruo up already.

However, Hu Yan Lan Ruo's seduction techniques seemed to only annoy Nie Li.

"I say, can you not be so annoying. Go, go, go! Go do what you want! Go further away!" Nie Li waved his hands and said impatiently.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo's eye turned red. Since when has she ever been

treated like this before? Is Nie Li blind? Blind to her beauty? The more she thought about it, the more she felt unhappy and indignant. She threw the mat onto the ground and walked away.

"Whew... Finally, some peace!" said Nie Li, relieved that the troublesome woman was finally gone.

But after walking a few steps, Hu Yan Lan Ruo turned her head around and said, "Nie Li do you want a drink? I have excellent quality apricot wine here."

Hearing Hu Yan Lan Ruo's words, Nie Li almost collapsed.

'What's wrong with this woman?' he asked himself, 'Why can't I shake her off?'

"Can you not be so silly? Are you that bored?" Nie Li said, rolling his eyes.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo blinked her eyes and said shyly, "I realised that I have fallen for you. Although you don't like me now, it's fine. Who wouldn't like a beauty like me? ,I'll pretend that you are blind, for now. However, not long from now, you will realise how beautiful and cute I am!"

"I'd be blind if I were to fancy you!" Nie Li spatted and quickly walked away.

'This woman is simply beyond hope!'

Of course, Nie Li did not think that Hu Yan Lan Ruo has really fallen for him. She probably finds him fun to play with. He estimates that after a while she'll lose her interest and leave.

Nie Li ran to the side of Ye Zi Yun. No matter if it's the previous life or the current life, Ye Zi Yun is his most beloved. The few girls beside Ye Zi Yun smilingly looked at Nie Li and started discussing softly.

"This is the one that Hu Yan Lan Ruo is chasing?"

"He looks pretty handsome."

"Matching with Hu Yan Lan Ruo is enough!"

Listening to their discussion, Nie Li couldn't help sweating.

Ye Zi Yun raised her head, looked at distressed Nie Li, and faintly said, "Weren't you together with Hu Yan Lan Ruo?"

"Zi Yun, you know that I have nothing to do with Hu Yan Lan Ruo!" Nie Li bitterly smiled. 'Hu Yan Lan Ruo that ** annoyance, if Ye Zi Yun were to misunderstand anything, I'll be depressed.'

"What has this got to do with me?" Ye Zi Yun shrugged turned her head and left. The corner of her mouth slightly rose, revealing a teasing smile. She finds it quite interesting seeing the distressed

look on Nie Li's face.

Nie Li opened his mouth but didn't manage to get anything out. Looking at Ye Zi Yun's tender back, his heart felt depressed. When can he be like the previous life, hugging this pretty girl in his arms? The road ahead is still long!

He'd better raise his strength first. After a few years, Glory City will be under the threats of demon beasts. Even Ye Zi Yun's grandfather, who is a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist, also dies in the battle. Therefore, Nie Li has to reach Legend rank before that. For him, this is a huge challenge as the time is too short.

He must use all the methods available to enhance his strength, which includes this this journey to the Ancient Orchid City Ruins! He must get the spirit lamp!

For the next few days, Nie Li continued to refine the soul force that he got from Chu Yuan. However, Hu Yan Lan Ruo, this woman was too annoying. When Nie Li is practising, she would stand guard beside Nie Li and not moving a step. Hence, Nie Li can only choose to ignore her.

Walking through the mountains for two days, and passing through a deep canyon passage. A distant plain valley, finally, appeared in their sight.

This is a piece of relic from the ancient city. The place covered a radius of a hundred miles. Most of it was covered in dense woods, only leaving some mottled walls. The roar of demon beasts could

be heard from within the ruins. The demon beasts that are above Gold rank have already left the place. What remained in the ruins were Bronze and Silver ranked Demon Beasts.

These remains from the Age of Darkness vaguely told the story of the glory of humanity at that time.

Seeing these broken walls and scattered bones lying around, everyone couldn't help but feel desolation. If Glory City were to be broken through by demon beasts, it would become the same as this ruin. Only leaving behind bones and ruins everywhere.

The rampant demon beasts during the Age of Darkness destroyed all of the human's empire. Only leaving behind several lucky survivors who were still struggling with the demon beasts. However, much of the knowledge and civilization has been lost in the disaster. For example, many of Glory City's cultivation techniques, martial arts, and inscription patterns are all incomplete. Therefore, it's very possible to get some stuff left behind by the Age of Darkness, if they were to explore these ancient ruins!

What Nie Li wants is the spirit lamp. It was a powerful item left behind by a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist of the Age of Darkness!

Chapter 33: Archery Skills

Before the arrival of Nie Li and the group, every family has already dispatched some people to explore these ancient ruins. It was a pity that there wasn't much of a discovery. Hence, there aren't that many people who come here to explore after that. Chen Lin Jian somehow got his hand on the map of the Ancient Orchid City Ruins, which is why he decided to explore this place.

"Finally, we've reached the Ancient Orchid City Ruins! Now, we have two routes that we can take. Here's the map!" said Chen Lin Jian, spreading out the map and pointed to the lines on the map.

Everyone began to surround the map and started to discuss which route to take.

"The first route is towards the west gate. By walking along the walls, we can reach the main city quickly. However, what can we find on this route? We'll definitely want to enter the houses in the city so that we can get some spoils!" said one of Chen Lin Jian's underlings.

"I agree to his view!"

"Yeah, we should search around this house area!" Everyone parroted.

Chen Lin Jian was silent for a moment. He raised his head, looked towards Nie Li and asked "What do you think?"

Everyone got a little surprised. They never thought that Chen Lin Jian would ask for Nie Li's opinion at this moment.

Ye Zi Yun also looked at Nie Li with her bright eyes. Hu Yan Lan Ruo was also unable to take her eyes off Nie Li.

Now, everyone was very concerned about Nie Li's view.

Nie Li spread his hand out and said, "If you guys came here just to search the houses, then that would be a big mistake! Those that came before have already searched the commoner's houses. Even if we were to search them again, we wouldn't get any gains. Generally in a city, who is the wealthiest? Is it the commoners? Of course not. 90% of the wealth of a city are in the hands of the big families."

"There's a radius of hundreds of miles in this place. There are so many commoners houses and a lot of the places here have been destroyed. How would we know where these big families are located?" Shen Yue retorted at one side. As long as it's Nie Li's words, he must retort.

"Continue speaking." Chen Lin Jian said, looking at Nie Li in an interesting manner. Apparently, he agrees with Nie Li's deduction.

"It's easy to find the inhabitant of big families. Which building in this map is the most sparse? That is the location! Generally, big families would have their own courtyard." Nie Li continued.

Everyone's eyes fell on the map upon hearing Nie Li's speech.

"Here!" Hu Yan Lan Ruo said, pleasantly surprised.

"Correct. This should be this place. A lot of buildings here are very large!"

Chen Lin Jian frowned and said, "This area has already been searched. Although some goods were found, it wasn't much. Some of the people even dug 3 feet down into the place and couldn't find any chamber related areas!"

"I say, what you are thinking of, couldn't others have thought of that, too? You think that every big family in Glory City are vegetarians?" Shen Yue snorted.

Nie Li frowned, stared at Shen Yue and said, "When I'm talking, can you shut up? Since you're so smart, why don't you take over?"

Just when Shen Yue is about to retort, Chen Lin Jian stared at Shen Yue and snorted "Shut up!"

Shen Yue opened his mouth, then closed it, feeling depressed. Although he's a direct descendent of Sacred Family. His position could not be compared to Chen Lin Jian. Even if he had ten times the amount of guts, he wouldn't dare to refute Chen Lin Jian.

“It’s normal for this area to have already been searched. Lets continue to look at the map. This big family’s house is located at the central axis of the city. Because of this, the place would be the most guarded area, as well as the safest.” Nie Li pointed to the area behind the house and said, “This area should be where the City Lord Mansion is located!”

Chen Lin Jian nodded. Up till now, Nie Li’s deduction was correct. However, even this City Lord Mansion has already been searched by those that came here first, including underground, but no one made many discoveries.

“Lets continue looking at the map.A few hundred miles from the City Lord Mansion, there are three areas. Do you know what these three areas are?” Nie Li asked Chen Lin Jian.

“Within these three areas, one of them is the military ground, which is where the City Lord’s soldiers trained. Another one is a heavily built stone fort. It is empty inside, and made from black marble. Even a chisel couldn’t damage it. As for the last one, I don’t know what it is for. It’s right beside the stone fort and is forested with trees and weeds.” Chen Lin Jian answered. Before coming here, he had already memorized the Ancient Orchid City Ruins area.

Hearing Chen Lin Jian’s word, Nie Li smiled and said, “Not far from my guesses!”

Chen Lin Jian’s eye lit up and said, “What you mean is that these three areas are very suspicious? Could it be that stone fort? But… It has already been searched!”

“That stone fort should be a disaster refuge. When a disaster arrives, they probably hid in the stone fort. Therefore, there should be some kind of secret room hiding the treasures. The piece of land near the stone fort is obviously a trap area, which was used to ward off demon beasts. If they come near to investigate, they wouldn’t even know when they died. Furthermore, I find that the most suspicious area is this military ground!” Nie Li said, faintly smiling.

“Why would the military ground be the most suspicious place instead?”

The military ground is a piece of mud land, which is the training ground. Why would it be suspicious?

“The most inconspicuous area would be the safest place! Moreover, this City Lord placed the military ground at the central axis of the city and, with this alone, proves that it isn’t that simple. There should be something important hidden below the military ground!” Nie Li pointed to the map and said, “We’ll search around this area!”

“Okay! So, it’s decided, then!” Chen Lin Jian picked up the map, and slightly chuckled. Since the direction has been decided, they can save a lot of time and take less detours.

Chen Lin Jian’s underling’s eyes had traces of admiration in them when they looked at Nie Li. At this moment, no one looked down on Nie Li and felt that it’s proper for Nie Li to choose a piece

of treasure first.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo lifted her head. Her eyes were filled with splendor. Nie Li's strict reasoning caused her to admire him with respect. She faintly felt that Nie Li isn't simple. Otherwise, how would a 1-star Bronze rank be able to break her charming technique?

'The man that I chose, naturally isn't simple!' Hu Yan Lan Ruo proudly thought. Although Nie Li completely ignores her, she firmly set her eyes on him.

If Nie Li were to know of Hu Yan Lan Ruo's current thoughts, he would surely burst into tears. Why would he step into the limelight for no reason? After having her stick to him like sticky candy, he would fear that he wouldn't be able to get rid of her.

Ye Zi Yun pursed her lips laughing. That charming expression caused Nie Li to be stunned, it had a kind of familiar feel to it.

Seeing the attracted look on Nie Li's face, Hu Yan Lan Ruo was about to go mad! Such a sexy and charming beauty like her was standing in front of Nie Li, yet Nie Li seemed to be blind. He only has eyes for Ye Zi Yun.

'This is simply too outrageous!' Hu Yan Lan Ruo thought, 'Nie Li, I hate you!!'

Nie Li can't even be bothered about Hu Yan Lan Ruo's thoughts.

He took out a bolt from his backpack, then took out Purple Haze Grass agent and smear it onto the arrow.

“Nie Li, what are you doing?” said Hu Yan Lan Ruo as she and Ye Zi Yun looked at Nie Li with curiosity.

Nie Li shrugged and said, “It’s nothing.”

“Okay, off we go!” Chen Lin Jian shouted. The group slowly advanced towards the Ancient Orchid City, walking along the edge of the walls and chose a relatively quick and safe route. If they were to move according to the original route, they were afraid that it would be very tough since there were a lot of demon beasts hiding in the complex terrain.

Roars of demon beasts came from the depths of the Ancient Orchid City Ruins. Aside from demon beasts, there would, occasionally, be some groups of people. They were, also, from Glory City. They came here to explore the ruins of the Ancient Orchid City.

Just as Chen Lin Jian, Nie Li and bunch were moving to the depths of Ancient Orchid City, a group of people appeared at the Ancient Orchid City’s entrance.

The group of people were dressed in black robes, a total of 15 people.

“Are you sure that those kids are from nobility families?” The

leading man swept his gaze to the few people by his side and asked. His figure was tall, a head taller than those by his side.

“Yes, Yun Hua Deacon!” One of the black robed men replied.

“Good!” Yun Hua Decon’s face had a grim smile and said, “Go capture three kids with the highest rank. Use them to exchange for ransom with those big families and kill the rest!”

The Dark Guild is a dreadful existence in Glory City. They would often kidnap nobilities kids to exchange for random. They are like a bunch of leeches, living in the shadows of Glory City. They would use all sorts of methods to gather money to provide training resources to the members in the guild. Although many families in Glory City would gather together numerous times to wipe the Dark Guild out, the Dark Guild would suddenly disappear.

It’s said that the Dark Guild’s headquarters was located at a very secretive location in the St. Ancestral Mountains. They are an extremely powerful force which even Lord Ye Mo could not eradicate.

Sou Sou Sou The black robed guys all skimmed towards the Ancient Orchid City.

Inside the ruins of Ancient Orchid Ruins

The group was having difficulties moving forward. Occasionally, there would be Giant Blue Armed Apes appearing. These demon

beasts have a height of two meters. Their thick arms were like black pillars, but they were very agile and they are generally Silver ranked.

Six Giant Blue Armed Apes were flying across the walls of the ruins, tailing Nie Li and the group.

These Giant Blue Armed Apes have fearsome intelligence. Realizing that there were over 30 people, they didn't go forward. They only tailed them, waiting for their chance.

"These Giant Blue Armed Apes are really annoying!" Chen Lin Jian frowned. Although these Giant Blue Armed Apes did not charge at them, they couldn't do anything to the Giant Blue Armed Apes. And as time passed, more and more Giant Blue Armed Apes would gather together. Once the amount of Giant Blue Armed Apes increased, they will group up to attack them.

At this moment, sou a sound was heard. A cold light cut across from the shadows of the corner.

Chen Lin Jian and bunch soon saw it clearly. It's an arrow. The arrow had cut through the gap of the branch at an extremely tricky angle and headed for one of the Giant Blue Armed Apes.

Pu!

That arrow struck the Giant Blue Armed Ape. That Giant Blue Armed Ape wailed and fell from the high wall, landing heavily on

the ground and caused the dust to cover the surrounding area. That Giant Blue Armed Ape struggled on the ground but was unable to get back up.

Seeing that, Chen Lin Jian immediately rushed over, wielded his sword and chop downwards. Plop The blood of that Giant Blue Armed Ape splattered with the demon beast dead on the ground.

The group looked backwards in amazement and only saw Nie Li walking out of the shadow.

Chapter 34: Spirit Grade Demon Beast

There are many uses to the Purple Haze Grass. One of them would be a strong toxic towards ape type demon beasts. Ordinary Silver ranked ape demon beasts wouldn't be able to withstand its toxicity.In this world, one thing subdues the other.

'Nie Li only used one bolt to kill a Giant Blue Arm Ape?'

Everyone looked at each other, utterly surprised deep inside their hearts.

Only Hu Yan Lan Ruo and Ye Zi Yun knew that Nie Li smeared some kind of medicine agent onto the bolt. But even so, to be able to shot the Giant Blue Armed Ape so easily is a superb thing.

Seeing Nie Li kill a Giant Blue Armed Ape with the crossbow arrow, Chen Lin Jian shouted to the crowd, "Everyone draw your crossbows out!"

Chen Lin Jian's men took out their crossbows, knowing that they can use them to annihilate the Giant Blue Armed Ape.

Shen Yue also took out a crossbow. Seeing the delicate crossbow in his hand, he felt grievance in his heart. Based on what he's witnessed, is Nie Li stronger than him in every aspect? Since the appearance of Nie Li, he felt that Ye Zi Yun is getting further and further away from his reach. And now, Ye Zi Yun completely ignores his presence. On the other hand, she sees Nie Li in a new light. This made him mad with envy in his heart.

Just shoot and kill the Giant Blue Armed Ape, how hard can it be?

Shen Yue loaded the arrows on the crossbow and slowly crept to the edge of a wall. He pointed the crossbow to a Giant Blue Armed Ape a good distance away. His expressions were exceptionally serious and focused. He aimed the front sight onto the Giant Blue Armed Ape. At this moment, everyone was holding their breath. Their eyes focused on Chen Yue, who's at the edge of the wall.

"With a big target like the Giant Blue Armed Ape, how hard can it be to shoot it?" declared Shen Yue, pulling the trigger. Just as he pulled the trigger, his hand slightly trembled, unconsciously.

sou A cold light pierced the sky. bang A moment later, the arrow was nailed into a tree trunk about five to six meters away from the Giant Blue Armed Ape.

At this moment, Shen Yue's face slightly twitched and became ashened by the scene.

Seeing this, everyone's expression was weird. They tightly held back their laughter. If they were to laugh out, Chen Yue would have utterly thrown his face away. Everyone knows that Shen Yue wanted to compete with Nie Li. But... competing is fine... but can it not be so funny?

Shen Yue almost went crazy. He clearly felt that he was able to hit the target, but why would the arrow stray when he pulled the

trigger?

Seeing the surrounding people strongly holding back their laughters, Shen Yue felt extremely ashamed. He also vaguely saw the laughter in Ye Zi Yun's eye, it's a kind of contempt!

'Damn it! I don't believe I can hit it!' he thought.

Shen Yue immediately took out a second arrow and loaded it onto the crossbow. After scrambling to load the arrow, he immediately aimed the crossbow to a Giant Blue Arm Aped far away.

Sou!

That arrow cut across a cold light on the air. However, after a moment, the arrow seemed to have lost its strength and fell onto the ground. Shen Yue did not load the arrow properly, which is why the arrow fell after flying for a short distance.

At this moment, all the people couldn't help laughing out loud. Shen Yue simply doesn't have the skills. He wanted to copy Nie Li by killing the Giant Blue Armed Ape with arrows, however, his results were the opposite of Nie Li's. Is Shen Yue's purpose here is to be funny?

Chen Lin Jian strongly held back his laughter and walk to the side of Shen Yue. He patted onto his shoulders and said, "Shen Yue bro, forget it. You can't play with this thing."

Shen Yue's face grew purple. The crowd's laughter was exceptionally ear piercing to him. His hatred for Nie Li grew. It was Nie Li's fault that caused him to embarrass himself in front of all these people!

If Nie Li were to know of Shen Yue's thoughts at the moment, he would feel very innocent. Because he didn't even do a thing.

Shen Yue currently held onto the crossbow, not knowing if he should keep it or not. However, he can't help feeling like he was drilling into the ground in shame.

In his previous life, Shen Yue was extremely proud and would mock Nie Li to the extreme. Thinking of it, the corner of Nie Li's mouth slowly raised up into a sneer. He faintly said, "Just because there are some things that I can do, doesn't mean that you can, also, do it!"

Shen Yue's anger within his heart exploded upon hearing Nie Li's words, he turned to face Nie Li and yelled, "Everything's your fault, I will kill you!"

Veins could be seen on Shen Yue's face. He raised the crossbow in his hand and aiming it at Nie Li. He was on the verge of going crazy. As a direct descendent of Sacred Family, Shen Yue was very proud deep in his heart. Therefore, he was losing his mind under Nie Li's provocation.

pa Chen Lin Jian smacked the crossbow out of Shen Yue's hand

and shouted, “Enough!”

Shen Yue raised his head and saw the cold expression on Chen Lin Jian’s face. Upon seeing it, Shen Yue’s spirit dropped. Right now, everyone was standing on Nie Li’s side. He turned around and walked away in resentment. Discussion arose, looking at Shen Yue’s back.

“Never thought that Shen Yue was this kind of person.”

“That wasn’t the behaviour that a noble should have.”

Nie Li’s gaze turned icy cold as he recalled the Sacred Family fleeing in his previous life and every one of Shen Yue’s doings. Even if such a person and family were to be annihilated, Nie Li wouldn’t feel a bit of pity for them.

Seeing Shen Yue’s lonely back, Ye Zi Yun walked to the side of Nie Li and said, “Nie Li, Shen Yue is quite pitiful.”

Hearing Ye Zi Yun’s words, Nie Li frowned. He never thought that Ye Zi Yun would sympathize with Shen Yue. Ye Zi Yun is too soft-hearted, in his previous life, Ye Zi Yun agreed to Shen Yue’s engagement under his tremendous pleading. But in the end, before they even got married, Shen Yue fled Glory City with his household. He was that kind of person, what is here to sympathize.

Feeling furious in his heart, Nie Li stared at Ye Zi Yun and spoke in a severe tone, “What is there to pity him about? From today

onwards, don’t come in contact with him! Otherwise, don’t come and see me. A scumbag like him, even if he were to die, he would’ve deserved it!”

Listening the the severe reprimand, Ye Zi Yun pouted.

‘You’re not my boyfriend. On what basis are you restricting my contact with others?’ although she thought this way in her heart, however she also made her choice to not to come in contact with Shen Yue. Otherwise, there’s the possibility that she wouldn’t be able to be friends with Nie Li. Gradually, she became concerned about Nie Li’s view. However, she doesn’t understand something.

‘Why does Nie Li hate Shen Yue so much? Is there some kind of mortal vengeance between the two of them?’

Nie Li sighed. His emotions were a little too stirred up earlier on. Hence, his tone was a little severe. However, it’s good to warn Ye Zi Yun a little.

Chen Lin Jian’s men began to deal with Giant Blue Armed Ape with crossbows, however, they realised that their arrows couldn’t do anything to them. It’s true that those Giant Blue Armed Apes have a huge body, however, their movements are very agile. They realised that after the arrow were released, the apes are able to dodge it immediately, causing their arrows to miss.

They, now, realised just how skilled Nie Li’s archery was.

After finding out another capability of Nie Li's, amorous filled Hu Yan Lan Ruo's gaze whenever she looked at Nie Li. She would occasionally reveal a seducing posture beside Nie Li. She demostrated her amazing curves, her towering peaks and the deep ravine.

Nie Li was speechless towards this woman. She can simply go into heat at any moment. When she's facing other people, she had a face of indifference. However when facing Nie Li, she seemed exceptionally interested.

"Nie Li bro, we'll have to trouble you!" Chen Lin Jian sighed. Among the group, only Nie Li is able to kill those Giant Blue Armed Apes.

"Mhm!" Nie Li replied with a slight nod.

Nie Li began to clear the Giant Blue Armed Apes along the way. His aim was so precise that he never missed the target. His archery skill had reached an extreme height in his previous life. Although his cultivation has only just reached 1-star Bronze rank, dealing with ordinary Silver rank demon beasts was more than enough.

Everyone was simply amazed at Nie Li's archery skills. Although, a Silver rank expert would say that dodging Nie Li's arrows isn't a difficult issue. However, no matter how much those Giant Blue Armed Apes tried to dodge, the arrow seemed like a shadow that chased after them and followed them on the back.

Unknowingly, Nie Li had already become a core member of the

group.

Just when Nie Li and the group began to slowly close the distance to their destination, the amount of Giant Blue Armed Apes suddenly grew. They amounted to over twenty of them, all eyeing Nie Li and the group.

“Roar!”

A deafening roar sounded. The whole ground began to tremble violently. As though their eardrums were destroyed by the deafening roar, everyone looked at each other.

“It’s a Spiritual grade demon beast!” Nie Li said in horror.

Ordinary demon beasts are the same as human beings. They are split into Bronze, Silver, Gold, Black Gold and Legend rank. However, among these levels, there are still Normal, Spiritual and Emperor demon beasts. Lets take the Giant Blue Armed Ape for example. An ordinary one wouldn’t be able to form spirit in their mind. However, a Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape would already have formed a spirit in its mind. It, also, has the intellect of an ordinary 10 year old human. Its strength is also a lot stronger than Normal grade Giant Blue Armed Apes. As for Emperor level, the spirit in its mind would be a liquid state and would have the ability to change its physical body into human form. Its strength is also extremely frightening.

“What’s its strength?” Chen Lin Jian’s face changed, and asked in a frightened voice.

“5-star Silver rank, almost into Gold rank!” Nie Li replied. Nie Li was able to determine its strength by the roar of that Giant Blue Armed Ape.

Nie Li’s brow slightly knitted. Demon beasts of the same level are usually slightly stronger than humans, especially demon beasts like Giant Blue Armed Apes. They are extremely hard to handle, and this Giant Blue Armed Ape’s actual strength might be able to rival a Gold rank expert!

With Nie Li’s current strength, dealing with such a demon beast is too difficult.

As for Chen Lin Jian’s team, the strongest is only 3-star Silver rank!

5-star Silver rank… Hearing that, Chen Lin Jian also frowned. He never thought that they would actually meet a Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape here, moreover, it’s a 5-star Silver rank. He was afraid that it would be very hard to deal with. There are also many Giant Blue Armed Apes in the surroundings eyeing them. If a fight were to break out, it’s possible for all of them to be annihilated!

Roar!

The Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape flew to the top of the walls. His gaze was fierce and was staring at Nie Li and the group.

“Come, follow me!” Nie Li shouted and leaped into the forest beside them.

Everyone looked at each other for awhile and quickly followed Nie Li, hiding in the forest.

Seeing that, the Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape furiously hammered his chest and stomped his feet. The Deafening roar was heard once again. The group of normal Giant Blue Armed Apes, as though hearing the command of the Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape, headed towards the direction where Nie Li and the group fled to.

Entering the dense forest wasn’t convenient for the Giant Blue Armed Apes who’s physical size was big.

“Formation!” Chen Lin Jian roared in anger. The group of Silver rank experts rapidly relied on the thick trees in the surrounding, formed a circle formation and brought their weapons out.

Sou Sou Sou!

A Giant Blue Armed Apes charged in, Nie Li rose his crossbow and an arrow flew out.

Chapter 35: Luring The Trouble

The accuracy of Nie Li's archery was extremely high. The Giant Blue Armed Apes that were shot by him shrieked miserably.

The Giant Blue Armed Apes couldn't resist the toxins from the Purple Haze Grass. After raising the weapons on their hands, Chen Lin Jian and his Silver ranked underlings slashed towards that Giant Blue Armed Apes.

Psh psh psh!

Blood was spurted all around, drenching Chen Lin Jian and his men blood red.

Nie Li knows that this particular Giant Blue Armed Ape was used to being probed by the Spiritual graded Giant Blue Armed Ape. The intellect of Spiritual ape type demon beasts were very shocking. Furthermore, their fighting strength was very frightening.

In his previous life, when Ye Zi Yun and the rest came to the Ancient Orchid City Ruins, they did not encounter any spiritual grade demon beast. Therefore, the appearance of this spiritual grade demon beast that they are meeting now caused Nie Li to feel a little unease. Nie Li desperately refined the soul force in his dantian that he got from Chu Yuan. If he's able to reach 2-star bronze rank, then it will be much safer.

"We'll lure it towards the fort area!" Nie Li raised his voice. The defensive measure of that fort was tighter, therefore, they can use

it to deal with that Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape.

Roar!

That Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape leaped, charging towards their direction. He raised his thick arms and smashed them towards one of Chen Lin Jian's men.

Boom!

The Giant Blue Armed Ape slapped that person on his abdomen. The person shrieked, flew out and smacked into a huge tree. His blood spouted out as he fell.

That person was a 2-star Silver rank. The Giant Blue Armed Ape's strength is too frightening. With just a slap, he killed a 2-star Silver rank expert. No one has ever experienced such a battle before, hence, after seeing that, their faces paled.

After killing one, the Giant Blue Armed Ape wasn't in a hurry to attack. The Giant Blue Armed Ape were waiting outside, like a tiger preying on it's prey, finding chance to launch a surprise attack.

"Shit, that fella is too strong! Moreover, he's the leader of the Giant Blue Armed Apes population. His roar would attract even more Giant Blue Armed Apes!" Nie Li said while frowning, "We are too big of a target, we need to disperse!"

Chen Lin Jian slightly knitted his brows, lowered his voice and said, “Okay, we’ll split into 6 teams and meet in that fort!”

The group hastily dispersed.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo and Ye Zi Yun followed Nie Li, with two other servants and one girl who has a rather good relationship with Ye Zi Yun.

Sou Sou Sou six teams of people ran out into six different directions.

The Giant Blue Armed Ape was just planning to kill the group slowly one by one. However, it never thought that they would split into six teams, and run in different directions. It paused for a moment then chased after Nie Li’s group.

Nie Li bitterly smiled, why is his luck so terrible. Out of the six teams, why did that Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape chase after them?!

“You guys go first, hurry up!” Nie Li shouted, retrieving a few bottles of medicine agent made from Purple Haze Grass from his interspartial ring.

Ye Zi Yun’s step slightly paused. Seeing the back of Nie Li who was facing the Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape, made heart tremble.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo's eyes reddend, at this dangerous moment, Nie Li did not think about his own escape, but decided to cover their backs. She was deeply touched by Nie Li's action in her heart.

"Hurry up! Don't dawdle! Don't worry about me, I have my own way!" Nie Li snarled, "Split up and run, otherwise you won't be able to make it out alive!"

Ye Zi Yun and Hu Yan Lan Ruo gritted their teeth with tears slightly flickering in their eyes. They hesitated for a moment, but decided to run into the forest.

Roar!

That Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape swung its hand and slammed it towards Nie Li.

Just when the Giant Blue Armed Ape's arm that was about to slam onto his body, Nie Li suddenly dropped to the ground and rolled.

Boom!

The huge palm of that Giant Blue Armed Ape slammed into Nie Li's original position. Cracks appeared on the ground and the crushed rocks flew all over the place. pu pu Two crushed rocks scraped Nie Li's arm, causing the blood to spurt out from his arm.

The Giant Blue Armed Ape hammered his chest and stamped the

ground. Once again, it swung its arm towards Nie Li and slammed it down.

Nie Li's brow slightly twitched. He knows where the weakness of the Giant Blue Armed Apes are. Soul force was released from his body, and he could immediately feel the spirit deep in this Giant Blue Armed Ape's mind. The Giant Blue Armed Ape's soul force was like a hemispherical membrane enveloping its head.

"Break!" Nie Li thundered. All his soul force gathered into one spot, and punctured into the mind of the Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape.

Boom!

The spirit within the mind of the Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape trembled non-stop. Its movements were also stunned.

Nie Li clearly knows that he is not the opponent of this Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape, after all, he had just become a 2-star Bronze rank. Not even a sword could cut open the flesh of this Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape. Therefore, he can only use soul force attacks. Taking advantage of the pause of the Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape, Nie Li leaped, and bolted towards the forest.

The Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape was unprepared, hence this allowed Nie Li's soul force to bombard into the spirit within its mind. This caused its mind to be in chaos. The Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape shook his head non-stop, and,

gradually, the confused eyes began to clear up.

When it could see clearly, Nie Li had already fled.

The Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape roared furiously and strode towards the direction of Nie Li. The Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape was like lightning. All the trees that blocked its way were smashed and were sent flying.

Madly running, seeing the distance between him and the Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape getting closer, Nie Li's heart grew anxious. He tried his best to hide in dense forest areas. Just when Nie Li was about to run out of the forest, a group of people appeared into his view.

This group wore black robes. Their faces were completely covered, only a little bit of their chin was exposed. The black demon design on their back was sinisterly terrifying.

Their eyes fell on Nie Li, and were slightly surprised. What is a little kid like Nie Li doing here, moreover, how did a kid even manage to get here? They were attracted here by the roars of the Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape and have been searching for the tracks of Chen Lin Jian's group. However, they never thought that they would run into Nie Li here.

Seeing their dress up, a chill flashed across Nie Li's eye. He naturally recognized these black robes. They are Glory City's most despicable, darkest group of people, the Dark Guild!

“This brat could be a child of nobility, capture him!” the leader, Yun Hua Deacon shouted. The other two black robed people went to surround Nie Li. Seeing this scene, Nie Li exposed a hint of a weird smile.

Rumble!

The ground violently trembled. The Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape came out of the dense forest, roared and charged towards Nie Li.

Nie Li immediately ran. He bolted towards the direction of the black robed men.

Seeing the Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape charging, the black robed men immediately set up a formation, and were preparing to withstand the impact of the Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape.

The Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape roared. It noticed these people and thought that they were the gang with Nie Li. The Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape leaped, and pounced towards Nie Li. Seeing the Giant Blue Armed Ape about to reach him, Nie Li hastily leaped towards the side. The palm of the Giant Blue Arm Ape grazed Nie Li’s back. He could feel his back burning from the whistling strong air.

Fortunately Nie Li’s reaction was fast enough, so he wasn’t pounced on. Otherwise, Nie Li would have been seriously injured.

The Giant Blue Arm Ape rolled towards the black robed men after failing to get Nie Li.

“Kill it!” Yun Hua Deacon coldly shouted. The black robed men swung their swords towards the Giant Blue Armed Ape.

Bang bang bang! An intense confrontation started.

Seeing that the battle between the Giant Blue Arm Ape and those black robed people has begun, Nie Li took a deep breath and a smile formed on his mouth, “I’ll gift this Giant Blue Armed Ape to you! I’ll take a step first!”

While ignoring the injuries on his body, Nie Li leaped towards the forest.

The strength of the Giant Blue Armed Ape is very powerful. Those people from the Dark Guild won’t be able to kill it in a short time and can only see Nie Li as he ran away from them.

Yun Hua Deacon’s face ashened. He was actually tricked by a kid. It was simply intolerable!

At this moment, Nie Li suddenly saw a figure appearing from the bush. If it wasn’t Ye Zi Yun, then who was it?

“Why are you still here?” Nie Li asked, frowning. Ye Zi Yun did not listen to his words and left.

“I was worried that you would be in trouble, so I was on the side ready to reinforce you!”

She looked at the bloody wounds on Nie Li’s body, and her face showed expressions of concerns.

Nie Li knew, at this moment, Ye Zi Yun doesn’t have any romantic feelings for him. However, when he met danger, she came back and did not leave. This allowed Nie Li to recall what had happened in his previous life. After Glory City was destroyed, he followed the large force moving out. Nie Li at that time was still very weak and he had gotten lost. It was Ye Zi Yun who went back and saved him.

Ye Zi Yun’s noble character, at that moment, impressed Nie Li.

After that, the two of them came in contact more and more often. Although, the difference of strength between them was very large, the both of them still fell in love with each other.

Nie Li was touched in his heart, but did not say too much.

“We have to leave immediately, otherwise those people will catch up!”

“Those people?” Ye Zi Yun froze for a moment.

“It’s the Dark Guild, they are intercepting that Giant Blue Armed Ape!” Nie Li said as he pulled Ye Zi Yun’s hand and ran.

The two of them were running in the forest. Having her hands held onto by Nie Li, Ye Zi Yun’s cheeks blushed. She tried to struggle but was unable to break free, and could only let Nie Li do as he pleased. Ye Zi Yun raised her head to look at Nie Li’s face, not knowing if Nie Li was being intentional or unintentional. Since young, this is the first time that her hands were pulled by a man. The warmth from Nie Li’s palm gave her a thick sense of security.

The two continued to run and headed towards the appointed location. As the sky grew dark, roars of beasts could occasionally be heard from the depths of the forest, giving this place a little awe-inspiring atmosphere.

At this moment, within the distant forest, Hu Yan Lan Ruo’s tears fell down. She turned back to look for Nie Li and searched for a few hours, however she wasn’t able to find any trace of him. As the sky darkened, she could only follow the people that were heading towards the appointed location.

Earlier on, when she announced that she wanted to chase Nie Li, it was simply because she wasn’t convinced and didn’t like losing. She even thought of throwing Nie Li away after getting him, to leave him to cry and beg her. Until, Nie Li sacrificed himself to cover her back. She, then, realised that she no longer had any of those intentions anymore. She only wants Nie Li to be fine.

However, Nie Li sacrificed himself to cover the back of not only her, but also Ye Zi Yun. But Hu Yan Lan Ruo, naturally, ignored Ye

Zi Yun in her heart.

Chapter 36: Numerology

While running along with Ye Zi Yun, and avoiding the normal Giant Blue Armed Apes, the night deepened. If they were to continue moving forward, it would be easy for them to encounter dangers.

“Lets camp in this place!” Nie Li looked towards Ye Zi Yun and said.

Although it’s dark in the night, Ye Zi Yun still displayed courage far from normal girls. Her clear eyes looked towards the distant dense forest, a shadow caught her eye.

“What’s that?” Ye Zi Yun asked, puzzled.

“Seems to be a building!” Nie Li said with a slight frown. It should be a dilapidated building.

“Lets go have a look,” suggested Ye Zi Yun as she strode towards that direction. For her be alone with Nie Li, made her a little nervous. After all, it’s her first time staying the night with a boy. Although she believes that Nie Li wouldn’t do anything to her, her heart still beats wildly. Hence, she tried to divert their direction. Nie Li followed behind Ye Zi Yun and headed towards that direction.

“This place could’ve been a statue!” Nie Li said. He couldn’t make out what the sculpture was since it had already collapsed.

Here vague remnants the civilisation before the Age of Darkness remained.

“What are these words?” Ye Zi Yun looked at Nie Li and asked.

There is a stone tablet below the statue. Nie Li brushed off the dust on the surface and, with the aid of the moonlight, he was able to clearly make out the words on it.

“This was the language of the Sacred Empire,” he explained, “It says: Those who follows me, shall be honoured. Those who oppose me, shall be perished. What big words!”

These words were probably left behind by some tyrant. The power and position of that tyrant should be very high. But even so, so what? He and his empire were eventually engulfed by the tide of demon beasts. Once a formidable person ended up as dirt, and left a broken statue behind.

“Nie Li, how did you learn the language of Sacred Empire?” asked Ye Zi Yun, filled with curiosity regarding this matter. There are only a few that know a little bit of the Sacred Empire language.

“How did I learn it?” Nie Li smiled. He couldn’t really say that he learnt all of Divine Continent’s era, language and cultivation techniques, right?

“Since you’re unwilling, forget it!” Ye Zi Yun said, pouting.

Nie Li shrugged. It's not that he wasn't willing to tell, it's just that even if he were to tell her, Ye Zi Yun wouldn't be able to understand.

Ye Zi Yun bypassed the statue. Just when she is preparing to check out the ruins, she suddenly screamed.

Nie Li realised that the place that Ye Zi Yun was standing in was rapidly sinking in. His face changed, and he immediately rushed towards Ye Zi Yun. However, the ground seemed to sink even more. A powerful suction sucked the both of them downwards. The bottom seemed to be a bottomless abyss.

'Why would Ancient Orchid City have a place like this?' Nie Li silently asked himself as he hugged Ye Zi Yun tightly, and drew out his sword, nailing it into the cliff beside them.

When he attempted to nail the sword into the stone wall, snap it broke. The stone wall was too tough.

'What the heck is this place?'

He looked down to see what's at the bottom and he realised that beneath them was complete dark, unable to see anything.

At this moment, Ye Zi Yun took advantage of the moment, since the speed of their descent had temporarily dropped. She quickly took out a rope from her interspatial ring, and hooked it onto the

bulged area on the cliff. Peng both of them pulled onto the string, and managed to stop falling.

'Icy Snow Spider Demon silk. It's no wonder it has such toughness!' thought Nie Li, relieved. Although they still felt the suction force from below, they had managed to stop.

"Nie Li, where is this place?" Ye Zi Yun nervously asked. Both Nie Li and her were hanging in the air. However, due to the cliff being so smooth, it was simply impossible to climb and they couldn't see what's at the bottom.

"I have no idea!" Nie Li bitterly replied, smiling. He didn't know that there was such a place in Ancient Orchid City nor did he hear about it from Ye Zi Yun in his previous life. They had accidentally broke into a secret area within the Ancient Orchid City.

Remembering the things that just happened, Nie Li suddenly understood. The words that he had just read, must have been the "key" to enter this place!

"We can only go downwards!" Nie Li said, since they couldn't go back up with the rocks being so slippery.

Nie Li raised his head. Under the moonlight, he could clearly see Ye Zi Yun's quick-witted pupils, slightly tilted eyelashes and flawless crystal clear skin. This scene had a kind of indescribable charm. Her pink lips were as though they had a thin layer of rouge on them. At this moment, the two of them were closely stuck together. Nie Li could vaguely feel the pair of softness in front of

Ye Zi Yun's chest, and a girl's fragrance coming from her.

Ye Zi Yun also felt their affectionate posture and her cheeks suddenly blushed.

"Don't move, I'll go down first!" Ye Zi Yun quickly said.

Seeing Ye Zi Yun's cramped and reserved look, Nie Li couldn't help to think back to his previous life when he and Ye Zi Yun just got together and had a tender affection for her from the depths of his heart.

He bluntly grabbed onto Ye Zi Yun's waist, smiled and said, "Hold onto me tightly, we'll go down together!"

'Nie Li is too much!' Ye Zi Yun thought as she felt Nie Li's right arm bluntly lift her butt. She was furious, however, if she were to struggle, both of them would most likely fall.

'Nie Li this scoundrel, rogue!' Ye Zi Yun cursed in her heart. She knew she was helpless.

Seeing Ye Zi Yun's furious look, Nie Li lightly smiled. The softness from his hand caused his heart to flutter and couldn't help to pinch it a little. Ye Zi Yun's hip is already very curvy, and in a few more years wouldn't it be more rich?

"Nie Li, if you shamelessly touch me again, I'll go all out with you. At most, we'll drop together!" she declared, knitting her

brows and staring at Nie Li. Even the elegant Ye Zi Yun couldn't stand it any more.

"Okay okay, I won't touch you, again!" Nie Li laughed. Recalling back to his previous life. Whenever Ye Zi Yun got angry, she she had the exactly same temper. He slowly let go of the rope, and the two of them slowly moved down.

After about ten minutes, Nie Li had finally reached the ground with his feet. Feeling disappointed, he had no choice but to let Ye Zi Yun go.

Gritting her teeth, Ye Zi Yun did not say anything and began to explore the surroundings. Ever since she was young, she had never been taken advantage of by others like this. And the most hateful thing is, Nie Li acted as though nothing had happened and began to look around the surroundings. She got more and more angry when she thought about it, and ruthlessly stepped onto Nie Li's foot.

"Ouch!!" Nie Li yelled, inhaling a lump of cold air while he held his foot and jumped around.

Seeing Nie Li's exaggerated reaction, Ye Zi Yun couldn't help laughing.

"If you dare to not be honest again, be careful. I might not forgive you!"

The scene of Ye Zi Yun laughing made her even more beautiful

and charming, and caused Nie Li to be dumbfounded.

Feeling Nie Li's peculiar gaze, Ye Zi Yun immediately recovered her gaze. Her cheeks felt slightly hot, not knowing why, and her heart beat became somewhat accelerated.

"Hurry up and look for a way out, otherwise we won't be able to get out!" Ye Zi Yun hastily said.

"Okay!" replied Nie Li as he took out a torch from his interspatial ring and lit it up. Using the light, he examined the surroundings. It appears that they have fallen into an underground palace. Just like a deep maze, there were five to six passages they could take, but they did not know where they would lead to.

' I can't imagine how large the internal structure of this maze is,' Nie Li thought.

He found a line of text on a stone wall by his side.

"Emperor Kong Ming's resting place," Nie Li murmured, and was suddenly surprised. "This is the tomb of the Sacred Empire's Emperor Kong Ming!"

"Emperor Kong Ming?" Ye Zi Yun asked, full of curiosity.

"Right" Nie Li slightly nodded and continued, "He is the most mysterious emperor within the history of the Sacred Empire. As an emperor of the Sacred Empire, he actually used his title as his form

of address, which is a very strange thing. This particular emperor left the Sacred Empire in the middle of his rule and passed his throne to his son. It's said that he had already cultivated to a frightening extent, becoming immortalized. Even his descendents couldn't find his tomb. I never thought that he would actually be buried here."

"Is there really anyone that has cultivated to the extent of immortalization?" Ye Zi Yun questioned, looking towards Nie Li.

"No, that's just a myth. Even if one cultivated to the realm above Legend rank, they can only live for two-three hundred years. They still couldn't escape the cycle of heavens!" Nie Li laughed.

"A realm above Legend rank? What kind of realm is that?" Ye Zi Yun asked, full of doubts right now. In her mindset, Legend rank is already the strongest existence.

"You will know it later on!" Nie Li smiled, shaking his head and did not continue talking.

Ye Zi Yun was puzzled. Could Nie Li have seen an existence stronger than Legend rank? But Nie Li is the same as her. He has never been outside of Glory City. Did he see it in a book? Although she had her doubts, Ye Zi Yun did not pursue any further.

"This should be a maze. Therefore, there should be pitfall related traps. We must be careful. You can only step on the place that I've previously stepped!" Nie Li looked towards Ye Zi Yun and said.

Although she is depressed that Nie Li always talked to her in a commanding tone, sounding as though he was much older than her, she obediently nodded her head and answered, “En!”

Even Nie Li wasn’t aware that due to the fact that Ye Zi Yun was still young, he had a kind of protective mindset towards her. Therefore, the tone of voice that they are using is inevitably different compared to his previous life.

“There are five-six passages here, which one should we take?” Ye Zi Yun asked, looking at the surrounding deep passages.

“That’s simple, we should be moving towards the north. Because of Emperor Kong Ming’s fate, his tomb was built facing the south.”

“Why?” Ye Zi Yun asked, puzzled, “Why must Emperor Kong Ming’s tomb be built facing the south?”

“Because that is written within the Sacred Empire’s Book of Numerology. Every fate has something that will benefit and harm them. This includes the location of tombs and so on! People from the Sacred Empire believed in this stuff!” Nie Li said, lightly smiling.

‘The Sacred Empire’s Book of Numerology,’ Ye Zi Yun couldn’t help muttering this phrase, ‘Just how many books has Nie Li exactly read?’

“Then, which is the north? We are currently in underground.

How are we supposed to tell the directions?” Ye Zi Yun asked.

Nie Li lightly smiled and said, “This is very easy to distinguish. St. Ancestral Mountains are towards the north-south direction. By looking at the vein lines in the rocks, we’ll be able to tell the direction. Over here!” Nie Li strolled towards one of the passages.

Chapter 37: Emperor Kong Ming

Within Ye Zi Yun's heart, she bore a deep frustration. Being the little princess of the City Lord Mansion, as well as the Legend rank demon Spiritualist Ye Mo's granddaughter. She had seen many secret ancient books. Her experience was also much more profound compared to her other peers. Within her heart, she still has a little pride in her. However, comparing herself to a monster like Nie Li, she felt that she was simply too ignorant.

But it's no wonder that Ye Zi Yun had this kind of thought. It's not possible to appraise Nie Li with an ordinary person's eye.

Through the cracks on the stone walls and the layout of the floor tiles, Nie Li easily distinguished where the traps were.

"This level of traps simply does not pose any difficulty!" Nie Li said, moving forward. He picked up a rock and threw it out five-six meters and pa it smashed onto a cyan brick.

Sou sou sou!

Dou dou dou!

Arrows were flying about at the passage in front of them like a storm. The tip of the arrows flashed with green light.

'All the arrows were smeared with poison,' Ye Zi Yun realized, her face turning slightly pale. She can imagine what would've

happened if they had continued moving forward, how miserable they would be if they were to accidentally activate the traps. From top to bottom, their body would've be nailed with arrows.

'How did Nie Li discover where the trap was located at such a far distance?' she asked herself.

"Okay, we can move forward now!" Nie Li said, lightly smiling as he looked towards Ye Zi Yun.

Although the traps were all hidden in the darkness, Ye Zi Yun had a weird feeling. As long as she followed behind Nie Li, she would be safe. Any problems that arise would not be a problem.

Seeing Nie Li's back, even though Nie Li is slightly thin, seemed to have given people a sense of security.

Ye Zi Yun lowered her head and began to think of something.

'Perhaps, being together with Nie Li might not be that bad...'

However, after a moment, she quickly shook her head to expel this kind of thinking.

'What the heck am I thinking! Ning Er seems to have some feelings for Nie Li, and in just a few days, Hu Yan Lan Ruo expressed that she wants to chase after Nie Li. How many girls did this skirt-chaser Nie Li mess with?'

She does not believe that Nie Li only loves her!

Ye Zi Yun proudly raised her head, she will not be superficial like the other girls.

The two of them continued forward, moving towards the depth of the passage.

Just as Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun were exploring the passage together, outside in the jungle, “You group of wastes! You actually allowed that Giant Blue Armed Ape to run away with heavy injuries!” Yun Hua Deacon cursed his men in displeasure. Spiritual graded demon beasts have spirits within them. Even if it’s only a Silver ranked demon beast, it could still be sold for hundreds of thousands of Demon Spirit coin.

In the end, six people were injured and the Giant Blue Armed Ape managed to escape.

They felt more angry towards Nie Li. If it wasn’t for Nie Li who lured the Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape to them, they wouldn’t be so miserable.

“Forget it, it’s just a Giant Blue Armed Ape. Those children of nobility are definitely worth more than that ape! Search the place! If you guys are unable to capture even one of them, don’t come back to see me!” Yun Hua Deacon shouted in anger. The group of people immediately split up and began to search the forest.

A vague fire a good distance away attracted their attention.

Fire can be used to deter demon beasts in the night, causing them to not approach. However, it also became a highly visible target in the dark.

“Why did you capture me? Who are you people?”

Hastily, several black robed men captured someone and brought him to Yun Hua Deacon.

Yun Hua Deacon laughed. The person in front of him dressed luxuriously, his identity definitely wouldn’t be simple.

“Tsk tsk, this son, you have probably heard of us Dark Guild. The ones we catch are children of nobility like you. Tsk tsk. Now then, should I exchange you for money… or should I kill you?”

The one who was caught was Shen Yue.

Hearing the name Dark Guild, Shen Yue’s face paled. His voice trembled, “Don’t kill me! I’m a member of the Sacred Family, my family can give you lots of money!”

“The Sacred Family?” Yun Hua Deacon was slightly stunned. A faint light of disappointment flashed across his eye as he began to talk to himself. “I thought that we could make a killing, but it

turns out to be a person of the vice-president. What bad luck!”

Yun Hua Deacon faced his underlings and thundered, “Continue to search!”

Shen Yue thought that the Dark Guild would make things difficult for him, but he never expected that they would totally ignore him. They had only one person watch after him. Shen Yue was relieved in his heart. It seems that the Dark Guild was still a little afraid of the Sacred Family.

He thought that the name of the Sacred Family scared those Dark Guild’s men. His expression, once again, turned proud. He became totally different from the previous person who almost wet his pants.

Nie Li brought Ye Zi Yun forward. Roughly about five-six hours later, Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun stared at a magnificent hall from a distance away.

“So the Ancient Orchid City was built on top of this underground palace. Those upper levels of the Ancient Orchid City definitely know of this palace. Therefore, it’s highly possible that they will keep all their valuables here!” Nie Li said. Judging from their current location, they should be at the bottom of the military ground.

Just as Nie Li predicted. The City Lord and the upper levels definitely hid all their valuables below the military ground.

Walking into the hall, the scene before them caused the both of them to feel deeply shocked. Bones were everywhere around this hall. There were bones of adults as well as bones of children. They were densely stacked together. It seemed like they had a painful struggle before they died.

“What happened, how could this be?” Ye Zi Yun questioned as her eyes began to redden and tears began to fall down from her cheeks. She saw a lot of children huddling in a corner. The children that should be very lovable when they were alive, were all dead.

Nie Li sighed and said, “This should be the temporary refuge of the Ancient Orchid City. They moved the elderly, women and children here.They were, probably, going to get them out after the war. However, Ancient Orchid City was destroyed, therefore, these people could only be trapped here, and starved to death.”

Ye Zi Yun opened her mouth, revealing a painful expression.

Nie Li took a deep breath. At this moment, his heart fluttered, making it hard to calm down. Wasn’t Glory City like this too, in his previous life? Before the battle began, they moved a lot of people into the refuge area. Later, when Glory City was destroyed, they were forced to shift their location. He didn’t know what happened to those elderly, woman, and children, but they had probably died in the refuge from hunger as well.

The tragic scene of Glory City being destroyed was still so clear. Nie Li clenched his fist tightly, ‘I will not let the same thing happen again!’

“I think, we should go,” Ye Zi Yun said, she couldn’t bear to stay here any longer.

“No, we can’t go. We need to take all of the treasure here!” Nie Li firmly said. “The treasures here can enhance our strength. Once our strength is enhanced, only then can we guard Glory City. Otherwise, Glory City will become the second Ancient Orchid City!”

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Ye Zi Yun was stunned. A thought flashed across her mind, ‘Glory City will become the second Ancient Orchid City? Although Glory City is still rather safe, there are still demon beasts that often lurk around and even break the walls sometimes.’ Ye Zi Yun’s expression firmed. They have to enhance their strength at all cost. Only then can they protect Glory City. Although it’s shameful to be a looter, what can it be compared to the countless lives in Glory City?

Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun began to search the whole hall.

“There’s a bronze armour here!”

“There are several bottles of elixirs here! It’s a pity that they have all spoilt!”

“Heavens! This is a piece of soul stone!” Ye Zi Yun exclaimed, her hands coming together, and prayed for a moment. After that, she removed the soul stone from the little girl’s neck. This soul stone is very delicate, tied onto a silver chain. The identity of this little girl,

when she was still alive, is definitely a noble.

However, she is already dead. If this soul stone is to be given to a Gold rank expert, it might be able to assist that Gold rank expert to go even higher in his cultivation.

Nie Li also, more or less, had some harvest. In bronze armour and weapons alone he had collected a lot. There was a Silver rank dagger that was very well preserved, undamaged. Other than that, there were also demon crystals and many other valuable things. However, Nie Li has yet to find the Spiritual Lamp that he has been searching for.

Nie Li's gaze fell to the center of the hall. At the center of the hall lies a huge stone coffin that was three meters long and about one meter in height. The surface of the coffin was covered with mysterious incarnations. Those incarnations were quite familiar, but he was unable to recognize it out.

'What are these incarnations?' he asked himself.

Moving closer to Emperor Kong Ming's stone coffin, Nie Li felt a mysterious force rushing towards him. It felt, as he stood beside the stone coffin, like he was standing in the middle of the roaring ocean and could fly out any time. It was no wonder that those who died around here did not get close to the stone coffin.

"Nie Li, what's wrong with that stone coffin?" Ye Zi Yun asked.

Just when Ye Zi Yun was coming over, about three meters away from the coffin, her face suddenly turned pale and had to step back.

“What’s wrong?” Nie Li asked, puzzled by Ye Zi Yun’s actions.

“When I got closer, I felt a splitting headache!” Ye Zi Yun replied.

Hearing Ye Zi Yun’s words, Nie Li’s eyebrow twitched. This kind of force is very familiar. Its as though some unknown expert had laid a powerful restriction on the center of the stone coffin. Therefore, Ye Zi Yun was unable to get close to it. However, why is it that when he got closer to the stone coffin, nothing had happened to him?

Could it be that this restrict only works on females and not males? Or is it that the restriction is invalid towards Nie Li?

Nie Li guessed within his heart. He turned his head and said to Ye Zi Yun, “Go explore the other areas, leave this one to me!”

“En,” Ye Zi Yun nodded and walked towards the other side.

Nie Li checked the stone coffin. The stone coffin was completely sealed with all kinds of mysterious inscription patterns on the top. Even though Nie Li’s knowledge is vast, he has never seen these inscription patterns before.

‘Is this stone coffin the coffin of Emperor Kong Ming? Why does

the incarnation on top of it looks as though it isn’t from the Sacred Empire Era?’

Chapter 38: Remnant Pages

Not knowing why, the aura coming out of the stone coffin made Nie Li feel familiar to it.

Ripples of energy were coming out at all directions. It must be some expert's un-dissipated soul force.

Soul force is a kind of eternal energy. Even after thousands of years, it can still be attached to a particular object preserving it.

This stone coffin was made from pieces of stone board and was combined together. It didn't have any trace of being opened before. Maybe even the experts from the Ancient Orchid City could not open it.

Nie Li felt the soul realm within his body was surging. The roaring sounds of a dragon that was in the depths of his soul realm became clearer and clearer. He took a step towards the coffin. Seeing the mysterious incarnation on the stone coffin, an idea flashed across his mind. Nie Li placed his right hand on the stone coffin lid.

Suddenly, a pillar of light shot into the sky. The light began to flow on top of the stone coffin.

Boom!

That powerful pillar of light bombarded Nie Li's body.

“Urghh!” Nie Li felt as though the bones all over his body are coming apart. Even Nie Li, who had a tenacious will power, could not endure this terrible pain.

The light was like tens of millions of needles that fiercely pierced into Nie Li’s body.

His soul realm felt as though it was about to burst.

From a good distance away, Ye Zi Yun would occasionally look over to Nie Li’s direction. Upon seeing Nie Li’s painful roar, she began to panic.

‘What happened? What’s wrong with Nie Li?’ Ye Zi Yun thought, hastily running towards Nie Li. However, just when she reached about five to six meters away from Nie Li, peng a powerful, repelling force rebounded her out.

She could not get close to that stone coffin!

But how is Nie Li able to enter?

Ye Zi Yun was shot by a few white lights and ended up with several injuries on her body, covered in blood. However, she did not bother about the pain on her body. She retrieved a Silver ranked long sword from her interspatial ring and swung it towards the restriction around the stone coffin.

Boom!

Ye Zi Yun was, once again, repelled. This force isn't what she can deal with, just the dispersed white light caused her to have injuries all over her body. How serious would it be for Nie Li who was standing in the middle of that white light? After being repelled two times in a row by the restriction force, Ye Zi Yun's soul realm jolted. Her internal organs also suffered serious injuries. Her eyelids were getting heavier and heavier.

'Nie Li, nothing must happen to you,' A last thought flashed across Ye Zi Yun's mind, then fainted.

At this moment, within the white light, Nie Li's body was emitted with steam. The severe pain caused his whole body to be covered full of sweat. When the sweat came in contact with the white light, it was instantly evaporated, becoming steam.

"Thirsty!" exclaimed Nie Li, feeling as though all the water within his body was going to be evaporated.

He struggled desperately. He knows that if he were to slightly relax his conscious, he will be destroyed by the white light.

Boom boom boom!

Nie Li's soul realm jolted and splitted nonstop. However, it was also healing and repairing nonstop at the same time.

His soul force formed into a vortex like a huge whale, and was swallowing the white light nonstop.

Nie Li, left with his last bit of conscious, tightly guarded his soul realm. At this moment, even he had deep doubts. Just what, exactly, is the thing in his soul realm?

‘Heck if I care, since it can absorb those white lights, then absorb!’

Nie Li used his last bit of energy to operate his soul realm and frantically absorbed all the white light within.

Boom boom boom!

The white light continuously entered Nie Li’s soul realm, however, the white light did not cause any ripples in the soul realm and disappeared.

Nie Li felt that, although the white light disappeared without a trace in his soul realm, it still expanded Nie Li’s soul realm a little.

The violent soul force caused his muscles to become more solid, the impurities within his skin was also excreted with sweat. Nie Li’s physical body felt as though it had undergone some remodeling.

Roar!

Nie Li violently roared. Although, the difference between his current cultivation and his cultivation from his previous life is still too big, the feeling of having the power enhanced is still quite good.

After opening his eyes, the scenes in front of him gradually became clear.

Nie Li immediately took out bottles of water from his interspartial ring and began drinking them. The skin which was dried up due to the lack of water immediately, mysteriously became moist again. At this moment, Nie Li was even more handsome compared to before.

Looking towards the front, the stone coffin in front of him disassembled nonstop and the coffin lid slowly opened.

Nie Li thought that what he would see is a decomposed corpse, because this coffin doesn't seem to have been opened before, however, what caused Nie Li to feel surprised was that the inside of the coffin was actually empty.

'How is this possible?'

Nie Li thought he was seeing it wrongly, however the insides of this stone coffin was indeed empty. It did not have any corpse inside, nor did it have any trace of a corpse being stored inside. The bottom of the coffin was smooth, without any debris.

If the corpse had been fully decomposed, it should, at least, leave behind some bones.

At the bottom of the stone coffin sat two things.

One is a piece of remnant page, and a gemstone pendant.

Nie li doesn’t know what material this remnant page was made of. It was as thin as a cicada’s wing, and was even a bit transparent. It had dense and difficult text written on it.

If the others saw this piece of remnant page, they definitely would not know what was it used for. However, when Nie Li saw this remnant page, he felt as though he was struck by lightning. His expression turned sluggish. In his previous life, he was way too familiar with this thing.

This was a remnant page of the Temporal Demon Spirit Book!

How could he forget? It was because of this Temporal Demon Spirit Book that he became so powerful. And he even stayed within the space of the Temporal Demon Spirit Book for hundreds of years and obtained that vast amount of knowledge of his. It is also this book that was drenched in fresh blood during his battle with the Sage Emperor and was reborn back.

The mysterious thing within his soul realm is also probably related to the Temporal Demon Spirit Book.

However, the Temporal Demon Spirit Book in the past was incomplete.

There was eight pages within the Temporal Demon Spirit Book that were ripped out. Nie Li had not seen how the Temporal Demon Spirit Book looked like when it was complete.

Because of the words in the Temporal Demon Spirit Book being too cryptic, Nie Li never understood it. Whenever he tried to memorize the words on it, after a few hours, he would find out that he no longer had any impression of the words in his brain.

In his previous life, Nie Li tried to look for the other eight remnant pages. However, in the end, he did not find any clue about them. He never imagined that, after his rebirth, he actually found a remnant page of the Temporal Demon Spirit Book here.

Unfortunately, the Temporal Demon Spirit Book is not in his possession. He has to be like his previous life. Travel towards the endless desert and into the desert palace. Only then can he get that Temporal Demon Spirit Book.

Nie Li wondered, ‘Would the Temporal Demon Spirit Book undergo any changes after having one more page?’

Nie Li placed the remnant page of the Temporal Demon Spirit Book closely against his chest. His soul realm seems to have sensed the Temporal Demon Spirit Book remnant page, and began to surge. It was the same as in his previous life, the remnant page is

the same as the Temporal Demon Spirit Book. It has the effect of nourishing the soul realm.

Nie Li's gaze fell onto the gemstone pendant. His face showed a hint of astonishment.

"It's actually a piece of abstruse gemstone! This is a rare thing!" Nie Li exclaimed excitedly. Even Legend rank Ye Mo probably has not seen an abstruse gemstone before. Abstruse gemstone is actually an ancient treasure!

However, even though the abstruse gemstone may be extremely rare, it's too ordinary compared to the Temporal Demon Spirit Book.

"This abstruse gemstone should be good gift for Ye Zi Yun!" Nie Li thought, smiling away. With the deep feelings he had of Ye Zi Yun, even if he were to give the remnant page to Ye Zi Yun, he would not hesitate. However, the Temporal Demon Spirit Book is useless to Ye Zi Yun. But this abstruse gemstone pendant is very helpful for practice. With this abstruse gemstone necklace, Ye Zi Yun's cultivating speed would be enhanced by at least 3 times.

As for regarding why the remnant page of the Temporal Demon Spirit Book would appear here left Nie Li some doubt. Since the stone coffin is empty, this also means that Emperor Kong Ming isn't here. But where would he go to?

This matter still has plenty of mysteries.

Nie Li kept the two things. When he turned around, he found out that Ye Zi Yun was lying down on the ground.

“What’s wrong with Zi Yun?” Nie Li asked himself. With surprise in his heart, he immediately leaped towards Ye Zi Yun.

Landing beside Ye Zi Yun, Nie Li found multiple burn wounds on her body. Her chest, arms, and thighs had a few deep wounds. Nie Li hastily placed his hand over Ye Zi Yun’s wrist and sent his soul force into Ye Zi Yun’s body. Only after he find out that Ye Zi Yun is fine, he sighed in relief.

Seeing the heavily injured and fainted Ye Zi Yun, Nie Li could not help feeling touched. It must have been when she heard his shout and wanted to save him. However, she was unable to get close to the stone coffin, and probably tried to forcefully enter but was injured by the restriction force.

These burn marks should be left behind by that white light.

Seeing Ye Zi Yun’s current looks, Nie Li felt full of pity for her in his heart. He hooked that abstruse gemstone pendant onto Ye Zi Yun’s neck. A deep blue light emitted out from the abstruse gemstone, shimmering on Ye Zi Yun’s wounds, making the burned wounds a little better.

“Excessive bleeding! I need to treat the few big wounds immediately!” Nie Li went silent. Seeing Ye Zi Yun’s elegant cheeks, after thinking for awhile, he can’t bother too much. At most, Ye Zi Yun would only misunderstand him. It was better than

leaving the wounds untreated.

Nie Li squatted down, and slowly began to undo Ye Zi Yun's clothes. Ye Zi Yun's shoulders and arms were revealed in front of Nie Li. Ye Zi Yun's chest was tied with a purple ribbon, giving her a sense of elegance.

Comparing Ye Zi Yun's twin peaks with his past, they were not that rich, however, it had a kind of lovely look to it.

After removing Ye Zi Yun's clothes, Nie Li moved his gaze and focused himself to the wounds on Ye Zi Yun's body. He retrieved a bottle of ointment that was used to treat wounds from his interspatial ring and slowly smeared it on the wounds.

After smearing the ointment, the wounds gradually stopped bleeding.

Chapter 39: Abstruse Gemstone

Ye Zi Yun seems to be in pain as she slightly frowned.

Her beautiful face, features, and scattered hair over her shoulders, all emitted her elegance.

Even if she is frowning, there is still an indescribable feel to it.

At this moment, Ye Zi Yun is only wearing her laced ribbon over her chest. Even her dress has lots of damage to it, revealing her snow white thighs, adding on to the temptation.

After rebirth, Nie Li is able to ignore other's temptation. However, Ye Zi Yun's beauty made even him breath heavily. Every time when he sees Ye Zi Yun, he would recall back to the moments when he was together with her in the previous life. Although the time that they were together was short, it was pinned with deep feelings, is the most precious moment in his life.

Only Nie Li knows how charming Ye Zi Yun will become in a few years. Like a blooming lotus, both beautiful and elegant, and a fairy descended from heavens, noble and sacred.

At that time, the amount of people that was in love with Ye Zi Yun was simply countless. Countless men were willing to go crazy for her, Shen Yue included. Shen Yue tried to bring her out of the Glory City which was in imminent danger numerous times, however he was rejected by Ye Zi Yun and had no choice but to give up. In the end, Ye Zi Yun chose the ordinary Nie Li, and that

was the most glorious thing in Nie Li's life!

After treating her wounds, although he is a little unwilling, Nie Li covered Ye Zi Yun with a piece of his clothing, as her clothes can no longer be worn.

He has the patience to wait for Ye Zi Yun to accept him, growing up with him like how it was in the past.

Nie Li, cross-legged, sat beside Ye Zi Yun. Feeling the mysterious power on the remnant page of Temporal Demon Spirit Book, his soul force within his soul realm began to stir up.

If a chance comes, he must definitely go to the desert palace to retrieve the Temporal Demon Spirit Book!

After absorbing the white light, Nie Li felt that his soul force has increased by quite a bit. At this moment, Nie Li's soul force is already above 150. Nie Li could clearly feel that the energy within the far light contains more power then these. However, those are still hidden deep within his soul realm, not knowing when can he make the powerful energy to his own.

Nie Li slowly went into the meditating state. The soul force was like a substance flowing around Nie Li.

Just when Nie Li became immersed within his training, Ye Zi Yun woke up.

Touching her own body, she realised that she wasn't wearing any clothes. Immediately, her face paled.

'Nie Li this bastard, he's too much!'

Feeling that she is still wearing her skirt, only then she is slightly relieved. However, she is still full of shame and resent in her heart. Since young, her body hasn't been seen by a boy before, and Nie Li actually removed her clothes when she is unconscious!

Her expression is complicated because she knows that Nie Li removed her clothes to treat her injuries. However, Ye Zi Yun still could not accept it. Nie Li must be doing it on purpose, she also did not know what he had done to her when she was unconscious!

After all, she still doesn't understand Nie Li that much. Therefore, her heart was still wary towards him.

Nie Li who is sitting beside Ye Zi Yun slowly opened his eyes, lightly smiled, "You've awakened?"

Seeing Nie Li's gaze, Ye Zi Yun suddenly realised that she still has not put on any clothes. Tightly holding onto Nie Li's clothes, she anxiously said, "Turn around! I need to wear my clothes!"

Nie Li turned his head around, smiling, "Not like I haven't see it before."

Hearing Nie Li's words, Ye Zi Yun's face blushed red. She even

had the thoughts of putting down her lady image to bash Nie Li up. She felt ashamed and resentful in her heart, because Nie Li said it so casually. Earlier on when Nie Li mentioned the butterfly mark on her body, she had already suspected that Nie Li had peeked on her as she bathed!

Hastily, Ye Zi Yun put on her clothes, and said in a low voice, “Done.”

Nie Li turned around and his eyes brightened. Ye Zi Yun currently wore a purple dress, intensifying her beautiful youth. Well, Ye Zi Yun looked good in everything.

Ye Zi Yun stared at Nie Li and felt depressed. Nie Li’s shamelessness made her feel helpless.

“Nie Li, do you like me?” Ye Zi Yun, lowering her head, thought for awhile then raised her head and asked Nie Li.

“Yes!” Nie Li lightly smiled, frankly admitting.

Although she already knew it in her heart, but after hearing it from Nie Li, Ye Zi Yun’s heart slightly fluttered. Taking a deep breath, sternly she said to Nie Li, “Nie Li, we are still young. Who knows what will happen in the future, maybe in a few more years, you will like someone else. We should put our studies first. Only with hard practice can we go further on the road of cultivation. You should first train to Gold rank. And if by then, you still like me, I’ll agree to be your girlfriend.”

Ye Zi Yun blushed red, her heartbeat inexplicably accelerated.

Seeing Ye Zi Yun's shy looks and listening to her words, Nie Li found it somewhat funny. Nie Li looked at Ye Zi Yun with ridicule, is she fooling kids? He blinked his eyes, pretending to be excited and said, "Really?! That's great! Training is too easy. If I were to put in the effort, I can reach Gold rank next year! At that time, you can't go back on your words!" After saying, Nie Li secretly laughed inside.

"Next year?" Ye Zi Yun was dumbfounded. Next year was too fast, and Nie Li can reach Gold rank next year? She immediately went anxious. "What I meant is, we need to think about this slowly!"

Nie Li's expression suddenly changed and said, "Is Miss Zi Yun going back on her words?" Nie Li shrugged, having an indifference expression and said, "I know, the words that you major families say are all nothing. Forget it, it doesn't matter."

She saw that within Nie Li's disappointed look carried a hint of contempt. Ye Zi Yun bit her lips, then clenched her teeth and said, "A promise will always be kept! If you can reach Gold rank, then that's the promise that will be in effect."

Seeing Ye Zi Yun's serious expression, the corner of Nie Li's mouth slightly upturned. He knows that Ye Zi Yun never goes back her words. However, setting her up like this, is it a little too much? But heck if he cares. Based on his understanding towards Ye Zi Yun. One day, he will win the heart of this beautiful girl.

‘Will I really becoming Nie Li’s girlfriend? What does a girlfriend need to do?’ Ye Zi Yun was a little distracted. Although she still had a good impression towards Nie Li, that’s only the good impression between friends. However, if they were to become a couple… Ye Zi Yun’s thoughts suddenly whirled up.

Ye Zi Yun only has her heart for cultivation, and the appearance of Nie Li completely broke the calmness of her heart.

“What is this?” Ye Zi Yun looked at the blue gemstone hanging on her neck. The colour of the gemstone was bright. The inside seemed to have a nebula moving. She can feel the immense power within the gemstone.

“Abstruse gemstone. This is a gift from me to you. Wearing it can increase your training speed three fold and can also nourish your soul force at the same time. Even while walking, it’s training your soul force,” Nie Li lightly smiled. With his help, even if she doesn’t work hard, reaching Gold rank is nothing. Reaching even higher isn’t impossible.

“I cannot accept such a precious thing!” Ye Zi Yun hastily said, about to remove the gemstone from her neck.

Nie Li grabbed her hands and said, “I already have something better. You can take this.”

She quickly shook his hands off, her cheeks felt slightly hot, and became silent for a moment before she said, “Then I’ll keep it for

you. You can take it whenever you want it."

"Okay!" Nie Li smiled, then stood up. "Lets go find an exit first!"

Just when Ye Zi Yun was about to stand up, she saw Nie Li smiling as he stretch his hand out to her. She hesitated for a moment but still placed that jade hand of hers onto Nie Li's palm.

Nie Li slightly used his strength and pulled her up. His heart is very happy, because this beautiful girl in front of him already did not reject him as much.

Everything inside the hall has been collected. Together with Ye Zi Yun, the both of them began searching for an exit within the deep passage. The construct here was like a maze.

After two consecutive days, Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun were still in the underground maze wondering as they searched for the exit.

However, over the time, using his strong sense of direction, Nie Li began to draw a map of this maze.

Currently, within Ancient Orchid City's stone fort.

Chen Lin Jian, Hu Yan Lan Ruo and the others were gathered in the stone fort.

"Twenty nine people!" Chen Lin Jian said, a little depressed.

Their trip here is to explore, however, they haven't gotten anything and they had already lost eight people. If the people lost was anyone else, he'd still be okay. However, they could not find Ye Zi Yun anywhere, and this caused him to feel depressed.

Ye Zi Yun is the daughter of the City Lord, granddaughter of Legend rank Ye Mo. If anything happens, he won't be able to take the blame.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo looked towards the dense forest a good distance away, wanting to look for Nie Li's shadow appearing.

"Forget it. That short lived guy has probably already died," Chu Yuan walked to the side of Hu Yan Lan Ruo, saying in a disdain tone.

"Shut up!" Hu Yan Lan Ruo angrily rebuked. She felt that someone as capable as Nie Li wouldn't let anything happen to him.

"This is already a fact! His corpse has probably been eaten by the Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape!" Chu Yuan laughed. Thinking of his soul force that was swallowed by Nie Li, his heart felt and indescribable joy that Nie Li was dead. Nie Li caused years of practice to go to waste.

"Scram!" Hu Yan Lan Ruo angrily rebuked. "If you still do not scram, don't blame me for being impolite!"

Chu Yuan opened his mouth wanting to say something, but after

seeing Hu Yan Lan Ruo's expression. He lightly smiled, shrugged and walked to a side.

Chen Lin Jian frowned. He shouldn't have place Ye Zi Yun together with Nie Li. If she was protected by several Silver rank experts, Ye Zi Yun would not have gone missing.

"Two people remain here to wait for them. The others will follow me to the military ground!" Chen Lin Jian shouted. He's a decisive man and clearly understands that there is no use waiting here. They should first head for the military ground, and search for Ye Zi Yun and Nie Li, after that. Hopefully, Ye Zi Yun is safe.

"I'll remain here to wait for them!" Hu Yan Lan Ruo thought for a moment then said, her eyes full of sadness. if she could not wait until Nie Li comes, she will not go to any other place.

Chapter 40: Shadow Devil Spirit Lamp

Chen Lin Jian and bunch reached the military ground. This is a flat military ground, which usually made it uneasy for it to be noticeable.

“Dig three feet down!”

Chen Lin Jian’s men began retrieving their tools and started digging.

Underground Palace

“Nie Li, where is the exit?” Ye Zi Yun asked. They had been searching around for two days, but have yet to find where the exit is.

“There is no exit,” Nie Li shook his head saying, “If there was an exit, those people would not have been trapped to death in the main hall.”

