

Emperor 1681

[Chapter 1681: Who Will Be The Last One Smiling?](#)

Gu Zun, the Azure Dragon Legion, and Imperial Queen Ren Xian were impeding each other. The first one to attack would be ganged up by the other two.

“Imperial Queen, this is no time for indecisiveness.” Gu Zun slowly added: “You can get your revenge or pursue me later. Now, you must repel the enemy or you will end up with nothing. Help me now and become the ruler of the nine worlds in the future! Your Soaring Immortal Sect will have countless emperors!”

Gu Zun’s words made some sense. If Gu Zun were to take Li Qiye away, the queen would be the real master as long as she can defeat the Azure Dragon Legion. Once her Ancient Ming bloodline became stronger, on top of having the resources of Soaring Immortal, the nine worlds will be hers for the taking.

She no longer hesitated and walked forward to stop the legion. She had made her choice, picking hegemony over revenge for now.

“This is a wise choice, I am lost in admiration for your wisdom, Imperial Queen.” Gu Zun smiled and carefully retreated. As long as the queen was there to stop all the firepower, he would have the chance to run.

“Want to run?!” The azure dragon thrust with its spear through space. The power of this attack would shock Emperor Assailants.

“Cease your impudence!” The queen shouted and stopped the dragon. A pair of boundless fiery wings emerged behind her and sealed all the portals in the world to stop the thrust!

She still looked as leisure as ever. This made her strength quite apparent.

“Imperial Queen, unbeatable indeed.” Gu Zun praised and got even farther away.

He left behind the imperial princes this time and only took Li Qiye with him, in accordance with his agreement with the queen. The princes as hostages have lost their worth since he had gotten what he wanted.

“Clank!” The legion was furious now. Its spear aimed at the sky and a green light oozed out with an erupting draconic aura. It wanted to defeat the queen as fast as possible in order to save Li Qiye.

“No rush, no rush, why is everyone fighting or leaving so fast? It’s not easy for us to meet, especially on a beautiful day like this.” A leisure voice came about.

Gu Zun was stunned to hear it and turned pale. He had already prepared an escape path and no one would ever be able to find him again in that location.

However, someone was standing in front of him, causing him to look back at the bubble.

Of course, it was Li Qiye standing right there.

In the bubble, Gu Zun saw another Li Qiye. The two were completely identical. Even someone as intelligent as him couldn’t tell the real one from the fake.

The queen was shocked as well. An expert of her level couldn't figure out the real one either!

In this split second, Gu Zun retreated to a safe distance with Li Qiye on top of releasing the four princes from their bubble.

After doing so, he stared respectfully at Li Qiye, in awe of the man's abilities. He learned all of his craftiness from the Dark Crow so he was actually the biggest admirer out of everyone.

Li Qiye looked at the bubble and the mist before praising: "I have to admit, you have learned many things from me. Not only did you obtain the Temporal Bubbles and Eye Mist, you have even recreated a part of your soul, in order to use the pre-reincarnation and half-reincarnation selves to meet and create a temporal chaos in order to capture me during the gap. I don't think anyone else besides me can come up with such an excellent plan. It can indeed seal an emperor! And the danger from messing with the timeline! Just one misstep would turn everything to ashes. Even the Black Dragon King doesn't dare to experiment with this."

"You're too kind, it's all due to your guidance." Gu Zun didn't become complacent. He retreated to the queen's side.

He had toiled and calculated just for today. Countless blood and sweat were spent in order to obtain the Temporal Bubble and the Eye Mist.

The bubbles were born along the river of time. They were extremely rare as essences of the timeline. Because of this, one epoch would only produce three to five. This would already be a large quantity.

In the past, Li Qiye had also thought about using them to seal existences on the same level as emperors. The method was hypothesized by him too but he never carried it out.

Gu Zun was aware of this method. Who would have thought that he would actually be successful with it?

The Eye Mist was very rare as well. It was also another type of essence created from certain sea-serpent that had the bloodline of a True Dragon. There was a complete corpse of this creature in the nine worlds. Li Qiye told him in passing but Gu Zun memorized this and actually came for it. He used it on Soaring Immortal and allowed his cavalry to attack.

"This is all due to your own effort, I don't dare to claim credit. It is such a shame that you have chosen the wrong path." Li Qiye shook his head and smiled.

Even the everlasting crow had to admit that Gu Zun was very talented with amazing achievements. In the past, the ones he trained used their talents and tried their best to become an emperor, all focus was on cultivation.

This wasn't the case for Gu Zun. He learned strategy and scheming in order to become someone like the Dark Crow or even replace him. Unfortunately, he still wasn't a match for the Dark Crow.

"You are right, I'm still too inexperienced compared to you in all aspects. I lack your vast knowledge as well. I wasn't too confident in sealing you this time and I understand now, that your plan wasn't meant just for me. It involved everyone." Gu Zun was still calm enough to smile.

He was aware that Li Qiye wanted to kill all of his enemies, including him, the imperial queen, and the Ancient Ming. Otherwise, his brother-in-law, the Black Dragon King, wouldn't be hiding in the horizon and stopping all escape paths.

Thus, when the Ancient Ming appeared, they would be completely massacred since the Dark Crow was waiting for them to take the bait!

Nevertheless, he still had to take the chance. This was his only opportunity to defeat the Dark Crow, such a chance would never arise again in the future. Once the Dark Crow came to the tenth world, he would lose this chance to contend since the Dark Crow would become even stronger than now.

"Alas, someone else is even more careful and patient than you." Li Qiye glanced at the sky and said.

It was easy to talk to a smart person. Gu Zun understood what he meant right away. Unfortunately, the Ancient Ming still refuse to show up and take action. Otherwise, he would be able to kill them and seize the Corporeal Zone!

This wasn't too surprising. The Ancient Ming had become very patient and careful after dealing with him for generations before their eventual defeat. Unless there was no other choice, they wouldn't take any unnecessary risk.

However, Soaring Immortal was clearly an experiment by the Ancient Ming. They wanted to use this sect in order to break through to the nine worlds again.

"That's why I said I'm still inexperienced. I'm curious right now, which is your real body?" Gu Zun looked at Li Qiye in the bubble and asked.

"Does it matter? It doesn't change the result at all." Li Qiye smiled mysteriously.

Having said that, he slightly moved his body, seemingly crossing through time and the bubble.

"Pa!" The bubble shattered and the two Li Qiye fused together. No one could ever tell the real one from the fake one earlier now.

In fact, there was indeed a double among the two. This wasn't an ordinary double since Li Qiye used the World Seal to create a duplicate for himself. This particular double was only a bit weaker than the real body.

Gu Zun wasn't surprised to see the bubble being destroyed. Others might not be able to do this but the Dark Crow was a different story. After all, he heard about the bubbles and got the idea of using them from the Dark Crow.

[Chapter 1682: The Imperial Queens Hatred](#)

Gu Zun was fine with losing since he was already mentally prepared. Losing to an existence like the Dark Crow wasn't too surprising.

"Imperial Queen, you better make sure the Ancient Ming is supporting you, or you will die a miserable death and Soaring Immortal will go down with you." Gu Zun slowly spoke while standing next to the queen.

In his eyes, he was on the same camp as the queen and Soaring Immortal. They had no choice other than to work together.

Of course, he wasn't optimistic at all and hoped that the Ancient Ming would show up again. This would give him a glimmer of hope.

Meanwhile, the queen and the four princes angrily glared at Li Qiye. The queen had nothing but hatred in her eyes as if there was an irreconcilable feud between the two of them and that she wanted nothing more than to tear him apart.

He smiled and looked at her: "It's not too surprising that you are alive. However, you have committed two heinous crimes, worthy of death. First, conspiring with the Ancient Ming. Second, hiding in the grave of Imperial Queen Tun Ri!"

The queen didn't actually die young back then. She faked her death in order to change her bloodline in the shadow.

