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"Hey, did you hear that?! Hong Yu'er just called herself his fiancée!"

The audience quickly realized what was going on.

"If I recall correctly, the Hong Family and the Su Family has always been in a good relationship, so it's not weird for them to be engaged."

"Damn! So Hong Yu'er was taken all along?! And by the Su Family of all places?! Now I look like a freaking fool for trying to court her the other day!"

"I seriously hope the Su Family won't be looking for those who tried to court Hong Yu'er, or that'd be disastrous for all involved!"

Meanwhile, Su Yang remained a nonchalant expression and spoke, "Your sword style. Although I thought it only looked similar at first, the more I watched you fight the more I am certain that it was created from the sword technique Vanishing Sword Dance, and there are only two people I know of that know that technique."

Hong Yu'er remained calm with a smile on her face, and she said, "So? What about it?"

"One of these individuals is dead, and the other one should be in a place far, far away... Now, which one are you?"

"..."

Hong Yu'er was speechless for a moment before saying, "Which one do you think I am?"

"I already have my guesses, but I want to hear it from your own mouth." Su Yang said.

"I will tell you if you beat me." Hong Yu'er suddenly said.

Su Yang smiled and said, "Even though I haven't shown all my strengths, you should know that you cannot defeat me."

"We won't know that until I try."

"Hahaha..." Su Yang suddenly laughed.

"What's so funny?" Hong Yu'er raised an eyebrow.

"I see..." Su Yang nodded his head as though he finally realized something.

"Although I have a load of questions for you, I will save them for after the tournament. Come at me!"

Su Yang drew the sword by his side and pointed it at Hong Yu'er.

Hong Yu'er also unsheathed her sword and spoke, "It's been awhile since I was serious."

The instant the both of them drew their blades, an overwhelming aura appeared and surrounded the entire colosseum, causing the millions of people there to feel as though they were being choked by an invisible force.

"What an intense pressure! So this is a battle between two Heavenly Spirit Realm Cultivators!"

"No! This is something that surpasses even that! I have seen Heavenly Spirit Realm Cultivators fight before, but it was not as intensive as this!"

"Here I come, darling!" Hong Yu'er suddenly rushed at Su Yang, but her movement techniques were completely different than before.

"What kind of movement technique is that?! I am certain that it does not belong to our sect!" Gu Guanting was dumbfounded by her actions.

"Moving as though you are entering and exiting the void — Void Steps, huh. You're not even trying to hide your identity anymore?" Su Yang said with a smile as Hong Yu'er closed their distance almost instantly.

"You said that you already know my identity, so why do I need to hide it anymore?"

"I could've been lying to you so you would do something like this, right?"

"You could have... but I know you too well, darling."

"Of course, you do."

As Su Yang and Hong Yu'er exchanged hundreds of blows with each other within a few moments, they also chatted with each, making it seem as though they were dancing with each other.

Only a few minutes have passed since the two began swinging their swords at each other yet the entire arena looked as though it had been a battlefield for years already.

And with a single swing from each of them, there would appear another dozen or so deep cuts on the arena floor.

"W-What the hell am I watching? Is this really a fight between two juniors? Even if their cultivation are impressive, their movements and techniques are beyond even the most seasoned experts in this world." Elder Zhong watched them with wide eyes, seemingly in disbelief.

The difference between their swordsmanship was simply too vast, like heaven and earth.

"If I compare myself with them, I would only embarrass myself. What Divine Swordmaster? I am probably not even a real swordmaster in their eyes."

Even Lord Xie couldn't help but be amazed by their performance.

"My girl... watch this fight seriously. Even I am learning new things as I watch them fight." Lord Xie said to his daughter, who nodded with a serious expression on her face.

"As expected of the one who stomped the entire Burning Lotus Sect by himself, huh? To think I wanted to defeat a monster like him at one point. How ignorant I was..." Lin Shao Shang sighed after realizing that she'd been a frog in a well this entire time.

"Su Yang... he's really amazing — too amazing, in fact. Hong Yu'er, too. It's almost like they do not even belong in this world..." Fang Zhelan spoke with a slight smile on her face.

"Ehh..." Sun Jingjing, who was aware of Su Yang's real identity, showed an awkward smile after hearing Fang Zhelan's words, who wasn't far from the truth. In fact, she was right on the money.

"I see that you're still using the Nine Astral Steps, darling." Hong Yu'er suddenly said to him.

"Of course."

"Then let's see who's better at it — me or you?"

Hong Yu'er's movements suddenly changed, dumbfounding the audience.

"Look! Hong Yu'er's initiating Su Yang's movement techniques! How is that possible?!" Sun Jingjing said while pointing at her.

"And she's doing it perfectly, too. It's not as simple as imitation, there's more to it than that. It's almost like she has also practiced the same technique." Liu Lanzhi said.

"What?! That's even more absurd!"

"Nine Astral Steps, huh. As I thought, you're really..." Su Yang showed a perplexed expression on his face.

"Does this mean... that you have died in that world? Is it because of the war, after all?" he asked her with narrowed eyes.

"You... how did you know about the war?" Hong Yu'er stopped fighting and stared at him with wide eyes.

"It's a bit complicated, so I will explain that to you later." Su Yang said.

"Then I will also explain my situation to you afterward. But you don't have to worry, darling, since I am not dead yet." Hong Yu'er said with a smile.

"What? Then how in heaven's name are you..." Su Yang was dumbfounded. If she didn't die in the Four Divine Heavens, how did she appear in this world and in Hong Yu'er's body?

"I will explain everything to you after the tournament ends, but for now, fight me properly, darling!" Hong Yu'er said to him.

Su Yang nodded and grasped the sword in his hand even tighter. "Here I come, Hong Yu'er — or should I call you Tang Lingxi?"

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After their short break, Su Yang and Hong Yu'er, also known as Tang Lingxi, began fighting again.

After many minutes of exchanging blows with each other and still showing no signs of the victor, Zi Dong suddenly said to them, "Hey! How long are you two going to do this? At this rate, you'll demonish this entire arena before you are even tired!"

"He's right, darling. We can fight like this for hours and neither of us would win." Hong Yu'er said.

"Then what do you suggest?"

"Heaven Consuming Strike. You should remember this technique, right? Let's end it with that."

Su Yang showed a smile and said, "Didn't you hear the old man? He doesn't want the arena to be destroyed, yet here you are, suggesting something that will definitely demolish this entire colosseum — perhaps even the city."

"Of course, I am not suggesting that we should attack each other with the technique. Although yours might be a different story, this fragile body wouldn't be able to handle that much stress. Let's see who can emit the most energy with technique."

"I see..." Su Yang nodded. "Very well. Even though you're not in your real body, you have an advantage over me, isn't that right, Asura God Clan's little princess, Tang Lingxi?"

Hong Yu'er showed a smile and said, "Let's do it!"

A moment later, both Su Yang and Hong Yu'er stopped moving and turned completely silent.

However, their aura grew stronger and stronger — until it was strong enough to appear physically and cause sparks in the air.

"W-What a terrifying aura! What are they trying to do with so much energy built up?!" Zi Dong became increasingly worried. At this rate, their next attack might blow away the entire arena.

