

## Tales of Herding Gods Chapter 956-960

### Chapter 956: Three Types of Heavenly Aeons

'The Grand Emperor's seal was given to me by Celestial Venerable Yun. Apart from the seal and the sacrificial altar, Dao Ancestor mentioned that Celestial Venerable Yun also left Founding Emperor a scroll containing a geographical map of the Great Void.'

Qin Mu raised his head to take a look at the seal that was growing more and more powerful, frowning slightly.

Based on the items left behind by Celestial Venerable Yun, it seemed that Celestial Venerable Yun had known a great deal about the Great Void since the early Dragon Han Era. His knowledge of the Great Void was even greater than the ten Celestial Venerables of the present day.

There were rumors that Founding Emperor built Carefree Village within the Great Void, which was why it was so difficult to locate it. Many times, the ten Celestial Venerables had sent men to explore the Great Void with the intention of finding Carefree Village and getting rid of the hidden danger that was Founding Emperor.

If Carefree Village was indeed in the Great Void, then the geographical map left behind by Celestial Venerable Yun would be of great use to Founding Emperor!

'In that case, why would the corporeal body of Celestial Venerable Yun appear in the heart of the Grand Emperor's brows?'

Qin Mu was bewildered. Luo Wushuang and Yue Tingge were also inexplicably shaken as they raised their heads to look at the square seal.

This seal could actually break through the suppression of the supreme consciousness realm, allowing them to break free from the rules of this strange land. It was unimaginable.

However, Qin Mu and Shu Jun knew what was happening. Since this seal was the Grand Emperor's seal, it could mobilize his power here, and from it, create a relatively safe realm.

It wasn't the seal that broke through the supreme consciousness realm, it was the Grand Emperor.

Suddenly, Qin Mu suggested, "Heavenly Master Yue, Divine Knife Luo, since we have the seal, why don't we make a trip to check out the marvels of the supreme consciousness realm?"

Luo Wushuang hesitated before nodding. "Great, at the very least, we can rescue Celestial Venerable Huo."

Qin Mu looked towards Yue Tingge. He saw that he wasn't acting crazy anymore, and his ferocious expression was gone. Instead, he had an air of intelligence around him, as though he was a commander planning a strategy. He nodded his head. "Since Celestial Venerable Mu has such a treasure, it's possible

that we could decipher the secrets of this land. You'll need a protector for this trip, and I'm willing to be that."

Qin Mu blinked his eyes. Yue Tingge had unexpectedly become so serious, and he had trouble getting used to this sudden change.

This Daoist acted crazy sometimes, while, at other times, he was ferocious. Now, however, his mind was clear and sober. This was very confusing, and one could only wonder when he would act up again.

Yue Tingge clasped his hands and bowed to the ground, giving off the air of an expert who had attained the Dao. He then smiled. "Yue Tingge of the Dao Sect pays his respects to Celestial Venerable Mu. Since I stepped into the Great Void, I have been muddle-headed. Today is a rare day where I'm clear-headed. Celestial Venerable, I'm sorry to have embarrassed myself during this journey."

Luo Wushuang whispered, "Overlord Body Qin, we can't trust this person."

Qin Mu smiled. "Now that we are all in the same boat, we should trust each other. Heavenly Master Yue, you're a sage of the celestial heavens. How do you think we should explore this supreme consciousness realm?"

Yue Tingge was silent in thought. His vital qi formed countless stars as it organized into a giant circle with a radius of 1000 feet, slowly rotating. He said, "The core area of the supreme consciousness realm lies ahead. Even Celestial Venerable Huo was trapped inside, unable to escape. I will use this ring of stars as a clock. The stars will rotate around the center of the ring, with one completed rotation being the equivalent of one day. We will then use this seal to guard us as we enter the supreme consciousness realm. If we see that the rotation speed of the stars has become faster, this means that we have been trapped by the supreme consciousness realm and that the seal is unable to break through the realm. When that happens, we need to retreat and return here immediately."

Qin Mu praised, "This idea is marvelous."

They instantly got to work. Qin Mu used his consciousness to control the Grand Emperor's seal, which hung high above their heads. The three men and the dragon carefully traversed across this abyss of the void, moving closer to the lotus landmass.

Qin Mu turned and looked back. He saw the huge ring of stars of a radius of 1000 feet standing upright against the wall of the cliff, its stars rotating around the center of the ring.

It wasn't that the speed of the flow of time was different in the supreme consciousness realm, but rather the speed of the change in substance. The consciousness here was so strong that it stopped substances from circulating. Even an existence like Celestial Venerable Huo was trapped here.

Luckily, they had the protection of the Grand Emperor's seal and could traverse through this static space-time.

They stepped onto the lotus landmass and saw gigantic roots penetrating out from the Grand Emperor's two feet. It was a frightening sight. The corporeal body of the Grand Emperor was comparable to the

Primordial Tree, just as colossal. Those roots were entrenched in the lotus landmass, and the portion that rose from the ground formed mountain ranges.

The length and breadth of the blood river that was on the surface were astonishing. Within it, there were many strange and terrifying creatures. They were likely born from the Grand Emperor's divine blood.

Luckily, in the supreme consciousness realm, these creatures were static and unable to move.

Qin Mu and the rest flew past the peak of the mountains and looked down. The divine arts of the masters of creation created a great deal of beautiful scenery, which was dazzling and colorful. As they flew around, they felt like they were touring a land of the giants. Everything seemed incomparably huge.

"Don't touch anything here."

Qin Mu solemnly said, "Many of the things here were created by consciousness. Be careful of getting invaded by the consciousness of the masters of creation. When that happens, you may not be yourself anymore."

Shu Jun gave a cold humph. Qin Mu was speaking from the experience that he had given him. Previously, he almost invaded Qin Mu's corporeal body, but he was thwarted by that strange eye of his.

Although these masters of creation were dead, their consciousnesses remained. The divine arts of these masters of creation were peculiar. Who knew whether they could use consciousness to return to life.

They gradually ventured into the lotus landmass, closing in on the Grand Emperor. Qin Mu, Yue Tingge, and the rest were checking the ring of stars on the cliff periodically, calculating the speed of its rotation.

There wasn't much change to the speed, giving everyone peace of mind.

They were approaching Celestial Venerable Huo. Suddenly, Qin Mu felt his heart tighten, and he saw that the ring of stars was rotating much quicker!

Earlier, the ring took one day to complete one rotation. Now, it had done so within a short span of time!

They didn't feel anything strange, and their walking speed seemed normal. However, if one was to look at them from the rotating ring of stars, they would see that their walking speed had become extremely slow!

"The supreme consciousness realm here is extremely strong and has exceeded the tolerance of the Grand Emperor's seal."

Yue Tingge also noticed that the rotation speed of the ring of stars had increased. He hurriedly said, "We should immediately turn back and leave while we still can!"

Within the short time he spent talking, the ring of stars had already completed two rotations, meaning two days had passed outside the supreme consciousness realm!

Luo Wushuang looked at Qin Mu, who had a wavering expression. He was looking at the heart of the Grand Emperor's brows. Within it was Celestial Venerable Yun's corporeal body. Clearly, Celestial Venerable Huo was aware of this, which was why he was persistent in heading there, no matter what.

Qin Mu had no intention of saving Celestial Venerable Huo. In the past, Celestial Venerable Huo was simple, reckless, and straightforward. However, who could guarantee that the current Celestial Venerable Huo was the same as he was in the past?

His objective was to close in on Celestial Venerable Yun's corporeal body!

He planned to summon the soul of Celestial Venerable Yun so that he could question him on some past matters.

However, the Grand Emperor's seal wouldn't be able to handle it if they were to advance. Most likely, they would be trapped here as well.

Right at this moment, Shu Jun's voice resonated in his head. "Little fellow, you can't handle the supreme consciousness realm using the Grand Emperor's seal alone. You'll need the sacrificial altar."

Qin Mu's heart fluttered, and he immediately took out the sacrificial altar.

