

EMPEROR 1351

[Chapter 1351: Mysterious Sea Region](#)

Ruyan and Jianshi took note of Li Qiye staring at Fairy. They were slightly moved and instantly realized something at the same time. Intuition told them that his change of heart might have something to do with Fairy. However, they recalled the events and found this to be implausible.

Upon their first meeting, Li Qiye had already met Fairy but he still wanted the seven styles. Him wanting to see the Prime Sea God now might not have anything to do with Fairy. Thus, there were some timing inconsistencies with this particular notion.

They didn't know where the problem was, but they ultimately thought that this was somewhat related to Fairy. Nevertheless, the real reason for his decision eluded them.

Li Qiye stared at Fairy and gently lamented in his mind. This was him choosing to protect the nine worlds!

In his heart, he didn't care about the survival of the sea demons and treants, not even the charming spirits. Until now, he had no worries about how others evaluated him. For millions of years, other cursed him as a murderous devil or butcher while some praised him as the savior and guardian of the nine worlds.

Regardless of whether he was reviled or praised, he didn't take any of them to heart. However, Fairy's words had touched the deepest part of his heart. Perhaps this could be his last visit to Heaven Spirit, so he should leave certain things behind.

"What is impossible to deceive in this world? Maybe only the judgement of the heaven and earth." After a long daze, he eventually sighed gently.

Ruyan softly asked: "What did you say, Young Noble?"

He regained his wits and wryly smiled while shaking his head: "Nothing, let's go."

The ship began to move towards their destination once more. They met many skeletons and spirits along the way. Some launched an offense on the ship, but the daoist's group easily took care of these weaker creatures. Li Qiye eventually stopped the ship and smiled towards the group: "Boys and girls, are you ready? A tough battle is about to begin."

The group looked forward and saw that the water ahead was even muddier than before; it was to the point where it was just black, truly creeping out the spectators.

They could feel a seemingly taboo power assaulting the air once the ship stopped. Even top experts like them put on serious expressions.

The Bonesea had always been a dangerous place. Even Godkings wouldn't necessarily come out unscathed. Today, the daoist knew that the power of the Bonesea would far exceed his expectations.

Li Qiye smiled at the serious-looking crowd before slowly controlling his boat to set sail once more. Upon entry, the entire ship quaked as if it was being suppressed by the power here and almost sunk into the sea.

He smirked: “Unfortunately, it’s me who you are facing.” Under his palms, the rudder suddenly lit up. The runic gears turned resplendent like an extremely complicated component and started to rapidly rotate. They seemed to be powering the ship, allowing it to withstand the powerful suppression and continued to float on the surface.

It continued on slowly as the group noticed that something was different about this region compared to the other locations. Although there were mountains of bones, the majority were small ones piled on top of each other. The gigantic ones were a minority.

However, in this current area, each skeleton was the size of a mountain that rose above the surface. Some were as large as mountain ranges!

Moreover, there were unique spectacles to this region. For example, some skeletons were swimming in the sea while others were soaring in the sky. There was something different about these skeletons and spirits. As for the exact disparity, the group couldn’t tell. However, the intuition of a master was telling them so.

Among these monstrous bones, there were some that looked like giants squatting on the sea with half of their bodies exposed. Their fangs were hundreds of meter long like two sharp blades. After countless years, they still had a flashing glint. Another resembled a giant crane with only one leg left half submerged in the water. The single leg looked like a pillar upholding a gigantic city of bones.

The most shocking scene was a humanoid skeleton; it must have belonged to a gargantuan race that occupied an entire sphere by itself. The water could only reach its calves, so one can just imagine how gigantic it must have been. Another wondrous spectacle was the great sword pinned right into its chest.

In other words, this sword was approximately ten thousand miles long. A casual strike from it could split even stars. If this was in Heaven Spirit, it could divide the Dragon Demon Sea into two!

These skeletons have weathered the river of time, yet they were still as fair as jade. The other ones outside were either yellow or charred, unlike those found here. Nevertheless, their divinity had been ground down to a very low level.

It was precisely these characteristics that showed just how mighty they once were. Though they died in a distant era, the divinity in their corpses was still present!

This giant humanoid corpse shocked the daoist’s group. He couldn’t help but murmur: “There are people this big in this world?”

The girls stood there looking silly. Cultivators could create avatars of enormous sizes. Of course, those were mere avatars. They had never seen a real body of this magnitude before. Heaven Spirit had its fair share of giants, but they seemed like ants before this skeleton.

Xiong Qianbei had never seen such an incredible scene like this. His butt met the deck once more as he watched on in a daze.

Jianshi eventually asked: “What is that race?”

Li Qiye insipidly spoke while looking at the great creature: “A very ancient race that was wiped out a long time ago.”

In this area, even the playful corpses were astonishing.

“Splash!” In the distance, a monstrous wave appeared. A gigantic skeleton was swimming around. Sometimes it leaped above the sea while others it dove into the depths just like a whale.

The two girls were especially moved. Jianshi asked with uncertainty: “Is that an ancestral whale?”

Li Qiye chuckled in response: “To be exact, it is a Kun, another race that has been made extinct back then. Your school’s ancestral whale is related to this Kun, the only family member lucky enough to survive till now.”

The two took a deep breath after hearing this. They knew their ancestral whale was a monstrous fish, but they didn’t know of its origin or family line.

“Screech!” Next was the cry of a phoenix. A flame surged in the sky. In the blink of an eye, a gigantic skeletal bird flew by. Its entire body was engulfed in flames. These flames seemed to be coming from every single bone.

Its tail dragged along with it a fiery ray that stayed in the sky for thousands of miles. This ray contained all kinds of colors, just like the tail of a phoenix.

Xiong Qianbei rubbed his eyes in astonishment and shouted at the sight of the bird: “Is that a phoenix?”

Li Qiye watched the bird fly away and answered: “That’s not a phoenix either. However, it isn’t far from being a real phoenix. At the very least, it has half of a phoenix’s bloodline.”

Daoist Puresun murmured: “Just what the hell is this place? Why have all of these powerful creatures turned into bones!”

Such a place was too surreal. What exactly was the Bonesea? How could all of the large creatures eventually leave their remains in this place?

[Chapter 1352: Fiendmother](#)

Li Qiye provided no answer. He continued to sail the ship in silence. For a while, the rest of the group fell into silence as well. The scene ahead was too shocking. The Kun and the humanoid giant were huge, unstoppable creatures. However, they have turned into mere bones.

Li Qiye suddenly broke the silence with a shout: “Ready up!”

“Bang!” The seawater splashed. In a split second, Li Qiye’s ship suddenly leaped across the sea and traveled more than ten thousand miles.

“Boom!” At the same time, a long and large skeleton rushed out from the seabed.

It looked quite bizarre. There was no head or tail, just a tube made out of bones. Inside were numerous teeth interlocked together like sharp, grinding gears. When these strange teeth-like gears start to rotate, it could crush everything to pieces.

“Splash!” It leaped straight out of the water towards the boneship.

“Come!” The daoist smiled and unleashed a fist with haste.

At this time, he didn't try to hide his power. A Godking's aura surged to the sky alongside a magnificent blood energy that surged out like a dam being broken. He immediately lit up as if his body was made out of gold.

Under his diamond physique, his fist looked just like a golden mountain that slammed towards this strange skeleton.

"Boom!" The skeleton was blown back into the sea, creating a large tidal wave!

However, after just a moment, it leaped out of the water to chase the ship.

Li Qiye laughed: "Go outside to fight, don't break my ship." Having said that, he moved the rudder. With the sound of a hatch being opened, a smaller ship dropped out from the bottom layer of where they were standing and floated to the surface of the sea.

"Okay!" The daoist jumped onto this boat and faced the incoming skeleton without fear.

"Rumble!" While the daoist confronted the strange skeleton, more splashes sounded. Several more skeletons that looked exactly like the one just now jumped out.

The girls quickly counted and found that there were nine of them.

These nine headless figures standing on the sea were quite creepy no matter how one looked at it. This was emphasized by them grinding their teeth, issuing rustling sounds.

Both the girls exclaimed: "What the hell are these things?"