Nevertheless, her whole blood experiment became exposed which led to the forceful search of the sect by the Dark Crow. Meanwhile, she has been hiding in Imperial Queen Tun Ri's grave the entire time.

Even though the Dark Crow essentially excavated the entire place, there was one place he would never touch, the grave of Imperial Queen Tun Ri. It wasn't only because she was the emperor's wife but also because the Dark Crow used to adore her for she was once his most powerful disciple.

After careful rumination, Imperial Queen Ren Xian chose to hide in this particular grave and disappeared from the world. Everyone assumed she was dead.

A few ancestors wanted to find the mastermind but they failed to do so. They didn't expect for her to be hiding there at all.

"One of us shall die today!" The queen was not afraid of the Dark Crow. Her imperial aura was still surging and she maintained her noble temperament.

She knew exactly who she was facing so she had no fear when the day came. It was inevitable in her mind.

Li Qiye said disapprovingly: "I don't quite understand. You are a human and eventually became the queen yet you still chose to work for the Ancient Ming. How regrettable."

"There are many things you don't understand!" She uttered coldly: "The nine worlds do not revolve around your whim, the myriad realms aren't your playground!"

"I'm aware." After gazing into the hatred in her eyes, he smiled and said: "It's all because of Immortal Emperor Ren Xian. He had always shown great restraint with considerable caution on this aspect but you, his wife, chose the opposite. This caused many regrets for both you and him. It wasn't easy for him to build his reputation and he had contributed a lot to the human race, worthy of his title. However, your choice of picking the Ancient Ming will bring eternal damnation to Soaring Immortal. You are disgracing the ancestors of your sect, your position as an imperial queen, and the emperor himself!"

“Don’t you bring up Ren Xian!” The queen interrupted him at once: “I am walking on the path he didn’t dare to for his sake! This is a returning to the origin! The bloodline is innocent. He has never done anything wrong so the world should give him justice, same with you!”

“Is that so? I want to see this so-called innocent bloodline! Even Immortal Emperor Ren Xian didn’t dare to say so back then.” He stared at her and said flatly.

“Why is it a crime to have a bloodline?!” The queen retorted: “Plus, you are not the arbiter of the world. You aren’t qualified to decide whether the bloodline of someone is sinful or not!”

“So you blame me for condemning his Ancient Ming bloodline.” Li Qiye smiled.

“That’s right, you have ruined his life!” The queen said harshly: “Because of your words, he had to make an eternal blood oath! He was a supreme genius but because of your attitude, he became ashamed of his own bloodline, just that thin strand of Ancient Ming. In order to sever this bloodline to become a full human, he removed his bones and tendons time and time again! Each time was a tormenting experience. Even a man as heroic as him couldn’t help but scream! You weren’t there to hear his screams or becoming crazy! All of this was due to the thin bloodline! All of his pain came from your attitude and words!”

Her regality and upbringing couldn’t stop her face from twisting with hatred and pain.

She was both his wife and best friend, always by his side when he had just started on his path. She schemed for him and accompanied him through thick and thin. Watching her lover suffering made her choose an extreme decision!

“Yes, I have never seen his suffering or heard his screaming.” Li Qiye said flatly: “You are right, I was the one who decided his fate and made him do the blood oath, but so what?”

“I have personally experienced the suffering of the nine worlds with my own eyes. Darkness engulfed the world and the myriad races were enslaved. Humans and spirits were only ants in the eyes of the Ancient Ming. They screamed and wailed in lamentation. Many were minced to pieces, their blood became ponds. Some became mere tools for entertainment!”

“Compared to this, the emperor’s suffering is nothing, not worth mentioning! I can kill an emperor and murder a thousand sects, as long as this brings an end to the Ancient Ming. It is completely worth it! I don’t mind or care for those who have to suffer in the process!” Li Qiye coldly finished.

“Who are sinners and who get to suffer aren’t up to you. People can’t judge, only the high heaven! As you have said earlier, your attitude alone made him a sinner. This is an evil way, you’re a criminal!” The queen asserted.

“I have never claimed to be a good person, only a butcher with hands stained of blood. Today, I declare you and your sect guilty. Thus, I shall destroy you all. This is what I must do, a reason for me to exist!” He chuckled and said.

“As for justice and fairness, you can ask the villainous heaven after death. Of course, that is if you can see him. But I’m afraid he won’t have any of that sorts either!” Li Qiye’s eyes turned cold at this point.

“Being unreasonable is the scariest part of a woman.” Gu Zun shook his head and murmured during the conversation. The queen didn’t hear him.

“Don’t be cocky just yet. Who knows who will be the one doing the destroying?” The queen revealed a murderous glint.

Li Qiye couldn’t help but laugh: “Being confident is good but you are too blind. You think your power alone is enough to kill me? You think just changing Soaring Immortal’s entry chant is enough for you to grow stronger? Even if you gamble the entire sect and have the power of an Emperor Rival, you are still only my prey.”

The queen became serious with her gaze. She didn’t expect for him to know this as well.

“Don’t be surprised.” Li Qiye chuckled: “Back during the previous search, I have checked your sect’s merit laws. The entry chant had been changed. Even though this new section wasn’t too conspicuous, it definitely hid the chant of the Ancient Ming. Others might not be aware, but don’t forget who obtained the manuals of this race back then!”

“So what if you know! It is all because of you that this is happening to Soaring Immortal!” She said coldly.

So it turned out that the queen had changed several entry chants to the sect and called them improvements. Of course, the sect didn’t know that this was her doing. Only the powerful ancestors who supported her passed these merit laws down to their disciples for generations.

[Chapter 1683: The Battle](#)

The changed chants were too difficult to detect even for the most powerful ancestor there. After all, the queen was an amazing genius on top of being stronger than some ancestors. Plus, they have never seen the mantra manuals of the Ancient Ming before.

Furthermore, the new entry chants had no negative effects on the disciples. On the contrary, there were many improvements such as faster cultivation speed. This was the reason why the majority of experts in the sect had trained this particular chant.

Lastly, the sect had been sealed for three generations. This gave the queen hiding in the shadow a great opportunity and room for her plans.

“I’m the culprit?” Li Qiye smiled in response: “Its fate is due to its own choice. The ancestors that supported you knew exactly what they were doing yet they still chose to do so! The real culprit is the sect’s uncontainable ambition. After having five emperors, you all really think that you’re the heaven’s favorite, the ruler of the nine worlds, capable of producing emperors for generations. That’s why a bunch of geezers wants to take the shortcut to reach an even more powerful bloodline. That’s why the Ancient Ming was able to infiltrate.”

“You can rule so why can’t we? Not everything is up to you!” The queen coldly said.

“Fool.” Li Qiye sneered with disdain.

Even Gu Zun was shaking his head: “One should never overestimate a woman’s intelligence. Once they become stubborn, that’s more frightening than anything.”

“I’m not here to talk about morality with you. I’m here to kill you, it’s time to end this.” Li Qiye no longer wished to talk. A murderous glint appeared in his eyes.

In an instant, he teleported in front of the four imperial princes and said: “Remember well, I am a very brutal person. I will let your mother watch you die and vice versa. This is the price of conspiring with the Ancient Ming, bringing darkness to the nine worlds. Eternal damnation is your fate!”

With that, a second Li Qiye appeared. This was the one created by the World Seal and was identical to the real one. The two of them released their thirteen palaces and the fused physique godfiend.

“Boom!” The two godfiends instantly sealed the area and the four princes.

At the same time, his inner physiques lit up. The four physiques emerged along with the two domains.

This, in turn, became four domains in total. One could imagine how terrible his arsenal was at this moment. The entire temporal area became melted.

“Open!” The four princes shouted, wanting to break the suppression. They reacted quickly and fused together but this wasn’t enough.

In the past, his nirvana form alone fought them to a stalemate. Now, two Li Qiye at their peak form completely overwhelmed them.

“Kill!” The queen furiously took action with her hair flying. Her first strike was extremely tyrannical.

