

Martial 221

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In this area, there was no absolutely safe place. Yang Kai could only conceal and restrain his aura as far as possible while covering his tracks along the way, so as not to expose his whereabouts.

He hid himself in the center of a hollow tree and kept vigilant of the surroundings for any changes while absorbing the Blood Bead.

This time's harvest of Blood Beads was about twenty, out of which, more than half were third order Monster Beast Blood Beads and the remaining were fourth order Monster Beast Blood Beads. In addition, he also had three Blood Beads which he obtained by killing the Golden Light Palace disciples.

One could easily distinguish a Blood Bead's scale by its size.

A fourth order Monster Beast's Blood Bead was only the size of pea and a third order Monster Beast's Blood Bead was about half of that, while the Blood Beads condensed after the deaths of three Separation and Reunion Boundary experts were about the size of a thumbnail.

Yang Kai took a third order Monster Beast's Blood Bead in his palm and slowly started to revolve his True Yang Secret Art.

Yuan Qi started flowing from his Palm, the energy completely pure. This pure energy started to flood into his body through his meridians, then into his dantian, where the Unyielding Golden Skeleton directly absorbed it.

After practicing only a little of his True Yang Secret Art, this single Blood Bead disappeared and became his strength.

This event astonished Yang Kai. Although he had learned from Ling Tai Xu that Blood Bead could easily be refined without any hidden danger, Yang Kai did not expect that it would be easy to this extent.

The energy contained in the Blood Bead was very pure, without the least bit of waste. This energy is simply pure, like the morning dew, this Blood Bead does not need to be refined and directly can be absorbed.

No wonder Ling Tai Xu had such a high evaluation of the Blood Beads of this place. If someone could acquire a large number of Blood Beads, their strength would experience a meteoric rise. Except for when promoting to a big boundary, where everyone needs comprehension, when promoting within the small boundaries there would not be any hindrance.

Anyone who has once absorbed the Blood Bead's energy would be unable to resist this enticement. For becoming strong and promoting their strength, they would not let off any living creature, whether its person or a Monster Beast; in their eyes, Blood Beads were the only power worth anything in this place.

It is very rare to have an opportunity to absorb the energy without any worry, and there are no other places capable of breeding Blood Beads.

Taking a deep breath and restraining his mind, Yang Kai took all the Blood Beads he had in his palm and started to revolve his True Yang Secret Art.

A huge amount of pure energy poured into his palm. In a flash, due to this huge energy, his meridians started to bulge. This energy constantly poured from the Blood Beads into his body, where the Unyielding Golden Skeleton absorbed it. The speed of absorption was impossible to describe.

Yang Kai absorbed all the Blood Beads in his palm, rapidly transforming them into his own energy.

Yang Kai could feel himself getting stronger by the minute. Moreover, he could feel himself reaching the peak of Separation and Reunion third stage.

When only two Blood Beads remained in his palm, an invisible shockwave spread with Yang Kai as the center, disrupting the Energy of Heaven and Earth.

He broke through to the fourth stage of Separation and Reunion Boundary easily, and without any hindrance.

Yang Kai did not feel any joy. Rather, his heart sunk. Cursing in his heart, he did not stop the Blood Bead absorption but increased his speed.

Within only a moment, the two Blood Beads also disappeared. Those two beads were able to stabilize his recently promoted realm.

Hurriedly and without any hesitation, Yang Kai left his hiding spot.

Although he had expected that boundary promotion would cause some kind of phenomenon, he did not expect it to be so obvious.

If anyone was in the vicinity, then they would have realized. Therefore, if he did not leave, others would find him.

After running at a full speed for a few miles, Yang Kai did not dare to stop as his heart started to feel anxious. He felt like someone was watching him, but was unable to find any clue as to where from.

This feeling was not his imagination; Yang Kai guessed that the person who was watching him was higher than his current boundary. That is why he was unable to find any clue, or perhaps they were simply watching him from afar and had not pursued him.

If it were the latter then it would be great! After all, if an expert was eyeing him, then there was no reason for him to hide and waste time.

Could he be lucky this time?

At the same time Yang Kai thought that he could not promote in this particular region any more. Through his strength of Separation and Reunion Boundary fourth stage, he felt that he did not have any immediate danger, but if he bumped into a true expert then he definitely will not be able to retreat safely. If each small promotion made this type of ruckus then it would be bad for him.

After rushing dozens of miles more, the feeling of observation became even thicker, and his back began to feel cold.

Suddenly Yang Kai stopped and his complexion became ugly.

He felt someone's Yuan Qi fluctuation coming from behind the tree in front of him. . It seemed that the opposite party did not want to continue hiding anymore and was waiting for him in that spot.

This person's speed had been very fast in order to overtake him then wait for him.

The situation looked bad. They were surely not friendly and Yang Kai did not even know whom he had bumped into and what kind of strength they had. So naturally, he did not dare to move rashly.

"Hey, hey, hey..." A gloomy sneer came from behind the tree as someone slowly walked out from behind it.

Looking at his face, Yang Kai had an impulse to vomit blood.

This person turned out to be the disciple of Ghost King Valley!

Three people came from Ghost King Valley this time, and all of them were True Element Boundary martial artists. One of them, called Jing Hao, had a grudge against Yang Kai and swore to kill him. The second one was a woman and third one was a man. This was Ghost King Valley's lineup.

Really, as the saying goes, enemies often cross each other's paths. In this vast site, how could he be so unlucky to meet this group of disciples?

If they would have been someone other than the disciples of Ghost King Valley then there was a possibility of solving this incident through discussion, but as Gui Li had told them to kill him, there was no way for any other result than fighting.

Yang Kai would have also attacked them if an opportunity arose. Unfortunately, now was a bad time; they had only come in for a few days, and he only had a single breakthrough. Facing such an enemy, how could he possibly think of winning?

Any one of them was enough to eat him whole, without even sparing his bones, and now they had three of them.

It looked bad, very bad!

"Haha, see who we have here!" Ghost King Valley disciple Yu Chengkun said with a surprise as he surveyed Yang Kai, his face showing satisfaction. "It turned out to be the little brat from the High Heaven Pavilion! It didn't take a lot of effort to find him."

He apparently did not think that the person who he had intercepted would be Yang Kai. This was really a chance that came out of a mistake.

Yang Kai just looked at him and did not dare to stay. With a flash, he moved using his self-made movement technique and tried to escape.

It was definitely a good choice to use the movement technique to escape, and his speed was very fast, capable of running a few thousand feet in a matter of seconds. Opponents of the same level are no match for this speed.

Nevertheless, Yang Kai was only able to move his body slightly before he heard the sound of wind shrieking and howling before him, and a large, pale hand came from a blind spot.

“Hahaha... High Heaven Pavilion’s little brat, we really are predestined!” with a laugh Jin Hao reviled his stature pale and without blood like an assassin hidden in dark and ready to kill at any moment.

Yang Kai’s mood became even heavier. Taking position, he attacked with Burning Sun’s Three Layer Blast.

Their fists collided as Jin Hao gave a cold snort and stimulated the movement of his True Qi, his five fingers became like sharp blades.

On collision, three muffled sounds transmitted and Yang Kai flew through the air while looking pale. Suppressing the blood that tried to come out of his mouth, he staggered while landing.

Jin Hao’s strength was True Element Boundary fourth stage. Of the three Ghost King Valley disciples, he was the most powerful one. Yang Kai was simply no match for this type of enemy. Just trying to face him will result in a loss.

Landing on the ground, Yang Kai did not even have time to take a breath when he felt killing intent from his back. Dodging in a hurry, a flash moved past him and tore his clothes like they were made of paper.

“Good response!” Jin Hao did not attack again but, with a calm face, folded his arms and looked at Yang Kai in a joking manner.

Looking back in a hurry Yang Kai found that the female disciple of Ghost King Valley had also caught up and the attack from behind was her.

THIS WOMAN! Yang Kai swore in his heart.

Three people on each corner surrounded Yang Kai.

These three were not like the Separation and Reunion Boundary disciple of Golden Light Palace that Yang Kai could kill easily. While facing these three he did not dare to take them lightly.

“Little brat, how do you want to die?” Jin Hao asked while looking at Yang Kai in hatred. After all, on their way to the Netherworld Mountain, Yang Kai nearly killed him when the Golden Eyed Silver-Back Python attacked him. That is why he hated Yang Kai to the marrow of his bones.

However, at present, the three had surrounded the little brat. Even with wings, he would not be able to escape. After all, he was not in a hurry to take Yang Kai’s life, and sometimes it was better to torture and humiliate the enemy for fun rather than simply killing them.

Yu Chengkun said with a laugh, “Senior Brother, should we cut him limb to limb or drain his blood until he dies?”

Jin Hao slowly shook his head, “It will be too kind, I say we should make him into a ghost slave and make him never be able to reincarnate, being only a slave of my Ghost King Valley forever.”

Yu Chengkun frowned, “This little brat’s strength is too low, and even if we refined a ghost slave, he won’t be able to play a major role.”

Listening to their discussion about Yang Kai, the woman from Ghost King Valley said with impatience, “Just kill him, why do you need to waste so much time? After all, there is still the Blood Bead.”

Jin Hao and Yu Chengkun gave a quick laugh, “Junior Sister said to kill, so we should just kill him and be done with it.”

after deciding, Jin Hao walked towards Yang Kai, his face showing ruthlessness and killing intent, “Little brat, be happy that it will be a painless death, so when you reach hell don’t forget to thank me.”

Yang Kai said with a sneer, “Talk after you have killed me.”

After speaking, he directly moved towards the female disciple of Ghost King Valley.

After observing them for a long time, he knew that, among the three disciple of Ghost King Valley, this woman’s strength was lowest. Nevertheless, maybe due to her beauty, this female’s status was not low, making Jin Hao and Yu Chengkun very respectful. Therefore, this woman was absolutely a breach in their strength.

If Yang Kai wanted to break through, then his best method would be to use the Flaming Yang Wings. Although True Element Boundary experts can fly, they are absolutely no match for the Flaming Yang Wings. However, this place had many hidden dangers, so if he made an escape by using Flaming Yang Wings to fly in the air, it would only attract more attention. Therefore, Yang Kai did not want to use Flaming Yang Wings until it was absolutely necessary.

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Yang Kai sprinted out; however, the three Ghost King Valley disciples only sneered. Although Jin Hao and Yu Cheng Kun saw Yang Kai race towards their female companion, instead of showing panic, they only had expressions of disdain. Obviously, they felt that she had more than enough strength to block Yang Kai.

The young woman’s expression also remained unchanged as she began circulating her True Qi, her pair of beautiful eyes locked onto Yang Kai as if she were staring at a dead man, completely confident of her abilities.

However, when he had approached to within fifteen meters of her, Yang Kai’s Yuan Qi ferociously burst out.

[Unyielding Will!]

(Silavin: This ability is from his Golden Skeleton – boosting his cultivation level.)

If he wanted to escape from a True Element Boundary cultivator’s grasp, he would have to go all out.

Feeling the surge in Yang Kai’s strength, the woman’s complexion darkened slightly. Lifting her small pale hands, a few nearly invisible, silk-like threads shot out from her fingertips towards Yang Kai, trying to envelop him.

Her True Qi had not condensed these silk threads. Someone had made them from an especially strong material that became incredibly sharp after one poured their True Qi into them. Since they were not technically an artifact, the female disciple could still use them in this isolated world.

Aware of the danger these threads posed, Yang Kai’s expression turned dignified, but since he was unable to turn back now, he quickly condensed a few drops of Yang Liquid at his fingertips.

As soon as these drops of Yang Liquid appeared, Yang Kai shaped them into a number of shields and layered them in front of his body.

Finishing just in time, he then crashed head long into the threads.

Pu... The Yang Liquid shields were quickly shredded, but with that brief delay, Yang Kai managed to position himself so that the threads only pierced non-vital positions on his body.

While trembling involuntarily from the pain, Yang Kai grit his teeth and continued towards the young woman as he launched a flurry of punches.

The woman sneered again, responding to Yang Kai's attacks by swiping at him with her ghostly hands, her sharp nails tearing into his flesh.

Letting out a low grunt, Yang Kai's face went pale, but he still desperately endured these few vicious attacks, quickly escaping past the young woman, kicking the ground as he activated his movement skill, dashing into the jungle.

"Get back here!" The young woman cried out, once again releasing her silk threads in an effort to capture Yang Kai. However, as her threads enveloped Yang Kai and she attempted to reel in her catch, all she felt was a brief resistance before her threads flew back to her, dripping a little fresh blood.

The young woman's eyes flashed a trace surprise, while Jin Hao and Yu Cheng Kun's faces, which had previously been leisurely, also displayed shocked expressions.

"What happened?" Jin Hao raced over and asked in a puzzled voice; his Junior Sister's silk threads were extremely tough and had clearly pierced that little brat's body, so how could he have escaped?

"My threads were snapped!" The woman looked down at her broken silk threads and couldn't help feeling a little pain in her heart, her expression quickly filling with murderous intent, crying out, "What the hell are you looking at!? Quickly chase him!"

Yu Cheng Kun's eyes shrunk as he quickly dashed out, Jin Hao and the young woman hurriedly chasing after him.

Caught in this crisis, Yang Kai had exerted all of his strength in order to escape.

Paying a small price in blood, he had finally managed to open a gap in his encirclement; if his three pursuers surrounded him again, the situation would probably force him to expose his Flaming Yang Wings in order to break out.

Pushing his self-created movement skill to its limit, Yang Kai still could not shake the shadow chasing him from behind.

It was the fastest Ghost King Valley disciple! He was always a step faster than the other two, leaving them to fall behind gradually, with each step he took.

Racing forward for half a day, Yu Cheng Kun was still persistently chasing Yang Kai, neither of them slowing down in the slightest. One was desperate to escape, while the other was determined to kill.

By now, Yang Kai had a stomach full of grievances.

Spotting a group of four or five Monster Beasts only a couple dozen meters in front of him, Yang Kai acted decisively, not only not avoiding them, but instead running head long into them.

