

Emperor 2271

[Chapter 2271: Dragon Sovereigns](#)

This blackmailing tactic won the disdain and contempt of the crowd. Alas, it was working; the loyalists turned their eyes towards Li Qiye.

They needed him to make a decision during this crucial moment since he was the representative of Longevity Valley.

“If you don’t surrender now, I will have their head cut off and hang around these peaks, letting their descendants know the outcome of traitors, to be reviled for ages!” The emperor shouted.

The focus was on Li Qiye now. This act was disgraceful but also quite effective.

If he didn’t save these hostages, then regardless of whether he was a heretic or not, people would still condemn him for it later on.

Moreover, without trying, these loyalists might surrender to Everlasting. Nevertheless, conceding now would also be a defeat for Longevity Valley. Both options were terrible, leaving him in a tough spot.

Everyone wanted to see what he would do. It related to both his own life and the success of Longevity Valley.

“Looks like I must surrender then?” Li Qiye said with a smile.

“That’s right, and all of them too!” The emperor pointed at Fan Miaozen: “And if anyone else dares to oppose us, we will kill them and all the hostages!”

“We can’t surrender.” Yalan raised her voice at Li Qiye, afraid that he might surrender.

“Then I’ll kill all the hostages first and then the rest of your group!” The emperor aggressively asserted.

Li Qiye looked at the emperor and shook his head while laughing: “How old are you? Was there a problem with your brain while growing up? To use such a lowly threat without being embarrassed, your entire kingdom must be a bunch of useless fools.”

“You!” The emperor went red again and shouted: “I will count to ten, if you don’t surrender, then I will give the order to kill all the traitors.”

“One, two, three...” The emperor immediately counted, not giving him time to think.

The loyalists who had friends taken captive became increasingly alarmed; their heart was hanging on a thread.

“No need to count, I’ll give your idiotic scheme an answer right now.” Li Qiye gently waved his hand and interrupted the emperor.

“Death to all!” With this declaration, a green glow exuded as if branches were growing from his body. He was brimming with the energy of life.

With rustling noises, old roots came out of nowhere from all the peaks, no different from iron rods or serpents and scorpions ready to deliver a fatal blow.

These roots were sharp and had unbelievable speed, capable of piercing through all armors.

“Ah!” Screams came about.

These roots instantly pierced the throat of the soldiers who were apprehending the hostages. Their cries of anguish filled the mountains.

Drops of blood dripped down and painted the leaves red. The contrasting colors became even more dazzling and beautiful.

The roots acted like skewers and dragged the bodies by the neck up to the peaks. No one saw how Li Qiye did it but he managed to kill all the captors. The origin of the roots eluded them as well.

Li Qiye was still on his throne and casually said: “So weak, fighting against this level of enemies is so boring, no need for me to do anything and a massacre will still ensue. Try a bit harder now, play your real cards, or this coup is a complete joke.”

The emperor was frightened and looked down at his own feet, afraid that the same thing might happen to him.

“Clank.” All of the masters from the legion surrounded him for protection.

Li Qiye was putting his legs on the stone table and lazily leaned back on his throne: “If this is all your kingdom can muster, then get ready to die.”

“Ooo-” The emperor blew his conch horn again.

“Rumble!” Large figures descended from the sky and lined up before the emperor like impassable mountains.

They were armors, three times the size of a normal man. If it wasn't for the moving pair of eyes in the sockets of the helmet, people would actually think they were non-living iron men.

The symbol of the Silver Dragon Legion carved in front of their chest, but their armor had a golden glow. It seemed that their status was much higher.

Someone counted a total of thirty-six men.

“The thirty-six Dragon Sovereigns! The strongest force of Silver Dragon.” A sect master took a deep breath.

“They can handle anything.” Another clan ancestor became alarmed.

This was the true power of Silver Dragon; just this thirty-six statues alone were comparable to the rest of the legion.

They have been around since the foundation of the legion. Each was at least a True God, some were Ascenders as well.

Moreover, their armors were amazing treasures. Their combined effort could sweep through many sects and kingdoms in Longevity.

“These are the defensive pillars of Everlasting, all here now.” One ancestor was surprised. It looked like Everlasting went all out for this usurping attempt.

“Rumble!” They stepped forward in an orderly manner, seemingly capable of crushing the altar. Each step was stomping on the heart of the spectators and robbing their breath.

“Brat, die now!” One of the Dragon Sovereigns declared emotionlessly with an old voice.

“Hmm, what to do now? I have too many techniques, not sure what to use to kill all of you. After all, I’m a stylish person, have to do it right.”

With that, he tapped his throne in contemplation before giving an order: “Little girls, brew me a good pot of tea, I need to think about an elegant method to turn Everlasting to ashes. Killing millions demands so since it is an art. I have to do my best to appreciate it.”

The three sisters immediately prepared a fire next to the throne to make some tea for him.

People thought the guy was crazy, acting so leisurely in this key moment.

“Die!” One of the thirty-six sovereigns couldn’t stand this and rushed forward.

[Chapter 2272: Roots Everywhere](#)

This sovereign alone was still causing damage to the altar’s ground with each heavy step due to the massive armor. This didn’t deter his speed at all, still quite agile despite the cumbersome frame.

“Pluff!” More roots as hard as steel pierced out of the ground and formed a thick wall, not much different from one made out of divine metals.

“Boom!” The sovereign carried a world-moving power and slammed into the wall, failing to do any damage.

The wall looked mighty but upon impact, it became flexible like rubber. After the sovereign went all the way in, he was shot flying just like a meteor.

“Boom! Boom! Boom!” He put his feet on the ground but still went a considerable distance before stopping.

The crowd was still lost on the origin of the roots coming out of the ground. They seemed quite old; some had tough barks in the shape of dragon scales.

This sovereign didn’t give up and shouted: “Break!”

He took out a sharp saber with snow-white glint before jumping again to attack the wall.

This wall suddenly came apart as the roots moved like dragons leaving their lair to attack.

“Snow covering a thousand mountains!” He shouted and unleashed arcs of energy resembling an endless amount of snowflakes.