“Clank!” An invincible spear spanned through the realms to stop her path, not allowing her to take half a step forward.

“You deserve death!” The azure dragon sternly aimed for the queen with a terrible bloodthirst.

For the legion, the Ancient Ming was their mortal enemy. So many brothers from their legion have died to the Ancient Ming. After so many generations of struggle and bloody battles, they would never forgive anyone who conspires with this race!

“Boom! Boom! Boom!” The two raged on. The queen was anxious to save her children so she turned into a saintess of the high heaven, wishing to use this heavenly power to unleash world-destroying techniques. Emperor Assailants were no match for her.

Meanwhile, the legion was furious as well. This wild dragon tore apart the firmaments with its spear spinning like a tornado to attack her.

Worldkeeper and the individual members of the legion were powerful enough already. This form only amplified their might even more. The queen was having a hard time and had to stay on the defensive. This was the real power of the legion, it was going easy a while ago.

Meanwhile, Gu Zun retreated to the side and nonchalantly watched. He didn’t try to escape because he didn’t have the chance. His brother-in-law was hiding in the sky and had sealed the area already. If he tried to make a move, his brother-in-law would suppress him whenever.

More importantly, he had no intention of escaping. This was his last chance. If the Ancient Ming were to appear, he could aim for a tie. However, death was assured if the Ancient Ming didn’t show up.

Of course, he wasn't afraid at all. Death was not scary to him.

"Buzz!" The two Li Qiye opened their fate palace. A primordial expanse released the three vessels.

When the three vessels appeared, not to mention the sect, the entire Mortal Emperor World changed. Li Qiye's vitality soared because of the vessels and engulfed the world. It continued to increase and eventually, this vitality might cause Mortal Emperor to explode.

All living beings were suffocated because of him. The Mortal Emperor World has become a sea of blood while all other inhabitants were fish within. However, they didn't know how to swim and would eventually drown.

The more terrible part was when the vessel of genesis appeared. Everyone had an illusion that a second world was opening. It was full of primordial chaos and immortal vegetation. This newly formed world looks like a paradise, yearned by all.

Because of this illusion, many began to walk towards this world. In fact, they were wasting their time since they couldn't enter.

Once the vessel of athanasia appeared, everything became eternal. It was as if Li Qiye was indestructible and immortal. Everyone thought that he was ascending under the power of this vessel, jumping out of the nine worlds, the reincarnation cycles, and the yin and yang. Nothing could hold him back any longer.

"Boom!" His four physiques were shouldering the three vessels in the sky.

A terrible cataclysm resounded in the form of thunder ponds. Nets of lightning emerged everywhere all around Mortal Emperor with sonorous thunders.

It seemed that the high heaven was opening a portal of tribulation. This power of judgment poured down like a flood, seemingly wishing to end Mortal Emperor.

"Oh god." All existences were pale and dazed beneath the lightning tribulation. They were forced down to the ground in fear. It wasn't a fear of power but an instinctive one out of respect, one that any living being would have towards the high heaven.

All existences were insignificant compared to the heaven. They must prostrate on the ground, unable to resist this power!

"Boom!" All of the lightning bolts directly struck Li Qiye. This illuminated the entire Mortal Emperor World like the explosion of a million suns. Countless experts couldn't open their eyes, not even with their heavenly gaze. This power was simply too much.

Even an Emperor Assailant wouldn't be able to handle it. This was just like the tribulation of an Immortal Emperor. Only such characters would have to endure this type of tribulation. Only they are qualified to be subjected to this level of force!

Li Qiye's three vessels utilized to their limit have invited the rage of the heaven. It wouldn't allow for this type of power to exist so it must destroy the vessels.

Li Qiye wasn't afraid at all. The four images in his palaces activated a well.

The pillar of life pierced directly into the thunder ponds and crazily absorbed this power.

The spring of life like a great ocean withstood the incoming lightning bolts.

The cauldron of life poured out words of the grand dao and turned into a primordial flame. It also refined the absorbed power of the lightning bolts earlier, turning it into Li Qiye's own.

The tree of life blotted out the world with its leaves and offered Li Qiye the majestic power of life!

[Chapter 1684: Ancient Ming Bloodline](#)

Emperor Assailants felt apprehensive after seeing Li Qiye taking on the power of the thunder pond alone. This was an Immortal Emperor level of tribulation. They needed to be that strong to challenge it yet Li Qiye was perfectly fine. The more scary part was that he wanted to refine this type of lightning for his own use.

No one would dare to imagine refining a tribulation of this level. The slightest mistake would render one to ashes. Just withstanding it alone could allow him to claim invincibility, let alone stealing it.

"Crack!" After refining the tribulation, he had a lightning bolt running through him. It was golden and blinding as if it was gold turning into lightning. This particular lightning had the power of tribulation within.

He used this bolt to attack the fused imperial princes.

"Ah!" The four screamed and writhed in pain.

The four's grand completion physique and perfect grand dao were quite mighty. However, they were powerless to resist since the two Li Qiye were suppressing them. Thus, they had to suffer the power of lightning.

"What are you doing?!" The heart of a mother made the queen scream at this sight.

"Offering to the heaven." Li Qiye said flatly: "Conspiracy never ends well, only in blood! Since you chose to conspire with the Ancient Ming, you should have mentally prepared for this pitiful end."

"Ah!" The four continued to wail.

"Die!" The distressed queen grabbed the sun and moon to annihilate everything and attacked the azure dragon with her most domineering style.

The dragon retaliated with its spear. Each thrust was destructive enough to destroy all like exploding galaxies.

"Rumble!" The two sides fought intensely in a stalemate!

The queen unleashed more barrages so that she could get past the dragon in order to save her children. At the same time, the furious dragon ferociously defended against her onslaught.

The legion's power should come as no surprise. It had stopped waves of merciless onslaughts from the Ancient Ming in the past.

“Clank!” After several failed attempts, the queen raised her hand and the Virtuous Sword came into her grasp. She quietly asked: “Your Majesty, grant me strength!”

The sword did not answer. No imperial auras or techniques came out.

“No, you can’t abandon me, you can’t!” The queen turned pale and screamed after seeing the lack of reaction.

“Clank!” The spear pierced the yin and yang with this ultimate thrust. Because the sword wouldn’t respond, the queen had no choice but to throw it away before defending.

“Ah!” The four princes continued to scream. Li Qiye used the power of tribulation to forcefully undo the fusion. This fused form allowed them to withstand Li Qiye for a bit but after being forced apart, they were up to Li Qiye and his clone’s mercy.

“Boom! Boom!” Li Qiye divided the bolt into four golden ones for each of the siblings. The bolts directly pierced into their inner physique. Li Qiye was trying to use the tribulation power to sacrifice the four of them!

“You’re forcing me to do this!” The queen shouted. Her body instantly became resplendent with an ancient rune carrying a mysterious power.

“Master, I offer you my blood!” She repeated a supreme mantra that echoed across the world.

“Nameless saint, dao without hardship, mind without a speck of dust, life for the dao...” Her chant continued.

At the same time, the same chant resonated in Soaring Immortal. The majority of disciples there chanted the same thing: “Nameless saint, dao without hardship, mind without a speck of dust, my life for the dao...”

This was the entry chant for Soaring Immortal but it was different right now. The chanters’ blood were boiling and wanted nothing more than to join the battlefield.

As they were chanting, their body lit up as if they were empowered by the high heaven and trusted with its strength.

“Boom!” Loud blasts detonated inside the queen’s body. Her blood was circulating faster as if it was awakening. She exuded a holy light and her body nearly became transparent. One could see white-as-snow blood coursing through her veins.

“Buzz!” When she opened her pretty eyes again, her pupils have become vertical in a bizarre manner.

Li Qiye smiled after seeing the white blood: “So you experimented with your body. Using Immortal Emperor Ren Xian’s blood to refine the Ancient Ming blood. Pushing the darkness to the limit, from black to white.”

