

## **Domination 371**

### **Chapter 371: Realm God Coming Into Being**

The Brilliance Divine Beast Protector had always been resting at the capital of the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom, utilizing its great resources and an Era Blood Stone to resist the withering of time.

After tens of millions of years, no one dared to provoke the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom. Even powerful Virtuous Paragons wouldn't cause trouble inside the kingdom's territory, let alone oppose it.

Many people knew that outside of the kingdom's own great resources and secrets, its Divine Beast Protector had always been alive!

Today, it personally came here and shook everyone's hearts; who knew how many people lost all of their courage after hearing this name!

"Now this is the real death trap!" A knowledgeable master murmured: "No matter how heaven-defying Li Qiye is, he will not be able to escape this inevitable doom!"

Besides those at the Tiger's Howl School, many revealed a gloating grin. Li Qiye was too heaven-defying and devilish; as long as he existed, he would forever be an unreachable mountain for the rest of the younger generation!

"My dao clone has to personally arrive just for a junior — this is valuing you too much." The faint figure in the sky looked down at Li Qiye and said: "However, it will all be worth it!"

"It is a dao clone!" People glanced at each other, but they were still astonished. Even if it was only the dao clone of the Divine Beast Protector of the Ancient Kingdom, it was still enough to suppress many Virtuous Paragons, not to mention it also brought along four emperor weapons — this was unbeatable!

These spectators took deep breaths. They all understood that with the appearance of the Divine Beast Protector, this battle was about to reach the climax!

"Junior, even the gods would not be able to save you today!" The Tiger's Howl Ancestor coldly spoke. Their school had suffered heavily after this battle, but for the emperor laws and physique laws, it was all worth it.

"Don't meaninglessly struggle!" The overbearing shadow looked down at Li Qiye and said: "You should meekly hand over your emperor weapons and physique laws. Then, I shall grant you a swift death!"

An existence like the Brilliance Divine Beast Protector would not easily come into being due to having to pay an extremely high price. Even if it was only its dao clone, the price would be astounding. These types of eternal existences did not have much lifespan left, they were just barely holding on. Unless it was a disaster, they would absolutely not come out.

However, in order to regain the emperor weapons and physique laws in the hands of Li Qiye, the dao clone of the Divine Beast Protector had no other choice.

This was all worth it in its eyes. At the moment, there were three great Immortal Physique Laws: Li Qiye's Hell Suppressing Godly Physique, Li Shuangyan's Void Imperfection Physique, and the Heavenly King's Furious Immortal Tyrannical Physique!

If their Brilliance Ancient Kingdom could obtain these three physique laws, then its potential would become unimaginable. Perhaps they could even catch up to lineages like the Eternal River School or even far exceed them.

At this point, all the spectators held their breaths. Even the Lion's Roar Heavenly King was as pale as a sheet. This was a dead end; if it was someone like the Tiger's Howl Ancestor, then they still had a chance of surviving. However, when an existence like the Brilliance Divine Beast Protector appeared, even if it was only a dao clone, there would be no way out for them!

"Li Qiye is finished. Not even two emperor weapons can save him." A person couldn't help but say after seeing the current situation.

There was also a disciple from a great power who sneered: "He was seeking his own death. Coming from a small sect, no matter how heaven-defying he may be, he still would not be able to overturn the grand tide. Opposing an Ancient Kingdom was a foolish endeavor! Hah, the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom had two Immortal Emperors and stood strong for millions of years. How could a junior like him be able to affect them!?"

"Let us watch to see how this genius will pathetically die!" Another great power's disciple excitedly spoke. To those who had grievances with Li Qiye, this kind of development was their greatest wish.

"What a pity!" Li Qiye glanced at the faint shadow in the sky and said: "Only a dao clone — truly a disappointment."

"Why would I personally come for an insect!?" The shadow looked down and said: "Hand over the Immortal Physique Laws!"

Li Qiye laughed and said: "If your real body came, then I might have let you see my Immortal Physique Law. What a shame, I was waiting for your real body to come so that I could refine it. Even if an old guy like you, someone who had lived for generation after generation, is really hard to chew, I really wanted to refine you and turn your beast blood into treasure blood... This is a really nutritious thing!"

These words surprised everyone, and they all felt that Li Qiye had become crazy. This was an eternal existence, someone even stronger than legendary masters. One could not compare it to the likes of an old undying like the Tiger's Howl Ancestor!

An existence like the Divine Beast Protector could easily kill ordinary Virtuous Paragons. As for Heavenly Sovereigns and Heavenly Kings, they were nothing but ants in their eyes!

Li Qiye blustering about refining an eternal existence of the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom was simply too audacious.

"Haha, don't tell me this brat has gone crazy from being too scared?" Someone couldn't help but laugh: "He wants to refine an eternal existence? It could crush him with just one finger!"

"My patience is limited!" At this moment, the faint shadow in the sky coldly declared: "Hand your Immortal Physique Laws over!" If it wasn't for the laws, he would have killed Li Qiye already.

"Forget it, I have no interest in a dao clone. However, your Immortal Emperor Life Treasures might not be too bad!" Li Qiye said with a smile: "You can go now, but leave behind the four emperor weapons!"

Even the Lion's Roar Heavenly King's mouth was wide open after hearing Li Qiye trying to chase away the divine beast protector's dao clone as if it was a fly.

"Haha, the Divine Beast Senior could kill you just by lifting its finger. The four emperor weapons aren't here for you. You think way too highly of yourself; they were meant for the Heavenly Dao Academy. It is a shame that they didn't come; otherwise, they would suffer the same fate as you!" The Tiger's Howl Ancestor chillingly said.

This was a grand plan! The Tiger's Howl School didn't only want to kill the group of Li Qiye! If the ancestors of the Heavenly Dao Academy came to help him, they would also be killed.

"It is time to end this." Li Qiye didn't look at the Tiger's Howl Ancestor, but rather, at the faint figure in the sky as he smiled: "Today, your Brilliance Ancient Kingdom will surely fall. My only regret is that I couldn't wait for your real body so that I could use it to strengthen my own."

"You deserve death!" The glare of the faint figure in the sky became extremely fierce. It was as if this figure could pierce through the endless river of time. When it became angry, even the Lion's Roar Heavenly King knelt down on the ground, sweating profusely.

"Boom!" The heaven and earth shook along with the entire Tiger's Howl School. No, the entire Eastern Hundred Cities was shaking as if an Immortal Emperor was going on a journey to flip the entire region.

And it wasn't just the Tiger's Howl School, everyone in the Eastern Hundred Cities felt the appearance of an invincible existence. One step of his immediately trod across the entire world!

"Who came into being just now?" In this split second, countless old undyings opened their eyes from fear. Some even crawled out from the earth in shock. Even the souls of eternal existences fluttered away from fear.

"Boom!" Another loud explosion detonated. At this time, the entire Eastern Hundred Cities was like a little boat made out of a single leaf in a torrential storm. At the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom, countless immortal lights and emperor auras were exuded, flooding the world as supreme formations were formed.

But all of this was for naught. Many people saw an astonishing scene; each and every defensive formation inside the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom was annihilated. A gigantic hand descended from the sky, shattering them one by one.

"The Realm God!" At the Ancient Kingdom's deepest parts, a crazy scream emanated with a hint of unwillingness: "You are not supposed to be able to leave your ancestral vein!"

"That is a thing of the past!" A majestic and solemn voice came from the sky as a person landed. As something unable to be hindered by anything, it immediately walked into the deepest parts of the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom.

"Rumble!" At this second, Immortal Emperor True Treasures soared to the sky along with many Immortal Emperor Life Treasures in order to engage the enemy!

"Break!" The Realm God was unbeatable. Its hand was holding onto a giant cauldron that poured divine flames in order to directly refine its enemies!

“The Chaos Cauldron!” Within the depths of the Ancient Kingdom, a person roared: “Realm God, do you wish for an irreconcilable blood feud with my Brilliance Ancient Kingdom!”

“Correct!” The Realm God rushed inside as the Chaos Cauldron kept on attacking. With rumbling explosions, the ancestral ground of the kingdom was annihilated. Then, the voice of the Realm God spanned across the earth: “The day when all of you attacked my Heavenly Dao Academy was the day that you should have known this would happen!”

“Die!” At this time, an extremely monstrous shadow from the depths soared up high and personally controlled all the emperor weapons!

### **Chapter 372: Realm God Sweeping Through the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom**

“The invincible Divine Beast Protector!” Countless old undyings saw this large shadow and movingly stated.

“You alone... won’t do!” The unbeatable Realm God directly slammed down with its Chaos Cauldron and blew the opponent away. Such a display of power terrified all the spectators!

“Realm God!” At this time, the faint figure above the Tiger’s Howl School madly shouted and then instantly broke into pieces without leaving behind a single remnant.

This scene surprised many people. The sudden destruction of a dao clone meant that the real body had suffered a grave wound and therefore couldn’t support the distant dao clone.

Many would have nightmares after today. At this second, an invincible aura swept through the entire Eastern Hundred Cities as all existences began to tremble in fear.

“No... How could this be... Shouldn’t the Realm God be rooted in the ancestral vein? How could it leave the Heavenly Dao Academy?” At this time, the Tiger’s Howl Ancestor became haggard and said.

Many currently dumbstruck spectators, including the great powers’ ancestors, knew that the Realm God had lived for a very long time and was on the verge of dying. Unless the academy was facing certain destruction, it would not come into being. Moreover, it was rooted within the ancestral vein, and its inability to leave was also common knowledge. It would never leave the vein unless it was tired of living and wished to die from old age. However, the Realm God right now had no qualms with leaving the academy; it went by itself to the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom. What was the meaning of this?

“How could this be? Has the Realm God been reborn for another generation?” At this time, countless outsiders felt their hair standing on end as cold chills traveled through their spines.

Many became regretful for attacking the academy in the past. Back then, they assumed that the Realm God was no longer going to make it after having lived for so long, not to mention that it had become crazy. In their eyes, its death was all but assured.

Especially when the disaster fell upon the academy that year. The Realm God still didn’t appear, and this only further fortified their disposition regarding the Realm God’s inability to come into being.

At the moment, there was no sign of it weakening as it left the academy and killed its way into the ancient kingdom. This was not good news to those who once teamed up to siege the academy.

“Rumble!” The Brilliance Ancient Kingdom’s land began to sunder as the battle reached a new height with countless divine lights encompassing the entire area. Countless existences inside were suppressed to a state of prostration on the ground; they were unable to move one bit.

“Activate the emperor foundation!” The terrified voice of the Divine Beast Protector resounded across the earth. At this time, those who could hear this were shaking with fear. Without a doubt, even the Divine Beast Protector was not able to withstand the onslaught.

