

## Tales of Herding Gods Chapter 1151-1155

### Chapter 1151 Chaos Mine

Qin Mu hesitated for a moment. From the looks of the divine stones in this primordial mine, the mine was already empty. The ancient god eggs in the mine had already been born and had broken out of their shells.

The only useful part of this primordial mine is the chaos qi lingering here.

There was absolutely no benefits in occupying this place!

And if they went deeper, they might encounter the ancient god that had hatched from its shell here. The best choice was to retreat immediately!

Ancient god Celestial Emperor wasn't an ancient god that had completely absorbed the entirety of Grand Creation Mine. He was dug out from the mine by Grand Emperor's clansmen. The masters of creation of that era offered sacrifices to this egg which resulted in Celestial Emperor Grand Creation's premature birth, without fully absorbing the power in the mine.

He was just a deformed, premature infant.

But even so, Celestial Emperor Grand Creation was the most powerful existence!

No one could surpass his corporeal body!

His Great Dao and cultivation were still at the apex, and people even believed that only by cultivating to the complete Celestial Heavens Realm could one contend with him!

If the ancient god of this mine were to come into being, wouldn't they be even more powerful than Celestial Emperor?

Qin Mu stood there with some hesitation and said in a low voice, "Perhaps this ancient god has already left and isn't in the mine any more, Or maybe he isn't born yet. Maybe he hasn't completely absorbed the power of the mind yet... If I go in and take a look, I wouldn't die right? Hehe, I have the number one treasure in the world, the Glassy Sky Pagoda. What am I afraid of..."

He gathered his courage and walked deeper into the mine.

Yan'er and the dragon qilin trembled behind him as they looked around nervously. The two of them transformed into human forms and huddled together, shivering.

Tiny Earth Count was also trembling as he was sandwiched between the two of them.

In the primordial mine, even though the spherical divine stones no longer had any strange energy, they still gave off a tranquil rays of light. However, with just a slight touch, they would shatter.

Qin Mu was careful and tried his best not to make any sound. He used his divine consciousness to contact the dragon qilin and Yan'er, "Don't make any sound. The divine stones here are embedded in the mind and can shatter at any time. This mine can also collapse very easily."

The dragon qilin roused his divine consciousness and said, "Even if the mine collapses, it won't be able to crush us."

Qin Mu said angrily, "Pay attention to the walls!"

The dragon qilin hurriedly looked at the walls and saw wisps of chaos qi seeping out!

"This mine is located inside of a chaos mountain. It contains a lot of chaos qi."

Qin Mu became more cautious, and his divine consciousness gently rippled. "With all my abilities unleashed, I can only force the chaos qi back by a distance of fifty to sixty feet[1]. If the two walls of this mine collapse, we will definitely be crushed into pieces! Even our primordial spirits wouldn't be able to escape!"

The dragon qilin jumped in shock and became even more cautious. He looked around in fear.

Suddenly, a slight vibration came from the mine and a small stone fell from the top of the mine. It smashed onto the dragon qilin's feet.

The dragon qilin's expression instantly became extremely unsightly. Even though the stone was small, its weight was terrifyingly huge. It was as though an entire mountain is pressing on his feet!

Just as he was about to cry out in pain, Yan'er hurriedly covered his mouth and said, "Darling Pi, don't scream! If you scream, the mine will collapse! Raise your leg and bring it to your mouth to lick it."

Tiny Earth Count nodded his head repeatedly and stretched out his tongue, making a licking motion.

Tears streamed down the dragon qilin's face, and he raised his leg while trembling. He wanted to lick it, but he couldn't bring himself to do so.

Fortunately, Qin Mu discovered that he was injured and took out a jade bottle to stuff into his hand.

"Cult Master is still the best to me. What wife, what godson, they are all inferior to Cult Master!" The dragon qilin shed tears of gratitude.

The mine was extremely deep and spacious. The more they walked, the more it seemed like they're entering an entirely different world.

Huge skeletons littered the road. They were all masters of creation, but their statuses were low, and they were probably slaves.

The miners of the masters of creation were usually slaves that the big tribes acquired through their conquest of other tribes. They were specially used for mining.

However, even though they were slaves, their abilities were no small matter. Yet faced with the sudden change, these masters of creation couldn't resist at all and died in the mine!

The mine became deeper, and the chaos qi was very heavy. When they all arrived at the most bottom layer of the mine, the chaos qi seemed to condense into a tangible state, forming a calm sea of chaos.

Even with the 28 heavens of the Glassy Sky Pagoda pushing away the surrounding chaos qi, Qin Mu still felt it was difficult to move.

The terrain gradually became flat, and huge pillars that were thick and thin supported this vast underground world.

This should be the centre of the mine.

Boundless chaos.

Qin Mu looked over and even opened the third eye in the heart of his brows. He couldn't see far and his sight was hazy.

"Follow me, don't get lost."

He transmitted with his divine consciousness, "If you walk out of the range of the Glassy Sky Pagoda, you will definitely die!"

The dragon qilin's leg had yet to recover, and he limped after him. Suddenly, the mine trembled again, and even Qin Mu couldn't help feeling a chill down his spine. He hurriedly stopped.

The good thing was that the shaking didn't last long, and only rocks fell. It was quite a hair-raising sight.