“Who says the Ancient Ming is the darkness!?” She screamed: “You are the source of darkness in the nine worlds. The Ancient Ming is only a race, it is innocent!”

With that, her forehead cracked open and a third eye appeared. In the socket was a tiny pool of blood with only a few drops. However, the blood drops changed from red to black.

The earth veins from Soaring Immortal resonated with the rippling blood drops. Each inch of Soaring Immortal exuded a sacred light.

“Looks like the Ancient Ming went all out. In order for you to carry out the experiment and have the Soaring Immortal act as its pawn, they actually gave you some ancestral blood. This is the primordial blood of their race.” Li Qiye was surprised to see this.

The queen had a great breakthrough in this blood evolution. She made it look quite holy with a sacred power. This was the reason why the Ancient Ming was bullish on her and gave her some ancestral blood drops.

She was also determined to turn Soaring Immortal into the sect with the strongest bloodline in the world so that it would reign at the top. Thus, she stained the sect’s earth veins with the ancestral blood. Because of this, when she woke up her bloodline, it wouldn’t only become stronger due to the disciples’ chant but also from the prior assimilation with the earth veins.

No one else would be able to do this because these earth veins have been blessed for generations. However, she was the wife of an emperor on top of being extremely gifted. Her talents were among the top two during Immortal Emperor Ren Xian’s generation.

With the passage of time, she slowly devoured the earth veins and assimilated the disciples. With the support from the ancestors for the last few generations, especially the ones from the Ren Xian branch, it was too easy for her to take over Soaring Immortal.

“Boom!” A sky appeared behind her, resembling the high heaven. Fiery rays emerged from her body. Normally, an Ancient Ming would have a black light upon activating their bloodline. However, her light was extremely holy, capable of converting others into followers.

She looked as if she was protected by the high heaven. However, it didn’t stop there. More explosions detonated. A kingdom opened behind her. It was endless with the power of trillions of living beings.

The disciples who trained her version of the entry chant all disappeared. They turned into holy strings of light and flowed towards her kingdom. They became deities inside and used their majestic lifeforce to empower her even more.

Even the earth veins’ power was sucked into this ethereal kingdom, allowing her to grasp the power of an entire world.

“Clank!” She had a bone sword at this moment. It was as black as ink with a terrible power of darkness. It seemed capable of piercing through everything. Even True Immortals would decay after being pricked by it. Immortality didn’t exist before it. This bone sword represented death.

“Incredible, they went all out in grooming you, to actually give you this bone sword refined from the bone of their progenitor.” Li Qiye’s eyes turned cold with a murderous glint.

[Chapter 1685: Protection Of The Nine Worlds](#)

“Boom!” After her entire bloodline showed its real potential, the queen suppressed the firmaments instantly. She was surrounded with divine rings and an immortal temperament. Each divine ring carried a supreme power as she seemed to have turned into an Immortal Emperor.

“The power of a Rival. She has broken through the chains of the high heaven!” Even the matriarch was alarmed and murmured: “The ancestral blood of the Ancient Ming allowed her to break through her limits. This is indeed the blessing of the heaven, no wonder why people say that this race is the real favorite of the heaven.”

The queen was initially an Emperor Contender but after this process, she immediately reached the Rival level, truly grasping the power to fight against an emperor.

This was the terrible part about the Ancient Ming bloodline. In theories, a contender would never be able to break the chains of the heavens. There was an uncrossable bridge between a contender and a rival. Moreover, the high heaven wouldn't allow such a thing to happen. Otherwise, anyone could become an emperor. Alas, the ancestral blood allowed for her to do so.

“You deserve death!” The queen directly attacked Li Qiye with her bone sword. Even though she was radiating a sacred light, she also gave the feeling that she had turned evil.

“Destroy her!” In this split second, shadows rushed out of Soaring Immortal. Each had a frightening aura.

With a loud boom, they all unleashed an ultimate attack with an imperial weapon.

“Qi Shi, you still haven't given up? Fine, I'll play along!” The queen shouted after seeing these ancestors making their way out.

“We shall cleanse the ranks for Soaring Immortal today!” The leading ancestors shouted. They burned their own longevity blood to unleash the strongest imperial attack.

They were from the other three branches of Soaring Immortal and had been placed under house arrest. This was their long-awaited opportunity, hoping to eliminate all traitors and they wouldn't hesitate from killing the disciples that have been assimilated by the entry chant.

“Know your place.” The queen sneered and slashed downward with her bone sword.

A nefarious flame swept through the sky. One could hear the stars being affected by this flame and instantly became ashes, resulting in a horrifying scene.

“Clank!” The azure dragon came thrusting for the queen. It was teaming with the ancestors from Soaring Immortal in order to put her down.

“Bang!” The stars collapsed again under this exchange. After the boost in the queen's power, the dragon was pushed back in just one move. The ancestors were blown away while vomiting blood. One ancestor screamed and became a mist of blood after the strike earlier.

She was simply too strong right now. These ancestors were mighty and even burned their longevity blood. Alas, they couldn't withstand one move from the bone sword.

“Ah!” At the same time, the four siblings issued a horrific scream. Their vitality has been sucked dry by Li Qiye. The golden bolt was refining their inner physique with their own vitality but these inner physiques were being dragged out by Li Qiye.

“Die!” The queen was in no mood to fight. She crazily howled as her flame erupted. She swung her sword with a slaughtering strike, one that could split the heaven and earth.

Under her crazed offense, all the ancestors attacking her were killed instantly. Even the dragon had cracks on its gigantic body.

“Rumble!” The dragon finally became crazy and lit up the world with a bloody red shade. It seemed to have turned into a Blood Dragon; the legion was ready to use their real killing move.

“Let her come, I want her to watch her children die and they to watch their mother die.” Li Qiye gave the order to the raging dragon.

The dragon glared at the queen before slowly retreating.

The queen stepped forward and annihilated the stars and myriad dao. She instantly got close to Li Qiye and raised her sword at him while declaring: “I will cut you to pieces!”

Even time and space were being corroded by the sword. Its evil property was too much for anything to handle.

This wasn't surprising at all since it was created from the rib bone of the Ancient Ming Progenitor. The queen's blood had awakened completely so this made her even more compatible with the sword and its flame.

She had changed her human bloodline into a very pure Ancient Ming bloodline. She was the only successful one in Soaring Immortal. She had indeed upgraded this particular blood and made it seem holy and exuberant, but this didn't change the darkness affinity of the race. Its corrosive power was still ever so present and destructive.

Li Qiye didn't bat an eye and slowly answered: “As I have said, anyone who conspires with the Ancient Ming shall pay a heavy price. No one will be surprised when I make you wail in anguish. It doesn't matter where the Ancient Ming is hiding, I'll let them watch their inevitable fate, the power of the nine worlds and my will to protect it!”

“Die!” Her face had become twisted, robbing her of her peerless beauty.

With another slash, the evil flame engulfed the area again. Space itself was turning black from this next slash. The celestials had their light taken away before turning into specks of dust.

Not to mention being struck by the sword, just being hit by the flame alone would instantly end an Emperor Assailant.

“Rumble!” The nine worlds all trembled at the same time without exception, from Mortal Emperor to Stone Medicine to Nether Sacred...

In a jiffy, imperial auras emerged in all locations, ranging from the ancestral grounds of imperial lineage to the birthplace of emperors, where they once learned the dao, and their previous abodes...

In short, the places where the emperors have left their footstep instantly lit up. Many majestic figures emerged and suppressed the entire area with their will to slay evil. All existences prostrated as the will of the emperors erupted in the worlds.

Immortal Emperor Min Ren, Immortal Emperor Ye Ti, Immortal Emperor Wu Gou, Immortal Emperor Bu Si, Immortal Emperor Chen Xue, Immortal Emperor Bai Lian, Immortal Emperor Bi Lian, Empress Hong Tian, Immortal Emperor Tun Ri, Immortal Emperor Fan Chen, Immortal Emperor Ba Mie, Immortal Emperor Dao Huai, Immortal Emperor Guan Feng...

