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Chapter 2561: The Young Star Lord's Arrival

Basically the moment that Ming Dong was taken away, Jian Chen appeared before the destroyed divine hall. His Laws of Space had already reached the Primordial realm, so he appeared here from the secret room with just a thought. He had basically teleported over.

Jian Chen stared at the destroyed divine hall and the ruined formations in the surroundings of the clan. He was stern.

"Brother Dong. Brother Dong. Brother Dong has been taken away." The princess of the Thousand Lotus Empire, Yun Xiaoyan, ran out from the ruins in a hurry. She had paled in fright.

She was the princess of the Thousand Lotus Empire and a supreme Godking on the Godkings' Throne, so she should not have become so flustered.

However, the hand that had appeared earlier possessed a supreme pressure and a terrifying presence. It had directly struck fear into her heart, throwing her mind into disarray.

"Uncle Ming, uncle Ming, what's this all about? Brother Dong, brother Dong has been taken away." Yun Xiaoyan ran over to Ming Xie and looked at him pleadingly.

On the other hand, Jian Chen clearly remained more composed. He also looked at Ming Xie, waiting for his reply.

He knew Ming Dong and Ming Xie's identities. As his protector, it simply did not make sense for Ming Xie to do nothing now that Ming Dong had been taken away.

"There's no need to panic. It's the first majesty." Ming Xie said to Yun Xiaoyan before looking at Jian Chen. "Since the ninth majesty has departed, it's time for me to go as well."

"Thank you for taking care of the Tian Yuan clan in the past, senior Ming," Jian Chen clasped his fist at Ming Xie and said sincerely.

"Patriarch, what happened?" At this moment, Xi Yu, Nubis, and the other members of the upper echelon arrived as well. All the protectors of the Tian Yuan clan also came.

A hand had fallen from the sky and destroyed all the formations around the Tian Yuan clan. The disturbance created was just too great, having shaken up the entire Tian Yuan clan and provincial city.

As a matter of fact, all the experts on the Cloud Plane had sent the senses of their souls over to check on the situation.

This included the ancient existences of the Righteous Alliance and the Four Symbols Alliance.

"What a terrifying pulse of energy. The pressure is enough for me to shake..."

"The Tian Yuan clan has faced another disaster. Who was the person who did it? Did they have grievances with the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng?"

“That’s not likely. Ming Xie is a divine general of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng. Looking at how calm he is, there’s clearly something strange about this...”

“What a terrifying hand. It seems like it comes from a woman. Out of all women, there are only a handful who have reached such a terrifying level of cultivation...”

“I know who she is. She’s the first majesty of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng!”

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As the powerful senses of the souls came in contact with one another, they began to converse.

Among the forty-nine great planes of the Saints’ World, the Cloud Plane was more undeveloped and weaker. Across all these years, the strongest expert they had given birth to was only a Fourth Heavenly layer Grand Prime. Who knows when was the last time a Fifth Heavenly layer Grand Prime appeared.

As a result, now that a supreme expert had done something on the Cloud Plane, it naturally shook up the entire place. It made all the experts uneasy.

“Ming Dong has been taken back by the first majesty of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng...”

With this, all the experts on the Cloud Plane learnt that Ming Dong had left. Only a single divine general from the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng remained in the Tian Yuan clan.

“The divine general from the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng, Ming Xie, has left too. That princess Yun Xiaoyan of some Thousand Lotus Empire left with Ming Xie as well.” Before long, the peak figures of the Cloud Plane all witnessed Ming Xie and Yun Xiaoyan step onto an interplanar teleportation formation before vanishing from the Cloud Plane.

“It should be because of the Heaven-splitting Ancestor. The first majesty of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng has been chasing him around in the Saints’ World. The grievance is definitely deep. Last time, the Heaven-splitting Ancestor even came to the Cloud Plane and tried to take Ming Dong away. In the end, he was stopped by the first majesty. Now that the first majesty has taken Ming Dong away, it’s clearly to stop the Heaven-splitting Ancestor from doing anything to Ming Dong again...” All the peak experts knew the reason. This instead made them treat Ming Dong with even greater importance.

This was because the two matters allowed them to clearly see just how important Ming Dong was to the first majesty of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng.

She basically went to whatever lengths she had to go to protect him.

Of course, they did not know Ming Dong’s true identity. They still believed that Ming Dong was the first majesty’s disciple.

In the Tian Yuan clan, Jian Chen stared at the damaged divine hall. He seemed to be in a daze.

Ming Dong had left. The divine general of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng had left as well. The Tian Yuan clan seemed to have returned to the past.

He knew that all the status and glory that the Tian Yuan clan possessed came from Ming Dong and Ming Xie. Now that they had left, he expected the Tian Yuan clan’s status to plummet.

Although there was still Xu Ran, how could she be compared to a divine general of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng?

Suddenly, Jian Chen looked at the sky. He frowned slightly. He could sense several dozen powerful senses of the soul moving around in the air.

Moreover, these were only the senses of the soul that he could discover. There would definitely be more hidden away.

“All the formations cast down by Ming Xie have been destroyed. I should be able to repair them a little,” said Xu Ran before immediately beginning to fix the formations.

“Jian Chen, what should we do next?” Xi Yu arrived before Jian Chen. She was basically responsible for all the miscellaneous matters of the Tian Yuan clan now.

“If people don’t make trouble for us, we won’t make trouble for them. Let’s continue like before,” Jian Chen said calmly.

The Cloud Plane settled down very soon. It was as if it had returned to its past quietness. The disturbance from the Tian Yuan clan gradually faded away as well.

Although Ming Dong and the divine generals’ departure had completely changed the Tian Yuan clan’s force of deterrence, there was still no one willing to provoke them.

On this day, the interplanar teleportation formation newly erected by the Four Symbols Alliance suddenly shone with dazzling light in the imperial capital of the Blood Sun Empire.

When the light faded away, two figures appeared in the teleportation formation.

One of them was a graceful, handsome young man. His head was slightly tilted back as arrogance filled his face. As he looked at the people in the surroundings, his gaze was filled with a hint of contempt.

The other person was an old man. He seemed like an old servant. He did not seem special and stood out in no particular way.

However, this old man was a Ninth Heavenly Layer Infinite Prime. It was just that he had hid his cultivation very well, so ordinary people could not tell his strength.

“Young master, we’ve arrived on the Cloud Plane,” the old man said to the young man carefully after emerging from the teleportation formation. He acted extremely submissively.

Although all Primordial realm experts were figures who would enjoy some status in any organisation, the young star lord’s identity was just too special. He was the only child of the Nine Brilliance Star Lord.

As a result, even though the old man was a Ninth Heavenly Layer Infinite Prime, he still acted politely before the young star lord.

Chapter 2562: The Gentle Breeze Ancestor

As the young star lord set foot on the Cloud Plane, a ruddy old man in azure robes sat within the headquarters of the Four Symbols Alliance, cultivating in seclusion.

This old man was one of the five experts of the Four Symbols Alliance. People called him the Gentle Breeze Ancestor.

Suddenly, the power of laws around the Gentle Breeze Ancestor pulsed. He slowly opened his eyes.

“Strange? Why did my heart tremor? It’s as if something is about to happen,” the Gentle Breeze Ancestor furrowed his brows and murmured to himself.

Afterwards, he formed a seal with his hands. The light in his old eyes deepened as he began to peer into the heavenly secrets.

“The countless stars twinkle as they welcome him. Someone of extraordinary status has arrived on the Cloud Plane. This person is a terrifying force who can affect the future of our Four Symbols Alliance.” Very soon, the Gentle Breeze Ancestor’s eyes lit up. He expanded the tremendous senses of his soul to envelop the entire Cloud Plane.

“Just who is this important figure? Hmm? I found him. Is it him?” The Gentle Breeze Ancestor’s eyes narrowed, and he vanished.

“No wonder the Cloud Plane basically ranks at the bottom of the forty-nine great planes in the Saints’ World. The origin energy here is far thinner than our Star Brilliance Place.” In the imperial capital of the Blood Sun Empire, the young star lord studied his surroundings like he was judging it, gently shaking his head.

“The cultivators here are so weak. It’s such a big city, and there are only so many Godkings. They completely pale to our Star Brilliance Plane.” The young star lord looked at the surrounding cultivators with some disappointment. As if he was better than them, his face carried some scorn and contempt.