“No exit?” Ye Zi Yun was stunned for a moment, and sadly asked, “Then, we won’t be able to get out?”

“Not necessary. Those people from the hall came from outside, which means that the people from outside can dig an exit out. We can only hope that Chen Lin Jian will be able to help us dig an exit out. If I’m correct, the exit should be at the military ground area,” Nie Li lightly smiled and said, “They will definitely find the place!”

“How can you be so sure that he will definitely find the place?” Ye Zi Yun asked back. Nie Li seems to be extremely confident, as though everything was in his grasp. He even stubbornly thinks that Ye Zi Yun will fall for him. If everything goes as he expects, then isn’t he an almighty god?

Just when Ye Zi Yun finished talking, the stone wall suddenly slightly trembled.

“It has begun!” Nie Li lightly smiled. He can determine the

location of the exit base on the source of the tremor, he turned and said to Ye Zi Yun, “Lets go!”

After speaking, Nie Li began to walk.

Ye Zi Yun opened her mouth, not knowing how to evaluate. Nie Li is simply a monster! How can he know everything? Would there be one day where she will really become his girlfriend? Ye Zi Yun could not tell what she is currently feeling. Her cheeks slightly heated up and she lowered her head in silence.

Dong dong dong!

Chen Lin Jian and bunch’s mining operation is still rather huge!

“So the exit is there!” Nie Li said together with Ye Zi Yun. Both of them went towards the direction of the source of the sound and finally stopped in front of a stone wall. He examined the wall for awhile, the stone wall should be a hidden door. Before, when they passed by here, they did not realise anything.

Nie Li placed his hands onto the stone wall and slowly pushed inwards.

Rumble rumble rumble!

The stone wall slowly turned. A huge stone chamber appeared in front of Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun.

Within the stone chamber, there's a staircase connecting upwards. However, the exit has been blocked by some huge stones, and behind it came a burst of tinkling sounds. There should be someone trying to break open the entrance.

The things in the stone chamber left Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun in a state of shock.

This place was filled with all sorts of bronze and silver armours. There are even a large amount of inscription scrolls, demon crystals, furs and horn-type materials. It was also full of precious metals and piles of gold coins, which was naturally the currencies of the Sacred Empire.

There are also many unknown valuables which should be precious treasures of the Sacred Empire.

If someone obtained these treasures and brought it back to Glory City to sell it, they would definitely make a fortune out of it!

"Zi Yun, go pick some stuff!" Nie Li looked at Ye Zi Yun and said. The amount of treasures here is too much. Their interspatial rings could not contain all these things. And if they were to clear all the treasures here, it's inevitable that Chen Lin Jian and bunch will have some comments about it.

Nie Li isn't greedy, he only wants to take the stuff that he wants and leave the rest.

Nie Li's gaze fell onto a stone platform. At the top of the platform, a lamp was blinking with light, and the light was filled with mystery.

Upon seeing this lamp, Nie Li's face was filled with joy. It's really a Shadow Devil Spirit Lamp!

Shadow Devil is an extremely rare and mysterious demon beast. It's said that when the Snow Wind Empire was already extinct, only seven Shadow Devil demon spirits were left and were made into seven lamps that were placed in a temple in the Divine Continent. Later, these lamps were stolen by thieves and were leaked out throughout the world.

The reason why Nie Li cared about this Shadow Devil Spirit Lamp is because he wants the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit inside it!

After reaching Silver rank, Nie Li would be able to integrate with one demon spirit.

The <<Heavenly God Cultivation Technique>> can allow Nie Li to integrate with seven different demon spirits. Therefore, for the first spirit, Nie Li doesn't wish it to be some ordinary garbage demon spirit! However, if the spirit is too powerful, Nie Li wouldn't be able to integrate with it, hence the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit is the most suitable.

Although the Shadow Devil is not particularly strong in its fighting capability, it is the most mysterious one. It has many

unique abilities, therefore, after integrating with it, even if Nie Li reached the pinnacle of cultivation, the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit can still play a powerful role.

With the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, Nie Li would be able to learn some special martial arts!

In his previous life, the Shadow Devil Spirit Lamp ended up in Shen Yue's hands and was sold in an auction by Shen Yue. And in this life, it was taken by Nie Li.

Nie Li kept the lamp, putting it into his interspatial ring. He turned his head and saw Ye Zi Yun choose several items. With the abstruse gemstone, she was not interested in any other gem related items. She only chose some demon crystals and a demon tooth anklet.

Ye Zi Yun had good eyes. The few demon crystals she took were the crystals of Black Gold ranked demon beasts. Black Gold ranked demon beast are extremely rare. If those demon crystals are made into battle weapons or armour, there are chances of them ending up as a Black Gold demon weapons and armour.

As for that bone tooth anklet, it was the bone fragments of the Legend Ranked Snow Wind Giant Beast. Even though it's only bone fragments, it is also extremely rare and can greatly enhance the demon spirit force.

After picking the items, boom the huge stone wall next to the huge boulder had opened an entrance. Dazzling light shot into the

chamber, Chen Lin Jian and bunch soon filled the place.

“It’s you guys!” Chen Lin Jian said, stunned for a moment when he saw Ye Zi Yun and Nie Li. He never imagined that Ye Zi Yun and Nie Li would be the first things they came upon after entering.

After seeing Ye Zi Yun, Chen Lin Jian became relieved. If anything were to happened to Ye Zi Yun, even if he had some gains here, he would still have to face the anger of the City Lord and Lord Ye Mo. Since Ye Zi Yun is safe, it’s fine.

“Boss, we’re going to be rich! There’s so many treasures!”

Chen Lin Jian’s underlings exclaimed. The treasure filled chamber caused them to be dazed.

Chu Yuan and bunch also came in and was also stunned by the scene in front of them. The stuff here was piled as high as a small mountain. A lot of the stuff here was also extremely valuable. They could sell tens of millions or even billions for it.

“Nie Li, as according to our agreement, you’ll take the first pick!” Chen Lin Jian looked at Nie Li and said. He’s someone who upholds his promise, furthermore, he values the friendship between him and Nie Li.

“I have already chosen, the rest is yours!” Nie Li lightly smiled and said. Those mountain piled treasures seems to have no temptation to him.

“I have also taken some stuff.” Ye Zi Yun said, “I also do not need the rest!”

Chen Lin Jian slightly nodded and ordered his men to fill their interspatial ring with the treasures.

Chu Yuan walked to the side of Chen Lin Jian, lowered his voice and said, “Young Master Chen, are you willing? The two of them have been here for so long, they definitely took a lot of good stuff! They probably took the most valuable stuff, hence they don’t care about any of this stuff!”

“What are you implying?” Chen Lin Jian frowned his brows, staring at Chu Yuan.

Chu Yuan coldly said, “You have to call them to take everything out before leaving, the most valuable stuff was probably taken by them!”

Hearing Chu Yuan’s words, Chen Lin Jian snorted and said, “They were here first before us, and found this place first. Even if they were to empty the whole chamber, we have nothing to say. Them leaving so much stuff for us is already humanly possible!”

“Young Master Chen, I guarantee that the stuff they have, every single one of it is priceless treasures! Don’t regret it.” Chu Yuan agitatedly said.

“Get lost. Don’t think that I don’t know what you are thinking. You have conflict with Nie Li and want to use me as proxy. Fat chance!” Chen Lin Jian raised his foot and kicked Chu Yuan’s chin, kicking him and making him fly out.

Peng Chu Yuan fell face first and one of his teeth was knocked out, filling the insides of his mouth with blood.

Chu Yuan furiously raised his head and glared at Chen Lin Jian, but soon retracted his anger. Chen Lin Jian is a member of the major family, a direct descendant of the Divine Family. How can he be rampant towards Chen Lin Jian?

‘Nie Li, it’s all your fault! I’m not letting you go so easily!’

Chen Lin Jian emptied the treasure room. Although Nie Li took the Shadow Devil Spirit Lamp, and Ye Zi Yun also took some stuff, there is still quite a lot of valuable stuff left in there and can be sold for quite a sum. Therefore, Chen Lin Jian’s harvest is still very good.

Chen Lin Jian patted on Nie Li’s shoulder and said, “Brother, if it isn’t you that guided me to this military ground, I wouldn’t be able to gain so much stuff. This round, I, Chen Lin Jian owe you one. If there is anything in the future, just find me directly!”

Chen Lin Jian never asked anything about what Nie Li took, but only thanked him. This made Nie Li have a good impression of him in his heart. No wonder Chen Lin Jian managed to become the most outstanding person among the peers of the three major

families.

“Okay!” Nie Li also replied straightforward, “You guys have to hurry and take the stuff, we have to quickly leave!”

“Why?” Chen Lin Jian curiously asked.

“I ran into some people from the Dark Guild. They are currently looking for us!” Nie Li said, “Luckily that Spiritual grade Giant Blue Armed Ape blocked them, otherwise I wouldn’t have been able to escape!”

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Chen Lin Jian was slightly surprised. He knows what sort of people the Dark Guild has. If they were to be found out by the Dark Guild, then it will be troublesome.

“No wonder we found that Giant Blue Armed Ape injured, so that’s the case!” Chen Lin Jian’s underling said.

Fortunately that area of the Ancient Orchid City Ruins is rather large. Those people from the Dark Guild don’t know of their whereabouts. They are probably looking around for them, which means they have to leave immediately.

Chen Lin Jian took a glance towards the underground palace’s direction.

“There isn’t anything there, I have already explored it.” Nie Li said.

Chen Lin Jian nodded, turned his head facing the crowd and shouted, “Lets go!”

Chapter 41: Shen Fei

If Chen Lin Jian is reluctant to give up on treasures and continue to explore the underground palace, then their situation would be very dangerous.

Fortunately, Chen Lin Jian is a decisive person.

When they returned to the stone fort, Hu Yan Lan Ruo's tears flowed non-stop when she saw Nie Li.

"Nie Li, you're back. That's great!" said Hu Yan Lan Ruo as she threw herself towards Nie Li, tightly hugging him. That rich chest of hers was tightly attached onto Nie Li's chest.

"Thanks for sacrificing yourself to save me! Otherwise, I would probably have ended up in the stomach of that Giant Blue Armed Ape!" Hu Yan Lan Ruo with her face flushed red, lovingly looking at Nie Li.

"I'm about to be strangled to death by you! Let go of me!"

Nie Li face palmed. Hu Yan Lan Ruo was showering her love at the wrong party. The reason why he sacrificed himself to block that Giant Blue Armed Ape was because he wanted to let Ye Zi Yun get to safety, not her!

Seeing Nie Li's distressed look, Ye Zi Yun couldn't help laughing. Nie Li didn't even care about a beauty like Hu Yan Lan Ruo

throwing herself to him. His brain is seriously jammed. However, seeing Hu Yan Lan Ruo closely clinging onto Nie Li, Ye Zi Yun's heart slightly felt sour, and she lightly snorted.

"It's the Dark Guild!" Chen Lin Jian's men shockingly said, sucking in a cold lump of air.

Chen Lin Jian looked towards the outside of the stone fort and saw several black robed people appearing in their sight. With his face colour slightly changed, he lowered his voice and said, "This way!"

Chen Lin Jian brought the group into the dense forest behind the stone fort.

"Be careful! Do not leave any trace!"

Under the threats of Dark Guild, the group frantically ran, skimming quickly. They all knew that the consequences would be dire if they were caught by the Dark Guild.

Nie Li glanced behind them, pondering in his heart. Although it's just a face to face meet, Nie Li had already remembered the aura of the leader. The leader had also seen his face. Therefore, even if he returned to Glory City, he still had to be very careful. Otherwise, if he is recognized, he'd be targeted.

Other than the Sacred Family, there is also the Dark Guild constantly threatening Glory City. There's a sense of urgency

building up within Nie Li's heart. He has to enhance his strength as fast as possible. Otherwise, when the danger arrives, he won't even have the strength to protect himself.

After obtaining the Shadow Devil Spirit Lamp, he has to quickly enhance his cultivation to Silver rank. After integrating with the Shadow Devil, he will have the capabilities to protect himself.

Silver rank may be extremely difficult to reach for ordinary people, but for Nie Li, it's not that difficult.

Until Nie Li and bunch return to the Glory City, those people from the Dark Guild did not manage to catch up to them. Only then, everyone felt relieved.

The news of Chen Lin Jian's group returning was quickly spread across Glory City. What's even more shocking is the harvest of Chen Lin Jian and his group. There are lots of treasures that are very shocking. A grand auction was held and many of Chen Lin Jian's harvest was sold at a high price.

The enthusiasm of Glory City was fired up. Many people began to travel to the Ancient Orchid City Ruins with hopes of getting some harvest of their own.

The storm did not have any relation to Nie Li. He got the Shadow Devil Spirit Lamp that he coveted after, and also, unexpectedly, gained a remnant page of the Temporal Demon Spirit Book. The harvest he gained on this trip were far beyond his expectations.

At the same time, there was other news which left Nie Li deeply thinking. He heard that before Chen Lin Jian and bunch returned to Glory City, Shen Yue had already returned. Furthermore, there wasn't anyone that returned with Shen Yue.

This is a little bit too strange!

With Shen Yue's strength alone, how is it possible for him to pass through all the dangerous areas and return to Glory City?

Thinking back to when they found those people from the Dark Guild in the Ancient Orchid City Ruins, Nie Li suddenly thought of one possibility. Perhaps, there is some secret associating between the Sacred Family and Dark Guild. He should have thought of this earlier on.

The various signs about the Sacred Family in the previous life and their betrayal towards Glory City all showed that they had long ago forsaken their responsibility as guardians of Glory City. If that is so, then they have high chances of colluding with the Dark Guild.

In his previous life, Nie Li did not have much knowledge about the Dark Guild. It's said that the Dark Guild has built a base within the St. Ancestral Mountains, in an extremely secretive and safe location.

Perhaps when the Sacred Family betrayed Glory City in his previous life, they decided to go over to the Dark Guild. Otherwise, where else could they have gone to?

Damn it! Why did he just now realise it?!

Nie Li tightly clenched his fists, exposing the veins on his arms. The day Glory City fell, he saw his family die by the claws of the demon beasts with his own eyes. Afterwards, he was together with the survivors from Glory City and entered the Endless Desert where he saw Ye Zi Yun die before him and cause him to drift around the Divine Continent like a nomad.

A light flashed across Nie Li's eyes. Whether if it's the Sacred Family or the Dark Guild, they have to be destroyed!

Holy Orchid Institute, Library

After Nie Li returned, he once again concentrated on training together with Du Ze, Lu Piao, and the others.

After returning, Nie Li's cultivation had grown leaps and bounds daily. That remnant page of Temporal Demon Spirit Book continuously played it's part non-stop, operating Nie Li's soul realm.

With the operation of his soul realm, his soul force slowly grew.

Three days later, with the help of many Purple Haze Grass and elixirs, Nie Li's cultivation had finally reached 2-star Bronze rank.

If they could reach 3-star Bronze rank before the exams in two months time, and exposing it during the exams, then Nie Li and bunch would be able to gain high-level attention from the institute, and be treated as geniuses to culture. No matter if it's the principal of Holy Orchid Institute or the higher levels of Glory City, everyone would have high attention towards geniuses. Once Nie Li had been identified to be a genius, the Sacred Family would not be able to touch him easily.

There is still plenty of time until the test in two months. Nie Li has more than enough time.

Aside from Nie Li, Du Ze, Lu Piao and other's cultivation had also raised leaps and bounds.

At this moment, Shen Yue is no longer within Nie Li's eyes. As time passes, Shen Yue will realise that his distance with Nie Li will grow larger and larger, and finally, out of his reach.

At this moment, a message was spreading wildly across the institute.

"Did you know? Miss Hu Yan Lan Ruo has been looking for Nie Li daily in the Fighter Apprentice Class!"

"Have you heard? Miss Hu Yan Lan Ruo publicly announced that she wants to chase Nie Li, and ended up having conflicts with Miss Xiao Ning Er."

“You know? Miss Hu Yan Lan Ruo and Miss Xiao Ning Er fought over a boy! And I heard that the boy is student from the Fighter Apprentice Class!”

The news became more and more outrageous, not knowing if it’s even true.

Gossip was crazily spread across the whole institute. After all, matters about two girls snatching for one guy is quite rare. Further more, the key is that it’s Hu Yan Lan Ruo and Xiao Ning Er. Both of them are beauties rarely found in the Holy Orchid Institute. Such talented ladies. If the one they are after is a genius, then it’s fine. However, the one that the both of them are after, turns out to be a Fighter Apprentice Class’s student. This caused everyone to be astonished.

Recently, Nie Li has been in the limelight. First, he discredited the Sacred Family. Next he provoked his teacher. Thereafter, news about the Sacred Family wanting to kill him came out, and now, two beauty are after him. This simply caused Nie Li to become a well-known throughout the whole academy.

Hu Yan Lan Ruo visited the library in Holy Orchid Institute a couple of times and was dodged by Nie Li. It’s said that afterwards, everyday when school is dismissed, Hu Yan Lan Ruo will be guarding the academy gate, waiting for Nie Li.

“Nie Li, if the school’s law enforcing team finds out that you have been climbing the wall out, the consequences won’t be good!” Lu Piao said, laughing as he looked at Nie Li.

Nie Li had a bitter look and said, “If I were to leave by the gate, I will run into that crazy woman. Troublesome!”

“Nie Li, honestly tell us, how did you mess with that Miss Hu Yan Lan Ruo?” Lu Piao asked, simply because he was jealous, envious, and hated Nie Li. Being pursued by a beauty like Hu Yan Lan Ruo, and Nie Li still acting too indifferent, caused Lu Piao to be speechless. If it’s Lu Piao, there would be no need to be pursued by Hu Yan Lan Ruo, he’d send himself to her door. Not to mention Hu Yan Lan Ruo’s temptation. Just touching that heavy chest of hers alone would be exciting. If Nie Li did not tell them about him liking Ye Zi Yun, they would no doubt think that Nie Li likes men.

“I didn’t even mess with her… This woman is simply ridiculous!” Nie Li said with a bitter smile.

“No choice then. It seems that we have to climb the wall out with you from today onwards,” Du Ze laughed as he shrugged his shoulders. He did not bother himself with all this gossip, he only wanted to focus on training, and change his family’s fate. And Nie Li gave him the chance to do so, therefore, he would serve Nie Li with his life.

At this moment, a few people with badges a good distance away shouted, “Hey, which class do you belong to? What are you doing here? Hold up!”

Nie Li and bunch gave a glance towards each other. shu shu shu Six figure flew over the walls of Holy Orchid Institute and bolted

away.

Holy Orchid Institute, Talented Genius Class

A few students are currently gathered together.

“Haha! Shen Fei, heard that your fiancée fought with Hu Yan Lan Ruo over a guy. Is that true?” ridiculed a valiant, tall sixteen-seventeen year old teenager as he walked over, and began to laugh.

The Holy Orchid Institute’s Genius class was divided into several groups, and the relationship between the groups was not very harmonious. This guy is called Ye Hong, a family cousin of Ye Zi Yun’s. He is still rather prestigious in the Genius class, with a group of people following him. Usually, he’s enemies with Shen Fei.

Hearing Ye Hong’s words, Shen Fei tightly clenched his fist, almost squeezing the blood out of his palm. Although this hasn’t been confirmed for it’s authenticity. But even so, regarding this crazy gossip within the Holy Orchid Institute made Shen Fei the most humiliated one!

“I heard from my sister that that girl doesn’t like you. In that case, why force them? Just let her free, so that you avoid becoming a cuckold one day!” Ye Hong laughed. He’s a family cousin of Ye Zi Yun’s, therefore, he has heard a thing or two about Xiao Ning Er’s issue. Under Ye Zi Yun’s influence, he has been opposing Shen Yue in the class whenever he can.

Although Shen Fei is depressed, he wondered why Ye Hong pester him all the time. However, he doesn't have no choice. Ye Hong's identity is firmly pressing him down. Therefore, even with how furious he is, he still avoided direct confrontation with Ye Hong.

However, regarding this matter, Shen Fei could not endure it any longer. He snorted, "No one can snatch my woman. If I can't get it, then others can dream on having it!"

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Hearing Shen Fei's words, Ye Hong's eyebrow slightly twitched while anger flashed across his eyes. Shen Fei is a little too overbearing! This thing is a bit too much!

If Shen Fei want's to lay a hand on Xiao Ning Er, Ye Hong will definitely stop him!

Ye Hong snorted and left.

Shen Fei looked at Ye Hong's back. A dim smile was shown on his mouth.

'Don't think that my Sacred Family will fear your Snow Wind Family. Don't think that having a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist is very great. There will be a day where my Sacred Family replaces your Snow Wind Family!' he silently chided.

On the streets

“Nie Li!!” A sharp and clear voice called out.

Nie Li saw Xiao Ning Er, currently wearing an elegant and simple dress, when he looked towards the direction where the sound originated from.

“Hey! Ning Er, haven’t seen you for days and it seems that you have gotten more beautiful!” Nie Li lightly smiled. However, Nie Li got slightly awkward when he thought of the Hu Yan Lan Ruo’s matter.

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Xiao Ning Er’s eyes flashed a hint of joy and her face was slightly red. She took out a interspatial ring, handed it over to Nie Li and said, “That Purple Haze Grass that you gave me to sell have all been sold, this is the money.”

After listening to what Xiao Ning Er said, Lu Piao and Du Ze looked at each other, puzzled. They wondered what sort of magic potion Nie Li gave to Xiao Ning Er. Seeing how Xiao Ning Er simply obeyed whatever Nie Li said.

This also made Lu Piao and Du Ze speechless. Is this still the Goddess Ning Er that they know? Goddess Ning Er is cold to others, making it impossible to get close to her. However, it’s completely opposite with Nie Li.

“Thanks!” Nie Li unceremoniously accepted the interspatial ring.

They didn’t have the need to be polite with each other.

“Goddess Ning Er, you fought with Hu Yan Lan Ruo?” Lu Piao blinked as he gossiply looked at Xiao Ning Er.

Xiao Ning Er raised her head and looked at Nie Li. She was slightly embarrassed and asked, “It’s nothing much. I only argued with her a couple of times. Nie Li, you really like that woman?”

“No way. That woman is too annoying. Don’t bother with her next time,” Nie Li waved his hand in denial.

“Oh..” Xiao Ning Er lightly replied. However, in her heart, she was relieved. Someone as seductive as Hu Yan Lan Ruo, made her feel threatened.

“The training these last few days made us all drenched in sweat. Our bodies are starting to stink. We’re preparing to go to the showers. Do you want to join us?” Lu Piao laughingly teased.

“I’m... I’m not going!” stuttered Xiao Ning Er, staring hard at Lu Piao.

“You can be together with Nie Li. We won’t bother you guys,” Lu Piao laughed.

Hearing Lu Piao’s words, Xiao Ning Er’s face instantly blushed red.

“Lu Piao doesn’t have anything constructive to say, so don’t bother with him!” Nie Li slapped Lu Piao’s back head and said to Xiao Ning Er.

“En,” Xiao Ning Er nodded. That shy look of hers had an unspeakable charm in it.

“Nie Li, you’re not having any brotherhood code! You actually said that I don’t have any constructive things to say. Hoes over bros! I’m also not fighting with you over her!”

Seeing how Nie Li and Lu Piao argued, Xiao Ning Er felt a little envy. It has been a long time since she had any friend like that around her. Her mind flashed to a figure, it’s Ye Zi Yun. When she’s young, both her and Ye Zi Yun were very good friends. It’s a pity that the distance between them grew as they grew up.

Furthermore, the one that Nie Li likes is Ye Zi Yun!

Xiao Ning Er secretly thought to herself, that she definitely won’t lose to Ye Zi Yun!

A good distant away, a group of around ten people slowly walked over. The leading man was roughly around thirty years old, his figure was big. The slightly yellowed hair covered more than half of his face, his eyes were as sharp as a falcon.

The man swept his gaze across Nie Li, his eyes flashed a hint of

astonishment but immediately returned to calm. He talked to some people as he walked towards Nie Li's direction.

Nie Li's eyebrow slightly twitched. The strange look from the man was captured by him.

Nie Li secretly thought to himself, 'Have I seen that man before?'

When the man passed him, Nie Li suddenly caught a hint of an aura. This group of people are the same as those Dark Guild people from the Ancient Orchid City Ruins.

Nie Li's expression remained calm as he walked passed them. He did not show any sort of reaction. If he were to show a hint of reaction and were caught by that man, then they will definitely silence him.

After a good distance away, the man turned around and took a glance at Nie Li.

"Boss, this brat probably did not recognize us," an underling beside him said.

"Yeah," the man replied with a slight nod. This man is Yun Hua Deacon. Because of his special identity, he has to be extremely careful within Glory City.

"Do we need to eliminate him?" another underling asked.

“No need!” said Yun Hua Deacon as he shook his head. If they were to kill someone within Glory City, it will be troublesome if the City Lord Mansion starts to investigate.

After walking down two streets, making sure those people could no longer be seen in sight, Nie Li sighed with relief.

“Ning Er, who are those people?” Nie Li lightly smiled and asked.

“Those people from earlier?” Xiao Ning Er thought for awhile, then chuckled. “Those people are from the Star Restaurant, and the Star Restaurant is one of the Sacred Family’s business.”

Xiao Ning Er doesn’t know why Nie Li would ask this kind of question.

Glory City is really dangerous all around. It seems that he needs to reveal some of his ability, and gain some life insurance.

“We’ll first head to the Alchemist Association,” Nie Li said after thinking for awhile. It seems that the situation with Glory City appeared to be more complicated than he originally thought. He doesn’t know how many people from the Dark Guild are lurking around, therefore he has to be extremely careful. Nie Li carefully recalled the people that fought for Glory City to the last stand in his previous life. Those who heroically died in the last fight, should be the ones that he can trust.

Nie Li has to obtain as many resources as soon as possible.

In Glory City the Alchemist Association's position has slightly declined. However, it's still a monster-like existence. It is only slightly lower than the three major families.

Within Nie Li's brain, there is all sorts of knowledge regarding alchemy. If they are used properly, they might be able to strengthen the Alchemist Association. Only when the Alchemist Association is strengthened, Glory City will be strengthened. This can also be considered Nie Li's contribution towards Glory City.

The Alchemist Association is a vast construct. The courtyard pavilion alone took up a huge amount of space. The hall in front had lots of alchemists wearing different coloured robes walking in and out.

Although the Alchemist Association has slightly declined, one can see how glorious the Alchemist Association used to be based on the magnificent construct.

Alchemists are differentiated into Apprentice, Master, and Grandmaster. Every rank is then further split into Primary, Intermediate, and Senior levels. Apprentices would wear grey robe, Masters would wear white robe and Grandmasters would wear silver robes. Most of the alchemists that walked in and out were apprentice ranks. As for the master rank, they are rarely seen. Only one or two of them are normally seen.

Because of the decline of the Alchemist Association, geniuses are

reluctant to spend their time in alchemy. They would focus more on cultivation instead, hence, the amount of alchemists and younger generation upstarts is getting less and less.

After entering the Alchemist Association, Xiao Ning Er, Du Ze, Lu Piao, and bunch all looked around. They still do not understand why Nie Li would come here.

Nie Li carefully recalled that within the Alchemist Association, there is a six-man elder group that has the most power of speech. They are all a bunch of old men with the lowest of them being an Intermediate Alchemy Master, followed by two Senior Alchemy Masters. As for the Grandmaster level, as of now, the Alchemist Association doesn't have any. Aside from this six-man elder group, there is the director that manages the various matters of the Alchemist Association.

In the final battle of Glory City in his previous life, the Alchemist Association contributed a lot. In the end, everyone heroically died in battle. At the very least, Nie Li can confirm that they are not with the Sacred Family.

"Nice to have you here, what can I do for you?" A lady wearing a grey robe walked over and asked. She's the receptionist of the Alchemist Association Hall.

"I'm here to take the Alchemist Exam," Nie Li stated as he looked at the tall lady, and lightly smiled. "May I know how I can address you?"

Xiao Ning Er, Du Ze, Lu Piao and bunch shockingly looked at Nie Li. They originally thought that Nie Li is here to look for someone. They never, in their imaginations, imagined that Nie Li would be here to take the Alchemist Exam. Could it be that Nie Li is also good at alchemy?

After being together with Nie Li for so long, with all kind of monster-like events happening around Nie Li, Du Ze, Lu Piao and bunch no longer found it surprising.

This lady is looked at Nie Li with a little surprised. The amount of youngsters coming to the Alchemist Association to become an alchemist is already very rare. Since there's a newcomer, naturally the Alchemist Association welcomes them.

"You can call me Xiao Lan. You're here for the Apprentice test, right? Have you been preparing well? Alchemist apprentices must be familiar with over ten books of alchemy foundations," Xiao Lan said, lightly smiled. Those books have more than hundreds of thousands of words about the alchemy foundation, and that alone made countless people flinch. However, that can't be helped. In order to become an alchemist, if they do not even know the foundation and principles of alchemy, that could cause deaths.

"Miss Xiao Lan, can I take the Alchemy Master exam?" Nie Li asked, looking towards Xiao Lan.

Hearing Nie Li's words, Xiao Lan was stunned for a moment and said, "Although it's possible, but do you know how much practice is needed in order to become an Alchemy Master? Aside from those books about foundations, there are also over hundreds of books

about various herbs that you need to be familiar with.”

Xiao Lan swept her eyes across Nie Li, and thought to herself that Nie Li is bullshitting. Even if Nie Li began reading those books ever since he’s been in the womb, he wouldn’t be able to finish those, not to mention being familiar with them. An ordinary Primary Alchemy Master has more than a decade of experience as an Apprentice, hence Nie Li probably had not even come in contact with an alchemy furnace before. Even if he passed the first round, the second round is about refining elixirs. He wouldn’t even be able to pass it.

Nie Li is being a little unrealistic. He has not been spending his time to learn properly and is wishing to go to the sky with one step.

Nie Li blinked, looked at Xiao Lan and said, “Age does not reflect one’s knowledge, correct? Miss Xiao Lan, just bring me to the Primary Alchemy Master exams.”

Chapter 43: Alchemy Master?

However, regarding Nie Li's request, Xiao Lan cannot reject because there was a rule fixed in the Alchemist Association. Both the Primary Apprentice and the Primary Alchemy Master exams are completely open. Anyone can go for the exam, with no age limitations. They only need to pay two hundred demon spirit coins for the exam.

Some Senior Apprentices would come and take the exams every month. If they passed all the tests and obtain the rank of Primary Alchemy Master, their identity and status will undergo earth-shaking changes.

However, it's not easy to pass the Alchemy Master exams. Usually in the first round of exams, with hundreds of people taking it, only few would remain. Furthermore, the second and third round of exams are even more difficult.

"Joining the exams for the Alchemy Masters requires you to pay upfront two hundred demon spirit coins, and it is required to pay first before taking the exam," Miss Xiao Lan said, looking at Nie Li.

"Just two hundred demon spirit coins? Alright, lead the way!" Nie Li said to Xiao Lan. He turned his head towards Xiao Ning Er and bunch.

"You guys remain here. Once I finish the exam, I'll come looking for you guys," Nie Li carefreely said Nie Li.

“Okay, we’ll have dinner together after you finish the exams,” Lu Piao laughed. He seems to have confidence in Nie Li.

“Nie Li, good luck!” Xiao Ning Er gently said, having both her hands in front of her chest.

Hearing Nie Li and Lu Piao’s conversation, Xiao Lan rolled her eyes. This is the Alchemy Master exam, not the Apprentice exam. Nie Li and bunch are being a little ridiculous. They think that the Alchemy Master exam is easy? The two hundred demon spirit coins that Nie Li paid the exam is wasted. However, it’s Nie Li’s money, so it’s not her problem. She is only required to do her job properly.

“Follow me,” Xiao Lan pouted, not saying anything else.

The Primary Alchemy Master exam was located in a long passage that stretched a far distance away. On the each side of the passage are small rooms. Every examinee has to go into one of these rooms to finish the complex alchemy knowledge exam. After which, their answers will be assessed by a few Primary Alchemy Masters before going to the next round of the exam.

This time’s exam has a total of six participants. Within these six, three are over thirty years old and two already have a head full of white hair.

When they saw Xiao Lan bringing Nie Li in, they were all a little dumbfounded.

One of the thirty year old men had his eyes on Nie Li. His brow slightly frowned and said, “What are you doing here?”

Nie Li raised his head looking at the man and lightly said, “I’m the same as you. I’m here to take the exam.”

The man looked at Nie Li’s clothes. With just a look, he can see that Nie Li does not belong to any major family. He contemptuously laughed, “Ha ha! A kid is actually here to take the Alchemy Master examination. Kid, you’re in the wrong place. You should go to the Alchemy Apprentice exam!”

A thirteen-fourteen year old kid is actually here to take the alchemy master examination? It’s simply an insult to them!

“Who are you?” Nie Li lightly glanced at that man.

“I’m from the Alchemy family, a member of the Chu Family. Name’s Chu Ning,” Chu Ning proudly said.

“Alchemy family? The Chu Family can also be considered as an alchemy family?” Nie Li sneered in disdain. He suddenly recalled Chu Yuan. The 3-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist that he had conflicts with at the Ancient Orchid City Ruins. He’s also from the Chu Family.

“My Chu Family had 3 Senior Alchemy Masters, 6 Intermediate Alchemy Masters and over twenty Primary Alchemy Masters, how can’t we be considered an Alchemy family with that?” Chu Ning

proudly declared.

"What's the use of putting past glory along your lips all day long? What about now? Chu Family only has one Primary Alchemy Master right now. Can it still be considered an Alchemy family?" Nie Li retorted, laughing away.

Chu Ning never thought that a kid like Nie Li would actually be so familiar with his family.

"Hmph, so what? I, Chu Ning, will definitely become an Alchemy Master. You still reek of your mother's milk, get lost. This is the exam for Alchemy Masters, not a place for you to be playing at!" Chu Ning snorted.

Although he took the exam two times before, he is absolutely confident with this third time.

Hearing Chu Ning's words, the few people beside him lowly chuckled. People like them have been in the path of alchemy for decades, but have just began taking the Alchemy Master exam. If a brat like Nie Li was to pass the exam, wouldn't it be extremely shameful to them?

Nie Li shrugged and casually said, "We'll see by then."

He pushed open a door and walked inside.

Chu Ning sneered. He doesn't believe a small brat could practice

the way of alchemy to any extent and also entered a room.

After Nie Li entered the room, there were two Primary Alchemy Masters sitting at the front. Both of them are around fifty-sixty years old. Beside them was a table and a chair. On the table sat a stack of books and a sheep's horn pen.

Seeing Nie Li come in, one of the Primary Alchemy Masters was stunned for a moment, puzzled. He asked, "This student, are you in the wrong place? This is the exam room for Alchemy Master."

"Two honourable Masters, I'm not in the wrong place. I'm here to take the exam for Alchemy Master," Nie Li politely said. For the examiner, it's best to be more polite towards them.

The two Alchemy Masters looked at each other. They have no idea who's kid this is. For this kid to actually come to take the exam for Alchemy Master. In a moment, he will know how difficult the Alchemy Master exam is. If he hasn't been in the way of alchemy for at least a few decades, it's impossible to become an Alchemy Master!

"Okay then, there are more than three hundred and sixty pages within this book. You can take a few from the book. On each page, there is all sorts of alchemy questions. You are required to write the answers on the paper. You have to take a total of twenty pages and finish them within two hours. Only if the correct rate is over 90% can you go into the next round," One of the Alchemy Masters instructed.

“Honourable Master, help me pick a few,” Nie Li said, looking at that the Alchemy Master. If the papers are picked by the Alchemy Master, then that will eliminate any possibility of him cheating.

That Alchemy Master saw Nie Li’s clear eyes, nodded and said, “Okay!” He randomly pick twenty papers from within and place it in front of Nie Li, “You can doing these!”

Nie Li took up the horn pen. His gaze swept across the questions on those papers. The corner of his mouth rose. These questions are simply too easy for him. It was like an Alchemy Master doing an Alchemy Apprentice’s papers. Nie Li’s understanding towards alchemy has long surpassed the realm of Alchemy Masters! He is even worried that these Alchemy Masters would not be able to understand if his answers were too complex, so he deliberately simplified his answers. Some of his answers to the questions are wrong, however, Nie Li can only write it this way because these Alchemy Masters alchemy knowledge is not to that level yet.

Nie Li’s pen was flying. Scribble scribble and he finished answering several questions.

Those two Alchemy Masters originally thought that Nie Li wouldn’t be able to answer them, however, they never thought that Nie Li would be able to answer the questions so fast! After he completed several questions, they thought that Nie Li is just randomly scribbling and stretched their head to take a look.

“First question is about the sixteen uses of Spirit Core Grass. Oh, the answers are quite good. Not one was missed out!”

“Second question is about the refining process of the Spirit Concentration Pill, the twenty-six steps are very complete!”

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The two Alchemy Masters looked at each other. Their first reaction is that Nie Li is cheating! How can a thirteen-fourteen year old teenager be able to understand the process of it so thoroughly? Truth is, just one page is extremely easy. However, this is picked out from tens of thousands of herbs and thousands of elixirs. How much profound knowledge does one have to be able to answer these questions so easily?

But these papers were picked out by one of the Alchemy Masters, which nearly eliminates all possibility of Nie Li cheating!

A thirteen-fourteen year old kid, even if he was to start reading since he was in the womb, could not possibly finish reading so many books.

The two Alchemy Masters looked at each other and bitterly smiled. Could it be that, in this world, there’s a genius with birth wisdom? Birth wisdom means that the wisdom and knowledge is extraordinary since birth.

Under normal circumstances, ordinary person would need roughly at least a quarter of an hour to finish one paper. To be able to finish ten papers within the allotted time frame is very hard. Lots of people would be stuck by a few difficult questions,

however, Nie Li is simply completing them without any pause in between. He answered three papers in a quarter of an hour.

Before an hour had passed, ten papers have already been filled with answers.

After every paper was completed, those two Alchemy Masters would inspect them. To their horror, all ten papers don't have even one mistake. Some questions were also brilliantly answered. They had surpassed some of the book's record, causing them to be amazed.

Genius!

A genuine genius!

The two Alchemy Masters were marvelled, their mood was excited. Regarding this matter, they definitely have to report it to the elder group. Nie Li's age is still small,but he already has such frightening knowledge. What will become of him in a few years?

Nie Li might even be the person who will let the Alchemist Association develop further! Thinking about it already had them excited. At that time, someone who marked the papers of Nie Li will also become well known.

"May I know where this young master is from?" One of the old men said, smiling, "My name is Hu Yan Ming, he is Mu Yang, are both Primary Alchemy Masters."

“Honourable teachers, you can just call me by my name. I’m Nie Li, from the Heavenly Marks Family,” Nie Li humbly said. There’s actually another person with the surname Hu Yan. Nie Li wondered if he’s from the Hu Yan Family.

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Hu Yan Ming and Mu Yang’s eye happily squinted up. Nie Li’s addressing of honourable teachers made the two of them happy. Not bad, not bad. For such a young age, he has such a vast talent but is not arrogant. If Nie Li is really able to get himself a spot in the Alchemist Association, this addressing of honourable teachers would have their status raise by a lot.

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Heavenly Marks Family. The two Alchemy Masters recalled their impression of this family. The Heavenly Marks Family is an extremely small family among the Aristocratic families. Not well known and the strength is also not that good. The both of them lightly smiled. If Nie Li comes from a Noble or Major family, even if they show Nie Li a little grace, Nie Li wouldn't even put it in his heart. But since Nie Li comes from a small family, then it's easier to handle.

The two Alchemy Masters chatted with Nie Li for a while and realized that Nie Li is not only proficient with the theories of alchemy, but also familiar with the process of actual refinement.

Monstrous!

They have been in alchemy for decades, and have only just reached Alchemy Master level at forty-fifty years old. Thinking about Nie Li's age again, they couldn't help feeling embarrassed. It's simply frustrating! Nie Li is only how old? Yet he already has knowledge that is not inferior to them.

Knowledge really does not reflect on one's age!

It's time that they give a little face to Nie Li.

The two Alchemy Masters collected Nie Li's test papers, preparing to personally present them to the president. How can they let such a genius slip away from their hands?

“Nie Li, you’ll wait here for awhile. The both of us will go and see the president. See if we can let you enter the Alchemy Association directly without the other tests.” The two Alchemy Masters said, laughing.

“I’ll have to trouble the honorable masters then,” Nie Li said, becoming even more humble, and slightly bowed.

Seeing Nie Li’s action, the two Alchemy Masters became even more excited as they held onto the scripts and hastily left.

The room next door.

Chu Ning is currently trying his best on the test papers. An hour has already passed and he had only finished three papers. This is already his third time in taking the test for Alchemy Masters. In the two previous times, he did not even get sixty percent of his answers correct and still had three papers undone. He had already versed himself with things that he was unfamiliar with and came to get himself tested again.

Before coming, he secretly vowed to himself that he would pass it this round!

However, this test was even harder than the previous ones.

Chu Ning felt incessant grievances. Before coming, he had placed many answers into his interspatial ring. However, with the two

Alchemy Masters eyeing him, he couldn't find the chance to cheat. An hour has already passed, and several of his papers only had a handful of answers.

Seeing Chu Ning's answers, the two examiner Alchemy Masters couldn't help but shake their heads. His answers only have sixty percent of them correct at best, and to become an Alchemy Master, he would need at least ninety percent of the answers correct.

Two hour have passed, and the bell outside rang.

Needless to say, Chu Ning knew that he definitely failed the test. He stood up with his dropped spirit and walked out. With this failure, he would have to wait for another year in order to take the Alchemy Master exam again.

In the corridor, one after another, those who took the test walked out. Only a thirty something year old man came out looking happy, the rest had long faces as this first test was too difficult.

Alchemy Association's Elders Hall

"President, take a look at this script!"

Hu Yan Ming handed the twenty papers over to Gu Yan.

Within the whole Alchemy Association, there are only two Senior Alchemy Masters, Gu Yan is one of them. At the same time, he is also the President for the Alchemy Association. His hair is white,

and already over sixty years old.

It was only a set of test papers and yet the two Primary Alchemy Masters hurriedly wanted him to take a look. As Gu Yan is currently refining elixir, being interrupted caused his mood to be bad.

“President, these are the papers of one of the students. Please, have a look!” Hu Yan Ming said, looking excited. Although they saw that President Gu Yan’s mood wasn’t too good, they still went ahead and passed the papers over to him.

Gu Yan coldly snorted while taking a look at the papers and said, “This student did pretty good. All of the answers are correct. Some of them were brilliantly answered. Bring him to the second test!” Gu Yan’s face relaxed a little. After all, there are not many people that could answer all the questions correctly.

Hu Yan Ming and Mu Yang looked at each other and smiled. Hu Yan Ming went up and said, “I would like to request the President to allow him to pass and let him join the Alchemy Association directly!”

“Pass the test and join directly?” Gu Yan’s brow twitched, shook his head and said, “This is impossible. In order to become a Primary Alchemy Master, aside from knowing lots of alchemy theories, one must also be familiar with the actual refinement procedures. Even if he passed the first round, if he does not have any actual practical experiences, it’s impossible to become a Primary Alchemy Master!”

“President, what if that person is only a thirteen years old kid? Even if he doesn’t have any alchemy experiences, it can be nurtured! If we miss this genius, we’ll definitely regret it!” Mu Yang, who is by the side spoke up.

Hearing Mu Yang’s words, the calm Gu Yan’s voice also became surprised, “What did you say? He’s only a thirteen year old kid?”

“Yes, President!” Mu Yang and Hu Yan Ming said in unison, nodding their heads.

“Are the both of you colluding to bluff me? How can a thirteen year old kid be able to memorize so many alchemy books and complete the Primary Alchemy Master test papers?” Gu Yan’s sharp, cold eyes swept across Mu Yang and Hu Yan Ming.

“Why would we dare to deceive the President?”

“Bring him over. In addition, have Director Yang to come over immediately too. This matter mustn’t be told to anyone, not even the other elders, understand?” Gu Yan said, looking and Mu Yang and Hu Yan Ming. If there is such a genius, he has to definitely nurture him into one of his loyalists.

“Yes!” Hu Yan Ming and Mu Yang’s hearts shook, excitement filled their faces.

In the Alchemy Association, there are six elders including Gu

Yan. Every elder has their own interests. To keep the secret for Gu Yan, also means that from today onwards, they will become an aide of an elder.

Mu Yang went to look for Director Yang, while Hu Yan Ming hastily went to fetch Nie Li.

On the corridor

Chu Ning walked out, looking a bit sad. Seeing Nie Li has been outside since long ago, his brows immediately twitched.

The few people beside him were currently teasing Nie Li.

“Little bro, how many question have you done?” One man said, laughing loudly. He was the only one that has passed the test.

Nie Li shrugged, and said “Those questions are too easy Absolutely no challenge at all.”

Hearing Nie Li’s speech, everyone looked at each other.

Nie Li’s words directly stung Chu Ning who struggled with the questions. He shorted and said, “Conceited brat! If you got even ten percent of the questions correct, I’ll immediately strip myself and run around the whole Glory City three rounds!”

“Then you can start running now,” Nie Li said, lightly laughed.

Everyone felt amazed hearing Nie Li’s words, wondering where exactly that confidence of his came from. They were also wondering how much did Nie Li fair in his test.

At this moment, Hu Yan Ming hurriedly ran over.

Seeing the Primary Alchemy Master's white robe on Hu Yan Ming, everyone immediately stood up respectfully.

"Nie Li, you have passed the first test! Follow me!" Hu Yan Ming said, completely disregarding those beside.

"Okay," Nie Li slightly nodded his head.

"Passed the first test?"

Hearing Hu Yan Ming's words, everyone went into a daze. Especially Chu Ning, stunned as though he was struck by lightning.

'How is this possible? Nie Li is just a thirteen year old brat!'

'Did they get it wrong?'

'Am I dreaming?'

A thirteen year old teen actually passed the first round of tests. This is simply the first time in countless hundreds of years. No wonder Hu Yan Ming wants to personally bring Nie Li off.

Everyone recalled the mockeries that they said to Nie Li and, immediately, they felt their cheeks burning. A thirteen year old teen actually passed the test. As for them, some were already

thirty-forty years old, and some even older, they haven't even managed to pass the first test.

Chu Ning was shocked beyond words. He never imagined that Nie Li would actually pass the first test.

'He must have been cheating! Yes, that's definitely the case!' Chu Ning quietly accused as he walked out, staggering. No matter what, he didn't manage to pass the test. Therefore, getting beaten up by his uncle was unavoidable.

"Hey, Chu Ning's gone?"

"Didn't he say that he would strip naked and run around Glory City three rounds earlier on?"

In the eyes of everyone, Chu Ning desperately ran off. To let him run around Glory City three rounds naked, how would he be able to raise his head up in the future? Everyone looked at the far figure of Nie Li. He did not care about the bet, or to say, he did not even bother himself with Chu Ning.

Nie Li and Chu Ning are from two completely different worlds. Nie Li's achievements are destined to make Chu Ning look from afar.

Seeing the Primary Alchemy Master Hu Yan Ming looking pleased at Nie Li, the crowd couldn't help showing admiring glares.

Alchemy Association, Council Hall

“Nie Li, wait here. The President and Director Yang will be here soon,” Hu Yan Ming said, his eyes eagerly looking at the genius in front of him. Nie Li’s aura made Hu Yan Ming feel as though this boy in front of him isn’t a thirteen year old kid, but an alchemist of equal rank.

“Okay,” Nie Li said, slightly nodding his head. He began to look around. This Council Hall is still quite big. At the center area, there is a round table with some chairs, and the walls were covered with papers.

“What are these?” Nie Li asked, looking at Hu Yan Ming.

“This is the place where all the Alchemy Masters exchange their ideas and thoughts. Alchemy Masters write down the problems that they encountered during their refining, seeking answers from all the other Alchemy Masters. Occasionally, the President and other elders would help those Alchemy Masters to answer their questions. If you know the answer, you can then write it on the paper, and someone will verify it,” Hu Yan Ming said, “Through this method, Alchemy Masters can enhance each other’s alchemy skills.”

“Oh,” said Nie Li, nodding his head. He continued stroll over to the walls. He has to show sufficient ability in order to grab the attention of President Gu Yan and the others. Otherwise, just being nurtured by the Alchemy Association would not be enough. What

Nie Li wants is to borrow the power of Alchemy Association.

‘It seems that Nie Li is interested towards Alchemy Knowledge,’ Hu Yan Ming thought, smiling as he followed Nie Li. He naturally did not think that Nie Li would be able to solve the questions on the walls. Those questions have been left unanswered for many years, some questions couldn’t even be solved by Senior Alchemy Masters like Gu Yan.

Chapter 45: Elixir's Formula

Nie Li walked to the walls. There were lots of papers on it, all were problems that were encountered during refinement. On the table beside the walls, lies a horned pen.

Nie Li took up the horned pen from the table.

"Wait!" Hu Yan Ming hurriedly said, what is Nie Li planning to do?

"What is it?" Nie Li puzzled, looking at Hu Yan Ming and said.

"You plan on answering those questions?" Hu Yan Ming asked.

"Yeah, can't I?" Nie Li asked, blinking his eyes.

"You can, but..." Hu Yan Ming wanted to say that all those questions on the wall were encountered by Alchemy Masters during their refinement process. Just reading books wouldn't be able to answer them. One has to personally refine and search for the solution. Hu Yan Ming doesn't think that Nie Li would be able to answer those questions.

"Since I can, then there's no problem," Nie Li brightly smiled, lifting the horned pen up and began to write.

Nie Li swiftly moved his hand, writing down the answers after

taking a glimpse at the problems.

Seeing how fast Nie Li was writing down the solution to the problems, Hu Yan Ming didn't know whether to laugh or cry. Nie Li did not go through the refining process and yet he could already come out with the solution. It's practically laughable. His gaze then fell onto one of the questions, it's a problem about herbal equilibrium.

"How should the ratio of Snow Grass, Nine Immortal Grass, and Dragon Gall Grass be? According to the alchemy theory, combining these three herb would definitely be able to refine an extremely strong antidote medicine. However, how should the ratio of these herb be? Up till today, there is still no answer to it," Hu Yan Ming murmured.

And Nie Li's answer to it is: 'No matter what the ratio , it's impossible to succeed. Dragon Gall Grass should be changed to Solani Grass. The ratio would be 3:1:2.'

Solani Grass is very similar to the Dragon Gall Grass, both have detoxification effects. However, the Dragon Gall Grass is violent, whereas the Solani Grass is much calmer. Furthermore, this ratio for the herb is perfect.

"Brilliant!" Hu Yan Ming shouted with praise. He already couldn't wait to try refining it, verifying the ratio.

Hu Yan Ming continued looking at the papers on the walls, Nie Li's answers are extremely brilliant. Although he does not know if

they're correct or not, but it's worth testing. Although the solution to those problems could not be verified, there are a few that Hu Yan Ming can verify. For example, questions about the refining process, the answers that Nie Li gave are correct.

The look of Hu Yan Ming to Nie Li changed, it was filled with admiration. Because some questions up there, even President Gu Yan couldn't solve them.

Could Nie Li's knowledge have already surpassed the Senior Alchemy Master level? Reaching the legendary Alchemy Grandmaster level?

Just what kind of monster is he? Nie Li is only a thirteen year old kid!

As a Primary Alchemy Master, Hu Yan Ming has been very prideful. After all, the amount of Primary Alchemy Masters in the Alchemist Association doesn't even amount to a hundred. And now, seeing such a young teen with such frightening knowledge, Hu Yan Ming had the thought of killing himself by the wall.

In just a moment, Nie Li had already answered a hundred questions. After he finished the hundredth he placed the pen down and murmured, "These questions, ain't that difficult after all."

Hearing Nie Li's words, Hu Yan Ming simply wanted to vomit blood. These problems have been accumulated over the years with no one able to solve them, and Nie Li actually said that it's not that difficult?!

Hu Yan Ming realized that the appearance of Nie Li might bring the Alchemist Association to a whole new era. Just these questions on the wall alone, once they are verified, would be more than enough to let the Alchemist Association rise to a whole new level!

Just when Nie Li finished answering those questions, an old man with both a beard and hair snow white and a sexy, tall beauty were standing behind him.

When the both of them saw Nie Li's pen swiftly going through across the problems, at the beginning, they felt that it was funny. These questions weren't things that Nie Li can solve at his age. However, when they saw what Nie Li had written, they were shocked beyond words.

Gu Yan and Yang Xin both looked at Nie Li and thought, 'Just what kind of monster is he?'

Is Nie Li really just a thirteen year old kid? Although Nie Li's face is still immature, Gu Yan and Yang Xin both thought that Nie Li is an old monster that has lived for hundreds of years.

Without several decades of studies, it's totally impossible to become a Primary Alchemy Master.

Nie Li is just thirteen years old, but his knowledge and understanding towards Alchemy has already surpassed the Primary, and Intermediate Alchemy Masters. He might not be any inferior to the Senior Alchemy Master Gu Yan!

Gu Yan's glance towards Nie Li suddenly became excited. In recent years, the Alchemist Association was not like it was in the past. In just a few more years, the Alchemist Association would start to gradually decline. The several attacks from the demon beasts caused the Alchemist Association to suffer many losses. Many books were lost, many effects of the elixirs had been greatly reduced, causing many alchemists to leave. Many of them preferred to focus on the martial path instead. Very few were still willing to join the path of alchemy.

Gu Yan understood that this is wrong. The aid of elixirs to cultivation is very huge. If there is no one left to refine elixirs in the future, then the martial path would also gradually decline.

It's been a long time since the Alchemist Association had any new generations, but they never thought that the day would come when they would have such a monster like Nie Li joining them. Watching Nie Li's back, Gu Yan suddenly felt that from today onwards, the Alchemist Association will rise to a new height by the hands of Nie Li!

Yang Xin's eyes were filled with disbelief. Those sexy red lips slightly opened and closed, her perky chest rising up and down. She couldn't believe that the questions that left so many Alchemy Masters helpless was actually solved by Nie Li.

Nie Li suddenly turned his head, looking at Gu Yan and Yang Xin.

"President Gu Yan, Director Yang Xin, nice to meet you!" Nie Li

took the initiative to greet.

Gu Yan was a little surprised, lightly smiled and said, “Little guy, you know us?”

Gu Yan looked at Nie Li. He is still rather bright. The more he looks at Nie Li, the more he likes him. Nie Li is simply the son of god!

“Of course I know you. As long as one studies in alchemy, one would know the big names of President Gu Yan and Director Yang Xin. I still remember that I sent a letter about Purple Haze Grass over to Director Yang Xin earlier on,” Nie Li said, lightly smiled.

Both Gu Yan and Yang Xin both made great contributions to Glory City in the previous life. Gu Yan died in battle together with the City Lord, and as for Yang Xin, she died in order to cover the residents of Glory City. Nie Li personally saw that her chest was pierced by a Blizzard Mantis. That scene caused countless people to tear.

“The letter about Purple Haze Grass was sent by you?!” said Yang Xin, her bright eyes were filled with disbelief. The letter about Purple Haze Grass left a deep impression within her. All sixty uses of Purple Haze Grass has been verified today, and none of them had any errors.

Yang Xin pondered, ‘What kind of person could write that kind of article? Probably even Gu Yan wouldn’t be able to study a herb to that extend. Could Glory City have a hidden Alchemy

Grandmaster?'

It's a pity that she couldn't find any clue about the letter. Yang Xin once sent people to investigate but was unable to get any results.

"That article was written by you?" Gu Yan's hands slightly trembled. He has seen that article before, because it had a great impact to the Alchemist Association.

"Not me. It was my master who wrote it. My master got me to come to the Alchemist Association to get a Senior Alchemy Master title," Nie Li said, slightly laughing. In order to prevent himself to be too much of a monster, he casually finds an excuse. Sometimes, it's better to be hidden.

Gu Yan was surprised for a moment, but did not find it strange. Having such achievements at Nie Li's age, he definitely must have a teacher behind him. Nie Li is already so monstrous at this age. That master behind him would at least be an Alchemy Grandmaster, right?

"Who might your master be? We have to pay a visit to him," Gu Yan said, humbly.

"My master doesn't like to be disturbed," Nie Li said, shaking his head.

Yang Xin blinked, staring at Nie Li, wanting to find something

out from Nie Li's expression, but failed. Although he is just thirteen years old, his calm posture made others unable to read anything from him.

Gu Yan nodded his head and said, "Since your respected master doesn't wish to show himself, then it's fine. A great teacher brings us a brilliant student. With your talent, it's more than enough to match the title of Senior Alchemy Master. I hope that there will come a time where we could pay a visit to your respected master."

It's normal for some experts to be a hermit. Doesn't matter what kind of person that expert is. As long as he remains in Glory City, then for Glory City, it's a great fortune! He has to report this matter to Lord Ye Mo and the City Lord immediately. Such a huge figure, if they had good relationships with him, it would be extremely great! As for awarding Nie Li the title of Senior Alchemy Master, just from how Nie Li answered all those questions that even Gu Yan himself was helpless to answer was already more than enough for Nie Li to be awarded with that title. Awarding Nie Li the title of Senior Alchemy Master is equivalent to giving a favor to the expert behind him.

"Director Yang, bring him the books of Senior Alchemy Master, medal and robe!" Gu Yan decisively said.

"Yes!"

Yang Xin turned around and went to arrange these matters. Her heart was filled with amazement. A thirteen year old Senior Alchemy Master, this is the first in the whole history of the Alchemist Association!

“Aside from obtaining the title of Senior Alchemy Master, I would like to work with President Gu Yan, too!” Nie Li lightly smiled and said, he came prepared.

“Work together? Little guy, speak your desires,” Gu Yan’s heart fluttered. Cooperating with Nie Li is probably the idea of the man behind him.

“I have five elixir formulas here. They are: Soul Nurturing Pills, Soul Concentrating Pills, and Soul Tempering Pills as well as the Scarlet Body Enhancing Pills and the Nine Transformation Pills,” Nie Li calmly listed. He doesn’t believe that Gu Yan wouldn’t go crazy for these after hearing the names.

“What?! Soul Nurturing Pill, Soul Concentrating Pill and Soul Tempering Pill? Scarlet Body Enhancing Pill and Nine Transformation Pill?!” Gu Yan gasped. The usually calm him could no longer stay calm.

Chapter 46: Nie Li's Master?

As of now, the only soul enhancing pills that Gu Yan and bunch can refine is called the Soul Assembling Pill, and the effect is extremely limited. Those three soul enhancing pills that Nie Li just listed have already been long lost. Their effects are more than ten times or even several hundreds of times better than the Soul Assembling Pill.

In the Sacred Empire Era, Soul Assembling Pill was one of the low grade elixirs. Soul Nurturing Pill was an intermediate grade elixir, it's effect is ten times greater than the Soul Assembling Pill. Soul Concentrating Pill is a high grade elixir, whose effect is at least a hundred times greater than the Soul Assembling Pill. As for the Soul Tempering Pill, it's a top rated pill. Its effect is at least a thousand times more effective than the Soul Assembling Pill. Even Legend rank Demon Spiritualists would get an effect out of it.

The Scarlet Body Enhancing Pill is also an extremely valuable elixir. It can refine the body, greatly enhancing the Fighter talent in the body. During the Sacred Empire Era, many Fighters were able to step into Legend rank thanks to the effects of the Scarlet Body Enhancing Pill. And now? Without mentioning Legend rank Fighters, a Black Gold rank Fighter is rarely seen in Glory City.

As for the Nine Transformation Pill, it's an even more legendary elixir. As long as one has the Nine Transformation Pill, when one suffered fatal injuries, one can consume a Nine Transformation Pill and their wounds would immediately begin to slowly heal. Therefore it's a life saving elixir!

Every year, countless Fighters and Demon Spiritualists would battle with the demon beasts in life or death battles. With the Nine Transformation Pill, they can save many lives!

“Your honorable master really has those five elixir formulas?” Gu Yan’s voice trembled. He clearly knows that the importance of those five elixir formulas would have great significance to Glory City.

“Of course. My master travelled the whole Divine Continent. His knowledge is vast. He only arrived to Glory City a few years ago, however, he does not want to show himself. Therefore, he sent me as his representative. Of the five elixirs, Soul Nurturing Pill can be refined by an Intermediate Alchemy Apprentice. Soul Concentrating Pill can be refined by a Senior Alchemy Apprentice. As for the Soul Tempering Pill and the Scarlet Body Enhancing Pill, only Primary Alchemy Masters can refine it. Last but not least, the Nine Transformation Pill can only be refined by a Senior Alchemy Master!” Nie Li said.

“Your honorable master travelled the whole Divine Continent, and arrived in Glory City few years ago?” Gu Yan was stunned. No wonder he hasn’t heard of such a figure before in Glory City. If this kind of person continued to stay in Glory City, then it’s a great fortune!

“My master originally wanted to donate these five elixir formulas to the Alchemist Association, however…” Nie Li slightly paused.

“However what?” Gu Yan is a little anxious, unconsciously rubbed his hands together. He clearly knows how great those five

elixir formulas will impact the whole Glory City.

Glory City's current situation is not very optimistic. Demon beasts are all around the St. Ancestral Mountains, especially the three powerful Legend rank Snow Wind beasts. Even Lord Ye Mo couldn't fight them. Luckily, those three demon beasts are currently in a hibernating state, but if they were to awaken, Glory City would be in an extremely dire state.

In the history of Glory City, there were a few times when Glory City was almost destroyed and Lord Ye Mo is getting older as time goes on. There hasn't been any new Legend rank Demon Spiritualists born since Lord Ye Mo.

"My master wishes to continue his research on alchemy but he requires a large amount of resources. He needs to spend lots of demon spirit coins, therefore, these five elixir formulas cannot be given to the Alchemist Association for free. From now on, those five elixirs that were made by the Alchemist Association, the money that's made from selling it, my master wants thirty percent of it. I wonder if President Gu Yan has any objections? Even if my master takes thirty percent away, the Alchemist Association would still be able to get a profit of over thirty." Nie Li said. The profit from alchemy is extremely large. Sixty percent profit would be considered as small, some would even be able to get a profit of over ninety percent.

"Definitely, definitely!" Gu Yan hastily replied, "The Alchemist Association is willing to offer fifty percent of the profit to your respected master!"

These five elixir formulas have been long lost. If they were refined, and taken to an auction, any one of those could be sold for a sky high price. The profit is definitely very shocking, therefore, even after taking out fifty percent of the profit, they would still be able to make a lot money off of it.

If they are really able to refine the Soul Tempering Pill, the Scarlet Body Enhancing Pill, and the Nine Transformation Pill, even the Legend rank Lord Ye Mo would look for him to buy some of it. Not to mention those Major families and Noble families! The wealth of those super families is not what an ordinary family can imagine!

Nie Li lightly smiled and said, “My master only wants thirty percent. If President Gu Yan is willing, President Gu Yan can take out some money to help out those commoners who are willing to join the path of alchemy.”

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Gu Yan’s expression was slightly stunned. But immediately expressed out admiration, “Your Honorable is a highly respected elder, do not worry. You can be assured to leave these to me. To finance their alchemy studies, would also affect the power of the Alchemist Association!”

Gu Yan has been wanting to restore their influence in Glory City, bring it back from their decline. However, he was frustrated that the human and financial resources were not enough. If he could obtain the five elixir formulas given by Nie Li, when they get the extraordinary profit later in the future, they would have enough power for those things.

“As for the selling procedures, your honorable master can send someone to supervise. If there is anything that is not up to his satisfaction, we will immediately rectify!” Gu Yan said. Leaving such a huge business to the Alchemist Association, it’s normal that he would worry about it.

“Everything will be left to President Gu Yan and Director Yang. My master trusts the two of you. Furthermore, I believe that the two of you aren’t short sighted.” Nie Li lightly laughed.

“Definitely!” Gu Yan quickly nodded. Is this a joke? An Alchemy Grandmaster is giving such a business to them? Of course they would give it their all! Furthermore, that Alchemy Grandmaster definitely has more elixir formulas in his hand!

“Okay, here is the elixir formulas for the five elixirs, please take a look,” Nie Li said, handing the formula over to Gu Yan.

Seeing the formulas, Gu Yan froze for a moment. He never thought that the herbs used in the elixirs would be so ordinary and common! The cost is absolutely shockingly low! Gu Yan emerged into his thoughts for a moment and figured it out. Just like the Purple Haze Grass, before Nie Li sent the article to them, who would have thought that the cheap Purple Haze Grass would have so many effects?

Glancing at these herbs, Gu Yan understood that the first thing that the Alchemist Association needs to do would be to gather as much of these herbs as soon as possible. However, the Alchemist Association isn’t united. The elders would often fight for power. However, as long as Gu Yan has the Soul Tempering Pill, Scarlet

Body Enhancing Pill and the Nine Transformation Pill in his control, he would be able to make the Alchemist Association become a more consolidated organization.

A moment later, Yang Xin brought the Senior Alchemy Master books, badge and robe over.

“From today onwards, if you have any problems, you can look for Director Yang directly. She will definitely do her best to help with your request,” Gu Yan said. With these formulas, he would have to concentrate on refining pills for a while.

“Okay,” Nie Li slightly nodded.

“This robe is a little too big for you. Wait for the new robes to be ready, I will personally send it to you. I wonder, where do you live? How do I contact you in the future?” Yang Xin looked at Nie Li and asked.

“I’m in the Fighter Apprentice class at the Holy Orchid Institute. You can look for me there in the future,” Nie Li thought for awhile and said.

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Yang Xin’s mouth widened. Who would have thought that Nie Li is a student of the Fighter Apprentice class? Thinking about Nie Li’s frightening knowledge, Yang Xin doesn’t know whether to laugh or cry. Nie Li remaining in the Fighter Apprentice class seems a little wrong.

“Young bro Nie Li, if you want to enter Holy Orchid Institute’s Genius class, I can personally go and speak with the institute principal!” Yang Xin said. As a Director of the Alchemist Association, her position in Glory City is still rather high. The Holy Orchid Institute would send some students over to the Alchemist Association every year.

“There’s no need for that,” Nie Li said, lightly smiling. He has his own plans. The teachings in the school already has no attraction for him. The only reasons why he remains in the Holy Orchid Institute would be because of Ye Zi Yun, and another would be because of the treasures in the Holy Orchid Institute.

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Yang Xin understood what he is trying to do. Nie Li is remaining in the Fighter Apprentice class to hide himself from the public, he must definitely have a reason for doing so.

“Since there is nothing else, I will leave first. If there is anything else, I will come to the Alchemist Association again,” Nie Li said towards Gu Yan and Yang Xin.

“No problem, Director Yang, send Mr. Nie Li off!” Gu Yan said.

“Okay,” Yang Xin nodded.

Under Yang Xin’s company, Nie Li walked towards the outside of the Alchemist Association. After watching Nie Li’s back figure disappear to the entrance, he looked down at the elixir formulas in his hands and looked at the solutions that Nie Li wrote on the wall.

Gu Yan was sure he wasn't dreaming, his heart was unable to calm for a long time.

After Nie Li left, the whole Alchemist Association began to boil.

A crowd of Primary Alchemy Masters noticed that the problems they wrote on the walls have all been solved by someone. They all went back to verify, and the results caused them to be greatly shocked. The solutions were better than what they had imagined.

Everyone was shocked. Could it be that within these hard times, President Gu Yan has reached the level of Grandmaster? One has to know that a lot of the questions weren't able to be answered, even by President Gu Yan himself. But how did they get answered all of a sudden?

They all wanted to look for President Gu Yan to verify their guesses, but to their disappointment, President Gu Yan suddenly began refining pills, and was not welcoming any visitors. Even Director Yang, who was responsible for the general affairs in the Alchemist Association, was suddenly acting weird. She began mobilizing large amounts of the Alchemist Association's finances to acquire various herbs. Some of these herbs don't even have any uses when refining, therefore, they could not understand why Director Yang would send people to acquire them.

The Alchemist Association's large scale acquisition of useless herbs got Glory City's residence to be excited again. Every day, many people would go to the wild to search for those herbs, although the purchase price is low, they still managed to get something out of it.

Various herbs gradually accumulated within the Alchemist Association. All the alchemists above Intermediate Apprentice rank within the Alchemist Association were gathered up...

Chapter 47: Year Examination

When news of the Soul Nurturing Pill and the Soul Concentrating Pill's formula was announced, the whole Alchemist Association was in an uproar.

Gu Yan has already verified that those five formula are correct. The Soul Nurturing Pill and the Soul Concentrating Pill's effects are indeed, much better than the Soul Assembling Pill!

These two elixir formulas have been long lost since the Sacred Empire Era. But now, they have finally re-emerged!

Previously, when Director Yang went on a large scale acquisition of those garbage herbs, she made several elders unhappy. However, once they knew what those herbs were for, they immediately shut their mouths. Is this a joke? Among the several herbs that Director Yang went to acquire, seven of them were the raw materials for the Soul Nurturing Pill and the Soul Concentrating Pill. Just these two elixirs alone would be able to help the Alchemist Association earn big bucks.

At the same time, they were curious. Of all the herbs, only seven are used in those two elixirs, as for the rest, what are they used for? Could it be that President Gu Yan has some other formulas that he did not announce?

The whole Alchemist Association began operating. Almost all of the alchemists from Intermediate Alchemy Apprentice and above were busy refining these two elixirs.

The commotion within the Alchemist Association was soon spread throughout Glory City.

When the news of the long lost Soul Nurturing Pills and the Soul Concentrating Pills, whose effects are over ten times and hundred times that of the Soul Assembling Pills, came out, Glory City was shaken.

Because the effects of the Soul Assembling Pill is too weak and too pricey, many people were unwilling to purchase them. However, the Soul Nurturing Pill and the Soul Concentrating Pill is not the same. The cost of raw materials were far cheaper to obtain than the Soul Assembling Pill's, but the effects are so much better. The Alchemist Association has already announced the price of these two pills. Due to the large amount that can be produced of these two pills, the fixed price for the Soul Nurturing Pill is twice the amount of the Soul Assembling Pill. As for the Soul Concentrating Pill, its fixed price is twenty times the price of the Soul Assembling Pill. However, the effects are ten fold and a hundred fold. This action by the Alchemist Association immediately caused a huge uproar within Glory City.

Everyone is looking forward to the sale of these two elixirs.

Gu Yan's thought on this matter is, even though the price of these two pills can still be raised, if the price is too high, it wouldn't be suitable for large scale promotion. By promoting them at a low price, this could allow the Alchemist Association to earn much more money, and at the same time, it can also enhance the strength of Glory City in deterring the attacks of demon beasts. At

the same time, it can also enhance the Alchemist Association's strength.

The moment Soul Nurturing Pills and Soul Concentrating Pills were released, the originally declining Alchemist Association immediately rose up to the heart of all the ripples. Everyone is fighting for those two elixirs. The price of them was even crazily speculated in the Black Market!

Before long, the City Lord Mansion released a secret order to get the Alchemist Association to pay close attention towards the production of these two elixirs. The effects of these two pills in Glory City is too big, even the City Lord placed great importance to them.

Every member of the Alchemist Association worked overtime to refine the Soul Nurturing Pill and the Soul Concentrating Pill. Although their workload is a little bit more than usual, their rewards were several or even ten times more. Among them, there is already no one who would refine a garbage pill like the Soul Assembling Pill. They fully focused on refining the Soul Nurturing Pill and the Soul Concentrating Pill.

Some of the Soul Nurturing Pills and the Soul Concentrating Pills were leaked out of the Alchemist Association. Some Demon Spiritualist managed to get them and tried them out. The results of the pills were extremely good. Many Demon Spiritualists who did not manage to increase their cultivation for a long time, suddenly surged upon taking the two pills. This caused Glory City to be even more excited and filled with anticipation. Many ranked families were prepared to make large scale purchases of the elixirs, and use

them to gloom the younger generations. These two pills might be able to create hundreds or even thousands of Demon Spiritualist in the future!

It's said that some people from the Dark Guild were acquiring the Soul Nurturing Pills and the Soul Concentrating Pills in large scale, which made the City Lord to issue an emergency order. Those who sold the elixirs to the Dark Guild will be severely punished!

The two elixirs already made the gazes of Glory City to be focused on the Alchemist Association. At this moment, President Gu Yan suddenly released an announcement. They are also refining three other elixirs. One of them is the Soul Tempering Pill, whose effects are ten times that of the Soul Concentrating Pills. Its effects could still affect a Black Gold or even a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist. Another one is the Scarlet Body Enhancing Pill, which can greatly strengthen the body, allowing one's physique to improve greatly. Last but not least, the Nine Transformation Pill, which can save lives even when they substain fatal injuries.

In that moment, Glory City almost exploded at the news. It's said that the night of the news release, Legend rank Ye Mo and the City Lord paid a visit to the Alchemist Association late at night to meet Gu Yan, and spent a large amount to purchase huge amounts of pills.

Even Legend rank Demon Spiritualist, Lord Ye Mo and the City Lord are so concerned about the three elixirs, which caused everyone else to be filled with expectation for the three pills.

Soon, Soul Nurturing Pill and Soul Concentrating Pill began to

start selling at the Alchemist Association's shop. The scene was lively beyond imagination. Aside from all those big families, there is still many small families around. All were rushing to buy the pills. In a day, the Alchemist Association made a profit of more than six hundred million demon spirit coins. Just this one day, Nie Li was able to get two hundred million demon spirit coins. Yang Xin personally travelled to the Holy Orchid Institute to pass the money to Nie Li.

The huge figure caused the elders in the Alchemist Association to be deeply shocked. This also caused Gu Yan's position within the Alchemist Association to be more stable. Previously, elder Hu Shuo colluded with two other elders to rid Gu Yan of his President position. But now, elder Hu Shuo had quieted down, even the two elders who were pulled over by Hu Shuo went to Gu Yan's side.

The wealth of the Alchemist Association went up to an astonishing degree. They released a piece of news throughout Glory City. They are massively recruiting disciples to join the Alchemist Association. All fees were taken care of, and once they reach Intermediate Alchemy Apprentice, they can refine pills to earn money. The Alchemist Association's attraction was too huge, and caused many of those who did not manage to enter the Holy Orchid Institute to join the Alchemist Association.

A month or so soon passed.

Everything was calm. Although, occasionally, there would be people from the Dark Guild around, they did not cause any problems. With Lord Ye Mo and the City Lord guarding, if it's not the attacks by the Legend rank demon beasts, the Glory City would

be able to remain as steady as a mountain.

Nie Li, Du Ze, Lu Piao, and the trio were all within the Holy Orchid Institute, focusing on practicing. Practicing the most powerful cultivating technique. Inside their interspatial rings, there were unlimited amounts of Soul Tempering Pills and Scarlet Body Enhancing Pills. Every night, they would soak themselves in a Purple Haze Grass bath, causing Nie Li and bunch's cultivation to soar leaps and bounds.

However, outside the institute there's someone who's always trying to harm Nie Li. But, Nie Li and bunch all remained within the Holy Orchid Institute, leaving those people with no way to go after them.

The year examination test was nearing.

This test will affect the futures and fates of every student in the Holy Orchid Institute. Because the results of this test will get some of the students into a whole new class. The distance between the students will gradually increase.

After this exam, every student in the Holy Orchid Institute will be able to return home. But even so, they will still be faced with their parent's questions about the results of this test.

