

## Chaotic 2201

### Chapter 2201: Dire Straits

The Azure Peng King had arrived in person. His colossal figure arrived in space, deeply shocking everyone on planet Tianming.

At that moment, countless people stared at the sky. From the planet, they looked at the huge, azure peng that blotted out the sky. They were all stunned.

At the same time, all the Primordial realm experts in the Feng Empire were alarmed. All of them stopped what they were doing and emerged from seclusion, hovering in the air as they stared at the sky sternly.

In various places across planet Tianming, a few ancient existences who had once caused quite the ruckus awakened from their slumber. They roused from seclusion and also hovered in the sky, staring at the Azure Peng King sternly.

Publically renowned as the most powerful expert on planet Tianming, the planet lord slowly made his way out from his hall. He stood outside as he stared at the Azure Peng King, who had come from outer space. He frowned, and then he murmured, "The Azure Peng King sent me a message just earlier to get me to seal up planet Tianming. Only a few seconds have passed, and he has already arrived here. His speed truly is terrifying."

"But what I don't understand is what could make the Azure Peng King care so much, going as far as travelling such a great distance to come to this planet personally? Perhaps... Jian Chen, who he and the Solitary Sword Ancestor are searching for, is on my Dark Sky Planet?"

As he thought that, the planet lord had already taken a step. He crossed through space and appeared outside the protective formations like he had teleported. He hovered before the Azure Peng King from a distance.

The Azure Peng King did not shrink himself, so when the planet lord stood before his planet-sized body, the planet lord really did seem as insignificant as an ant.

"Heavenly King of Azure Brilliance, may I ask what has angered you so much? There are many prodigies from various places on my Dark Sky Planet. They're all innocent, and they can't endure your pressure," the planet lord said to the Azure Peng King with clasped hands. He smiled warmly, clearly showing some respect towards the Azure Peng King.

The Azure Peng King had used his presence to envelop the planet right from the start. No matter what his reason for doing that was, it was basically provoking the entire planet. As the master of planet Tianming, the planet lord had to stand forward. However, due to how powerful the Azure Peng King was, he dared not truly offend him.

"Jian Chen, who this king is searching for, is on the planet. Open the formation immediately," said the Azure Peng King. His voice was cold and filled with killing intent. He spoke like it was an order, leaving no room for others to talk back. As he said that, his colossal body rapidly shrunk as he turned back into a middle-aged man in azure robes. His face was sickly pale.

“The Azure Peng King is clearly injured, and his wounds aren’t light. It looks like it’s true that he was injured by the first majesty of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng,” the planet lord was secretly surprised when he saw the haggardness on the Azure Peng King’s face. However, he showed none of it on his face. Immediately, he opened the formations around the planet and sighed emotionally, “I never thought that the famous Jian Chen would be on my tiny planet. However, Jian Chen is no ordinary person either. It’s said that he has close ties with the God clan, where the little War God of the God clan treats him like a brother. He said that he would protect Jian Chen, forcing many peak organisations who resent Jian Chen to give up on their hunt for him. After all, the God clan was once the greatest clan in the Saints’ World. Even though they’ve declined now, their heritage runs so deep that they still cannot be underestimated.”

“Moreover, there’s a young man from the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng called Ming Dong. I heard that his relationship with Jian Chen is anything but ordinary as well. Rumours about Ming Dong are everywhere in the Saints’ World now. It’s said that he’s either the eighth majesty’s disciple or the first majesty’s disciple.”

“Sigh, Jian Chen’s status really is extraordinary...”

The planet lord also loathed the Azure Peng King’s condescending attitude, so he mentioned Ming Dong as well as the eighth and first majesties of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng to secretly scoff at him.

He had even mentioned the God clan. His intentions were naturally to point out how the Azure Peng King treated himself with so much importance that he would not even respect the God clan.

The Azure Peng King glanced at the planet lord coldly before directly flying towards the planet.

“What you said then was extremely likely to anger the Azure Peng King. Are you unafraid that the Azure Peng King will resent you because of this?” Six figures appeared silently behind the planet lord after the Azure Peng King had left.

They varied in age, and they all seemed like ordinary people. However, their eyes were so profound that they seemed to hold a universe within them.

“The Azure Peng King was ordering me. He directly passed an order to me. Hmph, he’s far too haughty. I’m also a Grand Prime, just like him. He has his pride, but that doesn’t mean I don’t have mine. I can yield to him a little, but I will never bow down to him,” the planet lord’s face had also sunk.

“You’re right. The Azure Peng King has indeed been too haughty. He hasn’t taken our planet seriously at all. If it were the Solitary Sword Ancestor, I’d naturally have nothing to say, but the Azure Peng King is unable to make me act like that willingly,” an old man said emotionlessly.

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“It’s the infamous Azure Peng King. We’re in deep trouble now,” Xu Ran became extremely stern in the Feng Empire.

Beside her, Jian Chen’s face became extremely sunken as well. The light in his eyes flickered as he tried to think of a way to deal with the Azure Peng King.

Kai Ya's expression also became rather uneasy. She clung onto Jian Chen's arm tightly as she felt anxious.

"Before the Azure Peng King, all of your disguises are useless. After all, the difference between your cultivation levels is just too great. Also, the senses of a Grand Prime's soul can easily envelop the entire planet," Xu Ran said to Jian Chen secretly as she was worried for the two of them.

Jian Chen's heart sank even more from that. The senses of the Azure Peng King's soul could envelop the entire planet. That meant that anything that happened on the planet, even just grass waving in the wind, would not be able to escape the Azure Peng King's senses. He was truly unable to hide on planet Tianming.

"Senior Xu, Kai Ya, enter my divine hall," Jian Chen made up his mind on the spot. He dared not expose the Anatta Tower at a place like this, so he could only take out an inconspicuous divine hall. At the same time, he clenched his last Cosmic Movement Talisman.

Currently, this was the only method of escape he could think of.

However, before Jian Chen could let Xu Ran and Kai Ya into the divine hall, terrifying senses of the soul swept over, engulfing the entire planet.

The planet seemed to stop as it was enveloped. Everything seemed to fall silent while origin energy seemed to freeze in that instance.

All the cultivators below the Primordial realm felt like their bodies had become restrained by a mysterious power that completely immobilised them.

This was the senses of a Grand Prime's soul. It could easily interfere with the operations of the world and control the lives of everyone.

"Oh no!" Jian Chen realised the horrible situation. Under the senses of the soul, a bone-chilling sensation rose up from the bottom of his heart. He felt like he had been thrown into a cavern of ice.

"Hmph. Jian Chen, this king would like to see where you escape off to. No one can save you today," at the same time, an icy voice rang out loudly. The Azure Peng King had appeared silently in the air above the Feng Empire. He stared at Jian Chen coldly.

No matter how Jian Chen hid, he was unable to disguise himself before the Azure Peng King. He was recognised in a single glance.

Chapter 2202: A Grand Prime's Pursuit

Jian Chen immediately felt that an extremely powerful presence had locked onto him. The space around him seemed to seize up at that moment, cascading down on him. Not only did his body feel as heavy as a mountain, where he struggled to even lift his leg, but he even felt like a boulder crushed down on his chest, preventing him from breathing.

"Grand Primes are actually so terrifying," Jian Chen was extremely shocked. The presence from the Azure Peng King made his heart shiver. If it were not for the fact that his Chaotic Body had reached the thirteenth layer, increasing his strength by several times over, he probably would not be able to even raise a finger before the Azure Peng King's pressure.

He felt a presence of death with great clarity from the Azure Peng King.

He knew that even after breaking through to the thirteenth layer, he was still as insignificant as an ant before the Azure Peng King.

“I never thought Jian Chen would really be on planet Tianming” the planet lord hovered in outer space and stared at Jian Chen in surprise.

“Jian Chen is done for unless the experts of the God clan step forward...”

“Jian Chen still has a talisman in his hand. It looks like he wants to flee, but unfortunately, it’s impossible for him to do that before the Azure Peng King with his current strength because he won’t even have the opportunity to activate the talisman...”

“The little War God of the God clan has said that nothing can happen to Jian Chen. I wonder if the Azure Peng King would really kill Jian Chen or not...”

“Hehe, I do hope for Jian Chen to die to the hands of the Azure Peng King so that I can see the God clan’s response. If the God clan can teach the Azure Peng King a lesson, it’ll be quite the delight...”

The people of various ages around the planet lord all stared at Jian Chen in interest as they discussed.