“Hahaha, the Star Brilliance Plane is under the watch of the famed Nine Brilliance Star Lord. A single thought from an expert like the Nine Brilliance Star Lord can change the fortune of an entire plane. Our measly Cloud Plane naturally pales in comparison.” At this moment, an old voice rang out.

An old man in azure robes appeared before the young star lord silently. He stroked his beard as he smiled pleasantly.

He was one of the five peak experts of the Four Symbols Alliance, the Gentle Breeze Ancestor.

“Old man, who are you? How dare you eavesdrop on my words. You sure are bold.” The young star lord crossed his arms and became displeased.

The Gentle Breeze Ancestor’s expression stiffened when he was called an old man despite being one of the peak experts of the Cloud Plane. He was slightly angered, and his smile disappeared as well. He said indifferently, “People call me the Gentle Breeze Ancestor.”

If it were not for the fact that the Gentle Breeze Ancestor found out the young man was of extraordinary origins and could affect the fate of the Four Symbols Alliance, the Gentle Breeze Ancestor would have never been so friendly.

“The Gentle Breeze Ancestor? One of the five Grand Exalts of the Four Symbols Alliance?” A gleam of light flashed through the Ninth Heavenly Layer Infinite Prime old man’s eyes. He looked at the Gentle

Breeze Ancestor without any particular feelings and said, "This is the young master of the Star Brilliance Plane. People call him the young star lord."

"The young star lord?" The Gentle Breeze Ancestor was surprised when he heard that. He stared at the young star lord in shock as he became unsettled.

"So it's the young star lord who has come to visit. I've failed to anticipate your visit, so please forgive me." The Gentle Breeze Ancestor immediately changed his attitude. All the displeasure he felt vanished.

Although he had never seen the young star lord before, he did know quite a lot about him. He was the only child of the Nine Brilliance Star Lord and was not an existence that he could afford to offend.

The Gentle Breeze Ancestor's attitude changed completely. With a face full of smiles, he politely invited the young star lord to visit the Four Symbols Alliance.

At the same time, he began to peer into the young star lord's identity.

If the young star lord was lying, the Gentle Breeze Ancestor could easily peer into his past and future with his cultivation as a Second Heavenly Layer Grand Prime.

If he really was the young star lord, then the Gentle Breeze Ancestor definitely would not be able to see anything with the Nine Brilliance Star Lord's protection.

As a result, determining the true identity of the young star lord was very easy to some peak experts.

However, in the next moment, the Gentle Breeze Ancestor's mind suddenly shuddered. Nine brilliant balls of light suddenly appeared in his mind as he peered into the matters of the young star lord. They possessed a supreme pressure and a presence revered by all.

"It's the Nine Brilliance Star Lord!" The Gentle Breeze Ancestor was surprised. He actually saw an apparition of the Nine Brilliance Star Lord.

With that, there were no longer any doubts about the young star lord's identity. The Gentle Breeze Ancestor dared not neglect him.

As a matter of fact, he began treating the young star lord with importance that even exceeded Ming Dong.

However, the young star lord was proud. He did not take the Four Symbols Alliance seriously, turning down the Gentle Breeze Ancestor with a single sentence before drifting away.

"Young star lord, our Four Symbols Alliance still happens to bear some influence on the Cloud Plane. If our Four Symbols Alliance can assist the young star lord in any shape or form in the future, please come to our headquarters directly. Alternatively, you can crush this jade talisman." The Gentle Breeze Ancestor tossed a jade talisman to the young star lord's bodyguard. He did not remain any longer because he knew that doing so would only create an opposite effect.

After returning to the headquarters of the Four Symbols Alliance, the Gentle Breeze Ancestor immediately called the four other decision makers together. The five experts gathered together in a majestic hall.

“What? Gentle Breeze, you say that the legendary foster son of the Nine Brilliance Star Lord, the young star lord, has come to the Cloud Plane?” The four others were surprised when they received the news.

The Gentle Breeze Ancestor nodded and said, “There are no doubts about his identity. He’s indeed the young star lord from the Star Brilliance Plane.”

“The young star lord’s foster father is the Nine Brilliance Star Lord, and behind the Nine Brilliance Star Lord is the Bloodtear Grand Exalt. We can’t allow anything to happen to the young star lord on the Cloud Plane, or we will face a crisis.” The four other people were stern. They reached the same, terrifying conclusion very soon as well.

Although they were also Grand Primes, they were all early Grand Primes. The disparity between them and the Nine Brilliance Star Lord, a Ninth Heavenly Layer Grand Prime, was like the glow of the moon compared to the radiance of the sun. They were on completely different levels.

“The young star lord’s safety is obviously extremely important. However, his arrival is a great opportunity for our Four Symbols Alliance to change our fate.” said the Gentle Breeze Ancestor slowly, “The lord of the Heaven’s Link Peak of the Righteous Alliance reached the peak of the Third Heavenly Layer many years ago. Now that the Heavenless Demon Exalt is dead, he has become the undisputed strongest expert on the Cloud Plane. Who knows when he’ll break through to the Fourth Heavenly Layer.”

“However, I am certain that the day the lord of the Heaven’s Link Peak breaks through is the day that our Four Symbols Alliance will be destroyed. As a result, we need to establish ties with someone powerful if we want to continue existing...”

Chapter 2563: The Might of the Laws of Space

The Gentle Breeze Ancestor’s words made the four other supreme experts of the Four Symbols Alliance sink into deep thought. All of them furrowed their brows sternly.

They all understood that while the Four Symbols Alliance and Righteous Alliance seemed to have agreed to a ceasefire on the surface, this was only temporary.

This had only happened because the Four Symbols Alliance had gained a Grand Prime, lessening their difference in strength compared to the Righteous Alliance. Coupled with how the people of the Righteous Alliance were not in complete agreement, prioritising their own safety in battle without going all out, the Righteous Alliance could not help but agree to a ceasefire with the Four Symbols Alliance.

Once the Righteous Alliance gained the power to crush them in an overwhelming manner, the ceasefire agreement would be no different from a thin piece of paper.

As a result, the Four Symbols Alliance was indeed in desperate need of allying themselves with someone or something powerful.

“The young star lord’s appearance has indeed given our Four Symbols Alliance an opportunity. We have to rope him in regardless of the price, and we also have to keep the matter of the young star lord an absolute secret so that the Righteous Alliance doesn’t learn about him...”

“I hope that the young star lord won’t be as unapproachable as Ming Dong...”

The Four Symbols Alliance made their decision very quickly.

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Jian Chen cultivated within his residence inside the Tian Yuan clan. Suddenly, there was a knock on his door. After he gave them permission to enter, Xi Yu, who was responsible for most of the affairs in the clan, hurried in.

“Xi Yu, what has made you so hurried?” A gleam of interest flashed through Jian Chen’s eyes when he saw how hurried Xi Yu was.

“Patriarch, someone has come to visit. He said that he’s the young star lord of the Star Brilliance Plane. I don’t know who the young star lord is, but he seems to come from very great origins. As soon as he stated his identity, senior Xu immediately told me to come find you secretly,” Xi Yu said in a hurry. She realised that this person’s identity was probably extraordinary since Xu Ran had personally spoken on this matter.

Basically everyone knew what the young star lord represented on the Star Brilliance Plane, but everyone who knew the name was basically important figures or people of great origins beyond the Star Brilliance Plane.

Xi Yu clearly was not on the level where she could come into contact with such information, so she naturally did not know who the young star lord was.

“The young star lord of the Star Brilliance Plane?” Jian Chen furrowed his brows. He had been to the Star Brilliance Plane, so he had naturally heard about the young star lord before.

When he crossed through space on a spatial battleship, he had met many juniors of peak clans who went as far as to cross the sea of stars just to congratulate the young star lord on his birthday. As a result, he was familiar with the young star lord.

He was the foster son of a supreme expert, the Nine Brilliance Star Lord. His identity was extraordinary.

Jian Chen stood up and left his residence. He went to the hall that was specially used to receive esteemed guests and saw the legendary young star lord.

Currently, the young star lord sat lazily in a chair. His legs were placed on the table before him as he played around with a spiritual fruit in his hand. He seemed very bored.

The old man who had come with him stood beside the young star lord quietly like an old servant.

Jian Chen looked at the young man. He studied him as he clasped his hands. “You must be the renowned young star lord. Greetings. I am the patriarch of the Tian Yuan clan, Jian Chen.”

The young star lord did not adjust his posture. He looked up and glanced at Jian Chen. He took him lightly. “Jian Chen? I’ve heard of you. You got real lucky somewhere and picked up the Anatta Tower, and then you fled across the Saints’ World. In the end, you hid on the Desolate Plane for a few years.”