"First Asura Secret, Heaven Consuming Strike!"

Both Hong Yu'er and Su Yang's eyes glowed with a profound light, and their swords trembled intensively before black flames appeared and engulfed the blade.

A few seconds later, the floor around them was beginning to burn, and the air became filled with a burning smell.

By now, the entire colosseum was covered by a tyrannical pressure that none of them have experienced before — not even Lord Xie. It was difficult to breathe under such pressures, much less speak, so the entire place was dead silent.

'Are they trying to destroy my city?!' Lord Xie cried inwardly after witnessing their astonishing energy that was still rising.

The energy being emitted by Su Yang and Hong Yu'er was so powerful that even the Xie Family's Ancestor — Lord Xie's father had to appear just in case he had to protect the crowd.

'What kind of technique is this? Even Immortal-grade techniques do not emit such a terrifying aura. This young man is always full of surprises...' The old man wondered to himself as he prepared to intervene.

"..."

Hong Yu'er stared at Su Yang with narrowed eyes, seemingly in deep thoughts.

Su Yang, on the other hand, stood there with a carefree smile.

A few moments later, Hong Yu'er retracted her energy and placed the sword back in its sheath.

"You crazy bastard, why, and how do you have Celestial Qi in your body? I can't imagine this small place would have Celestial Qi." Hong Yu'er asked him, still with a frown on her face.

"I don't know." Su Yang shrugged with a serious expression. "I noticed it inside my body one day."

"You... unbelievable." Hong Yu'er sighed and shook her head. "Do you have any idea how dangerous it is for a mortal to have Celestial Qi in their body? Even Immortals wouldn't dare to handle Celestial Qi without the help of a supreme being."

"Of course, I know that. But since it's already inside my body, there's nothing I can do about it. Furthermore, I seem to have complete control over it."

"Wait... you tried using it...?" Hong Yu'er stared at him with an unbelievable face.

"I infused it with the Heaven Consuming Strike once and its sheer power nearly killed me... haha..." Su Yang laughed in an awkward manner.

"How can you be so reckless?! You could've died!"

"Well, I am still alive now, so it's fine."

"No! No, it's not! It's not just this instance! You are always so reckless, even in your previous life! Do you have any idea how I felt when I learned of your sudden death?!" Hong Yu'er suddenly dropped her sword and ran towards Su Yang, before embracing him tightly.

"Hong— Lingxi..." Su Yang mumbled her name in an intimate voice. "I'm sorry for making you worry about me all the time."

"Eh? What's happening here?" Zi Dong was puzzled by the two's sudden passionate embrace. Are they still fighting or not?

"This..." When Xie Xingfang witnessed Hong Yu'er embrace Su Yang, she felt as though an invisible force was squeezing her heart, causing her to feel uncomfortable.

"2,000 years... it's been 2,000 years since you last embraced me — even though you promised me that you'd marry me a thousand years ago."

"I'm sorry... I'm really sorry, Lingxi..."

"Excuse me, I hate to be the one to interrupt your lovely reunion, but there's a tournament going on right now..." Zi Dong suddenly said to them.

"Let's continue this topic later, darling." Hong Yu'er wiped the tears in her eyes and took a few steps back.

"Un." Su Yang nodded.

A few seconds later, Hong Yu'er raised her hand and spoke loudly, "I surrender this fight. It's my defeat."

"What?!"

Almost everybody there shouted in a shocked voice.

"What are you doing, Hong Yu'er?! Even if he's your fiance, you can't just give up so easily!" Gu Guanting said to her with a desperate expression.

To think they'd come so far just to lose in such a manner. This would haunt him for the rest of his life!

"Were you even watching us just now?" Hong Yu'er said to him with a nonchalant expression. "Did you think that we were only showing off our aura just now? Even if I use all of my strength, it's not even to defeat him."

After all, her body has no Celestial Qi while Su Yang did, and the difference between regular Qi and Celestial Qi is so vast that even words cannot describe it.

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"I can't believe it. To think Hong Yu'er would surrender herself." Bai Lihua was dumbfounded by the outcome of the tournament.

"T-T-T-This means... that we are the champions?" Liu Lanzhi's entire body was shaking from shock and bafflement.

"Although they still have 9 fighters left, they won't be able to defeat us, much less Su Yang, who is still on the stage and as energetic as ever." Fang Zhelan said with a b

"I don't believe it... is this real or am I just having a really long dream?" Liu Lanzhi stared at the stage with a dazed look.

"Don't worry, Sect Master, you are living in reality right now." Sun Jingjing chuckled at her.

After Hong Yu'er surrendered the match, the Azure Cloud Sect disciples turned to look at Gu Guanting, their Sect Master with worrying eyes.

"Sect Master, what should we do now? Even if we go onto the stage, we won't even be able to touch him, much less defeat."

"That's right, Sect Master. Even if all of us fight him together, we still won't be able to win without Senior apprentice-sister Hong.

Gu Guanting rubbed his temples and sighed, "I know... I know. You don't have to tell me anything. Without Hong Yu'er, we have lost this one."

A few moments later, Gu Guanting stepped onto the stage and said to Zi Dong, "The Azure Cloud Sect forfeits this match."

"Holy shit! The Profound Blossom Sect actually managed to defeat the Azure Cloud Sect — defeated Hong Yu'er!"

The audience was in shock. Despite some of them already expecting this, they didn't think it would end in such a manner.

"The Azure Cloud Sect has forfeited the match, making the Profound Blossom Sect the champion of this year's Regional Tournament! Let's give the Profound Blossom Sect some noise for celebration!"

After Zi Dong's announcement, the entire colosseum exploded with weird and beastly noises, causing the air to shake.

Sometime later, when the noises calmed down, Lord Xie stood from his seat, causing the remaining noise to instantly disappear.

Xie Xingfang also stood up, and both of them slowly approached the stage, where the Profound Blossom Sect was standing.

"We greet Your Majesty!"

The disciples and Liu Lanzhi lowered their heads and bowed to him.

Of course, Su Yang remained standing there with a nonchalant expression.

Lord Xie looked at Su Yang with the corner of his eyes before ignoring him.

"Congratulations on your victory, Profound Blossom Sect." Lord Xie said to them. "None of this would've been possible if not for your hard work, and this is especially true for the Sect Master, who has clearly guided you towards the right path. Although your practices may differ from the norm, it is the results that matter, and I must say, it is quite impressive."

"These Juniors... all of you standing before me today is the sign of a new era in the world of cultivation, and I cannot wait to see what you will show me in the future."

"Thank you, Your Majesty, for his kind words!"

The disciples remained bowing.

"Lift your heads." Xie Xingfang suddenly said to them in a gentle voice.

When the disciples lifted their heads, they saw Xie Xingfang holding a golden box in her hands.

"Here are the rewards for coming in first place in the tournament."

Xie Xingfang opened the golden chest and revealed to them the items inside.

"There are 10 large storage pouches and 5 medium storage rings with 10 million spirit stones inside. Accept it." Xie Xingfang handed the items to Liu Lanzhi, who hastily went to accept it.

