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Chapter 1691 Who Dares To Hurt Her!

Her body was forced to float in the air as if an iron hand was holding her neck tightly! The terrifying pressure made it difficult for her to even breathe.

Chu Liuyue's face quickly turned red!

Luo Yan's gaze was arrogant. "Now, are you willing to apologize?"

Nan Yiyi stood beside him. When she saw this scene, the corners of her lips couldn't help but curl up smugly.

There was also undisguised cold mockery in her gaze. Shangguan Yue... is indeed capable. If it were a one-on-one battle, I'm certain that I'm definitely not her match, but so what? Even if I can't beat her, I can ask Uncle Luo Yan for help! In the end, Shangguan Yue will still be stepped on by me!

The sound of the zither seemed to get closer and clearer.

A smile curved her lips, but there was coldness in her dark jade eyes. "D-dream on..."

"Ignorant fool." Luo Yan gripped the Endless Binding Vine tightly and was about to move when he suddenly felt a cold wind coming from the side!

He frowned and quickly turned to look.

A small figure had unknowingly appeared around him—she was only three steps away!

He was shocked! When did this little girl come? Why didn't I sense any energy or spatial fluctuations?

Tuan Zi's small face was filled with anger, and her eyes were red with anger. The lotus leaf skirt on her body fluttered even though there was no wind. At a glance, she was like a raging flame burning crazily, wanting to devour everything!

"How dare you bully A'Yue? You're courting death!" Tuan Zi shouted. At the same time, she threw a punch!

Her small hands were fair and tender. When she clenched them into fists, they looked like soft cotton candy.

However, Luo Yan's expression suddenly changed because Tuan Zi's punch was too fast! Moreover, when her fist attacked, the surrounding void began to collapse because it couldn't withstand it!

It could be seen how shockingly powerful this punch was!

Luo Yan's eyes darkened, and he threw a punch at the same time!

Thump!

The fists collided with a muffled sound!

Luo Yan felt as if his fist had hit a steel plate! After a short silence, an indescribable numbness spread!

Luo Yan's eyelids twitched violently! If not for the fact that he had long mastered his Holy Body, his bones probably would've shattered!

On the other hand, the little girl's expression didn't change as if she could not feel any pain at all!

What a hard fist!

What a powerful body!

Countless guesses flashed through Luo Yan's mind. Such terrifying physical combat ability is definitely not something ordinary humans can possess! Moreover, there was clearly no force fluctuation on this little girl's body. This punch was a real physical punch! Could it be a legendary fiend?

However, only the two ancient legendary fiend races can transform into human form. I have never heard of them changing into this form before...

Before he could figure it out, Tuan Zi's second punch had already arrived!

I can't fight her head-on anymore! Luo Yan frowned. Then, he tapped his toes and quickly retreated! Slap!

Seeing that he was about to retreat, Tuan Zi stepped hard on the Endless Binding Vine!

Just as the transparent rope was about to wrap around her, Tuan Zi narrowed her eyes, and her body suddenly burned with golden flames!

At the same time, she bent down, grabbed the Endless Binding Vine in her hand, and pulled hard!

The Endless Binding Vine immediately tightened!

Luo Yan's other hand was still holding the Endless Binding Vine tightly. This time, it directly grabbed him, preventing him from continuing to retreat!

But at this moment, he couldn't care less about being shocked by Tuan Zi's strength. This was because he had finally identified Tuan Zi. "Red-gold heavenly phoenix?!"

This flame, this aura... It is definitely a red-gold heavenly phoenix!

He accelerated the mobilization of his strength and entered a stalemate with Tuan Zi. At the same time, his gaze kept lingering on Tuan Zi and Chu Liuyue.

A ridiculous guess appeared in his mind. Could it be... This red-gold heavenly phoenix is Shangguan Yue's contracted legendary fiend?!

Luo Yan was shocked and couldn't believe it, but there seemed to be no better answer. If not for the contract, why would this red-gold heavenly phoenix be so angry that Shangguan Yue was injured? She even ignored everything and rushed up to hit me!

However... the red-gold heavenly phoenix clan is so arrogant that they usually can't even be bothered to interact with the human race, let alone form a contract. Such a red-gold heavenly phoenix has wandered outside and become a contractual legendary fiend of the human race, but there is actually no reaction from the red-gold heavenly phoenix clan?

Luo Yan found it unbelievable, but now wasn't the time to dwell on this! After hesitating for a moment, he simply let go of the Endless Binding Vine!

Tuan Zi was caught off-guard. Out of habit, her body fell back uncontrollably.

Just as Chu Liuyue managed to catch her breath and was about to help Tuan Zi, another force suddenly attacked her!

Oh no! Her heart skipped a beat, and she quickly dodged!

At this moment, Luo Yan seized the opportunity and pounced on her again! This time, he was even faster!

Chu Liuyue's intuition told her that it was dangerous, and she was forced to retreat repeatedly.

In the blink of an eye, the two of them retreated quite a distance from Tuan Zi.

Chu Liuyue frowned. Luo Yan clearly wants to avoid Tuan Zi attacking him. Although Tuan Zi's combat strength isn't bad, Luo Yan is a legendary warrior after all. It might not be a problem to stop them for the time being, but it is impossible for us to really defeat Luo Yan.

She held the Chi Xiao Sword tightly in her hand, but because Luo Yan's suppression was too strong, she couldn't attack for a long time!

Soon, Luo Yan approached her again!

Chu Liuyue wasn't slow, and she was definitely one of the best among cultivators of the same level. But compared to Luo Yan, she was still far inferior.

Luo Yan caught up to her without much effort. This time, he was very direct and was about to hit Chu Liuyue!

An indescribable pressure crushed over!

Chu Liuyue held her breath!

She initially wanted to try to receive this attack, but the other party's pressure was too strong, and she couldn't circulate the power in her body at all! The difference in strength between the two sides was so great that she didn't even have a chance to attack!

Luo Yan gazed indifferently at her as if he were looking at a struggling ant. "Shangguan Yue, you should know that there are some people you can't afford to provoke!"

As soon as he finished speaking, the powerful palm wind had already enveloped Chu Liuyue!

At this moment, her body seemed to be nailed to the ground, unable to move! She could only watch as the shocking power approached her!

A strong smell of blood spread between her teeth!

The sound of the zither suddenly became clear again.

Her temples were throbbing as if something was about to break out of her heart, but at this moment, a low and deep voice exploded in the sky like thunder! "Who dares to hurt my disciple!?"

Chapter 1692 Killed By Me

Master! Delighted, Chu Liuyue immediately looked up!

The void trembled, and waves rose.

A figure in a white robe stepped out! It was the director of Ling Xiao Academy, her master—Nan Suhuai!

With a wave of his sleeve, a stream of vigorous origin power flew out and headed straight for Luo Yan!

Danger! Luo Yan was shocked and had no choice but to stop and retreat immediately! However, the force of Nan Suhuai's attack was shocking. It still forced his chest to tighten, and he staggered!

Almost at the same time, Elder Wu Peng was no match for Rong Xiu and suffered a heavy blow. He flew backward and landed heavily on the ground!

Elder Bai Tong had been entangled with Chu Ning. Sensing this commotion, he was also shocked and immediately retreated.

"Uncle Luo Yan! Elder Wu Peng!" Seeing that her people were being forced back one after another, Nan Yiyi finally couldn't maintain the smile on her face and hurriedly rushed over.

Nan Yuxing opened his mouth but didn't say anything. However, a strong sense of unease suddenly surged in his heart.

Nan Suhuai's figure flashed and stood in front of Chu Liuyue.

