#### Emperor 2421

### Chapter 2421: My Kingdom Alone

Lucidity didn't become angry at all and actually laughed instead: "Hahaha! Should give everything a try, right? The world is yours, you'll have plenty of chances in the future."

Lucidity couldn't spoil someone more if he tried. There was no saving this king.

The ancestors were stunned - the father was imperious and unreasonable while the son was a perverted scoundrel. This duo was something else.

"Sounds perfect, when are you dying?" Li Qiye clapped his hands and laughed: "I'll be in charge to do whatever I want and the kingdom will be mine then."

The ancestors became frightened. Who would dare to curse Lucidity like this? It was so blatant as well.

If someone else dared to say this, their head would be rolling on the ground, then the rest of their family members' heads.

They thought that Lucidity would finally become angry. After all, he was still alive yet Li Qiye showed such impatience? No king could take this sitting down.

Alas, Lucidity's reaction betrayed their expectations. He heartily laughed: "I won't have much time left and should just let go. Don't worry, this kingdom isn't going anywhere."

The ancestors were tongue-tied. Lucidity was imperious and had reigned for three generations. Even the other two overlords of Imperial were slightly afraid of him.

Regardless of his cruelty and penchant for massacres, one must admit that he rarely made mistakes. He was both wise and powerful. Otherwise, he wouldn't have maintained his rule for so long in Nine Secrets.

Unfortunately, this great and wise king became a fool today from over pampering his son! No one could imagine this sudden change.

The five ancestors became sentimental as they recalled his past exploits. Just one sentence from him and the gods would tremble.

The old proverb was right - everything has a weakness. He had met his nemesis in his own son. This could be considered karma.

"I heard you have a daughter too." Li Qiye suddenly brought this up.

The ancestors braced themselves, knowing that Lucidity didn't like other people talking about his daughter in a negative manner. Once crossed, his fury could make blood runs like the river.

At the same time, they shuddered because his daughter was an incredible character, even more terrifying than Lucidity.

"That child..." Lucidity was lost in a daze with a gentle expression.

Meanwhile, the five ancestors held their breath while staring at him.

He seemed to be recalling a beautiful period in the past. His daughter was a big deal back in her generation. Though Lucidity had reigned for three, he only had one child.

A tiger wouldn't birth a dog - his daughter displayed wondrous talents at cultivation and eventually became a high-level True Emperor. Finally, she left for Immortal and wasn't heard from since.

"Jiu Ning is at Immortal and won't come back." Lucidity's wits returned.

Jiu Ning was his daughter whose title was also Jiu Ning.

"Her Majesty has been up there for an entire generation now, I believe she might be a twelve-palace True Emperor." The Wind God sentimentally said.

His comment affected the other four ancestors. A twelve-palace True Emperor was the strongest level beneath a progenitor. Even an Eternal like Lucidity was no match for one.

However, they were glad that she was no longer around, leaving without looking back. Otherwise, the father and daughter could sweep through all of Imperial. The other two behemoths wouldn't be able to stop War Saint.

Lucidity couldn't help but smile, feeling quite proud of his daughter.

"This type of power struggle can't get into her sight. She wouldn't compete with you even if she was around but she's not coming back anyway. This world will be yours." He said to Li Qiye.

"Good." Li Qiye chuckled: "I'll be leaving if there's nothing else."

The ancestors didn't know what to think about this father-and-son duo. Only Li Qiye would dare to act so rudely before Lucidity in the entire system.

"Have fun, Jiadi, make sure to protect the crown prince." Lucidity nodded and gave the order.

Jiadi bowed his head in response: "Don't worry, Your Majesty. His Highness will not be harmed in the slightest as long as I am alive."

Li Qiye didn't say anything else and left the scene. He didn't return to the eastern palace, only smiling at Jiadi: "Alright, I'm bored staying here, let's go outside."

"May I ask where to, Your Highness?" Jiadi quickly asked.

He was responsible for Li Qiye's safety. This guy was the crown prince now so he had an assassination target on his back. Jiadi needed to exercise caution.

"Just around the capital." Li Qiye smiled: "We'll walk around to see if there are beauties and married women. If I'm in the mood, we'll take them back to the palace."

"..." Jiadi had no response right away. He coughed and said: "Your Highness, no need for that. You just need to say the words and many golden daughters in Nine Secrets will come running."

Jiadi wasn't lying. The crown prince of Nine Secrets was noble and prestigious. Just one announcement from Li Qiye and numerous sects would send their female descendants to the palace.

"Jiadi, you just don't get it." Li Qiye shook his head: "It is boring when it comes so easily. For example, just calling and people will bring you a feast, that's no fun at all. If you can go up the mountain and hunt for your own food, that's more interesting. You think I care for those easy girls? No, doing it by force and taking other people's wives is the way to go."

Jiadi smiled wryly: "It won't be good for your reputation, Your Highness."

"How much is one's reputation worth?" Li Qiye said: "If I'm going to be a crown prince, I'm going to be a monstrous one - killing, pillaging, ravaging ladies and wives. As for being a benevolent and wise prince, only worrying about other people? That's not what I want."

Li Qiye pulled up his sleeves, seemingly wanting to go all out.

Jiadi still didn't quite understand this master. He didn't exactly resemble a monstrous and lawless pervert. After all, a real evil bastard wouldn't have been able to express such insight like Li Qiye did.

This rhetoric belonged to a sage, not a scoundrel like Li Qiye. Such words coming out of his mouth were so unexpected.

"Alright, I'll come along, Your Highness." Jiadi waved and told the guards to come.

"Bringing an entire group?" Li Qiye refused: "How am I going to bring some women back like this? They will run away the moment they see the troops. No, get away, don't ruin my fun."

"But this is for your safety, Your Highness." Jiadi said.

"Bullshit." Li Qiye rudely retorted: "Who can touch me with an Eternal like you around? If we get into a situation where you can't protect me, bringing an entire army is useless."

Jiadi had no choice but to tell the men to back off. Nevertheless, Li Qiye's statement made sense again.

"Also, hide your old face for me. If the girls see your face, they might run straight into my embrace and that will ruin the whole point of this trip. Don't you dare mess this up for me." Li Qiye added.

# Chapter 2422: Blatantly Harassing Women

Skywrap City was bustling right now with hundreds of millions of inhabitants, perhaps more. Though erected on the hills and mountains, the actual place was large enough to accommodate additional buildings.

The city connected to the deepest part of the sky. Thus, climbing up here wasn't easy for mortals.

People said that some of the mortals born here would never reach the base or the summit. Coiling stone stairs and connecting bridges were everywhere. One could walk or when strong enough, fly, to travel even faster.

Li Qiye sauntered around, looking quite arrogant and aggressive, almost like an aggressive crab

A girl caught his attention. She wore a dress that accentuated her hot curves - towering breasts, certainly heavy to the touch. Her figure was slender and sexy, almost like a snake demon.

At the same time, her plump butt incited people into wrongdoings, wanting to rub and caress it or even slapping it.

The dress was from a famous artisan in Skywrap. The clan insignia embroidered at the front clearly showed her high status.

Moreover, several youths crowded around her like the stars surrounding the moon. They had strong cultivation and must be from aristocratic families.

Li Qiye smiled and approached close enough to slap her beautiful butt first before squeezing it.

"Ah! The girl jumped to the side after being groped by a stranger before glaring at him.

The others on the street were startled because who would dare to act like this in Skywrap City?

Jiadi forced a smile. Fortunately for him, he had his face hidden or he wouldn't know what to do right now from embarrassment.

He felt no pressure on the battlefield but to accompany this youth going around messing with women like a hound? It was an entirely new struggle.