Every student within the Holy Orchid Institute are all busy preparing to get an outstanding result from the test.

In the Fighter Apprentice Class the main focus was on the bet between Nie Li and Teacher Shen Xiu.

Nie Li and bunch haven't show their faces in the class for a long time now. No one knows how they will reach 1-star Bronze Fighter in two months. Everyone thought that it's impossible.

"Boss Shen Yue, Nie Li and bunch have been hiding within the library every day. They don't even dare to show their faces now! They probably can't even reach 1-star Bronze rank. Just watch as they get resigned from school!" One of Shen Yue's underlings laughed. "Since Boss Shen Yue has taken a few Soul Concentrating Pills, boss should be nearing the 2-star Bronze rank!"

'Is Nie Li really not going to show himself? He really can't reach 1-star Bronze rank?' Shen Yue doesn't know how to answer. 'Nie Li is someone who easily defeated 3-star Bronze rank Chu Yuan. Is it simply because Nie Li's control over his soul force is much higher than others? This doesn't make any sense!'

However, Shen Yue firmly believes that Nie Li has not reached 1-star Bronze rank yet.

Since Nie Li's appearance, Ye Zi Yun did not even pay any attention to him, causing his hatred for Nie Li to go deep into his bones. However, he has always been wanting to trouble Nie Li, but there wasn't been a chance to do so. Therefore, he is waiting for this year's examination. If Nie Li resigns from school, he will not let Nie Li off easily, he will let Nie Li suffer!

Nie Li's exposure of the <<Scarlet Sunburst Pattern>> has already caused the wrath of the Sacred Family. The Sacred Family has already been suppressing the Heavenly Marks Family at their fullest. Even if Nie Li doesn't resign from school, he will still become a lost dog of his family. Shen Yue can already imagine Nie Li's pitiful outcome!

'Who asked you to offend me, and also offend my brother?!' Shen Yue secretly thought. Is Nie Li born to go against his family? Snatching his woman and even snatching his brother's woman. One must know that his brother is the future successor of the Sacred Family!

The entire field and forest of the Holy Orchid Institute was covered with people training, preparing themselves for the coming exam. Many students with backgrounds took quite a few of Soul Nurturing Pills and Soul Concentrating Pills. The effects of them is still quite obvious. Some prominent family even managed to get one or two Soul Tempering Pills and Scarlet Body Enhancing Pills.

The effects of these pills was still rather obvious. This batch's students had strength stronger than the previous batch, which made the school's higher ups to be in delight too.

Wondering if this batch's genius class have anything in the 5-star Silver rank. Maybe a few would be able to enter into 5-star Silver rank. If one was to be able to reach 5-star Silver rank before sixteen, his future would definitely be one of the pillars within Glory City. He would become an important controller of Glory City. Generally, by reaching 5-star Silver rank, one's future achievements wouldn't be low.

In the previous batch, nearly half of the students would graduate and leave. The new batch will come in and fill the spots. Everyone is wondering how many people will be qualified to enter into the Genius Class. This made everyone excited with expectation.

Everywhere in the Holy Orchid Institute was festively decorated, preparing for this big moment.

Chapter 48: Heavenly Sacred Border

In the institute's martial field, flags were swaying everywhere, drum rumbles were filling the skies.

The much anticipated year examination is about to officially begin. This, to every student, means a lot.

Every student from the Fighter Apprentice class, and Demon Spiritualist Apprentice class has gathered at the martial field. Even Nie Li and bunch who have gone missing for the past two months have appeared on the field, standing together with all the other students.

Seeing Nie Li's arrival, both Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er walked over.

Whether it's the boys from their class or the boys from other classes, seeing two great beauties standing together with Nie Li, filled them with jealousy.

Nie Li is too much, claiming so many resources alone.

Nie Li took a look towards Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er. Both of the girls became even more beautiful compared to the past. Only a fairy could be used to describe them. Both the [Wind Lightning Winged Dragon] and the [Nine Revolving Ice Phoenix] Technique are, without a doubt, powerful cultivation techniques. They can expel the impurities within the body out, causing the two girls to have a kind of fairy aura.

Recently, both Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er had their cultivation rise extremely fast, far surpassing their peers.

Whether it's Ye Zi Yun or Xiao Ning Er, both are grateful towards Nie Li. Without his help, they wouldn't be able to have their cultivation rise to this extent.

Ye Zi Yun seems to have noticed something. After talking to Nie Li for awhile, she left.

"Nie Li, I heard from my family members that the Heavenly Mark's business has been greatly pressured by the Sacred Family." Xiao Ning Er walked to the side of Nie Li and whispered.

"Just had business suppressed?" Nie Li asked.

"En!" Xiao Ning Er nodded her head. Even if the Sacred Family is powerful, they can only suppress other families, because Glory City forbids internal conflicts. If the Sacred Family were to wipe out the Heavenly Marks Family, both Legend rank Demon Spiritualist Lord Ye Mo and the City Lord wouldn't let the Sacred Family off.

"Then that's fine," Nie Li lightly said. Since the start of the sale of those pills, Nie Li's daily income is over millions. His daily income can match up to the Heavenly Marks' several years of income. Just having the family business suppressed is nothing much. When he finishes the exam and returns home, at that time, he will be able to completely change the whole situation within

Heavenly Marks Family.

Although he isn't worried about what the Sacred Family will do, he has to be careful of the Dark Guild that is colluding with the Sacred Family. People from Dark Guild won't follow the rules of Glory City. Fortunately, Glory City is well under control. Therefore, the Dark Guild generally won't do anything within Glory City.

Just when they are busy chatting, a bunch of people walked over. It's Shen Fei, Shen Yue, and bunch. Seeing how well Nie Li is chit chatting with Xiao Ning Er, Shen Fei's eyes fiercely lit up. However, his fierce eyes were soon retracted.

Seeing as Shen Fei is walking over, Xiao Ning Er's face turned slightly pale, bit her lips and walked to the side. She isn't afraid of Shen Fei, because she has already decided to fight the Sacred Family to the end however, she is worried that she will bring trouble for Nie Li.

Noticing Xiao Ning Er's slightly flustered face, Nie Li grabbed onto Xiao Ning Er's arm, and lightly said, "Ning Er, where are you going?"

"Nie Li, release me quickly! Otherwise, I will bring trouble for you!" Xiao Ning Er whispered.

Nie Li shrugged his shoulders, and indifferently said, "Not as though it's the first time that I have offended the Sacred Family. What is there to be scared of?"

Although separated from a thin silk, Nie Li is still able to vaguely feel the creamy skin of Xiao Ning Er.

Xiao Ning Er's cheeks blushed shyly. That charming expression caused the surrounding boys stare in a daze. Xiao Ning Er felt touched and sweet in her heart. For her, Nie Li is willingly to completely fall out with the Sacred Family.

"Release your hands!" Seeing Xiao Ning Er's shy looks, Shen Fei couldn't help flaring with jealousy, and pushed a palm out towards Nie Li.

Nie Li and Xiao Ning Er's intimate looks is simply slapping Shen Fei's face in public. Almost everyone knows that Xiao Ning Er is the fiancée of Shen Fei. Xiao Ning Er's reaction to Nie Li is simply putting a green hat on his head!

Feeling Shen Fei's palm coming, Nie Li moved and pulled with his right hand. He dodged Shen Fei's palm with Xiao Ning Er in his arms and at the same time, he pushed a hand out to shove Shen Fei away.

Shen Fei doesn't know exactly how Nie Li managed to dodge. The next moment, a palm strikes, causing him to take a few steps back. His eyes widened, staring at Nie Li. He suddenly realized that he had underestimated Nie Li. One must know that Shen Fei is already a 3-star Silver rank, and Nie Li is still able to dodge his attack, then retaliate with a palm.

The onlookers by the side were startled. Shen Fei is from the Genius class of the Holy Orchid Institute, and he actually suffered a loss under Nie Li. This is too shocking. Everyone is wondering just what is Nie Li's current level?

"You are Nie Li?" Shen Fei's eyes flickered, coldly staring at Nie Li.

"That's me, and you are?" asked Nie Li feigning ignorance with his right hand over Xiao Ning Er's waist. Nie Li purposely did such an ambiguous position. He purposely concentrated Shen Fei's focus and hatred onto himself, making Shen Fei think that he's the one that is going after Xiao Ning Er. This way, Shen Fei would not bother Xiao Ning Er.

Although she had intimate behaviors with Nie Li before, being grabbed by the waist by Nie Li in front of so many people, caused Xiao Ning Er's face to get hot.

The onlookers beside them showed looks of admiration on their faces. Nie Li is really cocky, publicly grabbing other people's fiancée's waist and not knowing who they were. They all noticed something, Xiao Ning Er did not resist Nie Li when he grabbed her waist. It seems that the relationship between the two is not so simple.

Hearing Nie Li's words, Shen Fei almost exploded in anger. Both of his eyes were wide open, veins on his neck were exposed. He fiercely glared at Nie Li and said, "Remember this well. My name is Shen Fei, the fiancé of Ning Er!"

“Ning Er’s fiancé? Who? Ning Er, you have a fiancé?” Nie Li looked towards Xiao Ning Er and asked.

Not giving her a chance to reply, he smiled, looking at Shen Fei and said, “See, it’s not true. Who are you? Putting a rose on cow dung. Wake up! How are you eligible to marry my Ning Er?”

Xiao Ning Er was dumbfounded. She did not even have the chance to reply.

The onlookers by the side were also dumbfounded. Nie Li is too outrageous, he did not even give Goddess Ning Er a chance to speak!

“He’s not my fiancé, I’ve never recognized it!” declared Xiao Ning Er, looking at Shen Fei, her eyes filled with disgust. She clearly know what kind of person Shen Fei is. Sometime ago, Shen Fei played two commoner students and got someone as a scapegoat, escaping jail sentences. In the past she didn’t dare to refute it because of the pressure of the Sacred Family However, now she no longer wants to be submissive to the Sacred Family ever again.

Hearing Xiao Ning Er’s words, Shen Fei’s eyes went cold. He furiously laughed, “Xiao Ning Er, this is what you declared. Don’t regret it! A small family like the Winged Dragon Family is trying to go against the Sacred family. It’s like trying to go against the heavens.”

Listening the Shen Fei’s words, Xiao Ning Er’s face turned

slightly pale. She understood, with the current strength of Winged Dragon Family, it's absolutely impossible to go against the Sacred Family. Later on, the Winged Dragon Family will most likely suffer from the pressure of the Sacred Family. However, what made Xiao Ning Er impossible to yield was that she knew if she were to be together with Shen Fei, she would feel disgusted with every moment.

Clearly hearing the conversation between Xiao Ning Er and Shen Fei, the surrounding onlookers understood. Shen Fei used the power of Sacred Family to force Xiao Ning Er to be married to him. Xiao Ning Er doesn't like Shen Fei a tiny bit!

"Despicable!"

"So the Sacred Family are this kind of bunch!"

"No wonder Xiao Ning Er, as the fiancée of Shen Fei, never willingly had any contact with Shen Fei. So this is the reason!"

The surround onlookers began discussing. At this moment, their looks towards Nie Li no longer had any hostility in it. In contrary, they had admiration for Nie Li. Other than Nie Li, who would dare to publicly offend the Sacred Family? Who would be brave enough to save Goddess Ning Er from the burning stake?

Hearing the discussion of the onlookers, Shen Fei's gloomy face became even more ugly. His cold eyes swept across the surrounding people. The surrounding people were immediately afraid and no longer spoke.

“If there is anything, come at me alone. Going against a woman, what kind of man you are? No matter how you want to play, I, Nie Li, will play with you any time!” declared Nie Li, pridefully looking at Shen Fei. A person like Shen Fei is destined to be a stepping stone for him.

“This is none of Nie Li’s business, it’s all my idea!” Xiao Ning Er’s eyes firmly looked at Shen Fei and said, “Shen Fei, even if I die, I will not be together with you!”

Xiao Ning Er is someone that would rather die than disgrace herself. Although she seems weak, her character is firm. Otherwise, she wouldn’t run into the Black Devil Forest before the wedding ceremony began.

The tragedy of his previous life, Nie Li will not let it happen again. From the start of healing Xiao Ning Er’s illness till now, they were familiar with each other. Nie Li still has several good impressions about this beautiful, generous and strong girl, treating Xiao Ning Er as a sister of his own.

“Hmph, this decision doesn’t fall on you!” Shen Fei coldly laughed.

“Shen Fei, I will enter the Heavenly Sacred Border. If I pass the test of the Heavenly Sacred Border, even if it’s the Sacred Family, you can do nothing to me!” Xiao Ning Er proudly declared.

“Ha ha ha, Xiao Ning Er, you’re thinking far too big. You think

that you can pass through the test of Heavenly Sacred Border? Over several hundred years, and only three people managed to pass the Heavenly Sacred Border test!" Shen Fei mockingly said.

The Heavenly Sacred Border is a secret realm within the Holy Orchid Institute. Only absolute geniuses are qualified to enter the Heavenly Sacred Border. Once one has passed the test of the Heavenly Sacred Border, they will become Glory City's brightest talent. Even having the chance to become the disciple of Legend rank Demon Spiritualist Lord Ye Mo!

To enter the Heavenly Sacred Border, one must be below fifteen years old. In this criteria, Xiao Ning Er meets it. But Xiao Ning Er really thinks that her talents can reach to that extent?

Throughout the glorious history of Glory City, only three people managed to pass the test of the Heavenly Sacred Border. One of them is Legend rank Demon Spiritualist Lord Ye Mo, the other two have already died in battle. However, they all have reached the pinnacle of Black Gold rank Demon Spiritualist, only a step away from Legend rank!

The Heavenly Sacred Border, is an extremely sacred location.

If Xiao Ning Er really managed to pass the Heavenly Sacred Border test, the Sacred Family wouldn't be able to do anything to the Winged Dragon Family.

Chapter 49: Strength Test

Heavenly Sacred Border, how is that easy to pass?

However, what Shen Fei doesn't know is that, in such short time, the Xiao Ning Er who is practicing the [Wind Lightning Winged Dragon] technique is not the same as the Xiao Ning Er from the past. After soul forming, her cultivation soared leaps and bounds. At the same time, Xiao Ning Er had the support of the whole Winged Dragon Family. The current Xiao Ning Er can no longer be compared with the past.

"Talk after you even get the qualifications to enter Heavenly Sacred Border," Shen Fei coldly laughed. Only the most outstanding students can enter the Heavenly Sacred Border.

'Heavenly Sacred Border!' Nie Li lightly smiled. It is exactly the place that he wants to go. In his previous life, he had once returned to the destroyed Glory City, into the Heavenly Sacred Border. The things hidden inside is something an ordinary person cannot imagined. Therefore, Nie Li must get the qualifications to enter Heavenly Sacred Border!

"Be at ease, Xiao Ning Er will pass the qualifications for Heavenly Sacred Border. Just wait and see. Now scram!" Nie Li coldly said. A person like Shen Fei doesn't even deserve to be considered an opponent of Nie Li. Nie Li's ultimate motive is not a descendent of the Sacred Family, but the whole Sacred Family itself.

Shen Fei's gaze fell onto Nie Li, his mind suddenly flashed a

wicked idea. He coldly smiled and said, “Nie Li, do you dare? The Sacred Family will organize a genius martial arts tournament. At that time, we will also invite the Heavenly Marks Family. You and me, to the death, no complaints. Do you dare?”

Despicable! The surrounding onlooking students couldn’t help secretly cursing Shen Fei. He is a student from the Genius class and already seventeen years old. His cultivation has already reached Silver rank, whereas it’s still unknown if Nie Li has even reached 1-star Bronze rank. Shen Fei actually suggested to have a battle with Nie Li, he’s simply trying to kill Nie Li!

Even if Nie Li refused, no one would say a thing.

“So? Do you dare? If you don’t, then you’re just a coward!” Shen Fei disregarded the opinions of the surrounding onlookers and said, coldly laughing.

Xiao Ning Er suddenly tensed up, looking at Nie Li. Nie Li lightly smiled, squeezing Xiao Ning Er’s delicate hands a little, giving her a reassuring look.

“Since you already challenged me, why wouldn’t I dare?” said Nie Li, laughing loudly, covered with confidence.

The surrounding onlookers never imagined that Nie Li would actually accept Shen Fei’s challenge, because Shen Fei is a Silver ranked student from the genius class. Is Nie Li crazy?

Seeing Nie Li's confident look, Xiao Ning Er relaxed. His confidence convinced her that nothing is too difficult for Nie Li. Nie Li has a mysterious strength, to be able to resolve any problem.

"This is what you agreed to, so don't back out. I'll wait for you at the martial arts tournament hosted by my Sacred Family!" Shen Fei snorted. His eyes were as sharp as a knife, as they swept passed Nie Li and Xiao Ning Er. 'I'll let you two enjoy your affair at for the moment. Once you're defeated by me, I'll enjoy your pleas for mercy before I kill him in front of Xiao Ning Er at that time!'

Shen Fei turned around and left. Shen Yue, who was not far away from his brother, also fiercely stared at Nie Li, but soon left and followed behind Shen Fei.

After quite a while, Ye Zi Yun returned. Looking at Nie Li, asked with concern, "I heard that you accepted Shen Fei's challenge."

"It's nothing, I have my plans. Seeing how you care for me, I'm feeling touched," Nie Li chucked.

Ye Zi Yun couldn't help being speechless, angrily stomped her feet and said, "Who says that I care about you with your unrequited feelings? Shen Fei has already long reached Silver rank. He's at least a 2-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist. Do you really think that you can beat him?"

Although she said that she doesn't care, the truth is Ye Zi Yun is still concerned.

“We’ll see at that time,” Nie Li shrugged.

“You definitely accepted that challenge because of Xiao Ning Er. It seems to me that your feelings for Xiao Ning Er are real. Better be good to her, otherwise, I won’t let you off,” Ye Zi Yun coldly snorted. She doesn’t know why, but when she said those words, she sighed in her heart.

‘Since you like Xiao Ning Er so much, why do you still come after me?’ she thought, recalling the incident in the underground palace. She felt a little indignation in her heart. Nie Li has seen everything that he shouldn’t have seen.

“Shen Fei’s character is garbage. I can’t stand such a kind girl like Xiao Ning Er to be in the hands of Shen Fei. That is why I helped her out!” Nie Li swiftly explained. He only has a good impression about Xiao Ning Er, but no matter how good the impression is, it still can’t be compared to the destiny that Ye Zi Yun and him shared together.

“You’re not any better,” Ye Zi Yun pouted.

Hearing Ye Zi Yun’s words, Nie Li didn’t know whether to laugh or cry. In his previous life, he had experienced far too much. His hands have been drenched with the blood of countless lives. He did a lot of things that went against his conscious. However, even so, he is not a despicable person like Shen Fei.

“You don’t need to explain it to me. It’s not like I care,” Ye Zi Yun’s brows slightly twitched, and snorted.

In the face of others, Ye Zi Yun is indifferently elegant. She would distance herself thousands mile away from others. That little temper of hers proved that she is concerned about him. Nie Li crossed his arms, taking a deep breath. The world is too beautiful. He enjoys the current life now. Compared to the endless drifting and killing in his previous life, school life is much more peaceful. He's disgusts and annoys despicable people like Shen Yue, Shen Fei, and Chu Yuan; he teases beauties like Ye Zi Zun and Xiao Ning Er, life is really comfortable.

Seeing Nie Li's complacent look, Ye Zi Yun felt angry, and asked "What are you laughing at?"

"Am I laughing? I'm not!" Nie Li said, trying to control his laughter.

Ye Zi Yun felt depressed, Nie Li is too annoying, she feels like giving Nie Li a good bash. However, not knowing why, although she hates Nie Li, she still likes being together with him. Perhaps it' because she hasn't had a true friend for a long time now. Being together with Nie Li felt comfortable, without any binding.

Seeing Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun talking, with Goddess Zi Yun seems to be throwing her temper at Nie Li, made a group of boys simply crazy with jealousy. That charming looks of hers caused others looking at her to be dazed. Nie Li just grabbed Goddess Ning Er's waist earlier on, and now he's teasing Goddess Zi Yun.

Why does all the good things get taken away by Nie Li? The

heavens are being unfair!

Du Ze, Lu Piao, and bunch felt a little envious of Nie Li, however, they are not jealous in their heart. Nie Li is their brother, a lifetime brother of theirs. Du Ze, and Lu Piao are chatting with the students from their class. Du Ze's unique leadership characteristic had already attracted lots of commoners to follow Du Ze.

After a moment, Shen Xiu walked over, swinging her hips. Her gaze swept passed the group of students and fell onto Nie Li. Her eyes turned sharp when they fell on him.

Shen Xiu said in a poor tone, "The year examination for our class is starting soon, everyone follow me!"

"Teacher Shen Xiu, as you said before, if I were to reach 1-star Bronze rank, you'll resign from the school. Is it still valid?" Nie Li suddenly talked, laughed and continued, "If you were to apologize to me, beg me to cancel our bet, maybe I can consider it."

'Are you trying to trick me? I'm not so easy!' Shen Xiu thought, snorting and said, "I, Shen Xiu keep my word. If you reach 1-star Bronze rank, I'll resign."

Nie Li shrugged and said, "Then you'd better hurry up and get your resignation letter done."

"Talk after your test shows 1-star Bronze rank," Shen Xiu snorted, bringing all the students in the class, walking towards the

test hall.

There are several thousands of students in the Holy Orchid Institute. Everyone taking their turn for the test takes some time.

Along the way, lots of student began talking among themselves.

“I heard that in the Demon Spiritualist Apprentice class, there are two people whose soul force have reached 3-star bronze rank! The Demon Spiritualist Apprentice class is marvellous!”

“That’s a given. Many of them have been cultivating for one or two years more than us.”

“I’ve even heard that in the Inscription Pattern Apprentice class, there is one whose strength is at least 2-star Bronze rank!”

A bunch of students wearing different clothes were busy discussing.

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Within the Holy Orchid Institute, there are six apprentice classes. Because the names are different, the talents that they are good at is also different. However, kids are always changing. It’s not surprising that people would adjust their cultivation direction. Among all the classes, the Demon Spiritualist Apprentice class has the most attention because over there is where the geniuses are most concentrated.

According to his previous life's development, Xiao Ning Er and Ye Zi Yun will enter the Demon Spiritualist Apprentice class and Nie Li will still remain in the Fighter Apprentice class. Although he did his best to train, his cultivation still rose very slowly, close to no advancement.

But this life is not the same as his previous one. Not only Xiao Ning Er, and Ye Zi Yun, but even Du Ze, Lu Piao, and the trio have had their fates change.

"The people from the Fighter Apprentice class is here!"

"This is the class that has the most garbage? It's said that among them, there are lots of people with only red soul realm!"

"Can red soul realm still cultivate?"

"However, I heard that there are a few whose talent is not bad, soon reaching Bronze rank. For example, Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er!"

Hearing these two names, several boys had their eyes light up. No matter where it is, beautiful girls are still the center of attention for everyone. Although their age is still small, they have been cultivating since they were young, therefore, their sensitive minds already know lots of things.

Among the Fighter Apprentice class, the two most beautiful girls

are without a doubt Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er. The boys in the Demon Spiritualist Apprentice class all showed anticipation in their eyes. If everything goes well, Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er will enter into the Demon Spiritualist Apprentice class. At that time, they will have plenty of opportunities to get close to them.

Seeing those students from the Demon Spiritualist Apprentice class with eyes filled with anticipation, Nie Li couldn't help but to lightly laugh. In this lifetime, they will be disappointed. Because no matter if it's Ye Zi Yun or Xiao Ning Er, they will enter into the Demon Spiritualist Genius class.

Under Shen Xiu's lead, the Fighter Apprentice class entered into the test hall. On the stage far away, the school's higher ups are up there overlooking the whole test.

"First round, the strength test. Who will be first?" One of the teachers asked towards Shen Xiu.

Shen Xiu looked at all the students in the Fighter Apprentice class. Shen Yue walked out and proudly said, "I'll be first!"

After speaking, he walked towards the towering Strength Testing Stone.

Chapter 50: Fist Strength

Shen Yue's volunteering immediately attracted the attention of many.

Within the Fighter Apprentice class, Shen Yue, Ye Zi Yun, and Xiao Ning Er are the ones most likely to break through into 1-star Bronze rank. Therefore the attention is all gathered on them. Aside from these, another event that much attention is gathered on is the bet between Teacher Shen Xiu and Nie Li. However, the majority doesn't think that Nie Li would be able to reach 1-star Bronze rank in such a short time.

If reaching 1-star Bronze rank is so easy, then there wouldn't be so many people who were unable to break through that barrier and become a Fighter or Demon Spiritualist in their whole lives.

The Strength Test Stone is a huge stone that emitted a metallic luster from it. Fighters can punch the Strength Test Stone with their full strength. The Strength Test Stone will dent to a certain degree from the punch. Through the dent, they can tell one's strength.

Boom!

Shen Yue's bombarded his fist onto the Strength Test Stone. A faint dent appeared on the Strength Test Stone.

Several teachers-in-charge walked over.

“Test result: 1-star Bronze rank, 120 strength!”

Which also says that, this punch from Shen Yue reached around the strength of 120.

The students from the Fighter Apprentice class all exclaimed. They never imagined that the body of Shen Yue already reached to such a degree. Generally, students who solely practiced soul force had the strength of their physique increase quickly. However, once they reached Silver rank, the enhancement of their physique would slow down. But even so, Shen Yue’s physique enhancing speed is rather fast compared to other students, already reaching 1-star Bronze rank.

Everyone has three tries on the strength test. As for this value of strength, Shen Yue is not quite happy with it. Repositioning himself, he utilized his full strength and blasted a punch out.

Boom!

Shen Yue once again landed his fist onto the Strength Test Stone.

“Test result: 1-star Bronze rank, 130 strength!”

“Test result: 1-star Bronze rank, 135 strength!”

After seeing the results, Shen Yue showed a satisfied expression

and continued over to the soul force test. Very soon, Shen Yue's soul force test came out: 115 soul force. Under normal circumstances, those who have talent as both a Fighter and Demon Spiritualist would usually pick to become a Demon Spiritualist. Soul force is way more important than strength.

"Shen Yue's soul force has passed 100. He's already a 1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist!"

"Such fast cultivation, he is indeed a member of the Sacred Family!"

"Powerful! He can definitely enter the Demon Spiritualist Apprentice class!"

"If 1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist still doesn't qualify for it, then no one else would be qualified!"

Hearing the discussion of the onlookers, the corner of Shen Yue's mouth raised. Proudly looking at Nie Li and bunch.

On the stage, a good distance away, several of the institute's higher ups expressed a satisfied smile. For a Demon Spiritualist to appear in the Fighter Apprentice class is quite rare.

Shen Yue crossed his arms and stood far away, surrounded by his lackeys. He proudly swept his gaze passed all the students in the Fighter Apprentice class.

“Who’s next?” The teacher-in-charge looked to the crowd beside and asked.

“Let me be next!” Lu Piao walked out of the crowd, walking towards the Strength Test Stone.

The crowd of students began their discussion.

“It’s Lu Piao!”

“Lu Piao hasn’t been in class for quite sometime!”

“I heard that he’s together with Nie Li!”

“Lu Piao probably hasn’t reached 1-star Bronze rank yet, right? Furthermore, he doesn’t have any talents to become a Demon Spiritualist.”

Hearing the other student’s discussion, Lu Piao threw a smile towards Nie Li, Du Ze, and the trio. These people are wrong and have underestimated them! After practicing Nie Li’s cultivation technique, Lu Piao’s cultivation has already long surpassed his peers.

Looking at Shen Yue and his bunch far away, Lu Piao exposed a contemptuous smile, twitching his brows.

“This kid is too cocky! We’ll have to teach him a lesson sooner or

later!” several underlings beside Shen Yue said.

Shen Yue’s eyes slightly squinted, showing a hint of cold light. Now, even Nie Li’s followers are challenging them. They simply don’t know how high the skies are!

Under everyone’s gaze, Lu Piao walked to towards the Strength Test Stone. Standing in front of it, Lu Piao threw a punch.

“How much strength can this first from Lu Piao carry?” several students by the side coldly laughed.

A “Bang” sound spread through the huge hall, even the whole Strength Test Stone trembled with the sound.

“What’s going on?”

“Such a powerful sound!”

The teacher-in-charge by the side was also dazed. After the initial shock, he walked over to Lu Piao. Taking a look at the Strength Test Stone, he went silent for a moment before saying, “Test result: 2-star Bronze rank, 265 strength!”

The surrounding crowd suddenly went into an uproar.

“How is this possible?”

“Is the test result wrong?”

One must know that this punch from Lu Piao is just lightly punched. That alone, already carried such powerful strength, He’s already a 2-star Bronze rank, not far from 3-star Bronze rank. Lu Piao lightly smiled, in his recent practice, he did not stop at all. With the powerful cultivating technique given by Nie Li, and consuming large amount of elixirs daily, not to mention the Purple Haze Grass bath, has caused his cultivation to make him not to be strong.

After a long while, everyone recovered from the daze, and looked at each other. A thirteen year old who already has such a powerful strength talent, can be regarded as a genius among the whole Holy Orchid Institute. The higher ups of the Institute will definitely put great efforts into nurturing him.

“Not bad, I never thought that such a genius will appear in the Fighter Apprentice class. It seems like this batch of students is not that bad,” One of the institute’s higher up said, smiling.

“The results of this year’s students shouldn’t be that bad, because of the pills that came up by the Alchemist Association,” another of the higher ups said softly. It’s indeed true that the effects of the few elixirs by the Alchemy Association are very strong, which allowed the average level of students to be raised by a lot.

In order to nurture the younger generation, every family is willing to pay a large price for it.

Lu Piao looked at the far away Shen Yue with provocation, and saw that Shen Yue's face had darkened. This is an insult from Lu Piao! However, thinking of Lu Piao's strength, Shen Yue couldn't help but to feel extremely dejected. How did Lu Piao raise his strength so fast in such a short time? Did he take lots of elixirs?

The face of Teacher Shen Xiu also became ugly. Although Lu Piao is her student, Lu Piao is always together with Nie Li, which caused her to be unhappy. She is very well aware of Lu Piao's original test results. How did he suddenly get his strength raised to such a frightening degree?

'Doesn't that mean that Nie Li also...' Shen Xiu's eyes looked towards Nie Li, who is currently chatting happily with the two beauties.

Second Chance of the Strength Test

Lu Piao stood firmly still, utilizing all his strength and threw a palm at the Strength Test Stone.

Boom!

A deep palm mark appeared on the Strength Test Stone.

"Test results: 3-star Bronze rank, 325 strength." The teacher-in-charge was slightly stunned, and awe-inspiringly said. The talent that Lu Piao displayed is already very shocking, he is absolutely a talent worth raising!

The students behind him have yet to take their test inhaled a cold air.

“Wtf, will they still give us a chance?”

“Inhumane!”

They were the same age at thirteen years old. If their strength managed to even hit above 80, then that would already be considered outstanding. However, Lu Piao has already broke through 300, reaching 3-star Bronze rank. This is simply stepping on their confidence!

Ignoring the shocked gaze of the crowd, Lu Piao shook his head, appearing to be unsatisfied with the results. He took his position firmly, once again throwing a heavy punch towards the Strength Test Stone.

Boom!

“Test results: 3-star Bronze rank, 370 strength!” The teacher-in-charge took in a breath and said. His gaze on Lu Piao lit up. He thought back to when he was still a student, he had only just reached 1-star Bronze rank. Lu Piao can probably enter the Holy Orchid Institute’s Genius class.

The amount of people who can enter the Genius class doesn’t exceed 50. To be able to become a student of the Genius class, the

teachings that they will be receiving won't be the same. Furthermore, every ten students will have one teacher who will be incharge of them. They are all the elite teachers of the whole institute! Furthermore, the genius students will be specially protected by Glory City, unless they committed some unforgivable act, no one can touch them. Otherwise, it would be the same as disregarding the law of Glory City!

Glory City is constantly under the threats of Demon Beasts, therefore all the genius students are specially protected.

"Lu Piao did not focus properly on practicing, otherwise, his test wouldn't be so low!" Du Ze by the side bitterly smiled.

Several students that were nearby, after hearing what Du Ze just said, were shockingly stunned. Lu Piao did not work hard and already managed to get such results, if he were to work hard, then wouldn't it make them feel more dejected? Their gaze couldn't help falling onto Du Ze and bunch. Lu Piao has been together with Du Ze and Nie Li when his strength surged, could it be that Nie Li, Du Ze and the rest also……

Continuing, Lu Piao went for for the soul force test. Lu Piao held the soul crystal on his hand, injecting in soul force into the soul crystal. A moment later, the soul crystal emitted light dots, gradually becoming more and more, brighter and brighter.

"3-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist, soul force of 367!"

Once would be enough for the soul force test.

Hearing the results, even the higher ups of the institute couldn't help to be moved. Demon Spiritualists are more precious compared to Fighters. A thirteen year old 3-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist is even more extraordinary! This is definitely an astonishing matter!

"This kid is definitely a genius. Arrange him into the Genius class!" The opinion of the institute's higher ups are all united. Lu Piao's name soon entered into everyone's ears. Some of the institute's higher ups are prepared to have Lu Piao as their disciple.

There is nothing to be said about Lu Piao's talent. As the institute's higher ups, they also need some extraordinary talented people to help them raise their status. There will be a few higher ups that will compete to have Lu Piao as their disciple.

After the test, Lu Piao stood aside, looking at Nie Li, Du Ze, and bunch and smiled. He is extremely excited about his results.

'With these results, I won't need to be scolded by my old man when I return home!' Lu Piao proudly thought. When his old man sees his results, his jaws will probably fall off.

"Who's next?" The teacher-in-charge's were eyes lit up, looking at the students of the Fighter Apprentice class. In the previous examinations, there hasn't been any talented students that had lit up anyone's eyes before. He never thought that this Fighter Apprentice class, whom no one thinks much of, actually had two shocking genius'. This caused him to look forward to the test of

these students from the Fighter Apprentice class.

Chapter 51: Exploded?

“I’ll go next!” Du Ze walked towards the Strength Test Stone.

Watched Du Ze walk towards the testing stone, Lu Piao rolled his eyes. Lu Piao could finally get some attention to himself, and now, they will all be snatched away by Du Ze.

Compared to ordinary students, Lu Piao has the capital to be proud, a thirteen year old 3-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist. However, if he is compared to Du Ze, the distance between them is too great. Both of them have cultivated together, however, Du Ze has already dragged himself far away from Lu Piao’s cultivation.

Du Ze arrived in front of the Strength Test Stone. His overall mature face was calm. He raised his fist and threw a heavy punch towards the Strength Testing Stone.

Boom!

A sound much more powerful compared to Lu Piao sounded throughout the hall. The whole Strength Testing Stone trembled.

“Test results: 5-star Bronze rank, 500 strength.” The teacher-in-charge gasped, thinking ‘What is wrong with today? Why is the students in this Fighter Apprentice class more and more monstrous one after another? Just earlier on, a thirteen year old 3-star Bronze rank appeared, and now, a 5-star Bronze rank popped out.

The surrounding students went into dead silence, Du Ze is actually even more monstrous than Lu Piao!

The heart of the students broke. Their courage for the test have been greatly affected.

As for those higher ups in the observation stage, they couldn't help breathing heavily. A thirteen year old 5-star Bronze rank, how long has it been since such a genius appeared in Holy Orchid Institute?

"No one is allowed to snatch him from me, he is my disciple!" Ye Sheng said excitedly.

"Vice Principal, how can you be so cruel. To train one on the path of a Fighter, I'm more a more suitable teacher then everyone else. Why don't you let me teach him?!" An old man with both white beard and hair hurriedly said.

"A student with such extraordinary talent, you think that his talent will only be confined as a Fighter?" Ye Sheng's eyes lit up.

"No need for the second try," Du Ze lightly said, walking to the side, preparing to take the soul force test.

"You really don't need to go for a second try?" The teacher-in-charge said, "If you give it a second try, you might even pass 500!" The teacher said with some expectations.

However, the response that he received is only a cold back view of the teen. Du Ze's voice softly came over, "This is already the greatest strength I can utilize."

"So that's the case!" The teacher slightly nodded. This amount is already very shocking, if it's stronger, he'd soon reach the silver rank. A thirteen year old silver rank, that is too unbelievable.

Du Ze picked up the soul crystal, and injected his soul force into the soul crystal. The soul crystal shined, the white spot within the crystal gradually becoming more and more.

That primary soul crystal was a blazing small sun.

Boom!

The soul crystal exploded, fragments falling onto the ground.

"Exploded?!"

"Tssss! This is too sick!"

"His strength alone already reached 500. I never imagined that his soul force is even more sick!"

"My god, isn't this too monstrous?!"

A primary soul crystal can withstand at most 600 soul force, once it goes beyond, it'd explode. Generally, an Apprentice class would only be using a primary soul crystal because there hasn't been an incident of a soul crystal exploding. Even when Lord Ye Mo was thirteen years old, he still didn't have such a frightening cultivation speed.

Suddenly, everyone looked at Du Ze in a different light. Du Ze has already destroyed their understandings. Could it be that there will be another existence even stronger then Lord Ye Mo in Glory City?

Ye Sheng went silent for a moment before calmly saying, "I will personally report this matter to the principal and Lord Ye Mo. Du Ze will receive a more focused protection. Such talent is even beyond my capabilities to teach, I have to personally consult Lord Ye Mo to find him a suitable teacher."

A Strength of 500 and a Soul Force of over 500. Du Ze has made everyone deeply shocked.

"Vice Principal, do we need to change the soul crystal?" The teacher-in-charge asked towards Ye Sheng in a trembling voice.

"No need!" Ye Sheng shook his head, "I will let a few of our Lords test his soul force personally!"

Aside from letting Du Ze to be examined by a few of the lords, he still needs to be well protected. Otherwise, if the Dark Guild

catches onto this information, it will be troublesome.

"Understood!" The teacher-in-charge looked at Du Ze, speaking in a polite tone, "Your test has been completed."

Just this youngster alone, his future achievements could not be imagined, he might even probably be the second Legend rank Demon Spiritualist!

The test has ended? Du Ze was slightly surprised, however he still nodded his head and walked to a corner.

At this moment, most of the students looked at Du Ze in awe, as this person could be a future Legend rank Demon Spiritualist!

After Shen Yue was stunned by the brief shock, his face became even more ugly, both fists tightly clenched, beads of blood leaking from the center of his palms. In this test, he realised that the distance with Du Ze and the rest is getting further and further. He could already no longer catch up to them.

"How did they raise their cultivation so quickly?" Shen Yue's eyes went dark. He had a feeling that all of this is connected with Nie Li. It's probably Nie Li that helped the both of them to look for a suitable cultivation technique!

Of course, it is still just a guess of Shen Yue. However, he doesn't know that he guessed correctly.

“Shen Xiu, why didn’t you notify us of such talented students in your class?” A few higher ups looked at Shen Xiu, asked in a heavy tone. Luckily Lu Piao and Du Ze had the test, otherwise, if it was known to the Dark Guild earlier on, the consequences could be disastrous.

Shen Xiu opened her mouth, but did not say anything.

Shen Xiu’s face became more and more gloomy, she thought she understood the potential of the both of them. Sometime back, both of their cultivation wasn’t even noticeable, so how did they raise it so quickly?! This is definitely weird! However, she will not tell this information to the institute’s higher ups. If the higher ups knew that Lu Piao and Du Ze managed to raise their cultivation so fast in such a short amount of time, it would attract even more attention to the both of them!

At this moment, outside the examination hall, students from the Demon Spiritualist class were busy discussing.

“I wonder how the test of that rubbish from the Fighter Apprentice class went?” one of the Demon Spiritualist class students chucked. His name is Shi Hua, he’s the leader within Demon Spiritualist class, and has a cultivation of 2-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist.

“With so many classes, so far only fifteen meet the requirements to join the Demon Spiritualist Apprentice class. Probably only the two girls will join us, aside from that, the others have no hope!” Shi Hua said. He’s fond of Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er, hoping that the both of them would join their class.

“I heard that Shen Yue isn’t that bad either. He’s already reached 1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist.”

“Really?” Shi Hua contemptuously curled his lips. Even if Shen Yue managed to reach 1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist, She Yue still won’t be able to attract his attention.

At this moment, students from other classes were clamouring up.

“How is this possible?”

“Could there be an error with the test?”

“Impossible, the Strength Test Stone has tested so many students before, It has never had any error with it!”

“My god, isn’t this going against the heavens?”

Shi Hua frowned, looking at his classmates from the Demon Spiritualist Apprentice class and asked, “What happened? What’s wrong with them?”

“Shi Hua, this is too unbelievable!”

One of the student still remained in deep shock, he took a deep breath and said, “Two people in the Fighter Apprentice Class had unbelievable results!”

“It’s only the Fighter Apprentice class, even if their talent isn’t bad, at most, there’s only a 1-star Demon Spiritualist. What is there to be shocked about?” Shi Hua said, lightly laughing.

“No, if it’s a 1-star Demon Spiritualist, it definitely won’t attract such a sensation. Three people in the Fighter Apprentice class have finished their test. One resulted as a 1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist, and another resulted as a 3-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist. The last one is even more shocking. The primary soul crystal actually exploded! Exploded! My god, this is too sick!”

“Someone exploded the primary soul crystal?” Shi Hua’s eyes rounded, extremely shocked.

“After he exploded the primary soul crystal, the teacher-in-charge did not make him test again. Therefore, we still don’t know the extent of his soul force!”

Shi Hua inhaled a deep breath, his chest heaving up and down from the heavy breathing and asked, “Is it the two girls?”

“No!” that student shook his head, “At this moment, the two girls have yet to take the test. So far, only three boys took the test!”

Shi Hua’s mouth opened widened, is this really the Fighter Apprentice class? How did the Fighter Apprentice class pop out two frightening people? He has already reached 2-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist, and is already the leader of the Demon Spiritualist Apprentice class. Comparing himself with the two

monsters, the distance is too great!

At this moment, the other classes caused another commotion.

“Now what?” Shi Hua asked, with both of his eyes looking depressed.

“Earlier on, three more guys popped out from the Fighter Apprentice class. They seem to be called Wei Nan, Zhu Xiang Jun and Zhang Ming. All three of them are 2-star Bronze rank, only a little more into 3-star Bronze rank!”

“Damn, is this really the test of the Fighter Apprentice class? You sure that this is not the Genius class?” Shi Hua hysterically shouted.

Before the shock even subsidised, even more news came out. When both Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er took the test, the both of them exploded the primary soul crystal.

Dead silence.

The results caused everyone to choke in depression.

Shi Hua simply wanted to bang his head against the wall. Before the test of the Fighter Apprentice class began, as the leader in the Demon Spiritualist Apprentice class, he was extremely proud, feeling that he is more than qualified to chase after Xiao Ning Er or Ye Zi Yun. However, right now, his pride is completely shattered.

It turns out that Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er are not of the same level as him.

“Bunch of sickos,” Shi Hua absent-mindedly murmured.

Chapter 52: Humiliation

In the Fighter Apprentice class's test, three primary soul crystals had actually exploded. This news shook the whole Holy Orchid Institute.

Is there still anything more monstrous than this class? What exactly did the students of this class eat while growing up?

After so many tests with this Apprentice class, the lowest is a 1-star Bronze rank. Is this still an Apprentice class?

In the examination hall, everyone was shocked at the amazing talent of Xiao Ning Er and Ye Zi Yun.

The two girls looked at each other. They had a hint of competitiveness in their eyes.

Ever since she came to this institute, Ye Zi Yun has been wanting to re-friend Xiao Ning Er. At the same time, she had talent that far surpassed her peers. She has never been surpassed by her peers before. Therefore, even if it's Xiao Ning Er, Ye Zi Yun doesn't want to admit defeat.

Their cultivation was not far from one another. They know that they have received help from Nie Li, otherwise, their cultivation would not have risen so fast. Aside from feeling grateful to Nie Li, they couldn't help feeling complicated.

Ye Zi Yun pursed up her lips. Although she does not have any strong affection towards Nie Li yet, after she found out about the relationship between Nie Li and Xiao Ning Er, she felt a little resentment. ‘Since your relationship with Ning Er is so good, why do you still chase after me?’

As for Xiao Ning Er, she has known from the beginning that Nie Li likes Ye Zi Yun, however, she cannot stop herself from falling in love with Nie Li. What she intends to do is to have Nie Li slowly notice her and fall in love with her.

The two absolutely stunning girls stood aside, they were the twin Gemini in the eyes of others.

“Who’ll take the test next?” The teacher-in-charge looked at the students from the Fighter Apprentice class with anticipation. His heart had an unquenchable excitement. With these few genius’, they can easily grow into the pillars of Glory City.

“I’ll be next!” Nie Li moved towards the Strength Test Stone.

Hearing Nie Li’s voice, everyone had their attention focused on Nie Li.

The institute’s higher ups were also extremely excited. ‘There is still someone who takes the initiative to have himself tested. Could it be that this student also has shocking talent?’

As for Shen Xiu, both her hands were tightly clenched as she

looked at Nie Li with strong hatred. If Nie Li reached 1-star Bronze rank, she will have to keep her end of the bet and leave the school! She had a faint feeling that Nie Li's eyes had contempt in them.

Leaving the Holy Orchid Institute is nothing. What she can't accept is that she's chased out of the school by someone.

Every student from the Fighter Apprentice class had their eyes on Nie Li. Their eyes looked extremely complicated. Before, when Nie Li contradict Shen Xiu in class, some had sympathy for him, some mocked him. But even so, no one expected that Nie Li would be able to reach 1-star Bronze rank in just two months, even if Nie Li showed extraordinary talent.

But now, those people have to pull their relationship with Nie Li closer. After seeing those who had their cultivation raised so fast, they became jealous. The speed of their cultivation must have something to do with Nie Li!

For the sake of their future, many of the people have already began to think of ways to get close to Nie Li. If Nie Li could help them like how he helped Du Ze, Lu Piao, Wei Nan, and the rest, it would be worth it.

As someone who affected all those people, everyone is filled with anticipation with Nie Li's test results.

Nie Li indifferently smiled, walking towards the Strength Test Stone. He looked towards the observation stage far away, noticing that Shen Xiu is currently looking towards his direction with her

face darkened. Nie Li's eyes flashed with a hint of chill.

At this moment, Ye Zi Yun and bunch also cast their eyes over, fixed on Nie Li. They were extremely shocked by the results that they got in this test. Thinking about themselves, who were able to raise their cultivation so quickly at such a frightening speed in a short amount of time, they felt unreal in their hearts.

It was Nie Li who created the new them. Being the one who created all these genius', Nie Li's cultivation must have also reached an extremely shocking stage, right?

Nie Li's expression was calm as he launched a punch towards the Strength Test Stone.

Boom!

The Strength Test Stone released a slight sound.

"Test results: 1-star Bronze rank, strength 100!" The teacher-in-charge looked at the results and announced loudly. His tone carried a hint of disappointment. For students of the Fighter Apprentice class to be able to reach 1-star Bronze rank, the result is already not bad. However, after seeing the test results of Ye Zi Yun, Xiao Ning Er, Du Ze, and bunch, Nie Li's results is not very shocking.

"Second try, strength result 100!"

“Third try, strength result 100!”

The teacher-in-charge murmured to himself, “Weird, every student will have a little differ in their results. This student actually managed to get all 100’s, this is really weird. Guess his maximum strength probably is only 100!

Seeing Nie Li’s test results, Shen Xiu’s face ashened. If Nie Li’s strength far surpassed 1-star Bronze rank then it’s fine. However, it strikes directly at 1-star Bronze rank, not a little much or less. Shen Xiu is simply going crazy.

Nie Li looked as though he didn’t mind the results of his test, shrugged and smiled, “My luck is really good! Just managed to reach 1-star Bronze rank!”

Du Ze, Lu Piao, and bunch looked at each other. This is impossible! Nie Li’s strength had not just reached 100. The only explanation to this is that Nie Li is hiding his strength! Du Ze and Lu Piao could not help but to gasp in admiration. Although their current strength might be above Nie Li, their control over their strength is far below him. If it were them, they wouldn’t be able to get all three punches at exactly 100 strength!

“Nie Li is such a jerk. When Shen Xiu sees that all three tries are nicely on point at 100, she’ll probably explode with fury!” Lu Piao said laughing.

A few higher ups seeing this scene, looked at each other and conversed.

“1-star Bronze rank, not that bad!”

“Pity that it doesn’t compare to the other few students…”

“Lets look at his soul force, perhaps it will give us a surprise!”

After finishing the strength test, Nie Li moved forward a few steps, taking the primary soul crystal from the teacher-in-charge. Thereafter, he injected his soul force into the soul crystal. Gradually, light dots appeared from within the soul crystal.

“Soul force of 100, 1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist!” The teacher-in-charge’s face flashed with surprise and announced. Heart thinking, ‘This student is too weird, no matter if it’s his strength or soul force, it’s all exactly 100.’ However, he is still not suspicious as it is impossible to fraud the soul crystal. Nie Li shouldn’t be cheating, because cheating wouldn’t give him any benefits.

1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist!

A soul force reaching exactly 1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist!

Shen Xiu almost exploded with fury. Just how, just how! If Nie Li’s talent had been a little more worst, he wouldn’t be able to enter into 1-star Bronze rank!

Seeing Nie Li's test results, Ye Zi Yun, and Xiao Ning Er all understood. Nie Li is purposely doing this. However, they were a little curious about it. If it's the strength test, Nie Li is able to control his strength, which is fine, but the soul crystal is impossible to fraud, so how did Nie Li do it?

Just because there are things that other people could not do, doesn't mean that Nie Li is unable to do it. The secrets within Nie Li is too much!

Under the gaze of everyone, Nie Li walked towards Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er, standing between them. Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er, one on the right and one on the left. This caused everyone to be filled with envy. Why is Nie Li able to enjoy this fortune?

Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er, no matter which one, if one of them is able to become their girlfriend, they would even smile as they slept!

At this moment, Ye Sheng, seeing Nie Li standing together with Ye Zi Yun and Xiao Ning Er, looked as though everything is expected. He finds it a little strange, Nie Li is still young, but the calm magnanimity that Nie Li gave off, gave others an extraordinary feeling.

"Send this Nie Li to the Genius class!" Ye Sheng said, after being silent for a moment.

"Vice Principal, this is against the rules. He's only a 1-star Bronze

rank!”

“What is there to be against? I have great expectations of him.” Ye Sheng’s brow raised as he spoke in a deep voice.

Seeing the changes in Ye Sheng’s attitude, the people beside him looked at each other, thought awhile and did not say anything else. In the absence of the Principal, the Vice Principal has the most authority. They can’t go against their boss.

In the test onwards, there was no one in the Fighter Apprentice class whose results made anyone else’s eyes light up. All of them did not reach 1-star Bronze rank. Although everyone felt a little disappointed, after thinking it over, Ye Sheng and the rest were still satisfied. A Fighter Apprentice class popping out so many genius is already way out of their expectations.

The year examination of the Fighter Apprentice class caused a sensation throughout the school. The usually not noticeable Fighter Apprentice class instantly became the focus of attention.

Just as the test is still in progress, Shen Xiu walked to the side of Ye Sheng. At this moment, she felt extremely humiliated.

“Vice Principal, I request to resign from the school. From the start of today, I am no longer a teacher of the Holy Orchid Institute.” Shen Xiu said, her bet with Nie Li is already well known across the entire Holy Orchid Institute. If she disregarded the bet, she would be looked down upon, even the Sacred Family’s reputation would be affected.

“Teacher Shen Xiu, why would you want to resign?” Ye Sheng lightly smiled and continued, “Your Fighter Apprentice class popped out so many genius’. The school is even prepared to reward you! I believe that the students in the Fighter Apprentice class needs a teacher like you!”

Hearing Ye Sheng’s words, she did not feel any glory, but an invisible slap to her face. She knows that those genius’ have no connection with her. Some of them haven’t been attending class for months. She only closed one eye towards the situation and waited for the year examination to arrive to watch how the students would be humiliated. However, she never thought that it would come back and severely slap her in the face.

Those student’s results were not as she had imagined. Instead of being humiliated during the examination, they turned into dazzling genius’ in the school.

“I have already made my decision. I hope that you will accept!” Shen Xiu said, determined.

Truth is, Ye Sheng is already aware of Shen Xiu’s bet with Nie Li. He lightly smiled and said, “Since you have made up your mind, I will no longer hold you back.”

After hearing Ye Sheng’s words, Shen Xiu furiously looked at the Nie Li, who is currently in the hall, then turned around and left.

Being forced to resign by a brat in the Fighter Apprentice class,

this is her greatest humiliation! One day, she will definitely seek revenge!

Chapter 53: Return home

Nie Li felt Shen Xiu's gaze and the corner of his mouth curled. Chasing Shen Xiu away isn't his only desire. He will regard Shen Xiu as his opponent, because his first target is the entire Sacred Family.

Although Nie Li provoked the Sacred Family, the Sacred Family probably won't put much attention to him. Because in the view of Sacred Family, Nie Li is just a brat. How could a small brat threaten them? But they will soon realise that the one who caused the destruction of the Sacred Family, will be the threat that they have been ignoring.

After his recent training, Nie Li's soul force has already reached 589. Once his soul force breaks through 600, he will be able to reach Silver rank.

Once he steps into Silver rank, he will be able to integrate with one demon spirit.

Nie Li has already chosen his first demon spirit. But he is still prepared to go to the auction to get a suitable demon spirit for Zi Yun, Ning Er, Lu Piao, and bunch. This way, their group would be able to have their strength enhanced even more.

But at this moment, Nie Li is preparing to get himself to Silver rank Demon Spiritualist.

After a while, the year examination for the Fighter Apprentice

class has ended. Every student's future class has been decided.

Soon after, Shen Xiu's resignation of her teaching position and leaving the institute has been spread among the students. Everyone's looks towards Nie Li is a little abnormal. After all, it's the first time that someone was able to chase a teacher away.

There are also some students trying any possible way to get close to Nie Li. Although Nie Li is just a 1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist, his knowledge has already far surpassed some teachers. Those who had followed Nie Li had their cultivation soar to amazing heights. Therefore, it's normal for others to be envious.

Nie Li got Du Ze and Lu Piao to block these bootlickers. He's rather cautious in this matter. The ones he accepted are those whom he had an impression of in his previous life that he is able to trust. As the cultivation talent is secondary, the key is trust.

But even so, those who followed Nie Li already amounted to more than twenty six students.

After the exams, the notice for entry into the Genius class has also been dispatched. Nie Li inhaled a mouthful of air. It's time for him to go back home. He recalled some memories from his previous life, when his family was falling one after another. Nie Li couldn't help but feeling sour in his heart, feeling homesick.

It's finally the Holy Orchid Institute's holiday!

Nie Li's gaze fell afar. Memories from his previous life began coming back like waves.

After a moment, Nie Li laughed out. Since he's back, his clansmen wouldn't need to live fearful lives anymore. Those enemies of his clan shall tremble in fear!

The holiday of the Holy Orchid Institute is a big event for Glory City. The amount of students attending the Holy Orchid Institute is quite a lot. Therefore, many students all can finally reunite with their families.

Groups of students were leaving the institute one after another.

"Nie Li, this is for you. I hope that you can remember me whenever you see it! We'll meet again next term!" Xiao Ning Er passed a ruby over to Nie Li. On the ruby, there's an extremely delicate pattern on it. When Nie Li raised his head, Xiao Ning Er was already running away with her face red.

In the Divine Continent, a ruby represents a girl's love.

Watching Xiao Ning Er's slender figure, Nie Li couldn't help smiling bitterly. He knows how Xiao Ning Er feels about him, but he never thought that this ice beauty would actually be so gentle.

When he looked up, Ye Zi Yun was smiling as she looked at Nie Li, then looked at the distant Xiao Ning Er and said, "Since Ning Er likes you so much, why don't you be with her?"

Nie Li kept the ruby, looked at Ye Zi Yun and said, “It’s a pity, but the one I like is you!”

The love from two lifetimes, Nie Li won’t change. Nie Li has already told Xiao Ning Er about how he feels, however, she still refuses to give up.

Ye Zi Yun’s face blushed red and said, “Nie Li, if you still speak like this, I’ll…. Don’t think that I’m easy to bully!”

At this moment, Ye Zi Yun couldn’t help recalling those incidents within the Ancient Orchid City’s underground palace. She was feeling indignant within her heart and tightly squeezed her fists.

“I’m serious!” Nie Li lightly laughed with his eyes deeply looking at Ye Zi Yun.

“You! I’m not bothering with you any more!”

Ye Zi Yun stomped her feet, wanting to leave but suddenly held her step. Pursing her lips, she smiled and asked, “Then, why don’t you tell me, how am I better then Ning Er?”

Nie Li shrugged and said, “This is impossible to compare. I can only say, this is all decided by fate!”

Looking into Nie Li’s deep gaze, Ye Zi Yun is slightly stunned.

She feels that Nie Li is keeping a lot of things from her. Within Nie Li's eyes, there seems to be many stories hidden inside.

After she paused for a moment, Ye Zi Yun raised her head, stared at the clear skies and said, "I wish that my husband could be a great hero like my grandfather. He must have the strength to shake the world, using his life to protect Glory City."

She then looked at Nie Li, pursed her lips, smiled and said, "If you can reach the Legend rank Demon Spiritualist realm, I could give it consideration."

"Hey, how can you say that?! Didn't you say that you'll agree to be with me when I reach Gold rank?" Nie Li said, sounding depressed.

"I was just joking earlier, it doesn't count! Don't you know that a girl always changes her mind?"

After speaking, Ye Zi Yun laughed, and hastily ran away.

Seeing her back figure, Nie Li lightly smiled, muttering to himself, "If that's the case, why did you choose me in the previous life?"

In his previous life, Nie Li did not even reach Silver rank, but was together with Ye Zi Yun.

"However, it's just Legend rank Demon Spiritualist, not that

difficult.”

Wei Nan, Zhu Xiang Jun, and Zhang Ming bid farewell to Nie Li, and left the institute for home.

Du Ze and Lu Piao both walked over.

“We’ll be off too!” Du Ze said, smiling.

“Okay,” Nie Li nodded, “We’ll meet again in a month!”

“Meet again in a month!” Du Ze nodded, thinking about going home, Du Ze couldn’t help being excited. This time going back, aside from the skyrocket results of his cultivation, Nie Li had given him lots of demon spirit coins, at least enough to bring his clans mens out of suffering. In his heart, Du Ze feel is fully grateful to Nie Li, because it’s Nie Li that has changed his life!

Lu Piao had both of his hands on his hips, laughing loudly, “I’m finally returning home! This time, I don’t need to fear being smacked by my father on my butt anymore! Hahaha!”

Seeing Lu Piao’s current action, Nie Li and Du Ze both looked at each other. They couldn’t help smiling bitterly, and distanced themselves from Lu Piao. The surrounding students threw them weird looks.

Lu Piao heavily hugged Nie Li, and drenched Nie Li’s face with saliva through kiss as he said, “Brother, I love you to death!”

Seeing Lu Piao, Nie Li trembled and pushed Lu Piao away.

“Get away from me, I’m not gay!”

“I’m also not gay. The sky is so blue, the ground is so green! I’ll be going first, see you in a month!” Lu Piao looked a little light headed as he walked out in big steps.

Du Ze waved Nie Li goodbye and left too.

Seeing the happy faces of these two buddies of his, Nie Li couldn’t help smiling lightly, and walked towards the direction of his clan.

North of Glory City

The land of Glory City is rather wide. Aside from the two most prosperous cities within, there is six more subsidiary cities. From the Holy Orchid Institute to Nie Li's house, even with carriage, he would not arrive until two days later.

Nie Li belongs to a clan called the Heavenly Marks Family. The family resides in a valley with a vast land, however, the resources here are very poor. Therefore, the family relies on farming and harvesting mountain herbs for a living. Fortunately, the distance here to the military and the defensive wall is quite close, therefore, it's still rather safe. Generally, there wouldn't be any attacks from demon beasts. Although the Heavenly Marks is an Aristocratic family, only the House Master of the Heavenly Marks Family has the title of Count. This means that if the House Master were to pass away, and none of the younger generations have been able to obtain any title, the Heavenly Marks Family wouldn't be as it is anymore.

As one of the most declined Aristocratic families, the Heavenly Marks Family's castle is very worn and old. The outer wall has been extremely damaged, however, the family does not have any money to repair it.

Just outside the castle, one can see a large patch of farming field with people planting and farming various crops. When they saw Nie Li walking from far away, the clansmen took the initiative to say hello.

“Nie Li, you’re back?”

The clansmen that are responsible for farming don’t have any high position within the clan, and Nie Li’s father is one of them.

Although the Heavenly Marks Family is declining, the population of the family is still high. This area alone has thousands of households, which also means that the population is roughly five-six thousand members.

Within the Heavenly Marks Family, there are a total of twenty-six kids attending the Holy Orchid Institute, with Nie Li being one of them. However, Nie Li’s character was rather reclusive, therefore, it was less likely he would have contact with other kids. The other kids are all in the Intermediate class and Senior class, therefore their vacation is released later. It would probably be one or two more days before they are home.

“Big Brother Nie Li, you’re back!”

A barefooted small girl cheerfully ran towards Nie Li. Her hair is tied in pigtails, with cheeks as red as apples, looking extremely cute.

Her name is Nie Yu, his uncle’s daughter.

Nie Li’s father, Nie Ming, has only one brother. Their status within the Heavenly Marks Family is very low. They would usually rely on farming to feed themselves. Fortunately, only one third of

the harvest is required to be submitted to the family, the rest can be kept for themselves. Since the school fees are now going to be paid by Nie Li, they could live a little more comfortably.

With a family of five-six thousand people, a total of sixty members are Bronze rank Fighters, six are Silver rank Fighters, two are Silver rank Demon Spiritualists and one Gold rank Demon Spiritualist. This is the strength of Heavenly Marks Family.

The strongest in the Heavenly Marks Family is the Patriarch (House Master), Nie Hai. He's a 1-star Gold rank Demon Spiritualist, his position within the family is the highest. Thereafter, two 1-star Gold rank Fighters and one 3-star Gold rank Fighter.

Usually, the Patriarch is hardly seen. He would normally appear at ceremonies only.

Nie Li rubbed Nie Yu's head, he is still able to dote Nie Yu, and smilingly said, "Is Xiao Yu obedient at home?"

"En, Xiao Yu has been very obedient!" said Nie Yu, nodding her head, looking serious. "I also want to be like big brother Nie Li , enter into the Holy Orchid Institute and become a Fighter!"

Nie Yu has been putting Nie Li as her target all along, but Nie Li couldn't help blushing in shame. Before the destruction of Glory City, Nie Yu's achievements were much higher than him. Nie Yu has been concerned about him, however, even as a big brother, he was sheltered by Nie Yu. This caused Nie Li to be extremely

depressed. Later on, Nie Yu died in battle with a horde of demon beasts that attacked the city, a heroic death.

Although he felt a little sour in his nose, Nie Li bore it down and thought, ‘It’s good being back.’

Nie Li walked a far distance together with Nie Yu. When they saw Nie Li, Nie Ming and Nie Kai stopped their chores, smiled at each other and walked towards where Nie Li is.

Chapter 54: Miracle Meridian Hands

“Xiao Li, you’re back!” Nie Ming said, smiling.

“En, father, I’m back!”

Seeing father’s haggard looks, Nie Li’s eyes couldn’t help turning slightly red. Memories from his previous life were coming in waves.

“Xiao Li seems to have grown taller, more handsome too! After spending one year at the Holy Orchid Institute, his aura is indeed not the same!” Nie Kai beside also said, laughing. He’s the blood brother of Nie Ming. He’s younger than Nie Ming by three years. He’s the same as Nie Ming, not having any cultivation talent, therefore, he’s just an ordinary farmer.

At Nie Ming and Nie Kai’s age, their soul realms had already solidified and they were no longer able to cultivate it. However, being an ordinary person is still fine.

‘In the previous life, I was unable to protect you all. In this life, you will be protected by me!”

Nie Li returned home, and after seeing his mother and aunt, became joyous. Finally, the family is reunited again. Nie Li’s heart is filled with excitement and emotion.

“Nie Li, what’s your strength now?” Nie Ming finally couldn’t

hold on anymore and asked.

Everyone's gaze fell on Nie Li. Nie Yu's big eyes were also blinking as she looked at Nie Li.

"We should eat first!" Nie Li's mother, Xiao Yun hurriedly said.

In his previous life, no matter if it's Nie Ming or Xiao Yun, even if Nie Li's cultivation was unable to breakthrough, letting them down again and again, they would still comfort Nie Li nonstop. They did not ask much of Nie Li, however, He still felt their high expectations. Every time he was with them, it was like a sharp knife was cutting him, and he would blame himself for being useless.

However, in this lifetime, he finally did not let his parents down again.

"In this year's examination, my soul force had broke through into 100, and I became a 1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist," Nie Li said while calmly eating his food. He doesn't dare to tell them his real strength. If they knew, they would definitely get the shock of their lives.

Nie Ming and bunch did not imagine that Nie Li would be able to become a Demon Spiritualist. They all thought that if Nie Li can become a Bronze rank Fighter, it would be more than enough. When they heard about Nie Li already becoming a 1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist, they were all stunned. The chopsticks in their hands also stopped moving.

1-star Bronze rank..... Demon Spiritualist?

Nie Ming and bunch all thought that they had heard wrong.

“1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist?” The Nie Kai beside couldn’t help opening his mouth and asked Nie Li again.

“Yep!” Nie Li nodded his head. Seeing his kind parents beside themselves, he felt a little sorrow and grief in his heart. One of his previous life’s regrets, in this life, he could finally compensate them all!

“1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist!” Nie Ming and bunch muttered to themselves, “Our household finally has a Demon Spiritualist?!”

After a brief moment of stunned silence, their faces were filled with extreme joy.

A Demon Spiritualist!

Any Demon Spiritualist within the Heavenly Marks Family would have extraordinary status. Aside from being excused from the tax every month, they can still claim quite a few things from the family.

“Other than becoming a 1-star Demon Spiritualist, I’m also

chosen to enter the Genius class by the Holy Orchid Institute." Nie Li thought awhile and continued.

"The Genius class? Don't you need extraordinary talent to enter? Nie Chong's son, Nie Long, is also a 1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist, but he did not have the qualifications to enter the Genius class!" Nie Kai doubtfully said. His understanding towards Holy Orchid Institute is still very clear.

Nie Yu blinked, her watery big eyes looked at Nie Li in admiration and said, "Big brother Nie Li is great!"

All along, Nie Li has been her object of worship.

"Hehe!" Nie Li laughed, rubbing Nie Yu's head. In his previous life, he can only look up to Nie Yu, and be under her protection.

'In this life, let me be the one to protect you,' Nie Li thought within his heart.

"It's probably because Xiao Li has talent in some other aspect, therefore he was chosen for the Genius class. After all, Xiao Li wouldn't be able to become a 1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist is such a short time! Our house finally has a Demon Spiritualist!" Nie Ming emotionally said.

At this moment, no matter if it's Nie Ming, Nie Kai, Aunt Miao Ling or Nie Yu, they were all very happy. Xiao Yun even started weeping from being too happy.

“Xiao Li’s future will be bright!” Nie Kai patted on Nie Li’s shoulders.

“Xiao Li, let’s go! We’ll go meet the Patriarch!” Nie Ming suddenly stood up, his heart filled with pride. This time, he can finally raise his head in front of his fellow clansmen. Previously, Nie Ming had always been looked down upon by the people in the family, especially Nie Chong, who was always boasting in front of him. Today, Nie Li finally fought for his face.

“Our son has just returned home, let him have his meal first. Why are you in such a hurry?” Mother Xiao Yun threw Nie Ming a glare.

“Right, right!” Nie Ming embarrassedly laughed. He was feeling extremely proud in his heart, causing him to be excited.

Seeing his family being proud of him, Nie Li also felt extremely happy in his heart.

“How’s the situation within the family?” Nie Li asked while eating.

“Very strange.” When the topic turned to the situation of the family, Nie Ming frowned.

“Strange?” Nie Li felt a little curious.

“Yeah,” Nie Ming nodded, “The Heavenly Marks Family’s wealth is barely enough to make ends meet. However, sometime ago, the Sacred Family began pressuring us, causing a big blow to our business. Some of our business partners have also stopped working with us, causing our elders and Patriarch anxious. Our Patriarch even personally sent a letter to the Sacred Family to ask for the reason, but he was ignored. They probably want to wait for a moment to let our Heavenly Marks Family to be in a more difficult position before talking terms with us, but suddenly, there was a turn for the better…”

“A turn for the better?” Nie Li asked.

“Right. Suddenly, ten over families took the initiative to work with us. The conditions are also very favourable. At the start, the Patriarch thought that it was a trap, however, later he realised that they have no malice at all. It’s said that it was all inspired by the Alchemist Association. They even gave us many business opportunities by having us grow various herbs. Furthermore, the payment was also very good. Under the umbrella of the Alchemist Association, the Sacred Family could no longer use any actions against us.” Nie Ming said.

Hearing Nie Ming’s words, Nie Li understood what’s going on. His mind popped out a beautiful young woman. All of this should’ve been arranged by Yang Xin.

Since Nie Li is now an important partner of the Alchemist Association, Yang Xin’s arrangement is very normal. The Alchemist Association’s strength is not any lower then the Sacred Family’s. It’s network is even stronger than the Sacred Family’s.

After all, all the families still need to purchase elixirs from the Alchemist Association. Therefore, with the Alchemist Association's shelter, the Sacred Family wouldn't dare to touch the Heavenly Marks Family any more.

Furthermore, with the elixir formulas that were given to them by Nie Li, even the City Lord Mansion, and the three major families, need to beg the Alchemist Association. As the Alchemist Association is being strengthened to this point, if the Sacred Family want's to go against the Alchemist Association, then it's simply seeking death.

After coming back, aside from seeing his relatives, he still needed to arrange for the Heavenly Marks Family to have contact with the Alchemist Association. Nie Li did not think that Yang Xin would have already arranged it all. Next, Nie Li can put his mind into dealing with the Sacred Family. Of course, the Alchemist Association is very crucial to this.

"Why are you telling this to the kids?" Xiao Yun unhappily looked at Nie Ming. In her eyes, Nie Li is still a kid, knowing these is simply useless.

"A woman's view. Now that Nie Li is already a 1-star Bronze rank Demon Spiritualist, in the future, he will enter into the core of Heavenly Marks Family. At that time, the things that he will learn is even more than this!" Nie Ming retorted, with a proud and happy expression.

"Fine, fine. You are justified!" Xiao Yun said, impatiently.

Father and Mother are the same as the previous life. They would often quarrel, however, the relationship between them is still very good, upon seeing this scene, Nie Li laughed.

“Father, for the time being, I still don’t wish to meet the Patriarch. I wish to continue my training.” Nie Li raised his head, looking at Nie Ming and said.

“Sure, seeing him later is fine!” Nie Ming laughed.

Uncle Nie Kai beside rubbed Nie Yu’s head and said, “Xiao Yu must also work hard, and be like Nie Li.”

“En, Xiao Yu will work hard!” Nie Yu nodded her head and said in a serious tone.

The night is approaching, there would be a night breeze blowing in the forest, with the sound of leaves rustling in the wind.

Nie Li came out from his house, and headed to the back hill’s forest. Sitting on a large stone, he looked towards the distance and only saw the lights from various households.

The Heavenly Marks Family is the family with the longest history. It’s history can even go back to the Snow Wind Empire’s era. The Heavenly Marks Family’s ancestor was one of the great lords at that time. However, due to experiencing changes of the era, and the long Age of Darkness, the Heavenly Marks Family

declined into a run down small family within Glory City.

Nie Li crossed his legs and sat on the huge stone to quietly training. There is just a small step left for him to reach Silver rank. Once he breaks through into Silver rank, he will be able to integrate with the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit within the Spiritual Lamp.

While consuming elixirs nonstop, he would operate the [Heavenly God] cultivating technique at the same time. Nie Li was absorbing the elixirs into his blood and slowly released the effects to his soul realm. This caused his soul realm to start expanding nonstop.

His soul realm began continuously rage as it filled with powerful soul force.

However, if he wants to break through into Silver rank, it will be a little difficult. Nie Li estimated that he would need roughly ten days to do this.

“I almost forgot, there is still another method that I have yet to use!” Nie Li seemed to have recalled something as he lightly smiled. When breaking through into Silver rank, there is a method called Miracle Meridian Hands. This would seal the blood vessels of his arm, and various other body parts. He would seal thirty-six acupuncture points and force his soul force to be trapped within his Soul Realm, allowing him to forcefully break through into Silver rank.

This way of breaking through, aside from exhausting large amounts of soul force, would damage the meridians by a small amount. However, with the help of the elixirs, it can be easily healed.

“Let’s go with this then,” Nie Li lightly smiled. Through the Miracle Meridian Hands method, he began to seal the acupuncture points within his body one after another, thoroughly locking his soul force.

No one would use this kind of method, unless they have absolute confidence.

Chapter 55: Physique Of Heavenly Marks

After his soul force was completely locked, his soul force began to accumulate towards the center of his soul realm, gathering more and more. Nie Li continued to consume all sorts of elixirs, which was enhancing his soul force. His soul force was constantly increasing, becoming more and more concentrated. It was like the air was being compressed to one point, enabling it to have an amazing burst of power.

His soul force was constantly being squeezed within his soul realm, unable to find a way out.

It was constantly being compressed, the constantly tearing in an infinite cycle.

Nie Li felt his soul realm constantly tearing and reconstructing. This intense pain made his face turn pale white, sweat flowing down like rain.

“Urhhh!” Nie Li painfully screamed. Although his will is constantly being challenged, Nie Li still maintained a clear mind, constantly guiding his soul force that has been compressed countless times.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

The barrier within his soul realm began to break. Every time it broke, Nie Li could clearly feel his soul force growing several times.

The last ‘Boom!’

The compressed soul force began to explode, sweeping across his whole soul realm, causing it to surge nonstop.

Tsssss!

That terrible pain covered his whole body like millions of fine needles penetrating his brain.

His meridian was also constantly tearing, however, Nie Li forcefully endured the intense pain as he waited for the exploding compressed soul force to break open his closed meridians.

Whew!

Nie Li felt relieved, his body relaxed. Although his meridians were damaged to quite a serious state, at this moment, Nie Li’s face was filled with excitement. It went as he had expected. By using the Miracle Meridian Hands to expand his soul realm, it had allowed him to reach Silver rank.

After his soul force recovers, Nie Li will be a Silver rank Demon Spiritualist!

Nie Li took several recovery pills, crossed his legs, and started to practice quietly. After cultivating to his current realm, he’s now

able to absorb the Yin energy from the night. Plus, with the fact that he's a male, he's full of Yang energy, therefore, he won't be like Xiao Ning Er.

After practising for about an hour or so, Nie Li's meridians and soul force have already recovered.

He has finally reached Silver rank.

Nie Li opened his eyes as a light flashed across his eyes. He can finally use the Shadow Devil Spirit Lamp.

He retrieved the Shadow Devil Spirit Lamp. His right hand slowly stroked the lamp and inserted his soul force into the lamp. A 'Pu' sound came from the lamp, and began flickering like a ghost light in the dark.