Rong Xiu bent his leg slightly and supported her.

Nan Suhuai turned around first and scanned her nervously. "Yue'er, how are you?"

"Don't worry, Master. I'm fine." Chu Liuyue shook her head. It's just a flesh wound, not a big deal. Before Luo Yan could really be ruthless, Master arrived.

Rong Xiu's expression was cold as he reached out to touch her neck.

"Si—" The sudden pain made Chu Liuyue shrink back.

Sensing the increasingly cold aura around Rong Xiu, she hurriedly said, "It's just a small injury. It's fine."

It was the dark-red strangulation marks on her neck from the confrontation. In her panic, she had forgotten about this.

Rong Xiu didn't speak and simply stared at the wound with deep eyes.

Chu Ning and Tuan Zi quickly followed.

Although she was fine, they could all see the situation clearly.

Luo Yan was indeed ruthless! If Nan Suhuai hadn't arrived in time, nobody knew what would've happened to Chu Liuyue now.

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Nan Suhuai's expression turned cold. He turned to look at Luo Yan and sneered. "Luo Yan, it's been many years since we last met. You've really become more capable—you actually bullied my disciple!"

His voice was as deep as thunder, and every word carried a shocking pressure that landed heavily in the ears of Luo Yan and the others!

Nan Yuxing and Nan Yiyi—who had slightly lower cultivation levels—trembled at the same time and spat out blood!

Elder Bai Tong was already severely injured and couldn't dodge in time. After suddenly enduring this terrifying pressure, his face immediately turned pale.

Not to mention Elder Wu Peng—he had already been beaten up by Rong Xiu until he was covered in injuries. At this moment, he didn't even have the strength to stand up.

Although Luo Yan was better than them, his expression darkened when he saw the situation on his side. Nan Suhuai is actually here... Everyone in the God Residence Realm knows that Nan Suhuai is a rare all-rounder talent. Moreover, his cultivation in all aspects is extremely outstanding!

He had broken through to become a legendary warrior decades ago! Although Nan Suhuai has been much more low-key in recent years and rarely appears in the God Residence Realm, I don't dare to underestimate him. Who knows what realm his strength has reached now?

From that strike just now, it is definitely not below my standard! This is going to be difficult...

Although the number of people on both sides was about the same, there was almost nobody on their side who could continue fighting. On the other hand, the few people opposite him still had the strength to fight.

If they really chose to continue fighting head-on... they would definitely be the ones at a disadvantage!

Luo Yan took a deep breath and suppressed the anger in his heart. He then cupped his hands at Nan Suhuai. "So it's Director Nan. Apologies for not recognizing you earlier. I think Director Nan has misunderstood what happened just now. Actually, I don't mean anything else; it's just that there was a conflict between these juniors previously, so I want them to talk things out."

Nan Suhuai was of higher seniority than him and had broken through to become a legendary warrior before him. Therefore, in front of Nan Suhuai, he could only lower himself.

Unfortunately, Nan Suhuai scoffed at his words. "Luo Yan, do you really think I'm old and can't see well? I saw clearly how you bullied Yue'er just now! Misunderstanding... Don't you think it's ridiculous?"

The moment Nan Suhuai spoke, he held a gun and a club. It was obvious that he didn't intend to give Luo Yan any face.

Luo Yan's expression darkened. "Director Nan, I've explained it to you nicely, but you don't appreciate it at all. Isn't that too much?"

"Whether it's me who's talking nonsense or you who's bullying others, it's still hard to say, right?" Nan Suhuai sneered. "No matter what, you're still a dignified legendary warrior. How dare you be so ruthless to a junior? If this news gets out, Luo Yan, I wonder if you'll still want your face?"

"You—" Luo Yan's face turned red and white, but he couldn't think of anything to refute.

He hadn't thought too much about it and only wanted to help Nan Yiyi vent her anger. Unexpectedly, Shangguan Yue's attitude was so tough and stubborn that he had no choice but to attack.

In the end, Nan Suhuai happened to see it!

Nan Suhuai had been in charge of the God Residence Realm for many years and was also the director of Ling Xiao Academy. He had seen countless geniuses, but he had only taken in one disciple. One could imagine how picky he was.

Moreover, he was famous for being protective of his disciple. Even they—who never had much contact with Ling Xiao Academy—had heard of it.

Now that he saw this scene, Nan Suhuai clearly wouldn't let the matter rest!

"Director Nan, since you're here, that's good. Let's settle the previous matters together!" Luo Yan raised his hand and pointed at Nan Yiyi and the others. "Your precious disciple has injured our people to this extent, but so far, she's not even willing to apologize! I wonder what Director Nan thinks?"

Nan Suhuai's gaze swept across those people before he narrowed his eyes and turned to look at Chu Liuyue. "Yue'er, did you do this?"

Chu Liuyue's expression was calm as she said, "About half of it."

Nan Suhuai was stunned. "What do you mean 'half?""

Chu Liuyue smiled and said slowly, "Half of it was caused by them taking the initiative to provoke us. The other half... was their bad luck to provoke another legendary warrior."

When Luo Yan heard this, his expression changed first. He immediately looked at Nan Yiyi. "You met a legendary warrior previously? Why didn't you say so?"

He knew how difficult it was to deal with a legendary warrior. Although Elder Wu Peng and Elder Bai Tong's identities and realms weren't low, one was an Armory Refinement Master, and the other was a heavenly doctor. If they really fought, they might not be a match for a legendary warrior.

Nan Yiyi looked hesitant as if she were in a dilemma.

"Do you know where that warrior came from?" No matter what, I can't let this matter rest!

"Pfft." Chu Liuyue suddenly laughed. "I've already killed that warrior. You won't be able to find him even if you search again, so forget it."

Chapter 1693 Confrontation

There was dead silence.

Chu Liuyue's expression didn't change as she smiled. "Oh right, in that case, I've done you a favor. Not only did you not thank me, but you even found trouble with me one after another... How interesting."

The atmosphere became even stranger.

For a moment, Luo Yan didn't know what expression to show. His expression was awkward and stiff.

He quickly glanced at Nan Yiyi and the others, and his heart sank.

He knew Nan Yiyi and the others too well. Since Shangguan Yue had said so, and although their expressions were ugly, they weren't shocked... This meant that this was most likely true!

Nan Yiyi finally couldn't help but refute. "Who knows if you dealt with that person? If you used any methods--"

"It's my ability to use tricks, isn't it?" Chu Liuyue smiled and interrupted her. The process isn't important. The outcome is the most important!

Nan Yiyi choked.

Luo Yan took a deep breath. A true god... killed a legendary warrior?! How could this be possible? I have almost never heard of such a thing in the entire God Residence Realm!

Nan Suhuai was also stunned and hurriedly asked, "Yue'er, is what you said true?"

Chu Liuyue blinked. "Master, when have I ever lied to you? Rong Xiu, Father, and Tuan Zi can testify for me."

Nan Suhuai thought to himself, You've lied to me many times...? However, I obviously can't say this now.

Rong Xiu nodded. "What Yue'er said is true. We're here this time because that person used Lord Chu Ning's life to threaten Yue'er. He originally wanted to kill Yue'er, but he was just killed by her instead."

Just killed by her instead?! Even Nan Suhuai couldn't help but wince. Listen! Is this human language!? A true god killed a legendary warrior... Only you can say such things so calmly!

But although he was shocked, Nan Suhuai quickly accepted this. Ever since he accepted Yue'er as his disciple, he knew that as long as he was with her, nothing was impossible in this world.

This girl has even repaired the academy's Heaven-Locking Formation. What is so strange about killing a legendary warrior?!