Numerous roots were cut but out came even tougher ones with thicker barks from the ground, harder than the strongest metal.

They successfully stopped the saber with minimal damage, only a few marks were left on their bark.

The situation was becoming worse for this sovereign since more roots were coming out to surround him. He couldn't do much against the sheer amount coming from all sides.

"Not strong enough, if you were an Eternal, just one slash would have been enough to cut through." The girls were done making the tea now. Li Qiye sipped the tea with lingering fragrance while watching the struggling sovereign: "Watch out from behind... below you now..."

Before he could finish, a tough root coiled around the sovereign's legs. He became immobilized so more and more roots got on him, wanting to trap him.

"Activate!" He tried to slash the roots but they became a gigantic hand and flipped him over. Next, the hand picked him up and began smashing him repeatedly onto the ground.

The crowd was naturally shocked. This was a Dragon Sovereign, a pillar of Everlasting. He instantly lost and Li Qiye hasn't done a thing so far.

"Sigh, I told you to be careful, too weak despite being so old." Li Qiye shook his head and mocked: "These pillars of your kingdom are rotted."

The sovereign's expression became ugly as he bellowed: "Little animal, I will kill you!"

"Boom!" The roots made up a fist now and punched his face, causing the helmet to cave in. The man inside coughed out blood.

"Go!" The other sovereigns instantly rushed forward and joined the fray.

"Rumble!" The entire altar was shaking from their steps. Some spectators became dazed by the rumbling noises.

Alas, more roots came out from the ground to stop the stampede. They danced around like crazed serpents and trapped the group like an ocean before starting the offense.

This bizarre scene left everyone slack-jawed. People didn't know how the ground had so many roots. It was as if every root from Alchemy Hut was here to kill the sovereigns.

The sovereigns began fighting against the wooden tides. The endless number made resistance futile. There was no end in sight.

This strongest force of Everlasting was at a complete disadvantage against Li Qiye.

"Words can't describe how pathetic this is." Li Qiye drank more tea while sitting informally on his throne, acting as if he was above all.

The three girls were much more relaxed now, offering him tea and fruits, the best of their service. It was as if they didn't need to worry about this coup. Just Li Qiye alone could take care of Everlasting.

"Combine!" As the situation grew dire, the thirty-sovereigns roared and fought their way to get to the same spot.

"Buzz." Their chest armor spewed out a resplendent beam, pure and overly bright.

Upon closer inspection, people found true stones carved on the front plate. These stones were fueling them with the purest true energy, activating their real power.

These armors utilized both the cultivator's and the true stones' energy in order to maximize their power.

"Boom!" The thirty-six beams of light became a larger one with the force of a million exploding stars in the depths of space. Numerous roots were incinerated wherever the beam swept by, as fragile as dry branches. Nothing could stop this beam.

It didn't take long before the ocean of roots was destroyed, leaving broken pieces everywhere. Of course, many were turned to ashes as well.

"Boom!" The thirty-six sovereign finally made it out. Their step once again instilled fear into the crowd after displaying their mighty power.

[Chapter 2273: Wooden Giant](#)

The thirty-six sovereigns stood before Li Qiye, full of murderous intent. Their armor plates were dazzling, making them seem like gods from above. People uncontrollably felt a sense of reverence and fear.

"Junior, how do you want to die?" One of them coldly uttered, ready to kill.

"Well, they are the pillars of Everlasting for a reason." One ancestor murmured.

The power of these beings could indeed destroy many sects in the system. Plus, Everlasting had more ace cards too. No wonder why they dared to try and take over.

Li Qiye continued with his lazy posture: "You think too highly of yourselves, killing me with such meager skills? I have thousands of ways to kill you all without lifting a finger. Alright, watch. Talk about killing me after surviving this."

Having said that, a new portal connecting to a different realm seemingly opened above him.

Inside was an incomparable old tree that had withstood the test of time. It looked distant from this world so people could only see a faint outline.

Nevertheless, it exuded a vast amount of life energy, permeating the entire Alchemy Hut. Everyone felt that the air has been refreshed and couldn't help breathing in. Their fatigue was swept away and replaced by an unprecedented sense of relaxation.

"What is that?" Someone murmured in astonishment.

"That's the divine tree from Herb-plucking? The legend is true?" One ancestor wondered.

Rumor has it that such a tree existed on Herb-plucking but was never seen before. So now, this tree appearing above Li Qiye made people recall the tale.

"Rustle." More old roots came out from the ground and blocked the thirty-six sovereigns.

"Just rotten branches, can't reach the apex." One Dragon Sovereign said with disdain.

However, all the roots came together to form a massive figure; the sovereigns paled in comparison. It was virtually a mountain with clouds floating around its shoulders.

“Still just rotten branches.” The thirty-six sovereigns didn’t give a damn.

“Is that so?” The portal on top of Li Qiye flew up and floated behind the wooden giant. The faint tree became large as well as if it was a sky with green leaves protecting this giant.

The majestic ocean of life from the tree poured and made the individual roots extremely tough, back to when it was the strongest. The barks became as tough as dragon scales, impossible to penetrate.

This wooden giant seemed to be coming back to life and brimming with power. Just one wave alone could blow away the heaven and earth.

People no longer saw a wooden amalgamation but a living being with massive power. A wooden race of god wouldn’t look different from this.

This immense change made the crowd take a deep breath. This being made out of old branches had become divine.

“The tree is giving its life and power.” One ancestor could tell what was going on: “It is incredible, capable of changing something ordinary into magic.”

The Untethered herself glanced over at the peak then the portal and the tree. She knew more compared to others so she was aware of this portal.

“Break!” The sovereigns didn’t want to give this giant any chance and attacked. They were aware that it would only grow stronger, and with enough time, it would become a deity.

“Boom!” Their chest poured out rays again to form a pillar of light with a world-destroying power. It shot towards the wooden giant, wishing to destroy it in one go.

However, the giant flipped his palm and a wooden shield appeared. It landed in front and acted as a massive wall spanning across the entire area. No one could ever surpass its great height.

“Boom!” The pillar of light crazily assaulted the shield. Multiple layers were being burnt.