Cries like devils was issuing from the Shadow Devil Spirit Lamp. The lamp light is where the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit resides. However, Nie Li was not afraid, his soul force was like a rope, winding towards the light.

Nie Li's soul force found a black shadow. When his soul force wound around the black shadow, the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit shrieked miserably, trying to resist, as it tried to break Nie Li's soul force.

"Trying to run? It's not going to be so easy! Yield under me!" Nie Li continued to operate his soul force around the Shadow Devil

Demon Spirit.

The Shadow Devil Demon Spirit suddenly trembled as it continued its resistance. However, under the pressure of Nie Li's soul force, the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit gradually lost his ability to resist.

'Whoosh' the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit turned into a black shadow and went into Nie Li's soul realm. Once a demon spirit enters a Demon Spiritualist's soul realm, they will be controlled by the Demon Spiritualist, with the support of the Demon Spiritualist's soul force. Unless the Demon Spiritualist releases the demon spirit on his own, the demon spirit will not be able to obtain freedom.

Just like being branded by soul force.

After integrating with the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, Nie Li's soul realm expanded more than two times. Once integrated with a Demon Spirit, the Demon Spiritualist and Demon Spirit will affect each other. Even the Soul force training speed will be raised by twice the original speed.

The Shadow Devil Demon Spirit is one of the most mysterious demon spirits. Very few would know of it's characteristics. Therefore, very few Demon Spiritualists can perfectly put their combat abilities into use. However, this is not a difficult matter for Nie Li.

The Shadow Devil Demon Spirit is undoubtedly extremely

powerful. At the same time, it has an extremely high growth rate. Therefore, it can't be compared to those ordinary demon spirits. Furthermore, Nie Li's brain's filled with combat skills suitable for the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, hence, he can absolutely utilize the power of Shadow Devil Demon Spirit to its limits.

Nie Li waved his right hand calling out the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, as he hastily merged with the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit. At this moment, Nie Li's body disappeared and reappeared, like a ghost. A bone sickle grew out from his arms, like a mantis. The Shadow Devil Demon Spirit can void-form and corporeal-form, when Nie Li goes into void-form, very few will be able to capture his aura. However, while in void-form, Nie Li will have no attacking capabilities. When he enters the corporeal-form, he will be able to launch deadly attacks.

The Shadow Devil Demon Spirit is an extremely powerful assassin. When battling, even a higher rank can be killed by it, if they are not careful.

The bone sickle is near a meter long, a chilling light flashing on it, looking extremely sharp.

Nie Li looked at the transformation of his two arms and looked at a huge tree several meters away. His body flashed, speeding towards the huge tree. The sickle flashed with chilling light, 'slash' that tree was immediately cut into half and collapsed. The cutting surface was very smooth.

Nie Li withdrew his sickle in satisfaction. With a thought, his body slowly turned transparent, disappearing from the spot. After

a while, his figure, once again, appeared.

"It is worthy of being known as the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit!" Nie Li lightly smiled, revealing a satisfied smile on his face. This Shadow Devil Demon Spirit is definitely a killer when battling with the enemy. Under normal circumstances an ordinary person caught off guard could be easily killed by the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit. Furthermore it also has an extremely high growth rate. Which can be slowly strengthened as Nie Li's cultivation rises.

Nie Li choosing the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit as his first demon spirit was indeed the right choice!

Under ordinary circumstances, when a Demon Spiritualist first integrates with their first demon spirit, they would need a few months to get used to the demon spirit; only then can they slowly be able to get used to demon spirit's combat abilities. However, this is nothing for Nie Li, in just half an hour, Nie Li is already able to smoothly utilize those abilities.

"Not bad, not bad," said Nie Li. He lightly smiled, crossed his legs and sat down. He took a glance at the broken Spiritual Lamp. After integrating with the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, the Spiritual Lamp became useless, therefore Nie Li threw the lamp into a corner within his interspatial ring.

At this moment, a small figure hastily running towards his direction.

Under the dim moonlight, Nie Li could see the person's

appearance. It's his cute Xiao Yu.

"Xiao Yu, why have you come here?" Nie Li asked, looking at Nie Yu.

"I can't sleep, so I wanted to practice like big brother Nie Li!" Nie Yu said, her face innocently serious.

"Before becoming a Silver rank, it's best not to practice at night. It'd do more harm than good," Nie Li teaching Nie Yu with a serious face.

"Then, why can big brother Nie Li practice at night?"

"I....." Nie Li can't possibly say that he has already reached Silver rank, "Boys are different than girls. Boys are full of yang energy, therefore, we're not afraid of yin energy entering our body."

"I don't believe you!" Nie Yu said, pouting her face in disbelief.

Nie Li helplessly shook his head. Nie Yu is a little stubborn. Sometimes, no matter what other people say, nothing will go into her brain.

Nie Li thought awhile and said, "Since I'm back, I'll teach Nie Yu a cultivation technique."

“Yes! Thank you, big brother Nie Li!” Nie Yu clapped her hands excitedly. That little bun-like face is filled with anticipation.

Nie Li retrieved a soul crystal from his interspatial ring, passed it to Nie Yu and said, “First, insert your soul force into this primary soul crystal.”

“Okay,” Nie Yu did not think much and inserted her soul force into the soul crystal. After a short moment, the soul crystal began to light up.

“Soul force of 32. Not bad Xiao Yu, you’re just 9 years old and you already have such a high soul force……” Nie Li suddenly stopped. His gaze focused onto the insides of the soul crystal and was shocked, murmuring, “No wonder Xiao Yu’s cultivating speed is so fast. It turns out that Xiao Yu has the [Physique of Heavenly Marks].”

“Big brother Nie Li, what’s [Physique of Heavenly Marks]?” Nie Yu is extremely curious as she has never heard of this term before. And big brother Nie Li actually said that her cultivating speed is fast, however, she doesn’t realise this at all.

What Nie Yu doesn’t know, is Nie Li is referring to her previous life. It’s a pity that before the talent of the [Physique of Heavenly Marks] showed, she had already fallen in battle.

Nie Li patted on Nie Yu’s head and said, “Since the beginning of our Heavenly Marks Family in the Snow Wind Empire, we have a very far history. The strongest warriors of the Heavenly Marks

Family all have the [Physique of Heavenly Marks]. The possibility of it appearing within our bodies is roughly around one percent. Which means within every hundred clansmen there would roughly be one with the [Physique of Heavenly Marks]. It's a pity that the cultivation technique for the [Physique of Heavenly Marks] has already been long lost in the Age of Darkness."

"Oh..." Nie Yu blinked her eyes, understanding only a little.

Good thing that within the Temporal Demon Spirit Book, there is a cultivating technique for the [Physique of Heavenly Marks]. Nie Li rejoiced within his heart, realising he can use it to nurture Xiao Yu!

"Then is big brother Nie Li still teaching Xiao Yu a cultivating technique?" Nie Yu asked, a little worried. Just because those cultivating techniques are long lost, doesn't mean that they can no longer be learned.

"Of course. However, you have to keep the cultivating technique that I teach you a secret. Xiao Yu cannot tell anyone about it. It'll be our little secret. Can you promise big brother Nie Li?" Nie Li gently looked at Nie Yu and said. According to Nie Li's knowledge, the Heavenly Marks Family is not united, with many complicated conflicts. Therefore Nie Li doesn't intend to unreservedly contribute cultivating techniques to his family.

When Nie Li becomes strong, he will shelter the Heavenly Marks Family. However, that doesn't mean that Nie Li will contribute everything to the family.

“En!” Nie Yu nodded her head seriously, “Xiao Yu definitely won’t tell anyone!”

Nie Li taught Nie Yu the chant of the first chapter to the cultivating technique of [Physique of Heavenly Marks]. Nie Yu recited it out, with a soul force of 32, her memory is already quite good. Soon, she will completely remember the chant.

For security purposes, the chant of the first chapter is enough. He will wait till Nie Yu finished practicing the first chapter, then he’ll pass her the next one. After all, Nie Yu is still quite small, and very simple. Therefore, she is very easily cheated.

Nie Yu chanted the cultivation technique within her heart. Very soon, her soul force within her soul realm began surging up.

In the Snow Wind Empire Era, a Demon Spiritualist with the [Physique of Heavenly Marks] are known as one of the three most powerful Demon Spiritualists. At that era, geniuses were in large numbers, numerous Legend rank Demon Spiritualists were in the empire. But even so, the [Physique of Heavenly Marks] is still able to get all kinds of reputations, therefore, one can only imagine how powerful the [Physique of Heavenly Marks] truly is.

Chapter 56: Assassinate

Nie Li taught the first chapter of the [Physique of Heavenly Mark]'s chant to Nie Yu. After she memorised it, Nie Yu found an empty space and started practising.

As the night continued on, the darkness became more and more concentrated. There would be some shadow quickly leaping across the forest.

Nie Li suddenly sensed something in the distance far away. He noticed that there are shadows moving near the cliff few kilometres away. He slightly frowned, and waved his right hand. A shadow appeared in the air and flew towards the forest.

He unleashed the demon spirit without merging with it. The demon spirit is unable to go into battle unless it's merged with the Demon Spiritualist's body, however, the Demon Spiritualist can sense what the demon spirit sees and hears, which is very useful sometimes.

The aura of an ordinary demon spirit could be easily noticed, however, the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit can conceal its traces. Therefore, it's extremely suitable for spying and identifying terrains.

The Shadow Devil Demon Spirit soon found several figures far away. Through the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit's eyes, Nie Li can clearly see three people wearing black robes, hiding within the forest.

Nie Li controlled the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, hiding it behind a tree and confirming the location of these three people.

These people are currently chatting among themselves.

“This is the territory of the Heavenly Marks Family.”

“We have to be careful, there are still several Gold rank experts within the Heavenly Marks Family. If we come across them, we’ll definitely die!”

“Are you sure that this brat called Nie Li is currently in a broken house under the mountains?”

“Of course, I have already checked it during the day. That brat’s parents are not practitioners, therefore, we can kill them without them noticing.”

Through the hearing of Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, Nie Li heard their conversation. His brows slightly frowned, ‘Are these from Sacred Family?’

From the looks of it, these three people are intending on going after him. However, these three people should only be Silver rank.

One of the person’s voices seems familiar to Nie Li. He suddenly remembers. One of three is Yun Hua Deacon from the Dark Guild!

After the encounter in the Ancient Orchid City, Nie Li has already memorised this person's voice in his brain. Luckily, these that came are all only Silver rank. The amount of Gold rank experts is only a few in the whole Glory City. Every single one has a special nameplate. Therefore, it's difficult for Gold rank experts of the Dark Guild to infiltrate Glory City. The strongest within them is only Yun Hua Deacon from the Dark Guild.

Nie Li slightly frowned and unleashed a strong perception from the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit. Vaguely, Nie Li felt the strength of these three Silver rank experts. One is a 5-star Silver rank and the other two are 3-star Silver rank.

"This will be a little bit tough to handle," murmured Nie Li, frowning again. If they were 1-star Silver rank or 2-star Silver rank, Nie Li could easily handle them. As for 3-star Silver rank, Nie Li would be able to find a way to handle them. However, they have a 5-star Silver rank, which will be a little difficult.

If these three managed to get to Nie Li's house, it'd be troublesome.

"Xiao Yu, quickly go and notify adults. Tell them that there are several people from the Dark Guild found in the forest!" Nie Li thought for awhile, then said to Nie Yu.

"People from the Dark Guild?" Nie Yu's eyes flashed a trace of fear within them. at young age, she has heard of how terrifying the Dark Guild is. "Then, where are you going? big brother Nie Li, let's

go together!”

“I’ll be fine. I won’t go and engage them, I’ll stay here to keep an eye on them. Quickly go and notify the adults. Within this group of people, there is one who’s a 5-star Silver rank. A Gold rank must come over!” Nie Li said. To prevent the attacks of the demon beasts, the territory of the Heavenly Marks would have a Gold rank elder patrolling every day. All she needs to do is call the patrolling elder over.

“Xiao Yu, quickly! You cannot delay any further!” Nie Li anxiously urged.

Nie Yu worriedly took a glance at Nie Li, but eventually nodded. Her small figure hastily ran away.

Seeing Nie Yu running far away, Nie Li felt slightly relieved. There was two reasons for letting Nie Yu to get the adults. One is to get help, another is to send her away. This way, he can focus on dealing with the current situation.

Nie Li carefully hid his figure, slowly approaching to where the three men were currently positioned.

Although the opponent’s strength is strong. The enemy is in public and he is hidden. Therefore, it’s not entirely impossible to fight.

Yun Hua Deacon lead the two 3-star Silver rank Fighters and

slowly advanced through the woods.

“What’s going on?” Yun Hua Deacon suddenly felt something strange. Like something is currently in a corner, spying on them. Although this kind of feeling is very vague, he can’t find the source of it.

“What’s wrong, milord?” the two 3-star Silver rank Fighter asked, puzzled.

“Did I sense it wrong?” Yun Hua Deacon slightly frowned. He snapped, a huge black demonic tiger appeared out of the thin air. That chill filled gaze of his coldly glanced around the woods.

He’s a 5-star Demon Spiritualist with a Black Star Tiger Demon Spirit!

‘That’s even more difficult to deal with!’ Nie Li slightly frowned his brows for a moment, hiding within the shadows, holding his breath. The Shadow Devil Demon Spirit also hid behind the trees, not moving.

Nie Li’s distance with Yun Hua Deacon is around fifty-sixty meters away. That Black Star Tiger Demon Spirit is only a Silver rank, it’s impossible for it to detect him from so far away. As for the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, it’s hidden five meters away from Yun Hua Deacon, its body has completely gone into void-form.

The Black Star Tiger Demon Spirit’s eyes glowed cyan. It swept

around the surroundings, but did not manage to find anything. Yun Hua Deacon felt relieved and said, “Perhaps I’m thinking too much.”

Yun Hua Deacon recalled the Black Star Tiger Demon Spirit. Unleashing your demon spirit can have it’s aura easily detected by other Demon Spiritualists, therefore, he has to be careful.

“The two of us will wait here. Liu Qing, go and investigate whether if there is anyone patrolling at the Heavenly Marks Family and send us a signal.” Yun Hua Deacon said softly. Regarding this matter, it’s still rather dangerous, therefore, he is unwilling to risk himself.

Liu Qing felt a little depressed, thinking ‘Why do I have to go?’ However, he didn’t dare to refute Yun Hua Deacon. He has no choice but nod his head and head down the mountains.

Yun Hua Deacon and the other person called Liu Yan slowed down their pace.

Seeing Liu Qing separated from Yun Hua Deacon, Nie Li’s brows slightly twitched, ‘This is a good chance!’

With his current strength, dealing with three people at once is still too difficult. However, dealing with only one 3-star Silver rank Fighter would be much easier. Although Liu Qing’s cultivation is higher than Nie Li’s by two levels, he is a Fighter and Nie Li is a Demon Spiritualist.

The demon spirit that Nie Li is using is the never before seen Shadow Devil Demon Spirit. Ordinary people won't know the specialities of the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit.

Under Nie Li's control, the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit turned into a black light, flew back and quickly merged with Nie Li. Causing his body suddenly change.

Nie Li looked at the not so far away Liu Qing, and a corner of his mouth curled up. With a thought, he concealed his figure and slowly approached Liu Qing.

"What's going on?" After Liu Qing rushed out several hundred meters, he suddenly felt a strange aura. He stood still, suspiciously looking at his surroundings.

Within the silent night, other than the rustling of trees caused by a breeze, there was no other movements.

"I'm probably thinking too much," Liu Qing laughed to himself, and continued to move forward. He slowed his pace, thinking to himself that he can simply do some action to satisfy Yun Hua Deacon, no need to be so serious and risk his life.

Nie Li held his breath, quietly approaching Liu Qing. With the hiding ability of the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, it would be hard for an ordinary person to detect his aura.

Five meters, three meters, two meters……

Liu Qing has no idea that Nie Li is already behind him.

Suddenly, Liu Qing felt a murderous intend locked onto himself, a sense of crisis pierced through his heart. He was surprised, suddenly turned himself around and threw a kick out.

However, this kick did not land on anything. There was no one behind him.

“What exactly is going on?” Liu Qing felt an endless chill in his heart. He clearly felt a murderous intent, but when he turned back, he did not find anything.

Just when Liu Qing was relieved, a figure suddenly appeared beside him. ‘Psh’, a cold light flashed in the darkness across Liu Qing’s neck.

Liu Qing’s neck was cut across, a trace of fresh blood gushed out. His mouth was wide open, yet nothing was said. His eyes slowly dimmed. ‘Plop’ and his head fell to the ground.

Liu Qing did not understand even at his death, what exactly attacked him. From the start of his cultivation until now, he experienced thousands if not hundreds of attacks, but he has never experienced this kind of attack before.

However, he no longer had a chance to find out.

After Nie Li's strike succeeded, he went into void-form again, back into hiding.

He lurked around Liu Qing's corpse, preparing for the next ambush.

For his first sneak attack, Nie Li wasn't quite satisfied with it. As before his attack, his murderous intent was actually found out by Liu Qing. Although he eventually succeeded his attack, for Nie Li, it's still a failure.

A real assassin would kill the enemy without them noticing.

Because Nie Li has just started merging with the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, his control over the Shadow Devil ability is not that skillful yet. Having a failure is normal. His first time could already do this. If this was anyone else, they would already be extremely satisfied with the results. However, Nie Li has very strict requirements for himself, seeking perfection.

Nie Li quietly hid within the shadows, patiently waiting.

A hint of blood filled the air in the forest.

"What's going on?" Yun Hua Deacon's brows slightly frowned. He keenly felt that something was not right, leaped forward and Liu Yan followed behind.

After leaping a few meters forward, they saw the corpse of Liu

Qing on the ground.

“There’s someone here!” Yun Hua Deacon gasped and immediately went alert. ‘The opponent killed a 3-star Silver rank Fighter not far from us without any noise. Could it be that the opponent is a Gold rank?’

Liu Yan was terrified when he saw this scene, ‘Liu Qing just ran out a few meters away from us, and he was killed without a sound. How did the opponent do it?’

They slowly retreated, back to back, alertly inspecting the surrounding woods.

In the dark night, only the sounds of birds chirping could be heard in the quiet forest. They couldn’t find anyone in the forest. However, they had the terrifying feeling of being stared at, causing the fine hair on their bodies to stand up.

Seeing no action from Yun Hua Deacon and Liu Yan, Nie Li didn’t make any movements, and was quietly waiting.

Furthermore, dragging the time is favourable to him. Before long, Nie Yu would be able to call an elder from the family over.

Time is running.

After he noticed something was not right, Yun Hua Deacon frowned his brows and said, “Let’s leave!”

He’s a cautious man. Because he encountered an unexpected setback, he’ll go back first. There was no need to take the risk.

Liu Yan also couldn’t wait to leave this place, and immediately nodded his head.

Yun Hua Deacon leaped, ready to leave. Liu Yan beside him was also preparing to follow him.

“You want to leave? That will not be so easy!”

A chill light flashed across Nie Li’s eyes as he reappeared. He lifted his bone sickle and slashed towards Liu Yan.

After entering void-form, Nie Li has been lurking beside Liu Yan for a long time. His distance from Liu Yan is only around five-six meters. He suddenly sped up.

Just when Nie Li appeared, the pupils of Liu Yan and Yun Hua Deacon tightened.

“Who?!”

There was someone that was actually lurking so close to them and they had not realised a thing after so long!

“Kill!” Nie Li’s eyes slightly narrowed, releasing a chilling

murderous intent, and slashed towards Liu Yan at lightning speed.

Liu Yan snapped, his body emitted a light. On this body, there are two arm guards He raised the arm guards up to block Nie Li's attack. And at the same time, send a kick towards Nie Li.

As a Silver rank Fighter, Liu Yan has gone through hundreds of battles, and has plenty combat experiences. Under this close call situation, his reaction is quite fast.

Pity that the one attacking him isn't an ordinary person, but Nie Li who's merged with the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit!

Nie Li faced Liu Yan and suddenly straightened his arms. The barb on the sickle instantly moved to the back of Liu Yan's head. With a gentle hook, "Pssh", the barb penetrated the back of Liu Yan's head.

Liu Yan's eyes dimmed. Even at his death, he still doesn't understand. Why does this guy in front of him have such long arms? He was actually able to get around to the back of his neck and attack.

In just one moment, Nie Li killed another one.

Based on strength alone, Liu Yan is a little bit stronger than Nie Li. However, Nie Li did not confront Liu Yan face to face. Instead, he launched out sudden attacks. At the same time, the attack was unexpected for Liu Yan. In such a short time, there was no way Liu

Yan could have reacted, therefore, allowing Nie Li’s sneak attack to succeed, becoming a one hit kill!

Chapter 57: Who Killed Them?

After he saw Liu Yan killed by Nie Li, Deacon Yun Hua merged with his Black Star Tiger Demon Spirit. He let out a furious snort and threw a kick towards Nie Li.

Boom!

The kick landed on Nie Li's abdomen and causing Nie Li to fly several meters, heavily smashing into a tree and slowly fell down.

Deacon Yun Hua lowered his head, and looked at the corpse of Liu Yan that was in a pool of blood. He blew in a towering rage. He felt that his opponent's strength was not that strong, however his opponent was able to kill two of his underlings. How can he not be angry?

"Damn!" grunted Deacon Yun Hua, kicking Liu Yan's corpse. Liu Yan was completely dead. The back of the head is the most fatal location. After being stabbed there, there is basically no chance of surviving.

Nie Li slowly wiped the blood from the corner of his lips, showing a grim smile. After getting rid of two, Deacon Yun Hua is the only one left.

"What the heck is this? Die!" Deacon Yun Hua angrily snorted. After merging with the Black Star Tiger, his body became larger. The few meters tall Deacon Yun Hua pounced towards Nie Li, who had already merged with the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, with his

claws outstretched.

The Shadow Devil Demon Spirit is an assassin type of demon spirit, specializing in assassination. Therefore, the base strength of the body is weaker. It needs to be slowly enhanced bit by bit. However, Deacon Yun Hua's Black Star Tiger is a strength type demon spirit. Hence, its combat abilities are extremely strong, with lots of support Inscription Patterns around the body.

As soon as Deacon Yun Hua's huge palm was about to land on Nie Li, Nie Li's figure disappeared.

Boom!

Deacon Yun Hua's huge palm slammed into the tree beside him, breaking it apart.

"What's going on?" Deacon Yun Hua's eyes contracted. He never thought that he'd encounter such a strange ability, and wondered what exactly is this damned thing.

The Shadow Devil Demon Spirit is a type of extremely mysterious and rare demon spirit. It's ability is also very special, therefore, it's normal that Deacon Yun Hua has never seen it before.

Deacon Yun Hua was suddenly struck with fear. Although he did not clearly see his opponent, he is certain that his opponent is definitely a human that merged with a demon spirit. However, he

doesn’t know what kind of demon spirit his opponent merged with. A murderous intent flashed across his eyes. He manipulated the Black Star Tiger and skimmed the surrounding area, searching for Nie Li’s location.

‘That black shadow from earlier is definitely a rare assassin type demon spirit!’ Deacon Yun Hua thought to himself. After Nie Li kept on disappearing and reappearing unpredictably, a deep impression was left on him.

Deacon Yun Hua began searching the forest for Nie Li. Nie Li is currently hiding behind a tree, holding his breath and not daring to move. After all, no matter his personal cultivation or the strength of Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, had just stepped into Silver rank. If he fights head on, he won’t be able to defeat a 5-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist like Deacon Yun Hua.

Deacon Yun Hua’s aura is approaching closer and closer. He will soon find Nie Li’s hiding place.

Whoosh!

Under Nie Li’s manipulation, the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit suddenly appeared. It’s sharp front claws slashed towards Deacon Yun Hua’s neck.

Feeling a chill blowing towards him, Deacon Yun Hua didn’t dare to be rash. He jumped backwards, dodging Nie Li’s attack, then turned around, and charged towards Nie Li.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

The sharp claws of the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit gazed pass Deacon Yun Hua's head several times, scaring Deacon Yun Hua into a cold sweat. This kind of damned thing is too frightening for him. The front limb can change long and short, its movement is shockingly fast. The slightest mistake could get himself killed in one attack.

Deacon Yun Hua jumped backwards tens of meters, only then did he manage to dodge the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit's attacks. He slightly sighed in relief. Just when he was preparing to launch his attacks, the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit in front of him once again blurred and then disappeared.

Deacon Yun Hua couldn't help cursing. Nie Li merged with the Shadow Devil Demon spirit is too hard to deal with since he quickly disappeared, nowhere to be found.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

Deacon Yun Hua kept throwing attacks towards the spot where the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit disappeared, causing stones on the ground to be flying everywhere. However, Nie Li did not appear.

"This damn thing is not using a stealth combat ability!" cursed Deacon Yun Hua in shock. Many assassin-type demon spirits are able to use stealth. However, stealth skills have one flaw, which is, when it's under attack, it will automatically reappear.

What the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit uses, isn't a stealth combat ability, but the very rare void combat ability. Which is turning itself into an existence similar to air, able to have the attacks pass through it. However, the void combat ability has a weakness to it. Once it enters into the void-form, its movements will be slowed down, comparable to a turtle. However, the void combat ability is very rarely seen. It's a rare ability of the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit. Ordinary people would not have been able to see it before, not to mention know its weakness.

Deacon Yun Hua paused. After so long, he still couldn't find Nie Li's location. He already had thoughts of retreating. However, the death of two of his underlings caused him to be unwilling to do so.

'One day, I'll destroy your whole Heavenly Marks Family!' Deacon Yun Hua angrily thought to himself. However, it's just a thought.

Although the Heavenly Marks Family has declined, it's still an Aristocratic Family of Glory City. It's still under the protection of Glory City. Therefore, if the Dark Guild wants to destroy Glory City, they will have to take down the whole Glory City, and this kind of matter isn't something that can be decided by him.

Suddenly, distant rustling sounds came from the far end of the woods. Several figures were coming at a fast speed.

It's the people of Heavenly Marks Family!

Deacon Yun Hua's eye contracted, and leaped up into the sky,

madly running out.

Nie Li's eyes slightly narrowed. Since reinforcements came, there was nothing that he needs to be worried about. He suddenly reappeared, and the sharp sickle chopped towards Deacon Yun Hua.

Nie Li's movement is shockingly fast after he merged with the Shadow Devil Demon spirit, like a mantis hunting.

Feeling the sudden attack, Deacon Yun Hua was shocked. He immediately turned around to dodge, however, he was a step too late.

Pssh!

A wound was left on his leg, fresh blood spewing around.

"Damn!" Deacon Yun Hua never thought that the attacking speed of the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit would be so fast. It's much faster compared to the previous attack.

Deacon Yun Hua leaped far away, a few ups and downs and disappeared from the dark forest.

Because of his cultivation, Nie Li estimated that he wouldn't be able to catch up. A human voice came from behind, it should be the elders arriving. Nie Li's body slightly moved. The Shadow Devil Demon Spirit slowly withdrew back into his soul realm. His body

changed back to his ordinary looks.

Whoosh!

Three figures arrived in front of Nie Li. The leading one is elder Nie En, the other two were Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri, two brothers. The two brothers, Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri are older than Nie Li by a few years. Nie Xiao Feng is already a 2-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist and Nie Xiao Ri is a 1-star Silver rank Fighter.

Nie Li's relation with the two brothers are not that good. They would often mock at Nie Li's weak talent.

"Nie Li, you got Nie Yu to inform that there are three people from the Dark Guild here, where are they?" Nie En asked in a stern voice. He then sniffed, noticing a bloody smell from the forest.

"One ran towards that direction, the other two are on the floor." Nie Li continued, "The one that ran away had the strength of a 5-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist. He merged with the Black Star Tiger Demon Spirit. Elder, you have to be careful. That person also sustained some injuries, hence there will be traces of blood.

Hearing Nie Li's words, elder Nie En looked at Nie Li in surprise. He vaguely felt that the current Nie Li seems to be different from the usual Nie Li.

"I'll go and chase after him, the two of you will remain here!"

elder Nie En said in a stern voice. If the opponent is really a 5-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist, then the two brothers would be no use against him.

Nie En leaped, chasing after the direction where Deacon Yun Hua escaped. After a moment, his figure disappeared from the dark forest.

Seeing as Nie En ran far away, Xiao Feng and Xiao Ri both took a glimpse at Nie Li, their faces flashed a hint of disgust in them.

“Why would people from the Dark Guild even come here. If you lied to elder Nie En, you should know of the consequences……” Xiao Ri said, coldly snorting. He’s wearing a black cloak. The twenty year old him is a head taller than Nie Li. His eyes had disdain within them when he looked at Nie Li.

Hearing Xiao Ri’s words, Nie Li slightly frowned and said, “Bluffing you guys? There’s two corpse on the ground there, can’t you see?”

Although he doesn’t like the two brothers, they are still members of the Heavenly Marks Family. After experiencing the destruction of Glory City in his previous life, with all of the members of the Heavenly Marks Family dying under the claws of demon beasts, his personal grudges don’t mean much.

Nie Xiao Feng is older than Nie Xiao Ri by one year, and was slightly more calm compared to Xiao Ri. Because of their parent’s generation not getting along, they themselves do not get along

with Nie Li. However, Nie Xiao Feng realized that the Nie Li today is different from the usual Nie Li. He actually dared to talk back to them so confidently.

The three of them moved forward a distance, and Xiao Feng and Xiao Ri saw the corpses of Liu Qing and Liu Yan.

They never imagined that there would really be two corpses.

“How did they die?” Xiao Ri froze for a moment, frowned and asked again, “You’re the one that killed them?”

Nie Li did not answer his question, but bent down and examined Liu Qing and Liu Yan. He found two Dark Guild tokens on the two corpses.

“It’s really the people from the Dark Guild!” Nie Xiao Ri snorted, “Probably two dumb thieves, coming to our Heavenly Marks Family to steal and was found by you.”

Because of Nie Li’s cultivation not even reaching 1-star Bronze rank, the strength of these two dumb thieves also couldn’t be much.

Nie Xiao Feng stared at Nie Xiao Ri, his face flashed with doubts. He also bent down, and ripped a few Silver rank armours from Liu Qing and Liu Yan’s corpses. His right hand pinched the two corpses and said, “It’s two Silver rank Fighters!”

“Silver rank? How can this be? Big bro, are you seeing it wrongly?” Nie Xiao Ri cried out.

“It is indeed Silver rank. There is Silver rank armour on their bodies, the strength of their bodies should be higher than yours,” Nie Xiao Feng said, without any doubts in his tone.

At this moment, whether if it’s Nie Xiao Feng or Nie Xiao Ri, they had their gazes on Nie Li.

“You’re the one that killed them?”

Nie Li shrugged and said, “I never said that I was the one who killed them. They could have killed themselves.”

This matter is fishy. Both Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri frowned. Could it be that there are experts around this area? Since this expert helped to kill the people from the Dark Guild, they shouldn’t be an enemy of the Heavenly Marks Family.

Nie Xiao Ri’s gaze swept across Nie Li. He felt that Nie Li is too suspicious. However, no matter how he thinks about it, it’s absolutely impossible for Nie Li to reach Silver rank in just few months. Not to mention Nie Li’s strength isn’t stronger than an ordinary Silver rank.

Chapter 58: Genius Class's Student?

The two brothers refuse to believe that Nie Li's strength would actually be raised to such a frightening degree.

"Won't elder Nie En be in danger?" Nie Xiao Ri frowned and ask. Elder Nie En has been chasing the other Dark Guild member for quite some time now and has yet to return.

"Relax, he shouldn't have any problems." Nie Xiao Feng shook his head and said, "This is the territory of the Heavenly Marks Family. Those people of the Dark Guild are only 5-star Silver rank at most and elder Nie En is a 3-star Gold rank Fighter. There won't be any problems."

Bang! Bang! Bang!

Sounds of fighting was coming from the depths of the forest. However, the sound quickly died.

After a long time, there was no more enemy movements.

A figure could be seen coming back.

"It's elder Nie En! Elder Nie En is back!"

Nie En landed in front of them, his face was stern.

“Elder Nie En, how was it? Did you catch up with him?” Nie Xiao Feng asked.

Elder Nie En shook his head and said, “The opponent was a 5-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist. After he merged with the Black Star Tiger Demon Spirit, his strength became very strong. Furthermore, he had some methods to elude me. I could not caught up to him, he escaped!”

Hearing Nie En’s words, Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri both looked at each other. ‘That Demon Spiritualist managed to escape under elder Nie En’s hands, he’s not a simple!’

Seeing the two corpses on the ground, Nie En frowned. This matter is a little too strange. Why would people from the Dark Guild appear here? And also, who is the one that killed them? Could it be that there are internal conflicts within the Dark Guild and they are killing each other in their territory? But that shouldn’t be possible. Is there a mysterious expert lurking around, helping the Heavenly Marks Family by killing these two Dark Guild members?

That mysterious expert killed two Silver ranks and at the same time, wounded a 5-Star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist. That expert should at least be Gold rank! Who exactly is it that helped the Heavenly Marks Family? Why didn’t that expert appear after helping the Heavenly Marks Family?

Although he’s still a little suspicious about Nie Li, elder Nie En never thought that it was Nie Li who killed the two dark guild members and wounded Deacon Yun Hua. When Nie Li left the

family to the Holy Orchid Institute, he's not a 1-star Bronze rank yet. It's impossible for him to reach Silver rank after a short school term.

Nie En squatted down and examined the two corpses. Liu Qing and Liu Yan showed no signs of a fierce fight, but they were killed by a sharp object that struck their fatal spots. The wounds are also in weird jagged shapes.

"Such powerful means of killing!" Nie En was secretly shocked in his heart. Even if it's him, he couldn't kill two 3-star Silver rank Fighters so easily. Furthermore, the weapon that the mysterious expert used is somewhat strange. He has never seen marks like these before.

"Nie Li, follow me. Report everything about how you found the three people from the Dark Guild and everything that happened afterwards to the Patriarch!" Nie En thought awhile and said. Then he threw a glance at Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri, "The two of you will carry these two corpses back, and have them examined by Patriarch!"

"Yes, elder Nie En!" Nie Li nodded his head.

"Yes!" Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Feng both carried one corpse each and followed behind Nie En.

They just walked a few steps out and saw Nie Yu's figure hastily coming over. Her speed is much slower compared to elder Nie En and the rest, therefore she only just arrived.

“Big brother Nie Li, how are you? Are you okay?” Nie Yu’s tender face was stained with tear, concern filling her eyes.

“Rest assured, big brother Nie Li is fine,” Nie Li smiled rubbing Nie Yu’s head.

“En” Hearing Nie Li’s words, Nie Yu then felt relieved, and followed behind Nie Li.

Heavenly Marks Family’s Ancestral Hall

The Ancestral Hall was lit up with members of the Heavenly Marks Family armed, holding torches. They know that people from the Dark Guild came into their territory. They were awake, prepared to engage in battle.

After seeing Nie En and company coming, the crowd split a path open for them.

Nie Hai, the Patriarch of the Heavenly Marks Family, is currently sitting on the main seat. He was dressed in a grey robe, a long white beard was growing on his stern face. He was emitting a kind of majestic aura from him.

“Nie En, what’s going on?” Nie Hai asked.

“Patriarch, there were three sneaky thieves from the Dark Guild.

They were probably trying to steal something from our Heavenly Marks Family. Two of them were killed, one escaped!" Nie En replied, cupping his hands.

Nie Hai took a glance at the two corpses on the floor, feeling slightly relieved, and said, "Good thing that it's just three people. Although, I'm not sure what they came here for. They were definitely up to nothing good. My Heavenly Marks Family doesn't have anything for the Dark Guild to covet after. They are probably here to inquire the situation of our Heavenly Marks Family. Double up the patrol for these next few days!"

"Yes!" The guards of Heavenly Marks Family by the side answered.

"You're the one who killed these two?" With a glance, Nie Hai could tell that those two corpses had at least Silver rank strength.

"No, not me," Nie En said, shaking his head.

"Then it's Xiao Feng and Xiao Ri?" Nie Hai praised, "Xiao Feng, Xiao Ri, your cultivation has been rising very fast!"

Hearing Nie Hai's words, Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri felt their face burning.

"Patriarch, we did not do it!" Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri hurriedly replied. They dared not impersonate the credit of others.

Nie Hai slightly frowned upon hearing their answers, and curiously asked, “Then who is the one that did it?”

There is only Nie En, Nie Xiao Feng, and Nie Xiao Ri three people dispatched to go after those few people from the Dark Guild. If it wasn’t them, then who did it?

“By the time I arrived, they had already died. Only Nie Li was present when it happened,” Nie En said truthfully.

At this moment, everyone’s eyes fell onto Nie Li, feeling ridiculous. How could Nie Li take on two Silver rank Fighters with his cultivation?

“I also don’t know. I only saw a black shadow flash and the two of them fell onto the ground just like that,” Nie Li shrugged, pretending to be innocent. He still does not want to reveal his own strength yet.

“A black shadow flashed?” Everyone was slightly surprised.

Elder Nie En was silent for a moment before he squatted down, pointing towards the two Silver rank Fighter’s corpse, and said, “Patriarch, have a look at the wound. It’s done with some sort of weapon and this weapon is extremely weird. I can’t think of anyone in Glory City using this kind of weapon.”

Everyone’s gaze fell onto the wounds of the two corpse.

“These two people were taken out by striking their fatal points, a one hit kill!” Elder Nie En took a deep breath and said.

Everyone began to look at each other. Within their clan, there was no one using this kind of weapon, so who killed these two? Could it be that the back mountains had a hidden master? They are all wondering if that expert is an enemy or a friend. However, no matter if it’s a friend or an enemy, having such a person hiding behind the back mountains caused them to feel uneasy.

“Since someone helped us kill the people of the Dark Guild, they should be standing on Glory City’s side. Therefore, there shouldn’t be a problem.” Nie Hai said, “This matter no longer needs to be a cause for concern. The main point is, why did the people of the Dark Guild come here. For safety reasons, our Heavenly Marks Family must enter into a battle state and the defence within the family must change a little.

At this moment, beside Nie Hai, Elder Nie Wei’s gaze fell on Nie Li and asked, “Nie Li, when did you come back?”

Hearing Elder Nie Wei’s question, Nie Li couldn’t help but to feel his scalp tingling. Within the Heavenly Marks Family, the hardest to get along with was Elder Nie Wei. Nie Wei is the enforcement elder of the Heavenly Marks Family. Any wrongs done by the members of the family will be punished by Elder Nie Wei, therefore, Nie Wei’s position within the clan is only lower to Nie Hai.

Within the Heavenly Marks Family, the one that Nie Li hates the most, aside from Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri, would be Nie Wei.

In his previous life, he was punished lots of time by Nie Wei. Nie Wei also has another identity, which is the grandfather of Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri.

Nie Li thought more than once, because his household doesn't get along with their household, that Nie Wei punishing Nie Li base on personal grudges.

"Elder, I have just returned today!" Nie Li cupped his hand and said.

Nie Wei snorted, reprimand, "Nie Li, do you admit your mistake?"

Nie Li is a little confused, curiously asked, "Nie Li doesn't get what you're saying, asking Elder Nie Wei to please explain!"

"Nie Li, you did not study properly like you should at school and got in quite a bit of trouble. I heard that you provoked a direct descendant of the Sacred Family, causing them to suppress our Heavenly Marks Family. Are you sure that no such thing happened?" Nie Wei asked, strictly.

Hearing Elder Nie Wei's words, everyone had their gaze on Nie Li. During this period of time, they had their hardest times, being suppressed by the Sacred Family and had all kinds of business suffering heavy losses, are all these related to Nie Li?

Nie Hai hearing Elder Nie Wei's words, he frowned, looked at Nie

Li and sternly asked, “Nie Li, is that true?”

Nie Li had no choice. He nodded his head and said, “True, that was me.”

“You did not follow the family’s instruction in the Holy Orchid Institute, provoked troubles that caused the family to suffer losses. You must be punished by one hundred strikes by cane, don’t you agree?” Elder Nie Wei’s gaze is closely fixed on Nie Li, giving a kind of imposing.

Hearing Nie Wei’s words, Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri looked at each other and smiled, taking joy in Nie Li’s misfortune. Now, Nie Li is doomed, falling into their grandfather’s hands.

There are a total of eight branches within Heavenly Marks Family. There are some conflicts within these branches. Although when enemy comes, everyone will be united to fight off. But normally, they are fighting nonstop for their own interest and position within the family.

Some of the elders from the branch that Nie Li belongs to wants to help Nie Li but they were silent. After all, regarding this matter, Nie Li has indeed made a mistake. What Nie Wei is doing is correct, hence they have nothing to argue about.

Nie En frowned, he is also from Nie Li’s branch. He thought awhile, cupped his hands and said, “Patriarch, Nie Li is still a kid, furthermore, his cultivation is so weak. Punishing him with a hundred strikes by cane is a little too severe. After one strike, he

probably won't even be able to get off his bed for two months."

Elder Nie Wei refuted, "Elder Nie En, favouring the younger generations like this is wrong. The mistake Nie Li did is unforgivable. If the Alchemist Association did not help us out of the difficult situation, I can't even imagine what sort of situation our family would fall into. I'm afraid that we'd lose our standings as an Aristocratic Family! Such a huge mistake, punishing him with only a hundred strikes by cane is already considered light!" Nie Wei's both eyes widened, coldly started at Nie Li, "Nie Li, what else do you have to say for yourself?"

Nie Li doesn't have any emotion on his face. In his previous life, Nie Li was afraid of Nie Wei the most, just seeing him would get him scared to the point his hair would stand upright, being unable to speak. However, in this life, he did not even put Nie Wei in his eyes.

Nie Hai frowned, silent for a moment and said, "I have just gotten news that Nie Li has just been accepted into the Holy Orchid Institute's Genius class, he will be the focus of nurturing. If he gets a hundred strikes by cane, I'm afraid that it will delay his studies!"

Nie Hai still helped Nie Li to speak. As a Patriarch of the family, results of the members of his family, he's the first one to know. When he heard that Nie Li reached 1-star Bronze rank and is accepted into the genius class, he had doubts. One of the doubts is how did Nie Li raise his cultivation so fast to actually reach 1-star Bronze rank. The other one would be, why would Holy Orchid Institute accept someone that had just step into 1-star Bronze rank into the genius class?

When they heard Nie Hai's words, everyone looked at Nie Li with shock. They all clearly know of Nie Li's cultivating talent, and he was actually accepted into the Genius class of Holy Orchid Institute. This news is just to shocking.

Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri, the two brothers also had unbelievable expressions on their faces. They clearly know of Nie Li's cultivation, but he was actually accepted into the Genius class. Is this news fake? Even they were not eligible to enter the Genius class at Holy Orchid Institute. However, this was said by the Patriarch himself, therefore they do not dare to question it.

Chapter 59: Director Yang Paying A Visit

Over the years, the number of the Heavenly Marks Family's younger generations entering the Genius class is only a dozen. Although some were not able to enter into the Genius class, that does not mean that they do not have any value in nurturing. However, those who entered into the Genius class, are those with extraordinary talents. Ultimately, having shocking achievements.

Nie Hai, as a Patriarch, has always been impartial. He has never favored one branch, therefore, therefore, he has his prestige within the family.

"Nie Li, what do you say in your defense? Why would you offend the Sacred Family?" Nie Hai looked at Nie Li and asked. In his view, Nie Li is not someone who would offend people without a reason among the younger generations. Furthermore, now that Nie Li has been accepted into the Genius class at the Holy Orchid Institute, he already has the qualifications to be the focus of nurturing.

"Patriarch, it's true that I offended the Sacred Family and brought troubles for the Heavenly Marks Family. However, didn't I solve the problem?" Nie Li said, neither obsequious nor supercilious. He still has to show respect towards Nie Hai. After rebirth, he will not face the majestic Nie Hai like a coward. Nie Li's mental state is already above those people.

Nie Hai looked at Nie Li, a little surprised. He has a feeling that today's Nie Li is not the same as the usual one. When facing him, Nie Li is not timid. He is facing the Patriarch with magnanimity

and demeanor.

“Hahaha, that’s funny. We were helped by the Alchemist Association and, therefore, were rid of the Sacred Family’s suppression. The Alchemist Association needs our help with various herbs and in exchange they help our Heavenly Marks Family. What has it got to do with you? How big is your ability for you to actually say that you helped our Heavenly Marks Family to solve our problems?” Nie Xiao Ri said. He said this because he was asked to by Nie Wei.

Hearing Nie Xiao Ri’s words, Nie Li lightly glanced at Nie Xiao Ri and the Nie Wei and said, “That’s really funny. The position of the Alchemist Association within Glory City is extraordinary, comparable to the three Major families. Why would they help the weak, little Heavenly Marks Family? Is it just because the Heavenly Marks Family knows how to grow herbs? There are many families out there that knows how to grow herbs. Furthermore, why would they give thirty percent of the acquisition price to the Heavenly Marks Family?”

Nie Hai and others were slightly startled. This is also the question that lied within their hearts. The Alchemist Association did not only just help the Heavenly Marks Family, it’s trying to get on their good side. However, they are curious as to why such a powerful existence, like the Alchemist Association, would it try to get on the Heavenly Marks Family’s good side? It doesn’t make sense.

Seeing the indifferent and calm Nie Li, whether if it’s Nie Hai, Nie Wei, Nie En or various higher ups of the Heavenly Marks

Family, they were all curious. Could it be that all this is really linked to Nie Li?

Nie Li's father, Nie Ming by the side saw how Nie Li contradicted the enforcement elder, and he had already began to panic. He doesn't have any cultivation, and is only a member of the branch family. Which also means that he was no different from a farmer. When he saw the scene before him, he quickly knelt down and said, "Patriarch, Nie Li is still young, he doesn't know anything. I'm willing to take the punishment on his behalf, please show mercy to him!"

"Father, get up!" said Nie Li, watching Nie Ming kneel down, and frowned. He immediately went to his father and helped him up. His father is a honest man, "Father, you don't need to kneel to anyone!"

"Xiao Li, you have made a grave mistake, and still don't admit!" Nie Ming scolded. In his view, if Nie Li were to admit his mistake, there is still chance to ask for mercy. However, Nie Li contradicting the Patriarch like this would only make things more complicated.

Seeing Nie Ming kneeling down, made Nie Li feel a little sour in his nose. No matter if it's his previous life or his present life, his father did too much for him. In his previous life, he had his father suffer too much, in this life, he will not let his father suffer even a little. Nie Li clenched his fist tightly, and angrily glared at Nie Wei, Nie Xiao Ri, Nie Xiao Feng and the bunch.

Nie Hai looked at Nie Li. He vaguely had a feeling that the

Alchemist Association protecting the Heavenly Marks Family must have something to do with Nie Li. He lowered his head towards Nie Ming and said, “Nie Ming, quickly stand up. Before this matter is clarified, no one will give Nie Li any punishment. Although Nie Li has indeed provoked the Sacred Family, our Heavenly Marks Family did not suffer any losses. Therefore, no one will punish Nie Li freely!”

Hearing Nie Hai’s words, Nie Ming had a confused expression. He stood up in doubts, ‘The Patriarch is not pursuing this matter?’

Regarding this matter, he’s still a little foggy.

“Patriarch, if we don’t deal with Nie Li, we will not be able to convince the public. Even if this matter did not bring any substantial losses to the family, Nie Li offending the Sacred Family is a fact. Who knows if the Sacred Family might find a way to trouble us in the future?” Elder Nie Wei said while frowning.

“Grand Elder, are you a member of the Heavenly Marks Family or the Sacred Family?” Nie Li coldly snorted, asked.

“Presumptuous! What makes you qualified to talk to me in this way? No rules no standard! I’m enforcing our family rules!” Nie Wei furiously snorted.

“Grand Elder, I don’t think that this matter is this simple. Xiao Li isn’t a trouble maker, what if this thing is started by the Sacred Family? It’s not necessary that the wrongs are at Xiao Li. Since this matter has passed, just let it go.” Elder Nie En said, obviously

trying to help Nie Li. If Nie Wei punished Nie Li, then Nie En's prestige among the branches will still be somewhat affected.

"Is Grand Elder really enforcing the rule? Previously when Nie Xiao Ri hit a member of the Tian Ling Family, all you did is send some gift. Why didn't I see Grand Elder Nie Wei punish Nie Xiao Ri?" Nie Li pressed on.

"These two matters cannot be compared. Nie Xiao Ri's conflict with a younger generation of the Tian Ling Family is because of the family's interest. Furthermore, the strength of the Tian Ling Family cannot be compared to the Sacred Family!" Nie Wei's face is sullen. Nie Li really ate the guts of a leopard, actually dared to confront him. But what makes him feel depressed is that, regarding this matter, Nie Hai actually stood on Nie Li's side, and he can't afford a confrontation with the Patriarch.

"Grand Elder did not give any investigation, how do you know that I did not have conflict with the Sacred Family for our family's interest? Just because you can't afford to offend the Sacred Family, you'll punish me, just to give the Sacred Family a reason to leave us alone? If Heavenly Marks Family can't even protect its members, then there's no point in staying in this family!" Nie Li said, coldly gazing at Nie Wei.

The whole hall was shocked.

Everyone never imagined that Nie Li would actually say such words. This is not just simply contradicting the Grand Elder. Nie Li's meaning is that he want's to leave the Heavenly Marks Family!

Previously, Nie Li's impression to everyone has always been timid. But today, he actually said such things in front of the Patriarch and all the elders.

Nie Ming was already so scared he was shivering. He heavily scolded, "Xiao Li, what are you saying?! Hurry up and apologize to the Patriarch!"

"Hmph, your wings have grown so much that you actually want to quit the clan? Don't forget, it's the shelter and nurturing of the Heavenly Marks Family that you have what you have today!" Grand Elder Nie Wei coldly said, "Ungrateful little bastard!"

"The Heavenly Marks Family is our family, therefore there's nothing wrong with the Heavenly Marks Family providing me shelter. However, it's not the Heavenly Marks Family that raised me. It's my parents that have worked hard daily to grow herbs to raise me. They have also paid the Heavenly Marks Family with their hard work. Therefore, we don't owe anyone, I, Nie Li don't owe anyone!" Nie Li straightened his body and refuted.

"This is outrageous! Presumptuous!" Nie Wei had a livid expression. Nie Wei still wanted to scold Nie Li, however, he was stopped by Nie Hai.

Nie Ming anxiously pulled Nie Li. He has no idea what's wrong with Nie Li, Nie Li has always been timid in the past. But today, he was contradicting the Grand Elder and the Patriarch.

Nie Hai slightly squinted his eyes, looking at Nie Li. Today, Nie Li's reasoned debate caused him to look at Nie Li in a different view. Facing with so many elders, he does show any form of cowardice, like he did in the past. Nie Hai smiled and said, "What Nie Li said is correct. The Heavenly Marks Family is everyone's family. Everyone has been contributing to the family, therefore, protecting the members is the responsibility of the family. Before this matter is thoroughly investigated, no one is to be punished!"

Nie Wei doesn't get it, what's wrong with the Patriarch today. Nie Li said some outrageous words and Nie Hai is actually still standing on Nie Li's side, protecting Nie Li, just what does this mean?

Hearing Nie Hai's words, including Nie Ming, everyone was dumbfounded. They originally thought that Nie Li contradicting the Grand Elder like this, even if he isn't kicked out of the family, he still won't be able to escape punishment. However, Nie Hai did not mind what Nie Li said at all. Instead, he is constantly helping Nie Li.

Nie Wei frowned, secretly thinking, 'Nie Hai, this old fox, is not right! Nie Hai is too lenient with Nie Li, which doesn't make sense!'

Elder Nie En and bunch were all looking at Nie Li, thinking of something.

After he heard Nie Hai's words, Nie Li's mood lightened up. After all, he still has feelings towards the Heavenly Marks Family. The reason why he said all that is because he is unhappy with some of

the people in the Heavenly Marks Family. Since Patriarch Nie Hai is so generous about this matter, then everything is fine.

"Nie Li, you just came back from school and experienced so much. First, go home and take a rest. Tomorrow grandpa will test you and see how have you been faring in your cultivation." Nie Hai stood up, stretched and said, laughing.

At this moment, everyone was shocked. Not only did Nie Hai not pursue Nie Li's mistake, he even wants to pull himself closer to Nie Li.

Hearing Nie Hai's words, Nie Ming can't help but to be emotional. Patriarch Nie Hai actually wants to test Nie Li's cultivation progress himself. This is an absolutely a great honour! After all, Nie Li is not a direct descendant of Nie Hai. Therefore, isn't Nie Hai treating Nie Li a little too well?

Everyone looked at each other, but were unable to figure out what's going on.

After hearing Nie Hai's words, Nie Li understood. Nie Hai probably realised something. After all, Nie Hai is a Gold rank Demon Spiritualist, therefore, he might have detected the demon spirit aura that was within his body. After Nie Li thought about the matter with the Alchemist Association, he knew it's not difficult to link them.

That being the case, Nie Li also do not intend to hide any longer. Even if it's not for himself, he must fight for some interest for his

parents, uncle, and aunt.

Just when these people were flabbergasted, a member of the clan hurriedly ran in and said to Nie Hai, “Patriarch, Director Yang of the Alchemist Association has come!”

“Director Yang?” Whether if it’s Nie En, Nie Wei, or Nie Hai, all of them had expressions of surprise.

They never expected that Director Yang of Alchemist Association would come personally and pay a visit to their Heavenly Marks Family deep in the night. They had many contacts with the Alchemist Association, naturally they would know about Director Yang’s position within Alchemist Association. She is a powerhouse within Alchemist Association aside from the President and Elders.

A figure like Director Yang, just a casual word of hers could devastate an Aristocratic Family. At the same time, it can also lead an Aristocratic Family into prosperity. This time, when the Sacred Family was suppressing the Heavenly Marks Family, causing them to be in a poor situation, Director Yang was the one that helped to solve the problem.

The Alchemist Association is an existence comparable to the three Major families. Its influence within Glory City is even greater than the Sacred Family and the Divine Family. It became only second to the Snow Wind Family who has a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist and the City Lord of Glory City. Facing Director Yang made even Nie Hai respectful.

Chapter 60: Reverse

Hearing that Director Yang has arrived, everyone went into mess, overwhelmed by the news.

“Hurry up and get into ceremonial formation! Meet her at the main hall!” Nie Hai hurriedly said. Facing this kind of powerful figure, they do not dare to become negligent.

Just when everyone was in formation, a group of people quickly arrived. The one leading is the curvy and seductive Director Yang. Although she’s a woman, no one in the Heavenly Marks Family had the slightest contempt for her in their hearts. She is, after all, a powerful existence.

Director Yang fastened her pace when she walked in. Her gaze swept passed everyone and fell onto Nie Li and felt relieved. Her underlings have been keeping an eye on the Heavenly Marks Family’s territory. Any kind of dispute within the Heavenly Marks Family cannot escape her scouts. When she heard that Nie Li had returned to the Heavenly Marks Family, Director Yang already wanted to come immediately to discuss some matters with him. Originally, she intended to come over tomorrow to look for Nie Li; however, when she heard of the Dark Guild’s sneak attack, she hurried over quickly into the late night.

Aside from Nie Li, Director Yang could not think of another reason that would attract the attention of the Dark Guild. She’s worried that those people are trying to assassinate Nie Li. Currently, Nie Li is her Alchemist Association’s biggest partner, and there might still be a lot more things that she can work on

together with him. Therefore, nothing must to happen to Nie Li.

Seeing that Nie Li is safe, Director Yang felt relieved.

“Hurry up and get a cup of tea for Director Yang!” Nie Hai hurriedly called out to several maids.

“No need,” Director Yang said, waving her hand. Her objective in coming here is to guarantee the safety of Nie Li, not here to drink tea. Her eyes met with Nie Li, communicating with him through their eyes.

This scene fell to the eyes of Nie Hai, and he immediately figured it out. It seems that Nie Li does indeed has some connection with the Alchemist Association. However, what he can’t figure out is why would the Alchemist Association put so much importance on Nie Li?

Director Yang went silent for a moment, lightly smiled towards Nie Hai and bunch and said, “Patriarch Nie Hai, I heard that you were under the assault of the Dark Guild.”

“Indeed that’s the case. Director Yang, these two are from the Dark Guild. Aside from these two, there is one that got away, but was wounded.” Nie Hai pointed to the two corpses on the ground and said.

Yang Xin’s gaze fell onto the two corpses. She was silent for a moment. Without a doubt, the target of these people should be Nie

Li, therefore, they wouldn't let this off that easily. She turned her gaze back to Nie Hai and said, "Patriarch Nie Hai, there is a matter that I must discuss with you, is that possible?"

"Please tell!" Nie Hai said, extremely polite. His expression was very humble.

"I'm afraid that the Dark Guild will return to accomplish their objective. I'm worried for the safety of the Heavenly Marks Family, therefore, I intend to dispatch several Gold rank Fighters and Demon Spiritualists here to help guard the Heavenly Marks Family. What's your opinion on that?" Yang Xin said. Although she says it's for protecting the Heavenly Marks Family, truth is, the one she wants to protect is Nie Li, nothing more.

"You wish to dispatch several Gold rank Fighters and Demon Spiritualists?" Nie Hai was surprised beyond words. His doubts in his heart became more and more heavy. Just what method did Nie Li use to get the Alchemist Association to help them out so much? Not only are they willing to pay a higher price to acquire herbs from the Heavenly Marks Family, they are also willing to dispatch Gold rank Fighters and Demon Spiritualists to help them out.

"I don't think this is right!" Grand Elder Nie Wei by the side said. He wrinkled his brows, 'What's the motive of the Alchemist Association by sending Gold rank Fighters and Demon Spiritualists over?'

"What is wrong?" Nie Li looked towards Nie Wei and said, "Perhaps the Grand Elder feels that the Alchemist Association is trying to harm our Heavenly Marks Family? Grand Elder is

measuring the belly of a gentlemen with a heart of a nasty person!”

“Outrageous! Who are you implying is a nasty person?!” Nie Wei scolded angrily. This Nie Li is too outrageous. He would actually talk back to him in front of everyone.

Nie Ming anxiously pulled Nie Li’s shirt. Offending the Grand Elder like this, the consequences would be serious. With their current position in the family, there is absolutely no way to compete against the Grand Elder Nie Wei. Even if Grand Elder Nie Wei does not do anything to Nie Li today, who knows if he might take revenge later in the future.

Seeing Nie Wei reprimanding Nie Li, Yang Xin understood. It seems that Nie Li did not tell everything to his family, this Nie Wei’s relationship with Nie Li isn’t very good. Yang Xin slightly narrowed her eyes. Nie Li’s importance is without a doubt very high, therefore, of course she will back Nie Li up.

“Patriarch Nie Hai, I realised that there are some people here that have some opinion towards the Alchemist Association. Does that mean that the Alchemist Association no longer has the need to cooperate with the Heavenly Marks Family?” Yang Xin coldly snorted as her face turned cold. After being in power for long time, her facial expression could change whenever she liked. Even the surrounding air could feel the chill.

Nie Wei hurriedly explained, “Director Yang, I do not mean it this way……” He didn’t dare to offend the Alchemist Association. He only feels that the Alchemist Association sending Gold rank Fighters and Demon Spiritualists over is a little strange, therefore,

he voiced out to remind Nie Hai. However, after being refuted this way by Nie Li, the nature of this issue changed. If the Alchemist Association refused to cooperate with the Heavenly Marks Family because of this issue, he'd become a criminal within the family. Within his heart, he cursed Nie Li over and over for blabbing out in this kind of situation. However, Nie Hai is favouring Nie Li which caused Nie Wei to feel depressed.

After knowing the relationship between Nie Li and the Alchemist Association, how could Nie Hai punish Nie Li?

After coldly sweeping her gaze on Nie Wei, Yang Xin snorted and said, "I'm currently talking with Patriarch Nie Hai, why are you interrupting?"

Hearing Yang Xin's words, Nie Wei opened his mouth, his face turning red. Although he is not happy with Yang Xin, he did not say anything. After all, a word from Yang Xin could decide the fate of the Heavenly Marks Family. How could he dare to be rash? As a Grand Elder of an Aristocratic family, being berated by a twenty-thirty year old lady, and not being able to talk back, one can imagine how depressing it is.

"I assume that this is the Grand Elder of the Nie Family?" Yang Xin looked at Nie Hai and asked.

Hearing that there is a little cold anger within Yang Xin's tone, Nie Hai embarrassedly said, "Correct. The Grand Elder's words didn't mean to offend Director Yang. I hope that Director Yang can forgive him," Nie Hai threw a wink at Nie Li, wanting to get Nie Li's help with Yang Xin's anger. However, Nie Li turned his head

away, ignoring the Patriarch.

Not having dignity of a Patriarch in front of Yang Xin is fine, but when facing his own clansmen, he's still helpless. However, he can only smile bitterly. He obviously saw through it, the reason why Yang Xin cooperated with the Heavenly Marks Family, is all because of Nie Li.

"I suggest that this person leaves. If this kind of person remains as a Grand Elder within the Heavenly Marks Family, then the Alchemist Association will stop our cooperation with the Heavenly Marks Family," Yang Xin lightly said.

Nie Hai inhaled a deep breath. What she means is that she want them to rid Nie Wei of his Grand Elder position. The Alchemist Association now holds the fate of his Heavenly Marks Family, therefore he doesn't dare to be rash. The Alchemist Association is not a joke, if they stop cooperating with the Heavenly Marks Family, there would be countless families out there that will grab the chance to suppress the Heavenly Marks Family.

"From today onwards, Nie Wei will no longer be the Grand Elder and Enforcement Elder of my Heavenly Marks Family. His position will be taken over by Elder Nie En!" Nie Hai publicly announced.

Nie Wei opened his mouth, wanting to say something. However, he looked at the Alchemist Association's Yang Xin and her bunch. He understood that there was no more room for discussion. He can only swallow what he's about to say. Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri were as purple as creamy eggplants. The reason for them being so arrogant within the Heavenly Marks Family is because their

grandfather is a Grand Elder.

To be able to rid a Grand Elder of his position within the Heavenly Marks Family, this is the absolute power of the Alchemist Association.

Nie Hai continued announcing, “In addition, Nie Ming will take the post of Public Hall In-charge, Nie Kai will take the post of Farm Hall In-charge!”

Hearing Nie Hai’s words, Nie Ming and Nie Kai were both dumbfounded. They were looking at Nei Hai in disbelief. They weren’t the only ones, the rest of the clansmen were also in shock. The Public Hall In-charge and Farm Hall In-charge were both positions within the Heavenly Marks Family with power. One was in-charge of the finance, and the other was in-charge of herbs and other farming related stuff. Normally, it was the sons of Nie Wei that was in charge of those two positions.

“Thanks Patriarch!” Nie Ming emotionally kneel down and said.

“Thanks Patriarch!” Nie Kai also hurriedly kneel down.

Seeing his father and uncle kneel down, Nie Li couldn’t help wrinkling his brows.

Nie Hai immediately waved his hands upon seeing Nie Li’s expression, “There’s no need for ceremony. From today on, the both of you do not need to kneel in front of me any more.”

Nie Ming and Nie Kai both stood up, confused about what's going on.

Nie Wei, Nie En and bunch seemed to have finally figure it out. Nie En's eyes were shimmering with light, whereas Nie Wei was full of frustration.

"Since the Alchemist Association is willing to dispatch people to help guard our Heavenly Marks Family, we are grateful for it, of course!" Nie Hai could see that the Alchemist Association sending people over is probably meant to protect Nie Li. His doubts within his heart began to thicken as he wondered, why the Alchemist Association would reviere Nie Li with such importance? He decided to ask Nie Li after Yang Xin leaves.

"It's late in the night, I'll no longer bother you," Yang Xin took a glance at Nie Li and said, "Everyone rest well, I'll pay a visit again tomorrow, during the day."

"It's hard for Director Yang to come back and forth. Why don't you stay the night at my Heavenly Marks Family? I'll have someone arrange for an elegant house to be open for you." Nie Hai hurriedly said, trying to get on her good side.

Yang Xin went silent for a moment, thought awhile and said, "Okay then!"

Since she'll come again tomorrow to look for Nie Li, why not just stay the night here.

“Nie Li, bring Director Yang to her house to rest,” Nie Hai said to Nie Li, “I’ll have someone arrange for a house to be open beside Director Yang for you.”

“Yes, sir,” Nie Li slightly nodded.

Yang Xin looked at Nie Hai, thinking that Nie Hai actually knows his stuff. He knows that she came to talk to Nie Li.

After bidding goodbyes to Nie Ming and Nie Kai, Nie Li lead Yang Xin to the house that Nie Hai had arranged.

Looking at Nie Li’s back figure, Nie Ming and Nie Kai both understood. Nie Hai removed Nie Wei from his position, raised Nie En to Grand Elder, raised them to be in powerful positions, everything must have something to do with Nie Li. They realised that their understanding of Nie Li was becoming less and less. This time, when Nie Li returned, his changes were like heaven and earth. Regarding Nie Li’s various changes, Nie Ming and Nie Kai were very pleased.

Chapter 61: Tease

Seeing Nie Li leaving with Yang Xin Nie Wei, Nie En, and bunch all had different expressions. They all know that from this moment onwards, Nie Li's position in the Heavenly Marks Family would no longer be the same.

As for Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri, they looked at each other, dumbfounded. They knew that from today onwards, they'd have to live with their tails between their legs.

Inside the mansion.

Yang Xin removed her outer coat revealing a tight fitting silk clothing underneath. Lazily, she stretched her waist, completely showing that beautiful, curvy figure of hers. She does not mind the presence of Nie Li while she is unguarded. After all, Nie Li is only a thirteen year old kid.

What she didn't know is that underneath that thirteen year old shell of Nie Li, hides a matured heart. Nie Li looked at Yang Xin and had to say, at this particular moment, she was extremely sexy. The thin silk cloth caused her white skin to be roughly seen underneath. The cloth on her chest could not cover her huge plump. A deep ravine could be seen with a huge patch of white in the center.

However, Nie Li only looked with appreciation, he did not focus on any sexual ideas.

“Was the target of those people from the Dark Guild you?” Yang Xin slightly bend down, looking at Nie Li and asked.

The moment Nie Li raised his head, he saw the large piece of white on Yang Xin’s chest. That perfectly round shape could not be held with one hand. A unique womanly aroma drifted towards him, leaving Nie Li a little awkward.

“Yes!” Nie Li said, slightly nodding.

Yang Xin seemed to not have noticed Nie Li’s gaze. She wrinkled her brows and said, “Since you’ve been eyed by the Dark Guild, the Heavenly Marks Family is no longer safe for you. Why don’t you move to the Alchemist Association?”

Yang Xin doesn’t know why Nie Li was eyed by the Dark Guild. Could it be that the news of him giving the Alchemist Association the elixir formulas has been leaked out? However, those who know of this matter is only her and the president, no other person knows of this.

Nie Li shook his head and said, “There is another reason to this matter. Do you really think that, if they knew that the elixir formulas were given to you by me, they would only send three Silver ranks to kill me? They would more inclined to kidnap me.”

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Yang Xin nodded her head. That would indeed be the case. Nie Li’s in-depth knowledge doesn’t make him seem like a thirteen year old kid. Thinking of that extraordinary and terrifying talent, Yang Xin felt relieved. After all, strange

things seem to happen around Nie Li.

"Do you have any grudges with them?" Yang Xin stretched her waist again, then sat on the chair and asked. If it's just ordinary grudges then she wouldn't need to worry too much. Under normal circumstances, the Dark Guild wouldn't risk sending Gold rank experts into Glory City. If it's just Silver rank experts sent to find Nie Li, one or two Gold rank Demon Spiritualists would ensure Nie Li's safety.

"I don't have any grudges with the Dark Guild." Nie Li shook his head. During the incident in the Ancient Orchid City, Nie Li did not see Deacon Yun Hua's face. Deacon Yun Hua probably doesn't recognize Nie Li. Therefore Deacon Yun Hua has no need to take such a big risk to come over to Heavenly Marks Family to kill Nie Li. There's only one possibility. This attack was caused by the Sacred Family. Nie Li said, "If there is anyone that I've offended, that would be the Sacred Family. The Sacred Family would be the only ones that have the motive to do this!"

Hearing Nie Li's words, a hint of a cold light flashed across Yang Xin's beautiful eyes. If that's the case, wouldn't that mean that the Sacred Family has colluded with the Dark Guild? The Dark Guild is the enemy of Glory City, therefore, colluding with the Dark Guild is an absolutely intolerable offense.

"I'll have someone investigate this. If the Sacred Family is really colluding with the Dark Guild, then the City Lord will definitely not let them off easy!" Yang Xin said with a resolute and decisive look. Her words carried a hint of a chill with them. Betraying the Glory City is absolutely unforgivable.

“This time one of them escaped. The other Dark Guild assassins addressed him as Deacon Yun Hua. I’ll draw a portrait of him for you,” Nie Li said, taking a piece of paper from the book shelf. After a few strokes a person’s image appeared. It’s exactly what Deacon Yun Hua looks like.

‘Even his portraying skills are so skilled. Just how monstrous is this teenager?’ Yang Xin was secretly shocked in her heart. The skill to make this kind of portrait, without several years of practice, is impossible to achieve!

A drawing can put the mind in peace, thus it has a large benefit towards cultivation. Nie Li spent several decades in his past life on drawing. His skills are already on a pure blue flame level.

“Done!” Nie Li passed that completed portrait over to Yang Xin.

“En,” Yang Xin took the drawing, and lowered her head and looked at it. She couldn’t not help being surprised at how seasoned Nie Li is in his brush strokes. She is filled with curiosity about any other secrets that are within Nie Li, wondering what else she is unaware of about this teenager.

When Yang Xin lowered her head, through her silk clothing, two semi-ball shaped bulges could be seen. Seeing that, Nie Li couldn’t help blushing red. One has to admit that Yang Xin’s body figure is really seductive(**). If it was any other men looking, they’d be afraid that they wouldn’t be able to maintain their self-control.

As someone who has experienced two lives, Nie Li's determination is very frightening.

When Yang Xin raised her head, she saw Nie Li's face that seemed to get slightly hot. She suddenly thought of something and can't help finding it funny in her heart. Nie Li's intelligence is extraordinary. Could it be that his knowledge towards that part is also earlier than others? Does this overly mature child already have knowledge about adult things?

There has always been a rumour outside saying that Yang Xin is very flirtatious and depended on her beauty to get to her position. However the truth is not so simple. Although she likes to wear sexy clothing, she is still single and no one had the chance to become a guest of her curtains. That is because there was no one that she can look up to. Because her status is very high, the majority of the guys that try to get on her good side all have ulterior motives. Hence, Yang Xin would rather relieve herself late at night, alone, than to let those pigs have her perfect **.

The truth is Yang Xin is an extremely seductive woman. Although Nie Li had seen how enchanting she is, she did not mind. In her view, Nie Li is only a half grown child. He's a little premature, so what's the harm? Teasing Nie Li had a kind of excitement to the situation.

"Little brother, do you want to touch?" Yang Xin smiled and teasingly said., looking at Nei Li. Hearing Yang Xin's words, Nie Li was slightly stunned. He was a little embarrassed and withdrew his gaze. Yang Xin, is a little too daring. She actually said these kinds of words to Nie Li. That seductive look of hers, pairing up with

such ambiguous words, a normal man would have a hard time controlling himself.

Although he's only thirteen years old, within that tender shell of his, hides a old soul. He bitterly smiled and said, "Big sister, don't play this kind of joke with me."

"Big sister isn't playing a joke on you. Just touching won't make me lose any pieces of flesh. If it's our little genius, big sister wouldn't mind at all," Yang Xin pulled Nie Li's hands and place it on her chest. She found it a little funny. Such a small child has such thoughts of her. She smiled and said, "Little brother Nie Li, how does it feel?"

Nie Li's right hand touched that amazing mound of plump and soft flesh, and that slightly raised point. He was secretly shocked, thinking that this woman had really good development. Seeing Yang Xin's playful expression, Nie Li realised that Yang Xin was purposely teasing him. This woman really thinks of him as a thirteen year old child.

Seeing Yang Xin's looks, Nie Li's brow slightly twitched. Looking down on him was an absolute mistake. In his previous life Ye Zi Yun was Nie Li's most beloved, but within the several hundred years that he lived, Nie Li had some interaction with a few other woman.

It's obvious that Yang Xin's actions is meant to tease him! Nie Li pinched Yang Xin's rich plumpness, feeling that shocking softness, and let the shape change in his hand. He then seriously said, "Big sister Yang Xin, you should try decoting Purple Haze Grass and

Tiger Gaze Grass and consume it. That can make them more perky."

Yang Xin was dumbfounded. She never thought that Nie Li would not have a bit of embarrassment or shyness, and would give it a pinch. After hearing Nie Li's words, Yang Xin's face blushed a deep red. She never had any contact with guys before. The only reason she let Nie Li touch her chest is because she treated Nie Li like a thirteen year old kid, and completely dropped her guard against him.

In that moment, Yang Xin totally forgot Nie Li's age, and treated him as a man that was similar to her age.

However, once she saw Nie Li's serious expression and and his tender words again, Yang Xin suddenly felt that Nie Li was just a kid.

This kind of strange feeling caused her to look absent-minded.

Seeing Yang Xin dazed expression, Nie Li mischievously pinched on the little bump heavily, then withdrew his hand.

"Ah!" Yang Xin couldn't help but to let out a blissful moan. When Nie Li pinched her, her whole body felt as though it had an electric current going through it, causing her to quiver.

Yang Xin suddenly realised that she had a messed up appearance. Her face was flushed red, as though she was drunk. She hurriedly

stood up to hide the reaction from that strange feeling in her body. Her voice slightly trembled as she said, “Little brother, you can go back to rest first. We’ll talk tomorrow.”

“Okay. Big sister Yang Xin, sleep well,” Nie Li said childishly, revealing a child-like innocent smile, and walked out of Yang Xin’s room. This woman actually treated him as a thirteen year old boy and teased him. This resulted in getting herself teased instead. Yet, Nie Li has to admit that the feeling that lingered on his hand was not bad.

As she watched Nie Li leave, Yang Xin was trapped in a daze for a long time. Her mentality was about to go haywire.

“Is that kid really only thirteen years old?” Yang Xin crazily scratched her head. Wondering if Nie Li purposely did that or not.

Her chest had a faint hint of pain. However why is it that in her heart, there is a sense of excitement and stimulation. This kind of feeling made Yang Xin feel as though her heart was being scratched by a cat.

After a long time, Yang Xin let out a long sigh after she was no longer tangling herself with that question.

“Let’s have a bath first!”

The silk white cloth fell down slowly as she walked to the bathtub. Her crystal feet slowly stepped into the wooden tub. Her

flawless figure was completely submerged in the hot water. Her hands unconsciously touched her perky chest. At this moment, a figure suddenly appeared within her mind. It was Nie Li.

"What am I thinking?! He's far too young! I'm more than a decade older than him!" Yang Xin shook her head, trying to expel all the distracting thoughts away. However, Nie Li's figure would uncontrollably appear. The spots that was touched by Nie Li have a little warmth left by him.

Yang Xin uncontrollably, as usual, moved her right hand slowly down between her legs.

"Oh!" A long moan, in an extremely seductive voice, sounded. Yang Xin laid in the tub for such a long period, the skin on her body became slightly red.