The young star lord said indifferently, but his attitude and tone exposed his contempt.

Jian Chen smiled indifferently, acting as if he could not hear the young star lord's tone at all. He said relaxedly, "The young star lord possesses a great status and identity, yet you've heard of me. That's a great honor for me."

The young star lord clenched his hand slightly and crushed the spiritual fruit he was holding. Milky-white juice flowed out, filling the entire room with a heavy fragrance.

Although the spiritual fruit had not reached the God Tier, it was not of a low quality. It was extremely valuable, such that even across the entire Tian Yuan clan, there were not many of them.

"You're actually using such low quality spiritual fruits to receive your guests. Isn't the Tian Yuan clan far too stingy? Or should I say that the Tian Yuan clan doesn't take me seriously?" The young star lord shook his hand in disdain as if he was afraid that the juice would dirty him. Before Jian Chen could reply, he continued, "You were hunted down by so many experts, yet you're still able to survive until now. I need to say that you have really good luck."

"Of course not, young star lord. I only barely survived," Jian Chen said without any particular modesty or haughtiness. As he looked at the fruit that the young star lord had crushed, a sliver of coldness appeared in his eyes. He said, "The Tian Yuan clan is only a small place, nowhere close to being as wealthy as the Star Brilliance Plane. Please forgive us if we've received you poorly."

"Enough, you don't need to explain anymore. I know your Tian Yuan clan is only a small clan on the Cloud Plane. Whatever you can take out will naturally be unpresentable to those of higher status. Call Shangguan Mu'er over. I've come to the Tian Yun clan to meet the successor of the Third Ancestor," the young star lord said arrogantly.

"I may have to disappoint the young star lord. Mu'er is currently in secluded cultivation, so she's not meeting anyone." Jian Chen's voice gradually turned cold. He finally understood why the young star lord had come now.

The young star lord's face immediately sank when he heard that. His gaze became piercing.

"How dare you!" The old man behind the young star lord called out. His presence as a Ninth Heavenly Layer Infinite Prime radiated outwards, crushing down on Jian Chen in an overwhelming manner. He growled and said, "Didn't you hear what the young star lord said? As long as the young star lord wants to see someone, it doesn't matter who she is or what she is doing. She is supposed to stop whatever she's doing and come here immediately."

Jian Chen stood still under the presence of the Ninth Heavenly Layer Infinite Prime. His eyes became cold as he stared right at the old man and young star lord sharply. He said, "Mu'er's cultivation is more important than anything else. Even if your foster father, the Nine Brilliance Star Lord, was here, I would not let him interfere with Mu'er's cultivation, let alone you."

"Jian Chen, how dare you speak ill of the star lord!" The old man was furious. Like a bolt of lightning, he flew towards Jian Chen. He had already readied his hand to slap Jian Chen.

However, at this moment, the surrounding space began to pulse and distort slightly.

Afterwards, the old man became as slow as a snail. He should have been as swift as lightning, but he became as slow as a regular human. He leapt two metres away, and at the same time, he had already swung his hand, hitting nothing with a cold gust of wind.

His posture seemed extremely strange. He was over ten metres away from Jian Chen. In the end, all that happened was that he jumped two metres and swung his hand.

“The Laws of Space!” The old man narrowed his eyes in surprise. He had never heard that Jian Chen’s Laws of Space had reached such a level from the information he possessed.

Chapter 2564: Attendant?

The young star lord’s expression became rather ugly. Originally, his bodyguard had wanted to teach Jian Chen a lesson, but in the end, the bodyguard made a fool of himself under the influence of the Laws of Space. This left the young star lord humiliated.

After all, he was the young star lord, a supreme existence on the Star Brilliance Plane. His foster father, the Nine Brilliance Star Lord, was a peak expert only second to Grand Exalts in the Saints’ World. No matter where he went, he was respected and revered, where no one dared to offend him.

But now, he had received such treatment in the Tian Yuan clan, which made the young star lord furious.

However, just when the young star lord was about to throw a fit, a powerful sword intent suddenly permeated the surroundings. At that moment, the young star lord felt like he had become submerged in a domain of sword Qi. Sword Qi filled every inch of the space around him as if the region around him had become a sea of sword Qi.

Jian Chen had drawn the Nine Star Sword of Heavenly Ways and nine illusionary stars had appeared. With hazy starlight, he directly stabbed out.

With that, the space pulsed, and the sharp tip of the sword seemed to stab through space, directly vanishing.

However, in the next moment, the tip appeared out of nowhere in front of the young star lord’s bodyguard. With powerful sword Qi, it stabbed forward like it was unstoppable.

“Oh no!” The old man’s face changed drastically, becoming filled with shock. He could sense lethal danger from the strike.

He was a Ninth Heavenly Layer Infinite Prime. It should have been easy for him to deal with Jian Chen, but now that he had discovered that Jian Chen could actually threaten him, he was filled with disbelief.

Jian Chen’s attack used the Laws of Space. Not only was it unexpected, but it was extremely fast as well, so the old man could not respond in time.

Spurt!

The tip of the sword stabbed into the old man’s chest with powerful sword Qi and the power of stars. The old man could not even dodge or block Jian Chen’s attack.

The strike was just too quick, and it was even enhanced with the Laws of Space, making it even more difficult to guard against.

The scene right now was extremely strange. Jian Chen stood over ten metres away in a posture of stabbing out. However, only half of the Nine Star Sword of Heavenly Ways was visible. The tip appeared over ten metres away, buried in the old man's chest. It seemed like the sword was broken.

This was the wondrous use of the Laws of Space. He could use the Laws of Space to directly affect the space there.

Jian Chen's hand trembled, and the sword immediately erupted with sword Qi, blowing open a bowl-sized hole in the old man's chest. His body flew out of the hall from the great force.

The young star lord was stunned. He stared at Jian Chen and the old man blankly. He was left at a temporary loss.

He had never thought that there would actually be someone bold enough to heavily injure his bodyguard in his face in the Saints' World. This was the first time something like this had happened to him in his thousand years of being alive.

Squads of armored guards surged over from everywhere outside the hall. They surrounded the old man. Even a few Infinite Primes had come.

"Patriarch, do we arrest this person?" Protector Xue clasped his fist outside. Ever since he was saved by Jian Chen on the Delight Plane, protector Xue served the Tian Yuan clan with even greater loyalty.

"There's no need. Everyone can go, including you," Jian Chen stowed his sword away slowly and said with composure.

"Yes, sir!"

With that, all the guards outside the hall immediately vanished. Even the Infinite Primes had left.

It would be best if not too many people knew about this matter, or it would have a negative influence on the Tian Yuan clan. After all, the Tian Yuan clan no longer possessed Ming Dong.

"Young master, I'm useless. I'm not Jian Chen's opponent," the old man stood up and arrived before the young star lord, telling him in shame. He coldly glanced at Jian Chen from time to time.

"You useless trash, piss off." The young star lord's expression was very ugly. He glanced past Jian Chen with a sunken face and said in a cold voice, "The Tian Yuan clan—what an impressive clan, to disrespect me like this. Do you believe that I can wipe you off the surface of this world with a single word? Even your merit with the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng won't be able to keep you safe."

The young star lord was completely fearless. He was still very confident, showing no fear towards the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng at all.

According to his knowledge, the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng no longer possessed a Grand Exalt. They only survived because of their first majesty, while he had the Bloodtear Grand Exalt behind him.

“Is there a need for you to be so angry, young star lord? My master and the renowned Star Brilliance Star Lord had close ties, speaking of the past. Why must we juniors make our seniors unhappy? Young star lord, don’t you agree?” A pleasant voice rang out. The voice seemed to be enchanting, enough to sway the minds of people. Those with weaker wills would probably fall into a trance the moment they heard this voice.

The young star lord’s eyes became lost at that moment as well; it was like his soul had been stolen. He subconsciously answered, “Yeah.”

However, right after he had said that, he immediately returned to his senses. A gleam of interest immediately flickered through his eyes, and he stared at the entrance.

Shangguan Mu’er walked through the entrance in her violet dress. She was graceful and slender, possessing great beauty and an otherworldly presence. Her dark eyes were as deep and profound as onyx, and her pupils shone with a wondrous charm. Just a single glance seemed to be enough to steal the souls of people.

She was extremely beautiful, almost picturesque and unrealistic. She was flawless. Even in the vast Saints’ World that was filled with talents and beauties, there were not many people who could match up to her.