The girl had an extraordinary background. Her fury instantly ignited. Her group also turned around with an aggressive glare.

They have been waiting for a chance to impress the girl as heroes so this was a godsend opportunity.

"Hey girl, want to hang out with me?" Li Qiye crossed his arms in front of his chest and eyes staring slightly upward, acting as if he was number one in the world - a pro at bullying ladies. [1]

Jiadi had no idea if this was the real Li Qiye or if the guy was only playing around. It was quite a quick switch in character.

"You're courting death!" The youths around here became furious - it was time to play saving the damsel in distress!

Normally, the villainous antagonist here would have a terrible end - completely beat up by the heroes and potentially losing his life.

"The only thing I'm courting is the lady. Brats, scram now or I'll stomp you all to death for interfering." Li Qiye looked at the boys with disdain.

Skywrap City has always been a place of orders so this was a very rare event. No one dared to act like this before under the rule of Lucidity.

The youths had a murderous glint. Some wanted to teach this guy a good lesson.

However, the girl with the sexy figure stopped them. She looked at Li Qiye with a frightening stare and uttered coldly: "Do you not know who I am?" [2]

"No." Li Qiye remained haughty: "But Skywrap City, nay, all of Nine Secrets are under my jurisdiction. You can be the daughter of heaven and I must still have you today! Come and serve me well and I shall handsomely reward you!"

Meanwhile, the spectators were gossiping and pointing their finger at this show.

The girl's eyes burned with fury and bloodthirst: "Ignorant fool, my name will not be Luo Qi if I don't break your bones today!"

"Is that so?" Li Qiye smiled: "I want to see what you can do then... in bed. Come here." Having said that, his hands reached for her breasts.

Because of her trembling with anger, waves appeared on her breasts - quite a seductive scene.

The girl unsheathed her sword and slashed at his hand. This was the only way for her anger to subside so she ruthlessly attacked with the force of a crashing mountain.

Everyone saw just how weak Li Qiye was but none felt bad, thinking that he deserved it.

The youths sneered, confident that this slash would serve the guy's hands. Blood would certain gush out with screams of anguish.

Unfortunately, Jiadi would never let anyone harm Li Qiye regardless of the guy's characters, not even a single strand of hair.

When the slash was close enough, Jiadi gently flicked his finger.

"Clank!" The sword crumbled and the pieces of scrap metals dropped to the ground.

"Ah!" Luo Qi shouted because Li Qiye's hands have made contact and squeezed her breasts.

Her mind became empty. This was her first time being treated in this manner on top of it being in public.

"More than big enough, just the way I like it." Li Qiye smiled and also embraced her. He played the role of a rotten youth perfectly, harassing girls in broad daylight.

"You have a death wish, animal!" The youths rushed forward. Their blades flashed brightly as they attacked.

"Boom!" Li Qiye didn't bother looking because Jiadi swung his sleeve and crushed the weapons. The youths were blown flying.

An Eternal like Jiadi could kill these juniors with a single glance. The guys tried to be heroes but they fell to the ground and were knocked out.

"Know who you're dealing with before acting cool." Li Qiye laughed.

"Pop!" His next target was another slap on her butt.

Luo Qi panicked and jumped back, her expression became one of fear.

A prideful person like her was full of confidence, untouchable by idiotic perverts. She believed that she could kill these spoiled young masters with a single glance. Alas, being toyed with in this manner today immediately shattered her pride.

"You should come with me already, warming my bed is an honor." Li Qiye smiled.

"Go!" She shouted at her friends and turned to flee. These youths were frightened by Jiadi's power and didn't dare to linger around.

"Sigh, why didn't you help me stop them? I wanted to bring her back for a session!" Li Qiye angrily scolded.

"My old bones have trouble walking and can't catch them." Jiadi answered.

"My ass." Li Qiye laughed and didn't mind at all.

Jiadi thought that a spoiled young master would have gotten angry. However, Li Qiye didn't give a damn. This tolerance and carefree attitude weren't something a young master could have.

# Chapter 2423: I Have To Be A Young Master

"Hey sexy, want to have some fun with me?" It didn't take long before Li Qiye found another girl and immediately started his bossy act.

Jiadi could only sigh up and down after seeing this.

"Rumble!" Li Qiye didn't have much time before being surrounded by riders.

It lacked in numbers but these armored combatants emitted a cold bloodthirst - indicative of their battle experiences.

"It's the army." The spectators immediately retreated, not wanting to make a mistake.

Under the rule of Lucidity, the army and cavalry of War Saint were unstoppable. Even though this particular group didn't belong to Silver Secret Legion, it was still intimidating enough.

People gloated after seeing Li Qiye being surrounded, thinking that this brat was dead for sure. No one dared to oppose War Saint Dynasty in Nine Secrets System. This cavalry certainly represented the dynasty.

"Uncle Luo, that's him." A girl coquettishly said.

People looked over and saw that it was Luo Qi who escaped earlier.

There was a middle-aged soldier next to her, adorned in a full suit of armor with a stern aura. He clearly was either a general or had some other high position.

It looked like after escaping, Luo Qi went to ask for help. After all, she was from a military clan and wouldn't be able to swallow the anger of being harassed in broad daylight. Thus, she cried and asked a city-guard general for help. After hearing this, the uncle became angry and brought troops here.

"Oh, didn't you run away earlier?" Li Qiye was unaffected by the troops surrounding him and crossed his arms in front of his chest again: "Miss me already? Unfortunately, I'm only interested in other people now, not in some girl that runs back crying."

It was as if the words, "spoiled young master", was written on his forehead.

"Clank!" The general raised his hand and the soldiers immediately pointed their spears at Li Qiye, nearly touching his chest.

"Who the hell are you, daring to stir trouble at the capital?" The general uttered coldly with bloodthirst.

"Uncle Luo, kill him." Luo Qi stared contemptuously at Li Qiye, feeling quite good about the inevitable revenge.

The general said: "Brat, surrender now or we'll cut you to pieces."

"To pieces my ass." Li Qiye waved his hand dismissively: "Scram to the side or I'll make you retire and go back to your village."

His spoiled-rotten act was still perfect and aggressive, not giving a damn about anyone.

"Ignorant fool, die!" General Luo was a war-hardened soldier so he ordered without any mercy.

"Ahem, General Luo." Jiadi interrupted this.

'Who are you?! Show yourself, don't think you can cause trouble here." The general finally noticed Jiadi and shouted.

"Hmph." Jiadi snorted in response.

The general looked thunderstruck and turned pale. Though Jiadi had his face hidden, the general could recognize this sound.

"My... my... lor-..." The general was scared out of his mind.

Military Omni-God! Zhang Jiadi! Since General Luo was part of the army, he naturally knew who he was talking to. This was the guard captain of His Majesty, only below Sun Lengying in status.

Keep in mind that Lucidity wasn't a normal king. When he became unhappy, not to mention a single general, he could even decapitate an ancestor of the dynasty without any hesitation.

The general was afraid the most, thinking about how this brat has the omni-god as a bodyguard.

"I, I didn't know..." He stammered.

"Alright, my young lord likes her." Jiadi didn't want to waste words.

The general became startled and stared at Li Qiye.

How could the guard captain have a young lord? Thinking about this frightened him.

Though the crown prince appointment has yet to be announced, everyone knew that Lucidity didn't have much time left.

The omni-god who has always been next to the king was now guarding a youth and even calling him young lord? The general could put the pieces of information together for an answer.

"Wel.." He didn't know what to do because this girl was the jewel of their Luo Clan.

"This is an honor for your clan." Jiadi uttered coldly.

"Your, your subordinate understands." With cold sweats running all over, he came next to Luo Qi and whispered.