"A Fiendmother has nine connectors." Li Qiye looked at these bony tubes and said: "It's a devilish creature that has died a long time ago but is still causing trouble."

"Clank!" The daoist didn't dare to be careless and underestimate these strange tubes. He took out his Ancient Purity Blade and readied himself to fight the enemies.

"Woooo!" The nine bizarre tubes suddenly let out a sharp and creepy cry. Whistling sounds could be heard as these creatures opened their mouths. Circular discs made out of bones suddenly shot out at extreme speeds.

These discs actually came together to form a large capstan, trapping the daoist in the middle in the blink of an eye. Countless sharp teeth within the contraption intended to grind him into mincemeat.

At the same time, these tubes also spat out long bony spurs with unbelievable sharpness. With lightning speed, they aimed for his heart. His body was trapped by the cutting capstan with a fatal bone spur aiming directly at him. Such a murderous technique would leave many masters helpless.

However, the daoist was still nonchalant. He let out a long laugh and said: "Good move!"

In this moment of life and death, his diamond physique erupted with a fiery light. With his current state, he ignored both the capstan and lethal bone spur while swinging his blade horizontally straight for the nine bone tubes.

“Clang! Clank! Clank!” The capstan tightened up around his body. The sharp gears seemed to be cutting into the hardest metal in the world with sparks flying everywhere. They failed to hurt him in the slightest.

At the same time, the long spurs finally struck his heart. With a blinding light like an exploding star, only a shallow dent was left behind; they couldn't pierce through his chest.

“Clank!” A sword hymn echoed as the Ancient Purity Blade crossed the sky. Under the empowerment of his blood energy, this sword emitted an invincible imperial aura. One slash could sever myriad ages, bury the Yin and Yang, and decapitate gods and devils.

At this moment, others could see the daoist's might as well as the formidable sword. This slash illuminated all eras. With a loud splash, the nine tubes were chopped into two and fell into the water.

His diamond physique on top of his cultivation of a Godking could allow him to easily sweep through Heaven Spirit. It would be difficult to find someone among the younger generation who could contend against him. Perhaps only Meng Zhentian could be his match.

“Crash!” A wave soared to the sky and the severed tubes soared up high once more. One could hear the clicky sounds of bones reconnecting.

In a short period of time, these severed tubes were completely connected again. The individual tubes disappeared and a full skeleton appeared before him.

This skeleton was huge. On top of it was a large skull greatly contrasting its rather slender exo-shell of a woman. Thorny spurs extended all around this slender figure. Each of them had a flashing dark brilliance that looked quite horrifying. It also spewed out a billowing black fog from its mouth just like a harrowing storm.

“What is it now?” Jianshi was startled to see this huge skeleton.

“That's the Fiendmother.” Li Qiye smiled and replied: “The show is just beginning. It is enough to give him a hard time for a while.”

Having said that, he continued to move his ship along.

Qianbei couldn't help but ask: “Are we not waiting for the Puresun Island Lord?”

“Don't worry, he can't die. Someone who can take the Ancient Purity Sword with him to the outside dying this easily? That would be too much of a disappointment.” Li Qiye didn't even bother looking back.

This skeletal Fiendmother spewed out a tremendous amount of black fog in the shape skulls that flew straight at the daoist.

However, his physique was already activated, so he didn't care for these fog skulls slamming into him.

“Bang!” These skulls all exploded with a force no less than the explosion of a star. The black fog continued to sweep over him. Not only were they powerful, they carried a terrorizing toxicity more than enough to render a mighty existence to ashes.

“Sizzle!” Initially, a glittering light from the diamond physique could be seen inside the black fog. However, this physique began to change. Its golden light dimmed. The fog was beginning to corrode his physique. He had to channel more blood energy so that the physique could light up again. His body that was turning black from the erosion began to shed layers of ash.

The black fog from a Fiendmother could annihilate a God-Monarch, but his diamond physique could withstand its corrosion.

At the same time, he attacked with his vibrating sword. It crossed the sky like a rainbow and went straight for the creature’s gigantic skull.

“Bang!” In this split second, the Fiendmother suddenly slammed its palms together to form a mudra that came pressing down.

This mudra was too fast. The daoist couldn’t block it, so he was blown flying! His chest caved in as if it crumbled. His sword attack was also capable of easily killing God-Monarchs, but it wasn’t enough to defeat the Fiendmother. He clearly lost this particular exchange.

Luckily, he survived due to his special constitution. Any other Godking on the same level as him would have turned into blood.

[Chapter 1353: Massive Palm Divine Monkey](#)

“Zzz!” Daoist Puresun’s caved-in chest seemed to be remolding as if he was a bronze statue. It fully recovered without leaving behind a visible scar.

However, it was quite strange for an evil looking skeleton like the Fiendmother to actually use a supreme mudra of the buddhist doctrine. It was incongruent to see a buddhist seal from this creature.

“Die!” The daoist wasn’t afraid of this mighty creature. He sent out another slash with an extremely dominating momentum. He wanted a direct confrontation.

Meanwhile, Li Qiye had already traveled far away with his boneship.

“Splash!” A huge bony hand came out of the sea. It was gigantic and could only be described as being capable of holding up the heavens!

Its five fingers were spread like Mount Wu Xing in a way that could easily pluck the stars from the sky.

[1]

The group thought that a giant was about to stand up from the sea. However, the next scene left them dumbfounded.

“Splash!” At this time, the owner of this gigantic palm emerged. It was not a giant like they imagined but a skeletal monkey no different from an ordinary monkey. Anyone would find it unthinkable to see such a skeleton have this big of a palm. How could it grow on such a little body?

Ruyan asked while still surprised: “What is it this time?”

Li Qiye chuckled and replied: “Massive Palm Divine Monkey, Jianshi will face it.” With that, another boneship flew out of the main ship.

Jianshi didn't question him and immediately jumped onto the other boat in order to fight this skeletal monkey.

"Clank!" Her imperial sword left its scabbard. With lightning speed, she slashed towards the monkey with a billowing aura that rampaged across the sky!

"Bang!" The monkey slammed its gigantic palm down with astonishing speed. Despite the visual oddity of the size disparity, its attack was seamless, smooth, and even faster than lightning.

"Bang!" She couldn't block the attack despite being covered in an imperial aura. She was blown away through the sky but luckily fell onto a different giant skeleton.

"Rumble!" She returned to the ship with more fury than before. Her blood energy instantly erupted.

In terms of cultivation, she was no match for Daoist Puresun. However, he was inferior with regards to blood energy. Under the Sacred Spring Physique, her blood energy was as vast as an ocean and seemingly saturated the entire Bonesea beyond its limit!

The divine monkey slammed down once more with a world-destroying palm. A ten-thousand-meter tall wave was created by this force.

"Bang!" Jianshi chose to directly confront this incoming attack. The exchange went even, but she didn't want to let up at all.

At this time, she was actually wielding a huge axe no smaller than the gigantic palm of the divine monkey.

It had an ancient style with a diagram of mountains and rivers carved on it. It seemed that this diagram would give the axe immeasurable weight.

Myriad Earth Axe — her weapon of choice. Her most powerful weapon was this axe, not her imperial sword or some true treasure. This was due to its tailored suitability for her. An elegant and graceful beauty carrying an axe larger than a mountain was simply outrageous.

"Bang!" She swung her axe once again at the divine monkey's palm. Under her wild blood energy, the axe crazily accelerated with more weight and power behind it! Its sundering blow left a scar in the sky.

Possessing boundless blood energy was the same as possessing all things. This was the magical property of the Sacred Spring Physique. It could empower every technique to be extraordinarily powerful with greater speed and weight!

Of course, its speed augmentation was not as great as the Soaring Immortal Physique, its additional weight was no match for the Hell Suppression Physique, and it couldn't empower something to the level of the Sky Destroyer Physique! Nevertheless, its endless blood energy made each move quite invincible!

The monkey screamed. Its palm turned into a fist that could seal the six dao and headed straight for the axe.

"Rumble!" The battle between the two continued, causing the sky to crack and the entire region to quake.

Qianbei was astounded. He couldn't imagine a slender girl like Jianshi wielding such a great axe. Li Qiye was amused at the scene but continued forward without thinking too much about it.