"Thank you, Your Highness!" Liu Lanzhi accepted the reward with shaky hands.

"As for the two Heaven-grade Spiritual Treasure and the cultivation techniques, you can pick them once you visit the Xie Family later." Xie Xingfang said to her.

"Eh? We are going to the Xie Family?" Liu Lanzhi looked at her with a dazed face, completely forgetting about the other rewards.

Xie Xingfang laughed softly and said, "Did you forget that the champion of the tournament will also get the privilege to enter the Celestial Pond for seven days? Don't forget about the dinner, either."

"Oh, right... I totally forgot about those rewards..." Liu Lanzhi showed an embarrassed smile.

After handing Liu Lanzhi the rewards, Xie Xingfang turned to look at Su Yang.

A moment later, she walked in front of him and lifted the veil covering her face, shocking everybody there with her beauty.

"Heavens! Fairy Xie is even more beautiful than in my imaginations!"

"How can someone so beautiful exist in this world?"

The audience gasped in shock after witnessing Xie Xingfang's beauty.

"I even told you to not reveal your face here..." Lord Xie shook his head at her actions.

"It'd be rude of me to speak with Su Yang with my face covered, after all." Xie Xingfang said with a smile and turned to look at him.

"Congratulations on winning the tournament, Su Yang," she said to him. "Although I'd like to speak with you more, this is not a suitable place."

"Don't worry, we can talk all you want during our dinner later." Su Yang responded with a smile.

"Un." Xie Xingfang nodded with a slightly red face.

Meanwhile, the disciples and Liu Lanzhi looked at them with wide eyes. They simply couldn't believe what they were witnessing. Since when did Su Yang become acquainted with the princess of the Xie Family? And they even appear to be quite intimate with each other!

"Ahem!" Lord Xie cleared his throat after seeing their lovely atmosphere and said, "Anyway, as the new champion for the first time in history, you should say a few words to the people here."

Liu Lanzhi looked at Su Yang and said, "You should do the talking. After all, you are the only reason we are even standing here today."

Su Yang nodded and took a few steps forward, standing completely in the spotlight at this moment.

The entire place was dead silent as everyone waited for him to speak.

However, right as Su Yang opened his mouth, Lord Xie suddenly turned to look towards the sky and shouted, "Who's there?!"

His words caused everyone there to turn their attention to the clouds.

A few moments later, a figure descended from beyond the clouds and floated slightly above the arena.

"A-A goddess! It's a real goddess!"

The audience was shocked to see this beauty's sudden appearance. In fact, her mere presence was so overwhelming that she'd sealed the ability to breathe from everyone there for a good moment.

Su Yang's eyes widened with surprise upon seeing this individual.

"Qiuyue?" he mumbled her name.



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Qiuyue's sudden appearance shocked every individual there with some people even unconsciously lowering their heads to her.

Even Hong Yu'er couldn't believe her eyes. "Those silver hair, her eyes that shine like the moon at night, and her unique divine aura... these are characteristics of someone from the Sacred Moon Temple! But why would someone from that clan be in this place?!"

After Qiuyue's appearance, Lord Xie's father, the old man suddenly appeared before her and clasped his hands with respect and spoke, "This old man is Xie Wang of the Xie Family that reigns over this continent. What is the purpose of your visit to this place, Esteemed Senior?"

"What?! Father?!" Lord Xie was dumbfounded. He has never seen his father this serious and respectful towards another individual before.

Qiuyue glanced at Xie Wang with the corner of her eyes and spoke, "I have no business with you. Go away."

"..."

Xie Wang was speechless. This is the first time in his life that he's been treated with such disrespect. However, he could sense an overwhelming amount of spiritual energy from Qiuyue, making him feel powerless. Even if he wanted to talk back, he didn't dare. If he offended her, who knows what she might do to this place or the Xie Family. After all, even with his Sovereign Spirit Realm cultivation, he was unable to see her real strength, suggesting it to be at a level that's far beyond his own.

After ignoring Xie Wang, Qiuyue turned her attention to Su Yang, who was glaring at her with a puzzled gaze.

"Father. Come with me. I have finally found a clue that might help us return home." Qiuyue revealed this shocking information to Su Yang via spiritual sense.

"What?! Is that true?!" Su Yang's eyes widened with shock, and he unconsciously smiled with happiness.

Qiuyue nodded and said, "However, I need your help with it before I can be certain."

Qiuyue then waved her sleeves, making her luxurious flying boat appear in the sky, shocking the people there even further.

"What kind of spiritual treasure is that?!" Lord Xie cried inwardly.

"Let's go, Su Yang. We don't have much time." Qiuyue urged him.

Su Yang nodded and immediately jumped onto the ship.

"Su Yang?! Where are you going?!" Liu Lanzhi suddenly said to him.

"Don't worry about me, I will be back soon." Su Yang said, and then he turned to look at Hong Yu'er and continued, "Come with us!"

Hong Yu'er did not question him and also jumped onto the boat, dumbfounding Qiuyue.

"Eh? Who is this little girl? Why are you bringing her with us?" Qiuyue asked him with a puzzled face.

"I will explain on the way," he replied.

Qiuyue nodded, and the next instant, the flying ship began moving and disappeared from the colosseum like a ghost.

Meanwhile, the entire colosseum was dead silent. It was so quiet that even a pin drop could be heard miles away.

"W-What happened just now? Why did Su Yang and Hong Yu'er suddenly leave with that woman?" Sun Jingjing was the first to break the silence.

"I see... I understand what's going on..." Xie Wang suddenly descended from the sky.

"Grandfather! What do you know?!" Xie Xingfang asked him with an anxious voice.

"That woman... she's most likely someone from the Holy Central Continent, and she's probably also Su Yang and Hong Yu'er's master." Xie Wang explained his thoughts. "That's the only logical explanation to her otherworldly presence and why they followed her without any questions."

"Su Yang's master?! That woman?!" Sun Jingjing was dumbfounded.

"I have long suspected that he had a hidden Master teaching him, but to think that Master would be so..." Lord Xie sighed. Even he was lost for words by her majestic presence and otherworldly beauty.

"Since she's his Master, I don't have to worry about it too much." Liu Lanzhi sighed in relief.

"Anyway, now that Su Yang is gone, who will give the speech?" Lord Xie looked at the Profound Blossom Sect.

"I will do it..." Liu Lanzhi said and stepped forward.

"I apologize for the disturbance just now. Apparently Su Yang's Master had come to pick him up for some reason." Liu Lanzhi said to the audience.

"So that was his Master! No wonder why he's so powerful! To have such a beautiful and powerful Master, just how lucky is this bastard?!"

"Since Hong Yu'er also followed them, she's probably Hong Yu'er's Master, too."

A few moments later, Liu Lanzhi continued, "The Profound Blossom Sect... despite our difficult situation, we somehow managed to win the Regional Tournament."

"Some of you may think that I had something to do with our victory, but that is wrong, as it was my disciples that made it all happen, especially Su Yang, who personally trained these disciples all by himself for the last few months. If not for him, I doubt we would've won today."

"What? That young man trained all of these disciples by himself? How is that even possible?"

The audience was in shock.