“Azure Peng King, you actually want to personally harass a junior with your status. If this makes it out, it’ll probably damage your name,” Xu Ran said with an ugly expression. She was unable to protect Jian Chen either now that the Azure Peng King had come in person. The only thing she could do was warn the Azure Peng King about his status.

Unfortunately, the Azure Peng King’s temper was not logical. Such a concept did not exist in his head at all. Xu Ran’s words did not make the Azure Peng King’s determination to kill Jian Chen waver at all.

“Mo Cheng was the disciple that this king placed the greatest hopes on. Since his death is related to you, you’re also one of the people responsible. Even if the people of the God clan come to plead for mercy, they can’t protect you,” the Azure Peng King growled. Killing intent soared from his body as he directly extended a finger towards Jian Chen’s forehead.

His gesture was only a very casual attack, but the world seemed to pale while the ground rumbled before it.

It was as if his gesture had replaced the heavens, becoming a will that completely surpassed the heavens, enough to control everything. Even the thought of resisting became impossible.

Moreover, the terrifying attack from the gesture not only enveloped Jian Chen, but Kai Ya was not spared either. She also became a target for the Azure Peng King’s attack.

Clearly, the Azure Peng King did not even plan on letting Kai Ya go.

Jian Chen’s eyes narrowed as he experienced a sense of danger greater than anything before. Chills ran down his spine.

The Azure Peng King was just too terrifying and too powerful. Before him, Jian Chen did not even have the chance to activate the Cosmic Movement Talisman.

At that critical moment, a damaged tower covered in sword slashes suddenly appeared. Like a shield, it stood before Jian Chen.

Boom!

The Azure Peng King's attack struck the damaged tower with unimaginably terrifying force. It erupted with an ear-splitting boom as devastating energy wreaked havoc in the surroundings in the form of a storm. Space directly shattered, becoming covered with web-like cracks.

The imperial capital of the Feng Empire was as fragile as paper before the energy. Countless structures collapsed in waves, while the protective formation only lasted for a few seconds before shattering loudly.

Instantly, the majestic and prosperous imperial capital of the Feng Empire was reduced to a shape that bore no resemblance to its prior state. It had basically completely fallen into ruins. The cultivators who moved about in the city either became injured or dead. Countless people had their lives cut short. Only a few people with impressive strength managed to survive.

The damaged tower had been knocked away quickly by the Azure Peng King's strike. Although Jian Chen managed to block the Azure Peng King's attack completely by hiding behind it, his organs were thrown into turmoil when the tower collided into him. Many of his bones broke while his blood surged, forcing him to spit out a mouthful of blood uncontrollably in the end.

Jian Chen was already standing before Kai Ya, so she was fine.

The appearance of the damaged tower made the Azure Peng King's eyes narrow suddenly. His unwavering heart began to pound uncontrollably at that moment as undisguised delight filled his eyes.

"The Anatta Tower! It's actually the Anatta Tower!" The Azure Peng King recognised the tower with a single glance. His cold eyes now burned with desire. He temporarily forgot about Jian Chen and flashed forwards right towards the Anatta Tower.

"That tower seems to be..." At the same time, the planet lord's originally sunken face from the Azure Peng King destroying the imperial capital suddenly became stunned. His eyes shone brightly as he became fixated on the damaged tower.

The eyes of the peak experts who basically stood on the same level as the planet lord also lit up. All of their eyes lit up in that instance as they stared at the tower without blinking at all.

"It's the Anatta Tower. It can't be wrong. It's definitely the Anatta Tower..."

"The Anatta Tower is the Anatta Grand Exalt's famed treasure. It's a renowned god artifact of the Saints' World. There are even rumours that the Anatta Tower has

"The Anatta Tower has actually appeared with Jian Chen. This is completely unbelievable..."

Whether it was the planet lord or the peak experts beside him, flames of desire sprang up in their eyes in the instance they recognised the Anatta Tower. They were all interested. Then they looked at one another, and after gritting their teeth, they all charged towards the Anatta Tower.

They understood that once they took part, they would be offending the Azure Peng King, and it was likely that the Azure Peng King would hunt them down relentlessly. However, the Anatta Tower was just worth far too much. It was enough for them to even go as far as becoming enemies with the Azure Peng King.

Once they obtained the Anatta Tower, they could offer it up to the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng, and it would be a service of great merit. The merit would be so great that they might even be able to ask the first majesty of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng to personally kill the Azure Peng King, and there would still be more to spare.

They could use the remaining merit to exchange for benefits that satisfied them from the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng.

The planet lord and the others were nowhere near as fast as the Azure Peng King, but they were also Grand Primes after all. The distance between them and Jian Chen was basically non-existent. With a single step, they all appeared around the Anatta Tower.

“You’re looking to die!” The Azure Peng King’s killing intent soared when he saw how they wanted to take something from him. At a time like this, he could no longer care about Jian Chen. Bellowing out coldly, he directly attacked the planet lord and so on.

In his eyes, Jian Chen was an insignificant existence. Even if there were a hundred or a thousand Jian Chens, it was still nowhere enough to tempt him more than the Anatta Tower. As a result, his main objective became obtaining the Anatta Tower now.

It was also at this moment that Jian Chen finally had enough time to activate the Cosmic Movement Talisman. He had no time to wait for Kai Ya to enter the Anatta Tower. When every second mattered, he directly wrapped his right hand around Kai Ya’s thin waist tightly and grabbed the Anatta Tower after it had shrunk. Surrounded by the power from the talisman, he vanished.

“Hmph, do you think that you can escape from this king?” The Azure Peng King sneered when he saw Jian Chen flee. He extended a hand, and a droplet of blood immediately flew over from afar, floating in his hand.

The droplet of blood was Jian Chen’s chaotic blood.

“You will pay for your foolish actions today,” the Azure Peng King glanced at the planet lord and so on coldly before looking at the droplet of blood in his hand. He smiled happily for some reason, “As long as I have your blood, I can find you with ease even if you flee to the ends of the world.” With that, the Azure Peng King immediately shot off into the distance. He unleashed his extreme speed, disappearing into the cosmos.

Xu Ran floated above the ruins of the Feng Empire in a rather horrible shape. She thought, “The Anatta Tower has been exposed. They’re in trouble now. And the Azure Peng King has a droplet of Jian Chen’s blood. He just needs to use a secret technique with Jian Chen’s blood as a medium, and he would be able to find Jian Chen’s location with absolute ease. It’ll be very difficult for Jian Chen to escape. Even if he hides in the Anatta Tower, there’ll be traces of him.”

“It looks like I can only pay a visit to the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng. Even though I really don’t like that place, perhaps this is the only way to save Jian Chen from the Azure Peng King.”

Chapter 2203: Fleeing into a Crack

After making up her mind, Xu Ran set off immediately. The Feng Empire had already been reduced to ruins, and even the imperial capital had not been spared. Naturally, the teleportation formation there had been destroyed. She hurried off to a second eternal empire to use their planar teleportation formation so that she could reach the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng sooner.

“Now we’ve done it. We’ve made a huge mistake. Now, not only will we be hunted down by the Azure Peng King relentlessly, but even our clans will be dragged into it...”

The peak experts of planet Tianming and the planet lord gathered together with extremely ugly expressions.

They had truly gone for wool and come back shorn. Not only did they fail to obtain the Anatta Tower, but they had even offended the Azure Peng King as well.

“Since Jian Chen has fled with the Anatta Tower, trying to hunt him down will be completely useless. Even if we ignore the fact that we can’t find Jian Chen as easily as the Azure Peng King, it’s impossible for us to match up to the Azure Peng King in terms of speed...”

“Let’s think about how to deal with the Azure Peng King’s revenge instead. The Azure Peng King is someone who will always seek revenge even for the smallest of things. He will never just let what happened today go...”

“Immediately send people to the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng. Although we can’t hand the Anatta Tower to them personally, if we’re the first people to inform them about the Anatta Tower, it’ll be a matter of great merit as well...”

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In a region of space extremely distant from planet Tianming, the calm space there suddenly rippled like water. In the next moment, it suddenly warped violently, and two figures suddenly appeared out of nowhere as if they had teleported.

The two of them were Jian Chen and Kai Ya, who had fled here through the Cosmic Movement Talisman.

Spurt!

As soon as they appeared, Jian Chen could not help but spray out blood from his mouth again. His face became rather pale.