Chapter 62: I Have Money

The Alchemist Association worked very quickly, and dispatched a few Gold rank Demon Spiritualists and Fighters to guard the Heavenly Marks Family. This caused the guard of the Heavenly Marks Family to be even heavier. Several Aristocratic families around the Heavenly Marks Family were depressed. The Heavenly Marks Family is a tail-end existence among the Aristocratic families, so why would a family like that get the attention of the Alchemist Association?

They were both envious and jealous. With the care of the Alchemist Association, the Heavenly Marks Family's position suddenly became incomparable to the past.

Those who had a hostile relationship with the Heavenly Marks Family felt uneasy. They were afraid that the Heavenly Marks Family would take revenge on them. Those who are not close with the Heavenly Marks Family, sent representatives to befriend them.

The influence of the Alchemist Association is too great. Furthermore, now that the Alchemist Association had elixirs like the Soul Concentrating Pill, Soul Tempering Pill, and various other pills. Their influence has increased several fold. Even the Snow Wind Family has to rely on the Alchemist Association for their elixirs.

But that doesn't mean that the Heavenly Marks Family has nothing to worry about.

Aside from the Sacred Family, there is also the Dark Guild that has been hiding within the shadows. Nie Li did not dare to be careless. After he handles the matters within the family, he will continue working on his cultivation.

Although he has already reached the Silver rank, and integrated with a demon spirit, Nie Li still has a strong sense of urgency to cultivate.

Aside from cultivating, Nie Li is practising the combat skills of Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, trying to get it to the pure blue fire stage.

If Nie Li runs into Deacon Yun Hua again, he probably won't be able to escape so easily.

Just as soon as Nie Li crossed his legs to begin training, Yang Xin walked in from the outside. These last few days, Yang Xin has been hesitant to talk to Nie Li. Whenever she sees him, she would think back to the other day, causing her cheeks to be slightly flushed.

"Nie Li, did your master tell you of any other elixir formulas? For example, some mind clearing elixirs that are need to go against hallucinatory-type demon beasts, antidote elixirs for poison-type demon beast……" Yang Xin sat beside Nie Li, finally couldn't keep it any longer and asked.

"If there are new elixirs, we would be able to expand our business," said Yang Xin. The previous elixirs have extremely important significance to Glory City. She originally had orders

from Gu Yan to meet with Nie Li's master. However, after waiting for several days, Nie Li's master hasn't shown himself yet. She also does not dare to ask for anything. A hidden expert, like Nie Li's master, isn't someone that is easily seen by others.

"This is big sister Yang Xin's request or president Gu Yan's?" Nie Li looked at Yang Xin and asked as he decided to tease this woman.

"It's President Gu Yan's request."

"Then, forget it. President Gu Yan has no sincerity. He wants more elixir formulas, yet he does not come to ask for them personally." Nie Li slightly closed his eyes as he said.

"President Gu Yan has been busy with refining the elixirs recently, so……" Yang Xin said, slightly embarrassed. She suddenly figured out something, revealing a charming smile, blowing at Nie Li's ears and said, "Good little brother, you have more elixir formulas with you, right? Why don't you tell big sister? No matter what you want to do, I'll agree to it." [TLN: Ahem…]

Hearing Yang Xin's words, Nie Li bitterly smiled. This devil is obviously tempting him. As he watched the amorous woman in front of him, he knew that an ordinary guy definitely couldn't resist her temptations. If he didn't share some more formula's, who knows what she might do to him. He quickly waved his hand and said, "Fine, since big sister Yang Xin asked me for them, I'll tell big sister a few more elixir formulas!"

Nie Li took out three elixir formulas: Spirit Pacifying Pill,

Detoxifying Spirit Pill and, to counteract Snow Wind demon beasts, the Flame Type Cold Resistance Pill.

[TLN: Direct translate is Cold Resisting Alcohol Flame Pill, but removed Alcohol because it sounds weird and more like you'll get drunk off it instead lol]

'There's even a Flame Type Cold Resistance Pill formula?' Yang Xin's eyes lit up. Within the St. Ancestral Mountains, most of the demon beasts are Snow Wind type. Therefore, cold resistant pills are extremely useful. It's a pity that the formulas were lost thousands of years ago. With this Flame Type Cold Resistance Pill, Glory City will have a better chance at resisting the Snow Wind beasts.

"I only have these three, at the moment. These elixirs are extremely effective, especially the Flame Type Cold Resistance Pill. I believe that big sister Yang Xin knows of it's usage," Nie Li said, looking towards Yang Xin. Truthfully, he actually knows at least thirty types of cold resisting pill formulas, however, after he carefully researched each one only the raw materials of the Flame Type Cold Resistance Pills can be found within Glory City. Even though some of those cold resisting pills have a better effect, their raw materials cannot be found in Glory City.

"Thank you, little brother Nie Li. You have made great contributions to Glory City. If the City Lord knows of this, he will definitely present you with a nobility rank!" Yang Xin said emotionally.

"There's no need for me to be given a nobility rank, I have no

interest for such prestige. I do hope that big sister Yang Xin can help me keep this a secret," Nie Li waved his hand.

Yang Xin couldn't help looking at Nie Li with surprise. She wonders how this monstrous child was raised. He's only a thirteen year old kid, but he's so calm. Even the thought of nobility rank does not shine within his eyes. Yang Xin, being totally helpless, said, "Since little brother requested to keep this a secret, then we'll definitely not let it leak out. Of course, your share of profit, we, the Alchemist Association, will pass to you on time."

Nie Li slightly nodded. During this period of time, he has already gotten over one billion demon spirit coins. All of which were stored in card form. Every demon crystal card represents ten thousand demon spirit coins, hence, it can greatly save the interspatial ring's space. If that wasn't the case, Nie Li's interspatial ring would have been full.

"If you have any new elixir formulas, don't forget to tell big sister," Yang Xin was smiling to the point that her eyes were closed. Suddenly, she revealed a charming smile and said, "Little brother really doesn't need big sister to do anything? No matter what little brother's request may be, big sister will agree to it."

Yang Xin bent her body down, her two seductive semi spheres leaked out. That voluptuous figure, and slender legs, emitted an indescribable temptation.

"Recently, big sister has been listening to your advice, and mixed Purple Haze Grass together with Tiger Gaze Grass. Look, doesn't big sister's chest seem bigger?" Yang Xin's eyes were as fluid silk.

[TLN: I have no idea why is it eyes were as silk, it's how I read it and translated :/ Probably have some other meaning to it]

Nie Li has to admit, Yang Xin is indeed a woman capable of charming everyone. Although he would occasionally tease Yang Xin, his heart has remained calm the whole time. Even if he isn't as powerful as his previous life, at the moment, his mentality still remains strong.

Nie Li innocently blinked while looking at Yang Xin and said, "What is big sister Yang Xin intending to do? I'm just a thirteen year old kid. I don't know anything!"

Seeing Nie Li's innocent face, Yang Xin's face flushed a deep red. Even though she had thoughts of teasing him, she was defeated by his innocent look. She awkwardly said, "Nothing! I'll return to the Alchemist Association first!"

Although her heart had an indescribable heart throb, after she thought about Nie Li's age again, she felt guilty. 'What exactly am I thinking? Nie Li's just a kid!'

As he watched Yang Xin's desperate figure leave, Nie Li couldn't help finding it funny. However, he soon calmed down and continued practising.

After several hours, Nie Hai and Nie En walked in from the outside, and saw that Nie Li was still cultivating. They decided to wait until he was done. Although this behaviour doesn't fit a

Patriarch and Grand Elder, they don't dare to do anything else.

At this moment, Nie Li is an important person to the Heavenly Marks Family. His status is no longer any less than theirs.

Nie Li opened his eyes, however, he did not rise from his seated position. He looked towards Nie Hai and Nie En and asked, "Patriarch, Grand Elder, is there something that I can do for the both of you?"

"Oh, Nie Li!" Nie Hai laughed, not having any of his usual majestic tone and said, "Today we were looking for you to ask if you are interested in going to the Treasure Auction?"

Nie Hai received an invitation from the Hong Yue Family. The Hong Yue Family is a Noble family. To able to receive the invitation of the Hong Yue Family, of course, Nie Hai felt proud. Although the financial situation of the Heavenly Marks Family is still a little in distress, since he received the invitation from the Hong Yue Family, he must definitely go.

The reason so to why Nie Hai called for Nie Li is to build up good relationship with him. With the backing of the Alchemist Association, Nie Li's position within the family isn't comparable to the past. In order to not land himself in an awkward situation, he purposely pulled Ni En with him, since Nie En's relationship with Nie Li isn't that bad.

"The Treasure Auction?" Nie Li's brows slightly uprise and said, "Okay, I'll go too!"

After hearing Nie Li's reply, Nie Hai felt relieved. He's worried that Nie Li would've refused.

"That being the case, we'll be going in my carriage," Nie Hai said, slightly smiling, "It has already been prepared."

Nie Li stood up. Since the place wasn't far, Nie Li did not pack anything and followed Nie Hai and Nie En and boarded the carriage. The carriage slowly started with several Gold rank Demon Spiritualists and Fighters following behind. They are there to protect Nie Li.

Nie Hai secretly thought to himself, 'What is Nie Li's relationship with the Alchemist Association exactly for him to be of such high importance to the Alchemist Association?'

"Director Yang has already returned back to the Alchemist Association. Before leaving, she specially told me that I must take care of you. It seems like your relationship with Director Yang isn't bad," Nie Hai said, lightly smiling.

Nie Li lightly threw a glance a Nie Hai, not saying anything.

Nie Hai felt awkward at this moment. Nie Li did not give him, the Patriarch, any face.

Nie En also felt helpless. Nie Li belongs to his branch, and in the past, he was able to freely reprimand Nie Li. But now, he's

completely lost to Nie Li's change of character, turning a little solemn. However, he didn't dare to say anything.

The atmosphere in the carriage was a little awkward.

"Nie Li, if you have anything you like in the auction, you can tell me. I'll get it for you," Nie Hai said. Although the stuff at the auction isn't cheap, he's prepared to bleed heavily for once. Even if he spends a little more money, he must get one or two things for Nie Li. After all, kids are still easy to handle.

"No need. If there's anything I like, I'll buy it myself. I have the money to pay," Nie Li said, shaking his head. In terms of wealth, the whole Heavenly Marks Family combined was not richer than him.

Nie En smiled and said, "The things at the Treasure Auction aren't simple. The cheapest piece would be worth at least few thousands demon spirit coins. The most expensive ones would be from ten thousand demon spirit coins onwards!"

"So cheap, I'm not interested." Nie Li lightly said.

Hearing Nie Li's words, Nie Hai and Nie En were slightly stunned. They bitterly smiled at each other. Seems like they haven't understood the situation correctly. Seems like Yang Xin gave Nie Li quite a bit of money. When they thought about it again, it makes sense. Yang Xin is willing to dispatch Gold rank experts to protect Nie Li, so she has definitely given him quite a bit of pocket money.

They both thought that Nie Li only had a good relationship with Yang Xin, hence they were sheltered by her. What they didn’t know is Nie Li’s relationship with Yang Xin is an equal partnership relation. Within Nie Li’s interspatial ring, is not only just simple pocket money.

Chapter 63: Auction

Hong Yue Auction House

This auction house is opened by one of the Noble families, the Hong Yue Family. The Hong Yue Family is an important existence within Glory City. The surrounding five Aristocratic families listened to the Hong Yue Family's orders. Including the Heavenly Marks Family.

When the Heavenly Marks Family was being suppressed by Sacred Family, the Hong Yue Family distanced themselves from the Heavenly Marks Family. However, due to the fact that the Alchemist Association has a close relationship with the Heavenly Marks Family now, the Hong Yue Family started to get close to the Heavenly Marks Family.

People were coming in and out of the auction house. As members of an Aristocratic family, Nie Hai, Nie En and Nie Li were arranged to the second level of the VIP room.

Patriarchs of other Aristocratic families had also joined them.

Seeing several acquaintances, Nie Hai went up to greet them.

"Patriarch Li Yuan, Patriarch Chi Feng, long time no see!" Nie Hai slightly cupped his hands and said.

Li Yuan had the looks of a fifty-sixty year old man. Although his hair and beard were a little white, his spirit was very hale and hearty. He was the Patriarch of Li Yuan Family. Chi Feng, a

slightly younger, but had a much bigger build was beside him. He was the Patriarch of the Tian Kui Family.

[TLN: The ‘Yuan’ in Li Yuan’s name and the ‘Yuan’ in the Family name is different. Chinese have character of the same hanyu pinyin, but different character.]

“Patriarch Nie Hai, you haven’t changed a bit,” said Li Yuan and Chi Feng, also lightly cupping their hands and smiling.

“Ha ha, it was by the blessings of you two!” Nie Hai greeted. His relationship with Li Yuan and Chi Feng is still not bad. Even when the Heavenly Marks Family was being suppressed by the Sacred Family, Li Yuan and Chi Feng still made contacts with Nie Hai.

Seeing Nie Hai, Li Yuan and Chi Feng greeted each other. A good distance away, the Silver Tiger’s Patriarch, Jiang Ming, and the Tie Men Family’s Patriarch, Lei Zhuo, both revealed angry and jealous expressions.

“Patriarch Nie Hai is really shining with success!” Patriarch Lei Zhuo lightly said with sarcasm.

The Patriarch Jiang Ming also coldly smiled and said, “Right? Before, when he was being suppressed by the Sacred Family, he begged for someone to help them, almost even shamelessly kneeling down. Now that he has the protection of the Alchemist Association, he can run around without any worry. But..... how long can the Heavenly Marks Family be sheltered by the Alchemist Association? Who knows when the time will come when they are

suppressed by the Sacred Family again? I wonder if Patriarch Nie Hai will still be so carefree, like he is today?”

Hearing the words of Lei Zhuo and Jiang Ming, Nie Hai’s face slightly changed. Since the beginning, Lei Zhuo and Jiang Ming’s family haven’t been on good terms with Heavenly Marks Family. The sarcasm within their speech made Nie Hai very unhappy. Of course, he will not show weakness. He showed that he was unconcerned, smiled and said, “Why is there such huge sour smell? It’s true that the Heavenly Marks Family is being sheltered by the Alchemist Association, at least we’re better off than some family who is not close to their grandpa nor loved by their grandma.”

[TLN: Not exceptionally close to any big powers/ No one backing them up.]

Lei Zhuo and Jiang Ming’s face were both sullen. Truth be told, they are indeed jealous of the Heavenly Marks Family. Now that the current Alchemist Association is no longer compared to what it was in the past. They even heard that the Alchemist Association paid thirty percent more than the current market price to acquire the Heavenly Marks Family’s herbs. Furthermore, the Alchemist Association also gave the Heavenly Marks Family quite a lot of high graded elixirs, enough to nurture the younger generations. As for them, their herbs have no sales at all, and they can only sell it at lower price.

“You became henchmen of the Alchemist Association and still act so proudly. You really think that the Alchemist Association treats you like a treasure?” Lei Zhuo curled his mouth in disdain.

Hearing Lei Zhuo's words, Li Yuan and Chi Feng also spoke up.

"That's a poor remark from Patriarch Lei Zhuo. If the Heavenly Marks Family is a henchmen of the Alchemist Association, would the Alchemist Association have the need to give the Heavenly Marks Family such beneficial conditions?" Li Yuan lightly smile as he said, obviously standing on Nie Hai's side.

Chi Feng also nodded his head and said, "Indeed. Obviously, the Alchemist Association had requested the Heavenly Marks Family, which is why they gave the Heavenly Marks Family such beneficial conditions. Even the two of our families benefitted from them!"

Li Yuan's Li Yuan Family and Chi Feng's Tian Kui Family both sold their herbs ten percent above the market price to the Heavenly Marks Family. The Heavenly Marks Family then resells them to the Alchemist Association. In between the two transactions, they were able to earn quite a bit. They have already become one of the bodies of interest with the Heavenly Marks Family. It was considered compensation for not abandoning the Heavenly Marks Family when they were in distress.

Lei Zhuo and Jiang Ming both coldly snorted. They couldn't figure out is why would such a big power, like the Alchemist Association, ask of the Heavenly Marks Family? They had also sent underlings to investigate this matter, but had no results.

There was a hint of hostility within the VIP room.

Nie En and Nie Li were both sitting by the side, sipping their tea. Since this is a fight between Patriarchs, it's not related to them. Therefore, they did not say anything.

Nie En leaned closer to Nie Li and quietly said, "The Silver Tiger Family and the Tie Men Family Patriarchs have always been overbearing. When the Heavenly Marks Family was being suppressed, they sent someone to buy two pieces of land from us at a low price! We knew that it was them that were the ones buying, however we never sold, no matter what! When the Sacred Family suppressed us, these two families did the most to steal our business."

Hearing Nie En's words, Nie Li's brows slightly twitched as anger flashed across his eyes and looked at Patriarch Lei Zhuo and Jiang Ming. If it's just an ordinary argument between Patriarchs, he can't be bothered with it. However, since these two families are the henchmen of the Sacred Family, Nie Li naturally can't let them off.

The auction will soon begin. The respective Patriarch stood close to the observation area, looking far away.

The auctioneer responsible for the auctioning is a beautiful lady wearing an opaque silk cloth that paired with that delicate face of hers. She was filled with endless temptation. Everyone there had to admit that the Hong Yue Family is clever. With such a sexy ** lady, they could easily heat up one's mind, and cause them to pay big bucks.

"Recently the Heavenly Marks Family had several business

ventures with the Alchemist Association on various herbs. They should have earned quite a bit. With Patriarch Nie Hai here, I'm afraid that the treasures of this auction will not have our share!" The corner of Lei Zhuo's eyes glanced at Nie Hai, laughed and said.

"True, with our wealth, how can we match up to the Heavenly Marks Family?" Jiang Ming laughingly continued.

Nie Hai's expression turned gloomy. How could he not figure out the sarcasm of these two. However, he could only swallow it. Even though they were working with the Alchemist Association recently, and the Heavenly Marks Family has indeed earned quite a bit, the foundation is still very thin. They were only able to barely recover. How can it be compared to the Silver Tiger and the Tie Men families.

Li Yuan and Chi Feng also frowned. Lei Zhuo and Jiang Ming were really too much.

At this moment, Nie Li, who's sitting on the right side of Nie Hai, opened his mouth, "Two patriarchs are flattering. The Heavenly Marks Family have nothing except money. I'm afraid that the two patriarch have no chance to acquire today's real treasure."

Hearing Nie Li's words, Lei Zhuo's face went dark and he said, "Brat, who are you? Are fit to talk to us? Can you represent the Heavenly Marks Family?"

"Whether or not I can represent the Heavenly Marks Family, you can ask Patriarch Nie Hai." Nie Li lightly said.

Nie Li's position within the Heavenly Marks Family today cannot be compared to the past anymore. Nie Hai nodded and said, "Of course he can represent my Heavenly Marks Family!"

"A small brat dares to boast around here. He's really not afraid of embarrassment?" Lei Zhuo snorted. "The heavenly Marks Family has really degraded for you to actually spoil the younger generation to such an extent!"

Since Nie Hai said that Nie Li can represent the Heavenly Marks Family, he had nothing else to say.

Chapter 64: Use It Himself

Lei Zhuo turned around, too lazy to bother with Nie Li any longer. Arguing with a kid like Nie Li will only lower his status.

Nie Li looked at Nie Hai and Nie En and said, “The items that I bid on, I will pay for them myself!”

Nie Hai and Nie En bitterly smiled as they looked at each other. They did not have the slightest prestige in front of Nie Li. They can tell that Nie Li does not have much respect for either of them. In the clan, when kids normally saw them, they would be scared speechless. Yet, Nie Li has an indifferent look on his face.

Truth is, in his previous life, when Nie Li saw Nie Hai and Nie En, he’d get nervous whenever he saw them. However, in this life, Nie Li’s mentality has completely changed. No one can make him fear them and pressure anymore. Not even Ye Zi Yun’s grandfather, the Legend rank Ye Mo! Just when Nie Li finished talking, the auction started.

“Dear, honourable guests. In this auction, our Hong Yue Auction House has prepared lots of treasures. Many were obtained from ruins. We hope that everyone will like them!” The lady’s voice spread around, as charming as a fairy song.

“The first auction item! It is from the ruins of Clear River Town. It’s a broken jade. Upon inspection, there were remains of an extremely rich aura. The starting price is three hundred demon spirit coins!”

When the lady's voice ended, someone already raised their plate.

"Three hundred fifty demon spirit coins!"

"Four hundred spirit coins!"

"Five hundred spirit coins!"

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"Two thousand demon spirit coins!"

After the price was raised to two thousand, the calling stopped. After all, it's just a piece of broken jade. Although it has some soul force aura on it, it is only worth this much. An aristocratic family's yearly income is only a million demon spirit coins. An ordinary household's expenses would already be two-three thousand demon spirit coins.

Therefore two thousand demon spirit coins for them is already a lot.

With just a glance, Nie Li could tell from the colour of the jade that it's a Primary Dark Jade. The quality is not bad, if all the functions are brought out, it would worth two-three million demon spirit coins.

Seeing that no one in the VIP room said anything, Nie Li raised the plate.

“Heavenly Marks Family, two thousand five hundred demon spirit coins!”

“Two thousand five hundred demon spirit coins going once!”

“Two thousand five hundred demon spirit coins going twice!”

“Two thousand five hundred demon spirit coins going thrice!”

“Sold! Congratulations to the Heavenly Marks Family for successfully bidding on this piece of jade.”

Lei Zhuo looked at where Nie Li was with a strange look, and muttered, “He actually spent two thousand, five hundred on a broken piece of jade?! Psh, what’s the use of that?”

Nie Hai and Nie En also did not understand. However since Nie Li is paying himself, they didn’t say much.

“The next auction item is a mysterious interspatial ring! Everyone please have a look!” The auctioneer slowly took up the ring, “This interspatial ring’s body is glittering and translucent, completely flawless. It’s a storage ring with a space of over two hundred square meters in circumference. This can be called the best storage ring created! This was brought back by a Gold rank Fighter from the Ning You City ruins. Ning You City ruins are the

most dangerous and the wealthiest ruins around. The treasures from those ruins are all of high quality. Many treasures were acquired by the City Lord and are kept in the City Lord Mansion……”

“This ring’s starting price is fifty thousand demon spirit coins!” The lady’s voice sounded throughout the whole area.

“Finally there is good stuff!”

“But the price is so expensive. They actually asked for fifty thousand demon spirit coins!”

“This interspatial ring has such a large space. Selling it for fifty thousands demon spirit coins is not being too exaggerating!”

A month’s income for the Heavenly Marks Family is barely a hundred thousand demon spirit coins. Furthermore, it has to be used to maintain the expenses of the family. It was more than enough to make Nie Hai and Nie En flinch.

Some of the wealthy families below already began bidding.

“Fifty one thousand demon spirit coins!”

“Fifty three thousand demon spirit coins!”

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“Fifty five thousand demon spirit coins!”

The bidding was getting more and more intense. Lei Zhuo smiled and said, “Is Patriarch Nie Hai not interested? Then I’ll start calling!”

“Seventy thousand demon spirit coins!” Lei Zhuo faintly said. The whole hall immediately went silent.

[TLN: The reason why he ‘faintly said’ and it can sound throughout the whole hall is probably because he integrated his soul force into his voice. A lot of Chinese wuxia/xianxia do that.]

After a long time no one called for a higher price.

“Silver Tiger Family bids seventy thousand demon spirit coins, is there anyone offering higher?” The lady’s asked with her clear voice.

Although Nie Li has several interspatial rings on him, their space was too small. They were all filled with demon crystal cards, there was not enough space for him to use for anything else. Since there is a higher grade interspatial ring, Nie Li definitely wouldn’t let it go.

A ring with two hundred square meters of circumference. If he missed this chance and tried to look for a bigger one in the future, it would be rather difficult to find one.

“One hundred thousand demon spirit coins!” Nie Li said, lightly raising the price.

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Nie Hai and Nie En felt deeply shocked. Their hearts were bleeding. It’s one hundred thousand demon spirit coins! My god, one hundred thousand is even more than the Heavenly Marks Family’s monthly income. Nie Li actually wants to use that amount to buy an interspatial ring?

“Heavenly Marks Family bids one hundred thousand, is there anyone willing to raise?” The lady asked in a loud voice.

“One hundred thousand demon spirit coins!” Lei Zhuo inhaled a cold air, a little dumbfounded. This price is already not what he can bear. That was a whole one hundred thousand demon spirit coins! He opened his mouth, wanting to raise the price, but he worried that it was a trap set by the Heavenly Marks Family. So he did not dare to raise it any more.

“One hundred thousand demon spirit coins going once, One hundred thousand demon spirit coins going twice, One hundred thousand demon spirit coins going thrice, sold!” The lady’s hammer landed heavily.

One hundred thousand demon spirit coins, this is the price that would make one become excited.

Nie Li glanced at Nie En and said, “Grand Elder, can you help me to collect the two items? I might need to use the interspatial ring

later. This is eleven demon crystal cards, the remaining money you can keep," Nie Li casually took out eleven demon crystal cards.

Nie En is totally depressed. He has become the errand boy for Nie Li. Even though he is now the Grand Elder of Heavenly Marks Family!

However, after seeing those eleven demon crystal cards, Nie En inhaled a breath, and thought to himself, 'Forget it and endure.'

Eleven demon crystal cards meant One hundred and ten thousand demon spirit coins. Other than the two items, he will be left with seven thousand, five hundred demon spirit coins. Just running an errand could earn seven thousand, five hundred demon spirit coins. He's not losing anything.

Since the Heavenly Marks Family has so many people, a month's income is only a hundred thousand demon spirit coins. Just by running an errand, Nie En could earn seven thousand, five hundred demon spirit coins, Nie Hai also wants to do it himself.

'Poor...' Nie Hai sighed. Only he knows of how serious the financial crisis of the Heavenly Marks Family currently is. After deducting the cost of training the younger generations, the Heavenly Marks Family is still in debt!

Nie Li is too rich. As a member of the Heavenly Marks Family, he should make some contributions towards the family. However, Nie Hai did not dare to ask for anything. After all, it's all due to Nie Li that the Alchemist Association has made connections with the

Heavenly Marks Family.

“The next item is an elixir storage jade bottle. It’s made from some sort of warm jade. It can greatly maintain the herbal effects of plants and herbs! It was recovered from a sunken ship below the Ancient Breeze River……”

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“Heavenly Marks Family bids sixty thousand demon spirit coins. Is there any other offers?”

“Sixty thousand demon spirit coins going once, sixty thousand demon spirit coins going twice, sixty thousand demon spirit coins going thrice, sold!”

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“Next auctioning item is a whole Gold rank suit. Look at this inscription pattern! It originated from the Snow Wind Empire Era. This suit once had a Scarlet Flame Tiger demon beast’s demon spirit sealed inside. It is an extinct species of the Snow Wind Empire! Therefore, this Gold rank suit can already be one of a kind. Only a Gold rank Demon Spiritualist can wear it! Starting price is sixty thousand demon spirit coins!”

Seeing that Gold rank suit, Nie Li’s eyes lit up. He raised the plate and said, “One million……”

Everyone was dumbfounded. The whole hall was quiet for a long time. This guy simply doesn't give anyone any chances!

"Xiao Li, did you bid this for me? Thank you so much!" Nie Hai nervously rubbed his hands. This is a set of Gold rank suit. When one wears it, his strength could rise by thirty percent or more!

Nie Li threw a glance at Nie Hai and said, "Who says that this is a bid for you?"

"But, I'm the only Gold rank Demon Spiritualist within the Heavenly Marks Family!" Nie Hai paused for a while before saying. Aside from him, who else could wear this Gold rank suit.

"I got it for my own use." Nie Li said.

Nie Hai opened his mouth wide. After hearing Nie Li's words, Nei Hai's originally joyful mood suddenly turned into sorrow. Nie Hai felt just like an abandoned woman.

Chapter 65: Elixir

Who knows how long will it take for Nie Li to reach Gold rank Demon Spiritualist. Did he just spend a million demon spirit coins to buy a Gold rank suit for display?

After thinking about it for some time, Nie Hai can't help feeling a bit crazy.

However, as Patriarch of the Heavenly Marks Family, he doesn't have the status to publicly lower himself down to ask for it.

Just a million demon spirit coins doesn't mean much to Nie Li. With his current wealth, at this moment, he can easily enter into the top five in terms of wealth. Furthermore, cooperating with the Alchemist Association allowed Nie Li's wealth to grow a few hundred million daily.

Nie Li doesn't even need to bat an eye when he throws out a million demon spirit coins. If he wants to, he can even buy the whole auction house without any problem. Of course, Nie Li is still playing low key. Borrowing the name of the Heavenly Marks Family to buy some treasures won't lure the attention of others. However, if he wanted to buy the whole auction house, it'd be a little too high profile.

At this moment, all the wealthy merchants below were busy discussing what just happened.

"Since when did the Heavenly Marks Family become so rich?"

“I heard that the Heavenly Marks Family is being sheltered by the Alchemist Association. Moreover, the Alchemist Association is paying thirty percent more than the market price when buying herbs from them.”

“They actually did such a thing? It’s no wonder the Heavenly Marks Family is so generous!”

With his frightening hearing, Nie Hai felt extremely depressed. If the Heavenly Marks Family is really so rich, then it’s fine. However, the items that were brought were all paid with Nie Li’s money. The money has nothing to do with him. Although he’s the Patriarch of the Heavenly Marks Family, he’s still a member of the Heavenly Marks Family and must contribute some money to the family monthly. Most of a person’s assets are considered personal. Therefore, he can’t force Nie Li to contribute the money he has to the family. Moreover, with Nie Li’s current position, he doesn’t even dare to say anything harsh to Nie Li.

Lei Zhuo and Jiang Ming were depressed. In this auction, all they saw was the Heavenly Marks Family buying one treasure after another, while they were unable to get anything. Furthermore, at the rate the bids were going, they don’t dare to bid themselves. If it comes back to bite them, they’ll have trouble.

As for Chi Feng and Li Yuan, they would frequently look at Nie Hai, and sigh in their hearts. The Heavenly Marks Family is really rich! They never thought that those items were for Nie Li himself, and not for the family.

“See how much attention I’m bringing to the Heavenly Marks Family,” Nie Li lightly smiled, secretly said to Nie Hai.

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Nie Hai rolled his eyes. He’d rather not have that much attention.

“How many items are you planning to buy?” Nie Hai looked at Nie Li and said. Up till now, Nie Li has already brought over ten items, and spent nearly two million demon spirit coins.

“I’ll buy anything I like,” Nie Li said, lightly smiling.

Nie Hai’s mouth was so wide from the shock, you could fit an egg in it. He’s going to buy whatever you likes, that’s a little too tyrannical. Yang Xin actually gave Nie Li so much money? The Alchemist Association is really generous. To casually give away so much money and consider it pocket change, the amount is already unimaginable for ordinary people.

After waiting for a long time, there was no one adding onto the price. After shouting several times, the auctioneer finally struck the hammer. This Gold rank suit also ended up going to Nie Li.

“This next item has been entrusted to us by the Alchemist Association to be auctioned. The Soul Nurturing Pills and the Soul Concentrating Pills!” The auctioneer said smiling, “This time, we obtained a total of a thousand pills of the Soul Nurturing Pills and a hundred pills of the Soul Concentrating Pills. I beg to remind everyone to cherish this chance.”

Hearing the auctioneer's words, whether it's those merchants below or the five Patriarch, almost everyone got heated up.

It's the Soul Nurturing Pills and the Soul Concentrating Pills. After these two pills were released, they had invited a storm within Glory City. Many Demon Spiritualists, after eating the Soul Nurturing Pill and the Soul Concentrating Pill, had their cultivation soar by leaps and bounds. Some even broke through the Silver rank, and Gold rank rather quickly. Some that had the physique unsuitable for training soul force, after consuming some Soul Nurturing Pills and Soul Concentrating Pills, had their soul force raised by a lot.

Under this kind of situation, these two pills are extremely hard to find.

Several families went all out to buy those two pills at all costs, because they are used to nurture the younger generation.

However, the amount of these two pills is too little. The amount that was refined by the Alchemist Association could not satisfy a large market within Glory City. Under normal circumstances, only the Major families and Noble families could purchase those two pills at large quantities. The Hong Yue Auction House is at the top of three auction houses within the northern city of Glory City, and was only able to obtain a thousand Soul Nurturing Pills and a hundred Soul Concentrating Pills. It's demand far exceeded the supply.

A light flashed across Nie Hai's eyes. The reason for this, were the two pills.

“Nie Li, these two pills, buy as much as you can!” Nie Hai emotionally said. These two pills are extremely good for raising one’s cultivation. Especially the Soul Concentrating Pill. It has a strong effect, even for people at Nie Hai’s and Nie En’s level. Only by raising their cultivation, can the position of their family rise.

“Why do you want buy these?” Nie Li asked in surprise, “Could it be that the Alchemist Association did not give you these two pills?”

As the contributor of the elixir formulas, Nie Li isn’t lacking in these pills.

“Why would the Alchemist Association give us these pills?” Nie Hai turned his head around, puzzled and asked Nie Li.

Nie Li froze for a moment, but understood what’s going on. The sales of these pills are controlled by Yang Xin. Yang Xin gave Nie Li lots of pills, including several hundreds of thousands of Soul Nurturing Pills, several tens of thousands of Soul Concentrating Pills, and a few thousand Soul Tempering Pills, not to mention the Scarlet Body Enhancing Pill and the Nine Transformation Pill.

Yang Xin gave so many pills to Nie Li, but did not give any to the Heavenly Marks Family. In her view, Nie Li represented the Heavenly Marks Family.

“Err, nothing!” Nie Li said, shaking his head. Since that’s the case, he’ll just give some to the family. After all, he’s still a member of the Heavenly Marks Family.

The atmosphere within the auction house became extremely heated. The auctioneer on the stage saw this scene, lightly smiled and said, “In this auction, all Soul Nurturing Pills are sold in sets of a hundred, and the Soul Concentrating Pills are sold in sets of ten. The first set of Soul Nurturing Pills. The starting price is ten thousand demon spirit coins. The auction now begins!”

“One hundred and fifty thousand demon spirit coins!”

“One hundred and sixty thousand!”

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The price was soon raised to two hundred thousand demon spirit coins.

Nie Hai was also very excited. His face was flushed red. He had already prepared to take out sixty thousand demon spirit coins to buy a set of Soul Nurturing Pills and a set of Soul Concentrating Pills. This is already the best that the Heavenly Marks Family can do with their current finances. After the price hit two hundred thousand demon spirit coins, Nie Hai stopped. Since there are nine more sets, there’s no need to snatch the first set.

Chi Feng and Li Yuan both looked at Nie Hai with surprise. The Heavenly Marks Family just easily threw out two million demon spirit coins without even batting an eye. Why was it that when the fight for the elixirs began, when the bidding raised it from ten thousand to only two hundred thousand demon spirit coins, they

had already given up?

When they saw that Nie Hai has no intention of fighting for the pills, Chi Feng and Li Yuan decided to join the fight. With the generous and rich Heavenly Marks Family by their side, they felt pressure within their hearts. Since just now, all they saw was the Heavenly Marks Family buying one item after another, and would not give others a chance. Now, they can finally join the bidding fight.

No matter what, they have to buy some of the treasures. Otherwise, coming here would be a waste.

Chapter 66: Dumbfounded

Lei Zhuo and Jiang Ming also joined the fight. Four families were fighting furiously for those pills. They only stopped when the price was raised to three hundred and twenty thousand demon spirit coins.

“Nie Li, this is the precious Soul Nurturing Pill, you’re not going to buy?” Nie Hai rubbing his hands, eagerly looked at Nie Li and asked. Better for Nie Li to buy these than to let it be taken away by other families.

“Not interested. I’ve already brought so many things. I have to give others a chance, otherwise just one man bidding alone is not fun.” Nie Li lightly said.

Nie Hai didn’t know whether to smile or laugh. The Soul Nurturing Pill is an absolutely good thing to have when nurturing younger generations. He suddenly thought of something. Since these pills were provided by the Alchemist Association, and Yang Xin’s relationship with Nie Li was so good, it wouldn’t make sense if Yang Xin did not give Nie Li some pills. No wonder Nie Li wasn’t interested with these pills.

“Nie Li, did Director Yang gave you some pills?” Nie Hai asked in a low voice.

“She did, I asked big sister Yang Xin for it. Patriarch isn’t thinking of taking them away, right? If that’s the case, I’ll tell big sister Yang Xin,” Nie Li blinked his eyes, and childishly said. His

eyes flashed a hint of a playful smile. Although he has decided to contribute a portion of the pills to the family, occasionally joking with the Patriarch is still fun.

"How could I?!" Nie Hai is simply wanted to cry. If Nie Li were to report to Director Yang, the Heavenly Marks Family and Alchemist Association's cooperation would fall, "What I mean is, since Director Yang gave you some pills, you have to safely keep them. Don't let them get stolen!"

"Oh, I misunderstood the Patriarch. Thanks Patriarch for your reminder!" Nie Li said, nodding his head.

Nie Hai bitterly smiled, and turned his head. Kids, nowadays, are too difficult to handle. It's hard to even get some benefits from Nie Li. Within Nie Hai's heart, he accumulated a pool of grief.

The competition for the first set of Soul Nurturing Pills was brought to an end by Lei Zhuo at the price of three hundred and twenty thousand. Soon after that, it was the second set, third set, fourth set, fifth set. Nie Hai wanted to compete for it every time, however, the price was over three hundred thousand demon spirit coins every time.

Nie Hai was extremely depressed. If he bought a set of Soul Nurturing Pills, he wouldn't have enough money for the Soul Concentrating Pills. He can only watch as the other Patriarchs competed and secretly cried within his heart.

'This gang of Patriarchs is too much!' Nie Hai indignantly

thinking in his heart. The foundation of the Heavenly Marks Family is too thin. The cooperation with the Alchemist Association had just started. They have been paying debts for so long and had managed to clear them only recently. How can they be compared to the Silver Tiger and Tie Men Family? These two family foundations were rather thick.

Seeing these guys compete for the elixirs, Nie Li was speechless. This business of elixirs, is still really profitable! Nie Li did not join in because he will get thirty percent of the money after the auction fees were deducted. Although he can join in to raise the price, but this was a small amount of money, compared to Nie Li's hundreds of millions of coins.

Seeing one set after another being snatched away by others, and not having any share to his own, one can imagine how depressed Nie Hai is.

After the fifth set of Soul Nurturing Pills were auctioned off, the intense competition had died down a little, even though the price did not fall below three hundred demon spirit coins.

"Patriarch Nie Hai, are you not interested in the Soul Nurturing Pills, since your bidding wasn't fierce?" Chi Feng curiously asked.

"I……" Nie Hai was unable to speak his difficulties. He wanted to say that the truth is he's broke. However, would they believe that?

Earlier on, it was Nie Li that was spending big bucks, not him!

Li Yuan said, “Patriarch Nie Hai’s relationship with the Alchemist Association is so close. Definitely able to buy some elixirs at a low price. If there is really low price elixirs, Patriarch Nie Hai, mustn’t forget about us! As long as the price is below three hundred demon spirit coins, we want all you have!”

“I…this…okay,” Nie Hai reluctantly replied. Even if he denies it, Chi Feng and Li Yuan probably wouldn’t believe him. He can only helplessly looked at Nie Li.

Seeing Nie Hai’s depressed gaze, Nie Li blinked his eyes, with a look of innocence. Nie Li still wants to mess around with this smelly old man who asks him to always have a stern face in his previous life.

The last set of Soul Nurturing Pills were sold. Lei Zhuo got three sets, Jiang Ming got two sets, Li Yuan and Chi Feng both got one set. The rest were bid away by merchants.

“Next up is the Soul Concentrating Pills!”

Hearing the three words: Soul Concentrating Pills, the whole atmosphere within the auction house was, once again, heated up. One must know that the Soul Concentrating Pill has an even stronger effect for Silver rank and Gold rank Demon Spiritualists. Especially those who were stuck in the bottleneck for a long time. One Soul Concentrating Pill has a high chance of creating a Gold rank Demon Spiritualist. Even could even help a Gold rank into breaking through the bottleneck, into Black Gold rank.

“Three hundred and fifty thousand demon spirit coins is the starting price!” The lady auctioneer announced.

“Three hundred and sixty thousand demon spirit coins!”

“Three hundred and ninety thousand demon spirit coins!”

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Very soon, the bids reached over five hundred thousand, and the bidding was still proceeding. Seeing the bids soon reaching six hundred thousand demon spirit coins, Nie Hai was dumbfounded. He originally thought that he would be able to purchase a set of Soul Concentrating Pills, but who knew that he can’t even buy a set.

If he knew that this would happen earlier on, he would have bought a set of Soul Nurturing Pills instead. Could it be that he’ll go back empty handed? Nie Hai is completely depressed. This group of people were too crazy. Ten pills actually hit such a high price. Is there any justice to it. This is simply too big of a profit for the Alchemist Association!

Nie Hai felt indignant. Who let his Heavenly Marks Family become the worst among the Aristocratic families. Previously, they had to depend on selling territory to pay back their debts, and now, six hundred thousand demon spirit coins was their maximum.

Six hundred and fifty thousand!

One set of Soul Concentrating Pills can actually be sold for the price of six hundred and fifty thousand!

Nie Hai and Nie En looked at each other bitterly smiling. They became even more depressed as they looked at Lei Zuo putting a set of Soul Concentrating Pills into one of his pockets.

“Nie Li,” Elder Nie En couldn’t hold it back any more and said to Nie Li, “Can you help us get a set of Soul Concentrating Pills? Consider it a loan from you. We’ll return the money back to you in the future!” Nie Li casually threw out two million demon spirit coins without batting an eye. Just six hundred thousand demon spirit coins shouldn’t be a problem for him.

Since Nie En spoke, Nie Li decided to give him some face. Although Nie Hai is the Patriarch of the Heavenly Marks Family, he wasn’t close with Nie Li in his previous life. However, Nie En isn’t the same. Before Glory City was destroyed, Nie En gave Nie Li’s families a lot of protection. Therefore, Nie Li still has respect for Nie En.

“Since Grand Elder spoke, this matter isn’t a problem. However, there’s no need to bid for the Soul Concentrating Pills.” Nie Li moved his right hand and retrieved several large porcelain bottles from his interspatial ring. He shoved them over to Nie En and said, “In these bottles are five thousand Soul Nurturing Pills, six hundred Soul Concentrating Pills and one hundred Soul Tempering Pills. Consider them a gift to you, Grand Elder!”

Holding onto those large porcelain bottles, Nie En's gaze was dumbfounded. His voice was trembling, "F-fa-five t-th-thousand, five thousand S-S-Soul N-N-Nurturing Pills..... S-s-six h-hundred..... Soul C-Concentrating Pills..... a-and even S-Soul T-Tempering Pills?!"

Nie En was completely speechless,, so was Nie Hai.

In this auction, several families fought so fiercely for those few Soul Nurturing Pills and Soul Concentrating Pills, and, yet, Nie Li just casually took out five thousand Soul Nurturing Pills, six hundred Soul Concentrating Pills and even the Soul Tempering Pill that was nowhere found in the market!

'My god! Am I dreaming?!" Nie En was lost in a dumbfounded state.

Chapter 67: Competing Auction

After receiving the bottles from Nie Li, Nie En went ahead and opened one of the bottles. He soon realised that it was filled with a mixture of Soul Nurturing Pills, Soul Concentrating Pills and Soul Tempering Pills! Whether it's the Soul Nurturing Pills, Soul Concentrating Pills or the Soul Tempering Pills, every one of them were small in size. The were, indeed, the genuine pills.

He can see that there is actually Soul Tempering Pills in this bottle, and a hundred of it at that too! One must know that the effects of the Soul Tempering Pill is stronger than the Soul Concentrating Pills by at least ten fold. Aside from the Major families who are able to enjoy this level of elixirs, it's impossible to find any in the market.

Glory City's Snow Wind Auction House once auctioned a few Soul Tempering Pills. One of the pills was sold for a sky high price of one million and five hundred thousand! A hundred of those would mean over one billion demon spirit coins!

Thinking of this number, Nie En was about to faint. No matter how rich you are, aside from having some special methods, it's extremely difficult to get any Soul Tempering Pills from the market.

"These pills are expensive because they were just released. In fact, the Alchemist Association has many of them stored up. So the price will slowly drop in the future. This amount of pills isn't considered much. To contribute to the family is our obligation!" Nie Li said, righteously.

Hearing Nie Li's words, Nie Hai was beyond depressed. Earlier, when he asked Nie Li, Nie Li did not have any hints of intention to give away his elixirs. He even said that if Nie Hai wanted to get elixirs from him, he'll tell Director Yang. He didn't have the slightest intention of contributing to the family. But when Nie En asked, Nie Li casually gave out so many elixirs. This caused Nie Hai to feel useless as a Patriarch.

Nie Li just casually gave out five thousand Soul Nurturing Pills, six hundred Soul Concentrating Pills and one hundred Soul Tempering Pills. Nie Hai's heart was trembling just thinking about it. This many elixirs would be able to help the Heavenly Marks Family for a long time!

"Grand Elder, keep them well. When we return, give them to the people of our branch to use!" Nie Li reminded Nie En.

Hearing Nie Li's words, Nie En returned from his shock and quickly placed these elixirs into his interspatial ring. He looked around a little worried. When they spoke, they controlled their voices, so they would not be overheard. Therefore, the four other Patriarchs did not hear what they talked about. Knowing that he wasn't noticed by anyone, Nie En felt relieved.

When he thought about those elixirs within his interspatial ring, Nie En felt blissful. With so many elixirs, it's more than enough to get his branch to rise a level. Within the Heavenly Marks Family, there is a total of eight branches. In normal cases, there is minor conflicts between branches, therefore, Nie En's action is not that impartial.

“Nie Li, Grand Elder Nie En, this is not right. The whole Heavenly Marks Family is our family. How can we be selfish and not care about the other branches?” Nie Hai hurriedly said. Seeing Nie Li and Nie En’s intentions. They do not intend on giving the other branches those elixirs.

Nie Li and Nie En glanced at each other, Nie Li then looked at Nie Hai, puzzled and said, “These elixirs are mine. I give them to who I want, is that still wrong? Is our branch not a part of the Heavenly Marks Family? Members of our branch grow stronger in strength. This also means that the strength of Heavenly Marks Family grows!”

“How can this be compared! Only by splitting the elixirs among the families can we have the biggest effect!” Nie Hai hurriedly said, “With so many elixirs, you have to somehow give some to the other branches.”

Among the elders within the Heavenly Marks Family, Nie En’s position was at the very bottom. However, when Nie Li returned, he became the enforcement elder of the family. Nie En has always treated people well, but was a little timid. Therefore, he would very less fight for interests for the members of his own branch. However today, with so many elixirs in his possession, he can finally have the courage to stand up.

These elixirs are more than enough to determine the future of the whole family.

“Patriarch Nie Hai, these were given to me by Nie Li. Whoever Nie Li wants to give to, I have no control over it.” Nie En respectfully said, throwing back the ball to Nie Li. Now that Nie Li has the backing of Yang Xin, he can not be bothered about Nie Hai.

“You two……” Nie Hai was madly depressed. These two were colluding together.

Nie Li is not prepared to fall out with Nie Hai. As for other branches, of course he still has to take care of them a little. With so many elixirs, his own branch couldn’t use them all in a short amount of time, not to mention that he’ll be getting more in the future. Therefore, he was not bother about this.

“Grand Elder, we’ll contribute two-fifths of the elixirs to the family, then.” Nie Li looked at Nie En and said.

“En, okay!” Nie En said, nodding his head. He is also not someone who doesn’t think about the interest of others.

“Three-fifths!” Nie Hai argued.

“Only two-fifth. If Patriarch Nie Hai doesn’t want it, then forget it.” Nie Li shook his head, strongly said. With so many elixirs, just taking out two-fifths alone would be more than enough for the Heavenly Marks Family to use for quite a while.

“How about this, we’ll contribute half to the family.” Nie En said, smoothing things out.

“Grand Elder is really thoughtful, Nie Hai is grateful!” Nie Hai cupped his hands, seriously said. To be able to get half is already very good. After all, the amount of those elixirs far surpasses his imagination.

“Patriarch Nie Hai means that I’m not thoughtful?” Nie Li’s brow slightly twitched.

“I didn’t mean it that way. Xiao Li has misunderstood, I apologize to Xiao Li. Xiao Li is able to contribute so many elixirs to the family. This proves that Xiao Li is caring for the family!” Nie Hai was scared and immediately apologized. If Nie Li gets angry and takes back the elixirs, he can only cry.

Unknowingly, Nie Li already has complete control. The title of Patriarch, for Nie Li to say, is completely useless. If Nie Li is angry, Nie Hai has to carefully apologize. Although he felt depressed, he didn’t dare to say anything else. However, after thinking about those elixirs, Nie Hai has no more grievances. So many elixirs are more than enough for causing big changes within the Heavenly Marks Family. Therefore, no matter how much grievance he felt, it’s all worth it.

Nie Li snorted and turned his head. Seeing his scene, Nie En finds it funny. In the past, when Nie Li saw the elders within the clan, he would be terrified out of his life, not to mention Nie Hai. However, now the situation has turned around. In front of Nie Li, Nie Hai doesn’t even dare to talk loudly. He does not even have his majestic Patriarch aura.

The auctioning of the ten sets of Soul Concentrating Pills had also finished. They were bought by several families and merchants. Those who managed to get their hands on a set of elixirs were so full of joy it was written on their faces.

At this moment, Nie Hai and Nie En had a sense of being able to prevail against everyone there.

“Competing so intensely like this just for a hundred Soul Concentrating Pills.”

The whole Hong Yue Auction House only managed to obtain a quota of a thousand Soul Nurturing Pills and a hundred Soul Concentrating Pills. If they were to change the pills into money, it would’ve been an unimaginable amount, not to mention the shockingly effectiveness of the Soul Tempering Pill!

While feeling extremely excited, almost as though he’s still dreaming, Nie En unconsciously clutched his interspatial ring. It’s the first time that his interspatial ring had such a huge amount of fortune. He couldn’t help feeling uneasiness within his heart as he began to fear of theft. Although putting them in the interspatial ring is still extremely safe, he’s still paranoid.

Nie Hai was beside Nie En like a guard. If there was someone that dared to snatch their elixirs, he’d go all out and fight them.

Chapter 68: Unrivalled Treasure

The elixirs that Nie Li casually gave off, were comparable to the wealth of a noble family.

Nie Li had provided so many elixir formulas to the Alchemist Association. Therefore, in terms of elixirs, the Alchemist Association will definitely do their best in providing Nie Li with everything he will need. The amount that they provided to Nie Li can be comparable to one-fifth of Alchemist Association's total elixir amount. It can be said that other than the Alchemist Association, Nie Li has the most amount of elixirs on hand.

"Aside from Soul Nurturing Pills, Soul Concentrating Pills and Soul Tempering Pills, I still have the Scarlet Body Enhancing Pills and the Nine Transformation Pills……" Nie Li purposely paused his words.

Nie Li even has the rumoured Scarlet Body Enhancing Pills and the Nine Transformation Pills?! Nie Hai and Nie En's gazes were burning with awe.

"As for these two precious pills, Patriarch, you can't possibly expect me to freely contribute them to the family, right?" The meaning within Nie Li's words meant that if Nie Hai wanted those two pills from his hands, he'll have to put up a good performance, and give some favourable conditions in exchange.

"Of course of course. The personal assets of the clan members are protected by the family," Nie Hai hurriedly said. He was a little

distressed, wondering what he can give to Nie Li in exchange.

Nie En suddenly thought of something and said, “That’s right. Patriarch, our family has been passed down for a long time. We should have some treasures that have been passed down since ancient times. Since Xiao Li has been accepted into the Genius class by Holy Orchid Institute, as a form of reward, shouldn’t we let Xiao Li into our treasury and chose an item?”

‘The Heavenly Marks Family’s treasury?’ Nie Li’s heart slightly trembled. In his previous life, he never entered the Heavenly Marks Family treasury. As descendents of one of the ten lords of the Snow Wind Empire, they were a family that has been passed down for a long time. There should be some good items within the Heavenly Marks Family’s treasury.

Much of the treasure that has been passed down since ancient times would be useless to Nie Hai and bunch, since they might not know of their uses. However, it’s a different case for Nie Li. He has identified countless amounts of treasures in the past. Generally, the good items wouldn’t be able to escape Nie Li’s eyes.

“Grand Elder Nie En, you can take this Scarlet Body Enhancing Pill. Consume it when you get back. It has a great effect towards strengthening a Fighter’s physical body.” Nie Li passed one Scarlet Body Enhancing Pill over to Nie En and said.

“Thank you Xiao Li!” Nie En, at this moment, was a little emotional. The price of the Scarlet Body Enhancing Pills were raised wildly like a fierce fire. Rumour has it that the price of one Scarlet Body Enhancing Pill is above one million demon spirit

coins.

At this moment, Nie Hai's eyes were a little red. The Scarlet Body Enhancing Pill is not only useful for Fighters, it also has a great effect towards Demon Spiritualists.

"Xiao Li, the Heavenly Marks Family is your family and therefore, the treasury of the Heavenly Marks Family is also your treasury. If there is anything you like in there, you can take all you want!" Nie Hai immediately cooperated with Nie En and said. The items that were left in the treasury were items that they could not use. He even wished for Nie Li to go in and take even more of the items from within the treasury. Those elixirs that Nie Li gave to the family, was already worth more than the entire Heavenly Marks Family.

"I'm surprised that Patriarch is so generous. It seems that I have misunderstood Patriarch all along. This is one Scarlet Body Enhancing Pill, my gift to the Patriarch. After I go to the treasury and have my pick, I'll contribute a hundred Scarlet Body Enhancing Pills and a hundred Nine Transformation Pills to the family." Nie Li lightly said. Since he has so many elixirs on hand, giving a little out isn't much.

Hearing Nie Li's words, Nie Hai's eyes lit up, and couldn't wait to go back.

The auction is still ongoing. The auctioning of the elixirs has already ended.

Lei Zhuo and Jiang Ming threw a glance towards Nie Hai's direction.

"Nie Hai must be pretending to be rich. After spending two million demon spirit coins, he bought a lot of item and was now left with no money to bid with for the elixirs." Lei Zhuo chuckled.

Jiang Ming supported, "Although the Gold rank suit is useful, only one person can use it. Not to mention that it can only be used in battle. It's not as practical as buying elixirs. Nie Hai probably regrets it to the point that his intestines have turned green!"

What they didn't know is that Nie Hai got a lot of elixirs from Nie Li. How could he still be interested in those elixirs that were in the auction?

Just when they were talking, Nie Li began bidding like crazy. He continuously bought items worth over five-six hundred thousand demon spirit coins. As long as he is a little interested in the item, he'll bid. Since he has so much money to the point that he can't spend it all, having so many demon crystal cards in the interspatial ring will just eat up space. Why not change them into items which are more practical?

'So it wasn't that the Heavenly Marks Family ran out of money, they were simply not interested in the elixirs!'

Lei Zhuo and Jiang Ming both felt their faces burning. Damn, since when did the Heavenly Marks Family become so rich? At this moment, they both felt extremely depressed.

After half an hour of auctioning, Nie Li bought over a dozen item. However, there hasn't been an item that would make Nie Li excited. This caused him to feel a little bored.

At this moment, the auctioneer lady suddenly raised her voice, speaking as though she was holding an extremely dark secret, "This round's auction will soon come to an end. However, we will immediately have an unrivalled treasure auction starting soon!"

Just when the auctioneer's voice fell, over twenty people entered the auction house. They were guided by some beautiful ladies towards the staircase and onwards to the third floor of the auction hall.

The whole hall started started a commotion.

"I know that person. It's an elder of the Feng Ming Family of the noble family!"

"That's an elder from the Winged Dragon Family!"

"That's an elder from the Sacred Family!"

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"Why would they be here?"

“I heard that the Hong Yue Family obtained an unrivalled treasure from the depths of the Dark Ruins, and, therefore, hosted this auction. They also invited representatives from the three Major families and the six Noble families to join this auction!”

Those items that were being auctioned earlier on, could not grab the interest of these super powers. After all, they can get these items from another auction. The only reason that they are here is for that so called unrivalled treasure by the Hong Yue Family.

“Found from the depths of the Dark Ruins. My god, they actually dared to enter the Dark Ruins?”

Dark Ruins? Nie Li recalled that place. In his previous life, he did not enter into that place. He only heard about it from other people. The Dark Ruins is a place comparable to a nightmare. Only Black Gold rank experts and above dared to enter that place. After all, there was a large amount of horrifying demon beasts that accumulated there.

It’s rumoured that before the Age of Darkness, a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist lived there. That Demon Spiritualist integrated with an extremely horrifying demon spirit. After his death, that place was occupied by nightmare demon spirits.

Nightmare demon spirits are an extremely mysterious and terrifying type of demon spirits. They had many mysterious powers that even Nie Li knows partially about. Furthermore, the nightmare demon spirits are one of the most difficult demon spirits to capture.

No one was sure what item the Hong Yue Family obtained from the Dark Ruins.

Nie Li started feeling anticipation for it. Wondering what item will the Hong Yue Family auction.

Representatives from the three Major families and the six noble families began taking their seats respectively. The whole atmosphere within the auction house froze. Everyone was looking forward to what the Hong Yue Family will bring out.

Chapter 69: Sky High Price

“People from the three Major families and the six Noble families are here. There’s even a representative of the Alchemist Association, and ten merchant guild representatives. We’ll definitely not have chance to get that item.”

“Even if we don’t get a chance to get it, seeing such a big event isn’t that bad.”

Everyone within the Auction Hall was busy with their discussions.

“Please be quiet for a moment,” The auctioneer lady lightly smiled and said, “We will soon present that unrivalled treasure for everyone!”

At this moment, the auction hall went silent immediately.

Two beautiful ladies were carrying a tray as they walked up to the stage. Something was on the tray. Whatever it was, was covered by a piece of purple cloth. Only the rough outline of the item could be seen.

“What exactly is that thing?”

“Cliffhanger!”

At this moment, the auctioneer had a charming smile on her face. Her right hand lightly pulled, removing the purple cloth. In that moment, a gem light had spread out in all directions. A black jade pot made from unknown material appeared in front of everyone's eyes. The pot was sparkling and translucent, with gem-like shine on it.

A rich soul aura was spreading around.

Looking at this black jade pot, Nie Li could not contain his excitement. He never thought that such a thing would actually appear here. This item is indeed an unrivalled treasure. It's usage cannot be measured by money!

"How did this item come along and what are its uses? Our Patriarch is not sure. However, there is one thing that can be confirmed. This pot emits an aura that strengthens demon spirits. That alone, proves that this item is not ordinary. Down below, on the base, the words, "Nightmare" is carved. It probably has something to do with the nightmare demon spirits."

[TLN: Nightmare in Chinese is two word]

The auctioneer lady continued, "Furthermore, according to our Patriarch. If one trains a demon spirit around it, it can greatly strengthen the aura of the demon spirit. Therefore, it can be confirmed that this is an absolutely unrivalled treasure. Our Patriarch hopes that there will be someone who is able to unleash its usage!"

“The starting price for this item is eight million demon spirit coins!”

The Hong Yue Family’s Patriarch doesn’t know of it’s usage, therefore, the starting bid began at such low price. If he knew about this black jade pot’s uses, he probably wouldn’t want to sell it. Just it’s effect of strengthening a demon spirit’s aura by training around it would be worth quite a bit, not to mention that there is still some unknown uses to it.

After the respective representatives from the respective families felt the rich soul force aura, they couldn’t help being moved by it, having great interest for it.

“What exactly is this black jade pot?”

“Don’t know, but you can be sure that this is absolutely not that simple!”

“How rare, I really want to study it. Who knows? It might have some special uses!”

Looking at the black jade pot, Nie Li fell deep within his thoughts. This black jade pot should be the legendary treasure, Nightmare Demon Pot. The heritage of this pot goes back to the Snow Wind Empire Era. It’s said that it was found in an ancient tribe.

Even Nie Li only knows one of it’s uses. One of the uses for the

Nightmare Demon Pot is to refine demon spirits!

The rough idea of the process is, one puts in ten different kinds of demon spirits into the Nightmare Demon Pot. After a while, there would be a chance of a more power demon spirit being refined with its confines. If one's lucky, there's a possibility for a rare demon spirit. If one's unlucky, all the demon spirits will be destroyed.

The possibility of failure is rather small and the possibility of refining rare demon spirits out is also very small. Most of the time, the Nightmare Demon Pot could refine out a more powerful demon spirit. Just this usage alone, is more than enough to make countless people crazy over it. After all, the majority of Demon Spiritualists can only integrate with one demon spirit, therefore, they'll definitely wish for the demon spirit to be as strong as possible.

Using weaker demon spirits to merge into a stronger demon spirit, that's the usage of the Nightmare Demon Pot.

There probably isn't anyone here that knows of the usage of the Nightmare Demon Pot.

Thinking about how powerful the Nightmare Demon Pot is, Nie Li immediately decided that he has to buy this, no matter how much he has to spend!

Very soon, a few families began bidding.

“Ten million demon spirit coins!”

“Twelve million demon spirit coins!”

“Fifteen million demon spirit coins!”

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Very soon, the price was raised to twenty million demon spirit coins. This price was enough to cause everyone in the auction hall to be shocked.

“Thirty million demon spirit coins!” The Sacred Family suddenly started bidding.

“Thirty-five million demon spirit coins!” The Alchemist Association also started bidding.

Nie Li looked towards the third floor. The one bidding is actually Yang Xin. After thinking awhile, Nie Li said to Nie En, “Grand Elder, Director Yang seems to be in the third floor. Go and meet with her and tell her that I want this black jade pot. Let her help me bid for it. I’ll return the money to Alchemist Association after that!”

Hearing Nie Li’s words, before Nie En can even reply, Nie Hai said, “I’ll go!” Nie En has so many elixirs in his interspatial ring, he don’t dare to have Nie En go. A powerful Patriarch can only be an errand boy now, but he’s willing to do it.

Nie Hai went to look for Yang Xin.

The Sacred Family and the Alchemist Association competed nonstop for it. The Sacred Family gave up after the Alchemist Association raised it up to fifty million demon spirit coins. In terms of wealth, even if it's one of the three Major families, they probably can't compete with the Alchemist Association.

"Fifty million demon spirit coins! The Alchemist Association is really rich!"

"Of course. All of the recent elixirs by the Alchemist Association were sold like hotcakes. Their daily profit can probably be calculated in billions!"

After a while, Nie Hai returned. He nodded towards Nie Li and said, "Director Yang agreed!"

Yang Xin definitely won't reject Nie Li's request. After all, Yang Xin still has many things to request of Nie Li. Spending this much money, for the Alchemist Association to say, is nothing more than one fur out of the nine oxs. What Nie Li has brought to the Alchemist Association, cannot be measured with money.

After the price went to fifty million demon spirit coins, most of the families gave up competing. Furthermore, many of the families still have to purchase elixirs from the Alchemist Association. Therefore, they still have to give the Alchemist Association face. Although they are interested in the black jade pot, they did not

competed for it.

At this moment, a man wearing a grey robe suddenly started bidding.

“Fifty-five million demon spirit coins!”

Who is he, for him to actually start bidding? Everyone within the Auction Hall had their gazes on the grey robed mysterious man.

Generally, families do not need to pay a deposit for the auction, however, before ordinary people begin to bid, they have to pay a deposit. This mysterious man actually bid fifty-five million, which means that he paid the deposit of more the fifty-five million!

This black jade pot actually had its price raised to such a frightening degree!

So much wealth. This can actually be comparable to all of the aristocratic families whole worth!

At this moment, Yang Xin, whom is sitting at the third floor, had her brows slightly wrinkled. These last few days, she has been in the northern branch of Glory City, and only came because she was invited by the Hong Yue Family. She never thought the Nie Li would be here. She originally had an interest for this black jade pot because she thought that it’d be used for elixirs and therefore started to bid, intending to study it. She never thought that Nie Li would also be interested in it. Since it’s something that Nie Li

wants, the Alchemist Association has to buy it for Nie Li at all costs.

However, when the price went to fifty-five million demon spirit coins, the price was a little out of her expectations. She was wondering if it's worth it to pay fifty-five million demon spirit coins for this black jade pot whose usage is unknown?

Chapter 70: Competing

“Sixty million demon spirit coins!” Yang Xin decided to continue bidding, although she felt a little nervous.. But, because Nie Li’s message was that, no matter how much it costs, she had to get that jade pot as Nie Li will pay for it.

Sixty million demon spirit coins. Was it really worth this amount? What exactly is this jade pot? Could it be that Nie Li knows the jade pot’s usage?

Nie Li looked at that mysterious fellow below. He wondered who he was. The mysterious figure is actually trying to snatch this item from her.

“Sixty five million demon spirit coins!” The mysterious man hesitated, but he still continued to bid.

“Seventy million demon spirit coins!” Yang Xin bid even higher.

The price continued to climb upwards.

Nie Hai and Nie En were dumbfounded. They knew that this item is wanted by Nie Li, however, this price is a way too shocking. Nie Li seems to be much richer than they had imagined. Just how much money did the Alchemist Association give to Nie Li? Why did the Alchemist Association give Nie Li so much money? This remains a large question in their hearts.

Nie Li frowned as he looked at the mysterious man below. Nie Li wondered exactly where this man is from and who he is for him to actually compete with the Alchemy Association.

Nie Li thought, 'Did the Hong Yue Auction House get someone to raise the price? They shouldn't dare.' If they did do that and word got out, the Hong Yue Auction House's reputation would be ruined. The Alchemist Association also wouldn't let them off. They definitely wouldn't do such a stupid thing. Furthermore, with this amount of money being bid, if the Alchemist Association suddenly stops bidding, they'll be smashing their own hands.

Could this person be from the Dark Guild?

Aside from the few super rich families and merchants, only the Dark Guild would have the wealth to compete. The Dark Guild goes around kidnapping people from various families. Then ransom the families for money. Not to mention robbing and much worse acts.

Nie Li went silent for a moment then said, "Patriarch, I have to trouble you to pass this message over to Director Yang. My words are still the same, no matter what the price is, you have to get that black jade pot at all costs. After the auction, send someone to follow that mysterious person. The person dispatched to follow the man must be at least of Gold rank. Better yet if the man dispatched were Black Gold rank, but absolutely cannot let him find out he's being tailed!"

Nie Hai's eyebrows twitched, and he nodded, "Okay!" He also noticed that this matter is not simple. A person of unknown

background, actually has such a strong financial background to compete with the Alchemist Association.

At this moment, every major power started to take note of the mysterious man.

“One hundred million demon spirit coins!” When Alchemist Association called out this price, various experts from various forces were dumbfounded. They were extremely curious. Could it be that the Alchemist Association knows of the jade pot’s usage and therefore called out such a price?

Or is the Alchemist Association is too rich and has nothing else to spend on?

One hundred million demon spirit coins, this is too merciless!

“One hundred and ten million demon spirit coins!” The mysterious man below hesitated for quite a long while. Just when the auctioneer lady was about to hit the hammer, he placed a bid, once again.

“One hundred and twenty million demon spirit coins!” Yang Xin quickly raised the price again.

The mysterious person finally understood Yang Xin’s determination in buying and no longer bid anymore. Furthermore, his deposit is already not enough.

The people below the stage were all excited. They were able to see such an intense bidding competition within their lifetimes. This really is a big experience. Everyone was wondering what exactly is this black jade pot. To actually going at the sky high price of one hundred and twenty million demon spirit coins. This kind of horrifying price is something only the Alchemist Association could afford.

As for this black jade pot, it caused a strong curiosity within everyone.

The auction finally ended.

Everyone slowly dispersed, and Nie Li and bunch also went to collect the items that they bought.

At a secret room of the Auction House, Nie Li met with Yang Xin.

Yang Xin held onto the black jade pot, smiled as she looked at Nie Li and asked, “Little brother, do you perhaps know the uses of this thing?”

In order to buy this black jade pot, she had spent a total of one hundred and twenty demon spirit coins. Such a price, for even the Alchemist Association to say, isn’t a small amount. Although the Alchemist Association is extremely rich, they still haven’t reach the point that they can freely spend to this degree.

“I also don’t know the uses of this thing!” Nie Li smiled as he

said. He stretched out his hands, pretending not to know.

"Big sister doesn't believe you. You spent so much money just to buy an item that you don't even know if it's usage," Yang Xin hugged her chest, the plump in front of her chest became more attractive due to the pressure. She was smiling yet not smiling as she looked at Nie Li, "If you don't say what it does, big sister will bring this black jade pot back to study!"

"Just because I don't know what uses it has, which is exactly why I bought it. With such a pure aura coming from it, it's definitely not an ordinary item. My master might know of its uses." Nie Li once again dragged his non-existence master out. Nie Li laughed and said, "Since it's only this tiny amount of money, it can't be considered much."

Hearing Nie Li's words, Yang Xin's face immediately had a hint of respect in it and said, "Since you bought it for your master, then quickly keep it and store it properly!" Nie Li's master is a Grandmaster level Alchemist, therefore Yang Xin did not dare to be rash.

"There should be one hundred and twenty million demon spirit coins in this interspatial ring," Nie Li took out an interspatial ring and said.

Yang Xin shook her head, pushed the interspatial ring back, and charmingly chuckled, "Consider this item a gift from the Alchemist Association to your master!" Because Nie Li's master provided the several elixir formulas, the Alchemist Association was able to earn god knows how much money. Most importantly, it has

raised the strength of Glory City by quite a lot. The Alchemist Association is still thinking of how to curry favour with Nie Li's master. Giving this as a gift is an extremely good chance, how can they miss it? If Nie Li's master is happy, and provides one or two more elixir formulas, this gift would be worth it.

Nie Li was silent for a moment, calmly took the Nightmare Demon Pot over, lightly smiled and said, "Then, thanks, big sister Yang Xin. I'll definitely tell master!"

"Then I'll have to thank little brother for that!" Yang Xin lightly smiled and said. She seemed to have thought of something and asked, "You got me to send someone to follow that bidding person, have you realised something?" Even if Nie Li didn't asked, she would've sent someone to follow him. If she finds out that that person is from the Hong Yue Family, then the Hong Yue Family will suffer!

"I suspect that it's someone from Dark Guild." Nie Li thought awhile and said, "However, it's just my wild speculation."

No matter who it is, for someone to actually compete for the Nightmare Demon Pot at such a frightening price. Could it be that aside from himself, there is someone that knows of the uses of the Nightmare Demon Pot?

"Someone from the Dark Guild?!" Yang Xin slightly narrowed her eyes, "If I find out that he's from the Dark Guild, he can give up on leaving Glory City! I have already sent a Black Gold rank Demon Spiritualist to follow after him!"

“Big sister Yang Xin, it would be best if you don’t arouse his suspicions. Even if we are able to capture, then we must to capture him alive,” Nie Li said, there might be a chance if they are able to find evidence of the Sacred Family colluding with the Dark Guild.

Chapter 71: Have It's Brilliant Uses

"I know." Yang Xin nodded, lightly smiled and said.

"Then, I'll go back first," Nie Li said. He bid farewell to Yang Xin and left from the back door.

The price of the Nightmare Demon Pot reached to a shocking price of one hundred and twenty million demon spirit coins. Such thing would definitely cause people to be interested in it. With Nie Li's current strength, if he's being targeted by someone, he definitely doesn't have the strength to protect this treasure. But fortunately, others don't know that this Nightmare Demon Pot has landed in Nie Li's hands. Everyone thought that Yang Xin had it, and ordinary people wouldn't think about stealing it from Yang Xin. After all, Yang Xin's current position is extremely powerful within Glory City.

Nie Li quietly left together with Nie Hai and Nie En. They entered the carriage and headed back towards the Heavenly Marks Family.

"This matter about the Nightmare Demon Pot, must not be told to anyone!" Nie Li looked at Nie Hai, Nie En and said.

"Definitely!" Nie Hai and Nie En hurriedly nodded. They knew of the importance regarding this matter. If others were to know that the Nightmare Demon Pot is with Nie Li, it'll bring unnecessarily trouble to the Heavenly Marks Family.

From this moment onwards, Nie Li's interest represented the interests of the whole Heavenly Marks Family.

"Are we going back to the Heavenly Marks Family?" Nie Hai asked.

"No," Nie Li shook his head and said, "I want to go to the Xuan Spirit Merchant Hall."

"Xuan Spirit Merchant Hall? You're already a Silver rank?" Nie En suddenly thought of something and asked.

Nie Li was silent for a moment and nodded his head. At this moment, there is no need to hide it from Nie Hai and Nie En.

Having Nie Li's confirmation, Nie Hai and Nie Li were both shocked as they looked at Nie Li. They inhaled a cold air. They still remembered that few months ago, Nie Li was not even a 1-star Bronze rank. Now, he's already a Silver rank? A thirteen year old Silver rank Demon Spiritualist. My god, this is an absolute, peerless, genius. Even within Glory City's history, there is only a handful of them!

"Your first demon spirit must be chosen wisely! What demon spirit do you want? I can give you some references!" Nie Hai solemnly said. The demon spirits within Xuan Spirit Merchant Hall are the best among the northern parts of Glory City. In that place is quite a few good demon spirits.

What they don’t know is that Nie Li has already integrated with a Shadow Devil Demon Spirit. The reason he’s going there is not to look for an ordinary demon spirit. How can Nie Hai give him any references?

“I have my own thoughts.” Nie Li nodded his head and said.

Nie Hai and Nie En both looked at each other bitterly smiling. They totally forgot that this thirteen years old child before them is not an ordinary person. He’s simply a monster. They are unable to make any decision for him.

The carriage sped forward at a high speed. Nie Li got Nie Hai to double check that there was no one following behind them. When it was confirmed that they weren’t being followed, he felt relieved. Nie Li is still a little worried that someone might have an eye on him. Whether it’s the Sacred Family or Dark Guild, their strength was too strong. Fortunately, the Dark Guild and the Sacred Family did not follow him, this time. Why would those superpowers bother to follow a teenager? When the Dark Guild or Sacred Family starts to pay attention to him, Nie Li would already grow to the point that they won’t be able to handle him.

Xuan Spirit Merchant Hall, VIP Room

When Nie Li and bunch revealed their identities, the Xuan Spirit Merchant Hall immediately got Nie Li and bunch into a secret VIP room. The one that is receiving Nie Li’s group is an elderly man with a white beard and hair. He’s the owner of the Xuan Spirit Merchant Hall. His name is Shao Ming Feng.

As the owner of the Xuan Spirit Merchant Hall, Shao Ming Feng is still very well informed. The news of the Heavenly Marks Family lavishly spending on Hong Yue Action House has already gotten to his ears. Therefore he had marked the Heavenly Marks Family as one of the important customers.

“Please, have some tea!” Shao Ming Feng smiled as he made a gesture for them to drink.

“Thanks a lot owner!” Nie Hai lightly smiled and said, “I’m here to buy a demon spirit for my grandnephew!”

“Our Xuan Spirit Merchant Hall is prepared to serve every customer,” Shao Ming Feng said, lightly smiling. His eyes were looking at Nie Li for a while, “May I ask what kind of demon spirit is Patriarch Nie Hai looking for? We have all types of demon spirits here.” Shao Ming Feng took out a book, in it were all kinds of demon spirit pictures. There were several hundreds of them. All kinds of types or attributes etc... were listed clearly.