The general didn't dare to refuse because inciting the wrath of Lucidity wouldn't only end in his dismissal. Even his clan would turn to ashes.

Though his clan wasn't weak, it was nothing before Lucidity.

Moreover, Jiadi was right. Climbing up to the royal family was indeed their honor. This could boost their power and influence to the next level.

Given the status of this youth, so many nobles would want to please him, more than willing to bring their daughters to the door.

Luo Qi turned pale after hearing this. A girl still had her pride and naturally didn't want to. Earlier, she viewed Li Qiye as trash but now, this trash could change her fate instantly. She couldn't quite accept this.

Alas, she had no other choice. Not to mention her uncle, her entire clan couldn't save her!

She shuddered, completely absent-minded like a tiny bird lost in the winter, blown back and forth by the chilling gales.

"Young Lord..." The general brought her before Li Qiye.

She kept her head lowered, no longer having the same air of arrogance like before.

"My niece is still inexperienced, please, take care of her..." The general added.

The only thing he could do was offering his niece to Li Qiye. This was the only way to save their clan and perhaps even bring prosperity to it.

"Not interested." Li Qiye looked at Luo Qi and said: "I don't like playing this type of games. Bring her back." He turned and left.

The general stood there in a daze, not knowing what to do for a long time.

He didn't know if it was a blessing or a curse. At the very least, their jewel had escaped the evil clutch of this youth. But their clan had also lost the chance to climb up the ladder of power, never being able to rise again.

Luo Qi was frozen as well. In the beginning, having to follow this youth she considered to be trash had shattered her pride. Nevertheless, she still agreed to follow him. But now, his contemptuous refusal was too much for her to take.

"Hey gorgeous, want to play with me?" This question could be heard in the capital in the next several days.

"Ah!" And then the sounds of girls screaming inevitably came next. So many girls were frightened and fled with haste.

"Chaos Hellion is here again!" Chaos invaded Skywrap.

Girls no longer dared to come outside during the day while Li Qiye earned the impressive title of Chaos Hellion.

"Sigh, these people are so bad at titles. I am Fiercest, not Chaos Hellion." Li Qiye shook his head and said.

He continued strolling the street with hands clasped behind his neck while looking up and whistling - resembling an arrogant crab strutting on the street.

Meanwhile, Jiadi has grown used to this scene recently.

"Jiadi, all the girls are running on sight, this won't do. Should we go into a noble's house and take their wives and daughters?" Li Qiye smiled.

## Chapter 2424: Moral Judge

Jiadi only smiled and shook his head. He obviously didn't take Li Qiye to kidnap some nobles' wives and daughters.

"Your Highness, why are you choosing to be a bad person? This isn't your nature." Jiadi asked after having a better understanding of Li Qiye from the last several days.

"Who is a good person? And bad? Am I being a bad person right now?" Li Qiye smiled.

"Perhaps you aren't, but in others' eyes, you are a depraved prince, Your Highness." Jiadi honestly answered out of loyalty.

He wanted Li Qiye to be a good prince that could prosper this beautiful kingdom.

"Such a basic perspective." Li Qiye answered: "Jiadi, ever since your enlistment, have you ever thought about the number of victims you have claimed?"

"Well..." Jiadi pondered: "I'm afraid I haven't, it'll have to be in the tens of thousands."

No Eternal could get to this level without polishing themselves in vicious battles.

"As a soldier, killing on the battlefield could be considered as obeying orders. But after starting the path of cultivation? Cultivators are blood-stained murderers. As for True Emperors and Eternals? Their roads are paved with bones. Have you ever exterminated a clan or a sect?" Li Qiye finished with a smile.

"Right." Jiadi nodded. This matter was very common since one needed to step on the bones of their enemies to move forward.

"Then you tell me, are you a good or a bad person?" Li Qiye asked.

Jiadi didn't answer right away.

"In your mind, at least unconsciously, you still consider yourself a good person. At the very least, you don't bully men and women and are living a proper life, unlike me, imperious and unreasonable, blatantly harassing girls and taking wives. These actions of mine are considered evil beyond redemption." He said.

"Let me ask you again, what do you think about Lucidity? Do you respect him?" Li Qiye said.

"His Majesty has incredible foresight and amazing abilities, a talent of the ages capable of sweeping through the world. I have nothing but reverence for him." Jiadi replied.

This wasn't an empty praise because many in Imperial Lineage respected him.

"I'm sure plenty of people respect him, including his enemies." Li Qiye casually replied.

"Yes, His Majesty is worthy of respect." Jiadi nodded.

"So that's the amusing part. Lucidity reigned for three generations and had destroyed numerous sects and clans, too many to count. With one order of his and blood will flow like rivers in Nine Secrets. His hands are stained with blood and specters of the dead haunt his blade." Li Qiye said with a smile.

Jiadi didn't know what to do. Only this lawless prince in the entire system would dare to comment on the king in this manner.

"Look again, I've tried to be a spoiled youth in the last several days at Skywrap, but how many people and clans have I exterminated?" Li Qiye asked.

"None." Jiadi sighed, aware of Li Qiye's point.

"Lucidity, a mass murderer leaving behind broken homes yet is still considered a peerless king in the minds of many. Some are even willing to be his claws and certainly view him as a good person." Li Qiye paused for a moment before continuing: "And here I am, only bullying a few people and harassing girls at best, yet I'm considered a heinous villain deserving death. I'm sure if I were to be beaten to death today, not a single soul will sympathize while the crowd applauded in celebration."

"On the other hand, Lucidity's death will invoke emotions and sadness, many will miss him, don't you think?" Li Qiye looked at Jiadi and smiled.

"This world belongs to the strong." Jiadi understood the implications.

"No, that's not what I'm trying to say." Li Qiye shook his head: "The world consists of ordinary people with rather basic views, using power to gauge morality. Thus, why should I give a damn about what these fools think of me? Good or bad? An unforgivable demon king or a respected savior? Who cares about these meaningless titles, can't reach the apex. Do whatever we want - that should be the pursuit of cultivators. That's why right now, I am playing the role of the so-called Chaos Hellion."

"Do whatever we want..." Jiadi murmured after a mental sum-up of Li Qiye's statement.

He became lost in thoughts. Cultivators have always searched for more power but not this type of freedom. Suddenly, Li Qiye seemed to be shrouded in fog. This logic wasn't something a spoiled youth could come up with.

As they spent more time together, Jiadi felt inferior in certain aspects compared to this young lord. It was as if he was a shining star of a man yet chose to act like a spoiled prince that could bring ruin to a kingdom. The guy continued to be a mystery to Jiadi.

The infamy of Chaos Hellion was well known in Skywrap. As long as he was out on the streets, the girls were all in hiding. Their clans closed their gate, not wanting to become victims of this monster.

Thus, Li Qiye didn't see that many girls during his stroll. Even if he did, they were awfully ugly. Perhaps they were actually waiting for him to molest or even take them by force.

On the main street, a rather chubby, older woman sent a seductive glance towards Li Qiye while shaking her enormous butt. She had heard of his groping hobby so she purposely arched out her butt.

Li Qiye naturally saw this and laughed: "I might be a pervert, but my taste isn't this heavy!"

"Hey, handsome..." She coquettishly called out.

"Handsome my ass." Li Qiye scolded: "You think I won't throw you into a mine so the workers there can have some fun with you? I'm sure they will be very eager to satisfy you."

This woman turned pale and ran for her life. This guy had no boundaries so he would actually throw her into an ore mine. She'll be finished then.

Even Jiadi started laughing after seeing this spectacle.

"Sigh, life is so unpredictable. A spoiled brat looking for girls is one thing, but now, even those big sisters are gunning for me. What in the world is going on?" Li Qiye was amused.