At this moment, Nan Suhuai actually felt that this was nothing unusual. He only had one thought left: Sometimes, my disciple is too hard working. It's really a test of my heart.

He was silent for a moment before giving her a thumbs-up and saying seriously, "Yue'er, well done--as expected of my disciple! You have to tell Master what's going on later!"

Chu Liuyue agreed readily. "Sure."

Seeing the happy expressions of the master and disciple, Luo Yan felt as if a string had suddenly tightened in his mind! They are actually directly discussing this matter now? These people... are really too much! All of them don't take us seriously at all!

"Everything is just your one-sided story! How can we believe it!?" Luo Yan finally couldn't help but scold coldly.

This voice finally reminded Nan Suhuai of their existence.

He smiled. "Then, isn't what you said just now one-sided? Why should we believe you?"

These words finally brought the two sides into a stalemate again.

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Nan Yiyi bit her lip. I never expected things to develop to this extent. Isn't it just dealing with Shangguan Yue? Why is it so difficult? Even now, I have yet to take revenge and have even completely implicated Uncle Luo Yan.

She wasn't stupid.

This old man who suddenly appeared made Uncle Luo Yan very afraid. Otherwise, the latter wouldn't have suppressed his anger and spoken so politely just now.

Unfortunately, the two sides still couldn't come to an agreement.

Nan Yiyi secretly and quickly glanced at Luo Yan. Based on my past experience, this matter definitely can't go as I had thought... However, I'm indignant!

Nan Yiyi reached out and grabbed Luo Yan's sleeve, her voice extremely low. "Uncle Luo Yan... That thing is on her..."

Luo Yan was shocked and looked at her steadily. "Really?"

Nan Yiyi pursed her lips and nodded. "How would I dare to joke about such a thing? Previously, Elder Wu Peng used the geomantic compass to investigate; the result was the same. Otherwise, we wouldn't have returned after leaving..."

Luo Yan's gaze changed rapidly before he finally looked at Chu Liuyue. Initially, I wanted to make peace with the other party. After all, they're not people to be trifled with. But if it is really as Nan Yiyi says... I'm afraid that I will have to consider this matter further...

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Although Nan Yiyi's voice was very low, nobody present was an ordinary person. Everyone heard her clearly.

Even if they aren't annoyed, I am. Chu Liuyue's eyes were filled with fatigue and impatience. "For the last time, I don't know what you're looking for, and that thing isn't with me. Now, either you apologize or continue fighting. Just choose one!"

With Nan Suhuai around, their chances of winning were extremely high. Of course, they weren't afraid of fighting them.

Nan Suhuai frowned. "Yue'er, what are they talking about?"

Chu Liuyue shook her head. If I knew, there would be no need to play riddles with them here.

After a moment, Luo Yan took a step forward.

"I have a suggestion. Shangguan Yue, if you're willing to accept my investigation and confirm that the thing is indeed not with you, we can immediately apologize to you and prepare a generous gift to express our apology. If you're unwilling, then... I'm afraid today's matter will drag on for a long time."

The words were half-negotiating, half-threatening.

Chu Liuyue frowned in displeasure.

Nan Suhuai's expression turned cold. "Luo Yan--"

"I agree," Chu Liuyue suddenly said. She mulled over the suggestion and decided she wasn't losing out.

Although they had a chance of winning with her master around, the other party's identity and background weren't simple. If they really fell out completely, it would probably not be easy to deal with in the end.

It would be best if this matter could be resolved easily.

She took a step forward. "Go ahead--"

Chapter 1694 Sneak Attack

Luo Yan looked at her deeply, then raised his hand and made a small arc in front of him.

With a flash of light, a palm-sized compass appeared out of thin air. At the same time, a totem appeared between his eyebrows.

Chu Liuyue raised her eyebrows. "By the way, don't forget the conditions you mentioned previously."

Luo Yan said indifferently, "Of course."

As he spoke, his hands gently brushed across the compass. A moment later, the needle on the compass suddenly shook violently!

Upon seeing this, Chu Liuyue frowned slightly and felt inexplicably uneasy. The reaction of this thing seems really abnormal...

Finally, the needle stopped and pointed straight at Chu Liuyue!

Chu Liuyue's heart sank!

Luo Yan suddenly raised his head, his gaze as sharp as a knife. "Shangguan Yue, what else do you have to say?!"

The evidence is conclusive! It is obvious—that thing is indeed on her!

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Chu Liuyue quickly clenched her fists in her sleeves! In an instant, countless thoughts flashed through her mind! How did this happen? What exactly are they looking for? Why are they so certain that it is on me?

Chu Liuyue didn't think that Luo Yan had tampered with the compass and deliberately made the needle point at her. At this moment, Luo Yan should want to resolve these matters more successfully than us. After all, they don't have any advantage. If they continue to pester us, it will only be more disadvantageous for them.

There is no need for him to do this at all, which means... Do I really have the object they are looking for?

"Director Nan, please excuse me! Shangguan Yue must hand over the item today!" Luo Yan shouted and disappeared from the spot.

A strong wind suddenly attacked quickly!

Chu Liuyue's alarm in her heart rang loudly!

"Luo Yan, how dare you!?" Seeing this, Nan Suhuai immediately attacked!

Rong Xiu grabbed Chu Liuyue's waist and quickly retreated with her.

But at this moment, Chu Liuyue suddenly felt a chill run down her spine! She turned quickly, only to see a familiar face.

It was Luo Yan!

"This is his Holy Body!" Rong Xiu reacted extremely quickly and attacked without hesitation!

However, Luo Yan was a legendary warrior. Now that he had summoned his Holy Body, he was determined to take her down!

He quickly dodged Rong Xiu's attack. With a wave of his sleeve, several cold silver needles quickly flew out!

Those silver needles were all one inch long and sharp. In the blink of an eye, they surrounded Chu Liuyue!

Chu Liuyue raised her sword to block it.

Clang! Clang! Clang!

Sharp collisions sounded one after another!

Although those silver needles were small, they contained extremely great strength. After such a fierce attack, her hands that were holding the sword were numb.

Even the skin between her thumb and index finger was slightly cracked and bleeding.

Rong Xiu was about to come over, but he was stopped by Luo Yan's Holy Body!

Just as Chu Liuyue thought that everything was over, the blocked silver needles actually changed directions and attacked her again! Moreover, their speed and strength seemed to be greater than before!

Shocked, Chu Liuyue fought again.

The continuous attacks forced her to keep dodging back.

Suddenly, a chill ran down her spine, but she had nowhere to retreat. She bumped into the black wall!

The wall was rough and stung when she was pressed tightly against it.

With a thought, the black shield was already in Chu Liuyue's hand!

All the silver needles were blocked! They didn't even leave a trace on it.

Luo Yan's expression changed. That black shield—

Taking advantage of his distraction, Rong Xiu quickly attacked! A cluster of golden flames transformed into a whip that tightly bound Luo Yan's Holy Body!

Luo Yan did not think much of it and sneered. "You're merely a true god, but you dare to—"

Suddenly, his voice stopped. This was because he realized that his Holy Body couldn't break free from Rong Xiu's fire whip!

The more he struggled, the more intense the burning pain on his body became!

"You!" Luo Yan glared at Rong Xiu in shock and anger. When he looked into those bottomless eyes, his heart suddenly turned cold.

It was also because of this moment of shock that he didn't see the dense black color that surged silently in the golden flames that locked him tightly!

But just as the situation gradually became clear, he caught a glimpse of it from the corner of her eye and instantly tensed up.