However, the ring of stars had rotated over 10 times while he was taking out the altar. To them, a short while had passed, but to the outside world, it was half a month long!

The corners of Qin Mu's eyes twitched as he took out the altar. His consciousness trembled a little as he asked, "Shu Jun, what's next?"

"Hang the seal on the altar, execute the Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge, and mobilize the Grand Emperor's supreme consciousness!"

Shu Jun's tone was serious as he solemnly said, "However, you need to be careful."

Qin Mu was slightly stunned. "Be careful of what?"

Shu Jun hesitated a while. During this time, the ring of stars rotated another 10 or so rounds. From the time they stepped into this place until now, more than a month had passed!

"Be careful of what?" Qin Mu hurried him.

"Be careful of the Grand Emperor."

Shu Jun hesitated no more and said, "Do you think the Grand Emperor is really dead? I don't think so. If I can survive, the Grand Emperor would have his own means of surviving too. Although I don't know why the masters of creation of the Great Void wanted to go against the Grand Emperor, the Grand Emperor was responsible for the destruction of the Great Void. Even though he seems to be dead, he's actually waiting for a chance to be revived. When you mobilize the Grand Emperor's supreme consciousness, he'll make use of this opportunity to steal your corporeal body, using your body to be reborn!"

Qin Mu glanced behind, another 10 days had passed.

The information revealed by Shu Jun was indeed shocking. He used to suspect it was the Grand Emperor who destroyed the Great Void and killed countless masters of creation. However, he hadn't seen the face of the man who destroyed the Great Void, but Shu Jun did.

Although Shu Jun had now admitted that the man was the Grand Emperor, he was still shocked.

"Let me teach you a technique called the Three Types of Heavenly Aeons. However, I'm not sure whether it can stop the Grand Emperor's consciousness from destroying your consciousness."

Shu Jun's consciousness gushed, swiftly transferring the consciousness technique into Qin Mu's head. He said, "I have cultivated the Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge. In the ancient primordial era, this was considered a top tier consciousness technique. However, the strongest technique was the Grand Emperor's Great Overarching Supreme Consciousness! Whether the Three Types of Heavenly Aeons can prevent his consciousness from invading you, I'm not sure. You'll need to make some modifications to my technique, preferably blending in your knowledge. I believe you should be quite proficient in this."

Qin Mu quickly arranged the Three Types of Heavenly Aeons technique that he had been given. He used his knowledge to modify and perfect the Three Type of Heavenly Aeons, blending in the Three Primordial Spirit Undying God Consciousness and the celestial heavens' runes of the ancient gods' Great Dao.

During the time he was perfecting the Three Types of Heavenly Aeons, the stars on the cliff had rotated 170 times as half a year went past.

Cold sweat appeared on Qin Mu's forehead. He composed himself and immediately executed the modified Three Types of Heavenly Aeons, forming three Heavenly Aeon seals within his third eye. The first Aeon seal transformed into the form of Heaven Duke, with his white brows and beard, his hands clasped together. The seal looked like a funnel. The second Heavenly Aeon seal transformed into the form of Earth Count, with his cow head and human body. It was a funnel-shaped seal as well.

The third Heavenly Aeon seal was the form of Celestial Emperor. It was also a funnel-shaped seal.

Once the three seals had been formed, Qin Mu decisively executed the Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge. Consciousness surged into the sacrificial altar that was left behind by Celestial Venerable Yun.

On the sacrificial altar, a bright radiance suddenly burst forth from the Grand Emperor's seal. Inside the body of the Grand Emperor that was in front of them, consciousness roared like blazing flames. The magnificent-looking radiance was like the colorful wings of a phoenix, and light rays surged towards the altar.

In the center of the sacrificial altar, a pillar of light shot up into the sky, right into the Grand Emperor's seal.

Hmmm—

The Grand Emperor's seal shook violently, and light rays as white as snow formed into a circle before bursting forth in all directions. Following this was the second set of light rays, then the third...

The light circles fanned out, one after another, suppressing the supreme consciousness realm.

Yue Tingge, Luo Wushuang, and the rest hurriedly looked at the stars on the cliff and were delighted. "The rotation of the stars has returned to normal. Celestial Venerable Mu, this idea of yours is effective! Celestial Venerable Mu?"

Yue Tingge turned towards Qin Mu and saw him frozen on the spot, his three eyes wide open. He wasn't moving. Veins popped out of his forehead, and sweat as big as beans rolled down like rain.

Yue Tingge and Luo Wushuang got a shock. They knew that something was wrong with Qin Mu.

"There's something trying to invade the heart of his brows!"

Yue Tingge was, after all, an existence on the Emperor's Throne Grand Completion Realm, so he immediately saw what was wrong. He solemnly said, "One-armed one, let's help him out!"

Luo Wushuang snorted, unhappy with being called "One-armed one".

The two executed their vital qi and mobilized their cultivation, trying to charge into the heart of Qin Mu's brows.

Their magic power and consciousness gushed into the heart of Qin Mu's brows. All of a sudden, they were greeted by a magnificent sight. A majestic-looking great emperor stood erect in the midst of the vast space-time as he killed the Heaven Duke, smashing him until his stars exploded and crumbled. He was about to charge towards the human-figure with a cow head, Earth Count!

In the next instant, the head of Earth Count fell as the great emperor ripped him in two!

Yue Tingge looked in front and saw an image of the ancient Celestial Emperor with his gigantic corporeal body. This was the third seal. Behind this were Qin Mu's Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure and his spirit embryo.

"This is bad!"

Yue Tingge and Luo Wushuang immediately rushed towards Qin Mu's Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure, their vital qi and consciousness surging with unmatched strength. As they came to the side of Qin Mu's spirit embryo, one stood on the left of the taiji diagram, the other on the right. They raised their heads and saw that the Celestial Emperor seal was in a precarious situation under the great emperor's attacks!

### **Chapter 957: Please Die, Grand Emperor**

If the third seal was broken, the Grand Emperor's consciousness would rush towards Qin Mu's Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure, crush his consciousness, and erase it, turning Qin Mu into another him!

The Three Types of Heavenly Aeons technique that Shu Jun imparted to him nearly disintegrated when facing the Grand Emperor's consciousness. His consciousness was stronger than everyone had expected.

Yue Tingge and Luo Wushuang were extremely nervous when they looked up and saw the Grand Emperor battle the Celestial Emperor seal. Ultimately, the Grand Emperor won and broke the last seal of the Three Types of Heavenly Aeons.

The Three Types of Heavenly Aeons that Shu Jun had imparted was different from the one that Qin Mu modified. After Qin Mu's modification, the last test for it was the ancient Celestial Emperor, which made his Three Types of Heavenly Aeons stronger than the traditional one. Yet it was still broken easily by the Grand Emperor's consciousness.

However, after the three seals, this apparition created by the Grand Emperor's consciousness also weakened greatly.

Yue Tingge looked up into the heavens and saw the apparition getting closer and closer, crushing the stars of Qin Mu's Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure to the point that it was continuously shaking.

Yue Tingge and Luo Wushuang's consciousness and vital qi kept surging in, allowing their bodies to grow in size.

Whoosh—

Their primordial spirits were faster, and they descended onto Qin Mu's divine treasure and onto the taiji diagram, accommodating themselves with its previous embodiment.

They were of the Emperor's Throne Grand Completion Realm and the Numinous Sky Realm, so the arrival of their primordial spirits naturally trumped that of Qin Mu.

Compared to them, Qin Mu's spirit embryo seemed extremely tiny and inconsequential.

From the heavens above, the Grand Emperor's apparition descended and invaded the Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure. His huge face looked down and was seemingly curious about Qin Mu's divine treasure.

"A mere dead man like you dares to stir up the waves and the wind?"

Yue Tingge hollered, and behind his primordial spirit, his vital qi morphed into a towering and vast celestial palace. His primordial spirit rose into the heavens to take on the Grand Emperor's apparition.