Alas, it was simply too thick. An unreasonable amount of time would be needed for complete penetration.

“Whoosh!” The giant didn’t want and slammed its other hand at the thirty-six sovereigns as if it was a hammer.

“Watch it!” The sovereigns didn’t try to block it and flew up instead. The wooden hand in the shape of a hammer quaked the world. Many sovereigns were trembling from the shockwave.

Because of their retreat, their combined pillar of light disappeared right away. The giant took advantage of this and used its shield to sweep through the area, blowing away all the clouds and winds.

“Boom!” There was nowhere to run now so the sovereigns roared and used their best attacks. One took out a large pagoda, another a sword, and a few more relied on their armors...

Chipped wood flew everywhere. The shield suffered damage but it was too large to matter. Moreover, the old tree was still supplying it with life force.

It didn't take long before the broken places grew again into perfection. The sovereigns couldn't destroy the shield as a result.

The giant added its hammer into the mix. Shield and hammer left the sovereigns in a difficult spot and had to retreat continuously.

The crowd was speechless. These sovereigns went all out and still couldn't defeat this wooden giant.

They looked quite tattered and beaten right now while feeling rage and helplessness. These beings have swept through the system before, completely unbeatable. Today, a single giant was utterly subduing them, making it look like an unfair battle. This was too humiliating!

[Chapter 2274: Silver Dragon Carapace](#)

"Boom!" The giant used its shield fiercely, creating a tempest in its wake. The sovereigns were blown flying while vomiting blood.

"So weak." Li Qiye mocked again while drinking tea and enjoyed a massage from Fan Miaozen just like an emperor. He looked both carefree yet tyrannical.

"These are the pillars of your kingdom? C'mon now, do your best or you won't have the chance soon. Get Eternals to come as reinforcements, let's not make a mockery of your coup." He continued.

Such domineering and contemptuous words made it seem like he wasn't afraid of anyone in Myriad Lineage. It certainly affected the crowd, causing them to hold their breath.

Normally, a junior making a comment like this would be quite annoying, especially if they had an attitude like Li Qiye. Alas, no one found it unreasonable or arrogance. His attitude seemed to be just right given the current circumstances.

"Boom!" The giant slammed its hammer and shield together, looking just like a fierce gladiator, ready to go wild at any given moment.

It pointed the hammer at the sovereigns. It didn't speak but this posture told the tale - a complete contempt against its foes.

This showing enraged the sovereigns since they rarely experienced this type of humiliation before. Moreover, it came from a non-living puppet made of branches. Their chest was about to explode from indignation; blood was churning and almost reaching the throat.

"Formation, Silver Dragon Fusion!" The sovereigns shouted and raised their weapons.

Their vitality and true energy surged like a storm, assaulting the area.

"Boom!" Under their command, all members of Silver Dragon released their true energy while also pointing their weapons at the sky.

It didn't take long before their power gathered together. In the blink of an eye, formations appeared beneath their feet and head. These formations then instantly joined together while the members circled around the sovereigns. The members' armors then turned into tiny components.

"Clank! Clank! Clank!" These parts came together with the thirty-six sovereigns' armors at the center.

Finally, a massive being made out of metal emerged, not smaller than the wooden giant at all. In fact, it was one head taller. Clouds were down near its waist.

Its hull was as white as snow with a golden luster. It seemed to be made out of silver with a touch of gold.

More shockingly, the image of a silver dragon was coiling around it, almost taking physical shape.

“Rawr!” The metal being roared, almost sounding like a dragon.

“Silver Dragon Carapace!” Even an Ascender shouted in astonishment.

“Their final move!” Another ancestor gasped.

“Now that’s more interesting.” Li Qiye chuckled: “So that epoch lord had reached this world too, leaving this supreme art behind.”

No one really understood his comment, not even the ancestors of Everlasting. This armor was the ultimate move of the legion. Rumor has it that the creator of Everlasting had found an ancient trunk full of manuals. From that, he came up with a secret method to craft the armor for the members of Silver Dragon. When necessary, these armor pieces could join together. They were just part of this gigantic being.

Of course, even the creator of Everlasting didn’t know that this was an art from a lost epoch of the nine and tenth worlds. He only knew the bare minimum of this art. Nevertheless, the metal being created from it was still quite powerful.

“Kill!” The being instantly attacked. Its first step shattered the void.

“Ra!” The wooden giant also roared back and rushed forward to meet it head-on.

The real victim here was the space around them. Everything was crushed and the world became unstable. People started getting dizzy and nauseated.

The metal being smashed the shield, resulting in a loud impact that could rupture eardrums.

“Crack!” Countless cracked lines appeared on the wooden shield before a full collapse.

This carapace was clearly stronger than the thirty-six sovereigns alone earlier.

“Bam!” The wood giant retaliated with a hammer blow but the metal being didn’t try to dodge so its back was struck.

It prioritized offense instead, punching the wood giant’s chest with both hands. This dual punch could cross through the world.

The punches failed because the wood giant had created another wooden shield. This shield got penetrated as well but it had served its purpose.

The tree empowering the giant allowed it to re-create another shield in a short time.

“Rumble!” The two giants didn’t hold back. Their fight caused the world to turn dark with splinters and branches flying everywhere.

The carapace had a great advantage due to its tough hull. It crushed the shield several times and even struck the wood giant's chest once. Alas, it was still useless. A new shield could easily be molded and the damaged chest could close again. The wood giant was unkillable as long as the tree was fueling it with the power of life.

This frightened the supporters of Everlasting. Just Li Qiye alone was enough to suppress Silver Dragon Legion. Keep in mind that no ancestors from Longevity Valley have shown up yet.

In fact, to be truly accurate, Li Qiye hasn't done anything at all. If he were to personally join in, wouldn't he dominate this battle completely?

Thus, they felt regret about picking a side too early. This attempted coup from Everlasting wasn't looking too favorable. They thought that Everlasting would be strong enough to defeat the valley, but this devilish First Brother was proving otherwise.

The representatives of the other systems watched quietly. This man from Insane Court was horrifying. He had so many strange and troublesome techniques. They were also disappointed because Li Qiye hasn't done anything. This left them unable to gauge his true power.