"Su Yang had told me that he would be training the new disciples as well, so in a few months, the Profound Blossom Sect will be conducting its entrance exam for new disciples."

"Furthermore, the Profound Blossom Sect will undergo an unprecedented change starting today, as we will no longer be focused solely on dual cultivation so that even those who do not wish to practice dual cultivation may join."

"What?!" The Profound Blossom Sect disciples looked at Liu Lanzhi with wide eyes, as this is their first time hearing this information.

"Of course, if you wish to practice dual cultivation instead, you are free to do so."

Liu Lanzhi continued to speak, using this chance to advertise the Profound Blossom Sect's desire for new disciples before millions of people.

"That is all I have to say today. If you wish to know more, please visit the Profound Blossom Sect at any time."

Once Liu Lanzhi stopped talking, the audience exploded with cheering and excitement.

"After seeing what the Profound Blossom Sect is capable of, I will surely take the entrance exam!"

"I also want to join the Profound Blossom Sect!"

The crowd expressed their desire to join the Profound Blossom Sect openly, causing Liu Lanzhi to smile.

"Unbelievable. To think you would use your victory speech as an advertisement for your sect." Lord Xie laughed.

"W-Was I not supposed to?" Liu Lanzhi began sweating profusely.

"Hahaha! You can say whatever you want, since you have earned that right!" Lord Xie said.

"Anyway, this is the end of the regional tournament. Thank you all for coming here, especially the participants. But before we all disperse, I will dispute the rewards for those in the top ten."

Thus, the top ten sects all lined up before Lord Xie as he handed out the rewards.

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"Qiuyue, explain the situation. What did you find?" Su Yang asked her while they traveled on the flying boat.

Qiuyue nodded and began explaining, "I have traveled aimlessly for the past few months, hoping that I'd run into something that could bring us home, and as I was flying over the Southern Region, I sensed a familiar energy and decided to investigate it."

"Once I investigated the source, it turned out to be a portal with an unknown destination. And the energy emitting from the portal reminds me of the Four Divine Heavens, but I am not 100% certain, so I decided to return first and let you take a look at it."

"I see..." Su Yang nodded and began to ponder.

A few moments later, Qiuyue turned to look at Hong Yu'er and asked, "Are you going to tell me why she's with us now?"

"Oh, right." Su Yang suddenly came to the realization and said, "But before I introduce her to you, I think she should know who you are first."

He turned to Hong Yu'er and said, "This is Qiuyue, and as you can tell by her unique appearance, she's from the Sacred Moon Temple."

"Sacred Moon Temple... why would someone from that secluded place be in this world?" Hong Yu'er asked.

"Long story short, she's Yuehai's daughter, and she's being hunted by the Sacred Moon Temple now. As for how she got here, she entered the Ancient Portal of the Four Heavenly Realm without setting a destination and ended up in this place by pure coincidence." Su Yang gave her a short but detailed explanation. "This is also how I know about your war with the Heavenly Emperor."

"Yuehai's daughter...? If this doesn't prove that fate is real, I don't know what will..." Hong Yu'er looked at Qiuyue in a different light now.

Then she realized something.

"About Yuehai... you know what happened to her, right?" Hong Yu'er asked him with a worried expression.

"I know." Su Yang closed his eyes, trying to hide the sorrow in his eyes.

"If you want, I can get my clan to..."

"No, the Sacred Moon Temple is my problem. I will personally deal with them after I return." Su Yang shook his head.

"I see..." Hong Yu'er nodded.

"Now that you know who Qiuyue is, I will introduce you to her—"

"I can introduce myself, darling." Hong Yu'er suddenly said.

"D-D-Darling?!" Qiuyue stared at her with wide eyes.

Hong Yu'er stood up and placed her hands on her chest and spoke in a prideful manner, "Although I am currently called Hong Yu'er, this is not my real body, as I am merely possessing it for the time being."

"You're possessing that body...?" Su Yang was dumbfounded.

"That's right. After your death, I led the Asura God Clan and declared war against the Heavenly Emperor. However, after fighting for a few hundred years, I was suddenly approached by this old man with an unknown background."

"An old man?" Su Yang was in disbelief. Could it be the same old man who put him into this place? But how did he leave the Eternal Retribution Cliff? That is a place where once someone enters, they will remain there for the rest of their life!

Hong Yu'er nodded and continued, "He told me that you were actually alive, but of course, I didn't believe him at first, so he told me that he'd prove it."

"Even though he said that, he had me wait a few hundred more years before giving me the Soul Invading Pill."

"Soul Invading Pill!"

Su Yang was shocked. The Soul Invading Pill is a precious yet forbidden treasure that allows one to invade another individual's soul and take over their body for a short period of time.

"I consumed the Soul Invading Pill and that old man led my soul to this girl's body, allowing me to take over her body. However, I can only stay inside this body for one year, and half of that time is already gone, so I will be returning to my original body in half a year."

"I still couldn't believe that you were alive at that point, but I was desperate and foolish, clinging to the smallest of hope that you were still alive. And after searching through this girl's memories and seeing you, I was shocked to see you alive and well."

"Why did that old man do something like this for you?" Su Yang asked.

"He said that he wanted to stop the war before it got out of hand, so he allowed me to see you, taking away the only reason I had to fight the Heavenly Emperor."

"I see... that makes some sense..." Su Yang nodded.

"By the way, what will happen to Hong Yu'er after you return to your own body?" he then asked.

"Well, even though I invaded her body, she's actually fully conscious and aware of what's happening even now. In fact, she even has some of my memories. But we have an agreement with each other, and as compensation for borrowing her body, I have helped her cultivate to the Heavenly Spirit Realm and even shared some of my cultivation techniques with her."

"Aren't you generous..." Su Yang chuckled.

He then looked at Hong Yu'er in the eyes and said, "I'm sorry that you were forcefully dragged into this. I will also compensate you for the trouble later."

Meanwhile, Qiuyue stared at Hong Yu'er with wide eyes and a loose jaw, seemingly in disbelief.

"Oh, right. I was in the middle of my introduction." Hong Yu'er finally realized this and continued, "My name is Tang Lingxi, and I am from the Asura God Clan."

"T-T-The Asura God Clan!" Qiuyue began trembling in fear. To think she'd meet someone from the infamous Asura God Clan in this place!

"W-W-What's your relationship with Su Yang?" Qiuyue asked Tang Lingxi despite her fear.

"Whether it be Hong Yu'er or Tang Lingxi, we're betrothed with one another."

"What?!" Qiuyue instantly turned to look at Su Yang and spoke, "I-Is that true?! You are betrothed to someone from the Asura God Clan?!"

"Although it's a bit complicated, she's not wrong." Su Yang nodded without hesitation. "And she's not just someone from the Asura God Clan. She's the head's only daughter. In terms of authority, she is only below one person, who is her father."

"I-I-Impossible..." Qiuyue was in disbelief. What did he do that could possibly lead to such an outcome?!

"Lingxi, so what you're saying right now is that the Asura God Clan is no longer fighting with the Heavenly Emperor?" Su Yang asked her.

She nodded and said, "Since you are not actually dead, there's no longer the need to avenge you, after all."