The majority of emperors that have proven their dao after the Ancient Ming Era all emerged around the nine worlds.

“Your Majesty!” People were full of tears after seeing these figures. This was their first time seeing the supreme appearance of their ancestors so they became uncontrollably excited. In a short time, cultivators and even mortals dropped to their knees.

Every inch of land in the nine worlds lit up with a brilliant light, from the earth veins to the vast seas of every sect.

Complex lines wove around the world. A supreme imperial aura came into being. It looked as if the emperors have blessed the land in full before.

“Ancestors!” The descendants offered their worship to the majestic figures.

From this point, imperial lineages, imperial descendants, cultivators who have trained in imperial laws, citizens protected by the emperors; they were full of an imperial power, evident by their bright aura. It looked as if their imperial ancestors were relying on their flesh to return to the world.

The complex lines activated an imperial protection in the form of these bright auras. The entire nine worlds were under their safeguard.

At this time, there was no distinction and discrimination between races. The emperors protected everyone as if all were the same, citizens of the nine worlds!

And their only enemy was the Ancient Ming.

“Your Majesty.” All sentient beings under this protection, regardless of their background, answered the call of the emperors. A will cropped up in their mind and became one with the battle intents from the emperor.

Their will was to protect the nine worlds and fight the Ancient Ming!

“Boom!” Streams of imperial battle intents and the will of all living beings fused together. The empowered will to fight was immensely impressive. Even existences in the burial grounds were very wary of this power.

At this time, the old ghost from Ancient Sky opened his eyes. His expression became serious after seeing the accumulation of wills all over the nine worlds.

Overlords hiding in the burial grounds were in awe as well. There was no way of resisting this new type of power, the result of all emperors after the Ancient Ming Era leaving behind their battle intents and will to protect the nine worlds.

No one was allowed to challenge this will or they shall be killed without mercy!

[Chapter 1686: Nine Worlds Evil Subduer](#)

“Clank!” Sparks went flying. Even though all of this required considerable words to describe, it all happened within a split second.

The bony sword aiming for Li Qiye was stopped due to a spear appearing out of nowhere. Li Qiye wielded it with many grand dao accompanying it. Each grand dao represented an Immortal Emperor, mostly from the Emperors Era. Even Immortal Emperor Ta Kong was there!

This spear represented the emperors’ battle intent and the nine worlds’ inhabitants’ will. It was meant to create the nine worlds, residing in every inch of the land and everyone’s heart.

“Like I said, show no mercy to those who conspire with the Ancient Ming! Watch, no matter where you are hiding, open your dog eyes! The nine worlds are eternally protected, get the hell out!” His merciless voice filled the world with the stench of blood.

Anyone would shiver before his cold and bloodthirsty glare; even Immortal Emperors were no exception.

“Pluff!” He instantly threw the spear towards the imperial queen.

“Ah!” Her miserable scream should come as no surprise. She was instantly pinned to the ground despite having the power of an Emperor Rival. There was no resisting this weapon.

Her wails of torment echoed around the world. She struggled, aiming to pull the spear out of her body. However, it was useless. Universal laws were locking her body and slowly refining and separating her body. Her holy light dimmed down along with her sacred breath. The initially white-as-snow blood began to change to reveal its true darkness.

“The nine worlds aren’t meant for you, Ancient Ming!” Li Qiye glanced at the queen without any mercy.

Not to mention the queen, even a real emperor would be dead for sure. As long as the victim had the bloodline of an Ancient Ming, there was no escaping!

Nine Worlds’ Evil Subduer! This was the name of this spear but it wasn’t actually a weapon. It was a sure-kill move, created from an accumulation of wills and power from the earth. [1]

Its existence was to protect the nine worlds from the Ancient Ming!

After the end of the Ancient Ming Era, this race wasn’t completely wiped out because it had the Corporeal Zone. They still had extremely powerful overlords hiding within. Even Li Qiye himself was helpless against this artifact, truly headache inducing.

Moreover, he couldn’t always stay in the nine worlds. Without sufficient preparation, the Ancient Ming could always come back to make the nine worlds its victim.

Thus, as the Dark Crow, Li Qiye had a grand plan. He signed a supreme agreement and Immortal Emperor Min Ren carried it out first.

After spending countless efforts of preparing the nine worlds, Li Qiye also had Immortal Emperor Min Ren and Empress Hong Tian start by refining and empowering the nets around the nine worlds. Later on, each successive generation of emperors would do the same to create this sure-kill move.

It was the ultimate method of dealing with the Ancient Ming in case they were to come back again. At the very least, the inhabitants of the nine worlds could use this to try and stop them.

It wasn't under Li Qiye's control but rather, everyone in the world could wield this "spear" as long as they had a will to fight against the Ancient Ming to the very last drop of blood!

"No!" The four siblings screamed after seeing their mother pinned to the ground and groaning. Alas, they couldn't do anything either.

"Your turn!" Li Qiye shifted his gaze towards the four. The lightning bolts jumped frantically into their body and instantly removed all of their blood and cultivation. They used these essences to refine their four inner physiques.

"Ah!" The four princes howled and were instantly burnt to a crisp. Meanwhile, their inner physiques were refined into the best physique essences using the power of the heavenly tribulation.

"No!" The queen shrieked after being forced to watch her children turn into nothingness.

"Li, I will haunt you forever!" The queen screamed with a twisted expression and no longer had any semblance of her regal self.

Li Qiye said coldly: "Many Ancient Mings cursed me like that when I massacred them back then. Haunt me? So what, you will still be kneeling before me then!"

Having said that, he ignored the queen. With a popping sound, the essences of the four inner physiques instantly fused with his own.

"Whoosh!" In the blink of an eye, his four inner physiques became dazzling. They spewed out immortal light and Li Qiye suddenly became magnificent. The black light of Hell Suppression, the wondrous light of Soaring Immortal, the purity of Void Imperfection, and immense power of Sky Destroyer; all four annihilated the world. Nothing could restrain Li Qiye any longer.

At this moment, his four physiques have finally reached grand completion. When his eyes became bright, everything shivered in fear, even emperors if they were to see this sight!

"It's finally done, four Immortal Physiques, one and only in history." The matriarch was astonished to see this. In the past, the Black Dragon King was already unbeatable with just two but now, His Excellency had four. Immortal Emperors certainly weren't his match any longer!

Even Gu Zun gently sighed. He knew he had lost at this point. All of his remaining ace cards were useless.

"Saints, don't forget your promise!" The queen shouted in despair at the horizon.

Li Qiye at this time posed coolly with both hands behind his back. His eyes resembled two divine lamps illuminating every single coordinate in the world!

However, regardless of her screaming, the sky was still the same as before. It was as if she was only talking to herself.

“What a shame, they still won’t take action. You’re only a pawn in their eyes.” Li Qiye coldly told the queen.

“No! I am the only one in the world who had a successful blood evolution, they can’t abandon me!” She was in complete disbelief.

“Even Immortal Emperor Ren Xian abandoned you, let alone them. The man who loves you the most didn’t care, do you think the Ancient Ming would care about a mere pawn? Tell me their location, I might spare your life!” He said coldly.

“No, no, Ren Xian would never abandon me!” The woman drowned in despair murmured to herself and didn’t hear Li Qiye at all.

He became disappointed. The queen simply didn’t know the location of the Corporeal Zone at all. The Ancient Ming was too careful. In their eyes, they only had one chance so they must be certain of success. Otherwise, all they have done would be gone with the wind, especially their last hope, the Corporeal Zone. If they were to lose this artifact, their entire race would be completely wiped out!

The sky remained quiet. There was no sign of any Ancient Ming, let alone the Corporeal Zone.

He gently sighed and knew that it wasn’t happening. After millions of years, he couldn’t wait till the last moment. Alas, he had no other choice because he no longer had eternal life and waited like before. He must keep on going in this generation instead of waiting for the Ancient Ming’s retaliation.