Xuan Spirit Merchant Hall is northern Glory City’s biggest demon spirit trader. They would acquire a huge amount of demon spirits from adventurers daily, and then resell them. In between, they had many precious demon spirits. The higher the grade, the more rare and expensive it is. The cheapest ones can be bought with a few hundreds or a few thousands of demon spirit coins. The most expensive ones would be several millions of demon spirit coins.

‘I wonder what grade of demon spirit will the Heavenly Marks Family purchase?’ Shao Ming Feng secretly thought to himself. He can see that Nie Hai places great importance on Nie Li.

Nie Hai took a glance at Nie Li.

Nie Li did not see the book at all. He looked at Shao Ming Feng and asked, “Owner Shao, would you be able to keep it a secret about the demon spirits that I will buy from you?”

Shao Ming Feng was a little surprised. He looked at Nie Li, nodded his head and said, “Of course. We will keep every customer’s information a secret. We will absolutely not leak it out!”

“Okay then,” Nie Li slightly nodded, then took the book over. He pointed to one of the demon spirits and said, “Nightmare-type demon spirits, how many do you have over here?”

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Shao Ming Feng said, “Nightmare-type demon spirits are the most rare and hardest to control. I recommend to the young master to not have a Nightmare-type demon spirit as the first demon spirit. The storage of our Nightmare Demon Spirits are roughly around fifty.”

“I’ll take them all!” Nie Li said, “I hope that the owner can give a fair price for them.”

“A…all?” Shao Ming Feng inhaled a cold air. He looked at Nie Li

with shock. Does Nie Li know how much they are all together? Why would he need so many demon spirits? One person can only integrate with one demon spirit at most!

"Right, all!" Nie Li seriously nodded.

Nie Hai and Nie En were both looking at Nie Li in deep shock. After a few moments, did they recovered from the shock.

"Don't worry about it, I'll pay for it!" Nie Li lightly said.

Shao Ming Feng looked at Nie Hai. Nie Hai bitterly smiled as he nodded, "Please gather all the Nightmare Demon Spirits you have here. We'll take them all!"

"Okay!" Shao Ming Feng revealed an excited expression. Generally, Nightmare Demon Spirits are only able to sell one for every one to two months. Nie Li actually wanted to buy all the Nightmare Demon Spirits they have. This is definitely a big business. He immediately said, respectfully, "As you are buying so many demon spirits in one go, I will definitely give you a fair price!"

"We believe you, after all, we will be back to purchase a lot more demon spirits." Nie Li calmly said.

The words that came out from Nie Li, in that moment, made Shao Ming Feng treat Nie Li like an adult. Nie Li did not care about how the others were thinking about him. His wisdom is simply

monstrous.

“Please wait awhile. I’ll immediately get the Nightmare Demon Spirits!” Shao Ming Feng said, hastily walking out.

“Xiao Li, why are you buying so many Nightmare Demon Spirits?” Nie En curiously asked. Nie Li is simply too rich. First he was throwing money out at the Auction Hall, and now he’s crazily purchasing demon spirits. Does he really having too much money to spend? After all, one person can only integrate with one demon spirit.

“I have my own use for them.” Nie Li lightly said, smiling.

Chapter 72: Refining Demon Spirit

Very quickly, Shao Ming Feng came back with a bunch of demon spirit stones.

After being captured, demon spirits will be sealed within a demon spirit stone to store them.

Rows and rows of demon spirit stones were spread out on the table. The view was spectacular!

“These here are Silver rank Nightmare Demon Spirits. The total price is somewhere around sixty thousand demon spirit coins. And these over here are Gold rank Nightmare Demon Spirits. The total price is around three hundred thousand demon spirit coins!” Shao Ming Feng pointed towards the two sections of demon spirit stones and explained to Nie Li.

Aside from integration with a Demon Spiritualist, demon spirits can also be sealed within armours, allowing the armour to be powerful.

Silver rank and above, the price is already rather expensive. The price are frequently from tens of thousands to hundreds of thousands. Commoners are unable to afford them.

However, for Nie Li, this isn’t a problem.

“En, the price is still reasonable. I’ll take them all!” Nie Li nodded

his head.

Shao Ming Feng turned around and looked at Nie Hai and Nie En. They both looked at each other and smiled bitterly. Shao Ming Feng is seeking their permission, however, he had no idea that they are unable make the decision for Nie Li.

Nie Li waved his right hand. A small mountain of demon crystal cards appeared from his interspatial ring. He placed them on the table and said, “This amount of money should cover it. Please, check it!”

Nie Li is actually paying himself? Looking at the small mountain of demon crystal cards, Shao Ming Feng was greatly shocked. The Heavenly Marks Family is too rich. They actually allowed a kid to carry so much money! However, he did not think too much about it. After all, he’s only a decent business man. Since Nie Li can pay for the bills, there is absolutely no problem.

Nie Li waved his right hand again, and threw all fifty demon spirit stones into his interspatial ring.

“Please come again to visit us!” After Shao Ming Feng finished counting the demon crystal cards, his smile became even more humble. This is the biggest business he has done since he began selling demon spirits.

“Owner is too kind. We still have to buy some more today. Owner wouldn’t be sending off customers, right?” Nie Li lightly glanced at Shao Ming Feng.

“Why would I? Young master still wishes to buy more demon spirits?” Shao Ming Feng asked. Nie Li’s calmness gave him a slight pressure. He bitterly smiled within his heart, wondering if this child before him is really thirteen years old, because he’s too monstrous!

“Definitely. Purchasing the Nightmare Demon Spirits is only a small portion of what I want,” Nie Li calmly said.

Shao Ming Feng was utterly shocked. How many demon spirits is Nie Li intending to buy? However, since his shop is opened for business, he definitely wished to sell as many demon spirits as possible.

“I also want to buy highly toxic demon spirits, snow wind demon spirits and fighting demon spirits..... Owner can just take out all the stocks for these demon spirits.”

All the stocks again? My god!

However, hastily, Shao Ming Feng still brought out all the stocks for these demon spirits. The amount of Nightmare Demon Spirits was rather small. However, the demon spirits Nie Li asked for amounted to as much as thousands or even tens of thousands. But the price is still a little cheaper compared to the Nightmare Demon Spirits.

“A final total of sixty five million demon spirit coins!” Shao Ming Feng quickly calculated out the price. Just calculating the price for

these demon spirits alone made him sweat throughout his head.

“Sixty-five million demon spirit coins. Please check it!” Nie Li took out six thousand five hundred demon crystal cards in one go and placed them on the table.

Shao Ming Feng was in deep shock. Since the start of the business, it’s his first time seeing so much money. However, that’s not the main point. The main point is, all of this money was taken out from a child’s interspatial ring!

“Owner, I’ll still need to purchase a batch of demon spirits!” Nie Li took a glance at Shao Ming Feng and said.

“Young master only needs to order. I, Shao Ming Feng, will do my best. You only have to send someone to pass a message. I’ll send all the demon spirits over to the Heavenly Marks Family!” Xiao Ming Feng humbly said. He dares not to treat Nie Li as a kid, as this is his biggest customer. One transaction is more than several years of transactions. He definitely has to treat Nie Li nicely, otherwise, if such a big customer were to run away, it’ll be too late for him to cry.

“Okay! Patriarch, Grand Elder, let’s return!” Nie Li looked at Nie Hai and Nie En and said.

“Okay!” Nie Hai and Nie En both nodded. Originally, they were prepared to show Nie Li a big spectacle. Instead, Nie Li ended up bringing them to see a big spectacle for them. Until now, their hearts were still pumping.

Who could blame them? The Heavenly Marks Family only earns a million demon spirit coins a year and Nie Li just bought a pot with over a hundred million, furthermore, he spent another sixty million demon spirit coins on demon spirits on this trip alone.

After bidding farewell to Shao Ming Feng, Nie Li, together with Nie Hai and Nie En, boarded their carriage back to the Heavenly Marks Family.

During this trip, Nie Li, Nie Hai, and Nie En, had all gained something. Nie Hai and Nie En immediately summoned all members of the Heavenly Marks Family, and distributed out the elixirs so that they can raise their strength up faster.

After Nie Li returned, under Nie Hai's arrangements, Nie Li and his family moved into one of the individual houses, a step away from the Patriarch's house. This can be said to be the safest place in the entire Heavenly Marks Family. To Nie Hai's arrangement, Nie Li is pleased with it.

Nie Li left lots of elixirs, demon crystal cards, and some other stuff in the house to let his family members use them anytime they want. After the arrangement, Nie Li remained in his room to concentrate on practising.

In the evening, news came from the Alchemist Association's Yang Xin, saying that there was a group of assassins that tried to rob Yang Xin. They were trying to snatch the Nightmare Demon Pot, however, they were killed by her bodyguards.

Nie Li's eyebrow twitched. There is actually someone within the Glory City that dared to do this kind of thing? They are simply too daring. Could it be that those who tried to rob the Nightmare Demon Pot knows of it's usage? If they didn't, they wouldn't try and do such dangerous things! There's only one group of people that would dare to do this kind of thing. Nie Li's afraid that only the Dark Guild would have the guts to do this. Whether if it's the Sacred Family or the Dark Guild, they have to be settled as soon as possible!

Although Nie Li's cultivation has raised by a lot, he only has the strength of a Silver rank, it's far from enough.

Although the Shadow Devil Demon spirit is extremely powerful in terms of assassination, under normal circumstances it's best to not reveal it so easily.

Although Nie Li wants to integrate with a lot of demon spirits, the [Heavenly God] cultivation technique can only allow him to integrate with seven demon spirits. After every integration, Nie Li's strength and cultivating speed will be greatly increased.

Of course, Nie Li is extremely picky towards demon spirits. After rebirth, Nie Li wouldn't go and integrate with those ordinary garbage demon spirits. After having the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, Nie Li is prepared to explore some ruins to search for some special demon spirits. However, after having the Nightmare Demon Pot, Nie Li has a whole new idea.

Which is to use the Nightmare Demon Pot to refine demon spirits!

Chapter 73: God Level Growth Rate

Nie Li took out the Nightmare Demon Pot. This black jade pot had a light luster on it that was emitting out a mysterious aura.

This item is an ancient treasure. He never thought that it would actually appear in the auction house. Which is why Nie Li couldn't be bothered about anything and had to buy it. If Nie Li missed this Nightmare Demon Pot, he'll definitely die with regret.

Nie Li's right hand stroked the Nightmare Demon Pot, injecting a little soul force into the pot.

The Nightmare Demon Pot shined, forming some sort of connection between it and Nie Li. Regarding the usage of this Nightmare Demon Pot, Nie Li only knows a little bit of it's usage, he still has to further study it.

One of the Nightmare Demon Pot's uses is that, by putting in ten types of demon spirits with the same attribute into the Nightmare Demon Pot to refine, there is a chance that it would refine out a stronger demon spirit. Of course, there is always a chance of failure.

Nie Li bought so many demon spirits so that he can refine out a stronger demon spirit.

"I already have an assassin-type demon spirit. What I need the most is a demon spirit that can face an enemy head on." Nie Li thought awhile. He bought a total of over two thousand Fighter-

type demon spirits. Only two thousand Fighter-type demon spirits. He began to wonder if he can get a stronger Fighter-type demon spirit out of them.

Every demon spirit is differentiated by the strength of it's soul. Which is the Bronze, Silver, Gold, Black Gold, Legend and so on. This is the category made by Glory City. What ordinary people don't know is, every demon spirit is different in terms of their growth rate, even if it's a low-grade demon. But if it has a powerful growth rate, it's not impossible for it to grow powerful to the point of being able to kill a Legend rank demon spirit.

At the same time, the growth rate of some demon spirits are much stronger than ordinary demon spirits. For example, Nie Li's Shadow Devil Demon Spirit.

Nie Li differentiated the growth rates into five levels. Which are: Poor, Ordinary, Good, Excellent, Extraordinary and God levels. The Shadow Devil Demon Spirit is, without a doubt, a demon spirit with a God level growth rate. Which also means that the growth of the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit is not limited.

Ordinary people don't even know how to differentiate a demon spirits growth rate, but Nie Li does know how to do it. Just like humans, the growth rate of the demon spirit can be differentiate by the use of soul crystals. Except the method of telling the differences is different.

As for this second integrated demon spirit, it will have a deep impact. Therefore, Nie Li has to carefully choose his second one. Even if he can't get a God level growth rate demon spirit, he has to

get one with at least an Extraordinary growth rate. Otherwise, buying the Nightmare Demon Pot at such a high price would be a waste.

Nie Li took out ten pieces of demon spirit stone, and used a soul crystal to test the level of these ten demon spirits.

“Shattered soul cloud, poor level demon spirit!”

“Shattered soul cloud, poor level demon spirit!”

“Shattered soul cloud, poor level demon spirit!”

“Broken soul cloud, ordinary level demon spirit!”

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Nie Li very quickly conducted the tests for the ten demon spirits. Seven poor level and three ordinary level, Nie Li couldn’t help feeling a little disappointed.

‘Sure enough, it’s quite difficult to pick out some high level growth rates between these ordinary demon spirits!’ Nie Li thought to himself, a little disappointed. Wanting to find another demon spirit with a growth rate of God level like the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit is too difficult. Otherwise, Nie Li wouldn’t have taken such a big risk to go to the Ancient Orchid Ruins.

These garbage demon spirits, if in the hands of others, would be treated as treasure.

Nie Li threw the ten demon spirit stones into the Nightmare Demon Pot, and operated the Nightmare Demon Pot with his soul force.

In just a moment, the Nightmare Demon Pot began lighting up, releasing a dazzling light. A flow of light began moving around inside. Nie Li can see that after the ten lights rotated nonstop, they gradually merged together, forming into a thick mist.

After around roughly ten minutes, the light from the Nightmare Demon Pot gradually dispersed. A demon spirit was like a spirit. It was moving around at the bottom of the pot.

Nie Li caught the demon spirit, then sealed it in a normal demon spirit stone. He then went ahead and checked the demon spirit's growth rate.

"Slightly completed soul cloud, with a Good level growth rate! This Nightmare Demon Pot is indeed extraordinary! However, a Good level growth rate demon spirit is still far from enough," Nie Li shook his head. He definitely won't put a Good level growth rate demon spirit in his eyes.

Nie Li placed the Good level growth rate demon spirit aside, then took another ten demon spirit stones and began checking.

Ten Fighter-type demon spirits, the best one would be that bull demon spirit. It has a Good level growth rate.

Nie Li once again mixed them up in the Nightmare Demon Pot.

Refine success!

Refine success!

Refine failure!

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The possibility of failure is rather small, probably once every ten times. However, after refining for sixty times, the best one that he got out of it is only an Excellent level growth rate Fighter-type demon spirit. The rest were all Good level growth rate demon spirits.

“Not enough!” Nie Li shook his head. The difficulty of rising Demon spirit’s growth rate is still rather high.

However, he still has so many demon spirits, so Nie Li will not give up refining. Among the two thousand demon spirits, there are around sixty that don’t require refining and are already Excellent level growth rate demon spirits and two hundred that are Good level growth rate, it’s still not bad. These demon spirits are originally strong in their growth rates by themselves.

For the next two days, Nie Li refined nonstop. One after another, he turned those Poor and Ordinary level growth rate demon spirits into Good level growth rate demon spirits. Then used the Good level growth rate demon spirits and refined them into Excellent level. Finally, left with over ninety excellent level growth rate demon spirits, he merge them into Extraordinary level demon spirits.

The higher the level of merging, the chances of failure is also greater. In the end, only five Extraordinary demon spirits had succeeded from be refined.

Looking at the five Extraordinary level growth rate demon spirits, Nie Li still isn't satisfied. If he had ten Extraordinary level growth rate demon spirits, he can have at least one chance of refining them into a God level growth rate demon spirit, and the chance of failure is very high. When refining for Extraordinary level growth rate demon spirits, the chances of success were only left with half. If he refined for a God level demon spirit, it would already be extremely good if there was a one out of five chance of success.

The Alchemist Association sent over Nie Li's share of the profit for the recent elixir sales, roughly around a billion.

After thinking about it, Nie Li went to meet Nie Hai and Nie En. He let Nie Hai and Nie En to help him acquire a large amount of Fighter-type demon spirits. As many as possible. For every Fighter-type demon spirit acquired, he would give them a little reward.

Nie Li's reward is rather rich, therefore they would definitely do their best. Hastily, Nie Hai and Nie En went to several merchant halls to acquire as many Fighter-type demon spirits as they can. After sending a few hundred millions, Nie Li got a total of tens of thousands of Fighter-type demon spirits and continued to use the Nightmare Demon Pot.

With the number of refining increasing, Nie Li realised that the Nightmare Demon Pot also had some changes. The originally smuggy demon pot became clearer. He can even see the process of the demons merging within.

Nie Li could feel that the Nightmare Demon Pot was absorbing a small portion of the power from the refined demon spirits. As time went on, the Nightmare Demon Pot became stronger.

Chapter 74: Fanged Panda

For the next five days, Nie Li focused on refining demon spirits.

Nie Li was able to obtain sixty Extraordinary level demon spirits in that timeframe.

‘Sixty Extraordinary level growth rate Fighter-type demon spirits. They could, more or less, give me at least one God level growth rate Fighter-type demon spirit, right?’ Nie Li thought to himself, as he continued to refine.

Nie Li put ten Extraordinary level growth rate demon spirits inside, started the Nightmare Demon Pot and began the refining process.

A bright light flashed. Nie Li could see a colourful light flashing inside the demon pot. Every type of demon spirit has a slightly different colour. Those colours eventually, gradually, mixed together.

‘I wonder what the first succeeded Fighter-type demon spirit will be?’ Nie Li thought. His gaze was not moving from the Nightmare Demon Pot.

As time passed, suddenly, the group of demon spirits within the Nightmare Demon Pot were destroyed, dispersing away.

“Failed.....” Nie Li widened his mouth, feeling the heartfelt pain

from the failure. One must know that a failure like this, is equivalent to tens of millions of demon spirit coins suddenly turned into nothing. Although Nie Li is rich, the chances of success is not very high.

There is only six chances and the first one failed, this is rather depressing.

Nie Li inhaled a breath of air, put in ten more Extraordinary level growth rate demon spirits into the Nightmare Demon Pot, and, once again, started the demon pot and began refining.

After roughly ten minutes, 'Boom!' A sound came from the Nightmare Demon Pot, another failure.

"Another failure……" Nie Li felt like vomiting blood. In just this short moment, another tens of millions were gone.

Is refining one God level growth rate demon spirit really that difficult? Although Nie Li felt depressed, he didn't give up. Losing a little money is nothing, after all, what he has the most now is money.

Nie Li threw ten more Extraordinary level growth rate demon spirit in, and began the third refining process.

Ten demon spirits were at the bottom of the Nightmare Demon Pot, constantly changing, slowly merging, a blinding light kept flashing. Waves after waves of soul spirit fluctuation came from

the Nightmare Demon Pot.

After feeling such majestic soul force, the pores all over Nie Li's body began to open up. His soul realm was absorbing the soul force coming from the Nightmare Demon Pot. He felt his body getting comfortably warm.

Ten Extraordinary level demon spirits were constantly merging. Finally, they formed into a whole new demon spirit.

"Success!" Looking at the demon spirit laying down at the bottom of the Nightmare Demon Pot, Nie Li felt endless excitement. He slowly guided the demon spirit into a demon spirit stone and began to examine it.

God level growth rate demon spirit!

After examining the growth rate of the demon spirit with a soul crystal, Nie Li fell into ecstasy. After two consecutive failures, Nie Li finally got a god level growth rate demon spirit!

This demon spirit is an Abyss Tiger. It's a Fighter-type, fluctuating with power. It has almost all the characteristics of an Abyss Tiger. The only difference is, it's whole body had a metallic luster emitting from it. On it's head, it had a pair of terrifying sharp horns, at the same time, it's body was covered with spikes.

Is this still an Abyss Tiger?

Nie Li was shocked. This was the product of refining with ten different demon spirits, therefore, it's characteristic would be different from ordinary demon spirits, much stronger than any ordinary demon spirit.

The Abyss Tiger belongs to a rather strong demon spirit within the Fighter-types. After having so many changes done to it, Nie Li doesn't know what other special abilities it has.

Nie Li kept the Abyss Tiger and continued to refine demon spirits. Next, he'll have three more chance left.

For the next three refinements, Nie Li's luck was pretty good. Out of the three, two had succeeded. One was covered in scales. It was a winged Scarlet Demonic Leopard. The other one, is a Fanged Panda?

The third God level growth rate demon spirit is actually a Fanged Panda. Nie Li was dumbfounded as he looked at it. This Fanged Panda is chubby looking, covered with black and white fur all over it's body. From the look of it, it seems harmless. Is it really a God level growth rate demon spirit?

Nie Li couldn't believe it. Nie Li examined the growth rate of this demon spirit again. It was indeed, a God level growth rate.

The Fanged Panda is an extremely low graded demon beast. It generally has no attacking capabilities. Therefore, those that choose to merge with this demon spirit is few in numbers. What makes Nie Li curious is, when the Nightmare Demon Pot begins its

refinement, generally, the stronger demon spirit absorbs the weaker demon spirit and, therefore, forms into a more powerful demon spirit; like the Abyss Tiger and the Scarlet Demonic Leopard. These two are extremely powerful. How did this Fanged Panda manage to absorb all the other demon spirits and survive?

"Strange," Nie Li can't help pondering. He examined the Fanged Panda carefully. Whether if it's the Abyss Tiger or the Scarlet Demonic Leopard, upon absorbing other demon spirits, they had special changes on their body. Like the horns and spikes of the Abyss Tiger, the scales and wings of the Scarlet Demonic Leopard. However, this Fanged Tooth Panda has no physical changes at all. It looks exactly the same as an ordinary Fanged Panda.

After falling into a brief silence, Nie Li thought of something. When the Nightmare Demon Pot is refining demon spirits, the demon spirits will always evolve to be stronger. Both the Abyss Tiger and the Scarlet Demonic Leopard had evolved. However, this Fanged Panda had no changes at all. Doesn't that mean that this Fanged Panda is already at its strongest form?

Nie Li knows of all the characteristics for the majority of demon spirits. However, this Fanged Panda confused Nie Li. Fanged Pandas is a type of demon beast that is far too weak. Almost no one would integrate with a Fanged Panda.

'Could it be that this Fanged Panda is not as simple as it looks!?' Nie Li thought as he fell into silence. After carefully feeling this Fanged Panda demon spirit, he can feel that in this Fanged Panda, there are two different kinds of energy. These two completely different energies were complementing with one another, forming

a wonderful balance between the two powers.

Yin-Yang balance! This is the most perfect form of nature.

There's a hidden light within the Fanged Panda's eyes, there seems to be a little bit of consciousness remaining. Another reason why this demon spirit is different from ordinary demon spirits. Normally, when a demon beast is killed, their consciousness would be gone.

"Really weird! I've decided! This shall be my second demon spirit!" Nie Li lightly smiled. He kept the Abyss Tiger and the Scarlet Demonic Leopard. Just having one Fighter-type demon beast is enough for one person. Having more than one would be wasteful.

'Du Ze and Lu Piao are both suitable to integrate with Fighter-type demon spirits, I'll just gift them these two God level growth rate demon spirits.' Nie Li thought to himself. As for Ye Zi Yun, Xiao Ning Er and the rest, Nie Li is prepared to make some demon spirits that match their attributes. After all, Ye Zi Yun is more suitable to integrate with a Snow Wind attribute demon spirit and Xiao Ning Er is more suitable for a Lightning attribute demon spirit.

Snow Wind attribute demon spirits and Lighting attribute demon spirits are much harder to get compared to the Fighter-type demon spirit. However, Nie Li has more than enough money now, therefore, he can slowly get them.

Cross-sitting, Nie Li began to integrate with the Fanged Panda.

Slowly guiding the demon spirit into this soul realm, Nie Li began to integrate with it.

Chapter 75: Combat Skills

After the Fanged Panda entered Nie Li's soul realm, it occupied an area. Maintaining a certain distance away from the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit.

The Shadow Devil Demon Spirit seemed to be afraid of the Fanged Panda and did not to move. The Fanged Panda seemed to have noticed the presence of the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, but did not approach it.

Both sides maintained a guard against each other.

After the Fanged Panda integrated with Nie Li's soul realm, the boundaries between the two was no longer that obvious. Suddenly, Nie Li had images flash across his mind that showed a chubby figure. This guy is naively cute. The Fanged Panda was gnawing on bamboo while clumsily climbing on a tree. 'Plop' the Fanged Panda fell down to the ground.

These images were of the Fanged Panda's past life. Nie Li could not help smiling. This fella is rather cute.

After roughly two hours, Nie Li's integrating with the Fanged Panda was finally completed. After integrating with the Fanged Panda, the two demon spirits began to affect one another, and began to expand Nie Li's soul realm by a considerable amount. Nie Li's soul realm was madly expanding, once again expanded by two fold. While the soul realm was expanding, his soul force was also surging up.

The soul force within Nie Li's soul realm turned into two flows. These two flows of soul force was flowing around uncontrollably, but, at the same time, they were complimenting each other. A majestic soul force was surging.

Boom!

Nie Li felt that his soul force suddenly increased by a lot.

Using a soul crystal, Nie Li realised that his soul force has already reached 2000. It had reached the realm of a 2-star Silver rank. After integrating with the Fanged Panda, Nie Li's strength had climbed up another level.

All of this was within Nie Li's expectations. What he's concerned about is not the speed of his cultivation, but the ability of the Fanged Panda.

Feeling the specialities of the Fanged Panda, Nie Li's eyes lit up. He leaped out of his room and ran straight towards the back mountains.

The Back Mountains

A small of forest was situated in the back mountains. It was quiet and uninhabited. Usually there wouldn't be anyone coming here, therefore, Nie Li is prepared to execute the combat abilities of the Fanged Panda.

"Roar!"

Nie Li furiously roared as his body began to expand. He quickly merged with the Fanged Panda. His muscle had expanded, his body was covered with black and white fur, his limbs had thickened, and claws were coming out from his fingers.

Thunder strike!

Nie Li's body was filled with unimaginable power. He threw a palm out, slamming it towards a big tree.

Boom!

A tree that was as thick as a big man broke. It fell onto the ground, raising dust into the air.

"Such powerful strength!" Nie Li's brows twitched. The power of this Fanged Panda was way beyond his expectations. In addition to Nie Li's understanding towards battle, not to mention Silver rank, Nie Li can engage in a battle against a Gold rank expert.

Aside from palm strike, Nie Li wondered if there was any other combat abilities.

Nie Li let out an angry snort, activating the energy of his Fanged Panda body. ‘boom!’ A powerful field was formed around him, a circumference of roughly five meters. Nie Li can control the gravity within these five meters.

Gravity field!

Such a rare combat ability!

Nie Li was in ecstasy. He never expected that this Fanged Panda would have such special combat abilities. Gravity field is extremely hard to guard against in battle. Nie Li felt that getting this Fanged Pandawas really the right choice!

He continued experimenting the combat abilities of this Fanged Panda. Due to Nie Li’s lack of understanding towards the Fanged Panda demon spirit, there were lots of combat abilities that he was unable to execute. However, after integrating with the Fanged Panda, the memories of the Fanged Panda flowed through Nie Li’s mind. Therefore, the difficulty of executing these new combat abilities was lessened by a lot.

“There is still the third combat ability!” Nie Li roared like a beast, opening his mouth and spat. Two black and white round balls were spat out from Nie Li’s mouth. The two balls drew a curved arc in the air, and then, landed on two different pieces of land.

Boom!

This two round balls exploded, and a horrifyingly powerful energy swept out, wiping everything out within ten meters of the landing points, leaving two huge craters on the ground. The stones within the soil was crushed into pieces.

At this moment, even Nie Li was dumbfounded by such a strong power.

Yin Yang Blast!

Nie Li remembers hearing of such a combat ability before. When one spits out the energy from within the body, it would bombard onto the enemy causing an explosion. However, an ordinary energy bomb only has one bomb. Nie Li's energy bomb has two.

"Let's call it the Yin Yang bomb!" Nie Li thought awhile, these two black and white bombs are indeed a little frightening. Nie Li felt his body condition for a while. This Yin Yang bomb cannot be used too much. Using it five times within a day would exhaust his body.

Gravity field and the Yin Yang bomb. These are definitely his biggest tricks within his hand!

Nie Li felt that the Fanged Panda still has a lot of combat abilities that he has yet to execute. He believed that with the increase of his

and the Fanged Panda's strength, he'll be able to execute a lot more combat abilities.

Not bad!

Although Nie Li has seen lots of demon spirits, after integrating with the Fanged Panda he became rather satisfied. Both the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit and the Fanged Panda have God level growth rates. If anyone knew about them, they would be driven crazy to have either one of them.

Nie Li dismissed the transformation, and recalled the Fanged Panda back into his soul realm. This Fanged Panda is still only an 1-star Bronze rank demon spirit. Nie Li began feeding it his soul force while madly taking elixirs to fill up the used soul force. At this moment, the Fanged Panda within Nie Li's soul realm was madly absorbing the coming soul force with its mouth open.

Generally, cultivators wouldn't be willing to use large amounts of soul force to feed a demon spirit. Although demon spirits are a part of their strength, a demon spirit can be changed. Rather than feeding a demon spirit, they would rather raise their own strength. When their strength is strong enough they would change to a stronger demon spirit.

However, Nie Li doesn't have the same thoughts. Whether it's the Fanged Panda or the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, he is prepared to nurture them.

While continuously absorbing soul force, the strength of the

Fanged Panda was continuously rising and finally reached into Silver rank.

After reaching Silver rank, the absorbing speed of the Fanged Panda began to slow down, to an almost stable level. There's a large connection between the strength of the demon spirit and the strength of the demon spiritualist. When the demon spirit reached the same strength as its owner, its growth will began to slow down. Only a small amount of demon spirits are able to surpass their owner in strength.

Because the growth rate of the Fanged Panda is God level, it's future strength will surpass Nie Li. However, it needs Nie Li to slowly nurture it. 'You can't become a fatso after one meal.' Reaching Silver rank in such a short amount time is not easy.

After reaching Silver rank, Nie Li let out a low snort. Once again he called out the Fanged Panda. The Fanged Pands merged with Nie Li. Nie Li's cultivation soared, becoming much stronger than before.

"Although I'm still Silver rank, an ordinary Gold rank Demon Spiritualist shouldn't be my opponent," Nie Li lightly smiled. A God level growth rate demon spirit's strength isn't what ordinary people can imagine.

Chapter 76: Forgiveness

While Nie Li was engrossed with his training, he was preparing to explore more about the Fanged Panda's combat ability, two figures hastily ran over from the other side of the forest.

"Hmm?" Nie Li slightly frowned, stood firmly and looked far away.

Shu shu!

The two figures landed, it's Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri.

"Who are you? You are being impudent in the territory of my Heavenly Marks Family!" Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri looked towards the merged Nie Li. After merging with the Fanged Panda, his body was very different.. He became much bigger, and his skin was covered with black and white fur, therefore, it's normal that they did not recognize Nie Li.

'It's them!' Nie Li stood at the same spot, slightly frowned.

The two brothers had grudges with him in his previous life due to internal affairs within the family. However, when the both of them battled with the demon beasts, they both died heroically. Therefore, Nie Li did not take any actions against them. Furthermore, their positions within the clan can no longer compete with Nie Li's. He did not place Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri as threats within his heart.

Nie Li's body rapidly shrank, returning to his original appearance.

"It's me!" Nie Li lightly said.

"Nie Li?"

Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri looked at Nie Li with surprised expressions. The shock that they had was extremely hard to describe. The transformation from earlier, was the form of Nie Li after merging with his demon spirit? Their eyes swept passed the fallen tree and the frightening craters in the ground. They were suddenly struck with fear.

Their original impression of Nie Li, is a brat who has yet to reach 1-star Bronze rank. They never thought that Nie Li had already become a Silver rank Demon Spiritualist. When they looked at Nie Li, their eyes had hints of awe flashing across.

In this short period of time, Nie Wei had already lost his position as Grand Elder, causing their standing within the family to plummet. When this happened they were extremely depressed. Although they were extremely unhappy with the current situation, they did not have any thoughts of revenge. They were just a little vexed and upset. Although there are conflicts between the branches, internal fights have been prohibited ever since the founding of Heavenly Marks Family. The punishment for internal fighting is extremely severe.

Furthermore, Nie Li's current position within the clan isn't something that can be shaken by them. In the past, they thought that the Patriarch was deceived by Nie Li, hence covering up for him. However, after Nie Hai announced that all of the elixirs that they got were given to them by Nie Li, they were finally convinced.

No matter who it is, making such a huge contribution to the family is worthy of respect.

When they found out that Nie Li has cultivated to Silver rank, they held only had admiration for Nie Li.

After being disturbed by the two brothers, Nie Li already lost the mood to continue training. After straightening his shirt a little, Nie Li turned around and was about to leave.

Seeing Nie Li leave, Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri knew that Nie Li does not have a good impression of them. Even though Nie Li's position changed within the clan, he did not take revenge upon them, which was is already fortunate. Watching Nie Li's leaving figure, Nie Xiao Ri hurriedly stepped out, and anxiously said, "Nie Li, please wait!"

"What?" Nie Li turned his head around, looking at Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri.

Nie Xiao Ri's face redden, after a long while, he mumbled, "Nie Li, sorry. We were in the wrong with the previous incident within the family, we apologize to you!"

Nie Xiao Feng also lowered his head and said, “No matter how you want to take revenge on us, we’ll accept it!”

Although Nie Xiao Ri and Nie Xiao Feng were a little tyrannical in his previous life, they were still good people. When the Heavenly Marks Family was in trouble, they volunteered to help. Therefore, that’s only the reason why Nie Li did not make things difficult for them. However, after listening to their apologize, Nie Li was a little surprised. He smiled, waved his hand and said, “I forgive you both.”

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri were stunned for a moment. They never thought that Nie Li would forgive them so easily. They couldn’t react to his response.

Nie Li lightly said, “I’m not someone that lacks of magnanimity. I heard that because of my view towards both of you, the Patriarch did not share any of the elixirs with you.” Nie Li retrieved some elixirs from his interspatial ring. His right hand moved, throwing the elixirs towards Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri and said, “This is your portion, consider it my gift.”

After speaking, Nie Li turned around and slowly walked away.

Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri looked at the elixirs in their hands, and looked at Nie Li’s leaving figure. They felt their noses turning slightly sour.

“Never thought that even though we picked on him so much in the past, he would have such big magnanimity. We shouldn’t have

done those things in the past!" Nie Xiao Feng said, criticizing himself. Watching Nie Li's leaving figure, he felt guilty.

"Yeah, compared to Nie Li, we are really shameful." Nie Xiao Ri lowered his head and said, "Big bro, Nie Li was so magnanimous. Not only did he not come after us, he still gave us elixirs. But we still feel bad for our deeds!"

Nie Xiao Feng and Nie Xiao Ri were both still very young. They only had that little arrogance in their heart, their characters weren't bad. This time, they firmly made up their minds to apologize to Nie Li. They never imagined that Nie Li would be so generous towards them. They were filled with so much guilt toward Nie Li. If Nie Li needed them to do anything in the future, they would absolutely not deny him!

Night was approaching. Nie Li was in his yard, training. Pure soul force was emitting out of the Nightmare Demon Pot, and Nie Li was absorbing the soul force nonstop, turning it into his own.

Nie i felt that his soul force had reached another level.

While Nie Li's focused on practising, someone knocked on the yard door.

"Come in!" Nie Li said loudly, but did not stand up.

After a moment, the yard door opened. Several people hastily entered. The leading man was Nie Hai. Following behind him were

Nie En and several other elders including his father, Nie Ming and his uncle Nie Kai.

Nie Li looked at the crowd in surprise, curiously asked, “What’s happening? Why are there so many people here?”

When they saw that Nie Li did not stand up and greet the Patriarch when he came and even questioned the Patriarch, Nie Ming and Nie Kai couldn’t help feeling nervous. They worriedly swept their eyes at Nie Hai, and noticed that Nie Hai wasn’t even a little angry and felt relieved. They secretly thought to themselves, ‘When we go back, we definitely have to educate Nie Li properly.’ Although Nie Li’s current position within the Heavenly Marks Family is high, he still can’t act spoiled. He must remain humble.

Is he is still that kid who once greeted Nie Hai with respect? The Nie Li today would not have much respect for even a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist, even if they were standing in front of him. In this life, he must become the emperor of humanity. He will fight the Sage Emperor, and help Glory City from its disaster. Right now, this is only the first step.

Nie Li’s experience is more than enough to overtake anyone in Glory City!

Chapter 77: Tournament

The elders looked at each other. They were finding Nie Li to be a little too daring with that indifferent look of his towards the Patriarch. However, Nie Hai and Nie En still did not realise anything. Furthermore, the Patriarch announced that from today onwards, Nie Li's standings within the Heavenly Marks Family will be on par with him.

The elders weren't able to comprehend Nie Hai's orders. However, since the Patriarch has ordered it, they can only follow.

"I received news that the Sacred Family invited a portion of the powerful families to participate in the younger generation's tournament. They also gave us an invitation, should we join it?" Nie Hai asked towards Nie Li. This younger generation tournament was hosted by one of the Major families once every few years. The amount of people that they invited would be at least a third of all the powerful families in Glory City.

If it's just an ordinary tournament then they'll be fine. However, Nie Hai is worried that the Sacred Family has some ulterior motives towards them.

"Of course we'll participate, why not? Send a letter towards the Alchemist Association to have them come view it and it'll be fine!" Nie Li calmly said. Since the Sacred Family has given Heavenly Marks Family an invitation, why not participate?

Hearing Nie Li's words, the elders looked at Nie Li with a little

surprise. How could the Alchemist Association be called whenever he wants? However, Nie Hai and Nie En felt that this is necessary.

"Then I'll have to trouble you to write a letter for Director Yang," Nie Hai said, lightly smiling. He's been waiting for this word from Nie Li. If the Alchemist Association were to send someone to oversee it, the Sacred Family won't be rash.

"There's three slots for this tournament. Nie Li, do you want to participate?" Nie En looked at Nie Li and asked. He already knew that Nie Li's strength has reached Silver rank and has integrated with a demon spirit.

"Definitely, I'm participating!" Nie Li calmly said, nodding his head. He just integrated with the Fanged Panda. It's a good chance use this tournament as a testing for the Fanged Panda's strength. In addition he has his agreement with Shen Fei, how could Nie Li not participate?

When Nie Hai and Nie En were talking to Nie Li, they were using a respectful tone. The elders were unable to get used to this. However, after thinking about all of the elixirs that Nie Li contributed to the family, they quickly understood. They all also understood one other thing.From today onwards, Nie Li's standing within the clan will no longer be the same.

Aside from Nie Li,Nie Xiao Feng and another Heavenly Marks Family called Nie Yu were participating. They both had cultivated to 2-star Silver rank.

[TLN: This is not the same Nie Yu as the little girl Nie Yu. Chinese have many characters that read the same way, slightly confusing isn't it? :/]

A twenty year old 2-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist is considered very good. They were considered geniuses with the family. However the strength of their demon spirits was only so-so. Nie Li wasn't petty, he got Nie Hai to give them Extraordinary level growth rate Silver rank demon spirits.

"This tournament will need half a month before it ready. Nie Li, you can start preparing. I've gotten news that those participating from the Sacred Family are all at least 5-star Silver rank!" Nie Hai said. They still have to be prepared for the underhand methods of the Sacred Family during the tournament.

"Oh," Nie Li lightly replied, looking very relaxed.

Underhand methods of the Sacred Family? Nie Li isn't worried a bit. What kind of underhand methods could escape from his eyes?

After that, Nie Hai, Nie En and bunch discussed the future of Heavenly Marks Family with Nie Li, including spending large amounts of money to recruit experts to increase the strength of Heavenly Marks Family.

"Don't worry about the money. I can provide a hundred million for the family to execute these things. However, you have to be extremely careful when recruiting people. Don't invite people of the Sacred Family or the Dark Guild carelessly." Nie Li thought

awhile and said.

A contribution of a hundred million coins? Nie Ming, Nie Hai and several elders had their eyes widen to the point that their eyeballs seemed to to fall out of their eye sockets. Nie Li said a hundred million so easily!

A hundred million coins would able the family to do lots of stuff, even recruiting a hundred Gold rank experts wouldn't be a problem!

Nie Hai and Nie En were rather calm this time. They clearly know that Nie Li's wealth is a frightening amount. A hundred million coins is probably a fur within the nine oxs. With a hundred million demon spirit coins, the influential power of the Heavenly Marks Family can be increased by large amount.

The elders finally understood why Nie Hai placed Nie Li at the same standing as him. All their unhappiness towards Nie Li was also dispersed. The Heavenly Marks Family is their root. As long as it benefits the family, they will support it. And to those who make contributions to the family, they should have the respect of everyone.

Even if the person has a low position within the clan. If they could give the family a hundred million demon spirit coins, they will bring them up.

After several hours of discussion, Nie Hai and bunch began to operate their plan, sending people to the Demon Spiritualist

Association and Fighter Association to recruit experts.

The Demon Spiritualist Association and the Fighter Association are different from the Alchemist Association as they do not have much power. They are only responsible to register all of the commoner's Demon Spiritualists and Fighters. Generally, commoner Demon Spiritualists and Fighters would choose to be recruited by powerful families. That way, they would be able to get more cultivating resources and stable income for their families. As for those powerful families, by recruiting commoner Demon Spiritualists and Fighters, they can increase their strength.

Every family will maintain a certain guard strength for the family. As for the Heavenly Marks Family, due to the fact of lacking funds, they have already disbanded their guard force. Now, they can finally recruit them again.

In addition to contributing a hundred million demon spirit coins, Nie Li also took out several powerful cultivation techniques and contributed them to the family. Every member within the family can practise them, and raise the strength of the family.

At this moment, Sacred Family

The Main Affairs Elder of the Sacred Family, Shen Ming, is currently handling all sorts of matters within the family. At this moment, three young men walked in. The one leading is Shen Fei. Behind Shen Fei, there were two men with roughly the looks of twenty plus years.

“Main Affairs Elder!” Shen Fei slightly cupped his hands.

“Main Affairs Elder!” The two men behind Shen Fei bent their bodies towards the Main Affairs Elder, Shen Ming. These two men were both members of the Sacred Family’s branch. Their status is far below Shen Fei’s. Although their cultivation is higher than Shen Fei, they were more humble than him.

“Mhm!” Shen Ming slightly nodded. He sighed within his heart. Although Shen Fei’s talent isn’t considered bad, having already reached 3-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist, if he were to be compared to the two branch members, Shen Ning and Shen Xiao, the difference is too big. The young twenty year old Shen Ning has already reached 5-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist. As for the twenty three year old Shen Xiao, he is already a Gold rank Demon Spiritualist.

The talent of the family’s young master couldn’t even be compared to the younger generation of the branch members. This hasn’t happened before in the past few generations.

“Young Master Shen Fei, are you sure that you want to join the tournament?” Shen Ming politely asked.

“Are you sure that Nie Li from the Heavenly Marks Family will join this tournament?” Shen Fei looked at Shen Ming, his eyebrow slightly twitched and asked. Because of the matter with Xiao Ning Er, his heart was filled with hatred for Nie Li. When he heard that the Heavenly Marks Family will also be joining this round’s tournament, although his strength is still far from enough, he still requested to join the tournament.

“I have received the replies from the Heavenly Marks Family. It has already been confirmed that the Heavenly Marks Family will participate in the tournament! That Nie Li should also be joining!” Shen Ming slightly nodded.

“That being the case, I must participate in the tournament. I have to step on that kid with my feet and mercilessly humiliate him!” Shen Fei said, his eyes turning cold. Thinking about Xiao Ning Er, Shen Fei’s heart was filled with resentment for Nie Li.

Chapter 78: Treasure

Shen Ming slightly nodded. This Nie Li exposed the Sacred Family on the matter with the [Scarlet Sunburst] inscription, causing the reputation of the Sacred Family to be greatly affected. They definitely have to teach him a lesson. This martial arts tournament is led by the Sacred Family. People of the Divine Family and the Snow Wind Family wouldn't be there. With Shen Ning and Shen Xiao, their win is already guaranteed. Adding Shen Fei wouldn't harm them.

"This martial arts tournament concerns the face of our Sacred Family. Therefore, we will host a bet. The various Patriarchs from the various families will also bet." Shen Ming said, "Regarding this matter, it's very crucial. It cannot have a flaw in it. Otherwise, when the Patriarch returns from his isolation training, you two will know of the consequences!"

Shen Ming's gaze swept on Shen Ning and Shen Xiao. He doesn't care if Shen Fei messes around, but if Shen Ming and Shen Xiao were to have problems, their punishments would definitely be severe.

Shen Ning and Shen Xiao were a little anxious. They hurriedly bent their bodies and said, "Yes, Main Affairs Elder. We will definitely do our best!"

Shen Fei's prideful gaze swept pass Shen Ning and Shen Xiao. Although they are unhappy with Shen Fei, they are members of the branch member of the Sacred Family, they do not dare to voice out. They obviously have higher cultivation compared to Shen Fei,

however, they were not treated fairly. How would they feel balance within their heart?

'In recent times, because they are sheltered by the Alchemist Association, the Heavenly Marks Family has not put us in their eyes anymore. When the Patriarch returns, we'll show them a good time!' Shen Ming thought. The Patriarch of the Sacred Family, Shen Hong, already at the peak of Black Gold rank cultivation. He wonders when he'll be able to breakthrough into Legend rank.

Once Shen Hong manages to break through the bottleneck into Legend rank, the standing of the Sacred Family will instantly no longer be the same. They will be able to even make some decisions regarding some of Glory City's matters. Even the City Lord has to take the opinion of the Sacred Family seriously. At that time, what ripple can the Heavenly Marks Family cause?

'I heard that the Heavenly Marks family has been recruiting a large amount of experts and spent tens of millions in the process. Where did all that money come from? It seems matter must be connected to the Alchemist Association! Is the Alchemist Association determined to nurture the Heavenly Marks Family?' Shen Ming thought to himself. The Alchemist Association has been repeatedly going against the Sacred Family to protect the Heavenly Marks Family. Furthermore, they have been secretly checking up on the Sacred Family. Could it be that the Alchemist Association found something?

The collusion between the Sacred Family and the Dark Guild can not be found out! Shen Ming has been very careful when handling

these matters. He will not let the Alchemist Association catch them by the tail. Once the Patriarch returns from his isolation, he will definitely have to report to the Patriarch about this matter.

It does not matter if the Alchemist Association is sheltering the Heavenly Marks Family. This time, they have to show the Heavenly Marks Family some colours, otherwise, how could the prestige of the Sacred Family remain?

The territory of Heavenly Marks Family

Nie Li has been locking himself up, bitterly training while acquiring demon spirits. He was refining a God level growth rate Snow Wind Demon Spirit for Ye Zi Yun and a Lightning Demon Spirit for Xiao Ning Er. Furthermore, he still has three other God level growth rate demon spirits. Which are of the God attribute, Sacred Flame attribute and the Holy attribute which are prepared for Wei Nan, Zhu Xiang Jun and Zhang Ming respectively.

In recent times, Nie Li has been busy with his integration with the Fanged Panda and raising his cultivation. He hasn't had the chance to go into the treasury of the Heavenly Marks Family, until now. Under Nie Hai's lead, they entered into a secret passage behind the Patriarch mansion. They passed through layers of thick defenses, and arrived at the treasury of the Heavenly Marks Family.

Treasury of the Heavenly Marks Family

Nie Hai was a little embarrassed. He pointed towards the stone

chamber and said, “This is the treasury of the Heavenly Marks Family!”

Hearing Nie Hai’s words, Nie Li’s gaze swept through the stone chamber. The walls of the stone chamber was filled with hooks, however, there was only around one-two hundred items. Nie Li’s gaze fiercely glanced at Nie Hai, and heartlessly said, “Patriarch, are you sure that this is the treasury of the Heavenly Marks Family?”

“Of course!” Nie Hai’s cheeks were slightly hot as he nodded.

“Why is there so few items in the treasury of the Heavenly Marks Family?” Nie Li glanced at Nie Hai from up to down and said, “Patriarch, it couldn’t be that the items in this treasury have been dug empty by you, right?”

“No such thing!” Nie Hai’s face instantly reddens and said, “Everything within the treasury is registered. If one wants to take an item out, it would have to pass through the agreement of all the elders. During these recent years, the Heavenly Marks Family was strapped for cash. In order to ensure the development of the family, we had no choice but to take some of the treasures out to exchange for money. By doing that, only did we had managed to maintain the Heavenly Marks Family until now!”

“I’m only casually saying. Why is Patriarch being so agitated?” Nie Li shrugged, walking forward.

Watching Nie Li’s back figure, Nie Hai was dazed. How was Nie

Li's brain developed? It's basically no different from an adults. He actually playing around with him, causing Nie Hai to feel a sense of powerlessness.

"The treasure that we sold, were those that were able to bought in the market. There is still some goods within the treasury that we are unsure of their uses, therefore, we do not dare to sell them recklessly." Nie Hai continued.

"Probably these treasures with unknown usage couldn't fetch much of a price, right?" Nie Li lightly glanced at Nie Hai.

"You..... Xiao Li, can't you save some face for me? Now that it's only the two of us, it's fine. But when there are outsiders..... after all, I'm still the Patriarch." Nie Hai was depressed. As a Patriarch, he was actually made speechless by Nie Li. However, he can't get angry towards Nie Li because the rising of the Heavenly Marks Family heavily relied on Nie Li.

"Of course. When we are outside, I'll definitely save some face for you." Nie Li said, nodding his head.

Hearing Nie Li's words, Nie Hai was slightly stunned for a moment, then bitterly smiled. What Nie Li meant is that, when there is no outsider, he will not save any face for him.

Nie Li looked at the various treasures hanging on the wall. Although the Heavenly Marks Family has declined, it's still a big family that has been passed down since the Snow Wind Empire Era, and so they still do have some good treasures. The treasure

that Nie Hai knows of, have basically all been sold off. However the items that have left over, are the real treasure.

“These last couple hundred treasures, I don’t know any of their uses nor power.” Nie Hai said, bitterly smiling as he looked at all the dazzling treasures.

It’s normal for Nie Hai to not know what these treasures can do. The majority of these treasures are from way before the Sacred Empire Era. Nie Li knows over ninety percent of them and the usage of each one. As for the left over ten percent, even Nie Li wasn’t even sure of their usage!

Chapter 79: Soul Weapon Katar

Nie Li's gaze fell onto one of the treasures.

This treasure was a pair of katars. They were a little worn out, their lights were a little dim. They were covered in dust. At the top of these katars were marks of rust on them.

'Katars? I never thought that I would found a soul weapon here, just my luck! I have to thank the predecessors of the Heavenly Marks Family for them!' Nie Li thought in his heart, taking the pair of katars down from the hooks.

"You want these things?" Nie Hai looked at the pair of worn out katars in Nie Li's hands. He was dazed for a moment and asked.

"Yeah!" Nie Li nodded.

Nie Hai has been wanting to take care of these katars long ago, however, due to their worn out appearances, he couldn't tell the power of this item. Therefore, no one would buy them and he left them alone. As the treasury of the family has been almost emptied, it could at least fill a slot.

In Nie Hai's views, there were still one or two items that were still valuable within the treasury, so why would Nie Li choose this pair of katars?

Nie Li placed the katars into his interspatial ring and continued

looking around in the family treasury. Although there were still a couple of things that were not bad, Nie Li did not take them. They would not help Nie Li raise his strength. The fact that he was able to get that pair of katars is already worth the trip here. His gaze fell onto the last two items.

One of them was a blueprint. It had all kinds of inscription patterns written on it. It seemed like the drawing of a certain item.

Nie Li continued staring at that paper. At this moment, Nie Hai explained, “I have no idea what kind of blueprint this is. There isn’t one person within the Heavenly Marks Family that has created this before. This drawing seemed to be in the shape of a bird.”

After staring at the blueprint for a while longer, Nie Li recalled. This is the masterpiece of the Dark Refinery Master, it’s called Soul Puppet. This is a bird form Soul Puppet. At the early times of the Sacred Empire, there were some Dark Demon Spiritualists. They were a bunch of mysterious existences and would often commit extremely evil acts, like making Soul Puppets. After making a Soul Puppet, they would seal a deceased expert’s soul inside and then use inscription patterns to control the Soul Puppet, making the puppet work for them. After the founding of the Sacred Empire, the Dark Demon Spiritualists were wiped out in a large scale. Things like the blueprint of a Soul Puppet, have long been destroyed.

Although these things flourished for a period of time, after the founding of Sacred Empire, these items were considered very rare. During the Age of Darkness, the blueprints of Soul Puppets was

even rarer. They have generally been forgotten in the history by the people.

Nie Li never thought that he would find a Soul Puppet blueprint here. One must know that if these are found at the Sacred Empire Era, the whole family would be wiped out.

“I’ll also take this!” Nie Li placed the blueprint into his interspatial ring. He is not prepared to use this to seal an expert’s soul into a soul puppet. After all, this kind of thing is too evil, but Nie Li still wants to study this Soul Puppet Art.

Nie Hai doesn’t have any objections in Nie Li taking the blueprint. After all, Nie Li gave the Heavenly Marks Family so many elixirs and demon spirit coins. They have already benefitted a lot from him. He still wishes for Nie Li to pick a few more things.

‘Let’s study the blueprint somewhere in the future.’ Nie Li thought to himself and continued to the next item. It’s a round shaped pearl. This pearl is black in colour, sparkling and shining with a black luster. Just taking a look would give a people of a tranced feeling.

This pearl is definitely not simple, even Nie Li doesn’t know of its origin.

“I’ll also take this!” Nie Li said.

“Others are fine, but this pearl……” Nie Hai hesitated.

“What? Is there a problem?” Nie Li asked, slightly frowning as he looked at Nie Hai.

“It’s not because of how much this pearl is worth. This pearl was left behind by the first generation Patriarch. Therefore, it has great meaning for the next generation, hence, we have to be sure to keep it.” Nie Hai said.

“I’m also part of Heavenly Marks Family’s next generation. So there shouldn’t be any problem for me to take it! I will be sure to keep it safe. This is two hundred million demon spirit coins, Patriarch can use it to buy back some of the treasure. Otherwise, the treasury of the family will be too empty!” Nie Li said as his right hand moved. He took out an interspatial and pass it over to Nie Hai.

As for this move of Nie Li’s, Nie Hai really doesn’t have any resistant to it. Nie Hai thought for a moment, looked at the interspatial ring and looked at that unknown pearl again. He bitterly smiled and said, “Okay then.”

This silver bullet attack from Nie Li is too frightening!

“Okay!” Nie Li lightly smiled. This trip was worth coming to. He does not know what that pearl is, but it’s definitely not something simple. And that Soul Puppet blueprint is also not bad. Furthermore, that Soul Weapon isn’t something that can be bought with money.

Soul Weapons are extremely useful if matched with a demon spirit. Since the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit already has its sharp claws, it doesn't need a katar. However, this katar would be suitable for the Fanged Panda.

"Patriarch Nie Hai, I'll return first!" Nie Li looked at Nie Hai and said.

"Okay!" Nie Hai sent Nie Li out. Right now, Nie Li is the richest within the family. Casually taking some money out would already be enough for the family to raise its strength. Because of Nie Li, the whole Heavenly Marks Family changed. So why wouldn't he treat Nie Li like a god?

If any other family had a younger generation like Nie Li, the Patriarch will probably even smile in his sleep.

Returning to his mansion, Nie Li took out the pair of Katar Soul Weapons. Towards this pair of katars that seemed like worthless metal, Nie Li let out a low snort, and operated his soul realm. Waves of soul force rushed out of the soul realm towards the pair of katars. Using soul force, Nie Li constantly smelt the pair of katars.

The rust stains on the Soul Weapon Katar slowly dissolved. Gradually, the katar began to emit a dazzling luster. Finally, the katar had some resonance with Nie Li. The katars trembled nonstop and then floated into the air. "Boom" they burst.

The pair of katars turned into light and entered Nie Li's soul

realm.

The power of a soul weapon has deep connections with the user's soul force. Generally, they would be a level stronger than the soul force. Which also means, since Nie Li's soul force is at the Silver rank, the strength of these katars would be at Gold rank. Even Gold rank experts could be wounded by them if they're careless.

As Nie Li's strength rises, the soul weapon will follow and get stronger.

'Soul Weapons are the masterpieces of the Thunder Demon Spiritualist at the late Snow Wind Era. Only they can create Soul Weapons, however, only a small amount of Thunder Demon Spiritualists were able to get their hands on the creation method of Soul Weapons. Only small amounts of Thunder Demon Spiritualist families have them. Everyone can only have one soul weapon in their entire lives. Once the human dies, the weapon will follow. Therefore, the amount of soul weapons left over from that era are only few in number. Those ignorant guys actually treated the Soul Weapon as a normal weapon. They were simply wasting resources recklessly! Luckily this was discovered by me, otherwise, there's no knowing how long it would have lost it's luster!' Nie Li lightly smiled as he thought to himself.

Chapter 80: Long Time No See

Holy Orchid Institute

An old man with a beard and hair white, is currently looking at the dazzling Xiao Ning Er in front of him. This elder is the Vice-principal of the Holy Orchid Institute, Ye Sheng.

“Xiao Ning Er, are you sure that you want to enter the Heavenly Sacred Border?” Ye Sheng said, frowning his brows, “You do know that entering the Heavenly Sacred Border has its dangers right? A few students, after coming out of the Heavenly Sacred Border, had huge problems with their soul realms.”

“Vice-Principal, do I have the qualifications to enter the Heavenly Sacred Border?” Xiao Ning Er raised her head, looking at Ye Sheng and asked. Her eyes flashed with firm determination.

“Of course, your talent is indeed qualified for it. There is indeed, great benefits for entering the Heavenly Sacred Border before reaching Silver rank.” Ye Sheng nodded. It’s been a long time since he had a student so outstanding.

“I have decided to enter the Heavenly Sacred Border,” Xiao Ning Her heavily nodded her head, her eyes flashed with unprecedented firmness.

“How about your father? Has he agreed to your action?”

“Yes!” Xiao Ning Er nodded. Truth is, she came over behind her family’s back.

“Okay then. In that case, I’ll fulfill your wish!” Ye Sheng nodded, together with a few teachers, brought Xiao Ning Er to a grand building behind the Holy Orchid Institute.

The teachers of the Holy Orchid Institute looked at each other. Truth is, they all quite admire Xiao Ning Er’s courage. She actually has the courage to enter the Heavenly Sacred Border. The Heavenly Sacred Border is an extremely mysterious place. Only the most outstanding genius among geniuses could enter. Of those who’ve entered, many had problems occured to their soul; some came out without gaining anything. Only a few managed to pass through the Heavenly Sacred Border. Of course, those who passed through the Heavenly Sacred Border obtained powerful heritage and became a power existence. They would at least become a Black Gold rank Demon Spiritualist. Only Ye Mo managed to reach the Legend rank Demon Spiritualist.

There has always been a legend about the Heavenly Sacred Border. Those who managed to pass through the Heavenly Sacred Border are able to become the focus attention genius of the whole Glory City. Such a talent would be able to receive the protection of the City Lord Mansion. The City Lord Mansion will definitely protect the safety of this genius. They will not allow anyone to disturb his/her training. At the same time, there would also be lots of privileges.

The reason why Glory City has not toppled under the threats of the demon beasts is highly connected to the geniuses of Glory City. It is exactly the rising of these genius, that Glory City managed to maintain itself. Therefore, Glory City’s protection towards geniuses are very complete and thoughtful.

Under the guidance of Ye Sheng and the teachers, Xiao Ning Er walked towards the grand building. She lowered her head as began to daydream a little. She's wondering how Nie Li is doing.

'I have to continue to chase after you, fight side by side with you. And, one day, you will finally pay attention to me!" Xiao Ning Er thought to herself. Her face had a hint of charming blush. She recalled all the encounters with Nie Li. Unknowingly, Nie Li's figure could no longer disappear from her heart.

The reason to why Xiao Ning Er is trying so hard, half of the reason is to grab Nie Li's attention.

Xiao Ning Er raised her head, walking forward in big steps.

Several days later, Glory City's Northern Martial Field

The Northern Martial Field is a field that's a few kilometers in circumference. Their are viewing stands, enough to accommodate tens of thousands of people, surrounding the martial field. There would often be lots of competitions being hosted in this area. This is due to the fact that Glory City's people have high interests in martial arts, therefore, there would be lots of people coming over. Many will also come over to participate in all kinds of bets.

At this moment, people of various families have already seated within the Northern Martial Field. Members of the Heavenly Marks Family were sitting at a corner of the north side. Their distance from the Sacred Family isn't far.

In the past, no one would pay attention to a declining family like the Heavenly Marks Family. But now, no family would neglect the Heavenly Marks Family.

What makes others jealous, envious, and hateful, is that Director Yang Xin of the Alchemist Association is also here. She even brought three elders of the Alchemist Association over and was sitting right beside the Heavenly Marks Family. They were talking and were laughing with the Heavenly Marks Family. This caused other families to be burning with jealousy.

Normally, they would try their best to curry up to figures like Yang Xin and the Alchemist Association's elders, but, no matter what they tried, they still wouldn't get any attention. They would never be in their eyes. However, Yang Xin's expressions have been polite towards the people from the Heavenly Marks Family.

"Little brother Nie Li, that pot of yours almost killed big sister Yang Xin. How are you planning to make it up to your big sister?" Yang Xin said, charmingly looking at Nie Li. Truth is, the situation wasn't so serious. The people that tried to kill her on that day were taken care of in a flash by her bodyguards. There was no danger. However, in front of Nie Li, she made it sounded so serious.

Nie Li, naturally, knows what Yang Xin wants. He lightly smiled and said, "About this matter, I'll owe big sister Yang a favour."

"Good!" Yang Xin smiled, giving her soft waist a stretch and said, "Why hasn't this tournament started yet. I'm starting to get a little

bored.. Is little brother Nie Li going up too? Big sister will have to pay close attention to that!”

Several other men of a few other families saw the curvy and charming Yang Xin with widened eyes, unable to shift their gaze off her. When they saw her plump chest when she stretched, they couldn’t help swallowing a mouthful of saliva.

Because Yang Xin has unparalleled beauty, her high status, no one dared to go forward. Who would joke around? She is someone who can decide a family’s fate. Who would dare to be rash around her?

Yang Xin has already got used to those heated gazes, and turned a blind eye against them. Instead, her gaze would occasionally fall on Nie Li.

While Nie Li and Yang Xin were chatting, several people from the Sacred Family walked over. The one taking the lead is the Main Affairs Elder of the Sacred Family, Shen Ming.

“Director Yang, long time no see! Never thought that you would be interested in the martial tournament between a few families.” Shen Ming said, smiling. His eyes flashed a hint of fear. He never thought that the Heavenly Marks Family would actually have the ability to call Director Yang and three other elders of the Alchemist Association over.

Although the Sacred Family is one of the three Major families, in the face of a powerful force like the Alchemist Association, they

still have a deep fear for repercussions. Without mentioning others, the Sacred Family still has to buy a huge amount of elixirs from the Alchemist Association yearly. If the Alchemist Association were to suddenly reduce the share of the Sacred Family's, they will be greatly affected.

"I'm not interested towards the martial tournament. I'm only here to watch little brother Nie Li. I might even place a bet too. I heard that the Sacred Family is the banker this year." Yang Xin said, smiling.

Little brother Nie Li? Shen Ming's gaze swept across Nie Li's face, secretly thinking about the relationship between Nie Li and Yang Xin.

"Correct. We, the Sacred Family, are indeed the bankers this year. Director Yang is also interested to place one or two bets?" Shen Ming's expression stiffened for a moment. Who doesn't know about the Alchemist Association being extremely rich now? Even if it's the Sacred Family, they couldn't afford to play with them.

"I'm just casually playing. My bet will be on little brother Nie Li alone. Main Affairs Ming, you don't have to worry about it, haha!" Yang Xin said, lightly laughing.

Nie Li's gaze looked towards Shen Ming, and then shifted onto Shen Fei beside Shen Ming. He only saw that Shen Ming had the vicious eyes of a snake, looking at him. Not only was there hatred for stealing his fiancée, Shen Fei simply hated Nie Li to death. If it wasn't for Yang Xin backing him up, he would come up and bash Nie Li up.

“Haha! Young Master Shen, long time no see!” Nie Li totally ignored the vicious eyes of Shen Fei, laughed and said. As if he wasn’t aware of the grudges between them.

Chapter 81: Bet

Looking at Nie Li's expression, Yang Xin understood what happened. Nie Li has some conflict with this Shen Fei. The reason Nie Li called her over, the purpose is very clear. It is to fight with the Sacred Family.

Even knowing that she would offend the Sacred Family, she stood on Nie Li's side without any hesitation. She easily made that decision.

"Hmpf" Shen Fei snorted. He did not bother himself with Nie Li. 'I'll let you be arrogant for a while longer. When the tournament starts, watch how I mess with you to death!'

"Haha, Young Master Shen is really friendly!" Nie Li laughed, "Ning Er would often mention to me about you, saying that you are a generous man!"

Hearing Nie Li mentioning Xiao Ning Er, Shen Fei was simply about to explode. Nie Li is really touching his weak spots. He seems to feel that there is a green hat on his head.

Seeing that Shen Fei's colour turned into the colour of pig liver, Nie Li seemed to have not noticed it. He continued, "Recently, Ning Er's cultivation has been going through leaps and bounds, soon reaching the Silver rank! I even helped her with a massage. Her Artic disease is almost cured. Speaking of which, Young Master Shen still has to thank me!"

Massage……

Hearing Nie Li's words, images appeared in Shen Fei's head. He almost vomited blood. Everyone must know that, even now, Xiao Ning Er hasn't even let him touch her hands!

"Surnamed Nie. You're really pissing me off. I'm going to kill you!" Shen Fei could no longer control himself. Both of his eyes widened. As a direct descendent of the Sacred Family, being proud and arrogant, he has never been treated with this kind of humiliation. Shen Fei rushed out, throwing a punch towards Nie Li.

At this moment, Yang Xin's eyebrows twitched. She lept in between the two. Although she clearly knows that Nie Li is purposely provoking Shen Fei, she bitterly smiled in her heart. Since Shen Fei is finding Nie Li's trouble, she naturally can't sit there and do nothing about it.

Seeing Nie Li purposely provoked Shen Fei and got Yang Xin to stand out for him, Shen Ming was also slightly angry inside. He pulled Shen Fei back without saying anything.

"Young Master Shen Fei, don't be rash!" Shen Ming said, slightly smiled, "The martial tournament will soon begin. Presumably, the Nie Family will definitely send someone to do battle. Why don't you have a showdown later? No point harming the harmony!"

Shen Fei's chest heaved nonstop. He forcefully pull back his anger. He glowered at Nie Li. He can clearly see that Nie Li has the

protection of the Alchemist Association, therefore fears nothing. Here, he couldn't do anything to Nie Li. But when the tournament starts, he will teach Nie Li a harsh lesson.

If Nie Li doesn't go up, then they will just beat the crap out of the Heavenly Marks Family's representatives, and see if Nie Li will still not come down.

Shen Fei inhaled a deep breath, and stopped his tracks.

After hearing that, Nie Li calmly said by the side, "About the tournament, it's pointless without any profits. If there isn't any bet, I'll not be entering."

"Oh?" Shen Ming lightly glanced at Nie Li and asked, "I wonder what kind of bet you want?"

"For this round's tournament, I'll be the banker! No matter how much the Sacred Family wants to bet, I'll take it all. But if the bet is too low, I'll not be playing." Nie Li casually said.

"You be the banker? You have that much money?" Shen Ming's brows slightly twitched. Once the bet starts, both sides have to fork out an equal amount of money. Winner takes everything, "I'm afraid that the Heavenly Marks Family wouldn't be able to afford to play!"

"With big sister Yang here, the Sacred Family is scared that I could not afford to play?" Nie Li said, lightly smiled.

Yang Xin could see that the reason why Nie Li angered Shen Fei, and provoked the Sacred Family is to let the Sacred Family fall into his trap and bet with him. Seems like Nie Li has the confidence to win against Shen Fei.

“If little brother Nie Li couldn’t afford it, I’ll pay for him!” Yang Xin said, smiling.

“Since Director Yang said so, then we’ll have a game or two. The tournament between Young Master Shen Fei and this Young Master Nie Li, I’ll bet that Shen Fei wins. Stake is fifty million demon spirit coins, do you dare to accept?” Shen Ming narrowed his eyes, looking at Nie Li.

Shen Fei’s fierce gaze was also on Nie Li.

“Fifty million demon spirit coins?” Nie Li suddenly widened his eyes.

“What, you’re scared?” Shen Fei snorted. This time, fifty million demon spirit coins at stake. Doesn’t it scare you silly?

“I say, you stake fifty million demon spirit coins, and yet, you still have the guts to play? Such a big family like the Sacred Family only dares to bet so little?” Nie Li, looking puzzled, looked at Yang Xin and said, “Big sister Yang, is the Sacred Family really so poor? Fifty million demon spirit coins is barely enough to buy sweets for kids.”

Looking at Nie Li's expression, Yang Xin laughed in her heart. Nie Li is still a full of bad ideas. He's luring the Sacred Family. She shook her head, and seriously said, "Little brother Nie Li, fifty million demon spirit coins is considered a lot for their type of family."

"How could this be? So shabby?" Nie Li took out a bunch of demon crystal cards, approximately twenty-thirty demon crystal cards, waved his hand and threw them towards the stage. It instantly caused a commotion on the stage. Someone had casually thrown out hundreds of thousands of demon spirit coins. Nie Li had an extremely arrogant look and said, "Since the Sacred Family is so poor, I'll force myself to play with you guys. If I win the fifty million demon spirit coins, I'll split them with the audience. Since there isn't much meaning to it, I'll just treat it as throwing some pocket money."

Hearing Nie Li's words, Shen Ming's and Shen Fei's faces paled. Nie Li is too crazy. Fifty million demon spirit coins is not a small amount. Ordinary noble families couldn't even take out so much money. Only a Major family like the Sacred Family could afford such an amount. Of course, it cannot be compared to the Alchemist Association. The Alchemist Association now is too rich. It's even more wealthy than the City Lord Mansion.

"Fifty million, you even have the guts to say so little!" Nie Li laughed in disdain.

Shen Ming inhaled a breath, but still remained calm. Since Nie Li angered Shen Fei, he definitely has the confidence. First round,

just betting fifty million is no big deal. After all, there is still lots of chances. First, look at Nie Li's strength before anything else!

"First round we'll just play fifty million. We'll see if you are still willing to continue playing." Shen Ming said and lightly smiled. Even if Nie Li is confident about winning against Shen Fei, there is still two other representatives from the Sacred Family. Putting a bet on those two is more reliable.

"Sure, as long as the Sacred Family wants to play, I'll follow the the end. I'll be the banker, no matter how much the Sacred Family is betting, I'll accept it all!" Nie Li said.

Looking at Nie Li's arrogant expression, Shen Ming sneered. However, he still politely said, "This young master of the Heavenly Marks Family is really straightforward. I wonder who will be the witness?" Shen Ming took a glance at Yang Xin and said, "I'm afraid that Director Yang could not do it."

"All the other families will be the witness to this bet!" Nie Li said.

"Okay!" Shen Ming also said, straightforwardly.

The Sacred Family's and the Heavenly Marks Family's deliberately publicized bet was quickly spread out. The whole tournament field was heated up. All the Patriarchs of various families were also invited to be witnesses.

"What's wrong with the Heavenly Marks Family, to actually bet

against the Sacred Family?”

“You don’t know? The Heavenly Marks Family is sheltered by the Alchemist Association. They are now very rich. They seems to be fighting with the Sacred Family.”

“You sure that this is not between the two giants, the Sacred Family and the Alchemist Association instead?”

“Who knows?” Various Patriarch were discussing.

Chapter 82: Fanged Panda's First Battle

Everyone's attention shifted from the various families, towards the bet between the Sacred Family and the Heavenly Marks Family.

Many Patriarchs were looking with the mood of watching a show.

"Heard that the Heavenly Marks Family had a fifty million demon spirit coin bet with the Sacred Family."

"Fifty million demon spirit coins, such an amount is truly something only the Sacred Family and the Alchemist Association can afford to play. The small Heavenly Marks Family can definitely not afford it! Without the shelter of the Alchemist Association, the Heavenly Marks Family probably doesn't even dare to play!"

The bet between the two families somewhat caused the whole arena to be heated up.

Aside from their personal bet with Nie Li, the Sacred Family also opened the bet to the public. Nie Li winning would be 1:1.5, Shen Fei would be 1:1.3, those betting on Shen Fei taking Nie Li down in a move would be 1:1.9.

Nie Li took a glance at the bets. There was a bet on Nie Li winning against Shen Fei in one move. The rate reached to a 1:11.

‘Pity that you can only make a bet of 6 million at a time. If there wasn’t a limit, I’d bet till the whole Sacred Family becomes poor!’ Nie Li hiddenly thought to himself. First round I’ll just casually play around with you guys, in the next few round, I’ll play big.

Nie Li had Nie Hai and bunch to secretly send someone to place the bet. Some of the bets were spread out a little, so as to not attract much attention. Placing roughly around thirty million demon spirit coins onto Nie Li. One portion of the bet is for Nie Li beating Shen Fei within twenty moves. The betting payout is 1:3.

Under the powerful cheering from the crowd, both sides were preparing to enter the arena.

Heavenly Marks Family’s Nie Hai, Nie En and bunch all had expressions of excitement on their faces.

Yang Xin looked at Nie Li, the corner of her mouth slightly curled into a smile. She had a feeling that Shen Fei will definitely lose miserably.

Shen Ming and bunch returned to the view area for the Sacred Family, threw a glance at Shen Fei and said, “The tournament doesn’t allow items like battle armour. However, elixirs are allowed. Take two Demon Spirit Strengthening Pills with you, in case you’ll need it!”

The Demon Spirit Strengthening Pill is a kind of pill that are provided to the Major families from the Alchemist Association. Usually, they would only be used in battle against demon beasts.

Who would use such expensive elixirs at a tournament? However, because of the bet with Nie Li, a pill of the Demon Spirit Strengthening Pill cost more than one million, it'll be worth it.

The Demon Spirit Strengthening Pill can greatly enhance the demon spirit's strength. However, it also has a certain amount of side effects, causing long term damage towards the Demon Spirit. However, it doesn't cause any damage towards the cultivator. For the Sacred Family, this is nothing. Even if Shen Fei's demon spirit is damaged, the Sacred Family can immediately switch it out for a stronger one.

"Furthermore, you have to beat Nie Li after twenty moves. With that, we can truly win!" Shen Ming said, looking at Shen Fei.

"You actually want me to beat him after twenty moves? He's really having it easy!" Shen Fei's gaze flashed a hint of viciousness.

"Young master Shen Fei, you definitely mustn't underestimate your opponent!" Shen Ming informed Shen Fei.

"I understand!" Shen Fei nodded. Although he did not say anything else, he felt a little disdain in his mind.