They didn't get far before he batted an eye and smiled towards Ruyan: "Your turn to protect the ship, don't destroy it."

Ruyan charmingly smiled in response: "Don't worry, Young Noble. Leave it to me."

Having said that, she jumped to the deck and summoned an immortal cauldron. The moment she opened it, a bunch of smoke came out along with endless fire. In a split second, this heat incinerated the entire ship.

So it turned out that strands of bone had come out of the sea and suddenly spread across the entire ship as if wanting to grow on it. At this moment, Ruyan controlled her fire and burned all of these silk-like strands off the ship. Even though it was ruthlessly burning these bone strands away, it didn't harm the ship at all.

Oddly enough, under the gushing torrents of fire, these bony strands sizzled but weren't burn to death. The stronger the flame, the faster they grew. In the blink of an eye, they filled the entire ship.

"A bit interesting." Ruyan smirked and controller her cauldron. Her body suddenly lit up with the activation of her Heaven Devourer Evil Physique.

At this time, a terrifying vortex appeared inside the cauldron as black flames came out. This new flame burned countless bony strands to ashes. Don't underestimate her cauldron, its name was the Evil Physique Immortal Cauldron, personally cast by her school's progenitor.

As a grand completion user, this progenitor actually used her own bones to create this cauldron! It had an extremely terrifying power. If a disciple who trained in the evil physique controlled this cauldron, its power would be amplified multiples times.

Under Ruyan's fire, the bony strands crazily rushed back time and time again, but all were rendered to ashes. Qianbei could only sit on the deck and watch Ruyan resist this crazy bony growth. His cultivation was too weak, so he couldn't help her at all.

"Zzz—" In the midst of his daze, a very quiet noise came about.

"Help!" By the time he realized, he found that a bony strand had snuck onto his body. It crazily grew and appeared all over his body, scaring the soul out of him.

He frantically pulled the strands off from his body. It looked like he had a thousand hands while doing this. It made sense why people called him Xiong Qianbei. [2]

Alas, no matter how quickly he shredded them off, his speed was not as fast as the rate of their growth.

"Help me!" He was completely covered, so he shouted at Li Qiye and Ruyan for help.

However, Li Qiye only smiled at the old man. He was completely indifferent; not only did he not help, he even watched this scene with great amusement.

Ruyan found this strange and noticed Li Qiye's behavior, so she didn't try to help him either.

In the blink of an eye, he was covered in layers upon layers of bony strands. He couldn't cry out anymore as his body convulsed. It was very painful. Eventually, his struggling weakened. It was obvious that he would die to these strands.

Suddenly, a loud blast resounded the moment before death. A blood energy swelled as if a thousand dragons were roaring in his body. His bloodline instantly grew stronger.

"Boom!" The muscles all over his body enlarged as if to make room for dragons flying out of his body. They shattered all of the bony strands that were wrapped around his body!

[1] Five Elements Mountain. There is a real mountain in Vietnam with this name, but I'm sure the author is referring to the artificial mountains made from Buddha's fingers to trap the Monkey King.

[Chapter 1354: Location Of The Legacy Treasures](#)

At this moment, dragons seemed to be awakening alongside his bloodline. Their roars could tear the world apart.

"This is the true bloodline of the Xiong Clan, even if it is a little sparse." Li Qiye insipidly spoke without being surprised at all.

Qianbei was still in shock and couldn't calm down. He sat planted his butt on the deck. The howling dragon aura was nowhere to be found, and his blood energy had returned to its usual level. He was still an insignificant human cultivator.

Li Qiye didn't pay attention to the shocked cultivator and continued forward without waiting for Jianshi. The ship headed deeper into the Bonesea. Along the way, they met more skeletons that attacked them, but they couldn't stop Li Qiye's advance. Under his control, the ship moved as fast as a soaring dragon.

The skeletons became extraordinary once they reached deeper into this region. Qianbei saw a skeleton that resembled a dragon lying on the sea. There was a jumping flame by its stomach akin to a blossoming flower. It was in a perpetual cycle of blooming then withering then blooming again... Upon closer inspection, people would find that it was not a group of flames but an ancient rune. It was unreasonably complicated with flashing lights, as if stars were being created inside.

Qianbei also saw a giant skeletal bird that resembled a giant with its head held up high. This posture made it seem that even during its last moment, it didn't give up. However, this was not the case, it simply had a sun in its mouth.

This sun was not particularly large, but it emitted terrifying refined flames, making it seem as if all of the flames in this world were gathered here. This pocket version of the sun could illuminate an entire world or be the genesis of a new generation of life.

There was also another skeleton suspended in the air. This one still had fur left that exuded a blue light — this was the thing keeping the skeleton up in the air.

All of these skeletons left behind their treasures. Even as time slowly passed, these treasures continued to exist, true to their worth.

After looking at these remains, Qianbei finally understood what Li Qiye meant when he talked about the opportunities earlier.

“Supreme treasures...” Ruyan murmured: “These are the most precious artifacts of these dead creatures.”

Just obtaining one of these artifacts could benefit cultivators for a lifetime. Of course, it wasn't that easy to get any of them.

Li Qiye stopped the ship and said: “This is a safe zone.”

After a while, the daoist caught up after killing the Fiendmother.

After getting on the boat, he wryly smiled and said: “That was a narrow escape, I almost died in this sea just now.” Even though his appearance looked a bit ragged, he was still in high spirits.

Li Qiye gave him a side-eye in response: “It was only a minor battle, what is this about a narrow escape? That's outrageous. You can say that when you meet a living Fiendmother. A dead one is nothing in comparison.”

The daoist embarrassingly coughed after being put down by Li Qiye. Of course, one had to admit that the daoist was very powerful. Any other Grand Godking would have died for sure after meeting a creature like the dead Fiendmother, unlike the daoist who came out unscathed in addition to killing it. This showed just how powerful he was.

More time passed. Jianshi had also killed the Massive Palm Divine Monkey and was now coolly standing on her drifting boneship.

Her dress fluttered with the wind; she was still as beautiful and elegant as always. With this current image, one could hardly imagine her carrying a giant axe. She landed on the deck and looked around without saying much. From start to finish, she maintained her noble demeanor and mature charm like a married woman. It was truly captivating.

The daoist finally looked around and saw the skeletons on the sea. He spoke with astonishment: “If they left behind these powerful legacies, just how incredible did they used to be when they were alive?”

This only made things even more frightening since all of these invincible existences died in this terrifying Bonesea.

Li Qiye let go of the rudder and sat down next to Fairy before telling the group with a smile: “Okay, the opportunities are right in front of you. It will be up to your fortune to see if you can get them or not.”

They stared at each of the skeletons. All of these legacy artifacts were quite powerful, so picking one out of this many wasn't an easy task.

“Young Noble, can we take all of the treasures here?” Ruyan winked at Li Qiye. Her sparkling eyes could make people topple over.

Li Qiye laughed and replied: “Yes, as long as you are strong enough. However, this will cause the entire sea to riot. Even an Immortal Emperor wouldn't want something like that to happen.”

“I'll just pick one then, I'm too young to become a skeleton here.” After hearing him, she smiled in response.

The daoist asked Li Qiye: "Brother Li, you have an erudite understanding of this matter. How about you show me the way? Which legacy treasure is suitable for me?"

The daoist was normally a quiet man, but he seemed to be a bit cunning with this question.

Li Qiye glanced at him and chuckled: "Since you asked so modestly, I'll tell you. Go all the way east from here until you see a location that resembles a mountain. The peak will be red as if blood is oozing from it. Climb up there and test your fortune."

The daoist cupped his fists after obtaining some guidance and said: "Thank you for your advice, I'll go give it a shot." He jumped back on his boneship and drifted towards the direction Li Qiye spoke of.

"Young Noble, do you have some tips for me as well?" Ruyan coquettishly smiled at him.

Li Qiye answered: "Fine, I'll be nice to the end since your sisters have treated me well. Come." Having said that, he controlled the ship to relocate to another location.

They crossed the region and eventually stopped at an island. This was quite a rare sight. It was full of mists, giving it the appearance of an immortal land. If this island appeared in a blue ocean, people would actually think that immortals lived there.

