

## Chaotic 1331

### Chapter 1331: Facing Against the Hall Master (Two)

“Y- you’ve already become an emperor?” The hall master exclaims. He felt extremely shocked at that moment. He could still remember when Jian Chen had to flee in an awful condition after he had sent the four divine generals after Jian Chen when he had first appeared in the sea realm all those years ago. Yet now, Jian Chen had reached a level where he could stand on equal ground with the hall master and even harm the hall master. It was impossible for him to not be shocked.

The hall master even began to believe that Jian Chen was also an emperor and had intentionally hid his strength in the past or that his strength had fallen due to injury, because there was no one who could increase their strength at such a rate. At the very least, he had never heard of someone who could.

“No, you’re still not an emperor. The energy you used earlier was weird. What is that energy for it to be so powerful?” The hall master asked with a heavy voice. His eyes shone as he studied Jian Chen. He discovered what was off very quickly.

Jian Chen sneered, “What the energy is is not important. More importantly, the energy can harm you.” Jian Chen had reached Sword Origin and could now condense sword Qi from nothing. A two-meter-long sword Qi condensed from thin air. It glowed with a powerful white light as it shot toward the hall master with lightning-like speed.

The sword Qi was a condensation of laws, a way. Even though Jian Chen had only gained a basic understanding of it, it was still extremely powerful. When the sword Qi shot out, the powerful sword intent radiating from it seemed to influence the surroundings, turning everything around it into sword Qi. Standing near it would have felt like standing in a sea composed from countless strands of sword Qi. An abnormally sharp feeling could be felt from every direction.

This time, the hall master clearly observed Jian Chen’s process of condensing the powerful energy, which surprised him very much. He had initially thought that it would be extremely draining for Jian Chen to use the energy or that Jian Chen would even need to pay a certain price. Never did he think that Jian Chen would be able to use it without a twitch of his face, easily drawing it out.

The hall master became stern. He no longer dared to be as careless as before. A vast energy surged out of his body, making it seem like a ball of blue flames had coated his body. He then condensed the flames into a blue serpent dragon that was several hundred meters long.

The blue dragon roared at the sky and the sound shook up the surroundings, causing space to ripple. Even the energy of the world became violent, affecting almost the entire territory of the Serpent God Hall and alarming countless people. It then lunged toward Jian Chen with its huge, gaping mouth.

Jian Chen’s sword Qi was swallowed by the dragon, but the next moment, there was a great boom. The dragon’s head was blown into nothingness and even its body cracked apart. Terrifying ripples of energy wreaked havoc on the surroundings, causing this region of space to tremble violently and show signs of collapsing.

If this had not happened in the sea realm where space was extremely stable due to the barrier’s protection, the clash probably would have reduced the surrounding several kilometers into darkness.

Even though the space held together, the barrier-buffed space had almost reached the limits that it could withstand.

With a movement, Jian Chen charged toward the hall master using the Illusory Flash, leaving behind a blur. He was emotionless while his gaze was sharp. A powerful, white light flickered in his right hand, fusing with his Chaotic Force to form a sword that he used to stab at the hall master.

The hall master did not panic in the face of danger. He crossed his arms and created a shield with his powers as a Saint Emperor. He had gained an understanding of Jian Chen's power after testing it out before. Other than it possessing a certain sharpness, it was no different than a Saint Emperor's power.

Boom!

With a boom, Jian Chen's sword Qi struck the hall master's shield, immediately causing it to fill with web-like cracks. It slowly shattered, but it had successfully blocked Jian Chen's attack.

At this moment, space suddenly froze, trapping Jian Chen before immobilizing him.

This was a Saint Emperor freezing space. The frozen space was far more powerful than any Saint King at Great Perfection could achieve.

"Ruler of the Turtle clan, you've expended that power that's on the level of an emperor. There's no time for you to condense anymore of it. I'd like to see how you withstand my attack," the hall master sneered as killing intent permeated the surroundings. His right hand turned into a serpent dragon's claw again as it reached for Jian Chen's heart.

This was the moment he had been waiting for. He had already noticed that Jian Chen needed to recondense the power every time he wanted to use it. As a result, he had decided to use a shield to block Jian Chen's sword Qi. Then he would attempt to heavily injure Jian Chen before the sword Qi could be condensed again.

Jian Chen's eyes exploded with a resplendent light. His entire body began to glow, becoming enshrouded by the light of the sword that protected him. Although he was trapped, there was no need for him to move to condense the sword Qi. All he needed was a thought. As long as his soul remained intact, he could utilize the sword Qi at any moment.

The hall master struck Jian Chen's protective shield with a powerful claw. A clear screech was produced when the claw clashed with the light while the light immediately became riddled with marks.

However, it was clearly very difficult to block a claw from the hall master with just the light. The light was pierced and the claw continued toward Jian Chen's heart. However, the force behind the attack had been weakened after puncturing the protective light.

Spurt! The claw stabbed into Jian Chen's body and into his chest, digging out a bloody heart.

Jian Chen paled, but he did not grunt at all. Just as the hall master's claw stabbed into his chest, his right hand had reached only inches away from the hall master.

The hall master only felt scorn for this attack. What he truly feared was the sword Qi condensed by Jian Chen because only that could harm him. He did not need to treat Jian Chen with any importance if the

sword Qi was not there to assist him. He assumed that Jian Chen's fist would be very powerful, but as a serpent dragon, his body was extremely tough, so he did not pay too much attention to it.

Bang! Jian Chen's fist was extremely powerful. It actually created a heavy sound when it landed on the hall master's body.

The hall master's face suddenly changed as he felt a piercing sensation. A powerful sword Qi suddenly erupted through his body when Jian Chen fist hit him, making him suffer.

Chapter 1332: Facing Against the Hall Master (Three)

The hall master of the Serpent God Hall produced a grunt. His body violently shook as a stream of blue blood rolled from the corner of his lips. Blue was the color of his blood.

The powerful sword Qi wreaked havoc within the hall master's body. Not only did it destroy his organs, blood, and flesh, it even caused the vitality of his body to quickly leak away.

Although he possessed an extremely powerful body, that toughness was only a part of the exterior of his body. His interior was still very fragile. His organs were as fragile as paper before the sword Qi that was no weaker than an emperor's power.

The hall master angrily roared at the sky. His roar seemed a little like a serpent dragon's roar, making tremors form within several hundred thousand kilometers. A supreme energy erupted from his body. He was using all the power within him to suppress the sword Qi in his body. His left hand turned into a claw that swung at Jian Chen's head. At the same time, he controlled space to restrict Jian Chen's movements in an attempt to wipe out Jian Chen's soul in a single stroke.

Although he had taken Jian Chen's heart in the clash, Jian Chen had managed to heavily injure him as well. The loss of a heart was nothing too severe to a Saint King. Another one would grow if they spent some time recovering and ingested some heavenly resources. However, Jian Chen had deposited a strand of sword Qi within him, forcing him to use everything he had to suppress it. As a result, the hall master was even more heavily injured from his carelessness, making him extremely furious.

A layer of dazzling light permeated Jian Chen's surroundings, making him seem like he was enveloped by the light. He seemed like a miniature sun.

The protective light was something that Jian Chen had discovered on the way back from the Xuanhuang Microcosm. The light turned his body into something similar to a hedgehog. Not only was he covered with spikes that would injure his opponent as soon as they came in contact with him, but the light also possessed defensive abilities as well. Jian Chen no longer feared a Saint Emperor's ability to freeze space with the light's protection. Just when the space was frozen a second time, it was shattered by the light around Jian Chen. Afterward, he threw out a punch as hard as he could. It was tough and domineering and collided with the hall master's claw with a seemingly-unstoppable force.

Boom!

The fist and claw collided and produced a deafening sound. A violent storm of energy brewed in the surroundings, causing the space there to violently tremble. The energy possessed some scattered Chaotic Force and sword Qi.

Both the hall master and Jian Chen were thrown back. The hall master regained his footing several hundred meters away. The blue light around him grew brighter and brighter. He was currently taking advantage of this moment to wipe out the sword Qi within him.

Jian Chen, on the other hand, only managed to stabilize himself after being thrown back several thousand meters. The light around him had become rather dull, but it soon returned to how it was before. His left hand had become a bloody mess. He was clearly at a disadvantage during the earlier clash with the hall master.

The blood on Jian Chen's hand quickly vanished and returned to his body through his wounds. Even his injuries began to close up at a visible rate. Even his chest, which had been punctured by the hall master, was the same. The Chaotic Force displayed its terrifying regenerative abilities. It could be used in crucial moments of battle.