"Phew..." Su Yang wiped the sweat off his forehead and sighed. "Thank heavens that I no longer have to worry about that..."

"Do you have any idea how worried I was when I heard that your family had started a war with the Heavenly Emperor?" Su Yang said.

"I do... because that's how I felt when I suddenly received news of your death — no, it's even worse than that!"

"That... unless I speak with that old man again, I won't know what really happened to me." Su Yang sighed.

Sometime later, Qiuyue suddenly said, "We're here! This is the location of the portal!"

Su Yang nodded and said, "Let's descend."

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Once they reached their destinations, Qiuyue commanded the flying ship to descend.

"The portal is in the middle of nowhere?" Su Yang looked below him as they descended, and the only thing in his view were dry trees and dead soil without a spot of green even in the horizons.

"This is the environment for the majority of the Southern Continent, with half of the population living in a barbaric lifestyle," Qiuyue said to him, as she has traversed this continent more than once.

As they got closer to the ground, Su Yang could see many figures standing below with their gaze towards the flying ship.

There were around 50 people, and all of them were females with a tanned complexion.

"They are...?"

"They are from a tribe that has a settlement around here. The portal is also in their territory. I only got to know them a little bit, so I don't know much."

"Hmm..." Su Yang nodded.

Once they landed, all of the people waiting below approached their flying ship before kowtowing on the ground.

"Welcome back, Goddess!" They all chanted in a respectful tone.

"Goddess...?" Su Yang and Hong Yu'er turned to look at Qiuyue with a weird face, who was blushing right now.

"Um... I can explain this... kind of..." Qiuyue quickly spoke in a flustered manner. "I don't know why, but they started calling me that when I first showed up, and I didn't bother to correct them."

"Calling you a Goddess isn't wrong, since you are from the Sacred Moon Temple." Su Yang spoke with a smile. "Anyway, where is the portal?"

When Su Yang spoke so casually to Qiuyue, the people there looked at him with shock. In fact, all of the people there were glaring at him with a dazed expression. It was almost like they have never seen a man before.

"What's with them?" Hong Yu'er raised an eyebrow. "They're looking at you like they want to eat you."

"Because they live mostly in isolation, they don't see guests often. Most importantly, almost everybody living in the Southern Region has a tanned body, so our jadelike skin is a rarity, especially in these areas."

"Furthermore..." Qiuyue looked at Su Yang's handsome face and charming appearance. He would attract attention no matter where he went and what he was doing, especially with the females.

A few moments later, Qiuyue led the two of them to the 'portal', and the group of natives followed behind them.

"This is the portal...?" Su Yang looked at the portal that was shaped like a large mirror before him.

It was a silver mirror that was slightly larger than his own size, but instead of glass in the middle, it was pure darkness.

"What do you think, Lingxi?" Su Yang asked her after examining the portal for a moment.

Hong Yu'er nodded and said, "Although only slightly, I can, without a doubt, sense spiritual energy belonging to the Four Divine Heavens coming from it."

Su Yang nodded, "Now we just have to figure out its origins and how safe it is—"

Just as he said those words, the portal began trembling.

"W-What's happening?" Qiuyue asked.

"I don't know, but it doesn't feel right." Su Yang said as he quickly distanced himself from it.

A few seconds later, the mirror began twisting and bending, almost as though it was being eaten by space itself.

And right before their very eyes, the mirror disappeared into thin air.

"Wh-What just happened?! Where did the portal go?!" Qiuyue was baffled by the sudden situation.

"Goddess, if I may..." One of the natives suddenly started speaking, "The portal the Goddess is referring to is called the Mirror of Darkness, and it appears once every two years and only for a few hours before it disappears again."

"Impossible... so we have to wait another two years before it appears again?" Qiuyue was dumbfounded.

"I'm afraid so..." The native nodded her head.

"Tell me more about this Mirror of Darkness," Su Yang suddenly approached her and said. "What is the mirror's origin?"

"Y-Y-Yes!" The native suddenly began blushing with fidgeting movements. "Although we do not know when it first appeared, it was first discovered 500 years ago. It would appear once every two years for a few hours, before it disappears, and it has followed this routine every time for the past 500 years."

"Do you know where it leads?" Su Yang continued asking.

"N-No!" The native quickly shook her head. "Thousands of people from different tribes over the years have entered the Mirror of Darkness, but nobody has returned to this day."

"Though some people speculate that the Mirror of Darkness leads to the other side of the universe, and there are others who believe there is no destination and only death awaits for those who enter the darkness."

"I see... thank you." Su Yang nodded and continued. "Although it's unfortunate that we have to wait another two years before the Mirror of Darkness reappears, at least we have a clue now. For now, we should try to learn as much as we can regarding the portal and this place."

Qiuyue nodded.

"Hey, darling." Hong Yu'er suddenly said. "I will have to return to my original body in half a year. If you do not return after 2 years, I will use all of my resources to try and find this place so I can bring you back. If you think the portal is too dangerous, I will organize the search party as soon as I return."

Su Yang nodded, "Thank you, but until I learn more about this Mirror of Darkness, I won't try and return recklessly. I will take my time with this. After all, my biggest concern and reason to return has already been solved."

"You mean... the Asura God Clan fighting the Heavenly Emperor?"

Su Yang shook his head and said with a smile, "No — I was worried about you."

"Darling..." Hearing such words, Hong Yu'er couldn't help but blush and tear up slightly.



"..." Qiuyue watched them with a solemn expression, feeling envious of their relationship.

A moment later, Su Yang turned to look at the natives that were silently watching them from a distance and said, "If you don't mind, can you tell us more about this place and anything related to the Mirror of Darkness."

The natives looked at each other before one of them stepped forward and bowed, "If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask us."

Su Yang nodded and said, "For starters, why don't we change the location?"

"Then allow us to guide you back to our settlement," said the native girl.

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As Su Yang's group followed the natives to their settlement, Su Yang asked one of them, "I have been wanting to ask, but why do you keep addressing her as your Goddess?"

He said while pointing to Qiuyue, who immediately began blushing again.

The natives looked at him and spoke with a serious expression, "The Goddess descended from the Heavens one day, and her appearance is exactly as described in the legend — silver hair and eyes with a pure complexion."

"Legend? What legend?"

"Legend has it that an Immortal would descend from Heaven to defend the Boar Tribe during times of crisis. And just as the legend had predicted, the Goddess descended from the Heavens and defended us from our nemesis, the Tiger Tribe, when they wanted to raid our settlement," said the native girl.

Su Yang turned to look at Qiuyue, who shrugged, "I only stopped by this place to ask them about the Mirror of Darkness, but due to mere coincidences, another tribe showed up to cause trouble during our conversation, so I chased them away."

"Anyway, stop addressing me as your Goddess." Qiuyue said to the natives.

"But the legend..." The natives showed a perplexed look.

"I don't care about your legend. I am not your Goddess."

The natives exchanged perplexed gazes with each other again.

A few moments later, one of them spoke, "Then... are we allowed to address you as our Savior?"

"Although it still sounds a bit cringy, it's better than being called a Goddess." Qiuyue nodded.

"Yes, Savior!" The natives bowed to her with grateful expressions.