“Mu’er, why have you come?” Jian Chen frowned slightly. The young star lord had originally come because of Mu’er. Now that she had actually come here, the situation became even more difficult to deal with.

“The Nine Brilliance Star Lord is an acquaintance of my master. Since the young star lord has come, it only makes sense for me to come meet him,” Shangguan Mu’er said gently. She carried the Zither of the Demonic Cry in her arms habitually, arriving beside Jian Chen.

“You’re the successor of the Third Ancestor, Shangguan Mu’er? The successor of the Third Ancestor truly does have a justifiable reputation. Even I almost fell for your tricks.” The young star lord stared at Shangguan Mu’er with shining eyes as his heart beat heavily. He had already heard about how beautiful Dao Gongming had described Shangguan Mu’er to be on the Star Brilliance Plane. Back then, he did not take it too seriously. He only thought it was exaggerated.

However, now that he had personally seen Shangguan Mu’er, he understood that he was wrong. Shangguan Mu’er really was as pretty as Dao Gongming had described her to be.

Not only did she possess the beauty of a goddess, but Shangguan Mu’er even possessed a unique bearing that deeply attracted the young star lord.

Shangguan Mu’er frowned. Her voice immediately became cold as she said, “Young star lord, please watch yourself. Do not disrespect my master.”

The young star lord seemed to become rather infatuated. He stared straight at Shangguan Mu’er as his eyes burned with interest. “She has already departed. Is there a need to be so uptight?”

“I just happen to be lacking a female attendant now that I’ve come to the Cloud Plane to train. Shangguan Mu’er, just be my female attendant. Serve me until my training ends. I’ll ignore the disrespect the Tian Yuan clan has shown to me in return.”

Chapter 2565: Tossed out of the Clan

Shangguan Mu'er stiffened slightly when she heard the young star lord's words. She stared at the young star lord in disappointment and sighed gently. "The Nine Brilliance Star Lord is renowned, a supreme figure in the Saints' World, revered by all. But I never thought that his foster son would be like this. Young star lord, you have disappointed me far too much. You are not worthy of being the Nine Brilliance Star Lord's son."

The young star lord's eyes turned cold from that. He immediately slammed the table. "How dare you speak ill of me! Shangguan Mu'er, do you really think that I'm afraid of touching you just because you're the successor of the Third Ancestor? If you anger me, do you believe that I only need a single sentence to make you kneel before me, where your life will be in my hands?"

The young star lord was extremely furious. Who was he? He had once been someone that everyone would butter up to no matter where he went, yet he had been looked down upon again and again now that he had come to the Tian Yuan clan. He felt like he had been disrespected. He struggled to accept this.

Shangguan Mu'er sighed again. "Young star lord, you're too much of a wastrel. You need to understand that you're only a Godking, and all your glory comes from the Nine Brilliance Star Lord. Without the Nine Brilliance Star Lord, you're only a cultivator with a little talent. Is there any need for you to be so arrogant?"

Shangguan Mu'er did not become angered for the Nine Brilliance Star Lord's sake because she had heard from the Wind Ancestor of the Daoist Sect of Divine Sound that the Nine Brilliance Star Lord had indeed been on good terms with the Third Ancestor.

However, Jian Chen was not as forgiving at Shangguan Mu'er. The young star lord's words had completely infuriated him. His eyes were icy-cold as killing intent appeared. He said coldly, "Make Mu'er kneel? Hold Mu'er's life in your hands? I don't believe you have that capability." Jian Chen had already arrived before the young star lord as he said that. He directly grabbed the young star lord by the neck and said, "My Tian Yuan clan does not welcome you. piss off."

With that, Jian Chen tossed the young star lord away in an extremely brutal manner.

The young star lord was unable to resist at all. He was thrown high into the air, flying directly over the walls of the Tian Yuan clan before landing on the ground outside in an extremely miserable state.

"Young master!" The expression of the young star lord's bodyguard changed drastically. He glared at Jian Chen before leaving the Tian Yuan clan in a flash.

"Mu'er, you shouldn't have come. The young star lord is a wastrel, and by the looks of him, he's extremely lustful. Now that he has seen you, he'll probably never forget about you and stop at nothing because of you," Jian Chen turned around and said to Shangguan Mu'er after tossing the young star lord out. It was as if he had just completed a task not worth mentioning.

Shangguan Mu'er sighed gently. She was extremely disappointed. "I only came to see the young star lord because of the close ties my master had with the Nine Brilliance Star Lord. After all, no matter how

you look at it, the young star lord is the Nine Brilliance Star Lord's son. But I never thought he would actually be such a person. It was my miscalculation."

"Young master, are you fine?" The young star lord's bodyguard, Mu Lin, carefully helped the young star lord up from the ground outside the Tian Yuan clan. His face was sunken and killing intent surged in his heart.

The young star lord possessed such great status, yet he had been tossed out by the patriarch of the Tian Yuan clan. In Mu Lin's eyes, a humiliation so great could only be settled with blood.

The young star lord said nothing. He stared at his dusty, luxurious robes. Currently, he was rather stunned.

"Hmm? Who's that? It looks like he was thrown out of the Tian Yuan clan..." At this moment, a discussion broke out. Nearby, a luxurious carriage slowly pulled past. The voices of a few young people rang out from it.

These people were all envoys sent from large clans or organisations across the Cloud Plane to visit the Tian Yuan clan.

Such people would basically appear at the entrance of the Tian Yuan clan daily.

"And there's someone injured. It looks like the two of them aren't welcomed by the Tian Yuan clan..."

"They probably broke some rule set down by the Tian Yuan clan, which was why they were taught a lesson by the experts of the Tian Yuan clan."

"Hmph, you can tell with a single glance that the two of them aren't from our Cloud Plane and that they had no idea that they should not offend the Tian Yuan clan. They tried to abuse their background and status against the Tian Yuan clan and were punished as a result..."

"Who do they think they are, to even disrespect the Tian Yuan clan? There's no one who can protect them for doing something like that to our Tian Yuan clan..."

The carriage slowly pulled away, but the young star lord heard every single word that was uttered. In particular, when the young star lord heard their contemptful scoffs taking him lightly, he found it to be jarring to the ear.

Like needles, the discussion stabbed at the young star lord deeply, causing him to tremble uncontrollably.

"The Tian Yuan clan! The Tian Yuan clan!" the young star lord said through gritted teeth. He looked back at the Tian Yuan clan as killing intent filled his eyes.

Afterwards, he turned around and left. He left the Dong'an province. He left the Pingtian Empire.

At the same time, the Gentle Breeze Ancestor opened his eyes in the headquarters of the Four Symbols Alliance. A smear of surprise appeared in his eyes. "The young star lord came out from the Tian Yuan clan so soon, but it seems like something is off. Has he come into conflict with the Tian Yuan clan?"

The Gentle Breeze Ancestor constantly paid attention to the young star lord. When the young star lord entered the Tian Yuan clan, he was unable to see what had happened in there because Xu Ran had repaired some of the formations.

Only when he left the Tian Yuan clan and the Pingtian Empire did he see something from the young star lord's bodyguard, Mu Lin. He immediately managed to infer what had happened in there.

"The young star lord has fallen out with the Tian Yuan clan. One of them has the Nine Brilliance Star Lord behind them, while the other has the first majesty of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng. This... will be a difficult matter to handle." The Gentle Breeze Ancestor furrowed his brows as the light in his eyes flickered.

But very soon, Gentle Breeze Ancestor made up his mind. At that moment, he had already made an important decision. He contacted the four other people of the Four Symbols Alliance before vanishing strangely.

"Young master, where are we going now?" Mu Ling asked carefully outside the Pingtian Empire. He had most recovered from his wound with God Tier pills, so he was basically fine now.

The main reason was that Jian Chen had not been vicious, only teaching him a simple lesson. Otherwise, his wounds would have been even more severe, and it would have been even more difficult for him to recover.

The young star lord paused. He sank into his thoughts, and he would glance past the majestic fortress behind him from time to time. His eyes were filled with coldness.

"Young star lord, our Four Symbols Alliance has already prepared a banquet to specially welcome the young star lord after his long journey. We do hope the young star lord can grant us the honor of visiting our Four Symbols Alliance so that we can fulfil our duties as hosts," the Gentle Breeze Ancestor suddenly appeared and said sincerely with a smile.