The scariest thing for these systems was their inability to understand their enemy.

[Chapter 2275: Pulsing Current](#)

"Sigh, such stupidity from top to bottom, attempting a coup with such meager force and a clear lack of prudence. Only a group of ants trying to shake a tree, or the foundation of an entire system." Li Qiye watched and commented while the two giants were fighting.

He was now resting his head on Yalan's lap while Miaozhen was peeling a type of grape resembling gems to feed him. Meanwhile, Shaoyao focused on brewing tea and making dessert.

A debaucherous ruler of the universe; what more could one ask for in life?

The spectators had no words to describe their emotions, especially the young ones who had a crush on the girls.

These were the Three Ladies of Longevity Valley; so many fell in love at first sight with them. But now, all three were waiting on Li Qiye - something that only existed in fantasies.

No one dared to retort. There was a prevalent belief that Longevity Valley had declined and became weaker than Everlasting. Now, this devilish First Disciple was doing whatever he wanted with Silver Dragon Legion.

"Rumble!" The two giants continued to punish the sky, causing the sun and moon to lose their radiance.

The wooden giant was broken in many places but its life force was still vigorous. The longer the fight, the fiercer it became. On the other hand, the metal being with the upper hand was showing fatigue in true energy.

After all, the carapace was made up of the vitality of the soldiers. The true stones engraved on their armors were channeling their energy. After a while, they would become deplete unlike the wooden giant under the protection of the divine tree.

“Activate!” Silver Dragon Legion had to go all out. Their roar echoed across the mountains.

Back on a peak in a palace of Everlasting, a massive platform emerged. In the blink of an eye, boundless light accumulated, even brighter than the stars above. It resembled the most luminous diamond in the world, illuminating all of Longevity System.

It shot out a pulse crossing through the world, all the way from Everlasting to Alchemy Hut, and landed on the metal carapace.

A small portal appeared behind the carapace with a vortex within. It accepted the pulsing current.

The entire thing erupted with power that reverberated across the realms. Majestic halos started to pulse, initiating the changing of three thousand worlds. In short, this metal being had just become ten times stronger.

“What is that?” The spectators turned toward Everlasting, the source of the pulse.

The bright platform on that peak was too far away to see. True Gods needed to use their heavenly gaze and saw an altar engraved with numerous true stones.

It was massive in size and looked like a pot with true stones at the True God level and up; some were even at the Ascender and Eternal level.

The energy from them gathered at a single point before the formation condensed it into a pulsing current. This pulse traveled through the world to reach the carapace, empowering it with a new source.

“Amazing.” One clan ancestor’s expression changed: “As long as Silver Dragon Legion is still in Longevity System, this pulse will be able to fuel it nonstop. No wonder why this legion is so strong.”

“Such wealth and resources, far richer than many other sects.” A True God blurted out after seeing the extravagant altar. Everlasting was indeed prosperous after many generations of selling alchemy goods.

“Take it down!” The carapace roared and went into a frenzy as it tore a hand off the wood giant.

“Bam! Bam! Bam!” The increase of power in this berserk state overwhelmed the wood giant.

Despite its incredible regeneration, the rate of destruction was even greater. A few parts were being continuously destroyed before they could come back together.

Finally, the carapace had earned its victory and finished off the wooden giant - an incredible spectacle. The space behind the giant collapsed as well. The tree disappeared as if it was only an illusion.

“Damn, so ferocious!” The supporters of Everlasting shouted, finally feeling relief at this development.

“Strong indeed. That’s why they can defeat so many other sects.” Even the loyalist faction had to admit.

“Brat, crawl over here and accept your death!” The imperious carapace looked down at Li Qiye as if he was an ant.

All eyes were on Li Qiye to see how he would answer the taunt.

In fact, Everlasting felt so much better. They finally brought it back to even.

“Does he have anything else?” The loyalists became worried because this carapace was unreasonably strong in this berserk state.

“Hmph, Everlasting is unfathomable. This is only the warm-up, resistance is futile and suicidal.” An expert on Everlasting’s side sneered.

His comment was to encourage himself while cheering on Everlasting. After all, they have chosen Everlasting and there was no coming back. All they could do now was pray for its victory. Otherwise, their fate would be quite grim in the future.

In case of defeat, not only would Everlasting be destroyed, traitors like them wouldn’t fare much better either.

“Oh? So arrogant now.” Li Qiye didn’t care at all: “Like a wretched-looking tramp who finally came into some money, wanting to show off before everyone. Well, congratulation, I’m sure that round wasn’t easy for your kingdom. It’ll be a nice topic to brag about.”

The carapace slowly descended before finally landing on the altar. It stood there with a grim expression, or at least it gave off that air on its emotionless, metallic face.

“It’s not too late to surrender now or you will suffer a fate worse than death.” A Dragon Sovereign spoke from inside the carapace: “Today, Everlast will not only kill you but also trample Longevity Valley.”

They no longer tried to hide their intention. In the beginning, there were justifications about exterminating the heretical faction. This was no longer the case.

“So brave, finally revealing your true intentions.” Li Qiye clapped and said.

“Come out and die!” The carapace repeated.

[Chapter 2276: Longevity Physique](#)

Li Qiye smiled at the challenge and said: “Looks like I have no other choice, being pushed to the edge.”

“That’s right, this date tomorrow is your death anniversary!” The carapace said.

Li Qiye didn’t care at all and smiled at Fan Miaozen: “Little girl, tell me, how many moves do you think it will take for me to take it down?”

Miaozen blinked and playfully smirked: “Excuse my bold prediction, but given your invincible abilities, I believe it will be around ten moves.”

The carapace’s expression turned black. Of course, this fusion was already strong on top of being empowered by the pulsing current of Everlasting. So now, her prediction of ten moves was truly contemptuous.

“Ten moves?” Li Qiye laughed.

“Am I mistaken? Are you telling me that you can beat it within five moves? Don’t be scaring me now.” Miaozen raised her brows while placing her hands on her plump chest, acting quite surprised.

This appearance of her was quite innocent, cute, and enchanting. All men wouldn't be able to help themselves from wanting to protect her.