Sometime later, they arrived at the native's settlement.

The settlement was surrounded by wooden barricades with around 100 living quarters made of mostly wood and leather inside.

"Welcome to our Boar Tribe's settlement, esteemed guests." The natives said to them once they arrived.

"T-The Goddess has returned!" One of the natives standing guard by the entrance suddenly shouted after seeing them, and almost immediately afterward, the people living inside the settlement could be seen running out of their homes.

A few moments later, around 300 people gathered by the entrance and kowtowed towards Qiuyue. The old and the young — even the injured there were all present to greet Qiuyue.

"Welcome back, Goddess!" They all shouted in unison.

"How grand." Su Yang showed a smile.

"Ahem." Qiuyue cleared her throat loudly before speaking, "I have already said this to a few of you but stop treating me as though I am your Goddess."

The natives exchanged puzzled glances with each other, so the people that have been following Su Yang's group explained to the ignorant natives of the situation.

"The Goddess wishes to be addressed in another manner, so we will be calling her our Savior starting now."

"Oh?? I see..."

The natives quickly understood the situation.

"By the way, those two individuals following Goddess — our Savior are...?" One of them asked.

"I don't know their relationship with our Savior, but they appear to be quite intimate with each other, so treat them as if you are treating our Savior."

"I understand..."

A few moments later, one of the natives approached Qiuyue.

"Welcome to our Boar Tribe, Savior, and her esteemed friends. I am the Chief of this tribe, Qin Liangyu," said the native girl who appeared to be at the same age as Su Yang and Hong Yu'er. "It is a pleasure and honor to have your presence bless this unworthy place."

"You are quite young to be a Chief." Hong Yu'er said as she glanced at her tanned body, seemingly probing her.

"The previous Chief, my father, passed away recently, and until we appoint a new Chief, I will be the acting Chief," said Qin Liangyu. "Please, come inside."

A few minutes later, Qin Liangyu brought Su Yang and his group to a large hut and served them tea.

"I have already received word from the others that you would like to know more about the Mirror of Darkness." Qin Liangyu said to them as she retrieved a few ancient-looking scrolls.

"This is all of the information we have on the Mirror of Darkness, going back to 500 years ago when it was first discovered."

"Thank you." Su Yang said as he accepted the scrolls in her hand.

"Ah...!"

When Su Yang went to grab the scrolls, his fingers accidentally touched Qin Liangyu's hand, causing her to instantly react.

"I-I apologize for touching you so suddenly!" Qin Liangyu suddenly lowered her head to him.

Slightly surprised by her overreaction, Su Yang waved his hand and said, "You don't have to be so nervous. It's not like you'll dirty me by touching me."

He then reached out and gently grabbed her hands and continued with a handsome smile on his face, "See? I don't mind it."

"..."

Qin Liangyu's entire face flushed with redness as she stared at his large hands that was holding her own.

"Ahh... there he goes again..." Hong Yu'er shook her head.

"Huh?" Qiuyue looked at her with a puzzled look.

"You're not aware? He's always unconsciously charming girls with his actions. Because of his character, he's always attracting attention even if it wasn't his intention. It was like this even in the Four Divine Heavens. I guess even reincarnation cannot change an individual's nature, huh."

Qiuyue looked at Su Yang. Why didn't she notice this before? Indeed, it was as though he has the ability to instinctively charm females.

"I-I will be right back!" Qin Liangyu suddenly said before rushing outside the hut.

"You made her run away, darling." Hong Yu'er chuckled afterward.

"..." Su Yang was speechless. He didn't expect the people here to be so bashful. After all, most people living in these types of environments are usually not as bashful. In fact, they are mostly bold and courageous people.

"Anyway, let's see what kind of information they have on the Mirror of Darkness after 500 years of research." Su Yang said as he tossed a few of the scrolls to them before they began reading.

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After spending many minutes going through the scrolls, Tang Lingxi placed the scroll in her hand down and sighed, "What a waste of time. 500 years of research and all they got are speculations."

"I didn't expect much, but to think it had nothing..." Qiuyue also shook her head.

"I don't blame them for not comprehending something that is beyond their understanding," said Su Yang.

A few minutes later, Qin Liangyu entered the hut and said, "Esteemed guests, our hunters have returned from their trip, and they have brought back spiritual meat. Would you like to join our feast tonight?"

"Spiritual meat, huh?" Su Yang raised his eyebrow.

The meat of powerful spiritual beasts is often treated as a delicacy in the cultivation world, as they provide Cultivators with spiritual energy, allowing them to become stronger just by eating. However, for the Boar Tribe, spiritual meat is akin to a normal meal, as they hunt beasts for a living.

"If you don't mind having me, I would like to join this feast." Su Yang nodded. He wanted to experience for himself the spiritual food in this type of place.

"I will join, too," Qiuyue said.

"Great!" Qin Liangyu immediately showed enthusiasm and spoke in a delighted tone, "We will not disappoint you!"

"By the way, were the scrolls of any help?" she continued.

"Unfortunately... no." Su Yang shook his head.

"That... I am sorry for not being more useful..." she quickly became dejected.

"Don't worry about it."

A few moments later, Qin Liangyu led them outside.

Once they were outside, they were able to see about 50 to 60 extremely bulky men standing by the entrance with half of them carrying the corpses of spiritual beasts, and most of them were emitting an aura at the Earth Spirit Realm with a few being at the Heavenly Spirit Realm.

"I have already realized this, but the people here... their cultivation base is quite impressive for people living in this condition." Su Yang said. "Even most of the females here are at the True Spirit Realm."

Qiuyue nodded and said, "Their dangerous lifestyle requires them to hunt for spiritual beasts almost every day, and they eat spirit meat almost every meal, so it's not weird for them to have such cultivation bases. In fact, compared to the Eastern Continent, the Southern Continent is simply stronger overall."

"Hm..."

Meanwhile, the native men also noticed Su Yang and his group.

"W-Who are those three standing over there? Their skin is as pale as ghost!" One of them asked with a shocked expression, his gaze at the two beauties by Su Yang's side.

It was not just one of them. All of the men there were staring at Qiuyue and Tang Lingxi with their eyes wide with disbelief, almost like this is their first time seeing women as beautiful as the two.

And because they had been hunting outside when Qiuyue arrived, they are not aware of their existence.

"They are our Esteemed Guests, especially the one with the silver hair and eyes — she's the Goddess from the legend... even though she does not want to admit it. If not for her, the Tiger Tribe would've destroyed this place and made us their slaves," said one of the girls.

"What?! Those Tiger bastards attacked us?!" The men were outraged upon hearing this news.

"Unacceptable! This is a declaration of war against our Boar Tribe!"

"Why would they suddenly attack us after over a decade of peace?" One of them pondered loudly.

"It must be the Dragon Tribe! They have been getting along with each other recently!"

"Maybe they think they can rule us because they have the Dragon Tribe's backing now? The audacity!"

"If it's war they want, it's war they'll get!"

The native men began shouting with war screams, causing the air to shake.

"Hey! Stop screaming like savages!" Qin Liangyu suddenly approached them and spoke, "You guys are bothering our Esteemed Guests!"