As an imperial light covered the ancient kingdom, it was as if an Immortal Emperor had come back to life. An invincible aura swept through the world and trapped the Realm God inside.

“Realm God, my Brilliance Ancient Kingdom is eternal. You can’t do anything before the emperor foundation of two emperors!” The Divine Beast Protector uttered in a craze.

“If your Immortal Emperors were still alive, then I might retreat. Alas, your emperors are no longer of this world, so your emperor foundation cannot trap me!” The extremely domineering Realm God, with its giant hand holding the Chaos Cauldron, tore the sky apart and rushed in without any hesitation.

Such a grand battle startled the entire Eastern Hundred Cities. Immortal Emperor True Treasures soared to the sky with Life Treasures everywhere; however, the Realm God was invincible. The Chaos Cauldron in its grasp was unstoppable even when facing True Treasures.

This was a battle that shook even the heavens. With the Realm God taking action, all contemporary great powers were aghast.

It was an extremely ancient being. Even though legends stated that it was unbeatable for a generation as the protector of the academy, something that could not be defeated even by Immortal Emperors, not everyone deemed this as trustworthy, especially when it had not fought in a very long time. And so, everyone who knew of its existence assumed that its lifespan and blood energy were completely dried up.

However, its attack today against the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom was of an unparalleled magnitude. At this time, everyone felt sweat forming on their bodies and understood that the phrase, “the Heavenly Dao Academy — unshakable for millions of years,” was not just mere empty words!

“It is our turn now!” At the Tiger’s Howl School, although no one could see the battle at the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom, all the experts were astonished when they felt the invincible momentum. It was as if the Realm God was the sole ruler of this world. Many people finally calmed down while Li Qiye slowly looked at the Tiger’s Howl Ancestor and spoke.

In a state of panic, the Tiger’s Howl Ancestor initially thought that this battle was already won with the Brilliance Divine Beast Protector’s dao clone personally arriving with four emperor weapons. They not only wanted to catch Li Qiye, but also all of the seven Ancient Ancestors if they decided to help Li Qiye.

However, in contrast to their expectations, only Li Qiye came; none of the seven Ancient Ancestors showed up. And the worst part was that the Realm God came into being and swept through the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom! Now, the dao clone of the beast didn’t even have the chance to attack before it disappeared. One could only imagine how terrifying this battle was if the true body of the divine beast protector became gravely wounded right from the start.

The guaranteed victory had been completely reversed, causing the Tiger's Howl Ancestor to become pale. However, in the end, he was still a Virtuous Paragon capable of calling for the wind and summoning rain; he took a deep breath and made a decision before speaking in a cold tone: "The victor has yet to be decided!" At this point, his eyes fell onto the four emperor weapons.

The four emperor weapons were meant for the seven Ancient Ancestors so they were part of a sure-kill formation.

"You plan to control four emperor weapons with your withered blood energy?" Looking at the four emperor weapons, Li Qiye narrowed his eyes and then smilingly spoke: "Fine, I still need four suitable weapons! Make your move!"

At this time, he was fixated on the weapons from the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom. He already had the Black Tortoise Rod, so these other four weapons were a perfect match for it.

"Go!" The Tiger's Howl Ancestor suddenly disappeared from the horizon and emerged at the top of a peak. This was the focal point of the sure-kill formation. At this time, all of his blood energy gathered into this place to activate the four emperor weapons as they exuded an endless amount of emperor power!

"Ommm—" A buzzing sound resonated. The ancestor wanted to use this formation to kill Li Qiye, but the four weapons suddenly quivered and tore apart the void!

"Not good!" With an unexpected look on his face, Li Qiye wanted to take action, but he was too late. In a split second, the four emperor weapons tore apart the void and suddenly disappeared.

"Boom!" At this time, the sky at the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom became damaged to the point where a black hole was formed. At this moment, the immortal hymns of Immortal Emperors preaching the dao resounded in the air.

"So fast! I didn't think the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom would have to utilize their true strength in such a short period of time!" Li Qiye suddenly felt regret. He didn't think the kingdom had to use all of their might; they even summoned back their four emperor weapons at the Tiger's Howl School!

"If I had known this, I would have taken action earlier!" Li Qiye knew that he should have unleashed his secret move earlier and seized the four emperor weapons before doing anything else. Now, it was all too late; the succulent duck before his mouth had flown away!

At this moment, many in the Eastern Hundred Cities were alarmed. They didn't think that the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom would be on the verge of faltering due to the attack of the Realm God. They actually had to use their hidden strength after such a brief moment!

The Tiger's Howl Ancestor's face was now deathly pale. His biggest sure-kill method was suddenly gone. It was as if the heaven and earth no longer answered his prayers.

"Let us end this battle. This is your last chance to use whatever means you have. Otherwise, I shall refine this earth." Li Qiye was in a bad mood after the four emperor weapons flew away. He no longer wanted to waste time and wished to end this battle so that he could run to the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom and steal their creations.

With a livid look, the ancestor finally ground his teeth and harshly spoke after stomping on the ground: "Little Animal, we shall die together! Open the ominous graves!"

As his words fell, all of his remaining Longevity Blood spewed out onto the four ominous graves at the depths of the Tiger's Howl ancestral ground. In an instant, the four graves became quite demonic.

"Rumble!" At this time, the entire school shook as if everything was affected by this sudden development.

A burst of grave-opening sounds rang loudly as an underworldly energy suddenly filled the sky, turning the school itself into hell.

The four ominous graves were finally opened with rumbling explosions appearing everywhere. Four monstrous images came out from the graves like four gods of death!

A towering gloom and ghastly aura surged throughout the school with the four great images standing above it as if they wanted to turn this place into a land of death.

"The legendary ominous graves of the four images!" Many people right outside of the school suddenly shivered since these images were extremely daunting.

The White Tiger, the Azure Dragon, the Vermillion Bird, and the Black Tortoise — these huge shadows stood there like four mythical beasts. Their empty eyes caused others to feel the creeps.

"These are extremely legendary existences that were refined into the ancestral foundation of the school by its Progenitor, the Tiger God!"

### **Chapter 373: Four Ominous Images**

"Slay!" The Tiger's Howl Ancestor uttered a loud cry as all of his blood energy was consumed by the four ominous graves. Regardless of the outcome of this battle, his death was assured. Even if Li Qiye didn't kill him, he was doomed to die of old age.

"Rumble!" The four great images came pressing forward with an endless amount of dark energy.

"Bang!" Li Qiye met this attack with the emperor weapons, but he was still blown away. Nevertheless, he roared as the sky became bright due to his hovering grand dao. At this time, Li Qiye revealed all of his strongest techniques: Thousand Hands Against the Nine Worlds, Daylight Immortal Secret, and Nine Sun Locking Heaven Law.

With the hands lifting up three thousand minor worlds, their combined power aggregated on the two emperor weapons. The Heaven's Will Secret Law descended like a heavenly path with all of the forces in the world focused on Li Qiye's body. The nine suns began to rise as an endless amount of refined flames became the most powerful catalyst for the two emperor weapons...

"Boom!" After a loud blast, the two emperor weapons in Li Qiye's hands exuded an immemorial emperor power to stop the suppression from the four great images.

However, like before, Li Qiye was still unable to withstand this force. At this time, the grand dao shattered as the earth beneath his feet fractured. Rivers and ancient pavilions all fell apart as the

universal laws under the Tiger's Howl School could no longer protect this area. Thick strands of laws began to burst.

In a short period of time, miserable screams emanated throughout the school. Many disciples brought along the young and old to escape from this place that was facing its impending doom.

"Poof! Poof! Poof!" At the worst possible time, a problem appeared on Li Qiye's body. His True Fate appeared to be affected by the four images as an evil aura emerged and spewed out countless flames. These evil flames towered over Li Qiye like a tide and turned into a terrifying vortex that wanted to engulf him!

"Fate Calamity!" Seeing this evil ocean-like vortex appearing above his head, even the group of Li Shuangyan was shocked. His Fate Calamity picked the worst time to appear.

"Not good, Li Qiye's Fate Calamity appeared!" Many people outside of the Tiger's Howl School were astonished when they saw this torrential vortex.

"Even the heavens wish to destroy you!" The Tiger's Howl Ancestor let out a crazed laughter and ordered the remaining elders and protectors: "Use all of our refined jades and open all the ancestral foundations. Today, if our enemies do not die, then we shall perish!"

A loud sound exploded after his command. The light of refined jades came forth from the deepest part of the school, followed by the surging evil aura of the four ominous graves as if the entrance to hell had been opened. This dark energy was immediately devoured by the four giant images. They became much stronger as they came down on Li Qiye. Li Qiye spewed out spurts of blood while retreating. Each of his steps carried a force so great that it shattered mountains and peaks.

At this time, the school let go of all caution and unleashed all of their ancestral foundations. In a short amount of time, the earth shattered and only the elders and protectors remained. All of the weak disciples carried the old and young to the outside!

"Om—!" An even more terrifying thing happened after a buzzing sound. An extremely huge evil gate opened in the horizon with billowing dark energy like a raging ocean. It was as if this gate wanted to turn this location into a land of evil.

"The Fate Calamity's tribulation is here!" Countless people outside of the school looked up to see the evil gate opening its doors in the sky, creating many ominous phenomena. All of the spectators were stricken with horror.

"This heart demon is so powerful. Only a six palace Royal Noble would have such a powerful Fate Calamity." Some in the distance were startled while others were gloating at Li Qiye's misfortune.

"Hahaha, Little Animal, the heavens surely shall end you!" After seeing so many evil images descending from the sky, the Tiger's Howl Ancestor wildly laughed.

"Time to end this. Take a look at my trump card!" Li Qiye was not afraid and laughed contrary to expectations. With a boom, his six palaces turned into an endless domain that was filled with primordial energy.

"Boom!" The tiger vein of the Tiger's Howl School was torn apart as the earth itself cracked.



Inside Li Qiye's absolute domain was a huge lake filled with worldly essence; the Terra's Root was growing inside this lake.

An incredible thing happened at this time. The endless worldly energy from the crack in the tiger vein suddenly spewed out a huge pillar that was crazily absorbed by Li Qiye's domain!

"No!" The Tiger's Howl Ancestor bellowed and didn't dare to believe his eyes. This was an impossible matter since even he couldn't control the worldly essence from the White Tiger Vein. Even their Progenitor, the Tiger God, could barely control it. Yet, at this moment, its worldly essence was suddenly devoured by Li Qiye. He was completely reluctant to believe such a thing was happening!