"You're very famous right now, Your Highness." Jiadi felt relaxed being around Li Qiye, unlike being around Lucidity in a nervous state.

Because they couldn't meet any girls, Li Qiye's teasing abilities became useless so it became a regular stroll.

"If we really don't meet anyone, I'm going into a noble's house." Li Qiye threatened.

As they turned into another alley, they heard a round of applause from little kids: "Big Sister Ying is here!"

Li Qiye looked over and saw a group of children surrounding a girl. They varied in age and dressed shabbily, clearly destitute. Skinny and bony faces, when was the last time they had a good meal?

The girl had a bag full of food and began distributing meals to the kids - glistening roast chicken, delicious dried meat, and braised pork shoulders...

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The kids salivated repeatedly and had to use their dirty sleeves to wipe their mouth.

They accepted the food and didn't waste time eating the delicious meals. The sound of their chewing filled the alley. The girl smiled after seeing the kids devouring their food, feeling quite satisfied.

She wore a rather simple dress, not resembling the attire of a noble. However, it was quite clean. She had a well-kempt ponytail hairstyle, very practical.

The girl wasn't that beautiful but she gave an honest and warm aura especially when she smiled. Everyone would think of the words strong and persevering after seeing her.

"Is it good?" The girl softly asked.

"Yes..." The children barely answered because they were still chewing.

She was a decent cultivator so she could sense someone watching. After turning around, she noticed Li Qiye at the alleyway entrance.

His hands were clasped behind his neck as he watched her with a smile. Jiadi stood behind him like a statue.

The girl immediately thought about the recent news and took a good look at him. This looked like the rumored Chaos Hellion.

She became startled because of his perverted glare and felt a cold chill running down her spine.

"I'll come back tomorrow to see you guys." She spoke, wanting to leave.

The children were still busy with the food and indistinctly said bye. She didn't dare to linger around and headed for the other direction.

Li Qiye chuckled and slowly followed her. Though she didn't turn back to look, she knew that Li Qiye was coming.

She quickened her pace and even used true energy to go faster. She was afraid that he would follow her back to her house so she went on a long detour.

Fortunately, she was familiar with this area and utilized the complex streets to lose him. This method was effective. She turned around to confirm and heaved a sigh of relief.

Finally, she exited another alley and returned to her home ahead. There was a forge with a frontal plaque carved with the word, Jian. [1]

She stood in front and looked at this name before sighing sentimentally. The forge was small but had plenty of good weapons on display. They were meant for cultivators, not mortals.

She put on a protective cloak before preparing the coals and fire.

"Clank! Clank!" The metallic clanking for metal shaping echoed across the street with a rhythmic fashion.

The girl was busy - her entire focus fixated on crafting the sword in her hand. She seemed like an experienced master from the fire control, molten pouring, casting, and shaping.

The techniques clearly were distinguished and excellent. Each action was concise without needless movements.

Sweat moistened her hair and eventually streamed down her fair-skinned cheeks. She looked quite beautiful when focusing, a pretty treat for the eyes. Though fatigued, she still had great spirits.

The metallic clanking continued. Listeners could never get tired of this sound.

"Sizzle." Eventually, molten liquid stopped running and a sword was formed. She took a look before lifting it up.

Its glint shined the area with spirit strands. She was happy with this product but if she had enough materials, she could even make it better. Unfortunately... she sighed again.

Suddenly, a familiar figure was reflected on the blade. This made her turn back instantly towards the entrance.

Two people were standing on the street, one youth and one man. The youth had a smile as he stared at her.

The girl was alarmed - this was the famous Chaos Hellion. She thought she had left him behind yet he still managed to come here.

"Uncle Tie." She called out to the inside room because she had heard of his unflattering tales. In fact, they have been spread around Skywrap, that this guy had no deeds to heinous for him. [2]

Li Qiye entered the forge, ignoring the panicking girl.

She took one step back but there was nowhere else to go. This was already her home.

"Young Miss, I'm here." An elderly man came out. He had a hunchback yet his eyes were still fierce, clearly an experienced man.

After seeing her expression, the man turned towards Li Qiye and Zhang Jiadi. He also recalled the stories recently and knew what was going on.

"Miss, what weapons are suitable for me?" Li Qiye blocked her path, not allowing her to go to the living quarters.

She naturally staggered backward in fear because of his perverted reputation.

"My Lord, what weapon do you want? Allow me to pick for you." The man called Uncle Tie instantly tried to save her.

"No need, let her pick one for me." Li Qiye stared at the girl while holding his chin.

This only made the girl panic even more; her expression turned sour.

"My Lord, she doesn't understand..." Uncle Tie tried again.

"Enough, old man. Just one word of mine and you won't have a place to stay in Skywrap. No, actually, you will serve a life sentence in prison." Li Qiye revealed his spoiled and arrogant act.

Both the girl and Uncle Tie were shocked. Nevertheless, she stepped forward: "What weapon are you looking for?"

Li Qiye didn't answer and continued staring with a smile. Meanwhile, she was nervous but had prepared herself. The moment he took action, she would run right away.

Uncle Tie coughed and said: "My Lord, please let us know what weapon you use."

"Just going to look around." Li Qiye started walking around.

The other two had no choice but to play along. The girl purposely walked slower to keep a distance from Li Qiye.

He ignored them and looked around at the items for sale - sabers, swords, pagodas...

He would occasionally knock on the blades, issuing a metallic clanking.

"The materials are too coarse, terrible craftsmanship as well." He said flatly.

"My Lord, we're a tiny place, just getting by selling these scrap metals. These weapons can't get into your sight. In the corner on the next street has a store specializes in selling rare weapons, you should go take a look." Uncle Tie anxiously said.

Li Qiye ignored him and took one step closer towards the girl. She reacted by taking several paces backward.

Li Qiye smirked and said: "Don't worry, though I, Chaos Hellion, like messing around with innocent girls, I'm also a picky eater. I only like big breasts and plump butt." His eyes moved towards her breasts.

The girl was stunned. This smirk clearly criticized her flat breasts, causing her to turn red.

She didn't know whether to be happy or mad. At the very least, Li Qiye didn't like her. But, any woman would take offense to this...

# **Chapter 2426: Tough Situation**

The girl was unhappy to hear his comment and sharply glared at him once before lowering her head again.

Everyone knew that this hellion was a pervert with no qualms against harassing girls in broad daylight. She began to feel better about not being liked by him.

He touched another sword and said: "But at the very least, the crafting techniques came from masters."

"Young Lord, you're just playing with us now. We're only a broken-down shop, our techniques are not exceptional at all." Uncle Tie's expression shifted before quickly replying.

"Is that so?" Li Qiye touched the blade and said: "If I'm not mistaken, this is the techniques of the Bingchi Clan, the orthodox style too."

Both the girl and Uncle Tie were alarmed upon hearing this and glanced at each other.

Li Qiye didn't watch their reaction and continued: "The techniques are authentic and traditional, but the execution lacks experience. Just more training and better materials will result in something decent, so the crafter has some talents."

Jiadi himself was surprised, not expecting Li Qiye to understand the blacksmithing arts of the Bingchi.

Uncle Tie calmed down and said: "This lowly one doesn't know what you are talking about, My Lord. I've never heard of the Bingchi. Our young miss has only learned our ancestral arts to survive."

"So you're telling me that your young miss is a descendant of Weaponbreak True Emperor." Li Qiye smiled.

The other two were shaken for the second time and had to take a deep breath.

Jiadi also glanced at Li Qiye. Just looking at the weapons hanging on the walls wasn't enough for him to discern the crafting technique. Keep in mind that as an Eternal, his vision far exceeded ordinary men.