Suddenly, the energy in the surroundings began to gather from all directions, condensing in the hall master's surroundings. The hall master had already cleansed the sword Qi within him and now his hands were currently dancing around him. He was gathering the energy in the surroundings to use an absolutely secret technique. The commotion was just shocking.

Jian Chen was surprised inside. He could sense that the hall master was gathering all the energy in the surrounding radius of a hundred thousand kilometers. Even with the hall master's strength as a Saint Emperor, he needed to do something so tremendous as to use a secret technique. It was difficult to imagine just how powerful it would be.

Jian Chen no longer hesitated and attacked first. He used the Illusory Flash and rapidly approached the hall master, using all he had to stop the hall master from continuing what he was doing.

The hall master shot back, avoiding Jian Chen completely. However, Jian Chen relentlessly pursued him as a blur. He was no slower than the hall master.

The hall master was currently casting the secret technique, so he was unable to stop. He could not avoid Jian Chen, so he immediately turned into a half-serpent, half-man monstrosity. His lower half resembled a snake while his upper half remained human. His tail whipped toward Jian Chen at the speed of lightning.

Jian Chen did not dodge the attack. He used his sword Qi to strike the tail. With a crisp sound, several dozen hand-sized scales were cut off. A deep gash appeared on the hall master's tail and blood profusely poured out.

However, the hall master did not do anything in response to Jian Chen's attack. He continued to use his tail to attack Jian Chen while his hands continued to dance before him, alternating between different hand seals. He continued to cast his secret technique.

The secret technique was extremely powerful. He needed to charge it up even when casting it with his strength. This was the first time he had used it as well, and he was actually using it on an opponent who was not even an emperor.

The battle prowess and unprecedented talent Jian Chen had exhibited had already caused the hall master to feel dread. Jian Chen was fighting a Saint Emperor without being a Saint Emperor. If he did

end up becoming one, barely anyone in the world be his opponent, so the hall master had made up his mind. He would take Jian Chen's life today no matter how dire the consequences would be.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

The hall master quickly swept his tail toward Jian Chen as a blur. Whenever it struck the ground, there would be a heavy sound. Every single attack was enough to create a bottomless hole in the earth. Dust and sand was kicked into the air, causing the battleground to become hazy.

Blood ran from the corner of Jian Chen's mouth since he had been struck several times. He was quite injured, but was still struggling to stop the hall master. On the other hand, the hall master's tail had become bloody as well. A large portion of the scales on it were gone, having been reduced to a mess by the sword Qi.

Tie Ta had watched the battle from afar with brimming interest as battle intent burned within his eyes. He mumbled, "This is also a Class 9 Magical Beast, but it's even more difficult to deal with than the Class 9 Xuanhuang beasts in the Xuanhuang Microcosm. Fighting against magical beasts with intelligence really is much more difficult than fighting against those without it. I need to take part as well." A dazzling, golden light rose from Tie Ta's body as an axe appeared in his hand. He swung it at the hall master from afar.

The hall master was surprised inside. Although he had sensed Tie Ta existence long ago, he did not pay any attention to it because the presence Tie Ta gave off was only of the 16th Star. The hall master had never thought that Tie Ta would be a deviant as well, able to exhibit attacks no weaker than emperors with his strength at the 16th Star.

The hall master dodged Tie Ta's attack, which was followed by a flash. The hall master's tail was swung toward Tie Ta with lightning-like speed.

Boom! Tie Ta was struck in the back and his entire body was blown away. However, he was very tough since he was war god. After taking a blow from a Saint Emperor, his battle prowess was not influenced, so he quickly flew back to join the fight. He worked with Jian Chen to deal with the hall master.

Chapter 1333: The Serpent Ancestor

Tie Ta was injured from the first clash, but not only did the injury fail to disturb his morale, it even made the battle intent within him burn hotter. The resplendent light on him became even brighter and more dazzling, illuminating the entire area. The light dyed the sky gold.

At that moment, Tie Ta, Jian Chen, and the hall master seemed like three miniature suns of different colors. Each of them glowed bright while their radiance illuminated the sky. It was a grand view.

"Mysteries of War, Mortality-breaker!" Tie Ta yelled out as he radiated with a supreme battle intent that permeated the surroundings. He held his axe with two hands as it exploded with light. Terrifying energy pulsed from it as the surrounding space became very unstable.

Tie Ta swung his axe, which turned into a resplendent streak of light, toward the upper half of the hall master. He wanted to disrupt his process of casting the secret technique.

At the same time, Jian Chen dealt an extremely powerful attack. A three-meter-long sword Qi had appeared in his hand, shining with a powerful, white light before he toward the hall master across from him. The attack contained strands of Chaotic Force.

The hall master finally became stern. Even though neither one of them had reached Saint Emperor, the battle prowess that both Jian Chen and Tie Ta displayed was extraordinarily terrifying, no weaker than an emperor. It was equivalent to facing two experts of the same level as him right now.

At the same time, they were not two ordinary emperors either. Jian Chen's sword Qi matched the power of emperors, but it possessed a sharpness that an emperor's power did not possess, causing it to become even more powerful than an emperor's power in a certain sense. On the other hand, Tie Ta's battle intent could unknowingly influence the souls of people. The hall master could not help but waver when his soul was struck by the battle intent. He could feel his morale collapse bit by bit. Other than that, Tie Ta's Mysteries of War were abilities that completely surpassed Saint Tier Battle Skills. They were absolutely horrifying when it came to power. Some of Tie Ta's attacks, with his current strength, were even more terrifying than someone who had recently become a Saint Emperor.

The hall master's tail surged as it cracked through the air. He wanted to use his tail to stop Jian Chen and Tie Ta. He had already reached the final stages of casting his secret technique.

Tie Ta's axe landed on the tail and left behind a vicious gash. Blue blood shot into the air like fireworks.

Jian Chen went after the hall master's head from the other side. He was like a streak of light, having pushed his speed to the limits.

In the end, the hall master avoided Jian Chen's fatal attack. Although the sword Qi failed to hit his head, his body was still pierced. The sword Qi emerged from the hall master's back with a dazzling glow, piercing through his chest.

The hall master grunted as blood flowed from the corner of his lips. His face had become pale. Another strand of sword Qi was deposited in his body, beginning to wreak havoc the moment the sword Qi made contact with him.

"You're all dead today! None of you will escape here!" The hall master bellowed at the sky. The battle was shameful for him. With his status, he had actually been reduced to such a horrible position by two juniors who were not even Saint Emperors. This was not something he could endure.

A vast pressure radiated from the hall master in a bold manner, filling the surroundings. Even the experts several hundred thousand kilometers away could clearly sense it.

The hall master had finally completed casting the absolutely secret technique. A huge serpent dragon soared through the sky. It was over thirty thousand meters long and radiated a terrifying pressure. Not only did it alarm countless experts in the territory of the Serpent God Hall, even the experts in nearby regions of the Heaven's Spirit Hall and Sea Goddess Hall sensed it as well.

All the experts paled in fright as they gazed over from afar. This was because they could actually feel fear forming in the depths of their souls from this pressure. Some of their legs had even begun to tremble, almost causing them to drop to their knees involuntarily.

The huge dragon traveled through the sky. Every single scale flickered with light. It roared at the sky and the sound was deafening. It then shifted its eyes onto Jian Chen and Tie Ta, becoming fixated on them.

Jian Chen and Tie Ta shivered inside. They both stopped their attacks as they uneasily stared at the dragon in the sky. They had faced against a Class 10 Xuanhuang beast before, so they possessed a certain level of understanding in regard to power at that level. They felt like they were facing a Class 10 Xuanhuang beast from the presence radiating from the serpent dragon.

Several streaks of light shot over from afar with lightning-like speed before stopping several dozen kilometers away. They were spectators watching the battle from afar.

They were the hall elders of the Serpent God Hall. Every single one of them was a Saint King at Great Perfection. They had tailed the hall master when he had left and only arrived here just now.

“This is the serpent ancestor. He was the strongest hall master in ancient times, having reached the peak of emperor within two thousand years of cultivation. He was only a step away from surpassing Saint Emperor, but unfortunately, he failed to break through within the next eight thousand years. He died with a grudge. The hall master has actually summoned the serpent ancestor’s deceased spirit using a secret technique so that he can display his former glory once again,” a hall elder cried out. He was filled with disbelief. He struggled to imagine just how powerful the opponent of the hall master, a leader he respected very much, was for him to resort to something like this.