At that moment, Luo Wushuang clenched his knife and rose into the air to attack the Grand Emperor.

Although the two of them weren't masters of consciousness, their cultivation was enough to convince them that they could put up a fight despite their lacking consciousness.

At that moment, the Grand Emperor's consciousness rolled towards them, and both of their consciousnesses collapsed immediately!

With their consciousnesses collapsed, they lost control of their divine arts and vital qi. Their primordial spirits fell out of the sky and were stunned.

“Use primordial spirit close combat!” Yue Tingge hollered.

Luo Wushuang nodded. Since their divine arts couldn’t defeat the Grand Emperor’s apparition, their primordial spirits had to personally battle it in close range in order for them to have a chance of getting rid of it.

However, in battle, the primordial spirit was usually used for the long-range deployment of divine arts to kill the opponent. Using it for close combat was a taboo.

This was because the primordial spirit wasn’t a corporeal body, but the energy from one’s spirit embryo and soul. Thus, if it was killed, one’s soul would disperse!

However, they didn’t have a better idea then. Thus, they had to resort to it to have a chance of defeating the Grand Emperor apparition.

The Grand Emperor apparition was formed by consciousness and thus had no corporeal body either. His consciousness had no vital qi, his divine arts were weak, and he had no divine weapons. Thus, it was unlikely that he could cause major damage to one’s primordial spirit.

The Grand Emperor’s figure rushed down, and Yue Tingge and Luo Wushuang’s primordial spirits rushed up to meet it. They were about to act when, suddenly, the sound of a roaring dragon and tiger appeared. Multiple ferocious-looking dragons burst forth from the Grand Emperor’s body and rushed towards them!

“Is this the visualization divine art that Celestial Venerable Mu talked about, where one uses their consciousness to visualize things?”

Luo Wushuang and Yue Tingge’s hearts shuddered. This way of forming a divine art was different from how they cultivated their divine arts. It was a different cultivation system!

Today’s divine arts were built on the foundations of runes. Divine arts practitioners learned various runes and used their vital qi to shape the runes to allow them to construct various forms of their divine arts.

During the initial year of the Dragon Han Era, divine arts practitioners studied half-gods and ancient gods along with their runes to comprehend their meaning. They came up with rune systems as a result.

For example, the four spirit divine arts came out of the four precelestial ancient gods—Green Dragon, White Tiger, Vermillion Bird, and Black Tortoise. Youdu divine arts came out of Earth Count, and Xuandu divine arts came out of Heaven Duke. There were also the divine arts systems of Mother Earth and the Star Gods.

This cultivation method had lasted for longer than a million years.



Those that weren't in the rune systems were the Postcelestial Great Daos, like the Great Daos of the sword, knife, painting, martial arts, and music. They were postcelestial constructs that had no runes.

However, the Grand Emperor's apparition displayed a divine art that was outside of this system, belonging to the consciousness visualization system. He visualized things like dragons, phoenixes, gods, devils, and other strong beings to help him fight!

Despite seeing Qin Mu visualize banquets, beauties, and even a divine dragon on the way here, they never saw him use it to battle.

Seeing this combat technique now shocked them.

The divine dragon that the Grand Emperor apparition visualized was many times stronger than Qin Mu's divine dragon. It had a corporeal body that was as strong as experts in the Jade Capital Realm, and it fought against them fearlessly.

The skies were filled with ear-shattering roars from the dragons!

Luo Wushuang and Yue Tingge were strong enough to kill the dragons. However, when their bodies fell out of the sky and onto the taiji diagram, their bodies would disappear and become consciousness torrents that rose into the skies, once more forming divine dragons.

The two of them couldn't kill enough of the dragons and got worried. The Grand Emperor's apparition's consciousness was too strong. If they continued, they would die of exhaustion and be unable to stop it!

A part of the Grand Emperor's apparition's consciousness was used to block them. The apparition shrank and continued towards Qin Mu. It was then that a sacrificial altar appeared in the air in front of him. On it, a giant head opened its eyes as its empty mouth opened and closed. It laughed and said, "Long time no see, Grand Emperor!"

The Grand Emperor apparition, who was about to rush down, stopped as he gazed at that incomplete head. He asked curiously, "Shu Jun? One of the three primordial kings? You're still alive?"

"That's right, I'm still alive!"

The consciousness from Shu Jun's big head rose and morphed into a giant master of creation. He clipped his head beneath his armpits and laughed. "Hehe, you didn't think it was possible, did you? I was able to survive that battle! Grand Emperor, now that I'm here, scram!"

The Grand Emperor apparition gave a cold humph and plainly replied, "You dare to say that given that you lost to me?"

"Pooh!"

Shu Jun coldly smiled. "If no one gathered the tribesmen to visualize you then, could you have won against the three kings who claimed the emperor's throne? Don't run away now, I'll battle you for 300 rounds!"

The Grand Emperor apparition snickered. "Your body is broken, and your consciousness hasn't recovered. It won't take 300 rounds to battle you."

His body wobbled and split into two. One of the new apparitions faced off against Shu Jun while the other one continued towards Qin Mu.

Shu Jun was furious. "Are you looking down on me? I'll show you my Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge!"

His consciousness burst forth as many star gods and devils of the Supreme Palace Enclosure, Purple Forbidden Enclosure, and Heavenly Market Enclosure appeared. Their starlight morphed into a void storm, and in it, countless imposing gods and devils rushed out. They were identical to the ancient gods in form as they waved their weapons around, rushing towards the Grand Emperor apparition.

"Your Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge is just that, can it beat my Great Overarching Supreme Consciousness?"

That Grand Emperor apparition laughed and visualized various divine beings that battled those of Shu Jun.

Shu Jun was furious, and his big head flew up and rushed towards the Grand Emperor apparition. That Grand Emperor didn't hesitate to meet him. Their collision caused Qin Mu's Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure to fall and crack!

The other Grand Emperor apparition came to a gentle stop in front of Qin Mu's spirit embryo and looked at him curiously.

Qin Mu also curiously sized up this legendary being. The grand in Grand Emperor meant ancient, beginning, and initial. The title of Grand Emperor was thus only gifted to the initial and most ancient Celestial Emperor.

Such a being naturally stoked his curiosity.

"Dragon Han Overlord Body, we finally meet." The Grand Emperor apparition smiled.

Qin Mu's heart trembled as he asked, "You know about me?"

"When you were conferred with the title of Celestial Venerable Mu at the Jade Pool Meeting during the first year of the Dragon Han Era, I was there too. It was just that I was at the Celestial Heavens Meeting under Celestial Emperor."

The Grand Emperor apparition continued, "When I heard of your name, you had already left the Dragon Han Celestial Heavens. I hate how I didn't meet you."

Qin Mu smiled. "When I transmigrated to the first year of the Dragon Han Era, I saw many beings whose names were household names, but I also didn't meet many beings. In that case, I suppose you want to take over my body?"

The Grand Emperor apparition shook his head. "I'm not taking over your body, I'm merely borrowing it to live."

Qin Mu was curious. "What do you mean by borrowing it to live. What's the difference between that and taking over my body?"

"There's a big difference."

The Grand Emperor apparition honestly said, "Taking over your body requires devouring your soul and using my soul to occupy it. Borrowing your body to live doesn't touch on the soul and is of a higher level than the former. Souls are important to you all, but we don't rely on them to live. We rely on consciousness."

He gently smiled. "I'll use my powerful consciousness to wipe out yours, but your soul will remain. Thus, technically, the only thing that dies with me borrowing your body to live will be your consciousness. You and your soul won't die. That should be a small comfort for you."

Qin Mu's gaze flashed as he smiled. "Well said, well said. I'm grateful to be able to offer my corporeal body and sacrifice for you. How did you end up here, though?"

The Grand Emperor apparition's expression changed slightly as he shook his head and said, "I'm fine with telling you, it's just that not telling you makes things easier."

He walked forward and said, "You should go to sleep now."