"How is this possible!?" Even the spectators outside were stunned at Li Qiye's domain suddenly swallowing the worldly essence of the White Tiger Vein. One shouldn't be able to control this grand vein, let alone swallow its energy.

However, no one knew that the Terra's Root of this place had already been refined by Li Qiye and was now firmly planted in his domain. With its help, devouring the energy of this entire White Tiger Vein was a trivial matter.

"Bang!" After he finished the devouring process, his absolute domain suddenly turned into his third eye, immediately bringing forth the hottest and brightest radiance. At this time, his absolute domain seemed to be the origin of the grand dao as it burst with its power; this was the strongest orderly dao that could crush all things!

Before the countless evil images that were being released from the evil sea above Li Qiye's head could descend to the ground, they were all rendered into ashes before this invincible and destructive blow from the brightest radiance.

"I was waiting for this moment!" Li Qiye, in the most elegant manner, destroyed his Fate Calamity — easy and absolutely perfect.

All of this happened in the mere blink of an eye. From devouring the worldly essence of the tiger vein and using one blow to destroy the Fate Calamity's Tribulation, barely any time had elapsed.

Everyone stared with their mouths wide open since they had never seen such a shocking scene before. One blow to surpass the Fate Calamity and completely destroy it!

"It is over!" Li Qiye's expression darkened. With the Immortal's Blood Spear in his hand, he threw it down. This was a strike to punish the gods and devils! A spear that sent fear into the hearts of myriad worlds! Something that was capable of causing the downfall of gods and warranting retreat from Immortal Emperors! When this spear was thrown, it left an indelible mark in the horizon!

In a great battle, tearing apart the sky was a common thing. Even if the sky was split, it would easily recover since very few people could destroy the fabric of time and space forever. However, this spear left behind an everlasting mark that was unlikely to go away for a very long time!

Regardless of whether they were outside the Tiger's Howl School or simply within the Eastern Hundred Cities, countless people were forced to prostrate on the ground. At this moment, many ancestors from the great powers lost their minds from fear.

“Someone is unleashing an Imperial Massacre or a Heavenly Annihilation!?” An old ancestor let out a loud scream.

An Imperial Massacre was the ultimate blow of an Immortal Emperor Life Treasure. Outside of Immortal Emperors, very few descendants could unleash such an attack. A Heavenly Annihilation, on the other hand, was the ultimate attack of an Immortal Emperor True Treasure!

These attacks were just like their names: the massacre committed by Immortal Emperors or the annihilation carried out by the high heavens! These were the most terrifying attacks this world would face, and even Virtuous Paragons would lose their colors when they heard about them!

“No!” In the end, the Tiger’s Howl Ancestor let out an indignant scream. With a loud explosion, the ancestral ground of the school was suddenly wiped out, leaving only a bottomless black crater!

At this time, Li Qiye carried the Immortal’s Blood Spear with a frightening murderous intent that filled the entire horizon. Even the old undyings that hid in the darkness to watch the fight felt their legs give out. As for existences like the Lion’s Roar Heavenly King, they lay flat on the floor after being completely horrified.

Some of the stunned spectators had their mouths open so wide that one could fit an egg inside. Some would find that their jaws became dislocated from this shock!

Under this one spear, the ancestral ground of the school became ashes. This place that once resembled a giant tiger had fragmented as countless mountains and rivers collapsed while the main area became a horrifying crater.

“What a shame.” Li Qiye put away the Immortal’s Blood Spear and murmured: “One step too late from seizing the Immortal Emperor True Treasure!”

He borrowed the spear from Zi Cuining in order to suppress the true treasure, but he took action way too late!

“We’re going!” In the end, while the group of Li Shuangyan was still in a daze, Li Qiye commanded. They all woke up immediately and followed him right away.

### **Chapter 374: Intimidating The Eastern Hundred Cities**

Sikong Toutian and the Lion’s Roar Heavenly King would have nightmares from this event. This was too domineering; they had never seen a Fate Calamity get destroyed in one blow without even having the chance to fight back! Under this one spear, the Tiger’s Howl Ancestor, four ominous graves, and even the school’s ancestral ground became nothing in an instant.

“An Imperial Massacre! No, it had to be a Heavenly Annihilation!” A long time after Li Qiye’s group left, the people who were in a daze finally calmed down and exclaimed in shock.

“Heavenly Annihilation — the ultimate attack in this world!” Many looked at the ancestral ground that was now a dark crater, then they looked at the unerasable remnant in the sky. They felt their entire bodies become slowly drenched in cold sweat.

Even the spectating ancestors from the great powers were shivering since even they would die under such a blow!

However, they didn't know that it was not a Heavenly Annihilation nor an Imperial Massacre. Li Qiye's Immortal's Blood Spear was neither a Life treasure nor True Treasure! It was just that this spear had once tasted the blood of an Immortal Emperor as it pierced through his throat!

Li Qiye took the group of Li Shuangyan on a journey to the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom. He was not willing to accept the escape of the Evil Subduing Rod; he wanted to seize it as the Realm God was attacking the ancient kingdom.

However, before he could reach it, a thunderous message spread across the Eastern Hundred Cities that left everyone aghast. "The Brilliance Divine Beast Protector has been slain by the Realm God! The ancient kingdom has surrendered!"

The Brilliance Ancient Kingdom — one sect with two emperors. This unshakable monster within the Eastern Hundred Cities had to surrender before the murderous might of the Realm God!

"The Realm God has shown mercy to the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom. The kingdom will pay ten times the losses the academy suffered last year and will declare a state of containment. They will never come into being again!" While everyone was still dumbfounded from shock due to the first piece of news, the second piece of news that was even more shocking arrived.

Everyone became paralyzed for a long time; an Ancient Kingdom had been defeated!

"The Realm God is too fast!" Li Qiye heard the news before they arrived and couldn't help but smile awkwardly. Since the Realm God forgave the ancient kingdom, there was no chance for him to get the Evil Subduing Rod.

"The Realm God is too merciful." Even the Lion's Roar Heavenly King couldn't help but say.

Sikong Toutian shook his head in response: "The Heavenly Dao Academy had always been like this. Also, destroying the Brilliance emperor foundation must not be so easy. It was very likely that the Realm God didn't want to leave the academy for so long, so it spared the ancient kingdom."

"Damn! Let us go, I have lost an Immortal Emperor True Treasure!" Li Qiye was quite annoyed and regretted delaying his first move. If he knew this was going to happen, he would have suppressed the True Treasure first before doing anything else.

The terrifying news regarding the ancient kingdom's defeat and the destruction of the Tiger's Howl School swept through the Eastern Hundred Cities overnight, startling countless people.

"This generation is over for the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom. Even though the merciful Realm God spared the kingdom, its Divine Beast Protector, all of its ancestors, and even the elders and protectors died in the battle! After just one fight, the elites of the kingdom were basically wiped out. Even if they sealed their kingdom for a generation, they would not be able to recover and will be on the decline from now on." An ancestor who witnessed the battle with his own eyes spoke with his back still drenched in cold sweat.

The Realm God's domination could even take down a monstrous existence with two emperors, so what other lineages dared to oppose the academy now?

During the time when people were still trying to cope with this news, on the second day, right outside of the Heavenly Dao Academy, a group of gray-haired old men all prostrated right outside of the academy. These were all famed existences, the ancestors of the great powers that were involved in the alliance that sieged the academy that year!

“The great powers’ ancestors who participated in that battle are kneeling right outside of the academy’s entrance. They’re ready to accept their punishment and are willing to commit suicide to make amends!” This shocking news quickly got out.

Even many students from the academy were unable to remain calm. These gray-haired old men prostrating before their gate were all apex existences that could look down with disdain towards Heavenly Kings. But today, they were all kneeling for forgiveness!

The fate of the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom scared everyone shitless. The great powers who participated in that alliance couldn’t do anything except admit their crimes; their ancestors were willing to kneel down before the academy and pay for all the damage the academy suffered last year. They were even willing to commit suicide as long as the Realm God agreed to spare their sects just like how it spared the ancient kingdom!

The other great powers were not comparable to a duel emperor sect like the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom, so opposing the academy was like throwing an egg at a stone. Ultimately, these ancestors didn’t dare to waste time on thinking. They all ran here overnight to kneel before the academy and beg the Realm God to forgive their sects!

The sheer amount of ancestors kneeling right outside the academy created a scenery that would render spectators speechless.

“This is how a man should be!” After seeing this scene, Chi Xiaodao, who managed to barely escape with his life, felt his blood boil.

Li Qiye smiled and said: “There will come a day when myriad races in the Nine Worlds come to pay tribute to me, and all the gods and devils shall prostrate before me.”

These overbearing words astonished the group of Sikong Toutian. It sounded so arrogant that it was almost to the point of being ignorant, but at this second, it was as if they could envision the scene foretold by Li Qiye!

After this heaven-shaking battle, the entire Eastern Hundred Cities was in a state of panic, especially those great powers who participated in the battle that year. It was as if a calamity was looming over their heads.

The Realm God sweeping over the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom in one night had scared many people witless; if an Immortal Emperor did not come out, there might not be anyone who was capable of fighting the Realm God.

On the third day, after paying a substantial price to earn the Realm God’s forgiveness, many great powers were finally able to breathe a sigh of relief since they were finally able to avert this disaster!

Ever since the Black Dragon King fought against Immortal Emperor Ta Kong, there had not been an event as great as the decline of the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom. Even a dual emperor monster could fall before the might of an invincible existence, so no other great powers were safe.

Compared to the defeat of the ancient kingdom, the destruction of the Tiger's Howl School was not a hot topic. This was not anything strange. Since the school and the ancient kingdom were not even close to the same level, its destruction was not as impressive.

It was not until four or five day later when everyone recovered from the shock of the ancient kingdom's defeat did the destruction of the Tiger's Howl School come into the view of many great powers.

"One wrong move from the Tiger's Howl School costed them everything. They lost the inheritance that was accumulated bit by bit by their past ancestors." After hearing the news, a person lamented with emotion.

Another person added: "The Tiger's Howl School is finished. It is just like what Li Qiye said, there will no longer be a Tiger's Howl School at the Eastern Hundred Cities from now on!"

At that time, Li Qiye had announced that the school's name would be erased from the Eastern Hundred Cities. Countless people then sneered at his overestimation of his own abilities. However, those people were now regretting everything. Why did they feel the need to mouth off Li Qiye in such a manner? What if Li Qiye retaliated? Wouldn't they become the second Tiger's Howl School!?

In the eyes of many, the Tiger's Howl School was finished, but there was still a chance for the Brilliance Ancient Kingdom in the far future. This generation was finished for them since they had to seal themselves, but their emperor foundation still remained. This was not the case for the Tiger's Howl School. It lost its ancestral foundation, and moreover, even its White Tiger Great Vein had been sucked dry of its worldly essence by Li Qiye, so only ruins remained.