“Who are the two people fighting the hall master? How can they force the hall master to use something like that? Are they emperors as well? But that’s impossible. There are no other emperors other than the hall masters of the Heaven’s Spirit Hall and the Sea Goddess Hall besides him. The presence and ripples of energies from the two people confirm that it’s impossible for them to be the other two hall masters.”

“Oh no, the hall master’s been injured. His tail has already been reduced to a bloody mess.”

The esteemed hall elders of the Serpent God Hall all cried out as shock filled them. Since when did two great experts like that appear in the sea realm? How could they force the hall master into such an awful position? After all, the hall master of the Serpent God Hall was an emperor who had reached that level of cultivation many years ago. He had traveled a very long distance in that realm of cultivation.

The serpent ancestor suddenly opened its mouth and sucked at Jian Chen and Tie Ta. Immediately, a terrifying suction force appeared, pulling Jian Chen and Tie Ta off of the ground. They uncontrollably flew toward its mouth. They could not break free from it no matter what.

“Mysteries of War, Destruction!” Tie Ta bellowed as he began to shine with a dazzling, golden light. A supreme battle intent fused with his axe as an invisible energy. He then swung his axe at the serpent ancestor.

Jian Chen also struck out as hard as he could. Silver-white light enveloped his entire body, and with a wave of his hand, he shot out a three-meter-long sword Qi, cooperating with Tie Ta’s attack.

However, their two attacks failed to injure the serpent ancestor. He was a peak Saint Emperor in the past and had remained like that for eight thousand years. His strength had reached a shocking level. Even if he was already dead, the spirit summoned by the hall master was still extremely powerful.

“Quickly cut through the surrounding space so the suction will be dispersed through there. It can stop us from being sucked away,” said Jian Chen. When he had attacked just before and shook up space, he could clearly feel the suction force weaken slightly. The strength of the serpent ancestor really surprised Jian Chen. He was unwilling to be sucked away no matter what. After all, this was not a mindless Xuanhuang beast. It was being controlled by the hall master.

Tie Ta did not hesitate to try Jian Chen’s suggestion. He immediately struck the space in front of him with Jian Chen. Their attacks caused the space to violently tremble before a few slight cracks appeared. These cracks were effective. They allowed the two of them to break free from the suction force. They then made their way around the serpent ancestor’s body on different sides and sent barrages at it with all they had.

The hall master had vanished. He had disappeared into the serpent ancestor’s body. Although the serpent ancestor temporarily possessed its ancient might because its spirit had been summoned, the person truly in control of the whole thing was the hall master of the Serpent God Hall.

Chapter 1334: Yadrin Appears

Clang! Clang!

Jian Chen and Tie Ta’s attacks landed on the body of the serpent ancestor, but a metallic sound was the only thing produced. Although the serpent ancestor’s body was condensed from the surrounding energy of the world by the hall master, the body still possessed some of its former prowess since it contained a sliver of the serpent ancestor’s deceased spirit. It was so tough that it had reached a shocking level. Both Jian Chen and Tie Ta were unable to harm it at all. It was like the serpent ancestor from the ancient times had returned, which was extremely terrifying.

However, it was still only a secret technique. It was only able to demonstrate a certain level of the serpent ancestor’s strength, unable to display all of his might from the past. Although Jian Chen and Tie Ta failed to harm the serpent ancestor at all, they could clearly feel that a vast amount of energy within it was rapidly being consumed.

Jian Chen and Tie Ta remained silent as they continued to attack the serpent ancestor as fast as they could to waste its energy. Both of them understood that the secret technique the hall master had cast would break once the energy ran out, and thus, the serpent ancestor would vanish.

The hall master, who was currently in the serpent ancestor’s head, knew Jian Chen and Tie Ta’s intentions. He immediately sneered and said, “This secret technique was personally left behind by the serpent ancestor. It’s the treasure of our Serpent God Hall. I’ve expended so much vitality to cast this secret technique, so how can I let you break through it so easily?” The serpent ancestor’s body churned in the sky. As if it was just far too big, the entire sky seemed to be filled. When it moved, it immediately caused the air in the surrounding area to surge, causing wild gales and a series of crackles. The serpent ancestor moved far too quickly, so the air crackled from static electricity.

The serpent ancestor arrived at an altitude of thirty thousand meters in the air within a single movement, not too far away from the barrier of the sea realm. Afterward, it struck out with a claw, enveloping a region several hundred meters wide. It locked down that region as it fell toward Jian Chen and Tie Ta with lightning-like speed.



When the claw fell, a mysterious energy surged out, causing the space to ripple. Jian Chen and Tie Ta's faces changed slightly. Although they had not become trapped, they felt like they had sunk into mud, where their movements became abnormally sluggish. Even with his protective glow, Jian Chen was affected.

The serpent ancestor's claw continued through the air with little resistance from anything. Jian Chen and Tie Ta were unable to dodge, so they had no other choice but to attack the claw as hard as they could since the claw was rapidly approaching them.

With a boom, Jian Chen and Tie Ta's attacks struck the claw, but they did not prevent it from falling down. In the end, the claw still moved through where they were and viciously smashed into the ground, creating a heavy rumble. The earth violently shook as the mountains became riddled with cracks. It was as if a great earthquake had occurred, spreading for several hundred thousand kilometers.

The huge imprint of a claw appeared on the ground. It was so deep that it seemed bottomless. Jian Chen and Tie Ta seemed to have disappeared, having been pushed into the ground. Only a huge serpent dragon hovered in the air.

A burning golden and white light twinkled from the bottomless pit as Jian Chen and Tie Ta flew out together, bathed in golden and white light. The light was clearly dimmer than before, and both their faces were rather pale. A streak of blood ran from the corner of their lips. They were in horrible conditions, having been heavily injured.

A tremendous pressure fell from the sky. The serpent's tail whipped down from above like a bolt of lightning. Just the pressure of the air it had created was enough to cause the ground to sink.

Every single strike from the serpent ancestor was significant. Jian Chen and Tie Ta separated and dodged as fast as they could.

This was a tough battle. Jian Chen and Tie Ta could easily hunt Class 9 Xuanhuang beasts in the Xuanhuang Microcosm by themselves, even peak Class 9 Xuanhuang beasts didn't pose a problem to them, but the hall master was a Saint Emperor that possessed intelligence, many secret techniques, and rich battle experience. He was far more difficult to deal with than peak Class 9 Xuanhuang beasts.

Jian Chen and Tie Ta worked together as they fought against the hall master in an intense fashion in the sky. Their battle was extremely destructive. The ripples from the battle wreaked havoc in the surrounding hundred thousand kilometers. The ground was reduced to a mess, completely different from how it had looked before.

Jian Chen and Tie Ta received heavy injuries several times. If it was anyone else, they probably would have fallen long ago, but one of them was in possession of the Chaotic Body while the other was a war god. They were in no sense ordinary. They were extremely tough, which was why they could last so long and maintain their peak-condition prowess.

The three of them fought for half a day without stopping. Even the hall master had become rather exhausted. He rarely ever experienced battles after he had become an emperor, and it had been a long time since he had fought in such an intense fashion. This infuriated him, but also made him feel extremely helpless because Jian Chen and Tie Ta were just powerful enough. They seemed like they

were invincible where they possessed unending vitality. No matter how heavily injured they became, they could endure their wounds while their battle prowess did not decrease at all.

Quite a few people had gathered in the surroundings now. The battle between the three of them had alerted half of the sea realm. Not only had the experts in the territory of Serpent God Hall hurried over, there were even people from the Heaven's Spirit Hall and Sea Goddess Hall that had come over to watch as well. All the people who had come, without any exception, were Saint Kings. They all remained several dozen kilometers away and none of them dared to get any closer because they could not endure the ripples that were created in this battle.

The most eye-catching part of the crowd was a majestic divine hall. It was the Octoterra Divine Hall that Jian Chen had left in the Turtle clan. Because they were worried about Jian Chen's safety, Qing Yixuan and the others had hurried over from the Sea Goddess Hall's territory in the divine hall.

The Saint Kings gathered in the divine hall watched the three emperors fight their intense battle with great attention. Every single one of them was shocked because they had believed that the sea realm only possessed three emperors, the leaders of the three territories. However, two experts had suddenly appeared and could fight the hall master of the Serpent God Hall even-handedly. Not only did this shock Qing Yixuan and the others, all the Saint Kings who witnessed this felt the same.