The various Patriarchs have finished placing their bets. The majority bet that Shen Fei will win against Nie Li. Many bet that Shen Fei will defeat Nie Li within twenty moves. Those who bet on Nie Li to win is quite a few. After all, the Alchemist Association wouldn't gift fifty million over to the Sacred Family if they don't have the confidence to win. The whole audience was getting

heated, and cheered fiercely, as they watched Nie Li and Shen Fei enter the arena.

“Young master Shen Fei, beat that Heavenly Marks Family’s Nie Li!”

“Young master Shen Fei, good luck!”

“Nie Li good luck! Defeat the Sacred Family! You can do it!”

The cheering on the field was getting louder and louder. If Shen Fei defeats Nie Li, the Sacred Family would win a lot of money.

Under thousands of gazes, Nie Li and Shen Fei stood at their respective positions in the arena.

“I will make you lose miserably. Furthermore, I wouldn’t let you off so easily.” Shen Fei’s face held a vicious smile. He definitely has to make Nie Li lose miserably, for daring to touch his woman!

“Young Master Shen Fei’s words are simply praise to me. Wait till I go back, I will definitely tell this to Ning Er!” Nie Li laughingly said.

Looking at Nie Li, Shen Fei almost exploded. However, he forcefully suppressed his anger. He remembered Shen Ming’s words, he must only win against Nie Li after twenty moves.

Shen Fei let out an angry snort, as he emitted a strong fighting intent from his body. Shen Fei raised his hands and threw them towards Nie Li. Facing an opponent like Nie Li, Shen Fei wasn't going to use his demon spirit at the start. Once he uses his demon spirit, Nie Li probably wouldn't be able to handle his attacks. Not to mention beating Nie Li after twenty moves.

Seeing this scene, the corner of Nie Li's mouth curled. He predicted that this idiot wouldn't use his demon spirit. 'Then I'll destroy this guy in one move!'

'I'm really speechless. Originally I wanted to act a little bit, pretend to barely win over you. Seems like I no longer have the need for it anymore!' Nie Li hiddenly thought to himself. His soul realm suddenly activated, "Lets go! Fanged Panda!"

A huge Fanged Panda appeared out of the thin air, then merged with Nie Li causing the muscles on Nie Li's body to be strengthened.

Shen Fei continued to punch towards Nie Li. He originally thought that Nie Li would fight him with strength alone for a while. He never thought that Nie Li would summon his demon spirit without any indication. Furthermore, Nie Li's speed of calling out his demon spirit is extremely fast. In just a blink of an eye Nie Li had already finished merging with his demon spirit. This caused Shen Fei unable to respond in time. Even if he wanted to call out his demon spirit, it was already too late.

Such a low level demon spirit like the Fanged Panda, what's the use of calling it out? Shen Fei has absolute confidence in his own

strength. At most, after exchanging a blow with Nie Li's Fanged Panda form, he'll immediately retreat and call out his own demon spirit.

There is actually someone stupid enough to integrate with such a low level demon spirit like the Fanged Panda. Such a rubbish demon spirit like the Fanged Panda, Shen Fei doesn't even consider it a threat.

[Editor: HE DOESN'T GIVE PANDAS FACE!]

'Even if you called out your demon spirit, so what? Such a rubbish demon spirit like the Fanged Panda can absolutely not be my opponent.' The corner of Shen Fei's mouth revealed a chilling smile. He wants to beat Nie Li down to the ground.

Then mercilessly step on Nie Li. All of this is in order to relieve the hatred in his heart.

Seeing Shen Fei's fist was almost upon him. At this moment, the Fanged Panda merged with Nie Li. He lightly smiled and threw a palm towards Shen Fei's head.

[TLN: BITCH SLAP!!]

Boom!

Nie Li's Fanged Panda slapped Shen Fei's face, and heavily slammed him into the ground. Cracks surfaced upon the ground.

Suffering such a slap, it's definitely not a good feeling.

Such a heavy strike!

Shen Fei never imagined that the strength of a palm from Nie Li would actually have such frightening strength in it!

Although Nie Li merged with a Fanged Panda, that Fanged Panda isn't an ordinary demon spirit. It's a Fighting-type demon spirit with a God level growth rate. It has frightening strength in contrast to its outer, docile, looks.

Shen Fei had probably been slapped silly. On one hand, Nie Li is too cunning. He actually merged with his demon spirit while facing someone that hasn't merged with his own spirit. On another hand, no one thought that the Fanged Panda Nie Li summoned had such frightening strength.

Shen Fei's ears were ringing. He had his head slammed heavily into the ground. Although his own cultivation is considered quite good, after suffering this one attack, its definitely not a good feeling. His head feels like it's about to explode.

The whole arena was in an uproar.

"Damn. It couldn't be that young master Shen Fei is letting himself get defeated on purpose right? He's not using his demon spirit in battle."

“That Nie Li is too shameless. He was about to merge with a demon spirit without any indication. And, young master Shen Fei did not summon his demon spirit! This is simply too shameless!” Those that betted on Shen Fei shouted.

In their view, it wasn’t that Shen Fei underestimated his opponent. It was Nie Li calling out his demon spirit without any indication. If Shen Fei knew beforehand, he definitely wouldn’t suffer such a loss.

In that exchange of attacks earlier, Shen Fei suffered a loss. This caused the people of the Sacred Family to almost explode.

“Despicable!”

“The Heavenly Marks Family is too despicable!” Sacred Family’s side yelled.

As for those that bet on Nie Li, they naturally stood on Nie Li’s side. When they saw Nie Li slam Shen Fei onto the ground with just a slap, they were overjoyed. For him to gain an upper hand at the start of the battle, seems like it’s not impossible for Nie Li to win against Shen Fei.

“What has Nie Li done wrong? There can never be too much deception in war! It’s the stupidity of young master Shen Fei! Actually underestimating his enemy and not using his demon spirit. Who is to blame but himself?”

Over on the Heavenly Marks Family's side. Although Nie Hai, Nie En, and bunch felt that Nie Li is a little too despicable, they wouldn't weaken their own momentum.

"You Sacred Family's people only have eyes on the top. For a Demon Spiritualist to not summon out their demon spirit and facing an opponent without one, isn't that stupid?"

All kinds of voices sounded here and there.

After the brief, heated arguments, the arena finally quieted down. They realized that they have just reacted to an unexpected situation.

"Damn, what did I just see?"

"That's actually a Fanged Panda? There's actually someone using such a garbage demon spirit like the Fanged Panda?"

"Is the Heavenly Marks Family poor? Are they only able to get a Fanged Panda for it's younger generation?

"What can a Fanged Panda do? When facing other demon spirits, isn't it nothing more than vegetable material?"

"Young master Shen Fei was probably taken advantage of in just that moment. Wait until after he merges with his demon spirit. We'll see how he badly he'll slaughter that kid!" Those that bet on Shen Fei were all heated up.

“F**k, he actually brought out a Fanged Panda to throw faces. F**k this runt!”

“F**k! Kill him!”

Nie Hai, Nie En, and everyone else from the Heavenly Marks Family were dumbfounded. Especially Nie Hai and Nie En. They have been going around acquiring large amounts of demon spirits these days. There are lots of other demon spirits stronger than the Fanged Panda, so why would Nie Li choose a pet like Fanged Panda? There doesn’t make any sense!

Not only the Heavenly Marks Family, Yang Xin was also surprised. She clearly knows exactly how much money Nie Li has. With Nie Li’s wealth, buying an extraordinary demon spirit is simple, but Nie Li actually chose a Fanged Panda. This made everyone unable to understand his actions.

However, what they don’t know is that, Nie Li’s Fanged Panda is not an ordinary Fanged Panda. It’s a demon spirit with the growth rate of God level.

Although Nie Li had taken the advantage at the first exchange, the whole arena still doesn’t think that Nie Li will win. Everyone widened their eyes, prepared to see Shen Fei merge with his demon spirit and beat Nie Li!

Chapter 83: You Let Me Win

The whole Martial Field was filled with all sorts of shouts.

At this moment, at the center of the arena, Shen Fei that got his head slapped flying had his head slightly cleared up and was struggling to get up. At this point, Shen Fei's anger soared to the sky. The reason why he did not call out his demon spirit is because of Elder Shen Ming's instructions. He was only to beat Nie Li after twenty rounds. Who would have known that Nie Li would call out his demon spirit without any indication?

Eating a loss for no reason, Shen Fei was simply going to explode. He completely threw away what Elder Shen Ming instructed him.

"Since you asked for it, I'll kill you!" Shen Fei angrily roared, his soul realm trembling. A demon spirit aura emitted out from his body.

The one that Shen Fei had integrated with, is an extremely powerful Scarlet Black Tiger demon spirit. The Scarlet Black Tiger is an extremely frightening demon beast. This demon spirit was hunted by the Patriarch of the Sacred Family himself. It's a 1-star Black Gold rank demon beast, therefore, extremely strong. Strong enough to allow Shen Fei's strength to soar several times.

"Young Master Shen Fei is finally going to use this demon spirit……"

The audience was heated up.

“This aura……”

“Heavens! It’s too horrifying! It’s actually a Scarlet Black Tiger!”

Scarlet Black Tiger versus the Fanged Panda? The outcome is very easily predictable. Almost everyone felt that the Fanged Panda will be handled after one move.

Shen Fei’s aura kept soaring. The aura of the Sacred Black Tiger is very strong, causing everyone to be shocked by its power.

Nie Hai, Nie En, and bunch couldn’t remain seated anymore. With Nie Li’s Fanged Panda, it’s absolutely impossible to compete against the Scarlet Black Tiger. The gap between their strengths is too great!

“What now? Let’s get Xiao Li to surrender!”

Those who bet on Shen Fei were yelling excitedly. They were cheering for Shen Fei. In their views, this match is Shen Fei’s win!

Eventually, all the voices stopped.

Just when Shen Fei was operating his soul realm within his body, at the crucial moment of him calling out his demon spirit, Nie Li took a few steps forward, and threw a slap at the back of Shen Fei’s head.

Boom!

Shen Fei, who was about to merge with his demon spirit, had, once again, slammed heavily onto the ground, causing a huge crater to appear. Shen Fei's merging process was interfered. That surging aura, dispersed. Shen Fei, at this moment, is simply a tragic sight to see. That originally handsome face, was slapped to the point that it was closely stuck to the ground.

And the culprit who did this, Nie Li, is currently stretching himself.

Dumbfounded!

The whole arena was shocked!

Nie Hai, Nie En, Yang Xin, and bunch were also all dumbfounded.

"Despicable! Too shameless!" Nie Hai, Nie En, and bunch felt their faces heating up. They were getting the feeling of having their dignity thrown away. Is this still the Heavenly Marks Family? This... The Heavenly Marks Family's lineage actually taught such a despicable younger generation?

Even those that bet on Nie Li to win had their face redden. Although Nie Li had the upper hand, this... doesn't seem to be right.

In these few years of the tournament between geniuses, since when have they seen such a battle before.

In the previous tournaments, they were all learning from each other's martial arts, all are very particular about martial spirits. Usually, the two sides would call out their demon spirits and then compete with each other. They have never seen anything like what Nie Li's done. He call out his demon spirit without any indication, and even interrupted others who were summoning their demon spirit.

Those on the Sacred Family's side were nearly jumping up.

"Heavenly Marks Family, your family is too despicable! Such a battle is simply one sided!" Members of the Sacred Family yelled at the Heavenly Marks Family.

Although Nie Hai, Nie En, and bunch felt that Nie Li's action is a little too despicable, they can't show it on the faces in front of the Sacred Family, "Have we violate any of the tournament's rules? You're not in the position to accuse us!"

"Do I need you to teach me about my Heavenly Marks Family's matters?"

"Is your Sacred Family's Young Master Shen Fei being too stupid? He's simply pigheaded. He's obviously a Demon spiritualist and yet he did not summon his demon spirit before engaging a battle. Had his back facing his opponent when summoning his

demon spirit, who's to blame?"

At this moment, Yang Xin looked at Shen Ming and lightly said, "Main Affairs Elder Shen Ming, it couldn't be that your Sacred Family can't afford the loss right?" Although Nie Li is indeed a little shameless, she still stood on Nie Li's side.

Looking at the situation on the arena, Yang Xin's smile became even more charming. Nie Li, is simply unpredictable. From the outer looks of it, he looks kind and pure, but deep inside to his bones, he is simply cunning! He is obviously perverted all the time, but when someone is tempting him, he had a firm resolution in his attitude.

Shen Ming's facial expression sullened. Nie Li is too cunning, he can only admit defeat. Since Nie Li agreed to have 3 rounds, the first round means nothing. Knowing that Nie Li's demon spirit is a Fanged Panda, Shen Ming coldly sneered in his heart. He'll consider this round his loss, next round, he will get all his money back!

Shen Ming threw a glance at Yang Xin and said, "Of course not. Such little money, my Sacred Family can still afford to lose it!"

At this moment, in the arena, Shen Fei, who is lying on the floor, is simply going to explode. After getting the two big slap from Nie Li, his face was heavily smashed into the ground. Blood was coming from his nose and his face was full of bruises. Earlier, when he wanted to merge with his demon spirit, his soul realm was rattled from Nie Li's slap, causing the merging to fail.

“Young Master Shen Fei, are you okay? We’re only learning from each other by fighting, no point going beyond that. If you can’t stand, then just surrender!” Nie Li crouch down beside Shen Fei.

Surrender?

Once he surrendered, fifty million demon spirit coins would be gone!

He isn’t willing to do so!

He let out a furious snort, and once again, surged his soul realm. A demon spirit figure appeared. He was preparing to merge with the demon spirit. Waves and waves of powerful aura was emitting out of the body. His body was transforming. He had canine teeth and sharp claws. Bursts of roars was let out from the Scarlet Black Tiger, the power it’s emitting was terrifying.

‘Once I merged with my demon spirit, your Fanged Panda cannot fight me. You want to obstruct me from merging with my demon spirit? That’s simply impossible. The flames of the Scarlet Black Tiger is enough to burn you to ashes!’ Shen Fei thought to himself. Flames erupted from his body.

“Young Master Shen Fei is about to show his power!”

“This is the scarlet flame merging of the Scarlet Black Tiger! That flame is extremely fierce, it’d burn everything around it to ashes!”

“This is really worthy of the Young Master Shen. For him to actually have such a combat ability. This time, Nie Li is doomed! He can’t even get close to the scarlet flames. Once Young Master Shen Fei’s merging is complete, he can take down the Fanged Panda in one move!”

“How is a demon spirit like the Fanged Panda an opponent of the Scarlet Black Tiger? Although he had the upper hands earlier, so what?”

The voices in the arena surged.

“Scarlet flames? Very powerful?” At this moment, Nie Li, who has merged with Fanged Panda, wasn’t affected by the flames even though he is standing within the scarlet flames.

Shen Fei’s Scarlet Black Tiger isn’t bad, but compared to Nie Li’s Fanged Panda, the distance is too great! No one else will ever be able to imagine the power of his Fanged Panda. How can a combat ability of such a small level hurt the Fanged Panda?

However, now is not the time to show this strength.

Just when Shen Fei was about to finish merging with his demon spirit, Nie Li raised his leg and mercilessly stepped on Shen Fei. Shen Fei’s soul realm was shocked once again, causing the merging to fail. The demon spirit within his soul realm is still not out.

The voices within the arena came to a halt. Everyone was dumbfounded. What they had imagined as scenes of the Fanged Panda rolling around the ground due to the scarlet flames did not appear in front of them. Instead, the scenes of Shen Fei being stepped on mercilessly was before them.

“Merging failure again?”

“How can this be?”

‘This stepping feels awesome. I’ve vented out for Ning Er!’ Nie Li thought to himself. Shen Fei was tortured by him pretty badly, however, Nie Li doesn’t look like he’ll stop anytime soon.

“I heard that Young Master Shen Fei is a flower veteran. You’ve played quite a number of girls. For the sake of Young Master Shen Fei, don’t play around any more girls in the future!” Nie Li kicked at Shen Fei’s spot. From today onwards, he’s afraid that Shen Fei can no longer do the humane way.

Those that bet on Shen Fei to win rolled their eyes endlessly. Originally, when they heard the screaming sounds, they thought that there were chances of coming back. However, the few kicks of Nie Li’s had, once again, destroyed their thoughts.

“”Pei pei pei, really unlucky. To actually lose like this!”

[TLN: Spitting sounds]

“Blame it on that pigheaded Shen Fei. He’s so over confident to the point that he didn’t summon his demon spirit and started the battle! In the end, he didn’t even have the chance to call out his demon spirit!”

“But that Heavenly Marks Family’s guy is really underhanded. He did not giving Shen Fei the chance to call out his demon spirit! This is a violation of the martial spirit!”

Thinking of the battle process, they had thoughts of crying. After meeting such a shameless guy like Nie Li, what else can they say? Although they can condemn Nie Li morally, there isn’t such a rule in the tournament!

Shen Ming can see that Nie Li wouldn’t give Shen Fei the chance to merge with his demon spirit. Continuing this match on will only end with the un-merged Shen Fei getting beaten up by Nie Li.

“This match, I, the Sacred Family surrender, please stop!” Shen Ming angrily said. His voice sounded throughout the whole arena. Everyone can feel the anger within his tone.

The audience were smiling bitterly. This is the most nonsensical battle they have seen.

At this moment, Shen Ning and Shen Xiao of the Sacred Family were both looking at each other. They never thought that Shen Fei would actually lose the fight in this way. Aside from Shen Fei making Nie Li show a little of the Fanged Panda’s power, he did not even test out the true strength of Nie Li. See the Fanged Panda

merged Nie Li looking so harmless, they can't help feeling a little contempt.

As they watched Shen Fei getting beaten up so badly, they did not feel sad, they were secretly laughing within their hearts. The direct descendents' young master is really spoilt. He has so little intelligence. They heard that Shen Fei often plays with women, so he probably emptied his foundation, therefore lost to Nie Li. The money that Shen Fei lost, they will definitely win it back. The young master of the family is a rubbish, now it's time for them to show themselves!

Hearing Shen Ming's words, Nie Li secretly felt depressed. Admitting lost so fast was not fun at all. Nie Li stepped on Shen Fei's body one more time before cupping his hands and said, "Hahaha, this fight is really fun! Brother Shen, thanks for letting me win!"

Hearing Nie Li's words, everyone was dumbfounded. Nie Li is simply shameless to no extent.

Fun? More like only Nie Li had fun. From start to end, Nie Li has been beating up Shen Fei was already on the ground, and did not giving Shen Fei the chance to retaliate. As for letting him win, in this match, it does really seem as though Shen Fei let Nie Li win. After all, he did not merging with his demon spirit and continuously let Nie Li bash him up.

The ones that lost money because of Shen Fei were cursing.

“Damn, what is he playing at?!”

“It couldn’t be that the Alchemist Association colluded with the Sacred Family to make us lose, right?!”

“Making me lose so much money, people of the Sacred Family, your daddy will hate you for my entire life!”

[TLN: I bet you guys seen it a lot about people addressing themselves as LaoZi = Your daddy when they speak, so I don’t think I’d need to explain anymore.]

At this moment, at the corner of the audience seat, the spectating Ye Zi Yun couldn’t help laughing. When she heard that the tournament was held by the Sacred Family and that the Heavenly Marks Family would also participate, she was a little worried for Nie Li. Therefore, she hurriedly came over, hid at one corner, and watched.

She originally thought that Nie Li would suffer the loss. But looking at Nie Li’s lively figure again, she realised that her worries were redundant. Until now, no one made Nie Li suffer a loss. That pair of big clear eyes of hers when looking at Nie Li’s back figure, were narrowed as she smiled.

Ye Zi Yun just sat in one corner like that. That elegant and charming look of hers caused everyone to glance at her. They did not know that she is the daughter of the City Lord. Still, such a beautiful girl is rarely seen.

Chapter 84: Playing Something Small

Nie Li wasn't aware that Ye Zi Yun also came and was sitting among the audience. Nie Li returned back to the Heavenly Marks Family's area after he won his match. The second match was about to begin.

At this moment, Shen Ming threw a glance towards a few underlings and asked, "What is the result of the bet?" Shen Ming thought to himself, although his bet with Nie Li had lost fifty million demon spirit coins, the public bet where the Sacred Family was the banker, majority of the people had bet on Shen Fei to win. Therefore, they should still get some of the money back.

The underling reported, "The total bet amount was a hundred and sixty million demon spirit coins. Payout of more than a hundred and sixty million demon spirit coins. We made a loss of more than six million demon spirit coins!"

"How could this be? We actually lost again?" Shen Ming furiously said. He originally thought that their publicly opened bet would grant them some of the money back. However, he never imagined that he would have lost more than six million demon spirit coins. Although it wasn't much, it's still enough to make him furious.

"Damn!" Shen Ming angrily cursed. Ever since the day that he has taken the position of Main Affairs Elder, he had never made such a huge mistake. Losing fifty six million demon spirit coins in one go, and the Patriarch is meant to return soon. Even if he used his past contributions to cancel off the blunder he made, he still

doesn't feel good about it.

At this moment, over on the Heavenly Marks Family's side, Nie Hai, Nie En, and bunch were extremely happy. Although they weren't the ones winning the money, but it was Nie Li. However, to be able to get such a big chunk of meat from the Sacred Family still made them feel good about it. In the past, they were pressured by the Sacred Family miserably. And now, they are able to vent it all out.

"Little brother Nie Li, I thought you're a decent person. Never thought that you would be so cunning. Seems like big sister Yang Xin have to be careful." Yang Xin looked at Nie Li and teasingly said. Both her arms hugged her chest, slightly squeezing her spot, making it more alluring.

Nie Li bitterly smiled and said, "Big sister Yang, you misunderstood. I am indeed a decent person. Except that, there are extreme methods for extreme times."

After hearing Nie Li's words, Yang Xin, Nie Hai, Nie En, and bunch all looked at Nie Li with a smile yet not a smile expression, their eyes seemed to be saying "Who'll believe that?!"

Nie Li shrugged. Even if he tried to explain, it wouldn't be of use anyway. He looked at Nie En and asked, "How much did we win in total?"

"Our personal bet got us fifty million demon spirit coins. Furthermore, our bet in the public part got us more than seventy

million demon spirit coins!" Nie Hai smiled and said. In just a blink of an eye, another hundred twenty million came in. Nie Li is earning money at a really fast speed!

"Okay!" Nie Li nodded. A hundred twenty million demon spirit coins doesn't mean much towards him, however, for the Sacred Family, it's absolutely not a small amount.

At this moment, Shen Ming also couldn't contain himself and walked towards to the Heavenly Marks Family.

"Main Affairs Elder Shen Ming, how is young master Shen Fei doing? It seems that Nie Li had used a little heavy hand. Do please forgive!" Nie Hai cupped his hands and said towards Shen Ming. As the Patriarch of the Heavenly Marks Family, he still has to show some elegance on the outside. However, within his heart, he laughed.

Shen Ming's face slightly twitched. Anyone could tell that Shen Fei wouldn't be able to get off his bed for the next half month. Shen Ming still doesn't know of the exact injuries of Shen Fei, he wasn't aware that Shen Fei wouldn't be able to commit the humane way anymore in the future. If he were to know, he would be even more furious. However, Shen Ming still gave orders to Shen Ning, to mess Nie Li to death.

In Shen Ming's view, that Fanged Panda of Nie Li's couldn't possible win against Shen Ning. An ordinary Fanged Panda is only a bronze rank demon spirit. Even if Nie Li's Fanged Panda is a little special, and somehow reached Silver rank, it's already its limit. Right now, Shen Ning is a 5-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist.

Aside from that, he had integrated with the Sacred Scarlet Bear, a Gold rank demon spirit. Although Shen Fei's Scarlet Black Tiger has the talent to become a Black Gold rank demon spirit, as of now, it only has the strength of a Silver rank. And as for Shen Ning's demon spirit, has already reached Gold rank.

[T/N: I double checked it, it said that Shen Fei's Scarlet Black Tiger is already a 1-star Black Gold rank :/]

If they were to still lose, than they would really have some issues!

"Three rounds of bets, this is only the first round. Don't be too happy so quickly. Next up, let's begin our second bet!" Shen Ming looked at Nie Hai and bunch, coldly snorted and said.

"This..." Nie Hai couldn't help looking towards Nie Li. He wasn't sure of Nie Li's strength. The Sacred Family losing the first round, the second one going up will definitely not be so simple.

Shen Ming also followed, and set his gaze on Nie Li. When his gaze fell on Nie Li, his eyes flashed with a hint of cold within.

Nie Li lightly coughed and said, "It's a little wrong for Sacred Family to be like this. I just fought one round, the exertion of my soul force is very severe. Soon fighting the second round, isn't it a meaningless to win if you fight me like this? How about this: The second round will be dragged to two months later. Wait until my soul force recovered, then I'll come and fight again."

Hearing Nie Li's words, Yang Xin, Nie Hai, and Nie En were stunned as they looked at Nie Li.

Severe depletion of his soul force? In the previous battle, Nie Li only merged with his demon spirit for a moment. Although he gave Shen Fei a few slaps, and also stepped on him, there wasn't any fierce fighting. His words were a little too fake, right?

Shen Ming's face sullened, coldly snorted and said, "It can't be that the Heavenly Marks Family is trying to run after winning some money, right? If that's the case, then my Sacred Family is also not vegetarians." Shen Ming threw a glance at Yang Xin, snorted and said, "The Heavenly Marks Family is going against their promise. The Alchemist Association isn't going to continue protecting the Heavenly Marks Family, right? If this is the case, then I will have our Patriarch have a little talk with the President!"

[T/N: they are not easily taken advantage of / not a newbie that is easily taken advantage of]

Yang Xin's cheeks slightly turned red. Although she stood by Nie Li's side, she still doesn't have the cheeks to say it. For Nie Li to run after winning some money is indeed, a little wrong.

"Since the Main Affairs Elder Shen Ming said so, then I can only fight. Even if the Sacred Family wins underhandedly, I believe that no one would dare to speak ill of the Sacred Family." Nie Li looked at the furious Shen Ming while slightly smiling within his heart. He had already thoroughly angered Shen Ming.

“Who dares to speak ill of my Sacred Family!” Shen Ming coldly snorted. He suddenly realised he let something slip. He practically admitted that they would win underhandedly? His lungs were simply going to explode.

Nie Hai, Nie En, and bunch had admiring expressions on their faces.

“The Sacred Family is indeed good at pressuring people!” Nie Li lightly said. Yang Xin finally realised Nie Li’s motive. Nie Li is trying to make Shen Ming furious, and slowly step into his trap. However, can Nie Li really defeat the genius of the Sacred Family? If Nie Li could not defeat the genius of the Sacred Family, then everything he had done would all be in vain.

“So what?” Shen Ming is extremely furious. He looked at Nie Hai, Nie Li, and bunch and said, “How much is the Heavenly Marks Family prepared to bet this round?”

Nie Li lightly said, “In my view, we should at least play two-three hundred million demon spirit coins. Otherwise, it would be meaningless!”

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Shen Ming’s head suddenly cleared up. Although he was angered by Nie Li. But to bet two hundred million demon spirit coins, if any problems occurred, the consequences wouldn’t be of something that he could handle! Even with all his past contributions to the Sacred Family, if he were to lose two hundred million in one go, his good days will come to an end.

For Nie Li to actually daring to accept this bet proves that he definitely has some confidence. In the previous battle against Shen Fei, Nie Li's true strength wasn't revealed at all. Therefore, Shen Ming doesn't dare to be rash.

Shen Ming went silent for a moment and said, "Since there is one more round, we'll just play a hundred demon spirit coins this round!"

Looking at Shen Ming's expression, Nie Li understood that Shen Ming, as the Main Affairs Elder of the Sacred Family, has a limited authority. So he was not daring enough to play too big. If he were to keep pushing, Shen Ming will get suspicious of it.

"Since the Sacred Family doesn't have any guts, then we'll just play a hundred million demon spirit coins," Nie Li said, lightly laughed.

Hearing Nie Li's words, Shen Ming's face turned green. Nie Li has been speaking about the Sacred Family being this and that, degrading the Sacred Family. This caused Shen Ming to be extremely furious.

Chapter 85: Barely

After finishing up the hundred million bet, the Sacred Family no longer continued to be the banker. The bet was, however, taken over by Yang Xin.

Since Yang Xin is the banker, Nie Li did not participate in it.

[T/N: Clarifications... The public bet that is opened for the public, is originally hosted by Sacred Family as the banker. And the personal bet between the Sacred Family and Nie Li, is Nie Li as the banker. Therefore, it's two seperate different bet!]

"Nie Li, you have to work hard. Over ninety percent of the bets are on the Sacred Family to win. Big sister has bet it all on you!" Yang Xin charmingly looked at Nie Li, those pink lips of hers curled. Those pink lips were beside Nie Li's cheeks. That curvaceous figure of hers was stuck beside Nie Li. The softness of her skin could be vaguely felt, it was simply extremely tempting.

This woman, is simply a mesmerizing devil!

"Big Sister Yang Xin must be joking. Such a small amount of money doesn't mean much to you. It wouldn't matter even if you lost," Nie Li said, lightly smiling. Naturally, he wouldn't be seduced by Yang Xin so easily.

"I have risked all of my personal money!" Yang Xin pouted and said with slight dissatisfaction.

“Then, I have no idea what to do. You can only pray, and resign yourself to fate.”

A short moment later, the bet started.

Nie Li and Shen Ning of the Sacred Family went to the arena.

The whole arena heated up. Bursts of voices sounded out, some were supporting Nie Li, some supporting Shen Ning.

“In the previous round, that Nie Li tricked me out of quite a bit of money. This time, I have to get it all back!”

“That Heavenly Marks Family’s brat actually got himself a Fanged Panda. What an idiot. Although he tricked the Sacred Family once, the one up this round. Shen Ning is a 5-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist. Therefore, he will definitely win!”

The previous round when Nie Li won, wasn’t quite glorious. Shen Fei lost with a little injustice. Therefore, in this round, the majority of the bets were on Shen Ning. However, a portion of the people still felt good about Nie Li. They felt that Nie Li would be able to create a miracle. After all, Nie Li has already won one round.

Looking at Nie Li in the arena, Ye Zi Yun couldn’t help laughing. She heard that the Sacred Family made another bet at a stake of a hundred million. Nie Li is too evil. During this year’s examination,

his results weren't high, but Ye Zi Yun firmly believes that Nie Li's cultivation has reached to a frightening degree. Otherwise, how could he have such control over his strength and soul force to such an extent? In her views, Nie Li can definitely win against Shen Ning of the Sacred Family. Therefore, she has bet on Nie Li with all her savings.

Seeing Nie Li's cunning looks, although Ye Zi Yun felt a little annoyed by it, could not understand why she still feels a little concern for Nie Li. When she heard that Nie Li has participated in the tournament, she hurriedly rushed over.

'It's just the concern between friends.' Ye Zi Yun's gaze fell onto Nie Li and thought to herself. Her cheeks were a little heated. She never had such concerns for a boy before.

The battle started.

Shen Ning immediately merged with his demon spirit. His body was burning with fierce flames and turned into a powerful Sacred Scarlet Bear.

"Roar!"

Shen Ning took a step and flames soared into the sky. A tyrannical power swept out, the arena trembled. The flooring was charred.

"It's actually the Sacred Scarlet Bear!"

“A 5-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist plus the Sacred Scarlet Bear. This is an absolutely talented existence among the younger generations! Seems like Nie Li is doomed this time. Earlier, he beat the direct descendent young master of the Sacred Family so miserably. The Sacred Family definitely won’t let him off easily.”

Those who bet on Shen Ning raised their hands up, their voices were very heated.

“Merging with the demon spirit the moment you got on the stage, isn’t that being a little rude?” Nie Li murmured.

Hearing Nie Li’s words, Shen Ning bitterly smiled. In the previous round, Shen Fei was beaten up miserably by Nie Li without getting the chance to even merge with his demon spirit, how could he let Nie Li have a chance? This round’s battle is too important. He’ll first merge with his demon spirit before anything else. After merging with his demon spirit, Nie Li’s Fanged Panda won’t be able to beat him.

Victory is already within Shen Ning’s grasp.

Nie Li also quickly merged with the Fanged Panda, turning into a chubby, harmless Fanged Panda.

Looking from any angle, the Fanged Panda didn’t seem to be a threat.

“Roar!” Shen Ning strode towards Nie Li, waves after waves of hot air blasted throughout every directions.

Thunder flames!

Shen Ning suddenly leaped, and threw a palm downwards. One after another flames like a meteor were falling down.

Seeing this scene, Nie Li did not engage in combat and started running.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

Flaming meteors fell down, raging on the ground, leaving craters in the ground.

Nie Li jumped, dodging every flaming meteor coming at him, causing those who looked at the scene to be pinched in a cold sweat. If one of the flaming meteors were to hit Nie Li, even if he didn’t die, it would take at least half of his life.

Booing was heard from the audience.

“That Heavenly Marks Family’s brat doesn’t have any guts. He actually starts running the moment the fight begins. Can he have a little backbone?”

“This tournament match is so pointless. That Heavenly Marks

Family's brat...if he's unable to win, then surrender! Simply wasting emotions!"

Bursts of sounds erupted from the audience.

Yang Xin stared at Nie Hai, Nie En and asked with her face sullen, sounding somewhat angry, "Did you not accompany Nie Li to change his demon spirit? How could you let Nie Li use such a garbage demon spirit like the Fanged Panda?"

Nie Hai bitterly smiled and hurriedly said, "Director Yang, you misunderstand. Recently, we have been helping Nie Li buy multiple demon spirits. We bought at least tens of thousands of them. However, Nie Li still chooses this Fanged Panda. There is nothing we can do!"

Hearing Nie Hai's words, Yang Xin had an expression of surprise on her face. Nie Hai and bunch have bought more than ten thousand demon spirit these days? Taking a glance at Nie Li who is currently in the arena, although Nie Li looked somewhat pitiful, he was able to dodge every attack. He was probably doing this on purpose.

'Since little brother Nie Li personally chose the Fanged Panda, there must definitely be a reason for it!' Yang Xin lightly smiled, thought to herself.

Seeing Yang Xin's expression, Nie Hai felt relieved and wiped his sweat from his brow. After all, his family is merely a small family, how can he offend a figure like Yang Xin?

At the audience area far away, Ye Zi Yun stared at the arena without moving her eyes, her brows slightly knitted. Even she could not tell that Nie Li was purposely putting on an act. She thought that he was trying his very best. However, she had a feeling that Nie Li will definitely win.

One after another, flaming meteors exploded beside Nie Li. Truth is, these flaming meteors can't even do anything to Nie Li. If Nie Li were to spit out a Yin-Yang bomb, it would be more than enough to blast away Shen Ning. However, Nie Li wasn't thinking of winning against Shen Ning so easily.

If he were to easily win against Shen Ning, the Sacred Family definitely wouldn't play the third round with him!

Therefore, he has to show it that he barely win against Shen Ning.

"Runt, don't run!" Shen Ning was continuously going berserk, as he controlled the frightening power of the Sacred Scarlet Bear. The whole arena's grounds were severely ravaged.

However, what made Shen Ning depressed was that this Nie Li's luck was too good. Every time his flaming meteor was about to hit Nie Li, he would stumble and dodge it.

Thinking about the look of the clumsy Fanged Panda, and looking at Nie Li stumbling away, Shen Ning couldn't help having a weird feeling about the fight. The Fanged Panda that Nie Li has

integrated with, is really strange!

If it were an ordinary Fanged Panda, he would have already settled it easily. How can it hang on for so long.

“Roar!”

Shen Ning positioned himself downwards from the sky. Both of his hands came together, turning into endless flaming fist, fiercely crashing down from the sky.

Seeing this scene, Nie Li’s eyes lit up and he rolled toward the side.

“Trying to run? Too late!” A hint of a sneer was on Shen Ning’s face, waves of scarlet flames were gushing out from his body. His whole body was a meteorite, fiercely falling downwards.

Chapter 86: Fallen Unconscious

Gravity field!

Nie Li activated the gravity field combat ability of the Fanged Panda, causing the gravity within the surrounding area to increase.

Boom!

Shen Ning's entire body heavily fell onto the ground.

Just when Shen Ning was about to hit Nie Li, Nie Li jumped to the side, barely dodging the flaming impact. However, burnt injuries were left on his body. Nie Li was hiddenly relieved, he almost became a barbequed panda. Obvious having the strength to win against your opponent, but having to pretend that your strength was weaker than your opponent's was extremely testing on the acting.

Rumbling sounds came from the whole arena as the whole place trembled. Shen Ning literally smashed a ten meter square crater into the ground, flames soared into the skies, as dust shattered around.

The audience stood up in excitement, screaming here and there.

"Woah, just how terrifying is this energy?!"

“My god, is this the strength of the Sacred Scarlet Bear? This is too frightening!”

“Although he’s only a 5-star Silver rank. With such strength, it’s simply comparable to a Gold rank!”

“Shen Ning’s win is confirmed!”

“Shen Ning, Shen Ning……” Voices sounded from the audience area, getting louder and louder.

Not mentioning their bet, Nie Li began running before the fight even began, causing Shen Ning to chase to the point of him chicken flying and dog jumping, they had full of disdain in their heart. If Nie Li managed to win, then there really is no justice.

[T/N: I don’t think I’ll need to explain it… Just imagine Nie Li pretending to dodge, then imagine chicken flying around and dog jumping, that’s how the scene is.]

Shen Ming also had a satisfied smile on his face. He nodded his head and said, “Shen Ning isn’t bad. Base on the strength that he just displayed, he should have already stepped into Gold rank. He must have been training really hard. If he managed to win against that brat from the Heavenly Marks Family, I’ll have to reward him when we get back!”

Hearing Shen Ming’s words, Shen Xiao standing beside him, couldn’t help showing envious expressions. Even he, who has been

training together with Shen Ning, did not think that Shen Ning's strength had already reached Gold rank.

Yang Xin, who was over at the Heavenly Marks Family's viewing area frowned and murmured, "Shen Ning is only a 5-star Silver rank Demon Spiritualist. How was he able to display such power? With such power, his strength should have already reached 3-star Gold rank."

Ye Zi Yun, seeing this scene, also had puzzled eyes.

At this moment, on the arena, the risen dust was slowly settling down. The figure in the crater slowly appeared in everyone's eyes.

Suddenly, the originally heated audience went into a dead silence. Everyone was dumbfounded as they stared into the crater.

At this moment, within the crater, Shen Ning was like a dead dog lying there and was not moving. His body was filled with injuries, and had burnt injuries.

"This……"

"What exactly is happening? Who can tell me what happened?!" Shen Ming roared.

After Shen Ning leaped up, and used the flaming meteor fall, he ended up falling and ended up unconscious himself? If this was to be spread out, who'd believe it?

Seeing this scene, not only was Shen Ning puzzled, even Yang Xin, Nie Hai, Nie En, and bunch were dumbfounded.

"The Sacred Family couldn't be so stupid, right? The first person that went up did not summon his demon spirit and ended up being beaten by Nie Li. The second one summoned his demon spirit, displayed strength not below that of Gold rank, but ended up falling and ended up unconscious?

They were unable to believe the scene before them.

Yang Xin seemed to have understood something and murmured, "I say, Shen Ning wouldn't have the strength of a 3-star Gold rank for no reason. Could it be that little brother Nie Li did something?"

The audience was in a dead silence. Everyone had their eyes widened, staring at the arena. After a long time, Shen Ning was still down for the count, like a dead dog lying on the ground.

"Damned garbage from the Sacred Family. Get up for your daddy!"

"Damn! The garbage of the Sacred Family is so damn useless!" Those who had bet were scolding the Sacred Family.

"It couldn't be a collusion of the Alchemist Association and the Sacred Family to cheat us, right?"

“Not possible. With those few pills of the Alchemist Association, god knows how much money they have earned. Why would they care about this little amount of money? It’s just those garbage of the Sacred Family are being too useless!”

As for those who had bet on Nie Li, they were all smiling. Nie Li is really a lucky kid. The first round, Shen Fei that idiot came up without merging with his demon spirit, a free win. The second, Shen Ning learnt from the previous lesson and merged with his demon spirit, but fell unconscious, another free win.

What they didn’t know, is that Shen Ning did not cause himself to fall and became unconscious. It was secretly caused by Nie Li. That flaming meteor fall of Shen Ning’s was extremely powerful. By jumping to a high location and using the falling momentum to increase his strength, that speed was already the limit of what a 5-star Silver rank can reach. Nie Li suddenly increased Shen Ning’s gravity, which caused the falling Shen Ning suffer from a higher gravity. He wasn’t able to react and fell to the ground with a speed of the original’s several times. One can only imagine that outcome, and not have a single bone in the whole body shattered would already be considered very lucky.

Looking at the motionless Shen Ning on the floor, the corner of Nie Li’s lips curled. Shen Ning has lost conscious. He probably wouldn’t be able to get up in the next two-three days. Gravity field is a type of invisible combat ability. Outsiders wouldn’t be able to notice this move at all.

Nie Li won again!

“This is simply no challenge at all!” Although Nie Li is a Silver rank, his truth strength can suppress a 2-3-star Gold rank expert. Therefore, for him, Shen Ning didn’t pose a threat at all.

After seeing this scene, Ye Zi Yun, who was among the audience, wasn’t surprised at all. She had an expression that said she had expected this. The Sacred Family was once again falling into Nie Li’s hands. Looking at Nie Li, she couldn’t help pouting. Nie Li has always had the look of everything within his grasp, even in relationship matters. He was also firmly confident that Ye Zi Yun would fall in love with him. It’s simply hateful!

Will she really fall in love with Nie Li one day? Her eyes flashed a hint of unknown. Thinking back to the incident at the Ancient Orchid City, Ye Zi Yun couldn’t help feeling shy in her heart. Her heartbeat accelerated all of a sudden. Thump Thump, jumping.

The results of the fight, Nie Li once again got a hundred million demon spirit coins from Shen Ming.

Getting the Sacred Family to pay a hundred and fifty million demon spirit coins, although it’s not enough to shake the foundation of the Sacred Family, is enough to make the Sacred Family’s life to be tight for a period of time. As a Major family like the Sacred Family, able to take out three-five hundred million demon spirit coin cash is already very good. Of course, the value of their businesses is far more than that, reaching tens of billions. However, they could only take out this much for now.

Although a hundred and fifty million demon spirit coins doesn’t mean anything to Nie Li, he still felt satisfied.

“Main Affairs Elder, you let me win, you let me win. The several elder brothers of the Sacred Family is too generous, letting me win every round. Even I have been winning to the point that I feel a little embarrassed. It seems that I have wronged the Sacred Family all along. The Sacred Family not stingy, rather you are too generous!” Nie Li laughed and said to Main Affairs Elder Shen Ming.

[T/N: Chinese tend to have a polite way of saying ‘you let me win’ It’s something humble people say after a game. But in Nie Li’s case, it’s just simply sarcasm.]

Shen Ming’s face ashened. His lips were trembling from the anger. Furthermore, listening to the sarcastic words of Nie Li’s, if it’s possible, he would really want to slap Nie Li’s head into the mud!

A hundred and fifty million demon spirit coins, how will he explain all this to the Patriarch?

Chapter 87: Demon Spirit Strengthening Pill

After paying a hundred and fifty million demon spirit coins, all the credit that Shen Ming had in the family in this period of time has all gone down the drain. When the Patriarch comes out from his isolation, he'll definitely not let him off!

Not having the position of the Main Affairs Elder is merely secondary. With the Patriarch's methods, adding on to all those secrets of the family that he knows, he probably wouldn't be able to escape death!

At this moment, Shen Ming's eyes flashed a hint of a crazy idea. There is still another round! If he managed to win all the money back in the third round, then he did not commit any mistake, but the opposite instead!

"This third round, we must definitely win!" Shen Ming calculated for a moment. He can still take out another two hundred million demon spirit coins. This is all of the liquid cash that the Sacred Family has at the moment. Originally, they were prepared to be used to buy some elixirs from the Alchemist Association for the family's younger generation.

Two hundred million demon spirit coins, if he won, he would be able to explain to the Patriarch.

All out!

Shen Ming's eye flashed a hint of viciousness.

“Patriarch Nie Hai, we still have the third competition, correct?” Shen Ming stared at Nie Hai and coldly said.

Nie Hai was stunned for a moment and took a glance at Nie Li. Seeing Nie Li nodding his head, he said, “Correct, there is still the third round.”

Yang Xin slightly frowned. With her understanding towards Shen Ming, the consequences will be extreme since he lost a hundred and fifty million. After he returned to the main household, he probably wouldn’t be able to escape the fate of house arrest. Since Shen Ming actually still wants to bet, that proves that Shen Ming has already made his mind to go all out.

After the situation developed to this point, Shen Ming has already gone crazy. Therefore, thinking of betting as the last chance is very normal.

“This round, we’ll bet three hundred million demon spirit coins!” Shen Ming coldly said. He has already sent people to various stores of the Sacred Family to transfer the money over.

Of the Patriarch of the Sacred Family were to be present, he will definitely stop Shen Ming’s action. However, due to being the Main Affairs Elder of the Sacred Family for so many years, he has won the trust of the Patriarch. Therefore, his authority is very great. He’s placed in charge of all the business under the Sacred Family. If he were to transfer some funds, no one would say a second word against it.

Since it's the last bet, if he's able to win back three hundred million demon spirit coins, he will even be able to go up a step in the Sacred Family.

"Okay, three hundred million demon spirit coins bet is it!" Nie Li said, nodding his head. Looking at Shen Ming's expression, he already understood that Shen Ning is doing the last bet.

The corner of Nie Li's mouth curled into a chilling smile. This is exactly what he wished for!

Various Patriarchs of the various families were all discussing. They were all witnesses to the bet. They never thought that after losing a hundred and fifty million demon spirit coins, the Sacred Family would still continue betting, and this time, it's the stake of three hundred million demon spirit coins.

"Sacred Family is really going all out!"

"After losing so much money, Main Affairs Elder Shen Ming probably wouldn't be able to keep his position after he returns. He probably wants to win everything back with this round!"

"Heard that this time, Shen Xiao is the one being sent up!"

"I know of this Shen Xiao. He's already a 1-star Gold rank Demon Spiritualist at such a young age. The only reason that brat Nie Li was able to win Shen Fei and Shen Ning was merely luck. Meeting

a Gold rank Demon Spiritualist this round, his chances of winning is probably none."

"Three hundred million demon spirit coins, if he lost it all, Main Affairs Elder Shen Ming is doomed. This is also probably the Sacred Family's entire liquid cash!"

Several families were discussing among themselves.

Another betting round. The amount of the betting stake this time is something they can only see once in their entire life, causing their blood to boil. Under Yang Xin's hosted bet, everyone was placing down their bets. However, whether Yang Xin win or loses, Nie Li doesn't care about it. After all, Yang Xin is loaded. As the Director of the Alchemist Association, with huge power in her hands. After coming in contact with Nie Li, god knows how much money she has helped the Alchemist Association to earn. Even if she were to take out several hundred millions, those elders wouldn't say a thing.

After collecting the betting stake, Nie Li once again went into the arena.

Shen Ming's chilling eyes stared at Nie Li. A hint of vicious flashed across his eyes.

He took out two pills from his chest and said, "Shen Xiao, this is two Demon Spirit Strengthening Pills. Consume them before the battle begins!"

[T/N: In those traditional Chinese clothes, people like to keep stuff underneath their chest. It's like a bathing robe with the belt on and people keep stuff underneath the robe.]

Shen Xiao looked at Shen Ming with surprise and said, "Elder, that brat is probably only 1 or 2-star Silver rank in strength. With my strength as a 1-star Gold rank, I'm more than enough to go against that kid. There is absolutely no need to use the Demon Spirit Strengthening Pills!" His demon spirit is a Scarlet Dragon Eagle, an extremely powerful type of demon spirit. The price of it is as high as two million demon spirit coins. If he were to consume two Demon Spirit Strengthening Pills, although he can let the Scarlet Dragon Eagle display several times its power for half an hour, it will cripple the Scarlet Dragon Eagle. This caused Shen Xiao to be very heart pained about using it.

"What is there to be scared of? Listen to me. This matter is extremely important. If anything were to happen, can you bear the responsibility? It's an amount of three hundred million demon spirit coins! If you win this match, I'll give you twenty million demon spirit coins. At that time, you can buy whatever demon spirit you want!" Shen Ming said.

Hearing Shen Ming's words, Shen Xiao's eyes lit up. Although the Scarlet Dragon Eagle is rare, it can be bought with two million demon spirit coins. If Shen Ming were to give him twenty million demon spirit coins, he can buy an even higher grade demon spirit. Crippling the Scarlet Dragon Eagle is worth that.

"Okay, I will listen to the instructions of elder." Shen Xiao nodded his head and said, putting the two Demon Spirit

Strengthening Pill into his interspatial ring.

Shen Xiao looked at Nie Li's figure and let out two snort. 'Losing by my hands, this is your fate. To actually force me to cripple a Scarlet Dragon Eagle with two Demon Spirit Strengthening Pills to handle you, consider this your honour!'

In Shen Xiao's views, with his strength as a 1-star Gold rank, defeating Nie Li is a simply matter. One must know he is a 1-star Gold rank Demon Spiritualist!!

After the two people entered the arena, the whole audience area was heated once again.

However, this round, no one is sure who will win. Although Nie Li's strength is far from Shen Xiao's, no one knows if Nie Li will have the luck like the previous round again. They all felt that the reason why Nie Li won the last two rounds was purely based on luck.

This round, most of the people dared not to bet again. The one that was confident that Nie Li will win, is only Ye Zi Yun. Ye Zi Yun, once again, bet all of her saving money and those that she won earlier on Nie Li again.

Everyone was shouting.

"Never thought that you'd be able to consecutively win two rounds. However, this one, you will definitely lose by my hands!"

Shen Xiao coldly stared at Nie Li and murmured as though he's talking to himself, "I'm not the same as them. I am a 1-star Gold rank Demon Spiritualist. Furthermore, I'm a 1-star Gold rank Demon Spiritualist that has integrated with a Scarlet Dragon Eagle!"

Nie Li was lazily stretching his waist. In the previous round, he was tired from pretending. Now that this is the third round, there is no longer any need to pretend!

"How would you know without testing? Previously, I won the last two rounds. Who knows, maybe my luck will be good this round as in the previous rounds?" Nie Li said, lightly smiling. He looked calm.

Shen Xiao's gaze turned cold. Nie Li is indeed a little strange. He obviously knows that Shen Xiao is a Gold rank expert and yet he was not panicking. His right hand moved, swallowing the two Demon Spirit Strengthening Pills that he got from Shen Ming.

At this moment, the audience uproared.

"Am I seeing it wrong? Shen Xiao of the Sacred Family actually swallowed Demon Spirit Strengthening Pills?"

"A 1-star Gold rank Demon Spiritualist, facing a Fanged Panda actually needs Demon Spirit Strengthening Pills? And it seems to be two at that, too!"

“Sure enough, the Sacred Family was scared after the two previous losses!”

Chapter 88: Legend

Before the battle began, the Sacred Family had already weakened their momentum.

However, the Sacred Family doesn't care about that. Even if they had to throw their face away, it's nothing compared to three hundred demon spirit coins!

At this moment, the audience was busy discussing with one another.

"Even if he has god's luck, he won't be able to win now!"

"1-star Gold rank Demon Spiritualist, add the consumption of two Demon Spirit Strengthening Pills, Nie Li is destined to lose!"

At this moment, even Nie Hai, Nie En and bunch did not think that Nie Li could win. After all, the opponent is too strong.

"I had bet on the Sacred Family three times in a row, I know that I can at least win this round."

"The two earlier rounds were really unjustified. This time, I have to win it all back!"

"I still bet a portion of the money on Nie Li. I still feel that Nie Li can win! That kid is a little weird. Even if I lost, I still earned

enough in the previous rounds!”

In the Arena

Shen Xiao has already finished making his preparations. A powerful sacred flame gushed out from him.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

The whole arena was bombarded to the point that cobweb like cracks appeared all over the place and was spreading at a fast speed.

Shen Xiao walked towards Nie Li step by step.

Nie Li lightly smiled and merged with his Fanged Panda, “If you people underestimate the power of my Fanged Panda, than that’s a big mistake!”

Gravity field!

Nie Li coldly snorted. An invisible field of gravity was formed within the surrounding area, enveloping Shen Xiao.

Shen Xiao suddenly felt his own weight suddenly increase several times. Every step he took became very difficult. His face slightly changed. Nie Li’s strength is indeed not that simple.

He actually has a gravity-type combat ability. Shen Xiao kept a contemptuous heart and his expression turned serious.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

Shen Xiao's steps caused the arena's ground to have deep dents. That terrifying power caused others to be deeply shocked upon seeing it.

"So powerful! He actually has such power at only 1-star Gold rank!" Bursts of exclamation came from the audience.

Only Shen Xiao, who is currently within the gravity field, knows exactly what's going on. Unable to speak out his difficulties, Shen Xiao suddenly understood why Shen Ning lost. He no longer dares to underestimate his opponent and rapidly merged with his Scarlet Dragon Eagle. A pair of huge wings grew out from his back, flapped those powerful wings and flew up.

"You are the most powerful opponent among my peers that I have faced. Try my Scarlet Dragon Burst!" Shen Xiao roared, breathing fire from his mouth. A flaming pillar was jetting towards Nie Li.

A heat wave blew towards Nie Li. It felt like his body was burning.

The Scarlet Dragon Eagle is a portion of the dragon lineage. Therefore, its flames carried a hint of dragon power, causing his breath to be extremely strong.

“Let’s see whether it’s your Scarlet Dragon Burst or my Yin-Yang Blast that is more powerful!” Nie Li leaped backwards. He widened his mouth, and spat out two black and white balls. The two balls were intertwining in mid-air, drawing two lights across the sky.

Boom!

The black and white balls collided into the fire pillar.

Horrifying explosions sounded. After the two energies exploded, a terrifying energy was raging and destroying, continuously sweeping and causing destruction to the ground, making small stones to fly about.

Nie Li leaped backwards, firmly landing outside the explosion range. His expression was still calm. As for Shen Xiao, who was swept up in the explosion, he was flying dozen meters out before catching his footing.

Seeing the arena, the audience was in a dead silence.

“What’s happening?”

“Can it be that I am seeing this wrong? The collusion between both sides and Nie Li took the upperhand?”

“Shen Xiao is the super genius of the Sacred Family! He’s a 1-star Gold rank Demon Spiritualist and in addition, he ate two Demon Spirit Strengthening Pills! How is he still not Nie Li’s opponent!”

The crowd was dumbfounded.

In this match, Nie Li's expression was calm and it seems that he has not shown his true power yet. This was totally different from the two previous matches.

Yang Xin looked at Nie Li's back figure, her eyes sparkled. 'A thirteen year old kid actually has the strength to fight against a Gold rank. It seems that I have underestimated you!'

After falling into a brief moment of shock, Nie Hai and Nie En's expressions turned to excitement. A thirteen year old Gold rank Demon Spiritualist! Even if it's Lord Ye Mo from the past, he could not have such frightening strength. After the fight today, Nie Li will be like a comet, rising and receiving the protection of the City Lord's Mansion. After today, if anyone or any family wants to touch Nie Li, they will have to seriously consider about it first.

Such a genius will definitely become the pinnacle existence in Glory City. After such a long time, the era of the Heavenly Marks Family is coming!

At this moment, the audience understood what was going on. In the two previous rounds, Nie Li was hiding his strength. They all thought that Nie Li won with pure luck, but that was not the truth at all. What caused them to be more surprised is the frightening talent and strength of Nie Li.

A thirteen year old Gold rank Demon Spiritualist! My gods!

Could it be that a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist like Ye Mo will soon appear?

“Nie Li! Nie Li! Nie Li!” The whole audience was heated up. Everyone was yelling and howling with excitement.

Among those in the crowd, there are many who had very complicated feelings as they have bet quite an amount on Shen Xiao to win. However right now, they all truthfully cheered for Nie Li.

Glory City was able to survive through the Age of Darkness until now, however, it was not easy. Every time a demon horde attacked, Glory City depended on Lord Ye Mo alone to fight back the few of the strongest demon beasts. Therefore, Glory City was able to survive up till now. But as time goes on, Lord Ye Mo gets older and older. The citizens of Glory City have a strong worry. If there isn’t any Legend rank Demon Spiritualist appearing, then Glory City will be in danger. Although there are a few experts of the Black Gold rank, the majority of the Black Gold rank Demon Spiritualists are already over forty years old. Therefore, it’s very hard for them to have any breakthrough into the Legend rank Demon Spiritualist realm.

Everyone was hoping for the emergence of a genius. And Nie Li, is without a doubt the most dazzling one. A thirteen year old Gold rank Demon Spiritualist! At this age, it’s the best time for cultivation to rise. Nie Li already has such frightening achievements at such young age, who can say how high Nie Li will reach in the future? Who knows if he will become a stronger Legend rank Demon Spiritualist than Lord Ye Mo!?

So what if they lost money? To be able to watch the emergence of such a genius, is simply an exciting thing!

How did Nie Li obtain the strength of a Gold rank Demon Spiritualist at the age of thirteen? What they don't know is that, Nie Li's soul force is only a 2-star Silver rank. The reason for to him have the strength of a Gold rank is because Nie Li's control over his soul force has reached perfection. Another reason is that Nie Li's Fanged Panda is a God level growth rate demon spirit. Just by itself is already a frightening power, anyone who underestimates it will pay a price for it.

If Shen Xiao lost, than he will become the sinner of the Sacred Family. His ending has already been decided.

"No! Shen Xiao still hasn't lost!" Shen Ming's eyes flashed a hint of hope in it, staring at the arena.

Chapter 89: Snow Queen

Boom! Boom! Boom!

The battle within the arena became more and more intense.

Shen Xiao madly counterattacks. Every time he bursts out his violent energy, they were suppressed by Nie Li. Seeing that nimble and agile figure, Shen Xiao's eyes flashed a hint of fear. The pressure that Nie Li gave him is too huge.

"Sacred Dragon Pillar!" Shen Xiao angrily roared. A thick Sacred Dragon descended from the sky, forming into pillars that were constantly raging.

Bursts of surprise was coming from the audience.

"Such a frightening attack!" They all couldn't help but to worry for Nie Li.

Looking at the thick pillars of flame sweeping towards him, Nie Li wasn't nervous and leisurely smiled.

'Such attacks are only nice to see but are useless. When facing low grade demon beasts, it might still a little useful. But in an expert duel, it's just a plain waste of soul force!' Nie Li hiddenly thought to himself. With the combat abilities of his previous life, he naturally wouldn't place such attacks in his eyes.

What Nie Li doesn't know is, Shen Xiao has already used all of the attacks he can. But all his attacks are useless, therefore he can only use this Sacred Dragon Pillar. Shen Xiao wasn't hoping for this attack to kill Nie Li, as he already lost hope. Seeing Nie Li's calm and composed expression, he knew that Nie Li still has lots of moves that he has yet to use.

Nie Li leaped, constantly dodging the fire pillar. "Psu" He arrived behind Shen Xiao.

Thunder Strike!

Nie Li's large palm pierced the sky, emitting a shocking piercing sound.

Boom!

He heavily slapped Shen Xiao's back.

Instantly, Shen Xiao became a meteor and flew, crashing towards the ground.

Boom!

A deafening clash sounded. The whole arena was violently trembling, a huge crater appeared on the ground. Shen Xiao was in the crater, breathing heavily. He had his back against the ground, his eyes and consciousness slowly blurred.

He Lost! Nie Li has been pressuring him from the start. He did not give him any chance to retaliate at all. Furthermore, he had been holding back all this time. Nie Li gave him a unfathomable feeling. A feeling that, no matter how he burst, he still wouldn't be Nie Li's opponent.

His eyes were filled with weight of the loss, he never thought that he would still lose after taking two Demon Spirit Strengthening Pills. He can only say that Nie Li's strength is too frightening.

The opponent is only a thirteen year old youngster!

The gap is too huge!

He thought that he was an unrivalled genius. Turns out that he's just a frog in the well.

[T/N: See the first few chapters]

Seeing this scene, the whole audience was in a dead silence. Then after a moment of shock, a tsunami like cheer bursted out.

"Nie Li! Nie Li! Nie Li!"

The burst of cheers was earth shaking.

Nie Li's power left a deep impression in them. Every super

genius, when facing their peers, will try nothing but to suppress them. However, what Nie Li suppressed, isn't an opponent of his peers. But a twenty over year old genius!

What will Nie Li grow into in the future? No one had the answer to that question. However, they know that today, they have witnessed history.

At a corner far away, Ye Zi Yun stared at Nie Li's back figure. At this moment, she was also shocked at how powerful Nie Li was. Such powerful talent! 'Even stronger than grandpa was when he's at that age!' She suddenly had a thought. Nie Li wouldn't really become a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist liket he said before right?

The possibility of this coming true is extremely high!

Ye Zi Yun couldn't help thinking back to the joke she said to Nie Li. If Nie Li becomes a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist, then she will marry to him. Should she keep the promise? Her heart couldn't help becoming messy. Thinking of the unclear relationship between Nie Li and Xiao Ning Er, she lets out two snorts. She would never marry to a playboy like Nie Li.

The cheering slowly died down. But the shock caused by Nie Li hasn't died down that fast yet. It will soon spread throughout the whole Glory City!

Shen Ming was lost within his own mind. After this incident, he's afraid that he could not remain as the Main Affairs Elder of

the Sacred Family anymore.

Nie Li also successfully obtained three hundred million demon spirit coins. In this tournament, Nie Li has earned a total of four hundred and fifty million demon spirit coins. Although he wasn't lacking money, to be able to let the Sacred Family fall into distress was what made him the happiest.

Although money wasn't anything much to Nie Li, it's more than enough to let the Sacred Family have a headache for a while.

Yang Xin looked at Nie Li, her gaze had a hint of worry in it and said, "Nie Li, I'm afraid that you showing your strength like this isn't good. If you were to be eyed by the Dark Guild..." After all, Nie Li is too bright now. He must know that with his talent, the Dark Guild will stop at nothing to kill him.

However, Nie Li lightly smiled. He shook his head and said, "I have my own plans."

Hearing Nie Li's words, Yang Xin nodded. Nie Li should have his plans already. However, she still decided to add assign more bodyguards to Nie Li.

"Big sister Yang Xin, earlier on when I got you to help me investigate whether if there is any relationship between the Sacred Family and the Dark Guild. Did anything turn up?" Nie Li secretly asked Yang Xin.

“I investigated and found out that Sacred Family sheltered a person from the Dark Guild. He seems to be called Deacon Yun Hua. However, with just this point, it’s impossible to do anything to the Sacred Family.” Yang Xin sighed and said, shaking her head. But at least they can confirm that the Sacred Family isn’t clean and have to guard against them carefully. She has already reported this news to the President. The President will definitely pass this message over to the City Lord.

Nie Li nodded. If he wants to bring the Sacred Family down with just this, then he’s thinking the Sacred Family to be too simple. Facing the Sacred Family, he has to do this step by step.

When the Sacred Family left, the Heavenly Marks Family followed soon after. However, the tournament continued on. But it’s just playing around between families.

At the corner of the arena, when Ye Zi Yun saw this scene, she pursed her lips smiling. Nie Li is too bad. Shen Ming of the Sacred Family is doomed now. She doesn’t have any good impressions of the Sacred Family, therefore, if the Sacred Family were to be doomed, then it’s for the best.

Just when Ye Zi Yun turned around and was about to leave, a familiar figure suddenly appeared in front of her eyes. She saw Nie Li smiling at her.

“I only came to watch the tournament, I never thought that you would be here!” Ye Zi Yun denied admitting while blushing.

“Did I say anything?” Nie Li put out his hands, teasingly said, “Since that’s the case, why aren’t you watching anymore. You’re leaving?”

“You……” Ye Zi Yun stomped her feet. It’s impossible for her to admit that she was concerned for Nie Li. She snorted and said, “I realised that this is not interesting, can I go?”

Looking at the lovely and cute Ye Zi Yun, Nie Li lightly laughed. He retrieved a piece of demon crystal from his interspatial then grabbed onto Ye Zi Yun’s slender arm and shoved the demon crystal into her hands. Nie Li lightly smiled and said, “This is for you!”

Feeling the warmth coming from Nie Li’s palm, Ye Zi Yun actually did not push Nie Li’s hands away in that moment. Not knowing why, her heart started to accelerate.

“What is this?” Ye Zi Yun lowered her head.

Seeing Ye Zi Yun’s expression and that girl fragrance coming from her, Nie Li’s heart couldn’t help but to be moved by the scene. He smiled and said, “This is a Snow Queen demon spirit of the Snow Wind attribute.”

“A Black Gold rank Snow Queen demon spirit? Where did you get this demon spirit?” Ye Zi Yun ask in surprise. Snow Queen demon spirit is an extremely rare and powerful demon spirit.

“This Snow Queen is not any ordinary Snow Queen. This is a Snow Queen with a growth rate of God level. You’ll know after you integrate with it, she’s extremely powerful. After integration, be sure to nurture it well. Do not take any Demon Spirit Strengthening Pills!” Nie Li reminded. To get this Snow Queen demon spirit, he had spent quite a bit of effort to get it.

Chapter 90: Into The City Lord's Mansion

"Nie Li, why are you giving it to me?" Ye Zi Yun raised her head. Those big bright eyes of hers blinked, looking at Nie Li.

"Because I love you." Nie Li looked at Ye Zi Yun, smiled and said.

"Then I can't accept this." Hearing Nie Li's confession, Ye Zi Yun's cheeks blushed. She had already accepted lots of things from Nie Li. If she were to accept something more from Nie Li, she wouldn't know how to return the favour anymore.

"How about this. Consider that you owe me a favour, in the future I will definitely have something that I need you to help me with." Nie Li thought awhile and said. Having this stubborn beauty to accept him isn't something easy.

"I have something that I can help you with?" Ye Zi Yun lowered her head, her cheeks were flushed red.

"Of course you have something that you can help me with. You're the daughter of the City Lord. There are tons of people out there that wished for your help, just like me! I have already integrated with a demon spirit. Furthermore, this Snow Queen's attributes isn't suitable for me, there's no point in keeping it." Nie Li looked at Ye Zi Yun's appearance as she lowered her head. He thought to himself that this girl is getting more and more pretty.

Hearing Nie Li's words, Ye Zi Yun hesitated for a moment then nodded and said, "Okay then. But the things that you need me to

do mustn't be anything bad!"

"Definitely, have you seen a man more honest than me?" Nie Li's face changed serious and said.

Hearing that, Ye Zi Yun suddenly laughed. Her laughs were like a flower blooming. This word coming from Nie Li is simply a joke. Earlier on, who messed with the Sacred Family within his grasp?

"Nie Li, I'll accept this Snow Queen. I'll see how this God level growth rate of yours looks like. Consider me owing you a favour. You can request for me to help you to do one thing, however, it cannot be anything bad. Otherwise, I will have my father use money to pay you for this demon spirit!" Ye Zi Yun raised her hands, lightly like a butterfly and ran away.

Ye Zi Yun did not realised that she had already thought of Nie Li to be someone very close to her. If it was anyone else, like Shen Yue and bunch, she would absolutely not accept.

Looking at the slender back of Ye Zi Yun leaving until she was gone, Nie Li lightly smiled and murmured, "No need for long, we will meet again! In the previous and present life, fate has brought us together. Even if you want to cut it, it's impossible." After speaking, Nie Li turned around and left.

The news of Nie Li defeating Sacred Family's 1-star Gold rank Demon Spiritualist Shen Ning quickly spread. The whole Glory City was shaken by the news. For so many years, Glory City did not have someone this talented!

The Heavenly Marks Family was once again, under the spotlight. Everyday, the amount of people who visited the Heavenly Marks Family was simply countless.

However, Nie Li were as disappeared, isolating himself and did not meet with anyone. Those who wanted to meet Nie Li in person were all blocked by the Heavenly Marks Family.

As this news spread throughout the city, the guards of Glory City noticed the movements of the Dark Guild. They killed and arrested dozens of people from the Dark Guild. In order to ensure Nie Li's safety, the City Lord, Ye Zong decided to get Nie Li into the City Lord Mansion to nurture.

After hearing this news, the Dark Guild slowly settled down. If Nie Li were to remain at the Heavenly Marks Family, the Dark Guild would definitely not let Nie Li off. However, since Nie Li is in the City Lord's Mansion, they still don't have the guts to do anything there. After all, the City Lord's Mansion had a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist and countless Black Gold rank Demon Spiritualist and Fighter experts.

Aside from Nie Li, Nie Li also brought Nie Yu into the City Lord's Mansion. He has decided to guide Nie Yu's cultivation. As for the Heavenly Marks Family, for the moment, there is no one that would dare to touch them. As long as he does not remain in the Heavenly Marks Family, the Dark Guild will definitely not do anything to them. Because there is simply no value and meaning to do so.

Everything is within Nie Li's expectations. He has already planned everything up till now when he had revealed his strength in the tournament.

It's said that when the Sacred Family's Shen Yue heard of Nie Li's Gold rank strength and entered into the City Lord's Mansion to stay, he vomited blood in grief and indignant. Originally, he had a little bit of hope for Ye Zi Yun. But now, he knows that he doesn't have any hope anymore.

When Yang Xin heard of this news in the Alchemist Association, she understood why Nie Li was so confident. Nie Li probably expected to be brought to the City Lord's Mansion. In the future, when she want to see Nie Li, she would have to go to the City Lord's Mansion.

Sacred Family

Sacred Family's Patriarch, Shen Hong has finally come out from his isolated training. In this period of isolation, his cultivation had made a big step. However, he still has yet to step into Legend rank Demon Spiritualist realm. The Legend rank Demon Spiritualist isn't easy to reach. As his cultivation went up, he understood this point.

He wondered how that old fart, Ye Mo, broke through that realm. Everyday, he was thinking of the fact that his age was getting older and older. His cultivation had signs of declining. This caused him to be more and more anxious.

After he was aware of the bet, he became thunderously furious. Shen Ming has been relatively safe with doing things, which was why he has always been worry free. However, he never imagined that Shen Ming would actually commit such a huge mistake. Losing four hundred and fifty million demon spirit coins in one fell swoop! That much money can buy lots of elixirs and nurture who knows how many younger generations.

"Shen Ming! Do you know your wrongs!" Shen Hong sat at the high chair, coldly staring that the Shen Ming that is kneeling down below.

Feeling that terrifying gaze of Shen Hong's, Shen Ming's body trembled in fear. He hastily said, "Please forgive me Patriarch! We never thought that Nie Li of the Heavenly Marks Family would actually have the cultivation of a Gold rank at such a young age!

We weren't aware of that and was tricked by him. Please look on the part that where I have contributed so much to the Sacred Family……"

"Silence!" Shen Hong furiously swept his gaze at Shen Ming.

Shen Ming suddenly went into silence, not daring to speak anymore.

Shen Hong pondered in silence. Losing four hundred and fifty million demon spirit coins at this time, is not enough to affect the foundation of the Sacred Family. But what made him feel pressure is that, in the period of time when he was isolated, the relationship between the Sacred Family and the Heavenly Marks Family had reached to the point of fire and water. Originally, a small family like the Heavenly Marks Family wouldn't be something the Sacred Family would be bothered by. But the youngster Nie Li has made him unable to ignore them anymore.

A thirteen year old teen actually has the strength of a Gold rank. His talent even made Shen Hong jealous. Who could predict how far this teen will grow ? Once this teen grows up, whether it's the Sacred Family or the Dark Guild, he will pose a great threat to them.

This threat must be diminished. If this Nie Li doesn't have any grudge with the Sacred Family, Shen Hong might be able to spare him. However, this Nie Li has been going against with the Sacred Family from the start. He must definitely end him.

Now that Nie Li has been protected by the City Lord's Mansion, to kill Nie Li would be difficult.

'I don't believe that you will stay in the City Lord's Mansion all the time and not come out!' Shen Hong coldly thought. He looked at Shen Ming kneeling at the floor and said, "Shen Ming, you know of the house rules of the Sacred Family. According to the house rules, your grieve mistake this time will have you killed without any exception. However, considering that you're a veteran in the Sacred Family and have made so much contributions to the Sacred Family, I give you a chance to redeem yourself……"

Hearing Shen Hong's words, the original ashened eyes of Shen Ming suddenly flashed with a look of hope. He raised his head and asked, "As long as Patriarch orders it, whether it's climbing the knife mountains or down the flaming sea, I will do whatever it takes!"

"Very good. Bring some men to kill Nie Li. As long as you manage to kill Nie Li, I will have people send you out of the city and give you the Main Affairs position in the Dark Guild!" Shen Hong said.

"But Nie Li is in the City Lord's Mansion……" Shen Ming knows about the things between the Sacred Family and the Dark Guild. Either he kills Nie Li, or he dies. There is no other choice.

"He will come out one day!" Shen Hong lightly said.

"Understood, as according to your order!" Shen Ming's eyes flashed a hint of viciousness. He understood that this is the only

chance of living he has. Otherwise, with Shen Hong's method, he will definitely not even have his bones left!

"Shen Ming, I have treated you very well. Don't disappoint me!" Shen Hong's right hand rotated the thumb ring on his left hand.

Hearing Shen Hong's deep voice, Shen Ming couldn't help trembling. Other than him, his family's lives are all in the hands of Shen Hong. He can only give it a gamble!

Chapter 91: Living Together?

Glory City, City Lord's Mansion

Endlessly large courtyards, the view was magnificent. Pillars and bridges were picturesque. At the same time, the place was heavily guarded. Casually, a soldier would have the cultivation of a Silver rank Fighter. At the same time, there would be Gold rank Fighters patrolling back and forth. It's said that within these courtyards, Black Gold rank Fighters and Demon Spiritualists were housed.

This is the core area within the whole Glory City.

Nie Li and Nie Yu were arranged to one of the courtyards. As long as there isn't Black Gold rank experts attacking the mansion, this place is safe. One can see how much importance was placed on Nie Li with how heavily guarded he was.

"Big brother Nie Li, why are we living in the City Lord's Mansion?" Nie Yu timidly asked. Ever since she entered the City Lord's Mansion, she had been very nervous.

"Because this place is safe!" Nie Li patted on Xiao Yu's shoulders and said, "There's no need to be afraid. As long as big brother is here, you can be at ease. Furthermore, the City Lord's daughter is your sister-in-law. Next time when you see her, remember to call her sister-in-law, okay?"

"Sister-in-law? Okay." Nie Yu looked at Nie Li in surprise. She never thought that Nie Li would have found a sister-in-law so fast.

Furthermore, she's the daughter of the City Lord.

Nie Yu was filled with doubts, but Nie Li did not do any explanation. The City Lord would never thought that his action of protecting such a genius has lured a wolf into his home. Nie Li has had ill thoughts from the start.

'Tsk tsk. Coming into the City Lord's Mansion, aside from the usual training, can also tease Ye Zi Yun when I'm bored. Life is so perfect. If there wasn't any Sacred Family or Dark Guild, and without the attacks of the demon beasts, life would be even more perfect.'

For the comfortable future life in front of him, he has to find some methods to destroy the Sacred Family. In his previous life, if it wasn't for the betrayal of the Sacred Family, Glory City wouldn't have fallen so easily. The root of the problem, is usually internal.