Inside the mist was the faint sight of a tablet that reached all the way into the sky. People couldn't see it completely due to poor visibility. Nevertheless, they could still tell that the tablet was made from a completely black metal. There were markings on it that could be text or morphing runes. It was impossible to see what the marks were due to the mist.

Li Qiye pointed at the stone tablet and said: "If you can obtain this tablet, then it will bring you a lifetime of benefits. It can also take your Heaven Devourer Evil Physique to the next level!"

"Really?" Ruyan felt elated after hearing this. Despite being the Evil Devourer Schoolmaster and seeing countless treasures while growing up, she was still very interested in this tablet that was capable of improving her physique.

Li Qiye gave her a glance and replied: "My words are truer than anything else in this world."

Ruyan took a deep breath and stepped on the island without any carelessness. She activated her immortal physique instantly. An evil energy floated around her body, causing a demoness like her to look even more seductive.

She started walking towards the tablet shrouded in mist as a buzzing noise came out. The marks on the tablet suddenly rose and turned into a palm that flew right at her.

"Come!" She gave a shout as her evil energy rose into the air and turned into a black barrier to stop the suppressive palm.

"Bang! Bang! Bang!" It was a successful block, but the palm was too powerful. Cracks appeared on the barrier.

"Activate!" She didn't waste time thinking after seeing its power and summoned her cauldron while exerting her physique to its limit. She unleashed an unstoppable fire straight onto the tablet.

A loud explosion signaled the start of their battle!

[Chapter 1355: Colossal Immortal Blade](#)

Li Qiye stopped watching Ruyan and turned to Jianshi instead: “What kind of legacy treasure do you want?”

Her gentle voice and mature bearing could cause people to sway. It was like a quiet rain cleansing everything in the middle of spring. She replied: “I’ll want whatever you think is best.”

Li Qiye smiled and continued to maneuver his ship forward. Eventually, they reached the skeleton that they first saw after entering this region.

It was a humanoid giant with a giant sword in front of him. From afar, he already looked monstrous in size. They had no choice but to look up as they got closer, but no one could see the top of its head. Anyone would feel as insignificant as an ant before such a giant, regardless of their status and ability.

Li Qiye asked Jianshi while looking at the giant: “Don’t you need a giant axe?”

She replied: “I initially wanted to make the Myriad Earth Axe my true fate weapon, but it isn’t very suitable.”

Li Qiye smiled and continued: “A cultivator does not necessarily need a true fate weapon, and an Immortal Physique user is even more special. Some of them do not have a true fate weapon at grand completion since they refine their bodies into unique weapons. Some refer to this phenomenon as an Immortal Physique weapon. Of course, there are those that think this type of art is considered part of the foreign dao.”

Jianshi could understand his comment because her three schools had such weapons. For example, Ruyan’s Evil Immortal Cauldron was an Immortal Physique weapon.

These weapons were able to combine their power with the appropriate physique user and increase their battle effectiveness.

Li Qiye pointed at the great sword and said: “Many Godkings have thought about obtaining this weapon. They all knew that it was an incredible artifact but remained unaware of its origin.

This sword ahead might be the biggest blade Jianshi had ever seen. Even though some treasures could grow as large as a galaxy, they were simply illusions or avatar forms; their true size wouldn’t be that large, unlike this sword. Only a divine sword of this size was worthy of being this giant’s weapon.

Li Qiye explained: “The name of this sword is the Colossal Immortal Blade. Its value and power are not weaker than any Immortal Emperor true fate weapons. Its mysteries far exceed what you can imagine.” [1. The raw is Colossal Immortal Imperial Blade, but that’s a mouthful. Just remember that the word imperial is there, so its previous master might have been a king/emperor.]

Jianshi mused his response, but despite her efforts, she had never heard of this name before. As a schoolmaster, not only was her cultivation powerful, her knowledge was vast as well. However, the tales of this sword eluded her.

“Don’t think too hard, it would be amazing if you were to know about it. I’m afraid no sect in this world has any records about this sword that belonged to the Colossal Immortal Race.” After seeing her puzzled appearance, Li Qiye laughed and gently shook his head.

“The Colossal Immortal Race? You mean to say there were real immortals in this world?” She had never heard of this race before and was startled.

Li Qiye shook his head again: “It’s hard to say if there are immortals in this world, but this race definitely aren’t immortals. They are too ancient to be traced as their origin is even older than the charming spirits.”

Having said that, he stared at her then the giant with his profound eyes and continued: “A mighty race capable of looking down on all others still couldn’t escape destruction in the end. This existence in front of us is comparable to Immortal Emperors, but death was still the final outcome.”

“An existence comparable to Immortal Emperors?” She was shaken once more after this terrifying revelation.

“How can such invincible existences die in this place?” Qianbei couldn’t believe it. Nothing in this world could compare to Immortal Emperors, but one of them was dead right here. This was beyond his imagination.

Li Qiye looked at the contemplating old man and answered: “It was an unbelievable war. This race was unbelievably strong; they lasted until the very end of that war during their era. Unfortunately, they failed in the end and faced genocide; this great existence before you was no exception.”

Such words made the two listeners shudder. Such a powerful race was still massacred? Just who were they facing? How invincible was this enemy?

They had a hard time calming down since they couldn’t envision the power of this foe.

Li Qiye pointed at the sword and said: “This sword suits you. It is better than your Myriad Earth Axe, especially if you can refine it. Your Sacred Spring Physique offers unlimited blood energy, so with this sword, you will be able to meet god, slay god; meet devil, slay devil!”

Qianbei stared at the sword without its hilt in sight. He had personally witnessed Jianshi endless blood energy. If she could wield this sword, her empowered slash would be unbelievable and more than enough to destroy a lineage or even a race. Perhaps even the Dragon Demon Sea would be split into two.

Jianshi’s heart started to beat faster while looking at the sword. It was indeed suitable for her Immortal Physique. She understood the strength of this type of weapon due to her axe. Obtaining this sword would raise her fighting power by several levels instantly!

“It’s yours if you can pull it out.” He grinned and said: “This is a test for your physique. Can it support such a huge sword?”

There was no doubt that this sword was amazing. However, not just anyone could use it. It was one thing to be strong enough to lift it, but to treat it as a weapon was prohibitively difficult. Just swinging it a few times could squeeze a paragon dry, and using it effectively in battle was even worse.

Others would find it impossible, but this only stimulated her desire. After all, her physique had a unique advantage. Even a Godking might not have more blood energy than her. She could surely sustain this sword with her circumstances.

Eventually, she took a deep breath and leaped forward to land on the giant's feet, then she began to climb up its leg. She looked exactly like an ant. Just imagine, an ant climbing up a gigantic pillar — this was no easy task.

However, she was quite fast and made her way to its wrist by jumping. The giant's hands were gripping the hilt. They looked like two mountains holding up another mountain. It was easier said than done to pull out such a great sword.

Her inner physique emerged with her soaring blood energy. At this time, her palms turned gigantic and firmly gripped the hilt.

“Up you go!” She shouted under the support of her endless rampaging blood energy.

However, despite assaulting the land with her fury, she still couldn't pull it out. Nevertheless, she didn't give up. Her energy soared for a second time and her inner physique turned incomparably bright. It was several times greater than the previous time she activated it! She was determined to obtain this sword no matter the cost.

Li Qiye watched from a distance for a bit before smiling and sailed his boneship away again. As the boat slowly floated away, he turned towards Qianbei and asked: “What kind of legacy treasures do you want?”

The old man sitting on the deck regained his wits and wryly smiled: “I'm very grateful for your guidance, but I am only an ant. I can't compare to the island lord or the schoolmasters, so I don't have any foolish wishes about these legacies. Following you here and obtaining these eight eyes is more than enough for me.”

Qianbei knew his limits. Although there were many treasures here, he wouldn't be able to obtain anything with his weak abilities even if Li Qiye could show him the way, so he simply gave up.

“It's a good thing to know when to let go.” Li Qiye smiled and didn't comment further.

[Chapter 1356: One Golden Egg](#)

While the rest of the group was trying to capture their legacy treasures, Li Qiye didn't try to take any of them. He simply wandered around this area on his boneship in an aimless manner. He even let the ship drift to wherever it wanted.