His body flickering, he dove in and out of this group of Monster Beasts as quick as lightning before quickly glancing back, only to see Yu Cheng Kun also rush through unharmed, not hindered at all by this group of Monstrous Beasts.

At the speeds they were traveling, it was actually rather simple to avoid the vast majority of conflicts; even most Fifth-Order Monster Beasts would have difficulty pursuing them.

“Little High Heaven Pavilion brat, even if you flee to the ends of the Earth, you’ll never escape me. Just give up already.” Yu Cheng Kun shouted, “Your speed is really impressive, but since you’re only a Separation and Reunion Boundary cultivator, how much longer will the Yuan Qi in your body hold out? The moment it’s fully exhausted is the moment you’ll die. Obediently surrender now and I’ll give you a swift death, but if you force me to catch you, I’ll make you beg for death first!”

Yu Cheng Kun was furious. Others considered his speed to be second to none amongst his True Element Boundary peers, but now, a little Separation and Reunion Boundary cultivator had been forcing him to eat dust for half a day. Thus, while he greatly shocked by the speed of Yang Kai’s movement skill, he had also increasingly become annoyed, and was now determined to catch Yang Kai and brutally torture him for this humiliation.

Yang Kai did not pay any attention to Yu Cheng Kun’s threats, silently revolving his Yuan Qi to heal himself as he continued rushing forward, not caring in the slightest about his Yuan Qi consumption as he wracked his brain in order to find the opportunity to turn this situation around.

As he was escaping, Yang Kai deliberately moved through various Monster Beast gathering places, climbed over mountains, and weaved his way through various jungle obstacles. Unsure of just how far he had traveled, the only good news was that, although Yu Cheng Kun was not far behind, Jin Hao and that young woman from the Ghost King Valley had long since disappeared.

However, Yang Kai still did not stop; if it were only Yu Cheng Kun, he would have a chance to win, but Jin Hao and that young woman were definitely still chasing them, so if he became entangled in a fight and they caught up he would only end up dead.

After an entire day of desperate escaping, Yang Kai still could not shake off Yu Cheng Kun’s pursuit.

As he was running, Yang Kai suddenly leapt out of the jungle and rushed directly towards a high cliff.

Finally arriving at this place, Yang Kai involuntarily breathed a sigh of relief! While scanning his surrounds as he was escaping, he had spotted this cliff, towering into the sky with clouds that completely obstructed one’s view of the bottom filling its depths.

Half a day ago, when he had spotted this cliff, Yang Kai realized his chance had come. Therefore, he deliberately led Yu Cheng Kun all the way to this place.

Standing at the cliff edge, breathing heavily, Yang Kai glared back towards the direction he had just come from.

Yu Cheng Kun also rushed out from the jungle a moment later and quickly glanced around to see the terrain here, a look of surprise appearing on his face before he suddenly let out a vicious laugh.

Slowly walking towards Yang Kai, with a big grin on his face, he said, "Come on, keep running you little son of a bitch! Even though your strength is pathetic, your speed is not bad. You've caused me, your uncle, to chase you for quite some time now."

[I've won! I've had sealed off the path behind this brat with a high cliff directly in front of him. This little Separation and Reunion Boundary cultivator made me waste so much time, but now, you are stuck in a dead end! Neither a path towards the Heavens nor a door into the Earth is here for you!]

Yang Kai took a deep breath as he stared towards Yu Cheng Kun, remaining there motionless.

"Not going to run?" Yu Cheng Kun looked at Yang Kai coldly as he continued approaching him.

"There's nowhere to run!" Yang Kai simply spoke the truth.

"Hahahaha!" Yu Cheng Kun laughed wildly, "You certainly don't have anywhere you can run!"

"Give me a way out!" Yang Kai said.

"You're trying to beg for mercy?" Yu Cheng Kun flashed a contemptuous smile, "That's not how you beg for mercy! First, kneel down, crawl over in front of me, then kowtow and beg! If your uncle here is in a good mood, maybe he'll consider sparing you!"

"You and I have no grievances between us, why must you act so ruthlessly?"

Yu Cheng Kun's grin only became bigger, "You and I really don't have any hatred between us, but our Elders do. Who told you to have such shit luck? In this giant, isolated world, you just had to encounter us. Enough nonsense, first waste your cultivation, and then pray I'll be kind to you."

"If you let me go, I can give you some compensation!"

Yu Cheng Kun's face became a bit more serious, coldly asking, "How many Blood Beads are you offering?"

Yang Kai shook his head, "I've already absorbed all the Blood Beads I've obtained, but I do still have a few bottles of high quality pills."

While he was speaking, Yang Kai reached into his sleeve and pulled out a few bottles of pills from his Universe Bag, shaking them in front of Yu Cheng Kun before re-stowing them.

"These are all healing pills. In this dangerous place, they'll definitely be useful for you."

Seeing those few bottles of pills, Yu Cheng Kun could not help revealing a look of greed as he laughed maliciously, "Good, good, it looks like today my harvest is not small. Damn brat, hand over those pills!"

"Are you willing to let me go?" Asked Yang Kai.

Yu Cheng Kun slowly shook his head, "Why should I let you go? Once I kill you, not only will I get those pills, but I'll also get a Blood Bead. This uncle would never make such a bad deal."

“If you think so, then I’m afraid you’ll have to settle for nothing!” Yang Kai’s face suddenly became ruthless, slowly stepping backwards towards the edge of the cliff, making a gesture as if he was prepared to jump off.

Yu Cheng Kun’s expression instantly became cold as he shouted, “Since you refuse a toast, you must eat a loss! You don’t have the guts to jump!”

Done talking, Yu Cheng Kun took another step forward as he prepared to rush forward and capture Yang Kai.

However, to his astonishment, Yang Kai actually exposed a smile before turning around and leaping forward more than thirty meters off the cliff.

[He really jumped?] Yu Cheng Kun was dumbstruck; he really had not thought Yang Kai would act so decisively. Originally, he thought Yang Kai was just bluffing. After all, he was only a Separation and Reunion Boundary cultivator and could not fly; jumping off such a high cliff was equivalent to seeking death. If instead, he turned and fought, considering his speed, he might still have had a chance to escape.

Nevertheless, reality was different from his assumptions; Yang Kai did not hesitate to jump off the cliff, causing Yu Cheng Kun to stand there stupidly for a moment.

After a moment of absence, Yu Cheng Kun suddenly became furious. This little bastard clearly would rather take his own life rather than let him gain the slightest benefit, a truly ruthless decision.

Filled with anger, Yu Cheng Kun also hurriedly rushed towards the cliff edge and jumped down.

Who cares how high this cliff is? He was a True Element Boundary cultivator who had transformed all his Yuan Qi into True Qi, so he could fly! As long as he quickly killed that damn High Heaven Pavilion brat, he would only have to exert some effort and time to fly back up.

While the Blood Bead that would be condensed from Yang Kai dying was just of some use, those few bottles of healing pills were something Yu Cheng Kun absolutely could not let slip through his fingers.

After plummeting several dozens of meters, Yang Kai looked up and saw Yu Cheng Kun quickly diving towards him, like a bird of prey swooping down towards its victim, his face filled with ruthlessness.

Yang Kai grinned; he had actually been extremely worried that Yu Cheng Kun would not jump off the cliff to follow him. If he did not even have that much courage, all of his efforts to put on this show would have been for nothing. Thus, when he saw Yu Cheng Kun also jump down after him, Yang Kai could not help but cheer inside!

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Although the two jumped off the cliff one after the other, Yang Kai simply stepped off, whereas Yu Cheng Kun used his True Qi to descend; the difference in speed couldn’t be compared, with the latter undoubtedly being much faster.

“Little brat, even if you want to die, you must do so in my hands!” Yu Cheng Kun rushed down headfirst towards Yang Kai, roaring out coldly.

In mid-air, a ghastly distorted face suddenly appeared as Yu Cheng Kun made several gestures with his pale white palms; this wailing face was very similar to the one Old Demon had shown when Yang Kai had first encountered him, a strange mix of resentments and Evil Qi, like a tormented wraith, instantly flew at Yang Kai.

Yang Kai responded by unleashing a palm strike towards this twisted face, but as he struck it there was no resistance, instead the tormented soul rushed into the body.

Yang Kai could not help but shiver as his whole arm quickly covered with frost.

Yu Cheng Kun instantly let out a burst of wicked laughter, "You're dead!"

This was the Ghost King Valley's unique evil martial skill, the Ghost King Seal. It formed from the Soul of a human cultivator whom they captured alive, then constantly tortured and humiliated without letting him or her die so that the Soul filled with anger, hatred, and resentment. Finally, once the Soul built up a certain amount of malice, they killed the cultivator. Using a special method, they extracted the tormented Soul and implanted it into the body of a Ghost King Valley cultivator.

(Silavin: :/ I wonder what will happen to the soul if this cultivator dies. Will the resentment consume him?)

When a Ghost King Valley disciple used this attack, it was extremely difficult to defend against, and once the wraith had infiltrated their opponent's body, they would essentially be a slaughtered lamb.

Yu Cheng Kun did not want to waste time, so he naturally employed the fastest method he had to kill Yang Kai and condense him into a Blood Bead.

His attack succeeding, he unceremoniously reached out and grabbed Yang Kai, at last successfully capturing him.

However, the next moment, Yu Cheng Kun's body convulsed, his face suddenly dyed as white as paper as he spat out a mouthful of blood.

Just now, he had felt the innate connection to his Ghost King Seal's Soul cut off! He had carefully nurtured this Soul with his own Blood Essence, True Qi, and Soul, so once it received any kind of damage, Yu Cheng Kun would also experience a negative feedback.

"What happened!?" Yu Cheng Kun was horrified as he looked down, only to see the frost on Yang Kai's arm retreat at a rate visible to the naked eye as a smug smile appeared on this wretched High Heaven Pavilion disciple's mouth.

"HA HA HA HA ..." Old Demon inside Yang Kai's body laughed evilly, "What a surprise, this old master cannot come out and attack, but instead, someone was good enough to send this old master a delicious meal! Good! This resentment and Evil Qi is so good!"

Chewing happily, Old Demon had soon swallowed up this tormented Soul, laughing happily as he licked his lips, "Young Master! Ask him if he has any more of these things and tell him to bring them out so that Old Servant doesn't have to remain only half full."

“I’m afraid he’s fresh out!” Yang Kai saw how devastated Yu Cheng Kun was after losing this wraith, so he was certain it was something precious, and definitely not something which he could casually brought out.

Listening to Yang Kai talking to himself, Yu Cheng Kun’s expression became ice cold, “Bastard! How did you destroy my Ghost King Seal!?”

Yang Kai only grinned and shouted, “Why don’t you make a guess?!”

“I’ll kill you!” Yu Cheng Kun shouted furiously, his free ghostly white hand radiating an eerie light as he swiped towards Yang Kai, his murderous intent surging.

Whoosh Two crimson lights suddenly burst forth from Yang Kai’s back; feeling this fierce Yuan Qi fluctuation, Yu Cheng Kun trembled, quickly releasing Yang Kai and forcibly pulling back his attacking claw in order to put up a defensive stance.

But just as he finished this action, he saw that Yang Kai, who had leapt off the cliff before him, suddenly hover in place while he continued to fall faster and faster towards the valley below.

Looking up, Yu Cheng Kun’s pupils instantly shrank.

He saw the High Heaven Pavilion disciple he had been chasing all this time standing mid-air, coldly gazing down at him like an eagle overlooking the Earth, displaying a proud and awe-inspiring aura.

And behind him...

There was actually a pair of crimson wings! Seemingly composed entirely of searing flames, the heat they gave off twisted and warped the atmosphere around them.

Standing there, he looked down arrogantly, his eyes filled with disdain!

Yu Cheng Kun almost could not believe his eyes.

[What kind of artifact is that?! No wait, in this isolated world, one can’t summon artifacts, so it can’t be an artifact. Is it a martial skill? But what kind of martial skill can produce such an amazing effect? What the hell kind of martial skill can allow a person to summon a pair of giant burning wings?]

His heart in turmoil, Yu Cheng Kun briefly lost his ability to think.

However, now that Yang Kai had shown his Flaming Yang Wings, he would not hold back any longer, quickly chasing after Yu Cheng Kun.

The situation reversed, and the two young cultivators had completely switched positions. Although Yu Cheng Kun was deeply shocked, in such a dangerous situation, he did not dare show any neglect, immediately pushing his True Qi in order to slow his rapid descent, trying to stabilize his position.

Yet how could Yang Kai give him such an opportunity? Rapidly arriving above Yu Cheng Kun, he punched down heavily.

Yu Cheng Kun cursed bitterly inside. Although he was a True Element Boundary cultivator, in the end, he had only reached the True Element Boundary third stage; if nothing distracted him, flying was not too

difficult. Unfortunately, when facing such fierce attacks, how could he possibly have time to concentrate on flying stably?

In other words, even though a True Element Boundary cultivator could fly to a certain extent, it was nearly impossible for them to engage in combat while doing so.

In order to block Yang Kai's punch, he had to divert the True Qi in his body away from keeping himself afloat in order to counterattack.

As soon as he did so, the speed at which Yu Cheng Kun fell increased dramatically, his descent rate now so fast it was difficult to keep his eyes open as the harsh winds burned against his face.

As he desperately tried to circulate his True Qi in order to stabilize himself, Yang Kai dealt a devastating blow to him from above once again.

Yu Cheng Kun's heart jumped; he had never dreamed that Yang Kai could move so fast. Caught off guard again and only awkwardly able to defend himself, how could he hope to stop Yang Kai's full powered strike?

Yu Cheng Kun only felt a burst of pain from his hand as a scorching hot Yuan Qi flooded into his meridians, almost bursting into his dantian.

It was not until now that he realized that this High Heaven Pavilion disciple was not as easily to deal with as he seemed. Along with somehow being able to easily resolve his Ghost King Seal and his shocking martial skill which produced those flaming wings on his back, his Yuan Qi was also extremely dense and pure, he was the perfect example someone playing a pig to eat a tiger!