"Chief Qin!"

The native men instantly stopped shouting and bowed to her with respect.

"Now drop the meat and pay respect to our Savior and Esteemed Guests!"

Qin Liangyu was emitting a different aura at this moment, looking nothing like the bashful female just a few minutes ago.

"Yes, Chief!"

All of the native men dropped their meat and weapons before approaching Su Yang and his group.

"We the Boar Hunters pay respects to the Goddess and Esteemed Guests!" They bowed to them. "Thank you for saving our Boar Tribe! If not for you, the Tiger Tribe would have burned this whole place down and kidnapped our people!"

"Don't call me your Goddess!" Qiuyue deeply frowned.

"W-We deeply apologize if we offended you, S-Savior!" The natives immediately began sweating when they felt the immense aura coming from Qiuyue. They have fought countless dangerous spiritual beasts in their life, but this is the first time they have felt true fear. It was almost like they were before the God of Death.

"Forget it." Qiuyue sighed.

Sometime later, the Boar Tribe began setting up for the festival.

During this time, Qin Liangyu approached Su Yang and asked him, "Esteemed Guest, do you need anything right now?"

Su Yang pondered for a moment before saying, "Actually, I do."

And he continued, "My name is Su Yang. I will feel more comfortable if you can start calling me that from now on."

"B-But you are the Savior's..." Qin Liangyu hesitated.

Su Yang didn't say anything else and only showed her a gentle smile.

"..."

Qin Liangyu suddenly turned silent. A short moment later, she nodded with a bashful smile.

"Thank you," he said, and continued. "Anyway, tell me more about your tribe. I am quite interested in how this place functions, as I am from a very distant place."

Qin Liangyu nodded and proceeded to explain to him the Boar Tribe's lifestyle. "As you can see, over two-thirds of our tribe's population is female. This is because of the men's duty to scavenge food outside while the female tends the houses and other necessities, and hunting spiritual beasts is a dangerous job no matter how strong you are. When the hunters leave, they usually don't come back any faster than three days, and tragedies tend to happen when you are living in this kind of environment."

"Resources and food are scarce in this place, hence why tribes tend to attack other tribes and steal their food."

"Our Boar Tribe is one of the stronger tribes around this area so we usually don't have to worry about being attacked. However, the Tiger Tribe, a slightly less powerful tribe, has been getting friendly with the Dragon Tribe, another powerful tribe around here. Since the hunters were unavailable at that time, if not for the Savior, the Tiger Tribe would've already destroyed and looted this place, and the rest of us would be treated as slaves in their settlement."

"I see..." Su Yang nodded.

A few moments later, he asked, "Why don't you leave some of your warriors behind? It isn't wise to leave your entire settlement vulnerable every time you have to hunt for food, after all."

"Of course, we normally don't send all of our warriors to hunt. However, the wilderness has been getting even more dangerous recently, and if we don't send everyone, our casualties will double, even triple. We can't afford to lose any more warriors, too." Qin Liangyu sighed, feeling hopeless.

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"How many tribes are around this area?" Su Yang asked her.

"There are 18 major tribes in this area and over 100 smaller tribes within 1,000 miles," said Qin Liangyu.

"And what position is the Boar Tribe standing in?"

"Although we've taken a hit to our numbers recently, we are no pushovers. The Boar Tribe is currently the 3rd strongest tribe among the 18 major tribes with only the Spider Tribe standing above us and the current overlords, the Dragon Tribe," said Qin Liangyu. "By the way, the Tiger Tribe is ranked fourth — directly below us."

Su Yang nodded and said, "Perhaps we should visit these other tribes... to see if they have any more information on the Mirror of Darkness."

"If you plan to visit the other tribes, I can personally guide you there as an envoy. The Boar Tribe has a good relationship with half of the major tribes and many of the smaller ones," said Qin Liangyu.

Su Yang nodded, "That'd be very helpful if you can."

"Just let me know when and where and I will immediately come with you. For now, just relax until the food is ready. The hunters are already cooking it, and it will be ready in a few hours."

"I can't wait." Su Yang smiled, causing Qin Liangyu to blush.

Meanwhile, a few hundred miles away, in the Dragon Tribe's territory, the Tiger Tribe's Chief, Chief Li, and the Dragon Tribe's Chief, Chief Long, are engaged in a serious conversation with each other.

"Are you serious?" Chief Long looked at Chief Li with a serious expression. "How certain are you about this?"

"I am certain what I — we saw when we tried to raid the Boar Tribe. Her silver hair and moon-like eyes — the Goddess from the Legend was there, and she's the reason why we returned!" Chief Li spoke loudly.

"The Goddess from the Legend..." Chief Long closed his eyes and pondered for a good moment before continuing, "According to the Legend, the Goddess first appeared a little over 1,000 years ago, and she protected the Boar Tribe from total destruction during the Great Calamity, before disappearing into thin air and never to be seen again. Although her appearance was short, the influence and impact she left behind was massive."

"Of course. What she did on that day had shaken every tribe in this area." Chief Li said.

"If this person is really the same as the Goddess from the Legend, we are no match for her even if both of our tribes attack together. In fact, she can probably defeat all of the tribes here by herself..." Chief Long rubbed his temples.

"Then what should we do? If she's really the Goddess, we won't be able to continue with our plans to conquer every tribe, and our years of efforts will be worthless!" Chief Li sighed.

"Calm down. Although she may have a similar appearance, we don't know if she's really the Goddess that appeared 1,000 years ago. Perhaps she only looks similar." Chief Long said, and continued, "Anyway, we need to confirm her identity before we continue with our plans, or we're simply digging our own graves."

"What do you suggest?" Chief Li asked.

"The Dragon Tribe can send a few envoys to improve our relationships, but it's only an excuse for us to buy us some time to verify this silver-haired girl's identity." Chief Long said.

"That sounds great. What should the Tiger Tribe do in the meantime?"

"Because your raid had failed, the Boar Tribe will be extremely cautious of your every movement, so I advise you to remain lowkey until I figure everything out."

"What if she turns out to be the real deal — the Goddess that shook heaven and earth with a single fist?" Chief Li asked.

"Then... we will halt our plans, unless you want your entire tribe to disappear — at least until she leaves. Maybe she will disappear quietly again like previously."

Chief Li nodded.

"Very well, then I will now prepare for our visit."

Chief Long then left Chief Li alone and began gathering the envoys and a few other things.

By the time the Dragon Tribe was prepared to leave for the Boar Tribe, the sky had long turned dark.

"You're going to give the Boar Tribe 20 servants and 500 pounds of spirit meat? That's quite generous for a mere visit." Chief Li spoke as he watched the Dragon Tribe's envoy and 20 young ladies and men leave for the Boar Tribe.

"We cannot risk offending the Boar Tribe if she turns out to be the real Goddess. Furthermore, this is the Dragon Tribe's first time visiting them. We can't half-ass this." Chief Long said.

At this moment, inside the Boar Tribe's settlement, the natives just finished cooking.

"Savior and Esteemed Guests, the food is ready." Qin Liangyu led them to the fire, where over a hundred pounds of meat were cooked.