Weaponbreak was the Bingchi's best emperor, immortalized for his blacksmithing abilities. Few could match him in this field. Though he was only an emperor, the legends said that he could create weapons comparable to progenitors.

Due to his existence, the Bingchi made something of themselves and became one of the five behemoths in Nine Secrets.

"I have never heard of Weaponbreak True Emperor or the Bingchi." The uncle denied again.

Li Qiye didn't bother to turn back to look at him: "Keep on speaking rubbish and I'll make her warm my bed."

Uncle Tie didn't dare to speak any longer while Li Qiye continued to look at the weapons.

Suddenly, footsteps came from the outside. A group appeared, wearing the same uniform with a golden sword insignia embroidered on the sleeve. They clearly came with unfriendly intention judging by their aggressiveness.

The leader was a youth brimming with vitality. His fierce eyes indicated that he wasn't a pushover. The group instantly headed for the girl while kicking and shoving, resulting in weapons falling to the ground.

She and Uncle Tie naturally didn't like this development.

"Long time no see, cousin." The youth laughed and said to the girl.

She pursed her lips before coldly uttering: "I didn't expect to see you here in Skywrap."

"I just have some business in the imperial city, but the elders also gave me a task about the rent, so I have no choice but to come here."

The girl sneered in response.

"Cousin, the date is approaching, I'm sure you have prepared, time to pay up." He smiled.

"This place has always been our ancestral business." The girl coldly responded.

"Cousin, that's ancient history. After your family pawned it off, it belongs to the clan now. The fact that the clan is still willing to let you rent is already sentimental and considerable of your ancestors." The youth retorted: "Keep in mind that personal feelings aside, this is a business. After all, if the clan is nice to everyone instead of being professionals, we will lose all orders. Without orders, the great clan will be lost in chaos."

"Young Lord Cao, please wait for several more days, just a few more days, and the young miss will pay. We just don't have it right now but we will get it to you as soon as possible." Uncle Tie tried to smooth things over.

"Several more days?" The youth shook his head: "I don't have that much time since I'm returning to the clan tomorrow. If I don't get the payment, how am I going to answer to the seniors?"

"What do you want then?!" The girl angrily shouted.

"Cousin, all I'm doing is carrying out the clan's official affairs. If you can't pay up, then gather your stuff and get the hell out. The clan will be taking back this property so you can't stay here any longer. We will not rent it to you either since you are the one violating the agreement."

"Bingchi Gao, don't be so unreasonable!" The girl yelled again.

The youth named Bingchi Cao shook his head: "Cousin, I'm not being unreasonable and cold right now since I'm following the rules. You should be happy that I'm the one here for this thankless task, anyone else wouldn't be so nice to you right now."

The girl turned pale. She naturally didn't want to leave their ancestral heritage because they would never be able to get it back.

"Cousin, don't make me force you out." Gao smiled and said.

The girl clenched her fists while her chest heaved from anger. In the end, she took a composing breath and said: "Give me two days, just two days, and I'll pay the rent to the clan."

"No." Gao shook his head: "Cousin, I'm in a hurry and will leave tomorrow, so I can't give you the two days. In accordance with the clan's rules, if a disciple were to fail his mission, there will be consequences. My future would be ruined."

"I only need two days." The girl's voice grew weaker, on the verge of begging since she had no other choice.

"No." He paused for a moment: "But, there is another way."

"What is it?" The girl asked after hearing a glimmer of hope.

"One senior in the clan said that out of respect for the old ancestors, there is something you can pawn for this property. It will forever be yours." Gao revealed.

"Pawn? What do you want?" The girl was stirred with excitement and said.

"Hmm..." Gao rubbed his chin and said: "The ancestor said that there is a page with techniques written on it. As long as you hand it over, this property will be yours. Moreover, the clan will be nice enough to even give you another one in the imperial city, you will never have to worry about money again."

Uncle Tie and the girls took one step back. Her tone grew cold again: "I don't know what you're talking about, we don't have anything like that. The seniors have handed everything over back then without hiding."

"Then there's no other way." Gao snorted: "I'll have to ask you to move then."

The girl's expression kept on changing from being helpless.

He shrugged and ordered: "If you don't want to do it yourself... Men, help the young miss move now."

"You dare?!" The girl cried out.

"Why wouldn't I? Cousin, you are nothing now. Your branch had committed a terrible offense, the fact that the ancestors didn't erase your names from the clan is out of respect for Weaponbreak True

Emperor. Do you think anyone else in the clan will speak up for you now? I'm not kicking a man when he's down, but your clan is already done for since a long time ago." Gao sneered.

"Do it!" He raised his hand while she continued to stand there in a daze.

"This fly keeps on buzzing and ruining my mood." Li Qiye who has been looking at the weapons suddenly turned around and said in a lackadaisical manner.

Gao and his disciples didn't notice this guy standing in the room at all until now.

### Chapter 2427: I'm the Law

Bingchi Gao finally saw Li Qiye, just an ordinary youth. Even if he had cultivated, he was still a nobody so Gao didn't give a damn.

After all, Gao came from another location and didn't know the infamy of Chaos Hellion.

"Brat, fuck off. Our Bingchi Clan is conducting business here, interfering and that's a crime punishable by death!" Bingchi Gao harshly shouted.

His haughty response was understandable. After all, Li Qiye only looked like a weak cultivator while their Bingchi was one of the five strongest sects in Nine Secrets, and he was a direct branch disciple.

"And if I don't?" Li Qiye smiled.

"No? Then I'll break your legs and make you crawl outside." Gao's eyes turned fierce.

"So vicious, do you not care for the laws?!" Li Qiye pretended to be afraid and startled.

"The laws?" Gao smiled deviously: "Do you not know who you're dealing with? Our Bingchi Clan can do whatever we want!"

"Hahaha." Li Qiye shifted his demeanor instantly and started clapping: "So damn amusing, someone has the balls to tell me this in Skywrap City. Hahaha, I'm gonna die from laughing."

It took a while before he stopped laughing and asked: "Jiadi, tell me now, in Skywrap, no, in all of Nine Secrets, who is the law?"

"You are, My Lord." Jiadi didn't address him as His Highness this time around.

Li Qiye smiled: "Did you hear that? I'm the law, so start running now before I change my mind."

Gao's expression changed. A nobody dared to talk to him like this? He smiled sinisterly in response: "Brat, don't think we can't mess you up just because we're far away, that you have some backing in the imperial city and think you're a badass. My Bingchi Clan doesn't give a shit about anyone."

He then ordered: "Men, break his legs. Show him the laws of our clan!"

"Brat, you've asked for it." The men sneered and began pulling up their sleeves before reaching for Li Qiye.

"Boom!" They couldn't touch him and were pushed to the ground, one after another. Their bones were broken so they couldn't stand up.

They were no different than ants before Jiadi, simply pathetic.

"Jiadi, you don't know who I am right now? A spoiled brat, and what does that entail? Of course it is to kill everyone that annoys me!"

Jiadi didn't bat an eye. A glint flashed with a cutting noise. Blood gushed out - the men of the Bingchi were decapitated.

Their eyes were wide open; they didn't even have the chance to scream.

Gao was shocked and shouted in response: "Who, who the hell are you?!"

"Me?" Li Qiye pointed at his nose: "I'm the law of Nine Secrets." Having said that, he started walking towards Gao.

"Don't come over here!" The frightened youth turned to flee.

"Bam!" unfortunately, he didn't go far before dropping and rolling on the ground.

"Sigh, you brought this upon yourself." Li Qiye shook his head and stomped heavily on Gao's chest.

"Crack!" His chest caved down, ribs broken. The boy vomited a mouthful of blood.

Li Qiye crouched down to look at him and smiled: "Do you know why you're still alive?"