“Jian Chen, are you fine? Are your wounds heavy?” Kai Ya asked in concern. Immediately, she wanted to support Jian Chen. However, as soon as she moved, she discovered that Jian Chen’s arm was wrapped around her waist tightly. It was powerful, preventing her from moving.

Sensing the power and warmth from Jian Chen’s arm, Kai Ya struggled to remain calm. Her heart pounded in a rather uncontrollable manner as the depths of her heart wavered.

Sensing Kai Ya's movement, Jian Chen immediately released his hand around her. Under such a tight situation before, it was impossible for Kai Ya to enter the Anatta Tower in time. As a result, he could only grab her tightly and flee through the Cosmic Movement Talisman. He had no other intentions apart from that.

The light in Kai Ya's eyes rippled as she looked at Jian Chen with some mixed feelings. She said in a voice filled with concern, "Here's a God Tier heavenly resource for recovery. Eat it quickly and stabilise your wounds." As she said that, Kai Ya took out a heavenly resource she had obtained from her share in the Neptunean Divine Palace and passed it to Jian Chen.

At the same time, Kai Ya opened her hand, and an invisible suction immediately appeared. She gathered all of Jian Chen's chaotic blood in the surroundings, condensing the blood into a thumb-sized droplet in her hand in the end.

"I know you exhaust a tremendous amount of cultivation resources for each breakthrough. Your blood contains a portion of your energy, so every droplet you lose will mean that you lose a portion of your energy. You can't waste this blood." As she said that, Kai Ya slowly raised her hand and made the droplet of blood approach Jian Chen's mouth.

Jian Chen looked at the droplet of blood and nodded slightly. Sucking gently, he swallowed all of the blood and said, "My injuries are no big deal. I'll be able to make a complete recovery before long." As he said that, he paused and looked at the space behind him. His face became extremely stern as he said gravely, "I once heard that the Azure Peng King is unmatched in terms of speed. Although we've managed to escape with the Cosmic Movement Talisman, I have a strong feeling that we're not safe right now. The Azure Peng King should catch up very soon."

Kai Ya also dismissed her thoughts when she heard that. She became stern and growled, "With our speed, it's impossible to escape from the Azure Peng King if we hurry through outer space. The Azure Peng King should have many methods to find us, so it looks like we can only enter a spatial crack to avoid being hunted down."

"You're right. It is chaotic within a spatial crack, where even the laws of the world are affected. Even if the Azure Peng King is a Grand Prime, he'll be impacted to a certain degree in a spatial crack. Moreover, we have the Anatta Tower with us, so we don't have to worry about the spatial storms at all. We can just charge through them fearlessly. To us right now, it really might be a place where we can shake off Grand Primes." Jian Chen's eyes lit up, and he immediately took out the Nine Star Sword of Heavenly Ways. He said to Kai Ya, "Let's not tarry and enter right now. However, I won't be able to rip through space alone. Kai Ya, I need your assistance. We need to unleash our full strengths and rip through the space here."

"Alright," Kai Ya nodded in agreement before standing beside Jian Chen and striking out with her full strength. The Laws of Creation, Destruction, and Fire were all used. The three different types of laws were combined perfectly by her, forming a glyph that she sent towards the space before her.

At the same time, Jian Chen's sword shone with dazzling starlight. Huge, illusionary stars were conjured one after another. With a force no weaker than the Primordial realm, he struck the space before him.



Jian Chen and Kai Ya had unleashed their most powerful attacks at the same time, causing the space before them to tremble. A meter-long crack suddenly appeared.

“Enter the tower!” Jian Chen called out. With a flash, the two of them entered the Anatta Tower. He controlled the tower to shrink to the size of a fist before passing through the crack.

The crack closed up by itself soon after the Anatta Tower had entered it. It returned to normal, causing the region of space to recover its previous peace.

However, this peace did not last for too long before being shattered once again. A dazzling azure light flickered in the depths of space, heading straight towards where Jian Chen had vanished.

The azure light was just too fast. It was unbelievably fast. The moment before, it was still in the depths of space, but in the next moment, it had arrived at Jian Chen’s previous location, crossing the insurmountable distance as if it had teleported.

The azure figure happened to be the Azure Peng King who was in hot pursuit!

“Jian Chen’s traces have actually vanished here?” The Azure Peng King hovered in the sea of stars alone as he stared at the chaotic blood in his hand for a while. The tremendous senses of his soul immediately flooded out, enveloping an entire galaxy.

But very soon, he frowned. He discovered nothing with the senses of his soul. He failed to find Jian Chen’s traces at all. He had even used a secret technique with the droplet of chaotic blood after arriving here, but he failed to find any trace of Jian Chen either.

It was as if Jian Chen had vanished from the universe.

“Hmph, you’re dreaming if you want to escape right before me!” The Azure Peng King snorted coldly. His eyes were extremely icy. Then he closed his eyes and fused his soul with the world, using his Grand Prime level comprehension of laws to peer into the past and the future.

“So you’ve hidden in a spatial crack. Aren’t you far too naive to think that you can escape from me like that? I have to get the Anatta Tower before the Solitary Sword Ancestor arrives,” the Azure Peng King opened his eyes very soon and sneered. He split open space easily, and with a flash, he disappeared into the spatial crack.

#### Chapter 2204: Temporal Vortex

Violent streams of energy and spatial storms filled the spatial crack, along with terrifying temporal vortices. There was danger as far as the eye could see. Even the slightest carelessness could result in damnation. Even Primordial realm experts had to be careful and cautious here.

Otherwise, even Primordial realm experts would die here.

There was a fist-sized damaged tower covered in slashes within this danger-ridden spatial crack. It turned into a faint streak of golden light as it charged through the various powerful streams of energy and space-distorting storms recklessly. It advanced in an unstoppable manner.

It was as if the spatial crack that was enough to cause many Primordial realm experts to pale and tread lightly posed no threat to the tiny tower at all.

The tiny tower would only avoid the temporal vortices that could twist time.

Naturally, it was the Anatta Tower.

Jian Chen and Kai Ya currently sat in the Anatta Tower with their eyes closed. Jian Chen's entire mind had fused with the Anatta Tower completely as he used all his efforts to control the Anatta Tower's flight through the spatial crack.

He knew that the Azure Peng King would catch up very soon, so he dared not be careless. Even when they had successfully entered the spatial crack, which gave them a special advantage as the laws were chaotic and incomplete, weakening the Azure Peng King's abilities drastically, he still could not stop worrying.

As a result, he did not even try to heal. He spent all his efforts on piloting the Anatta Tower.

Kai Ya sat beside Jian Chen with her eyes closed. She also sensed the situation outside the Anatta Tower through her own method.

The Anatta Tower was an impressive god artifact. Its interior had become its own, independent miniature world. Logically speaking, no one should be able to sense the situation outside from within the tower apart from Jian Chen who had refined a fraction of the tower.

Yet, Kai Ya was an exception. Although she had not refined the Anatta Tower like Jian Chen or even gained any control over it before, she could clearly sense everything outside despite being in the tower.

"Strange. Why do I feel like I can control the tower like Jian Chen? This really is a strange feeling," Kai Ya felt extremely puzzled. She completely had no idea why she would feel that.

At that moment, she even felt an urge, an urge to try to control the Anatta Tower. However, when she saw how Jian Chen was piloting the Anatta Tower, she could only suppress this urge.

"I seem to have a connection with the tower that even I can't explain. This feeling didn't exist in the beginning. As my strength rapidly increased, this feeling slowly appeared, and it's becoming stronger and stronger..." Kai Ya furrowed her brows, but no matter how she racked her brain, she still had no idea in the end.

At this moment, Kai Ya's heart's suddenly tightened. In that instance, she felt like her soul had strengthened, where her connection with the Anatta Tower grew stronger. A sliver of her consciousness seemed to drift out of the Anatta Tower, allowing her to see an azure streak of light pursue them with unbelievable speed. Currently, it was still extremely far behind them.

"It's the Azure Peng King. He's actually this fast..." Kai Ya's heart tightened. She opened her eyes and looked at Jian Chen and knew that he had not discovered the Azure Peng King.

However, the Azure Peng King was just too fast. He had turned into an azure peng that was only two metres in size. With a flap of his wings, he could cross a tremendous distance. Space seemed to fold up before him. When Kai Ya discovered him, he was still hundreds of million kilometres away from the Anatta Tower, but in just a few seconds, he appeared a few million kilometres away, and he was rapidly growing closer.

