Chapter 971 Treat You

Li Dun's face was completely pale, having used up most of his True Qi.

Even though he had suffered multiple heavy blows on his body, he was still standing tall in the face of an impossible situation!

Tang Xin choked up as she stared at the man in front of her. Her eyes glistened with tears with feelings of regret and sorrow rising within her.

However, the five men had no plans of stopping.

They inched closer and closer to Li Dun, intending to end his life with one final attack!

However, despite his condition, Li Dun had no plans of giving up. He was going to resist them for as long as there was breath in his body.

At that exact moment, their silhouettes moved so swiftly towards Li Dun that slashings sounds could be heard from the air!

Li Dun bent over slightly and threw his legs around in a circular motion!

Sounds of explosions rang out and the five men were flung back several meters. Li Dun was thrown back several meters as well.

It was at this point where Li Dun knew that he did not have it in him to counter any more of their attacks.

The five men knew of his current predicament and did not waste any time in counterattacks.

Tang Xin shrieked loudly out of fear when she realized that Li Dun was in grave danger!

Then, out of nowhere, the five men suddenly felt an oppressing force like no other!

BOOM!

A gust of wind swept in and sent clouds of dust flying into the air.

The five men were shoved away by its force!

They looked up, trying to see what had happened but all they saw was a man dressed in a white shirt, standing in front of Li Dun!

Yang Chen had arrived in the nick of time. He turned around and looked at Li Dun who was smiling with blood dripping out of his mouth. Yang Chen frowned and asked, "What happened?"

Li Dun didn't have any energy left to speak. Instead, he laughed softly before falling onto the ground.

Tang Xin sobbed, having recovered from the initial shock. "Young Master Yang, you must save him! He's badly injured!"

Yang Chen looked at her in surprise and glanced over at Li Dun who was covered in wounds. "He's fine, his wounds aren't critical. I'm sure he'll recover after I treat him."

While they were talking, the five men were getting ready to launch an attack on their surprise guest.

With a ferocious growl, they advanced towards Yang Chen at a terrifying speed!

Yang Chen stayed still and waited for them to strike first!

Just when they thought Yang Chen would feel their wrath, a surge of Heaven and Earth Restoration Energy made its way up their limbs!

All five of them groaned in pain. Somehow, their muscles and veins were being torn off their limbs under the effect of the twisting surge of Heaven and Earth Restoration Energy!

Eventually, their bones were crushed into pieces. Between the five of them, there were tens of thousands of shards!

Tang Xin paled at the gory scene in front of her. Even Li Dun rolled his eyes at Yang Chen's barbaric acts.

Yang Chen frowned. Something wasn't right. He was very sure that his attack was impossible for them to withstand.

They had no cultivation to speak of and yet they managed to harm Li Dun with pure strength.

Their abilities were basically inhuman!

A lightbulb lit up in his head suddenly!

Yang Chen thought,? These guys, their bodies are extremely powerful, yet they don't have a shred of cultivation. Why does this sound so familiar? Could it be Yan Buwen's work?! How many people has he modified with my gene!?

Only Yang Chen's body could withstand the impact of the Heaven and Earth Restoration Energy without using any form of cultivation. After all, he had acquired immense self-repairing abilities after being exposed to the divine light!

Even so, the five men were turned into a pile of blood and flesh after ten seconds.

Yang Chen turned around to help Li Dun up after making sure they were all dead. He wasn't bothered at all by the bloodstains and said, "Control your own True Qi. I can help you to heal quicker."

Li Dun stopped laughing as his wounds were becoming too painful to bear. He struggled to nod before sitting down cross-legged.

Yang Chen placed his palm onto Li Dun's back and filled him with a surge of Heaven and Earth Restoration Energy!

Li Dun knew Yang Chen's cultivation was far greater than his, so he was actually mentally prepared to withstand the impact. But it still threw him off balance when the Heaven and Earth Restoration Energy made its way into his body!

"What...what the heck! Yang Chen! Are you trying to treat me or kill me?!"

"What do you mean?" Yang Chen frowned. "Your body can handle it. Are you afraid of pain?"

"You..." Li Dun had nothing to say to that. Yang Chen wasn't bothered by the means. So long as the results were favorable, he was going to go for it!

But it wasn't like he would admit defeat, so he worked hard to cooperate with Yang Chen during the treatment.

The Endless Resolve Restoration Scripture wasn't really a striking scripture for offense. Yang Chen made it better with his combat skills.

But it was the best scripture for healing wounds!

Although it hurt a lot to the point that some of his veins popped under the immense pressure, Li Dun could feel all his wounds recovering within seconds!

Once his veins were recovered, they also expanded and became tougher!

Li Dun clenched his jaw and tried his best to withstand the pain. His Xiantian True Qi was recovering and improving with the aid of the Heaven and Earth Restoration Energy!

He knew this type of opportunity wouldn't come by often. A breakthrough wouldn't always happen with Yang Chen's help. Once a certain level was reached, there would be a limit to each expansion.

Expanding his veins excessively would not contribute to his cultivation, not until he reached the next stage. It would affect him, and he might lose the chance to further improve his cultivation!

Tang Xin didn't dare to breathe loudly and sat down quietly beside them.

She breathed out in relief and wiped her dirty cheeks while smiling when Li Dun recovered.

Although Yang Chen was helping to expand Li Dun's veins, he still managed to glance at Tang Xin since it wasn't a tough job. He smirked when he saw her expression, but it quickly disappeared when he saw the bump on her belly.

The treatment process felt like forever to Li Dun when it had only been slightly more than ten minutes.

Yang Chen let go of his hand when Li Dun's wounds were completely healed.

Li Dun opened his eyes and they glistened with joy, making him looked more energized than ever.

"How are you feeling?" Tang Xin asked.

Li Dun showed a silly smile and said, "I'll feel much better if you kiss me, Xin Er."

Tang Xin was startled at first, but she rolled her eyes and looked away immediately. "I guess you're fine now..."

Li Dun was used to her acting like this, so he turned around to face Yang Chen instead. "Yang Chen, thank goodness you came so soon. I was worried you wouldn't come because you were getting busy with your wife."

Yang Chen thought to himself,? I would've been even later if I was. Sadly, I didn't even get a chance!

"A bowl of Lanzhou noodles won't be enough to repay me. You've already entered the Full Cycle. Well, I can't deny your own potential, but I helped you a lot too." Yang Chen patted Li Dun's shoulder. "Also, I saved you and the woman you love."

"Of course!" Li Dun grinned. "Let's not talk about my cultivation. You helped me save Xin Er, I have to treat you to a bowl of black bean sauce noodles!"

Chapter 972 Open-minded

Yang Chen wanted to smack him into oblivion but held himself back. He shook his head and asked, "Alright, tell me what happened. Who are they and why did they come for you?"

This was what Yang Chen had been meaning to ask. Assassins of their level did not appear for trivial matters.

Li Dun scratched his head and smiled bitterly. "The Tang clan thinks that Xin Er poisoned Master Tang and her sister, Tang Wan. Plus, they think she's an embarrassment to the clan. If it wasn't for her sister, Xin Er would've been sent to jail after being forced to undergo an abortion. Tang Wan informed me in time and I rushed over from Jiangnan's military zone to save her. I wanted to bring her to a villa near Tianming lake to lay low while I investigate the truth. I didn't expect them to show up so fast!"

Yang Chen gave a faint smile and asked, "Oh, why are they so sure that Miss Tang Xin was the culprit? And whose child is she bearing?"

Tang Xin bit her lip and a ghastly smile formed on her lips.

"Young Master Yang, two days ago, the forensics team found traces of the poison by my bedside table. They were certain that it was me given my general closeness to the family and Grandfather."

Yang Chen gave her an understanding smile. "I guess the circumstances seem plausible. If you didn't poison them, why was there poison in your room? Also, you haven't told me who's the father of your child."

Tang Xin's face turned paler, but she kept her mouth shut by biting on her lips.

Li Dun quickly jumped to her defense. "What are you doing? Xin Er is so kind, she would never hurt her family members, okay? Plus, who cares if she doesn't tell us who the father is? That's enough, we should find out who sent the assassins now instead. I will never let those Tang idiots take Xin Er away from me!"