Nan Yuxing abruptly ran toward Chu Ning! His expression was gloomy, and he carried terrifying killing intent!

At the same time, a saber appeared in his hand!

The blade was wide, but there was a strange blue light on the tip!

Poison!

"Father, be careful!" Chu Liuyue immediately planned to move and run over.

But in front of her, a figure approached rapidly again—it was none other than Nan Yiyi!

At this moment, her expression was ferocious, and her eyes were filled with killing intent! However, the most shocking thing was that the pressure on her body was suddenly much stronger than before!

This isn't her aura!

Almost instantly, Chu Liuyue understood that this power definitely didn't belong to Nan Yiyi!

In a flash, Nan Yiyi clenched the triangular awl in her hand and stabbed it at Chu Liuyue!

Chu Liuyue's entire body instantly tensed up. The power of a legendary warrior!

"Go to hell!" Nan Yiyi gritted her teeth and whispered. Every word seemed to be squeezed out of her teeth with deep hatred and resentment!

Without hesitation, Chu Liuyue raised the black shield and held it in front of her.

Whoosh-

A sharp and ear-piercing scratching sounded, almost making one's scalp tingle!

A powerful force surged over, and Chu Liuyue's body slammed into the wall behind her again.

As if she had hit a sharp spot, a wound appeared on the back of her shoulder!

Chu Liuyue felt a sharp pain and gritted her teeth as the blood in her body churned.

Nan Yiyi seemed a little dissatisfied.

Her father had specially given her this triangular awl for self-defense before she left home. Previously, she had never been willing to use it. It was only when she saw that Chu Liuyue was alone that she had an idea and planned to take this opportunity to attack the latter!

However, she originally thought that this strike would kill Shangguan Yue.

Nan Yiyi gritted her teeth and waved the triangular awl again unwillingly! Even if I can't pierce through this strange shield, the power left behind by my father is enough for Shangguan Yue to withstand!

But just as the triangular awl was about to land on the black shield again, a zither suddenly sounded from afar!

The sound of the zither seemed to come from afar, but when it landed in her ears, it was extremely clear. The most shocking thing was that the sound of the zither carried undisguised strong killing intent! It shook Nan Yiyi until her mind was in chaos, and her entire body went numb!

Although it was only a single sound, she seemed to smell a strong scent of blood!

She subconsciously stopped what she was doing and looked up! That sound came from here!

Light suddenly flowed on the black wall behind Chu Liuyue!

Chapter 1695 Severed

W-what is going on? For some reason, indescribable fear abruptly surged in Nan Yiyi's heart when she looked at the flowing lights! Even if she didn't know what it was yet, she could still acutely sense that terrifying danger!

Without thinking, she immediately retreated!

At the same time, Chu Liuyue also heard the sound of the zither. She looked up and happened to see Nan Yiyi staring at the wall behind her in horror.

Nan Yiyi's eyes were filled with fear. It was as if she had seen something extremely terrifying.

When Nan Yiyi started to retreat, Chu Liuyue finally turned around and took a look.

What she saw stunned her for a moment. This was because she suddenly sensed that these streams of light were constantly gathering as if... they were forming some kind of totem, and somehow it looked familiar to her.

Chu Liuyue frowned and stepped back, trying to see what the huge totem looked like. But just as she raised her foot, a powerful suction force suddenly came from the wall!

Her body immediately rushed forward uncontrollably! The next moment, she completely disappeared behind the wall!

Before anyone could react, they saw a white figure quickly hide behind the wall—it was Rong Xiu!

In addition, there was a small figure only half a step behind Rong Xiu. She raised her feet and rushed over!

That was Tuan Zi!

Everything happened in the blink of an eye! Under everyone's gazes, the three of them quickly disappeared!

This scene shocked everyone present. Isn't that just a wall? Why did it suddenly devour the three of them? We didn't even have time to react!

Nan Suhuai frowned and looked over. Only then did he see that several streams of light had appeared on the black wall.

They intertwined as if outlining a pattern.

The power on it was shocking—even the void around the wall trembled!

Nan Suhuai stopped fighting and was about to rush in.

Halfway there, he suddenly heard a figure.

"Director Nan!"

Nan Suhuai looked back. "You're... Yue'er's father, Chu Ning?"

Chu Ning immediately nodded and said worriedly, "Is Director Nan going in too? I wonder if I can go with you?"

He was really worried about Yue'er.

Although Rong Xiu and Tuan Zi had already followed his daughter in, he was still worried because this matter had happened too strangely. If they could act together, they should be able to reduce a lot of unnecessary trouble.

Nan Suhuai nodded almost without hesitation. "Let's go together then!"

With that, the two of them really stepped forward and entered the black wall!

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The originally chaotic and noisy scene quickly fell silent.

Luo Yan recalled his Holy Body and frowned at the black wall.

Actually, he had noticed the wall at first glance when he arrived, but all his attention had been on Nan Yiyi and Shangguan Yue. Hence, he didn't pay much attention to this. However, from the looks of it, there was indeed something fishy about this wall!

"What... what happened just now?" Nan Yuxing couldn't help but mutter in shock, his eyes still filled with shock. She was clearly fine a moment ago. Why did she suddenly disappear?

Luo Yan took a step forward, seemingly planning to go in too.

Nan Yiyi hurriedly grabbed his sleeve. "Uncle Luo Yan, you can't go over!"

Luo Yan saw her panicked expression and thought that she was frightened by the sudden scene. He patted her shoulder and said, "The thing is still with Shangguan Yue. Don't worry. I'll retrieve it and come back immediately."

Nan Yiyi still refused to let go and shook her head nervously. "No, you can't go! You really can't go! Uncle Luo Yan, it's too dangerous inside!"

At this moment, Luo Yan realized that Nan Yiyi's eyes were filled with fear, and her entire body was trembling slightly. It was as if she was really afraid.

Could it be... that she saw something just now? Luo Yan frowned. "What's wrong? Is there a problem?"

Nan Yiyi shook her head. "I, I don't know either, but... but I just feel that something's wrong inside! Uncle Luo Yan, why don't we wait outside? Anyway, they'll come out sooner or later, right? It's the same if we wait for them!"

Luo Yan's frown deepened. Nobody can guarantee when Shangguan Yue and the others will come out. Besides, what if they don't come out? At that time, it won't be so easy to find them to take back that item.

However, it was rare for Nan Yiyi to be so afraid. It made him feel uneasy.

He hesitated for a moment, but in the end, his heart still ached for Nan Yiyi. "Okay, let's not go in then. We'll wait here—"

Before he could finish his sentence, another terrifying suction force swept over from the wall!

Their figures were quickly devoured! After a while, all the figures disappeared.

The wilderness returned to its usual silence.

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Darkness.

An endless darkness!

Chu Liuyue could only feel her body falling continuously. In all directions, it was pitch black.

Silence, except for the wind whistling past her ears.

Fortunately, this situation didn't last long. She felt her body fall to the ground.

The ground was soft, and the fall wasn't heavy.

Chu Liuyue stood up and was about to take out a pearl to illuminate when a faint light suddenly leaked from above her head.

She looked up.

Above her head, there seemed to be a blue-black firmament like the sky in the middle of the night. However, there was a hole in the middle.

Light seeped down and landed on Chu Liuyue. It was also this light that allowed her to barely see her surroundings.

There was no view. All she could see was black soil.

There was nothing else.

She could only see within a hundred paces. Everything beyond was still hidden in that blackness, difficult to approach and grasp.

"Rong Xiu?" Chu Liuyue called out softly. Before I entered, I vaguely saw Rong Xiu following me closely. But now, it seems that we aren't in the same place.