All the weakness he had shown up to now was just to lure him into this hopeless situation.

Remorse filled Yu Cheng Kun; he should not have coveted those few bottles of pill and followed this little brat off the cliff. Now that they were falling through the air, and he could not even bring out thirty percent of his full strength, it was only a matter of time before he died.

Looking up, all he could see was Yang Kai swooping down towards him to attack, but where was the cliff? Clearly, the two of them had already fallen five thousand meters or so; even if he was somehow escaped this crisis, he would not be able to fly up so easily.

Boom...

Yu Cheng Kun cried out miserably, feeling a heavy impact on his shoulder as Yang Kai landed another blow, negating all his hard work to try to slow his descent and even causing him to fall slightly faster than before.

Falling at such a speed, once he hit the ground, even his bones would shatter into dust!

Aware that death was approaching; a cold chill ran down Yu Cheng Kun's spine as his stomach churned. Trying to beg for mercy, he opened his mouth to shout, but the strong winds around him drowned out his voice, denying him even the chance.

The pair rapidly fell through the sky, the only difference was that Yu Cheng Kun on the bottom did so involuntarily while Yang Kai above him furiously flapped his Flaming Yang Wings, trying to catch up and attack him.

Boom... Boom... Boom...

An increasingly large gap separated every attack since Yu Cheng Kun was falling faster. Therefore, each time Yang Kai wanted to catch up it would take him slightly longer.

Falling for what seemed like forever down this ridiculously high cliff, Yang Kai and Yu Cheng Kun both plunged into the misty layer enveloping the valley, like they had suddenly dove into a cloud.

Suffered a massive slew of attacks wasted Yu Cheng Kun's shoulders, and the bones in his arms were completely broken. Covered in blood, he looked extremely miserable.

Fighting mid-air, with the aid of his Flaming Yang Wings, Yang Kai was invincible!

If not for Yu Cheng Kun desperately pushing his True Qi in order to slow his descent, Yang Kai would have no way to catch up with him, but even so, Yu Cheng Kun continued to fall faster and faster.

Once again looking up, as Yu Cheng Kun saw Yang Kai swooping in to attack again, panic and despair filled his eyes.

His arms were already wasted and he was now completely unable to resist. If this attack landed, he would no doubt die!

Therefore, Yu Cheng Kun was briefly stunned to see Yang Kai's expression suddenly change as he aborted his attack and frantically flapped his crimson wings in order to slow himself down, gradually coming to a hover.

Having just escaped death, Yu Cheng Kun did not feel the slightest joy, because he knew why Yang Kai had suddenly stopped and desperately tried to slow down his descent.

Looking down, sure enough, as he had guessed, the ground was rapidly approaching.

Frantically pushing his True Qi, Yu Cheng Kun made one last desperate attempt to land safely.

Nevertheless, in the end his speed was simply too fast, and with only a few dozen meters to go, the outcome was inevitable.

Peng...

Yang Kai, who was slowly falling through the air, could not help but cringe slightly.

In the place where the falling Yu Cheng Kun hit the ground, a giant dark red splatter appeared like a blooming bloody red flower; chunks of meat and pieces of limbs scattered everywhere and painted an appalling picture.

If he had to face a True Element Boundary Third Stage cultivator head on, Yang Kai was certain he would have no chance of victory, but by using the terrain to his advantage, he managed to condemn such a foe to a death without burial and did not even receive a scratch.

[One must never underestimate or look down upon their opponent!] Yang Kai quietly thought to himself.

The moment Yu Cheng Kun died, at the top of the cliff, the expressions on Jin Hao and the young woman's faces suddenly became bitter.

The three Ghost King Valley disciples had a special method with which they could determine each other's location and vitality, so when Yu Cheng Kun died, Jin Hao and the young woman were instantly aware.

"Is Senior Brother truly dead?" The young woman's mouth slightly opened as she stared towards the cliff edge.

Jin Hao rushed to the edge of the cliff and looked down, but all he could see below was clouds, letting out a shout filled with resentment, "He must have been dragged down to his death by the High Heaven Pavilion brat!"

"How could he have been so careless?!" The woman bitterly stomped her foot, "Senior Brother was a True Element Third Stage elite, so even if he really got dragged off this cliff, as long as he was a little cautious he should have been able to fly back up."

Jin Hao's face became uglier, "It looks like we all underestimated that High Heaven Pavilion brat; he must have some incredible hidden methods that allowed him to entrap Junior Brother Yu! *Haa...*"

[Chapter 224 – The Two Blood Beads](#)

Jin Hao and the young woman both grieved as they mourned Yu Cheng Kun's death. The only comfort they had was that the little brat from High Heaven Pavilion was also dead, so at least their disciple brother would have company on the road to the Yellow Springs.

After waiting by the cliff side for a while just in case, the two eventually decided to leave.

This cliff was extremely high and, not knowing if there was any danger lurking below, they did not dare to descend in order to retrieve Yu Cheng Kun's body, they could only allow time to bury him in this strange wilderness.

Beneath the cliff, Yang Kai hovered about with his Flaming Yang Wings before softly landing beside Yu Cheng Kun's Blood Bead, swiftly collecting it.

[Worthy of a True Element Boundary elite, this Blood Bead is more than double the size of one condensed from a Separation and Reunion cultivator, roughly the size of a longan; the energy contained within this one is also significantly richer.]

Yang Kai had already experienced the sweetness of refining Blood Beads, so after obtaining such a large one, his thoughts began to wander. If he could kill every True Element Boundary cultivator that entered here, how great would his harvest be?

Back at the lake, Yang Kai had estimated that the number of cultivators who had entered this isolated world was around two or three hundred.

With two or three hundred Blood Beads of this size, would it not be easy to break through to the True Element Boundary? Thinking until here, Yang Kai could not help trembling, quickly reigning in his wild ideas for fear that they might permanently stain his heart with murderous hostility.

Storing this Blood Bead in the Universe Bag in his sleeve, Yang Kai quickly scanned his surroundings before dashing off in a random direction.

This huge valley obscured by clouds was surrounded on all sides by steep cliffs over ten thousand steps high. For an ordinary person, it would be absolutely impossible to climb down safely. Even if one's strength had reached the True Element Boundary, without knowing what dangers lay hidden beneath the clouds, they would be highly unlikely to descend here.

Wandering around the valley for a day or so, Yang Kai gradually began to understand the terrain here, unable to suppress some joy from welling up inside him. Given the surrounding geography, he was certain he would not meet any other cultivators; therefore, he would not have to worry about meeting any more opponents he could not handle.

Along the way, he had also beheaded several Fourth-Order Monster Beasts and gained a small harvest.

As long as he had enough time, his strength would definitely increase, meaning that when he eventually left here, he would no longer have to worry about those True Element Boundary cultivators.

In this immense valley, Yang Kai continued exploring and hunting, every day reaping some harvest, carefully avoiding the occasional Fifth-Order Monster Beast he encountered, not wanting conflict with such a beast yet.

A dozen days later, Yang Kai had gathered more than thirty Monster Beast Blood Beads.

Finding a safe place to spend a few quiet hours, he quickly refined and absorbed them clean. Coupled with the Blood Bead condensed from the dead Yu Cheng Kun, Yang Kai felt like he had reached the bottleneck at the top of Separation and Reunion Fourth Stage, only needing a little more before he could break through again.

It was a very satisfying harvest.

However, the number of Monster Beasts within this valley seemed to be limited. With the passage of time, Yang Kai began to find it difficult to find Fourth-Order Monster Beasts to behead, and although he had discovered a few Fifth-Order Monster Beasts, Yang Kai really did not want to engage in a costly battle with them.

After running a circle around the whole valley, Yang Kai gradually returned to the place he had originally landed.

Pondering for a while, Yang Kai eventually decided to explore the valley's central region to see if he could find any more Monster Beasts. If there was also nothing there, his only choice would be to leave the valley and try to find a new hunting ground.

Having made a decision, Yang Kai dashed towards the middle of the valley, meeting a few Monster Beasts along the way and swiftly harvesting their Blood Beads. However, as he moved closer to the valley's center, he no longer encountered any Monster Beasts.

In fact, he could not even see traces of Monster Beasts.

A faint doubt rising in his heart, Yang Kai continued to press forward.

A few days later, Yang Kai suddenly came to a halt and stared, wide-eyed in front of him, his face filled with an astonished and amazed expression.

Before him was an enormous skeleton!

A hundred meters ahead, there was a white skeleton quietly lying on the ground, but even from so far away, Yang Kai could feel an oppressive pressure from the aura it was radiating.

This skeleton was at least a hundred meters tall with a length that was uncertain, its bones flashing an ivory-like luster. Even after so long, it still maintained such a state, not yielding to the river of time, standing firm without crumbling into dust.

Leaving behind such a massive skeleton, Yang Kai could not even imagine what kind of power and majesty this Monster Beast possessed before its death.

Eventually recovering from his initial shock, Yang Kai slowly began to advance towards it.

Approaching closer, Yang Kai discovered that it was not just a single skeleton here. Rather, there were two.

One of them grand enough to be seen from afar, the other somewhat smaller but no less exquisite. At first glance, these two skeletons seemed to be a single entity, but if one looked carefully, they would notice that the smaller skeleton embedded into the bigger one's chest.

"These two Monster Beasts must have killed one another!" Old Demon asserted.

Yang Kai nodded, agreeing with his inference as, through these two skeletons, he could vaguely sense traces of a violent struggle; these two Monster Beasts, one great and one small, had fought to mutual annihilation here.

Monster Beasts were prideful, neither of these two would have ever shown cowardice or retreated from the fight. The smaller Monster Beast had clearly torn through giant one's belly, but the former dealt it a fatal blow in the process, falling dead along with its foe.

Countless years later, the wind and sun, along with the dust and rain, had buried all traces of this heaven-shaking battle. However, what remained, buried within these colossal bones, was an unyielding murderous aura.

Yang Kai's shock was not small, his eyes never once leaving the giant skeleton.

He had no idea what kind of Monster Beast could possess such a huge body. Falling to the ground, it still towered over a hundred meters high, and this was only the part of its frame that was exposed, there was still more of its body buried beneath the dust.

Even just its bones gave off such a strong and powerful aura, with such a towering body; it must have been an extraordinarily strong Monster Beast.

Considering this, what kind of Earth shattering heritage did the smaller Monster Beast hail from that it could allow the beast to fight evenly with such an opponent?

“Old Demon, do you know what Monster Beasts they were?” Yang Kai stood dazed for a long time before gradually regaining his wits, eventually posing this question.

“From only their remains, it’s impossible to tell.” Old Demon responded.

Yang Kai stretched out his hand and gently touched one of the giant white bones, but as soon as he did, a burst of noise rang out and the bone instantly crumbled.

This unexpected event suddenly set off a chain reaction as all the other bones in these two skeletons gave off a cracking sound, soon after collapsing into a pile of dust.

These two had died and were buried here, had their Souls also ceased to exist here? Even this unfathomably strong pair of Monster Beasts could not escape such a fate, it was truly sad.

However, after pondering for a while, a light flashed across Yang Kai’s eyes, quickly glancing around the remains.

“What are you looking for Young Master?” Old Demon asked, slightly puzzled.

“Their Blood Beads, these two Monster Beasts were so powerful, how could their Blood Beads not be extraordinary?” Yang Kai replied with excitement.

“These two have been dead for so many years; wouldn’t their Blood Beads already be gone?”

“I bet they’re still here, do you believe it?” Yang Kai confident smile.

“Please enlighten this Old Servant...” Old Demon humbly asked.

“This place is in a tremendously deep valley shrouded in clouds, so very few, if any, True Element Boundary cultivators should have been here, right?” Yang Kai laughed lightly, “Even for me, I only wound up here because I was desperately escaping and had no other choice; normally, I would never have considered exploring down here.”

“However Young Master, even if no cultivators have come here before, that doesn’t mean that no Monster Beasts...” Old Demon suddenly paused, realizing that for the past few days as they were journeying here they had not seen any traces of Monster Beast activity.

With no cultivators exploring here, and no Monster Beasts daring to approach here, the Blood Beads of these two Monster Beasts really might still be here.

Yang Kai was too lazy to keep explaining, and having already laid things out up to here, Old Demon would certainly be able to draw his own conclusions. Finished speaking, Yang Kai drew out a drop of Yang Liquid, shaped it into a shovel, and began digging.

(PewPew: Really... wasting a drop of Yang Liquid on that... he couldn’t find a stick or something instead?)

(Silavin: Considering the height of the cliff face, I doubt there will be any wood close-by. At the very least, those present would have snapped due to the impact of its descent.)

Yang Kai did not dig aimlessly, instead choosing to excavate along the places where the giant bones had been.

Since the Blood Beads he was searching for condensed from these two Monster Beasts immediately after their deaths, they would certainly be buried in the sand near the bottom of their resting place.

Dirt and dust flying out, Yang Kai quickly dug a deep pit, careful not to miss any suspicious places along the way.

After the pit had expanded to more than a hundred meters around and many meters deep, a ray of crimson light suddenly flashed from the ground.

“Found it!” Yang Kai let out a joyous shout, quickly and carefully removing the surrounding soil, his eyes flashing an anxious and impatient light.

(Leo of Zion Mountain: ‘My Precious...’)

He suspected that the Blood Beads condensed from the remains of such powerful Monster Beasts would be the size of a head, if not, at least as big as a fist.

However, things did not turn out like he had expected; the Blood Bead he found at the bottom of the pit was smaller than the one condensed after Yu Cheng Kun’s death, only slightly larger than one from a Fourth-Order Monster Beast.

Did he guess wrong? Were these two Monster Beasts actually not as strong as he had believed?

His heart filled with doubts, Yang Kai continued to dig and soon found a second Blood Bead close by; however, it too was of a similar size to the first one he found.