The Glassy Sky Pagoda forced back the surrounding chaos qi. They searched the underground world for a long time, but they didn't find anything. Qin Mu was about to leave when he suddenly saw a huge chaos stone standing upright in the chaos qi.

That chaos stone should have been sculpted to form the shape of an altar. It was extremely tall.

Around the sacrificial altar, there were still some shattered corpses. The chaos qi was too heavy, crushing the masters of creation who had mined here.

They mined the chaos stones and collected the divine stones. After coming here, they encountered something they had never seen before.

They carefully excavated this thing, and in the end, they carved out an altar.

When they completely dug out this thing, a sudden change occurred. Chaos qi surged out, and all the masters of creation in the mine died. No one escaped!

Qin Mu composed himself and moved the Glassy Sky Pagoda that was becoming heavier. He carefully ascended the sacrificial altar.

The chaos qi was too heavy, and it was extremely strenuous to mobilise the Glassy Sky Pagoda. He had no choice but to execute Overlord Body Three Elixir Technique and the vertical eye in the heart of his brows. He had to unleash his full power to lift the Glassy Sky Pagoda.

After a long time, they finally ascended to the sacrificial altar.

Qin Mu let out a sigh of relief. What greeted his eyes was a flat altar platform. It was obvious that the masters of creation who mined this place were very meticulous.

With the object in the centre of the sacrificial altar as the origin, they tried their best to make the surroundings as flat as possible. They carefully opened up the chaos stones around this thing, afraid of hurting the thing inside.

Qin Mu looked towards the centre of the sacrificial altar. There was two halves of an egg shell there!

The ancient gods in the egg had already been born!

The sacrificial altar and a cracked ancient god egg. This place was very similar to the ancestral land of Celestial Emperor Grand Creation in Celestial Heavens!

The difference was that the sacrificial altar born by Celestial Emperor was moved into Celestial Heavens by Celestial Emperor, and the sacrificial altar here was still in the primordial mine.

Moreover, the surroundings of Celestial Emperor's sacrificial altar were filled with the myriad coloured light of the Great Dao and Dao sound permeated the air.

However, what surrounded this altar was an incomparably suffocating Chaos qi: without Dao, without form and without qualities.[2]

[1] This is a better translation for the term 丈(zhang) which means 3.33m. 10 feet is roughly 3.04m which is a pretty decent approximation.

[2] It is quite difficult to translate this sentence. This might be minor spoilers so don't read ahead if you don't want to know. This is a reference to the five grand changes which is a form of the creation story in Chinese culture. Essentially, the myriad life forms has three characteristics: Dao, forms and qualities. There is also an order to which these are created. (ie: it hints that Grand Creation (who had Dao) is ordered after this ancient god (who is without Dao, without form and without qualities.))

## **Chapter 1152 Destroy**

Qin Mu composed himself and continued to examine the cracked ancient god egg. Underneath it was a small circular pit.

He was stunned. He had seen this kind of circular pit before.

In the lands of the masters of creation of the Blood Rust Zone, there were numerous sacrificial altars. Almost every sacrificial altar had a circular pit.

The circular pits gathered the power of the masters of creations' sacrificial offerings. Their power of sacrificial offerings evolved into marvellous forms such as Heaven Duke, Mother Earth, Earth Count, and other ancient gods of all shapes and forms. Their battle power was incomparably strong!

"Is it possible that the masters of creation were imitating this kind of sacrificial altar to gather their divine consciousness and visualise battle machines in the form of ancient gods?"

Qin Mu pondered carefully and walked towards the two halves of the ancient god egg. The masters of creation must have learned a part of this ancient god's knowledge, which was why they designed an altar similar to it for ancient god Celestial Emperor Grand Creation.

"This eggshell is a good thing. The ancient god that was born didn't even know how precious its eggshell was, so it ran away the moment it was born!"

He arrived directly in front of the eggshell that was in the centre of the sacrificial altar. The eggshell was simply too big for him to fit its entirety in his field of view.

This ancient god egg is no smaller than the ancient god egg of Celestial Emperor Grand Creation.

'Where did that ancient god that broke out of its shell go? Could the great terror that Celestial Emperor Grand Creation was referring to be about be him?'

Qin Mu blinked his eyes. Back then, when ancient god Celestial Emperor led a group of ancient gods to seal Ancestral Court, he had the intention of sealing his disgraceful past. He probably wanted to seal a terrifying strange beast akin to the void beast.

Meanwhile, the void beasts were strange beasts that were pieced together by different ancient beasts. They didn't seem like they were born from heaven and earth, but like terrifying creatures that were created by humans to destroy the world.

Could the person who created the strange beast be the ancient god that came out from this eggshell?

'No matter what, this ancient god left a flaw!'

Qin Mu did his best to drag the eggshell into the heart of his brows and put it into the Qin word land. The eggshell was too big and almost covered half of the Qin word land.

He didn't have enough cultivation to refine the eggshell a little smaller, so he could only keep it for now.

For example, the two ancient god eggs that he had obtained had been refined. One was made much smaller by ancient god Celestial Emperor, while the other was refined by the Black Tortoise and Deity as treasures, becoming the core of the Glassy Sky Pagoda.