Li Qiye shook his head: "Five moves? You think too highly of that puppet made out of scrap metals. It's not an Eternal, can't reach the apex at all. One move is all we need with the help of our system's power."

"One move!" Not to mention the others, even the three girls gasped after hearing this with their eyes widening.

Miaozhen knew that Li Qiye was unfathomable, but this claim was still unbelievable all the same. The difficulty was quite high.

"One move?!" The listeners didn't believe either. Just one move to take down the Silver Dragon Carapace in its current state? That would be something far exceeding a normal Eternal. Even low-level True Emperors can't do it.

The Untethered slightly batted her eyes too.

"Just one move? That's impossible. A True Emperor would need six palaces and up to do so." Another representative didn't believe Li Qiye, thinking that he was being too bullish.

"You think you're an invincible emperor or something?" An expert from Everlasting remained skeptical.

"That carapace right now has boundless power." Even an ancestor from the loyalist faction felt that the possibility was too low.

The carapace actually trembled with rage after hearing this utter contempt at their legion.

"Junior, if you can topple us with one move, I will leave right now and never take another step out of Everlasting." One Dragon Sovereign shouted.

"How naive, thinking you can get off that easily. Unfortunately, you all will definitely be buried here." Li Qiye chuckled.

"Come out then, we'll crush your bones!" The sovereign retorted.

"Alright, if you're in such a hurry to visit hell, then I'll fulfill your wish." Li Qiye took his time standing up and didn't look like he was going to battle at all.

"Sigh, why does no one trust me? I'm just speaking the truth." Li Qiye shook his head and lamented.

He came down the stairs and opened his fate palace. The Primordial Tree appeared with its primordial energy engulfing the entire world.

One fruit resembling a pine cone was on it, his very first dao fruit.

"What the hell is that?" No one knew what it was because Three Immortals' system consisted of true energy. Meanwhile, Li Qiye had created an entirely new cultivation system.

"Very well, I shall show all of you invincibility and the true power of Longevity System." He declared.

After leaving the throne, he headed for the altar. His dao fruit slightly trembled and all the dao in the world resonated with it.

One could faintly hear some ringing noises from a windchime. The dao fruit had encompassed the dao and even the dao foundation of Longevity. This dao comprehension was the most magical thing about the dao fruit. Just planting a seed alone could turn into a dao source.

He entered the altar, causing the whole place to light up. The mountains were the next to light up, then all of the territories in Longevity.

It didn't matter how pure and complicated the grand dao that made up Longevity. They turned into seeds for the dao fruit, much simpler than even dao laws.

From complexity to simplicity, the dao fruit shot out a ray of light onto Li Qiye. The endless profundities of the grand dao started forming inside Li Qiye, allowing him to grasp the whole system.

"Is he controlling the power of our system?" People weren't quite clear yet on his aim.

"Boom!" He instantly took hold of all the runes in Longevity. His chest became resplendent as if an immortal scripture was opening. There were too many symbols and runes to count.

"Is that the Longevity Scripture?" One ancestor murmured in a daze.

Alchemy Immortal relied on this scripture to create the system. Those who could understand the mysteries of the scripture would be able to grasp all the legacies and merit laws of the system.

The light coming from Li Qiye was different from everything else. It belonged to time and the myriad eras, from the past to the present, from the present to the future. This temporal affinity gathered around him.

His physical self was now the embodiment of time. His power, vitality, and grand dao from the past, present, and future all joined together at this particular juncture.

People shuddered because this new form had exceeded everything. Just a wave of his hand could annihilate gods and emperors.

"Longevity Physique..." The Untethered became startled.

The three girls stared in astonishment after hearing this name.

"Long... Longevity Physique..." The other ancestors' jaw dropped to the ground.

"Is it really?" The other representatives asked for confirmation.

"It must be." The Untethered stared at Li Qiye and noticed something: "But it's strange, maybe it is a mastery of the dao source, not purely the Longevity Physique."

She was the most knowledgeable one here but couldn't pinpoint the exact details. She felt that this resembled the Longevity Physique but could also be him simply controlling the dao source of Longevity.

"What is this physique?" One junior asked his ancestor.

“It’s an ultimate merit law of our system from the progenitor. It is a common belief that only he had cultivated to perfection. Anyone else who tried only made it to the bare surface level. This art could be considered invincible.” His ancestor answered with a solemn expression.

The Silver Dragon Carapace saw Li Qiye’s current state and fearfully took one step backward.

“Oh? This is called Longevity Physique? A bit of a coincidence.” Li Qiye smiled. [1]

This particular state was named Longevity Physique, but it had no relation with the Eternal Physique from the twelve Immortal Physiques.

This was an unprecedented art created by Alchemy Immortal, also his strongest. It gathered the power of the user’s various temporal forms, boosting the person to their strongest state.

No one had done it successfully before, until now. In fact, he didn’t train it either. However, his dao fruit was able to derive the mysteries of this system, including this Longevity Physique from the Longevity Scripture.

In other words, he didn’t need to cultivate anything and could use this Longevity Physique stemming from the dao foundation of the system through his dao fruit. It was akin to putting on a pre-existing armor.

[Chapter 2277: A Single Punch](#)

The appearance of the Longevity Physique on Li Qiye left many ancestors trembling with fear because no one in the system has been able to do it outside of their progenitor. The sovereigns inside the carapace were shocked by this unexpected development as well.

Keep in mind that the system had produced many True Emperors afterward, same with Everlasting. But even these emperors failed to do so, let alone the other disciples.

“Hmm, this Longevity Physique is not bad, but it still has a way to go compared to our Eternal Physique.” Li Qiye chuckled and said.

Everyone was speechless, just cultivating this physique was already heaven-defying enough yet Li Qiye was still putting it down?

Of course, they didn’t know that he was talking about the Eternal Physique of the nine worlds.

“Come.” Li Qiye gestured at the carapace.

“Kill him!” The carapace had no other choice and started glowing even more. The pulsing current became dense to the limit.

“Boom!” More halos emanated from it for protection.