"Oh no, the Azure Peng King is coming," Kai Ya immediately warned Jian Chen.

Jian Chen opened his eyes when he heard that. He glanced at her suspiciously. He was aware of the outside world at all times. It was impossible for anything that happened within a range of several hundred thousand kilometres to escape his senses, yet he had failed to discover the Azure Peng King.

Even though he was very confused about how Kai Ya was able to determine that the Azure Peng King was coming, he trusted her completely, so without any hesitation, he changed the direction of the Anatta Tower and headed towards an even more dangerous region.

Just as the Anatta Tower had turned, a huge hand completely condensed from energy suddenly appeared. With terrifying might, it grabbed at the space where the Anatta Tower was prior.

Due to being so close, Jian Chen saw the hand that had suddenly appeared with great clarity as well. This made his face change. If he had not changed the direction of the Anatta Tower in time, the tower really would have ended up in the grasp of the energy hand.

Jian Chen understood that although the Azure Peng King was unable to destroy the Anatta Tower, he was a Grand Prime who stood at the apex after all. As a result, his abilities were so exceptional that they would be facing a horrible situation if the tower ended up in his hands.

Afterwards, Jian Chen advanced by zig-zagging. He went where danger was present, emboldened by the toughness of the Anatta Tower.

“Hmph, there has never been someone who has escaped from me once they’ve caught my eye. Even if you choose a special place like this and restrict my abilities to a certain extent, you still can’t escape from me,” the Azure Peng King sneered in the form of a small bird behind them. Even though spatial cracks were enough to threaten Primordial realm experts, he was an existence who stood at the apex of the Saints’ World. He had great capabilities and was extremely powerful. There was nothing in spatial cracks that could pose a threat to him. It would only obstruct him slightly at most.

The Azure Peng King flapped his wings, and immediately, they glowed with azure light, which turned into a violent gust of wind.

The gale possessed unimaginable power. All the chaotic streams of energy and spatial storms that blocked the Azure Peng King’s way collapsed from the gale like a pile of leaves. Space shook violently.

The residual power of the gale caught up with the Anatta Tower, causing it to tremble and totter. It was tossed around constantly in space. Jian Chen struggled to control it.

The Anatta Tower immediately slowed down.

The Azure Peng King, on the other hand, used this opportunity to close the distance. From over a million kilometres away, he arrived around a thousand kilometres away from the tower.

In the Anatta Tower, Jian Chen’s face sank. Then he shifted his target towards a nearby temporal vortex and immediately made up his mind, charging over with the Anatta Tower.

Jian Chen had always feared the temporal vortices within spatial cracks. Even with the Anatta Tower, he dared not tread in them.

This was because he had already witnessed the power of temporal vortices in the past. He deeply understood that the flow of time within them was extremely unstable. He was afraid that several tens of

thousand years would pass in an instant if he fell into one, where the outside world had already changed when he emerged again.

Or perhaps time would run backwards and change him into a newly-born infant, the very basis of life, or even to nothingness.

But now, he was out of choices with the Azure Peng King's close pursuit.

Swish! The Anatta Tower directly entered the temporal vortex as a faint golden streak of light.

Chapter 2205: The Heavenless Demon Exalt

When the Azure Peng King saw how Jian Chen actually charged into a temporal vortex without any consideration for his personal safety, he scoffed. Temporal vortices could indeed pose life-threatening danger to other Primordial realm experts, but with his current level of cultivation, he had stopped fearing them since a long time ago.

The Azure Peng King tailed them closely and also charged into the temporal vortex.

But very soon, the Azure Peng King was stunned. He discovered that the Anatta Tower he had locked onto had suddenly vanished from his vision as soon as he entered the temporal vortex.

"God dammit!" The Azure Peng King could not help but swear to himself. He knew better than anyone else that he had been affected by the temporal vortex. It seemed like he had entered the vortex at basically the same time as the Anatta Tower, but the period of time he experienced in there was completely different from what the Anatta Tower experienced.

In that split second, he might have stayed in the temporal vortex for a very long time already, which was why the Anatta Tower had suddenly vanished.

The Azure Peng King flapped his wings violently and charged towards outside with extreme speed. At the same time, extremely great power of laws wrapped around him to fend off the incoming temporal changes.

At this moment, if someone was standing outside of the temporal vortex, they would discover that the Azure Peng King seemed to be in slow motion, flapping his wings at an extremely gradual rate. He seemed no faster than a snail.

Just when the Azure Peng King was about to charge out of the temporal vortex, the streams of energy nearby suddenly became extremely violent. The temporal vortices in the surroundings seemed to experience some sort of attraction, drawn over from all directions around the Azure Peng King.

Several dozen of them formed a huge temporal storm. It was on a magnificent scale, trapping the Azure Peng King inside.

It seemed like the temporal vortices had been purposefully gathered by a huge, mysterious hand to target the Azure Peng King. Regardless of the direction in which the Azure Peng King charged off in, he would run into a second, third, and fourth temporal vortex.

Even though these temporal vortices posed no threat or harm to the Azure Peng King at all, it did keep him busy and temporarily trapped there.

Although the Prosper Plane was one of the forty-nine planes of the Saints' World, it was so powerful that it completely exceeded the other planes. Out of the forty-nine planes and eighty-one planets, it was one of the few, peak planes.

This was because the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng was located on the Prosper Plane.

Not only was the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng the name of an organisation, but it was also one of the Anatta Grand Prime's three great treasures. The Anatta Grand Prime was also one of the seven Grand Exalts of the current Saints' World, where his cultivation had reached the peak of Grand Prime, becoming an existence akin to the laws themselves. He would always reside on the Prosper Plane to cultivate, subconsciously affecting the operation of the world and impacting its order such that the laws of the world on the Prosper Plane were even thicker and clearer. Hence, people could comprehend them with great ease. It gave birth to wave after wave of experts.

As time went on, the Prosper Plane became one of the few peak planes of the Saints' World. Organisations like everlasting empires and peak clans were nothing rare on the Prosper Plane.

As for the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng, it was the sacred land of all the cultivators on the Prosper Plane. They possessed a supreme status there.

At this moment, a figure shrouded by a hazy glow was standing before a lake within the majestic Heavenly Palace of Bisheng in the centre of the Prosper Plane. The laws of the world condensed around him such that he seemed like he had truly become a part of the laws and the world, becoming the supreme overlord of the universe. Every single word and action represented the will of the world.

The lake before the person did not show clear water. Instead, it showed a multi-colored space of chaos that was filled with streams of energy and spatial storms.

It showed what was happening in the spatial crack.

The most attention-grabbing part of the spatial crack was how several dozen temporal vortices had gathered together, trapping an azure bird that had shrunk to the size of two metres.

"Master, I saw the important figures of planet Tianming come with their planet lord earlier. They stated that they wanted to see the first majesty. The first majesty, however, is currently under master's orders to collect senior Ancient Paths' soul fragments, so she isn't present. As a result, I could only report this to master," an old voice rang out from outside. It was the artifact spirit of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng.

The artifact spirit could control everything inside the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng, where he could understand anything that was happening inside with a single thought. However, the entire region where the shrouded figure stood clearly was not something that the artifact spirit could sense. He did not know what was happening there either.

After a slight pause, the artifact spirit continued politely, "The news they bring is rather important. They seem to know the whereabouts of master's treasure."

"Let them return," the hazy figure by the lake said. His voice was icy and emotionless, and it also seemed to possess all the sounds of the world, making it impossible to distinguish the figure's gender.

“Yes, master!” The artifact spirit backed away politely.

“My fourth way has already developed a basic form. Before long, it will truly take shape,” the shrouded figure murmured gently. With a gentle wave of his hand, the world reflected by the lake changed. The scene of the spatial crack vanished, and countless worlds flashed by.

Even the world where the Tian Yuan Continent resided in flashed past.

“I’ve already searched through the entire Saints’ World in all these years. I’ve looked through millions of lower worlds as well, but I’ve failed to find your trace. Flame Reverend, just where are you hiding...”

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As the only everlasting empire on the Cloud Plane, the Tian Empire did indeed possess terrifying, unshakeable strength. They were especially frightening. Apart from the Heaven’s Link Peak, no peak clan or organisation on the Cloud Plane could make its status waver.

At this moment, in the depths of the imperial palace of the Tian Empire, three ancient towers that reached into the clouds stood like silent pillars that held up the sky.