His body suddenly morphed into rolling currents of consciousness that went for the heart of Qin Mu's brows like a column of green smoke. It was trying to drill into Qin Mu's spirit embryo!

Suddenly, the sky became unusually bright, with countless stars shining and forming a beam of light that fell from the heavens in front of Qin Mu. It was a Heaven Duke that looked like an old sage who blocked the flow of consciousness created by the Grand Emperor apparition.

Shua, Shua, Shua. Countless light beams fell from the sky. One star god after another stood up from the taiji diagram and trapped the flow of consciousness.

That flow of consciousness coalesced and became the Grand Emperor apparition again. He sternly looked around him.

At that moment, he saw Earth Count at the back of the taiji diagram beneath him.

All of these beings had Qin Mu's face on them, whether they were Earth Count, Heaven Duke, or the star gods!

The Grand Emperor's apparition's eye jumped, and he laughed. "Celestial Venerable Mu, are you intending to recreate the scene in which the ancient gods surrounded and eliminated me, the primordial master of creation? Nice formation. Although, it seems to be lacking quite a few ancient gods."

“Are you looking for Mother Earth, Heavenly Yin, and the four deities of the four directions of the ancient gods?”

Qin Mu smiled, and behind him, a Primordial Tree seed sprouted and grew into a large tree that reached the heavens. From it, a lady with Qin Mu’s face walked out.

At that moment, in the shadow of the Heaven Duke with Qin Mu’s face, a female god appeared. It was like the lady prior, who had a male face but a female body.

Following that, the four emperors—Vermillion Bird, Black Tortoise, Green Dragon, and White Tiger—appeared from the north, south, east, and west of the taiji diagram. They too bore Qin Mu’s face.

The Grand Emperor apparition’s expression changed slightly, but keeping his cool, he said, “It seems that Shu Jun imparted his Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge to you, and you fused it with the Great Dao runes to achieve this. However, you haven’t seen the battle of the Blood Rust Zone from back then. In your formation, two female gods from the Ruins of End are missing. You also lack Celestial Emperor. You cannot defeat me.”

Qin Mu smiled. “In the Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure world that I opened, I am the celestial emperor.”

He shook his body, and it began to expand greatly. His soul and spirit embryo fused into one, and his primordial spirit was large and had a thunderous voice. “If I was going to reuse their method, how could I not have thought about that?”

His primordial spirit morphed into the ancient Celestial Emperor, but it still had his face. He furiously shouted, “Please die, Grand Emperor!”

All around the taiji diagram, Heaven Duke, Earth Count, Mother Earth, Heavenly Yin, the four deities of the four directions, and the star gods rushed to attack the Grand Emperor’s apparition!

### **Chapter 958: Giving Someone a Taste of Their Own Medicine**

In a split second, the Grand Emperor apparition was drowned in the apparitions of ancient gods, like Earth Count and Heaven Duke!

Boom—

The Grand Emperor apparition was bombarded to pieces by countless attacks. It morphed into rolling consciousness that rose into the sky, then morphed into the Grand Emperor apparition again, with a cape that covered the sky.

He utilized the Great Overarching Supreme Consciousness, and countless apparitions of ancient gods walked out from under his cape.

The Qin Mu Heaven Duke lifted his hand, grabbed him, and hollered, “Get over here!”

A heavenly net fell from the sky like a cape and locked him in place.

The Grand Emperor apparition was about to break out of it when the heavenly cycle star gods utilized the starry sky, which morphed into another heavenly net that fell from the skies and kept him locked in place on the taiji diagram!

The Qin Mu Earth Count's horns became two flaming springs that wrapped around his body, preventing his escape. Mother Earth picked up the Primordial Tree and smashed it on him, shattering him.

The Grand Emperor's consciousness flowed again and flew everywhere on the taiji diagram. Yet, around him, the figures of ancient gods like Green Dragon, White Tiger, Vermillion Bird, and Black Tortoise surrounded him and kept him in the center.

At the same time, Qin Mu's primordial spirit rose into the air. It lifted its palms and smacked down hard on the seals of the four deities!

After a violent tremor, the Grand Emperor's consciousness shattered again!

"You don't understand me at all, Grand Emperor."

Qin Mu landed and stepped into the broken consciousness of the Grand Emperor. Around him were countless consciousness fragments that glowed like glass. His consciousness was almost strong enough to morph into matter without any visualization, which was impressive.

"The strongest part of me isn't my cultivation realm, nor is it my vital qi, which is as deep as a god's, it's my consciousness."

Qin Mu sized up a soul fragment and observed its marvels as he continued, "A long time ago, I was able to rely on my Undying God Consciousness to not die even when I lost my soul. However, after I met Shu Jun and used his Grand Primordium Origin Stone to cultivate the Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge, my consciousness cultivation became extremely strong. You entered my divine treasure, which made you think that you broke the Three Types of Heavenly Aeons that I had set down. How did you know I didn't do that on purpose? What if I let you in to refine you and swallow your consciousness?"

"You want to swallow my consciousness?"

Those consciousness fragments that were like glass started to flow, encircling Qin Mu to form a giant whirlpool. The Grand Emperor's voice came and laughed at him. "Just because you cultivated a couple days' worth of Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge, you think you can fight me?"

"Of course not, I wouldn't be able to defeat your consciousness with these alone."

Qin Mu picked up a piece of the consciousness fragment, sized it up, and said, "After all, you're the celestial emperor of the primordial era and the original owner of the Grand Primordium Origin Stone. In addition, you have the complete version of that stone, while I only have a fragment of it."

The Qin Mu Heaven Duke rose and covered the skies. The heavenly cycle star gods orbited the skies while the sun and moon sank into the taiji diagram. The great sun shone brightly as there was a Qin Mu Great Sun Sovereign within. The full moon shone brightly as well, as there was a Qin Mu Great Moon Sovereign within.

Under the taiji diagram, the Qin Mu Earth Count held his whip in anticipation.

Outside, Yue Tingge, Luo Wushuang, and Shu Jun were battling hard now that the Grand Emperor apparition had no way to escape.

“The reason that you’re strong isn’t just that. You amassed countless ancient masters of creation to visualize you, to strengthen your corporeal body and your consciousness. You are, without a doubt, the strongest practitioner of the primordial times. Shu Jun praised you and said that you had the strongest corporeal body in history.”

Qin Mu continued, “In my opinion, the strongest corporeal body might not be you, but you had the strongest consciousness! However, times have changed...”

Suddenly, the Grand Emperor’s consciousness fragments amassed again. He recovered his body and used his consciousness, letting multiple devils loose. He broke out of the lock of the ancient four deities that had Qin Mu’s face and rose into the air.

“Times have changed. You’re already dead, killed by the scheming of many masters of creation in a peculiar place like the Great Void.”

Qin Mu looked up and saw that he had rushed into the heavenly web that the Heaven Duke had placed down, and he said, “You died with those masters of creation, and all of your consciousnesses formed this supreme consciousness realm. Most of your consciousness became a part of it, and the amount of consciousness you can use now isn’t much.”

Boom!

The Grand Emperor apparition broke again, Heaven Duke and Mother Earth hitting it until it shattered. His divine stone fragments morphed into torrenting currents that went into the taiji diagram as he attempted to leave from beneath it. In the next moment, he met the Qin Mu Earth Count.

Qin Mu’s voice came from above the taiji diagram. Separated by it, he looked down at the Youdu world beneath and said, “Every time you broke the Three Types of Heavenly Aeons that I set up, your consciousness was injured. When you came to my Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure, you were already not in great form. Add to that the defending done by the primordial spirits of masters like Yue Tingge and Luo Wushuang, the former of which being at the Emperor’s Throne Grand Completion Realm, and you were forced to expend your consciousness to deal with the both of them.”

He didn’t continue on, but the Grand Emperor understood him.

When Shu Jun, one of the three primordial kings, blocked him, he had to spend half of his consciousness to deal with it.

The amount of consciousness that faced Qin Mu wasn’t much, so Qin Mu seized this opportunity, intending to capture the Grand Emperor’s consciousness and then refine it.