Saint Kings at Great Perfection did not possess this strength. The only explanation was that the two experts were emperors as well.

At this moment, a similar thought crossed all their minds. Just where did these two unfamiliar emperors come from?

"Why do I feel like the emperor shining with a dazzling, golden light seems familiar, as if I've seen him before?" Tai Dou stared at Tie Ta and asked a question out of curiosity.

"I sense that familiarity as well. He's extremely similar to the golden-skinned friend that would stay Jian Chen's side," Qing Yixuan said in a heavy voice as her eyes shone with interest, as if she wanted to see through the two of them.

This was due to the fact that both Jian Chen and Tie Ta were enshrouded by a powerful layer of light, making it impossible to distinguish who they were. They only seemed like two streaks of light that moved about rapidly.

"I feel that as well. If that really is Jian Chen's friend, then is the other emperor..." Lan Jing said before pausing. However, what he had said was enough to cause the hearts of the other Saint Kings in the divine hall to churn.

"Recurrence of the Serpent Ancestor! Spiritual Sacrifice!" The hall master roared at the sky. Seeing how he was unable to kill Jian Chen and Tie Ta after so long, he planned on using his final trump card. He would sacrifice the spirit of the serpent ancestor to make it even stronger and, hence, deal the killing blow to Jian Chen and Tie Ta in one stroke. He would not be able to remain at ease if Jian Chen and Tie Ta did not die today.

Immediately, an even more terrifying presence radiated from the serpent ancestor. At that moment, the deceased spirit seemed to have become a bundle of flames as it roared away. The spirit was currently being sacrificed and approached destruction.

“It’s time for you to stop!” At this moment, a long sigh rang through the surroundings. Several dozen kilometers away, a slender beauty shrouded in blue light appeared.

With a flash, she traversed the distance and stopped before Jian Chen and Tie Ta. She calmly stared at the hall master and said, “In the past, the serpent ancestor was supreme. No one among the four races was his opponent. He stood as the most powerful in the world. He was loved and admired by everyone. After he passed away, his spirit remained, always secretly protecting the Serpent God Hall, which has earned him all our admiration. Are you trying to destroy the serpent ancestor’s spirit over your personal grievances today?”

“You little bi- Yadriam, you have no right to stick your nose in the matters of my Serpent God Hall as a part of the Sea Goddess Hall,” the hall master of the Serpent God Hall coldly responded, but he showed no intention of stopping. He continued on the path of sacrificing the serpent ancestor’s spirit.

Chapter 1335: Emperor of the Turtle Clan

“Kang Tai, do not be stubborn. Out of all the past emperors in our sea realm, the serpent ancestor was the one most worthy of our respect and admiration. He did many things for our Sea race in his lifetime and possesses great merit. How can I watch you destroy his spirit?” Yadriam gently replied. Her voice was calm and without emotion. With that, a vast presence no weaker than the hall master of the Serpent God Hall radiated from her body. Terrifying pulses of energy erupted like flash floods and surged through the surroundings.

The hall master of the Sea Goddess Hall personally struck out. She formed a seal with a jade-white hand of hers and gathered energy from the surroundings. She was casting a powerful secret technique.

At that moment, all the spectators focused their attention and became fixated on the sights of the battle. Every single one of them had gazes filled with excitement and anticipation. The two hall masters were about to clash. It had already been several years since the last battle between emperors, so it obviously roused everyone’s interest. They wanted to see who was weaker.

“Let’s retreat some more just in case we are injured by the ripples of battle,” a Saint King suggested while watching the spectacle from afar. He then immediately retreated over ten kilometers. He arrived at a location he believed to be safe.

The other people felt the same. They were already far away enough from the battlefield, but they all retreated a certain amount of distance once again. Even the hall elders of the Serpent God Hall did the same.

“Yadriam, are you really going to fight me?” The hall master of the Serpent God Hall’s eyes brightly burned with rage. He stared fixedly at the hall master of the Sea Goddess Hall while his eyes burned with heavy hatred. He knew that it would be impossible for him to kill Jian Chen and Tie Ta if she wanted to protect the two of them, which was something he was very unwilling to let happen. If he did not eliminate the two of them today, they would become a great problem in the future.

The energy in the surroundings gathered in Yadríam's hand before condensing into a silver-white trident. Yadríam wielded it with a single hand and said, "I have to stop you to protect the spirit of the serpent ancestor from being ended by your hands." Yadríam acted in an extremely decisive manner as she stabbed her trident at the huge serpent dragon as soon as she finished speaking.

The trident turned into a resplendent streak of silver-white light as it crossed the space at an unbelievable speed. It shot toward the head of the serpent ancestor.

Boom!

With a loud sound, the serpent ancestor's head suddenly exploded, expanding in all directions as ripples of energy. It caused a violent storm to occur in the surroundings.

Yadríam's strike was a significant blow, destroying the hall master of the Serpent God Hall's secret technique in a single stroke. As soon as the head exploded, the serpent ancestor's body quickly began to collapse into energy before dispersing into the surroundings.

The tremendous body of the serpent ancestor was condensed by the hall master of the Serpent God Hall through a secret technique. Now that Yadríam had dispersed its energy, she had saved the serpent ancestor's spirit, preventing the hall master from using his trump card.

The hall master's body was forced out as well. He appeared high in the sky. He was in a horrible shape, having lost his former awe long ago. However, his eyes shone with a vicious and penetrating light and were filled with an endless fury and hatred.

Yadríam no longer paid any attention to the hall master. She turned to Jian Chen and Tie Ta and only produced an emotional sigh after quite some time, "Jian Chen, you've really taken me aback today. I never thought that your strength would have reached such a level in such a short amount of time. Her majesty really has not chosen the wrong person."

"I thank the hall master for your praise," Jian Chen replied with clasped hands. Although he was in horrible shape, he was brimming with energy.

"Return soon. There are even more important matters to deal with," Yadríam softly warned him before leaving as a blur with a single movement. She disappeared into the horizon in the blink of an eye.

Jian Chen stared at the hall master of the Serpent God Hall, who was also in a horrible shape, and could not help but sneer, "Esteemed hall master, you probably never expected an outcome like this, right? You got Tao Zhengtian to lead me into your territory so you could personally deal with me. However, not only have you failed to kill me, you've been reduced to such a horrible shape as well."

The hall master's face immediately darkened because of Jian Chen's mocking tone. His chest rose and fell violently. To think that he, a ruler of an entire region, would be mocked in such a fashion today with his supreme status. He felt like his chest was about to explode from anger.

However, he also knew that it was impossible for him to slay the two of them in his current shape. Although the two of them seemed heavily injured, their battle prowess was not affected at all. There were no benefits in continuing the battle because he had become even more injured after taking a blow from Yadríam.

“Tie Ta, let’s go!” Jian Chen did not stick around. He signaled to Tie Ta before they both flew toward the Octoterra Divine Hall.

When the Saint Kings and elders in the divine hall saw that the two mysterious emperors were actually Jian Chen and Tie Ta, all of them became stunned, remaining dazed for quite a long time.

Although the Saint Kings had already gained a vague idea of the identity of the two emperors, they still felt disbelief after their guesses were confirmed.

“The ruler, it’s actually the ruler. The emperor who fought against the hall master of the Serpent God Hall is actually our ruler,” an elder said in excitement as his body violently trembled. He began to cry from joy.

The spectating Saint Kings were all shocked when they heard what he said. The Turtle clan had actually given birth to an emperor. That was a matter that could shake up the entire sea realm, and from the situation earlier, the other emperor seemed to be on very good terms with the emperor of the Turtle clan. This was a significant matter.

“Let’s talk after we return. You all return to the divine hall first. We’ll leave this place right now,” Jian Chen said to the group of people.

Jian Chen was now like a god to the clansmen of the Turtle clan. All of them were extremely obedient and followed his orders, all returning to the divine hall.

With a wave of his hand, the divine hall shrank before flying into his hand, no larger than the size of a fist. Afterward, he left with Tie Ta, returning to the territory of the Sea Goddess Hall.

He did this because he could already sense that the hall master of the Heaven’s Spirit Hall had already come and had secretly remained hidden. This was not a good situation for Jian Chen.

He had wiped out a clone of the hall master and caused him an extremely severe loss. The two of them had already fallen out, so he worried that he would end up working with the hall master of the Serpent God Hall to deal with him and Tie Ta.