If he had their cultivation, Qin Mu could also refine the eggshell a little smaller.

“I have already figured out the runes of a Grand Beginning[1] egg, and with this egg shell, I can deduce the Great Dao of the ancient gods.”

His gaze flickered, and he dragged the other half of the eggshell while thinking to himself, “I’ll find a treasure ground here and stabilize my footing. Next, I’ll try to decipher Celestial Venerable Ling’s divine art and rescue big senior brother!”

The two halves of the eggshell were stacked on top of one another so as to not affect the sight of the vertical eye in the heart of his brows.

Unexpectedly, as soon as he put away the two halves of the eggshell, the ground suddenly shook!

Qin Mu’s hair stood on end. Without any explanation, he swept Yan’er and the dragon qilin up and put them into the Glassy Sky Pagoda before running out!

The Glassy Sky Pagoda shone brightly, and all kinds colourful light was emitted. The treasures in the Glassy Sky Pagoda were crudely refined by the two deities of the Black Tortoise. They weren’t exquisite, and in Qin Mu’s eyes, they were a waste of precious resources.

However, there were too many treasures in the Glassy Sky Pagoda, and every one of them was made from rare treasures of Ancestral Court. Even though the refinement method was rough, its power was extraordinary.

Qin Mu propped up the Glassy Sky Pagoda and 28 heavens materialised and rushed out!

At this moment, countless chaos stones fell from the top of the primordial mine. Every stone contained vast and boundless chaos qi, and they were incomparably heavy. When they smashed onto the Glassy Sky Pagoda, the light from all the unique treasures burst forth continuously and the light formed an orderly Dao pattern that resisted the power of the chaos stones.

Qin Mu let out a dull roar from his throat and executed his Overlord Body Three Elixir Technique with all his strength. He rushed out frantically, but the chaos stones that fell became larger. They even started to smash through the layers of heavens!

With a thought from Qin Mu, he reversed the 28 heavens, and the order of the heavens changed continuously, transporting the chaos stones, that were smashing over, to his back.

His corporeal body welled up as he poured all his vital qi and divine consciousness into his body, strengthening it to the extremes.

In every orifice of his body, multicoloured light leaked out. Within these light, one can hear the grand voice of the Dao. Above his head, the apparition of Heaven Duke appeared. In the heart of his brows, ancient god Celestial Emperor was sitting in Celestial Heavens. Beneath his feet were the twin lotus of the Ruins of End. Earth Count resided in his dantian and Mother Earth was rooted in his heart and lungs.

All the apertures in his body revealed the appearances of the various star gods. With his eyes as the sun and moon and his fingers as the five elements[2]; however, there were dual five elements. The 36 changes of the Celestial dipper and the 72 methods of Earthly Fiend covered his chest.[3]

In East Heaven Palace, the Azure Dragon commands the East Heaven stars. In West Heaven Palace, the White Tiger commands the West Heaven stars. In North Heaven Palace, the Vermillion Bird commands the South Heaven stars. In North Heaven Palace, the Black Tortoise commands the North Heaven stars.

The arrangement of the stars around him was different from the current world. It was the form of the star gods he had reconstructed by absorbing Grand Emperor's Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness.

However, Grand Emperor only used his divine consciousness to strengthen his corporeal body, while he used both his divine consciousness and vital qi to strengthen his corporeal body.

This was the first time he had raised his corporeal body to its peak!

He didn't know how much power could be stored in his corporeal body, nor did he think about how strong his corporeal body would be when he used his Emperor Throne level divine consciousness to strengthen his corporeal body.

However, now that he was executing his Overlord Body Three Elixir Technique, Qin Mu felt like he was an ancient god that had grasped the power to split heaven and earth apart. Every move he made could shift the stars, change the constellations and seize the moon.

If this power was released, not to mention anything else, even an existence on the Numinous Sky Realm wouldn't be able to block his great divine art of the martial path!

As for his vital qi cultivation, it didn't raise his strength much.

His vital qi cultivation was only equivalent to somewhere between God Execution Stage and Jade Capital Realm. However, when his vital qi was used to form all kinds of Great Dao runes and imprint them all over his corporeal body to strengthen his corporeal body, it would also raise his corporeal body's strength and corporeal body's strength once again!

He rushed forward against the falling chaos stones and controlled the Glassy Sky Pagoda at the same time. The various heavens changed continuously and shifted the chaos stones that had smashed through them.

His footsteps were extremely fast as he rushed out of the mine and ran up the path.

Right at this moment, the road in front of them suddenly collapsed. With a loud rumble, the mine cave collapsed and blocked the road.

The avalanche of stones continued to flow over, and Qin Mu's scalp turned numb. He leaned on the Glassy Sky Pagoda and shouted, "Please unleash your full power!"

Just as he said that, the mine cave he was in collapsed!

Countless chaos stones pressed down on the Glassy Sky Pagoda, causing the 28 heavens to shrink. Qin Mu's bones also cracked from the pressure. On the surface of his corporeal body, his skin kept exploding, and under his skin, veins popped out and cracked his skin!

All kinds of vital qi runes imprinted on his skin exploded and vanished.

Qin Mu's eyes turned red, and he hissed, "As an ancient god with a primordial mine, you can't even defend against the mountains of this ancient god's birthplace?"