"Alright. Since your Four Symbols Alliance is so kind, I can only disturb you then." The eyes of the young star lord lit up. This time, he accepted the Four Symbols Alliance's invitation without a second thought.

"It's no disturbance. It's no disturbance at all. The young star lord is too kind. It is our honour for you to be able to visit our Four Symbols Alliance." The Gentle Breeze Ancestor was extremely polite. In order to ally themselves with him, the Gentle Breeze Ancestor basically put down all of his pride as a peak expert.

After all, this was a major matter that controlled the fate of the Four Symbols Alliance!

Chapter 2566: The Young Star Lord's Revenge

The young star lord was treated as an honoured guest in the headquarters of the Four Symbols Alliance. He was warmly received by the most important members of the Four Symbols Alliance. Apart from the Gentle Breeze Ancestor, the four other peak experts of the Four Symbols Alliance appeared as well. They all smiled and treated the young star lord very politely.

"Yeah. Your Four Symbols Alliance is not bad." The Four Symbols Alliance's attitude swept away the young star lord's gloom. As if he had regained his confidence, he immediately stood with his chest held high, his face full of pride.

The special banquet of the Four Symbols Alliance was to welcome the young star lord after his long journey. There were only six people at the table. Aside from the young star lord and the Gentle Breeze Ancestor, the four others were all decision makers of the Four Symbols Alliance.

One of them was a burly, middle-aged man. His presence was concealed, and he gave off no pulses of energy at all. He seemed just like a mortal.

He was Zheng Hu, the peak expert of the Four Symbols Alliance who had broken through recently.

The second person was a bald old man. He wore grey robes and seemed to keep an extremely low profile. He seemed very old and had a face filled with wrinkles. Even his ancient eyes were dim. He seemed lifeless.

He was Changfeng Yun. Originally, he was the ancestor of the Changfeng clan, a peak clan in the central region of the Cloud Plane.

The third person was an old woman. She held a wooden staff, keeping her presence concealed like she had returned to her most basic form. She did not seem to have any special features.

This old woman was Gong Ji. Originally, she was the ancestor of the Gong family, a peak clan in the central region.

As for the fourth person, he was a man who seemed to be in his thirties. He wore white clothes and seemed refined and rather scholar-like.

He was called Wu Lu. Originally, he was the ancestor of a peak sect in the central region, the Snow Mountain sect.

Of course, these so-called clans and sects had all become things of the past. Now, all the organisations they controlled had merged together into the current Four Symbols Alliance.

As soon as they heard the young star lord's evaluation of the Four Symbols Alliance, they secretly rejoiced. The Gentle Breeze Ancestor immediately said, "The young star lord has only just come to our Cloud Plane, so you might not be particularly sure about the situation on the Cloud Plane. Moreover, the young star lord is such a great existence that there probably aren't many places on the Cloud Plane that can match the young star lord. Our Four Symbols Alliance just happens to be a place worthy of the young star lord, so if the young star lord has nowhere to go, you are more than welcome to temporarily settle down in our Four Symbols Alliance."

"Our Four Symbols Alliance is one of the two rulers of the Cloud Plane after all. We possessed abundant resources and great strength. Our Four Symbols Alliance will try to satisfy all of the young star lord's requests to the best of our ability," Zheng Hu said among the five experts. He was doing his best to rope in the young star lord.

As long as they managed to ally themselves with the young star lord, they would truly have no need to fear the Righteous Alliance anymore. Even when the lord of the Heaven's Link Peak broke through to the Fourth Heavenly Layer, he would not dare to touch them.

"You will satisfy all of my requests?" The young star lord said slowly as a cold light flickered in his eyes.

"Of course," said the Gentle Breeze Ancestor with confidence as his gaze became extremely deep.

“Alright then. I just happen to have a request right now. I didn’t bring any particularly powerful guards with me on my journey to the Cloud Plane, but the Tian Yuan clan offended me recently. I hope you can take action immediately and destroy the Tian Yuan clan. Leave none alive aside from Shangguan Mu’er,” said the young star lord frigidly. The forces he brought with him this time were insufficient, so he could only seek foreign help to destroy the Tian Yuan clan.

The five experts of the Four Symbols Alliance were not surprised at all when they heard that the young star lord wanted to destroy the Tian Yuan clan. They all remained very composed.

“Young star lord, the Tian Yuan clan has the support of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng. If we destroy the Tian Yuan clan, we’ll definitely offend the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng,” the Gentle Breeze Ancestor replied, troubled.

“What’re you scared of? I’m here. So what if they have the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng?” The young star lord was confident, looking down on everything in the world.

Indeed, he possessed the right to do so to a certain degree with his identity and status. His foster father was the Nine Brilliance Star Lord, a supreme expert who stood at the same level as the first majesty of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng.

Most importantly, his foster father had a Grand Exalt backing him up.

On the other hand, the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng only had a first majesty.

The young star lord did not take the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng seriously at all.

“Feel free to do it. If the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng interferes, I’ll stand forward. I would like to see just how bold the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng is,” young star lord considered himself above everyone else as he spoke arrogantly.

“Of course, if you’re afraid, I’ll pay a visit to the Righteous Alliance.” The young star lord glanced past the five supreme experts fearlessly.

“The young star lord may not know it, but the lord of the Heaven’s Link Peak from the Righteous Alliance had close ties with the Tian Yuan clan. In the past, when one of their members, Houston, was in danger in the central region, he was saved by the lord of the Heaven’s Link Peak...” Zheng Hu said.

“The Righteous Alliance also has the young master of the Tong family, Tong Tian, who has close ties with Jian Chen as well...” The Gentle Breeze Ancestor added.

The young star lord frowned when he heard that. He vaguely sensed that getting the Righteous Alliance to destroy the Tian Yuan clan might not be very realistic.

In the end, after a series of discussions, the Four Symbols Alliance did not agree to the young star lord’s request of destroying the Tian Yuan clan. Instead, they gave him some experts under the guise of being his guards. They would be specially in charge of his safety on the Cloud Plane.

All of these guards followed the young star lord’s commands.

These guards were not weak. There were three Fifth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Primes and two Fourth Layer Chaotic Primes. They were great elders of the Four Symbols Alliance.

Aside from all that, there were over a dozen Infinite Primes as well, along with a great group of Godhood guards.

This force was no weaker than the Tian Yuan clan. As a matter of fact, it even exceeded them.

The Four Symbols Alliance's plan was extremely simple. They would not directly take part in anything. Instead, they would give the young star lord a group of experts for him to use against the Tian Yuan clan. That way, even if the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng was offended, the young star lord would be the one to bear the burden. Even if the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng decided to look into the matter, the Four Symbols Alliance had plenty of reasons to explain that they were uninvolved.

The Four Symbols Alliances wanted to ally themselves with the young star lord without falling out with the Tian Yuan clan.

"Hmph, the Four Symbols Alliance is a group of cowards. They're even afraid of offending a mere Tian Yuan clan." The young star lord returned to the residence that the Four Symbols Alliance had prepared for him after the banquet. He was unhappy.

"Young master, you can't actually blame the Four Symbols Alliance for this. After all, the Tian Yuan clan does have the support of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng. The Heavenly Palace of Bisheng is too tremendous of an existence to the Four Symbols Alliance. However, the Four Symbols Alliance is still rather thoughtful. The guards they've arranged for young master are enough to destroy the Tian Yuan clan." The young star lord's bodyguard, Mu Ling, said to one side, "According to reliable sources, the Tian Yuan clan only has a single Fifth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Prime old woman left out of all their true experts. The rest are all Infinite Primes. On the other hand, the young star lord has three Fifth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Primes and two Fourth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Primes. This force is enough to deal with a Sixth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Prime."

"Contact the five great elders of the Four Symbols Alliance and immediately set off with me. I'll go destroy the Tian Yuan clan right now. As for that successor of that Third Ancestor, I'll definitely give her proper treatment," the young star lord said through gritted teeth. As soon as he thought of Shangguan Mu'er's great beauty, he felt his insides flare up.

Chapter 2567: Flames of War

Very soon, the five Chaotic Primes assigned to the young star lord appeared before him. The five of them were all ruddy old men in pure-white clothes. They seemed rather sagely.

They were figures who possess authority in the Four Symbols Alliance, all holding the position of great elder. They basically stood above most people, where only the five ancestor-like figures across the entire alliance could order them around.

However, when they faced the young star lord, they dared not put on any airs at all. They concealed their presences and did their best to appear ordinary, clasping their fists at the young star lord politely.