Chu Liuyue called out twice more, but there was still no response.

This is expected. She pursed her lips and did not pay much attention to it. But... where Is Tuan Zi?

"Tuan Zi? Tuan Zi?" Chu Liuyue called Tuan Zi a few more times, but there was no response.

The surroundings were silent.

Chu Liuyue slowly clenched her hands.

Tuan Zi is my contracted legendary fiend, and we are connected to each other. Even from a distance, we can still sense each other. But now, I can't even sense Tuan Zi's breathing.

Chapter 1696 My Music Score

Are we too far away to sense each other, or is something forcefully cutting off our connection?

Chu Liuyue had no idea.

She put away the black shield, but the Chi Xiao Sword was still clenched in her hand.

After resting on the spot for a while and adjusting her aura, Chu Liuyue walked forward.

She chose a random direction. After all, in this place, she couldn't tell any direction at all.

Instead of staying where she was and relying on a trace of hope to wait for Rong Xiu and the others to come, it was better for her to find them herself. Even if she couldn't find them for a while, it would be good to know more about this place.

Hence, Chu Liuyue set off alone.

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Along the way, the faint smell of blood lingered in the air. If not for Chu Liuyue being too sensitive to this smell, she might not have noticed it.

Unfortunately, she couldn't tell where the smell came from. It was as if... the air here was already filled with this scent.

The surroundings were silent. Chu Liuyue could only hear her footsteps and heartbeat.

At some point, she suddenly stopped and looked ahead.

At this moment, the hole above her head was more open than before. More light shone in, allowing her to see further.

Above her head was still a vast expanse.

However, Chu Liuyue's heart suddenly beat faster. This was because... the zither sounds that had been lingering in her ears disappeared suddenly at this moment!

She subconsciously tightened her grip on the Chi Xiao Sword, and the blood in her body seemed to be flowing faster.

She opened her mouth and realized that her throat was dry and tight.

Da.

Da.

Da.

Unfamiliar footsteps suddenly sounded from the darkness.

The footsteps were light and calm as if taking a stroll. However, every step seemed to be stepping on Chu Liuyue's heart.

She seemed to sense something and tensed up.

Finally, a figure appeared in her line of sight! At the same time, a casual voice with a smile fell into her ears. "You're finally here."

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On the other side, after Rong Xiu followed Chu Liuyue in, his surroundings fell into darkness. But soon, a white light flashed past his eyes.

His heart skipped a beat as he focused.

The white light actually quickly dissipated not far in front of him! Then, the light quickly condensed into a huge mirror!

In all directions, there was a rich black color. The appearance of this mirror instantly cut through the black color.

Faint light emanated from the mirror.

This mirror was wide and huge—at a glance, he couldn't see the edge. It seemed like it was completely embedded in the black, blending into the surrounding darkness.

It stood quietly in front of Rong Xiu.

The surroundings were silent as if even the wind had stopped.

Rong Xiu looked up slightly.

A figure appeared in the mirror.

His cheeks were smooth, and his appearance was exquisite. His eyebrows slanted toward his temples, his nose was high, and his thin lips were red.

There was nothing that wasn't carefully carved by the heavens. In comparison, even everything in the world seemed dim.

The figure reflected was Rong Xiu, but it was different from the current Rong Xiu.

Rong Xiu was dressed in white, and his eyes were clear and gentle. However, the person in the mirror was dressed in a black robe. His phoenix eyes were deep, thick, dignified, and filled with murderous aura!

They clearly had the same appearance and figure, but they looked like two completely different people!

Rong Xiu narrowed his eyes slightly, but there was no shock on his face. It was as if... he had expected it.

He raised his hand, and a golden flame surged out of his palm, dancing happily.

Almost at the same time, the person in the mirror raised his hand, and a cluster of flames appeared at his fingertips. However, the flames were a rich black!

Rong Xiu frowned slightly, but he quickly relaxed. Then, his thin lips curled up slightly. "...So fast..."

The man in the mirror looked at him. "Since you're here, you should've known that there would be such a scene. Besides, you've already delayed for too long."

He paused and raised his eyebrows. "Are you going to break through this time or continue to suppress yourself as a true god like before?"

Rong Xiu closed his eyes.

When they opened again, golden and black flames had already risen in them!

His smile deepened. "Break."

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"A'Yue! A'Yue!" In a dark space, Tuan Zi shouted anxiously as she walked.

But no matter how she shouted, there was no response. Instead, there was a terrifying silence.

Tuan Zi's eyes were red and filled with tears. She quickly wiped her eyes and clenched her fists to cheer herself up. It isn't that A'Yue doesn't want me anymore, but she has been swallowed into this strange

wall! As long as I continue to search, I will definitely find A'Yue! Besides, perhaps A'Yue is also looking for me?

At the thought of this, Tuan Zi became motivated again and quickened her pace.

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Nan Suhuai and Chu Ning came in together, so they were still together. But at this moment, they were also trapped in a space and didn't encounter anyone else. Therefore, they could only try to contact the others as they searched for an exit.

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Chu Liuyue stared intently at the figure in front of her. Almost at first glance, she was certain that this person was the person she had 'seen' playing the zither!

But although they were a little closer, the other party's figure was still shrouded in that black shadow. It was hazy and impossible to see clearly.

In fact, Chu Liuyue couldn't even tell if the other party was a man or a woman. This was because that voice was as ethereal as the zither sound as if it came from an extremely far place.

Its tone was clearly very faint, and its voice was beautiful and dreamy. It only made one feel relaxed and comfortable, but it was unpredictable.

Chu Liuyue felt that this scene was really strange.

At this moment, she couldn't see the other party's face or figure, and even its voice sounded like a dream. However, the other party had spoken to her. It was as if... it had known her for a long time and had been waiting for her.

Chu Liuyue probed, "You... know me?"

The person seemed to smile and answered leisurely, "You're holding my music score, so I naturally recognize it."

Music score? Chu Liuyue was dazed. "I... I don't—"

Suddenly, she seemed to have thought of something, and shock flashed across her eyes. The only thing I have to do with the sound of the zither is probably... that water droplet!?

Just as this thought flashed through her mind, she sensed a strange fluctuation in her dantian.

The person opposite her raised their palm slightly.

The water droplet instantly rushed out of Chu Liuyue's body!

Chapter 1697 Treasure!

Shocked, Chu Liuyue's pupils constricted, and her heart was in her throat!

However, the water droplet did not go far. It just floated quietly in front of her.

Although the surrounding light was dim, the water droplet was still dazzling.

"Don't worry. Now that it has acknowledged you as its master, I naturally won't take it back." The person on the other end of the line sounded teasing.

Chu Liuyue relaxed and calmed herself down. Then, she cupped her fists and bowed respectfully to the person opposite her. "I lost my composure for a moment. Please forgive me, Senior."

She was now certain that this person was indeed this water droplet's previous owner!

Nobody had ever been able to summon this water droplet away so easily! This was really her senior!

The other party laughed again. "It's your opportunity to obtain this thing. I'm no longer its master; it's just that I've not seen it for too long and miss it."

As the figure spoke, Chu Liuyue saw the water droplet shake gently. Then, it gradually turned into a transparent page!

No, it was no longer transparent at this moment. On it, several colorful streams of light were flowing slowly and brightly.

Chu Liuyue was slightly dazed. This thing... So it was a music score? For the past few years, I had no idea at all.

As if reading her mind, the person opposite her smiled and said, "This is only one of the pages. There's only a small section of incomplete music score on it that can't be played, so it's normal that you don't recognize it."

Chu Liuyue nodded in understanding, but she was still rather surprised.