These two Monster Beasts had similar strength when they were alive, so it made sense that their Blood Beads would be of similar size.

Frowning slightly as he held the two Blood Beads, Yang Kai slightly circulated his True Yang Secret Art in an attempt to probe the amount of energy they had.

Unfortunately, the instant he started revolving his Secret Art, Yang Kai immediately convulsed, hurriedly sitting cross-legged, and his face showing a look of unbridled dismay.

“Young Master!” These actions had frightened Old Demon into shouting out, but he was unable to get a response from Yang Kai. However, in the next moment, his soul trembled as he felt an overwhelming surge of energy flood into his young master’s body.

On top of that, this energy was not pure; mixed in was a thick Evil Spirit Qi and Beast Aura. This level of Beast Aura and Evil Spirit Qi was something Old Demon had only ever felt when he had encountered supreme Devil Lords, causing him to tremble involuntarily.

Yang Kai also trembled violently, his meridians saturated in a flash as the torrent of energy rushing into them greatly exceeding the rate at which his True Yang Secret Art could refine the impurities and then store it into his Unyielding Golden Body.

At this moment, he put aside all his previous doubts, only one question flashing across his mind.

[What the hell kind of Monster Beasts were these two!? Why are the Blood Beads condensed after their deaths so different from all the others?]

For all the other Blood Beads he had absorbed, the energy contained within was extremely pure and could be easily refined, but these two Blood Beads were completely different. Wild Monster Beast Aura and Evil Spirit Qi filled them. If any of it were haphazardly absorbed, the cultivator doing so would definitely lose their human nature and become akin to a Monster Beast in human skin.

Was it that, when an entity's strength reached a certain level, the Blood Bead condensed after its death would show such a difference?

Yang Kai wanted to stop absorbing this energy, but all his attempts to do so were futile, the surging energy from the two Blood Beads was far beyond what he could control; his only choice was to try to bear with it by refining it as quickly as possible.

[Chapter 225 – Heaven Piercing Hostility](#)

After only a short time, Yang Kai felt the bottleneck at the peak of Separation and Reunion Boundary Fourth Stage break as his cultivation surged upwards and soon arrived at the Separation and Reunion Fifth Stage before it continued to climb...

This sudden breakthrough caused Yang Kai to panic slightly. Although he desperately wanted to become strong quickly, this raging torrent of energy pouring into his body was beyond the limits of what he could safely accept.

His flesh became taut, and Yang Kai's whole body began to bloat. His blood vessels swelled to the point where they were visible on his exposed skin, like countless earthworms squirming just beneath the surface, making for an extremely terrible sight.

After a moment, Yang Kai's skin cracked and split in various places as all his muscles began to tear with blood oozing out. His whole body became a bloody mess.

Under this great pressure, his Proud Golden Body became more active than ever before, ravenously devouring and refining the energy. However, even combined with Yang Kai circulating his True Yang Secret Art to the absolute limit, he still could not fully control the incoming rush of energy.

Pu Pu Pu...

From Yang Kai's body, countless small, muffled huffs accompanied splattering noises as a bloody mist burst forth, immediately followed by countless crimson lights radiating out, which instantly enveloped a half-kilometer radius in an extremely violent World Energy.

Old Demon cried out in horror, anxious like an ant on a hot wok, but he was incapable of doing anything to help, as he did not receive any response from Yang Kai.

Yang Kai desperately endured the overwhelming pain, gritting his teeth tightly as his body trembled violently. At this moment, he could not help feeling a sense of despair and hopelessness. The tremendous pressure on his body made him feel like he was teetering on the edge of death, unable to resist.

With the huge flood of Yuan Energy still pouring into him, Yang Kai could feel his body continue to bloat.

If this continued, eventually, he would lose control and burst from the inside out.

To make matters worse, Yang Kai's crisis did not just consist of this turbulent influx of energy, but also the unparalleled hostility and Evil Spirit Qi that seemed to accompany this energy.

It was the aura of the two Monstrous Beasts, because they possessed such immense strength even after their deaths. Although the rules of Heaven and Earth here had condensed their Beast Cores and Essence into Blood Beads, it could not destroy their original spirits.

Fortunately, the threat of this Evil Spirit Qi, compared to the impact of raging Yuan Energy, was somewhat less.

Yang Kai only had to steadfastly focus his mind and not let the Monstrous Beasts' aura affect him, while he thought about a solution to his current predicament.

In fact, the solution was very simple: As long as his body could absorb and refine this energy at the same rate it was flooding into him, everything would eventually be resolved.

However, knowing this method and implementing it were two very different things.

He was already operating his True Yang Secret Art as fast as he could. There was no way for him to circulate it faster.

The only other solution would be to let his True Yang Yuan Qi become purer and denser!

His True Yang Yuan Qi was like fire, while the energy flowing into his body was like a piece of wrought iron. If his flame was stronger, its temperature would naturally be higher, and it would be able to melt the iron faster.

With no time to hesitate, as soon as this idea popped into his head, Yang Kai grit his teeth and burst a drop of Yang Liquid inside his dantian.

One drop of Yang Liquid was equal to the total amount of Yang Qi in his meridians when they were fully saturated!

Once he burst that drop, his already bulging meridians engorged further. Puffing up, they sent a wave of surging pain, as if his body had torn apart, which caused Yang Kai to tremble violently.

Holding his breath, Yang Kai frantically squeezed his meridians, trying to use this burst of True Yang Yuan Qi to refine the violent flood of Yuan Energy. This tested his willpower immensely. Fortunately, his Unyielding Will played a key role in this critical moment, temporarily increasing his realm so that his strength was high enough to withstand the surging energy.

Persevering for what seemed like an eternity; the pressure suddenly began to subside. The drop of Yang Liquid Yang Kai had desperately burst was fusing with the True Yang Yuan Qi already in his meridians, becoming more pure than before. As his Yuan Qi became more pure, even the speed at which he could circulate his Secret Art increased.

With this approach, the energy flowing into his body could be refined faster.

Aware of this, Yang Kai's spirits rose, and he quickly applied even more pressure to his meridians to increase the rate at which his Yuan Qi was fusing.

As time passed, and the True Yang Yuan Qi in his body became more and more pure, the efficiency of refining the inflowing energy also became higher and higher, soon increasing by more than fifty percent.

In addition, Yang Kai's bloated body slowly began to return to its original appearance, like someone had poked a small hole in an inflated sac and allowed the air to leak out.

Old Demon finally breathed a sigh of relief and retreated into the Soul Breaker Awl as he continued to pray non-stop; since Yang Kai's death would mean his death as well, how could he not be worried?

When the fusion speed of the True Yang Yuan Qi in his meridians began to slow, Yang Kai would burst a drop of Yang Liquid and again increase the pressure on his Yuan Qi.

Half a day later, when his True Yang Yuan Qi purified to a certain extent, Yang Kai circulated his True Yang Secret Art. He could almost hear a gentle humming sound from his body. It was the sound of his Yuan Qi flowing unimpeded through his meridians.

Feeling this sensation, Yang Kai knew that the rate at which his True Yang Yuan Qi refined the Yuan Energy from the two Blood Beads was now equal to the rate at which it poured into his body, which gradually allowed him to restore his normal form.

[I'm alive!] Yang Kai could not help but breathe a sigh of relief as he looked around himself and discovered that the two Blood Beads had not changed much. In fact, they appeared to have not changed at all.

[It seems I have severely underestimated the energy contained in these Blood Beads...]

This life and death struggle had sparked some thoughts within Yang Kai and allowed him to gain a new kind of insight in addition to his upgrade in strength.

The most important task of a Separation and Reunion Boundary cultivator was to prepare for the breakthrough to the True Element Boundary. They would constantly increase the purity and richness of their Yuan Qi until it reached a certain limit, at which point it converted into True Qi, and they would successfully step into the True Element Boundary.

Previously, in order to enhance his strength, Yang Kai would simply try to increase the amount of energy stored within himself, but having experienced this life and death trial, he found that this was not the only way to achieve a breakthrough. There were other methods as well.

He found that even if the amount of energy in his body did not increase, it would still be possible to raise his cultivation.

When his Yuan Qi reached a certain level of purity, he would naturally break through! Moreover, with each successive breakthrough, his Yuan Qi would become more and more pure, gradually transforming into True Qi.

However, for an ordinary cultivator without Yang Kai's unique advantages, namely that his dantian could store a massive quantity of energy, their only option would be to assimilate energy from external

sources, then slowly compress and fuse it together with their Yuan Qi in order to cause a purifying effect.

Just half a day ago, Yang Kai was facing a desperate life-threatening situation, but having survived, he inadvertently found a new cultivation method uniquely suited to him. This discovery made it clear what he should do from now on while he remained at the Separation and Reunion Boundary.

Gaining this new enlightenment made Yang Kai's whole body feel light. It was the wonderful feeling of having a clear path and objective.

Meanwhile, the energy from the two Blood Beads continued to flow into his body without pause, surging forward like a vast majestic river, all of which added to his own personal strength.

The Evil Spirit Qi, along with its accompanying hostility, was also refined, but instead of fusing with Yang Kai, it gradually squeezed out of his meridians and gathered on the surface of his body before being scattered into the wind.

Yang Kai was naturally aware of this unusual situation, but now that he was at a critical juncture in absorbing this inflow of energy, he had no time to worry about such matters.

Nevertheless, this also served to confirm just how tyrannical these two Monstrous Beasts had been. Even after being dead for countless years, even after condensing into Blood Beads, their innate presence remained.

In order to absorb these two Blood Beads completely, Yang Kai expended a full ten days of effort and consumed more than half the Yang Liquid in his dantian before he purified the energy they contained.

What confused Old Demon, however, was that even though Yang Kai had absorbed such a massive amount of energy, his cultivation had not continued to rise. His realm remained firmly at the Separation and Reunion Fifth Stage. This discovery could not help but leave him puzzled, uncertain of the reasons behind this mysterious situation.

When the two Blood Beads finally completely disappeared, the last ray of Evil Spirit Qi also leaked out from Yang Kai's body and gathered with the rest of the qi in the periphery.

After ten days of effort, the area around where Yang Kai meditated filled with a thick murderous aura as the Evil Spirit Qi divided into two parts; the two Monstrous Beasts were reborn to fight once more, and they swirled around him as they fought one another.

The Evil Spirit Qi had already enveloped a radius of half a kilometer, and with the last ray finally emerging, the Spirit Qi forms that had faced off against one another suddenly began to clash.

As the battle began, the Spirit Qi forms gradually coalesced into the shape of two Monstrous Beasts.

On the left was a one hundred and fifty meter tall figure with a snow-white body. Its entire form was without the slightest impurity, a proud majestic face, two razor sharp fangs adorning the sides of its mouth, a long whip-like tail as strong as steel, swayed evenly in the wind.

Without a doubt, it was a White Tiger!

On the right, an enormous beast stood three or four hundred meters high, its body seemed to tower into the clouds, almost as if it went on without end, but from its giant form one could faintly make out the shape of an Ox, which shook the Earth every time one of its four hoofs fell.

“Heaven Shaking White Tiger, Earth Splitting Divine Ox!” Old Demon could not help but exclaim.

When the two beasts fully formed, they both roared towards the Heavens.

The whole atmosphere of the valley instantly changed, like all the color had drained from the world as this all-encompassing aura suddenly enveloped Yang Kai’s whole being.

Yang Kai only felt his whole body freeze. An overwhelming hostility gripped him so tightly he could no longer move a muscle. What appeared in his eyes was no longer the surrounding jungle, there were only the two Monstrous Beast prints engaged in mortal combat; a variety of Monstrous Beast arts flew, which caused the Heavens to shake and the Earth to crack, waves of wind and energy thrashing about violently.

This was an epic struggle. These two Monstrous Beasts had built up resentments towards each other when they were alive, which eventually lead to their mutual destruction. Reduced to only their essences, even after death, their fight continued.

The battlefield they fought on now was inside Yang Kai’s body, which had absorbed their essence.

When they were alive, they had been evenly matched, neither one managing to triumph, and after death it was still so, each one was an opponent worthy of respect!

Despite the situation, Yang Kai was comfortable, but after his initial surprise his mood soon became calm as he watched these two Monstrous Beasts engage in their life and death struggle.

This kind of Heaven shaking war was not something a cultivator of his level could easily witness, and although it was a battle between Monstrous Beasts, there were still many insights and enlightenments that he could still obtain.

Gradually, Yang Kai forgot the passage of time, his mind entirely focused on the two Monstrous Beasts and attentively observing as the only witness present. He sat cross-legged on the ground, the mass of swirling hostility around him, visible to the naked eye, seemed unable to affect him in the slightest.

[Chapter 226 – Beast Soul Skill – White Tiger Seal and Divine Ox Seal](#)

In the center of the valley, there was a huge pit. It was the pit Yang Kai had dug in order to excavate the two Blood Beads, but over time the blowing sand and dust refilled the pit, eventually leaving only a foot deep depression.

Now, a thick Spirit Qi quickly surrounded the pit, but if one were to observe carefully, they could vaguely see that the Spirit Qi divided into two halves, with phantom images engaged in a ferocious and bloody battle.

(Silavin: So, the spirits came out of his body just to do battle :/)

The two Spirit Qi phantoms’ battle seemed to go on without end, as neither side triumphed over the other.

One day, the two Spirit Qi phantoms suddenly rushed towards the center of the pit, fell silent, and vanished from the world. The thick grey atmosphere gradually cleared, and the space between the Heavens and the Earth slowly returned to its natural state.

After a long time, a loud bang occurred, and a silhouette suddenly flew up from the pit, like an eagle soaring into the sky, before gently landing on the ground.

Shaking off a thick layer of dust before taking a deep breath, this man quietly stood in place, his brow thoroughly wrinkled, as if in deep contemplation.

Yang Kai had finally emerged!

