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Chapter 1521

Miao Yao's sudden movement took everyone by surprise! They never expected him to be so shameless and ruthless in achieving his goals!

Elder Meng's face sank, and he was about to go forward! "Miao Yao!"

However, Miao Yao suddenly snorted. "Meng Xian, if you intervene, Shangguan Yue will automatically lose this gamble!"

We previously said clearly that Shangguan Yue had to endure these three moves! Previously, I only executed my third move halfway. If I want to take action now, other people can't stop him!

"You—" Elder Meng was stumped, and he was so angry that his face turned pale. However, he still hesitated in his actions.

He naturally didn't want Miao Yao to disturb Yue'er like that. However... he knew how much effort she had put in to win this battle. If he took action now, all the torture she experienced earlier would be for nothing!

"Elder Meng." A calm and clear voice suddenly came from behind.

Elder Meng turned around. He saw that Chu Liuyue had opened her eyes at some point.

Her eyes were dark and unaffected. It was as if they contained everything in the world—spacious yet peaceful.

Elder Meng's terrified heart suddenly seemed to be comforted.

"This is between Senior Miao Yao and I. I'll handle everything." As Chu Liuyue spoke, the corner of her lips curled up, and she smiled.

"Okay!" Elder Meng was hesitant in his words, but he finally nodded. Since she has said so, it proves that she has her own plans.

He moved his feet and retreated.

Chu Liuyue's gaze turned.

An icicle was right before her! Her expression was nonchalant and calm as if she didn't detect the danger! Or perhaps, this attack wasn't worth a mention in her eyes!

Chu Liuyue suddenly raised her hands.

The silver and red galaxy moved. The next moment, the sparks in front of her started forming rapidly!

The lights became tight, and the surrounding space became sticky.

Once that icicle went close, its speed started decreasing at an observable speed. Finally, it seemed to have sunk into mud and couldn't move!

At this point, it was only a few steps away from Chu Liuyue. However, this small distance became a wide gap that it couldn't cross no matter what!

Shock flashed across Miao Yao's eyes. "How..."

Previously, he had already guessed that Shangguan Yue's God Realm couldn't be underestimated and that it might be better than his God Realm. However, he didn't expect it to be a crushing defeat!

The two God Realms clashed, and he was the losing one!

The icicle was filled with rich force, yet it couldn't even barge into the other party's God Realm!

Miao Yao was humiliated, and he hated it so much that his teeth felt itchy.

Right at this moment, Chu Liuyue's gaze brushed past Miao Yao through the icicle.

Miao Yao never thought that he would be sized up with such a nonchalant gaze!

"Senior Miao Yao." Chu Liuyue suddenly spoke in a very sincere and genuine manner. "You're delaying my breakthrough."

A breeze blew past her and curled up the corner of her sleeves.

Chu Liuyue looked up slightly. Her originally white and pretty face was covered in bloodstains, but the corner of her lips was still smiling, like the break of dawn and fresh flowers that bloomed naturally.

For some reason, Miao Yao's heart suddenly skipped a beat.

He was clearly much stronger than the other party. Even if Shangguan Yue successfully broke through to become a true god, she might not be his match. The one that could fight with him had to be a legendary warrior at the very least, but at this point, he suddenly felt a chill run down his spine when he saw Chu Liuyue's slight smile.

It was cold to the bones!

Chu Liuyue's fingertips swiped across lightly. The remaining half of the golden tribulation suddenly landed in her hands!

Chu Liuyue held it tightly!

"I hate this type of thing." She tilted her head and said every word carefully.

Every word seemed to come out of ice-cold water—it was freezing to the bones!

Miao Yao was alarmed. "What do you want to do?!"

"I don't want to do anything. But you—didn't you want to end this as soon as possible?" Chu Liuyue was slow.

Her white fingers held the golden tribulation tightly! One could even see sparks flying around at its edges.

The crowd was frightened and dumbfounded. Crazy! Shangguan Yue actually held the tribulation in her hands?! Does she care about that tribulation at all?

Chu Liuyue suddenly looked up and hollered, "I'll grant your wish!"

Then, Chu Liuyue used force in her hands.

Peng!

The golden tribulation actually dissipated in Chu Liuyue's hands!

Countless golden sparks spread around. The next moment, they seemed to be summoned by something as they rushed toward Chu Liuyue's body!

A ray of light quickly flashed across Chu Liuyue's brows before it instantly faded! But at this point, her body was covered in the blinding light. Others could only see her figure forcefully but not the slight movement.

At one moment, Chu Liuyue felt that a fire burned across her face with scorching heat. But the moment this feeling appeared, it went away.

At this point, she was busy absorbing the force in the golden tribulation and converting it into her own strength so that she could prepare for her breakthrough. Hence, she didn't take this incident to heart.

The God Realm seemed to feel the changes in her body, and it started to falter.

Crack!

With a crisp sound, Miao Yao's icicle was strangled by the surrounding force after being trapped by Chu Liuyue's God Realm!

From start to end, Chu Liuyue didn't even take action at all!

Miao Yao's expression changed. Half of my aura was reduced!

The icicle had gathered his strength. Now that it was suddenly destroyed, he naturally felt the repulsion.

The uneasiness in Miao Yao's heart overwhelmed him! At that moment, he even wanted to retreat.

However, he quickly dismissed this idea. If I retreat now, I will be humiliated! The great phoenix dragon clan's reputation would be destroyed!

Miao Yao made up his mind as he rapidly appeased the chaotic force in his body and stared at Chu Liuyue. I don't believe she can really cause trouble with her skills! With this hard scale around my body, she can't attack me at all!

At this point, the last golden spark merged with Chu Liuyue's body.

Ka!

A slight and crisp sound came from her body!

The water droplet in her dantian suddenly stopped turning, and the nine bright lines instantly disappeared!

A bright color spread across the water droplet rapidly! Finally, it formed a familiar totem in the center of the water droplet.

Almost at the same time, Chu Liuyue raised her hands—her God Realm gathered in the skies!

The scene froze for a moment.

Chu Liuyue's lips curled up. "Senior Miao Yao, I can't express my immense gratitude for you today! Therefore, I'll send you fire trees and silver flowers!"

Then, she flicked her wrist, and the God Realm in the sky crazily rushed toward Miao Yao!

Bang! Bang! Bang!

At that moment, those sparks suddenly exploded and became fire! They burned everywhere!

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Miao Yao was in the middle and was instantly swallowed by the overwhelming fire!

Detecting the scorching burn, Miao Yao felt that something was amiss and flung his dragon tail, wanting to extinguish these fires.

However, this was fire formed from the cracking of Chu Liuyue's God Realm, so what was burning wasn't fire but shocking strength! Besides, the sparks scattered all around in a tight yet isolated manner, so Miao Yao couldn't even avoid it!

A spark landed on his scales and rapidly left a burn mark!

Miao Yao was frustrated and enraged. Why is this God Realm so special!? It can even burn my scale!

But very quickly, Miao Yao had no time to think about this. That was because he discovered that his entire body was already covered in that fire!

He couldn't retreat!