Although many disciples managed to escape, the loss of the ancestral foundation and the great vein had completely cut off all hope for the school.

A great power could come back from losing its elites in battle and also endure the loss of weapons and merit laws. After all, any great power could find all of these things in the future and train new personnel.

However, the destruction of the ancestral foundation was irrecoverable. The ancestral foundations of these great powers were all paved by extremely powerful existences. If one was not a Virtuous Paragon, then they would not even be qualified to talk about erecting a kingdom or a sect.

The ancestral foundation of a power was the embodiment of the effort of the past sages. It was the result of their blood and sweat of countless generations.

Fixing a destroyed ancestral foundation was even more difficult than reaching for the heavens.

However, what was even more disastrous was the destruction of the great vein. This was the real cause for despair.

### **Chapter 375: Preparing For The Journey**

Take a step back and look at the overarching situation. Even if a great power's ancestral foundation was destroyed, it would still have the chance to be rebuilt in the future. However, if a great vein was

destroyed, then it would truly be over. Great veins were created by the heaven and earth after millions of years of accumulation.

A destroyed ancestral foundation meant that it could not be recovered for a generation, but a destroyed great vein meant that it could never be rebuilt!

After both were destroyed, even when their young and old managed to escape along with some disciples, there was no chance for them to rebuild the Tiger's Howl School.

Regarding this topic, a sect master emotionally said: "Destroying a sect just like he said... This Li Qiye is really too heaven-defying and devilish. As long as he is alive, all of the other descendants from both the great powers and ancient kingdoms will be completely eclipsed. This isn't the work of a human!"

To single-handedly destroy a great power... Forget about the younger generation, even predecessors at the Heavenly King realm didn't have this kind of power. Even the legendary four ominous graves of the Tiger's Howl School couldn't stop him, so how could people not become horrified?

At this point, whenever the conversation was about Li Qiye, the other geniuses from many lineages turned sour as they could only stay silent.

Back in those days when Li Qiye had just arrived at the Eastern Hundred Cities, many geniuses and descendants paid him no mind. However, after sweeping through everything and destroying the Tiger's Howl School, all of those geniuses who once looked down on him were frightened and found themselves lacking when compared to him.

"With the current situation, I'm afraid even Goddess Mei Suyao and Deity Jikong Wudi have been overshadowed by Li Qiye. With a fierce monster like him, would any other young person have a chance to shine?" A great character from the last generation exasperatedly said.

A prosperous age arrived with the end of the Difficult Dao Era, so many great powers hoped that their disciples could compete for the apex against all the other heroes of this generation. Before this, geniuses like Hu Yue, Ba Xia, Zu Huangwu, and Heavenly Prince Qing Xuan were already running the other young prodigies out of breath.

As for Mei Suyao and Jikong Wudi, these two were at an unreachable height. Like divine mountains, they blocked the path of the entire younger generation.

However, the Li Qiye of today sent countless peers into despair. As long as he remained in the Eastern Hundred Cities, they would only feel fear. Every young cultivator had to retreat before his sight. Since he could destroy a grand sect, who could manage to oppose him?

This storm of a discussion lasted for a long time; some were happy and some were sad regarding such a great event.

When many were bustling and busy with small talk, Li Qiye had returned to the Heavenly Dao Academy. However, before his return, he summoned the Lion's Roar Heavenly King.

The Heavenly King was a famous character even amongst the previous generation's experts. But today, he didn't dare to put on a show before Li Qiye.

Li Qiye took out the ancient box that Lion Monarch Ba Xia gave him. This box was meant for the Heavenly King. After opening the box, he was completely taken aback.

“This... This is my ancestor’s Immortal Physique Law! How is this possible?” The Lion’s Roar Heavenly King stuttered in astonishment: “E-even my clan did not have this!”

Chi Xiaodao, Chi Xiaodie, and their father — who were beside him — were also shocked. An Immortal Physique Law was something that even Immortal Emperor lineages coveted.

The Heavenly King stared at Li Qiye in disbelief, since this item that was not even in their clan’s possession was in his hands.

In their clan, there was a rumor that the lost Immortal Physique Law was taken away by their ancestor. In exchange, their ancestor left behind a copy, but later on, even the copy was lost. From that point on, their clan no longer had an Immortal Physique Law.

“It is nothing.” Li Qiye nonchalantly said: “I have met your ancestor back at the Heavenly Corpse Burial Ground and sowed a karmic fruit with him. I promised him to let his descendants reap the benefits of the fruit, so I am here to give you back your ancestor’s belonging.”

“The Heavenly Corpse Burial Ground!” The Heavenly King was too dumbfounded to speak. After a while, he managed to calm down. He took a deep breath before speaking: “So our ancestor truly is staying at the burial ground! I have also tried to go there, but unfortunately, I couldn’t go in very deep!”

The Heavenly King had heard of their ancestor being buried at the heavenly ground. After their Immortal Physique Law was lost, he wanted to go inside to find their ancestor, but what kind of place was the burial ground? Even a Heavenly King would find it difficult to enter the burial ground, let alone reach the legendary dragon vein where the ancestor was buried.

So even though he tried to explore the location, it was an unsuccessful endeavor. In the end, he couldn’t do anything and had to give up, so he shifted his gaze towards the Heavenly Dao Academy.

After a long struggle, he managed to calm down and bowed to Li Qiye: “Your kindness to our Lion’s Roar Gate cannot be described with mere words. From now on, if you ever find yourself in need of our assistance, we shall do our best without any hesitation no matter how arduous the task may be!”

The excitement in the Heavenly King’s mind was unspeakable. This was an item craved by all, yet Li Qiye gave it to him so easily!

For him, this was too important. He was missing the complete version of his ancestor’s law, so Li Qiye giving this back was akin to giving him coal during the cold, wintry days!

One has to keep in mind that the Heavenly King was a natural born Saint Physique, so his aptitude was very high. However, despite his great circumstances, he spent his whole life to barely reach the minor completion of his Immortal Physique, and this was with the help of the hall masters of the academy that found an Immortal Physique Law of his ancestor.

Today, Li Qiye bringing back their ancestor’s Immortal Physique Law was of great significance to both the Heavenly King and his sect.

Regarding the Heavenly King's pledge of allegiance, Li Qiye only smiled and didn't say anything else. He then immediately left with the group of Li Shuangyan.

Before his departure, the Heavenly King spoke privately to Chi Xiaodie. In his opinion, his granddaughter's future was boundless if she followed Li Qiye, so that was his hope.

Li Qiye went back to the Heavenly Dao Academy where all the geniuses from both the Zenith Era Hall and Sacred Era Hall lost their colors before him. Especially those who were antagonistic towards him in the past, they quickly took the scenic route whenever they caught a glimpse of him. How could they mess with someone who easily destroyed the Tiger's Howl School? Wouldn't that be courting death?

As for the disciples of the Grand Era Hall, its students were ecstatic to hear of his return and they even put on a very warm welcoming ceremony. There were so many enthusiastic sisters that it became a bit unbearable for Li Qiye, so he left this trifling matter to Chi Xiaodie. He was too lazy to show himself afterward.

He no longer intended to stay here any longer; instead, he planned to go to the Sacred Nether World!

After appointing a time with the Realm God, Li Qiye prepared to leave. But before the decided time, Li Qiye spoke to Li Shuangyan and Chen Baojiao: "The two of you should go back. I will come back after dealing with my business at the Sacred Nether World."

"How about we go with you to the Sacred Nether World?" Chen Baojiao didn't dare to ask, but Li Shuangyan wanted to tag along.

Li Qiye smiled and shook his head to say: "Under normal circumstances, I would surely take you two along, but right now, it is not possible. The world path connecting the nine worlds had been destroyed, so the spatial wall is very hard to crack. Although the Realm God has the power to open the spatial wall, it is still very dangerous. Having more people go would only add to the Realm God's burden. And what's even more crucial is that my destination is a bit problematic, so you guys following me will only add to the mess. Next time, I will take you guys along to the other worlds."

Relative to others, Li Qiye favored and thought highly of Chen Baojiao and Li Shuangyan.

The two indeed wanted to go to the Sacred Nether World to broaden their horizons, but after hearing what Li Qiye said, they had to give up on this thought. In the end, nothing was more important to them than Li Qiye's safety.

Eventually, Li Qiye took out the Black Tortoise Rod and the Imperial Violet Hammer. He wanted to let the two take them back to the Cleansing Incense Ancient Sect, so he reminded them: "Try your best not to use these items unless there is no other choice. Let them be the secret treasures of the sect."

Immortal Emperor Life Treasures were definitely things that could incite the greedy hearts of others; any sect would desire this kind of powerful item. Not to mention that his weapons were also taken by force, thus giving others a justifiable reason to steal them. Li Qiye hoped for the Cleansing Incense Ancient Sect to use them carefully in order to avoid trouble in the future.

"What about you?" Li Shuangyan and Chen Baojiao were startled by this, and Chen Baojiao had to ask. Regardless of who it was, having two emperor weapons as protection was better than anything else.



Li Qiye couldn't help but reveal a smile to say: "Your Young Noble has many protective treasures. These are only Life Treasures — not anything, really. Next time, I will seize a few Immortal Emperor True Treasures."

Chen Baojiao couldn't help but chuckle upon hearing this, and Li Shuangyan also smiled. To others, emperor weapons were something that they could only come upon with luck and fate, but their Young Noble made it sound as if they were easily obtainable.

### **Chapter 376: Past Grievances**

Before leaving for the Sacred Nether World, Li Qiye returned the Immortal's Blood Spear to Zi Cuining. She then asked after accepting the spear: "I have to go back to the Heaven Protector City, do you have anything that you want me to do?"

Li Qiye gave her a look and smiled: "Even if I have something for you to do, I'm afraid you wouldn't believe me. Forget it, I'll personally visit your Heaven Protector City later."

In fact, he would have gone to the Heaven Protector City sooner or later anyway. However, he was not in a rush at the moment. Although he didn't mind starting a massacre at the Heaven Protector City, out of love for the Black Dragon King, he didn't hope that it would escalate to such a state.

"Tell me. If I am capable, then I will surely lend you a hand!" Zi Cuining pondered for a moment before speaking.

Li Qiye was all smiles as he said: "If you really want my advice, then I'll give you one: keep an eye out for Gu Zun."

Zi Cuining's mind trembled after she heard Li Qiye's words. Keep in mind that Gu Zun was an elder of their Heaven Protector City, the one who was truly in power. One could even describe him as their high ancestor.