Qianbei curiously asked: “Young Noble, are you not trying to get any of these artifacts?” He believed that with Li Qiye's abilities, he could take any of the treasures here with ease.

Li Qiye looked at the calm sea before lightly smilingly: “I'm not here for these legacies.”

For Li Qiye, bringing the group here was only a side benefit. His goal was not this place. However, since he was already here, he wanted to take a look because of a particular legend. Few had heard of it and even less believed in it. Nevertheless, Li Qiye was hopeful since he was certain that what he wanted to find was here.

Qianbei was surprised to hear this, but he eventually understood after thinking about it. Li Qiye was very heaven-defying, so he didn't care about treasures. Or maybe for someone like him, it was too easy to take whatever he wanted.

The ship continued to aimlessly drift with the two silently watching the sceneries. This region was very tranquil. There were no flying skeletons, not even waves. This might be the safest location in the Bonesea.

Li Qiye gently shook his head after seeing the serene sea. He felt that he wasn't meant to see it in this generation. Suddenly, the calm water began to sway with surging waves.

"Buzz!" A sword hymn resounded across the region. A bright ray rose back at the giant's location, illuminating the entire area.

Qianbei looked back and happily exclaimed: "Schoolmaster Zhuo has done it!"

At this time, Jianshi was standing on the giant's head after successfully pulling the colossal sword up high. Its horrifying sword light engulfed the entire sky with a crushing sword intent. All existences trembled before its might. This imperial sword was large enough to encompass the entire world.

Jianshi herself was also emitting a divine aura. All of her blood energy gathered above her head like a true dragon. Its claws were tearing the sky apart with a suppressive momentum.

"Clank!" The sword continued to sing its hymn in the clouds. She was very small compared to the sword, but she had turned into an empress of the nine heavens — noble and unfathomable. This sword energy could crush the firmaments.

"So powerful. With that sword in her hand, she shall be matchless." Qianbei turned pale from the pressure of Jianshi with her colossal sword and couldn't stand up from the deck.

Eventually, she recalled the sword into her palace while still standing above the gigantic skull in a transcendent manner like a flawless fairy.

"Boom!" At the location of the island where Ruyan was located, a black light erupted. The entire location turned dark as if something was enveloping the heaven and earth.

"What's going on?" Qianbei was astonished once more as he looked around to find the cause for the sudden darkness.

Bursts of explosions resounded as if something was in the process of devouring everything. If a powerful cultivator were to open their heavenly gaze, they would see a shocking scene. The tablet on that island was opening its jaws and swallowing the darkness in the sky. It looked as if even the stars up above weren't spared.

The sky eventually regained its brightness as the darkness rescinded like a tide from being completely devoured by the tablet.

The entire process gave the feeling of the coming of a devil, but in a split second, it was defeated and the light returned.

Qianbei stared at the sky and couldn't calm down due to his lack of awareness of the current situation.

Jianshi's boneship floated back during this time. She jumped back on the deck.

Li Qiye smiled after seeing her: "Nice sword, it really suits you."

"Thank you for giving me this creation." She bowed deeply towards him. Even though she earned it due to her own efforts, Li Qiye's guidance also played a large part in the acquisition.

"Congratulations on obtaining the sword, Senior Sister." At this time, Ruyan also drifted back with her boat and smiled at Jianshi.

Before Jianshi could say anything, Ruyan calmly pulled Li Qiye's arm like a spoiled child and said: "Young Noble, she obtained a divine sword and even has the Sacred Spring Physique, I'm afraid I'll never be able to lift my head again when she decides to bully me. There will be no peace for me at the Void Imperfection Three Schools! You have to show me the way, don't let me live the rest of my life in such a miserable manner..."

Here, her eyes moistened, resulting in a delicate appearance. She was already a seductress, so acting cute and lovable could melt someone with a steel heart.

Li Qiye gently flicked her forehead and scolded: "Don't play cute with me. Your tablet is not inferior to the Colossal Immortal Sword, so stop being greedy."

"As long as it is something you give, I will want more and more." She was still coquettishly holding onto his arm. This playful appearance could steal souls.

Li Qiye smiled and looked into the distance. After a while, he said: "Daoist Puresun is back."

Everyone looked over and sure enough, they saw the daoist returning on his own ship. His sleeves were fluttering in an otherworldly manner. However, he seemed a bit ragged with his clothes torn in many places.

Ruyan gave him the side-eye and teased: "Daoist Puresun, did you go to a dragon's nest or something? Why do you look so down? Don't tell me you tore off your own clothes in order to act pitiful?"

The daoist didn't mind and smiled in response: "You are pretty on point. It was ninety percent death and ten percent survival, I almost couldn't make it back."

"That is to say, you must have gotten something peerless?" Jianshi was surprised too. The daoist was stronger than her, so something that could make him look this embarrassed must have been quite dangerous.

The daoist smilingly replied: "I was lucky. I took a trip to the gates of hell and after a harrowing encounter, I finally found something in return."

His content appearance revealed his amazing harvest. After all, someone of his status wouldn't care for ordinary treasures.

Li Qiye smiled and shook his head: "Do you need to exaggerate so much? It was definitely hard work, but what is this about the gates of hell and a harrowing encounter?"

The daoist coughed with a slightly embarrassed demeanor after being called out by Li Qiye. He curiously asked afterward: "Brother Li, have you been there before?"

Li Qiye only smiled without answering.

Ruyan cheerfully told him: "Take out your treasure so everyone can have a look."

The daoist grinned: "It's only an egg, it can't compare to the two magnificent treasures the two of you obtained." Nevertheless, he didn't try to hide it and took it out.

What he obtained was a golden egg several times larger than an ordinary one. An adult couldn't hold it in one hand. It was glittering as if the whole egg was made out of gold.

Jianshi asked: "What is this golden egg?"

Ruyan quipped: "Such a big egg, how about we cook it? It's more than enough for us to have a full meal."

Having said that, she reached forward and knocked on the egg. A very crisp "boom" resounded. The light on the shell rippled and emanated everywhere like waves. It seemed to be issuing a faint noise, as if she has woken up the creature inside.

"Is this a phoenix egg?" Qianbei's jaw almost dropped after seeing this strange scene. He mustered up some courage to touch the egg. It felt quite warm.

Li Qiye cheerfully said: "Wishful thinking. If this was a phoenix egg, I would have taken it already instead of letting someone else do so."

Jianshi curiously asked: "What kind of egg is it then?" Even the unaware would realize that this golden egg was incredible.

The daoist commented with a grin: "It should be an egg of an immortal bird. Even if it isn't a phoenix, it should have the bloodline of a divine beast."

[Chapter 1357: Phoenixs Innate Gifts](#)

Li Qiye smiled and said: "That's true. It really does have the blood of a divine beast, a mighty bloodline. If your four branches are willing to invest, maybe you can groom it into a divine beast like a phoenix or true dragon one day."

"Phoenix and true dragon!" Both Jianshi and Ruyan were shaken upon hearing this.

Even though there had been races that claimed to have these bloodlines, even as descendants of the divine beasts, it was only to elevate their own worth. Those with the bloodlines of true dragons and phoenixes would have a very thin amount to the point of it being negligible.

Descendants of such bloodlines would only be able to exert one hundredth or even one ten-thousandth of a phoenix's power.

The daoist anxiously asked: "Can you really breed a true dragon or phoenix?"

Li Qiye laughed after seeing his expression: "Do you want to try?"

The daoist coughed and asked: "Ah, well, who wouldn't want to have a true dragon or phoenix. Even an Immortal Emperor would have this desire. Brother Li, can I really breed this golden egg into one?"

Li Qiye smiled: "In theory, yes. This is an evolution of the bloodline. This egg already has a divine bloodline, so it does have a chance in this respect. After undergoing metamorphosis, it has a certain chance of atavism."

Even a big shot like the daoist still became excited and blurted: "Really?"

Li Qiye laughed in response: "No, this is only theoretical. In fact, it isn't really possible. The so-called pheasant jumping into a branch to turn into a phoenix is only an argument used to elevate one's worth. It's impossible for something like that to happen."

"Oh, I see." The daoist smiled wryly.