As soon as he said that, the armillary sphere of the Glassy Sky Pagoda suddenly shone brightly, and the 28 heavens spun furiously. The dragon qilin and Yan'er felt that they were flipped upside down, and sometimes inside out. They couldn't tell which direction they were going, and they were thrown into disorder!

The huge rocks that fell from the mine were blown away, and the path out appeared!

Qin Mu made a prompt decision and rushed out along the path with the Glassy Sky Pagoda.

### **Chapter 1153 Taking you to play**

Outside the mine, Divine King Zu's body was surrounded by countless strands of divine light. The brilliance reached the skies, and 49 rays of light connected heaven and earth. They were all infused with a different lustre, akin to a peacock spreading its tail.

"This treasure land is no small matter."

The light in Divine King Zu's eyes flickered. He was the son of Heaven Duke and had inherited Heaven Duke's bloodline. This kind of bloodline was of the highest grade and allowed him to possess the famous All Encompassing Physique. Any divine arts, parts and skills was trivial for him to cultivate.

He looked at the chaos qi that filled the mine. The chaos qi was no small matter. Since there was chaos qi overflowing from this mine, it must be a huge treasure ground. This meant that the treasures in the mine were even more astonishing than the chaos qi.

"Putting everything else aside, even though it's hard to refine chaos qi and chaos stones into treasures, they are still extraordinary treasures. Using chaos stones to sculpt god idols and using them to suppress the myriad realms, who can resist such treasure?"

He walked into the mine and said in a low voice, "Even if there aren't any other treasures in the mine, these two mountain ranges formed from chaos stones can be refined into weapons. They can be refined into two whips that can be wielded to kill my father more easily!"

Just as he thought that, the ground suddenly trembled and the mountains shook.

Divine King Zu was dumbfounded. He saw the mountain range formed by the two chaos stones wobble and begin to crumble!



The crashing of the chaos stones could be said to be world-shaking. Even he couldn't help but feel apprehensive!

The power of the Chaos Mountain was too terrifying. It didn't appear like it was collapsing, but more like it was disintegrating as a whole!

Divine King Zu hurriedly retreated, but he saw the Chaos Mountain Range turn into nothingness in a short moment. It crumbled into countless specks, and the heavy chaos stones pressed down on the collapsed mine, causing it to sink into the ground!

The chaos mountain collapsed, and the chaos qi hidden within the chaos stone was instantly released. The vast and boundless qi was like a surging fog that rushed in all directions!

Wherever the violent air currents passed by, the ground would sink continuously, and the divine mountains that were covered in divine gold would become smaller and denser. Even the void beasts that were flying in the sky and tunnelling underground were crushed into pieces in an instant. They couldn't escape in time!

Divine King Zu's heart pounded as he resisted the impact of the chaos qi. He looked at the two mountain ranges and the mine, only to see that there had already become two huge cracks that had sunk into the ground!

"What exactly happened?" He couldn't help being bewildered.

At this moment, tremors and heavy breathing came from underground. Divine King Zu was astonished "Could there still be a terrifying monster that is still alive here? And that monster destroyed the mine?"

In the fog, the chaos stones flew up in all directions and were thrown high into the sky. They were like stars that smashed into the ground, causing the ground to split open, revealing bottomless holes.

The chaos qi was vast and blocked his vision, so he couldn't see what monster was running out from inside.

The 'monster' seemed to be buried in the mine and was digging a path.

Divine King Zu became even more cautious as celestial palaces floated behind him. They were completely different from the reckless and boorish behaviour he usually displayed.

Those who could live past Dragon Han, Crimson Light, High Emperor, and Founding Emperor Era and became Celestial Venerables weren't idiots.

Even though he was a Celestial Venerable, he still had to be careful. He didn't dare to be careless when facing a dangerous place like Ancestral Court.

After a moment, the 'monster' stopped throwing chaos stones around and walked out. A voice was heard, and it said happily, "We're finally out! Pi, Yan'er, you can come out now."

When Divine King Zu heard this voice, his face couldn't help but turn black.

After a moment, Qin Mu brought the dragon qilin and Yan'er out of the collapsed area. When he put away the Glassy Sky Pagoda, he saw Divine King Zu, who was also standing in the chaos qi. His heart shuddered, and he smiled. He nodded at Divine King Zu.

Divine King Zu snorted and said indifferently, "I've long heard that Celestial Venerable Mu wrecks havoc whenever he goes. I didn't believe it at first, but today, I have witnessed that the rumours were not false. This primordial mine, chaos divine mountain, has existed in Ancestral Court for hundreds of millions of years and has always been safe and sound. Who expected it to be destroyed the instant it met you!"

Qin Mu said in fear and trepidation, "You flatter me, you flatter me, nephew!"

When Divine King Zu heard the word 'nephew', he raised his eyebrows and said indifferently, "What treasure did you find in the mine? Take it out."

Qin Mu shook his head and sighed, "What treasure could there be here? Truth be told, this place is a primordial mine that is similar to the one that gave birth to ancient god Celestial Emperor. You should have heard it from my brother, Heaven Duke, right? The ancient Celestial Emperor was born in Ju Clan's Grand Creation Mine. He was the oldest god and was originally an egg, but he never came into being until Grand Emperor hatched him."