Yang Chen chuckled. "You're really open-minded huh? She's the woman you love, yet she's not bearing your child."

"That's enough!" Li Dun kept a straight face. "I'm going to be very upset if you probe any further."

Tang Xin looked at Li Dun with teary eyes, feeling touched by his protectiveness.

Yang Chen shrugged. "It's none of my business anyway. But this incident is connected to the person who poisoned my woman. I have to find that bastard. So, you two have to go to the Tang clan with me. I need to know everything and confront them."

"Together?"

"That's right."

"Hehe, no problem." Li Dun was delighted. "You can be our bodyguard. I was worried those monsters will find us again once you leave."

Yang Chen rolled his eyes in reply.

Now that things were settled, Yang Chen healed Tang Xin's wounds and they all left in Li Dun's Hummer.

On their way there, Yang Chen was thinking about past incidents when his phone rang abruptly.

He took it out and realized the call was from Ron.

"What's wrong, Ron."

"Your Majesty Pluto." Ron sounded troubled. "Miss Lin...she said that she wants to return to Zhonghai immediately...uhm..."

Yang Chen was surprised at first but realized where this was coming from. Now that he thought about it, their wedding night was a mess after the ceremony.

"Is Ruoxi next to you? Let me talk to her."

"Uhm..." Ron smiled bitterly. "Miss Lin says she has nothing to say to you."

Yang Chen sighed in exasperation. She could be extremely stubborn at times.

But he couldn't possibly ignore the pressing matter at hand, it might be linked to Yan Buwen.

"Then fulfil her wishes as much as you can. Arrange an airplane for her if she wants to return to Zhonghai. As for my mom and Wang Ma, don't bother them." Yang Chen had no other choice but to comply. All he could do was send a couple of members from the Sea Eagles to watch over them.

Ron obliged even though he thought it sounded weird.

Li Dun laughed mockingly from the side. "Looks like having a lot of lovers doesn't make your life any better."

"Things wouldn't have turned this way if you hadn't gotten into trouble at this time." Yang Chen scolded him

Li Dun was unfazed by it. "Oh please. You can't blame me when your wife doesn't want to talk to you."

Yang Chen just snorted, unable to refute his sentence.

Seconds later, Li Dun spoke up with a stern face. "What do you think about those five monsters from just now?"

"It probably has to do with Yan Buwen. He probably used my gene to modify their body."

Tang Xin trembled when she heard Yan Buwen's name.

Yang Chen noticed it from the rearview mirror but said nothing.

Li Dun frowned. "Is that really the case? It would be very dangerous for the whole of China if he were to create an army using your gene print."

"You don't have to worry," Yang Chen said. "Not everyone can survive the procedure. Their survival rate is quite low, else he would have sent more than five people to deal with you."

Li Dun was confused. "But I thought he's not in Beijing? Could it be he's hiding at a place that we've never thought of?"

"Yan Buwen and Yan clan might not be here anymore, but it doesn't mean he wouldn't have an ally or comrade. Besides, he might not even be the real culprit. At the very least, I don't think he can do it on his own." Yang Chen squinted his eyes.

Li Dun replied, "I don't care what Yan Buwen's trying to do. I won't let anyone harm Xin Er, even if it means I have to die for her to live."

Yang Chen glanced over at Tang Xin who was staring at Li Dun. He sighed and mumbled internally,?Don't throw your life away. I think you're almost there, don't let your efforts go to waste.

Half an hour later, their car reached the Tang clan's mansion.

The servants had run inside to inform the clan members. It was clear that their arrival had stirred things up in the clan.

Tang Xin was a disgrace for having an affair before marriage. Rumors of her shameless acts spread throughout the mansion like wildfire.

But now she had shown up with the heirs of the Yang and Li clan, this raised even more flags the clan members' minds.

Tang Xin looked disoriented, but she could only follow Li Dun since she was being pulled by him.

It was at his moment when a few black cars with military license plates stopped outside of the gates, flanked by two military off-road vehicles.

A group of stern-looking Special Forces soldiers got out of the off-road vehicles, whereas the ones who got out of the black cars made Yang Chen and Li Dun stop by the gate.

Li Moshen got out of the car with his only son, Li Yunpeng, who was also Li Dun's father.

In the other car, Cai Yuncheng got out of the car with Mo Feng, a member of the Group of Eight and also his daughter Cai Ning.

This was obviously a planned meeting.

Li Dun felt awkward seeing his father and grandfather here having come to Beijing in secret.

Li Moshen walked up and scolded him. "Hmph, useless punk! How dare you go against the rules for a woman!"

"Hehe...old man, she's not just a woman. She's your future granddaughter-in-law." Li Dun spoke boldly.

Tang Xin blushed out of awkwardness. She wanted to explain herself but was too afraid to do so.

Yang Chen blinked at Cai Ning and told Cai Yuncheng in a suggestive tone, "Took you long enough to come. I'm assuming that you've finally succeeded?"

Chapter 973 You Are Not A Woman

Cai Yuncheng sounded calm as ever. His passive temperament made him seem like an unlikely candidate for a general.

"The traps I'd placed according to your orders have yielded results. Though analysis took some time, we have definitive proof."

Those around them couldn't understand their conversation, except for Li Moshen.

Yang Chen's eyes lit up. "Were my assumptions in line with it?"

"Almost identical."

"In that case, let's proceed." Yang Chen motioned them to move.

However, Mo Feng was displeased. "Deputy Prime Minister Li is here, what makes you the leader?"

Yang Chen glanced over at the tall slender man. He contemplated for a while and said, "You're Zeng Xinlin's cousin right? I remember meeting you in Zhonghai once. You're still here?"

"You...you should still respect your elders even if you're from the Yang clan!" Mo Feng's face was flushed with anger.

The Zeng clan had fallen apart ever since Yang Chen killed Zeng Xinlin mercilessly.

Mo Feng wasn't affected since he was a member of the Group of Eight. But not having familial support made things more difficult for him.

Even though Cai Ning was the one who killed Zeng Mao, he still blamed it all on Yang Chen.

Under normal circumstances, he would never have dared to approach Yang Chen like this. But now that Li Moshen was present, he wouldn't miss the chance to humiliate him.

However, Mo Feng was only a fighter, so his mind wasn't really bright.

Cai Yuncheng and Li Moshen frowned at his words. They were here to solve an issue yet this idiot took it as an opportunity to humiliate Yang Chen.

Was he asking for death?

Just as they predicted, Yang Chen scanned him up and down before throwing a kick towards his chest!

Mo Feng couldn't have seen it coming since his skills were considered average amongst the other members of the Group of Eight.

With a loud crashing sound, Mo Feng flew in the sky like a black projectile and landed against a large tree!

Everyone sucked in a cold breath. Yang Chen really did as he wished around here!

Cai Yuncheng shook his head while frowning and ordered two guards to carry Mo Feng to the hospital to treat his wounds.

Yang Chen only inflicted internal bleeding in Mo Feng's body. After all, he still had to be mindful of his father-in-law's feelings.

"I absolutely despise people who assume I need the support of the Yang Clan. Looks like I have to play an advertisement on television, with a line that says 'I own the Yang Clan, but the Yang Clan does not own me'."

Yang Chen made a face and turned around to continue his way into the Tang mansion.

The servants avoided them. None of them remembered to greet them.

Cai Yuncheng glanced over at Cai Ning who was standing next to him. "Ning Er, why do you even like him? I don't see any likeable qualities in him."

Cai Ning pursed her lips and smiled. "Dad, you're not a woman."

Cai Yuncheng shook his head helplessly before making his way into the Tang mansion with his subordinates.

The members of the Tang clan were prepared to face them.

Once they walked near a pavilion, they could see the core members standing inside it. Except for those who were overseas, most of them rushed back to deal with Tang Xin's case.

Tang Zhechen sat in a wheelchair since he wasn't feeling well and the person pushing his wheelchair was Tang Wan who had rushed back here from Zhonghai.

Her face was filled with worry, unable to hide her fatigue on her beautiful face.

She immediately looked at Yang Chen with a questioning gaze when she saw him coming in with Tang Xin along with the Li and Cai clan members.

Tang Zhechen was more familiar with Li Moshen than Cai Yuncheng. He exchanged pleasantries with Li Moshen before greeting Cai Yuncheng.