And now, an outsider wants her, the descendant, to watch out for her own ancestor! If it was anyone else, they would surely think that Li Qiye was crazy.

"See, you do not believe me at all." Li Qiye waved his hand and smiled: "Just let it be up to fate. Do whatever you want as long as you maintain a hint of caution."

Zi Cuining became silent for a moment. However, she wasn't able to hold back her question: "Do you have some sort of grievance with our Ancestor Gu?"

"Grievance?" Li Qiye squinted his eyes and gently shook his head as he smiled: "Frankly, your Gu Zun is still not worthy of having a feud with me!"

If it wasn't because of the Black Dragon King's plea, Li Qiye would have already killed Gu Zun in a past era instead of letting him do as he pleased at the Heaven Protector City.

However, he chose not to bring this up.

Zi Cuining's gaze became serious. Any other listener would think that Li Qiye's tone was too boastful because Gu Zun of the Heaven Protector City was one of the strongest existences. Perhaps, he was only a little bit weaker than the Realm God!

She became quite perplexed because their Ancestor Gu had not come into being for a very long time. Logically speaking, he should have never met Li Qiye, so there should not have been a chance for grievances to form between the two of them. However, Li Qiye was clearly antagonistic towards him.

“All right, Little Girl, I know you have a lot of questions on your mind, but I cannot reveal many things to you. In short, you came from the Little Sea Village, so you will not be on the same side as Old Man Gu Zun. Regarding this, you can go talk to the old men in the village.”

“As for Gu Zun ah... If you really want to know, then I can tell you one thing.” Li Qiye greatly valued Zi Cuining, so he revealed one thing to her: “Your Heaven Protector City has a certain treasury, a real treasure trove that is vastly superior to your city’s treasury!”

“A treasury...” Zi Cuining was stunned for a moment with a shocked expression! She was then reminded of a few things that were not talked about back at the city. Its disciples did not know about this, and she only sometimes heard a few ancestors talk about it in secrecy, so she didn’t know the exact details regarding this particular treasury.

Now, Li Qiye raised this issue that was unbeknown to her, the official descendant of the city, as if he knew everything.

“It seems that you don’t know about this matter!” Li Qiye said with a smile: “It does not belong to your Heaven Protector City, but Gu Zun had coveted it for a very long time!”

This was Li Qiye’s treasury! But of course, he could not say these words.

“What kind of treasury is it?” Zi Cuining took a deep breath and asked after failing to hold onto her curiosity.

“Well, how should I say this...” Li Qiye smiled and leisurely said: “If Immortal Emperors knew about this treasury, they would start to salivate uncontrollably. There are things in there that even they do not possess!”

Zi Cuining couldn’t help but become astounded. A treasury coveted even by Immortal Emperors! Just what kind of treasury was this?

“Gu Zun had been after this treasury for a very long time, but unfortunately for him, he would not be able to open it even if he had ten generations of time.” Li Qiye shook his head and said: “Your so-called ancestor is only an ungrateful wretch. Too much time has passed, and your city’s ancestors have nearly all passed away. That year, if it wasn’t for the intercession of your Patriarch, the Black Dragon King, an ingrate like Gu Zun would have been thrown into the Blue Abyss a long time ago!”

“You are besmirching our ancestor’s name!” Zi Cuining could no longer bear it and had to protest. In the end, she was still the Heaven Protector descendant.

Li Qiye gently shook his head and replied with a smile: “It is fine if you don’t believe me. If there is still an old man from the same generation as Gu Zun, you can go back and ask about it to see whether or not Gu Zun was nearly thrown into the Blue Abyss that year. If it wasn’t for your Black Dragon King... Hah! Even if he had ten more lives, it still wouldn’t be enough!”

The stunned Zi Cuining had to think about this for a moment. When their Patriarch, the Black Dragon King, was still of this world, their city's prestige towered over the Nine Worlds. Who would dare to oppose them? Who would actually dare to capture their Ancestor Gu and attempt to throw him into the Blue Abyss only to have their Patriarch intervene?

A very long time ago, Li Qiye wanted to kill Gu Zun. However, the Black Dragon King had promised a certain somebody to take care of her descendants. During that era, Li Qiye ordered his followers to capture Gu Zun and throw him into the Blue Abyss, but he was let go on account of the Black Dragon King.

Zi Cuining was in a daze since she had never heard of this tale before. She couldn't even imagine it. Who would dare to capture Ancestor Zu while their Patriarch was still alive?

This was definitely a tale that could pierce the heavens, but there were no rumors about it at the Heaven Protector City. Zi Cuining became quite curious about what type of person was it that warranted their Patriarch's personal plea!?

"No need to think too much, just do a good job at cultivating. The matter of Old Man Gu cannot be inquired with your current cultivation!" Li Qiye shook his head and continued on: "Wait until you are powerful enough to be in charge of the Heaven Protector City. Then, I will let you know. Right now, all you need to do is cultivate well. Do not disappoint me."

After hearing this, Zi Cuining paused for a moment, especially because of the implications of his last sentence.

Zi Cuining didn't understand why Li Qiye knew so much about their Heaven Protector City at all, but she felt that there was a great relationship between Li Qiye and the city. It was just that she was not privy to the exact details.

After meeting Li Qiye, she felt that there were many secrets behind the city that she did not know.

Sometimes, she even suspected that the reason behind her becoming the descendant of the city was not so simple. A long time ago, an ancestor once told her that she had unparalleled talents and was chosen as the new descendant by the other elders. Later on, there was another rumor saying that she was the heir chosen by the Patriarch many generations ago.

To this day, she herself was in doubt about whether becoming the descendant was due to her own talents, or if it was due to the Black Dragon King choosing her since she came from the Little Sea Village.

She had absolute confidence in her talents, but after experiencing a few things, she felt that the selection for her to become the successor was more than what it appeared to be on the surface.

Especially after meeting Li Qiye, she became suspicious of both of these possibilities. Perhaps it was not the Black Dragon King's choice, and perhaps it wasn't even because of her unparalleled talents. It could be an unknown reason that stemmed from behind the scenes.

"All right, Little Girl, don't think too much!" Seeing her in a daze, Li Qiye shook his head and said with a smile: "There are certain things that you would be better off not knowing right now. The only thing you need to do is to train in peace!"

Zi Cuining finally took a deep breath and said: "Very well, I will wait for you to come to my Heaven Protector City in the future!"

Li Qiye smiled and said: "I certainly must go to the Heaven Protector City, but you shouldn't look forward to it too much. My trip to the city will not necessarily be a good thing. If it does not bode well, then rivers will run with blood!"

With a shaken heart, Zi Cuining quietly left. She immediately departed from the academy on that very day to run back to the Heaven Protector City.

After she left, Li Qiye couldn't help but sigh softly.

Before Li Qiye's trip to the Sacred Nether World could begin, Old Daoist Peng came to see him. Of course, he didn't come to see Li Qiye off.

"Hehe, I heard from the Realm God that Young Noble Li wants to go to the Sacred Nether World!" The old daoist said with a grin.

Li Qiye gave him a look and said: "If you have something to say, then say it. Don't walk in circles with me!" [1. Raw is if you have something to say, then say it; if you have gas, then let it out.]

The old daoist let out an awkward laugh and replied: "Heh, I heard that the Sacred Nether World's Islet Ghost Eyes is a delicacy known throughout the Nine Worlds. This old daoist wants to have a taste, and since Young Noble Li is going to the Sacred Nether World, do you mind taking me along?"

Li Qiye glared at him and said: "You should be asking the Realm God, not me. So? Did it refuse you?"

The old daoist was very embarrassed and tried to hide it with a smile. Li Qiye shook his head and said: "Forget it, this is an impossible matter. My destination is a bit problematic, and the Realm God cannot guarantee an accurate landing. Not to mention, rather than bringing an old man like you to the Sacred Nether World, I would rather bring a beauty as my companion. At least she would be more pleasing to the eyes than you."

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## **Chapter 377: Departure**

Li Qiye's words left the old daoist with a sad face. Then, Li Qiye looked at him and continued on: "It might seem that you are firm, but your heart has been wavering. If you continue on like this, when will you ever finish cultivating the Eternal Physique?"

The old face of the daoist became hot as he forced a wry smile: "Hehehe, it is only a little trip to the outside. Cultivating day after day is very boring. Taking in some fresh air will help my cultivation."

"If that is the case, then you should take a trip to the Grand Middle Territory." Li Qiye became serious and said: "There are a few secret realms in that region. I can tell you some of the locations, so you can try to find some supreme delicacies. And since you will already be in the region, you can just stay at the Cleansing Incense Ancient Sect for around ten years as a guest elder. It would not be a bad choice."

"Hah, you want to drag me into a pit of fire!" Old Daoist Peng was not willing to do so and replied: "This would be a laborious trip..." The old daoist was as cunning as a devil.

Li Qiye glanced at him and leisurely said with a smile: "If you don't want to go, then I won't force you. However, I think there really are ruins from the Legendary Era that had not been visited by anyone for a long long time. The divine carp in that sacred lake might have become a god... Buzhou Mountain's Snapper... This must be the most delicious thing in this world, something that only belongs in the land of fairies..." [1. Buzhou Mountain is a mythical mountain.]

Li Qiye then swayed his head around as if he was imagining this unique and extremely delicious fish.

"Buzhou Mountain's Snapper..." After hearing these words, the old daoist couldn't help but swallow his saliva several times before asking: "Where are these ruins located?"

"Oh?" Li Qiye stretched his words a lot and said: "Such a good location... I could only let the guest elders of my sect know. How could I possibly tell an outsider about it?"

"Hehehe, I will go discuss it with my little brothers. If they give me permission, then I will go to the Grand Middle Territory!" The old daoist quickly rubbed his hands together and eagerly spoke.

Li Qiye laughed and told him the location of several places. After listening, the old daoist crazily gulped several times as if the delicacies were right before his eyes. He then loudly exclaimed before disappearing like a bolt of lightning: "I will go and discuss it with my little brothers!"

Li Qiye couldn't help but smile as he watched the speeding figure of the old daoist. If the Cleansing Incense Ancient Sect had an expert like the old daoist as a guest, then it would become even more powerful!

Before leaving, Li Qiye went to see Chi Xiaodie and said: "Return to the Lion's Roar Gate. And if you want to stay at the academy, then just stay for one to two more years. Staying any longer would be unnecessary."

Chi Xiaodie looked at him with rampant and indescribable emotions. She wanted to say something, but the words wouldn't come out. In the end, she could only put on a dejected look.