He was the child of the Nine Brilliance Star Lord. His status was simply too great. Who knows how many years it had been since someone with a status like him had appeared on the Cloud Plane. As a result, the five of them appeared to be overcautious before the young star lord.

They understood that let alone them, Chaotic Primes, but even the peak experts of the Cloud Plane were nothing in the eyes of supreme experts renowned across the Saints' World like the Nine Brilliance Star Lord.

"The five of you immediately gather everyone and go destroy the Tian Yuan clan. I don't want the patriarch, Jian Chen, to live for a day longer," the young star lord said coldly. What he went through in the Tian Yuan clan was the greatest humiliation in his life. He could only wipe this humiliation from the slate with the blood of the entire Tian Yuan clan.

However, when the five great elders heard his demand, their faces changed slightly and became ugly. They glanced at one another and communicated secretly.

"Although we're the young star lord's guards, and we need to listen to him for everything, we'll probably be doomed after the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng decides to look into the matter if we really listen to him and destroy the Tian Yuan clan..."

"That's right. The young star lord is the Nine Brilliance Star Lord's son. The Heavenly Palace of Bisheng naturally won't make things difficult for the young star lord for the sake of the Nine Brilliance Star Lord, but we'll face a different situation. With the young star lord's ability, he probably won't be able to protect us from the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng unless the Nine Brilliance Star Lord steps forward..."

"Do you think the Nine Brilliance Star Lord will personally stand up for us?"

"Is that even a question? Why would the Nine Brilliance Star Lord fall out with the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng just for us, a few puny Chaotic Primes..."

The five elders were all monsters who had lived for who knows how long. Naturally, they were not dim-witted, so they thought of a lot in that moment. They communicated secretly such that both the young star lord and his bodyguard, Mu Lin, failed to sense it.

"The Tian Yuan clan cannot be destroyed," the five great elders thought as they reached the same conclusion. They wanted to ally themselves with the young star lord, yet they dared not offend the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng either.

Seeing how the five great elders still did nothing, the young star lord's face immediately sank. He said with displeasure, "Why aren't you doing it? Haven't you heard my words?"

One of the great elders smiled resplendently and said, "Young master, please listen to something I have to say."

"Speak!" The young star lord seemed impatient.

"Since the Tian Yuan clan has offended young master, we naturally have to make them pay a heavy price. However, if we destroy them in one stroke, it'll be far too easy on Jian Chen. As a result, we should gnaw away at the Tian Yuan clan step by step and gobble them up bit by bit. We need to make them slowly approach hell whilst being filled with helplessness and despair. Wouldn't that be more interesting than directly destroying them?" said a great elder.

The young star lord thought about it carefully. Gnawing away at the Tian Yuan clan such that Jian Chen could only watch on powerlessly was indeed more interesting than directly destroying them, so he directly agreed to the great elder's suggestion.

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Three days later, as the current emperor of the Pingtian Empire, Mo Xingfeng, managed the affairs of the empire from his study, one of his personal guards hurried in from outside. He dropped to one knee and said, "Your majesty, we've just received urgent news that the eastern boundary has suddenly been invaded. The walls of the fortress have fallen, and the generals have fallen in battle as well. Our armies have lost several hundred thousand people, and they're in a state of disarray right now."

"What?" The emperor of the Pingtian Empire's face changed. The report in his hands fell onto the table as he leapt to his feet. He said sternly, "Who is it that has attacked our Pingtian Empire?"

"Your majesty, according to the reports, it's an organisation that has never appeared on our Cloud Plane. Their banners bear nine brilliant stars."

"Nine brilliant stars?" Mo Xingfeng frowned. He thought through all the organisations on the Cloud Plane, but none of them used stars on their banners.

"Report!" At this moment, another guard hurried in. He dropped to one knee and said, "Your majesty, the western fortress has brought urgent news. An unknown army has attacked our western boundary. The boundary has given way, and the army stationed there has fallen in battle..."

"Report! Your majesty, the southern fortress has suddenly been attacked. The fortress has fallen, and we've lost a million troops..."

In a short span of time, the eastern, western, and southern boundaries of the Pingtian Empire were all attacked. All the fortresses fell. The Pingtian Empire that basically no one dared to offend in the past due to the Tian Yuan clan's connection with the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng suddenly faced an unprecedented threat.

Mo Xingfeng became extremely stern. The fortresses of the Pingtian Empire were extremely sturdy. They were reinforced with various formations and defensive equipment. Even against the strongest army on the Cloud Plane, they would be able to stave them off for ten days.

Yet now, the three fortresses had fallen to attacks in such a short amount of time. This could only be achieved if powerful Primordial realm experts personally took action.

The matter was so severe that it had already gone beyond what the Pingtian Empire could handle alone.

"Activate the short range teleportation formation. I need to pay a visit to the Tian Yuan clan immediately." Mo Ling hurried out of the study sternly. He made his way to the Dong'an province as quickly as he could.

The large discussion hall of the Tian Yuan clan was currently full. All the members of the upper echelon and a few protectors were gathered there. The dragon-robed Mo Xingfeng had already taken a seat there calmly.

All of them were extremely stern. None of them uttered a word, making the atmosphere rather heavy.

They were all waiting for someone, the patriarch of the Tian Yuan clan, Jian Chen.

“I already know about it.” At this moment, a calm voice suddenly rang out in the quiet discussion hall.

The space on the empty patriarch’s throne suddenly twisted slightly, and Jian Chen appeared out of nowhere.

He glanced past everyone below. He was extremely calm.

“I originally thought they would directly attack our Tian Yuan clan, but I never thought they would target the Pingtian Empire.” Jian Chen was calm and unflustered. The powerful senses of his soul had already enveloped the entire empire. He already knew about the situation in the east, south, and west completely.

Only the northern boundary remained fine, as it bordered the Heavenly Moon Empire.

Chapter 2568: Jian Chen’s Counterattack

“Patriarch, may I ask who the invading organisation is? They’re clearly declaring war on us. They’ve taken three of our fortresses and millions of soldiers have fallen in battle,” Mo Xingfeng said in great pain.

The death of millions of soldiers was an extremely heavy loss for the Pingtian Empire. It would directly affect the overall strength of their empire.

After all, the Pingtian Empire had only progressed from a divine kingdom to an empire recently. It was impossible for them to rival those ancient empires that had existed for hundreds of thousands of years or even millions of years.

As a matter of fact, over seventy percent of the troops in the entire empire were stationed at the four fortresses. Now that they had lost three of them, the Pingtian Empire immediately suffered great losses.

Xi Yu, who handled the day-to-day affairs of the Tian Yuan clan, had a frigid expression as well. She said coldly, “In order to build the three fortresses, our Tian Yuan clan used up a tremendous amount of resources. Now that the three fortresses have been destroyed, the losses are extravagant. There’s also the several million soldiers who have fallen in battle. This debt can only be settled with blood.”

“Just a few months ago, I stationed a thousand of my brothers from the Sword God Army at the eastern fortress so that they could go out for training whenever they wished. Now, they’re all dead as well. We can’t just let this be,” Nubis added coldly from his seat. His voice was filled with killing intent.

The Sword God Army was the army of the Tian Yuan clan composed of their greatest elites. There were only ten thousand of them, and they were all Godhood cultivators. Now that they had lost a tenth all of a sudden, Nubis felt pained.

“Obviously, we have to get them to pay this debt with blood. Even if they are the Four Symbols Alliance, I’ll make them regret this.” Jian Chen sat on the patriarch’s throne as he stared right at the Four Symbols Alliance frigidly.

His gaze seemed to be able to pierce through space and see where the Four Symbols Alliance stood.

However, when the upper echelon of the Tian Yuan clan heard him mention the Four Symbols Alliance, all of their expressions changed. Even the expressions of a few people who had spoken out righteously about revenge became warped.

“It’s actually the Four Symbols Alliance.” Nubis grinded his teeth. His face was utterly sunken. “The Four Symbols Alliance is far too shameless. When Ming Dong was here, they were as obedient as a dog, following along with everything. They would do whatever we told them to, even saying that they were eternal friends of our Tian Yuan clan. And now, as soon as Ming Dong left, they’ve directly turned against us, attacking our Pingtian Empire.”

“Patriarch, what should we do now?” Xi Yu asked. Their opponent was the Four Symbols Alliance, one of the rulers of the Cloud Plane. Xi Yu had no idea what to do.

She understood the power of the Tian Yuan clan extremely well. Without Ming Dong, it was impossible for them to repel the Four Symbols Alliance.