He was here to borrow and occupy Qin Mu's body, to live by wiping out his consciousness. Yet, Qin Mu had lured him in to refine his consciousness, with the end goal of obtaining his techniques and memories.

When one eyes the prey, the prey eyes back.

Qin Mu was moved by his Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness, especially after he came to the supreme consciousness realm, which allowed Qin Mu to see another path of cultivation.

Although Shu Jun's Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge was good, even Qin Mu saw its inadequacies, which made him desire the Grand Emperor's Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness.

The four ancient deities with Qin Mu's face sank into Youdu. They worked together with the Qin Mu Earth Count and forced the Grand Emperor apparition out of Youdu to face another blow from Qin Mu that shattered him again!

"How strong of you, Celestial Venerable Mu..."

The Grand Emperor's consciousness fragments rose into the air, and from them came the Grand Emperor's laughter. "I looked down on you and thus allowed you to gain an advantage. Unfortunately, you don't understand the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness!"

The Qin Mu Heaven Duke immediately went to stop him, but the broken fragments of consciousness moved and flowed into his body as soon as they came into contact with him!

The Qin Mu Heaven Duke's expression changed greatly, his face contorting. In the next moment, it was as if he had two faces rapidly shaking. It was as if two people were fighting for his body within it!

This situation was like two Heaven Dukes trying to split from one body!

Qin Mu's expression also changed, and he rushed forward. Unexpectedly, however, when he came to the Qin Mu Heaven Duke, his consciousness within the Qin Mu Heaven Duke had already been refined and swallowed by the Grand Emperor's consciousness!

The face of the Qin Mu Heaven Duke became that of the Grand Emperor!

The Grand Emperor Heaven Duke laughed as consciousness fragments flowed out and drilled into the bodies of the 360 star gods that had Qin Mu's face.

Those star gods experienced the same thing as the Qin Mu Heaven Duke. Their faces violently contorted before becoming that of the Grand Emperor!

"As long as I agree, I can even make the world become me!"

The Grand Emperor's consciousness flowed like floodwater towards the four deities, Mother Earth, and Heavenly Yin conjured by Qin Mu. He laughed and said, "Unfortunately, that would be boring."

Qin Mu rushed forward and taunted, “Unfortunately, you’re still dead. You were beaten up by the ancient gods, and you fell to the scheming of the masters of creation! You were defeated twice, and today will be the third time!”

The 360 star gods led by the Grand Emperor Heaven Duke blocked Qin Mu as the Grand Emperor apparition sent his countless consciousness fragments rushing towards Qin Mu Mother Earth, like countless sparrows made out of jade glass, in an attempt to make her his minion.

Qin Mu’s expression sank as he sent the Grand Emperor Heaven Duke and various star gods that the Grand Emperor had converted into the air with a smack. However, he was helpless against the peculiar and unpredictable Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness.

The strength of the Grand Emperor exceeded his expectations. He thought that he had captured him, but the Grand Emperor was able to use his marvelous Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness to turn the tables!

“However, in the Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure that I opened, I am the celestial emperor. This is my realm, my world! I am the master here!”

Qin Mu hollered, and the skies changed as 49 Heavenly Daos appeared. They included the heavenly web, heavenly order, heavenly begging, heavenly seal, heavenly machine, and various other Heavenly Great Daos that materialized into tall and ancient-looking gods who descended from the heavens to trap the Grand Emperor Heaven Duke.

Another 23 heavenly gods appeared and helped the 49 gods lock the Grand Emperor Heaven Duke in place. With a pull, the 49 Heavenly Daos and 23 Xuandu Great Daos were pulled out of his body, causing him to collapse and leaving behind nothing but consciousness.

Those bits of consciousness flew about, trying to escape before being trapped by the 49 Heavenly Dao gods and 23 Xuandu gods. They worked together and smashed the bits of consciousness into pieces.

The heavenly bottle god waved his hand, and a heavenly bottle appeared for the storage of the bits of consciousness.

The 72 gods orbited the heavenly bottle at an ever-increasing speed, imprinting their own divine arts on it to suppress the Grand Emperor’s consciousness.

On the other side, the Grand Emperor apparition rushed into the Qin Mu Mother Earth’s body, making her his. At the same moment, 36 Yuandu Dao gods walked out of the Primordial Tree to trap the Grand Emperor Mother Earth, pulling the 36 Yuandu Great Daos out of her body, leaving behind only the Grand Emperor’s consciousness.

The Grand Emperor apparition immediately ran away into Youdu. As for the consciousness in the Grand Emperor Mother Earth, it was refined by Qin Mu.

The Grand Emperor assimilated the Qin Mu Earth Count and immediately saw 64 devil gods come out of the darkness. They were a form of the 64 Great Daos of Youdu, and they worked together to dissolve the Grand Emperor Earth Count.



The Grand Emperor apparition was furious, and he ran straight for Qin Mu's primordial spirit. He taunted, "Celestial Venerable Mu, can you still break down your legend into various Great Daos?"

Qin Mu's primordial spirit suffered a great shock as its body was invaded by the Grand Emperor. Its face became contorted as two faces violently changed.

At that moment, the countless gods like Heaven Duke, Earth Count, Mother Earth, and Heavenly Yin descended and surrounded Qin Mu with their palms stuck out.

"This is giving you a taste of your own medicine!"

Many gods pulled, and Qin Mu instantly fell apart into strings of Great Daos made out of countless runes, leaving behind only the Grand Emperor's consciousness!

The Grand Emperor's consciousness was about to escape when strings of rune Great Daos coalesced to form Qin Mu's body. He pressed his palm down, and the other gods' palms pushed forward.

Zhng, zhng, zhng. The crisp sound continued as four impenetrable walls emerged to trap the Grand Emperor within!

The Grand Emperor's consciousness became as desperate and rash as wolves and boars, yet he still couldn't escape. He was shocked, surprised, and furious as he asked, "How can your primordial spirit dissolve itself?"

"That's because I originally had no soul and was a mere bunch of consciousness. My soul was created when I broke the ground."

Qin Mu looked up and saw that the consciousness of the Grand Emperor that was fighting Shu Jun, Yue Tingge, and Luo Wushuang rushed outside. He didn't dare to fight him anymore. Qin Mu couldn't help but laugh. "Grand Emperor, you're too timid."

"Snort!"

### **Chapter 959: Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness**

The remaining consciousness of the Grand Emperor backed off and disappeared, leaving behind only a cold humph.

Qin Mu didn't mind that. It was the Grand Emperor, after all. His consciousness was the strongest and the best. To be able to capture a part of it was good enough.

The consciousness of a god was thoughts and consciousness, and it contained memories. His end goal was to obtain the cultivation technique needed to cultivate the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness.

He was unable to completely refine the Grand Emperor and thus had only a part of the Grand Emperor's consciousness.

It would be extremely lucky for him if he were able to obtain the cultivation technique of the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness from refining this part of the Grand Emperor's consciousness.

The luring out of the Grand Emperor's consciousness from the imperial seal and the sacrificial altar could be considered a crisis for him. However, there were opportunities on top of danger in crises, and one could take hold of that opportunity after surviving the danger. This was what a wise man should think about and do.

A lot of people only saw the danger and would avoid it when facing crises. They forget crises were two-sided. When one avoided the danger, they missed out on opportunities.

Qin Mu and the others forced back the Grand Emperor and captured part of his consciousness. That was seizing the opportunity in a moment of crisis.

After seeing his consciousness back away, Luo Wushuang and Yue Tingge both flew out of his divine treasure.

Qin Mu thanked the two of them as Shu Jun returned to the Grand Primordium Divine Stone. Qin Mu's consciousness descended on him and thanked him too.

"Things related to your life and death also concern me. There's no need to thank me."

In Shu Jun's head, the two eyes were jumping around in their sockets as he smiled and suggested, "If you feel bad, offer me more consciousness, essence, and blood so that I can recover my ears, mouth, and nose!"