"Silly girl." Li Qiye gently stroked her hair and said: "I will one day come back to the Eastern Hundred Cities. Of course, the Cleansing Incense Ancient Sect will always welcome you as well."

She finally relaxed with a smile after hearing this, but she still didn't say anything in the end.

The day of the trip had finally arrived, and Li Qiye was well prepared. He immediately went to the Realm God's dwelling with Li Shuangyan and the other girls sending him off; Old Daoist Peng tagged along as well.

As they passed by the Elegant Peak, Li Qiye couldn't help but look at it from the distance. Being aware of this, the old daoist quietly whispered: "Do you want to say goodbye to the Matriarch?"

Li Qiye shook his head while gazing at the peak and replied: "No need, there will be another meeting eventually!" Having said that, he withdrew his gaze and left!

In the depths of the Heavenly Dao Academy, there was an ancient pine tree as majestic as a dragon. This was the first time Li Shuangyan and the others saw the Realm God. After realizing that the Realm God was only a pine tree, they couldn't help but become astonished. An invincible existence was a mere pine tree, how could anyone believe this?

"Are you ready?" The Realm God's old voice appeared.

Li Qiye took in a deep breath and said: "I'm ready, take me to that place!"

"I want to check the spatial walls. I'm not quite sure if I can take you to your desired location, but regardless of whether the spatial turbulence will happen or not, I can still take you to the Sacred Nether World." The Realm God said.

Li Qiye solemnly nodded and said: "This is not an issue. Even if it is another location, I have other means of entering."

"Begin!" The Realm God didn't say anything else as a branch slowly reached forward. This branch had the thickness of a thumb, but its bark was like the scales of dragons; it was seemingly very tough like the spear of a god. Li Qiye waved goodbye to the group of Li Shuangyan, then he jumped on top of this branch and said with a serious tone: "Take me there!"

"Go!" The Realm God lightly shouted as the pine branch raised Li Qiye and then disappeared in the horizon in just a mere second. This pine branch from the depths of the academy stretched all the way to the firmament.

The pine branch used an unimaginable speed to take Li Qiye, who was standing on top of it, all the way out to space as it headed towards a certain location. Its speed was comparable to traveling via dao portals.

Before the branch of the Realm God, even the void and stars were quickly retreating from its path.

"The Sacred Nether World has an ominous land. Maybe that devilish thing will come into being in this generation." During the trip, the Realm God's voice rang by Li Qiye's ear.

Li Qiye laughed and said: "Speaking of ominous lands, they are all over the Nine Worlds. They are only things of the ancient past; even the Mortal Emperor World has such a place, but it is simply in a dormant state."

"Right." The Realm God agreed with some careful thought.

“As for that devilish thing at the Sacred Nether World... I really hope that this thing will crawl out from that ghastly place. Hah, that thing has been hiding for so long that a few mysteries of the Sacred Nether World have something to do with it. As long as it climbs out, then there would be a chance to learn the answers about all of them.” Li Qiye said with a serious expression.

The Realm God did not respond to Li Qiye. This issue had something to do with a big secret of this world; it even involved an old divination from previous generations!

In the blink of an eye, the Realm God finally took Li Qiye to a certain place in space. Those who had never seen this scene before would surely be shocked.

In the depths of the endless space, a towering ancient city could be seen. However, there were no inhabitants and no sign of life as if it had been deserted for a long time.

“Stargate ah, something capable of reaching all the other worlds. Not long from now, this place will become very prosperous; a place where all the major heritages will stay together.” Li Qiye said with emotion after seeing this abandoned ancient city.

“Back then, during that day when the Black Dragon King fought against Immortal Emperor Ta Kong, they didn’t dare to stay in the Nine Worlds and had to enter space, the battlefield of the Legendary Era, but they still destroyed everything.” The Realm God continued on: “The Black Dragon King tore apart the Heaven’s Will and eventually broke the channels that connected the Nine Worlds, so the spatial walls became sealed. From that day on, the Nine Worlds were separated and cultivators could no longer travel from one world to another. Even people capable of opening the divine investiture list could not do it carelessly.” [2. The divine investiture list is just another phrase used to describe high Virtuous Paragons.]

Over thirty thousand years ago, the Nine Worlds were connected. As long as one had enough refined jades or was powerful enough, they could use stargates. Each world had a stargate capable of traveling to another world as long as one could pay the fee.

Unfortunately, the fight between the two great ones destroyed the paths to the Nine Worlds, so the connections were completely severed.

In fact, within the last thirty thousand years, many people tried to open the path to the other worlds. Unfortunately, since the spatial walls were closed, it was impossibly difficult.

Even if one could open a channel, the path itself would be extremely unstable. Even Virtuous Paragons would not recklessly attempt to use such a channel since the collapse of the path would result in unimaginable consequences. Even death was not out of the question.

When the Realm God took Li Qiye into space, many people were alarmed when they saw a pine branch stretching out into the sky.

“What is the Realm God doing?” After the Realm God’s heaven-shaking battle, at this moment, even a whiff of the wind from the academy would garner the focus of all others. So this sudden move from the Realm God instantly startled many old undyings within the Eastern Hundred Cities. In a short period of time, many looked up towards the horizon while the more powerful cultivators opened their heavenly gazes to look all the way out into space.

These ancestors saw a branch of the Realm God carrying Li Qiye into space, and they all became quite surprised. A heavenly gaze of an ancestor noticed their destination and murmured: "That is the place with the stargate!"

Many ancestors and legendary masters were touched by this scene. Ever since the paths that connected the Nine Worlds were destroyed, all of the lineages in this world deserted the stargate, so it became an empty city in the last thirty thousand years.

Very few people traveled to the stargate in recent years, since traveling in space necessitated a great flying treasure with a powerful master at the helm.

In the present times, there was no point in going to the stargate, so no masters were willing to waste their time doing such a thing.

Today, the Realm God suddenly carrying Li Qiye to the stargate shocked many people. An ancestor from a great sect took a deep breath and muttered: "Is this Li Qiye trying to go to another world!?"

Many shivered as they came up with such a thought. Li Qiye, at the Mortal Emperor World, was able to do as he pleased. Why did he suddenly want to go to another world?

"So bold! He wants to go to another world in the present times. He has to forcefully open the spatial wall; it is hard to imagine the consequences of failure." Even a legendary master felt a chill in his heart.

[spoiler title='377 Teaser']Li Qiye's words left the old daoist with a sad face. Then, Li Qiye looked at him and continued on: "It might seem that you look to be firm, but your heart has been wavering. If you continue on like this, when will you ever finish cultivating the Eternal Physique?"

The old face of the daoist became hot as he forced a wry smile: "Hehehe, it is only a little trip to the outside. Cultivating day after day is very boring. Taking in some fresh air will help my cultivation."

"If that is the case, then you should take a trip to the Grand Middle Territory." Li Qiye became serious and said: "There are a few secret realms in that region. I can tell you some of the locations, you can try to find some supreme delicacies. And since you will already be in the region, you can just stay at the Cleansing Incense Ancient Sect for around ten years as a guest elder. It would not be a bad choice."

"Hah, you want to drag me into the pit of fire!" Old Daoist Peng was not willing to do so and replied: "This would a laborious trip..." The old daoist was as cunning as a devil.

### **Chapter 378: Entering The Sacred Nether World**

In fact, after the paths collapsed, there were legendary masters who wanted to forcefully penetrate the spatial wall to enter another world, but alas, no one had heard of a successful attempt. Later on, even when a Divine Investiture Expert came into being to open a path, they still did not dare to enter the channel.

This type of channel was extremely unstable and could collapse at any moment. Even a more powerful existence would die under such a force.

"In the current Mortal Emperor World, I'm afraid that only the Realm God can safely go to another world." An ancestor from a great sect had to admit this fact amidst the astonished spectators.



The reason why the Realm God had this title was because of the rumors of it being an existence that was most adept in spatial techniques. Some said that the Realm God's achievement in spatial techniques shamed even Immortal Emperors...

In a short amount of time, countless gazes were fixated towards the sky. Of course, all of them wanted to see if the Realm God could actually take Li Qiye to another world. Then, there were those who were both celebrating and lamenting: "Nothing could be better than Li Qiye going to another world. Let a devil like him bully the geniuses of the other worlds. A monster like him staying at the Mortal Emperor World would only overshadow all the other geniuses."

Even though this thought was a bit depressing for many people, they looked forward to Li Qiye's departure from the Mortal Emperor World. A supreme existence like Li Qiye was a form of cruel emotional torture to all the other geniuses since he loomed over them like a huge shadow.

A monster like this going to another world to bully other people was worthy of celebration.

At the area where the stargate was situated, an ancient dao platform had been silenced for more than thirty thousand years. At this time, the Realm God used a great technique to create an extremely large dao gate that shone brightly. Anyone who stood before this dao gate would feel as if one could traverse across space and time.

"Ready?" Eventually, the Realm God asked Li Qiye with a serious tone. Even an invincible existence like the Realm God became solemn. If it was personally traveling, then it could absolutely make it to the Sacred Nether World unscathed, but at this moment, it was Li Qiye who was going.

The Yin Yang Refining Immortal Mirror appeared over Li Qiye's head. This supreme treasure of the Middle Continent Ancient Kingdom poured an endless immortal spatial void to protect Li Qiye's body. At the same time, the Yin Yang fishes jumped out and swam around him.

"Go, I am ready. You can lock onto the coordinates now!" Li Qiye took a deep breath and, with a serious expression, he then nodded his head towards the Realm God.

The pine branch raised Li Qiye up along with a shout from the Realm God: "Open!"

The moment this word came out, a buzzing sound could be heard. In this instant, the pine tree was like the sharpest divine spear in this world, something that could be stopped by nothing.

In just a second, the pine tree that carried Li Qiye entered the dao gate. His body was suddenly trapped in a giant crystal.

With a loud "pop," the unstoppable pine branch pierced through this unbelievably thick crystal barricade.

It seemed like such an easy matter, but all the cultivators back at the Eastern Hundred Cities felt a powerful wave that emanated from the Heavenly Dao Academy when this blow hit. An invincible aura swept through the cities; this sudden eruption sent chills down the spines of many people.

At this moment, everyone understood that the Realm God's blood energy had exploded in order to unleash a heaven-destroying strike.

“This blow might have penetrated the spatial wall!” A legendary master murmured after calculating the power of this attack from sensing the invincible aura that swept through the region.

With a “pop,” the pine tree punctured the crystal wall and quickly sent Li Qiye into a pathway. In this split second, Li Qiye witnessed an extremely magnificent world that was filled with life and endless vitality. Anyone would be astonished by such a scene since the landscape of an entire world was before their very eyes.