It unleashed a punch with all of its might. The celestial and dao crumbled before this power. Alchemy Hut turned dark while the spectators got scared out of their mind.

“Bam!” Everyone felt as if this punch had landed on them. Some were blown flying while vomiting blood.

When they calmed down, they saw this annihilative punch being stopped by Li Qiye's palm as if it was completely trivial.

"I'll show you the true power of Longevity System now." Li Qiye twisted and a crack resounded. The gigantic hand of the carapace broke apart.

"Boom!" He then unleashed another punch straight for the giant's chest and penetrated it completely, forcing it to drop to the ground.

"Boom! Boom! Boom!" He unleashed a barrage of punches on the falling giant. Even its tough shell was no match.

This scene left the crowd speechless. Everyone felt their head devoid of thoughts.

"Ah!" The giant was forcefully torn apart. The thirty-six sovereigns and members of Silver Dragon wanted to run but this was impossible while inside. Their flesh was being flattened by his fists pushing in on the metal shell, turning them into mincemeat inside.

The powerful Silver Dragon was gone just like that, annihilated by this deity-like being.

It was impossible to resist since the power of this physique came from the system. One kingdom alone was no match for it.

"Boom!" Not a single member was left alive in the legion, including the thirty-six sovereigns.

The world became quiet despite mouths being wide open. In the beginning, everyone felt that he was only exaggerating about taking it down in one move.

But now, not only did he topple it with a single punch, he used his bare hands to tear it apart and smashed the members into meat paste.

This scene might be the most brutal thing they have ever witnessed in their life. It would leave behind some lasting psychological damage.

Even the Untethered had an austere expression. Li Qiye was unfathomable and cruel. Once he started, he would leave no chance for the enemies to run.

The stench of blood assaulted the tip of the nose. The more timid spectators felt their legs trembling; some even soiled their pants.

"It's over..." The supporters of Everlasting turned pale. Some dropped to the ground as if they could see their own sects being destroyed by Li Qiye.

The ancestors fared much better in terms of keeping up appearances, but their heart was overwhelmed with fear and anxiety.

The three sisters were caught off guard as well since this man was ferocious. This ferocity changed into charisma and charm, making the girls fall for him!

"So weak." Li Qiye stood up, as nonchalant as crushing an ant.

"Buzz." He raised his hand and began to absorb the pulsing current from Everlasting.

His hand released the strongest absorbing force as it devoured the power of the faraway altar.

The ancestors there couldn't sever this channel because Li Qiye had seized complete control.

"Pop!" Eventually, all the currents were taken. The true stones lost their energy and turned into waste, crumbling into specks of dust.

Next, he spread out his palm and released all of the power he had just consumed so far from the pulsing current.

A thick beam shot through the world. Everyone in the system could see it heading straight for Everlasting Kingdom in the shape of a rainbow.

The kingdom trembled; one divine peak and pavilion fell after another within the radius of a thousand miles. The imperial palace was in chaos.

"Clang!" The warning gong resounded. Defensive barriers immediately came online to stop the beam.

The beam pierced through one layer after another. It had to be said that these barriers were quite mighty. Alas, the beam was the accumulation of power for multiple generations using an altar made out of numerous true stones.

Their ancestors once calculated that their pulsing current could empower the caparace for a century of straight fighting.

Alas, Li Qiye had turned it against them, using their spear again to assault their shield. [1]

They suffered heavy losses, never expecting for their tool to be turned against them. This was truly a nightmare.

"Boom!" The last barrier finally went down and the beam continued flying forward, assaulting the main region of the palace. Numerous buildings exploded.

[Chapter 2278: Everlasting Elder Lord](#)

"Boom!" One more divine palace floating in the sky was rendered to ashes by the beam. Their strong defense was proven useless today.

After piercing through this palace, it pierced through another peak and heading for a group of floating temples in the sky.

These temples were shrouded in fog, seemingly the home of the gods with an unquestionable prestige. All spectators would feel a sense of reverence.

It had its own defensive barriers that appeared to stop the beam. Futile it was, the beam continued on without fail.

"Hmph!" A scowl echoed across the entire system. Just this one sound was enough to scare a billion existences. Even the stars above trembled as if this scowl could make them fall down.

"Boom!" A divine wall descended right before the beam.

“Buzz!” The beam continued shooting at this wall. Sparks went flying but it was finally stopped this time around.

Eventually, Li Qiye used up the absorbed power but the wall remained standing.

People heaved a sigh of relief, especially the inhabitants of Everlasting. This disaster out of nowhere scared the crap out of them.

Meanwhile, Alchemy Hut was still quiet. What Li Qiye had done just now was domineering beyond words.

“Come out now, show me some real abilities or it would just be a waste of my time.” Li Qiye commented while posturing coolly with both hands behind his back.

His sleeves fluttered to the wind; he lacked an imperious aura found in many others with this leisure pose. Nevertheless, those staring at his back felt their heart freezing. They didn’t even have the courage to lift their head, let alone looking straight at him.

Domineering, invincible, unique; these words weren’t enough to describe he who seemed to be the ruler of Longevity System, a being above all.

“Just like back in Insane Court.” The Pill King commented with emotions.

Li Qiye had controlled Insane Court back then and now it was Longevity’s turn. The Pill King didn’t know how Li Qiye was doing it, but he thought that Longevity Sage made the right move by handing the position of First Disciple to him.

The divine wall slowly ascended, revealing the group of temples again.

“Buzz.” Rays of light soared forward carrying the affinity of an Eternal. This divinity could handle the test of time.

These rays were followed by continuously rotating halos, seemingly creating a grand world with its own galaxy and countless living beings.

There was a center - the start of this world and the end of all.

“Boom!” Time suddenly gathered together, one era after another, a billion years elapsed within a single second. One meditating figure appeared in this dazzling moment.

He was the center of this world and the galaxy revolved around him. It was an old man; the opening of his eyes made all existences tremble.

“Forefather!” The experts in the capital of Everlasting all kneeled, same with the big shots and ancestors.

Even the emperor back at Alchemy hut got on his knees, feeling very emotional.

“Everlasting Elder Lord!” The Untethered recognized the man.