“If I forge the Azulet swords, I’ll be able to deal with them easily even if the two hall masters work together,” Jian Chen thought. He needed an Immortal Tier sword to use the Sword Origin realm to its greatest potential. Without the Azulet swords, it was like he was fighting people with his bare hands. He would always be at a disadvantage.

“I’ve already gathered all the materials. I just need to forge the swords next, but forging them will not be easy. I need to make a lot of preparations and enough time.” Jian Chen looked forward to the moment when he forged the two swords, but he needed to go to the Sea of Despair with the hall master of the Sea Goddess Hall in three days. He did not have the time at the moment.

#### Chapter 1336: Renowned Throughout the Sea Realm

Jian Chen returned to the Turtle clan with Tie Ta and the Octoterra Divine Hall, but the spectating Saint Kings did not disperse for a very long time. Every single of them remained there and secretly communicated with one another, discussing the emperor of the Turtle clan and how he worked with another unknown emperor to fight the hall master of the Serpent God Hall. They discussed these

matters in an extremely secretive manner, afraid that the furious hall master would hear what they were talking about.

All of them, experts who had stayed in the sea realm for many years, knew extremely well that the hall master of the Serpent God Hall was someone who had become an emperor long ago. He had already made it a considerable distance within the realm, so they all felt extremely shocked when the emperor of the Turtle clan, who had just broken through, was able to fight him even-handedly and even injure him.

Although the emperor of the Turtle clan had worked with someone else, they were still able to distinguish the strong and the weak even at the same level of cultivation.

“I never thought that the ruler of the Turtle clan would have become an emperor. This really is unbelievable. In the history of the Turtle clan, we only had a few experts at the level of hall elders even in our most glorious times. The only emperor of our clan in all of history has been born...”

“I wonder who the other emperor is and how he is connected to the emperor of the Turtle clan...”

“I never thought that the number of emperors in the sea realm would increase by two in a single stroke. And now that both of these emperors have gone off to the territory of the Sea Goddess Hall, I wonder if the balance of the sea realm will change with the birth of these two emperors...”

The various experts discussed the situation. Before now, there had only been three emperors, and they had all ruled in their own region. Now that another two emperors had appeared together, the balance of the sea realm would definitely shift dramatically.

The hall master of the Serpent God Hall clearly thought of this matter as well. His face darkened in a terrifying manner. Even when ignoring the threat Jian Chen posed to him, just the appearance of two emperors would cause severe threats to the Serpent God Hall. At the same time, they had fallen out with Jian Chen, so he really did worry a little whether Jian Chen and Tie Ta would deal heavy blows to his authority over the land of the Serpent God Hall.

The hall master of the Heaven’s Spirit Hall was secretly hiding in the surroundings by erasing his presence. He stared at the hall master of the Serpent God Hall silently before shifting his eyes in the direction that Jian Chen had traveled. His eyes were extremely profound.

“I never thought that Jian Chen’s strength would increase so quickly. He really is worthy of being called an unprecedented genius,” the hall master only produced a long sigh inside after quite some time. Jian Chen’s speed of growth had exceeded what he could imagine. He knew that it was very difficult for him to threaten Jian Chen now. Since Jian Chen was able to reduce the hall master of the Serpent God Hall to such a horrible condition, it meant that Jian Chen also possessed the strength to take him on. Jian Chen was no longer the ant of the past.

“Jian Chen is too close to the Sea Goddess hall. T- this is not good,” the hall master thought. His eyes twinkled a few times before he silently left.

The Turtle clan became lively once again after a few days of calm in the territory of the Sea Goddess Hall. All the clansmen had hid in the Octoterra Divine Hall due to the threat of the Tao family, but now that the threat had been dealt with, all the clansmen could return to their homes.

The Turtle clan was in jubilation today. They were brimming with joy. Every single member of the clan wore a smile. They were extremely happy and joyful while many of them had begun to sing from the joy they felt.

This was because the entire clan knew that their esteemed ruler had become an emperor now, an expert who could stand on the same level as the hall master of the Sea Goddess Hall, Serpent God Hall, and Heaven's Spirit Hall. Not only was this a great honor for the Turtle clan, it was also a demonstration of their strength and an increase in their status.

And other than their ruler, their ruler possessed a very close friend who was also an emperor. Currently, the clan possessed two emperors while even the three halls that ruled the lands only possessed a single emperor each.

Soon after Jian Chen had returned to the clan, the news of the ruler of the Turtle clan's breakthrough to emperor took the entire sea realm by storm. The news immediately shook up the whole place. Many people sighed in surprise while voicing their doubts. At that moment, all the people and organizations in the sea realm discussed this news. There were many important figures of peak organizations who headed to the Turtle clan with expensive gifts to confirm this matter.

In recent years, the sea realm had always stood balanced between three organizations. Now that two emperors had suddenly appeared, it was an extremely significant matter and caused shock to ripple through the entire realm. Many people wondered if the balance would be broken or not.

Jian Chen had no idea that his breakthrough to emperor had already spread through the sea realm like wildfire and taken them by storm. He was currently in a meeting in the conference hall of the Turtle clan. Qing Yixuan, Tai Dou, Lan Jing, Xin Pian, and Mochas had all come while the Saint Ruler elders of the clan gathered below. All of the elders were flushed in the face due to becoming overexcited.

"I've gathered everyone here today to announce a few matters. The first matter is that from today on, the Turtle clan is able to stand properly in the sea realm. There is no need to fear any organizations," Jian Chen said in high spirits as he gave off a powerful confidence. He possessed enough strength to utter those words now.

A cheer of joy immediately rang out from below. A few elders cried from their joy and excitement. They had never been so glorious in the history of the entire clan.

Seeing the moved elders below, Jian Chen could not help but think of the grand elder of the Turtle clan's face. He sighed inside and thought, "Grand elder, I've already completed most of your final wish. Without long, even without me, the Turtle clan will be able to stand supreme within the sea realm."

Jian Chen continued a while later after everyone had calmed down, "The second matter is that I've captured all the important members of the Tao family alliance. They had threatened to destroy the Turtle clan, so I will hand these people over to you to be dealt with." Jian Chen released Tao Zhengtian and the other four Saint Kings from the artifact space. All of them were heavily injured and basically incapacitated. They did not even have the energy to run.

"We have to kill these people, so we can pacify all our deceased clansmen with their blood. That's the only way we can give an explanation to our fallen clansment," the elders righteously demanded. Their hatred for the five Saint Kings had reached the limits.

In the end, the five Saint Kings were taken away. They were destined to suffer a very miserable fate, but Jian Chen did not pay any more attention to the matter.

#### Chapter 1337: Treasury of the Tao Family (One)

Jian Chen glanced over Tai Dou, Lan Jing, Xin Pian, and Mochas. After a moment of silence, he said, "Tai Dou, Lan Jing, Xin Pian, and Mochas, you were initially forced to join this big family with no other choice. I will give you a chance. If you want to leave, I will not stop you. I will gift you some heavenly resources so your strength can increase. After all, you have worked hard for the Turtle clan in recent times and have committed a meritorious service."

Tai Dou dropped to his knees without second thought with that. He politely said, "Ruler, I will not be leaving. I am willing to stay at the Turtle clan forever. I may not be a clansmen of the Turtle clan, but if I can become one of the senior members and follow the ruler, I will work until the day my heart stops beating."

Lan Jing, Xin Pian, and Mochas on the other hand did not hurry to speak their thoughts. They looked at one another and were rather hesitant. They were originally the disciplinary elders of the Heaven's Spirit Hall and had once participated in the pursuit of Jian Chen with the divine generals of the Serpent God Hall, so they had been forced to follow Jian Chen with no other choice, similar to Tai Dou.

The three of them hesitated for a very long time before finally making up their minds. Lan Jing said, "Ruler, we want to return to the Heaven's Spirit Hall because that was where we grew up. We have deep ties with the Heaven's Spirit Hall. It's like our home."

Jian Chen sighed inside and a sliver of disappointment flashed through his eyes. He said, "I respect your choice. You may return whenever you choose to. However, I will give you all a gift before you leave for your great services to the Turtle clan in the past."

"I thank the ruler for your intentions. We are already extremely grateful that the ruler is willing to allow us to return to the Heaven's Spirit Hall, so how can we accept a gift from you? We are not worthy of accepting it..." Xin Pian replied. He felt ashamed because, from a certain perspective, their lives already belonged to Jian Chen. They already felt so shameful that they could not look back at Jian Chen when they actually wanted to leave right now. However, the Heaven's Spirit Hall just held an extraordinary position in their hearts. They really did want to return if they could.