As early as she had obtained this thing, she could tell that it seemed to be a page forcefully torn from a book. She had many guesses about its origin, but she didn't expect it to be... a music score!

"I thought you would've come long ago. I didn't expect it to take so long." As that person spoke, their fingertips twitched.

A transparent book suddenly appeared out of thin air—it was overflowing with light!

Chu Liuyue's eyes hurt from the light, and she subconsciously turned her face away and narrowed her eyes. However, she didn't raise her hand to shade her eyes. She would rather endure the pain and stare at the book, for fear of missing anything.

She did not need to think to know that this book must be the music score that the other party had mentioned previously!

That broken page must belong to this book!

"I've stored this music score with me for many years. Now, I can finally find a new master for it."

Chu Liuyue's heart skipped a beat!

All this time, she had wanted to find the rest of the pages, but she had never had the chance. She didn't expect all of this to be placed in front of her now!

"However, this book is actually not complete."

The other party's sudden change of topic made Chu Liuyue's heart sink slightly.

"Back then, everyone was trying to snatch it, so I tore this good music score into three parts. Other than the two pages here, even I don't know where the remaining one is now." The figure shook their head in apparent regret.

When Chu Liuyue heard this, she inexplicably felt that something was wrong. Back then? Tried to snatch it? This music score...

Hang on! A white light suddenly flashed across Chu Liuyue's mind! Ancestor previously said that tens of thousands of years ago, the shocking battle in which legendary warriors fell seemed to be... for a book! Could it be this is it?!

"This is it." The person smiled faintly.

Chu Liuyue was shocked. I clearly didn't say anything just now, and my expression was controlled to be very calm, so why does the other party seem to know everything about me?

"This is my place, so I can naturally pry into some of your thoughts. However, you don't have to worry too much. I can only sense a portion of it, and it's basically related to my music score. As for the other thoughts you've hidden deep... It's difficult for me to know. Of course, I'm not interested in those."

Only then did Chu Liuyue heave a sigh of relief.

She had no doubt about that. With the other party's strength, it wouldn't take much effort to deal with her.

There was no need to beat around the bush.

"I've embarrassed myself in front of you, Senior." Chu Liuyue's attitude was very proper as she bowed politely. She knew very well that it was useless to play any tricks in front of someone of this level.

It was better to be frank.

But this time, the waves in her heart did not stop for a long time.

It could be seen how precious this music score was to attract so many true gods and even legendary warriors to fight for it!

Previously, she was still sighing with emotion, but she never expected that the treasure—which had once caused chaos in the world—was actually on her! Although it was only an incomplete part, there were many cultivators in the world who wanted this incomplete page but couldn't find it!

At the thought of this, Chu Liuyue's heart raced, and her blood seemed to be boiling!

She had long known that this thing wasn't ordinary, but after knowing the truth, she was still shocked!

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Chu Liuyue's reaction seemed to satisfy the other party.

"Although this music score was divided into three back then, there's still a connection between them. Since the one in your hand was the first to awaken and let you be its master, the remaining two will naturally obey you and respect you."

"The third page has been lost for a long time. We probably won't be able to find it for a while. Let's not talk about it for now; just take my share first."

Actually, Chu Liuyue had already guessed the other party's plan, but she was still a little surprised when she heard this. Such a treasure was actually... handed to me so easily?

"You don't have to feel burdened. Although I'm its old master, I'm only a remnant consciousness stored in this music score now. Even if this music score is complete, there's no meaning in leaving it with me. The reason I've endured until now is that I'm waiting for its new master to appear." The other party paused.

Chu Liuyue immediately sensed a gaze on her, and she immediately tensed.

"Which means—you!"

Chu Liuyue clenched her fists tightly. "So... you were the one who kept luring me here with the sound of the zither?"

"That's right. Unfortunately, those people have been pestering you and wasting a lot of time. It's really annoying."

Chu Liuyue could hear a hint of impatience in the other party's voice.

"But I've already chased them all elsewhere. At the very least, they won't disturb you again until you've fused these two music scores."

At this point, Chu Liuyue finally understood. The only thing I have to do now is integrate these two music scores like the other party has said! They're just two portions, so it shouldn't be... difficult, right?

As Chu Liuyue thought about it, she immediately cupped her fists and bowed to the other party. "Thank you for your generous gift, Senior—"

"Don't be happy too early." The other party interrupted her with a smile. "It won't be too late to thank me when you really do it."

Chapter 1698 Hundred Years

For some reason, Chu Liuyue actually heard some form of teasing from this sentence and a hint of expectation of wanting to see a good show.

This... She swallowed her remaining words. "Yes. I will definitely do my best."

Whoosh!

The moment she said it, the person opposite her whipped their sleeves.

The originally transparent book rapidly flew to Chu Liuyue. With the torn page on the left and the book on the right, they just floated in front of her quietly.

Chu Liuyue's gaze gently swept past them.

Even though one was a thick book and the other was a thin piece of paper, their auras didn't differ much. Additionally, upon closer inspection, she could indeed detect a familiar feeling from that book. It was no surprise since they had the same origins and source.

Chu Liuyue suddenly recalled something as she looked up and asked, "May I know how to address you, Senior?"

I've been here for so long, and the item is theirs. I can't just go without knowing the other party's name.

The person on the opposite end fell silent for a moment as if they were deep in thought. After some time, they then said, "It has been so long, and there are many things I can't recall properly. You... can just call me Ah Jing!"

Ah Jing... This name is very vague, and I can't differentiate if the person is male or female...

Just as Chu Liuyue was thinking in her heart, she heard the person opposite directly saying, "I'm a man."

Chu Liuyue was speechless. I almost forgot that he could read my many thoughts!

Chu Liuyue instantly felt embarrassed. "Yes, Senior Ah Jing."

Luckily, the other party didn't seem to mind the issue as he whipped his sleeves and sat on the ground.

A zither suddenly appeared on his knees. Following this, Chu Liuyue saw him lightly place his hands on the zither.

Chu Liuyue's eyelids twitched harshly, and a bad feeling overwhelmed her heart. "Senior Ah Jing, are you going to... play the zither?"

Ah Jing glanced at her strangely. "Of course. Since we want to merge the music scores, we need the help of the zither. If we don't even know the tune, how are you going to merge it perfectly?"

Chu Liuyue understood what he meant. "You're saying that I have to understand this tune before I can—"

Ah Jing nodded in satisfaction. "You're not so stupid. If that's the case, you should be able to learn it pretty quickly."

Even though this sounded like praise, Chu Liuyue didn't feel happy or elated. Instead, she was uneasy. I clearly recall that I was almost shocked to the point I vomited blood when I previously heard the tune. The person is now before me, and so is the zither! One just has to think to know that the suppression will be much stronger than before!

But at this point, she could only endure it.

"Thank you, Senior..." Chu Liuyue thought for a moment and asked, "Oh right, Senior Ah Jing, may I know how long it will take to merge the two music scores?"

Rong Xiu and the rest followed me in. If it takes too long, I'm worried that they will be anxious.

Ah Jing paused in his movements, tilted his head, and sized her up.

Even though she couldn't see his appearance and expression clearly, Chu Liuyue felt that his gaze was as sharp as a metal knife! With this look, she felt that she was totally being seen through!

"A true god, Physician, and an advanced Armory Refinement Master all in one body; you also just broke through to become a Great King Xuan Master... Your talent and sensitivity are decent. No wonder it will recognize you as its master."

He spoke slowly, but it overwhelmed Chu Liuyue. This person just glanced at me from afar, and he already knows me so well!