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As the fire jumped about, the crowd could forcefully see the scene within—Miao Yao crazily struggled as if he wanted to escape from within. It was a pity that the surroundings were sealed, and he was too late to escape.

And as time passed, the fire closed up bit by bit. It wanted to directly tie Miao Yao within—he couldn't escape!

Chu Liuyue squinted her eyes and revealed a satisfied smile. She hadn't used her God Realm in a long while and was afraid that she would be rusty. However, it seemed like she didn't need to worry about it.

Additionally, she just crushed the golden tribulation and broke through to become a true god. Currently, her internal and external wounds were healing at a shocking speed.

She felt even better. After taking a walk on the brink of death... The sufferings were inhumane, but luckily, light was at the end of the tunnel.

Everything that belonged to her... had come back!

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The crowd looked at this scene in a daze and hadn't recovered their senses. Shangguan Yue... made a comeback from her losses?! Not only did she receive Miao Yao's third move, but she even retaliated!

Looking at the giant figure painfully struggling in the fire, quite a few people's eyelids twitched slightly. They recalled that this person still wanted to take Shangguan Yue's life in a domineering manner earlier.

But in the blink of an eye, Miao Yao ended up in this state... It was laughable just thinking about it!

At first, almost everyone thought that it was Shangguan Yue's doomsday! But now, she was still there just fine, and... she even crazily broke through to become a true god warrior from an intermediate stagenine one!

All in all, this entire incident was intriguing. Even if they saw it personally, quite a few people were still shocked and hadn't recovered their senses.

Even Mu Hongyu, Lin Zhifei, and the others were dazed. Clearly. things had progressed beyond their expectations.

In the dead silence, someone muttered softly, "...Why does Shangguan Yue's God Realm seem rather familiar?"

Luo Shishi turned around strangely. "Fourth Brother, what did you say?"

Luo Yanlin stared at the sea of silver and red fire in the sky and furrowed his brows tightly. Suddenly, he seemed to have recalled something and asked, "Shishi, she said her name is Shangguan Yue?"

Luo Shishi nodded. "Yeah! At that time, she personally admitted it in front of everyone at Fangzhou City. I heard that she's a descendant that Senior Shangguan dotes on very much. And back at Flood-Desert Northern Region, she was—"

"Which 'Yue' is it?" asked Luo Yanlin again.

Luo Shishi found it strange but still shook her head. "We don't know that."

She only said that it was her name, but the outsiders didn't know which character it was.

"Fourth Brother, is this very important?" Luo Shishi paused and asked hesitantly.

Luo Yanlin didn't speak. He just turned around and looked up.

The black wall of Dong Huang Tower was dark.

He stared at the position at the top for quite a while before he retracted his gaze.

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Chu Liuyue looked down.

Force was sent out of her palms.

Tuan Zi and Zi Chen—who were previously beaten and couldn't stand up—were influenced by Chu Liuyue's breakthrough in her cultivation level, and their injuries were rapidly healing. Then, with Chu Liuyue's help, the two of them directly flew up and reached Chu Liuyue one after the other.

Tuan Zi looked up and flapped its wings, wanting to go over. But when it raised its wings halfway, it fell again.

Chu Liuyue then saw that half of Tuan Zi's wing was broken. A long scar spread across it.

It was badly mangled and frightening to see.

The red-gold heavenly phoenix was an ancient legendary fiend, and its physical strength was extremely good. Other than a great phoenix dragon of the same cultivation level, others couldn't even think of hurting it.

Coldness flashed across Chu Liuyue's eyes. She raised her hand and gently covered Tuan Zi's wound.

Warm and tremendous strength entered Tuan Zi's body. It tilted its head and forcefully rubbed against the back of Chu Liuyue's hands as its eyes shone.

Even if it were severely injured, it had always been lively.

At this point, it saw that Chu Liuyue had directly broken through to become a legendary warrior and was over the moon. Tuan Zi completely threw away its messy thoughts and didn't care about its own injuries.

Seeing that Tuan Zi was still active and hyper even though its movements were restricted, Chu Liuyue heaved a sigh of relief.

After taking care of Tuan Zi's wounds, Chu Liuyue looked at Zi Chen at the side.

Its wounds were more severe than Tuan Zi. Even though its current abilities were around the same as Tuan Zi, as it had the two great phoenix dragon wing bones in its body, Miao Yao used harsher methods when he dealt with Zi Chen. Besides, Zi Chen's bloodline was weaker compared to an ancient legendary fiend, so it was at a disadvantage.

Its two wings were broken, and there were many wounds on the other parts of its body. It looked defeated and was hanging onto its last breath. If it weren't for Chu Liuyue breaking through, it might not have lasted for long.

Chu Liuyue thought to herself silently, Luckily, the two great phoenix dragon wing bones in its body weren't broken. If not, it would be troublesome to find another pair.

After using the great phoenix dragon bones, others weren't up to her liking.

Chu Liuyue raised her eyebrows slightly. Then, she treated Zi Chen's wounds before similarly summoning it back.

With her strength as nourishment, the two of them recovered more quickly than before.

After taking care of them, Chu Liuyue's gaze turned in a certain direction.

Whoosh!

The Heavenly Square Cauldron drew a perfect angle in the sky and rapidly came back!

Chu Liuyue sized the item in her hand up before finally choosing to put it away. After doing this, she looked up at the sky.

At this point, Miao Yao was covered in wounds and was tortured beyond words.

The crowd could hear painful dragon moans from time to time.

Outside the barrier, the younger generation of the great phoenix dragon clan saw this scene and finally recovered their senses.

Shock, panic, and exasperation!

"Shangguan Yue! Do you really want to go against my great phoenix dragon clan?!"

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As they spoke, these few people seemed like they wanted to barge in directly. However, the elders had already strengthened the academy barriers, and they couldn't break it.

After a few failed attempts, they finally realized that the matter had spiraled out of their control!

Chu Liuyue looked up lazily and glanced at them. "Me going against you and you chasing after me relentlessly is different, right?"

Not only did Miao Yao directly force the person to Ling Xiao Academy, he even used extraordinary methods to barge in!

I haven't even taken into account what Miao Yao did to me!

"The bet hasn't ended yet. If you want me to stop now, it will count as him automatically surrendering," Chu Liuyue said slowly. Her lips had hints of a smile as if she were saying an interesting joke.

The few people in the skies were instantly stumped.

Actually, they were stuck between a rock and a hard place. If they let the situation continue, nobody could tell what the final ending would be.

Hearing Miao Yao's voice, he seemed to be tortured.

But if we surrender now... what should we do if Miao Yao blames us? Also... we don't know how it to explain to our clansmen!

"Shangguan Yue!" Miao Yao also heard Chu Liuyue's voice, and he raged even more.

"I'm here. Senior, if you have something to say, just say it directly," said Chu Liuyue with a smile.

Miao Yao was about to be angered to death. Originally, he thought that Shangguan Jing was already shameless, but he didn't expect Shangguan Yue to be even more shameless than her ancestor. At this time, she can still say such words nonchalantly!