Li Qiye continued: "You don't have to feel down. With efforts from your branches, you will still be able to train an incredible existence. It's not like this egg's bloodline is bad. The only reason is why it can't evolve into a true divine beast is that in this world, the conditions for it to reach atavism can't be met."

"You mean this egg itself has a chance to become divine?" Jianshi understood the implications.

Li Qiye replied: "Any creature has a chance for atavism, the number is just very small. In theory, the more effort you spend trying to cultivate it, the higher the chance for atavism. Of course, this kind of atavism is only suitable for other creatures such as charming spirits or treants; it isn't possible for true dragons and phoenixes, at least not within the nine worlds."

The daoist asked: "Then what kind of conditions and environments are required to make this egg divine?"

Li Qiye laughed in response: "Looks like you still haven't given up. Okay, so let's say that such a world exists. It would be very simple, every single existence and citizen of the four branches will have to use their blood energy to gestate it on top of utilizing all possible treasures. In other words, every ounce of your resources. However, this isn't worth it. Then what if a world allows for this? Do you think it's worth the effort of an entire race and all of their resources to create a true dragon or phoenix? With your resources, it is possible and more efficient to train three Immortal Emperors instead of a single divine beast."

Having said that, he stared implicatively at the daoist.

"But..." The daoist paused for a moment and said: "I heard a legend that says divine beasts are not just strong, they possess something unique as opposed to the other races, innate gifts so to speak. Even Immortal Emperors have a hard time acquiring them."

Li Qiye couldn't help but smile: "That's the four branches for you, your sect indeed knows a lot."

"Is it really the case?" The daoist pressed on with his inquiries.

Li Qiye looked at the calm sea before answering: "The divine beasts are indeed special and races worthy of envy. However, even if they do exist, they are too few in number and more precious than anything else."

The rest of the group held their breaths and listened carefully.

Li Qiye went on: "These are creatures that only exist in tales. I'm afraid no one has seen a real divine beast. Many records state that not only are they powerful, they're also priceless. Even a single feather of theirs is precious! However, for the truly mighty crowd like Immortal Emperors, this isn't the cause for the beasts' temptation."

"What's the most tempting characteristic about them then?" Qianbei couldn't help but ask since Li Qiye stopped for a moment.

Li Qiye looked at him and revealed: "Their innate gifts. They're not things races like us can have in this world."

"What are these gifts?" Ruyan was also fascinated by this topic.

Li Qiye gently shook his head in response: "There are too many to say because each of these divine beasts has their own unique gift. In fact, because too few have seen real divine beasts, we don't really know much about these special gifts. Of course, some are also extremely well-known."

He went on: "For example, we were talking about the phoenix earlier. What is the innate gift of a phoenix? Rebirth through fire!"

Everyone was shaken after hearing these words. Rebirth was a pipe dream many people yearned for. Even emperors researched it thoroughly.

Li Qiye elaborated: "Of course, not just any phoenix can achieve this. Only when they attain a certain amount of strength would they be able to use their gift of rebirth."

While the group was silent, Li Qiye smiled and said: "Why do emperors covet it so much? Rumor has it that when a phoenix is at the peak of its power, it could be reborn forever."

"Continuously?" The daoist was startled.

Li Qiye exclaimed with a grin: "To put it another way, eternal reincarnation and permanent immortality!"

The group was astounded once more after hearing this. Rebirth alone was already enough to make everyone wish for it. An endless number of rebirths was most likely unobtainable even for emperors. It was too tempting!

"Does the world really have a reincarnation cycle?" Jianshi thought about something else. This matter felt too surreal. Repeated reincarnation for immortality was quite frightening.

"I don't know." Li Qiye smiled and shook his head: "This is only a legend. It is already hard to see a real phoenix, let alone one at its apex. Such a phoenix will definitely only be found in legends."

The group fell into silence after hearing this. As for Xiong Qianbei, he didn't even dare to think about it. He could only consider it as part of a myth since it was too unreachable for him.

After a while, Ruyan asked: "What about the gift of a true dragon?"

Li Qiye laughed and looked at her with a mysterious grin: "If you see an actual true dragon one day, I'll tell you its innate gift."

"Jerk." She pouted with dissatisfaction but didn't pry further.

Li Qiye stopped talking and looked at the sea while letting his boneship drift through this area. His ship drifted wherever the seawater flowed. This atmosphere was one of rumination; everyone had their own thoughts.

After a long time, they found that Li Qiye seemed to not want to leave. This journey of drifting left them quite puzzled since they didn't know his intentions.

[Chapter 1358: Darkness](#)

In the midst of this tranquil drifting, Li Qiye continued to stare at the sea in silence. It was as if something was attracting his attention.

After a while, Jianshi gently asked: "Young Noble, are you looking for something?"

There were countless skeletons and legacy artifacts in this region, but Li Qiye didn't bother giving them a single glance. It was as if these treasures were merely scrap metal in his eyes. Only the calm sea warranted his attention.

Li Qiye looked back at her and replied: "Yes. To be exact, I'm waiting for something."

Ruyan's eyes lit up as she curiously asked: "For what? A treasure? Is there one at the bottom of the sea?"

"I'm not here for treasures." Li Qiye shook his head: "I'm here to chase after a legend, to dispel an unsolvable question."

"What kind of legend?" The daoist found this topic interesting. His sect had many records of the Bonesea, but he had not heard of this legend before.

"It's a legend about eternal life." Li Qiye answered with a mysterious smile.

"Legend of eternal life?" The group was stirred after hearing this. The daoist spoke with a changed expression: "So the rumors about the Bonesea having an item that grants immortality is true?"

"Really?" Jianshi was also surprised. It was no wonder the world all found themselves wanting it. Even someone like Meng Zhentian couldn't sit still and had to personally visit the Bonesea.

"It's false." Li Qiye laughed: "If this place actually had an item like that, it wouldn't be this generation's turn, and especially not someone like Meng Zhentian. Throughout history, many emperors have been here before, and some made it to the deepest location of the Bonesea. Do you think people in this generation will still have a turn in this?"

After hearing this, the group felt that it made sense. Who could be stronger than Immortal Emperors? In fact, even sea gods and tree fathers had been here before. These characters would have taken away the item of immortality if it actually existed.

“So it’s a lie, you almost scared me to death.” Ruyan playfully protested: “What kind of legend is it? Hurry and tell us.”

Li Qiye stared at the sea and eventually said: “A legend about a shadow.”

“A shadow?” Jianshi wasn’t clear: “What kind of legend could there be about a shadow?”

Li Qiye replied: “Because it has existed forever, it became a legend. In a distant era, some passages regarding this legend were written, but they are very few in number so not many are aware of it. It goes like this: ever since the Bonesea was known to be, there has been a shadow in the waters here. It is just like a ghost, appearing and disappearing for millions of years. Generations passed, but this shadow continues to be. It is an eternal existence in the Bonesea.”

He continued gazing at the calm waters while speaking.

“Ever since the formation of the Bonesea?” The daoist shuddered. According to his sect’s records, the Bonesea was beyond traceability. Some even said that it was impossible to try and figure out its beginning.

Keep in mind that Gu Chun’s four branches were among the top two oldest lineages in Heaven Spirit. Immortal Emperor Gu Chun was the first emperor and lived during the Desolate Era. However, even his sect didn’t have any clues on the origin of the Bonesea. From this, one could see just how ancient it was.

A shadow in the waters existing at the start of the Bonesea — such a timeless existence was very interesting.

Jianshi asked: “What is this shadow?”

Li Qiye smiled as his eyes turned quite profound: “This is where it gets interesting. Some believe that it is an existence, others say that it is just a projection of the Bonesea. Another speculation states that it is an unrelenting ghost... In short, no one has seen what it is, or at least what its true form is.”

“Can someone actually see a shadow in this type of water?” Ruyan looked at the sea and grew curious. It was very cloudy, and some of the regions even had water as black as ink. How could anyone see a shadow within these waves?

Li Qiye didn’t answer. He continued on with his task as the ship freely drifted about. The rest of the group joined in while holding their breaths in eager anticipation for this legendary shadow to appear.

Time passed, but there were no signs of it. Nevertheless, they were great characters, so they could remain patient in this endeavor.

After a long while, Li Qiye stopped looking and gently sighed: “Some things are only meant for the fated ones, you can’t force it when the time isn’t ripe.”