"Don't do anything crazy! I'm, I'm a disciple of the Bingchi Clan, the clan will not let you off if you do something to me!" Gao was scared out of his mind.

Li Qiye dug in his ear with his pinkie and told Jiadi: "Bingchi Clan, huh? Oh, I remember now. Jiadi, that old man from this clan, hmm, what was he called? A supreme ancestor or something? What a braggart, daring to have that title with his meager skills."

"Bingchi Juezun." Jiadi replied.

Juezun was one of the five supreme ancestors that Lucidity King summoned previously.

"Yes, yes, you're right. That geezer. I remember now." Li Qiye clapped his hands and said.

Bingchi Gao, the girl, and Uncle Tie were shocked. The other two knew that Li Qiye was known as Chaos Hellion for causing trouble recently, but they didn't know of his true background. In fact, no one in Skywrap did.

But now, Li Qiye directly called out Bingchi Juezun's real name, even referring to him as a geezer - that's terrifying. Juezun, a supreme ancestor, was the strongest senior of the Bingchi and one of the strongest Eternals in Nine Secrets.

Li Qiye patted the youth's face and smiled: "Go back and tell Bingchi Juezun that I like this girl. Continue to provoke her and I'll be displeased enough to destroy your clan!"

Gao didn't dare to refuse since he was already scared out of his mind.

"Oh, do we have an imperious seal or something? They might not take us seriously without one." Li Qiye tapped his forehead, seemingly remembering something and told Jiadi.

Jiadi took out a red branding iron and handed it to Li Qiye: "Just mark with this and Bingchi Juezun will recognize you, Young Lord."

"Good." Li Qiye accepted it and directly applied it to Gao's forehead.

"Ah!" The youth screamed from the excruciating pain. After the smoke cleared, a red mark was left behind.

Li Qiye was quite satisfied with his work and said: "Not bad." He then kicked the guy and patted his hands clean: "Scram now, I'm sparing your dog life."

Gao didn't dare to say a single retort and ran for his life, even losing his shoes in the process.

Li Qiye turned his attention towards the girl and started walking. The girl and her uncle were naturally frightened but there was nowhere to go. This little monster didn't give a damn about the Bingchi Clan.

"Back to what I was saying before, the techniques of Weaponbreak True Emperor are worth taking a look." He smiled.

He raised her chin and smiled: "What is your name, Bingchi and?"

The girl shuddered but mustered enough courage to meet his gaze: "Bingchi Yingjian!"

"A descendant of Bingchi Kuangfang." Jiadi said: "A capable man whose downfall was his arrogance, daring to challenge the Silver Secret Legion."

The other two didn't like hearing about this story. Kuangfang used to be a genius of the Bingchi, quite eccentric in nature. He was also arrogant and didn't obey anyone.

After a particular conflict, he challenged Sun Lengying and the Silver Secret Legion.

The result was obvious. Though he was very strong, he still wasn't a match for Sun Lengying. His legion fared even worse and got annihilated completely.

This was a crime worthy of clan extermination, especially if Lucidity found this impudent. He wouldn't only kill Kuangfang's branch but also the rest of the clan.

However, Lucidity actually appreciated Kuangfang for his arrogance and didn't pursue this matter.

Nevertheless, the Bingchi still decided to purge Kuangfang's branch from their clan.

Their branch consisted of the descendants of Weaponbreak True Emperor and possessed an amazing bloodline. They were quite influential and powerful as well. Alas, they still lost and disappeared henceforth.

So now, when Jiadi revealed their background, Yingjian and her uncle were horrified.

"Sigh, I'm a spoiled brat, not a hero who saves a damsel in distress." Li Qiye shook his head and said.

Yingjian was holding her breath, unaware of Li Qiye's intention. His bad reputation truly scared her to the core.

"Alright, don't look at me like that, I might be a pervert, but one with exquisite tastes. I don't like undernourished little girls." He said while staring at her.

#### Chapter 2428: The Death Of The King

The girl had conflicted feelings about hearing this - a natural response for most women regarding their appearance. She gave him the side-eye before looking down again.

Li Qiye withdrew his hand and gave an order: "Jiadi, I like this girl. Leave her one million to buy some clothes."

Jiadi immediately threw a spatial pouch on the table before leaving with Li Qiye.

Yingjian and Untie Tie were slack-jawed - spending one million just like that? In their clan, even the direct successors there couldn't be so wasteful. This guy was a god-tier wastrel.

He was already long gone after she calmed down. She didn't have the courage to give chase, still afraid of him. She stood there, confused, not knowing what to do.

After leaving the force, Jiadi smiled and asked Li Qiye: "Your Highness, she's not a bad girl, how come you didn't take her in?"

"Why should I?" Li Qiye smiled: "I have no lack of women. A good girl is very rare, and only thinking about sleeping with one is the act of a vulgar man."

Jiadi replied: "So you like her that much, Your Highness?" He had grown used to Li Qiye's amiability when they were alone.

It was completely different than being around Lucidity. Though people called him the Chaos Hellion and considered him to be the worst scum, Jiadi didn't think he was that bad. At the very worst, the guy was just a whimsical spender.

As for Lucidity, being around him meant being nervous all the time. His fury could end in decapitation for anyone.

"There are many types of like, not necessarily romantic. Some are just a type of appreciation." Li Qiye said.

Jiadi nodded and didn't pursue the topic.

"Boom!" Suddenly, a divine light soared to the sky from the imperial palace. It separated the clouds and illuminated the entire area.

A majestic divinity engulfed the world, seemingly wanting to drown the entire system. The experts all over Imperial were alarmed.

"Buzz." The pillar of light suddenly lost all power, akin to a spring gushing out water before running dry. The leftover water sprinkled down, or in this case, just tiny strands of light that scatter with the wind.

It seemed like a rain of light all over Nine Secrets, resulting in a surreal scene.

"Buzz." Next, a fiery spark came from the palace. If the palace itself was a candle, then this light was it being lit up.

Unfortunately, this was a candle in the wind, feeble and flickering - on the verge of extinguishing. It pulsed continuously from dark to bright in an uncertain manner.

"Not good." Jiadi was shocked: "His Majesty is deteriorating, we must return now, Your Highness." Having said that, he grabbed Li Qiye and rushed for the palace.

At this moment, all eyes in Imperial were focused on the flickering light. They knew that Lucidity couldn't last any longer. This was his final moment.

"Whoosh!" When Jiadi and Li Qiye finally made it back, the light suddenly shattered and disappeared.

The palace fell into darkness; Nine Secrets have lost its light.

"His Majesty has passed away!" Jiadi shouted: "Your Majesty..."

He continued carrying Li Qiye towards Lucidity's resting chambers.

Once they made it in, they saw Lucidity on his bed, no longer breathing. The servants were on their knees.

Only Sun Lengying sat by the bed while holding the slumbering king's hand, tears running down his cheeks.

"Your Majesty!" Jiadi instantly prostrated on the ground.

This sad emotion came from the heart. Lucidity was a second father to him so he became broken-hearted.

The palace grieved, seemingly engulfed in a terrible mood.

"His Majesty has passed away!" After a long while, an official order finally came.

The palaces and buildings in the imperial palace had a white cloth hanging on the front entrance. It didn't take long before the entire place was filled with white, similar to the snowflakes in winter - a world of white.

People were still shaken despite knowing the inevitability of his death. The moment still caught them off guard. Anxiety and grief permeated the situation, especially for the servants. They didn't know what to do, akin to rootless duckweeds.

The extinguishing of his light made many pairs of eyes light up all over Nine Secrets, similar to divine lamps being lit in the dark.

The seniors from the various powers and the five supreme ancestors became stirred.