Jian Chen raised his hand to stop Xin Pian. He said, "Before you decline me, do know that my gift can allow your strength to skyrocket such that you can reach the level of hall elders in the shortest amount of time possible."

Lan Jing, Xin Pian, and Mochas all raised their heads to look at Jian Chen as shock filled their faces. They did not doubt what Jian Chen had said. After all, he was already an emperor now, so why would he lie? What they found unbelievable was that Jian Chen would actually give them something so valuable.

The three of them felt utterly ashamed when they thought about how Jian Chen had given them their freedom and was even giving them such a great gift.



Jian Chen waved his hand at the three of them and said, "You can go first. I'll send people over to you with the gifts later, and you'll be free after that. I will no longer be interfering with any of your matters. You can leave whenever you wish."

Lan Jing, Xin Pian, and Mochas all bowed at Jian Chen before leaving the hall.

With a wave of his hand, Jian Chen threw a ring at Qing Yixuan who was currently staring at him in a daze. He said, "Qing Yixuan, the Tao family no longer exists in the sea realm from today on. That's the Space Ring on Tao Zhengtian. Have a look and see if what you need is in there." The Space Ring hovered before Qing Yixuan as an invisible force kept it in the air.

Qing Yixuan only seemed to return to her senses then. She grabbed the Space Ring absent-mindedly and began to search through it. A while later, she became slightly disappointed and said, "There isn't what I need in it. However, the Tao family has a treasury that not many people know about. Most of their valuable treasures and important items are stored there. I think the item I'm looking for is in there." With a flick of her finger, she immediately sent the Space Ring back to Jian Chen.

"Do you know the location of the treasury?" Jian Chen calmly asked. Even though it was the treasury of an ancient peak-level clan, there was rarely anything that could interest Jian Chen now. He had reached a new level of understanding, so ordinary treasures were like nothing to him now. However, the Turtle clan lacked resources right now, so the accumulated resources of the Tao family just happened to be able to make up for that fact.

"I know where it is, but before we go, I want to confirm something with you. Are you a Saint Emperor or not?" Qing Yixuan asked as she stared fixedly at Jian Chen.

Although she had personally witnessed Jian Chen's great fight against the hall master, she still refused to believe that someone, who was not even as strong as her when they first met, could actually become a Saint Emperor in such a short amount of time. After all, Jian Chen was not even a Saint King when he had first stolen the Octoterra Map fragment from her.

"I'm still not a Saint Emperor, but if I really end up fighting, I am no weaker than a Saint Emperor," Jian Chen faintly smiled.

Qing Yixuan gasped and began to look at Jian Chen as if she were looking at a monster. She said, "The rate your strength increases really is stunning. You should be able to enter the Tao family's secret treasury since you have that much strength. We should not delay this matter, so let's head off right now."

"Ruler, the ancestor of the Enlan clan has come to visit. He wishes to see the ruler." At this moment, a guard ran in from outside and politely reported the arrival of an envoy.

"The Enlan clan?" Jian Chen softly repeated the name. He was not unfamiliar with the name. It was one of the powerful clans in the territory of the Sea Goddess Hall, no weaker than the Tao family.

"The ancestor of the Signtaur clan had come..."

"The former patriarch of the Lancen clan has come..."

"The former patriarch of the Xiao tribe has come..."

“The...”

Many other important figures from various organizations and clans had come to visit the Turtle clan after the Enlan clan. They were all large organizations that reigned supreme in certain regions of the Sea Goddess Hall. Some of them were even more powerful than the Tao family.

Jian Chen frowned. He had expected this, but it had happened a little too soon. After all, he had only just returned to the Turtle clan.

However, Jian Chen did not plan on receiving the people personally. He knew that the true intention of the people who had come was only to confirm whether the Turtle clan possessed an emperor or not. He just got Tie Ta to stay behind, so he could receive the guests instead of himself. Jian Chen instead hurried off with Qing Yixuan, headed to the treasury of the Tao family.

The location of the treasury was over a hundred thousand kilometers away from the Turtle clan in a swamp. The environment of the swamp was horrendous, teeming with danger and covered in a layer of potent poisonous gas all year round.

Jian Chen and Qing Yixuan ignored the gas and made their way to the depths. There they came across a valley that seemed to open up the further in they headed.

Suddenly, a dark shadow attacked. It struck like lightning, charging at Jian Chen and Qing Yixuan. It was coated in an extremely potent poisonous gas. Even Saint Kings could not treat it carelessly.

Jian Chen did not even glance at it. Extending his finger, he shot out a finger-sized sword Qi, which pierced the shadow.

Chapter 1338: Treasury of the Tao Family (Two)

Bang! The black shadow landed beside Jian Chen’s foot and lay there without moving. Only then could they see the shadow’s true appearance. It was a ten-meter-long, mutated lizard. Its skin was pitch-black and was covered in an oozing substance. It gave off an extremely offensive smell.

The lizard possessed an extremely powerful poison. Blood poured from the wound in its head, which had been caused by Jian Chen, and hit the ground, which actually dissolved the soil. A hole appeared and rapidly grew deeper.

Jian Chen extended his finger a few more times and shot a few more sword Qi at the corpse. Every single strand of sword Qi was extremely powerful, easily penetrating the lizard’s body. In the end, he removed a fist-sized monster core from the corpse and held it in his hand. Even without any protection, the acidic poison on it could not harm him at all.

Jian Chen used a clump of soil to wipe off the poison before storing it in his Space Ring. The mutated lizard was a Class 8 Magical Beast. The monster core it possessed was extremely valuable. Even if he had no use for it, he could give it to the experts of the Changyang clan.

Qing Yixuan stared at the dead lizard as she stood beside Jian Chen. She was secretly taken aback. The lizard was no weaker than her, so if she had to fight it, it would have taken her a tremendous amount of effort before she would have been able to slay it. She had never expected it to be killed off by Jian Chen in such an easy fashion, where it was no different from an ant. This was extremely shocking to her.

“Is this the strength of Saint Emperors? It’s actually so terrifying. If Jian Chen used that attack on me, I wonder if I would end up like the lizard or not,” Qing Yixuan was extremely astounded inside. She already understood everything now. The bastard who had not been anywhere near her strength before had already become an existence that she could only look up to.

Qing Yixuan was immediately taken by an odd feeling when she thought of how she had pursued Jian Chen for so long even after reducing him to such a horrible shape in the past. She had even begun to gently smile to herself because she had hunted down a Saint Emperor in the past.

“Is this where the treasury of the Tao family is?” Jian Chen no longer paid any attention to the lizard’s corpse. He let it lie there. Even though it was the corpse of a Class 8 Magical Beast, he had no intentions of taking it with him. He only looked around the valley carefully.

Qing Yixuan dismissed her thoughts and stared at the valley. She said, “Correct, this is the place. When I secretly followed Tao Zhengtian before, I saw him enter this valley. However, there are many hidden killing formations that are extremely powerful, which was why I did not follow him in. I do not know the exact location of the treasury in the valley.”

“There really are a lot of formations in this valley. Even if a Ninth Heavenly Layer Saint King enters, he will die if he is careless. These formations should have been personally cast down long ago by a Saint Emperor. It’s impossible for Saint Kings to cast down such powerful formations,” Jian Chen said. He had already expanded the senses of his soul to envelope the entire valley. He had found many formations hidden in it.

“The Tao family is a great clan that once gave birth to a Saint Emperor, but there were extremely many Saint Emperors in that era, nowhere near as scarce as nowadays. As a result, the Saint Emperor of the Tao family was not enough to lead the Tao family to extreme glory. These formations were probably cast down by him, so breaking through them will probably need an expert of the same strength,” said Qing Yixuan as she looked at Jian Chen. It would all depend on Jian Chen if they could reach the treasures of the Tao family today. There was something she needed in there.

“Has no one ever discovered the treasury of the Tao family after so many years?” Jian Chen asked.

Qing Yixuan silently pondered before saying, “If I recall correctly, the past Saint Emperor of the Tao family had once used his abilities to engulf this valley and lock it up, causing it to be difficult to discover even by other Saint Emperors, which is why this place has never been discovered by others. However, with the passage of time, the abilities he had used lost their effects, which is why this place is now exposed. However, this place is extremely well-hidden and no one comes here often. I had only accidentally learned of the treasury in the past and found it by secretly following Tao Zhengtian here.”