Qin Mu laughed heartily. "Relax, King Jun, I will grant your wish!"

Shu Jun coldly smiled. "What King Jun? Although I was one of the three kings of the primordial era, my people didn't call me King Jun, they called me Divine King Shu Jun. You should call me Divine King too! Although you nabbed a part of the Grand Emperor's consciousness, you don't know how to refine it and obtain its memories. Offer me more essence, blood, and consciousness so that I can recover my head and teach you. This deal is fair, right?"

Qin Mu frowned and proposed, "How about you teach me how to refine the Grand Emperor's consciousness, then I'll impart the knowledge within to you. Don't you want the Grand Emperor's Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness? Isn't this deal better?"

Shu Jun's heart moved, and he thought about it before saying, "This isn't a bad proposal. My Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge is strong, but it pales in comparison to the Grand Emperor's Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness. However, the Grand Emperor didn't get to where he was simply because of it, he also had the visualization of countless people, which helped his cultivation..."

Qin Mu tried to persuade him, saying, "If the Grand Emperor's consciousness contains the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness, I will impart it to you without any reservations! After Divine King Shu Jun is revived, with the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness, it's likely that you will be the next Grand Emperor!"

Shu Jun smiled. "Alright, it's a promise!"

"I promise!"

Shu Jun was very happy. 'This fellow feels refreshed for once! Hehe, the Grand Emperor's Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness is way better than my Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge. This fellow doesn't know that he suffered a great loss from the deal... Wait a moment!'

His two eyeballs blinked, and he suddenly realized another plan. 'If my brain was recovered, I could occupy his corporeal body and eradicate his consciousness. Then, I could refine the Grand Emperor. Wouldn't that be better? If I impart the refining method to him, even if the imprisoned consciousness has the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness within it, I have no brain and won't be able to cultivate it... I suffered a great loss!'

The head on the sacrificial altar was angry as hell, and the two eyeballs jumped around as he called out, "How dare you toy with me, a divine king. I'll kill you, I'll kill you!"

Qin Mu smiled. "Is Divine King Shu Jun, one of the three primordial kings, going to go back on his words?"

After a while, Shu Jun finally calmed down and kept his promise, imparting the technique for refining a consciousness to obtain its memories to Qin Mu. However, he wasn't happy about it.

Rising Heaven Creation of Knowledge. The technique he imparted to Qin Mu was a type of consciousness divine art named Rising Heaven Creation of Knowledge.

After learning it, he immediately went to modify it. Shu Jun was used to it. Qin Mu had always modified whatever he learned from him. He couldn't raise any objections at all.

After he finished modifying it, he immediately went to refine the Grand Emperor's consciousness.

Rising Heaven Creation of Knowledge was a divine art in the Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge technique that required relocating the 72 constellations and 328 star gods. The 328 star gods would rise to the heavens and shift the stars around to allow the stars in the constellations to orbit in an irregular manner.

Every time it moved, it would create a strong refining force that would refine the enemy's consciousness and make it one's own.

The memory in the opponent's consciousness would be refined and made into information that would enter one's brain. However, it didn't change one's thoughts, which made it similar to providing nutrients for one's consciousness.

This allowed one to avoid being assimilated by the opposing consciousness while allowing them to refine it and raise their own cultivation in consciousness.

Rising Heaven Creation of Knowledge was a divine art the prehistoric masters of creation made against the other masters of creation. There were frequent battles between them. Hence, ways of defeating one's enemies became the prime research focus of that era's masters of creation. Of course, that era's divine arts were way different from today's, rendering it alien territory for Qin Mu.

Within the Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure, he utilized Rising Heaven Creation of Knowledge to refine the Grand Emperor's consciousness trapped in the heavenly bottle. A bunch of chaotically arranged and mixed information bombarded Qin Mu's brain with all sorts of images. It was the Grand Emperor's memories!

He immediately went to separate the wheat from the chaff in search of useful things in the Grand Emperor's memories, annihilating things he deems useless as he went.

There were too many things in the Grand Emperor's consciousness. Memories from the primordial era alone made up countless pieces of information.

Qin Mu frowned. Amongst the memories, there was little about the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness. However, there were many parts regarding consciousness divine arts, though they were just parts and not complete divine arts.

The strength of his consciousness, however, was rising rapidly. The rate of his increase in strength was way faster than when he cultivated the Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge!

When the Grand Emperor's consciousness in the heavenly bottle was almost fully refined, he had still only obtained a few simple techniques on the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness.

He refused to give up and refined the remaining portion of the Grand Emperor's consciousness, which allowed him to grow stronger.

This time, more memories regarding the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness came up.

Qin Mu gave a sigh of relief and immediately went to arrange the information in an attempt to find the techniques for the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness.

The difference between the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness and the Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge was in visualization. The Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge visualized the 78 constellations and 328 star gods, while the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness visualized at most 365 constellations and nearly 2000 star gods!

There were so many star gods that it even exceeded the knowledge Qin Mu had on them!

Currently, there were only 360 star gods in the celestial heavens, yet there were nearly 2000 of them in the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness. What was that supposed to mean?

'Are there so many ancient gods in this world? Where did those in the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness go?'

Qin Mu thought about it in silence. The current number of ancient gods was far less than the recorded number in the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness. Was there a possibility that there were 2000 ancient gods in the world at a point in time?

‘Most of these ancient gods are dead.’

Qin Mu stopped thinking about it and continued arranging the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness. Outside of the number of star gods, its visualization technique was also better than that of the Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge.

The Three Enclosures Higher Knowledge visualized by placing the Supreme Palace Enclosure Higher Knowledge, Purple Forbidden Enclosure Higher Knowledge, and Heavenly Market Enclosure Higher Knowledge in the Grand Primordium Origin Stone or Grand Primordium Divine Stone. Meanwhile, the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness’ visualization technique involved spreading it across the corporeal body and turning a person into a universe!

By cultivating this technique, a god would reside in every corner of one’s corporeal body!

In the heart of the brows, there were the various Purple Forbidden Gods and Celestial Emperor. In one’s sea of qi lay the two gods of the Ruins of End. In one’s dantian lay Mother Earth, while Earth Count lay in one’s Yongquan. In the tip of one’s backbone lay the 33 star gods!

‘No wonder Shu Jun praised the Grand Emperor and said that he had the strongest corporeal body in history. One has to have a strong corporeal body for this cultivation technique. It’s just that I don’t know whose corporeal body would be stronger, the ancient Celestial Emperor’s or the Grand Emperor’s?’

The Grand Emperor’s consciousness in the Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure was completely refined. It was then that he realized that the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness was different than the masters of creation’s techniques that he imagined, making Qin Mu frown.

The Grand Emperor’s Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness was actually a technique for the divine treasure cultivation system and the celestial palace cultivation system!

The Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness he obtained was incomplete and lacked the technique for the Seven Stars Divine Treasure and Celestial Being Divine Treasure. In addition, it lacked techniques for cultivation after the Jade Capital Realm!

‘The Grand Emperor modified the technique!’

Qin Mu’s head figuratively exploded, and he had the feeling of missing a punch that he put every ounce of his effort into.

If this was the original Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness, he could still fuse it with the Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure in accordance with the original technique to perfect it and make it suitable for him.

However, it wouldn’t be that useful after the Grand Emperor combined it with the divine treasure cultivation system and the celestial palace cultivation system.

This was because he only had a Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure, not even having a celestial palace!

The usefulness of this technique was greatly reduced for him.

He imparted what he knew of the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness, stunning Shu Jun. Nevertheless, he learned it seriously.

Qin Mu was perplexed and asked, "Divine King Shu Jun, as one of the three primordial kings, why do you still learn the divine treasure cultivation system? After modification, the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness isn't that useful to me, and it's useless for you!"

"Brat, do you think I still want to go the way of visualization with consciousness after I resurrect?"