The three ancient towers were where the pride of the Tian Empire resided as well as where the reason why the Tian Empire could exist was. It represented their absolute power.

But at this moment, black clouds abruptly rolled out from one of the ancient towers. Laws gathered as a terrifying presence suddenly swept out, engulfing the entire central region in a single instance before spreading towards the four other regions. It caused the entire sky to pulse with instability.

“The Heavenless Demon Exalt has actually broken through,” at the same time, two old men silently appeared on top of the two other towers. They stared at the tower shrouded in demonic aura in delight.

“Fantastic. The Heavenless Demon Exalt has broken through successfully and has reached the Fourth Heavenly Layer. He has formally made it to mid Grand Prime. He has become the only mid Grand Prime on the Cloud Plane. I’d like to see how the lord of Heaven’s Link Peak plans on stopping our Tian clan from conquering the entire Cloud Plane now,” the other old man was also overjoyed as he said in high spirits.

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One of the two old men was an ancestral emperor who had abdicated many years ago, while the other was the first Imperial Protector since the Tian Empire’s founding.

The two of them were the most ancient existences of the Tian Empire. They had reached Grand Prime many years ago and were peak experts who stood at the apex of the plane.

At this moment, the demonic aura around the tower where the Heavenless Demon Exalt resided receded, revealing a black figure in the demonic clouds.

He was a black-robed middle-aged man with a rather cold and malevolent expression.

He hovered in the air like a sovereign of the world as a supreme presence radiated from him. The presence was so powerful that the world seemed to pale and space seemed to distort. It seemed like he

had already become the ruler of the world, where his eyes possessed a sense of coldness that looked down on all lives.

This person was the Heavenless Demon Exalt as well as the second Imperial Protector since the founding of the Tian Empire.

Right when the Heavenless Demon Exalt broke through, a ruddy, sagely old man sat on the ground on the peak of a mountain clad in formations with origin energy so abundant that it almost condensed into liquid. He focused on explaining the laws of the world and the mysteries of the cosmos to an old man in blood-red robes. Every single word and action from him seemed to represent the truths of the world, enough to resonate with the laws. The laws seemed to be rumbling and revolving around him.

Suddenly, a bright light flashed through the old man's eyes. In that instance, his gaze became as profound as the universe. He stared into the distance as he abruptly became stern.

"Something terrible has happened. I never thought the Heavenless Demon Exalt of the Tian Empire would actually break through. The Cloud Plane will no longer be at peace," the ruddy, sagely old man stood up and said sternly while he gazed into the distance.

"Peak lord, what has happened?" The red-robed old man also stood up as he asked cautiously.

"Something major is about to happen on the Cloud Plane. Peak organisations might vanish from history. However, this has nothing to do with you. Houston, all you need to do is cultivate here in peace and wait for that person," the sagely old man referred to as the peak lord said.

He was the lord of the Heaven's Link Peak. He possessed extremely great status on the Cloud Plane.

Houston became stern when he heard that. After a moment of silence, he asked, "Will the Tian Yuan clan be dragged into whatever happens this time?"

"The Tian Yuan clan will be able to avoid it. After all, with their strength, they have no right to get involved. Unfortunately, the Tian Yuan clan is connected to the Xi clan of the northern region," the peak lord sighed gently.

"Peak lord, I want to return to the Tian Yuan clan immediately," Houston immediately made up his mind.

"Once you leave, you'll be in great danger. Houston, before that person arrives, just cultivate here in peace. I won't let you take a single step away from this place," the peak lord said firmly. He left no room for discussion.

At the same time, many peak existences hidden across the ancient lands of the Cloud Plane roused from seclusion. They all looked towards the Tian Empire in the central region. They were either grave or filled with eagerness and excitement.

"The Heavenless Demon Exalt has actually broken through..."

"The Tian clan is filled with wild ambition. They've never given up on conquering the entire Cloud Plane. Only the lord of Heaven's Link Peak prevented them from acting recklessly. Now that the Heavenless Demon Exalt has broken through, the Tian clan will truly possess the power to suppress the peak lord. No one can stop the advance of the Tian clan on the Cloud Plane anymore..."

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Extremely powerful senses of the soul crossed the regions in various places of the Cloud Plane and discussed with one another.

At the same time, a majestic divine hall stood silently like a primordial beast in an unknown space extremely distant from the Cloud Plane. It gave off a terrifying presence that was enough to frighten the world.

The divine hall seemed to suppress an entire region of the world. When it stood there, the independent, unknown space seemed to submit itself to the divine hall, kneeling below the divine hall's feet.

At this moment, a rather stern voice suddenly rang out from a gloomy secret room at the top of the divine hall.

"Something big is about to happen on the Cloud Plane. Even I might get involved in this. It looks like I can't let her remain there any longer."

After a period of silence, the voice suddenly yelled out, "Cheng Ming, come see me immediately." The voice was not loud, but it reached every inch of the divine hall.

With that, a black-robed old man silently appeared outside the secret room. He bowed politely and said, "Greetings to master!"

"Go to the Cloud Plane immediately and bring her to me from the southern region safely. This is an image of her and her presence. With your cultivation, you should be able to sense her immediately when you reach the Cloud Plane." As he said that, a stream of consciousness flowed out from the secret room and directly entered the old man's forehead. It formed a little girl.

"If she's unwilling to leave with you, take out this lock of hair." With that, a tied-up lock of black hair appeared outside the secret room, floating before Cheng Ming.

Cheng Ming's eyes suddenly narrowed when he saw the lock of hair. He could tell with a single glance that it belonged to his master. His master's presence clearly lingered on it.

Cheng Ming dared not tarry. He carefully accepted the lock of hair and stowed it away carefully before leaving immediately.

"Where is War Demon?" Cheng Ming arrived in an empty hall within the divine hall and called out.

"Grand elder!" A deep voice rang out in the empty hall. A terrifying pressure suddenly permeated the surroundings when the voice sounded. It seemed like it could collapse the sky as it filled the entire hall with a devastating force.

"Come with me to the Cloud Plane. I have an ill foreboding about this trip, so we have to be extra careful," Cheng Ming said grimly.

"If the grand elder can sense an ill foreboding, it means that the trip to the Cloud Plane this time might not be peaceful. Hehe, it has been quite some time since I last fought. I really do look forward to what I can encounter this time. I hope it doesn't disappoint me too much."



## Chapter 2207: The Changes of the Cloud Plane

In the depths of the imperial palace of the Xi Empire, three ancient stone towers stood silently within a forbidden ground.

The three stone towers represented the absolute power of the Xi Empire. Apart from the current Xi Emperor, they were all the Chaotic Primes of the empire. They spent most of their time in seclusion within the stone tower, away from worldly affairs. The three of them would only be alarmed if extremely dire matters that could threaten the empire happened.

But at this moment, the three Chaotic Primes who normally stayed in their own towers were gathered together. Even the dignified Xi Emperor sat below sternly in his dragon robes.

“The Heavenless Demon Exalt of the Tian Empire has broken through. A storm of blood will be kicked up on the Cloud Plane soon, and those involved will be the peak organisations who stand at the apex of the plane. However, our Xi clan, as one of the four eternal empires of the Cloud Plane, control over eighty percent of the territory in the northern region, so we can’t just stay out of this storm. We will definitely be dragged in. There are only two choices presented before us right now. The first choice is to yield to the Tian Empire and become one of their subsidiary, where we follow their orders from today onwards. The other choice is to join the resistance and oppose the Tian Empire’s path to domination together. I wonder what the three of you think of this matter?” The oldest ancestral emperor, Xi Lianxue, asked emotionlessly as he looked at the three other people.

Xi Haoxuan, Xi Haoming, and the current Xi Emperor, Xi Ziyun, remained silent.

“Although there have been cases where an entire plane has been united under a single rule throughout history, it doesn’t happen frequently. As a result, I don’t think it’ll be easy for the Tian clan to conquer the entire Cloud Plane this time. There will definitely be a resistance led by the Heaven’s Link Peak. Even if the Heavenless Demon Exalt has broken through and the lord of the Heaven’s Link Peak is no longer his opponent, that doesn’t mean he can’t put up a fight,” after a moment of thought, the Xi Emperor’s father, Xi Haoxuan, broke the silence first and analysed carefully.

“You’re right. After all, the lord of Heaven’s Link Peak held the title of the strongest on the Cloud Plane before the Heavenless Demon Exalt had broken through. His battle prowess is exceptional and rarely does he have an opponent at the same level. Even if he’s no longer the Heavenless Demon Exalt’s opponent, he will still be able to put up a fight,” said Xi Haoming. He held great confidence in the lord of Heaven’s Link Peak.