At that moment, Chu Liuyue felt that she didn't have any secrets in front of the other party!

"Even though it's not surprising for you to have the Tianjing Yuan meridian, with the bloodline power of the red-gold heavenly phoenix clan... it is rare." Ah Jing's voice had a hint of satisfaction.

However, Chu Liuyue gasped in her heart. The Tianjing Yuan meridian is the best Yuan meridian, yet it seems normal and common in front of him like it isn't surprising. Besides, he even said it in such a nonchalant and calm tone...

Chu Liuyue became increasingly curious about the other party's identity. However, this thought just flashed across her mind before she quickly suppressed it. No matter what, the most important thing now is to merge the two music scores.

"If everything is successful, it can end in about 80 or 100 years. But if something happens in between, the time might double." Ah Jing used a very relaxed tone to say this.

"Hence, you mustn't let your guard down in the middle!"

The calm expression that Chu Liuyue tried her best to maintain finally cracked after she heard these two sentences. "What?!"

If it is successful, 80 to 100 years?! If it isn't successful, the duration will be doubled?! Then, won't I have to wait until the cows come home!?

Ah Jing looked at her strangely. "What, do you think... there's a problem with the time?"

Chu Liuyue was stifled. It isn't just a problem—it is a huge problem! How old am I now? How could I invest a hundred years here?

Then, what are Rong Xiu, Tuan Zi, Father, and Mentor going to do?

Not to mention a hundred years... Even after ten years, the outside will look completely different!

"Senior Ah Jing, can you... shorten the time needed?" Chu Liuyue spoke with difficulty.

Ah Jing laughed lightly. "The timing is already short enough. Without my help, you might not even complete it in 500 years. Besides, this isn't an ordinary music score."

Chu Liuyue naturally knew that it wasn't an ordinary music score, but a hundred years...

"If you insist on shortening the time taken, it's not impossible." As if detecting Chu Liuyue's difficulties, Ah Jing paused and finally relented.

Chu Liuyue raised her eyes.

Ah Jing said, "I can help you quicken the flow of time here, but correspondingly, the stress and torture you have to endure will be multiplied. Are you still going to insist like this?"

"Sorry for the trouble, Senior." Chu Liuyue gathered her focus and nodded seriously. Even if I have to experience even more pain, and even if the process is harder, I have to do it. After all, I'm no longer alone. There are many people, who love me, waiting for me. I have to go out as soon as possible!

As if expecting her choice, Ah Jing laughed lightly and shook his head. "I hope you won't regret it..."

Chu Liuyue's eyes were as clear as day. "I've never regretted anything in my life."

It will also be the same this time!

"Okay!" Ah Jing suddenly laughed out loud. "Since you have the guts, then... I'm going to see if you have the skills!"

Not to mention others, this girl's courage suits my taste. The key is whether she can do it!

Shing!

He swept his fingertips, and a zither sound pierced through the air!

Chu Liuyue's surroundings turned cold, and she instantly felt the sudden change in the surrounding atmosphere.

The note sounded cold, and it was solemn and murderous in the surroundings!

Chapter 1699 One In A Million

Chu Liuyue was shocked and immediately became alert!

She knew how terrifying the zither sound was. At that time, she was outside the wall and directly vomited blood, let alone now.

The two of them were so close. The only thing she could do was to endure it!

Besides, according to what Senior Ah Jing said, I have to understand the tune if I want to merge the two music scores.

Chu Liuyue took a deep breath to calm herself down. Then, as the zither sound was heard, she raised her hand and reached toward the book.

But the moment her fingertips touched the sides of the transparent pages, the book suddenly flew up!

Hula!

Chu Liuyue instinctively looked over, and she saw countless transparent pages falling everywhere!

That book actually fell apart like that!

At that moment, all she could see were iridescent and transparent pages! They landed at every corner of the space in a messy and causal manner, almost filling up the whole area.

Chu Liuyue looked over, and the rays of light shone brightly everywhere! However, this scene caused her to be extremely uneasy.

"Actually, that music score has only three pieces. Other than one of them being real, the remaining pages in the booklet are all fake. If you want to merge the two torn pieces of music scores, the first step is to find the true one in this pile of at least 10,000 pages."

Ah Jing's voice was nonchalant and relaxed, yet it was akin to thunder beside Chu Liuyue's ears! It exploded and caused her heart to shake!

Out of the thousands of pages, only one was real?! How long do I have to search?

The key was that she didn't even know how to differentiate between the true and fake ones.

"Oh, you actually don't have to worry about this. The first music score is with you and has already recognized you as its owner. It'll be much simpler if you're looking for the second piece. However, the difference between the music scores is very small, so you must take a good look at every piece."

"Most of these music scores are fake, but looking at each one requires a large amount of force and energy. With your current skills... you probably can read a piece in three days..." This was also the reason why he said that she needed a hundred years to complete the task.

Chu Liuyue's eyelids twitched harshly. One piece in three days... There were at least 10,000 here! Who knows when I have to read them till? Not to mention that this is just 'the first step.'

Facing Chu Liuyue's silence, Ah Jing thought for a while and comforted, "It's okay. After looking at it for a long time, you'll get used to it. Your reading speed will then become faster."

With his identity, status, and personality, it was rare for him to comfort someone. If it weren't because Chu Liuyue was the only owner of these music scores, he definitely wouldn't be so patient and harmonious.

However, this sentence clearly didn't comfort Chu Liuyue much.

She closed her eyes, rubbed her temples, and fell silent for a while before she accepted reality. Since I have already reached this step, it is impossible to turn around. Then... I just hope that I can finish this as soon as possible!

An idea popped up in her mind as she recalled the torn piece of paper.

Probably because it felt the existence of the second music score, it didn't turn into a water droplet again. Instead, it maintained the state of torn paper and quietly floated in her dantian.

The rays of light glowed, and the energy flowed!

Chu Liuyue lightly spat out and reached her hand in.

A nearby transparent piece of paper floated to her hands—the first piece!

At this time, the zither sound clearly landed in her ears!

The killing intent was biting cold!

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Some mountain miles away, there was lush greenery with other hills surrounding it.

The intense Heaven and Earth Force caused it to be more fairy-like.

The tallest mountain peak was sharp and beautiful. At first glance, it really looked like a paradise.

On the mountain, there were many stairs that led to the top.

A pile of rocks gathered and formed a door on the mountaintop, and a piece of wood was hung on said door: Wugou Peak!

This was the most distinguished existence out of the 18 mountain peaks in the Nan family! Almost all the distinguished people of the Nan family were gathered here.

Normal people didn't even have the right to come near to this place, let alone go up the mountain.

On Wugou Peak, many intricate yards had people of distinguished statuses in the Nan family.

At the top was a magnificent building.

At this point, a tall and burly figure stood before the door and looked afar. That person was the Nan family's master—Nan Yifan!

He looked like he was in his forties. Even though time had left traces on his face, one could still see his handsome appearance in his youth.

His purple robe and his entire aura made him look even more high and mighty.

He stood there and looked afar as if he were waiting for something.

"Master, Eldest Young Master and Second Missy haven't sent a message back. I'm afraid it won't happen today. Why don't you go back and rest first?" advised an elder, who looked like a slave, behind Nan Yifan.

"I know." Nan Yifan nodded. "But they did go on this trip for quite some time. I do miss Yiyi a little."

Thinking about it, Yiyi had never left his side for so long.

"I wonder... if it's successful."

After all, it wasn't a small matter. It was impossible for him not to be worried.