“Do exactly what I just said. We’ll settle this debt with blood. Senior Xu!” Jian Chen said coldly before calling for Xu Ran. His voice directly passed through the various formations, ringing out where Xu Ran cultivated.

In the next moment, Xu Ran appeared within the discussion hall.

She said nothing. With her cultivation as a Chaotic Prime, there was not a lot that could be hidden from her. She understood the current situation even better than Jian Chen.

As a matter of fact, she knew that the three fortresses had been instantaneously destroyed by three Chaotic Primes.

The fortresses of the Pingtian Empire were extremely tough, reinforced by various powerful formations. It was impossible for Godkings to get through them, and they could last a few days against even Infinite Primes. Only Chaotic Primes could destroy them immediately.

“Senior Xu, please come with me to go kill,” Jian Chen said to Xu Ran.

Xu Ran nodded. “There are a total of five Chaotic Primes. Three of them are at the Fifth Heavenly Layer and two are at the Fourth. There’s also another sixteen Infinite Primes. Currently, three Chaotic Primes are at the eastern fortress, one’s at the southern, and one’s at the western. They’ve split up their armies and Infinite Primes, approaching the imperial capital of the Pingtian Empire from three directions.”

Xu Ran paused when she reached there. She continued, “The Chaotic Prime at the southern fortress is the weakest, at the Fourth Heavenly Layer. Who do you want to kill first?”

“They’ve sent five Chaotic Primes all of a sudden. The Four Symbols Alliance sure takes us seriously.” Jian Chen sneered. He said coldly, “Naturally, we kill the weakest one first. Let’s use one of their Chaotic Primes to remember the brave souls of all our soldiers that have fallen in battle first.”

“Patriarch, this matter is very important. You must not be reckless.” A skinny old man stood up and clasped his fist towards Jian Chen sternly.

He was protector Qi. He possessed the same cultivation as protector Xue. They were both Seventh Heavenly Layer Infinite Primes. Out of all the protectors of the Tian Yuan clan, only he and protector Xue were late Infinite Primes.

Protector Qi explained in a hurry when he saw Jian Chen look over, "Patriarch, the Four Symbols Alliance is one of the rulers of the Cloud Plane. They're extremely powerful. Aside from Chaotic Primes, they even have Grand Primes. I think it would be best if we don't come into conflict with the Four Symbols Alliance. After all, young master Ming isn't present. Once we aggravate them and they send Grand Primes, the consequences will be even more severe." Protector Qi's eyes were clearly filled with some fear. This was fear towards the Four Symbols Alliance.

"Grand Prime..." A gleam of killing intent flashed through Jian Chen's eyes. He said coldly, "So what if they have Grand Primes? If they really dare to do anything, I'll make them lose a Grand Prime or two."

Jian Chen's words left protector Qi tongue-tied.

Jian Chen and Xu Ran left the discussion hall. However, they did not leave the Tian Yuan clan. Instead, they arrived in a forbidden ground of the Tian Yuan clan.

The forbidden ground was protected by layers of formations, enough to block out senses of the soul.

Senior Xu, please have a look at where the Fourth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Prime is near the southern fortress." Jian Chen took out a detailed map of the Pingtian Empire and spread it out before Xu Ran.

Although he could envelope the entire empire with the senses of his soul, and he found many Chaotic Primes, accurately locating them still required Xu Ran's help.

Xu Ran immediately pointed at the map, marking out where the Fourth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Prime was.

Jian Chen remembered the location before stowing the map away. He said sternly, "Senior Xu, I'll use the Laws of Space to teleport there directly. Once we're there, we'll immediately unleash our full strength to kill one of them as quickly as possible. We have to make them pay for their actions."

"We only have fifteen seconds. After those fifteen seconds, the four other Chaotic Primes will arrive. Although I can keep the five of them suppressed, it's very difficult for me to kill them. If it gets drawn out for too long, the Four Symbols Alliance can send reinforcements at any time. As a result, we need to kill the person within fifteen seconds. However, without the Nine Tribulations Incineration Formation, it's almost impossible for me to kill a Fourth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Prime in such a short amount of time. I'll need you to use the secret technique you used last time," said Xu Ran.

"No problem," Jian Chan agreed. As long as he could kill a Chaotic Prime, did using a strand of Profound Sword Qi matter?

Chapter 2569: Killing a Chaotic Prime (One)

"Senior Xu, let's go," Jian Chen called out. His eyes shone brightly. At that moment, he unleashed the limits of his Laws of Space.

Jian Chen had made up his mind about killing the Chaotic Prime, so he definitely could not create any pulse in space when he teleported over with the Laws of Space, nor could he allow the Chaotic Prime to notice them. As a result, he needed to devote even more effort towards using the Laws of Space.

In the next moment, Jian Chen and Xu Ran suddenly vanished. They vanished extremely suddenly, without any signs at all. There was not even a pulse in space.

The majestic wall of the fortress on the southern boundary of the Pingtian Empire had been completely destroyed. The various formations cast down on the walls had all been ruined as well.

There were no signs of battle on the fortress walls because the fortress had been destroyed in a single strike by a Chaotic Prime with his overwhelming strength.

The corpses of soldiers were strewn about the fortress. There were hundreds of thousands of them.

Many of them were missing limbs and covered with vicious wounds. Clearly, they had been slain in an open battle.

An army was stationed nearby. There were not a lot of them, only numbering several tens of thousands. They were all Godhood cultivators.

They were an army from the Four Symbols Alliance.

At this moment, the army had finished tidying up themselves. They slowly advanced towards the depths of the Pingtian Empire.

“Great elder, there’s something that I don’t understand. Since we’re attacking the Pingtian Empire, we can just attack their imperial capital. With the strength of our Four Symbols Alliance, destroying the Pingtian Empire would only take a flick of a finger. Why must we be so slow?”

Six figures stood in the ruins of the fortress. They varied in age, but their presences were extremely powerful. They had all reached the Primordial realm.

One of them stood at the front with the five others behind him. The leader was a Chaotic Prime great elder of the Four Symbols Alliance. His name was Jin Li.

The person who asked the question was an Infinite Prime behind Jin Li.

The young star lord’s presence had not been made public yet, so not a lot of people knew about him.

“You will understand this all in the future. Don’t ask about it now,” the great elder, Jin Li, said indifferently. He glanced past the corpses detachedly with his aged eyes.

Jin Li did not take the lives of these ordinary soldiers seriously. He only treated them as ants. Even the Tian Yuan clan was just a small clan in his eyes. What he truly feared was Ming Dong, who had the backing of the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng.

“Let’s gnaw away at the Pingtian Empire for now. The Tian Yuan clan won’t be able to exist for much longer,” Jin Li said slowly. He already understood that the Four Symbols Alliance would not be able to avoid offending the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng if they wanted to ally themselves with the young star lord.

However, what put him at ease was that the young star lord's background was much more powerful than the Tian Yuan clan's as it seemed right now.

After all, the young star lord had a Grand Exalt on his side, while the Heavenly Palace of Bisheng completely relied on their first majesty.

"Hmph, your Four Symbols Alliance probably doesn't have the ability to destroy my Tian Yuan clan." At this moment, a cold snort rang out from behind Jin Li.

Basically the moment the voice sounded out, a great sense of danger overwhelmed Jin Li.

Jin Li's expression changed drastically. With a single thought, a set of medium quality god artifact armor immediately covered him completely. It shone with dazzling light, erupting with powerful energy that formed an almost indestructible barrier around him.

At almost the same as Jin Li donned his armor, an old, skinny hand appeared. It possessed devastating power, and when it came in contact with the armor, the protective barrier immediately shattered.

The hand continued onwards without slowing down at all. It pierced through the various layers of defence conjured by the armor before landing on it gently. The destructive energy within the hand erupted completely at that moment.

Bang!

Immediately, there was a thunderous rumble, and Jin Li, a Fourth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Prime, shot off like a broken kite. A deep handprint appeared on his medium quality god artifact.

"It's you?" Jin Li immediately paled and coughed up blood. With a single glance, he saw Xu Ran, who had attacked him. He was shocked.

He knew the Tian Yuan clan had a Fifth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Prime, but he had never thought the old woman would possess such shocking strength. Despite the protection of a medium quality god artifact, she still managed to injure him in a single attack.

Xu Ran was completely calm. She said nothing at all. She immediately pursued him, unleashing her full strength to launch a barrage of fierce attacks.