Killing the queen’s group was only an early end to his plan. This was the last sweep before he left the nine worlds. It also served as a threat to the remnant Ancient Ming so that they wouldn’t dare to act recklessly.

As for the future, whether the nine worlds could oppose the Ancient Ming or not, that was up to them. He had done all he could. He would continue forward without caring or protecting the nine worlds.

With that, he shifted his gaze towards Gu Zun who was still standing calmly there. Li Qiye could see his own image on Gu Zun. The guy had indeed learned many things from him.

“It’s unfortunate that the opportunity you were waiting for didn’t come.” Li Qiye shook his head.

Gu Zun knew that he had lost and said seriously: “I know. I also feel sorry for you, Your Excellency. The Ancient Ming still doesn’t dare to take action, not biting down on such a tempting bait. Looks like they’re giving up on their best pawn.”

[Chapter 1687: Gu Zuns Choice](#)

Gu Zun spoke with sincerity without the slightest intention of flattery. He didn’t wish to run or beg for his life.

Gu Zun had been taught by Li Qiye in the past so he understood the guy well. No one could ever change Li Qiye's mind once it is made up. He knew that he couldn't escape forever. Thus, he could remain calm in face of death.

"You do know me well." Li Qiye said with a tinge of emotion: "It's fun talking to a smart person. It's a shame that you're not my disciple."

Gu Zun chuckled in response: "I would have ruined your reputation if I was your disciple, unable to learn even a tenth of your ability. Even if you don't think I'm an embarrassment, I wouldn't dare to accept the role."

He wasn't being humble with this response. All of Li Qiye's disciples were as strong as him. Immortal Emperor Min Ren and Empress Hong Tian were top emperors, capable of doing what they please in the world. Despite being one of the ten eonic geniuses with incredible innate talents and a strong mind for strategy, he wasn't Li Qiye's disciple.

"What a shame about your talents." Li Qiye said with regrets.

"The world doesn't always happen the way one wants it to, right?" Gu Zun smiled: "I don't regret my choice of opposing you. Even if I could redo everything again, I still stand strong by my penchant for treachery. If I had become your disciple, I would have become an emperor. How boring would that be? You have no lack of emperors under your banner and I wouldn't be as amazing as Empress Hongtian nor as immovable as Immortal Emperor Min Ren."

"Thus, opposing you is my joy in life. Without a challenge of your level, how lonely would this path be? Of course, I am not a match for you, in your mind since if you wanted to kill me, you wouldn't have needed to wait until now. I'm only a child in comparison in terms of scheming." Gu Zun happily said what was on his mind.

Li Qiye slowly nodded: "That's true. But it is because you lack time. You have both talents and determination, your weakness comes from a lack of years to accumulate more knowledge."

Gu Zun cupped his fist and said: "Right, Your Excellency. I'm not the only one though. If you had several more generations, I'm sure you would be able to handle everything. Everything else would be insignificant and swept away by you!"

"No need to talk about things that have passed. How do you want to die? A swift or a little painful death?" Li Qiye asked.

At this time, the two didn't look like enemies at all. Unaware spectators would never expect the that two smiling men were just trying to kill each other earlier.

Gu Zun calmly faced death. In his mind, he had lost completely the moment Li Qiye showed his four Immortal Physiques at grand completion. All of his other ace cards were useless, unable to reverse the tide.

Others might not know the significance of four physiques but he was as clear as day. His brother-in-law had two physiques and the world learned of his invincibility. Thus, Li Qiye's four physiques were unimaginable. Moreover, he had other ace cards.

For Gu Zun, even if Li Qiye and his brother-in-law didn't kill him, life has become meaningless anyway. His pursuit in life was to defeat or even kill the Dark Crow. Now, he knew that the gap was too large. Thus, why fear death?

"You have taught me before and I am ashamed of myself for haven't being able to repay you all this time." Gu Zun smiled.

"I'm not worthy of being your teacher. Li Qiye smiled and said: "If you think I have taught you something, I have failed in not being able to pull you back on the right path during all this time."

"It's not your fault." Gu Zun replied: "Even if you have tried your best, our antagonistic relationship was ultimately inevitable. It was a way to make the world less boring thus I would have decided to test myself against you eventually."

"That's fine. Everyone makes different choices in life. All right, three generations are still a long time. It is time to end this today."

"Indeed." Gu Zun gently nodded: "Even though you lured me with that empty treasury, I'm sure you do have some supreme artifacts in the Grand Sea. You surely came back for them this time around. I don't have any other wishes, but if you can let me die a grand death, I'll be satisfied."

"Go on." Li Qiye looked at him with an amusing grin.

Gu Zun went on: "Back then, you talked about the blood chain method. So if I have to die, send me on this path. If I can end in this manner, it will be my glory. It will be a merciful gift from you."

"I shall entertain your wish then." Li Qiye smiled and took out his Netherlord Hexagear Launcher. Of course, killing Gu Zun didn't require such a weapon.

"The Machine World's art, such a strange way of refinement. This is the highest technology of an epoch. The treasure from the matriarch's clan must have come from the same art. In the contemporary, only you would be able to create such a magical artifact." Gu Zun was in awe at the sight of this weapon. He was able to recognize and understand the origin of the item. In terms of knowledge, even if he wasn't a match for Li Qiye, few in the world could be on his level.

"Yes." Li Qiye nodded: "This is enough to turn everything into ashes, regardless of the enemy's hiding and defensive capabilities. It's only useless struggle."

"I'm sure. Back during the Immortal Slaying War, you killed countless Ancient Ming and obtained their blood and corpses, even some from emperors and their Heaven's Will from the nine worlds. This combined with the best materials in the world would result in this supreme weapon. It must be the best one in terms of forbidden weapon, and the cruelest." Gu Zun elaborated in a very pleasant manner: "You're granting me your grace by sending me off with this weapon. I am truly grateful."

Gu Zun's attitude was indeed admirable. Even the matriarch was nodding approvingly. Gu Zun was a worthy eonic genius.

Li Qiye held the launcher and smiled: "Then let us end what we have started."

Having said that, he had aimed his weapon to the target that only he knew about.

“Time to end this.” Gu Zun said. At this point, he couldn’t help but stare towards Heaven Suppression in the distant. Regardless of his own characters and morality, the sect was still his family. Whether it gave him pain or warmth, he still sent his last thoughts towards this place.

He slowly closed his eyes and murmured: “Goodbye.”

The corners of his eyes became slightly wet. Fear of death was nowhere to be found, only some regrets.

“Pluff!” Before Li Qiye could fire, Gu Zun instantly turned himself into a mist of blood. One could hear clanking noises as the mist turned into chain-like laws. They acted like a lock and instantly fixated on a particular moving spatial sphere in the nine worlds!

“Boom!” At the same time, Li Qiye fired the first shot of the launcher. A terrible dark flame rushed out from the barrel.

The flame struck the coordinates fixated on by the chains made out of Gu Zun’s blood and turned into a strange, explosive serum.

“Boom” The entire nine worlds quaked. This serum pierced through space in an instant.

It didn’t matter where this mystery realm was located or its defensive capabilities. With loud blasts, the serum continued to infiltrate this lair in an unknown location. It shattered through more than one thousand shiny defensive barriers and began to explode.

“Ah!” Screams echoed continuously. Dark flame engulfed the entire location. Shadows appeared and rushed to the sky, wanting to escape.

However, the serum drowned the entire lair instantly before exploding and destroying the place in its entirety. The Ancient Ming within had no opportunity to escape and their lair couldn’t change its coordinates in time!

[Chapter 1688: Netherflame Serum](#)

The Netherflame Serum was the first shot of the Netherlord Hexagear Launcher. It instantly crossed through many realms and worlds to destroy the lair of the Ancient Ming.