“It doesn’t matter whether the lord of Heaven’s Link Peak is the opponent of the Heavenless Demon Exalt. If we yield to the Tian clan, we will definitely face obstruction from the Godsfallen clan. After all, the Godsfallen clan receives a large number of tributes from us every year. Once we yield to the Tian clan, it means they will lose our tributes permanently. As a result, they will never just stand by and let us yield to the Tian clan,” the Xi Emperor said firmly. He continued, “Compared to yielding to the Tian clan and placing all our chips on them, I’d rather maintain our relationship with the Godsfallen clan.”

“What if I recommend standing with the Tian clan?” Xi Lianxue raised an eyebrow and looked at the three of them.

“Ancestral emperor, we must consider this matter thoroughly...”

The Xi Emperor, Xi Haoming, and Xi Haoxuan all objected. They disagreed with yielding to the Tian clan.

The ancestral emperor, Xi Lianxue, nodded, "Since the three of you have doubts in the Tian clan's plan to unite, then..." As soon as he reached there, a black demonic aura suddenly flashed through Xu Lianxue's pupils. His face immediately turned cold, and with a thought, a powerful pulse of energy radiated out. Countless strands of energy appeared out of nowhere, wrapping around Xi Ziyun, Xi Haoxuan, and Xi Haoming.

Not only was Xi Lianxue the ancestral emperor of the Xi Empire in the eyes of Xi Ziyun, Xi Haoxuan, and Xi Haoming, he was also the senior they admired the most. The three of them had never thought that Xi Lianxue who was basically family would suddenly attack them.

As a result, they were caught off-guard, and they became tightly bound by the threads of energy. Moreover, some of the threads entered their bodies, not only immobilising them but also sealing up their cultivation and the senses of their souls.

"Ancestral emperor, y- you..." Xi Haoxuan and Xi Haoming looked at Xi Lianxue, who they respected the most, in disbelief. At that moment, they only felt their hearts ache.

The Xi Emperor's face sank instead. He glared at Xi Lianxue emotionlessly and said coldly, "Ancestral emperor, what are you trying to do?"

"I can't get you to join the Tian clan, so this is all I can do. Our Xi Empire will be standing on the Tian clan's side this time, and we will be assisting them with all we have to conquer the Cloud Plane," said Xi Lianxue.

This did not just happen in the Xi Empire of the northern region. The Blood Sun Empire of the southern region, the Zihao Empire of the eastern region, and the Jinjian Empire of the western region all suffered similar incidents at different times. All the peak experts in the imperial family who disagreed with supporting the Tian clan had been trapped through various means by the people who held the greatest authority.

In that short period of time, the four renowned eternal empires of the Cloud Plane had silently changed hands.

The black-robed Heavenless Demon Exalt gathered with the two other Grand Primes of the Tian Empire in a majestic hall within the imperial palace. They were all silent.

The Heavenless Demon Exalt sat in the air with his eyes closed while the other two Grand Primes both stared at him.

At this moment, the eyes of the Heavenless Demon Exalt snapped open. He said indifferently, "The four eternal empires of the Cloud Plane are under my control. We can start the plan."

"Fantastic. With the submission of the four empires, we have absolute control over the four regions. Next, we only need to focus on dealing with the peak clans," the other two Grand Primes of the Tian Empire beamed.

A vicious light suddenly flashed through the Heavenless Demon Exalt's eyes. He said coldly, "Before we deal with them, let's eliminate the foreigners first. Let's start with the Emyrean Demon Cult first."

“What? You want to move against the Empyrean Demon Cult? Are you confident that you can deal with their great elder...”

“Provoking the Empyrean Demon Cult at a time like this might not be a clever decision...” The two other Grand Primes became fearful when the Empyrean Demon Cult was mentioned.

“It’s no problem. Although the great elder of the Empyrean Demon Cult once had a glorious battle record, his strongest opponent was only at the Second Heavenly Layer, so I’m certain that he’s at the Third Heavenly Layer at most. There’s no need for us to fear him. And the reason why we should start with the Empyrean Demon Cult is because their branch has soul beads and blood beads refined from many lives. It’s exactly what I need to refine my treasure,” said the Heavenless Demon Exalt coldly. As he said that, he extended a hand.

Immediately, several dozen cultivators below the Primordial realm exploded to death across the Cloud Plane. The Space Rings on their fingers exploded as well as a small, black banner flew out. After absorbing the souls of those cultivators, the banner shot off with lightning speed.

At the same time, streaks of black light shot over from afar and arrived before the Heavenless Demon Exalt. They turned into small, black flags in the end. There were a total of eighty of them.

The Heavenless Demon Exalt suddenly frowned when he looked at the black banners. He growled, “Why is one of my Nine Yin Soulgathering Banners missing?”

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“Hmph. I’d like to see just who took my Nine Yin Soulgathering Banner,” the Heavenless Demon Exalt snorted coldly afterwards. With a thought, the tremendous senses of his soul surged out like a flood, enveloping the entire Cloud Plane.

However, his face sank very soon. The senses of his soul had engulfed the entire Cloud Plane. Apart from the few peak clans that were protected by formations, he had scoured every inch of the land, including underground. Despite doing so, he still failed to find the missing banner.

“It looks like the missing banner has either been hidden by a peak clan or taken away from the Cloud Plane. However, the eighty-one banners are refined from my demonic blood, so every single one of them are linked to my mind. Let me see just which peak clan dares to take what’s mine.”

“Even if the banner has been taken away from the Cloud Plane by someone, I can still locate it with great precision,” the Heavenless Demon Exalt said coldly. Immediately, the demonic aura around him churned as he emitted a pulse of terrifying energy. He used a secret technique to find the location of the last banner.

The other two Grand Primes of the Tian Empire sat before the Heavenless Demon Exalt silently. Currently, the two of them had become stern as well. The Heavenless Demon Exalt was crucial to whether they could conquer the Cloud Plane. They did not wish to see any accidents happen.

A while later, the demonic aura around the Heavenless Demon Exalt gradually calmed down. He opened his eyes, and they were filled with cruelty. His face had sunken.

“Heavenless, have you found the final banner?” One of the Grand Primes asked rather nervously before the Heavenless Demon Exalt.

“I actually can’t sense the final banner at all. However, even if a banner is missing, it won’t be able to affect our grand plan of unifying the Cloud Plane.”

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The Divine Kingdom of Pingtian that had once been nameless in the southern region was basically an existence that everyone knew about now.

Not only had it morphed from a weak divine kingdom into an ancient empire with a Primordial realm expert, but most importantly, the Tian Yuan clan existed within it.

In terms of strength, the Tian Yuan clan was nothing on the southern region. Some people would not even take them seriously. However, there were no organisations on the vast southern region that dared to underestimate the Tian Yuan clan, much less offend them.

That was because their greatest elder was the only daughter of the current emperor of the Xi Empire.

The Xi Emperor was a renowned emperor among the four eternal empires. For the sake of avenging his daughter, he went as far as to kill most of the members of his imperial family. Even the prestigious Grand Imperial Protector of the Xi Empire was not spared. His viciousness and mercilessness had already engraved itself into the hearts of people, making countless people shiver.

At the same time, his love for his daughter was something that many people admired.

As a result, with such a forceful and vicious father, there was naturally no one who dared to offend Xi Yu in both the northern and southern regions. The Tian Yuan clan she resided in gained glory as a result, enjoying a status that did not match up to their strength at all.

The Tian Yuan clan remained in the same location in the Dong’an province of the Divine Kingdom of Pingtian. However, it had already changed dramatically compared to when Jian Chen departed in the past. Not only did its territory grow by several times over, but it also possessed a more generous bearing. It was possible to see from afar that their fabulous buildings were laid down in an orderly manner. They seemed grand and magnificent, giving off an almost holy aura.

A few figures strolled through the fragrant gardens of the Tian Yuan clan at this moment.

“I never thought that so much would have happened after I left the Tian Yuan Continent. The world of the Tian Yuan Continent had almost been destroyed as well, but thankfully, everyone toughed it out,” a young man with a striking appearance sighed emotionally. He wore white robes and seemed like he was in his twenties.

“The only pity is that after coming all the way from the Prosper Plane, all I got to see was you, the little tiger, and the two kids. The three seniors, Rui Jin, Hong Lian, Hei Yu, and that snake are not here,” the young man shook his head in pity.