The representatives took a deep breath and found his appearance unbelievable.

“He Qianyu.” One of them quietly said: “Not only is he alive, he’s still in Myriad Lineage instead of Imperial Lineage. Just how much resources did Everlasting used to fuel him?”

The ancestors here were scared out of their mind: “I can’t believe he’s still here!”

It didn’t take long before some loyalists felt despair and murmured: “Can we stop him?”

The usurpers had the opposite reaction: “Nothing can be better than this, Everlasting’s old ancestor is still around.”

Not to mention ordinary people, even the big shots in Myriad Lineage would shudder upon hearing the name, He Qianyu.

This was one of the strongest ancestors of Everlasting, the master of Lifejewel True Emperor. As an Eternal, he stood on the same level as many True Emperors.

Ascenders at the ninth-level wouldn’t dare to fight against True Emperors, perhaps only the low-level ones. This wasn’t the case for an Eternal. They could go against the stronger emperors.

Everlasting Elder Lord was strong enough. Plus, he was prestigious for being the master of a true Emperor. This made him reign for quite a bit during his era.

Most believed that an existence like him would enter Imperial Lineage like all of the True Emperors. Their destination would be Imperial Lineage or even Immortal Lineage.

Most Eternals would figure out ways to enter Imperial Lineage instead of lingering down here. The reason was very simple, they could live much longer in Imperial, and even more so in Immortal Lineage.

This particular aspect was another thing where emperors were superior to True Gods. It was much easier for an emperor to go up to the higher worlds. Given the same start period, they could make it to Immortal Lineage while an Eternal had only made it to Imperial Lineage.

Everlasting Elder Lord was certainly a powerful Eternal. If he were in Imperial Lineage, he could live for much longer even in a state of hibernation. His vitality would wither at a slower rate.

That’s why everyone became surprised that he was still in Imperial Lineage. It showed the crazy amount of resources Everlasting Kingdom must have spent to keep him around. Of course, this might be worth it just to keep an Eternal around.

People finally understood why this kingdom was so confident in taking over. This Eternal was their biggest ace card, their killing move against Longevity Valley.

“If Longevity Valley doesn’t have an Eternal around, it won’t be able to stop the elder lord. Everlasting will be able to do it with certainty.” One clan ancestor commented.

No one has heard about an Eternal being around in the valley. Of course, this sect had produced many but they have gone to Imperial Lineage already.

[Chapter 2279: Who Is In Control?](#)

Everlasting Elder Lord’s eyes illuminated the world as he sat there, exerting his influence over the entire system. So many people had an illusion that he had everything within his grasp.

This was understandable because after reaching his power level, even if he didn't completely have the Longevity Scripture, he understood many merit laws left behind by Alchemy Immortal. Thus, he seemed like the center of the system, not Longevity Valley.

"The younger generations will surpass us in time." He looked over at Li Qiye. Despite the massive distance between the two of them, he could still see everything as if they were mere inches apart. His divinity affected all locations.

"Not bad." Li Qiye still arrogantly posed, not caring about this Eternal: "Someone like you can give me a warm-up."

The crowd became stunned. Everyone here was frightened of the elder lord's reputation. Some even got on the ground without the courage to lift their head to look at him. Alas, Li Qiye didn't give a damn at all.

"Longevity System has not produced a genius like this for a very long time, capable of grasping its power and understanding the profundity of the progenitor's dao. Incredible." The elder lord said.

Such high praise surprised the crowd. Only a monster would be able to grasp the power of a system. No wonder why he was able to become the First Disciple of Longevity Valley.

His weak cultivation didn't matter as much since possessing this ability would render him invincible, at least in his own system. Such a disciple wasn't unheard of, albeit extremely rare. It meant that his aptitude was of a devilish level with unlimited potential.

"Just a little bit." Li Qiye smiled.

Of course, the elder lord didn't see through everything. The mystical part about Li Qiye wasn't his control over the system but rather, his dao fruit capable of simplifying all dao.

"The only thing you need is time in order to become a True Emperor. Perhaps there is a chance for the role of a progenitor too." The old man's eyes shone upon him. His words meant a lot since he had trained an actual True Emperor before in Lifejewel.

So many youths wanted to earn such high praises from him. Earning his recognition was a supreme prestige, an advantageous capital for the future.

"But no one can stop the tides of fate." The old man continued: "It's time for Longevity to change. I am someone who adores talents and worships the ancestors, so surrender now and hand over the official reign of the system, I will guarantee that your sect will be safe."

His words were calm but the content was powerful and trustworthy. If he said so, Longevity Valley would certainly be fine. His reputation required keeping true to his words.

"And if we don't surrender?" Li Qiye chuckled.

"Then Longevity Valley will turn to ashes." The elder lord slowly said.

"Quite confident, aren't you? This makes me eager to test and see who can actually stop me." Li Qiye smiled.

To which the elder lord shook his head: “You are indeed amazing with your mastery over the system and the protection of the Longevity Physique. This is enough for you to sweep through the system. Unfortunately, it’s all external help. More importantly, you don’t have control over the dao source or you would be unbeatable.”

“Makes sense, controlling the dao source will result in more power.” Li Qiye answered.

He hasn’t controlled the dao source just yet since he considered that a waste of time.

“My Everlasting Kingdom alone can suppress you, and with my joining the fray, the outcome is quite obvious.” The elder lord spoke with such certainty.

“Bless the Elder Lord, may he lives and reigns forever!” The experts and ancestors of Everlasting suddenly cheered and even celebrated.

“Bless the Elder Lord, may he lives and reigns forever!” The usurpers on the altar also kneeled and shouted.

Li Qiye ignored the atmosphere and said: “The stronger the foe, the more interesting the hunt. After all, killing weaklings is only a waste of my time.”

“Being fearless is a good thing, but at a certain level, this bravado turns into ignorance.” The elder lord stared at him and said: “How can you see the movement of this world? Even if you can defeat me and represent the valley in its triumphant over Everlasting, this doesn’t mean you can grasp the system in the future. There are stronger beings looking at this land.”