The two Monster Beasts' resentment had persisted even after death, and it had essentially been mandatory for him to observe their epic struggle from beginning to end. One could only describe this battle as Earth-Shattering, something from an ancient legend that no one could witness today. Yang Kai was transfixed as he watched the two Monster Beasts viciously clash, bleed profusely, but continue to persevere, never showing the slightest fear; again and again charging towards one another, again and again ripping into their opponent for the sake of ultimately destroying one another.

Both of them seemed to understand that their own death was inevitable even before the fight began, so knowing that survival was impossible, they instead fought only for their own majesty and honor!

Prior to now, Yang Kai had never thought that Monster Beasts could exude such boldness, which paralleled any supreme human cultivator. This white-hot melee made the only audience member's, Yang Kai's, blood boil, and granted him a bountiful harvest.

In addition, after the disappearance of the two Monstrous Beasts, Yang Kai faintly felt something more, added to his body.

When the two Monster Beasts fought, while still alive, they had failed to decide a victor, but after death, with Yang Kai's help, they managed to confront one another once again and fulfilled their long-cherished wish. Perhaps, these two Monster Beasts had left something to him as a gift, or perhaps it was something he had achieved through his own sentiment. He might never solve the mystery.

Stretching out his hands, Yang Kai looked down and put away all distracting thoughts, while pushing the Yuan Qi in his body to run in a particular pattern.

A moment later, the loud roar of a beast resounded from his body, and as he pushed his palm forward, a fiery red figure suddenly flew out together with the wind.

A tiger roar shook the Heavens as a fierce and lifelike Tiger, purely composed of Yuan Qi, appeared. This Tiger phantom was supremely majestic and swiftly jumped forward, its jaw snapping savagely, full of proud and noble bearing, while the fangs adorning the sides of its mouth radiated a demonic chill.

Pushing his other palm forward, a mighty and magnificent Ox burst forth, roaring as it trampled the ground beneath its hooves. The pressure it exuded was like a thousand galloping war horses, suppressing everything in its surroundings, grinding any that stood in its way to dust. Nothing, nor no one, could block its path!

The Heaven Shaking White Tiger and Earth Splitting Divine Ox! However, at the moment, this White Tiger and Divine Ox had been composed from Yang Kai's Yuan Qi, so their entire bodies were a fiery crimson red color, which gave them an even more ferocious and murderous appearance.

The two illusory phantoms rushed out several thousand meters and gradually dissipated into glowing particles scattering in the wind.

Yang Kai started for moment before bursting into a hearty laugh, very satisfied with his gains.

This could classify as a type of Martial Skill. The only difference was that its origin was from a pair of Monster Beasts.

It should probably end up considered as a type of Beast Soul Skill.

There are many Martial Skills in this world, and those that imitated the shape of the Monster Beasts were not few. Back when he had traveled to the Nine Yin Valley, Yang Kai had witnessed Wen Fei Chen of the Blood Battle Gang cast a similar Martial Skill, but the tiger he created was only a vague image, somewhat ethereal and incomplete.

It was simply incomparable to the Beast Soul Skill Yang Kai had just cast.

Whether it was the Heaven Shaking White Tiger or Earth Splitting Divine Ox's Beast Soul Skill, what Yang Kai condensed appeared no different from the original Monster Beast's true body, and included their vividly realistic demeanor. The two phantoms were basically no different from real Monster Beasts, and as such, the lethality they could show was naturally much greater.

With these two similar Beast Soul Skills, Yang Kai's combat strength had once again risen to new heights.

Yang Kai gave these two skills, in accordance with their form, the names 'White Tiger Seal' and 'Divine Ox Seal'.

Turning around and checking his surroundings, Yang Kai could not help but wrinkle his brow. Considering that he had to dig himself out of a once empty pit now filled with sand, he knew the time he had spent in retreat was not short.

"Old Demon, how long has it been?" Yang Kai asked in a nervous voice.

"Half a year, Young Master!"

Hearing this, Yang Kai could not help but inhale a sharp breath. No wonder his stomach was craving sustenance, if it had not been such a long time, at his current cultivation realm, it would be impossible to experience such a feeling.

However, now was not the time for foraging. Yang Kai quickly shook off the rest of the sand on his body and sat down to organize and reflect upon all the insights and gains he had obtained from the two Blood Beads over the past six months.

After a long time, a slight smile emerged on his face, "Old Demon, let me show you a little trick!"

"A little trick?" Old Demon repeated, slightly puzzled.

Yang Kai laughed and did not answer. Instead, he immediately focused his mind and burst the Yang Liquid drops in his dantian one by one.

Half a day later, the air surrounding him suddenly began to stir as Yang Kai's body slightly trembled and the momentum he radiated suddenly climbed.

Old Demon was extremely stunned. Somehow, completely bypassing the normal process, Yang Kai had broken through to the Separation and Reunion Sixth Stage.

[How did he do it?] Half a year ago, this Young Master of his had indeed absorbed a massive amount of energy, but until now he showed no signs of a breakthrough, instead firmly remaining at the Separation and Reunion Boundary Fifth Stage. However, now, after only meditating for half a day, he somehow managed to increase his cultivation by an entire Minor Realm! Moreover, he did not run his Secret Art, nor did he absorb any Yuan Energy. In other words, his body's energy had not increased at all!

[How did he manage to break through?] Old Demon was truly confused.

Although his heart itched with curiosity, Yang Kai's eyes were still closed in meditation, so for now he could only hold down his suspicions.

After another half a day, Yang Kai's momentum rose once again.

Separation and Reunion Boundary Seventh Stage!

Old Demon's thoughts completely stopped. Yang Kai's breakthroughs were just too strange, and they were completely beyond Old Demon's own understanding. It was not until after performing a thorough examination that he finally found some clues.

What Old Demon found was that the Yuan Qi inside Yang Kai's body had undergone a big change from before. Although the total quantity he possessed had not changed, its purity and density had increased several times!

This change must have led to Yang Kai's unusual promotion.

[Was this even possible?] Old Demon was again thoroughly shocked.

After his breakthrough to Separation and Reunion Seventh Stage, Yang Kai slowly opened his eyes. The amount of Yang Liquid in his dantian had reduced by a third, and though the number of drops was less, the total amount of energy contained within them had not changed.

This meant that the energy in every drop of Yang Liquid was significantly more pure and vigorous, so any skill that used his Yang Liquid would display greater power and higher lethality.

It was like he had refined and recast all the Yang Liquid in his dantian.

Separation and Reunion Boundary Seventh Stage was Yang Kai's current limit. As of right now, he was unable to purify and compress his True Yang Yuan Qi any further.

"Young Master's trick is truly enlightening, even Old Servant has benefited greatly." When Old Demon saw Yang Kai open his eyes, he hurriedly heaped praise upon him, and although there was some excess flattery thrown in, Old Demon's admiration was indeed sincere.

Yang Kai simply grinned.

Now that he had received a new Martial Skill, naturally he wanted to try it out.

Searching around for a long time in the valley, he finally found a Fifth-Order Monster Beast.

(Silavin: This goes against what the author initially concluded but oh well... let's just assume that the soil piled on top of their blood bead such that the others did not have time to find it.)

Casting his Beast Soul Skill, an Ox and Tiger Monstrous Beast phantom appeared and rushed out to attack the Fifth-Order Monster Beast, very quickly suppressing it to the point where it was unable to fight back. After observing for a while, Yang Kai also came forward, and after a few moments, the beast lay dead and soon condensed into a new Blood Bead.

The whole process was quick and easy, which gave Yang Kai an incredible feeling. Half a year ago, if he met a Fifth-Order Monster Beast, he would have to consider his options carefully before quietly trying to sneak around it. However, now, he could kill them as easy as cutting down grass, and even though this Fifth-Order Monstrous Beast was not very strong, Yang Kai was still convinced about his own estimations.

The Blood Bead he retrieved was neither big nor small, but compared to one condensed from a slain True Element Boundary expert, it was somewhat shabby.

Storing the Blood Bead away, Yang Kai quickly checked to make sure no one was observing him before he activated his Flaming Yang Wings and flew up.

To ascend such lofty cliffs, even a True Element Boundary expert would have to expend a lot of effort, but with his Flaming Yang Wings, it was not the same.

After only half an hour, Yang Kai succeeded in leaving the valley.

Half a day later, the now quite famished Yang Kai succeeded in finding a fruit tree and harvesting a great deal of them before casually sitting in the tree's shade.

As he happily ate the fruit, Yang Kai began to think about his next course of action. Not long after he entered this isolated world, he had entered a half-year long retreat, so right now he had no idea of current situation inside this place. All he knew from his previous experiences was that there did not seem to be any spirit grasses here, only an endless stream of Monster Beasts.

There was also that Soul Cleansing Dew and Brilliant Flame Liquid. It would be good if he had the opportunity to collect some. The Soul Cleansing Dew was extremely useful for him, and as for the Brilliant Flame Liquid, if he could not acquire any, it did not matter too much.

Unfortunately, Yang Kai had no idea where to look for these two Precious Treasures.

While he was meditating, Yang Kai suddenly jumped up and carefully listened to his surroundings.

From the distance he faintly heard the sounds of howling, and there seemed to be a battle taking place.

Raising his brow, Yang Kai quickly packed the remaining fruit into his Universe Bag and then activated his Movement Skill, dashing toward the direction of the disturbance, as he had to find someone to inquire about what had happened while he was in closed retreat.

After the time it would take to drink a cup of tea, Yang Kai arrived in the vicinity of the fight.

Stealthily hiding himself in a large tree, he planned to observe the situation secretly before acting, but his expression changed greatly once he looked.

He found two people, a man and a woman, engaged in a desperate fight, but what surprised him was that he was familiar with this young man and woman.

Reflecting Moon Sect's Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu!

The two of them were under siege from more than a dozen Monster Beasts, but not all of them were of the same species. Instead, there was a wide variety gathered together, with most of them Fourth-Order.

If that were all, Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu would still be able to cope with the situation, but there were also three Fifth-Order Monster Beasts.

With these Fifth-Order Monster Beasts mixed in, even if Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu coordinated well with each other, they still could not break through and instead winded up surrounded by this group of beasts, looking exhausted and embarrassed.

Chen Xue Shu's body had many scars. Blood dyed his left leg red, while Su Xiao Yu was also panting, her breathing ragged as she sweated profusely.

The strength of this Senior-Brother-Junior-Sister couple was not weak. Both of them were True Element Boundary experts with an array of extraordinarily powerful Martial Skills at their disposal, and although they were trapped, they would not fall into a dangerous situation within a short period. However, it looked like they had been fighting this group of Monster Beasts for quite a while now, and their physical strength had nearly been drained.

In the end, Su Xiao Yu was still a young woman, and her physical strength was unable to keep up with the current excessive demand. If it were not for Chen Xue Shu often covering for her, then she would probably have long been seriously injured.

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If Monster Beasts had attacked someone else, Yang Kai would simply sit back and observe the situation. Rushing out to assist them would only be a foolish move, and may even lead to negative consequences for him. In this strange isolated world, where all these young cultivators had come for life experience, who would not take extra precautions? It was best to wait and see if others would behave honorably or treacherously.

However, since the two in danger were the couple from the Reflecting Moon Sect, Yang Kai was not too worried about such things.

Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu both gave him a good impression; from his interactions with them, he knew they were not scheming or malicious. In fact, Yang Kai believed them to be rather upright people.

Since he wanted to inquire about this isolated world's current situation, asking them was undoubtedly his best option.

Considering all this, Yang Kai no longer hesitated, quietly dropping down from the trees and then swiftly moving towards the battlefield.

Both Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu's expressions were grim, their True Qi swirling about wantonly and lashing out in ferocious bursts. Although they had managed to kill a few Fourth-Order Monster Beasts, their situation had not improved. The number of Monster Beasts was simply too great, enough to completely encircle and trap them here. The three Fifth-Order Monster Beasts were especially troublesome, with their keen senses and higher intelligence they would constantly take advantage of openings created by the Fourth-Order Monster Beasts to attack the couple, causing Chen Xue Shu's wounds to increase steadily .

If it were not for the two of them having superb teamwork and a tacit understanding of one another, it is likely they would have already fallen.

In the midst of the battle, Chen Xue Shu's eyes suddenly flashed a determined light, solemnly saying, "Junior Sister, I will use my full strength to open up a gap, so use your fastest speed to escape while I hold back the rest of these Monster Beasts."

Hearing his desperate words, Su Xiao Yu immediately understood what he was planning to do and shook her head, "No! If we go, we go together; if we are to die... then we'll also do that together!"

"Do as I say!" Chen Xue Shu roared, "We're both running out of True Qi and there are still too many of them left! We'll never be able to kill them all! Only if one of us stays behind will the other have a slim chance to escape! Once you have made it out, never look back, find a safe place to hide and don't come out again! If you wait until this damned place closes you'll be able to return to the Sect!"

"No! I don't want to hear it!" Su Xiao Yu cried out miserably as she frantically shook her head.

Chen Xue Shu was about to try persuading her again but Su Xiao Yu suddenly said in a firm tone, "If you dare say one more word about this I'll immediately rush into these Monster Beasts and let them tear me apart!"

"You!" Chen Xue Shu's voice filled with anger and distress.

"Do you think I won't?" Su Xiao Yu glared at him with her big round eyes.

"Good! Senior Brother won't say another word! If we are both to fall here then we'll take these beasts with us! Let's let them taste our Reflecting Moon Sect's Supreme Martial Skill!" Chen Xue Shu fighting spirit suddenly soared; his original despair and depression instantly blown away.

Su Xiao Yu also smiled, quietly standing side by side with Chen Xue Shu, their bodies True Qi surging rapidly as they slowly raised their joined hands.

A half-moon suddenly filled the sky as beams of silvery light radiated forth. These seemingly gentle moonbeams hid an unparalleled destructive force, scorching holes through the surrounding dozen or so Monster Beasts. Many Fourth-Order Monster Beasts died on the spot, and even one of the Fifth-Order Monster Beasts received a lethal wound, its blood splashing out onto the ground.

Reflecting Moon Sect's Supreme Martial Skill, Soaring Full Moon!