Divine King Zu's expression changed slightly, and he said with a hoarse voice, "You're saying that there's also an ancient god egg here? The ancient god egg in this mine should have been taken by you, right? Give it to me!"

Qin Mu said with a smile, "Nephew, the ancient god in this mine has already come into being, and they have long exhausted the spiritual energy in the mine. I also accidentally touched the mine when I entered this place, and as a result, the mine collapsed, so I didn't get any treasures. I suspect..."

He looked around and said leisurely, "There is an existence comparable to ancient god Celestial Emperor and they<sup>[1]</sup> are currently hiding in Ancestral Court. Who knows, they might even be looking at us right now!"

The muscles on Divine King Zu's face twitched, and he looked around. He then smiled and said, "Words aren't proof. You have been to the mine before, and only you know if there are any ancient god eggs or treasures. Surnamed Qin, I've always disliked you. Give me your treasures, and I'll let you live."

He said proudly, "Others don't dare to kill you, but I dare! I'm not like them, worrying about personal gains and losses. I even dare to kill my ancestors!"

Qin Mu said with a smile that wasn't a smile, "You don't dare. When you entered, it is I who brought you in. And when you wish to leave, it is I who will bring you out. I cannot die."

Killing intent exploded in Divine King Zu's eyes.

Qin Mu said lightly, "Nephew, you can only come to here to play if I accompany you here. If I don't bring you to play, you can only watch."

Divine King Zu was furious and said coldly, "I can imprison you, torture you, humiliate you, and sever your limbs. I can also torture your primordial spirit, making you wish you were dead!"

Qin Mu laughed softly and said leisurely, "You really don't dare. I have Dao friends. The Celestial Venerables that have entered this place, other than you, are all my Dao friends. The commotion here is so huge, how can we not alarm them? If you want to die now, you can just make a move."

Divine King Zu laughed and bowed. "It's my fault. Uncle Mu, I'll apologize to you! Farewell, farewell."

Qin Mu said politely, "Nephew, don't blame yourself. No need for formalities."

Divine King Zu was full of smiles as he turned to leave. Suddenly, he stopped and said with a smile, "Uncle, the treasure you used just now could actually support the chaos mountains. It's truly remarkable. If my deduction isn't wrong, it should be the number one treasure in the world that had disappeared for six hundred thousand years, the Glassy Sky Pagoda, right?"

The smile on Qin Mu's face stiffened.

Divine King Zu laughed loudly, and his body transformed into a stream of light that tore through the sky.

Qin Mu saw him off and muttered, "Heaven Duke, you gave birth to a such a good son..."

[1] I was debating whether to use 'it' or 'they' as the pronoun for this ancient god. In my opinion, the ambiguity of 'they' being able to refer to both singular and plural in modern society really fits the image of this ancient god so I am going to use 'they' from now on.

## **Chapter 1154 Since ancient times, wealth stirred the hearts of people**

Since ancient times, wealth stirred the hearts of people.

"No one had known that the number one treasure in the world, the Glassy Sky Pagoda, had actually fallen into my hands. But now, eight Celestial Venerables know about it."

Qin Mu looked around with a smile on his face. The commotion here was too huge. The collapse of an primordial mine would definitely attract the attention of the Celestial Venerables. Even if Xiao, Qiang, Hao, Gong, Lang Xuan, and the rest didn't come here, they could still use their divine consciousness to 'look' at this place. They might not have seen Qin Mu walking out of the Chaos Mountain, but they would definitely have heard Divine King Zu's words.

In Qin Mu's eyes, the Glassy Sky Pagoda couldn't be considered the number one treasure in the world because it was too crudely made. The truly effective part of it was the ancient god egg.

However, in terms of power and transformations, the Glassy Sky Pagoda was indeed extremely powerful and terrifying. This treasure could be used to arrange formations and kill strong enemies. There was almost no need to use one's cultivation; one only needed to offer a plead to the Glassy Sky Pagoda.

A treasure like this, it's impossible to not be moved!

Even Divine King Gong Yun, who had a good relationship with Qin Mu, was no exception.

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Qin Mu and Gong Yun only used each other for mutual benefits, so they weren't close. In Ancestral Court, perhaps only Celestial Venerable Hong and Celestial Venerable Xiao wouldn't covet the Glassy Sky Pagoda.

Even though Celestial Venerable Xiao wouldn't be greedy for the Glassy Sky Pagoda, he is someone who sealed and suppressed the egg of Grand Beginning[1] and places great importance on power. He definitely wouldn't allow another ancient god Celestial Emperor to be born!

The other ancient god eggs were the same as him; they came from the primordial mine. He was the Grand Creation but his birth wasn't smooth due to being plotted against by Grand Emperor and had absorbed a large amount of the masters of creation's sacrificial offerings. Thus, his growth wasn't complete. The "egg liquid" in the eggshell hadn't been completely absorbed, nor had he absorbed all the Grand Creation Divine Stone and all the Grand Creation Origin Stone.

He had a huge flaw. His abilities weren't at their peak.

As for the other ancient god eggs, they still have to potential to grow into complete forms and they might even be stronger than him.

For a power-hungry maniac like him, this was something he could never tolerate.