Nie Li is still 2-star Silver rank now. However, strength wise, suppressing a normal 1 or 2-star Gold rank shouldn't be much of a problem. But, this is far from enough. He has to hurry up and practice.

"What is there that can raise my cultivation the fastest?" Nie Li patted his head, "How could I have forgotten that. To actually forget the Heavenly Sacred Border." Within the Holy Orchid Institute, the only thing that can arouse his interest would be the Heavenly Sacred Border.

'Prepare first and then find a chance to make a trip to the

Heavenly Sacred Border!' Nie Li thought to himself.

Nie Li crossed his legs and started to practise. Nie Yu also obediently sat beside Nie Li and practised. She is very sensible, so she did not emit any noise that could disturb Nie Li and concentrated on practising.

One day, two days……

As time passes, Nie Li and Nie Yu's life here wasn't bad. Aside from not allowed to go to the core area of the City Lord's Mansion, there wasn't any restrictions. Furthermore, three meals a day were delivered by servants. Outsiders can also visit anytime. It's rumoured that in a few days time, the City Lord and Ye Mo will personally meet with Nie Li. Therefore, the surrounding guards and maids were very polite to the brother and sister duo.

Nie Li's cultivation was steadily rising. At the fifth day, his cultivation finally raised once again, his soul force reached 3-star Silver rank.

After reaching 3-star Silver rank, Nie Li did not continue to go further up. At the beginning, it's best not to have one's cultivation rise too fast, it's best to give some time in between. He blinked. After entering the City Lord's Mansion for so many days, Ye Zi Yun still hasn't come and look for him.

Evening approaches, the sunset was a layer of gold in the City Lord's Mansion, causing the place to look even more magnificent.

‘Probably because a girl’s face is too thin, she does not dare to come. Seems that I have to come and find you!’ Nie Li thought to himself. He chuckled and looked at Nie Yu beside him and said, “Xiao Yu, I’ll go look for you sister-in-law. You remain here and practice.”

“Okay.” Xiao Yu’s big bright eyes looked at Nie Li fully puzzled. How is big brother Nie Li preparing to go look for Sister-in-law? Although she is curious, she did not enquire much. She obediently remained at the courtyard to practise.

After Nie Li stepped out of the courtyard, he called the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit and disappeared. The several Gold rank experts that were guarding Nie Li’s courtyard felt faint aura. They looked at their surroundings, not finding anything, then retracted their gazes. They thought that they had sensed wrong.

‘My void-form combat ability isn’t perfect yet, the ability of hiding the aura isn’t strong enough. When encountering Gold rank, I can still barely pass it. If I were to encounter a Black Gold rank, I will definitely be noticed.’ Nie Li thought to himself, familiarly moving towards where Ye Zi Yun was staying.

Although Nie Li has never come here before, he heard all about the City Lord’s Mansion from Ye Zi Yun. Therefore, he also knows where Ye Zi Yun lived.

‘The daughter of the City Lord, interesting.’ Nie Li thought to himself as he couldn’t help lightly smile.

The experts that filled City Lord's Mansion, were bypassed by Nie Li with no one hindering. Gold rank experts don't have any threat towards Nie Li.

A small courtyard appeared in Nie Li's view. It was a very unique yard. The inside is filled with all kinds of plants and flowers. Bursts of fragrance was coming out from it. Looking from afar, an exquisite two floor building could be seen, that's the place that Ye Zi Yun is living in.

The gate of the small courtyard were passed through by Nie Li while he was in his void-form. After removing the void-form, Nie Li walked in.

On a stone at a corner of the yard, Ye Zi Yun was currently sitting crossed legged as she practised. The Soul force coiling around, behind her had an unclear white figure.

That white figure wore a white fluttering robe, and bore a beautiful face. On the top of her head, is an ice crown. She is the Snow Queen demon spirit. Among the demon spirits, she was the one that looked the most human. It's said that in ancient times, the Snow Queen was a goddess.

Snow Queens are extremely rare. Furthermore, they have extremely powerful Snow Wind combat abilities. It compliments with Ye Zi Yun who has practised the [Nine Revolving Ice Phoenix].

When Nie Li's gaze fell onto Ye Zi Yun's body, his nose felt

slightly warm, almost leaking out blood. Ye Zi Yun should have just finished her bath. Her hair is still wet. She wore a thin veil over her body, the slight bulge on her chest could be vaguely seen.

This scene made Nie Li recall his previous life. That night, under the moonlight, Ye Zi Yun was as holy as a goddess. They both hugged, listened to each other's breaths. Nie Li's hands gently kneading that softness. Some say that the proudest moment of a man is when he's holding his lover's peaks.

Nie Li took in a deep breath. Although the current Ye Zi Yun has yet to grow, she's already extremely beautiful. After practising the [Nine Revolving Ice Phoenix], she became even more charming.

At this moment, Ye Zi Yun, who is currently deep in her practise realised something. She opened her eyes and hostilely said, "Who?" When she saw Nie Li, she felt relieved. She was puzzled and asked, "It's you? How did you come here?"

If it were anyone else who suddenly appeared in this courtyard, Ye Zi Yun would certainly suspect their motives. Even with those whom she is familiar with, Ye Zi Yun couldn't put her guard down completely. However, not even Ye Zi Yun knows why that when she saw Nie Li, she subconsciously felt relieved.

"I came here to have a look. Your courtyard seems to be very unique. However, living here alone must be very boring. How about I move in here to live with you?" Nie Li looked at all four directions, looking extremely satisfied as he nodded.

Ye Zi Yun looked at Nie Li dumbfounded, feeling shy. ‘This person, how can he be so shameless to such a degree?! Have I ever said that I’m very bored? Even if I’m bored, I also wouldn’t have you move in here!’

Chapter 92: The City Lord Arrives

Ye Zi Yun realised something and screamed.

“Nie Li, turnaround!” Ye Zi Yun’s face flushed red as she stomped her feet.

“What’s wrong?” Nie Li blinked, taking a few more glances. This isn’t something he can see all the time, if he were to turn around, then it would have been wasted.

“Nie Li, how can you be like this. I……” Ye Zi Yun was angry. She hastily retrieved a cloth from her interspatial ring to cover up. Her heart was in a mess. Ever since she was young, this was the first time a guy has seen her like this.

“Not as though I haven’t seen this before……” Nie Li murmured, then slowly turned around. He laughed and said, “Wear your shirt, I won’t look at you.”

“You can’t turn your head around! Otherwise…… I won’t talk to you anymore!” Ye Zi Yun can’t think of any harsh words to say, so she can only said this.

Rustling sounds came from behind Nie Li, causing one to imagine. However, Nie Li did not turn around to look. He didn’t want to irritate this beauty behind him. However, no matter what, the trip today was worth this.

“Okay, you can turn around now.”

Hearing Ye Zi Yun’s voice, Nie Li turned his head around. He realised that Ye Zi Yun was wearing a white dress. That delicate purple hair of hers was still wet, draped over her shoulders looking soft and elegant. Her white skin was like peeled eggs. Those watery big eyes of hers were twinkling as though they are saying something. The pair of small dimples on the even sides of her cheeks and the slight charming crimson on her cheeks made Nie Li dumbfounded.

“Nie Li, I will remember today’s incident. I will definitely make you pay for this!” Ye Zi Yun was staring at Nie Li angrily. However, her angry expression had a hint of beauty in it. Not knowing why, Nie Li’s heated gaze caused her to have a strange feeling in her heart.

“I nearly forgot, you still owe me a favour!” Nie Li said, smiling while looking at Ye Zi Yun, “Since I saw you, consider us even!”

“No. This is two different matters. I will still owe you that favour! This matter cannot be settled so easily!” Ye Zi Yun said in dissatisfaction. She felt that she had made a loss, having everything seen by Nie Li.

“How about this, I’ll let you look at me back!” Nie Li said, as he starts to undress.

“Who’d want to look at you!?” Ye Zi Yun stomped her feet as she hurriedly covered her eyes. She is simply speechless. How can Nie

Li be like this? Such a jerk! However, not knowing why, a faint ripple was set off in her heart. As the daughter of the City Lord, she normally doesn't have a friend. Not to mention having such a person tease her without restraints. Because of the appearance of Nie Li, colours were added to her simple life.

"Since you don't want to see, so be it." Nie Li shrugged, the corner of his mouth curled. Seeing how cute Ye Zi Yun is, his heart was filled with warmth. To be able to be reborn and once again see Ye Zi Yun is too good. He will definitely not disappoint god's blessing.

Nie Li looked around the surroundings then walked towards Ye Zi Yun's building.

"What are you doing?" Seeing Nie Li's action, Ye Zi Yun hastily said.

"Since I've come here, you're not going to let me take a look around your room? Isn't that a little too rude?" Nie Li directly walked towards the building.

Rude? Ye Zi Yun is simply going crazy. Exactly who is being rude. Who broke into a girl's yard without knocking, and now he wants to take a look at a girl's room?

"Nie Li, stop!" Ye Zi Yun hurriedly called out. Her room isn't something that anyone can enter.

“Shu!” Nie Li was like a loach, slipping into Ye Zi Yun’s building. In his previous life, he had not seen Ye Zi Yun’s room before which is why his heart was filled with curiosity. He was wondering how Ye Zi Yun’s room looked like.

After entering the building, he continued walking forward and entered into Ye Zi Yun’s room. Ye Zi Yun’s room was extremely exquisitely decorated. Having flower carvings and pink veils, looking sweetly pretty.

Nie Li freshly looked around, walking towards the back of a screen. Behind the screen, a wooden tub was placed there, the tub was still emitting steam. Ye Zi Yun had just taken her bath here. Thinking of the scene of Ye Zi Yun bathing in the wooden tub, Nie Li couldn’t help feeling some heat in his heart.

Ye Zi Yun hastily ran in.

“Nie Li, how can you just break into a girl’s room. Quickly, get out!” Ye Zi Yun said, feeling anxious and shy. However, facing the shameless Nie Li, she has no idea how to deal with him.

“It’s not a big deal, I’m just looking around the room only. It’s not as though you’ll get pregnant.” Nie Li deeply inhaled a breath. There is a faint, but familiar, fragrance lingering around in the air, this is the smell of Ye Zi Yun.

“Pregnant?” Ye Zi Yun’s eyes were wide. That expression of hers was as though she was struck by lightning. Just what exactly is in Nie Li’s head? She simply feels like cracking Nie Li’s head open and

have a look inside.

"Even the hot water has been prepared. You go out first, I'll have a bath!" Nie Li quickly undressed himself and jumped into the wooden tub. He said in satisfaction, "This is so comfortable!"

"Urghhhhhhh!" Ye Zi Yun is simply going crazy. The moment Nie Li comes, he treats this place as though it's his own. She just finished bathing in the wooden tub and hasn't even had the time to pour the water away, how could Nie Li just jump in like that?

Furthermore, Nie Li shamelessly undressed himself in front of her!

Ye Zi Yun is simply helpless. If she were to remain here, wouldn't she have to look at Nie Li bathing? Ye Zi Yun can only helplessly leave.

At the yard, Ye Zi Yun's mind was in a mess. She sat on a piece of rock. Her slender fingers were folding a piece of grass. Although she was bullied by Nie Li, she wasn't unhappy. Her heart had an indescribable feeling.

'Hateful fella!' Ye Zi Yun angrily thought.

Perhaps she is too lonely. She usually doesn't have any friends in school. After her mother passed away, her father and grandfather have been busy with their own matters, hence accompanied her here very rarely. If anyone were to come and bother her, she would

feel very happy about it. Although Nie Li is a little jerkish, she still does not hate Nie Li.

Nie Li simply understands Ye Zi Yun's character too well, which is why he acted that way. He won't let Ye Zi Yun distance herself away from him.

In that hot water, lingers the fragrance of Ye Zi Yun. If they were to soak inside together, how wonderful would that be? Deep in his thoughts, Nie Li's heart accelerated a little. The road is still long, Nie Li knows that in order to reach that step, he has to work very hard.

At this moment, knocking sounds came from the yard's door.

Hearing this sound, Ye Zi Yun's face immediately changed colours. This knocking sound is obviously the arrival of her father.

Nie Li is still in the room! He was doomed!

Nie Li also heard the knocking sound, and immediately became dumbfounded. This is a little too much! Thinking of the strict face of Ye Zi Yun's father, Nie Li suddenly felt his head ache.

Chapter 93: Confrontation

In his previous life, Nie Li did not have much contact with Ye Zi Yun's father. However, he knows that her father is a hard-hearted person and had a strange character, making him extremely hard to handle. Nie Li heard from Ye Zi Yun that her father is extremely strict. Ever since she was young, his relationship with Ye Zi Yun wasn't that good.

If he were to be found by such a father-in-law while he was in his daughter's room buck naked, who knows what he'd do.

Nie Li swept away that calm mindset that he had previously, and anxiously threw on his pants. He then called out the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, activating the void-form combat ability and moved out.

He had to leave immediately leave, otherwise there wouldn't be a chance to do so! Everyone knows that the City Lord is a Black Gold rank Demon Spiritualist, an existence closest to Legend rank!

At this moment, in the yard

A robust man majestically walked in. He's wearing a grey robe with his hair tied to the back. His face was solemn. He had a biting cold aura emitting from him, while, at the same time, having a feeling of prestige around him.

Ye Zi Yun was scared stiff. She never expected that her father would come in at this time, and therefore she was in a

dumbfounded daze. If her father knew that Nie Li was currently bathing in her room, who knows what he might do.

"Yun Er, your facial colours don't seem too good. Are you recently sick?" Ye Zong slightly frowned and asked.

"N……No." Ye Zi Yun hurriedly shook her head. Her heart was fluttering endlessly, wondering if Nie Li, who is currently in the room knew that her father has come. He mustn't be found! If Nie Li were found, he would be in danger under her father's anger.

At this moment of time, Ye Zi Yun was worried for Nie Li's safety.

Ye Zong suddenly felt something. He frowned, "Why is there an aura of another person here?"

Hearing Ye Zong's words, Ye Zi Yun was surprised. She knows that her father is a Black Gold rank Demon Spiritualist, furthermore, he has already reached the peak of Black Gold rank. He is only a step away from Legend rank, therefore, his senses are extremely keen.

"How could that be? I'm the only one here!" Ye Zi Yun hurriedly shook her hands and said, looking nervous.

Ye Zong coldly glanced at Ye Zi Yun. He can tell that Ye Zi Yun is lying with just a glance. Not only was another person's aura here, it's a male. Ye Zong snorted, releasing a majestic soul force to

envelop the entire yard.

At this moment, Nie Li who was preparing to leave the yard, felt a powerful soul force pressure from the sky. He did not dare to move. Turns out that what he feared has come true. He desperately retracted his aura. All of his soul force was exiting from his body, into the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit.

Ye Zong's soul force swept the area again and again. After awhile, it locked onto Nie Li's surroundings.

Nie Li felt incessant grievances in his heart. In this life, he didn't have much time to cultivate, therefore his soul force is only a 2-star Silver rank. If he had reached Gold rank and recasted the hiding ability of the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit, he definitely wouldn't be found so easily.

But now, Ye Zong has already found his location.

"It's actually the void combat ability, never thought that he'd have a little capability, not a total idiot!" Ye Zong snorted. He's had a wide variety of experiences, therefore he knows a little about the void combat ability. Waves of soul force surged out, forming into ropes, and tied up Nie Li.

Under the shackles of the powerful soul force, Nie Li's void-form disappeared. His body gradually reappearing.

Boom!

Ye Zong's soul force mercilessly threw Nie Li onto the ground, causing cracks to surface.

"Urgh!" Nie Li spewed a mouthful of blood. His body was wounded, his internal organs shocked from the impact. If it wasn't that Ye Zong had given mercy, with his strength, Nie Li could be killed with one attack.

"Nie Li, are you alright?" Seeing this scene, Ye Zi Yun suddenly went anxious. She ran to the side of Nie Li and helped him up. She frowned and angrily stared at Ye Zong, "Father, how can you hurt my friend for no reason?"

"Friend?" Ye Zhong let out a snort, furiously staring at Ye Zi Yun, "Explain to me, what exactly is going on?"

"My name is Nie Li, greetings to the City Lord!" Nie Li operated his soul force to heal himself a bit and said to Ye Zong, cupping his hands. No matter what, he is still the father of Ye Zi Yun, his future father-in-law. Having their first meeting like this, is still a little embarrassing.

"Nie Li? I seem to have a vague impression of you. You're that kid that was recruited to the City Lord's Mansion? Talk! What are you doing in my daughter's yard?" Ye Zong coldly looked at Nie Li. Nie Li is only wearing a pants, his upper body was shirtless. His gaze coldly swept on Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun.

"Of course I'm here to visit. Me and Zi Yun are classmates.

Knowing that she lived here, I came here to have a look." Nie Li bitterly smiled as he said.

"Visit? Do you need to undress to visit?" Ye Zong let out a furious snort, it was like thunder bombarding into Nie Li's heart. Looking at Nie Li, his face solemned down, "Zi Yun, you have disappoint me greatly! I never thought that you would do such a thing that could ruin our family's reputation!"

Hearing Ye Zong's words, her slender figure was slightly startled. Her eyes reddened and sad.

Looking at Ye Zi Yun's sad expression, Nie Li raised his head, looking at Ye Zong and said, "Uncle, don't misunderstand. There is nothing between Zi Yun and I. If there is any problem, direct them at me, leave her alone!"

After hearing Nie Li's words, Ye Zong became more furious. He walked towards Nie Li slowly, dust and small stones was flying around in the yard. The rage of a Black Gold rank is extremely fearful. Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun felt a terrifying aura pressing against them.

"Direct them at you? Seems like you still have a little backbone. You dare to ruin my Snow Wind Family's reputation, don't dream on leaving alive!" Ye Zong waved his right hand, a tidal wave of soul force rushed towards Nie Li.

Nie Li's face changed. He thought that Ye Zong would at most lock him up and punish him a bit. He never thought that Ye Zong

would be so merciless. With his current strength, there is no way he can compete with a Black Gold rank Demon Spiritualist. Nie Li was depressed in his heart. If his cultivation was raised a little and reached Gold rank, he would have a fighting chance.

If he died here, then everything would be lost!

The whole Glory City still awaits for him to save them!

Boom!

His soul realm shocked, Nie Li flew spitting out blood and heavily hit the wall and fell.

“With that little strength of yours, you dared to be presumptuous in my City Lord’s Mansion?” Ye Zong’s right leg stepped out, another wave of soul force raged out.

“Father, no!” Seeing this scene, crystal tears flowed down Ye Zi Yun’s cheeks. She leaped, blocking Nie Li. Surging her soul force, the vision of the Snow Queen appeared on top of her. The snow wind covered the sky, forming into a powerful storm, and forming a thick snow wall in front.

Boom!

Under the attack of Ye Zong’s soul force, the snow wall disintegrated into pieces.

The difference in strength is too big. Even if Ye Zong doesn't call out his demon spirit, he can easily defeat the Nie Li and Ye Zi Yun who had already merged with their demon spirits.

"To actually integrate with a Snow Queen demon spirit and dare go against your father, seems like you've grown up! Move!" Ye Zong's gaze coldly stared at Ye Zi Yun.

[T/N: Kids get rebellious as they grow up. Which is why Ye Zong said that she have grown up.]

Ye Zong emitted a frightening aura all over his body.

This kind of aura made Ye Zi Yun feel unfamiliar. She cried as she said, "Father, I beg you, let Nie Li go! If you can let him go, I'm willing to accept any punishment."

Seeing that icy cold expression on Ye Zong's face, was knife. Nie Li wiped the traces of blood at the corner of his mouth and slowly stood up. Waves of soul force were circling around him, gradually forming into large wings on his back. This is soul forming. However, the wings that were formed behind Nie Li were much bigger compared to Xiao Ning Er. Furthermore, it's three pairs. Six huge wings were slowly flapping behind, waves of soul force were confronting Ye Zong's.

"The only reason I'm not fighting back, is because you're the father of Zi Yun. It's not because I'm afraid of you……" Icy cold words slowly came out of Nie Li's mouth. That gaze of his was as

sharp as knives.

At this moment, Nie Li was suspend in the air, like a god. His eyes had faint hints of a frightening aura.

Chapter 94: One Year Pact

“Zi Yun, move out of the way!” Nie Li solemnly said. He released the potential within his soul realm, his soul force reached its peak.

Feeling the majestic force from Nie Li’s body, Ye Zong’s eyes had a hint of surprise flash across. How old is Nie Li? To actually reach such a level, and suppress his aura. This kind of talent does indeed cause others to be surprised. However, his eyes were still coldly staring at Nie Li.

“Nie Li, no! Please, I beg you both!” Ye Zi Yun’s face was filled with tears.

Nie Li coldly looked at the Ye Zong in front of him, and furiously said, “Are you suitable to be a father? Since young, have you ever given any concern for Zi Yun? You continuously requested her to train and train, what else have you done for her? She’s lonely in her heart, did you know that? In the institute, there isn’t a single true friend. In the City Lord’s Mansion, whether it’s you or that old fart Ye Mo, you were all busy with your own stuff. You never showed even a little concern for Zi Yun! Me and Zi Yun are only good friends. Even if something happened between me and Zi Yun, can someone like you that kills people without knowing anything? Have you cared for Zi Yun’s feelings? What you care about is only the reputation of the Snow Wind Family!”

“Brat, do you know what you’re saying now? You’re seeking death! How dare you be so presumptuous in front of me?!” Ye Zong became more furious. He let out a snort, and waves of soul force surged from his body, a more powerful soul force pressed towards

Nie Li from all directions.

Boom!

Nie Li flew back.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

Nie Li's soul force was continuously bombarding against Ye Zong's soul force, causing explosions in the air.

Nie Li was once again, sent flying. Wounds covered his body.

"If I'm afraid of death, then I'm a soft egg. Even if I die, I will still say it! So what if you're the City Lord? Your daddy hasn't even put you in my eyes! Black Gold rank Demon Spiritualist, so what? If I have a year of time, I will be able to beat you! Your daddy has even seen the existence above Legend rank before!" Nie Li was wounded all over his body. His eyes were half open. He spat a mouthful of saliva and said, "Damn, if you want to fight now, even if I die, I will still cast a Soul Reversal technique to teach you a lesson!"

[T/N: The raw actually says something like Soul returning to one technique, so I just have it Soul Reversal instead. And... ahem... No starwars please.]

If he used the Soul Reversal technique, both sides would surely sustain injuries. Nie Li didn't want to do it as he doesn't want Ye Zi Yun to be heart broken. After all, he is the father of Ye Zi Yun!

“One year? You think that you can defeat a Black Gold rank Demon Spiritualist in one year?” Ye Zong looked at Nie Li, coldly laughing, his mouth hung a strong disdain.

“What? You want to try?” Nie Li had both his hands on his hips. Since he has already gone all out, he pointed at Ye Zong and scolded, “Give me a year’s time and I will definitely step on you mercilessly under my feet!”

“This is what you have said. If you are able to defeat me in a year’s time, I will not pursue today’s matter. And you, Ye Zi Yun!” Ye Zong coldly swept his eyes at Ye Zi Yun, his eyes flashed a hint of unnoticable softness and coldly said, “If you are unable to reach Gold rank in a year, then the both of you are not allowed to meet anymore!”

Ye Zong’s soul force mercilessly bombarded onto Nie Li’s body, sending Nie Li flying. He slowly turned around and walked out, “Don’t forget my words today!”

Boom!

Nie Li’s soul force dispersed. The three pairs of wings on his back also broke apart. His internal organs shifted, but his life wasn’t in any danger. He heavily breathed, in just that moment, he felt that death gazed past him. The last attack that Ye Zong used, is a lot stronger than ordinary Black Gold rank. Ye Zong has already reached the peak of Black Gold rank, a step away from Legend rank.

“Rest at ease, I will never go back on the words I’ve said.” Nie Li looked at Ye Zong’s back figure and heavily said. Watching Ye Zong gradually leaving, Nie Li’s eyes flashed a hint of doubt. He originally thought that Ye Zong would kill him to protect the reputation of the Snow Wind Family. He never thought that Ye Zong would actually let him off!

Chapter 95: City Lord Is Very Helpless

Ye Zi Yun silently sent Nie Li to the door of her yard, after being silent for a moment, Ye Zi Yun lowered her head and said, “Nie Li, don’t look for me anymore.”

“Why?” Nie Li slightly frowned as he asked Ye Zi Yun.

Ye Zi Yun raised her head to look at Nie Li. Those clear bright eyes were written with deep sorrow and asked, “You’re not afraid of death? You’re not afraid that my father will kill you?”

“Kill me? If you father wanted to kill me, he would already have done so earlier.” Nie Li’s eyes were deep, “Or at least have me expelled from the City Lord’s Mansion. If he were to expel me from the City Lord’s Mansion, I will definitely die, without a doubt. The Dark Guild will definitely not let me off. However, he did not do so.”

“Why didn’t he do so?” Ye Zi Yun’s eyes flashed with a hint of confusion.

Nie Li looked at the direction which Ye Zong is walking. That back figure of his was like an iron tower, so lonely and desolate under the sunset. In that moment, Nie Li suddenly understood a lot and said, “This is a matter between guys. Anyways, all you need to do now is listen to me.”

At this moment, Nie Li understood. It wasn’t that Ye Zong doesn’t care for Ye Zi Yun. It’s just that Ye Zong’s shoulders have

have too much to bear.

"Why should I listen to you?" Ye Zi Yun pouted in dissatisfaction. She felt too much wronged today. Although her relationship with Ye Zong wasn't close, there isn't anything to talk about between fathers and daughters. However, it's the first time she received such a cold reprimand from her father. Ye Zi Yun felt hurt in her heart.

That fuming look of Ye Zi Yun's was exceptionally charming.

"Cough cough!" Nie Li spat out a few mouthfuls of fresh blood. Bitterly smiling, he said, "You're sending me back like this?"

"How bad are your injuries?" Look at Nie Li's situation, Ye Zi Yun immediately concernedly asked, and hurriedly held Nie Li.

"My injuries are too heavy! I'll probably have to stay here for two days to heal myself!" Nie Li said, holding his chest.

Ye Zi Yun looked at Nie Li. Her gaze went into a daze. Is there still anyone more shameless than Nie Li? What is in that head of his? After being wounded by her father, he actually wants to stay here for two days? Is Nie Li's head full of paste? Isn't he afraid of her father killing him under an uncontrolled rage?

At this moment, at a corner of the City Lord's Mansion. Two figures were proudly standing.

One of them is Ye Zong that just came out from Ye Zi Yun's yard. The other one is President Gu Yan of the Alchemist Association.

"City Lord, you wounded him too badly! If that master of his were to act up, it's definitely not a good thing for Glory City." Gu Yan bitterly smiled as he looked at Ye Zong and said.

"I hurt him too badly?" Murderous intent was still emitting from Ye Zong's gaze , "It's good enough that I did not kill him. This brat actually dared to flirt with my daughter in my mansion and even ruined my daughter's purity!"

Gu Yan is also helpless. Nie Li has indeed gone too far with this. Flirting the City Lord's daughter in his mansion, this kind of thing, only Nie Li would dare to do it. The City Lord is already very lenient by not killing Nie Li.

"Then why didn't City Lord throw him out of the City Lord's Mansion?"

"What's the use of throwing him out? This kid integrated with god knows what demon spirit. To actually have the void combat ability. Aside from the few Black Gold rank Demon Spiritualists that are able to sense where he is, he can come and go in the City Lord's Mansion unhindered! Furthermore, I don't know what's going on with that girl, to be taken by that kid so easily! This is really making me mad. Could it be that I have to lock my daughter up in some secret place?" Ye Zong snorted, "This kid is already a Gold rank Demon Spiritualist at such a young age. Furthermore, he contributed a few elixir formulas, made huge contributions to Glory City. Glory City might even need to rely on him in the future

for safety. For Glory City, I can only endure this anger!”

Hearing Ye Zong’s words, not knowing why, Gu Yan found it a little funny. The grand and majestic City Lord is actually helpless towards a thirteen year old kid.

“Thirteen years old and already dares to come in the City Lord’s Mansion to flirt. How did this kid’s head grow? In my view, if Zi Yun followed him, she might even suffer. I heard that up till now, this kid does not have only one girl. Winged Dragon Family’s doll and Hu Yan Family’s doll, this kid will definitely not stick to one wife in the future!” Ye Zong felt endless indignant.

“Then what does the City Lord prepare to do?” Gu Yan looked at Ye Zong, laughing as he asked.

“What can I do? I can only endure it!” Ye Zong clenched his teeth. Ever since he became the City Lord, he has never compromised like this before, “Earlier on, if this kid had shown a hint of being spineless and hid behind Zi Yun, even if I have to risk offending that super expert behind him, I would have to kill him! However, at least he has that little backbone. Even if he has many girls in the future, I don’t think he’ll let Zi Yun down.”

Hearing Ye Zong’s words, Gu Yan felt relieved in his heart. It’s good so long as this matter has not reached to the stage of irreversible.

“Gu Yan, do you know what the Soul Reversal technique is?” Ye Zong suddenly thought of something and asked Gu Yan.

Gu Yan shook his head and said, “I’m not clear about it either!”

“According to this kid’s words, if he used the Soul Reversal technique, he can even defeat me. However, it seems that the side effect of this Soul Reversal technique is also very big, after using it, he’ll definitely die. Probably the last resort that the master behind him taught him. If possible, President Gu Yan, try to get this Soul Reversal technique out of this kid’s mouth!” Ye Zong went silent for a moment and said.

Gu Yan was stunned for a moment and asked, “Could it be that City Lord intends to use this Soul Reversal technique? Absolutely not! Didn’t the City Lord say that this Soul Reversal technique has huge drawbacks?”

Ye Zong remained silent for a moment then sighed in a low-spirit, “Forbidden techniques like this can’t be used unless there is no other way. However, there’s no harm having preparation. In recent times, the Dark Guild has been going more and more out of control!”

“Could it be that there are some news from Lord Ye Mo?” Gu Yan looked at Ye Zong, puzzled and asked.

“Right, the Dark Guild wants to drive the demon beasts to destroy Glory City!”

“Drive the demon beasts to destroy Glory City? What benefits do they have with that?” Gu Yan felt a chill in his heart and asked. “Is

the Dark Guild insane? If Glory City is destroyed, can they survive it?”

“They might have some methods to avoid the demon beasts attacks!” Ye Zong said.

Gu Yan thought awhile and said, “Why not have a talk with Nie Li about it? Perhaps Nie Li has some solution to it!”

“Beg him?” Ye Zong’s facial expression sullen down, “Not killing him is already me being polite to him. To have me to go and beg him is absolutely impossible!”

Hearing Ye Zong’s words, Gu Yan bitterly smiled. He wasn’t sure if he can be the mediator between them.

At this moment, in Ye Zi Yun’s room

Nie Li is currently sitting crossed legged on the bed and practising. Although Nie Li was heavily wounded by Ye Zong, causing Nie Li’s soul realm to have cracks. But, because of this, he had signs of breakthrough and progress. He continuously practised. Soul force was revolving around him. After soul forming, Nie Li’s cultivation had another obvious breakthrough. His soul force will soon be able to take another step up.

Ye Zi Yun did not stay in the same room as Nie Li. She harmonized awhile, thinking of her father’s strict face, and sighed. Her mother died early, her relationship with her father was never

close. Ever since she was young, her father had a strict demand. He continuously had her practise, which is why her cultivation and knowledge is a step higher than her peers. However, the strictness from her father today, was something she has never seen before.

"Nie Li, what should I do with you?" Thinking back, when Nie Li clearly knew that he couldn't be her father's opponent, he still stood in front of her. It caused a slight ripple in her heart. Although Nie Li is a bit jerk, and a little ridiculous, in the crucial moment, he's still brave. This caused her heart to be tangled and distressed.

At the same time, her father's reaction caused Ye Zi Yun to be deeply puzzled. She originally thought that her father would do something terrifying out of anger. However, she never thought that her father would only gave her a requirement, which is to reach Gold rank Demon Spiritualist in one year.

Ye Zi Yun very much wishes to know what her father is thinking. But, no matter how, she will still work very hard to practise and not let her father down.

Chapter 96: Really Want To Stir The Sacred Family?

Nie Li did not expect to have any problems. He never thought that his luck would be so bad and his first time coming over to see Ye Zi Yun to be found out by the City Lord.

However, Ye Zong did not kill him, probably because the Alchemist Association side said something. Since that's the case, Nie Li has nothing to fear. No need wait for too long, Nie Li will thoroughly subdue Ye Zong, and make him send his daughter over with his own hands.

Thinking about it here, Nie Li had a hint of faint smile on his face. For this distant target and dream, he has to work hard.

Nie Li swallowed several elixirs, crossed his legs and began cultivating. He operated the [Heavenly God] cultivating technique to try and break through to 4-star Silver rank.

In the yard

Every since she practised the [Nine Revolving Phoenix] cultivating technique and integrated with the Snow Queen, Ye Zi Yun's cultivation has soared leaps and bounds. She wasn't any slower compared to Nie Li, and reached the cultivation of a 3-star Silver rank. After all, her cultivating technique is faster than Nie Li's [Heavenly God] cultivation technique. The power of the [Heavenly God] cultivating technique can only be seen at a later part of his cultivation.

Among everyone that was gifted one of Nie Li's cultivation techniques, Nie Li's [Heavenly God] cultivating technique is the slowest to work with. The difficulty that he faced during cultivating is also several times harder than the others. But of course, the [Heavenly God] cultivating technique is the strongest once one completes their cultivation. Even against seven people who are the same rank as Nie lie, they might not be his opponents. The difficulty in the cultivating technique is extremely large, but to be able to catch up with the speed of others is the advantage that Nie Li has from rebirth.

'Sage Emperor, wait till I practised the [Heavenly God] cultivating technique to its peak and nurtured seven God rank masters. This time, we'll see who's stronger!' Nie Li thought in his heart. In his previous life, one of the reasons why he lost, is because his cultivation lost by rank. The other reason is because the Sage Emperor had several Deity rank demon beasts by his side, who attacked him to exhaust his strength. This was the reason why he was defeated so quickly. In this life, he will definitely repeat the same thing. Aside from raising his strength, he will also bring along several powerful companions. It won't be like his

previous life, when he was all alone.

After sat crossed legged and practised for about an hour, Nie Li's injuries had more or less healed.

"Nie Li, how is your healing progress?" Ye Zi Yun looked at Nie Li, slightly narrowing his eyes.

Hearing Ye Zi Yun's words, Nie Li still thought that Ye Zi Yun was concern about him. He nodded and said, "I've healed, more or less."

"Okay, since that's the case, you have to leave! If you continue to stay here, don't blame me for being impolite!" Ye Zi Yun's expression was strict, pushing Nie Li out.

"Zi Yun, I'm in love with you! You can't do this to me! Ouch, my injuries still haven't fully recovered yet! I'll need at least another two days of healing before I can move! Urgh, I can't, I'm about to vomit blood!"

"I will not believe you again. If you still don't leave, I'll take to broom and chase you out!" Ye Zi Yun clenched her teeth, Nie Li is being too much of a rogue.

"You wouldn't be so heartless, right?" Nie Li stared at Ye Zi Yun.

"You can try me!" Ye Zi Yun had both her hands on her hips, and let out two snorts. Regarding the issue today, it's already good of

her not bashing Nie Li up.

“Fine, I’ll return first. I’ll look for you again tomorrow!”

“If you dare to come tomorrow, see what I’ll do!” Ye Zi Yun pushed Nie Li out, pouting her mouth with her hands on her hips and said.

“Ah? Then when can I come look for you?” Nie Li bitterly laughed, looking at Ye Zi Yun.

Bang!

Ye Zi Yun closed the door to her yard.

“Then I’ll come over the day after tomorrow!” Even though he was chased out by Ye Zi Yun, his mood wasn’t bad. Both of his hands were at his back, humming a song and walking towards the place he was living in.

Looking at the shut door, Ye Zi Yun stomped her feet, annoyed to the point she felt her teeth itching. However, she recalled something and laughed. Her laughter was simply charming. If it was seen by anyone, they would definitely be in a daze. She is simply helpless when facing a shameless person like Nie Li. However, since this matter has already progressed to this point, she has no idea what to do and can only listen to Nie Li.

She suddenly recalled something, and her cheeks reddened.

While walking, Nie Li was deep within his thoughts and recalled something from the past. Truth is, Nie Li has no idea how to chase a girl. Ye Zi Yun and Nie Li got together only by the trial of death. After Ye Zi Yun was killed, Nie Li had several contacts with girls, however, he did not have any deep relationship with them. Nie Li's heart had always been thinking of Ye Zi Yun, and wouldn't let any other girl enter his heart.

You can imagine Nie Li's joy of seeing Ye Zi Yun again. However, they did not have any trial of death in this life, therefore, Nie Li has no idea how to get Ye Zi Yun's feelings match his own. He can only shamelessly throw himself at her. Even if he's hated by Ye Zi Yun, he also have to shamelessly guard by her side. Nie Li doesn't want to lose her again.

'At least, it's better than doing nothing.' Nie Li thought to himself. No matter how Ye Zi Yun treats him, Nie Li will still guard her side.

Within Nie Li's yard, Nie Yu is currently hard at practice. Upon seeing Nie Li, her face had an expression of joy.

"Big brother Nie Li, you're back?" Nie Yu hurriedly went up. When Nie Li left, she had been constantly worried.

Nie Li rubbed Nie Yu's small head, "Has Xiao Yu been practising diligently?"

"Yes. Xiao Yu has been very diligent. The cultivating technique

that Big brother Nie Li gave me is really amazing, I'm already 2-star Bronze rank!" Nie Yu's eyes were shining when she looked at Nie Li, filled with worship. In her heart, Nie Li is simply an existence that can achieve anything.

"Not bad!" Nie Yu lightly smiled, nodding his head. Nie Yu's cultivating speed is still quite good.

Just when Nie Li and Nie Yu were chatting, a knocking sound came from the door.

When Nie Li opened the door, Du Ze, Lu Piao, along with three other people were there. He was a little shocked and asked, "What are you guys doing here?"

"We heard that you've gone to the City Lord's Mansion and decided to come by. Finding you was not easy. We had to find President Gu Yan, after many troubles, and get him to write us a letter for us to be allowed in!" Lu Piao laughed and said, "You're really good. To chase after Ye Zi Yun to the point of entering the City Lord's Mansion, I admire you!"

Du Ze looked at Nie Li awhile and said, "You actually beat Shen Xiao, a genius of the Sacred Family? You purposely showed your strength, right? Otherwise, with your character, you'd be very low key."

"Previously, my strength was too weak, therefore I did not dare to be too public. After I integrated with a demon spirit, even if I were to encounter people from the Dark Guild, I would have the

strength to protect myself. Furthermore, to be able to scoop a bunch from the Sacred Family, why not?" Nie Li said, lightly laughed.

Hearing Nie Li's words, Lu Piao, Du Ze and bunch couldn't help laughing.

"This time, the Sacred Family was made miserable by you. It's a total of four hundred and fifty million demon spirit coins!"

"Yeah, the Patriarch of the Sacred Family probably wants to vomit blood."

Nie Li shook his head and said, "Four hundred and fifty million demon spirit coins isn't enough to shake the foundation of the Sacred Family."

"Nie Li, you couldn't be wanting to get rid of the Sacred Family, right? That's one of the three Major families!" Lu Piao's eyes widened, and said while looking at Nie Li.

"Of course. I've tricked the Sacred Family, they definitely won't just let this off. Sooner or later, they will come and look for me. However, I don't plan to let them off!" A hint of chill flashed pass Nie Li's eyes.

Seeing Nie Li's expression, Du Ze was shocked in his heart. Nie Li doesn't look like he's joking. Nie Li was seriously going to get rid of the Sacred Family with his strength alone? This is way harder than

any tournament!

"No matter what you're going to do, if you just let us about it, we brothers will definitely support you!" Du Ze firmly said. If it wasn't for Nie Li, he wouldn't have his current strength. No matter what is it, as long as Nie Li opens his mouth, even if it means throwing his life away, Du Ze will definitely not frown his brows for a second.

"How can I be left out of this kind of thing?" Lu Piao chuckled and said.

"Good brothers!" Nie Li bumped Du Ze's chest. With this bunch, even if they were going up the knife mountains or down the flaming sea, they were a bunch of brothers that wouldn't even frown for a second. This is simply the biggest fortune in life!

Recalling the scenes of Du Ze and Lu Piao dying during the battle for Glory City, a faint tears flashed across Nie Li's eyes. In this life, he definitely won't let Glory City repeat the same tragedy again!

Chapter 97: Into The Heavenly Sacred Border

"I bet that you're not aware of it, but Ning Er has already entered the Heavenly Sacred Border!" Lu Piao suddenly said as he stood by the side. "She entered the Heavenly Sacred Border? Why didn't she inform me about it?" Nie Li was stunned for a moment before he shockingly asked.

"You returned to the Heavenly Marks Family, then joined the tournament, then you entered the City Lord's Mansion. It's difficult for us to even look for you!" Lu Piao helplessly said as he threw his hands out.

'With Ning Er's talent and cultivation, there shouldn't be any problems entering the Heavenly Sacred Border. However, we can't rule out something unexpected happening!' Nie Li were drowned in his thoughts. He raised his head, looked at Lu Piao, Du Ze, and the others and said, "Come on, we'll go too!"

Nie Li has always wanted to check out the Heavenly Sacred Border since long ago. In the Heavenly Sacred Border, there is a treasure that he desperately needs. Since he knows that Ning Er has entered the Heavenly Sacred Border, Nie Li could no longer remain seated. Knowing about Ning Er from his previous life, Nie Li felt pity and admiration for her strong character. That "dare to love and hate" character of hers. Ning Er did not hide her feelings for him at all. Although Nie Li already has Ye Zi Yun in his heart; no matter what, Ning Er was also one of the people he cherishes.

"What happens if you encounter a problem after leaving the City

Lord's Mansion?" Du Ze said, furrowing his brows for a moment.

"It's no big deal, I have an idea. I can leave after disguising myself a bit. Wei Nan, Zhu Xiang Jin, Zhang Ming, the three of you stay here and look after my sister! My room is over there. You guys can train there." Nie Li said as he looked at his three friends.

"Okay, leave it to us!" The three of them agreed.

"Xiao Yu, stay here and diligently train. I'll be back in a few days." Nie Li said, rubbing Nie Yu's head.

"Okay, Big brother Nie Li, be careful and return fast!" Nie Yu nodded sensibly.

After leaving a few instructions behind, Nie Li changed his appearance into Wei Nan's. Du Ze, Lu Piao and bunch were dumbfounded when they saw him. Nie Li's disguising method is simply too amazing. By simply applying something on his face, he could change his appearance. Aside from the clothes, he looked exactly like Wei Nan.

"In this world, is there anything you don't know?" Du Ze bitterly laughed while looking at Nie Li.

"Never thought that you'd have this method. Amazing!" Lu Piao's eyes widened. With this method, Nie Li doesn't have the need to hide inside the City Lord's Mansion at all. Even if he were to stroll in the main street, the Dark Guild probably couldn't even

recognize Nie Li.

“As an expert, it’s a must to have all kinds of life insurance methods!” Nie Li said, lightly laughing. This is extremely easy. This is a piece of cake for him and not any profound method. A real expert could recognize someone by their aura. After cultivating to Legend rank, a really superb disguise could even change the height and aura around the body as well as changing their appearance, causing the opponent to be unable to recognize them.

Without any extraordinary means, it’s not possible to get rid of the rebirthed Nie Li. Even when facing Ye Zi Yun’s father, Nie Li held back some methods. That’s only because those methods are too vicious. If used, both sides would definitely suffer, which Nie Li doesn’t wish to see. No matter what, he is the father of Ye Zi Yun. If he wasn’t, he wouldn’t be beaten so miserably by a Black Gold rank expert.

“Right, I forgot to give you guys something!” Nie Li’s right hand moved, retrieving five demon spirit crystals. These were all the demon spirits that Nie Li had refined. Every single one of them have God level growth rates.

“What are these? Demon spirit crystals?” Lu Piao placed both his hands on his hips and proudly chuckled, “Recently, I have been diligently training at home and broke through to the Silver rank. My old man was happy and rewarded me with a Gold rank demon spirit which I have already integrated. Therefore, I don’t need it anymore! After integrating with a Gold rank demon spirit, I will soon step to the pinnacle and become a powerful Gold rank Demon Spiritualist, hahaha!”

“I was preparing to give you a Scarlet Demon Leopard that has a God level growth rate. It’s able to grow to Legend rank. Since you don’t want it, then forget it!” Nie Li shrugged, passing a demon spirit crystal over to Du Ze and bunch, “This is an Abyss Tiger belonging to the Fighter-type demon spirit class. There are also three separate demon spirits of the Holy-type, Sacred Flame-type and the Heavenly-type. They were prepared for you guys.” Nie Li looked at Wei Nan, Zhu Xiang Jun and Zhang Ming.

Du Ze and bunch had already made up their minds to follow Nie Li, therefore they weren’t modest about this and received the demon spirit crystals from Nie Li. They curiously checked these demon spirit crystals. They didn’t know if these demon spirits were as strong as Nie Li described them to be. They still have no idea what a God level growth rate means. But Nie Li said that they were able to grow to Legend rank. They must be extremely strong.

God level growth rate? Grow to Legend rank?

Are there such powerful demon spirits?

“You said that this can grow to the Legend rank, is that true?” Du Ze curiously asked.

“Definitely true!” Nie Li nodded his head. Truth is, Nie Li missed out on one point. The demon spirit that Nie Li gave them, will not only stop at Legend rank. Their growth will be unpredictable in the future, however, even if Nie Li told them about it now, they wouldn’t able to understand it.

“Hehe, Nie Li, we’re good brothers, right? Can I have a look at this demon spirit?” Lu Piao put out his hands, chuckled and said.

Seeing Lu Piao, Nie Li laughed. He did not play any jokes on Lu Piao. Waving his right hand, he threw the demon spirit crystal with the Scarlet Demonic Leopard over to Lu Piao.

“Lu Piao, quickly throw away that Gold rank demon spirit of yours. Slowly integrate with this one after you return. We’ll first go to the institute, into the Heavenly Sacred Border!” Nie Li said. As Xiao Ning Er is still in the Heavenly Sacred Border, Nie Li is rather worried.

After all, Nie Li did not enter the Heavenly Sacred Border before in his previous life. He has no idea how the Heavenly Sacred Border looks like. He only roughly knows what’s hidden inside.

“Okay.” Lu Piao and Du Ze nodded their heads.

The three of them exited the City Lord’s Mansion, and moved towards the direction of the Holy Orchid Institute.

Holy Orchid Institute

“Vice-Principal Ye Sheng, why hasn’t Xiao Ning Er come out after entering for so long?” Several teachers by the side nervously looked at Ye Sheng and asked.

Ye Sheng was also frowning his brows. The amount of time Xiao Ning Er has remained inside was longer compared to others. Under normal circumstances, the higher the talent, the longer they will stay inside. As for those with weaker talent, they would come out very fast. However, wasn’t the amount of time Xiao Ning Er spent inside a little too long?

“Vice-Principal Ye Sheng, three students came looking for you!” One teacher walked in from outside, “They are the students of the Genius class!”

“Bring them in!” Vice-Principal Ye Sheng nodded his head and said.

A moment later, Nie Li and bunch were brought in. Nie Li has already removed the disguise on his face. Seeing Nie Li entering, Ye Sheng’s eyes narrowed. He has a deep impression of Nie Li. During the year examination, both Nie Li’s strength and soul force was only 1-star Bronze rank. But not long after, Nie Li joined the tournament and revealed strength that was able to rival Gold rank. Such shocking changes so soon caused him to feel something was wrong.

The strength test could’ve been false, but how can the soul force

test be faked?

Even if Ye Sheng thought about it till his brain exploded, he still wouldn't be able to figure it out. No matter what, it's something worth celebrating that such a genius has appeared in the institute.

"Vice-Principal Ye Sheng, I wish to enter the Heavenly Sacred Border, there shouldn't be any problems, right?" Nie Li asked, looking at Ye Sheng.

"With your strength, there is absolutely no problem in entering the Heavenly Sacred Border!" Ye Sheng nodded his head. In order to enter the Heavenly Sacred Border, one must be the front ranking of the genius class. But with Nie Li's current strength, there is already no one that could be his opponent in the genius class.

"Thanks a lot, Vice-Principal! I will now enter the Heavenly Sacred Border!" Nie Li said, cupping his hands towards Ye Sheng.

Ye Sheng also knew that Nie Li's relationship with Xiao Ning Er is extremely good. It's possible to let Nie Li in to have a look since Xiao Ning Er hasn't come out after such a long time.

A group of people sent Nie Li to the entrance of the Heavenly Sacred Border. Looking from afar, a door appeared within Nie Li's sight.

In his previous life, Nie Li did not enter the Heavenly Sacred

Border. His understanding towards the Heavenly Sacred Border was obtained from books. Nie Li still carried a lot of curiosity towards the Heavenly Sacred Border. He got Du Ze and Lu Piao to wait outside and Nie Li entered the Heavenly Sacred Border.

Chapter 98: Have Me As Your Teacher

“Nothing will happen to Nie Li, right?” Watching Nie Li’s figure disappearing, Du Ze slightly frowned. He’s still worried about this unknown Heavenly Sacred Border.

Lu Piao laughed and said, “Du Ze, you’re thinking too much and not trust in Nie Li. What can be difficult for Nie Li? If you have time to worry for Nie Li, why not hurry up and integrate with your demon spirit. I can’t wait to see how powerful this Scarlet Demonic Leopard is!” Lu Piao was excitedly patting his interspatial ring.

The two walked towards the side and found a spot to sit down and practise while they waited for Nie Li.

Seeing their actions, Ye Sheng couldn’t help feeling pleased. No wonder Du Ze and Lu Piao’s cultivation could advance so quickly, they are simply so hardworking. They are not willing to waste even a little time. If the other students could be as hardworking as them, he wouldn’t have much to worry about.

Ye Sheng and a bunch of teachers went to the side to rest while Du Ze and Lu Piao focused on integrating with their demon spirits.

At this moment, inside the Heavenly Sacred Border

The light in front was twisting as countless images flashed across his eyes as if he was passing through endless time and space. Nie Li walked in and gazed around. The surround was filled with grass

and flowers, the scene was simply beautiful.

When he stepped into the Heavenly Sacred Border, Nie Li felt a boom in his soul realm. His soul force felt as though it had exploded and was expanding nonstop, causing his soul realm to stretch.

As his soul realm expanded little by little, Nie Li's face had a pained expression. The forceful stretching of the soul realm was very difficult to bear.

This Heavenly Sacred Border is actually a sacred place for raising soul force!

Remaining inside for a while is even better than training for several days outside!

His soul realm expanded a total of one third! The terrible pain caused Nie Li's face to twitch.

Nie Li opened his eyes, and was looking afar. He saw a figure sitting crossed legged on a grass patch far away. It seems to be Xiao Ning Er. Except, Nie Li's sight is very blurred, and he was unable to see clearly for a moment.

Within his soul realm, the Shadow Devil Demon Spirit and the Fanged Panda were constantly growing stronger.

It really is indeed worthy of being called the Heavenly Sacred

Border. Nie Li can feel that the two demon spirits within his soul realm were constantly getting stronger. Their cultivating speed was extremely frightening.

Suddenly, from the depths of Nie Li's consciousness, a hoarse voice sounded.

"Brat, why are you able to integrate two demon spirits into your soul realm?"

"Who are you?" Nie Li asked back. While he's consolidating his rise soul force, he can feel that a wandering soul was currently spying on him. However, this soul could not threaten him and therefore, Nie Li did not mind it.

"Haha, answer my question first and I'll tell you who I am!"

"It's because I practised a special cultivating technique and therefore was able to……" Nie Li calmly said.

"Ohh……What cultivating technique is so magical as that?"

"This is already the second question, right?" Nie Li rolled his eyes, "Constantly asking others questions and not answering the questions of others, doesn't that seem to be lacking manners!"

That hoarse voice laughed and said, "You are really difficult to deal with. I have been asleep in the Heavenly Sacred Border for centuries. Although, I have met a few genius' previously, they

were unable to enter my eyes. You and that small lady over there have quite the talent. However, your talent is a little bit better. Today, I have my eyes on you. I will accept you as my disciple!”

“You accept me as your disciple? You want me to have you as my teacher?” Nie Li said with disdain. Become my teacher? Who are you? Are you even able to teach me? If some random guy come ups and wants to be my teacher, then wouldn’t I have lots of teachers already?

“Brat, do you know who I am?” The hoarse voice proudly said.

“Who are you?” Nie Li somewhat scornfully asked.

“After the Age of Darkness arrived, we five Legend rank Demon Spiritualists brought tens of thousands of lucky survivors to Glory City and withstood the tidal attacks of the demon beast horde! I’m one of the five ancestral founders of Glory City, Founder Ye Yan! I’m also the founder of the Snow Wind family. Brat, are you scared straight after hearing my name?” That hoarse voice sounded a little proud, “I sealed my soul within the Heavenly Sacred Border and have been protecting Glory City. If it wasn’t for me, Glory City would have fallen!”

“So you’re one of the five founders!” Nie Li understood in a flash, he slightly cupped his hands, “Really sorry. However, Lord Founder, I’m not interested in becoming your disciple.”

“Not interested? You’re actually not interested to being my disciple?” Ye Yan was angered, “Brat, do you know how good of an

opportunity you're giving up? With my guidance, you might be able to become a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist in your lifetime. Or at least a Black Gold rank Demon Spiritualist!"

"I don't need to have you as my teacher. I can become a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist!" Nie Li muttered loudly. Even if I respect you as the founder of Glory City, that doesn't mean that I have to have you as my teacher!

"You……are simply too arrogant! You think that it's easy to reach Legend rank Demon Spiritualist? Legend rank Demon Spiritualist is a pinnacle existence within this continent! Other than those with extraordinary talent, ordinary people can absolutely not touch that realm!" If Ye Yan were still alive, he would have been angered to explosion. A Legend rank Demon Spiritualist such as him, wants to accept Nie Li as his disciple and was rejected. This is simply intolerable! "You know how many people have begged me to become my disciple?"

"Okay, okay!" Nie Li said defeatedly, "Lord Founder, since you want to be my teacher, what are you going to teach me?"

"As a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist, other than knowing everything in the continent, I'm also proficient in astronomy, geography and inscription patterns. I also have several extremely powerful heritage cultivation techniques. I can also give you guidance on the combat abilities of demon spirits!" Ye Yan proudly said, full of himself, "I have five powerful heritage cultivation techniques here, you can choose one to practise!"

Five lights suddenly appeared in front of Nie Li, each one was

shaped like books.

“Let me see what powerful cultivating techniques you have!” Nie Li’s gaze fell onto the five books, “What? You have to nerve to even take out the [Revolving Spiritual Wood] cultivating technique? This play thing can only cultivate to Black Gold rank Demon Spiritualist, right? This cultivating technique is simply flawed. The third chapter actually requires to inject soul force into the Tianshu point, wouldn’t it ruining your own future? The Tianshu Point is used to communicate with the heavens and earth!”

[T/N: Tianshu Point should be a Meridian point.]

“Uh……I brought out the wrong one.” Ye Yan was looking a little awkward. One of the books disappeared.

“Let me have a look at this. What? [Yang Spiritual] cultivation technique? The speed of this cultivation technique is simply too slow. You could only practise this at a location with the most sun and are unable to practise at night. Even if I reached Legend rank Demon Spiritualist, I’m afraid I would already be in my seventies or eighties. Furthermore, not to mention the overall technique, if I change the Blazing Yang into the body into Yin Yang crossing, the cultivation speed would increase by thirty percent!”

“……” Ye Yan was silent for a moment. He felt that what Nie Li said was very profound. He was choked beyond words by him.

“Let me look at this. Isn’t this the [Ash Wolves] technique? A technique that requires the integration of a wolf-type demon

spirit? It's indeed possible to reach Legend rank Demon Spiritualist realm……"

"So, you like this cultivation technique?" Ye Yan asked with a little joy.

"This cultivation technique? I say, why is this [Ash Wolves] technique only nine chapters? It's finished after 3-star Legend rank Demon Spiritualist. I also have [Ash Wolves] technique with me, do you want me to give you the tenth chapter? I can guarantee you can cultivate to 5-star Legend rank Demon Spiritualist realm!" Nie Li said.

"……" Within his speechlessness, Ye Yan was simply going crazy. Just what's the origin of this kid? He's actually going to teach him a cultivation technique instead?

Over the years, the amount of geniuses that Ye Yan has seen before, even if it didn't amount to tens of thousands, it would at least be in the thousands. They were all elites of Glory City. However, there wasn't anyone as monstrous as Nie Li. The five cultivation techniques that he took out, were already extremely powerful cultivation techniques. But in Nie Li's view, they were simply worthless.

Ye Yan really doesn't understand. How old is Nie Li, to actually have such vast knowledge? It's actually even more frightening than a thousand year old master like him.

Chapter 99: Unfilial Descendent

“Lord Founder, these five cultivation techniques are too lousy. You learnt these cultivation techniques? No wonder your cultivation was so poor when you were still alive, and only managed to reach Legend rank. Why don’t I teach you several super cultivation techniques? I can guarantee that your cultivation will progress!” Nie Li said, patting his chest. “I have a total of three thousand six hundred super cultivation techniques. Even the poorest one is much better those five books of yours. If it’s too poor, I wouldn’t have the face them to teach you!”

“Okay, enough!” Ye Yan furiously said. Nie Li wasn’t give him face. Doesn’t he know that he’s the ancestral founder of Glory City? “Brat, I have no idea where you got so many cultivation techniques, possibly from some treasury. However, even if you have super cultivation techniques, but as a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist myself, I can give you guidance on the road of cultivating! The vastness of my knowledge isn’t something you can imagine!”

“Oh……Okay, ‘Lord Founder with vast knowledge’, I would like to ask, why is a demon spirit able to integrate with a soul realm?” Nie Li looked at Ye Yan and asked. Tsk tsk, Ancestral Founder Ye Yan wants to battle with him in terms of knowledge?

“Didn’t your teacher teach you such simple knowledge? Demon Spirits exist in the form of soul spirit. And the soul realm is the container of the soul, therefore they can integrate!” Ye Yan said, lightly smiling, “Although your talent isn’t bad, your foundation is. Young one, do not bite more than what you can chew!”

“Since the soul realm is a container, similar to a cup, and a demon spirit is merely a soul spirit. Similar to water and cup, then why can’t some people integrate with a demon spirit no matter what upon reaching Silver rank?” Nie Li asked, smilingly, “If it’s a cup, it should be able to contain the water!”

“This……The possibility of failure is extremely low, almost negligible. Therefore, this issue doesn’t need to be bothered with!” Ye Yan paused for a moment and said sounding a little upset. The question that Nie Li asked is too side door, he couldn’t answer it.

“These kind of extraordinary events, are usually the key to unlocking secrets after researching about it. A Legend rank Demon Spiritualist actually doesn’t know about this! Really, I don’t know what your teacher taught you! If I were to have such a disciple, I would definitely slap him to death on the wall!” Nie Li shook his head with a lament expression.

“Then why don’t you tell me?” Ye Yan’s voice was trembling. As a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist, when has he been choked like this before?

“The Soul realm has fixed attributes, so do the demon spirits. If the differences between the two attributes is too much, there would be failure. Just like how fire and water don’t get along.”

“Attribute differences?” Ye Yan mumbled to himself. The him of the past has never considered this aspect. These words from Nie Li opened a new window in his heart.

“Aside from attribute differences, there are many profound secrets deep in a human’s soul realm. A Demon Spiritualist of your level naturally doesn’t know about it. If you are willing to have me as your teacher, I might even be able to give you an explanation. Your soul has yet to disperse, so helping you reform your body isn’t impossible.” Nie Li sat crossed legged, revealing a trace of a smile on his face.

Have Nie Li as his teacher? Ye Yan nearly got angered to life. A founder of Glory City like him is actually despised by a small kid, this is simply intolerable! However, Nie Li’s last words made him stunned.

“Reform the body? Is that really possible?” Ye Yan was dumbfounded. This is already at a realm beyond his imagination. Just what exactly is the origin of this youngster? Why does he know so much? As the founder of Glory City, if he were to accept a kid as his disciple, they would already come up kneeling and kowtow to him. Where would there be one like Nie Li, teaching him instead.

[T/N: Google if you don’t know about it. Something like Dogeza from Japan]

Although he was angered to the point of vomitting blood, everything that Nie Li has said was like a magnet that deeply lured him in.

What Nie Li has said is indeed something that is beyond his

understandings.

“Brat, you really want me to have you as my teacher?”

“Have me as your teacher? Let me think… Forget it, best not! I’m too lazy to teach someone of poor talent like you!” Nie Li scoffed in disdain, “If my disciple were to only be at the realm of Legend rank after eight hundred years and still proud about it, I’d whip him to death!”

Ye Yan pointed his fingers at Nie Li and trembled nonstop, “You…you…you unfilial descendent!” Ye Yan was angered to the point that his beard was also trembling. If he were to be revived back now, he would be angered to death by Nie Li this instant!

“I’m not a descendent of your Ye Family. I’m the descendent of the Heavenly Marks Family. In terms of background origin, the Heavenly Marks Family has been around longer than your Ye Family. If it wasn’t for the fact that you’re the ancestor of Zi Yun, I wouldn’t have even bothered with you!” Nie Li curled his lips in disdain.

Ye Yan was simply angered to the max. However, he’s only in soul form, unable to do anything to Nie Li!

“Heavenly Marks Family, I remembered them. When I built Glory City, the Heavenly Marks Family was only a small family. I admit that your ancestors were all extremely powerful. Seems that you have received some of that heritage from your family! However, just obtaining a little heritage, you dare to be so

arrogant?!” Although Ye Yan has to admit that Nie Li’s knowledge is wider than him, he still wasn’t willing to admit defeat like this.

If he were to admit defeat to a thirteen-fourteen year old kid, where can he put his face as a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist?

“Hmph!” Ye Yan no longer spoke due to anger.

Since the old fart doesn’t come and bother him, Nie Li did not take any initiative to talk to Ye Yan.

Nie Li practised on his own. Waves of majestic soul force revolved around him nonstop. After activating the [Heavenly God] technique, the two demon spirits in his demon realm became sponges, absorbing soul force and constantly getting stronger.

Ye Yan’s soul remained around Nie Li. Although he was greatly angered by Nie Li, when he saw Nie Li operating his cultivation technique, he couldn’t help looking at it.

Waves of soul force was surging. Such practising form is nothing like a Silver rank Demon Spiritualist. It was more like the scene of a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist practising.

Ye Yan took a glance at Xiao Ning Er, he hiddenly thought to himself, ‘Whether it’s this brat or that girl doll, they both have very frightening cultivating techniques. They are already so monstrous at such a young age. Could it be that because I haven’t been going out for so many years, the outside world has changed?”

Compared to Nie Li's [Heavenly God] technique, the five cultivating techniques that Ye Yan took out were simply garbage.

Although the cultivating speed of the [Heavenly God] cultivating technique is a little slower compared to techniques like the [Lightning Dragon] and the [Nine Revolving Ice Phoenix] cultivation technique, compared to the five cultivation techniques that Ye Yan took out earlier on, their speed was dozens of times faster. These two are absolutely not comparable.

Ye Yan's mind moved towards where Xiao Ning Er was.

"Doll, your talent isn't bad, how about I accept you as my disciple?"

Hearing Ye Yan's voice, Xiao Ning Er was slightly startled. She immediately asked, "Who might you be?"

"I'm the ancestral founder of Glory City, creator of the Snow Wind Family, Ye Yan!" Ye Yan proudly said.

"Lord Founder! Xiao Ning Er of the Winged Dragon family pays respects to Lord Founder!" Xiao Ning Er immediately had a respectful expression on her face. She has full of respect towards these powerful figures of history.

Ye Yan smiled and said, "Not bad, not bad. You are worth teaching!" This is more like a maiden of an ordinary family. The

kind like Nie Li are abnormal. “I have already been in this Heavenly Sacred Border for thousands of years. I wonder, what is the outside world like now?”

“Lord Founder, Glory City is still considered safe for now.”

“How many Legend rank Demon Spiritualists are guarding Glory City now?”

“Ever since Lord Founder, Glory City only has one Legend rank Demon Spiritualist now, it’s Lord Ye Mo!” Xiao Ning Er replied respectfully.

“How is that possible?!” Ye Yan frowned for a moment. He felt that this matter is a little strange. Whether it’s Xiao Ning Er or Nie Li, both have extremely powerful cultivating techniques. This was simply shocking. By right, with such powerful cultivating techniques, it’s impossible for there to only be one Legend rank Demon Spiritualist.

“Is there a problem?” Xiao Ning Er curiously asked.

“Nothing. Little girl, pass me your cultivation technique so I may have a look. Who knows, I might be able to give you some guidance!” Ye Yan said. After saying that, his face turned red.

“This……”Xiao Ning Er was hesitant.

Chapter 100: Thunder God's Meteorite Sword

"What? Is there a problem?" Ye Yan solemnly asked.

"Respects to Lord Founder, the cultivation technique that I practise is called the [Lightning Dragon] cultivating technique, it was given to me by a friend. Without the permission of that friend, I'm afraid that I won't be able to tell Lord Founder about that cultivation technique." Xiao Ning Er said after being silent for a moment.

"I only want to take a look at the cultivation technique, I'm not stealing your cultivation technique……" Ye Yan's face was red when he said that. For him to pull down his face and ask Xiao Ning Er for her cultivation technique is already very hard. He simply couldn't withstand the curiosity he had towards the [Lightning Dragon] cultivating technique. However, not being able to take a look at it, made him feel as though his heart was being scratched by a cat.

"But……Forgive Ning Er for being unable to obey your order." Xiao Ning Er stubbornly said. In her view, allowing others to look at the [Lightning Dragon] cultivating technique is equal to betraying Nie Li. Even if it's the ancestral founder of Glory City, she couldn't obey.

"How about this, I'll take something to make an exchange with you. You let me take a look at the [Lightning Dragon] cultivation technique, and I'll impart ten extremely powerful cultivation techniques……" Ye Yan patiently said.

While Ye Yan was talking with Xiao Ning Er, a voice sounded out.

“Ning Er, don’t believe this old liar. How can those broken cultivation techniques compare to your [Lightning Dragon] cultivation technique?” Nie Li said.

“You! Stinking brat, you actually dare to call me an old liar!” Ye Yan was simply going to explode in anger. He felt a pain in his heart as though his weak spot was being poked.

“What? You want to use those broken cultivation techniques to exchange for the [Lightning Dragon] technique, that’s simply shameless! You still call yourself the ancestral founder of Glory City? As someone who lived for hundreds of years, you would actually cheat a naive little girl? Shame on you!” Nie Li fearlessly scolded.

“You, you, you……” Ye Yan was simply going crazy. Nie Li is merciless with his words.

“Nie Li, what are you doing here? How can you talk in my head?” Xiao Ning Er puzzledly asked. At this moment, currently in the training position, Nie Li’s voice sounded from within her head.

Xiao Ning Er’s words caused Ye Yan to be stunned. He had already died, and is only a soul form now. Therefore, he can use his soul to talk to Xiao Ning Er. However, how is Nie Li able to do it too?

“This is Soul Separating. It’s an extremely easy skill.” Nie Li lightly smiled as he said.

Soul Separating? Ye Yan never heard of this skill before in his previous life, but Nie Li actually said that this is an extremely simply skill? Ye Yan was simply going crazy. Just what is the origin of this kid?!

“Old liar, what do you want?” Nie Li snorted.

Hearing Nie Li addressing the Ancestral Founder Ye Yan, Xiao Ning Er became suspicious.

Ye Yan’s soul was simply going to explode from the anger, he said, “I have already died, why would I care about your cultivation technique? Moreover, bluffing your cultivation techniques.”

“Since you don’t care about them, why would you want to exchange Ning Er’s [Lightning Dragon] cultivation technique? Hmph hmph, if you don’t want people to find out, then don’t do it!” Nie Li did not save any face for Ye Yan at all.

“You……”Ye Yan was furious, “This is simply making me furious. I only wanted to take a look to see if there was anything that was missing in the [Lightning Dragon] cultivation technique!”

Missing? With your level, there would be ghosts if you can see anything missing in the [Lightning Dragon] cultivation technique!

“It’s not impossible for us to let you see the [Lightning Dragon] cultivation technique……” Nie Li chuckled as he said.

Ye Yan’s brows twitched. He obviously felt that Nie Li was planning something, but he couldn’t suppress his strong curiosity. Ye Yan was very obsessed with martial studies. He loved to study all kinds of cultivation techniques and has seen many powerful cultivation techniques. When he realised that the cultivation technique that Nie Li and Xiao Ning Er had cultivated was something he had never seen before, he’d become even more curious and wanting to take a glance at them.

Originally, he planned on accepting Nie Li as his disciple so he could take a look at how magical Nie Li’s cultivation technique was. In the end, Nie Li was too monstrous, and was mercilessly criticising him. Since he wasn’t able to take a look at Nie Li’s cultivation technique, he wanted to take a look at Xiao Ning Er’s, but he ended up being mercilessly exposed by Nie Li.

He thought that there was already no hope of doing that, but the words from Nie Li sparked his hope back.

“What do you want? Speak!” Ye Yan understood. Nie Li is too cunning. If he’s not straightforward, he might be pulled in by Nie Li.

“You’re really worthy to be one of the founders of Glory City, indeed straightforward. Then I will bluntly say it. I want the Thunder God’s Meteorite Sword!” Nie Li said, lightly smiling.

“Impossible!” Ye Yan’s voice ashened.

Thunder God’s Meteorite Sword? What is that? Xiao Ning Er was at loss, she never heard of that before.

Since the Ancestral founder appeared, Nie Li had already started planning against the Founder Ye Yan. His objective was that Thunder God’s Meteorite Sword. The Thunder God’s Meteorite Sword is an extremely powerful weapon. Due to it devouring countless demon spirits in battle, it became incredibly powerful.

“Then forget it……” Nie Li shrugged.

“Brat, how do you know of the Thunder God’s Meteorite Sword that was sealed within the Heavenly Sacred Border?” Ye Yan’s brow twitched, his eyes deeply looked at Nie Li.

“I naturally know about it. The Heavenly Marks Family has been passed down for so long, I even know of many things that Ancestral Founder Ye Yan isn’t aware of!” Nie Li said, shrugging his shoulders.

“You……Stinking brat. It’s not an easy thing for you to obtain the Thunder God’s Meteorite Sword. Even if I allowed it, with you strength you couldn’t control that divine sword! If you’re careless for a moment, you’ll be struck by the Thunder God’s Meteorite Sword!” Ye Yan said.

“That might not be the case. As long as Lord Founder can bring me to the Thunder God’s Meteorite sword, I’ll be able to subdue it!” Nie Li proudly said.

“This is not possible. Back then, of the five Legend rank Demon Spiritualists, only one managed to subdue that divine sword!” Ye Yan shook his head.

“Since Lord Founder thinks so, why don’t we have a bet?” Nie Li said as his brows twitched.

Ye Yan’s gaze deeply looked at Nie Li. If it was anyone else, Ye Yan can confidently say that no one can subdue that divine sword. But Nie Li gave him a very weird feeling. As though everything was a trivial matter in the eyes of Nie Li.

Is Nie Li really able to subdue the Thunder God’s Meteorite Sword?

Ye Yan couldn’t help having a faint doubt. If Nie Li is really able to control the Thunder God’s Meteorite Sword, it is definitely a good sign for Glory City! Back then, the Thunder God’s Meteorite Sword shined at the hands of Sheng Mu, who slaughtered millions of demon beasts. It’s a terrifying bloodthirsty sword. Although Shen Mu died because of the drawback of the Thunder God’s Meteorite Sword, the power of the Thunder God’s Meteorite Sword is doubtless.

“What bet?”

“If I can subdue the Thunder God’s Meteorite Sword, then Ancestral Founder Ye Yan will follow me from now on. If I’m unable to subdue it, then I will let you see the chant of the [Lightning Dragon] cultivation technique, how about it?” Nie Li said, lightly smiling. This bet only benefits him there was no harm at all. Even if he lost, the [Lightning Dragon] technique is only a cultivation technique. Also, Ye Yan couldn’t take it to practise.

“You actually want me to follow you around? You impudent bastard!” Ye Yan was furious.

“Since that’s the case, Ancestral Founder Ye Yan can also choose not to get it.” Nie Li shrugged.

Xiao Ning Er looked at Nie Li and then Ye Yan. She suddenly curled her lips and let out a laugh. She clearly saw it, the reason why Nie Li spoke so much to Ancestral Founder Ye Yan, is to make him furious. From the start, Ancestral Founder Ye Yan was being toyed with by Nie Li!

‘Nie Li is so bad!’ Xiao Ning Er suddenly thought of something and her face went red.

If say, she was also toyed with by Nie Li from the start, Xiao Ning Er was willing to let him.

“Brat, you want to fool me? I’m not that easy. We can have the bet, but the betting stake needs to be changed!” Ye Yan proudly said. Although he knows that Nie Li is luring him on purpose, he wants to bet to see if Nie Li is able to subdue the Thunder God’s

Meteorite Sword.

"Change it to what?" Nie Li's brows slightly jumped.

"Give me the chant for the [Lightning Dragon] technique and I will bring you to the Thunder God's Meteorite Sword. If you're unable to subdue the Thunder God's Meteorite Sword, you'll have to let me take a look at your cultivating technique!" Ye Yan said. The curiosity that he had for Nie Li's cultivation technique far surpassed Xiao Ning Er's [Lightning Dragon] technique.

Nie Li looked at Xiao Ning Er, "Are you willing to pass your [Lightning Dragon] technique to Ancestral Founder Ye Yan?"

Xiao Ning Er nodded and said, "You're the one that gave me the [Lightning Dragon] technique, I have no qualms about it."

Nie Li nodded his head.

"Ancestral Founder Ye Yan, we have a deal!" Nie Li lightly smiled and said. It's just two cultivation techniques. Even if he let Ancestral Founder Ye Yan have a look, there was no problem. Without his help, Ancestral Founder Ye Yan can only remain a soul form.

Nie Li chanted the [Lightning Dragon] technique one time. Ye Yan cupped his ears and listened. His brows locked, and relaxed, looking intoxicated. When Nie Li finished chanting the [Lightning Dragon] technique, he let out a chilled air.

“What an exquisite cultivation technique. If I practised such a powerful cultivation technique from the start, I would have gone higher than Legend rank long ago, and reach an unimaginable realm!” Ancestral Founder Ye Yan said in amazement. The power of this [Lightning Dragon] cultivation technique far surpassed his imagination. He originally thought that, as a Legend rank Demon Spiritualist, he could more or less find a shortcoming in the [Lightning Dragon] technique. However, he never thought that the level of this [Lightning Dragon] technique far surpassed his current level!

Simply the work of god!

Could it be that there is an existence stronger than Legend rank?

“Okay, Ancestral Founder Ye Yan, now can you bring us.” Nie Li looked at the shocked Ye Yan and said, smiling.

“Of course!” Ancestral Founder Ye Yan came back from his daydream and said, nodding his head. When his eyes fell onto Nie Li, his gaze was complicated.