"May I know the reason for your visit?" Tang Zhechen asked with a calm face.

Li Moshen chuckled. "Old Tang, I'm here for the case. We've got a lead for the poisoning case. General Cai and I came together since he participated in the investigation too."

"We discussed this matter with Yang Chen before and we had tried to trace the culprit down. The results are out so we're here to crack the case," Cai Yuncheng said.

The members of the Tang clan immediately directed their gaze towards Tang Xin who was standing beside Li Dun.

"Hmph." A middle-aged man said in disdain, "What else is there to talk about? We've already found the poison in Tang Xin's room. She is the only one who had the opportunity to do so, it must be her!

"This whore, she's even pregnant with some guy's baby now. I bet she's involved with shady people too!" Someone added on.

Tang Xin's eyes reddened at their accusation. She shook her head and denied it. "It wasn't me...it really wasn't me."

But her pleas flew over their heads and out the window. They were dead set on her as the culprit.

Being filled with sorrow, she looked towards her father who was standing behind Tang Zhechen with despair.

But her father just sighed and avoided her gaze.

Tang Xin paled at her father's reaction.

Tang Wan cut them off sternly. "Keep quiet, all of you! How can you be so sure Xin Er's the culprit? The head of Li and Cai clan are here to crack the case so wait till the truth is out before making any more comments."

Tang Xin almost cried when she heard that Tang Wan was defending her.

Honestly, if Tang Wan hadn't informed Li Dun about her predicament, she would've been suffering in jail.

Li Dun was upset to hear their accusations, but his father stopped him before he did anything rash.

"Yang Chen, weren't you having a wedding overseas? Why are you back so soon?" Tang Zhechen asked with a smiley face.

Yang Chen looked at the Tang clan members who were showing different kinds of facial expressions. "It wasn't by choice that I had to end my night early. Li Dun and Tang Xin were almost killed earlier tonight and I am here to catch the culprit."

"What?! They almost got killed?!"

Everyone else was shocked, even Li Moshen and Cai Yuncheng had just known of this incident.

"What happened exactly, tell us all about it, Li Dun." Li Moshen ordered.

Li Dun quickly regaled their near-death experience just moments ago before their arrival. He jumped past Yang Chen's arrival since he didn't know how to explain it.

"Heh." Li Moshen laughed mockingly with a dark expression. "Li Dun is the only heir to our clan and he was almost killed by those five monsters. It looks like my trip here today was not entirely wasted. Those who were involved with this incident have to pay the price!"

Li Dun cheered on. "That's absolutely right old man! It would've sucked to die in the woods before getting married and having kids!"

"No one asked for your opinion!" Li Yunpeng scolded him.

Li Dun pouted and moved away whilst still sticking close to Tang Xin.

"Miss Tang Xin was accused as the culprit and somehow, someone tried to kill both of them. I'm sure there's more to this incident," Cai Yuncheng said. "I'd like you guys to calm down and listen to the results of our investigation before putting all the blame on Miss Tang Xin."

Tang Huang who had been quiet this whole time spoke up. "General Cai, why don't you just tell us who the culprit is."

As one of the heirs to the Tang clan, Tang Huang spoke on behalf of Tang Zhechen who wasn't feeling well.

Cai Yuncheng nodded and said, "Do you guys remember the cameras we set up around the mansion to catch any potential spies and traitors to the clan?"

"Of course, we do. The security cameras are still here! But there are no security cameras in the room, so we wouldn't know it even if she bought the poison from outside and hid it in her room!" Someone pointed out.

Cai Yuncheng smiled lightly. "Although we did tell you guys where we will be placing the security cameras, there were a couple of other places that we installed them without prior notice..."

The Tang clan members' facial expression changed at his words.

"What do you mean?! Even if the Li and Cai clan are powerful, this doesn't give you the right to do that in our house without our consent! Are you trying to pry into our personal family matters?!" Someone started yelling.

Yang Chen grinned, finally speaking up after a bout of silence. "I was the one who requested it."

Chapter 974 Diversion

The Tang clan members immediately glared furiously at Yang Chen.

"Yang Chen, what do you think you are doing?!" They were furious. After all, no one liked to be spied on. Especially when there was confidential information being passed around.

Tang Wan was surprised too. Yang Chen had never told her anything, including the fact that he was part of it.

Tang Zhechen raised his hands, motioning his people to quiet down. He looked at Yang Chen with a heavy gaze. "Let's discuss this later. Yang Chen, you said that you had set up additional monitors at our place. Did they reveal anything?"

"Before I reveal the secret, I think I have to let you guys know the number of hidden monitors," Yang Chen said.

"Number?"

"That's right," Yang Chen raised a finger. "I only set up one monitor in one room. It was a pocket monitor made with nanotechnology. So, there's no need to be offended. I have no interest in what goes on outside of that room. I only wanted to monitor one suspect."

Others looked around and Tang Huang decided to speak up, "Is that person Tang Xin?"

"That's right." Yang Chen didn't beat around the bush.

The crowd were startled but they laughed eventually.

Li Dun was annoyed at the revelation. "Yang Chen, whose side are you on! You're confusing me!"

"Haha, in the end, it really all does come back to her!"

Tang Xin looked at Yang Chen with teary eyes, feeling slightly disappointed towards him.

Yang Chen shook his hands. "I monitored her but that doesn't mean she is the culprit here."

The Tang clan members became even more confused. They took his statement as fact.

Yang Chen walked around to sort out his thoughts before looking up. "Tang Wan, do you still remember when you brought me to the Ivy Sanatorium, and I found a tapping device in the yard?"

Tang Wan nodded. "Of course. I even brought you to my office and my house, and you found tapping devices there too."

"Who else could it be other than Tang Xin." Someone spat out.

Yang Chen ignored him and continued to talk. "That's what I thought too. I was highly suspicious of Tang Xin since the person was able to tap Tang Wan's office and house in Zhonghai. But the main reason behind my suspicions was because on that day, she didn't care about the tapping devices at all. If she's a normal young lady who's there to take care of Old Master Tang, why didn't she mention the tapping devices?"

Tang Xin stiffened in response, gripping her dress with trembling hands.

"You're making it sound as if she's really the spy." Tang Huang frowned.

Yang Chen shook his head. "But the more I thought about it, the more impossible it became...."

"Stop speaking in these weird open-ended statements!"

Yang Chen smiled. "There are two reasons why Tang Xin didn't mention the tapping devices. Either she did not know or did not care they existed. But her bad acting skills made me suspect that she had something to do with them. However, if she was this bad at hiding things, it wouldn't be possible for her to poison Old Master Tang and Tang Wan without getting caught..."

"I understand." Tang Wan's eyes brightened. "She couldn't possibly be the culprit because she isn't able to perform like a professional spy!"

It finally dawned on them.

Tang Xin's jaw dropped slightly. She didn't expect Yang Chen to suspect her just because she avoided talking about the tapping devices!

"If that's the truth, then who's the real culprit and what does it have to do with Tang Xin?!" Tang Wan asked urgently.

Li Moshen signaled one of the special agents to bring the laptop to them.

"The video inside recorded the person who planted the poison in Tang Xin's room. Old Tang, I'm afraid you will have to surrender the person in the video. I came personally as an act of respect towards you," Li Moshen said with a suggestive tone.

Tang Zhechen's gaze was unreadable.

The agent turned on the laptop and played the video under their nervous gazes.

A video that was recorded with a hidden camera started playing onscreen.

On the screen, an old man unlocked Tang Xin's room with a key and planted the poison in the table lamp.

It only took less than three minutes for him to do everything. From the looks of it, he probably did it during the day when Tang Xin wasn't around.

Everyone looked at the screen in disbelief!

"Dad?!" Tang Xin's father exclaimed.

"How can this be!"

"Sir?!"

The clan members were shocked beyond belief.

Tang Xin's face turned pale. She stared at Tang Zhechen in utter disbelief.

"Grandfather...it was you the whole time?"

Tang Wan almost lost her footing. She had to hold onto her family members to stop herself from falling to the ground.

"How could it be?" Tang Wan looked at the old man who was sitting still on his wheelchair.