"Heaven Duke's good son has caused me great trouble!"

Qin Mu took out the Glassy Sky Pagoda and stopped hiding the treasure. He brought the dragon qilin and Yan'er out of the sea of chaos.

"In that case, there's no need to hide!"

Qin Mu muttered to himself, "I'll give this treasure to whoever comes to snatch it! I want to see which Celestial Venerable is so strong that he can defend against the attacks of other Celestial Venerables!"

Outside the chaos sea, the void beast that Qin Mu had tamed was already waiting there. This huge beast didn't die from the impact caused by the collapse of the mountain.

Qin Mu leaped up and brought Yan'er and the dragon qilin to the head of the void beast. He looked around with the help of the Glassy Sky Pagoda and smiled, "I cannot die in any case. If I die, no one will be able to leave this place unless you all work together to break the seal of Ancestral Court!"

In the sky, divine consciousness quickly left one after another.

Celestial Venerable Hao's expression wavered as he paced back and forth. He suddenly raised his palm, and all kinds of divine gold and stone materials rose into the sky, quickly forming a gorgeous palace.

Celestial Venerable Hao thought about it, took out his Myriad Dao Heavenly Wheel, and hung it in front of the palace gate. He said in a low voice, "Celestial Venerable Mu, this fellow is still a hooligan! After all, he was born a country bumpkin and doesn't have any self-restraint!"

God Sovereign Lang Xuan had occupied Ancestral Court Jade Pool. Even though there wasn't much primordial liquid left in Jade Pool, there was still some. This place was also a treasure land.

The primordial liquid could heal all injuries, raise one's cultivation, and increase the strength of the primordial spirit and divine consciousness. It was no small matter.

Furthermore, the area nearby was where Mother Earth was born. The place that could give birth to Mother Earth naturally had a lot of treasures.

"Qin Mu, this fellow, took out the Glassy Sky Pagoda openly, so it's not good to snatch it directly. However, the situation means that he can't die. He really can't die. How infuriating!"

God Sovereign Lang Xuan laid down all kinds of formations to draw in the spiritual energy of heaven and earth. By taking advantage of the natural Jade Pool, the spiritual energy quickly turned into primordial liquid.

The masters of creation of the primordial era didn't have the knowledge of the later generations and thought that the primordial liquid is non-renewable. However, he was a Celestial Venerable of the later generations. He gathered the spirit energy of Ancestral Court to refine the primordial liquid. Even though it wasn't as good as naturally made primordial liquid, it wasn't far.

Mining the treasures of Ancestral Court didn't necessarily require natural treasures. One could also use the special aspects of Ancestral Court to create treasures.

Looting Ancestral Court didn't necessarily require natural born hidden treasures. One could also use the special terrains of Ancestral Court to give birth to more treasures.

"If I seize the Glassy Sky Pagoda, those old folks will definitely be happy whilst they beat me to death."

He shook his head, "Divine King Zu is indeed shrewd, throwing out this difficult problem."

This mine was the mine that Divine King Shu Jun had once occupied. Whilst the exterior is akin to a poor abandoned village, there was actually a universe hidden within.

She didn't fight with Celestial Venerable Xiao for the Grand Creation Mine. If she did, she would have to expose the void beast mother and risk exposing her identity. The price was too high.

"Although the Glassy Sky Pagoda is good, that treasure is too risky."

Heavenly Lady Qiang had already built her palace. She threw an umbrella into the air, which transformed into a canopy that covered her territory.

In the palace, Heavenly Lady Qiang laid on her side on a cushion. She was charming and enchanting as she laughed softly, "The treasure in the Glassy Sky Pagoda is an ancient god egg. It's very enticing and will grant any request. In reality, it's using the user's request to strengthen itself and increase its power. This egg was originally Gong Yun's dowry, but I saw that something was wrong. I was afraid that another Grand Creation would jump out, so I sealed it."

"After that, this egg and other treasures were taken away by North Deity Black Tortoise[1]. North Deity Black Tortoise was the god created from the sacrificial offerings of my race, and this couple's knowledge is shallow. They actually refined this egg into a treasure. It's obvious they are dumb."

She got up slowly and smiled delicately, "Why don't I go to Celestial Venerable Gong's place and chat about some gossips and deepen our sisterly bond?"

Celestial Venerable Hong also chose a treasure land, but this treasure land was different. It was a huge lake that was originally the origin of the celestial river and the stars. However, as the sky rose higher, the celestial river also rose higher.

Among the masters of creation, there was the starlords of Creation. With the source of the Celestial River as the starting point, they created radiant stars and they could change heaven and earth. Heaven Duke and the stars were born from the corresponding Dao.

From then on, the Celestial River and Xuandu became higher and higher.

The origin of Xuandu was this great lake.

'If I shatter Ancestral Court, will my Xuandu also fall down? At that time, the Heavenly Dao won't exist anymore, right?'

Celestial Venerable Hong looked around and sighed faintly. He prepared to build his own palace and use Celestial Venerable grade treasures to suppress the treasure land. He thought to himself, "The ancient god egg of the Glassy Sky Pagoda was brought here by Celestial Venerable Mu. I wonder if it's a blessing or a curse... Although the heavens have its own rules, the heavenly Dao is impartial. What should I do?"