It didn’t matter how many worlds were in between or its defensive capabilities, even by emperors, the unstoppable shot rendered everything to ashes.

The launcher had a total of six shots with an increasing level of power. The sixth shot had enough power to slay immortals! After all, it was crafted from the best materials and leftover corpses from the Immortal slaying War back then. He even added fierce beasts, battle intents, and murderous bloodthirst into the mix.

The most precious material was still the blood and flesh of Immortal Emperor Long Ming. The ultimate essence among this mix was the Heaven’s Will that was refined in the process.

Thus, the power of this godly weapon was simply unfathomable.

It was a waste this time around, using the first shot to destroy the lair. Alas, he did it so that they would have no chance of escaping.

The blood chain was a method to seal a particular set of coordinates. After the end of the Ancient Ming Era, Li Qiye had used it in order to hunt more lairs.

After their destruction, the survivors became quite meticulous and would run at the sensation of the slightest breeze. Furthermore, these lairs were actually mobile. They could fly to any coordinate in space.

This was the reason why Li Qiye created this method. He directly refined their blood to seal space and destroy their lair. He had taught Gu Zun in the past so Gu Zun was also aware of this process.

During the beginning of the great battle, Gu Zun had always been keeping an eye out on any fluctuation in time and space above.

Soaring Immortal was only an experiment. The Ancient Ming was naturally keeping an eye out for the fight to the death between Li Qiye and the imperial queen.

This battle had a lot to do with their future. If the imperial queen were to win, this would usher in a new era for them. In case of the opposite, they would continue to hide in the darkness. Just the slightest rustling would bring about Li Qiye's attention and swift destruction!

Because of this, they were only spectating. Alas, it didn't matter how far they were and how well they did, there would definitely be some type of fluctuation in their location.

Of course, Gu Zun didn't intend on killing all the Ancient Ming in the beginning while trying to find them. He was only waiting to see if they would mobilize or not.

As an eonic genius, he had some supreme talents. Though the nine worlds were large, he quickly latched on to a particular coordinate and predicted that there was an Ancient Ming lair there.

But after the queen's defeat due to the Ancient Ming's inaction, he understood that it was over. There was no chance for him to reverse the tide.

The nature of this utter defeat left Gu Zun with peace. He had no attachments left so he decided to lend Li Qiye a hand before dying. He refined himself into blood in order to seal the location of the Ancient Ming, allowing Li Qiye to destroy the lair with one shot.

This was Gu Zun's one and only deed to repay the Dark Crow. They were enemies yet not, teacher-disciple but not quite so. This strange relationship had finally ended.

Everything had turned to ashes with the ultimate shot. A supreme genius of this era had fallen as well.

Li Qiye quietly sighed and lamented for Gu Zun's talents and firm dao heart. Alas, the guy chose a different path. If he were to pick the orthodox dao path, he could have become an extremely brilliant emperor.

Alas, there was no chance to redo and no medicine for regrets. After starting on this path, Gu Zun's fate had been sealed and his death was only a matter of time.

Li Qiye put away the launcher before glancing at the sky where the Black Dragon King has been lurking. However, the king didn't ask him to stop this time around. This wasn't Gu Zun's first mistake so any effort of beseeching was useless. Li Qiye would never stop until Gu Zun's death.

Because of this, his death was an ideal ending for all parties involved. His existence itself made many people lost sleep in perpetual anxiety.

“Ah!” A miserable scream came from the queen pinned by the Evil Subduer Spear. Her holy self had revealed its true evil color with dark flames floating around. She looked like a devil from the darkness.

The spear intended on refining her into oblivion as well, removing all traces of her from this world. It was created for the sake of destroying the Ancient Ming. Thus, when it started its process, it would burn the bloodline completely so that none would spread to the rest of the world.

The queen was on fire due to the spear. Inch by inch, her flesh was burning. Any existence would be victim to this spear and be erased completely.

Li Qiye said flatly while watching the wailing queen: “You chose this path. Do not blame me for being cruel. I am a human, so when an Ancient Ming appears in front of me, I will muster all my might to destroy them, subjecting them to eternal damnation!”

The spectators, no matter how powerful they may be, were speechless. The imperial queen used to be the topic of splendor and royalty, beloved by all, but this was her end today.

Of course, sympathy was nowhere to be found. A human choosing the path of the Ancient Ming, she couldn’t blame anyone for her own choices and must pay the price.

“Poof!” The queen finally turned to ashes. The bright sky behind her disappeared as well. Strands of light returned to Soaring Immortal.

Many disciples and ancestors appeared once again. They cultivated the entry chant or had been tainted by the ancestral blood in the past so they ended up boosting the queen’s bloodline.

After her death, they returned to their original location. However, there was an evil flame floating around their body. The power of darkness from this race had tainted their own bloodline.

“Buzz.” Some disciples began an evil transformation. Some even grew wings and became a half-man, half-monster.

“No!” Seeing this transformation left them pale in horror.

“Whoosh!” Evil Subduer soared into the sky. With a series of loud explosions, the spear split into many little ones. They instantly pinned all the transformed disciples from Soaring Immortal to the ground, causing them to scream.

Shimmering light flowed through the little spears. Each transformed disciple was engulfed in a fire. The spear would never allow this bloodline to exist in this world!

“Ah!” Soaring Immortal became a scene of hell. No one would link this place to a sect with five emperors, the sacred ground for cultivation in the eyes of many cultivators.

The lucky survivors were horrified; their knees grew weak and made them tremble. They would never forget today’s scene.

The pure disciples were few in number. They were the ones that have only joined the sect or haven't trained in the modified version. Of course, some mortals that never trained were spared as well.

Eventually, the screams subsided. All the tainted disciples were turned to ashes and blown away by a gentle breeze. There was nothing left of them in this world.

[Chapter 1689: Thunderblood Tree](#)

Li Qiye glared at the survivors from Soaring Immortal and uttered coldly: "Run as far as you can. Soaring Immortal is no more."

The survivors shuddered after regaining their wits. Li Qiye was supreme at this moment with his four grand completion Immortal Physiques. Each of his words carried an unquestionable authority. He wasn't an emperor yet he was above one. The world was in awe of him.

They didn't dare to mouth off at all and quickly fled out of Soaring Immortal, the place that used to be their home.

In their eyes, the weak had no voice. It was either to run and live or stay behind to be killed. Thus, they chose to run. There was no way for them to oppose Li Qiye since they were mere ants in comparison. Staying behind was a waste of time.

Li Qiye was too lazy to care for them and let them roam free. He had no interest in massacring them all.

No one had any comment during the aftermath. The peerless Soaring Immortal used to be able to give orders to the rest of the world. How many people would have dared to go against them?

Who would have thought that this sect would fall in just one night and its disciples ran like dogs?

Li Qiye shifted his cold gaze towards the sky. He peered through the world again. No coordinates and space could elude him in this second.

His four physiques amplified his presence. Each action was extremely threatening. One could even say that night was when he closed his eyes and day was when he wished it so. At this point, even Emperor Rivals were fearful of him.

No one wanted to oppose him at this second. They were afraid that he would suddenly make a move against them. With his current power, it would be all too easy.

"Four grand completion Immortal Physiques, what an existence... The world should quiver before him. As long as he is around, Ancient Ming and even an Immortal Emperor, if one is around, could only tremble in fear!" Yu Zhengfeng who was always staying behind his wine shop's counter actually came out to look at the sky and murmured in a daze.

Li Qiye took action after all the survivors from Soaring Immortal ran out.

"Boom!" Several forbidden grounds were penetrated by him. The defense from the emperors and wise sages were useless and couldn't stop him.

"Rumble!" He dragged the treasuries from within along with the divine trees and sacred springs.

The treasures were dazzling with immortal laws floating around them. Sacred water gushed from the springs while amazing light came out of the trees... People swallowed their saliva after seeing these treasures.

Even those who were used to treasures couldn't help gulping either.