Cai Yuncheng kept a stern facial expression. "Old Master Tang, we came personally as an act of respect towards you, hoping that you'll cooperate with us. There's a high possibility that this incident is linked to Yan Buwen's experiment."

"Old Tang, we have been friends for years. Never in all my years have I seen you act anything like this. How could you?" Li Moshen shook his head.

Tang Zhechen chuckled. It became louder and louder that by the time he was done, he was cackling.

All of a sudden, redness was seen on his ghastly pale face. It was as if he had become a few years younger.

His eyes glinted and he stood up from the wheelchair abruptly!

He didn't look like a sickly old man at all!

"I admit I wasn't expecting this." Tang Zhechen placed his hands around his back and turned to face Yang Chen. "I can't believe I would be tricked by a young man like you. I suppose I can't look down on you, I thought you only know how to fight but it turns out you're a meticulous person too."

Yang Chen ignored Tang Zhechen and walked next to Tang Wan.

He hugged her lightly, trying to calm her down from the pain she was feeling.

Most of the clan members knew about their relationship and didn't care either. In fact, they thought it was thoughtful of him to consider her feelings.

Tang Wan placed her head on his shoulder and started sobbing.

She finally realized then that Tang Zhechen had lied to everyone!

Which meant that everything he had said or asked of her was just a manipulation!

Nothing else would hurt more than betrayal from a family member!

Tang Zhechen frowned when he saw how hard she was crying. "What a disgrace to our family! What's wrong with a little pain? Xiaowan, am I not your grandfather anymore, just because I lied to you?!"

Tang Huang spoke with a trembling voice after struggling to get over the shock, "Grandfather, how could you do this! Why did you do it?!"

Tang Zhechen scoffed. "Why? I did it for our clan!"

"Old Tang, you don't sound like you're surrendering here." Li Moshen's voice deepened. The special agents started to inch closer to them.

Tang Xin gripped Li Dun's sleeve and asked while sobbing, "Grandfather.....why did you frame me? Are you doing this for my own good?"

Tang Zhechen looked away and coldly said, "I have to make sacrifices to succeed. You have no worth in our clan other than serving us. You should be grateful for your contribution as our diversion for Yan Buwen and I."

"Yan Buwen?!" The others exclaimed.

"I knew it had to do with Yan Buwen!"

Cai Yuncheng looked at Tang Xin and said, "We already knew she had connections with Yan Buwen. We didn't expect her to be a diversion, a chess piece to distract us. You were the actual mastermind behind the incident!"

Chapter 975 Don't Bother

"It's too late. I have achieved what I have set out to do, albeit not exactly according to plan. It doesn't matter if you arrest me now, though I highly doubt you would be able to anyway," Tang Zhechen sneered while speaking.

Yang Chen let go of Tang Wan and walked towards Tang Zhechen with a faint smile. "I admit that I misjudged your involvement in this incident. Despite really wanting to kill you now, I am amazed by your bravery. I never suspected that you were in on it because you really were poisoned when we met. I never would've imagined that you would put your life at risk for my blood."

"Oh, you guessed it?" Tang Zhechen relaxed his face slightly, feeling kind of proud of himself.

Cai Yuncheng and those who knew about it were surprised. "Yang Chen, are you saying that he provided your genes to Yan Buwen so that he could perform his experiments?!"

Yang Chen nodded. "I was quite puzzled about how he managed to obtain my blood. Not many people could harm me given my abilities. Even if they did obtain it, storing it securely would be another issue entirely. So, it would've been impossible to obtain my blood. I've thought about it and the only time I've ever given my blood freely was when I treated my women. But they would never betray me. Now I understand. You must have listened to Yan Buwen and decided to take advantage of my relationship with Tang Wan. You found an opportunity to poison yourself and let it worsen over time."

"When the time came, you wouldn't lose your sanity completely, but you would still look unstable. You acted crazy and came to Zhonghai in hopes that I would treat you with my blood. Unfortunately, you assumed wrongly. Your condition wasn't as critical as what Tang Wan had said since you tried to keep sane in order to steal my blood. Therefore, Tang Wan hired Professor Andrea to treat you. When you realized I wasn't coming, you hired someone to murder Professor Andrea. Obviously, Yan Buwen sent them over, leaving you free of liability. After Professor Andrea's death, I came but did not dare treat you. So, I asked Jane to help me and you wanted to kill her. But you failed since you didn't know that I arranged Chinin elites from Yamata Sect to protect her."

Tang Zhechen clapped his hands. "You're right, I didn't think you would let Princess Jane treat me in Zhonghai. I couldn't attempt an assassination because of her identity. But I could tell you cared about Xiaowan a lot, seeing how you didn't dare to treat me rashly."

Everyone was taken aback to hear how relaxed he sounded.

"Those...those tapping devices and the mess in our clan...was it..." Tang Xin couldn't bear to continue her sentence.

Yang Chen sighed. "That's right, the tapping devices, assassins, and the mess, it was all a diversion to cover up his tracks. I remembered that Tang Wan told me everyone hoped for her and Tang Huang to fight over the inheritance when old man Tang was sick. But it looks like it was just their assumptions. I don't think Tang Huang is an irrational person. I doubt the Tang clan would suffer much even if they did fight over the inheritance. So, I figured things wouldn't be that easy, but I did not know that it was all a diversion."

"Does it mean that I was poisoned in order for him to get your blood?" Tang Wan had already calmed down. Her eyes were still red when she asked that question.

Yang Chen's heart wrenched when he looked at her. He nodded and said, "That's right. He learned from his past mistake and injected the poison into your body. The dosage he used was enough to kill you within two to three days. He did this so that I wouldn't have time to wait for Jane and since my blood can be used as an antidote. If I recall correctly, you were sent for a blood test after the treatment. My blood cells were definitely still in your circulation system at that time. As long as he stored it well, it can be purified to be used in the experiments."

"I remember it now!"

Tang Xin covered her mouth. "I was next to grandfather at that time. He was the one who said that she should do a blood test!"

"Hmph! What a stubborn child." Tang Zhechen sneered, "Xin Er, even though you're not the culprit, I know everything about your relationship with Yan Buwen. I bet the Li and Cai clan, including Yang Chen, knew about it too. You think you'll be fine just because I'm the real culprit?"

Tang Xin's face fell. Her lips trembled, unable to utter a single word.

"Oh yeah, I might as well tell you another thing while we're at it." Tang Zhechen spoke slowly, "You can't blame me for sending the assassins over to kill you. Blame the child growing in you. It's Yan Buwen's after all."

"Yan Buwen's child?!"

His words stirred up the clan members, especially Tang Xin's father who widened his eyes in shock.

Tang Xin held her belly and she stiffened up nervously.

"Yan Buwen must have told you long ago that he didn't want the baby. Your existence is no longer needed now that you're pregnant. So, I seized the opportunity and tried to send you to jail. If you're lucky, you might still survive after an abortion. It's a bummer Xiaowan called Li Dun to take you away. But it makes things easier since I'll have a better reason to have everyone here. I was going to keep this act up but having it out in the open isn't too bad either. We can end it once and for all!"

"Grandfather!"

Tang Wan shrieked, "How can you talk to Xin Er like this! She has been taking care of you all these years! She's your granddaughter! Why did you do this?!"

Tang Zhechen's gaze sharpened. "Why?! Isn't it obvious I did this so that our clan can be the greatest clan in China?! I did this to avenge my dead son, your father!"

"My...father?" Tang Wan mumbled.

Yang Chen frowned. He was reminded of the time when Tang Zhechen mentioned Tang Wan's father when he was still mentally ill. Her father was called Tang Lun and was Tang Zhechen's favorite son. He lost his mind because of mental illness and committed suicide after killing Tang Wan's mother.

Was there more to the story than he let on?

The pain of the past was evident on Tang Zhechen's face. "My Lun Er, he was so young. He wouldn't have died so early if it wasn't because of the so-called protectors of China!"

Yang Chen's heart dropped. "You mean Hongmeng?!"

Tang Zhechen glanced at him. "I don't have anything to say to you. Now that I've been exposed, I have no way out anymore. Only one of us can get out of here alive!"

"I don't care how and why your son died. You have no reason to escape from the crimes that you've committed," Li Moshen said.