"Lucidity King is finally dead." One Eternal from a powerful lineage said.

"A storm is coming." A supreme ancestor had a happy expression and excitement in his eyes.

"This day is finally here!" Another peer of his smiled.

One more had his eyes flashing with a cold glint: "A new era should come to Nine Secrets now."

This was a godsend opportunity just like a pie falling from the sky.

War Saint Dynasty has lost its leader and the entire system was a headless snake. It meant turmoil and changes, or opportunities for others.

These supreme ancestors knew that it was over for War Saint Dynasty. It didn't matter that he had appointed a crown prince because this person couldn't suppress all of Nine Secrets.

Moreover, Lucidity had also defeated the Sacred Cabinet. Without this council, War Saint was without its skeletal structure and needed to rely on Lucidity as the single pillar. Now, without him, demise was coming for this dynasty.

"Lucidity King has passed away." Many ancient clans and sects have received this news.

These masters became emotional just like the rest. They have gotten used to his tyranny in the last three generations.

This authority was no longer present. A new leader was about to emerge for Nine Secrets.

The news of his death quickly spread to the other systems in Imperial as well.

The two other behemoths, the Mu and Li, were the happiest to hear about it. Lucidity played a pivotal role in Nine Secrets' success.

With his death, this behemoth has fallen. Many other ferocious beasts and birds would want to come and share this fat piece of meat.

"It's about time." Two True Emperors took note of this. Their gazes searched around Nine Secrets.

Even beings of their level didn't dare to do anything when Lucidity was around. This was no longer the case - Nine Secrets was now up for grabs.

"Crown Prince Li Qiye shall assume the title of King!" An order left behind by Lucidity emanated from the palace.

His awe-inspiring and mighty voice along with his majestic aura of an Eternal filled the world.

The system still trembled in fear after hearing the order. He might be dead but his notoriety remained. People were still afraid all the same.

"Crown Prince Li Qiye?" Confusion naturally sparked.

"Who is Li Qiye?" The leaders of various powers found this surprising. They have never heard of this name before. In fact, they didn't even know that Lucidity had appointed a crown prince.

## Chapter 2429: Coronation

The crown prince has officially become the king!

The official order left everyone in Nine Secrets puzzled since they didn't know who Li Qiye was.

The only ones expecting this were the five behemoths with the five supreme ancestors - Waterfront Pavilion, Bingchi Clan, Calm Lotus Monastery, Myriad Formation Kingdom, and Godstep Sect.

Lucidity summoned them and asked for their loyalty and support.

Even War Saint Dynasty itself was confused. The royal members began discussing among themselves.

"Tang Hexiang isn't appointed?" A high elder of the royal clan murmured.

"Who the hell is this Li Qiye, why did His Majesty pick him?" The experts and elders of the dynasty became unhappy.

Of course, no one dared to publicly voice their dissatisfaction just yet.

After all, Lucidity had only passed away recently and his notoriety remained - same with Sun Lengying and Silver Secret Legion.

Everyone knew of Lengying and the legion's loyalty. They would definitely carry out his final order and support Li Qiye.

Because of this, any dissenter would need to think twice about their own abilities before acting rashly.

"Well, who is Li Qiye?" This became the main question in all of Nine Secrets.

Everyone became crazy and tried to dig up any information and stories about him. Unfortunately, even the most capable failed to find anything.

It was as if he came out of nowhere and became the crown prince just like that.

"The new king summons his subjects - Waterfront, Bingchi, Godstep..." An official coronation ceremony manifested, demanding the appearance of the system's members.

A coronation ceremony was essential; it would also give the king a chance to stabilize the realm.

"Rumble!" After this next declaration, Skywrap City heard an orderly marching accompanied by a flood-like aura. The hot city suddenly became cool.

Silver Secret Legion was called inside. The imperial city became heavily guarded with soldiers everywhere. Anyone coming and going needed to pass the various checkpoints manned by the legion.

A harsh atmosphere pervaded the city. Everyone walked on the streets with trepidation.

The strict watch clearly indicated that the legion would never allow anyone to cause trouble at the coronation. Death would be the punishment.

The legion was personally created by Lucidity and became one of the strongest legions in all of Nine Secrets. It was virtually unstoppable, so its presence here stopped the other sects from having any idea.

As long as the legion and Sun Lengying were still around, Lucidity's orders could still be carried out.

"Waterfront Pavilion wishes for an audience." The first of the five behemoths came to answer the call.

"Godstep Sect wishes for an audience."

"Bingchi Clan wishes for an audience."

It didn't take long before all five powers have entered the palace to meet the new king. Furthermore, their representatives were the five Supremes. This immediately legitimized the coronation to a certain extent.

Afterward, other powers and clans also entered the imperial city to participate in the ceremony.

In Skywrap City, there were still white cloths on display for the mourning. Festival lamps and joyous decorations started popping up as well for the coronation.

This joyous atmosphere interfered with the cautious watch, allowing the citizens to heave a sigh of relief.

"The ascension is now." A gong echoed across the city before reaching all of Nine Secrets.

The city itself was boiling with excitement, especially the imperial palace.

Ancestors and sect masters from all over the world prostrated. The only ones who could stand were the five Supremes. After all, they had prestigious status on top of being powerful Eternals. Only Lucidity could make them kneel.

"Rumble!" The members of the Silver Secret Legion lined up in two columns before the royal throne. The opening in the center was meant for the king.

"His Majesty is coming." A declaration sounded across the palace.

The kneeling experts looked up, wanting to catch a glimpse of the new king.

Three people finally emerged from the imperial palace. In front was Li Qiye with Sun Lengying and Zhang Jiadi right behind him, almost like his shadow.

The crowd stared at the king before glancing at each other. Li Qiye was wearing a dragon robe, except in a very carefree manner, even his crown was crooked. The guy didn't look serious at all. The worst part was his walk - swinging his arms and shaking his head. This had no semblance of a king but more like a hoodlum. No trace of royal aura could be found on this troublemaker.

The most confusing part was how apparent it was that this guy looked like a new cultivator, not an expert at all. The kneeling ancestors and sect masters were astounded.

The invincible Lucidity made this young hoodlum the next king? The guy was so weak too! The whole thing didn't make any sense.

"Rise." Li Qiye sat down on the throne and looked quite lazy. After a quick glance at the crowd, he acted as if he didn't want to be here.

The experts finally stood up and exchanged glances. A strange atmosphere overtook the palace.

If this new king was awe-inspiring, then with the help of Lucidity's still-existing notoriety, these officials and servants would still chant, "long live the king, long live the king."

However, because of this non-traditional king, no one gave the regular response after he allowed them to stand. They were simply befuddled. How could this person become the king, the ruler of Nine Secrets?

His appearance and demeanor made them look down on him, thinking that he was an insignificant tramp.

The experts here were all great leaders yet they had to kneel before this piece of trash. This truly vexed them

"Alright, civil and military officials, sect masters and ancestors, anyone have something to say?" Li Qiye lazily asked.

"Elder Sun, is this really the order of the late king?" A general stepped out with an oppressive aura. He had only recently become an Eternal but this was more than enough.

"Yes." Lengying answered concisely while holding a sword in his chest.

"We want to see the decree." This general said with a serious tone: "This pertains to the wellbeing and survival of the dynasty."

"What, think I'm a fake?" Li Qiye smiled and said.

The general paused for a moment before looking back at his vice generals. They gave him a firm nod.

"The coronation will have lasting effects on the dynasty, so the royal family needs to be clear." He gritted his teeth and said.

"That's right, we agree with the Northern General's demand for elaboration." The vice generals quickly added while building strong momentum.

The clan of this general was quite powerful, in charge of the Northern Legion.