He muttered to himself for a long time and didn't move.

In the Grand Creation Mine, Celestial Venerable Xiao raised his sword to suppress the mine. He looked towards the Chaotic Mine and said coldly, "Nonsense! The Grand Derivation[1] mine collapsed, but that terrifying existence still came into being. Luckily, the seal of Ancestral Court wasn't broken..."

Celestial Venerable Gong also looked towards the chaos mine and frowned slightly. At that moment, Heavenly Lady Qiang's voice was heard. She smiled and said, "Sister Gong, I'm here to visit."

Celestial Venerable Gong retracted his gaze and smiled. "Sister Qiang, please sit inside."

Qin Mu held onto the Glassy Sky Pagoda and let the void beast carry him. After a few days, Qin Mu looked into the distance and saw Celestial Venerable Yan's palace in front of him.

[1] The term North Deity Black Tortoise refers to two deities: North Deity Xuan and North Deity Wu. Only when they are together can they be considered North Deity Xuan Wu (Xuan Wu = Black Tortoise).

[2] The translation for 太易(Tai Yi) is too difficult. Following the convention with “Grand”, I settled on “Grand Derivation”. I wanted to translate this as “Grand Changeless” in the beginning but changeless suggests permanence which is fatally wrong. It should be a term to represent something that is both changing and without change, something that is both increasing and decreasing. I hope the term “Grand Derivation” fits that concept better. To compensate, here is an extract from Daoist text and my butchered translation of it:“太易者， 阴阳未变， 恢漠太虚， 无光无象， 无形无名。寂兮寥兮， 是曰太易。太易， 神之始而未见气也。” (The one known as Tai Yi, Yin Yang yet unchanged, the indifferent grand void, no light no image, no form no name, solitary and lonesome, referred to as Tai Yi. Tai Yi, not even witnessed by the beginning of gods.)

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“Was this mine obtained by Heavenly Lady Yan?”

Qin Mu was rather disappointed. Heavenly Lady Yan was either Celestial Empress or Mistress Yuanmu. She is definitely knowledgeable about Ancestral Court, so she naturally chose the best treasure land as soon as possible.

Heavenly Lady Yan sensed his arrival and walked out of the palace with the white cat in her arms.

Qin Mu bowed, and Heavenly Lady Yan hurriedly returned the greeting. She said with a smile, “Celestial Venerable Mu brought the number one treasure in the world to show off. Aren’t you afraid that the void beast will lust after it and eat you?”

Qin Mu smiled, “I’m not worried about the void beasts, I’m only worried about the Celestial Venerables in Ancestral Court.”

Heavenly Lady Yan couldn’t help laughing, “Without your spells and divine arts, no one can leave. They don’t dare to break the seal of Ancestral Court, so they can only watch you show off with the Glassy Sky Pagoda.”

Her beautiful eyes blinked as she asked, “Does Celestial Venerable Mu know the origin of the treasures on the Glassy Sky Pagoda?”

Qin Mu’s heart stirred slightly, and he humbly sought guidance. “Please teach me, elder sister.”

The white cat in Heavenly Lady Yan’s embrace let out a whimper and revealed a threatening expression. Qin Mu smiled and said, “I’m not competing with you over a woman’s favour, why are you being jealous and scaring me?”

Heavenly Lady Yan gathered the white cat and smiled, “Little Seven isn’t an ordinary cat, he’s a spirit cat that can differentiate between good and evil. He probably thinks Celestial Venerable Mu isn’t a good person, so he reminded me. Is this cat white?”

Qin Mu nodded without thinking. "It's especially white! And big!"

Heavenly Lady Yan burst into laughter, and the dragon qilin coughed in haste.

Qin Mu came to a realization and immediately said, "Let's not talk about the cat. Big sister hasn't mentioned the origin of this treasure."

"This treasure was forged by North Deity Black Tortoise after the couple looted the treasure vault of Grand Emperor Ju Yushi. It was made from thousands of treasures of Ancestral Court. The armillary sphere on it was picked from the Xin Clan's mine. It was originally called the Request Stone."

Heavenly Lady Yan said, "This treasure will grant any request. It can control all treasures in the world and activate the powers of the treasures. It can change substances, and it's even more marvellous than the visualization methods of the masters of creation. It can turn soil into gold, women into men, and water into fish. This treasure can help the Xin Clan prosper and be on par with Ju Yushi. However, the existence in this egg is none other than another Celestial Emperor."

Qin Mu thanked him. "Thank you for your guidance."

Heavenly Lady Yan smiled, "You shouldn't play with fire. Grand Emperor didn't end up well after hatching ancient god Celestial Emperor."

Qin Mu was astonished.

Heavenly Lady Yan said, "This is my territory. Celestial Venerable Mu, you should find another treasure land."

Qin Mu bade farewell and left. He suddenly stopped and asked, "Does Heavenly Concubine know who is Mistress Yuanmu and who is Celestial Empress?"

Heavenly Lady Yan was slightly stunned. She shook her head and smiled, "Does Celestial Venerable Mu know?"

Qin Mu said, "I feel that Mistress Yuanmu and Celestial Empress will definitely not miss out on Ancestral Court. No matter who they reincarnate into, they will come and get involved in this mess. I have a treasure that is Mistress Yuanmu's corporeal body. It might be able to summon Mistress Yuanmu's soul. In that case, I will know who is the true Mistress Yuanmu."