This was a sect with five emperors that had been established during the ancient Desolace Expansion Era. After eras of accumulation, it had countless treasuries.

Li Qiye alone took them all today to the envy and greed of the crowd. Of course, no one would dare to do anything. Fiercest had already destroyed Soaring Immortal. There was nothing he couldn't annihilate. It was simply suicidal to anger him.

After taking all the treasures like the wind, he stared at the land and declared: "This is a good location, leaving it like this is a waste, maybe I should leave something behind."

Having said that, he took out a seed from a wooden box and released it. The seed instantly drilled into the ground afterward.

It was a supreme seed that had been refined multiples times by him. He had indeed spent a lot of effort on it.

This used to be the Evil Typha Tree's seed but it had lost this evil aura now. Moreover, it had fused with the Bloodsoul Worm to perfection.

More importantly, he had also refined them with the lightning from his pillar of light, giving it a unique characteristic.

"Rumble!" The entire sect quaked and a tree grew from the ground. It kept on increasing in size at an astounding pace. In a short time, this sapling turned into a tree that blotted out the sky yet it was still growing.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!" The thick roots of the tree cracked the ground and entered. There were cracks everywhere in the sect. These roots infiltrated all the locations, creating thousands of holes around the sect.

Thunders and lightning bolts were striking down during this whole growing process. They looked like thunderous waterfalls that could shatter the world. Eventually, this tree has reached its limit in size. Its leaf was the size of peaks. Even the stars were surrounding it. Due to the loud thunders, it looked as if the tree itself was turning into a new world.

The scary part was that half of the tree had a divine, flashing aura. The other half had evil images and flames. One-half divine, one-half evil; they rotated around like the yin and yang as if wanting to become eternal as well.

Everyone was afraid of this sight. The tree looked as if it was containing a world of thunder, a godfiend would definitely be born from within.

"Will a godfiend come out?" A spectator murmured.

The crowd was amazed as well with their hair standing on ends after sensing the tree's world-destroying power.

"Let's call it the Thunderblood Tree then." Li Qiye gave it a name after the successful growth.

Despite knowing the name now, no one understood what was special about the tree.

Of course, they were aware of just how incredible it was. After all, it grew from the Soaring Immortal Sect and had taken all of the location's power.

Li Qiye nodded approvingly from seeing the fruit of his effort. He had thought about planting the seed ever since he destroyed the Ancestral Terra but he endured the temptation. The terra was indeed amazing but it couldn't give birth to a complete tree like this.

Only the ancestral ground of Soaring Immortal would be the right location. This tree was virtually perfect and would be very useful in the future.

"Rumble!" The gigantic tree absorbed everything in the sect. Rolling mountain ranges turned into wasteland while the rivers were sucked dry. The vast territory of the sect had become worthless.

"Boom!" With a final bang, all of Soaring Immortal collapsed into an expanse of dust. The specks fell down from the sky just like a sandstorm wishing to reach all the corners in the world.

[Chapter 1690: Turned To Ashes](#)

Soaring Immortal had turned to ashes that fluttered away with the wind. There was no trace left of the great sect that had once ordered the world through many generations.

The behemoth had fallen. The name Soaring Immortal and its legends shall be no more in the nine worlds.

Imperial lineages and invincible characters were speechless and palpitated. It was definitely the strongest lineage around yet it still couldn't escape the fate of destruction.

The moniker, "Fiercest", was fear-instilling at this moment. The old geezers who knew his real identity were even more shaken. The eternal ruler, the dark hand behind the curtain, an existence that had groomed Immortal Emperors, someone that had killed emperors before... Who would dare to oppose this man?

"Buzz." Li Qiye opened his fate palaces. They flew outside and instantly engraved an indelible seal on the Thunderblood Tree. Once this was done, it would allow Li Qiye to always have control over it.

It wouldn't matter how much time has passed or how powerful the tree became, the mark would make sure that it would be under the laws of the palaces!

Li Qiye spread out his palm and the tree shrunk with extreme speed. It was originally big enough to devour the world but now, it was a tiny tree floating on his palm.

There were still lightning arcs flowing through it along with rumbling thunder. People still had the same sensation as before when it was bigger. They could still see celestials floating around it.

He looked up in the sky for another search but found nothing again. At this point, he lamented the fact that his opponents were so cautious.

There was no way for him to find them if they chose to hide due to the Corporeal Zone.

The person in charge of the Corporeal Zone was too cautious. Even though the queen with her unique evolutionary bloodline was killed and their lair destroyed, they still chose to hide in the darkness, not making a single sound.

They were aware that once they did something, Li Qiye would use his full force to kill them. At that point, even the Corporeal Zone might fall in his hand.

For the remaining survivors of the Ancient Ming, losing the Corporeal Zone would be losing their last bastion and hope. It would signify the true end of their race.

In the end, Li Qiye could only sigh. This was all he could do for the nine worlds.

“Boom!” The legion in the form of the dragon returned to their original form. Countless lineages felt a cold chill because this legion was powerful enough to sweep through the nine worlds.

Just think about it, even the eight legions from Soaring Immortal couldn’t resist at all. How could anyone else resist their murderous advance?

“Good job.” Li Qiye nodded after seeing the legion.

Worldkeeper and the soldiers bowed ceremoniously towards him and got down on one knee. For them, this might have been their last battle with Li Qiye. After he left the nine worlds, they would never be able to fight under his banner any longer on the battlefield!

“Rise, perpetual glory shall be yours.” Li Qiye told the men in the legion.

They straightened their backs and shouted after the true god: “Men, withdraw!”

A large portal appeared and the legion instantly left. They once again removed their armors to return to their home.

After their departure, Li Qiye took one step and disappeared as well. In the sky, the first body of the Black Dragon King was still guarding there. He had been observing keenly, waiting for the Ancient Ming.

“It’s time for me to leave, maybe we will meet again in the future.” Li Qiye sighed and said.

The king’s forehead flashed brightly as if a rune was emerging. Li Qiye stretched out his palm and touched it.

Images immediately appeared in his mind. A grand battle was happening with Immortal Emperor Ta Kong, the Black Dragon King, the Immortal Demon Grotto, and the Ancient Ming...

These unbelievable scenes all showed up in his mind.

His eyes turned cold with flashing glint that could dissect the world. Each gaze could kill a godfiend and cause any existence to tremble.

After the images slowly dispersed, Li Qiye withdrew his hand and looked at the dragon: "I will personally take a trip to settle this!"

The dragon only issued out dragon hymns that seemingly crossed through time itself.

Li Qiye continued: "Your third body and soul are dead so it won't be easy to redo your first and second generation either. You have a body right now but no complete soul. Turning a fragmented soul into a complete one is easier said than done. It will require many years."

This current body of the king, powerful it might be, it lacked a complete soul. For a cultivator, this meant a lack of a true fate. They were only a walking corpse, in essence. There was no way for them to become a real living entity.

This was the case for the Black Dragon King. It was also prohibitively difficult for this fragmented soul to become complete. It required a long period of gestation with unguaranteed success.

Li Qiye took out a bottle and handed it to the dragon: "Soul creation is the business of the heaven and earth, completely out of the boundary of living beings like us but we still need to give it a shot. I can't stay in the nine worlds but this Pinnacle Lifewater can be of use. I hope that you will be able to create a new soul and cultivate a true fate again!"

This liquid was unbelievably precious. Even emperors yearned for it. Just one bottle alone could drive the entire world crazy.

Don't underestimate this tiny bottle. It contained a large amount of this liquid since it was all he had. Nevertheless, he gave it all to the dragon in order to assist him with his goal!

After accepting the bottle, the dragon left out a lasting roar. It moved its tail back and forth and flew to the sky before jumping down into the Grand Sea for another recuperation period.

The dragon couldn't come into being for too long or this could destroy its fragmented soul. Without this soul fragment, it would become a real corpse.

After the king left, Li Qiye gently sighed and returned to the Grand Sea.

This was the time for him to say goodbye and leave.