She knew she only had fifteen seconds. Although she possessed an absolute advantage in terms of strength, killing a Fourth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Prime in just fifteen seconds was a great challenge for her.

After all, defeating and killing were two completely different concepts.

At the same time, three of the five great elders accompanied the young star lord at the eastern fortress. They followed him closely, protecting his safety.

The three of them were the most powerful great elders of the five. They were all of the Fifth Heavenly Layer, which was the same level as Xu Ran.

"The Chaotic Prime from the Tian Yuan clan has moved." The three Chaotic Primes beside the young star lord sensed Xu Ran basically at the moment she struck out.

“The old woman’s a Fifth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Prime, while Jin Li’s at the Fourth Heavenly Layer. Although he has only reached the Fourth Heavenly Layer recently, he should be able to keep the old woman busy for a while...”

“Let’s still send someone over. After all, there’s still a Heavenly Layer’s worth of difference. Jin Li is still not the old woman’s opponent...”

The three Chaotic Primes smiled at ease. They did not take the matter too seriously.

After all, their opponent was only a Fifth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Prime, while there was the three of them here. They only needed to send a single one of them to reduce the old woman’s efforts to nothing, perhaps even repelling her and making her flee desperately.

However, in the next moment, their expressions changed. Their eyes narrowed, and they became shocked. They were filled with disbelief.

“How, how? H- her strength...”

“Oh no, how is that old woman so powerful? She heavily injured Jin Li with a single palm strike, even damaging the medium quality god artifact...”

“I’ll stay here to protect the young star lord. The two of you go immediately. The old woman’s far too powerful. Jin Li is in danger... Also get Bai Ye on the west side to go provide help as well...”

Chapter 2570: Killing a Chaotic Prime (Two)

Two of the three Chaotic Primes at the eastern fortress immediately hurried off to the southern fortress.

Chaotic Primes moved extremely quickly, and they were fast enough to cover a tremendous distance with each step. Even if they wanted to cross an entire plane, it would not take them long.

However, the Pingtian Empire was no longer the tiny divine kingdom of the past. After expanding their territory, even them, Fifth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Primes, needed a few seconds to go from the eastern fortress to the southern one.

“Jin Li, stay alive!” The Chaotic Prime from the western called out as he hurried over to the southern fortress as well.

Two Fifth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Primes and a Fourth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Prime rushed over as quickly as they could to provide support.

At the southern fortress, Xu Ran’s battle against Jin Li had become completely one-sided. Even though their cultivation only differed by a single heavenly layer, Jin Li was unable to fight back at all.

Five seconds had passed since their battle began. Even though this was an extremely short amount of time, every single strike from Chaotic Primes was devastating. Terrifying storms of energy wreaked havoc in the surroundings, ripping open space and revealing pitch-black cracks. The ground below either sank from the battle, were reduced to bottomless holes, or became riddled with chasms from the blades of energy.

Jin Li constantly coughed up blood. His face was sheet-white, and he had become haggard. The medium quality god artifact armor on him was riddled with deep handprints. The powerful god artifact had warped in shape and cracks had even appeared.

The god artifact was damaged. Its defences were no longer as great as when it was in perfect condition.

By the ninth second, an even more vicious energy suddenly erupted, filled with killing intent. Xu Ran had brought her hands together, separating them before pressing them together again. She created a dazzling strand of sword Qi. As soon as the sword Qi appeared, space distorted, and the surroundings shook. Countless tiny spatial cracks filled the surroundings of the sword Qi.

This was clearly a powerful secret technique, something extremely terrifying. The tremendous pressure struck fear deep into Jin Li's heart, causing him to start trembling from the bottom of his heart. He wanted to dodge, but he could no longer do that.

Swish!

The sword Qi shot through the air with devastating power, striking Jin Li mercilessly. It emitted a thunderous boom.

Crack! Immediately, the god artifact armor on Jin Li finally gave in to the damage and shattered. It was reduced to a sky full of fragments, shooting out in all directions.

Xu Ran's sword Qi did not run out of power after destroying Jin Li's armor. It became extremely dim, continuing onwards and passing through Jin Li's abdomen. It left behind a fist-sized hole.

Jin Li was knocked away like a broken kite. He struggled to stabilise himself.

However, he was decisive. He directly punched the space behind him, collapsing it in attempt to flee into a spatial crack.

Xu Ran had already been prepared for his flight. With a flash, she arrived at the entrance to the spatial crack even faster than Jin Li, sending him flying with a palm strike.

Jin Li glanced at Xu Ran in complete fear. She was just too powerful, possessing battle prowess far beyond her current level of cultivation. He knew that he had to leave, or he would probably suffer. He could not last very long before a prodigy like her.

With a flip of his hand, Jin Li took out a talisman from his Space Ring as quickly as he could.

It was a Cosmic Movement Talisman, an extremely precious treasure. Even with his strength and status, he had only obtained it through luck. It was something that could save his life when he faced a critical moment.

However, just when Jin Li wanted to activate the Cosmic Movement Talisman, an extremely powerful strand of sword Qi suddenly appeared. It was only the size of a finger, but it shone with light that could make the world pale. It shot into Jin Li's head with lightning speed.

Jin Li immediately grunted as his bloody body suddenly stiffened. The strand of sword Qi directly attacked his soul such that he was unable to defend against it. It made him dizzy, so he failed to activate the Cosmic Movement Talisman in his hand immediately.

That moment determined his fate. Xu Ran arrived silently and struck him with a palm strike. The terrifying energy within it directly reduced Jin Li to dust. Jin Li's soul dispersed immediately.

"Jin Li!" At the same time, a sorrowful and furious roar rang out from the horizon. The Two Fifth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Primes had already arrived, faster than what they had estimated. They had used just twelve seconds to hurry over from the eastern fortress.

Unfortunately, they were still late. They could only watch as Jin Li died before them.

"Ahh!" The two Fifth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Primes bellowed out. Without saying anything else, they both struck out, attacking Xu Ran furiously.

"With just the two of you, it's futile." Xu Ran was cold. She did not take the two of them seriously at all. She erupted with a terrifying pressure and engaged in a great battle against them.

She fought against two experts of the same level of cultivation as her simultaneously, but she managed to overwhelm them from the very first clash.

They were not Xu Ran's opponent even when they worked together.

"Avenge brother Jin!" Very soon, Bai Ye hurried over from the western fortress as well. His eyes were bloodshot, and he entered the battle as well.

However, the entry of a Fourth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Prime was still not enough to change the situation. Xu Ran completely overwhelmed the three of them.

At the same time, she brought her hands together and used a secret technique again. She sent out a powerful strand of sword Qi, heavily injuring the Fourth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Prime, Bai Ye, with a single strike.

The expressions of the three great elders all changed when they witnessed that. They all shivered. Xu Ran was far more powerful than they had imagined her to be. Even when the three of them worked together, they did not gain any advantage.

"Young star lord, the situation at the southern fortress is urgent. I need to reinforce them immediately, so please enter my divine hall. Apologies." The last Chaotic Prime at the eastern fortress stowed the young star lord into his divine hall before rushing off to the south as well.

Very soon, the four of them gathered together. They now had three Fifth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Primes and a Fourth Heavenly Layer Chaotic Prime. They faced Xu Ran together, fighting a devastating battle in the southern fortress of the Pingtian Empire.

However, even when the four of them worked together, they were still only able to protect themselves. Xu Ran overwhelmed them even though she was one against the four of them.

"God dammit, where did this old woman come from? How is she so powerful..."

"What kind of impressive legacy did this old woman obtain? She's so terrifying. Even when the four of us work together, we can't match her..."

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The four great elders of the Four Symbols Alliance communicated with one another secretly. They were all shocked, and the shock they felt increased as they fought. In the end, they were shivering in fear.

The white-robed, sage-like lord of the Heaven's Link Peak stood atop the Heaven's Link Peak in the central region of the Cloud Plane. He stared deeply in the direction of the southern region.

"What is happening in the southern region? Why are there such powerful pulses of energy? Even the formation that can block senses of the soul has been activated. What's the Four Symbols Alliance doing?" The lord of the Heaven's Link Peak murmured softly as he peered into the heavenly secrets.

A while later, he suddenly frowned. He immediately became extremely stern. "What's happening in the southern region actually relates to the fate of our Righteous Alliance. Immediately send people to infiltrate the southern region..." Afterwards, the peak lord suddenly vanished. He also sent messages to the other people in charge of the Righteous Alliance, calling for an emergency meeting.