Heavenly Lady Yan smiled. "I also want to know where Yuanmu is hiding and who she has become. In that case, why doesn't Celestial Venerable Mu give it a try?"

Qin Mu laughed loudly and turned to leave, "It's just hypothetical, how would I have a corporeal body of a Mistress?"

He stood on the head of the void beast, and after walking for a long time, he came to another treasure ground. Qin Mu narrowed his eyes and saw God Sovereign Lang Xuan's palace from afar.



He examined his surroundings and saw that the terrain here was like a three-dimensional taiji diagram[1]. The two divine mountains, one black and one white, were clasped on the ground, and a long river flowed in the centre.

The two divine mountains were round. One of them was completely snow white while the other was completely black. They were thousands of miles apart and faced each other from afar: multicoloured light rushed from the mountains into the sky.

God Sovereign Lang Xuan's palace was built in the middle of two divine mountains. There was a large mine there, and the mine was located on both sides of the river. Multicoloured light overflowed from the river, almost forming Dao markings. There were mines on both sides of the river.

Qin Mu flew into the sky and looked down. He saw that the mountains and rivers here had formed a natural taiji diagram!

In the palace, God Sovereign Lang Xuan sensed him and immediately raised his Celestial Venerable treasure. That treasure was a huge bell that hung upside down above the palace.

God Sovereign Lang Xuan raised his hand, and the bell rang loudly, turning all the void beasts hidden nearby into powder.

"Surnamed Qin, how do you compare to these void beasts?"

God Sovereign Lang Xuan raised his head and said murderously, "This is my territory, my treasure mountain, my mine. If you dare to covet it, you shall die!"

Qin Mu descended and smiled, "Nephew Lang Xuan..."

God Sovereign Lang Xuan raised his hand to pat the bell, but Qin Mu knew he was ruthless and immediately changed his words, "Brother."

God Sovereign Lang Xuan's expression softened slightly, and he sneered, "You are two-faced. You can fool others, but you can't fool me. If you don't provoke me, I will tolerate you. But if you provoke me..."

Qin Mu smiled. "Then, I won't bring you out!"

God Sovereign Lang Xuan was stunned, and he slowly said, "You should use your words more carefully. Celestial Venerable Mu, let me give you some pointers. There are a total of five primordial mines in Ancestral Court, and these five mines already have owners. They aren't things you can covet. However, other than these five mines, there are also other precious lands and countless treasures."

Qin Mu's expression changed slightly. "May I ask for your guidance?"

God Sovereign Lang Xuan smiled and said, "For example, Youdu originated from Ancestral Court. You can find the place where Youdu originated from. That place was the burial ground of the first ever master of creation. That corpse has been around for billions of years. How far has it been refined in Ancestral Court?"

Qin Mu couldn't help being moved.

God Sovereign Lang Xuan continued, "Maybe you can also find the origin of Heavenly Yin World. That place is the place where souls are shattered. You are proficient in the Heavenly Yin technique, and that place is also a great treasure land for you. Furthermore, you can also find the origin of the Ruins of End. Even though you can't find the twin lotuses of life and death, you can find their roots. They are also supreme treasures!"

Qin Mu bowed in thanks, and God Sovereign Lang Xuan returned the greeting. He said with a smile, "I'm a straightforward person, and my words are more straightforward. You are the great senior elder of the Heavenly Alliance, big senior brother, don't blame me."

Qin Mu said seriously, "It's a blessing to have an upright person like Dao friend Lang Xuan in the Heavenly Alliance."

Both of them laughed loudly.

Qin Mu patted the void beast and it left.

"The places God Sovereign Lang Xuan mentioned are indeed remarkable treasure grounds. They are also extremely useful to me."

On the void beast's head, Qin Mu muttered to himself irresolutely. The place that God Sovereign Lang Xuan had mentioned was definitely an excellent treasure land, but it was inferior to the five great mines.

"However, out of the five, chaos mine[2] had already been destroyed. Celestial Venerable Xiao has one, Celestial Venerable Gong has one, and Celestial Venerable Yan has one. Grand Emperor Heavenly Lady Qiang, should also have one. If it's like this, I won't have a share.

He frowned, and his heart suddenly stirred. He saw that the void beast was still hurrying on its way.

"Could there be a sixth mine?" His heart trembled slightly.

The void beast took even longer to travel this time than before. After walking for twenty to thirty days, it still didn't stop and gradually left the core area of Ancestral Court.

The speed of the void beast was originally extremely fast. After sprinting for such a long time, even this kind of powerful strange beast was exhausted. As it walked, it became limp and couldn't move.

The eye in the heart of Qin Mu's brows opened up, and he visualized the flesh and blood. The void beast roused its spirit and wolfed down the flesh and blood before continuing forward.

After walking for another ten days, they walked into a black desert. The black sand was everywhere, and rocks and sand flew everywhere.

The void beast advanced against the black sand. This place was shrouded in darkness, and one couldn't even see their fingers if they stretched out their hands. The black sand was swept up by strong winds,

and its speed was extremely fast. It seemed to be able to break through divine consciousness and even pierce through the void!