The old slave smiled, and his old eyes squinted. "With Eldest Young Master and the two elders around, Master, you don't have to be worried. Besides, Second Missy has always been smart and agile. Isn't the mission as easy as ABC to Second Missy? You don't have to worry."

Hearing him say this, Nan Yifan's face revealed a delighted and doting smile.

He only had this one daughter who was born pretty and talented, so he naturally doted on her. This time, it was one of the rare times he was hard on Nan Yiyi. But at the end of the day, it was still for her own good.

Even though this child was still very upset with him because of this, when she was more mature in a few years, she should be able to understand his intentions.

"I hope so." As Nan Yifan spoke, he retracted his gaze and planned to turn around to enter the house.

But the moment he took a step out, he suddenly felt something, and his expression changed drastically!

At the side, the old slave immediately detected that something was amiss and concernedly asked, "Master, what's wrong?"

He had followed Nan Yifan for many years and rarely saw him show such an expression.

Nan Yifan clenched his fists, and there seemed to be waves crashing in his eyes. "Yiyi's aura suddenly disappeared!

Once he said this, the old slave's expression instantly changed. "How can this be?"

Nan Yifan rapidly opened the door to enter. That elder immediately followed and locked the door behind him.

After entering, Nan Yifan took out a piece of jade pendant. On it, four sparks floated lightly.

Chapter 1700 Requesting Help

Seeing this, Nan Yifan finally heaved a sigh of relief. Fortunately...

Inside were the auras of Nan Yiyi and the others. If anything happened to either of them, the jade pendant would immediately react.

From the looks of things, all four of them should still be alive. However, why have they suddenly broken off contact?

Nan Yifan only had this son and daughter, and he doted on them very much. Therefore, he had specially made a lot of preparations to be able to contact them at any time. But now, that connection had suddenly been severed!

How could he not be anxious?

"Uncle Dan, something must have happened to them!" Nan Yifan said firmly.

The old man called Uncle Dan also frowned. "What about the Eldest Young Master? You—"

Nan Yifan's expression darkened. "He can't be reached either."

If not for that, he wouldn't be so nervous.

Uncle Dan didn't expect the matter to be so serious and hurriedly advised, "Don't be anxious. Look, they're actually still fine, right? As for why we can't contact them, there must be a reason. I'll investigate immediately!"

With that, he turned around and planned to walk out.

Nan Yifan put away the jade pendant and gritted his teeth. "There's no need to investigate. Something must've happened in the God-Killing Tumulus!"

He couldn't think of any other reason!

He thought for a moment, then walked out almost without hesitation. "I'll personally make a trip to the God-Killing Tumulus!"

Uncle Dan was shocked. "Clan Leader, aren't you going in a hurry? The clan—"

"There's no time." Nan Yifan stopped in his tracks, but his expression turned even uglier. "Even if they had encountered trouble, this never happened in the past. This time, they must've encountered great danger! What kind of place is the God-Killing Tumulus? If we don't get there in time, I'm afraid it'll be too late!"

Uncle Dan wanted to say something but hesitated. I'm actually very worried about their situation, but many people in the clan don't know about their trip this time. If the family head goes over, the news will definitely spread like wildfire. At that time, I'm afraid—

"Uncle Dan, now isn't the time to be calculative! If something really happens to Yuxing and Yiyi—" Nan Yifan didn't finish his sentence, but his expression said it all. No matter what the consequences are, nothing else matters as long as they are fine. But if they are dead... then everything will be gone! At that time, there will be no chance to remedy it or regret it!

Uncle Dan's heart skipped a beat, and he immediately lowered his head. "Clan Leader is right. I was confused!"

Nan Yifan waved his hand.

"I know you're also thinking about the overall situation, but this matter involves the God-Killing Tumulus. I'm afraid we can't care less."

He frowned and thought for a moment. "Invite Luo Yan and the others to go with you."

Uncle Dan was stunned for a moment before he immediately bowed and responded respectfully. "Yes."

With Elder Wu Peng and Elder Bai Tong accompanying them, something still happened. The situation there is probably more complicated than expected. It is safer for a few more people to go.

Uncle Dan opened the door and went out. His figure quickly disappeared from sight.

Nan Yifan paced back and forth, waiting anxiously. This happened too suddenly. They didn't even have time to send out any distress messages before—

What exactly happened? Nan Yifan didn't dare to think too much about it.

There had always been all kinds of rumors about the God-Killing Tumulus. However, the two times he had been there in the past hadn't been dangerous, so he had always felt that the God-Killing Tumulus wasn't as terrifying as the rumors said.

Until this time-

He began to regret it secretly. It was still a little risky to send only Elder Wu Peng and Elder Bai Tong! If I had known...

But how could there be a cure for regret in this world? The only thing he could do now was silently pray that those people would be safe before they arrived at the God-Killing Tumulus.

Soon, Uncle Dan rushed over with a few people.

Nan Yifan quickly scanned the area and was stunned. "Where's Luo Yan?"

In the entire Nan family, Luo Yan's combat strength could be ranked in the top five. Moreover, he had always doted on Nan Yiyi, so this time, Nan Yifan had made up his mind to bring Luo Yan along from the beginning.

Uncle Dan's expression was a little subtle. "Luo Yan isn't here."

"He's not here? He's usually obsessed with cultivation and rarely goes out. Why is he suddenly gone now? He—" Suddenly, Nan Yifan paused. There is only one reason why Luo Yan would leave so quietly. Could it be—

Seeing that he seemed to have guessed it, Uncle Dan nodded helplessly. "He seems to have already left for the God-Killing Tumulus."

As expected!

For a moment, Nan Yifan's mood became even more complicated. Logically speaking, Yiyi and the others should've gained a strong helper since Luo Yan has gone. Therefore, why did something still happen? And judging from the time, they seem to have met with an accident after Luo Yan arrived!

This made Nan Yifan even more worried.

He suppressed the surging emotions in his chest and abdomen. Without hesitation, he then moved! "Uncle Dan, stay behind and deal with the clan's matters. The others, follow me!"

No matter what, I have to bring Yiyi and the others back safely!

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Godly Phoenix Hall.

In the hall, Yi Zhao sat at the head of the table with the elders on both sides.

Only four of the five elders had come today. Elder Yi Gong did not appear here.

Yi Zhao glanced at the empty spot. "Yi Gong still hasn't come today?"

Elder Yi Jiao looked a little embarrassed and replied in a low voice, "Yes. Ever since Yi Ran's accident, First Elder has been sad and hasn't adjusted his emotions."

The people present had different expressions. How is he sad for Yi Ran? He is clearly sad that his years of hard work have been wasted!

All these years, he has spent a lot of effort nurturing Yi Ran. How could he accept this outcome?

Yi Zhao couldn't be bothered to expose him, so he nodded indifferently. "Then, let him rest well."

Anyway, it wouldn't matter much if he didn't come.

After that, the few of them reported and summarized some things in the clan as usual.

Yi Zhao made a decision.

In fact, ever since the ancestral ceremony ended, there had been nothing major happening at Godly Phoenix Mountain.

"Recently, the children of the clan seem to be much more diligent in their cultivation than before." Elder Yi Shang smiled. "They must've been stimulated by Tuan Zi during the ancestral ceremony."

At the mention of Tuan Zi, a smile appeared on Yi Zhao's ice-cold face. "Tuan Zi is younger than them, but she's much stronger. Of course, it's impossible for them not to feel anything. It's not bad to have the heart to chase after Tuan Zi."

Unfortunately, nobody knows when Tuan Zi will return. Yi Zhao thought regretfully.

Suddenly, a reddish-gold feather floated over from the hall.

Yi Zhao's expression changed, and he abruptly stood up!