Miao Yao held it in again and again and finally hollered, "The bet has ended!"

Chu Liuyue raised her brows slightly as if she found it strange. "It has ended?"

"Immediately! Right away!"

"Then.. Did I win this round?" asked Chu Liuyue leisurely.

Miao Yao was stumped. After a temporary silence, he finally answered, "Just consider that you've won!"

Chu Liuyue revealed a genuine and delightful smile. She then raised her hands, and the sea of silver and red fire rapidly extinguished, forming light rays that flew back to her. Finally, they silently entered her body.

The entire process was as smooth as water. Before the crowd could react, they saw the fire—which had been intensely burning—immediately dissipate.

Miao Yao, who was trapped within, finally revealed himself.

"Pfft!" Low laughter could be heard from the quiet Qing Ming Square.

Once this laughter sounded, it was suppressed quickly. However, all sorts of suppressed laughter could be heard everywhere from the crowd.

The crowd tried their best to hold it in, but the pairs of eyes looking at the skies looked like they were laughing at something, revealing their true inner thoughts.

Miao Yao was originally in a situation that caused him to suffer painful and unbearable torture. Suddenly, a ray of light flashed across his eyes, and the fire disappeared!

He was dazed and then realized that he had escaped from the fire. Following this, he heard laughter coming from below.

Almost instinctively, Miao Yao rapidly glanced below. With this look, he met countless pairs of eyes staring at him with varying expressions. He clearly saw the ridicule and mockery!

Detecting Miao Yao looking over, quite a few people averted their gazes. However, how could Miao Yao not understand their expressions and reactions?

They are clearly laughing at me! Miao Yao's eyes turned red, and he was enraged! Without looking, he knew how disheveled he looked at this moment!

The fire had left countless scars on him! Patches of black were burned on his originally iridescent and beautiful scales, and some more severe parts had curled up.

The great phoenix dragon clan thought highly of their corpses and their scales as well. He grew these dragon scales with much difficulty. Now... they were completely ruined by Shangguan Yue!

Miao Yao suddenly turned around and shot Chu Liuyue a deadly gaze. "Shangguan Yue! You... are good!"

However, Chu Liuyue didn't seem to hear the threat in his voice as she nonchalantly asked, "Thank you for the compliment, Senior Miao Yao. Since the bet has ended, and I've won, all the previous incidents... We can let bygones be bygones, right?"

It was fine if she didn't mention this, but once she did, Miao Yao was so angry that his entire body trembled. She actually has the cheek to ask such a question! She injured me into this state but haS no sense of remorse or guilt at all!

"With today's bet, the grudge between Shangguan Jing and my great phoenix dragon clan is cleared! And... I will let you off for using the corpse!" Miao Yao said every single word harshly. Every word seemed to be squeezed out from the cracks of his mouth with deep hatred and anger!

"These matters have ended, but my dragon scales are burned and ruined. This won't be so easily settled! Shangguan Yue, you better think of how to solve this! If not—"

"This can't be considered my fault, right?" Chu Liuyue interrupted Miao Yao. She smiled, but her eyes were filled with nonchalance and frost that didn't seem to melt in a thousand years. "Everything earlier should be considered within the bet. When we made the bet earlier, you only said that I had to receive three moves from you in order to win. But you didn't say that... I couldn't retaliate, right?"

Miao Yao was stumped. He didn't say this, but that was because he never thought that she would have the chance to retaliate!

Miao Yao stared at her closely and suddenly sneered. "I'll take it as you being capable. You can even make up a God Realm..."

He suddenly turned around and glanced at Elder Meng. "Meng Xian, you're really good to her. You can even bear to give her a God Realm!"

Elder Meng laughed out loud. "This is originally her God Realm! Why can't I bear to do it?"

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Miao Yao's contorted expression instantly froze.

Upon hearing this, the crowd in Qing Ming Square widened their eyes in unison and was dazed. In the beginning, they were just shocked about everything that happened suddenly. However, they didn't get to think clearly about what exactly happened.

Now that everything was settled, they finally realized that something was amiss. That God Realm flew out from Fengmin Mountain. How did it become Shangguan Yue's?

"Impossible!" Miao Yao instinctively retorted. In this world, how could there be someone who has a God Realm before they broke through to become a true god? There must be a problem!

"What's so impossible? If this God Realm isn't hers, how can it be so obedient toward her?" Elder Meng glanced at Miao Yao as if he were looking at an idiot. "Miao Yao, even if you're not a human, you should know this clearly, right? Do you still need me to explain it to you in detail?"

Miao Yao's eyes turned red, and he was so angry that he couldn't say anything for a long while. Then, he suddenly turned his head to look at Chu Liuyue!

That sharp and cold gaze, with suspicion and vengeance, scraped past Chu Liuyue's body like a knife!

Chu Liuyue completely ignored him. Anyway, she had won, so everything else didn't matter.

She smiled slightly, and her eyes curved up. "Senior Miao Yao, if you have objections to this, then... I can demonstrate to you, so you can judge if this God Realm is mine."

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A chill ran down Miao Yao's spine. Demonstrate again? How to demonstrate?

The wounds on his body started to faintly hurt again!

"No need!" Miao Yao replied almost in panic. He didn't want the previous incident to happen again!

Actually, according to his abilities, he shouldn't have any problems going against a true god warrior. Even if Shangguan Yue broke through continuously to become a true god warrior from an intermediate stage-nine one, it wouldn't pose much of a threat to him. However, the strangest thing was that God Realm!

Even if that's her God Realm... Its strength has long exceeded that of a normal true god warrior's God Realm! This God Realm can easily absorb the golden tribulation and resist my bloodline power. It is incredulous!

"Who knows what methods you used..." Miao Yao was naturally indignant in his heart and had some vengeance.

His reputation was considered completely destroyed during today's battle. The same went for their entire great phoenix dragon clan...

Miao Yao didn't know how to go back and explain! He had really suffered a double loss this time!

Chu Liuyue was rather open-minded about it as she smiled and said, "Of course, I used my own methods. You saw the previous scenario—nobody came up to help, right? As for this God Realm... If you didn't 'help' me today, I probably could only summon it back after some time. This time, I really have to thank you, Senior Miao Yao."

Miao Yao didn't understand the mechanism in between, but he vaguely guessed something.

When he heard the second half of Chu Liuyue's words, he was overwhelmed with anger. I came to teach Shangguan Yue and Shangguan Jing a lesson, not to help her break through! What exactly is going on now!?

Miao Yao stared at her for quite a while. Suddenly, he sneered and gazed at Elder Bo Yan. "Great... great! Bo Yan, so your Ling Xiao Academy teaches your students like this!"

Arrogant! Ill-disciplined! Rude! No matter what, I have an important status in the great phoenix dragon clan. Yet, I was offended by Shangguan Yue left, right, center when I came here today! Now, she has injured me to this state and has no sense of remorse at all! It is really overboard!

At this point, Elder Bo Yan was staring at Chu Liuyue elatedly. He was happy no matter how he saw her and felt that he didn't wait in vain for the past few years.