If they could fully activate this Martial Skill, the surrounding dozen or so Monster Beasts would have no hope of survival. Unfortunately, Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu were now both arrows at the end of their flight, even with both of them joining mustering all their remaining strength, they could only summon a half moon image, so the skill's power was severely limited.

However, the surrounding Monster Beasts which had been hit by this attack all quickly retreated, granting Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu a short reprieve, allowing the two of them to gaze into each other's eyes, neither of them holding any regrets.

They had done their best, consumed over ninety percent of their True Qi, and no longer had any power to resist. The next time the Monster Beasts rushed them would certainly kill them.

The Monster Beasts that survived seemed to understand this, and after a brief hesitation, they once again bared their fangs, a thick murderous intent filling their eyes as they stared at their prey. Suddenly, they charged!

The pair however did not sit still; Chen Xue Shu put himself between Su Xiao Yu and the oncoming beasts, using his own body to shield her, his expression extremely solemn.

Shua Shua Shua... As the remaining Monster Beasts rushed over, Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu struck at the same time, pushing the last remnants of their True Qi in a final show of defiance.

A Fourth-Order Monster Beast that was leading the charge had its head smashed open and died on the spot.

They sent another Fourth-Order Monster Beast flying as well, crashing to the ground, clearly not far from death.

However, the number of Monster Beasts attacking was still overwhelming. Two fists could not block four strikes; on top of that, the two uninjured Fifth-Order Monster Beasts had circled around to their sides and were pouncing towards the battered Chen Xue Shu.

A bloody smell and an air of death surrounded the couple as the cold sharp fangs closed in.

Fortunately, in their final moment, a silhouette suddenly fell from the sky, planting itself firmly in front of Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu like a tranquil mountain.

The Senior Brother and Junior Sister pair's eyes flashed with astonishment.

The next moment, they saw this man's palms land on the backs of the two Fifth-Order Monster Beasts.

Two cries rang out at the same time, and the two Fifth-Order Monster Beasts that had nearly sunk their teeth into Chen Xue Su simply fell to the ground.

A series of muffled thuds reverberated from the two Monster Beast's bodies as a fiery heat spread out from them.

After this, the man shot forward and delivered four lightning fast punches the oncoming beasts!

Peng peng peng peng...

The man had sent the four remaining Fourth-Order Monster Beasts flying simultaneously, struggling a bit after landing but eventually failing to stand up, their mouths leaking a conspicuous amount of blood.

"It's you!" Su Xiao Yu cried out in shock, her mouth hanging slightly open as she immediately directed a delighted look towards Yang Kai.

"Junior Brother Yang!" Chen Xue Shu also could not help but breathe a sigh of relief, filled with the wondrous feeling of narrowly escaping death.

"En. Please wait a moment!" Yang Kai nodded before swiftly dashing forward.

Although his palm strike had knocked them to the ground, the two Fifth-Order Monster Beasts were still alive; sensing that the situation was becoming dangerous, these two Monster Beasts growled loudly, trying to intimidate this newcomer as they slowly to back away, attempting to escape.

Nevertheless, Yang Kai remained indifferent to their obviously empty threat, charging straight towards them without the slightest fear, raising his hand above one of their heads and viciously chopping down.

The Monster Beast's reaction was also quite quick, managing to avoid this blow narrowly, but before it had time to steady itself, this downward chop turned into a sweeping palm strike.

PA!... Yang Kai's palm landed right on the Fifth-Order Monster Beast's cheek.

The huge Monster Beast's body crashed into a tree and fell to the ground after having awkwardly spun tens of meters through the air.

Not pausing at all, Yang Kai quickly targeted the other Fifth-Order Monster Beast, delivering a Burning Sun's Three Layer Blast squarely to its forehead.

After three muffled thuds, the Monster Beast began staggering about, as if it was drunk and dazed, while on its thick forehead, a blood red crack appeared.

Yang Kai delivered a vicious kick, sending the unsteady beast flying towards the first Monster Beast.

Swiftly chasing after it, he followed up with several heavy palm strikes and fists.

The two Monster Beasts constantly let out tragic howls, gradually becoming weak until eventually falling silent.

The Reflecting Moon pair could only stand there stunned; Su Xiao Yu's mouth was agape, while Chen Xue Shu could not hide his surprise either.

A few moments later, Yang Kai, now stained with blood, let out a long breath and casually walked back, only to find the couple he had just rescued suspiciously looking at him, "What's wrong?"

Hearing his question, Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu finally recovered, an awkward smile blooming on their faces as they cautiously asked, "Junior Brother Yang, what realm is your cultivation now?"

"Separation and Reunion Seventh Stage!" Yang Kai smiled and then stretched out his hand, flicking a Blood Bead condensed from one of the Fifth-Order Monster Beasts into Su Xiao Yu's mouth.

“Ah! ...” Su Xiao Yu yelped before hurriedly closing her mouth, waiting for the refinement reaction to come, her brow showing a mix of surprise and gratitude.

“Separation and Reunion Seventh Stage?” Chen Xue Shu’s face clearly showed his disbelief.

“That’s impossible!” Although Su Xiao Yu was grateful to Yang Kai for giving her the Blood Bead, she was also a little annoyed that he had tossed it into her mouth without saying a word. If it had been covered in dirt and grime, what would she have done? He had not even given her a chance to refuse.

(Silavin Seriously, if it just has dirt, would you pass this chance to cultivate?)

“Why would I lie to you?” Yang Kai smiled and handed another Blood Bead to Chen Xue Shu.

Chen Xue Shu frowned slightly but still immediately reached out and accepted it, “Thank you, I will remember this favor!”

“No need to be polite, I know your True Qi is nearly depleted; we should collect these Blood Beads and then restore ourselves as quickly as possible.” Yang Kai casually pointed towards the battlefield.

The pair silently nodded and walked over to recover the recently condensed Blood Beads.

“We should leave here first.” Chen Xue Shu cautiously glanced around before leading Yang Kai and Su Xiao Yu away.

Both of them seemed to be in a hurry, not even stopping to carefully refine and absorb the energy from the Blood Beads they had just swallowed.

With Blood Beads’ help, the pair quickly restored their True Qi as they continued forward, and after less than half a stick of incense, Yang Kai suddenly heard the sounds of combat in the distance.

“Over there!” Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu both broke into a sprint, rapidly moving towards the battle.

Given the circumstances, Yang Kai temporarily set aside his curiosity and quickly followed behind them.

A short while later, the trio arrived at the source of the noise, but the scene which greeted them only made Yang Kai’s brow wrinkle even more.

In front of him were several Monstrous Beasts attacking a group of cultivators, quite similar to the situation he had found Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu in before.

“Junior Brother Yang, if you don’t want to intervene then please wait here, after we finish up here we’ll bring you over and explain!” Chen Xue Shu solemnly told him and then together with Su Xiao Yu joined the fight.

“Brother Chen came back!” As soon as they discovered Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu’s figures, someone in the group could not help cheering.

“Brother Chen’s strength is really amazing! He managed to escape all those Monster Beasts and return!” Someone else shouted.

Chen Xue Shu simply smiled back wryly. Only he and Su Xiao Yu knew that those Monster Beasts had nearly torn them apart. If it were not for Yang Kai showing up at the crucial moment, how would they have been able to return alive?

The praise he was receiving right now felt rather grating.

Without explaining anything, the Reflecting Moon Sect pair quickly came to the aid of the group of cultivators, pushing back against the Monster Beast Horde.

Because of Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu safe return, the group's spirits lifted, perhaps sensing this, the group of Monster Beasts determined that the fight was unfavorable and after a moment, a loud roar rang out.

Hearing this roar, the several tens of Monster Beasts began falling back, quickly disappearing into the jungle.

In the aftermath, a dozen Monster Beast bodies, along with a single cultivator.

Yang Kai could only stand there in a daze, unable to hide his surprise and confusion.

From what he could tell, the people gathered here were actually all from various different Sects but had somehow banded together to fight these Monster Beasts.

[Chapter 228 – Situation](#)

Yang Kai saw a lot of familiar faces, most of which he had met for the first time at the mountain lake.

The Ten Thousand Flower Palace's four girls were among them, along with disciples from Pure Heart Palace, Water Moon Hall, Nine Star Sword Sect, Raging Fire Temple, Soaring Feather Pavilion ...

Disciples of these various factions had all gathered here, totalling around thirty people, all of them leaders and elites from their respective forces.

But now, the state of these people did not look very good, their True Qi consumption was severe, and many of them had varying degrees of injuries.

Clearly, they had just experienced a hard fight. Thus, most of the thirty or so disciples were in meditative recovery; only one person was moving about the battlefield, gathering up the Blood Beads left behind by the defeated Monster Beasts.

Looking around, Yang Kai saw a young man about twenty-seven or twenty-eight years old glaring at him coldly.

This young man had a tall stature with an arrogant bearing. Although his clothes had many rips and tears, they were still neatly arranged without the slightest wrinkle; even the numerous blood stains on him only added to his cold and imposing aura. He stood there quietly, like a sharp, unsheathed sword, ready to strike at a moment's notice.

After staring at Yang Kai for a moment, the young man's interest faded as he turned his eyes away and talked to the person who had just been collecting the Blood Beads, reaching out and receiving them from him.

As Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu came over, both of them revealed a tired expression as they scanned the aftermath of the battle.

“What happened here?” Yang Kai frowned; he really could not see how the situation had developed into this. These younger generation disciples had all come here from different Sects for life experience, so the relationship between them was akin to rivals and enemies. If there were no special circumstances, even if they didn’t attack one another, gathering together en masse like this would simply be impossible.

“It’s a long story!” Chen Xue Shu grit his teeth and motioned for Yang Kai to sit down.

Seeing that Chen Xue Shu’s injury was not light, Yang Kai reached his hand into his sleeve and pulled out of a bottle, from which he poured out a couple pills.

“Healing pills...” Su Xiao Yu’s eyes lit up.

Chen Xue Shu hastily signaled to her with his eyes and quickly whispered, “Brother Yang, quickly hide those!”

Yang Kai’s brow wrinkled even more, and although he was confused, he quietly put the bottle back into his sleeve while stealthily placing the pills he had taken out into Chen Xue Shu’s hand.

He was truly puzzled; after all, it was just a few healing pills, so why had Su Xiao Yu made such a fuss? Every young disciple who came here for life experience had certainly brought a few bottles of these with them to use from time to time.

Inside his Universe Bag, he himself had more than ten bottles of pills prepared for him by his Grand Master Ling Tai Xu, although he had barely used any of them.

Su Xiao Yu quickly turned around and stuck out her tongue, an apologetic look upon her face.

“Senior Brother Chen, why are all of you gathered together?” Yang Kai whispered. This was what he was most uncertain about.

“We had no choice!” Chen Xue Shu wryly smiled.

“Somebody threatened you?” Yang Kai’s expression went cold.

“Not quite.” Chen Xue Shu shook his head repeatedly. “We didn’t gather together voluntarily, but out of self-protection. You see, if we hadn’t converged, none of us would have been able to survive up till now.”

“There’s some kind of danger here that forced all of you to join hands?” Yang Kai questioned.

“En.” Chen Xue Shu nodded his head.

“Is it some terrible Monster Beast?”

“It’s a group of people. Well, the Monster Beasts are also a problem.” Chen Xue Shu sighed deeply, glancing over and asking, “Do you remember when we were waiting by the lake side, there was a group of people whose looks and clothes were somewhat different from the rest of us Great Han Dynasty cultivators?”

How could Yang Kai not remember? The impression given by that group of people was quite strong after all. “You mean those Tian Lang Dynasty cultivators?”

Chen Xue Shu looked at him stunned, “Brother Yang even knew their origin! Our group had to pay a big price before we finally figured out that they weren’t from our Great Han Dynasty.”

“Grand Master told me before.”

Chen Xue Shu’s face revealed both shock and admiration, “Predecessor Ling is truly well informed.”

“What is the relationship between those Tian Lang Dynasty cultivators and your current situation? I know they are really strong, but in the end, there are only four of them. With so many of you here, how could they pose a threat to you?” Yang Kai frowned, only more confused by Chen Xue Shu’s explanation so far.

“If it was just the four of them, we would never fear them! If those damn Tian Lang Dynasty dogs dared act presumptuous in front of us Great Han Dynasty cultivators, we would never tolerate it! Just a few of us together here would easily be able to destroy them!” Chen Xue Shu spat out angrily before putting on a wry smile, “But now it’s not just the four of them, *haa...*, we don’t know what kind of strange Secret Art or Martial Skill they’ve cultivated, but whatever it is it allows them to enslave Monster Beasts, forcing them to fight for them! Those four people now have hundreds of Monster Beast servants, so how could we possibly fight back against them?”

Hearing this, many things that confused Yang Kai suddenly made sense, “Just now, when you were surrounded by Monster Beasts; are you saying those Tian Lang Dynasty cultivators were the ones who arranged that?”

“En,” Chen Xue Shu nodded heavily. “The disciples from hundreds of sects and various forces in the Great Han Dynasty entered this isolated world, but none of us were prepared for that group from Tian Lang Dynasty. The first month or two, that group of bastards didn’t make any big movements, mostly ignoring us Great Han Dynasty cultivators, letting us kill Monster Beasts and fight amongst ourselves. However! Two months later, after they had enslaved a considerable number of Monster Beasts, they immediately began launching attacks on us, who were still scattered and unaware. Many people were caught off guard and were hunted down by those Monster Beasts while those Tian Lang Dynasty people just sat back and watched, reaping all the rewards from our deaths without having to exert any effort themselves.”

(Silavin: That’s a good plan. You kill off those that got fat from the blood bead, giving you an even better meal.)

Yang Kai was astonished, unable to regain his composure for a long time.

But now, at least all the doubts had been cleared up. No wonder he found a group of Monster Beasts from various different species attacking the two of them. Someone else had driven them!