Having said that, he returned inside to look at Fairy. He heaved a sigh of relief after seeing that she was doing well.

Li Qiye held the rudder and smiled at the group: “Okay, let’s leave this place. It’s time for us to hunt some treasures.”

“A treasure hunt? Aren’t there a lot of legacy treasures before us right now?” Ruyan chuckled.

Li Qiye smiled and shook his head: “Everything must be in moderation. We can’t take too many treasures and fortunes from here. There are many places to visit at the Bonesea, so there’s no need to waste too much time here. If we’re lucky, maybe we can find the missing item from your schools.” He laughed loudly after mentioning this.

“Really?” Jianshi’s eyes lit up, accentuating her mature allurement even more.

Li Qiye replied: “I said maybe. However, the chance is quite high in this generation. Your luck can be said to be very good from having met me. The Bonesea is different this time too, so some items that should appear will appear!” His eyes flashed at this point.

Despite his answer, the two girls were still quite elated. If they could get back their lost Windchase Break, it would be a marvelous deed for their schools.

The ship acted like a flood dragon under Li Qiye’s control as it quickly left this region while braving the winds and billows. They left this calm sea that seemed to be acting as a haven.

Right afterward, they entered another dangerous zone. The group made preparations to kill the powerful skeletons at a moment’s notice. However, contrary to their expectations, this dangerous zone was strangely calm. There were no flying skeletons or anything that came to attack them.

“What’s going on?” Ruyan took a look around and discovered the calmness of the sea. Outside of the large skeletons on the surface, nothing else could be found. The whole place gave an empty and silent feel.

When they got here earlier, this place was very lively with flying and swimming skeletons everywhere. They killed the fiendmother and the divine monkey residing here. At this moment, the moving skeletons were gone; they seemingly evacuated overnight.

Li Qiye casually asked from the helm: “What’s the matter?”

“The skeletons are all gone.” Ruyan said: “When we came here, they were everywhere, but not one can be seen right now.”

Li Qiye batted his eyes. His figure shifted and immediately appeared on the deck. His gaze was particularly sharp as it swept through the area like lightning.

Li Qiye slowly said: “It’s time.”

The group was surprised. Jianshi asked: “Time for what?”

Li Qiye elaborated: “The shadow of the Bonesea is coming. Only with its emergence will the skeletons go away. That’s the reason why we didn’t face any of them at the place with the legacy treasures and why this place is so quiet right now.”

The daoist asked: “Was that treasure land the lair of the shadow?”

Li Qiye shook his head: “No, but it will first appear in that location if it decides to show up at all. That’s why it is a safe zone without any evil spirits.”

“Look, what is that, that shadow!” Ruyan suddenly shouted and pointed to the left.

Everyone looked in the direction she pointed to. There was indeed a shadow slowly moving in the sea at a snail’s pace.

Remember that the seawater was very muddy. Logically speaking, such a shadow shouldn’t be visible at all, but for some strange reason, this shadow could be clearly seen in these muddy waters.

[Chapter 1359: Chasing The Shadow](#)

“It finally came.” Li Qiye excitedly stared at the shadow with his bright eyes.

The girls have never seen this kind of expression from him. Even when countless treasures presented themselves, he didn’t bother batting an eye as if indicating that they were nothing. However, this shadow warranted so much attention from him that it seemed as if it was a supreme immortal treasure. The girls were curious, just what was this shadow and its uses?

Li Qiye commanded: “Everyone, wait here.” He took out a treasure and threw it into the sea.

The item he threw into the sea was a medium-sized shuttle. It was translucent, making it seem to be made from crystal. He then jumped inside and with a swish, it swiftly dove into the sea and disappeared from sight.

The rest of the group was dumbfounded. They were aware that anything that fell into the sea would be done for. Nothing could float in the Bonesea outside of bones. Both the living and treasures would start to sink without fail.

But now, Li Qiye threw out a shuttle-like boat that could actually travel in the Bonesea. This was quite unfathomable. Such a treasure would be coveted by everyone since it would allow for free travel in this region.

They naturally didn’t know that Li Qiye borrowed it from the Bones Lord. This was the place where the boat would shine. Because of this, the island lord considered this boat to be as valuable as his own life. No other treasure could compare to it.

At this point, the shadow that was slowly drifting in the sea suddenly ran for dear life towards the horizon.

The group immediately knew that Li Qiye was chasing after it. Qianbei watched and murmured: “Just what the hell is that thing?” Li Qiye who didn’t care for all the treasures here was now running for this shadow.

The truth was that none of them knew anything about the shadow. This was their first time hearing about its legend as well.

Ruyan was very inquisitive about this matter. She asked the daoist: “Hey, Puresun Island Lord, your four branches are considered the oldest lineage in Heaven Spirit. Does it not have any records about this thing?”

The daoist shook his head: “I wouldn’t need to lie to you if I knew about it. We really don’t have anything written down about this shadow.”

Jianshi asked: "I heard Immortal Emperor Gu Chun had been there. Immortal Emperor Yan Shi was even more amazing. There are tales about how she nearly turned the Bonesea upside down. One even wrote that she made it all the way to the depths of the Bonesea. Even the two of them don't know anything about this shadow?"

Their curiosity was warranted, especially after seeing Li Qiye's unexpected action. The shadow must be unparalleled!

"I don't know whether our patriarch was aware of the shadow or not, but we simply don't have any records about it. If we were to talk about shadows and darkness, then I actually do know one particular matter that is written down at our sect. It states that for generations, a dark curtain has always been covering the nine worlds."

"The mythical dark curtain!" Both the sisters' eyes widened. Ruyan said: "Are you referring to the dark hand behind the curtains?"

The daoist said: "Yes, the dark hand, but this has nothing to do with the shadow here."

Jianshi replied: "Yes, these are independent matters. The dark hand is something else entirely. We also have records about the dark hand, but it's not very clear. There are only a few sentences here and there without any details."

"This dark hand is an existence that has been around since the start as well." The daoist commented with a tinge of emotion before stopping.

Qianbei curiously asked: "Dark hand? What is this dark hand?" He naturally knew nothing about it.

The others didn't want to talk about this topic and kept their mouths shut. Even though they didn't know much about the dark hand behind the curtains, they were still aware that it was a taboo subject. Even those who knew the truth were unwilling to discuss this topic.

Qianbei understood right away that he had asked the wrong question and laughed awkwardly.

In the end, the daoist shook his head and said: "It's a taboo subject, we can't dwell on it."

In the sea, the shadow was escaping with great speed as if it didn't want to make any contact with Li Qiye. When Li Qiye got near, it would start to retreat again. Of course, Li Qiye had no intention of letting it go. He rode the shuttle and gave chase.

No one could see the figure of the shadow due to its incomparable agility. There was only a fuzzy blur while the actual thing inside was hidden.

Li Qiye was fixated on the shadow and murmured: "Keep running, I want to see where you will take me."

No matter how fast it was, it couldn't escape Li Qiye's shuttle. Remember that this shuttle was a supreme treasure. Nothing could outrun it in the Bonesea.

After failing to evade the shuttle, the shadow suddenly leaped up out of the surface. The shuttle didn't give up and jumped out as well. However, after getting out, no more muddy waters or bones were in sight.

This seemed to be space with stars and bright lights. It was spectacular with colorful spots in the distant just like a nebula. Who knows where this place was? It seemed to be another world altogether. The shuttle continued chasing the shadow without giving up an inch.

After noticing that it couldn't escape the shuttle, the shadow suddenly dove and rushed into the deepest part of space with the shuttle right behind it.

They quickly entered another world once more. This place was extremely dry and barren like a desert as far as the eye could see. There were many pits in the sand spewing fire out into the sky. One could hear explosions with magma gushing out everywhere as well. This magma was red with a metallic hue. Who knows what it was?

Li Qiye didn't care for the location and continued on chasing the shadow: "It doesn't matter where you flee, you won't be able to escape like last time!"

The shadow suddenly leaped into a different world once more. The process repeated. It was a watery world, but it wasn't the Bonesea. This was a sea of blood in a vast and boundless expanse of red. Anyone would be frightened before this scene that could be hell itself.