Chapter 976: Shield

Yan Buwen's sudden appearance shocked everyone in the vicinity. They all subconsciously took a few steps back from the pure viciousness he radiated. Yang Chen was surprised at his sudden appearance as well. He had only noticed Yan Buwen after looking up!

What did he do to himself with God's stone?! How on earth did he manage to conceal his presence so well?!

"Yan Buwen, you have finally come. And here I thought you would stay a coward for the rest of your life. You will pay for your sins today!"

Cai Yuncheng raised his hands and the special fighters from the Yellow Flame Iron Brigade started to close in on him.

Yan Buwen snorted. "Yellow Flame Iron Brigade? Did you really think you could defeat me? You'd better think twice before going into this suicide mission."

"Death is inevitable in a war."

Yang Chen chuckled, seeing how righteous Cai Yuncheng looked. "Alright, Father-in-law, you should stop them. His powers are far greater than any human so there's no need to sacrifice the soldiers. We have to think about their family members too."

Li Moshen was amused. "You still have the time to be considerate?"

Yang Chen sighed. "I get it now, old man Tang must have talked to this crazy bastard beforehand. They had planned out this entire meeting."

"Bingo, you guessed it correctly." Yan Buwen cackled and snapped his fingers.

Suddenly, a big group of buff men appeared from different parts of the mansion.

There were thirty of them and ten of them were holding some kind of silver bazooka.

The fact that they were even dressed in servants' outfits showed that this was a planned ambush!

"Damn it! They can't all be modified with Yang Chen's genes right?!" Li Dun grimaced.

Yang Chen couldn't be bothered if they were. Right now, he had to worry about the multitude of bazookas facing him!

"Deputy Prime Minister Li, General Cai, you don't look scared. You must be calm because you assume Yang Chen would be able to handle it, right?"

Yan Buwen let out a mocking smile. "I'll give it to you straight. All of you will die here with Yang Chen today. My plan for today was to kill him once and for all!"

"You said you wanted to kill me last time, but you ran away didn't you?" Yang Chen chuckled.

"But I was able to injure you." Anger flashed across his eyes. "You must be curious to know what I did with God's stone, to the point that I can harm you. Don't worry, I've unlocked its true potential! I'll be using a power that's ten to a hundred times greater than the previous one!"

Yang Chen glanced at the silver bazooka. "Did you really think you can hit me with those silver scraps?"

"No, I'm not that dumb to do that." Yan Buwen snapped his finger again.

The next thing they saw was a flashing silver light on the bazooka which was held by one of the men on the balcony!

BOOM!

With a deafening boom, something silver shot out of the bazooka and went through some of the servants' bodies!

They were shocked at first but after being shot by the beam, their body started to dry up and twist around. Finally, their body disintegrated rapidly until there were only clothes left.

The silver beam went through them and landed on the ground. It dug past the soil and rock layers, forming a deep hole in the ground!

Yang Chen widened his eyes at the familiarity of this energy!

Yan Buwen used it to hurt him last time but he managed to suppress it with Heaven and Earth Restoration Energy since his cultivation was much higher than Yan Buwen.

But somehow, he was able to compress it well enough to make it a weapon!

If these bazookas were fired towards anyone, they wouldn't survive unless they avoided it in time!

Cai Yuncheng and others started to realize the danger. They didn't expect Yan Buwen to show up now, let alone an ambush.

Tang Zhechen was furious. "Yan Buwen! You can test your weapon but don't use it on my people! There are so many enemies here to fire at instead!"

"Alright, old man. Those three were too unlucky to be nearby," Yan Buwen replied nonchalantly before facing Yang Chen. "What do you think? Beautiful isn't it?"

"Lunatic..." Tang Wan looked at the clothes and she couldn't stop herself from cursing at him. "You're a heartless lunatic! A madman!"

Yan Buwen frowned. "Hey, Miss Tang. I heard you're Yang Chen's lover too. What do you think Yang Chen would do if I made them shoot you..."

"That's enough!" Tang Zhechen was enraged. "We're supposed to annihilate them, don't you dare scare my granddaughter!"

Tang Wan shrieked at his defensiveness towards her. "Grandfather, why are you working with this lunatic if you want to protect us!?"

Tang Zhechen snorted. "I only want the people who can benefit my clan."

"Alright, I'm getting impatient." Yan Buwen looked around him and grinned when he saw Cai Ning. "Isn't this Miss Cai, interesting..."

At the end of his sentence, the bazookas aimed towards her and fired!

Yang Chen's heart fell. "Ning Er! Be careful!"

The moment Cai Ning jumped up to avoid the beam, four silver beams flew past her original position!

Two of them went through the agents brought by Cai Yuncheng, and just like the three servants, they too dried up and disintegrated!

"Hahahaha! I've forgotten that Miss Cai is skilled. Perhaps I should pick a new target, say, your father?"

It was like he had controlled his men with his mind. Just by saying that, four more men raised their bazookas, prepared to shoot at Cai Yuncheng!

Yang Chen knew that he would definitely die and was about to rush over when he felt a surge of True Yuan coming downwards!

Just when four silver beams were shot out of the bazooka, a bronze shield formed right in front of Cai Yuncheng! Gold lights sparkled and odd-looking runes twisted into existence in front of him.

Chapter 977 Brahma

CLANK!

The light on the shield dimmed when the four beams came into contact with it. But it was still able to withstand what was going to be the end of Cai Yuncheng!

Cai Yunchengs's face paled after the attack. Even though he appeared strong and brave, it was impossible to not cower at the face of death!

Shock turned into relief when the bronze shield saved him. He looked over at Yang Chen, thinking that it was his shield. But Yang Chen shrugged his shoulders indicating that it was someone else.

Just when others were wondering who had saved Cai Yuncheng, Yang Chen looked up at a certain spot.

They heard a loud voice resonating from miles away.

"I'll end you today. You're such treacherous man, Descendant of the Yan clan!

A well-built monk dressed in a silver patterned black Kasaya landed on the ground like a ray of black light!

He was wearing a string of black agate prayer beads on his neck and his face was especially stern with bright eyes and a black beard.

He would have looked like an ancient general if he wasn't dressed in a Kasaya.

Everyone was shocked by his appearance.

The monk waved his hand after landing and the bronze shield flew onto his hand in the form of a beam.

But when it reformed on his hands, it was only as big as a sink.

Cai Yuncheng and the others had a pretty good guess as to who he was.

"A Hongmeng Messenger?!"

Back then, Cai Yuncheng was valued by Ling Xuzi which allowed him to take over Lin Zhiguo's position as the general of Yellow Flame Iron Brigade. But at that time, Ling Xuzi was almost done with his service so Cai Yuncheng didn't know about the newest Hongmeng Messenger.

Yang Chen was secretly shocked. The monk was at the end of the Soul Forming stage, much much higher than Yan Sanniang ever was. Yang Chen couldn't tell what material was used to make his shield, but the mystical artifact seemed to be a strong one for defence.

Yang Chen couldn't see through Lin Xuzi's cultivation at that time since he was weaker so he couldn't compare the two messengers.

Yan Buwen started to get excited. "I guess Hongmeng couldn't just watch and wait this one out anymore. I knew you guys would come but I was not expecting a single person. I'm disappointed."

The monk placed his hands together. "Amitabha. This incident has heavily affected the foundation of China. If we continue to let you run wild, our citizens and country will be ruined. I will punish you in behalf of the world, as a Hongmeng Messenger! Face my Devil's Staff!"

The monk didn't waste any more time and proceeded to attack Yan Buwen. He took no notice of the other people around him.

His Kasaya moved along the wind and a one-foot long golden black staff flew out of his sleeves and into his hand.

The monk jumped and the Devil's Staff grew along with him!

In a blink of an eye, the Devil's Staff had elongated to about two meters tall and sparkled with a certain magical aura!

Yan Buwen snorted. By emitting the bizarre silver energy which he had gotten from the God's stone, he faced the monk fearlessly!

The next thing they saw was Yan Buwen's body turning into something like a silver statue. Every move he made seemed to cause a ripple in space!

The light on the Devil's Staff weakened when it came into contact with Yan Buwen!

THUD!

Yan Buwen's arm was sliced into halves when the Devil's Staff came into contact with his arm!

"Bravo! As expected of the Hongmeng Messenger!" Cai Yuncheng and others exclaimed.