In this instant, the Realm God locked onto a certain coordinate. Then, the pathway sent Li Qiye off like a storm, using the Realm God’s utmost speed.

The endless storm within the pathway chaotically destroyed everything. The turbulence of time and space was something to be feared; even Virtuous Paragons were no exceptions. In this place, carelessness would only result in death.

However, the Realm God was indeed a divine existence. At this time, it used an unbelievable speed to send Li Qiye through the majority of the turbulence. Time itself was not a match for his speed, so spatial gaps were no longer a concern.

Li Qiye was sent to a certain chaotic sphere. It was as if this sphere had naturally formed itself and was then filled with great sects of the heaven and earth.

“Boom!” With a deafening explosion, the pine branch also penetrated this chaotic sphere. Keep in mind that this strike of the Realm God could easily kill a large group of Virtuous Paragons, but it still couldn’t pierce through this chaotic sphere.

“Open!” The Realm God crazily roared. At this second, the pine branch became extremely bright and sharp as if it could even pierce through the body of a celestial existence.

“Xhhshh!” Primordial chaos gushed everywhere after the Realm God finally managed to pierce through this chaotic sphere. Then, it immediately threw Li Qiye inside.

“Bang!” A loud destructive sound resonated right when this chaotic sphere was pierced. Suddenly, an endless wave of emperor aura emerged. This emperor aura instantly annihilated the pathway as if an Immortal Emperor came to life.

“Immortal Emperor Fei Yang, truly amazing!” Li Qiye screamed. With one hand holding the Fragmented Realm Spatial Disk, he slammed it into the chaotic sphere. At the same time, the Yin Yang Refining Immortal Mirror also shot out an immortal light to block the power of this chaotic place!

“Buzzz—” The Yin Yang fishes jumped up and carried Li Qiye as they soared towards the chaos. But during Li Qiye’s advance, the vast emperor aura crazily erupted once again as if it wanted to crush him. At this critical juncture, the Fragmented Realm Spatial Disk spewed out a brilliance and immediately sucked Li Qiye inside.

“Rumble!” The emperor aura failed to crush Li Qiye, resulting in the pathway getting ravaged from the enraged emperor aura. At this time, the Realm God used an unbelievable speed to retreat as the emperor aura wildly pursued it.

“Boom!” In the end, under the devastation of the emperor aura, the entire pathway collapsed. At the most critical moment, the pine branch of the Realm God managed to escape to the outside.

The collapse of the pathway emitted a terrifying power that alarmed even the legendary masters within the Eastern Hundred Cities. Many looked up to the sky and saw the retreating pine branch. An ancestor with keen eyes noticed that there were burn marks on the pine branch, and this astounded many people.

“Did the pathway actually collapse?” Seeing the burns on the pine branch, an ancestor took in a deep breath and murmured: “Where did Li Qiye want to go? Even a pathway opened by the Realm God was destroyed. Just what kind of powerful suppressive force was present at his destination?”

“This is terrible.” The hearts of many legendary masters sank when they saw the wounds on the branch of the Realm God. Even a pathway created by it was destroyed...

The Difficult Dao Era was over, and a new Heaven’s Will was being created to signal the start of a new grand era. Many hidden existences had begun to take action; some even planned to go to different worlds, but after seeing the Realm God’s situation, they quickly dispelled this thought. Despite it personally escorting Li Qiye, the pathway was still destroyed. If it was them who met such an event instead, death would be assured.

The group of Li Shuangyan was shocked to see the wounds on the pine branch back at the academy. They all felt that something terrible had happened.

“He is fine and had arrived safely.” The Realm God spoke. The group of Li Shuangyan finally felt relieved to know that Li Qiye had made it safely. They then bowed to the Realm God before they left.

The Realm God then stared at the horizon and, after a long silence, it finally lamented with a sigh and uttered: “It really is that legendary existence, the most mysterious existence. Tens of millions of long years... This generation will be constantly troubled with restless times. It is truly a pitiable fate for those who live in the same era as him. Who in this world could possibly compete for the Heaven’s Will against him!?”

Eventually, the Realm God no longer spoke and quietly went into a deep slumber.

However, on the second day after Li Qiye’s departure, many pieces of news began to leak.

“Have you heard? People said that Li Qiye wanted to go to another world and, in the end, the pathway collapsed and he died in there.” A person said while acting mysteriously. Despite his attempt at being secretive, there was still a hint of gloating and delight.

Many people naturally became elated after they learned of Li Qiye’s death. A disciple from a great power sneered: “Someone who commits many bad deeds will naturally be punished one day, and that day had finally come.”

“That’s right, the heavens is not blind. It will not forgive anyone!” A person cheerfully laughed. To people like them, this was the best pieces of news they heard this year.

But there were also those who pitied him. A great character from the previous generation lamented: “Why did he have to seek his own death? He would be alive and kicking if he stayed in the Mortal Emperor World. Why the need to do this!”

“Li Qiye’s might would allow him to tread on the path of the heavens with no problem ah. It could even be said that he had a great chance to reach the Heaven’s Will. But now... he already buried himself before becoming invincible.” A cultivator couldn’t help but say.

“The path of the heavens is arduous, so it is better to be careful. No matter how stunning a genius may be, they could still die an early death on this path.” Someone finally ended with these words.

### **Chapter 379: Soaring Remembrance Village**

The Sacred Nether World and the Mortal Emperor World are two of the Nine Worlds. If the Mortal Emperor World was the ancestral home of the human race, then the Sacred Nether World was the origin of the ghost race.

In fact, whether or not humans originated from the Mortal Emperor World was still up for debate, but since the beginning of the Desolate Era, humans had been at that world and began their explorations. After countless efforts of many sages, they finally took root in that world as the strongest race.

Today, whether or not the Mortal Emperor World was the origin of the human race no longer mattered to its inhabitants. The only pertinent matter was that it had become the ancestral ground for human generations from that point forth.

However, the Sacred Nether World was different, since its ghostly inhabitants were certain that this place was their origin. Of course, certain ghost tribes called this world the Ghost Immortal World because they preferred to call themselves Ghost Immortals, but outsiders kept on calling them the ghost race!

Since this world was the origin of the ghost race, perhaps people would think of it as a place infested with nether energy. However, the reality was that this was completely false. The Sacred Nether World was a place with beautiful scenery, just like the Mortal Emperor World. There were an endless amount of mountains and rivers worth exploring.

Even the members of the ghost tribes didn’t all have nether energy. In fact, there were many different ghost races with unique characteristics, but outsiders all generalized them together as a unified ghost race to distinguish them with the human race, the blood race, and others.

Only a handful of tribes had a relatively thicker nether aura while others were not that different from ordinary humans. Then, there were also some who had physical bodies and were not actually ghosts. The majority of the ghost tribes were just like humans — their future generations were comprised of their offspring.

The two worlds were similar in that they were extremely vast. There were four domains at the Sacred Nether World; to the east was the Nether Border, the south was the Distant Cloud, the west was the Green River, and the north was the Misty Field. These four locations were called the four desolaces. [1. Desolace is not a word, but it should be!]

Even though the ghost race's origin was located at the Sacred Nether World, they were not unified in this place. This was just like the Mortal Emperor World, where humans were the majority while there were still other races.

It was the same for the Sacred Nether World. The ghost race was the majority, but other races also lived here, such as humans, demons, the blood race, and stone golems...

However, the Nether Border, the Green River, and the Misty Field were the places where ghosts gathered. The few forces from the other races were very weak at these three desolaces.

However, it was different at the Distant Cloud. Humans, demons, stone golems, and others were extremely powerful in this desolace so the ghost race could not rule over this part of the world.

As one of the four desolaces, the Distant Cloud was quite immense with countless inhabitants of varying races living together. It was also filled with numerous cultivators and lineages like carps in rivers.

Weaker sects were too abundant to count, and great powers were also everything in this domain.

However, one must talk about a certain lineage at the Distant Cloud, and it was the Thousand Carp River. It was not a river, it was a sect that ruled over a very powerful country that spanned for tens of millions of miles.

At this place, the Thousand Carp River was absolutely a great and terrifying lineage. It was created by Immortal Emperor Qian Li and had stood strong since its inception. [2. Qian Li = Thousand Carp.] Even in a location where the ghost race reigned supreme, it was still difficult for someone to shake an existence like the Thousand Carp River.

The Thousand Carp River followed the demonic dao because legends state that its progenitor, Immortal Emperor Qian Li, was a demon that was successful in the path of cultivation. Despite this belief, the emperor had always been a mystery, even during their own era.

Some believed that the emperor was a carp, others thought that the emperor was a dragonfish... Some even believed that the emperor was a fish capable of jumping over the dragon gate to finally become an Immortal Emperor.

All in all, there were a variety of theories about Immortal Emperor Qian Li. But of course, they were limited to mere rumors and legends, because the emperor was one of the most mysterious Immortal Emperors even during their own generation. No one knew of the emperor's origin, home, or even if the emperor was male or female! [3. Sorry for using 'the emperor' so much, but we don't know if THE EMPEROR is a she or a he...]

After tens of millions of years, many people tried to solve this elusive mystery, but the most important one was whether the emperor was male or female!

Even the answer to the simplest question of the emperor's sex remained unknown. It was as if Immortal Emperor Qian Li was shrouded in mist and was incapable of being seen by other worldly inhabitants. The emperor disappeared in the river of time along with all of their secrets.

Perhaps only the emperor knew the answers to all of these questions, and only the emperor knew their true sex!

No matter what, despite being shrouded in a myriad of mysteries, one thing was for certain, and this was that the emperor cultivated the demonic dao before finally becoming an Immortal Emperor. As for what kind of demon they were, the descendants could only guess.

The Soaring Remembrance Village, also known as the Soaring Remembrance Manor, was a quiet place. It was neither big nor small and had several hundred villagers. However, many great characters came from this village. Some had great fame and some were generals in the mortal world. Some were even cultivational immortals in the eyes of ordinary people. Even amongst these cultivators, some turned out to be amazing characters.

However, no matter how many great characters came from this village, it remained itself without changing as an eternally tranquil village. The appearance of these characters failed to break the peace of this small village.

Just like the Eternal River School, no matter who came and went, they could not affect the Soaring Remembrance Village. This was a good place for those who sought for peace and quiet, a place just like the Garden of the Peaches of Immortality. [3. A place of the immortals.]

It was as if there was an invisible force protecting this village, a force that didn't allow anyone to disturb its peace.

This small village presided within the Thousand Carp River with its particularly ordinary appearance.

However, the old village head's home had been very rowdy because a haunting phenomenon had been occurring inside his house. At the Sacred Nether World, the domain of the ghost race, it would be silly to make a fuss about ghosts.

