

# Tales of Demons and Gods

(妖神记)

Chapter

051-100

Mad Snail

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## Story Description:

In his past life, Nie Li was the strongest Demon Spiritist and stood at the pinnacle of the martial world. However, he lost his life during the battle with the Sage Emperor and the Six Deity Ranked Beast.

His soul was then brought back to when he was still 13 years old. Although he's the weakest in his class with the lowest talent at only Red soul realm, with the aid of the vast knowledge which he accumulated from his previous life, he trained faster than anyone.

He aims to protect the city which in the coming future will be assaulted by beasts and end up destroyed, as well as protect his lover, friends and family who died in the beast assault. And to destroy the Sacred family whom abandon their duty and betrayed the city in his past life.

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# 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 than 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 than 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 chuckled. 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.

[TLN: Raw did not say jerk but harmful/damage but they don’t make sense so I changed it with jerk instead xD]

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...”

“Let’s 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 than 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.

(TLN: The raw is switching between Patriarch and House Master/Family Master to refer as Nie Hai, but from now I'll use Patriarch to refer him.)

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 in 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 than the Sacred Family’s. Its 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.

(TLN: Chinese always says Yin-Yang. Woman represents Yin and Men represents Yang. Which also means that a woman is full of Yin and a men is full of yang.)

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 its 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.

[TLN: The raw says ‘虚化’ which means Void Transform, I got it into void-form. Just think of the abilities as invisibility.]

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 intent 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.

[TLN: Cupping his hands as in... Like those Chinese dramas about ancient Chinese times etc.. Where people cup their hands when replying an elder/superior. Something like that :/]

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 wants 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!"

[TLN: It means erm... Using the mind of a despicable character to measure a man of noble conduct.]

"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.

[TLN: It originally meant pale as creamy eggplant, but my editors reminded me that eggplant ain't pale xD So my editors changed it to purple for it to make more sense.]

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 revere 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 House

[TLN: House is more like a mansion, with their own courtyard etc.. That's how ancient chinese house are like.]

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.

[TLN: That’s the direct translation of it, I have no idea what it means tho. Perhaps blue flame is hotter than all other colour flame and it’s trying to say that Nie Li’s skills at drawing are at the peak?]

“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.

[TLN: In raw, it's written as \*\*, but editors can try and fill in the blank xD]

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 at 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, Nie 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. They 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!” Shao 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 its 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 its 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 its 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 its 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 Lightning 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 begin 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 Panda 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 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 Li 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 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 find 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 its 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 Er 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 leapt 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, it's 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 who was already on the ground, and did not give 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 merge 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 possibly 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 sullen, 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 separate 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 barbecued 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 like 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 at 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 grievous 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 ashen 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!”

“Urghhhhhh!” 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 solemnized 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

TLN: I noticed that there are people with love and hate feelings for Nie Li in the recent chapters. A little note from the author : Nie Li has thought of Ye Zi Yun to be his woman and therefore he was so casual in front of Ye Zi Yun. You don't see Nie Li doing the same thing to Xiao Ning Er or other girls.

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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.

[T/N: Doll = girl]

“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 be 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.

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Although he was angered to the point of vomiting 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 simple 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.

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