Outside of Silver Secret, there was the Central, Imperial Guard, North, South, East, and West Legion. They were mighty and camped all over the system.

"Haha, looks like they want to kick me from my throne. Annihilate them." Li Qiye ordered, still with a smile on his face.

"You dare?!" This general shouted back: "I have followed the late king through three expeditions, destroying the barbarians in the north with numerous accolades. The late king even bestowed me a contract..."

"That has nothing to do with me." Li Qiye ordered again: "Sun Lengying, kill."

"Clank." Lengying unsheathed his sword, releasing a massive amount of murderous energy.

Even the five supreme ancestors shuddered, let alone other people.

The Northern General roared and turned into a white wolf. The vice generals also formed a formation to assist him.

"Boom!" Lengying's sword pierced through the ages. The formation couldn't stop it at all.

"Pluff!" Heads rolled on the ground. This group was massacred by Lengying.

The stench of blood permeated the hall to the dismay of the crowd.

A few people realized that this new king might be a piece of trash, but Lengying was still an unstoppable Eternal. Few could actually match him in Nine Secrets.

The five supreme ancestors would need to think very carefully before challenging him.

#### Chapter 2430: Unconventional Coronation Ceremony

People shuddered after seeing the death of the Northern General. The stench of blood permeated the air.

"Alright." Li Qiye waved his hand and looked over at some random lower-ranking generals: "The Northern General or whatever is killed, so you will take his position. And you all, you'll become his vice generals."

These generals were standing in the back and had low status. Now, Li Qiye had just casually appointed them to be the generals of the northern region.

This wasn't just a position for a kingdom, but the position of an entire system. The northern region consisted of tens of thousands of sects and hundreds of kingdoms.

The Northern General with his military authority was superior to numerous sect masters. These low-ranking generals would have been unlikely to reach this position so they were completely stunned by these appointments.

In fact, everyone else felt the same. Both the officials and members of the royal families to the cultivators of the system were all stunned.

This was the most whimsical order they have ever seen. The Northern Legion was still one of the seven great legions in Nine Secrets, a pillar of Nine Secrets. Even Lucidity wouldn't be so careless in appointing the right general.

However, Li Qiye didn't care about oppositions and promoted these random generals. At the very least, this imperious style was similar to Lucidity - not giving a damn about anyone else's opinions.

"Thank you, Your Majesty, long live the king!" The generals regained their sanity and became ecstatic. They prostrated, fully appreciative of this opportunity.

"Alright, anyone else has something to say?" Li Qiye stared lazily at the crowd.

Everyone smiled wryly. Even powerful ancestors couldn't say anything at this point. The order was carried out so it was already too late. Plus, Sun Lengying was standing there with his sword readied.

The previous Northern General has been made an example of for anyone who wants to disobey.

Only the five Supremes here could perhaps take on Sun Lengying. Anyone else would just be courting death. Plus, Silver Secret Legion had this area surrounded completely. The legion would instantly take down any dissenter before aiming for their sects.

"We will obey His Majesty's wishes." The Wind God cupped his fist and bowed.

"We have no objection." The other four supreme ancestors unanimously agreed.

This was the first order of Li Qiye and it has been confirmed by the five supreme ancestors. This established Li Qiye's status as the new king.

After all, these five ancestors represented the five strongest lineages in Nine Secrets. Other people had no reason to fight against them. From this point on, Li Qiye was finally acting as the king.

"May your will be done, Your Majesty." The officials and the rest of the ancestors bowed towards Li Qiye while chanting - quite a magnificent scene.

"Good." Li Qiye glanced over at the five ancestors: "Geezers, you have promised Lucidity to bring the beauties and daughters from your clan here. I need a harem, when are they coming?"

The crowd was stunned along with the five ancestors.

They knew that Li Qiye was an unsalvageable bastard, but they didn't think he would be so preposterous.

This was his first day on the throne and instead of mourning Lucidity or rallying the people, he preferred to talk about girls and pleasure. This was a prime example of a licentious tyrant.

They glanced at each other in confusion. They have indeed promised Lucidity to bring their golden daughters and saintesses to Li Qiye. However, this wasn't the right time to talk about this.

"What, changing your mind?" Li Qiye smiled.

"We do not dare." The ancestor of the Bingchi cupped his fist: "Your Majesty, we will bring them to the palace, please don't worry."

"Alright, I'll be waiting for them." Li Qiye laughed and waved dismissively: "Report if there is something else. Otherwise, the court is dismissed."

The officials were at a loss for words. They have never met such a ridiculous king before.

"Fine, dismiss, all of you." Li Qiye raised his hand and gave the order after no one spoke up. He didn't care and started leaving.

Sun Lengying and Zhang Jiadi followed right behind him. They disappeared into the imperial palace. The ones left behind felt as if this was a dream.

This should have been a day for the new king to mourn Lucidity's passing and talk about his great achievements. At the same time, he needed to build morale while stabilizing the situation.

That's the right way to win people over and get them to acknowledge his position and capabilities.

Unfortunately, Li Qiye didn't mention any of that. First, he ordered the death of an important general even before warming up his throne. Next, he ordered the five great powers to send beauties so that he could have a debaucherous harem.

"Let's go." The five supreme ancestors disappeared from the void.

The other officials and ancestors couldn't do anything else and started to leave.

This was the strangest coronation they have ever seen. It wasn't just bizarre but rather, a complete joke.

The details of this event caused quite a stir around Nine Secrets. Despite the new king's ridiculous nature, no sect dared to do anything because of Lengying and Silver Secret. Usurping was in the planning but it wasn't the time for reckless action.

Nevertheless, people could tell that decline was inevitable for War Saint Dynasty. This debaucherous king couldn't control Nine Secrets and his seven legions.

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Meanwhile, Sun Lengying asked for retirement right after the coronation.

"You wish to return to civilian life?" Li Qiye smiled at Lengying.

The shadowy figure nodded, still stingy with his words: "Yes, please allow it, Your Majesty."

Jiadi was shaken due to the significance behind this. Lengying's existence played a large part in Li Qiye's successful ascension. He was the only one who could stabilize this situation. Li Qiye alone was insufficient.

"Elder Sun, it is still chaotic right now, so you can't leave." Jiadi saw that Li Qiye was still carefree and thought that he didn't grasp the gravity of this situation: "We need you right now, His Majesty requires your protection and help."

"I'm old with one foot in the grave, please allow it, Your Majesty." Lengying responded.

Jiadi couldn't refute because Lengying's age was getting up there. He has followed Lucidity for three generations. Since Lucidity was dead, he shouldn't have that much time left either.

More importantly, when Lucidity was around, Lengying was only below one man while above all others. Only Lucidity could give him commands, no one else.

His loyalty to Lucidity was proven through his long service. However, Li Qiye lacked the power and decisiveness to control him. Lucidity was the only reason why he agreed to help with the coronation.

Now that the guy was on the throne, he wouldn't stay here and continue to work for someone like Li Qiye.

This was the difference between him and Jiadi. The latter worked for War Saint Dynasty while he only cared for Lucidity. Others could all just go and die.

"I see, very well. Take what you want, treasures or territories, all available for you." Li Qiye nodded and said.

"Your Majesty, you can't! Elder Sun is the pillar of our system, our dynasty needs him!" Jiadi was shocked.

He didn't dare to blatantly express that they were in a bad position because of Li Qiye's ineptitude and could only ask Li Qiye to reconsider.

"Thank you, Your Majesty." Lengying bowed and left empty-handed without asking for anything.

"Your Majesty, you don't understand the situation. Only Elder Sun can preside over the system right now and quell unrest." Jiadi said disrespectfully while panicking. Nevertheless, this was out of loyalty.