Jian Chen nodded. He believed most of what Qing Yixuan had said because the valley really was prepared by a Saint Emperor.

“Let’s go in. Follow me carefully. I think I’ve found the exact location of the treasury,” Jian Chen calmly informed her as he stepped into the valley. Immediately, the landscape around him underwent a sudden shift. The valley had vanished and he now stood atop a vast body of water. The waves surged into the sky as a huge beast charged over. Its presence was like a mountain while its pressure flooded the surroundings.

It was a beast with the power of Saint Emperors. It was extraordinarily powerful.

Jian Chen's face remained the same as he sighed, "This formation really is extraordinary. Even if Saint Emperors want to destroy it, it'll take them quite the effort, unfortunately the formation's decayed with the passage of time. It's strength has drastically been reduced and can no longer stand a blow from a Saint Emperor." Jian Chen swung his sleeve and shot out countless strands of sword Qi. The sword Qi split into two streams, one stream shot into the body of water while the other headed toward the air, shattering the air.

Boom! With a great rumble, the space violently shook. Before the beast could reach Jian Chen, it had dissolved and the landscape around Jian Chen changed once again. The water disappeared as he returned to the valley.

Afterward, Jian Chen continued into the depths with Qing Yixuan. They traveled like a hot knife through butter, sweeping through all the formations hidden on their path. The formations really were very powerful. They could stop Saint Emperors if they were in perfect condition, but they could only be used to deal with Saint Kings now. They were obviously not enough to stop Jian Chen.

Soon afterward, the two of them arrived at the very depths of the valley. A bumpy cliff face stood before them.

"We've reached the end of the valley," said Qing Yixuan. She looked around for any possible places.

"It should be here," Jian Chen stared at the cliff face before him. The senses of his soul had already found that a formation was hiding something here.

Boom!

With a loud sound, Jian Chen shot a sword Qi at the cliff face, causing the ground to violently shake while dust was kicked into the air.

A huge cave appeared before the two of them. It was pitch-black inside while a cold, moist wind blew out.

Qing Yixuan's eyes narrowed. She had failed to find any signs of this place even from such a close distance. This made her sigh, praising the greatness of the formations here.

The cave was very deep and sloped down into the ground. The two of them followed the slope and traveled for several kilometers before arriving in front of a huge stone gate. The gate was filled with pulses of powerful energy, causing it to become extremely tough.

Jian Chen did not destroy it forcefully in order to prevent the cave from collapsing. Instead, he used a strand of sword Qi to cut out a hole two meters tall and wide so that they could enter.

A huge space was hidden behind the door and countless luminous pearls of various colors were wedged in the ceiling. Most of them were fist-sized, but some were even the size of a human head.

A mountainous pile of crystal coins was stacked neatly in a corner. They gave off an extremely dense water-attributed energy. These crystal coins had all surpassed grand quality and had reached the level of divine quality.

A bookshelf made from rare metal held several dozen books in a neat fashion. Every single one of them was extremely crude and riddled with the marks of time, having existed for countless years without being destroyed.

#### Chapter 1339: A Damaged Piece of Divine Armor

In the center of the room stood two large, square tablets. They were covered in beautiful and exquisite inscriptions depicting a human using an extremely powerful attack. Even though they were just carvings, they gave off an extraordinary feeling as if they vaguely contained the pressure of the world.

Jian Chen became fixated on the two tablets as joy appeared in his eyes. He had already realized that they were Saint Tier Battle Skills suitable for humans and that they were complete.

The Flame Mercenaries had only been founded recently. They seemed powerful on the surface, but they lacked in certain areas far too much. High tier battle skills like these just happened to be what the mercenaries were in urgent need of because it was impossible for the Flame Mercenaries to become truly independent and powerful without Saint Tier Battle Skills.

And other than the Flame Mercenaries, the Changyang clan needed these items as well.

It was a great harvest for Jian Chen, finding two complete Saint Tier Battle Skills in the treasury of the Tao family.

Jian Chen swept his gaze around and discovered two weapons stabbed in a huge rock near the Saint Tier Battle Skills. One of them was a blade while the other was a sword. They were both enshrouded by an obscuring glow as they pulsed with powerful energy.

“Emperor Armaments!” Jian Chen felt shocked once more. The treasury of the Tao family was far wealthier than he had ever imagined. Not only were there two complete Saint Tier Battle Skills; there were even Emperor Armaments. If these items were placed on the Tian Yuan Continent, Saint Kings would engage in bloody fights to obtain them.

However, only humans could use the Saint Tier Battle Skills or the Emperor Armaments. Their power was limited when used by the Sea race.

As soon as Qing Yixuan entered the cave, her gaze became locked onto the Emperor Armaments and the Saint Tier Battle Skills. Her eyes burned with desire as she mumbled, “I once heard by accident that the ancestor of the Tao family had visited the Tian Yuan Continent and had a fortuitous encounter there. He came across a dwelling where a very powerful expert had passed away in meditation and really benefited from the encounter. Not only were there Saint Tier Battle Skills; there were even Emperor Armaments. Looks like it’s true. Unfortunately, the Emperor Armaments can only be used by humans while the Saint Tier Battle Skills can only be practiced by humans. They’re not suitable for the Sea race, or the Tao family would have been able to become even more powerful with just the Saint Tier Battle Skills.”

Jian Chen agreed with what Qing Yixuan had said. If Tao Zhengtian had grasped a Saint Tier Battle Skill with his strength, he would have been able to take on Saint Kings at Great Perfection. And once he possessed a battle prowess like that, the Tao family’s fate would not have ended as miserably as it did.

Unfortunately, the Saint Emperor that had appeared in their clan did not create any Saint Tier Battle Skills himself.

Saint Tier Battle Skills were a heavenly might. Not only did a person require supreme talent and remarkable abilities of comprehensions to come up with a Saint Tier Battle Skill but they also needed to conform with the world on a certain level. Only with these special circumstances would they be able to come up with a Saint Tier Battle Skill.

In the history of the Tian Yuan Continent, there were a few experts who had only just reached Saint King and had managed to come up with shockingly powerful Saint Tier Battle Skills under special circumstances. At the same time, there were some people with almost-unprecedented talent who never came up with a single one even after becoming a peak Saint Emperor.

Qing Yixuan turned to Jian Chen and said, "Jian Chen, do you still remember how the Tao family just happened to be in possession of what I needed? The items are right in front of me, so I hope you will not get in my way." Qing Yixuan's eyes were filled with desire and urgency. If Jian Chen was only as powerful as before, Qing Yixuan never would have said those words, but she required Jian Chen's agreement now.

"You need an Emperor Armament?" Jian Chen looked at Qing Yixuan. If he had known earlier than the item Qing Yixuan needed was an Emperor Armament, he would have given her the Emperor Armament he owned back at the Turtle clan. It was completely useless to him now that he had reached the fourth layer of the Chaotic Body and comprehended the first realm of Sword Origin. The weapon was unable to withstand his power now.

Qing Yixuan nodded before staring at one of the Saint Tier Battle Skills for a while. She said, "I also want a Saint Tier Battle Skill. You can have everything other than those two items."

Jian Chen thought about it a little and replied, "You can have the Emperor Armament, but the Saint Tier Battle Skill is very important to me as well. I can only lend it to you, so return it to me after you've comprehended it."

"Alright, deal!" Qing Yixuan agreed in an extremely straightforward fashion before taking the sword-shaped Emperor Armament and one of the Saint Tier Battle Skill tablets.

Jian Chen continued to look through the treasury. There were a lot of items that had been accumulated over the years, and they were invaluable, but they were no different than soil in Jian Chen's eyes. He could not be bothered to look through them. In reality, even the pile of divine quality crystal coins did not catch Jian Chen's attention either.

In the end, Jian Chen arrived before the bookshelf made of rare metal. He found that a third of the books there were cultivation methods and the experiences and comprehensions of Saint Emperors. Not only were there ones that belonged to the Sea race, but there were also ones that belonged to humans and magical beasts as well. A small portion of the remaining books were Heaven Tier Battle Skills created by humans while the remaining books detailed various wondrous items in the world as well as ancient records regarding the history of the Sea race.

Jian Chen pulled out an ancient piece of beast leather from an inconspicuous part of the bookshelf. He unrolled it and found that the leather was a meter long and wide and was covered with extremely

complicated and detailed inscribings of a formation, which seemed to contain another world. Jian Chen had almost been drawn away by it even with his powerful soul.