The more horrifying part was that this sea of blood was not calm. There were storms everywhere with waves of blood that towered for endless height, filling the sky. Such terrifying storms seemed to be destroying the world.

Amidst the continuous explosions were pillars of blood gushing to the sky like springs. It seemed that nothing could survive among these blasts spraying everywhere. This place was very dangerous, yet the shadow came and went freely. Its speed was completely unaffected.

However, the island lord's shuttle also had a great origin, so it could cross this sea of blood unhindered. Under Li Qiye's control, the shadow couldn't lose him at all.

This shadow was both angry and surprised at this development. If it was any other existence, it would have turned around to tear them into little pieces. However, it had lost to Li Qiye in the past. It didn't matter what form Li Qiye was in, an evil apparition or a living being, it could sense his unique aura regardless!

So now, it could only desperately flee in order to not be tricked by him again. Even though it escaped safely last time, it became afraid for many years afterward.

The two continued their cat and mouse game through many worlds. Li Qiye laughed at the shadow running for its life and sent a telepathic message: "Really, you don't have to run. We can sit down and have a nice talk, maybe even work together."

However, the shadow ignored him and sped up to escape!

[Chapter 1360: Trouble At The Bonesea](#)

While Li Qiye's group went to the legacy treasure zone, the other regions of the Bonesea were very lively with ships and people everywhere. Virtually every famous cultivator in Heaven Spirit has arrived. From the start, many influential characters came for the item of immortality in the legends. However, the cultivators from the rest of the factions came to join in the fun as well. Many people knew that the greater the force, the safer it would be.

Of course, safety was a relative term inside this region. No true haven existed here. In fact, this was the case for all twelve burial grounds. Due to this factor, unfortunate news came each day as many cultivators met their demise with no lack of big shots among the list.

"Nine elders, twenty-four protectors, and three thousand disciples from the Southsea aquatic tribe met a group of evil spirits. All of them became food, not even a bone was left behind." This was one of the misfortunes.

"The Trueflower God-Monarch from the Jade Sea was attacked by a croco-dragon then fell into the sea by accident and drowned." Cultivators glanced around upon hearing this. [1]

A God-Monarch drowning to death? This might be the saddest death of a God-Monarch in the past million years.

"A charming spirit from the Abyss Sea, the Soaring Reflection Godking wanted to break into the forbidden zone of the Bonesea. The moment he stepped inside, he suddenly turned into ashes." An even more shocking piece of news about the deeper region spread.

Many shuddered after hearing this and had to take deep breaths. A Godking rendered to ashes instantly? Just how horrifying was this?

The deepest part of the Bonesea was also its core. It was known as the forbidden zone. This location was quite mysterious and dangerous. There was a ninety percent chance of dying after intruding this area, even for a Godking.

Nevertheless, many Godkings still tried to enter for research purposes due to the rumors about the item of immortality. Another one stated that the sea demons' Trident might also be there. Because of these reasons, many supreme sea demons fell in this place to verify the claim of the Trident's location.

Of course, there was also good news among the bad. Some claimed that there were treasures everywhere. Even though this was a bit exaggerated, it wasn't too far off from the truth. As long as one was lucky enough, they could obtain precious items.

There was a plethora of different treasures. Some beasts would leave behind their cores after dying, and the same goes for powerful cultivators with their treasures. Maybe there were even mantras and merit laws carved on the bones of a failed expedition...

Just a few days ago, one cultivator found a particular merit law. This news quickly spread across the Bonesea.

"A nobody from the Dragon Demon Sea found a law on the leg of a mammoth. This supreme law was left behind by the Holywheel Supreme from ninety thousand years ago." The juniors or people from the smaller sects were quite envious.

For these weaker cultivators, obtaining a chapter of a merit law was the same as leaping over the dragon gate to enter the rank of masters. This “nobody” was smart. After obtaining this great merit law, he immediately left the Bonesea to find a place and hide.

“Have you heard yet? Elder Hua from the Woodenfish Tribe picked up a piece of bone. I heard he spent several days rummaging through these mountains before finding it. After being checked by a sage, it was determined to be a piece from the sternum of a heavenly flood-dragon with its majestic divinity intact. It’s very precious and can be refined into a foreign dao treasure.”

“The eldest disciple from the Hundredfish Courtyard also picked up a bronze lock. I heard it is a legacy treasure left behind by a True God — very unfathomable with a great effect within.”

The good news that came up each day excited the cultivators here even more. Everyone wanted to have success overnight by finding one or two pieces of incredible treasures.

Everyone knew just how dangerous the place was with evil spirits looming everywhere, but this didn’t deter their enthusiasm for these treasures. They scavaged around through the bones in their search.

Both the famous big shots and renowned prodigies were present. The Swiftdao God, the Profound God-Monarch, Daoist Lin from the Immaculate Expanse, the Extreme Yang Monarch... these illustrious youths were all present.

Of course, among the big shots, the most famous and powerful had to be Meng Zhentian. His might was not just in name since it has been proven before. The moment he arrived, a powerful evil spirit attacked him. This creature was more than ten thousand meters tall. It stood on the sea like a great mountain.

Its skeletal form was quite frightening. Only one thick and large leg was supporting its huge form like a pillar. The skeleton emitted a powerful divinity like a living divine beast.

“A Kui!” Even older paragons retreated in the face of this monstrous skeleton.

After the skeletons in the Bonesea turned into evil spirits, they all emitted emotionless and cold auras. However, this particular skeleton still exuded divinity, showing that the aura of death here had yet to refine it completely.

“It’s a Divine Impertinent Bull and not a real Kui! But when it was alive, it did have the bloodline of a Kui flowing through it.” A charming spirit paragon noticed the bony claw sticking out of its chest and recognized its real identity.

Although this evil spirit was not a Kui, it was still quite mighty. With a loud roar, the world quaked with tidal waves capable of destroying everything terrorize the sky.

“Ah!” Screams resounded. In the surging storm, many boneships were flipped over with cultivators still aboard, causing them to drown.

Many nearby cultivators jumped onto other bone mountains or grabbed onto large skeletons on the sea in order to avoid dying from their ships capsizing.

While the bull skeleton was causing waves, Meng Zhentian declared from his carriage: “Monster, do not be presumptuous!”

His declaration alarmed the high heavens. The stars in the sky rustled as the universe turned disorderly.

An everlasting aura emanated from the carriage with an endless light illuminating the entire region.

It looked as if ten suns were rising from within. All kinds of phenomena emerged around it. There were immortal pictures and astral creations floating up and down. The Yin and Yang as well as karma itself were rotating inside. This carriage became the center of the world and dominated the entire realm.

“Bang!” Under Meng Zhentian’s supreme suppression, the one-legged bull prostrated in the sea. It roared and struggled to stand up in vain since it remained suppressed by his power.

It wasn’t until his boat made from Crocodile Yin-bone went away before his supreme aura dispersed. This frightened skeletal bull drilled into the ocean and disappeared immediately after.

Many people were aghast after seeing such a domineering scene. They couldn’t calm down for a long time. From start to finish, Meng Zhentian didn’t even show his face or take action. Just his supreme aura alone was enough to force that powerful spirit into prostrating motionlessly. Just how formidable was he?

The crowd shuddered at his incredible show of power. Many young geniuses felt despair. As long as Meng Zhentian was alive in this world, their day would never come.

“Who else can be Immortal Emperor but him!?” Both the old and young shared this thought after seeing this scene.

The younger generation had a decent showing at the Bonesea, especially the Extreme Yang Monarch. There were reports of him obtaining an incomparable refined sunfire. However, with Meng Zhentian around, they were eclipsed completely. No one really paid attention to them.

Rumor has it that even the Seashield Prince was here, but no one had seen him so it was merely speculation. This character had always been mysterious. Moreover, he cultivated the Void Physique, so he often traveled in an untraceable manner; no one really knew his whereabouts.

[1] Champsosaurus seemed to be the designated translation for this, but I’m keeping dinosaurs away. The reason for this is because most dinosaurs in Chinese are adjective + dragon. For example, a T-rex is a tyrannical dragon. This croco-dragon is crocodile + dragon. I don’t think the author is ever referring to a dinosaur when he names these dragon hybrids.