"We have cooked three different spiritual beasts for the feast tonight. Earth Spirit Elephant, Iron Claw Leopard, and Two-headed Fierce Tiger." Qin Liangyu said. "All of them are powerful beasts at the Heavenly Spirit Realm. Their meat is extremely tender and filled with spiritual energy, and their bones can be used in baths to temper one's body. Which one would you like to feast on first? We have enough for all, so you don't need to be humble."

"I will trust your taste, so pick for me, Chief Qin." Su Yang said with a smile.

"I-I understand." Qin Liangyu nodded.

"What about the Savior and...?" she looked at Qiuyue and Tang Lingxi.

"Give me whatever he's having." Qiuyue casually said.

"Me, too." Tang Lingxi followed.

A few moments later, Su Yang sat by a large campfire with his food and began eating.

"As expected of the meat from a Heavenly Spirit Realm beast. Just one bite and I can feel my cultivation base increase slightly." Su Yang said.

"Although it cannot be compared to the food I am used to eating, it is definitely impressive for this world's standard." Tang Lingxi nodded with approval.

"This is some of the best food I've had in years..." Qiuyue said with an impressed expression. "I should have stayed a little longer the last time I was here."



"You have been to this place before?" Su Yang raised an eyebrow.

Qiuyue nodded and said, "It was only briefly, but I passed through this place a few hundred years ago..."

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"A few hundred years ago? That's quite long ago." Su Yang raised an eyebrow.

Qiuyue nodded and said, "At that time, I was still passionate about increasing my cultivation, so I traveled the world in search of resources and strong beasts. That's when I came across this place, where I encountered a mysterious beast at the Divine Spirit Realm, one of the strongest beings I have encountered so far."

"A Divine Spirit Realm beast?!" Su Yang's eyes widened. Forget about a few hundred years ago, where cultivation is not as advanced as today. He could easily imagine what would happen to this world if that kind of monster roamed this place now.

"The mysterious beast wreaked havoc in this place since nobody had the ability to stop it at that time, and it would remain that way even today if I did not slay it." Qiuyue continued. "Even though I was two entire realms above the mysterious beast, it was not an easy fight. If I didn't kill the beast at that time, I cannot imagine what would've happened to the people here. Perhaps there wouldn't even be anybody alive today."

"A mysterious beast, huh?" Su Yang pondered.

Sometime later, when there were no longer any more meat to serve, the feast ended, and Qin Liangyu approached Su Yang's group.

"How was the food, esteemed guests?" she asked them.

"It was amazing." Su Yang smiled at her and continued, "I can almost breakthrough after eating so much spiritual meat."

"That's great to hear! By the way, it's getting late. If you don't have anywhere to stay tonight, I will immediately arrange for it." Qin Liangyu said.

"Thank you for the hospitality, but I will be resting on my flying boat. There's also enough room for all three of us." Qiuyue said.

"I see..." Qin Liangyu nodded. "Then, if you need anything, just let one of us know and I'll immediately arrange for it."

"I want to visit a few tribes tomorrow and see if they have any information on the Mirror of Darkness." Su Yang suddenly said. "Will you be ready by then?"

"There's no problem, Senior Su! Even if you wish to leave now, I will be ready to be our envoy!"

"Great. Then I will see you tomorrow morning."

After the feast, Su Yang and his group returned to the enormous flying boat that was stationed above the Boar's Tribe, giving the natives a profound feeling of security, almost like they were being protected by Immortals.

In fact, before the natives went to sleep, they all kowtowed to the flying ship and prayed for their protection.

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"I didn't get the chance to say this at the tournament, but... that is the first time I have ever defeated you in a match." Su Yang said as he laid on the top of the flying ship, staring at the bright moon with a relaxed expression.

"Hmph." Tang Lingxi snorted beside him and said, "You only won because my body is not as strong as yours, limiting my choices in techniques. If I had a few more months to cultivate, I would've tempered my body and be able to use some of my clan's technique."

"The Asura God Clan's princess is making excuses? You don't get to see that often." Su Yang chuckled.

"..." Tang Lingxi turned silent.

A few moments later, she turned to look at him and asked, "What do you plan on doing after you return to the Four Divine Heavens?"

"..."

After a moment of silence, Su Yang spoke, "To be completely honest, I don't have a clue what I am going to do once I return."

"Of course, I am going to have a deep discussion with the Moon God regarding Yuehai's death and Qiuyue's future, but I really don't know what I want to do afterward. Furthermore, I am a criminal that's supposed to be locked up inside the Eternal Retribution Cliff. The Heavenly Emperor won't like it if he learns that I am actually alive and well."

"A lot of people suffered after your death, Su Yang. Even now, there are still many people in sorrow. I know because I was one of them." Tang Lingxi said. "What are you going to do about them?"

"..."

"I don't know. There were times where I wondered if it would be better for the world if I was dead." Su Yang sighed. "You should know that I have a lot of enemies within the Four Divine Heavens, and many people I love have died because of me."

"I know... but you have also saved many people. I was one of these people, after all. If you didn't save me, who knows what would've happened to the Asura God Clan on that day." Tang Lingxi said and continued, "There's also your Su Family. They were in quite some trouble after your death became public."

Su Yang's eyes opened widely after hearing about his family and he spoke in an anxious voice, "What?! Did something happen to them?"

"Calm down," said Tang Lingxi. "Although they were in trouble at first with multiple families trying to destroy the Su Family entirely, an unknown master appeared to protect them."

"What! Who dared to attack my family after my death so shamelessly?! Once I return, I will personally repay this debt!" Su Yang's eyes flickered with anger.

"A few of the Ten Families and one of the Four Supreme Clans were in cahoots with each other. With such an overwhelming force, they could've easily destroyed the Su Family. I will tell you more about them later."

"The Ten Families and Four Supreme Clans?" Su Yang began sweating after hearing their names, as they are the strongest power in all four Divine Heavens. If even one of these powerhouses wanted to destroy a family or sect, they could do so with the snap of their fingers.

"Then who drove them away? Even the entire Asura God Clan would have trouble with them, much less a single individual." Su Yang then asked.

"That's the thing... nobody could identify this individual, since he concealed his identity. The only thing we know about him is that he wielded an enormous sword the size of a star. It only took a single swing with that sword to scare away the people trying to harm the Su Family."

"Afterward, this expert warned those who thought of harming the Su Family that he would destroy their entire family if they tried to harm them again before disappearing. Of course, one of the Ten Families ignored his warning and attacked the Su Family again — only to be destroyed by this mysterious master in a single night. The incident had caused such a commotion that even the Heavenly Emperor himself was forced to act."

'An enormous sword the size of a star...? Could it be...?' Su Yang had an idea about the identity of this mysterious master who saved his family.

"And ever since the incident, nobody dared to approach the Su Family, much less attack them. Do you know the identity of this mysterious master, Su Yang?" Tang Lingxi.

He nodded, "I have an idea, but I have promised this person that I would not reveal his identity to anyone."

"Eh?" Tang Lingxi showed a disappointed expression. "You can't even tell me, your fiance?"

"Don't worry, you are bound to meet this person sooner or later," he said with a smile.