After suddenly being called out, he was also stunned. "Senior Miao Yao, why do you say this? You were the one who brought up the bet today, right? Yue'er Girlie just followed your words. What mistake did she make? If she didn't agree to it, you wouldn't have let this slide, right?"

"You-"

"Besides, you barged into Ling Xiao Academy forcefully today. We haven't settled this debt with you yet."

Ling Xiao Academy didn't like to cause trouble, but it didn't mean that they were scared.

The great phoenix dragon clan were ancient legendary fiends, and they were amazing. However, Ling Xiao Academy had been established in the God Residence Realm for millions of years, and they weren't to be trifled with.

If they talked about it in detail, Miao Yao was at fault first, and Yue'er was forced to retaliate. One was an ancient legendary fiend with an important status, and the other was a young academy junior... Wasn't it clear who was bullying the weak?

Even if this incident went out, the crowd could instantly tell who was in the wrong!

Miao Yao was originally in the wrong. Now that he had lost the bet, he had lost his ground.

He felt extremely cowardly!

"You are so biased toward her, and you're teaching her to be so arrogant. One day, she will cause a huge trouble for you!"

"Senior Miao Yao, you don't have to worry about this." A low and clear voice suddenly came. It seemed to be an icy shard that was dipped in snow, and it had a sense of high and mightiness.

Miao Yao turned around and saw Rong Xiu, who was silent for very long, finally speaking up.

Rong Xiu floated in midair with one hand behind his back. The fingertips on his other hand had a golden fire burning quietly.

He flicked his finger, and the fire instantly extinguished. Then, he looked up slightly and stared at Miao Yao.

In his bottomless phoenix-like eyes, there were ripples. The next moment, the corner of Rong Xiu's lips curled up. "She's my princess consort. If she gets into trouble, I will take responsibility for it."

His light sentence was domineering and irrefutable!

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Such legitimate protection. Such clear doting!

Rong Xiu seemed to say it politely, but when it was translated, it meant: She is mine. I will take responsibility if she gets into trouble. It's not other people's place to talk!

An idea popped up in Chu Liuyue's mind. She tilted her head and glanced at Rong Xiu.

As if she thought of something, she raised her brows slightly, and the corner of her lips curled up.

Seemingly detecting her gaze, Rong Xiu suddenly looked over.

The four eyes met, and it felt like a million years.

Chu Liuyue's heart seemed to be harshly hit by something. Something seemed to surge out of the bottom of her heart in a sour yet sweet manner, easily swallowing her whole. Even her breathing became more relaxed.

It seemed as if everything was a dream. With a slight move, it would crush.

They were clearly together the whole time within such a short distance, but she felt that a long, long time had passed since she had seen him.

Only this feeling of being protected and doted on had existed the entire time. Since a very, very long time ago, it was the same from start to end.

Rong Xiu suddenly waved toward her. "Yue'er, come over."

His voice was low and melodious, and it contained warmth that others had never seen before.

Chu Liuyue moved her steps and walked toward Rong Xiu. But the moment she moved her feet, a strange crisp sound came from below.

Chu Liuyue instinctively looked down, and her eyes instantly narrowed!

At the top of Million Wine Mountain, the fountain was completely frozen!

A very thick layer of crystallized frost covered the entire fountain. At first glance, it reflected a bright light that was chilling to the bones.

As if detecting her strange expression, Rong Xiu faltered and looked down.

A harsh aura suddenly swept across the bottom of his eyes.

Crack!

On the surface of the frozen fountain water, a very long crack appeared abruptly!

Hearing this commotion, Elder Bo Yan and the others immediately looked over. When they saw that the fountain was completely frozen, their expressions changed in unison!

"Quickly—trigger the lightning!" Elder Bo Yan yelled anxiously!

We placed all our attention on Yue'er previously, and we actually forgot about this incident temporarily!

"It's too late!" Elder Ouyang stared at that fountain dazedly, and his face was slightly pale. "Using ordinary weapons to trigger the lightning is useless for this."

Besides, who has the patience and mindset to trigger lightning at this moment!?

Actually, this fountain should've long been frozen. However, Yue'er broke through in the middle and triggered the tribulation, which delayed it with much difficulty. But now, the tribulation is over, and this fountain... Nobody can stop it again!

Crack!

Right on the heels of the first crack was the second. This crack didn't appear on the frozen surface but the part below.

When layers of ice broke, the cracks normally weren't regular. However, the two cracks that appeared now were of the same length and were straight.

They called them cracks, but it seemed like an invisible knife had carved them out bit by bit.

Very quickly, the third crack appeared. This one was slightly curved and presented a perfect angle.

This was clearly not an accident—an external force was controlling it!

Rong Xiu knitted his brows slightly and immediately took action! A spark of golden fire rapidly flew out!

At this point, without the previous lightning bolts continuously descending, the fountain didn't seem to have the invisible transparent barrier that blocked the lightning.

The golden fire directly flew to the layer of ice, but no matter how the fire burned, the layer of ice didn't seem affected!

Increasingly more cracks appeared on the ice as if it were gradually forming some kind of pattern. The burning golden fire was quickly extinguished silently.

Rong Xiu's heart sank, and he glanced at Chu Liuyue.

At this point, the latter was staring at the fountain with a deep gaze as if she had fallen into deep thought.

Rong Xiu secretly felt that something was amiss, and his figure flashed as he immediately flew toward Chu Liuyue!

He was extremely fast. In the blink of an eye, he had already reached Chu Liuyue.

He held Chu Liuyue's hand. "Yue'er!"

Chu Liuyue recovered her senses, looked up, and glanced at him.

"...Rong Xiu." Her voice was very light but determined. "I have to go down."

Rong Xiu abruptly tightened his hold. She knows how dangerous it is down there! Even though she has summoned her God Realm and become a true god again, her life will still be in danger if she suddenly goes over!

"I'll go for you!" boomed Rong Xiu.

However, Chu Liuyue laughed and locked his hands with hers. "Since I started this incident, I should be responsible for it."

If it weren't for Tuan Zi absorbing the lightning strength, things wouldn't have ended up in this state.

"I'll be right back," said Chu Liuyue as she gazed at Rong Xiu.

Rong Xiu held her hands tightly, and darkness flashed across his phoenix-like eyes! "That's what you said the last time!"

But after that, they were separated by life and death.

He used all sorts of means to go down to the underworld and finally managed to find her back. Now... Before he could even hug her properly, she was going back again!

I will never agree!

"Even without you, the fountain exploding is just a matter of time!" Rong Xiu's expression was cold and harsh for once.

All these years, he spent so much effort and even forcefully sealed a part of her soul and memory just to prevent the same thing from happening. However... Her recovery speed had long exceeded his expectations. This resulted in her awakening again before he even settled the fountain's issue.

"But at the end of the day, I'm still the one that caused the trouble." Chu Liuyue shook her head and smiled.

Rong Xiu's heart sank bit by bit.

Crack!

Increasingly more cracks appeared on the frozen surface.

Elder Bo Yan stared at the gradually forming pattern closely and found it familiar, but he couldn't recall where he had seen it.