“What’s this?” Jian Chen was surprised and immediately became stern. He could already tell that the beast leather was not as simple as it seemed.

“This is a teleportation formation, and a high level teleportation formation. It can be used to move between worlds. That’s weird. Such a high level teleportation formation only appears in higher worlds, so how has it ended up here?” Zi Ying’s voice rang through Jian Chen’s head filled with surprise.

“This piece of beast leather originates from a higher world as well. It’s extremely tough and should have come from a beast that’s reached Godhood at the very least. Even Saint Emperors cannot destroy it. Master, this teleportation formation will be of great use to you, so you must store it away well,” said Qing Suo.

With that, Jian Chen immediately pulled out an embroidered box and properly stored the teleportation formation in the box.

“Hmm?” Suddenly, Zi Ying produced an interjection of surprise. He stared at a corner of the treasury in interest and said, “Master, go over there. There’s something very impressive there.”

Jian Chen was surprised as disbelief slightly filled his face. The Azulet sword spirits possessed an extremely incredible insight, so barely anything would catch their eye, but they had actually described something as very impressive, which shocked him very much.

Jian Chen immediately hurried over to the location Zi Ying specified without any hesitation. He then dug out a piece of armor from a large pile of valuable treasures by following Zi Ying’s instructions.

The piece of armor was pitch-black and made from an unknown material. It was as light as a feather, as if it did not possess any weight at all. However, it was extremely damaged and not in perfect condition.

“Zi Ying, Qing Suo, what’s so fantastic about this piece of armor?” Jian Chen asked out a curiosity. He examined the piece of armor in his hands and failed to discover anything out of the ordinary other than the special material it was made of.

“Master, this is a piece of divine armor. It’s a god artifact even greater than immortal artifacts. At the same time, the grade of the armor is impressive as well. I estimate that the owner of the armor was a Chaotic Prime at the very least, possibly even a Grand Prime. It’s just that the armor is far too heavily damaged where it’s almost completely ruined,” Zi Ying said in pity.

Jian Chen was shocked and the hand he was using to hold the piece of armor began to tremble slightly. He stared at the armor in disbelief as his heart churned.

This was actually a piece of armor that had very likely been worn by a Grand Prime. Grand Primes were peak existences in higher worlds, so the armor they wore would definitely be a great treasure. Right now, he had actually come across such a treasure here. Even though it was damaged, it still left Jian Chen flabbergasted.

"In my opinion, the expert from the higher world was probably embroiled in a great battle and became heavily injured. In the end, he fell into a spatial crack and descended here by luck, which was how this armor was obtained by the people of the Tao family in the end," Qing Suo analyzed the likelihood.

Chapter 1340: The Sea of Despair

"This piece of divine armor has already been reduced to something like this. Can it still be used?" Jian Chen asked. He found the situation rather regretful since the power of the armor was evident, but it was just far too damaged.

"From the looks of it, the divine armor isn't really useful anymore. Its inscriptions are damaged and the artifact spirit has dispersed. Other than the fact that the material it's made of is very tough, it cannot protect the wearer from anything. However, keep it with you, master. Once your strength increases in the future, you can look for some materials to repair it. It may not be able to recover its perfect shape, but it'll be useful for master," said Zi Ying.

"Don't be too disappointed, master. With your current strength, obtaining this damaged piece of armor is better than obtaining it in perfect condition because every god artifact has extremely high requirements before it can be used. Only those who have become Immortal Monarchs can begin to forge, and they cannot exceed an ordinary tier at most. Anything beyond that will require Immortal Emperors or even Immortal Exalts," said Zi Ying. Afterward, he looked at the damaged piece of armor in Jian Chen's hand and continued, "This should be a high quality god artifact or even a supreme quality god artifact, which is why it would be useless to you if it was in perfect condition. Having it damaged is more useful to you."

Zi Ying nodded in agreement, "Qing Suo is right. If this armor was in perfect condition, master would not be able to use it even if it was just a low quality god artifact. However, once it is repaired, its quality will fall and possibly descend to the level of immortal artifacts. Once master breaks through another layer of the Chaotic Body, then master will be able to use it."

Jian Chen beamed with joy with that. He said, "Zi Ying, Qing Suo, don't you have a method to repair this god artifact, even if it makes its quality fall?"

"We do have an idea, but we need a few materials. Fortunately, we don't need to repair the armor completely, so the materials we need aren't too high of a grade. We should be able to find them on the Tian Yuan Continent," responded Zi Ying.

Jian Chen immediately became excited. He was rather eager to get the armor fixed because he would have a great trump card when he moved onto the Saints' World.

Although the defenses of his Chaotic Body were impressive, he did not mind wearing some powerful armor as well.

The treasury of the Tao family had brought Jian Chen unexpected joy. Not only had he found a large amount of cultivation resources and two Saint Tier Battle Skills, but he had also come across two treasures that were useful to him, which definitely caught him by surprise.

Jian Chen cleaned out the treasury of the Tao family. He split all the items into two portions, one for the Turtle clan and the other for the Flame Mercenaries.



When Jian Chen and Qing Yixuan left the treasury, only half a day had passed since they had entered.

Qing Yixuan looked at Jian Chen outside the treasury with somewhat mixed emotions and said, "Jian Chen, I will be bidding farewell to you here. I will be leaving the sea realm soon. I will return the Saint Tier Battle Skill to a place you suggest after I comprehend it."

Jian Chen stared at her calmly and asked, "Do you have some powerful enemies on the Tian Yuan Continent? I feel like you came to the sea realm for refuge."

Qing Yixuan nodded rather forcefully and said, "To be honest, I offended a powerful organization on the Tian Yuan Continent and was pursued by them when I was just a Saint Ruler. With no other choice, I hid in the sea realm."

"Since you're still not bold enough to return to the Tian Yuan Continent with your strength right now, the organization you've probably offended is either an ancient clan or a protector clan. Seeing how much you have helped the Turtle clan, I'll help you out." Jian Chen pulled out a jade box from his Space Ring and said, "There's an immortal peach in there. It's far more valuable than any heavenly resource you know of. Once you ingest it, your strength will reach Great Perfection in an extremely short amount of time, or you might even become a Saint Emperor."

The box carried a Violet Cloud Peach of the first grade. It could increase the eater's cultivation by five hundred years.

The five hundred years were calculated from the perspective of the Immortal's World, so in a lower world, it was enough to overcome a thousand years of cultivation or even more.

Jian Chen and Qing Yixuan went their separate ways. She left by herself after accepting the peach from Jian Chen, but she was suspicious of what Jian Chen had said how a single peach could elevate her to Great Perfection in such a short amount of time. She did not believe it, because it sounded far too preposterous.

Jian Chen did not stick around for long either. He made his way back to the Turtle clan. There were more and more people visiting the Turtle clan now. All of them were people who held authority in large clans and almost all of them were Saint Kings. Almost all the large clans in the territory of the Sea Goddess Hall had sent people, and some people from the large clans even came from the territory of the other two halls.

Without a single exception, they had come to see the ruler of the Turtle clan. Of course, that obviously did not happen. They only saw the elders of the clan. Although some of them felt extremely dissatisfied over the fact that they had to speak with a group of Saint Rulers with their status as Saint Kings, none of them dared to express their dissatisfaction because a tremendous presence warned them at all times that a Saint Emperor was paying attention to the whole interaction.

Jian Chen did not show himself. He returned silently to his own room and, other than Tie Ta, no one discovered him.

Three days later, Jian Chen and Yadrin appeared in a desolate region in the sea realm. The energy of the world in the region around them was extremely thin, thin to the point where it was impossible for people to cultivate here. Before them was a parched land that extended into thick mist. The mist was

very odd. Jian Chen was not able to see through it even with his strength, and even his soul was obstructed, unable reach into the mist.

“Up ahead is the Sea of Despair, one of the most well-known zones of danger in the sea realm. Its dangers are even greater than the divine realm because even emperors have the chance of dying once they step into it. In ancient times, many emperors fell here and some of their corpses even disappeared,” Yadriam said heavy-heartedly. She bathed in blue light so her face was obscured, but it could be imagined just how stern she was.

Even with her great strength, where she barely had any opponents among all the Saint Emperors currently present, she was not completely confident she could return safely once she set foot in there.

“Are there emperor-level beasts in the Sea of Despair?” Jian Chen asked in surprise.

“No, there are no beasts in the Sea of Despair.” Before Yadriam could reply, a familiar voice rang out. The sea goddess’ blurry figure hovered before the two of them.