“These past few days, those Tian Lang Dynasty peoples’ Monster Beasts are only increasing in number, there’s simply too many of them for us to kill. On the other hand, our Great Han Dynasty group has been continuously shrinking! When we first gathered together, there were nearly fifty of us, but since then

more than a dozen have died, and now, aside from those you see here, I'm afraid everyone else has perished.

In other words, the only living people in this isolated world now were those four Tian Lang Dynasty cultivators and the thirty or so disciples here.

Yang Kai took a deep breath and tried to gather his wits. In the beginning, there were about two or three hundred people who entered this isolated world, but half a year later, only about one tenth remained. Those who had died were all elites from their respective forces, so the loss to the Great Han Dynasty couldn't be simply described as heavy.

Exasperated, Chen Xue Shu ground his teeth in frustration as his face flushed red with anger, "This is beyond shameful, once this news spreads out, all the Sects which sent disciples here are bound to lose all face..."

So many Great Han Dynasty young elites had gathered together, but they were all swiftly and decisively beaten down by only four Tian Lang Dynasty youths. If this really spread out, everyone here would become the world's laughing stock, so he had good reason to be upset.

"Senior Brother, it's not your fault!" Su Xiao Yu softly comforted, "It's not that we are weak, it's just that those people are too treacherous, plotting too deeply."

"Haa..." Chen Xue Shu sighed dispiritedly, "I just hope that this damned place closes quickly so those of us left can escape."

Pondering for a moment, Yang Kai suddenly frowned and asked, "With so many of you gathered together, who is in charge?"

Everyone here was an elite, in their respective forces they were all capable of summoning the wind and rain, so naturally many of them were rebellious, arrogant, and highly self-confident. If there was no one here capable of suppressing all these egos, this group would only be a mess.

Chen Xue Shu glanced towards the side and motioned, "Him. Nine Star Sword Sect's Wu Cheng Yi, a True Element Boundary Seventh Stage master. Of everyone gathered here, his strength is the strongest, so for now we're all following his lead."

As he turned his eyes, Yang Kai was surprised to find that the one Chen Xue Shu talked about was the young man who had previously been staring at him.

[No wonder he gave off the feeling of an unsheathed sword, turns out he's an elite disciple from the Nine Star Sword Sect.] Yang Kai secretly thought.

The Nine Star Sword Sect's disciples all cultivated the way of the sword; it was an extremely famous Sect whose reputation echoed throughout the Great Han Dynasty.

Nine Star Sword Sect could be considered the first sect just beneath Eight Great Families! A sect of such great standing in the Great Han Dynasty can be considered a sect meant to train up dragons and phoenixes!

Wu Cheng Yi possessed great personal strength and came from an extraordinary background; such a person temporarily commanding this group made sense, in addition to him, there was likely no one else in this group young elites who could serve as leader without drawing public criticism.

Yang Kai nodded and said, "This man's temperament and demeanor really does make him look like a leader; it seems that Nine Star Sword Sect has placed a lot of emphasis on cultivating him."

Su Xiao Yu who had been listening quietly up till now suddenly whispered angrily, "Hmph, he's just an arrogant man who treats the rest of us like his henchmen. He demanded that all the Blood Beads we obtain by killing Monster Beasts be handed over to him so he can distribute them, who knows how many he's greedily tucked away."

Chen Xue Shu softly looked towards Su Xiao Yu, "Don't say that, if not for him taking charge, it's unlikely we would be able to gather together like this, and would have long been picked off one by one by those Tian Lang Dynasty people. His combat strength is the highest, and he's also made the most contributions, so getting more benefits is also reasonable. Besides, more than eighty percent of the Monstrous Beasts in this isolate world have been enslaved by that Tian Lang Dynasty group. Either way, we wouldn't be able to obtain many Blood Beads. If he wants them he can have them, my only wish is to be able to escape here alive, everything else isn't important anymore."

However, Su Xiao Yu was clearly not convinced, "If it was just that I wouldn't care so much, but what bothers me is he doesn't take the lives of other people seriously. Just now, we were sent out to contain more than a dozen Monster Beasts, if not for Junior Brother Yang saving us, Senior Brother... you ..."

Thinking of the danger the pair had encountered, Su Xiao Yu suddenly burst into tears, her eyes quickly becoming red and swollen like a child's.

"Now... now, what are you crying for? Do you want to show Brother Yang here such a miserable look? Didn't we make it out safe and sound?" Chen Xue Shu laughed while comforting her, directing a grateful smile towards Yang Kai.

On the other hand, Yang Kai frowned and asked, "Were you being surrounded by those Monster Beasts because of his orders?"

Chen Xue Shu smiled wryly, "We all take turns, it's just our Senior Brother and Junior Sister's bad luck that there were more than usual this time, almost causing us to fall."

Watching him let out a deep sigh, Yang Kai could feel Chen Xue Shu's helplessness; in their current situation, even if he was dissatisfied with Wu Cheng Yi, he could only endure it and act in the best interests of the group, if the two of them were to leave, with his and Su Xiao Yu's strength, they would only end up dying faster.

Thinking through all of this, he finally understood why, when he took out those few healing pills, Su Xiao Yu had been so pleasantly surprised.

Over the past few months, this group must have suffered countless battles, and although each of them had brought many spare pills, by now, they had certainly run out. In addition, this isolated world did not seem to have any herbs or flowers with medicinal properties. So, even his commonplace healing pills were considered extremely rare and valuable treasures.

[Chapter 229 – Asura Sect](#)

Hearing all this, Yang Kai's expression sank as he secretly regretted his own careless actions; uncertain if anyone else had observed this scene. If they had, it would likely lead to something troublesome.

How could he have known that a trivial healing pill had actually become a rare and valuable treasure?

"Brother Chen, can you come here for a moment?" Wu Cheng Yi suddenly called out, which prompted Chen Xue Shu to whisper to Yang Kai, "Brother Yang, please wait a moment, I'll be right back."

"En." Yang Kai simply nodded.

After Chen Xue Shu left, Yang Kai looked around and found that many people were staring at him with great interest.

This group of people had not seen a new face for a very long time. They had long since thought that the scattered Great Han Dynasty cultivators had all died, but now, seeing this unfamiliar Yang Kai, naturally their curiosity was piqued, especially since it seemed Yang Kai was alone. They could not understand how a single person could escape the grasp of the Tian Lang Dynasty cultivators.

Yang Kai also swept his eyes over the crowd and received a slight nod from the four Ten Thousand Flower Palace girls.

These four girls had entered Nether Mountain together with Yang Kai, and although they had not spoken, they had once traveled and faced danger together, so naturally they were more comfortable with each other.

Yang Kai smiled in return.

While observing this group, two people suddenly stood up and walked over, led by an exceptionally beautiful woman. She had a tall stature and wore a tight fitting green dress, which completely outlined her enchanting body. Her full breasts and well-rounded bottom were naturally highlighted along with her slender legs and fully exposed lotus like arms. Her skin resembled a pure white jade-like crystal, sparkling like fine porcelain tinged with a slight seductive luster. Even her delicate fingers, adorned with a bright red nail polish, seemed to enhance her charm. She was no doubt an alluring beauty.

(PewPewLaserGun: Yeash, could the author not have just said she was hot and moved on... ugh)

(Silavin: Where is the fun in that?)

However, what drew everyone's attention the most was no doubt this woman's towering pair of trembling breasts, full and shapely, exquisite in every way. Among the women Yang Kai had met, only Lan Chudie could possibly be compared with her.

(Silavin: Damn...)

She exuded a mature and dangerous charm, like a beautiful snake charming its prey. Leisurely standing there, her pair of spring-like eyes stared towards Yang Kai, a meaningful smile adorning her seductive lips.

Behind her followed a towering bear of a man, a proud tiger like presence with an exceptionally sturdy figure. His stature was several times more grand than anyone else there, and he stood with a cold, indifferent face completing his imposing look. A ten centimeter scar adorned his cheek. All around, his domineering physique gave him a murderous appearance. His eyes sparked with lightning and revealed a kind of frigid and ruthless taste.

Whether it was the woman or the man, both of them gave off a kind of savage bloody aura.

Su Xiao Yu wrinkled her brow, "Are they coming to us?"

"Apparently." Yang Kai also frowned. He had found that this glamorous woman had actually been staring at him for a while before deciding to come over.

"Junior Brother Yang, do you know them?" Su Xiao Yu asked somewhat puzzled.

Yang Kai shook his head in a confused manner. He had never met these two before, and although Ling Tai Xu had previously informed him about the majority of the Sect's present and the strength of their disciples, the lake was simply too large. So for the people occupying the opposite shore, Ling Tai Xu could not provide any information, so Yang Kai really didn't even know where these two had come from much less who they were.

"Perhaps it's because... they saw you take out those healing pills?" Su Xiao Yu's expression suddenly changed.

Yang Kai's face also became heavy, secretly becoming angered.

"Junior Brother Yang, you must not argue with them, the two of them are very strong!" Su Xiao Yu quickly warned, a trace of worry appearing on her face.

"I'll try." Yang Kai nodded slightly. After all, in the current situation, he did not want to start a conflict with the people here. If he suddenly became enemies with these two, then he would inevitably be seen as an enemy by everyone here, and if that happened, a bad ending was destined. However, if someone insisted on bullying him, Yang Kai wouldn't show any weakness.

As the hot glamorous woman and the cold towering man came over to him, all other eyes in the group turned towards them. They all wanted to know what this seemingly lascivious woman intended to do.

After a moment, the woman came up to Yang Kai and carefully looked over him. Without so much as a word, the man behind her also observed him intensely, his cold pair of eyes, like razor sharp swords, stared at him, as if to look directly into Yang Kai's heart and soul.

Yang Kai couldn't help frowning, "Do you two need something?"

The woman did not answer but instead continued looking at him seriously, and slowly leaned towards him. Her mouth still showed a pleasant smile while her beautiful face came right up next to Yang Kai's and breathed in gently through her delicate nose.

Yang Kai's face was now completely flabbergasted.

Although he did not feel the slightest murderous or malicious intent from this woman, her current actions left him and everyone else around him scratching their heads.

However, the woman completely ignored all of these stares and, like a playful little puppy, kept sniffing around Yang Kai's body. A few strands of her hair brushed past his neck and cheeks and tickled him in more ways than one.

Her own alluring scent wafted into Yang Kai's nose, a strange mix of flowers and feminine sweat, which simulated a strange sense of arousal.

With her deep open collar, the sight of a deep and uncharted valley sandwiched between her breathtaking snow white mountains was firmly imprinted into Yang Kai's eyes.

Facing such a fantastical scene, Yang Kai could not help swallowing, his throat was now completely parched.

"Hey ... what are you doing!?" Su Xiao Yu finally recovered from her shock and cried out, her cheeks a deep shade of crimson, as her pulse racing rapidly.

This woman's actions... she was blatantly teasing him! Other than those who were in meditative recovery, everyone present felt like their hearts had suddenly sped up, not to mention Su Xiao Yu, this young innocent girl.

She was sitting next to Yang Kai, so the view she saw was clearer than anyone else.

The sound of men swallowing their saliva came from all directions, and many of these young cultivators hearts burned with jealousy. Since they had assembled together each of them had fantasised about this woman's full enchanting breasts, but because of the towering presence of the man behind her none of them had dared to act presumptuously.

They had not even gotten the chance to speak with her so how could they possibly be able to get so close to her?

But now this woman seemed to have taken a strong interest towards Yang Kai's body, not even waiting for permission to get close to him. The scene that played out before them was simply too hot and spicy, especially in this crisis filled place right after a fierce battle, everyone's blood was already boiling.

"Girl, you..." Yang Kai's whole body felt uncomfortable. Although he was certain she had no harmful intent, this woman was just too strange. They had never met before yet she was openly being so intimate, and it was completely baffling.

"Shh..." The woman smiled even more sweetly as she stretched out a jade-like finger, and gently pressed it onto Yang Kai's lips, which instantly suppressed his question.

She then continued to sniff him unscrupulously as Yang Kai turned bright red all the way to his ears.

"Mmm... Junior Brother Yang!" Su Xiao Yu finally could not stand it and swiftly delivered a kick to Yang Kai's backside.

"Hahaha..." Seeing this scene, the woman suddenly giggled happily before looking straight at Yang Kai. Her delicate beautiful face gradually showed a puzzled expression and gazed at him as if in some kind of trance. Her big wet eyes clearly flashing a confused light.

"What do you think?" The woman suddenly looked back at her towering companion.

“A thick, bloody, murderous aura!” The man obviously treated his words like gold and offered only this comment.

“En.” The woman nodded slightly then suddenly laughed while putting on a warm smile, “Little Brother don’t be alarmed, it’s just because we Senior Sister and Junior Brother pair felt a sense of intimacy with you that we’ve acted so forward.”

“Hmph!” Su Xiao Yu gave a firm snort before turning her head.

She obviously did not believe these naive words.

Of course, Yang Kai did not believe them either.

Seeing his reaction, the woman still just laughed, “I know this reason is not very convincing, but I truly am not lying to you, in fact, I do not understand why I have this feeling either.”

“Ah right, my name is Ye Qing Si and this is my Junior Brother Zhou Ba!”

“Yang Kai!”

“So you are Junior Brother Yang ...” Ye Qing Si smiled warmly, a carefree expression upon her face, like a gentle autumn breeze. She quickly followed up, “We Senior Sister and Junior Brother are from the Endless Sea Islands, Asura Sect, I’m afraid Junior Brother Yang may not have heard of it.”

Yang Kai’s face twitched imperceptibly before he quickly hid his reaction. He now understood why this woman had suddenly come up to him and acted so familiar.

Endless Sea Islands Asura Sect! A first-class great force!

Since the two of them were elite disciples from the Asura Sect, they had certainly cultivated their Sects most profound Secret Arts, and the Asura Sect’s Hallowed Treasure, the Asura Sword, at the moment, lay refined inside his body. Perhaps they had vaguely sensed its presence.