His mind rapidly spun as he tried his best to recall what it was, but it was to no avail.

Sinister coldness slowly started spreading from that fountain.

On the mountaintop, a thin layer of ice silently formed around the fountain. It was like the white frost that landed in the morning during the start of winter.

Very quickly, the mountain rocks froze, and the trees withered.

The frost seemed to take away the vitality of Million Wine Mountain easily. Everything started becoming dull and dead at an observable speed.

In no time, frost had spread from the top of the mountain to the middle. Then, it reached the bottom of the mountain.

It was silent yet horrifying!

When Elder Bo Yan and the others saw this scene, their faces turned pale.

Chu Liuyue suddenly took a step forward.

She and Rong Xiu were originally standing very close together, and they were even pressed against each other.

She clutched the clothes before Rong Xiu's chest and pulled them down. Then, she went on her toes, looked up slightly, and kissed his lips.

Soft and cold.

"Rong Xiu." Her lips moved slightly, and the syllables were slurred in between her teeth. "Remove the seal on the Qing Yun Ranking."

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Rong Xiu tightly held her slim waist as if wanting to completely rub her into his arms and merge her with his bones.

He kissed her back as if he were struggling to suppress something. It was only until he smelled the metallic taste that he finally let her go.

His gaze was dark and thick like the sea. There seemed to be a layer of invisible force that wrapped around her.

After a while, he closed his eyes and hid all the emotion in them. "...Okay."

Once he said this, the thick cold aura around his body seemed to spread around. A harsh and tremendous strength suddenly rushed out of his body!

Whir!

A whir was heard!

Upon hearing this, the crowd looked in unison. This sound... actually came from Dong Huang Clock Tower!

Rays of light silently appeared on the dark stone wall.

"This is..." Elder Bo Yan watched this scene in shock. Why did Rong Xiu suddenly summon the Qing Yun Ranking out of nowhere?

In the entire Ling Xiao Academy, other than the directors and special elders, only the top seeds on the Qing Yun Ranking could do such a thing.

Rong Xiu had been at the top of the rankings for a few years, so this was naturally not a huge matter for him.

However... Why did he suddenly do it now—

Rays of light danced around and overlapped each other. As the light shone, the names appeared slowly.

This sudden scene caused many students in Qing Ming Square to fall into confusion.

"Why did Senior Brother Rong Xiu summon the Qing Yun Ranking?"

"Wait! Other than the warrior list and the Armory Refinement list, why did the remaining two lists appear?!"

"Out of the four rankings, he occupies first place on two of them. Logically speaking, he can only summon those two. Why did the remaining two appear together?"

"What exactly does he want to do?"

Everyone was confused.

"Bo Yan, what's going on?" Elder Hua Feng knitted his brows tightly and felt that something was amiss. With Rong Xiu's current abilities, it is reasonable for him to summon the four rankings. However, the point is: Why now?

Elder Bo Yan kept quiet and didn't speak in a while. He actually had a guess in his heart, but that thought was too ridiculous, so he instinctively denied it. If... If that is true—

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The four rankings appeared on the four black walls of Dong Huang Clock Tower!

The names appeared tidily, and the few darkened positions at the top were especially obvious.

Two first-place positions and two second-place positions—they were all the same name, the name that was purposely erased.

Actually, the crowd had already found it normal. After all, the Qing Yun Ranking had always been like this for the past few years.

Normally, nobody would even take another look at it.

Just when they looked up in confusion at the Qing Yun Ranking, a ray of golden light suddenly appeared! It was like a ray of light that suddenly pierced through the darkness and shone brightly!

"Look quickly! The name at the top of the heavenly doctor list looks like it's going to appear!" Someone gasped in shock.

Actually, it wasn't just the heavenly doctor list. The black seals on the other three lists were gradually dissolving.

It seemed like thick black clouds were gradually dissipating, revealing the true scenery hidden behind. It seemed like something hidden at the bottom of the dark ocean surfaced bit by bit and became increasingly clear.

Everyone instinctively held their breaths and gazed at this scene without blinking.

That name had been sealed for a few years. Not many people in the current Ling Xiao Academy had seen it back then.

To most of the students, it was just a rumor. They were once curious and tried to find out, but they all silently gave up in the end.

It was just a name. It wasn't that important whether they knew it or not.

But when they had the chance to see the name at this moment, their gazes and attention were all gathered on the Qing Yun Ranking in unison.

Who is the person that can stand side-by-side with Rong Xiu and hold a candle to him?

It was dead quiet between heaven and earth!

As the golden ray of light shone across, a name gradually appeared—it was as bright as day!

Yue!

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No last name, just a single word: 'Yue.'

This name—which had once been intentionally erased—appeared in unison on all four lists!

Seeing this scene, quite a few people were dazed. "Yue? With no last name?!"

"This name... Why would someone only use one word as their own name?"

It was no wonder everyone felt it was strange. In Ling Xiao Academy, the students had various identities. Some had inconveniences and would regularly choose to use a disguised name.

It was like Chu Liuyue coming here and using 'Chu Yue' as an alias.

Whatever name they wrote down during the admission test would be the name on the Qing Yun Ranking. But no matter if it were a real name or a fake one, everyone had a first and last name. There had never been a person with a single word as their name.

In the crowd, Luo Shishi stared at that 'Yue' word with overwhelming emotions. She turned around to look at Luo Yanlin and lightly asked, "Fourth Brother, is Shangguan Yue's name also this 'Yue?'"

Luo Yanlin glanced at her and had a grave expression. Then, he nodded. "Yes."

If he said that he wasn't certain in the beginning, everything was placed clearly in front of him now. Shangguan Yue... is her!

Luo Shishi was stunned.

Actually, she had faintly guessed it. Now that she had received an affirmative reply, she wasn't surprised. However... "Is that her real name? She had no last name?"

Luo Yanlin shook his head. "When she was in the academy, she used this name from start to end."

Nobody knew what her last name was.

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In the sky, Chu Liuyue slowly let go of Rong Xiu's hand.

The burning feeling appeared between her brows again!

She took a deep breath, and a rainbow flashed across the sky!

The Chi Xiao Sword was already in her hands! The next moment, she held the sword hilt tightly and raised it up high!

The sword landed!

The ground shook!

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Over a hundred silver strands of sword aura suddenly flew out! The entire Million Wine Mountain was instantly covered!

Knock knock!

The sword aura flew out and harshly pierced into the ground! The white frost rapidly spread around and suddenly stopped moving forward.

The countless strands of sword aura around Million Wine Mountain formed a gigantic cage, completely sealing that strange, harsh, and cold air! Other than the sword aura, everything was normal.

Inside the sword aura, the liveliness was extinguished.

In the blink of an eye, the trees and plants on Million Wine Mountain had already withered, and some even became burned and crinkled. At first glance, it seemed like the last bit of vitality was sucked away.

Chu Liuyue's figure moved, and she went straight for the fountain!

"Yue'er!" Intense uneasiness suddenly surfaced in Shangguan Jing's heart!