Shu Jun shook his head, and two eyeballs flew out of their sockets, jumping around. One of them said, "If I continue with the path of visualization with consciousness, I will be going against a million years' worth of knowledge and research alone. Ultimately, I'd be eliminated by time like the other masters of creation, causing my species to go extinct."

The other eye smiled. "After I resurrect, I'll learn your cultivation techniques and fuse them with the masters of creation's visualization and consciousness technique. Thus, even with an incomplete Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness, my accomplishments won't pale in comparison to the Grand Emperor's."

Qin Mu was stunned.

Shu Jun's two eyes utilized their consciousness, which evolved repeatedly, calculating the marvels of the Grand Overarching Supreme Consciousness. He continued, "I entered your divine treasure and found that it doesn't match with the Grand Emperor's technique. You lack a lot of divine treasures. You probably chose a unique path of cultivation, which you are now stuck on with no way out. You don't know how to continue."

Qin Mu nodded.

Shu Jun pointed out his weak points.

He opened the Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure and used it to evolve the prehistoric times of the universe. However, there was a limit to it. He had already used up the Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure's potential. Later on, he was only able to barely activate its power with the primordial liquid he got from Mother Earth.

However, the Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure's potential had already been reached.

Recently, he felt that his power had already reached the limit set by the Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure. His vital qi cultivation reached the level of true gods, but it also reached the limit of the Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure.

Thus he worked hard on his consciousness to make up for his flaws and attempt to get out of his current predicament.

He never thought clearly about how to continue.

He wanted to open a new path based on the Spirit Embryo Divine Treasure. However, to where and in which direction, he wasn't clear.

While he was fumbling around, he felt that the end of that path could be a marvelous realm that flowed together with the Dao. It was something that words couldn't describe.

Shu Jun said, "If I were you, I would open the celestial palace."

Qin Mu humbly asked for guidance, bowing down and saying, "Please guide me, Divine King."

### **Chapter 960: Celestial Venerable Yun**

Shu Jun raised his eyelids one after another. He was puzzled over Qin Mu's rare modesty. He said calmly, "If you create a new path, one that is totally different from the celestial palace, this means that you have completely forsaken the divine arts practitioners' million years of wisdom, abandoning the experience accumulated by others. The countless techniques and divine arts over the last million years will be useless to you. You will establish a completely new civilization through your own strength."

This was precisely the idea in Qin Mu's head.

In his view, although the celestial palace system hadn't yet evolved to a perfect celestial heaven, there was nothing stopping it from changing.

He really wanted to abandon the cultivation system of the celestial palace and create a new cultivation system.

"However, have you thought of how much time you would need?"

Shu Jun said, "You may need a million years to perfect the new path you created, so as to let this cultivation system reach a matured stage. Also, you are doing this alone, so a million years is a conservative estimate. However, if you accept the celestial palace system, maybe you would only need a few thousand years or even a few hundred years to reach the pinnacle, becoming the strongest existence under the sky. I'm speaking from experience. It's up to you how you want to walk this path."

Qin Mu fell into silence as he bowed towards Shu Jun, who was on the sacrificial altar, expressing his thanks. He then turned into a wisp of consciousness that dissipated.

Shu Jun was perplexed. 'Why is this little fellow so respectful towards me?'

On the Grand Emperor's sacrificial altar, Qin Mu raised his head to take a look. The Grand Emperor's seal hung in the air above the altar, borrowing the Grand Emperor's power to resist the growing strength of the supreme consciousness realm.

Yue Tingge and Luo Wushuang turned their heads. The rotational speed of the ring of stars on the cliff seemed to be back to normal and hadn't speed up. They heaved sighs of relief.

The sacrificial altar flew in the air, moving towards the Grand Emperor's corporeal body, closing in on the heart of his brows and Celestial Venerable Huo.

Except, Qin Mu had been looking at the Grand Emperor's seal, seemingly in a daze. Yue Tingge and Luo Wushuang were both puzzled but didn't say anything.

Suddenly, two streams of tears rolled down the corners of Qin Mu's eyes. Yue Tingge and Luo Wushuang got a fright. They had no idea why this Celestial Venerable Mu became so melancholy and moody all of a sudden.

Qin Mu retracted his gaze. There was a sense of sadness gushing into his heart, making him unable to stop himself from tearing up.

He had decided not to explore the path that wasn't trodden before, not to find out where it would lead to and discover the wonders at the end of it.

In the past, he could faintly see that this path contained limitless beauty. Now, he could only abandon it.

He planned to reopen the celestial palace, relying on the wisdom of a million years to continue down the path of the realms of Honored God, True God, Jade Pavilion, Jade Capital, and the rest.

Or perhaps he could wait a million years to perfect his path and become an eternal legend, surpassing the Celestial Heavens Realm.

But Eternal Peace, the reform, his friends, and people with the same ideals couldn't afford to wait.

He may miss out on the countless beautiful scenery of the other path and have no chance of seeing the end of the Great Dao and its new beginning, but he could seize the present and cherish what he had in front of him.

When he let all of this go, the seed in his heart also gradually disappeared, transforming into a wisp of melancholy that lingered on.

This melancholy wasn't sorrow from his heart, it was sorrow that traveled from the end of the Great Dao.

The Grand Emperor's sacrificial altar quietly floated past Celestial Venerable Huo as it moved towards the heart of the Grand Emperor's brows.

Luo Wushuang turned and looked at Celestial Venerable Huo, whom they left behind. He couldn't help but say, "Overlord Body Qin, you are avoiding Celestial Venerable Huo. Shouldn't we rescue him first?"

Yue Tingge also noticed this. Qin Mu was clearly planning to skirt around Celestial Venerable Huo, who was struggling to move forward, therefore reaching the heart of the Grand Emperor's brows before him.



Qin Mu laughed. "Don't worry, Celestial Venerable Huo will survive. Am I right, Celestial Venerable Huo?"

Celestial Venerable Huo paid no attention to their words. He remained frozen in place, the runes of Great Dao around his body still slowly changing.

"He has no opinions," Qin Mu said.

The corners of Luo Wushuang's eyes twitched twice as he turned his head to look at Celestial Venerable Huo.

Qin Mu consoled him by saying, "Don't worry. It may be very difficult for Celestial Venerable Huo to come here, but going out is easy. All he needs to do is turn around. In a few hundred years' time, he'll be out of here."

Luo Wushuang was speechless with anger. "Celestial Venerable Mu, could it be that you are worried that after you save Celestial Venerable Huo, he will repay your kindness with enmity and kill you?"

Qin Mu plainly said, "I'm not sure whether he will kill me or not. However, he will definitely kill Heavenly Master Yue, Yue Tingge. Heavenly Master Yue, am I correct?"

Yue Tingge sighed, looking dispirited. "I tricked him and Celestial Venerable Xu here, causing him to be trapped in the supreme consciousness realm for so long. Most likely, he will kill me."

The sacrificial altar flew wobbly into the heart of the Grand Emperor's brows. There was no Grand Primordium Origin Stone in the heart of his brows, only a hexagon-shaped wound.

It was an extremely huge and vast place. Dazzling brilliance surged forth from the depths of the Grand Emperor's head, looking like a myriad of clouds tinged with sunset hues.

The Grand Emperor's sacrificial altar flew among the abundant multicolored rays. The seal was continuously absorbing the rays as they surged forward. They could vaguely see a figure sitting within the overlapping multicolored rays.

Yue Tingge and Luo Wushuang had doubts in their hearts as they looked at Qin Mu.

Qin Mu suppressed the agitation in his heart and took a deep breath. He said solemnly, "Heavenly Master Yue, Divine Knife Luo, are you able to move the corporeal body of a Celestial Venerable?"

Their hearts trembled violently as they stared at the unmoving figure within the light rays with disbelief.

The Grand Emperor's sacrificial altar finally came to the side of that figure. Luo Wushuang examined the man. He had a graceful bearing with an extraordinary air around him, looking like a middle-aged emperor but being extremely handsome. However, Luo Wushuang couldn't recognize him. He thought to himself, 'Which High Emperor is this? But from Overlord Body Qin's words, he should be a Celestial Venerable. Exactly which Celestial Venerable died here?'