No wonder she said they felt a sense of intimacy! Knowing this, Yang Kai did not dare to show any outward signs. Right now, these two felt a sense of intimacy with him, but if they knew the Asura Sect Sacred Treasure was in his possession, that intimacy would immediately become murderous intent.

Of this he had no doubt.

Pretending to be ignorant, Yang Kai put on a puzzled expression and asked, “Endless Sea Islands?”

Ye Qing Si nodded, “At the Southernmost end of the Great Han Dynasty lays The Endless Sea and within that sea there are many Sects. Junior Brother Yang comes from deep inland, so it’s reasonable you don’t know about us.”

“Is it only for you who have come here?” Yang Kai showed interest in a timely manner. He was actually quite interested in this point, seeing how he had many other Hallowed Treasures on him right now.

Ye Qing Si laughed, “A few people came from Gemini Island, but only one that is left now is that guy over there!”

Done with the explanation she lightly pointed out this person.

Yang Kai casually glanced over, and his nerves settled greatly. Thankfully, no one from the Falling Blossom Temple had come, or else they would likely show intimacy towards him for no reason as well, which would force him to explain himself.

“Where does Junior Brother Yang come from?” Ye Qing Si inquired. It was clear that the doubts in her mind had not yet been dispelled.

For no apparent reason a complete stranger produced a sense of intimacy with both Senior Sister and Junior Brother, naturally, they would be curious.

“High Heaven Pavilion.” He replied, and in an attempt to not conceal his origins he gave a plausible explanation, “Perhaps because my Secret Art and Martial Skills emphasize slaughtering intent, and because, in this isolated world, I have been stained with a lot of blood, you two have produced a sense of intimacy with me.”

“Perhaps so.” Ye Qing Si slightly pursed her lips and slightly nodded before returning to her friendly demeanor, “Well, even if we’ve met by chance, Junior Brother Yang should act with us; don’t worry, just stick by Elder Sister’s side and I’ll protect you, hahaha...”

“Thank you for your kind intentions.” Yang Kai quickly began pondering how to say he wanted to leave, but then he saw Wu Cheng Yi and Chen Xue Shu coming towards him.

“Enough with the idle chatter!” Wu Cheng Yi said with a serious face and walked up to Yang Kai while looking down at him, “I heard Brother Chen say you’re a disciple from High Heaven Pavilion, correct?”

Yang Kai frowned, slightly unhappy with Wu Cheng Yi’s domineering attitude, his overbearing and arrogant tone indicating that no dissent would be tolerated.

“That’s right,” Yang Kai decided to play along and nodded for now.

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“What’s your cultivation level?” Wu Cheng Yi continued questioning.

“Separation and Reunion Seventh Stage!”

As he answered, Yang Kai clearly saw the disdain and annoyance in Wu Cheng Yi’s eyes, but that was to be expected. Of those who were still alive, who had not at least reached the True Element Boundary? Yang Kai, with his Separation and Reunion Seventh Stage cultivation, could definitely be considered weak.

Asura Sect’s Ye Qing Si’s face also showed a look of surprise. Apparently, she had not thought Yang Kai’s strength would be so low.

Originally, she had believed that since he had survived alone in this dangerous place for more than half a year, Yang Kai would at least be a True Element cultivator. But Yang Kai himself had declared that he was a Separation and Reunion Seventh Stage, shocking almost everyone around him.

“Little Brother, are you really only at the Separation and Reunion Seventh Stage?” Ye Qing Si could not help but ask.

Yang Kai simply nodded and circulated the Yuan Qi in his body, emitting a Yuan Qi wave to clearly display his current strength.

Many of the surrounding cultivators were stunned, while a burst of chuckles also emerged from somewhere.

“What are you laughing about?” Su Xiao Yu immediately stuck up for Yang Kai and fiercely scolded the group of blind fools. Although Junior Brother Yang’s cultivation had only reached Separation and Reunion Boundary Seventh Stage, his combat strength was many times greater than an ordinary True Element cultivator.

When Yang Kai had saved the two of them just now, he had killed two Fifth-Order Monster Beasts and four Fourth-Order Monster Beasts. Against those foes, she and Chen Xue Shu could only desperately struggle for their lives, so killing them off so effortlessly was a testament to his strength.

Although there were a variety of reasons for him to be able to accomplish such a feat, his strength was definitely beyond doubt.

No one here was more aware of just how strong Yang Kai was than Su Xiao Yu and Chen Xue Shu. To have such a master join them was a great blessing for this group! However, some people, in their ignorance, actually dared to ridicule him.

Su Xiao Yu felt indignant, but in the end did not press the issue. She was not some silly naive girl who would go around exposing Yang Kai’s true abilities.

“You’re only a Separation and Reunion Boundary Seventh Stage, how have you survived until now?” Ye Qing Si asked with a puzzled expression, clearly quite confused.

“I accidentally fell into a deep valley and spent the last half a year trying to find a way to climb back up...” Yang Kai shrugged his shoulders.

When he spoke these words, the many in the group around him laughed even harder. Su Xiao Yu’s breathing became rough as she held down her anger, but she could not say anything because what he said was true.

Wu Cheng Yi remained indifferent, unceremoniously declaring, “Your cultivation is too low, so you’re nothing but another body bag. However, Brother Chen brought you here so just stick with him and Sister Su. If you can at least contain one or two Fourth- Order Monstrous Beasts, then I suppose you’ll have some use!”

Finished speaking, Wu Cheng Yi hurriedly turned away, not wanting to waste any more time talking with Yang Kai.

“I’m not staying.” Yang Kai said with a frown.

After leaving the valley, all he wanted to do was find someone to inquire about the current situation, but he had somehow ended up following Chen Xue Shu here. Now that he had obtained the information he wanted, naturally he planned to leave.

Acting together with so many people simply made them an easier target. If everyone was from the same Sect, having a mutual trust and understanding of one another, then things might be different. However,

in this mixed bag of goods, who could know when their neighbor might betray them? If he joined them, with his realm being amongst the lowest, then in the event when they encountered any critical danger, he would likely be the first to be sacrificed.

Knowing this, how could Yang Kai deliver his life into someone else's hands?

If so, he might as well act alone. Although there were many dangers and uncertainties, Yang Kai was confident in his current strength, so as long as he was careful he shouldn't encounter any real problems.

Even if he became surrounded by the Tian Lang Dynasty group, with his Flaming Yang Wings, he could still easily escape. Why would he bother joining together with these people?

In addition to all this, Yang Kai also had another major concern.

If Ye Qing Si or Zhou Ba managed to sense the presence of the Asura Sword, it would certainly create trouble for him. Therefore, although the possibility was very low, he still needed to take precautions.

Neither Yang Kai nor this group of people wanted to travel together, so why should he insist on sticking around?

"What did you say?" Wu Cheng Yi turned around and stared at Yang Kai, squinting his eyes before confirming, "You want to act alone?"

"Yes!" Yang Kai nodded.

"Brother Yang..." Chen Xue Shu's expression changed, as he quickly came forward and whispered, "Acting on your own is too dangerous, if you stay here with Senior Brother and Senior Sister, at least we can watch out for each other. It's definitely safer than you trying to move alone."

Chen Xue Shu had no doubt what he said was true and did not have the slightest ulterior intent.

Ye Qing Si also tried to persuade him, "Junior Brother Yang, there's no need for you to try to be brave, just stay here with us. Although we've only just met, Elder Sister really feels cordial with you; it has been many years since our Senior Sister and Junior Brother have had such a strong feeling, so we don't want you to encounter any unnecessary misfortune. Zhou Ba, you agree, right?"

The giant tower of a man with a cold gaze simply nodded slightly.

"Thank you for your kind words," Yang Kai chuckled, "but I'm quite lazy and don't like to be ordered around like someone's henchman."

"Everyone is free to choose if they want to stay or go, there's no need to try retaining him!" Wu Cheng Yi quipped disdainfully but then reached out his hand, "However, before you leave, leave all the pills you have on you."

Yang Kai, Chen Xue Shu, and Su Xiao Yu's faces all went cold.

Just now, others had apparently noticed the scene where Yang Kai had taken out those few healing pills.

Chen Xue Shu frowned, "Brother Wu, how can you do this?"

Wu Cheng Yi snorted lightly, "What's wrong with my decision? He is just a Separation and Reunion Boundary Seventh Stage. Those Tian Lang bastards will kill him soon enough, and when they do, the healing pills he has will fall into their hands. It's better if he just leaves them for us instead!"

Su Xiao Yu ground her teeth and yelled, "Wu Cheng Yi, you just want to rob him!"

Ye Qing Si and Zhou Ba also frowned. The two of them were obviously unhappy about Wu Cheng Yi's behaviour, but both of them held their tongues.

However, Wu Cheng Yi just sneered, "Take a look around you! How many of us have been injured? Without any healing pills, how much of their strength will they be able to use? Only by quickly healing everyone can we hope to resist those Tian Lang cultivator's attacks and protect ourselves! Taking his pills is not for me but for everyone in this group!"

Chen Xue Shu angrily shot back, "Wu Cheng Yi, don't pretend to be so righteous! If you insist on forcing Brother Yang, then we Brother and Sister will not agree."

Wu Cheng Yi shifted his sight towards Chen Xue Shu and arrogantly said, "So what if you don't agree with me? What do you intend to do about it?"

The atmosphere around them instantly became tense.

"I also think it's a bad idea." Ye Qing Si smiled sweetly, and her seductive eyes stared at Wu Cheng Yi, "This just looks like the act of a robber. Wu Cheng Yi, whatever your motives are, you're still an elite disciple of a great Sect. Don't you think being so domineering is bad for your face?"

The latter's face twitched. It seems he was somewhat suppressed by Ye Qing Si, but after hesitating for a long while he chuckled, "If that's the case, then we should let everyone decide! Should he be forced to leave his pills behind, or allowed to take them away?"

"He should leave them with us!" Someone immediately said, "Brother Wu is right, with his weak cultivation he won't last more than a few days out there alone. Why should we allow those Tian Lang animals to snatch his pills for free?"

To this statement, many people nodded in agreement.

The youth quickly followed up, "Brother Chen please calm your anger, I'm just saying what I believe is right! This High Heaven Pavilion brother's strength is really too low. If he was going to stay with us and help support the group with his healing pills, then if someone was seriously injured, presumably he would not be stingy, but since he is determined to leave and wants to act alone, I think he should contribute his pills to us!"

Most of the people here seemed to agree with Wu Cheng Yi's practice, which made Chen Xue Shu and Su Xiao Yu's faces very ugly.

Arguing back, Chen Xue Shu sneered, "You really believe your actions are correct? If someone wanted to rob you of your life-saving pills, what would you do?"

Hearing his words, many of these people couldn't help but frown or turn away. Although they knew what they were doing was immoral, right now, everyone's healing pills had nearly been spent. Even if

they could only obtain just one more bottle, perhaps at a critical time it would allow them to save a few people's lives.

"Do unto others as you'd have them do to you!" A cold voice echoed.

Yang Kai looked up and saw a girl wearing a Ten Thousand Flower Palace robe and nodded slightly.

Wu Cheng Yi had not expected that there would be so many people speaking up for Yang Kai, so having been forced into a corner, he said, "Fine then, I will give him a choice, so no one can say I'm just using strength to bully the weak."

Glaring at Yang Kai he declared, "Stay with us, or leave your pills, it's your decision!"

"Ho..." Yang Kai chuckled, staring back at Wu Cheng Yi he slowly said, "I choose the latter!"

He had never wanted to work together with these people, and seeing Wu Cheng Yi act so arrogantly only further reinforced this thought. How could he possibly choose to stay now?

But now with so many people eyeing him, if he really did not leave some pills, those who had just pressured him would definitely not just let him go.

"This is your own choice!" Wu Cheng Yi stretched out a hand to Yang Kai.

However, Yang Kai shook his head and grinned deviously.

Seeing this, Wu Cheng Yi wrinkled his brow, "What do you mean?"

"I only said I'd leave the pills, I didn't say I'd leave them to you. Don't be so presumptuous." Yang Kai sneered, and ignoring the extended hand before him, he took out a bottle of healing pill and threw it to Chen Xue Shu while staring coldly at Wu Cheng Yi, "Senior Brother Chen, I'll leave those pills to you."

As Chen Xue Shu caught the pill bottle, his brow furrowed angrily.

He had brought Yang Kai over, but now his own group of people were strong-arming him. How could he remain indifferent?

Taking a deep breath, Chen Xue Shu loudly said, "Brother Yang rest assured, Senior Brother will distribute these pills well!"

His meaning was clear. Those who had just stood on Wu Cheng Yi's side knew they should never expected to see the healing pills inside this bottle.

Yang Kai nodded and hurriedly cupped his fists, "Then I bid you farewell, I hope we shall meet again!"

Finished speaking, Yang Kai instantly disappeared into the jungle.

"I doubt we'll see each other again!" Wu Cheng Yi coldly snorted and awkwardly retracted his outstretched hand. His face was clearly still angry as he loudly barked towards the group, "We've rested here long enough, it's time we get moving! Those Tian Lang dogs will certainly launch another attack soon. If we don't leave now it will be too late."

The more than thirty people quickly organized themselves according to Wu Cheng Yi's instructions and began to carefully walk into the jungle.

No one noticed when the last person in their ranks quietly hid his presence. After the group had moved away, this youth looked in a certain direction and hurriedly dashed out.

The direction he went was clearly the same as the path Yang Kai had taken.

Yang Kai had left a single bottle of pill before leaving, but which disciple who came to this place for life experience would only bring a single bottle of healing pills? Moreover, Yang Kai said before that he had accidentally fell into a valley and spent half a year looking for way to climb out. Since that was the case, for this past half a year he certainly did not encounter much fighting, and if he had not been fighting, then he would not have been hurt, nor would he have used any healing pills.

Therefore, he must have more pills!

So Wu Cheng Yi had secretly ordered this person to go cut down Yang Kai and bring back any pills he may have on him.

A meticulous plan set up by Wu Cheng Yi; to only send a single person to complete this task so as to not arouse suspicions.