The instinct from his bloodline immediately made him gasp in shock! However, he was currently quite far from Chu Liuyue and couldn't stop her.

Chu Liuyue's figure was like a red sword that pierced right into the fountain!

Once her feet landed on the mountain covered in frost, Chu Liuyue immediately detected a gush of cold air surging up from the bottom of her feet. It instantly covered her entire body!

Chu Liuyue lightly exhaled, and it instantly formed a ball of mist in the cold air.

As there was a special barrier, Million Wine Mountain was normally warm like spring throughout the year. In her impression, it had never been this cold before.

Chu Liuyue surveyed her surroundings and finally looked at the fountain in the middle.

At this point, the strange pattern on the fountain was three-quarters completed.

Chu Liuyue knitted her brows slightly. Then, she held the Chi Xiao Sword in her hands tightly.

On the sword body, a ball of fire rapidly spread across! Half of it was red-golden, and the other half was transparent!

The scorching heat and the cold gleam intertwined! It reflected the sinister sword light!

Now, she had already broken through to become a true god. She held the supreme Yuan instrument tightly and could naturally unleash even greater power.

The sword aura that was just unleashed could only be maintained for a very short period of time.

If one really wanted to solve the problem, it had to be done from the roots. It would naturally be this fountain!

Tsing!

Chu Liuyue's sword harshly pierced the middle of the fountain!

Crack!

A crack finally appeared on the thick ice!

The two fires intertwined and crazily rushed down from that opening! Then, Chu Liuyue held the sword hilt tightly and used her force to spin it!

Ka!

Tiny cracks instantly appeared by the edges of the opening!

The pattern—which was about to be completed below the ice—was suddenly slashed in the middle, and it was crushed.

A terrifying coldness emerged on the Chi Xiao Sword's body! The burning fire slowly started to extinguish, and white frost quickly appeared on the sword tip!

Of these two fires, one was the fire from the red-gold heavenly phoenix's bloodline, and the other was the karmic fire in the Heavenly Square Cauldron. No matter which it was, it would definitely be a top strength in the world. But they were rapidly on the losing side when they clashed with the coldness in the fountain!

This showed how formidable it was!

As Chu Liuyue pushed the force in her body, she held the Chi Xiao Sword tightly and pierced it in deeper.

Finally, an opening appeared on the ice layer.

Chu Liuyue's body jumped up! Her figure immediately disappeared beneath the ice layer!

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Everything happened too quickly. When Chu Liuyue's figure entered the fountain again, the crowd then recovered their senses.

"What is Shangguan Yue doing? She actually went in?!"

"That fountain is very strange. I'm afraid it would be dangerous for her to go over..."

"I currently have just one thought—so she's the one with her name erased on the Qing Yun Ranking! It's no wonder... It's no wonder!"

"But this isn't right! Didn't they say that Shangguan Yue is only seventeen years old this year? A few years ago, she should still be a young girl. How could she be the legendary one?"

"But the name on the Qing Yun Ranking has already appeared, and she even summoned that God Realm. Who else could it be if not her?"

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The crowd was confused and filled with doubts.

Too many things had happened today, and every single one of them had a huge impact. One couldn't accept it, and now, they had become numb.

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Miao Yao looked at the fountain below in shock.

Chu Liuyue's figure had already been swallowed by the icy water, and it disappeared without a trace.

On the edges of the broken opening, there was red-golden fire and transparent fire quietly burning.

From outside, one could only see the silent water surface below the opening. Perhaps it was because the sky was too dark, or there was another reason, but it was black below the water surface.

One couldn't see it clearly.

Shangguan Yue... just went down like that?! Miao Yao had also made contact with the previous coldness, and he could clearly feel that the strength it contained was shocking.

Even though Shangguan Yue is a true god, she will be as good as dead if this goes on. Even if she has that strange God Realm, she can't retaliate! With this thought, Miao Yao's accumulated vengeance was released by quite a bit.

"Since this matter has ended, I'll bid farewell," Miao Yao said.

Actually, he wanted to stay here and watch the commotion. After all, he had suffered so much from Shangguan Yue previously. He could only feel relieved if he personally watched her being tortured.

It was a pity that his current appearance was too disheveled. He didn't want to stay here for another minute.

Elder Bo Yan and the others were focused on Chu Liuyue now, so how could they care about him?

"Senior Miao Yao, stay safe on your way. You've walked this road before, so we're not going to send you off." Elder Bo Yan's tone couldn't be considered polite.

Miao Yao's expression changed slightly, but he still held it in.

His body glowed. The next moment, he transformed into a purplish-golden scale.

The academy elder opened the barrier and was excited to send this plague away.

The moment that scale left the academy, the barrier closed again!

Chapter 1528

That scale flew back again.

Miao Yao, who was standing outside the barrier, suddenly recovered his senses. His figure flashed, and he coughed twice.

The other descendants hurriedly leaned over and asked after him worriedly. However, these words only made Miao Yao recall his previous disheveled look.

They saw everything! Miao Yao was very frustrated, and his expression was naturally no better.

Very quickly, those few people noticed that he was in a bad mood, so they quietened down fearfully and didn't dare to say anything more.

The atmosphere was silent as if it were frozen. The few of them privately exchanged glances, and they saw the regret in each other's eyes.

If I had known it, I wouldn't have made this trip!

Originally, they thought that they could impress Miao Yao, but who knew it would end up like this in the end!?

Miao Yao loved face the most. They saw the few things that happened today, and he was most likely going to hate them as well! In the future... they would probably be 'taken care of' in some way.

How could Miao Yao not feel remorse as well? After knowing that Shangguan Jing was still alive, he was enraged and wanted to take revenge.

He brought those people along purely just to put up a formation. In terms of capabilities, the few of them added together weren't as good as him!

In the end, they were humiliated!

Not only did they not help, but my ridiculously disheveled appearance was seen by the few of them! If I had known this would happen, I wouldn't make this extra move! Miao Yao took a deep breath in.

As his real body was injured, his current aura was much weaker than in the beginning.

"Go!" Miao Yao commanded before turning around to leave.

The few people behind him didn't dare to have any objections as they lowered their heads and followed carefully.

The few of them rapidly disappeared outside the barrier.

But at this point, nobody cared about them. Everyone's attention was all on Million Wine Mountain.

No matter how dumb one was, they would realize that Million Wine Mountain was amiss.

"Other than those in charge of guarding the academy barriers, summon the rest of the elders," Elder Bo Yan instructed Elder Hua Feng.

Elder Hua Feng nodded solemnly, and his figure quickly disappeared from the spot.

Elder Bo Yan thought for a moment before saying, "Oh, right. Ouyang, go invite the few of them to come over as well."

Elder Ouyang was stunned and rather hesitant. "Really?"

Those few people didn't come out easily. If he wanted to invite them, it... meant that the matter was so severe that it couldn't be resolved.

It was fine for the elders, but if the students saw it, they would be uneasy and worried. At that time, if they weren't mentally strong enough...

Elder Bo Yan still nodded. "I have to be quick."

He naturally knew what Elder Ouyang was worried about.

If I had a choice, I wouldn't want to do this either. Now, it is really...