“Oh? There are others above wanting this system? Perfect, let them come so I can experience a true massacre. I’ll kill my way from Myriad Lineage up to the upper worlds. Even if Immortal Lineage stands in my way, I’ll rid it of all inhabitants if necessary.” Li Qiye smirked.

Who would dare to continue this outrageous conversation? It would be offending all three worlds. Did he want to fight everyone?

They felt he was simply insane. In Myriad Lineage, there was a pervasive fear about those from Imperial, let alone Immortal Lineage. But now, Li Qiye said that he would kill everyone in the upper worlds. The guy couldn’t be crazier than this.

“Preposterous!” The elder lord couldn’t help but shout: “You really think you’re unbeatable just because you can control Longevity’s power? There are plenty of hidden masters in this world and as for Imperial Lineage, so many monsters are there who can kill you with one wave of the hand!”

The Untethered had a serious expression. It looked like Everlasting had support from external sources, especially those from Imperial Lineage. She became apprehensive after finding this out. Yang Radiance was the strongest system in this world. If Longevity System were to fall, they could be the next.

Li Qiye smiled: “No, you’re mistaken. Not to mention monsters, I can even take down progenitors. So now, I am giving your kingdom a choice. Drop your weapons and surrender or I shall end it. As for your so-called monsters from Imperial Lineage, if they mess with me, I’ll destroy all of their clans once I go up there!”

“Foolish child, there is no end to your ego-” One ancestor on Everlasting’s side loudly interjected.

“Poof!” Li Qiye crushed him into a mist of blood. The guy never had a chance to fight back.

The ones on the altar suddenly remembered that he was being empowered by the system right now. Retorting against him was the same as courting death.

Thus, the usurpers slowly retreated to keep a good distance from him. They would wait for the elder lord to take care of this brat.

“I’ll send you to your death then, since that seems to be your wish.” The elder lord said coldly: “Your unwise move today will result in both yours and the valley’s demise!”

This murderous comment sent chills into the crowd. They could already see the valley being drowned with blood.

[Chapter 2280: The Power Of A Kingdom](#)

An Eternal like Everlasting Elder Lord was intimidating. His words were no joke, so many became stirred.

All eyes were on Li Qiye, wondering if he could stop the elder lord. If not, then it was over for the valley if they didn’t have an Eternal as well.

Li Qiye didn’t become angry: “Good, are you coming to die or must I make a trip there to take your head?”

“I’ll kill you first then the valley. Initiate the momentum.” The elder lord coldly declared.

With that, the imperial palace of Everlasting lit up. The peaks there became bright with dao lines filled with the aura of emperors and eternal.

“Buzz.” With the imperial palace at the center, these lights began to spread across Everlasting. It didn’t take long before ten million miles of territory lit up with lines, turning into a great formation.

“Everlasting is going all out now, throwing their foundation into the mix as well. Failure would be the end of them.” Many cultivators in Longevity were startled.

Everlasting was built on the dao foundation of Longevity. The creator of this kingdom fortified its territories with his merit laws. The wise sages from later generations did the same. Thus, they began to have their own foundation and momentum.

Because of this, they didn’t need to rely on Longevity as much. Their action so far meant betting everything their forefathers have done today.

“Longevity shall fall!” This chant echoed across their kingdom. All disciples, regardless of strong or weak, began to recite this unique yet frightening chant.

Strands of light emanated from their body and joined with their kingdom’s foundation. The inhabitants of this kingdom became inseparable. If Everlasting were to fall, they would turn to ashes as well.

Twenty-five figures appeared in the group of temples where the elder lord resided. These were old men on the verge of death. Nevertheless, their chants were louder than anyone else; their light brighter, almost like the sun.

“The twenty-five high ancestors!” These were the final ace cards of Everlasting, their strongest ancestors.

Though they weren’t as strong as Everlasting Elder Lord, they were superior to the thirty-six Dragon Sovereigns.

These were warriors who have been bestowed titles by True Emperors. They had great status and authority on top of being quite mighty, also known as the final shields of Everlasting. They wouldn’t appear unless there was no other choice.

Now, Everlasting used both their foundation and these ancestors. Their entire kingdom was of one heart and mind.

“Everlasting is so ambitious, victory or defeat, there is no returning.” One ancestor shuddered with fear.

These disciples were willing to die with their kingdom for this coup. The power of solidarity was a great one.

The momentum of their kingdom widened, resulting in loud noises.

Everlasting Elder Lord slowly picked up a strange round disk, resembling an observation wheel or a water wheel. It was made from imperial steel. The spokes of the wheel grew bigger from the center while the wheel hubs were engraved with multiple imperial gems. These gems have been refined by True Emperors before. The wheel itself was filled with the best true stones.

“This type of imperial steel can only be found above!” A representative recognized the materials.

The Untethered’s eyes narrowed. A dao system couldn’t find this material that easily. Though her sect possessed some, Everlasting wasn’t strong enough to have so many. It meant that someone was helping them. Like the elder lord had said, this wasn’t a simple coup.

The wheel began to spin with an increasingly faster pace. The rays emanated from it made the heart beat faster because it had a dark glow. This seemed to be the power of darkness.

The momentum of Everlasting opened completely. The entire kingdom was filled with this vast power. Lightning bolts crossed through the sky, striking any foe that dares to take a step inside.

Once the wheel reached the right speed, it assumed an ethereal form. The space around it trembled and all of the black rays gathered at the very center of the wheel.

With that, space collapsed and was replaced by a black hole. Runes now took shape on the wheel, connecting its flow with the darkness.

“Boom!” The power of the entire kingdom poured into the black hole. It devoured all of the incoming power without fail.

It grew in size and spun proportionally to the rotational speed of the wheel, becoming the most terrible absorption force. Eventually, it devoured all of the kingdom’s power.

An unbelievable thing happened - the black hole was turning its sight towards Longevity.

The system was affected and had earthquakes everywhere. People naturally turned pale.

Keep in mind that the system was refined by Alchemy Immortal and protected by his power. However, it was still shaking from this force right now. The dao foundation of the system was being dragged in.

“Buzz.” it retaliated by activating its own rays. The areas around Everlasting were especially dazzling. This was the automatic defensive measure of Longevity.