His voice contained undisguised reminiscence and memories.

Unsurprising, the young man was Ming Dong.

“Hmph, you’re the kid. You’re the kid! You can’t bully people just because you’re taller. Let me tell you, I’m a little ancestor who has lived for over a million years. Who knows how many years I slumbered for before you were born on the Tian Yuan Continent. Even your ancestors aren’t as old as me,” a pure girl who only seemed to be eleven or twelve glared at Ming Dong with her hands on her hips as she fumed.

Naturally, the girl was Xiao Ling.

Xiao Jin and Sacredfeather were with them as well.

Xiao Jin still wore his golden clothes, where he seemed like he was made out of gold. He had already grown up now. He seemed much more mature, no longer the little boy from Flame City.

Sacredfeather seemed like a handsome young man now. He stood up straight as he strolled slowly with his hands on his back. He was serious and cold in everything he did. He gave off the bearing of an expert.

Ming Dong only knew the three of them out of the entire Tian Yuan clan. Nubis, Rui Jin, Hong Lian, and Hei Ya had already gone out roaming several years ago.

As for Xiong Zhong, Cheng Jingyun, and so on who came from the World of Forsaken Saints, Ming Dong did not know any of them.

“Oh? Is this little sister really that old? Hehehe, I really couldn’t tell,” a beautiful woman in snow-white clothes looked at the unaging Xiao Ling from beside Ming Dong with her large beautiful eyes as she laughed gently while covering her mouth.

She was the princess of the Thousand Lotus Empire that Ming Dong had met and killed a clone of in the Neptunean Divine Palace, Yun Xiaoyan!

Ming Dong did not become interested at all when he looked at the beautiful Yun Xiaoyan beside him. Instead, his heart became filled with bitterness and helplessness, which mixed together in an indescribable mess.

He could not help but think about what his eighth senior had said to him when he emerged from the Neptunean Divine Palace.

“Junior brother, your senior I have a grasp over the Way of Fate. I can see the fates of many people and even vaguely peer into the karma of a person’s past life. In you and Yun Xiaoyan’s past life, Yun Xiaoyan was deeply in love with you and once did many things for you, but you always let her down, deeply hurting her heart. In the end, Yun Xiaoyan died because of you. Her life ended because of you.”

“The two of you having the chance to meet in this life might be the secret arrangement of the strands of fate. As a result, you can’t let her down again in this life.”

The eighth majesty did not tell him about what had happened between them in their past lives because even she was only able to see the surface and not the full picture. However, just that was enough to make it no longer possible for Ming Dong to treat Yun Xiaoyan cruelly.

“Ninth majesty, secret arrangements are occurring in various places across the Cloud Plane. It’s the calm before the storm. Something major might be about to happen,” at this moment, a gleam of golden light flashed through the eyes of the scholarly, middle-aged man who followed Ming Dong every step along the way.

Ming Dong dismissed his thoughts when he heard that. He said indifferently, "I don't care what happens as long as the Tian Yuan clan is unscathed."

Chapter 2209: Going to the Desolate Plane (One)

"The Azure Peng King hasn't followed us. It looks like we've shaken him off," Jian Chen flew as quickly as he could with the Anatta Tower through the danger-ridden spatial crack. He paid attention to the situation of the outside world at all times.

"He seems to be trapped in the temporal vortex. Temporal vortices really are extremely wondrous. The flow of time varies indefinitely. The Azure Peng King was not much slower than us in charging into the temporal vortex, but we were completely unaffected, while the Azure Peng King was trapped in there," said Jian Chen. He glanced at the Anatta Tower. He was uncertain whether it was because of luck or because the Anatta Tower's quality was just too great that they managed to emerge from the temporal vortex unaffected.

Or perhaps it was because of Jian Chen himself!

Although Jian Chen had been hiding within the Anatta Tower when they charged into the temporal vortex, he had experienced a wondrous feeling inside.

During that moment, he felt like his soul had established an obscure connection with the chaotic Laws of Time in the temporal vortex, where he seemed to be able to sense their existence.

However, because the Anatta Tower had only stayed in the temporal vortex for a split second, and the laws there were extremely chaotic, he failed to gain any substantial benefits.

"That should be a part of luck. After all, I haven't grasped the Laws of Time, so it's impossible for me to affect the temporal vortex," thought Jian Chen.

"It was so close before. Thankfully, we charged into the temporal vortex in time, and thankfully, the power of laws in there did not affect us. Otherwise, we would have been killed off by the power of time in the vortex before the Azure Peng King even caught up to us," Kai Ya patted her chest as she said gladly from beside Jian Chen. She felt like she had just survived a disaster.

Suddenly, Jian Chen's face hardened. He looked at Kai Ya in confusion and said, "Oh right. Kai Ya, why were you able to detect the Azure Peng King sooner than me?" This had been puzzling Jian Chen. He knew that Kai Ya was the same as him, where she could detect the situation outside. However, the sensitivity she previously demonstrated was actually even more terrifying than him, who was basically half a master of the Anatta Tower. He struggled to accept this.

"I..." Kai Ya furrowed her brows in thought. She had no idea how to explain this to Jian Chen because even she did not understand why her soul had suddenly strengthened earlier.

"I don't know why. I just suddenly had that feeling," Kai Ya explained it like that after thinking for half a day.

Jian Chen nodded and no longer tried to pry anymore. He had begun suspecting that Kai Ya was the reincarnation of some expert from the various signs Kai Ya had shown since long ago. Naturally, he knew that this would be due to Kai Ya's former life.

After all, even he had reincarnated. The sword spirits had wrapped around his soul and made him reborn on the Tian Yuan Continent.

“Hmm? Brother Jian Chen, why have you come in here?” At this moment, a delighted voice rang out from afar.

The Radiant Godking in luxurious, white robes, Xuan Ming, shot over from afar like a bolt of lightning as he shone with holy light. He arrived before Jian Chen and Kai Ya in the blink of an eye, looking at the two of them with a face full of smiles.

“Sigh, we’re currently being hunted down by the Azure Peng King. We fled into a spatial crack, and we had no other choice but to hide here,” Jian Chen sighed gently. His gaze towards Xuan Ming and was slightly shameful. He knew that he had probably drawn Xuan Ming into the matter now. After all, with the Azure Peng King’s temperament, he probably would not spare Xuan Ming once he found out that Xuan Ming was connected to Jian Chen, even if it was just through something insignificant.

“What? The Azure Peng King? One of the four heavenly kings of the Loneheaven Plane, the heavenly king of Azure Brilliance Mountain, the Heavenly King of Azure Brilliance?” Xuan Ming’s face changed drastically as he paled in fright.

“That’s right, it’s him,” said Jian Chen. He had heard quite a few rumours regarding the Solitary Sword Ancestor and the Azure Peng King on planet Tianming.

“God dammit. Of all the people you could provoke, why the Heavenly King of Azure Brilliance? I’ve heard my father mention the Heavenly King of Azure Brilliance before. He said he’s unruly, petty, and vengeful. He’s known for being difficult to deal with in the Saints’ World. Not only is he powerful, but his speed is also known to be unmatched. Even peak experts with the Laws of Space can’t necessarily capture him unless they possess an absolute advantage in strength.”

“There definitely won’t be any good outcomes from offending the Heavenly King of Azure Brilliance. We’re in deep trouble now,” Xuan Ming growled with an ugly expression. Woes weighed on his heart.

“You don’t need to worry too much. As long as you hide here without worrying, even if the tower ends up in the hands of the Azure Peng King, you’ll be safe for some time. Moreover, the Azure Peng King should be trapped in a temporal vortex right now. It should be able to keep him trapped for a while, which will give us some time to catch our breaths,” said Jian Chen. He knew that the Anatta Tower had been completely exposed after what happened on planet Tianming. According to his predictions, the experts of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng would hurry over very soon as long as no accidents happened.

“Let alone just a while, but even if it traps the Heavenly King of Azure Brilliance for a few years or even a few decades, we won’t be able to escape his pursuit with our strength,” Xuan Ming became restless like there were ants in his pants. He constantly paced around as he was filled with unease.

“Let’s go to a place where even the Azure Peng King dares not make trouble, like one of the seven sacred planes of the Saints’ World,” Jian Chen said calmly. The first place he thought of was the Prosper Plane where the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng resided.