Yang Chen furrowed his brows instead. Nothing good came from a premature celebration

Yan Buwen was unfazed even though his arm was broken. He moved closer to the monk and a surge of grey shockwave erupted from his body!

BOOM!

The monk's True Yuan flowed around, trying to resist the shock wave but failed to do so. He was flung several hundred meters backward onto the ground!

The grey shockwave dissipated after engulfing the monk's golden True Yuan.

A second after that, Yan Buwen's broken arm had reattached itself back to his body!

Everyone else barely noticed when and how it happened!

The monk looked at Yan Buwen in disbelief when he felt that his True Yuan had weakened.

Yang Chen thought to himself, Yan Buwen has improved a lot. His recovery is unprecedented and it would seem like his energy was not affected by such an attack. It was obvious that his powers are now at a greater level!

But Yang Chen had no plans to help the monk. He did not owe Hongmeng anything.

He was rather worried about the biochemically modified fighters. Those silver bazookas were not to be taken lightly.

Yang Chen had to take care of Tang Wan, Cai Ning and also Li Dun. But Tang Wan was at a greater risk given the fact that she lacked any form of cultivation.

Stealthily, he appeared behind one of the fighters and with a surge of the Heaven and Earth Restoration Energy and slammed his fists down onto his head!

With the sound of muscles ripping apart, the fighter's body was torn into shreds from the top!

He would've turned into powder if it wasn't for Yang Chen's genes which greatly improved the strength of his muscles!

Even so, the gruesome killing method made the ladies vomit!

Cai Yuncheng exchanged looks with Li Moshen. They knew that their presence was only going to burden Yang Chen so they immediately ordered a retreat.

But it was as though Yan Buwen had read his mind, two rays of silver beams were shot out of the bazookas!

"Damn it!"

Cai Yuncheng cursed. They were trapped inside here!

Tang Zhechen watched on with a cold gaze. "Don't waste your energy. No one is leaving here today. The next target will be the Yang and Ning clan after the Li clan is wiped out. So what if the Hongmeng Messenger is here? Our plan was to destroy the whole Hongmeng!"

"You're so arrogant and rampant!"

The monk was furious. He picked up his staff and waved it around!

"Tianyin Dharmachakra!"

At the end of his sentence, a golden circle of light with runes was released from the Devil's Staff. It grew bigger and bigger until it was a little over ten feet wide!

All of a sudden, it was like hundreds of monks were chanting the mantra, the sound of Brahma echoed throughout the air!

It was heading towards Tang Zhechen!

"Hehe, that's so little True Yuan. It would seem that I have overestimated your abilities." Yan Buwen threw his fist forward and another silver ripple headed towards the Dharmachakra!

BOOM!

With a loud explosion, the Dharmachakra was engulfed by the grey energy!

"How...how can this be?" The monk was shocked. "What kind of evil energy can dissemble True Yuan?!"

Yang Chen furrowed his brows and with a flash, he had appeared in front of Yan Buwen.

The monk was completely out of options.

"Oh, you're here? It doesn't seem right." Yan Buwen smiled mysteriously.

Yang Chen's heart dropped, oh no!

Just as he suspected, Yan Buwen's men were aiming their silver bazookas towards Tang Wan and Cai Ning!

"Move!"

Yang Chen yelled at Cai Ning to move away. He only had enough to save Tang Wan, so he hoped that Cai Ning was able to save herself!

A few more silver beams were shot out and more servants disintegrated into thin air.

Tang Wan felt her body moving rapidly and when she realized what had happened, she was already out of harm's way. Cai Ning managed to avoid the beam with her cultivation.

"Hmph, you're fast. But it doesn't matter how fast you can go. You can't possibly save all of them at one go!"

As he finished his sentence, all the bazookas lit up simultaneously!

This time, they were aiming towards Li Moshen and others. They would definitely die once the beams were fired!

"Shit, we're too near!" Cai Yuncheng cursed in frustration. He had forgotten to react according to the situation.

Yan Buwen cackled in glee. "It's too late. Fire!"

Chapter 978 True Identity

Yang Chen was all out of options. He had originally planned to use the mid-lower tier mystical artifact, Ganyuan Tiangang Bracelet, for defense. But he was just too unfamiliar with it to utilize it fully.

All he could do was to summon all his Heaven and Earth Restoration Energy to form a barrier over the whole area!

BOOM!

Dozens of silver beams hit the barrier and a blinding silver light obscured their view!

Yang Chen felt as though his internal organs were being twisted. He almost lost control over the barrier which could have broken into pieces if he did!

Thankfully Yang Chen was no stranger to pain which meant that he was able to withstand the excruciating pain that the shield was causing him.

His immense control over his body was incomparable to others, so even though his face had turned pale after withstanding the attack, he recovered immediately with the use of his Endless Resolve Restoration Scripture.

But it still frightened Tang Wan and Cai Ning, causing both of them to run next to him out of worry.

"Are you alright?!"

They asked at the same time. Their faces turned red out of awkwardness when they realized that they were worried about him as his lovers.

Although they knew about each other's existence, they hadn't had the chance to come into contact.

Yang Chen panted and smirked. "Take care of yourself instead of worrying about me. You guys just need to serve me well once I'm done killing them."

"How can you still joke?" Tang Wan chided. He always seemed fearless despite the impossible situation before him.

But it was the truth.

Even though Yan Buwen's tricks and abilities were a threat, Yang Chen wasn't an easy target either.

He had grown up in a war-like environment, so impossible situations like these were not foreign to him.

Just when he was catching his breath, Yang Chen suddenly realized something that would help him win this fight!

"So that's how it works."

Yang Chen felt relieved as he came to a revelation.

"Stand here and don't move, stay close to each other if you can. Don't ask any questions if you don't want to die!"

Yang Chen disappeared after saying that and appeared next to two of the fighters.

One of them was holding the bazooka whereas the other threw out his fists and kicked him when he saw Yang Chen!

Yang Chen caught his leg and two surges of Heaven and Earth Restoration Energy were emitted out of his body which tore the fighter down completely!

Up in the sky, the monk continued to fight Yan Buwen but was struggling to defend himself whereas Yan Buwen seemed especially relaxed.

All kinds of True Yuan were ineffective in front of Yan Buwen since he would just engulf it with his powers.

Back on the ground, Yan Buwen continued to command the soldiers to launch attacks towards Cai Yuncheng and others!

The soldiers charged forward like a pack of hungry wolves. Their eyes were red with bloodlust, merciless and inhumane!

"Protect the director!"

"Protect the general!"

The special agents each held an automatic rifle and began to rain bullets down on their oncoming enemies. But when the bullets came into contact with them, it sparked a little before fizzing out

"What the hell, I finally realized how dangerous Yang Chen is! This isn't a human's body! They're monsters!" Li Dun shrieked.

Cai Ning wasn't happy to hear him bad mouth her lover. She rebutted with a cold voice, "You should be thinking of a way to hold on instead of talking about this. We have to help Yang Chen."

"Hehe, you're upset to hear me insult your lover."

"Hmph." Cai Ning grunted, not bothered to give him a response.

She looked at the two fighters who were getting close and flew up while summoning her Xiantian True Qi. With a wave of her hands, numbers of needles were shot and surrounded the two fighters!

"Ugh!"

Their bodies might be tough, but they didn't have cultivation to protect themselves.

When the needles pierced through their eyes, black colored blood shot out which blinded them. They lost the ability to fight and could only squirm around aimlessly.

On the other hand, Li Dun's fighting style had become more ferocious after entering the Xiantian stage of the Full Cycle!

With his eye patch off, he wrapped his fists with Xiantian True Qi and landed punches on the nearby fighters. Each punch landed explosive blows on the bodies of the fighters!

The previous fight with the five fighters was a struggle because he needed to protect Tang Xin.

But now that he had Yang Chen to protect Tang Xin, he did not have to restrain himself.

Soon, the two fighters' skulls were cracked open, dying on the spot!

The rest of the fighters with the silver bazooka shot silver beams towards them again!

Yang Chen returned next to Cai Yuncheng and others after Li Dun and Cai Ning managed to escape from it.

A barrier was opened to withstand this new wave of attack!