In this world, not to mention cultivators, even ordinary mortals didn't believe that there were ghosts in this world. If there were actually supernatural ghosts, and if they were just like the ghost race, then they were not that much different compared to humans, so mortals would never be afraid of such a thing.

However, strange things had been happening in backyard of the old village head. A ghostly shadow would drift back and forth regularly regardless of whether it was night or day. The ones who were more timid were easily scared out of their mind at such a sight.

It seemed that a young ghost was haunting the old village head's backyard, but their group couldn't describe its exact figure. In summary, it was a young shadow, but this shadow had no true substance. It flew like an ethereal existence in the backyard of the old village head.

This haunting ghost was quite a sight for the husband and wife pair. They had lived for very long so, to them, humans and ghosts were the same, but this actually made their house become more lively. At the very least, the villagers would visit their house to look at this ghost.

Nevertheless, the other villagers still tried to convince the couple to perform a passing rite for this ghost. Regarding such advice, the old village elder said with a smile: "This ghost is just wandering in our backyard and isn't committing any bad deeds. One day, it will naturally become bored and leave."

"Old Man Yang, this isn't the case. Who truly understands these ghosts? Maybe one day, it will hurt someone, what are we going to do then?" A person in the village tried to persuade him with good intentions.

“Oh right, isn’t your little girl studying at the Thousand Carp River? Why not have her come back and take a look. With her skills, giving a little ghost a peaceful passing shouldn’t be difficult.” Another villager came up with an idea.

At last, the old village head couldn’t handle all the counsel from the villagers, so he could only go to the Great Wisdom Temple right outside of the village to invite the temple’s presiding abbot, Monk Dazhi. [4. Dazhi means Great Wisdom, so the monk’s title is also the temple’s title, but calling him Monk Great Wisdom is a bit weird?]

According to the villagers, Monk Dazhi was a monk with boundless buddhist wisdom, but one would be gravely mistaken if they were to imagine him as a monk with long eyebrows and a white beard.

He was a very young monk — only around the age of twenty. His head was smooth and reflective and had two crooked rows of three ordainment markings. Seeing just how crooked they were left people wondering whether his markings were real or not.

Monk Dazhi’s eyes were very bright, and he always had a smile on his face. When standing before the public, this smile appeared to be kind and compassionate, but when no one was paying attention, the smile became a bit villainous. It would give others the impression that he was a thief!

### **Chapter 380: The Village’s Secret**

A series of large round buddhist beads hung around Monk Dazhi’s neck. If he didn’t look like an accomplished monk before, then just by wearing these beads, others would be convinced that he was one.

Buddhist lights flashed inside these beads as if there was a Buddha inside each of them, sitting in a solemn pose. Sometimes, loud chants could be heard.

Whether he was an accomplished monk or not, these buddhist beads alone commanded respect from others.

Monk Dazhi was the abbot of the Great Wisdom Temple, but the reality was that he was the only one that was part of this temple. The abbot was him, the monk was him, and the servant was him as well. [1. Raw says fire-starter, so it is someone who heats up the fire for cooking or bathing, but I think servant is close enough.]

Although the temple was built right outside of the village, Monk Dazhi was not from this part of the world. Rumor has it that Monk Dazhi came from the northern Misty Field, undergoing a harsh pilgrimage all the way to the village. In the end, he said that this village had a fateful connection with him, so he immediately built the Great Wisdom Temple right outside and became its abbot and sole monk.

It was said that his dharma was unlimited. A villager once saw him subdue a white tiger that was turned into his mount.

After the village head invited Monk Dazhi to the backyard, he said: “Wise Monk, this is the spot. The shadow would sometimes appear here at random times; sometimes during the day and sometimes at night.”

After hearing the village head's story, Monk Dazhi used his fingers to calculate. Then, he placed his palms together while giving the appearance of a high monk: "Amitabha, oh merciful Buddha. Benefactor, this monk has calculated something with regards to this ghost for you. It is a hungry ghost. This hungry ghost died from starvation. How about this, Benefactor should host a great feast so that this monk can lead it out to see if I can help it move on."

Having heard this, the old village head did not prolong the conversation and went with his wife to prepare a feast. They immediately prepared it at the backyard.

"Amitabha, merciful Buddha!" After seeing this large feast laid out in front of him, he placed his palms together again and started to speak: "Benefactor, a hungry ghost is not easy to deal with. When I lead him out and perform my ceremony, I hope that there will not be another person present, lest the ghost attack. It is not good if someone else becomes wounded!" With this, he took out a ceremonial sword while chanting incantations as if he wanted to communicate with the ghost.

"Then I will leave everything to Wise Monk!" The old village head quickly left with his wife after listening to the monk.

After the couple left, Monk Dazhi put away his ceremonial sword and quickly rubbed his palms together. After seeing that no one else was around, he cheerfully laughed: "Amitabha, amitabha, the Buddhist path is merciful, meat and wine are poison, but this monk had always been aiming for the Buddhist path with only love in my heart. I will temporarily take all of the poison in the ghost's stead!" With this, he rolled up his sleeves and grabbed a big fat duck to take a big bite.

Not too long after, the feast on the table was completely devoured by Monk Dazhi. His mouth was covered with grease so any resemblance of a high monk quickly disappeared.

However, the village head's backyard becoming "haunted" was not due to a ghost, it was because of Li Qiye. He was in a heavenly grotto trying to refine the primordial chaos that wanted to break out from the inside. Because of this, others were able to see a floating image of a ghost as the primordial chaos was about to escape outside.

Li Qiye chose this place as his stopping point for a reason; there was a secret at this location. The Soaring Remembrance Village had an amazing heavenly grotto; it was an independent space — an absolute domain.

This place was related to a particular secret that had something to do with Immortal Emperor Fei Yang during the Desolate Era.

Immortal Emperor Fei Yang was one of the oldest Immortal Emperors of the human race. Coming from the Nantian Clan of the Grand Middle Territory, he achieved his dao during the Desolate Era. But despite this, he had never acknowledged that he was one of its disciples.

What was even more interesting was that after he left the clan, he never returned even after he became an Immortal Emperor.

The Nantian Clan's attitude was also very strange. During the emperor's generation and many long ones after it, they never announced that Immortal Emperor Fei Yang was one of the clan's disciples to outsiders.



It was not until much later that they dared to tell others that the emperor was their disciple and their pride.

Nevertheless, the clan did not receive any inheritance from the emperor, and his lineage did not go back to the Nantian Clan.

The matter between the emperor and the Nantian Clan, along with some of the emperor's later tales, became unknown riddles.

However, even though outsiders were ignorant, Li Qiye was not. He also knew some secrets about Immortal Emperor Fei Yang.

Immortal Emperor Fei Yang was just like his title — an unbridled and free individual. [2. Fei Yang means soaring.] During his youth, he did many controversial things that became hot topics of discussion in future generations, including stealing and swindling.

Rumor has it that the young Immortal Emperor Fei Yang's mouth could even spew out lotus flowers capable of changing black to white and amazing rhetorics. Even the stone buddha from the Buddhist Funeral Plateau was swindled by him, so one could easily imagine his articulate speech. [3. Changing black to white is a metaphor for being masterful with speech, as is this whole paragraph. Lotus flowers cannot change colors, but he can manage to convince people otherwise.]

Moreover, his luck with women was also great. Before becoming an Immortal Emperor, countless women's hearts swayed because of him; among them, there was no shortage of princesses, saintesses, fairies, and even those with great backgrounds, including descendants from Immortal Emperor lineages.

But despite having many women throughout his life, the strange part was that he did not marry anyone throughout his life even after becoming an Immortal Emperor.

Since time immemorial, there were not that many emperors who didn't have descendants, and Immortal Emperor Fei Yang was one of them. He was the type who had a lot of women but did not marry.

A person who loves too much would end up being loveless. This issue was the source of a lot of turmoil and gossip for future generations. [4. A guy who loves too much/many people doesn't really love anyone or knows how to love.]

Soon after becoming an emperor, a certain matter occurred unbeknownst to the rest of the world. Among his women, there were many with supreme intelligence, and one of them used an unimaginable method to steal the seed of Immortal Emperor Fei Yang. After bearing his child, this woman did not ask for an official title from the emperor and instead disappeared from this world. From that point forth, no one saw her again.

This peerlessly intelligent woman was very much in love with Immortal Emperor Fei Yang. She bore his child not to become the empress nor his wife. She quickly left the emperor and went into hiding in order to raise his child to continue his bloodline.

This woman disappeared for many years in this world. No one knew that she was living in seclusion in the mortal world and had turned into an ordinary mortal.

Eventually, this woman passed away. Her offspring with Immortal Emperor Fei Yang also did not become a cultivator, but rather thrived as a mortal.

The village built by her was named the Soaring Remembrance Village. Its name signified her memories and longing for Immortal Emperor Fei Yang. However, this old tale did not just end here. Very few things in this world could escape the gaze of an Immortal Emperor, and this also applied to Immortal Emperor Fei Yang.

He knew about this matter and also knew where this woman was living, but he chose to do nothing.

It was not until much later, after the lady had passed away and his descendants — as mortals — had prospered at the village for generations that he acted. It could have been because this woman's persistent love for him moved him, it could also be that the descendants carried his bloodline... Regardless of the reason, Immortal Emperor Fei Yang laid out a supreme spell at the village.

An Immortal Emperor exerted countless efforts to perform a spell at this location and left behind many things. This supreme spell remained active for millions of years at this location and had always been quietly protecting this village.

Because of this, the village had produced many geniuses. Many great characters came to visit the village as well.

However, despite all of this, they were all just fleeting passengers to the village. No matter who came and went, nothing could break the tranquility of the village under the spell's protection; nothing could stop the village from being a paradise in this world.

Tens of millions of years went by again. Generation after generation in the village, Immortal Emperor Fei Yang's descendants had multiplied, but the village remained peaceful and unknown.

This whole thing was odd because, despite the supreme spell and the presence of many treasures, the emperor did not pass on any cultivation methods to his descendants.

Later on, the village did produce some cultivators, and some great ones at that. However, they did not come from Immortal Emperor Fei Yang's dao lineage. Instead, they were recruited by other great powers from the outside world, and they had no relationship with the emperor.

An eternity had passed, perhaps no one else knew the secret of the Soaring Remembrance Village. Even those who knew of this secret during the emperor's generation were no longer of this world.

However, Li Qiye was one of those who knew this secret, and he was also someone who had survived to the present era!

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Monk Dazhi was the abbot of the Great Wisdom Temple, but the reality was that he was the only one that was part of this temple. The abbot was him, the monk was him, and the servant was him as well.