The seven sacred planes were supreme existences in the Saints’ World. Every single sacred plane had a Grand Exalt, so the reason why they were sacred was completely because of the seven Grand Exalts.

When he heard that, Xuan Ming's face immediately lit up. He said excitedly, "I know. I'll tell you a good place to go to. Don't go to the seven sacred planes. Go to the Desolate Plane. Our Radiant Saint Hall just happens to reside on the Desolate Plane."

"Is the Desolate Plane safer than the seven sacred planes?" Jian Chen was doubtful.

Xuan Ming sniggered and said with complete confidence, "I knew you'd worry about that. But you don't need to worry at all. As long as you go to the Desolate Plane, the Azure Peng King won't be able to cause any trouble at all because the place is off-limits for him. If he dares to set foot on the Desolate Plane, his own life will be in danger."

"Since your Desolate Plane has such an expert, why has your Radiant Saint Hall been forced into such a miserable state by the great demon you speak of?" Jian Chen asked.

Xuan Ming immediately deflated like a balloon from that. He sighed in dejection, "He won't care about the matters of our Radiant Saint Hall. Let alone right now, when it's just a few Radiant Godkings, even if our entire Radiant Saint Hall is destroyed, many of the large organisations on the Desolate Plane wouldn't even bat an eye. No one is willing to provoke an expert like that just for us, including the organisations that we're on good terms with."

"Jian Chen, let's go to the Desolate Plane. Since the Radiant Saint Hall is on the Desolate Plane, there's a reason why you have to go there," said Kai Ya.

Chapter 2210: Going to the Desolate Plane (Two)

"Alright. The Desolate Plane it is then!" Jian Chen hesitated for a moment before agreeing. Indeed, there was a reason why he had to go to the Desolate Plane – the Radiant Saint Hall resided on the Desolate Plane.

Ever since he came to the Saints' World, he had struggled to make any progress with his Radiant Saint Force. Even now, his cultivation realm as a Radiant Saint Master remained at the same level as when he was on the Tian Yuan Continent. It was not because he did not want to increase it. Rather, it was because he lacked the cultivation method.

During this time, he had considered creating his own cultivation method, but the creation of each one would take a lengthy period of time. It required countless predictions and experiments before taking shape. As a result, creating a cultivation method clearly did not suit Jian Chen.

"I have a star chart here. It accurately displays the locations of the forty-nine planes and eighty-one planets of the Saints' World as well as some forbidden zones that you should never set foot in," said Xuan Ming. Jian Chen's decision to go to the Desolate Plane immediately delighted Xuan Ming. Immediately, he gave Jian Chen his star chart as if he was afraid that Jian Chen would get lost.

The Desolate Plane was Xuan Ming's home, so Jian Chen perfectly understood Xuan Ming's feelings. He accepted the star chart from Xuan Ming and said to Kai Ya, "Let's not tarry. We'll head there right now. We have to get to the Desolate Plane before the Azure Peng King breaks free."

Afterwards, Jian Chen piloted the Anatta Tower in search of a way out.



In the Saints' World, when he and Kai Ya combined their efforts, they could just barely rip open space. However, they dared not do that in the spatial crack, even when Jian Chen's Chaotic Body had reached the thirteenth layer.

This was because it was just too dangerous. Danger basically laid at every step. Even the slightest ripple of energy could set off a chain reaction and lead to even more severe danger. If they used their full strength here, terrifying consequences would have occurred before they could rip open space.

After all, they did not possess strength as terrifying as the Azure Peng King's, where he had no need to fear the threats here.

As a result, they had to find another way out.

However, Jian Chen had the Anatta Tower protecting him. As long as he did not go outside, he could go anywhere in the spatial crack. As a result, he found a crack that led to the outside world. The crack was very small, only a metre long.

Without any hesitation, Jian Chen immediately shrunk the Anatta Tower to the size of a finger and charged out from the tiny crack.

However, as soon as he returned to the Saints' World, pulses of powerful energy swept over.

Nearby, a colossal space beast was engaged in an intense battle against a bloodied old man.

Whether it was the space beast or the old man, they were both extremely powerful. The shockwaves of energy from their fight formed terrifying storms that swept through the sky, causing it to collapse and become covered with cracks.

The Anatta Tower charged out from one of those cracks.

Jian Chen did not stick his nose into the old man's business. He carefully hid and charged far away because the space beast and the old man were both existences that he could not deal with.

The old man was completely suppressed by the space beast. He devoted his efforts to the battle, so he clearly failed to notice the tiny Anatta Tower. In the end, Jian Chen basically slipped away from right in front of them with the Anatta Tower.

"Fortunately, we're close to planet Scarlet Cloud of the eighty-one planets. With our speed, we should be able to reach there in a day. Hopefully, we can make it." Jian Chen stowed the Anatta Tower away and took out a small spaceship that Xuan Ming had given him. He unfurled the star chart and hurried off to planet Scarlet Cloud full speed ahead.

Xuan Ming's spaceship was of impressive quality. It was extremely fast. In the end, the estimated day's journey was completed in just four hours. They arrived on the Scarlet Cloud Plane.

This time, he did not have Kai Ya accompanying him. After disguising himself once again, he set foot on the planet alone. He directly made his way to a teleportation formation that could take people across planes.

“The Desolate Plane is five hundred five-colored divine crystals per a person. Remember, you can’t have anything living in your spatial treasures. Once the formations senses something, there’ll be severe consequences,” a guard who managed the teleportation formations warned Jian Chen sternly.

Jian Chen was secretly stunned when he heard the price. He knew that the price would be very high, so high that even a Primordial realm expert would become troubled, but he had never thought it would be so high.

A hundred supreme quality divine crystals were only worth a single one-colored divine crystal. Ten one-colored divine crystals were worth a single two-colored divine crystal, while ten two-colored divine crystals were worth a single three-colored divine crystal. This went on, so a single five-colored divine crystal was equivalent to ten thousand one-colored divine crystals. If it was exchanged to supreme quality divine crystals, a single five-colored divine crystal would be equivalent to a million supreme quality divine crystals.

Yet, a single teleportation cost five hundred of them!

It simply had to be mentioned that the price for teleportation this time was exorbitant.

Jian Chen gasped. He handed over five hundred five-colored divine crystals rather painfully before entering the teleportation emotionlessly.

The guards near the teleportation formation all paid close attention to Jian Chen. Along the way to the teleportation formation, there were special formations that could check whether people were carrying anything living in their spatial treasures.

Basically, all the people who controlled planar teleportation formations in the Saints’ World would forbid people from carrying anything living with them for the sake of profit.

It would not affect the stability of the formation at all. It was purely for profit.

It was also because of this reason that many rather powerful clans and organisations would rather take an arduous journey through space on a spaceship than to take teleportation formations.

However, Jian Chen was not worried about the formations discovering that he carried other with him. The Anatta Tower was an impressive god artifact after all. It could not be discovered through any old formation. Even Qing Yixuan and Hei Ya had been shifted from the divine hall into the Anatta Tower.

In the end, Jian Chen passed through the formation successfully and left planet Scarlet Cloud to go to the Desolate Plane.

When Jian Chen left planet Scarlet Cloud, the Azure Peng King finally charged out of the temporal vortex in the spatial crack. He could see that the Anatta Tower had already vanished, so his expression became extremely ugly.

“Even its traces have vanished. It looks like I’ve been trapped for quite some time. However, I have a droplet of your blood, so no matter where you go, you can’t escape from me,” the Azure Peng King said through gritted teeth.

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In a primarily pink, warmly-decorated room of the Tian Yuan Clan, Xiao Ling and Xiao Jin sat at a table. They ate fruit as they talked to each other leisurely.

At this moment, a black-robed old man with an ordinary appearance appeared behind Xiao Ling silently like a ghost.

The first to discover the old man was Xiao Jin, who sat opposite to Xiao Ling. Suddenly, his eyes narrowed, and he immediately stood up. He called out, "Who are you?"

The old man was amiable. He looked at Xiao Ling curiously, but he felt confused inside. He thought, "This girl is only at Reciprocity, so why has master sent me personally to receive her?"

"Wah! Grandpa, who are you? How did you get in here?" Xiao Ling also discovered the old man behind her. Her pure little face was filled with surprise.

The old man said nothing. He did not give off any presence either such that he seemed ordinary. He studied Xiao Ling for a while before carefully taking out a lock of hair.

He held the lock of hair with both hands as if it was extremely important. Even respect filled his face.