"I get it now!" Li Moshen yelled in delight. "These weapons might be powerful, but it needs time to cool down for another attack. If we can kill them during that time period, then we can definitely defeat them!"

"You have good reaction for an old man." A drop of cold sweat dripped down Yang Chen's forehead. It wasn't easy to withstand the attack.

Yan Buwen cackled as he knocked the monk away.

"So what if you realized this? These antimatter bazookas are just testers that I make by imitating the energy from the God's stone. It's only a prototype and you are already struggling to defend against it. This means that if I used the purest antimatter energy from God's stone, you would no longer be worthy as my opponent.

Antimatter energy?

Yang Chen was taken aback.

Yan Buwen sneered. "Dumbass, you didn't know about its true identity even though you had it in your possession for so long? You were even shone on by the divine light.

This is the purest antimatter crystal in the whole universe. It is responsible for stabilizing all matter int he universe. Your powers are useless against the antimatter energy even if it's your True Qi or Xiantian True Yuan! As long as I have God's stone, I will be the only god that will not be restricted by the space laws! I'm invincible and you will all die in my hands!"

On the surface, Yang Chen seemed calm. But the truth is, his mind was a complete mess.

Yan Buwen did have the rights to be proud of himself.

God's stone wasn't something new, it was at least ten thousand years ago.

No one had ever made use of God's stone to this extent, let alone research so deeply into it!

Not only did he realize the true identity of God's stone, but he was also able to utilize it with ease. The thought of it sent shivers down his spine!

What Yang Chen didn't know was that Yan Buwen did not come to this realization on his own. If it wasn't for Athena and her wisdom, Yan Buwen couldn't have found out anything useful about the God's stone. No matter how talented he was, he was still only human.

Of course, Yan Buwen wouldn't spill the truth. To him, when his collaboration with Tang Zhechen was over, everyone would have been dead, including Yang Chen!

"Shameless kid, don't be too cocky!"

The monk was dead furious. His black Kasaya was already torn and tattered when he charged towards Yan Buwen.

"Formless Tianyin, indestructible force! Asura Dharmakaya!"

A surge of True Yuan formed by pure Buddhism mantra took up a form of a huge Asura with eight arms and a ghost head. Howling and wailing sounds spilled over from the figure!

The monk could no longer hold it in anymore. As a Hongmeng Messenger, he was supposed to end the fight in one round but now he had become completely useless.

The Devil's Staff glowed gold and together with the howling Asura, they charged towards Yan Buwen!

Suddenly, it was like a golden sun had erupted in the sky. The wind was howling as metal clanking sounds resonated through the sky. Those mundane people in attendance were unable to open their eyes at all!

Silver flames danced in Yan Buwen's eyes. His white coat moved loudly in the air and a cloud of grey antimatter energy had somehow formed above his heart.

The formation of Asura was a taboo in the practice of Buddhism since Asura originated from hell!

But the monk did not care about his morals at this point. He was desperate to get rid of Yan Buwen. He summoned all his cultivation, being in the final stage of the Soul Forming stage; determined to engulf Yan Buwen completely!

Just when he thought Yan Buwen was at his end, the ball of light at Yan Buwen's chest glowed brightly!

It turned into multiple steel threads that went through the Asura and engulfed it completely!

The monk was also affected by it, being in the general vicinity of the attack!

Unidentifiable sounds boomed throughout the sky as each beam pierced through his body, drawing out his blood and painting the sky with it!

Chapter 979 Considered Human

The monk looked at Yan Buwen in disbelief. He never knew that antimatter energy could be used like this!

He hadn't been unleashing his full potential?!

The monk could only retrieve his Devil Staff and reused his bronze shield since he was badly injured. The shield formed a huge barrier around him. It was a short but much-needed break.

He took an unknown pill from his sleeves and swallowed it. There was a dire need for him to treat himself and to regain control over his True Yuan.

Yang Chen was shocked to see what had happened too. Even he wasn't sure if he could withstand that attack!

Could it be...

Yan Buwen wasn't rushing to attack the monk again. He looked down at the ground and said, "Why, are you scared? I want you to feel the despair creeping into your heart! Fire again!"

The remaining fighters reignited their antimatter energy bazooka!

Yang Chen opened up the barrier and his face turned pale again after withstanding another attack. He quickly replenished his Heaven and Earth Restoration Energy before continuing to wipe out the fighters with Cai Ning and Li Dun.

Yan Buwen showed no signs of nervousness even though his men were being slaughtered left, right and center.

"Hmph, I guess there is always room for improvement." Yan Buwen took a stroll in the air and glanced over at the monk who was treating himself behind the shield. He grinned and said, "Baldie, Hongmeng only sent you here. Will no one report the news of your death?"

The monk's beard trembled as he spat out furiously, "Child of the Yan clan, I shall force you into reincarnation today!"

The monk mumbled the mantra and threw the bronze shield towards Yan Buwen while summoning his staff!

The shield glowed brightly and with the sounds of roar, a huge wave was formed!

The monk followed closely behind the shield while waving the Devil's Staff in hand. He was trying to use the shield and the stick at the same time for a combined attack!

It was a good idea. If Yan Buwen dared to face him head-on, he might have had to receive the blow!

Yan Buwen sneered and did not run away!

He raised his hands and they could see a sparkling silver ball of antimatter energy on his palm!

BOOM!

With a loud explosion, the ball of light continued to expand until it became as thick as a pillar!

It was much stronger than the antimatter energy shot out of the bazookas. Even if all the bazookas were combined, it would still pale in comparison!

The monk was barely able to act before being swallowed whole by the pillar of light!

It was as if the sky was colored with a silvery glow. And when the light had faded and the dust had settled, the monk was no more!

The bronze shield had broken into pieces and fell onto the ground whereas the Devil's Staff looked like it had been corroded by chemical and broken down into powder upon contact with the ground!

A few pieces of black silver patterned Kasaya floated down onto the yard slowly.

Wiped out! In one move!

A cultivator who was at the last phase of the Soul Forming stage was killed just like that?!

It finally dawned on them!

Yan Buwen was providing them with false hope and then crushing it!

Yang Chen became more confident with his predictions. "The antimatter energy in these bazookas were filled up with your own energy. You're the source!"

Yan Buwen blew his palm and chuckled with his head lowered. "I guess there's no harm in telling you this. I'm God's Stone and God's Stone is me."

He pulled his coat open!

A terrifying sight appeared in front of their eyes!

They could see a black thing at his chest, right where his heart was. It was as if something was wriggling in it!

"God's Stone!?"

Yang Chen recognized it immediately!

"You fused God's Stone into your body?!"

Could he be any crazier?! Replacing his heart with God's Stone?!

"Haha! Why, are you scared?!"

Yan Buwen cackled, "My energy frequency is a complete match with God's Stone. It can provide the purest antimatter and I, in turn, have become the brain for God's Stone! It will no longer be something of a tool for idiots like you!

Only I, Yan Buwen, deserve to own the world's greatest creation!"

At the end of his sentence, Yan Buwen raised his hands and a light pillar was shot towards Yang Chen and others!

Yan Buwen opened up the barrier almost instantaneously!

The remaining five fighters ignited their bazookas in response!

BOOM BOOM BOOM!

This time, the barrier formed by the Heaven and Earth Restoration Energy trembled vigorously!

The antimatter energy released by Yan Buwen was far more devastating than the bazookas!

Yang Chen felt as though his internal organs were being twisted! Blood started to spill from his mouth from all the internal bleeding

"Yang Chen!"

Li Dun, Tang Wan, and Cai Ning all shrieked.

Yang Chen, the man who was invincible to them, got hurt?!

After withstanding the initial attack, Yang Chen immediately summoned the Endless Resolve Restoration Scripture to treat his internal wound. He forced a smile to calm them down, "It's fine, it's just a small wound."

"Hmph," Yan Buwen grinned, "I used my antimatter energy and you're saying it's a small wound? Let's see if you will still say it's a small wound after this!!"

Yan Buwen raised his hand again, not giving Yang Chen the chance to rest!

"No! Stop it, Buwen!"

Suddenly, Tang Xin who was hiding in the crowd rushed out!

Her face was pale with fear, but she mustered all her courage and begged Yan Buwen. "Buwen, stop it. Don't make things worse, please!"