"Yue'er Girlie is below. No matter what, we have to let her come out safe and sound." Elder Bo Yan sighed lightly but was very determined.

Hearing this, Elder Ouyang seemed to be affected as he immediately agreed. "Okay! I'll go now!"

The elders quickly moved on their own.

Looking at the figures rapidly gathering, Elder Wan Zheng still couldn't dispel his uneasiness. He clenched his fists tightly and knitted his brows. "...If only the director was still around..."

If he was around, they would definitely be more confident. After all, he was the one personally taking care of this fountain.

Now that something had happened, he was the best person to intervene.

Elder Bo Yan closed his eyes and sighed lightly. How could I not think the same way?

However, the director left back then, and we completely lost contact with him. Yue'er Girlie is even back now, but there is no news of him at all. If it weren't because I have a way to ascertain that the director is still alive..

But I can't just continue waiting. If this fountain completely explodes—

Messy thoughts kept flashing across his mind, causing Elder Bo Yan to be flustered.

Suddenly, a figure flew across his eyes.

His heart was immediately raised. "Rong Xiu! What are you doing?!"

Rong Xiu didn't reply. He stood on the top of Million Wine Mountain.

The wind blew his clothes and outlined the man's thick and tall figure.

The clothes rustled with the wind, and the surroundings were quiet.

He looked down slightly and glanced below.

The sharp sword aura had already covered Million Wine Mountain surroundings, but the cold air was oppressive as some places were already being covered by thick layers of snow on the mountaintop. And it started spreading toward the surroundings at a slow and determined speed.

That sword aura might not be able to last for long... Rong Xiu's expression was cold, and his demonically handsome face looked high and mighty.

In the depths of his phoenix-like eyes... One of them burned with a golden fire, while the other was overwhelmed with endless darkness.

It was just one moment, and he closed his eyes—he hid everything in them! The next moment, a tremendous force suddenly exploded from his body!

Instantly, countless golden sparks landed from the skies! In no time, Million Wine Mountain was completely covered!

The view inside was blocked securely, and outsiders couldn't see anything at all!

A golden barrier surrounded Rong Xiu. His figure was hidden.

The golden light flashed, and one couldn't even see the outline of his figure clearly.

Rong Xiu opened his eyes and raised his hands. The air before him suddenly cracked silently.

An item rapidly flew out from within!

Bang.

Rong Xiu held the object in his hands—it was a scroll.

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His wrist flicked slightly, and the scroll was opened. On it, five large words burning with gold were clear—Record of the Million Gods!

And at this point, a name could be vaguely seen on the scroll!

Chapter 1529

That name seemed to be once forcefully erased, yet today, it gradually appeared in its original manner. The 'Yue' word almost seemed to jump out of the paper and fly out!

Chu Liuyue had already returned to being a true god and summoned her God Realm. Thus, her name would once again appear on this Record of the Million Gods. However, it was still a blurred mess near the position of her surname.

Rong Xiu raised his hand, and a spark of golden fire suddenly ignited on his fingertips!

If one went closer, they would see that the flame was bright and that it would illuminate the name on the paper. If one was even closer, the name would be erased again.

He hesitated for a moment and finally stopped in his movements. Putting away the scroll, he then looked at Million Wine Mountain with a dark gaze. Yue'er, you must stick true to your word now. I will never want and will never allow the same thing to happen the second time!

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Time trickled by bit by bit. In the blink of an eye, it was already nighttime.

The bright moon hung high in the sky, and the darkest night was quiet.

The night sky—which was as clear as water—covered everything with a blurred light as if a layer of coldness had been added to it.

From afar, only the outside of Million Wine Mountain was as bright as day! However, everyone was well-aware that the bright light hid great danger!

Outside Million Wine Mountain, the ground to midair was heavily surrounded by academy elders in a stern formation.

Seeing this formation, even if most of the students didn't know what was going on, they knew that the danger this time wasn't low.

The giant Qing Ming Square was completely quiet. The cold atmosphere seemed to be frozen.

Elder Bo Yan looked down once again.

With the golden barrier that Rong Xiu set up, it was very hard for them to see what was going on inside clearly from the outside. But from start to end, even an energy ripple didn't come out from inside. This made the elders even more worried.

"Let the students go back first," said Elder Hua Feng softly. "I don't know how long it will take for Yue'er to come out this time. We can't let everyone continue waiting here."

Not to mention that they couldn't help, it was very easy for people to feel uneasy with so many people gathered together.

Elder Bo Yan thought for a moment and nodded. "Then, let them go back to their own residences first. Also, deploy more elders to guard in secret."

At this time, not a single mistake could be made.

Elder Hua Feng acknowledged the order and quickly went to do it.

In no time, the students respectively went back under the many elders' guidance. Even if some of them wanted to continue staying here, they couldn't fight with the academy, so they still listened to the elders and went back.

"Elder Bo Yan." A low voice filled with worry came from the side.

Elder Bo Yan turned around to look. "Senior Shangguan."

"What's going on with... t-this Million Wine Mountain's fountain?" Shangguan Jing had wanted to ask this question for a very long time.

When he was previously still a soul saved in the sword, he had followed Chu Liuyue to Million Wine Mountain several times. He knew that Million Wine Mountain's fountain contained secrets, and it had large implications. If not, Elder Bo Yan and the others wouldn't be so worried.

After seeing the frost quickly spreading around in the day, he confirmed his guesses.

Yue'er had now been inside for quite some time, yet she didn't make any movements.

Every time he thought of the scene of the frost freezing and the vitality of Million Wine Mountain being extinguished, a chill was sent down his spine.

"This..." Elder Bo Yan was hesitant in his words.

A sentence or two couldn't explain this situation clearly. Besides, there were a lot of internal matters that they weren't completely sure of.

He really didn't know how to explain it to Shangguan Jing, but seeing Shangguan Jing, Elder Bo Yan couldn't bear it. After thinking for a while, he picked a portion and simply explained the matter. "...There aren't many outsiders here now, and you're Yue'er's senior, so we won't hide some things from you. Actually, this Million Wine Mountain already existed when the academy was first established. And starting from then, Million Wine Mountain was a special existence in the academy. The directors and the Armory Refinement elders would take special care of it."

"Needless to say, the director would strengthen the Million Wine Mountain barrier every year. As for the elders, when they refine weapons, as long as the situation allows for it, they would try to guide the lightning to enter the fountain."

Shangguan Jing knitted his brows tightly. "It has always been like this even after so many years?"

Elder Bo Yan nodded. "Quite a few people know about this in the academy."

Shangguan Jing found it even more strange and didn't talk for a while.

He was also an Armory Refinement Master, so he naturally knew how much energy was contained within the lightning triggered by Armory Refinement and how big a commotion it would cause.

Ordinary beginner, intermediate, or even advanced Yuan instruments wouldn't trigger that much lightning when they were being made. But as it accumulated over tens of thousands of years, how many Yuan instruments would these many Armory Refinement Masters produce?

The lightning bolts triggered would be more than they could count, and they actually all landed in that small fountain on Million Wine Mountain!