Yue Tingge's heart shook violently as he whispered, "He is Celestial Venerable Yun..."

Luo Wushuang's mind was blown after he heard those words. He cried, "He is the founder of the Divine Bridge Divine Treasure, Celestial Venerable Yun?"

Qin Mu hurried them. "Gentlemen, I'm unable to move him with my magic power. It's better for you to do it."

The Grand Emperor's sacrificial altar floated in front of Celestial Venerable Yun's corporeal body. Qin Mu said softly, "Dao friend Yun, time to go home."

Yue Tingge and Luo Wushuang suppressed the trembling in their hearts and moved forward to execute their magic powers. They raised Celestial Venerable Yun's corporeal body, sending it onto the altar.

Qin Mu inspected Celestial Venerable Yun's injuries. The strange thing was that Celestial Venerable Yun had no injuries on his body. However, his soul had disappeared without a trace.

'Celestial Venerable Yue said that Celestial Venerable Yun is already dead. In that case, it's really true. The good thing is, even if he's dead, I can bring him back to life!'

Qin Mu examined carefully and didn't find any of the Grand Emperor's consciousness. He thought for a while and made his decision. "Gentlemen, please send him into the heart of my brows. There is a piece of Youdu hidden within it. We shall hide his body there first."

Yue Tingge and Luo Wushuang had plenty of doubts in their hearts, but they still complied with sending Celestial Venerable Yun's corporeal body into the heart of Qin Mu's brows, into the Qin word land.

Qin Mu let out a long sigh of relief and mobilized the Grand Emperor's sacrificial altar for the return journey.

The Grand Emperor's sacrificial altar went past Celestial Venerable Huo again. Luo Wushuang couldn't help but glance at Qin Mu, leaving Qin Mu no choice but to stop the altar. He said, "Why don't both of you turn him around?"

Luo Wushuang smiled coldly. "What good does that do? He'll still be trapped in the supreme consciousness realm."

Qin Mu said, "If he has to turn by himself, he would need another two hundred years' time. If we help him, we could save him two hundred years."

Luo Wushuang frowned. Before he could say anything, Qin Mu interrupted, saying, "Divine Knife Luo, can you guarantee that Celestial Venerable Huo won't kill Heavenly Master Yue and me after he's free?"

Luo Wushuang didn't answer as he and Yue Tingge turned Celestial Venerable Huo around.

The Grand Emperor's sacrificial altar continued to fly towards the outside. After a long time, the altar flew over the abyss of the void, arriving under the ring of stars. The three men and the dragon got off of

the altar. After, Qin Mu put the altar away, only retaining the Grand Emperor's seal. He then looked doubtfully at the divine dragon.

The divine dragon was quiet during the journey, quite unlike how it used to chatter non-stop.

Suddenly, Yue Tingge's voice trembled. "Celestial Venerable Huo made a step!"

Qin Mu got a fright and hurriedly glanced over. Indeed, Celestial Venerable Huo had made a step in their direction!

"Crap!"

His scalp went numb. He quickly charged towards the outside of the supreme consciousness realm as Luo Wushuang, Yue Tingge, and the divine dragon frantically followed him.

The closer one was to the core of the supreme consciousness realm, the greater the suppression. But Celestial Venerable Huo only needed to make the first step, the speed of his next step would then be much quicker because he was walking out!

For every step he took, the suppression would weaken slightly!

Given his abilities, he would break free within a short span of time!

Qin Mu's scalp went numb as he dashed forward with all his might, trying to leave this place before that happened!

Right at this moment, he heard footsteps.

It sounded as though mountains were shattering as the ground split, shaking the sky and earth, causing the void to crumble.

Qin Mu turned back and saw flames shooting up into the sky within the supreme consciousness realm.

Suddenly, the sound of footsteps could be heard again. This time around, it was louder and clearer. The flames rose higher, burning the entire sky!

"I'm done for, Celestial Venerable Huo is free!"

Qin Mu gritted his teeth as he dashed forward wildly. Yue Tingge overtook him with a swoosh, running off by himself as he shouted, "I don't want to die together with you. I'll make a move first! Celestial Venerable Mu, you'll help me hold up Celestial Venerable Huo. I'll burn some joss papers for you next year!"

"Burn your ass!"

Qin Mu was incensed. He saw Yue Tingge transforming into a pile of cubes, tumbling forward rapidly and disappearing without a trace.

Qin Mu charged forward with all his strength, but Luo Wushuang was faster and was ahead of him. Apparently, he had recovered well over the last few days and could utilize the magic power of either the Jade Pool or Jade Capital Realm.

“Luo Wushuang, you were chatting incessantly about rescuing Celestial Venerable Huo, so why are you running away?” Qin Mu asked angrily.

Luo Wushuang hesitated a while and slowed down his footsteps. He felt terribly ashamed as he said, “I was thinking, given your reputation, if Celestial Venerable Huo kills you, he will silence me as well, so as to prevent him from carrying the infamy of killing a Celestial Venerable. I forgot the meaning of loyalty...”

At this moment, that divine dragon unexpectedly overtook him. It shook its head and swayed its tail, gliding along with the wind at a speed much greater than Qin Mu.

Qin Mu was feeling doubtful. ‘This divine dragon was created by my visualization, so its abilities shouldn’t surpass me... Oh no, it’s the Grand Emperor! He has borrowed and occupied the body of this divine dragon that I created!’

Just as he made this realization, intense light from the flames suddenly shone on his back, heating him until his body became hot, as though it was going to burst into flames.

Qin Mu froze, stopping his footsteps. He turned around and gave a forced smile. “Celestial Venerable Huo, it has been a long time.”

Luo Wushuang had no choice but to stop as well. He turned around, his knife qi surging, waiting in anticipation.

Celestial Venerable Huo flew up with a swoosh and leaped over them. He landed in front of that divine dragon and grabbed it with his hands.

The divine dragon struggled but failed to break free. It opened its mouth and laughed coldly. “Celestial Venerable Huo, are you thinking of killing me? You are unable to. My consciousness is all over the supreme consciousness realm. I’m immortal...”

With a whoosh, it burst into flames and was reduced to ashes in an instant.

Qin Mu froze as Celestial Venerable Huo looked at him.

“Celestial Venerable Mu, we meet again.”

Celestial Venerable Huo was expressionless. Behind him, a ring of flames that looked like it was capable of burning everything rotated slowly. On the ring, tiny flames danced and leaped, periodically glowing and giving off extremely bright brilliance. It looked as though there were many suns within the fire that exploded out. When he saw Qin Mu, he was clearly agitated.

“Every time I see you, I recall how you walloped me at the Jade Pool,” Celestial Venerable Huo said.

Qin Mu replied with a serious expression, “As the saying goes—from an exchange of blows, friendship grows. A lot of sworn friends for life or death were forged through the exchanges of blows.”

“It’s better that Celestial Venerable Yun’s corporeal body is in your hands instead of mine. Thank you.” Celestial Venerable Huo turned and left after saying this, his figure moving off into the distance.

Qin Mu was stunned. He shouted, “What are you thanking me for?”

“Thank you for reviving Celestial Venerable Yu.”

Celestial Venerable Huo’s voice came traveling back from afar. “That year at the Jade Pool, I said that if you could find out who killed Celestial Venerable Yu, I would let go of my hatred for you. Not only were you able to achieve that, you even brought him back to life.”

Qin Mu waved his hand high up in the air. “Celestial Venerable Huo, let’s have a chat before you go!”

Celestial Venerable Huo’s voice was getting further away. “Whenever I see you, I’m disgusted and feel like beating you to death. You have to be wary of Celestial Venerable Xu. She is a dangerous person...”

Luo Wushuang’s expression changed drastically as his heart throbbed wildly. ‘I seem to have heard things I shouldn’t be hearing. I have no choice but to revolt now...’