She pressed her belly and said, "Look, I have your baby here.....Are you so cruel that you would kill your own baby?!"

"Bitch!"

"Tang Xin! What are you doing!?"

"Xin Er....."

Some of them didn't even know who the father of the child was. They yelled when they realized it was Yan Buwen's child.

Li Dun was filled with disappointment, pity, and anger.

Tang Zhechen watched on coldly. It didn't matter what happened. All he needed was the results.

Yan Buwen squinted his eyes and sneered, "You're still alive, bitch?"

"What...."

Tang Xin couldn't believe her ears.

"I'm calling you a bitch. Bitch, bitch. Got it?" Yan Buwen grinned. "You really think I consider you human? You have always been a fake spy for diversion, ever since old man Tang introduced you to me. Your body is just a plaything I take when I want."

"Shut up!" Li Dun was absolutely furious. He hugged Tang Xin and growled. "You're a heartless maniac! How can you kill your own child, you monster!"

"Hmph." Yan Buwen was displeased. "Child? Only a human can have my child. I will not have a bitches puppy be called my child. Not in this lifetime."

Tang Xin stumbled to the ground. Tears fell out of her lifeless eyes.

She thought she could help buy some time for Yang Chen to recover, seeing how he was struggling to fight Yan Buwen. Maybe Yan Buwen would have mercy on her.

Even though it was only a flicker of hope, she still hoped that Yan Buwen would be kind to her. She knew Yan Buwen probably wouldn't care about her since he knew about her pregnancy ages ago. But she never thought it could be this devastating!

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"Cut the crap Yan Buwen. You've already killed the Hongmeng Messenger. Kill the rest of them. After that, kill Yang Chen and wipe out the Yang and Ning clan both. Hongmeng won't be able to do anything about it," Tang Zhechen said leisurely.

"You...Tang Zhechen, you're dreaming if you think that would happen!" Li Moshen roared.

Tang Zhechen grunted and ignored him. He turned to look at Tang Wan who was still devastated by all the revelations revelation. "Xiao Wan, you might still prove to be useful to our clan. Return to my side and I'll spare your life. You can resume your care for our business in the South."

Tang Wan shook her head stiffly. "You poisoned me in order to steal my man's blood. You are not my grandfather. I will never acknowledge you as my grandfather even if it means I'll die in Yan Buwen's hands!"

"Haha!" Yan Buwen cackled. "Old man Tang, it looks like your granddaughter has rejected you. I'll grant her a gentle death since you've been a good supporter of mine."

"Hmph." Tang Zhechen's gaze remained cold. "It doesn't matter if she refuses to return to the Tang clan. She's only a woman. Her heart doesn't belong to the clan now that she has a man."

After saying that, Tang Zhechen turned around to face his clan members. "Anyone who disagrees may leave now! I don't need spineless cowards in my future."

The clan members kept quiet when they heard what he said.

Even Tang Huang looked down with his eyes closed.

They might be scared but they knew the gravity of the situation.

Yang Chen was already struggling, and Yan Buwen had the upper hand. Opposing Tang Zhechen meant securing their immediate death.

Plus, if the Tang clan really wiped out the Yang, Li and Ning clan, imagine what they would get from it? What if the Tang clan became the number one clan in China?

This was beyond anything that they had ever dreamed of getting!

Some were just trying to stay alive while others were finally excited to get the big break they were looking for.

Tang Zhechen smiled suggestively when no one voiced out against him. He glanced over at Yan Buwen and said, "Alright, do it. Those who deserve to die shall die today!"

"You don't have to tell me twice." Yan Buwen raised his hand again and another thick beam of antimatter energy was shot out!

Yang Chen wanted to open up the barrier but then he realized something was off!

"Li Dun!"

Li Dun rushed out to save Tang Xin so now both of them were far from the barrier!

Yang Chen had already reached his maximum capacity to make sure the Li and Cai clan members were safe. He was already stretching his limits as it was!

Li Dun realized this too but at the same time, he saw that the light pillar wouldn't be facing them directly. Only one small beam might hit them!

It was at this crucial moment that Li Dun decided to summon all his Xiantian True Yuan and jumped away with Tang Xin in his arms!

But even though he moved as fast as he could, the antimatter energy was quicker than him!

HISS!

Li Dun's clothes were ripped to shreds as the antimatter energy scraped along his skin and ripped into his muscle!

"Ugh!"

Li Dun's eyes widened, and he groaned in pain.

The pain was so immense that no ordinary man would be able to withstand the pain!

Thank goodness Li Dud had entered into the Full Cycle of the Xiantian stage, even though it wasn't as strong as True Yuan, his Xiantian True Qi was still of some assistance.

The wound kept growing, but his Xiantian True Qi got it under control, leaving a gruesome-looking wound behind.

"Dun Er!"

Li Moshen and others exclaimed. They were worried sick since Li Dun was the only heir to their clan!

Tang Xin froze, realizing Li Dun had used his body to save her!

Even though she knew Li Dun had always been doing his best to protect her, just like what he did in the woods today, she has never felt so close to his heart.

He gave his all to save her life!

Worse yet, she couldn't imagine nor accept the fact that Li Dun was still willing to protect even after she had just admitted that Yan Buwen was the father of her child.

Why would he do this for her?!

She couldn't think of anything else anymore. When Li Dun's hands started to fall off her arms, she turned around and started bawling while hugging him.

"Li Dun....Li Dun, why are you so foolish....."

Li Dun's lips were void of color. He couldn't speak, trying to suppress the pain.

Yang Chen was outraged but he didn't lose his cool over Li Dun's injury. Instead, he took this opportunity to move past the five fighters rapidly!

BOOM BOOM BOOM!

Yang Chen summoned all of his cultivation and the fighters' skulls were crushed into pieces followed by explosions!

The remaining ones were those without a weapon. Cai Ning and the other agents should have no problems dealing with them.

Yang Chen didn't have time to care for Li Dun. As long as Yan Buwen was still alive, Li Dun would not be the last!

Although he wasn't really sure if he could defeat him.

Yan Buwen seemed to be enjoying the grief that they were feeling. He only turned around to face Yang Chen after he had come to him.

"You should know that you're no longer worthy as my opponent. I will become the strongest man in the world after wiping out Hongmeng." Yan Buwen raised his chin cockily. "I may spare you if you submit to me and become my subordinate."

Yang Chen clenched his fists and looked at those on the ground. "I don't know if I can kill you, but I won't die without knowing who was behind you, slaving you like the dog you are."

"What did you say?!" Yan Buwen glared at him.

"Was I wrong? I have to admit you did a good job hiding from me this well. You've also improved to an unimaginable level. But you wouldn't be able to achieve all this without the help of the person who snatched the mystical artifacts and stole God's Stone.

I don't know who they are but I do know that you are just someone's lap dog. That person is my target." Yang Chen sneered.

Yan Buwen's body trembled with rage. "What do you even know! I don't want to waste my time talking to you. I'll prove to you today that I'm much stronger than you! I'll tear you until pieces and grind you into powder! Your lovers will be sent to the dirtiest place in the world and they will be toyed by different men! Only then will my hatred towards you will be relieved!"

The grey antimatter energy flickered at his chest!

Yang Chen became more serious. The Heaven and Earth Restoration Energy swirled around him, getting ready to face the antimatter energy head-on.

At the same time, he could feel an immense amount of pressure pressing onto him since he had unleashed all of his cultivation!

Clouds started to rumble, and the wind started to howl. The spaces around Yang Chen started to shake too!

Cai Ning felt more relieved after blinding the fighters with her hidden weapon.

No one thought of running away because it was already too late. Thousands of innocent people would die if even one of them tried to run!

The fight between Yang Chen and Yan Buwen would end in Beijing having either one or three reigning clans!

The atmosphere was tense and everyone was silent. And before long, Yan Buwen struck first!

Yan Buwen was filled with fury. Balls of light were formed on his hands too, alongside with the light on his chest!

"Go to hell!"

They could see three beams of antimatter energy moving towards Cai Ning and Tang Wan!

"Scumbag!"

Yang Chen saw this coming. He would have been able to dodge it if Yan Buwen had attacked him. But now that he had decided to attack others, especially his lover, he had no choice but to suffer the blow for them!