This wasn't even mentioning that an academy of Ling Xiao Academy's status hid experts. If supreme Armory Refinement Masters or even royal Armory Refinement Masters took action, it would be even scarier!

It was really abnormal that Million Wine Mountain hadn't been reduced to flat ground by now.

How much lightning strength has been accumulated in that fountain, and how did it contain so much terrifying force!? Shangguan Jing didn't dare to think about it.

As if seeing through Shangguan Jing's thoughts, Elder Bo Yan comforted him. "Actually, all these years, nothing much had happened to the fountain. Besides, everyone, including Rong Xiu, is around, so Yue'er girlie would definitely be able to come back safely."

Shangguan Jing knew that he was just comforting himself.

In actual fact, he had also seen how Elder Bo Yan and the others panicked and were shocked when the incident happened.

They didn't want to see such an incident happen. Besides, at the end of the day, that girlie insisted on going down, so I can't blame the others. Shangguan Jing sighed in his heart. The only thing I can do now is wait patiently.

"Oh right, there's one thing..." Shangguan Jing kept silent for a moment as if he were hesitating about whether he should speak.

"Senior Shangguan, if you have something to say, just say it," said Elder Bo Yan.

After a temporary pause, Shangguan Jing then took a deep breath in and stared at him determinedly. "Yue'er... used to be a student in Ling Xiao Academy?"

Elder Bo Yan was stunned. "You don't know about this?"

Shangguan Jing laughed bitterly. "I just woke up from the Flood-Desert Northern Region. How would I know about these things?"

Elder Bo Yan thought about it and agreed. Previously, I still thought that... Yue'er dared to be so unreasonable the whole time because she had Shangguan Jing as her backer. Now, it seems like I've guessed wrongly?

He paused for a moment before saying, "Actually, we're not very sure of this either. When she came to the academy a few years ago, she was also about 17 or 18 years old. Although her appearance was very similar to what she looks like now, it was still a little different in the details."

Chapter 1530

All in all, they were definitely two people from the outside. If not, they wouldn't fail to recognize her after such a long time.

Even after seeing her true appearance in Fangzhou City, they were highly suspicious but didn't dare to confirm this guess. Perhaps one's appearance could change, but how could one fake their age?

When the students tested to enter the academy, they would carry out the same assessments on all of them. The age that was tested then was definitely true.

"If she didn't summon her God Realm previously, we wouldn't dare to confirm that she's really back," said Elder Bo Yan as he pointed toward Dong Huang Clock Tower.

At this point, the names on the Qing Yun Ranking had already been covered. Dong Huang Clock Tower recovered its usual black, solemn, and stern appearance.

"I believe you also saw that the name which was purposely erased on the Qing Yun Ranking is hers."

Of course, Shangguan Jing saw it. At that time, the commotion was so huge that it was hard not to notice it.

Shangguan Jing fell into deep thought.

In the past, he had already noticed that Yue'er seemed to have come to the God Residence Realm before, but he didn't pay much attention that time. It was only later that Chu Liuyue confirmed she had lost a portion of her memory did he realize that the situation was even more complicated than he thought. However, he didn't expect her to be...

Hearing what Elder Bo Yan said, the child was already a true god warrior when she came here a few years ago!

"She didn't stay in the academy for long. Later on, she said that she was going home. Then, she didn't come back for some reason. Until this time—" Elder Bo Yan sighed.

Even though Yue'er was playful, most of the elders in the academy liked her very much, and it could even be said that they doted on her.

She was talented and witty. Even if she committed bigger mistakes, the elders were reluctant to really punish her severely. If not, someone like Elder Meng wouldn't be willing to help her guard the God Realm for so many years.

Who knew that after so much waiting, she would come back with another identity? If not for Miao Yao bringing the rest to cause trouble, they didn't know when they would find out about this.

"And at that time, she and Rong Xiu were already talking about marriage..." Elder Bo Yan's voice became much lighter. Thinking of this, he looked up at Rong Xiu.

They all thought that they would hear the news of the duo getting married in no time. Who knew—

If they talked about pain and sorrow, nobody would be worse than Rong Xiu.

Shangguan Jing kept quiet. He could basically confirm that after Yue'er returned from Ling Xiao Academy, she met with Shangguan Wan and Jiang Yucheng's betrayal and died before her rebirth. But at that time, how did she deteriorate and become a stage-nine warrior from a true god, and she had lost all her memories of the God Residence Realm?

"No matter what, we're all very happy now that she has come back. If the director knows—"

"If the director knows that she has caused such a huge trouble for the academy, he would break his mentor-disciple ties with her!" Before Elder Bo Yan could finish his sentence, a ruthless and sinister voice sounded by his ears!

The crowd was taken aback, and all turned around to take a look. They saw two figures quickly approaching in the distant sky!

In the blink of an eye, they had already reached the barrier outside the academy.

The person in front was an elder wearing a gray robe. His hair was white, and his body was slightly curved.

He had a pair of triangular eyes that gleamed with a cold light. They looked formidable without being angry, causing one to look into them and feel fear.

Behind him was a young man. He looked like he was in his twenties as he wore a light-green robe. His sleeves were embroidered with a golden pattern, and he looked elegant.

Under the moonlight, his sleeves flowed slightly. From afar, it was as elegant as a watercolor painting.

The light wind in the night blew his long hair. The tip of his hair was demonic red, an especially intense and bright color.

Like a sharp knife, it was about to tear this peaceful and elegant painting!

"Yi Wenzhuo?! Why did he suddenly come back!" When Elder Bo Yan saw the duo's faces clearly, he was shocked.

Shangguan Jing asked strangely, "Who is Yi Wenzhuo?"

Elder Bo Yan pressed his lips against each other. "Ling Xiao Academy's vice-director!"

Shangguan Jing was a little confused.

Ling Xiao Academy was reputable in the God Residence Realm. When he was training in the God Residence Realm back then... Although he didn't officially interact with them, he had some understanding of them.

Since Ling Xiao Academy started tens of thousands of years ago, there will only be one director every time. I have never heard of any vice-directors. What's... going on?

But when Shangguan Jing's gaze turned and saw the young man behind, his expression changed slightly. That was because the young man was Jun Jiuqing!

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Yi Wenzhuo flung his sleeves, and the academy barrier rapidly opened. Then, he entered with Jun Jiuqing in a flash.

His first gaze landed on Million Wine Mountain. His originally cold and harsh expression became even more gloomy.

Jun Jiuqing, who was standing behind him, knitted his brows undetectably. When his gaze swiped past Rong Xiu—who was surrounded by the golden light—murderous intent surfaced in his eyes. However, he quickly restrained such emotions.

"Bo Yan, the director and I just left for a while, and this is how you take care of the academy?!" Yi Wenzhuo stood still, stared straight at Elder Bo Yan, and instantly reprimanded him! "Will you only be happy if you see the academy be ruined?!"

His expression was harsh, and he didn't leave any face for Elder Bo Yan.

The surroundings immediately fell silent.

The elders exchanged glances. This is... He just came back and is going to cause trouble?